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Bridge Team Takes Second

Civil engineering technology students from Southern College of Technology tied for first place at the national Steel Bridge Building Competition, May 14, topping teams from the University of Florida, San Diego State, North Dakota State, New Mexico State, USAF Academy, West Point, Michigan State, and twelve other teams from universities around the nation.

The competition was hosted by San Diego State University at San Diego, California.

The eight member team and faculty advisor, Michael Orlandella, tied for first place with Rensselaer Polytechnic University, from Troy, New York, in overall performance and was given second place in competition after a tie-breaker judging aesthetics of the 21-foot steel bridges. This is the third consecutive year that Southern Tech has placed second at national competition and the second year by a tie-breaker.

The team blew away the competition, assembling their bridge in 2 minutes, 3 seconds and winning the economy category. Team Captain Luthin Crenshaw, a senior, left slightly disappointed with the final outcome. "We are pleased with our performance, but this is the second year in a row that we have lost by a tie breaker using non-engineering criteria," said Crenshaw.

Sponsored by the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) and the American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC), the competition challenges students to design, fabricate, and assemble a 21-foot steel bridge, taking into account such factors as weight and carrying capacity.

"Our bridge weighed 89-pounds and carried the design load of one and one quarter tons. Some bridges collapse under full load in competition and are disqualified," Crenshaw said. Judging is based on construction time, bridge weight, and stability and movement under stress.

This year's team was sponsored by donations from the Georgia Highway Contractors Association, Astechologies, INCO Services, Robert and Co., C.W. Matthew's Contracting Co., Mechadyne Machine, Inc., Pruitt Eberly & Stone Engineering, Charles W. Scott Builders, the Southern Tech Alumni Assoc., and 30 other corporate and private sponsors.

Governing Bodies Host Town Hall Meeting

By JEN WALLER

Thursday, May 19, Staff council, Faculty Senate, and Student Government Association held another Town Hall Meeting. The meeting was held so that students, faculty, and staff could discuss problems and concerns, in addition to bringing suggestions to the attention of Southern Tech administration.

One of the first topics of discussion was about the student activities fees and the other extra fees that students taking over six hours must pay. The student pointed out that most classes on campus are five hours or less and a student taking only one class has the option of paying the student activities fee or not. He stated that in the electrical department there were many classes that are taken for six credit hours, making the payment of the fees mandatory.

In addition, he said that students taking one class wouldn't have time to use the benefits that they are paying for, since they are most likely non-traditional students with families and full-time jobs.

Vice President Charles Smith said that to lose the revenue gener-



"Well, you see... I'm glad you me asked that... That's a good point... We are looking into that... The problem is how to pay for it... It's the Regents' decision and we can't change it... What was the question?" -Photo by Bill Finnick

ated from these students would make a significant impact. He also said that there are benefits that do exist that these students will be able to take advantage of, such as the Stu-

dent Center.

Dean Smith went on to say that the Board of Regents says that if a student takes over five hours, then he or she is required to pay the

activities fee, taking it out of the school's hands.

In response to the statement that these students would never be able

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Student Center Still Under Warranty

By BILL FINNICK

The recent problems encountered by users of the Joe Mack Wilson Student Center have been magnified by the process under which the renovation was made and other factors beyond the control of the student center management.

According to sources in the Plant Operations Southern Tech does not technically own the student center yet. The Georgia State Financial Investment Corporation (GSFIC) owns the student center.

When the tile buckled outside the Center's grand entrance a bureaucratic morass enviable even in Washington D.C. starts its way slowly up hill.

When a fault, like the tiles, is found a preliminary determination of cause is established (no expansion joint).

The school then contacts the landlord (GSFIC) who in turn contacts the Architect, who in turn contacts the general contractor, who in turn contacts the sub-contractor that did the actual work. A time to have the item repaired is established and the problem is resolved.

The school has a punch list, faults identified when the school first accepted the building, and can add to that list for the first year any

problem with material and workmanship.

Some items like the roof have longer warranties that are established by contract and secured by bond.

The recent problems with the air conditioning unit were a conglomeration of circumstances the school had little control over.

Cooling coils froze this winter

and were not detected until the first warm day this spring. Who was at fault for exposing the coils this winter had to first be determined and

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Lab Space CET's Problem

By BRENT TEMPLE

The summer catalog is out, and students are madly scrambling to get their schedules planned out. Construction students typically have a hard time finding classes for the summer quarter. The Construction department usually offers only the Capstone project, also called the Senior project.

The department usually has only one instructor working the Summer. This summer, one other class is being offered. Two of the required classes for construction majors are CET 301 and CET 302, Soil Mechanics and Construction Materials, respectively.

Several weeks ago, in some of the classes, a survey was passed around for people to sign up and let the CET department know what classes would be needed for this summer. Enough students wrote in to fill several classes in CET 301 and 302. When the summer catalog

was released, neither class was offered. Many students were distressed by this omission. According to rumor, at least four Construction majors are having to substitute classes, with their departments approval, in order to graduate this fall. Others are variously inconvenienced.

But lets not rush off and picket the CET department yet. Both Soil Mechanics and Construction Materials are classes requiring labs. Until now, the labs have been located in the CET/Architecture/Who Knows What Else building, A.K.A. building I.

As the Architecture program strives to get its accreditation they are told that they won't be considered for accreditation unless they get the entire building to use. O.K.

Now where do the 301 and 302 labs go? As it turns out, the CET department is renovating another building (Building SJ in the back of your well-read student handbook) for use starting this fall. That sounds

great for everybody stuffed into building I, and it is, but unfortunately this is where the problem comes for the Construction students. The renovation is happening during summer quarter. And there is no facility to house the classes over the summer. Technically, the labs aren't going to be in the new CET building, they are going to be moved to another building beside the new facility.

Previous plans were to keep the labs in the Architecture building until after the summer and then renovate the new labs after the CET project was over. But with the Architects needing the space, the lab renovation was added to the CET building renovation. Even up to a few days before the release of the summer catalog, the CET department was trying to find instructors for the classes. The usual instructor is taking the summer off. Then at the last minute they found out that the classes would be homeless.

EDITORIALS

Let Jen Waller Graduate!

PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE

By JEN WALLER

Since this is my last quarter (business strategy and migraines willing) I would like to take this opportunity to discuss some of the things that have gone on recently during my time at Southern Tech.

First off, I've noticed that the people who do the best job of representing Southern Tech are quite often the people who are overlooked in funding, and vice-versa. As the last *Consensus Editorial* stated, the bridge team consistently represents us well on a national level. This year they came in second after a tie-breaker. Great job, guys. It's a shame that you can't have every bit of the funds that you deserve. I still think that you should ask the basketball team for some money. Oh yeah. The basketball team should make sure to read the athletics story on page four of this issue.

Another thing (that Ed brought to my attention): Has anyone else noticed that the people who drive those little club carts all over campus need to keep off the grass? They have a little road going from the stairs of the Student Center to the parking lot on the West side of the building. They spend days making the campus look pretty, and it looks great... all except for the assortment of mud roads through the grass. I know that you all take pride in your work. Don't mess it up!

In hopes that this Editorial will be about as comprehensible as a typical Bill Finnicks one, I will bounce uncontrollably to the next subject.

I only sort of like what's going on with this TQM/Continued Campus Improvement thing. The idea is good, but the part of it that makes me worry about it is that I seem to notice a lot of folks following and talking about the principles of Total Quality Management only when it is to their imme-

diated advantage. I won't go into any specifics since my intention is not to embarrass. I'd like to ensure that people don't babble senselessly or follow blindly behind the philosophies of TQM, but exercise their own common sense intertwined with the many excellent ideas of Deming, Crosby, and the other gurus of TQM. But I guess that if everyone exercised common sense and respect for others, then we wouldn't need a TQM class at Southern Tech.

Another subject that peaked my interest is the PR for the past week's Town Hall Meeting, or more precisely, the lack of it. Whoever decided that the publicity for this meeting was going to be handled by the PR Chairman of Student Government should have at least informed me (the PR Chairman) of the decision. Better yet, discussing the meeting with the Student Government IN GENERAL would have been a nice touch to the event. We were never even told that the event was going to take place at all and were all surprised that we had been named as a sponsor. In the future, Staff Council and Faculty Senate members, don't commit people from the SGA to ANYTHING without first consulting them.

Oh yeah. In closing.... JOIN THE STING! JOIN THE STING! JOIN THE STING! A huge percentage of my fun times at Southern Tech surrounded *Sting* events. I met many friends and my boyfriend at *Sting* functions (some at parties, some at layout or meetings) *Sting* work can be hectic, but it gives you much life experience. Give it a try. Bill needs a bigger staff!

JEN WALLER hopes that she does graduate this quarter, so that she won't look like a complete moron and start violating Marietta's Blender Rules or Frisbee Ordinances.

Bill for President... NOT!

By BILL FINNICK

The shot having been fired over the bow of the ship that is Southern Tech, sailing toward the horizon of greater common good, we have no recourse but to pick up the gauntlet at our feet and smite that which is evil among us.

No, no, no dead horses is another department.

Having had no real topic, which has never stopped me from sharing my thoughts before, I ventured to the Town Hall meeting last Thursday. Actually I was invited by one of the moderators.

