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## Perides Hopes to Improve Athletic Department

By GARDINER RYNNE

The Athletic Advisory Board and the Ad Hoc Athletic Committee met together on January 12 to hear Coach Perides recommendations concerning the future funding of Southern Tech's intercollegiate athletics. Coach Perides discussed his plans as well as a comprehensive cost analysis with the two groups. His presentation included funding existing sports, women's sports, sports information, and a tentative sports budget.

The main thrust of Coach Perides' presentation involved improving the already existing programs. This would involve, among other things, increasing funding for scholarships to attract athletes to Southern Tech.

There was also a desire expressed for an increase in the athletic departments funding to match the increasing costs of insurance, travel, and room and board. The athletic department's budget has not received an increase since 1986. The recent increase in student's athletic fee's went to the recreation center's budget, not to the actual athletic

Please see *Perides* on 8

## Buildings and Rumours of Buildings

By REGINALD WALTON

Recently, Southern Tech was denied funds to build the new academic building and the bids for the Indoor Recreational Center were about \$500,000 over budget. President Cheshier is seeking an outside construction firm to build the new dorms for students. The permission was given by Mike Bowers, Attorney General for the state of Georgia, for Southern Tech to use private contractors to build the dorms. Normally, to build on state property, schools have to choose from the states recommended contractors.

In a telephone interview, Vice President of Budget and Finance, Faye Barber discussed how the new academic building is on the Regents priority list. Ms. Barber also stated that the new academic building could be built if it gets placed on the new 1995 budget if the Georgia state legislature chooses it over other projects on the Governor's budget list.

Because of the high status of priority that the new Academic building had with the Board of Regents it should be at the top of the list in the next budget submitted by the Board of Regents to the governor's office.



Somewhere between the parking lot and the Greyhound station is the site of the Indoor Rec Center

Funding has been approved for the architectural design of the academic building to take place.

The new Recreational Center will be completed as promised, with the pool included. It appears that President Cheshier has found the half a million dollars needed to complete the Indoor Recreational Center.

Dean Smith has stated that the hope is to have the Indoor Recreational Center built by 1996 or 1997; preferring the 1996 date to coincide

with the 96 Olympics.

The new student housing project is still on the drawing board. It has not yet been decided who, what, when or where the new student dorms will be built. Again there is the wish to complete them by the summer of 1996 Olympic time. *The Sting* was unable to contact Ed Klien, the housing director, for more specifics on the housing situation.

It has been established by the administration that the cost of the new housing will be comparable to

the price of local apartment complexes in the surrounding areas. The advantage to the student being that it will be on campus.

As it stands at the present, President Cheshier is seeking to get many of the afore mentioned projects started by this spring in 1995. Faye Barber is quoted as saying "There are still challenging wrinkles to iron out and President Cheshier should be given credit by *The Sting* for what he is trying to accomplish on behalf of the students".

## Southern Tech On Semesters?

By BILL FINNICK

A plan to change Georgia's, and therefore the Southern College of Technology's, school year to a semester system from the current quarter system has cleared the first hurdle.

Last Wednesday the Regents voted to convert Georgia's public colleges and universities to a semester system unless the change proves to be unnecessarily overbearing to the institutions.

According to the Assistant Vice Chancellor for Media and Publications Arlethia Perry-Johnson the measure, "passed in concept."

The next step is a full study to determine what must happen, how it should happen, and what the total costs will be.

Between now and summer a task force composed of students, faculty and administrators will be called upon to look at the proposed change and identify possible sources of prohibitive stress on the system.

Changing to a semester system has been talked about in Georgia since the 1960's. It has been a long-term active issue for the last ten

years.

Chancellor Stephen R. Portch has accepted the issue that has been tabled by the Board of Regents since 1993, waiting his appointment, and will have the system make a definitive decision one way or another.

Targets for Fall of 1997 have been published for the implementation of the semester system. In a semester system there would be three-fifteen week semesters instead of the current four-ten week quarters.

The length of the Summer semester may be shortened similarly to other colleges mini-quarters held during the Summer.

If implemented every course would have to be revamped. Classes that are taught in a series might have the start and stop points moved.

Other rough spots to be ironed out are quarter to semester hour conversions and tuition costs.

But in the end, the State of Georgia will have made a final decision on semester vs. quarter.

## Homecoming Decoupage 95



The new Mr. and Ms. Southern Tech are Dewayne Thomas and Mindy Estes Ard. They were crowned at the Holiday Inn Delk Road on February 4. They were judged on their grade point average, interview, popular vote, their campus and community involvement. Many people were thrilled by the wonderful food and the marvelous decor of a "Hot Winters Night". The stunning video DJ's were more entertainment than expected.

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## Young Inteleletes Compete In Science Olympiad

By COLLEEN DESMOND

Building clocks, solving problems, designing experiments and dropping eggs.

On Saturday, February 25, three hundred and fifty area high school students will be doing these and much more when they participate in the fifth annual Regional High School Science Olympiad.

The Georgia Youth Science and Technology Center (GYSTC) is

hosting the event for 23 area high schools at Southern Tech. Each school enters a team of 15 students who will participate in events ranging from Cell Biology to the Science of Fitness.

There are 22 events staggered throughout the day. Each team must divide its members into specialties to participate in each event.

Awards will be given to the winner of each event and to the team winning the overall competition.

The top schools will advance to the state competition held at Georgia Tech on April 1. The winning three schools at the state competition will represent Georgia at the National Science Olympiad on May 20 in Bloomington, Indiana.

Students train for this event all year before the competition. The events are extremely varied and so every team must have a diversity of talent. Some of the events require the team members to construct a

device before game day. Other events are written or oral tests. And still others require the participants to design an experiment to solve problems. In every event, however, the students must be quick-witted and focused if they hope to win.

According to the International Science Olympiad committee, the events are designed to provide a "balance between events requiring knowledge of science facts, concepts, processes, skills and applications."

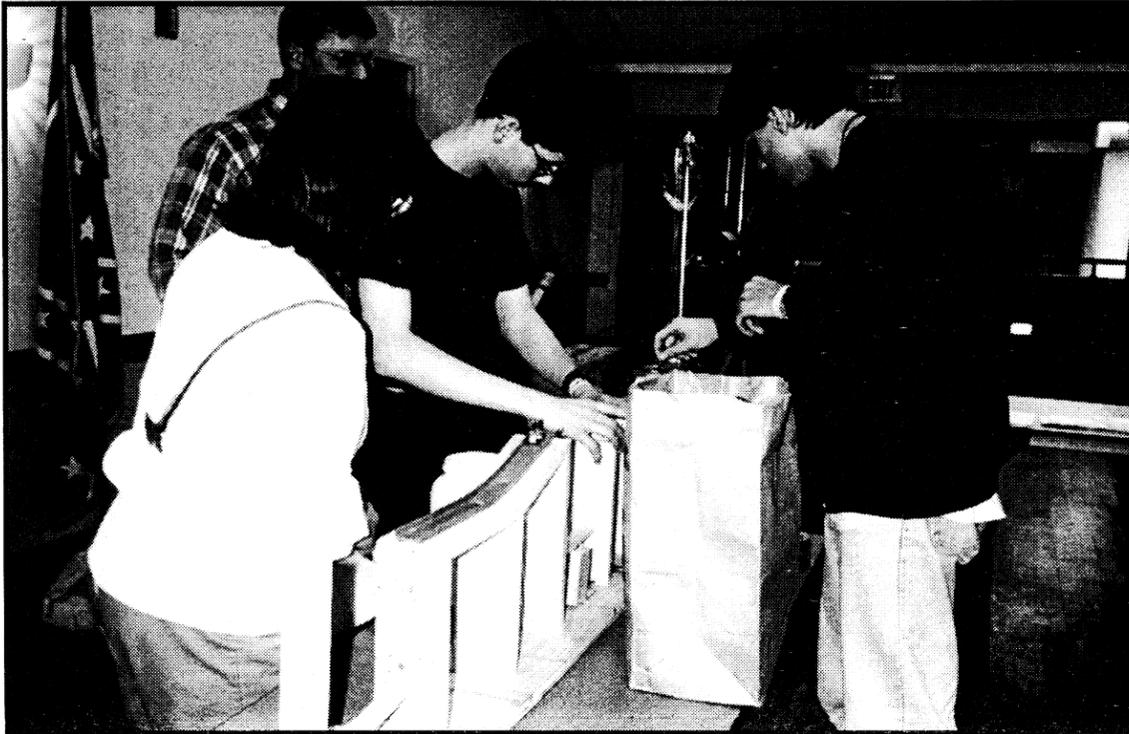
The goal of the Science Olympiad is to promote science and technology as a fun and rewarding endeavor. Many students are introduced to science events at a young age through science "Fun Day" as early as kindergarten and elementary school.

GYSTC believes that by introducing science and technology early, students will become more com-

fortable with science and thereby more inclined to consider science as a viable career option.

