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Architecture Department Gets National Accreditation

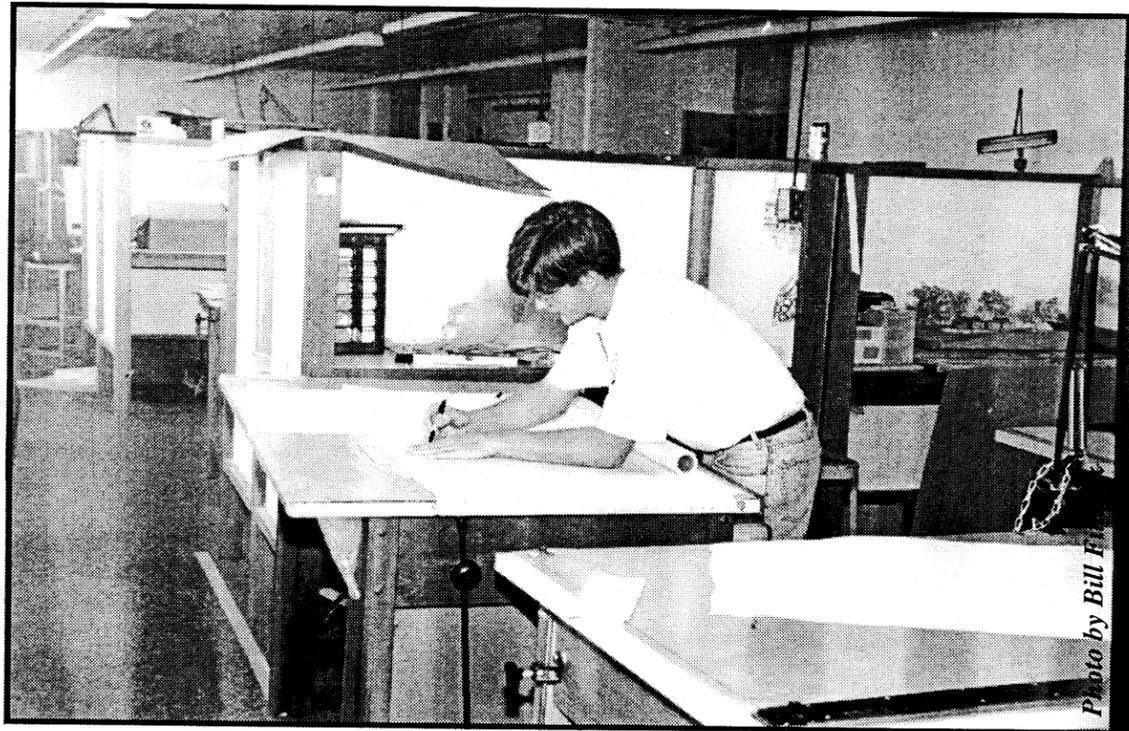
By JASON M. HERR

On September 12, 1995, Southern Tech's School of Architecture reached a goal that will greatly affect professional education in the state of Georgia. The college's School of Architecture has become the only public institution in Georgia with a nationally accredited Bachelor of Architecture degree program.

The National Architectural Accrediting Board (NAAB) granted accreditation for the school's Bachelor of Architecture degree program on its first attempt to attain accreditation.

In addition, the NAAB granted accreditation for a five year term, rather than a usual three year term. This feat by the school is an exceptional one; Southern Tech's School of Architecture is only the second institution in the entire nation to earn the five year degree on the first accreditation visit.

Southern Tech achieved candidacy for accreditation for the Bachelor of Architecture in January of 1992. In April of 1994, a NAAB team visited the campus on an "Interim Candidacy Visit" to observe the school and talk with the faculty and students. The college was given



Student takes advantage of an empty drafting table to work on one of the many projects that architecture students have to complete every quarter.

the options of attempting to achieve accreditation on a two, four, or six year track. The energetic and devoted faculty chose the accelerated track, going for and achieving accreditation in 1995.

In doing so, they satisfied an intensive 54 course criteria. They demonstrated an overall program of uniqueness and strength that separates the school from all other architectural degree programs.

John Busby, FAIA, of the Atlanta firm Jova/Daniels/Busby, Inc. and a former president of NAAB, stated "the awarding of the five year term means the Dean and faculty of the

School of Architecture fulfilled the procedures and met criteria for accreditation in such an exemplary fashion that it warranted the highest term NAAB may award. It was a real vote of confidence in the diligent efforts of the school to present the NAAB team a program that has outstanding merit."

With national accreditation, Southern Tech graduates are now eligible to sit for registration examinations anywhere in the United States. The accredited degree is also retroactive for all previous graduates of the program, who received their degrees in 1993 and 1994.