After 57 minutes I had to leave for class, but at least I had a new found appreciation for our beloved President Cheshier. What would happen if I had been in his shoes to respond to some of the items brought to his attention?

Bill's non-presidential responses:

Note: the questions were real the answers are the deranged opinion of the writer and do not reflect the position of any organization or other individual at the Southern College of Technology.

- To the problem of people walking on the grass - God created grass to feed his grazing creatures and for man to walk upon. Man created sidewalks to keep his shoes clean. We have a highly trained staff of mowers that try to intimidate students onto the pavement, but if those pesky students do not mind a little mud on their soles let their paths wander where they may.

- About the side walk that leads not to the bus stop - If we made it easy to get off this campus everyone would do it. The side walk leads to the fence so that the students can ponder the course they are taking, change majors, and keep our enrollment up for a little while longer.

- Concerning the campus directory updates

which are not disseminated in a timely manner - Lady we want the new people we hire to develop credit and accumulate a sizeable debt, that way they need to keep working for us before they realize they have to deal with the likes of you on a daily basis.

- Responding to Electrical evening students having ten six-hour classes that force them to pay a lot for nothing - face it kid everyone is paying for some nothing at Southern Tech, the evening students just get a little less than nothing.

- When will women have athletic opportunities at Southern Tech - Maybe, and this is a qualifying maybe, when your daughter is ready to choose a college.

- To clarify VP Smith's answer about dorm fees - I hope there are no math majors present because to increase the percentage of on-campus housed students, while decreasing the number of rooms available, Einstein predicted there would be a definite decline in enrollment. Wait a minute what was the original question anyway?

There were many more important issues discussed, like the painting irregularities of the dorm bathrooms but my staff has told me my time is up.

Back to my original thought though:

Students who are upset over the dismissal of professors that can teach are exhibiting concern.

Professors that speak ill of other professors, to students no less, are lacking in professional ethics - if nothing else.

And finally: An Administrator that offers only excuses to real problems is grossly incompetent.

Bill would offer to be Kassia's champion but she deserves better, and can probably do better on her own.

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CONSENSUS EDITORIAL

We *The Sting* Staff would like to encourage everyone on campus to vote in the upcoming Student Government Elections. The voting will be held on May 24-May 26, 1994, in the Joe Mack Wilson Student Center.

Our personal choices for the 1994-95 SGA officers are Shannon Acreman for President (obvious choice!), Kevin Webster for Vice-President, and Krista Winter for Secretary/Treasurer (another easy choice). But do not worry Shannon and Krista, we would have voted for you anyway.

A key to voting: remember there may not be anyone running that you want to vote for, but there is almost always someone running that you want to vote against.

"Entry Level" Gives Realistic View of Life After College

By DIANA SMITH

(CPS)-So, you've arranged milk crates into a somewhat satisfying configuration in your roach-infested apartment, and you're now counting spare change for a Sunday night six-pack while anticipating another day spent toiling in obscurity at your dead-end McJob.

Welcome to life after college. Perhaps the best thing you can say about it is that you're not alone; there are thousands, perhaps millions of others like you. And you can, at least, laugh about your troubles if you read the recently published *Entry-Level Life: A Complete Guide to Masquerading as a Member of the Real World*.

"It's kind of a practical book in a weird way," says author Dan Zevin, who admits to living an entry-level life himself in the Boston area. Zevin, a free-lance writer, says he decided to write the tongue-in-cheek guide after

well-meaning relatives pressed upon him books written for graduating college seniors that purported to give practical advice about living and working in the Real World.

The books, he says, contained nothing but lies and cheap, unintentionally hilarious platitudes. The reality is much worse and much funnier than anything middle-age marketers could make up, he decided.

So Zevin wrote "Entry-Level Life," which offers helpful how-tos within sections titled "How to Decode an Apartment Ad and Pass Yourself Off as a Responsible, Rent-paying Tenant," "How to Bluff Your Way Through an Interview," "Office Expletives," "How Not to Fix the Xerox Machine," "Your New Social Life: Some Assembly Required," and "From Kegger to Cocktail."

"It's the book I wish someone gave me when I left school," Zevin says. "I'm giving entry-level lifers

what they need now, which is a laugh."

After four (or five) years in the safe womb of college, the Real World can be traumatic for the eager young graduate contemplating all that lovely freedom and the prospect of having no money with which to enjoy it.

"It's so different from college," Zevin says. "You can't find a good job ... You don't have a built-in group of friends to help. It's like, now what?"

And, if you're lucky enough to land a job and live in decent housing, you find yourself surrounded by "violently insane bosses and anal-retentive roommates," he says.

Worst of all, entry-level lifers have to actually make an effort to get to know other young people who are not associated with their business offices. "You have to take drastic measures, such as introducing yourself," Zevin said.

The brightly illustrated guide

contains some other examples of common entry-level life, including multiple uses for milk crates, creative resume writing and tips on how (not) to get along with your boss or roommate.

The following excerpt is from "Professional Skills: A How-to Guide":

"Appearance: You are urgently plugging numbers into a complicated spreadsheet.

"Reality: You are playing Tetris.

"Appearance: You are staring at an empty computer screen, absorbed in deep thought.

"Reality: You have pressed 'Escape' just in time, erasing a MacDraw portrait entitled, 'Supervisor with Pitchfork Wound.'"

Despite the difficulties of getting started on life after college, Zevin says his book makes the point that the Real World is not all bad, even if it seems that way sometimes.

He has a chapter on "Mid-Midlife Crisis Management" that includes ways to combat postgraduate blues, such as getting married, getting a dog, quitting your job, moving to Seattle, joining the Peace Corps, taking a pottery class, and, if all else fails...

Going back to school.

To Find a Job, Read Job 101

By CHERYL WOODRUFF AND GREG PTACEK

(CPS)-One of the most often-repeated pieces of advice that corporate recruiters give is, "The more you know about our company and the job you're interviewing for, the better your chances of getting an offer."

The truth is, the more knowledgeable a candidate is, the more they will shine in interviews. Recent graduates should not consider the interview an information gathering process, but a forum for demonstrating their resourcefulness and ingenuity.

Lynn Nemser, a corporate human resources consultant with Partners in Performance Inc. in Pittsburgh, says graduates who continue to use their "good student" approach to job hunting are the most successful in finding the right jobs.

"Research is absolutely critical. If they start their career explorations the same way they start their courses, they are going to be successful," she says.

There's no shortcut to good research. Use all the sources available. Find out everything you can about the industry in general, and a company in particular, by scanning library databases for current newspaper, magazine or trade journal articles. Also check reference books and the library card catalog for any books that might have been written about the company.

The following sources will help you find the latest information:

- Info Trak, a computer database that surveys most newspapers, magazines and trade journals.

- Value Line Investment Survey, a monthly publication that provides current information on major corporations.

- Business Periodicals Index, a listing of publications that might

pertain to the industry you're researching.

- National Newspaper Index, a daily compilation of news stories from major city dailies.

Ask the company's public relations office to send you a copy of the most recent annual report and a financial statement. These will provide information on the company's earnings, forecasting, competition, and products and services. Also ask for any recruitment benefits brochures they might have.

Call your alma mater's alumni office and ask if there are any graduates who work for the companies in which you're interested. It's especially effective to talk to someone who is in a job similar to the one you want. Call those people and ask to meet with them, if possible. Otherwise, ask questions on the phone. Your goal is to find out what they do, if you are capable of doing it and if you're right for it. Also ask if they could help you in any way.

Here are some other questions to ask before the job interview:

- How many employees?
- How old is the company?
- Where is the company's main headquarters?

- What business activities is the company involved in? What are its main products or services?

- Who are its customers or clients? Who are its competitors?

- What is its market share? Annual revenues?

- How is it weathering the recession? Have there been any lay-offs?

Questions to Ask: Job Characteristics

- What qualifications, in terms of grades, work experience or curriculum and background, are required or preferred?

- What personality traits are most desired?

- What is the corporate culture

and philosophy? Mission statement? Dress code? Working conditions?

- What types of jobs are available to liberal arts graduates?

- What is the starting salary or range?

- What types of training programs are offered?

- What are the benefits?