The day is a long one. Students will be participating in events like "Amphibians and Reptiles", "Circuit Lab" or "Designer Genes" from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM. The competition is fierce with the some of the best scholars in the area attending, but the atmosphere is enthusiastic and supportive. Although teams divide into specialty areas, the teams acts as cohesive units, encouraging each other as they compete.

Many of the faculty have volunteered to manage the events, but GYSTC needs a lot more volunteers to help the competition go smoothly. People are needed to help with registration, scoring and hospitality. Anyone interested in volunteering for a few hours Saturday, February 25, should contact Kay Marshall at 528-4952.



Mission Possible - Participants will design and build a Rube Goldberg like device which demonstrates a series of energy transfers to accomplish a specific task. *The Popeil pocket reactor.*

## Students Play With Dirt in New Soil Lab

By PRESTON GOFORTH

Southern Tech's new lab is a soils lab which is a lab for studying dirt. A soils lab's main purpose is to measure and evaluate the properties of soil. An example of a soils test is measuring the strength of soil by taking a cylinder of soil and compressing it in a standard compression machine.

According to Dr. Hornbeck the compression test is the simplest one performed in the lab. A more involved test that is performed in the soils lab is a triaxial test.

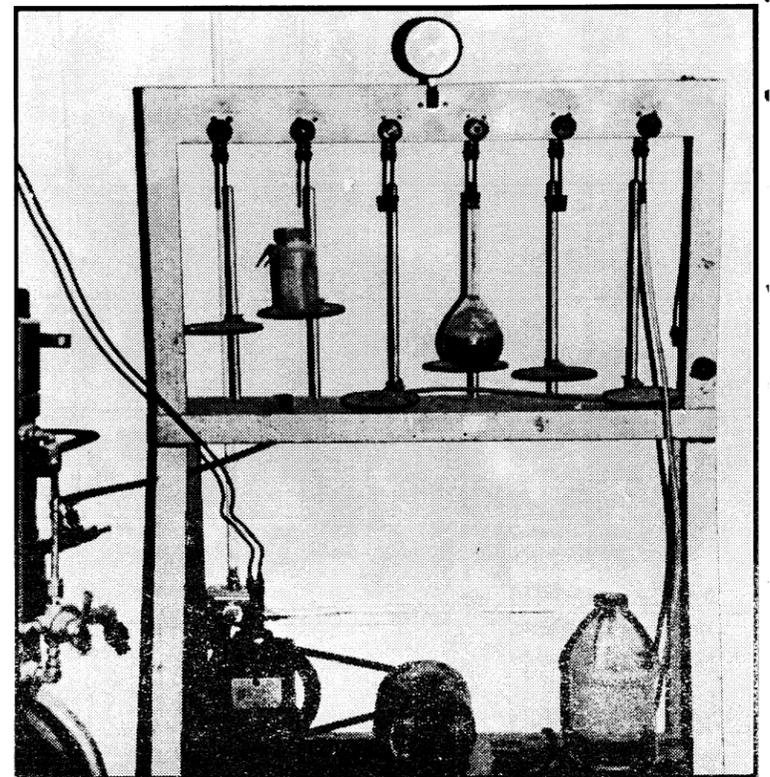
This test simulates soil behavior by taking a sample of soil and surrounding it in a rubber membrane and placing it in an air tight glass container. The sample is then

compressed from the top. This test helps determine stability of road cuts, fills, and dirt settlement.

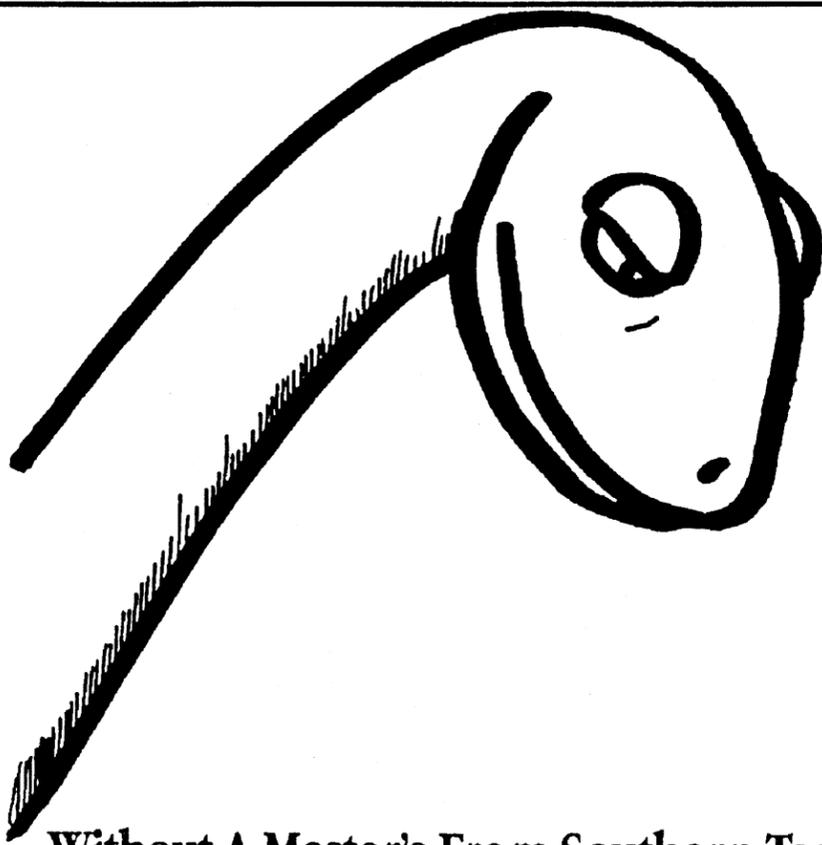
The old soils lab was located in the architecture building until the Architecture Department needed the space. The soils lab is now located in a 1700-1800 square foot building next to the new Civil Building (SJ).

The lab has the same equipment as before, however, Dr. Hornbeck said "We should be getting more equipment for the lab in the future."

The lab is used for soil mechanics and construction materials in the CET department. The soils lab opened in the middle of last quarter and as Dr. Hornbeck stated "all the equipment has not been arranged in the lab yet."



*The Sting* hopes this isn't where the \$75,000 went; unless it's the still we keep hearing about, "Party on."



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# Science Technology and Society Program

By CHRIS OLANDER

Typically, two STS courses are offered per quarter. These courses are usually different every quarter with different departments teaching each quarter. There is a full page dedicated to the STS courses on the

Social and International Studies. They have submitted a proposal to the Dean to change the name of the courses to: "Arts and Sciences". This will allow the courses to be printed in the bulletin and the cata-

implemented next Fall.

In case you're wondering how a course becomes an "approved" STS course, here is a quick run-down on the process.

First, the Dean's advisory committee sets a schedule for the year and assigns each department a particular quarter. Each department decides which instructor shall teach for their slot.

The instructor chooses which "approved" course to teach or they may come up with a new course to propose to the committee.

If the course is already "approved" then it has the committee's O.K. and satisfies the STS require-

ment.

If the course has not gone through this process then the instructor must submit a brief description for the course and submit it to the committee.

Once the course has been selected by the instructor and approved, the Department Head schedules a day and time to hold class. After all that has been completed the course is a "real" course and you will see it listed in the registration bulletin.

STS courses promise a wonderful opportunity to venture into the interesting, multifarious outside world.

**History 325** - A survey of the development of technology and its impact on American society. Look at ways in which mechanical know how, curiosity, formal education, social and cultural forces, economic considerations, luck, and timing have come together at various times and places to shape the course of technological history in America. And how technology has helped to shape the America in which we live and the challenges we face at the end of the twentieth century. Offered: **MW 8:00-9:45pm**. Instructor - Dr. Julie Newell. Credit hours - 4.

**Math 394 Day & Time information on Page 18 of the Registration Bulletin is incorrect.**

**Math 394** - Contemplates the interaction of statistics with societal decisions and public policy. Takes a look at how statistics are used and misused to influence the public and politicians. Emphasis on techniques and methods used for statistical analysis. Not all statistical "facts" truly represent relationships in reality. Learn ways to understand a broad range a statistics in order to make accurate decisions in real world situations. Offered: **MTTHF 11:00am-12:00pm** Instructor - Dr. Barry Flannery. Credit hours - 4.

next to last page of the course bulletin. This is the easiest way to find out what is offered. On that page you'll find the course number, name, time and a brief description.

The courses are listed within the block of the instructor's department. This is not so good, as you may not think to look within, say History or English for a class if you have completed your requirements in that area.

The "Arts and Sciences STS Advisory Committee to the Dean" (Dr. Edward A. Vizzini) is hoping to solve this and other problems of the STS course program.

The committee members are: Dr. Robert Harbort, Computer Science; Dr. Carol Barnum & Dr. John Tumlin, Humanities and Technical Communication; Dr. Barry Flannery & Dr. John Ziegler, Mathematics; Dr. James Whitenton, Physics; Dr. Julie Newell & Dr. Charles Weeks,

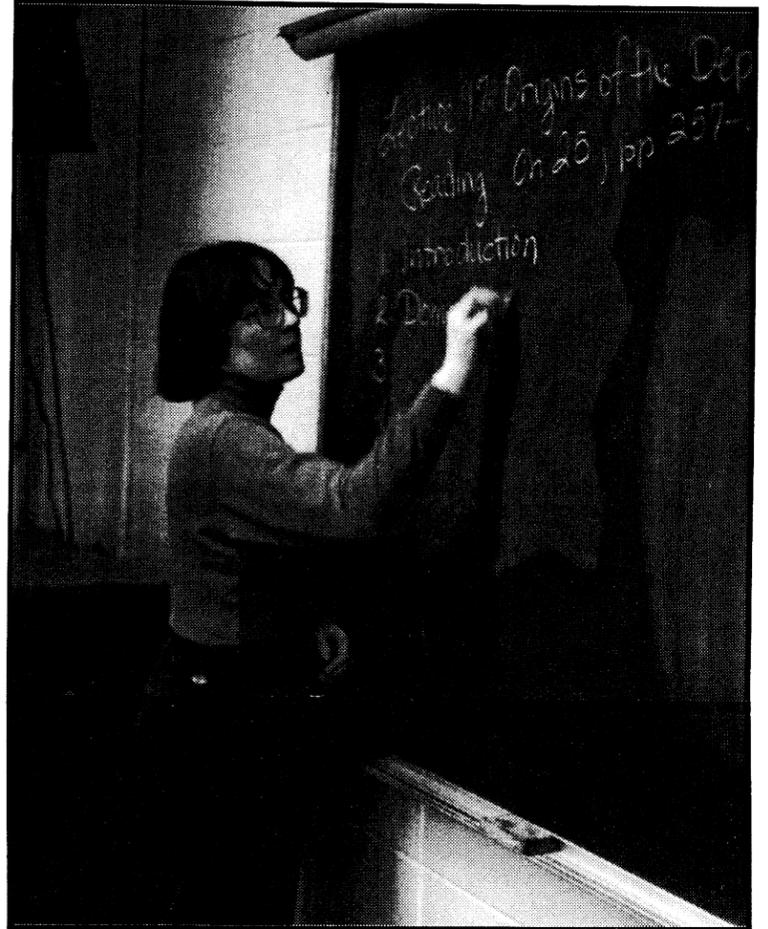
log in their own section. A cross referencing system to make finding these more "user friendly".

Dr. Julie Newell, who chairs the Dean's Advisory Committee, says, "We hope to help students out by making these changes".

Also, the committee is considering establishing a set of guidelines to circulate among the faculty to encourage course proposals.

"It is a delicate balance we are dealing with. We are trying to generate more course proposals but at the same time be selective about which courses we approve," Dr. Newell states.

The committee's proposals for cross-listing courses have been endorsed by the Dean and will go before the Undergraduate Curriculum Committee on February 14. If everything is accepted the new system for the STS courses (known then as Arts & Science) will be



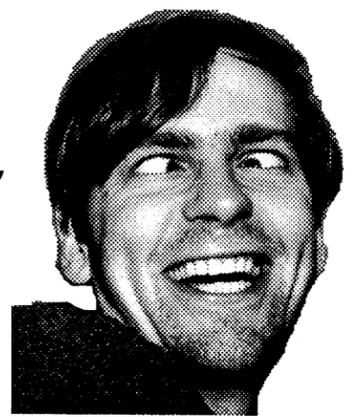
Dr. Julie Newell, STS Advisory Committee chair and STS professor. If you look closely, you'll see the answers to History 325's first test.

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## California Regents Debate Affirmative Action

By SUSAN BURKHART

The recent request by a University of California (UC) regent to explore alternatives other than affirmative action as a method of attaining equality in undergraduate admissions has received mixed reactions throughout the UC system.

The current policy requires a minimum of 40 percent and a maximum of 60 percent of freshman applicants to be accepted on academic standards alone.

To fill the remaining openings, supplemental criteria ranging from special talents, interests, experiences, learning disabilities, ethnic identity, gender and location of residence are taken into account.

The January UC Board of Regents meeting addressed the issue when Regent Ward Connerly called for revision of the current policy, which he said unfairly excludes whites and Asians, while stereotyping minority students as unable to compete in the preliminary round of admissions.

UC Student Association (UCSA) Affirmative Action Committee Chair York Chang believes a solid understanding of admissions is essential before serious discussion can occur.

"The real problem we are encountering with UC affirmative action policies are gross misconceptions, and fairy tales of what ex-

actly UC admissions policies are," he said.

C. Reginald Taylor, a junior political science major, agreed. "The problem with affirmative action is that people don't know how it works, and the information to the public is partial," he said.

People often neglect to acknowledge that students' talents are considered, assuming that affirmative action applies only to ethnicity, which can lead to prejudice, according to Chang.

"Any claims that someone has been hired or has gained admission to the University solely because of his ethnicity is simply not true," he said.

Considering issues beyond academics is common practice, according to William J. Villa, director of admissions at the University of California-Santa Barbara (UCSB).

"Internationally, no university admissions are based 100 percent on academics alone," he said. "Diversity is an important part of education."

Craig Vincent, a senior black studies major, said other students have suggested his admission to UCSB rested solely on affirmative action.

"I have the same right as anyone else," he said. "I busted my butt like everyone else to get here."

Connerly encouraged equality for all in his speech before the regents, saying whites and Asians are

negatively affected by the current policy, which one student claims she witnessed.

"Asians are the most qualified to enter the University next to whites, and therefore they wouldn't be considered for affirmative action," said Bora Rhim, a senior Asian American studies major.

The major problem facing Asians at UCSB is that we're lumped together, even though some people need special services."

Student Regent Terrence Wooten believes the prejudice often goes unaddressed.

## Women Critical of Collegiate Football Coaches

(NSNS) - Women's Sports Foundation leaders this week blasted the American Football Coaches' Association, which has called for Congressional hearings on Title IX, the federal statute which requires gender equity in publicly-funded programs.

Coaches' association officials assert that the law has an unfair impact on college football programs because they are inherently more expensive than other collegiate sports.

Wendy Hilliard, president of the Women's Sports Foundation, said she supports a Congressional discussion on the merits on Title IX.

"Congressional hearings on Title IX... will be beneficial to bring

"I haven't met a student who wants (affirmative action) abolished," he said. "Those who think it's a good thing are afraid to say it."

Several students expressed the need for early outreach programs for those who come from disadvantaged schools as well as early equality, a suggestion echoed by Connerly.

"Equal opportunity should start in elementary school and high school, so more students have an opportunity to get in. Then maybe affirmative action could be abolished," said Erik Pillow, a senior

communications major.

Although the UCSA is hoping for viable alternatives, the organization currently continues to support affirmative action, Chang said.

"If we can come up with a more effective strategy to deal with the disparities of resources and opportunities for different students, then I think the strategy will speak for itself and it itself will signal the end of affirmative action," he said.

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to the attention of Congress the defiant and antagonistic approaches to Title IX that groups such as the American Football Coaches' Association have taken in attempts to avoid the implementation of this law," said Hilliard. "Sports participation provides significant health benefits to all children. We cannot legislate that our sons who play football have more opportunities to play and receive these benefits than our daughters."

Women's Sports Foundation Executive Director Donna Lopiano

said that schools are cutting men's non-revenue teams like swimming, wrestling and gymnastics and blaming these cuts on Title IX.

"College presidents are afraid to tell the football coach to reduce spending so they are cutting men's, non-revenue teams instead," Lopiano said. "Title IX is all about fairly sharing limited financial resources. Schools must exercise restraint in controlling athletics expenditures. Football teams are still staying in hotels the night before home football games."

## Brown Reacts to Racial Outbreak

(NSNS) - An outbreak of racial incidents at Brown University last semester prompted a mass demonstration by students on the campus green during final exams.

Several minority students were harassed on separate occasions, both on- and off-campus. An African-American male student was assaulted by a white student from the University of Rhode Island at a Dec. 3 off-campus party.

Sam Go, a sophomore political science major, said his friend from the dormitory received an anti-Asian note and telephone call.

"It was a very nasty letter," Go said. "One of the reasons I'm so active is because I know her."

A student of Indian descent attempted to play Indian music at a party, but was rebuked by another student who said, "Take it back to your own country." And another student, an African-American, had the word "nigger" scrawled on the door of her dormitory room.

Go said concerned students reacted first by meeting to discuss the incidents. They then held a Rally Against Racism the following day which attracted nearly 1,000 people, including Brown University President Vartan Gregorian.

"We have all been hurt by

these incidents," Gregorian said. "But our hurt cannot compare to those who have been the target of these outrages. These instances are felt in every corner as an affront to common decency, and constitute an assault against Brown itself."

Go, a Chinese-American, spoke at the event. "Most of the reactions were panic and confusion, and anger," he said. "But there was nowhere to direct it."

University Spokesman Mark Nickel said that anonymous graffiti and phone calls are "notoriously difficult to investigate."