- What is the specific hiring

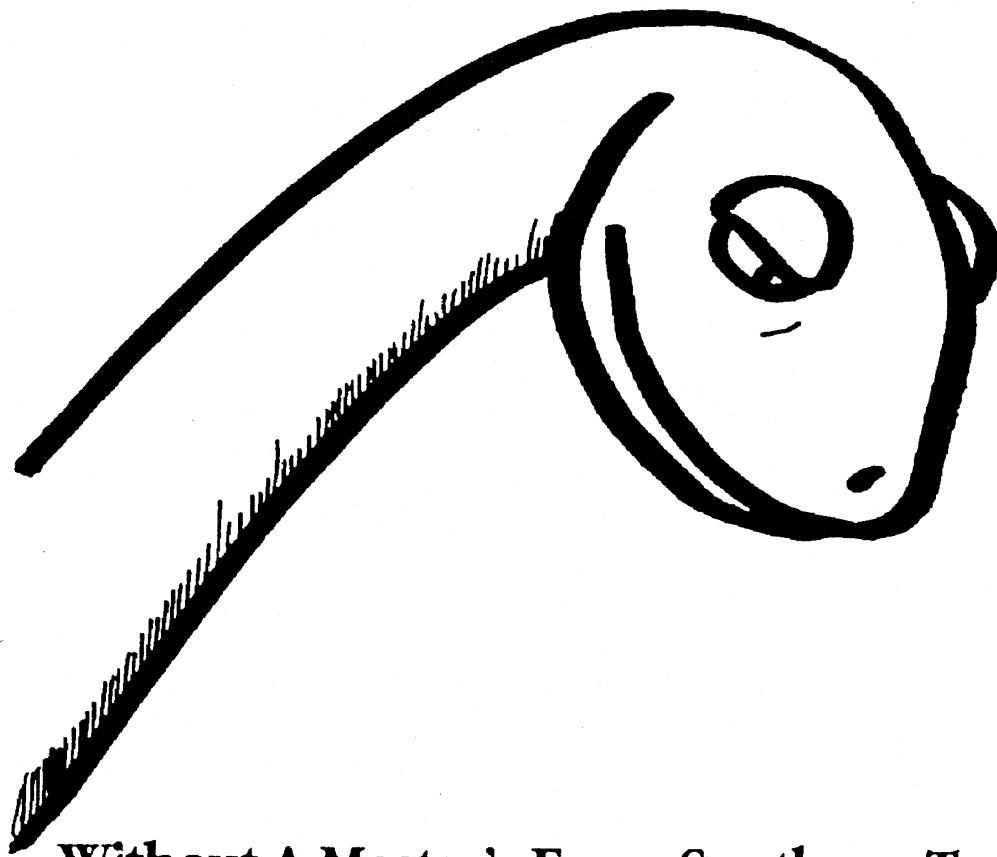
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University of Houston Faculty Abolishes Sports

By JENNIFER BURGESS

(CPS)-The Faculty Senate at the University of Houston recently recommended that the university's athletic programs be abolished or become self-supporting.

A poll conducted by the Faculty Senate earlier this fall suggests that students lack interest in collegiate sports, but the students polled do not

support the faculty senate's suggestion to abolish them.

Out of 300 students polled, only 8 percent said they regularly attend athletic games at UH. But 64 percent said the university's athletics should remain, despite the senate's recommendation. Faculty Senate President George Reiter said the student survey confirms that students

don't really care about the university's athletics. He said he was disappointed that students disagreed with the suggestion to eliminate athletics altogether, since they rarely attend the athletic events.

Director of Athletics Bill Carr said the survey is encouraging for the athletic department because it shows that students are interested in maintaining the athletics on campus. The non-binding resolution asks for the elimination of the football and basketball teams, and it asks that the baseball, golf, track, volleyball, tennis, swimming and diving teams become self-supporting.

Carr said that although most students rarely attend the athletic events, they realize the importance of athletics to the university.

"A lot of the students have busy schedules and probably can't come out to the events as much as they would like," Carr said.

Carr said he would not want to run an athletic department without student funding. He said student support is fundamental to the athletic program because when students pay an athletic fee they have a vested interest in the program.

Carr also said the \$34-per-semester athletic fee gives the athletic department an accountability to the students because the athletic department belongs to them. The total annual budget for the athletic department is \$2 million.

Reiter said a major problem with athletics is that academics are not a priority to them. He said the athletes

at UH have a 14 percent graduation rate, and that other students have a 23 percent graduation rate.

Reiter said the graduation rate of athletes should be much higher considering the athletes receive scholarships. Almost half of the university's \$5 million in scholarship money is for 250 athletes, out of 400 student athletes. The other half is divided up among 1,300 other students.

According to Reiter, the problem with athletes is that many are not qualified to be college students. "They wind up being used up for entertainment and they don't get an education or a career," he said.

In order to raise the graduation rate of athletes, Carr said he will hire an associate athletic director for academic services.

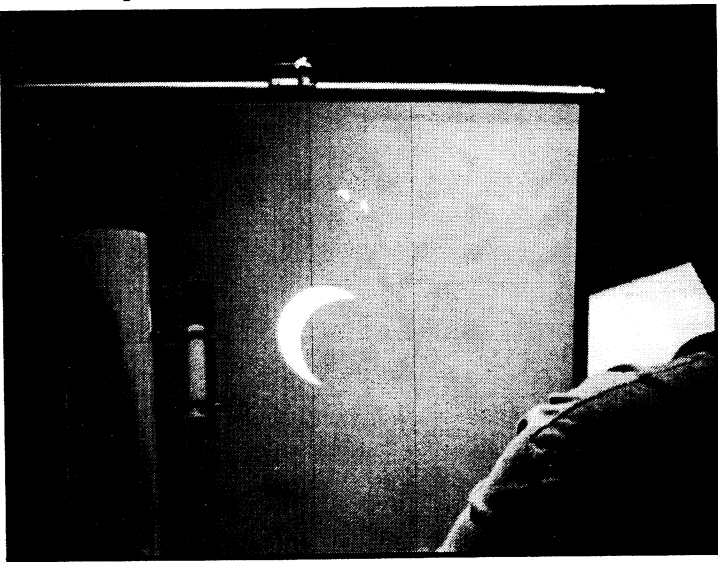
"We're working on raising the level of expectation and support for athletes in the classroom," Carr said. "It takes time but it will happen."

Reiter said the money used to support athletics could be better used in other areas of the campus, such as maintenance. He said he discovered a flood in his office, which is on the fourth floor of a five-story building, on the same day the announcement was made that a \$26 million football field was to be built on campus.

Carr said athletics is important for students and for the community because it creates loyalty and support for the university.

"It's a forum for bringing people together of diverse backgrounds on and off campus," Carr said. "You can't ask for more than that."

Eclipse Stuns Campus



Did you get to see the partial solar eclipse sponsored by the Southern Tech Physics Department? It was a rather rare event caused by the moon's coming between the earth and the sun. The next eclipse visible in the United States won't be until August 21, 2017, although there will be a total solar eclipse later this year in South America (November 3, in case your making plans.) In a total eclipse, it gets dark and the stars come out if it's not cloudy. Whereas in a partial eclipse such as the one we have just observed, it looks as if you're looking through sunglasses, only you don't have any on!

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when the parts were finally ordered the Teamster's strike stranded those replacement parts at a terminal far, far away.

The new cooling system is a constant flow, area controlled system that is to provide ventilation to all areas of the student center based on input received from thermostats throughout the building. The kinks within the control system are currently being worked out.

The flooding of the presidential dining area was not the work of mischievous students but rather that of construction materials left behind that found their way to the sewer system causing the back up.

The contractors are constantly repairing and finishing the work identified on the punch out list.

The new building warranty expires sometime this July and at that time Southern Tech's plant operations people can respond to the repair needs and provide a more timely and proficient response to the building's problems.

After many years of being at the bottom of the Student Center rankings in the state, Southern Tech has been elevated to the top five. As the minor blemishes and quirks are worked out the center should provide years enjoyment to the entire campus.

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process? (How many interviews, with whom, resumes, transcripts?)

- What are the drawbacks to working there?
- What is the interviewing process? Where? What questions do they ask?
- Describe a typical day or week.
- Any advice and tips for getting a job there?

Another strategy is to make a personal visit to the store, facility, office or corporate headquarters before your interview.

This will help you get the feel of what it would be like to

work there. Don't be afraid to chat with a receptionist or other employees you encounter. Be straightforward and ask them what it's like to work there and if they can give you any advice.

The information, knowledge and insight you gather during this research process will give you confidence for interviews and crucial information with which to tailor your resume.

Woodruff and Ptacek are co-authors of "The 150 Best Companies for Liberal Arts Graduates" (John Wiley & Sons, Inc., N.Y.).

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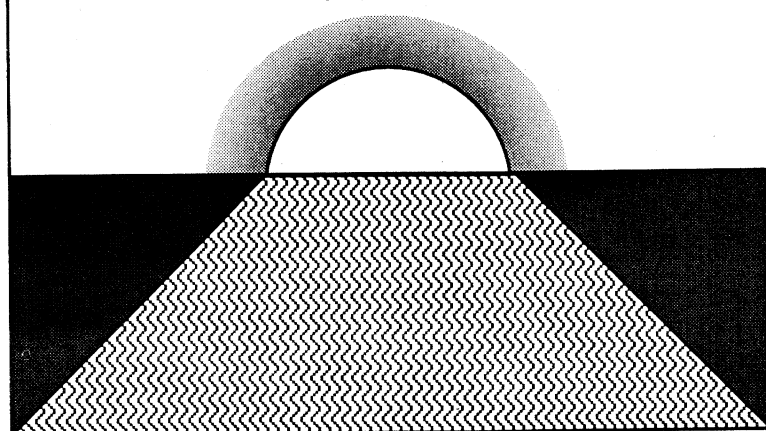
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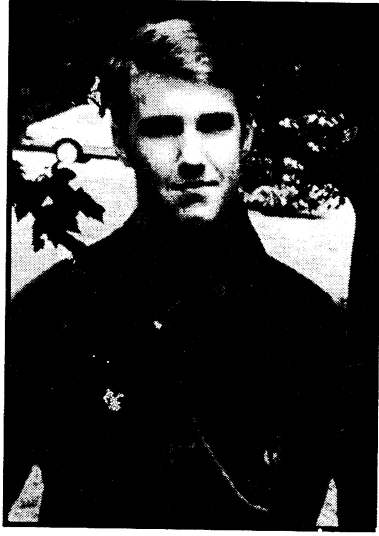
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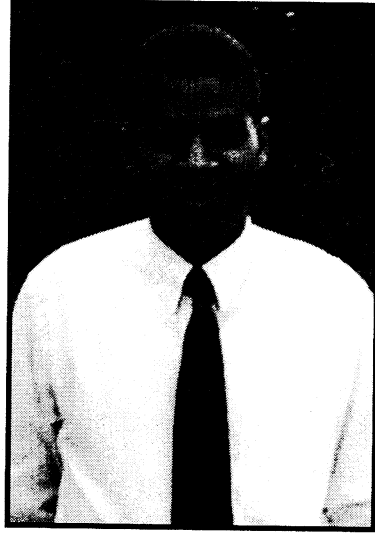
I have 2 years experience on SGA and know how things are run & what needs to be changed.