"The police do investigate, but the nature of these incidents make them extremely hard to solve," he said.

Nickel said that the campus community unanimously opposed the incidents, and the school was offering assistance to harassed students through peer and staff counselling.

"These incidents happen from time to time on all campuses," he said. "The university has expressed outrage about it - the faculty, the staff, and the student body."

Go agreed that "this is not new to any university."

"Brown has a very strong minority population, and we're pretty diverse and outspoken as a whole," he said. "But still this can happen."

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## A Keen Play For Counter-Culture McGovernicks

By BILL GREVE

I had a great Superbowl Sunday. I did not even waste my time on the game. Instead, I made my way to Theatre in the Square to see *Red Scare on Sunset*. I wasn't the only one who knew the game would be a waste as the place was packed. And for good reason - *Red Scare* was funnier than watching Kathy Lee Gifford attempt to sing.

*Red Scare on Sunset* is an over-the-top, slapstick parody of 1950's

B-movies, soap operas, and McCarthy-esque communist conspiracy plots. Everyone is turning communist, I really think so. Throw in some closet homosexuals, Hollywood cliches, and a Lady Godiva fixation and you'll laugh until you stop.

Major Characters: Pat Pilford (Shelly McCook), Hollywood's funny lady. She rails against the pinkos at every opportunity and expresses the need for more family values. But does she have a dark,

torrid past she is trying to conceal?

Mary Dale (Doyle Reynolds), Tinseltown's sweetheart. Well-meaning, but a bit dimwitted, she begins to realize that everyone she knows isn't quite what they seem. She will soon be shooting the musical version of Lady Godiva.

Frank Taggart (Alan Kirkpatrick), married to Mary Doyle. A box office failure, Frank is torn between doing serious roles of social import, or frothy Hollywood comedies.

Shelly McCook, is brilliant as the tight-jawed, swift talking comedian spewing out so many one-liners with each breath. It is quite a turn from her role as the kidnap victim in *Keely and Du*.

Not that it takes much effort to figure it out, but Mary Dale is played by a man. The playwright wrote the role this way to "transcend gender-bender casting."

As director Lawrence Keller says, "It is really about the paranoia of people who are different than we

are." Whatever, it is a verifiable laugh riot!

Word of warning: if you are easily offended by foul language you probably won't laugh much. Not to worry, there are plenty of laughs for everyone else.

*Red Scare on Sunset* runs through February 26 at Theatre on the Square, downtown Marietta. Up next is Henrik Ibsen's *An Enemy of the People*, as adapted by Arthur Miller. For ticket information call 422-8369.



## Freeloaders Guide to a Night on the Town

By ROBBIN' LEECH

After spending money on classes and books, college students don't have a lot of money left for entertainment. Not to fear! There are ways around the money issue that don't involve muggings or extended jail time.

One small warning - some of these suggestions venture into ethically grey areas. The Sting in no way endorses these actions, we only offer them up for your amusement. You (yes, you) are responsible for your own actions.

Situation: Your S.O. is getting tired of you buying him/her meals with your meal plan and calling it a date. Unless you do something drastic you'll be attending future CAB events by yourself.

Problem: Even if you check the couch for loose change, you'll be lucky to scrounge up \$10.

Solution: Hotel buffets and lax intermission doorchecks at the the-

atre! Check out the nicer hotels around town (there are plenty along I-75). Chances are there will be a few weddings each weekend. At most weddings half the people don't know the other half; making blending in easy. To really be in stealth mode, gift wrap an empty box to carry in.

Dressed nicely you look like you belong, so mingle. If the bar is free have a drink, take a spin around the dance floor. As far as food goes - hope for a buffet. If it's a sit down dinner, chances are good (67.3%) you'll be caught and roughly escorted out of the building. Now on to the show.

This next bit works equally well for plays or the symphony.

At intermissions, the audience stretches their legs, smokers wander outside, and no one checks ticket stubs going back in. Yes! You can just walk right in and take an empty seat. Of course, you'll miss the first act, but it's free! What did you expect?

A full night out and all it cost you was parking.

## Throwing Muses Saves Mankind with *University*

By CORNFED PIG

*University* is the latest album from the Throwing Muses. Filled with 14 action-packed tunes, *University* will save mankind from horrible destruction. The Throwing Muses are not a new band.

Rumors have it that they have released eight previous albums. Perhaps not their first, but the oldest that I have heard is *House Tornado*, released in 1988.

From the *House Tornado* lineup, only Kristin Hersh, (guitar, vocals) and David Narcizo (drums) have remained on the current al-

bum.

Interestingly enough, on the *House Tornado* album, Tanya Donnelly was a member. Tanya went on to be a member of the Breeders with Kim Deal. Kim Deal was a member of the Pixies with Frank Black who now has a fine solo career.

Tanya apparently had to leave the Breeders and the Throwing Muses because of her record contract with her band Belly. According to some sources, Kristin Hersh is also Tanya's step-sister.

Please reread the previous paragraph until it makes sense. All of the

groups mentioned are incredibly entertaining.

The Throwing Muses can be called alternative. They seem similar to other generic alternative bands but Kristin's distinctive voice and lyrics elevate them far above the others.

The music also tends to be more pretty and less rough than many of the newer bands but it still rocks.

Kristin Hersh also releases solo records with very mellow relaxing music. This band gives her the opportunity to jam. And so she does.

*Cornfed Pig is a selfish, conceited, annoying and foolish jerk.*

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By DR. JOEL C. FOWLER

The puzzle for last issue was to describe the product (333...3) (666...6), where the digits in each number are repeated 666 times. the answer is: 222...21777...78, where the blocks of 2's and 7's each contain 665 digits. Correct answer were received from **Anthony Panzarella, Sheila Donehoo, Robert Brice, Colleen Desmond, and Thom Sukalac.**

The puzzle for this issue is to find a formula for all pairs of

# HOW TO BE A G

By PHIL COLLINS

This week's article is about a very important subject that anyone that posts to a usenet news group needs to know. Net etiquette. Simply this is using common sense and good manners while using the Internet. One of the first rules of Net etiquette is Know what's going on before you jump in.

Most people would not walk up to a group of people that they don't know, find out what they are talking about and start commenting. The same should be true in Usenet News. Essentially, when you enter a usenet news group you are coming in on a conversation or *thread* that is already going on and has a life of its own. Don't just read the topic of the post and jump in with your two cents without knowing what is going on

What you are most likely to do is to annoy and offend those that are already involved in the conversation and may end up making yourself look like an idiot in the process

The proper thing to do before you decide to post or reply to any public message is ask yourself "Is it relevant to the discussion?", is "what I have to say for General consumption or is it something that should be addressed to an individua." If the comment you are making is for a particular individual, E-mail him and keep it off the group.

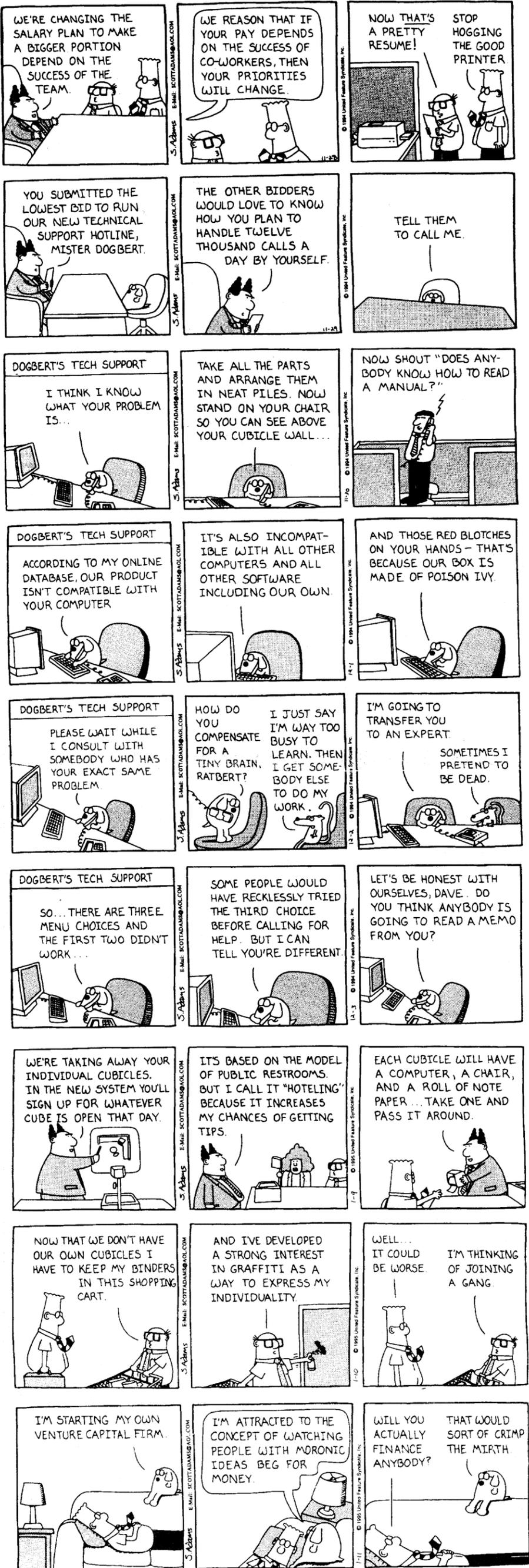
Another important rule is don't flame. Flaming is what happens when you complain or ridicule someone for their views, beliefs or statements. One of the great things about the internet and usenet news in particular is the diverse and differing points of view that are presented. Just because one

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11 to Noon	everything	Dave Conrad	everything
Noon to 1	AL <sub>R,U</sub>	Conrad <sub>A,M</sub>	AL
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2 to 3	with Jon Reich <sub>J</sub>	Strange Noises	O.K. Whatever
3 to 4		Wooger Brauhaus <sub>Ruler of all mankind</sub>	Spin Cycle
4 to 5		AL <sub>R,U</sub>	
5 to 6		Sound WAVE <sub>80's &amp; Spanish</sub>	Maelstrom
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distinct (i.e. different) positive rational numbers, x and y, that satisfy:  $x^y = y^x$ , where ^ denotes exponentiation. Recall that a rational number is one that can be expressed as the ratio of two integers.

Answers should be sent, via conventional methods or e-mail, to Joel Fowler in the Mathematics Department. Correct answers and the names of the first to find them will be printed in the next issue of *The Sting*.

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

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person does not like what the other group believes about a particular television show, movie, book, artist etc. does not give anyone just cause to be obnoxious

Flaming someone about their views only leads to flame wars which are a waste of time bandwidth and money. If someone chooses to show their ignorance by flaming you through e-mail or in a post that you make. Do everybody a favor and ignore them.

When replying to a message in Usenet news, quote only what is absolutely necessary. One of the more annoying habits that people have is to quote an entire post that someone made and then add just a few words in agreement. Not only is this a waste of time it cost time, money and bandwidth for everyone.

One thing that you should always do when you are learning how to do something new on the RS600 is RTFM(P). Read the Freaking Manual (Page). There are many pages available for most commands that are available on the RS6000. Most of us are able to comprehend the written word and that is what they are there for. Primarily it keeps you from having to keep asking the User Assistant and it's always there. Good rule of thumb, If it doesn't have a man page it is probably a nonsupported application. (i.e. irc). If you do have to ask a user assistant do them and yourself big favor: WRITE THE INSTRUCTIONS DOWN. Nothing is more annoying than to have to keep repeating yourself.

That's it for this time if you have any questions or comments I can be reached at [mcollins@sct.edu](mailto:mcollins@sct.edu).

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I'M INSTALLING A PAPER-BURNING STOVE TO LOWER OUR HEATING BILLS.

I'LL FUEL IT WITH ALL THE USELESS DOCUMENTS I GET AT WORK.

I'VE BEEN NOTICING HOW MUCH STUFF YOU TAKE HOME. YOU MUST LOVE YOUR WORK.

IT GIVES ME A WARM FEELING.

WE'VE ALL NOTICED THE VOLUME OF WORK YOU CARRY AROUND. YOUR QUIET LEADERSHIP INSPIRES US.

I'D LIKE TO PROMOTE YOU TO MANAGER SO YOU CAN IMBUE OTHERS WITH YOUR WORK ETHIC.

DOES HE KNOW YOU USE THE DOCUMENTS TO HEAT OUR HOUSE?

NO. AND I ASKED HIM TO PUT THE JOB OFFER IN WRITING.

I CAN'T DECIDE IF I SHOULD STAY WITH ENGINEERING OR PURSUE A CAREER IN MANAGEMENT.

IN MY HEART I'M AN ENGINEER BUT I HEAR A VOICE CALLING ME TO THE DARK SIDE.

I FOUND YOUR PROBLEM.

BOY IS MY FACE RED.

IF I LEFT ENGINEERING AND BECAME A MANAGER WOULD I BE AS SEXY AS I AM NOW, LIZ?

I THINK IT WOULD DECREASE YOUR SEX APPEAL BY 17%. BUT THAT'S JUST A PLANNING NUMBER.

WHAT IF I GOT MY HAM RADIO LICENSE TO COMPENSATE FOR THE LOSS?

LOOK AT MY ARM: GOOSE BUMPS.

COME TO THE DARK SIDE, DILBERT. RENOUNCE ENGINEERING AND BECOME A MANAGER.

YOUR TECHNICAL KNOWLEDGE IS GETTING STALE. YOU'RE BECOMING A GENERALIST... TAKE THE EASY PATH.

I BROUGHT YOU A SUITE OF APPLICATIONS THAT ALL WORK TOGETHER.

THAT'S UNNATURAL!!! BE GONE!!!

I'M PROMOTING YOU TO TEAM LEADER.

DO I GET A RAISE?

THERE'S NO EXTRA MONEY, JUST EXTRA RESPONSIBILITY. IT'S HOW WE RECOGNIZE OUR BEST PEOPLE.

I THOUGHT ALL THE GOOD PEOPLE LEAVE FOR BETTER COMPANIES.

THAT'S ANOTHER WAY TO RECOGNIZE THEM.

# SGA Discusses Teacher Evaluations

By BILL FINNICK

The Student Government Association of the Southern College of Technology held their third meeting of the Winter quarter February 7 at noon in room 220 of the Joe Mack Wilson Student Center. The minutes were adjusted to reflect the absence of one member from the published document and quickly approved.

President Acreman read a letter from Councilman Elliott concerning a scheduling conflict he has with his Co-Op employer. Mr. Elliott expressed a desire to remain on the SGA and the general consensus was that no impeachment proceedings would occur immediately.

Councilman Carl Hawthorne will act as the Internal Affairs committee chair in Mr. Elliott's absence.

Vice President, and newly selected Mr. Southern Tech, Dewanne Thomas reported that the Residence Hall Association and the group set-

ting up the Escort service, were working on constitutions for SGA approval.

Public Relations Chair, Reggie Walton, reported on a meeting held with Bill Greve, Editor of *The Sting*, concerning revitalizing the Teacher Evaluations. Direct Mail and a booth in the Student Center the week prior to Finals was discussed.

The President set a target of 500 student responses.

The VP suggested hitting the students at the CAB Final's Breakfast up for input. He further suggested the possibility of getting "I Voted" stickers like those from general elections to give respondents.

Under Old Business, birthday woman Cynthia Clements was unanimously appointed to the Budget and Finance Chair vacated by Ms. Kassia Cato. Ms. Clements stated that she found the position, "challenging but not that difficult."

The President held off on the Council Vacancy because he had not found former VP Kevin Webster.

Mr. Acreman went on to report his involvement as the student representative to the committee drafting the school's Vision Statement. He termed the document too long and elaborate. He stated he had hoped for a document, "Long enough to get the point across but short enough to keep in your mind."

He further stated that there were, "elaborate explanations that belong in the guiding principles."

A revision deadline was set with a short fuse the students could not respond to and the students' representative was not notified of a subsequent meeting February 7. The president's final critical analysis was, "Once again the student body is being run over and left out."

New Business surrounded support for the IEEE's program car competition. They are seeking \$2137 in support from the SGA for a project costing over \$15,000. Adequate preparation to make an informed decision left the matter tabled until the next scheduled meeting, February 21.

Cafe



Angst

## Wintertime Weather Wonderings (a week late)

Deciding which TV weather forecaster is actually right can be a hazardous wintertime activity in itself. Deciding whether to head for campus or stay put at home is somewhat easier.

Most of the broadcast stations in metro Atlanta give regular school and business updates when winter weather threatens safety and, sometimes, sanity on the highways.

Southern Tech's Public Relations Department promptly notifies selected radio and television stations of changes in campus activities after decisions are made to delay or cancel classes and regular department hours.

Although there are sometimes mistakes or delays in updating information on air, due

to numerous calls coming in simultaneously to harried personnel at stations, information is generally timely and accurate.

Participating stations maintain a confidential code communication system designed to prevent unauthorized sources from providing information.

The following stations are on such a notification system and are contacted by Southern Tech's Public Relations Department. In case of weather conditions that could affect campus activity, please tune in to these stations for updates on a regular basis.

Special attention is given to having information available in the early morning, noon and late evening news hours.

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### TELEVISION:

WSB-TV (2); WAGA-TV (5); WXIA-TV (11); WGNXTV (46)

## Perides continued from 1

department.

If all of the proposed improvements to the present program, including women's sports, are approved by President Cheshier, the budget would increase from its present \$195,000 to \$341,500. Coach Perides said, however, that if these increases are approved, they will be adopted slowly over a five to ten year period.