Vice President



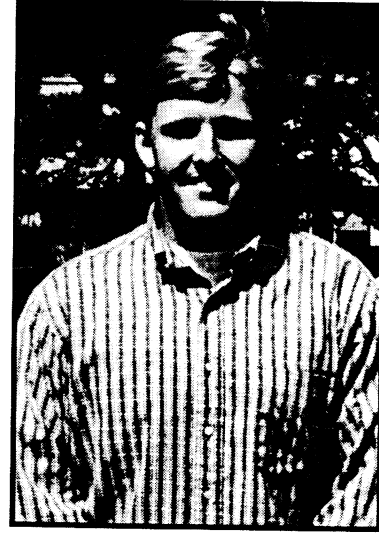
Kris Allegood

Experience with Robert's rules. Confidence in abilities. Work experience in real world problems. Leadership qualities developed from Pi Kappa Phi.



Kevin Webster

Being active as a committee member on the Internal Affairs Committee and then as a Council member on S.G.A. has given me the opportunity to see that an individual can make a difference.



Michael Weldon

I have had the the opportunity to attend Southern Tech for 4 years. And now I would like to use my knowledge of how the school is run & expand my leadership qualities.

Secretary/ Treasurer



Krista Winter

I'm a very responsible person and will keep accurate minutes and records for the students of Southern Tech.

Council Person – Council Person – Council Person

Andrew 'Skippy' Butler

I think as a new member I would be able to bring in new ideas and a lot of enthusiasm. -Oh and Cythia, I'll pay two bucks!!!

Jon Hamby

I want to become actively involved in school activities and I feel SGA is the best way.

David Kelley

I have 1 year's experience on Student Government and I know how things are run and what things need to be changed. I feel my experience in other campus organizations is a very strong attribute.

Matthew 'Chu' Nelson

My name is Matthew Nelson. I am a junior at SCT. I am experienced in Student Government, mostly from the outside, so I have seen the effect of Student Government on the clubs. Sometimes it not fair. I promise, if elected I will be as fair as possible for everyone. I have been Vice-President, Treasurer and Activities Coordinator of various clubs. I have organized various events here at Southern Tech, an auto detail, a party, and a spades tournament. I believe in good changes. So vote for a me and vote for a good change.

Dewayne Thomas

I am running for one of the council member positions because I'm interested in helping the student body get more

things that we need & want.

Reginald Walton

More of what you need - Less of what you don't require.

Andre Willis

Students at Southern Tech

should vote for me because I can and will keep them abreast on the events of the SGA, I can and will be available to answer questions regarding decisions made by the SGA, and I can and will introduce new ideas of my own and oth-

ers into the decision making body of the SGA. My experience in public relations is well noted and I will use this experience to help the public relations committee of the SGA to better communicate with the students.

David Czarnecki

Q: Why should you vote for me?
A: Because I'm not wearing any pants.

Cynthia Clements

I'll pay you a buck if you vote for me.

Kassia Cato

I want to make sure the students' interests are being watched out for.

Matt Duke

I have leadership experience that needs to be used.

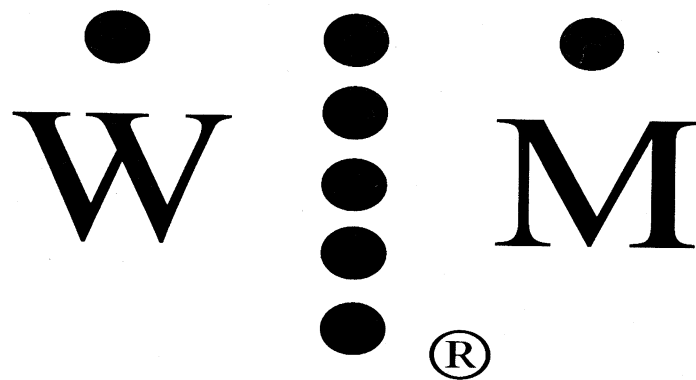
Paul Elliott

President of International Students Association, honest, hardworking and loves rum, reggae, and Red Stripe.

Robert Farrell

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Meg Ryan and Andy Garcia over-react to the AIDS epidemic and give up kissing in favor of just rubbing noses.

How Can Anyone Not Love Meg Ryan?

By BILL FINNICK

When a Man Loves a Woman, a Touchstone Pictures drama of how substance abuse affects far more than just the addict, directed by Luis Mandoki, starring Andy Garcia and Meg Ryan.

From the opening scene Alice and Michael Green are the picture of marital bliss. But there is a dark secret in their closet, and their drawers, and everything they do: mommy's an alcoholic.

As her disease rips her apart the family endures; who wouldn't - Meg Ryan is the most lovable screen star of our generation (W & X). Michael (Andy

Garcia) moves about constantly fixing whatever has happened. Then it all falls apart.

Now mommy's off to get help, daddy's job is on the rocks, Ann's flown the coupe, and the kids hate the thought of living with granny.

When Alice comes back she wants to be treated normally, but Michael is ever mindful of that delicate condition. So now this tension is ripping the fabric of these people's lives.

When a Man Loves a Woman is a fairly accurate account of an AA/ALANON relationship at work.

BILL FINNICK is not really a movie critic, he just plays one when no one else will take the free pass.

Leigh Forgets Title of New CD

By LEIGH BOROS AND DAVE DULA

Leigh and Dave's adventure started out with the sound of squealing a duster's wheels. As a mad woman drove up the sidewalk to pick up a cohort. She managed to miss a tree backing off the sidewalk. When the two journalists hit the expressway, we wondered if the car would hold together. We wanted to make it to the Material CD release party. But wait, it was off to grandmothers house to pick up the other Dave. In our haste to get to the Material CD release at Caffeinds we left grandma to the "Bear"....

Suddenly we were at Big Star

and went for a leisurely walk around Buckhead (where the Material CD release party was at). But Dave wouldn't get off my rock and people started shooting at us so we headed to Caffeinds where the Material CD release party was at. All three of us being shy and timid did not know who to talk to. So Dave was approached and told to eat and listen to the Material CD that was playing in the background. With a nice caffeine buzz going the music was really cool. The threesome was now ready to entertain the entertainers breaking the frigid ice of fear, out came the pocket microscope. We examined the cover of the new Material CD, even they thought that

was pretty cool. As the flame burned out we were encouraged to take the food and "MORE" home in boxes with hand decorated faces. The dead animal talk was the highlight of the evening.

We had a leisurely drive home through East Point and could not tell how many time our new Material tape played before we were back at headquarters. The music is alternative jazzy we all liked and its danceable. And even after the sugar and caffeine buzz was gone we still think you should check it out - The New Material CD is worth a listen and possibly a purchase!

LEIGH BOROS' and DAVE DULA's names are congruent.

Germinal/NOT a Cereal for Rats

By BILL GREVE

Based on the novel by 19th century author Emile Zola, *Germinal* is epic in scope, stunning in visual detail, and as melodramatic as a Disease-of-the-Week movie. It is the saga of class warfare between the workers and owners of European coalmines at the end of the last century.

Workers enter the mine as early as six years old, and after fifty years down below are able to cough up coal dust from their lungs. The workers need money to feed their children, but they have to have more children to send to the mines. Meanwhile, the

owners live in decadent luxury saying if the workers would spend less time in the bar they'd have more money.

Into all this enters Lantier, the stranger, bringing the new ideas of Marxism and of the workers standing up for their equal share. The owners say "if we can't make money you're out of a job." Another viewpoint is that of the anarchist sipping his soup, espousing total destruction of the system and starting over. Depardieu just

looks befuddled and beluga-like.

The coalmine, itself, is the most complex character in the movie as the actors come off as cardboard cutouts of people carrying their philosophies on sandwich board soundbites. It does have some good moments, and Miou-Miou, as Depardieu's wife, is excellent. Unfortunately, at 2 1/2 hours it just isn't that interesting.

BILL GREVE once spent a summer circling the world at Duffy's international beer garden.