Of the problems that plague the SCT sports department, it was determined that the overall visibility and popularity with the students were its main obstacles to overcome. It was discussed whether a sports information director might alleviate the lack of interest in sports, or if another approach should be taken. Another idea, already instituted, was to bring back cheerleaders. The ad-

hoc committee also discussed moving Southern Tech's teams from the NAIA division sports to NCAA division 2 and playing more schools in Atlanta. It was hoped that this might increase the spirit of competition and interest in Southern Tech's sports programs.

Another major issue tackled by the ad-hoc committee was the creation of a women's sports program in relation to Georgia's title IX. Title IX states that if a school's female enrollment exceeds 20%, a female sports program must be offered by that school. Perides is in favor of adding women's softball, volleyball and tennis to the present program, hopefully before Title IX takes effect.

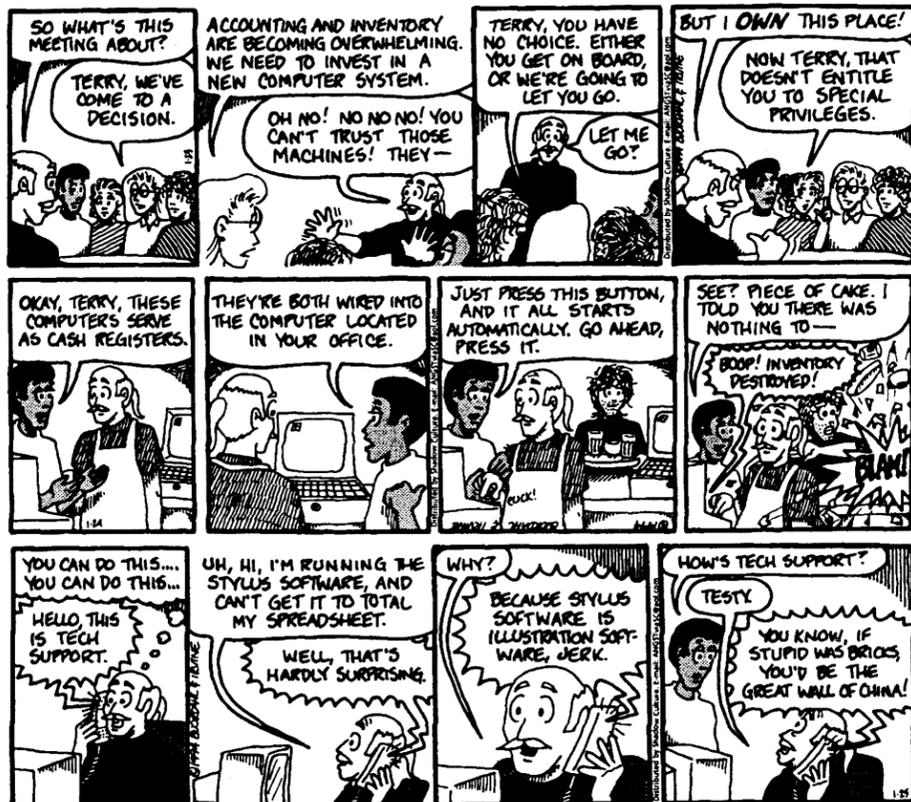
In all, the ad-hoc committee offered 17 recommendations to the

Athletic Advisory Committee, Coach Perides, and President Cheshier. Coach Perides, in conjunction with the Athletic Advisory Committee then took the recommendations and put together what they thought would be the most viable plan for Southern Tech to adopt. These ideas were also presented to President Cheshier for him to review.

What do all these proposed changes to Southern Tech's athletics mean to the student? If the administration does decide to go to the students for funds, it could mean up to a \$19 increase of the athletic fee.

Nothing is definite until the President evaluates the research presented by the athletic ad-hoc committee and decides which, if any, of Coach Perides recommendations will be adopted.

## Café Angst by Hans Bjordahl and Holly Irvine





Sigma Nu

### Knappy

The Knights of Sigma Nu braved another cold weekend at Snowshoe Mt. WV. We took 4th place (out of 30) in the Jose Cuervo Downhill Challenge and Hutch remained somewhat accident free. While cold, a good time was had by all. Thanks Matt.

While away, our basketball record jumped to 3-1 with a stunning victory over Pi Kapp II. As the end of the basketball season draws

near, pool and soccer are right around the corner, so see Jason or Jim for more information.

Sigma Nu, Iota Pi Chapter would like to congratulate the following ladies for being pinned as Little Sisters: Cara Baughman, Jennye Blount, Lori Braswell, Allison Chitwood, Kristie Corley, Nicole Faller, Missy Hayes, Lori Lewis, Britt Louis, Karla Sampson, and Heather Vereen.

Also, thanks go out to Julie Thomas, Dana Greene, Tera Hammontree, and Cindy Quilling for their continued support. All that we do would not be possible without these outstanding ladies.

Upcoming Events: Check your calendar. We have many mixers in the upcoming weeks as well as the Retreat. Let's get out and support all of our athletic teams and cheer them on to victory.

Start thinking about Spring Break and a new dog????



### NATIONAL SOCIETY OF BLACK ENGINEERS

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SPECIAL EVENTS

IN RECOGNITION OF AFRICAN AMERICAN HISTORY, WE HAVE PRESENTED THE BLACK CORONATION. For the first time in history, the Southern Tech Society of Black Engineers presented a function of this caliber.

The objectives of the coronation were accomplished, and the event was considered a success. In my eyes, this event was a positive stepping stone for the black community at Southern Tech.

Michael Wilder and Carol C. Pride made history as the first King and Queen of "The Black Coronation". I would also like to recognize Geneasa Elias, Carlisle Hall, and Ashley Carr for their participation, dedication, and outstanding efforts as competing candidates.

I would also like to recognize Jo Dotson and Derrick Minson for their support and services. The 1994-1995 Mr. and Miss Southern Tech Society of Black Engineers are Dewayne Rene Thomas and Carol C. Pride.

The students, faculty, parents, and staff who were in attendance should be applauded for their support. However, a large proportion of

the black students didn't support the coronation.

As the turnout might suggest, apathy among black students is at an all time high. As an organization, NSBE is very concerned with this problem.

For example, none of the previous officers (presidents, vice presidents, secretaries, or treasurers) attended the coronation or any other events that were sponsored.

This gives the organization reason to believe that they used NSBE to place themselves in the limelight for personal use.

If a person was truly dedicated to the organization, they would never stop supporting it, even if they are not in a decision making position. In the future, NSBE will strive to alleviate apathy, and produce a socially responsible atmosphere for the black community at Southern Tech.

# BSA

### Black Students Association

The new year is already here and so is the B.S.A. we would like to thank those who participated in the events held last year by the B.S.A. This year we have decided to help establish a sense of community among students at Southern Tech.

On February 3, 1995 the NSBE (National Society of Black Engineers) along with the B.S.A sponsored The Black Coronation which was held in honor of African American History.

Our congratulations to Michael (Mike Check) Wilder and Carol (Ms Thang) Pride crowned Black Coronation King and Queen; "May you continue to reign as examples to everyone you encounter."

The Black Students Association will be sponsoring The U.N.I.T.Y.

Step Show/Party >February 24, 1995 in the Student Center Ballroom 9pm-Until?

Every Last Living Being ON The Planet (Including Life College) Is Invited!!! \$5 General Admission \$3 with College ID and \$2 members of any Greek Organization wearing their paraphernalia.

B.S.A. meetings are held every other Tuesday there will be a meeting February 14, 1995 at 12-noon look for flyers with location.

El Presidente es Matthew (Chu) Nelson.



Alpha Delta Pi

The Leigh Ann(e)s

Happy belated birthday to Cynthia. We don't know exactly how old she is, but we think it's around a few decades! Hopefully, everyone had fun at the Crush party. We know some memorable events occurred. Leigh Ann was in her prime once again but, we hope that her memory has held up.

Up coming events are Double Jeopardy workshop which was postponed to Feb 26 th. On March 2nd, we are having a social with Sigma Pi. And, of course, the monthly active-alumnae dinner is scheduled for March 9th.



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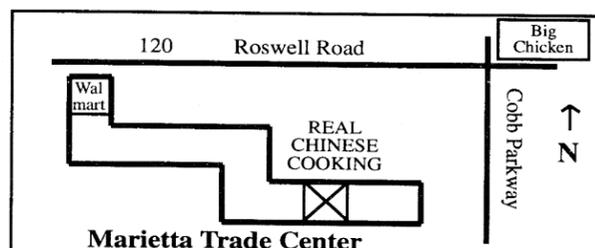
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# EDITORIALS

## And Now a Word From Our Editor

By BILL GREVE

On November 8, 1994, *The Sting* ran an article about a new campus organization: Women in Architecture. In this story, we reported that SGA did not ratify their constitution on the first attempt. In wanting to show that it was not unusual for SGA to initially hold up a new organization's constitution, we used N.O.M.A. as an example. We could have used other organizations, but as both N.O.M.A. and Women in Architecture are professional architectural associations, N.O.M.A. was the best choice.