MATH STINGER

By Dr. JOEL C. FOWLER

Assistant Professor of Mathematics

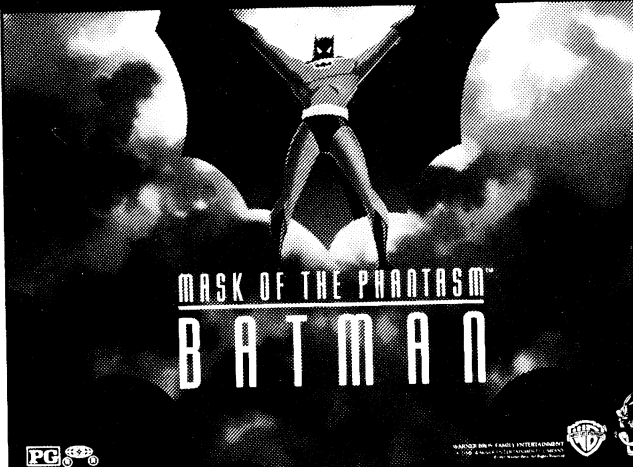
Last issue's puzzle was to find the area of a washer when the longest chord that can be drawn within it is 20 inches. The correct answer of 100(pi) was received from Ben Humphrey, Wayne Sheppard, Rob Rosser, Alan Gabrielli, Al Edwards, Stephen Bourne, Brendan Blake, Tony Panzarella, and Leo Kent.

An old puzzle that has been around for a long time in various forms is the following. Suppose that a person on the surface of the earth walks 1 mile south, then 1 mile east, then 1 mile north and is back where they started from. Where was the starting point? There is one standard answer to this puzzle usually given. Less often mentioned is the fact that there are an infinite number of starting points possible. Find the exact location of them all. For the purposes of your solution you may assume that the earth is a perfect sphere with a radius of 4000 miles.

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*.

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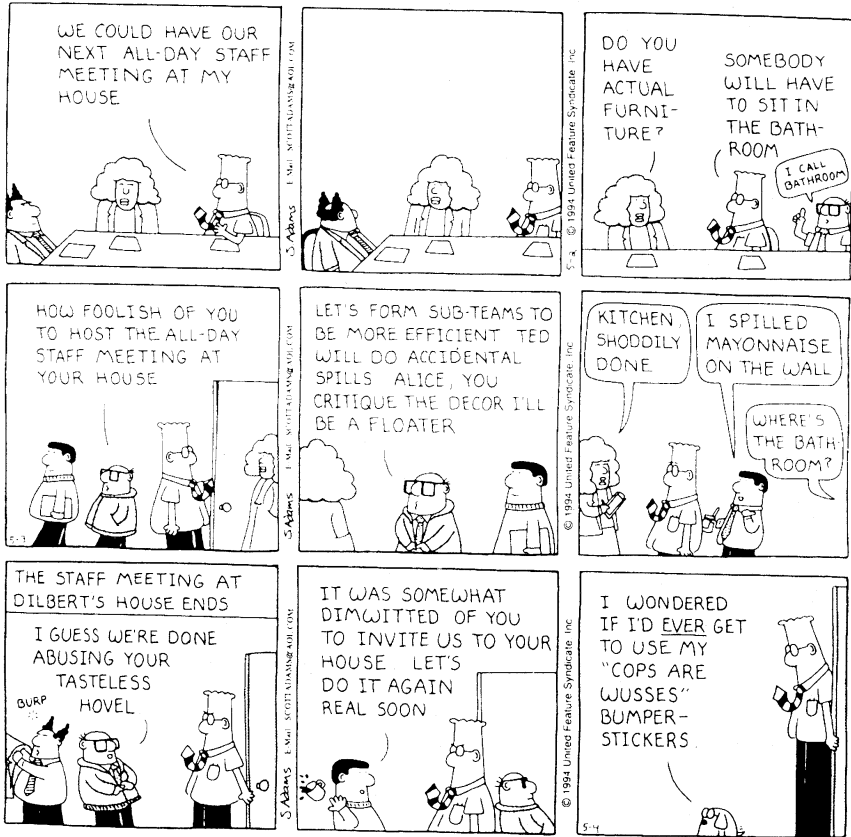
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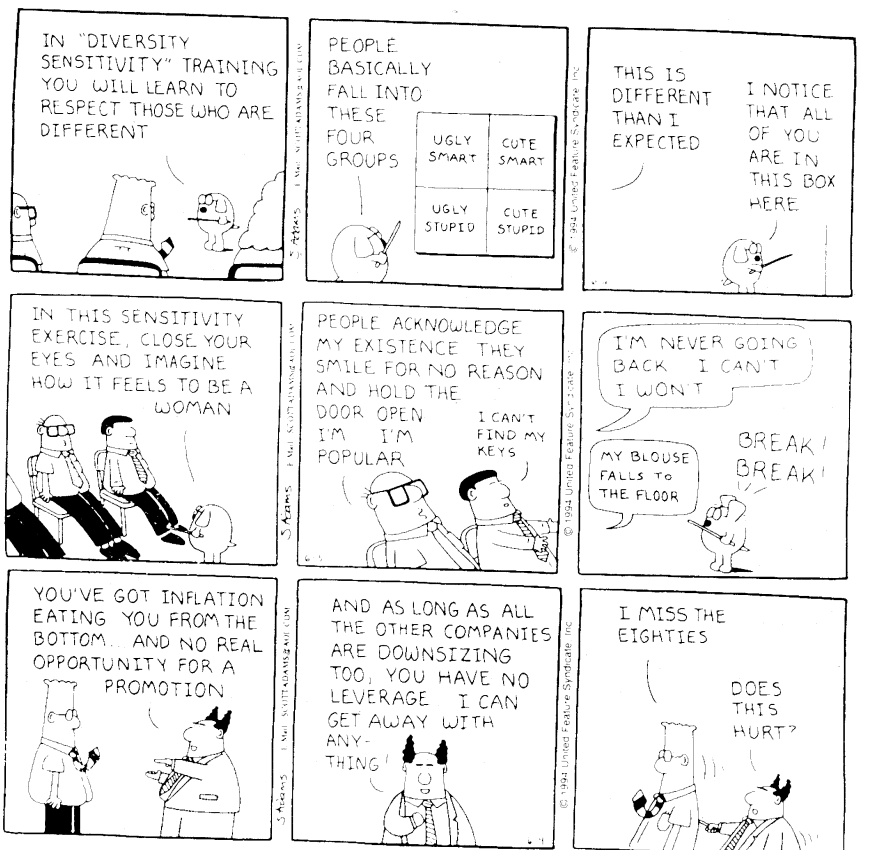
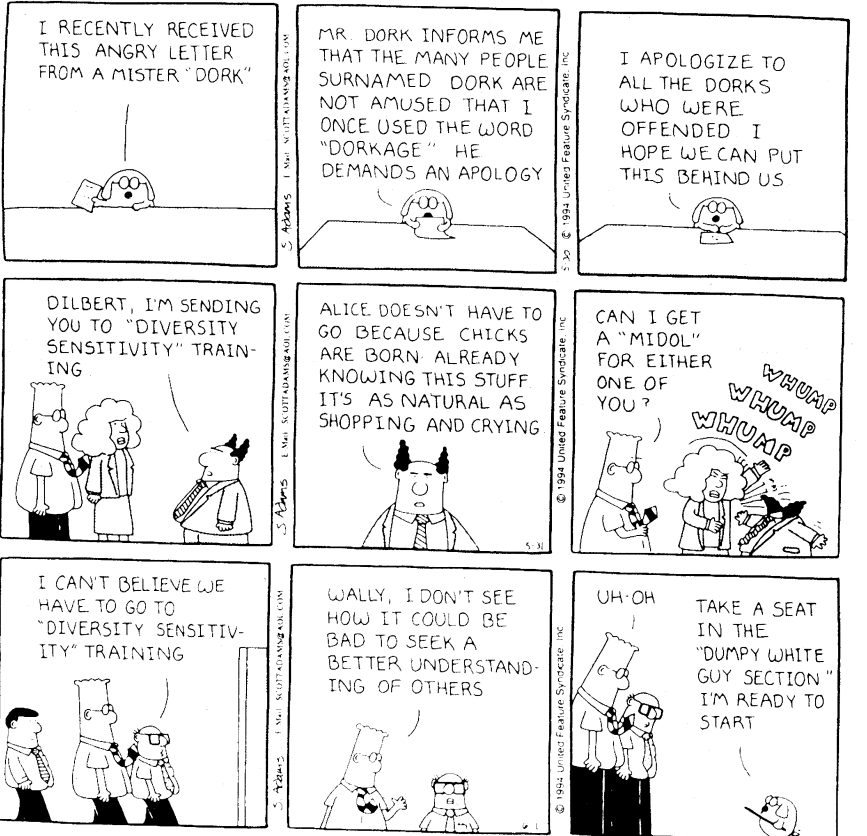
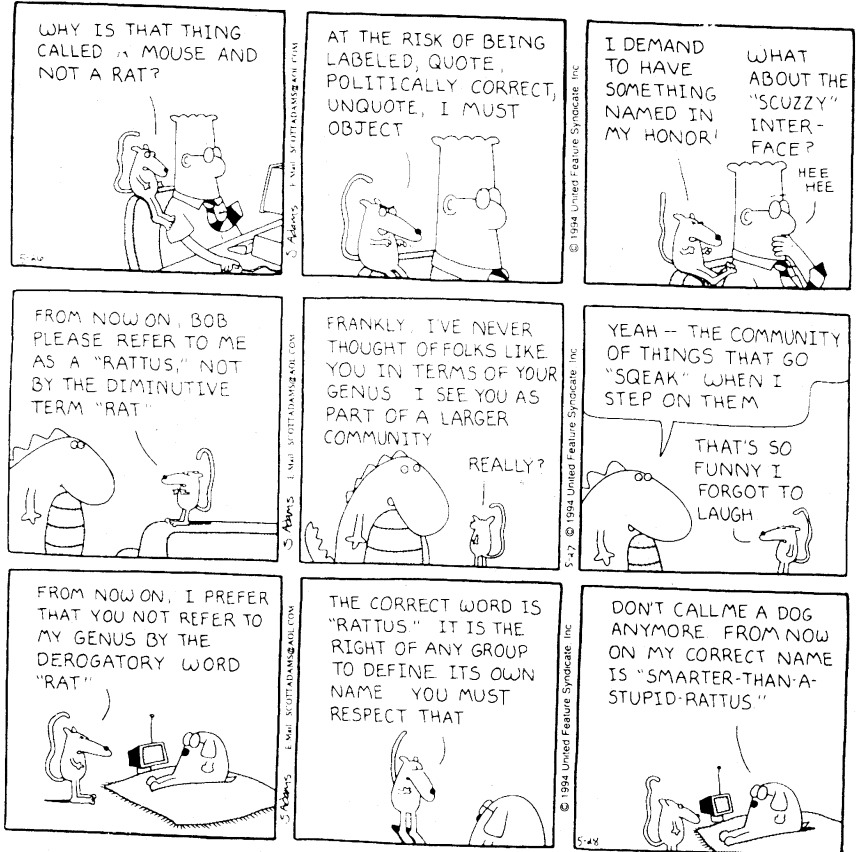
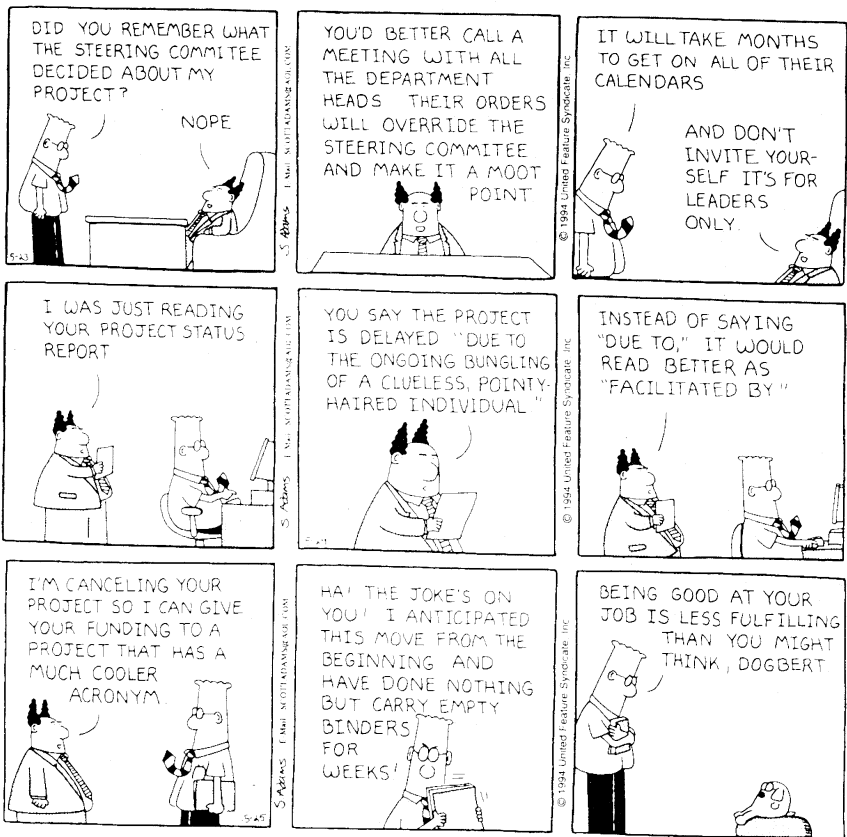
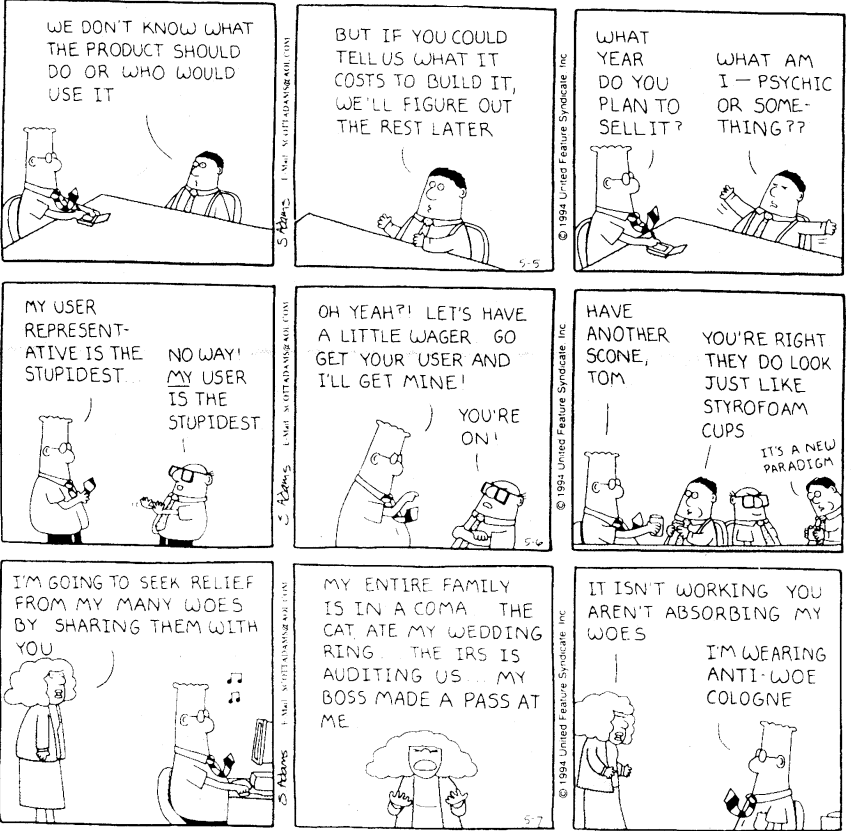