When N.O.M.A. was in the process of being recognized by SGA, SGA had questions about their membership procedures. In an open forum of a SGA meeting, it was discussed that women had joined N.O.M.A. and discovered that they could not vote or hold office. This was verified by a *Sting* reporter who was at the SGA meetings and by past SGA members. We made no comment on N.O.M.A.'s current, or past policies - we only wished to show the SGA process. The fact that N.O.M.A.'s constitution was approved should be more than sufficient evidence that N.O.M.A. doesn't discriminate.

Unfortunately, while the facts in the story were correct, the layout of the story might have given them an unintentional new meaning. *The Sting* does apologize for any misunderstanding.

In regards to Dr. Pfeiffer, his letter was sent to the Southern Tech faculty, with a copy sent to *The Sting*. Since most everyone has probably read it, excepting the students, we took the liberty of printing it. Also, regarding the vitriolic nature of the letter, I relieved Mr. Finnick of his need to respond, as originally planned.

As opinion pieces tend to deal more in the realm of ideas than facts, they are generally allowed a little leeway in the use of hyperbole. Never the less, here are the facts in question:

- 1) Dr. Pfeiffer is the Humanities and Technical Communication Department Head.
- 2) Dr. Pfeiffer has written a Technical Writing Textbook.

- 3) Dr. Pfeiffer's textbook sells for \$47 in the Southern Tech bookstore.
- 4) Dr. Pfeiffer's textbook is taught in some of the Technical Writing course sections.
- 5) Another Technical Writing handbook is used in some sections of the same Technical Writing course.
- 6) This Technical Writing handbook sells for \$22.70 in the Southern Tech bookstore.
- 7) Faculty are allowed to choose whichever text they wish to instruct by.

That's it. If you take one section over the other, you save \$25. Or spend an extra \$25 depending on which side of the fence you straddle. The material the student is responsible for learning is the same whether you use Dr. Pfeiffer's \$47 textbook or the \$22.70 handbook.

While I might not use the word "scam", as one who shelled out the extra \$25, I do feel cheated.

It's a good policy to let professors use a text they're most comfortable with, but students should expect to pay comparably the same price - no matter which section they take.

Perhaps a more fitting analogy would have compared the need to avoid not only improprieties, but also the need to avoid the appearance of improprieties.

If Dr. Pfeiffer feels that it was suggested that the faculty selects his textbook because it meets needs other than their classroom's, it is because the procedure lends itself to question. Perhaps a department head who has a textbook in use by his own department should go beyond a reasonable doubt.

And the man two heartbeats away from the presidency shouldn't accept lots of money from someone under investigation by the FCC.

Also, rather than suggesting that the faculty surround us, waiting for a misstep so they can pummel us into submission, why not offer to help.

*The Sting* could always use help thinking up story ideas and if anyone cares to give up every other week-end to proof and edit, we sure would appreciate it.

*Bill Greve vows that The Sting will attempt to be friendlier and less obtuse.*

## Ancient Advising Advisement

By BILL FINNICK

Yesterday many of our fellow students extended their college careers by way of withdrawing from class, the pink parachute, the big bailout. This momentary relief is nothing more than a cheap high with the withdrawal symptoms including sitting in the same class again later in your career.

I know all of these feelings first hand. Having dropped a couple quarters worth of credit in my last four years. Only twice has it been due to being outclassed academically.

While never listed as an official reason, the truth was I was just lazy.

I haven't dropped a class in over two years now and have done some unofficial studies on what causes dropouts.

First there are the quarter associated drops.

Fall is just too hectic with rush and just getting into the college groove for freshman. Winter is traditionally the best quarter if you can escape the epidemics spread by nasal effluents polluting the classroom air; especially the front row. Spring finds many still in that Florida break daze. And Summer is just too nice to spend in class.

The above non-scientific analysis was not discussed by the blue ribbon panel assembled a couple of years ago to study advisement. The number one legitimate cause of students bailing, or worse failing, is poor or no academic advisement.

I was taken quite aback when the professor representing my department stated that students are grown-ups and should be able to advise themselves. True, but we could also buy our books and learn at home unassisted; being grown-ups and all. Why have to go to a doctor for a prescription, I'm a grown-up and know what I need - Demarol please.

My best personal progress toward graduation has been with the assistance of my advisor, a gentleman knowledgeable in not only course load but planning to be ready for the future by getting the prerequisites out of the way now.

Before the snow, I caught two great academic minds discussing a young lad's withdraw from a moderately difficult class. They wondered with dismay how a student could attempt to take two classes and work 70 hours a week.

One of these great minds envisioned a formula. Classes would be rated by how much out of class time is required to succeed, e.g.: Math classes 1-2, English 2, Chemistry-Physics 1-2 (my figures not theirs).

These ratings would assist students who for some reason are incapable of meeting with an advisor. They would not, however, get the benefit of the CET faculty who would probably not recommend an aqueous, ferrous, and earth class simultaneously.

You see, Fluids is rated a 2-3, Soils the same, and Steel is a 1-2. I do not have first hand knowledge on the Steel rating but have gotten input from several students on the actual course load.

Further, advisors have access to terminal screens to which students are not privy. They can pull up a screen that shows all you have done and what you need. This is especially helpful when dealing with the Core requirements.

So do yourself that favor you owe yourself since you didn't join that health spa when they had the membership special, see your advisor.

By the way Fluids and Soils are rated in hour-hours and Steel hour-days; unit conversions are very important.

*Bill Finnick is the last of The Sting staff whose motto was, "A chicken bone painfully lodged in the throat of Southern Tech."*

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## CONSENSUS EDITORIAL

According to an anonymous student, One of your teachers (we won't say which) "...is a joke. He is not qualified to teach kindergarden [sic]." There were many other interesting comments written on the student surveys distributed fall quarter. Unfortunately, only 56 surveys were returned. 56 out of a whopping 3959 students enrolled!

We thought about printing the grades, and perhaps some of the comments, but decided that since 3903 students couldn't be bothered to circle 8 grades for three or four teachers, then why should these 3909 students benefit from the obviously mind-numbing labor of the capable 1%. Also, we decided that the results wouldn't be very accurate.

Sadly, you will have to suffer through another quarter without a student survey of teachers. We were also surprised to see that when teachers passed out the survey to their classes, students would fill them out but couldn't walk all the way to the student center to turn them in.

We know this is true because we have spies everywhere.

## Professor Warns Others; Beware of *The Sting*

I'm writing to inform you about my response to an editorial in this week's *Sting*. The piece included falsehoods about the manner in which books are selected in the department I chair.

I discussed the issue with Charlie Smith, who was most helpful and lent a sympathetic ear. Then I attended yesterday's *Sting* meeting, where I informed the writer and his

colleagues that they had committed more than just sloppy journalism. Indeed, the writer flagrantly misrepresented our department procedure for choosing texts and attempted to sully several reputations in the process.

As I told the *Sting* staff, each tech writing faculty member chooses the books he or she wants. Having written a Macmillan text in

the field, I've always made extra efforts to distance myself from the text selection process. The faculty who use my book do so because it meets their needs, period.

Further, I told the *Sting* staff that I would pursue my complaint if an appropriate retraction were not written in the next issue. The writer of the editorial admitted that he had (1) written the article

quickly, (2) failed to check the truthfulness of all information, and (3) used inappropriate language. He said he would write an apology/retraction that attempts to undo the damage done to the faculty of this department; I will be waiting to see if an appropriate statement appears.

A "free press" is essential on campus, but that freedom does not protect the publication of lies about

our employees. I encourage all of you to keep a watchful eye on our student newspaper and to speak forth when appropriate. With freedom comes responsibility. Student writers must be held accountable for what they write.

Dr. Sandy Pfeiffer  
Departmental Head, Humanities  
and Technical Communication

## Women Can Indeed Hold Office At N.O.M.A.

I would like to bring to your attention some very inaccurate and misleading statements that your paper has printed regarding the National Organization of Minority Architects on this campus.

The particular article in question was printed in Volume XLVIII, No. XV on the front page, making mention to the Women in Architecture, paragraphs 4 and 5 of that article.

Firstly, to set the record straight, the National Organization of Minor-

ity Architects was founded to give minorities a voice to support their efforts to be qualified architects.

Secondly, your article has done irreversible damage to both organizations by the statement and I quote, "Many women had joined and were quite upset when they found out that they could not vote or hold office. They could just pay dues."

This statement Mr. Editor is very much untrue because the founding president of the student chapter of the National Organiza-

tion of Minority Architects just happened to be a female who held office for two years.

Her immediate secretary was also a woman. I can further support this by stating that up to this very day women in our organization hold officer positions of parliamentarian, public relations, and assistant secretary.

This statement of your's gives the image of N.O.M.A. being an organization that discriminates and is prejudice towards the women on

our campus. As you can see by now your statements are way off base and false.

Thirdly, the Women in Architecture organization was not formed because they could not join N.O.M.A. as suggested by this article. Its purpose and principles totally address issues in architecture from a different perspective to that of N.O.M.A., S.S.E.D., and the A.I.A.S. organizations that are functioning within the School of Architecture. On the otherhand, all four organizations have a common goal and that is to work together as one family for the sake of our love for architecture.