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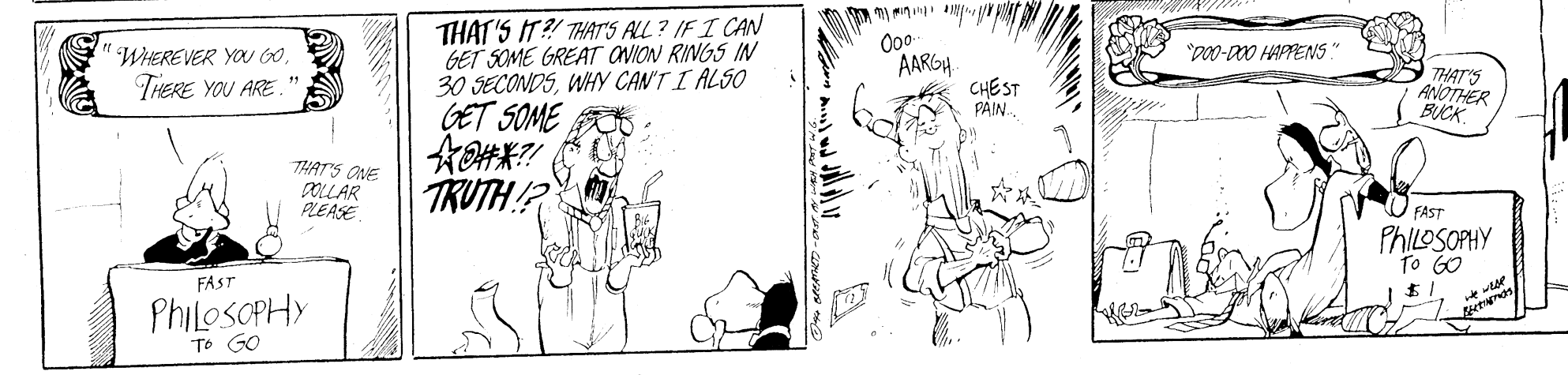
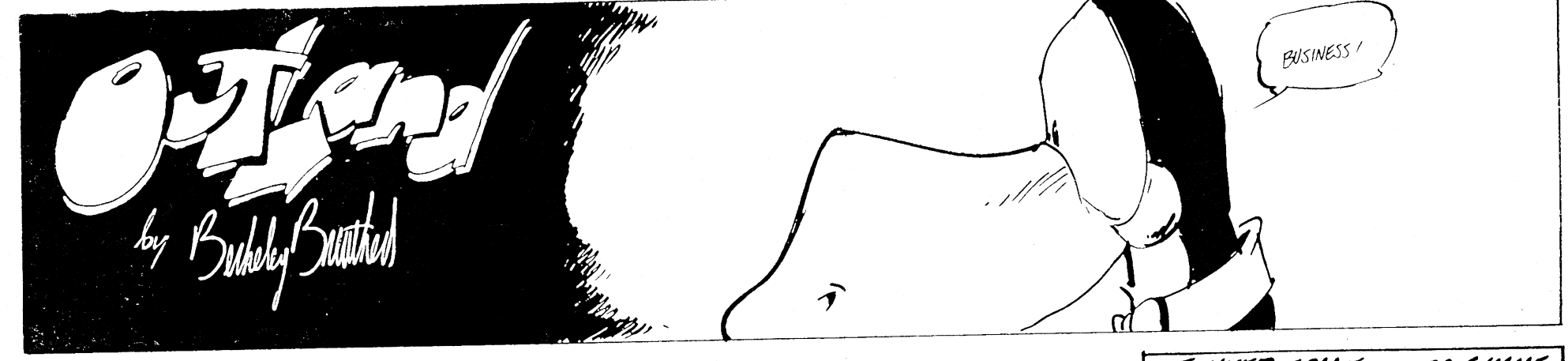
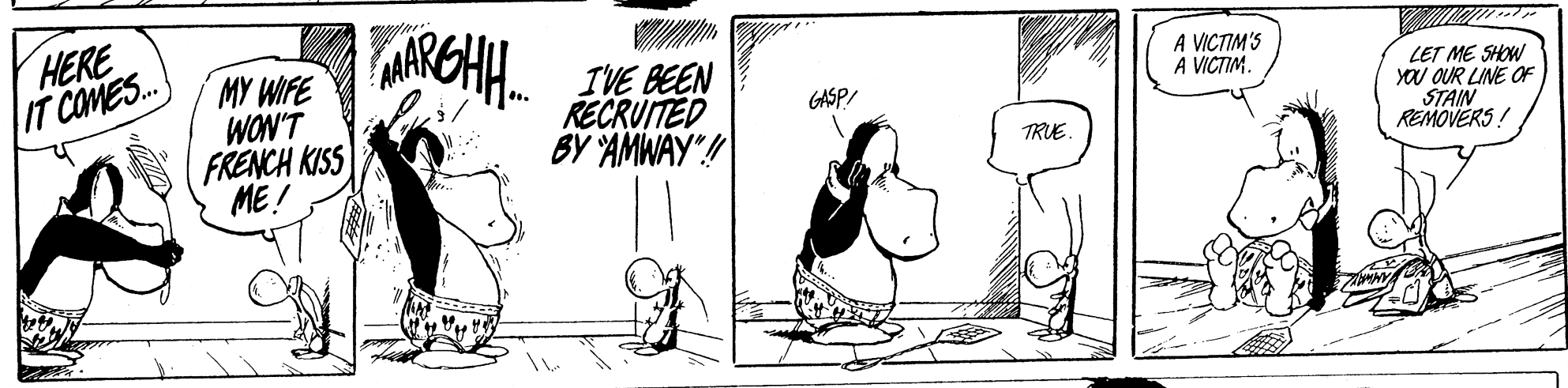
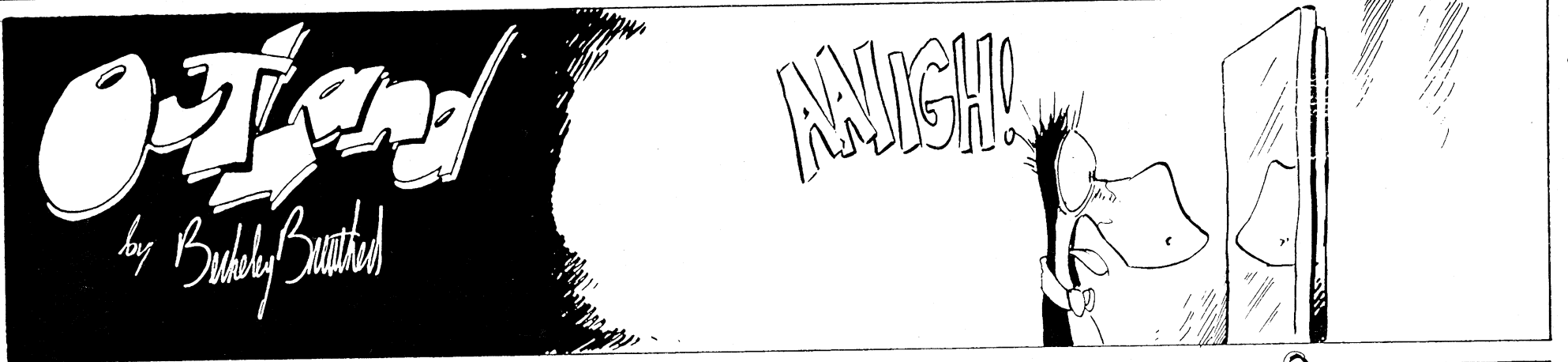
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SOUTHERN TECH SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS

By DRE'

The Southern Tech Society Of Black Engineers (STSBE) 1993-1994 Executive Board would like to thank all of you who helped us out throughout this year. Also, we would like to thank our advisors for their support and understanding. This year was a very busy year for many of the members as-well-as the Exec. board, but together, we still managed to sponsor the Member's Ceremony, Black Heritage Celebration, corporate social, church visits, drop day jam, movie

night, dating game, Pre-College Initiative programs, and other events. Once again thank-you to all who participated in this years events and we hope to see you at the upcoming events.

The 1994-1995 STSBE Executive Board consists of: Charmaine McKinney - President, Andre' Willis - Vice President, Kashna Beckett - Secretary, Marcia Griggs - Treasurer, Stephanie Lewis - Parliamentarian, Otis Jenkins - Fundraising, Dewayne Freeman - Public Relations, Dewayne Thomas - Special Events, Troy Crafter - Pre-College Initiative, and James Moran - Academic Excellence. We are currently taking suggestions for the 1994-1995 STSBE theme and encourage you make your ideas known. GOOD LUCK with finals and we hope to see you next quarter.

ΠΚΦ

PI KAPPA PHI

BY: TAGGUM AND WHITEFOOT

WELL, SORRY FOR THE STING OVERLOOKING OUR ARTICLE IN THE LAST ISSUE BUT WE ARE BACK. SINCE LAST TIME, WE HAD OUR CEREMONIAL CELEBRATION OF FLOWERS (ROSEBALL), OUR PARTY IN THE PARKING LOT (PRATERS MILL), AND MISC. TRIPS TO THE WATERHOLE (THE RANCH).

AT PRATERS EVERYBODY HAD A GOOD TIME WATCHING WELL DONE GO FACE TO FACE WITH THE STREAM. HIS FOUR WHEEL DRIVE LOST. THE HIGH LIGHT OF THE MONTH WAS DEFINATELY ROSEBALL. DID YOUR DATE SHOW UP? DID YOUR DATE SHOW UP ON TIME? DID YOU HAVE A DATE AT ALL? HOW ABOUT THOSE ELEVATOR RIDES? HEY BABYFACE HOW MANY STAIRS ARE THERE BETWEEN THE 2ND FLOOR AND THE 18TH FLOOR? CONGRATULATIONS TO ROBBIE AND FRAN ON THEIR ANGAGEMENT. CARL "BACARDI" HAWTHORNE ONLY HALF A SHOT YOU LIGHT WEIGHT. WAS YOUR ROOM

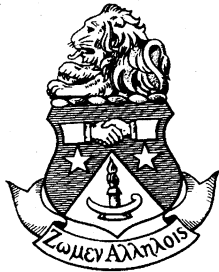
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LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

By JONATHAN WANG

Spring quarter has been a very busy time for the Lambda Chi brothers and associate members

After a great time of rushing, the fraternity turned it's attention to brotherhood by adding Jamie Moore, Mark Leckie, Ken Taffee, Paul



ALPHA DELTA PI

SPINNING, ANDDID YOU CHECK OUT AT 4:00 PM JUST OUT OF SPITE? WE HOPE EVERYONE HAD A WONDERFUL TIME.

PI KAPPS GET READY FOR GREEK WEEK. IT IS MAY 23RD-28TH. EVERYBODY WATCH OUT, WEGOTITCOVERED THIS YEAR. REMEMBER THE LUAU PARTY ON JUNE 4TH AND JOHN AND MONICA'S WEDDING JUNE 11TH. BABYFACE'S PHRASE OF THE WEEK "THE WORLD MAY NEVER KNOW". ENOUGH SAID!!!

Grimes, Tim Glover, and Cris Hartung to the Sigma Xi Zeta brotherhood tree. We welcome them to the life as a Lambda Chi!

Spring-time has arrived along with intramural softball. Lambda Chi has played hard and had fun earning a 4-2 record. This record places the Lambda Chi team in the state tournament. Good luck fellows and watch out for Sease's throw to first!

The White Rose Formal turned out great on May 15 at Bent Tree. After a long day of golf, horseback riding, swimming, and tennis;

everyone sat down to prime rib dinner with a panoramic view of the mountains.

Following the meal, everyone enjoyed the dance until the early morning hours. As usual, Bear was causing laughter with his outrageous deeds and antics!

As the quarter draws to an end, so does the time we have to spend with Bear and Poly. We are sad that their time has passed as an active brother, but everyone rejoices in their achievement of graduation. Sigma Xi will miss the presence of Brian Holland and Greg Esther.

By VICIOUS

Yes, we're back... Many thanks to Dr. Cochrane for presenting the Test Taking and Stress Management Workshop.

We all learned a lot! Thanks to all the sisters who participated in Techfest '94. You all made it a success.

It was great to see the support. We're all very excited about Black Diamond Formal on May 21st. I can't wait to see who is this year's "boob" and "party animal"! I'm sure everyone will know on Monday!

Congrats go to Leigh Ann for being the 1994 Rose Queen. Congrats also go to Jody. Just remember, ONE MORE QUARTER!! "We Live For Each Other"

ΣΝ

By #303 and 312

The end of a great spring quarter is coming down upon us.

Finals are staring us in the face, but that also means the Sigma Nu 3rd Annual Volleyball Tournament is coming.

It will be held June 4 & 5, if you are interested call the house at 421-0314.

The end of the quarter also means our BIG BLOWOUT

PARTY!!! It will be Saturday night June 4 at the house, if you need directions call the house or ask any one of our fine brothers.

Whitestar was nothing less than perfect! Helen was great, the weather was perfect, and we were feeling just right!

Remember Paul, you must replant three new trees for every one torn down.

Thanks goes out to Dr. Jones for putting everything together. Congratulations to Hebbard, Ralph, and Mr. Crumbley for winning the golf tournament.

We enjoyed this year and good luck to all Greeks on Greek Week. See you in the fall and just GEEDONOU DAHEEAH!!!

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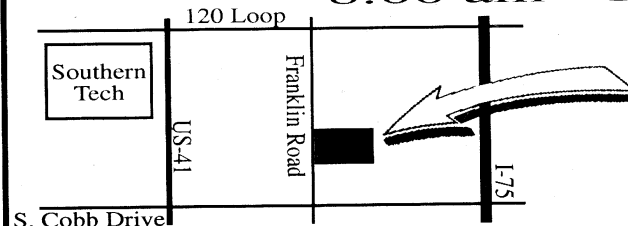
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A Letter to All Greeks (with a Response for Everyone)

A NOTICE TO ALL GREEKS:

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It seems to me that there is a lot of tension between some of the

Tabloid Sources

Dear Editor,

I am the student that Kassia wrote about in the previous issue of *The Sting*. This letter is written to confirm Kassia's statements that Julian Wilson recently referred to as "innuendo."

I am appalled that he would refer to my statements in such a manner as well as calling Kassia a liar and a gossip.

I don't know where he read the article, but I can assure him that it did not occur "in a grocery checkout line." I can also confirm that the so-called "professor" promptly refused helping me on a personal basis.

On every occasion this "professor's" excuse was either "I have to go to a meeting" or "I have to go pick up my kid from preschool." These are legitimate excuses, however the "professor" made no effort to schedule a future time to give some help.

This was what really upset me because I pay for the services that the "professor" refuses to give. I was not the only one who needed help in that class.

What started out as a class of approximately twenty was reduced

to twelve by drop day, with only a little more than half passing. That is SORRY teaching on the professor's part in any way that you look at it.

Further this "professor" obviously knew that this would be the result because on the same day that I was denied help, I was told by that professor "I would be evaluated over a two-year period". The "professor" also said that the reason for this was to keep one class from ruining the professor's reputation. I wonder why the "professor" would make such a statement while talking to a student?

Personally, I don't see how this person's reputation could get any worse, considering that almost everyone in the electrical department knew who Kassia was writing about, without mentioning a name.

It deeply concerns me that Julian Wilson would react in such a careless manner towards a student's critical comments. It would seem that he would do anything possible to improve the department, after all we are paying to go to school here.

Sincerely,
A Concerned Student
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It deeply concerns me that Julian Wilson would react in such a careless manner towards a student's critical comments. It would seem that he would do anything possible to improve the department, after all we are paying to go to school here.

it.

This goes for both Sororities and Fraternities. This is supposed to be some of the best times of our lives, let's get past these childish games and get along, stop talking bad about each other as an organization and as individuals.

Learn to trust your fellow Greeks, believe them when they tell you something-especially if there are about 100 witnesses.

We will get a lot more accomplished this way. Let's try to preserve the Greek System. Can't we all just get along?!!?

Sincerely,
An Anonymous Greek
Name withheld upon request - Ed.

I agree with you. The Greek system is being pulled apart by back stabbing. As a non-Greek,

I can give an objective view and say that I have noticed that this type of behavior seems to be the norm, rather than the exception, to Greek life.

I'd like to add to your observation that all organizations (not just Greek ones) should try to support each other, since we are all part of this school.

-Jen, Ed.

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ECET Revisted

Dear Editor,

I was just reading that article by Julian Wilson about the earlier article on electrical professors.

Let me tell you, he is a good man - only to your face. If you have a problem and go to him, he becomes really different. Last quarter, I had ECET 272 with Dr. O'Shea. In my opinion, he is the worst teacher in the department, beating both Ruff and Colt (I have never taken them, only heard about them.)

The entire class that was left and I (about nine people) went to Wilson for some help. He said that the quarter had started so there was nothing that he could do at that time.

He did say that now that it had

been brought to his attention that it would be better for other students who would take O'Shea later. Nothing came of it!

The class and I all made A's and B's not knowing diddly from that class. Wilson said that we are whining and O'Shea has been here for two years with no problem.

That was because everyone likes an easy A, if you have a full load.

I dropped the next class in the sequence to retake ECET 272 (this quarter) and am sitting in Dr. Taylor's class.

Sincerely,
Another Concerned ECET Student
Name withheld upon request - Ed.

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Job "Well Done" for Techfest and Visitation Day

Dear Editor,

A great big "Well Done" to each of you for making this our most successful TECHFEST ever! Every aspect of the campus was perfect for the enjoyment and entertainment of our many visitors. Each of you volunteers went out of your way to be helpful to our guests and to share your pride in Southern Tech with our community.

The exhibits get even more imaginative each year as the faculty and staff and students get even more creative. The food and entertainment were great, the students were involved and supportive, and many, many people complimented us on our campus and the helpful people.

The campus was a beauti-

ful, clean, and well groomed, and virtually each of you played a major role in the day's success.

Visitation Day was a great success also, with a theatre full of prospective students and their parents. It was a very wise decision to combine this with TECHFEST so that the prospects can see firsthand what we are about.

I know that many hours of preparation are needed for a TECHFEST to happen and to appear to run so smoothly, and I know of nothing that we could do that would be of any more value to us as we educate the community about the exciting kind of place that we are.

I sincerely thank each of you for your hard work in making

this such a great day. As I roamed the campus and interacted with Southern Tech people, as well as our visitors, I

could not be more proud to be associated with such an outstanding educational institution, and with such fine individuals.

Well done!

Sincerely,

President Stephen Cheshier

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these students would never be able to reap the benefits of their activities fees, President Stephen Cheshier added that a student who was taking eighteen or twenty hours would probably not have the time to use the facilities or events, either.

The next main topic to be questioned was the lack of female sports that exist on campus. The student who asked the question was a freshman who was very disappointed when she found out that Southern Tech offered no female sports. She is a swimmer.

Vice President Smith said, "We've been waiting for you to show up." He said that before, the interest in general wasn't there and that it needs to be expressed.

Right now, the decisions are being made as to what female sport should be offered and how it should be funded.

Dean E. A. Vizzini said that the time has come for female athletics, the school needs to make a commitment as a whole, or there will be no money for it.

Another point made by a student is that there seems to be no consistency in how the graduate programs are handled. He said that all of the information packets should

be made available at one location, such as admissions.

President Cheshier stated that over the past eight years, Southern Tech has developed a graduate program of over five hundred students. They have considered adding a Dean of Graduate School, but now the different departments handle their own graduate schools.

Many questions were directed toward the lack of student input into the rise of dorm fees. The answer given was that the dorms are run like a business, and that they cannot be run if they don't create a small profit. In addition, the raised fees are to build a new dorm and completely renovate the old ones.

Dr. Pursell Discusses Opportunities in Center for Quality Excellence

Dear Editor,

The Center for Quality Excellence invites all Southern Tech administration, faculty and staff to take advantage of the resources we have available (books, research papers, referrals, videos, seminars, workshops, speakers, curriculum). The Center's Board of Directors is also available to provide support for

Quality efforts and initiatives that you may be involved with.

If you are interested in participation in the CQE's public workshops, the fee for Southern Tech employees and students is only \$25.00/day.

The exceptions to the \$25.00 fee would be those workshops that are partnership arrangements (as with Boeing and AT&T). We hope

you will take advantage of this learning resource and network.

If you need more information or would like to register for a workshop, please call me directly at 7407 or the CQE office at 7417.

We look forward to your participation with us.

Gloria J. Pursell
Executive Director

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