I can further say that Ms. Nikal Conti, the founding chapter president of W.I.A.S., is also the parliamentarian of N.O.M.A. and is very

active in both organizations—as we are in the Women in Architecture.

So in conclusion Mr. Editor, the STING owes both N.O.M.A. and W.I.A.S. an outright apology for the damages your inaccurate reporting has caused to our organizations.

Because through negative reporting a bad image of the School of Architecture can really be detrimental to our efforts of gaining accreditation in the Spring. So in the future get your fact straight before you print any information that may be damaging to your credibility.

Myron K. Burchall  
President of the National Organization of Minority Architects at Southern Tech

## Assertiveness Is our Friend

To be assertive is to affirm our rights as human beings and to protect our rights from encroachment by others. Assertive behavior is respectful behavior - respectful both of ourselves and of others - and it is the type of behavior which has the best chance of helping us to achieve both our goals and self-esteem.

**Non-Assertive behavior** is the failure to stand up for one's rights either by failing to express a feeling or preference or by allowing another person to infringe upon one's rights.

**Why is being assertive important?** It helps us to interact interpersonally in a clear, honest, and effective fashion. In addition, being assertive can increase feelings of self confidence, positive reactions from others, and interpersonal communication. Furthermore, it can decrease anxiety in social situations.

**Healthy assertion** begins with self-understanding (to be flexible and have choices). When we know our own values and beliefs and have learned through experience the types of behavior with which we are comfortable, then we can be responsive to situations in an assertive way.

Sometimes we act assertively in a powerful way to defend ourselves when others encroach upon our rights. Sometimes we act assertively by directly asking for or striving to achieve something which we feel we deserve in life.

Sometimes an assertive act may be an honest expression of warm and gentle feelings to bring an important person closer to us. Assertiveness is a clear expression of our true selves which brings us dignity and self-respect.

You have the right to make and

refuse requests! You have the right to express your own opinion! You have the right to make mistakes and change your mind! You have the right to judge your own actions and to express anger!

**Assertiveness training**: Learning to behave assertively does not occur over night! It takes time and hard work. You will improve if you are motivated and willing to try out new behaviors. Being assertive means thinking, feeling, and behaving in a way which is natural for us and feeling comfortable about doing so.

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- Aaron M. Buscemi  
(intern, Counselor)

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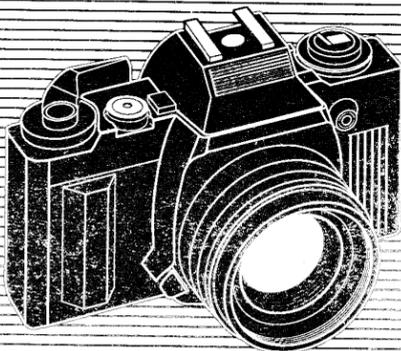
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# Tennis Team Causes Quite a Racket Claims "Not Our Fault"

By LEIGH BOROS

The Southern Tech tennis team is gearing up for the 1995 season. Their first match will be March 30th at Laurel Park.

On Tuesday, February 7th, a meeting was held for all those interested in playing tennis.

The current payers are Brent Artisan, Michael Penrow, Bret Atkinson, and Jamie Hart. The tennis playing Hornets are lead by returning Danny Chung. Danny is an Electrical Sophomore

and has played for the past two years. The Coaches are the following: Head Coach Lee Tucker, Assistant Coach Alan Becker and Assistant Assistant Coach Jose Vinelli.

Lee Tucker, when asked what were his hopes for the team replied: "To win the District 25 in Rome and go onto the nationals".

If interested in joining the team and you missed the meeting just Contact Professor Lee Tucker at 528-7357.

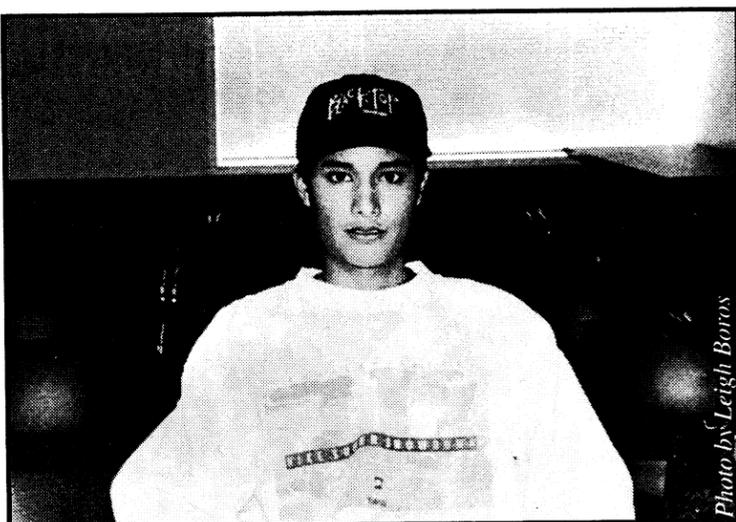


Photo by Leigh Boros

The tennis playing Hornets are lead by returning Danny Chung.

# Baseball Team Vows Not to Strike Balks at Salary Cap

By LEIGH BOROS

After rebuilding the team last year, the Southern Tech Baseball team is ready for the new season to start.

There are nine seniors on the team this year but, don't worry there are also nine fresh players.

When coach Alexander was asked his hopes for the 1995 season, he replied: "To win the conference but, we will take it

just one game at a time." He has confidence that the bat wielding Hornets will make it to the playoffs.

The team has been practicing since the second week in January.

Coach Alexander said since there are so many double headers this season, there will be activities between the games.

New this year will be a concession stand at the home games. Bat girls will also be unveiled.

## Baseball Schedule

DATE/DAY	OPPONENT	GAMES	SITE	TIME
Feb. 11 Sat	Milford Academy	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 14 Tues	Emmanuel College	2	Marietta	1:30 p.m.
Feb. 16 Thurs	Southern Wesleyan, SC	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 20 Mon	Bridgewater College, VA	1	Marietta	2:00 p.m.
Feb. 22 Wed	Tennessee Wesleyan College	2	Athens, TN	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 24 Fri	Tri-State University, IN	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 25 Sat	Tusculum College, TN	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
Feb. 27 Mon	Emmanuel College	2	Franklin Springs, GA	1:00 p.m.
March 2 Thurs	Tri-State University, IN	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
March 4 Sat	*Brevton-Parker	2	Marietta	1:00 p.m.
March 7 Tues	Southern Wesleyan, SC	2	Marietta	1:30 p.m.
March 8 Wed	Kennesaw State	1	Marietta	2:30 p.m.
March 11 Sat	Indiana U/Purdue U, IN	2	Marietta	1:30 p.m.
March 18 Sat	*Georgia Southwestern	2	Marietta	4:00 p.m.
March 22 Wed	*Piedmont College	2	Demorest, GA	1:00 p.m.
March 25 Sat	*Lagrange College	2	Lagrange, GA	1:00 p.m.
March 27 Mon	Minnesota-Duluth	2	Marietta	1:30 p.m.

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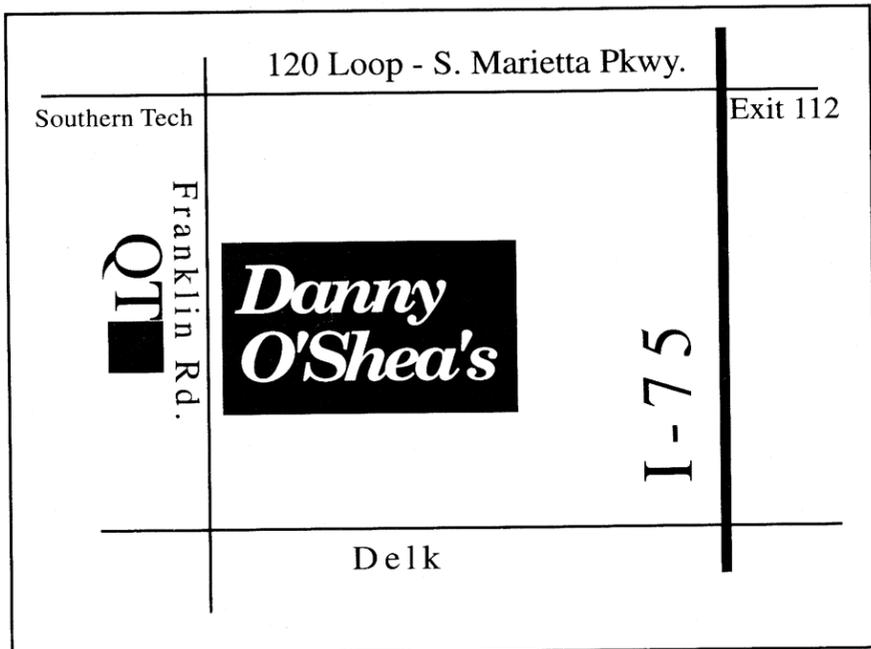


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