Prior to the Bachelor of Architecture degree, Southern Tech offered an architectural engineering technology degree (AET) which was recognized for sitting for registration in the state of Georgia, but did not always receive reciprocity in other states where graduates might have wanted to pursue careers.

Dean of Architecture Harry Kaufman explained that the college's success in balancing quality technology, design and theory was recognized by the NAAB as the school's unique contribution.

When asked about the school's
Please see Architecture on 5

Cops Get Glock

By J.J. ALMODOVAR

Southern Tech Public Safety will be upgrading their current .38 caliber revolvers to new semi-automatic Model 22 Glock.

"The new handguns are part of our on-going efforts to modernize and professionalize the department", says Chief Chasteen. Once the decision was made to upgrade, the Glock was the chosen because it is under state contract. The department was able to acquire the Glock's for around \$350 each, compared to the retail price of \$439-465,

The decision to acquire new firearms was precipitated by a number of factors. It has become increasingly difficult to obtain equipment accessories and parts for older revolvers.

State firearm training courses and qualification tests, which officers must take and pass at the academy, are written and conducted for semi-automatic weapons. Semi-automatic weapons are now the standard for police departments nationwide.

The leather hardware used by officers such as holsters and ammunition holders are hard to acquire for the older revolvers. In fact, Chief Chasteen says that he has been waiting four months for a holster for one of the officers. In addition, parts and

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Opal Shuts Down School and Communication

By COLLEEN DESMOND

Opal swept through Southern Tech littering the campus with debris and several downed trees.

Acting Plant Operations Director, Thomas Mathews, came onto campus around 3:30am to monitor the storm damage and begin cleaning up.

"I've been here 10 years and this is the most damage I've seen occurred on campus," said Mathews. No buildings or campus power lines were damaged but several trees including two Bradford Pear trees fell.

One tree fell against building D and a second fell across the walkway between buildings D and E. "Considering the number of trees down, we were very lucky," said Thomas, commenting on the lack of structural damage.

The new landscaping largely escaped Opal's winds, which peaked at around 65 mph, because the new bushes and saplings are so low to

the ground.

"Mostly we cleared the mall area and walkways to get ready for when the campus opens," said Thomas. Plant Operations took some precautions before the storm to minimize the damage.

Power to Southern Tech was lost

around 5:30am.

Marietta Power Company determined that the problem was with a Georgia Power Company line. "When we called GA Power to get a time table, they just laughed at us."

Despite this, Plant Operations
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Plant Operation work hard while students rest on a day off.

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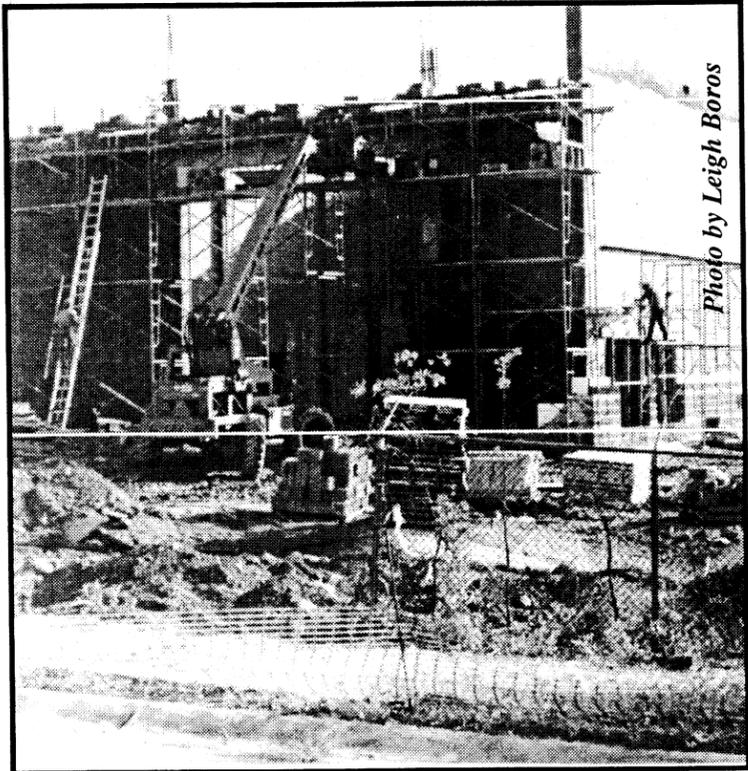
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Looking inside the Indoor Recreation Center

Housing Director Has Big Fall Plans

By RAY SMITH

Mr. Klein has been in his present position since 1990. He received his MA from Michigan State and has worked with college residential situations for the past thirteen years.

His job on the campus is to oversee the residential halls (dorms) and plan student life activities. Over the Summer, he oversaw the \$750,000 renovation to Howell Dorm. He is proud of the renovation and hopes the students appreciate all the hard work that this entailed.

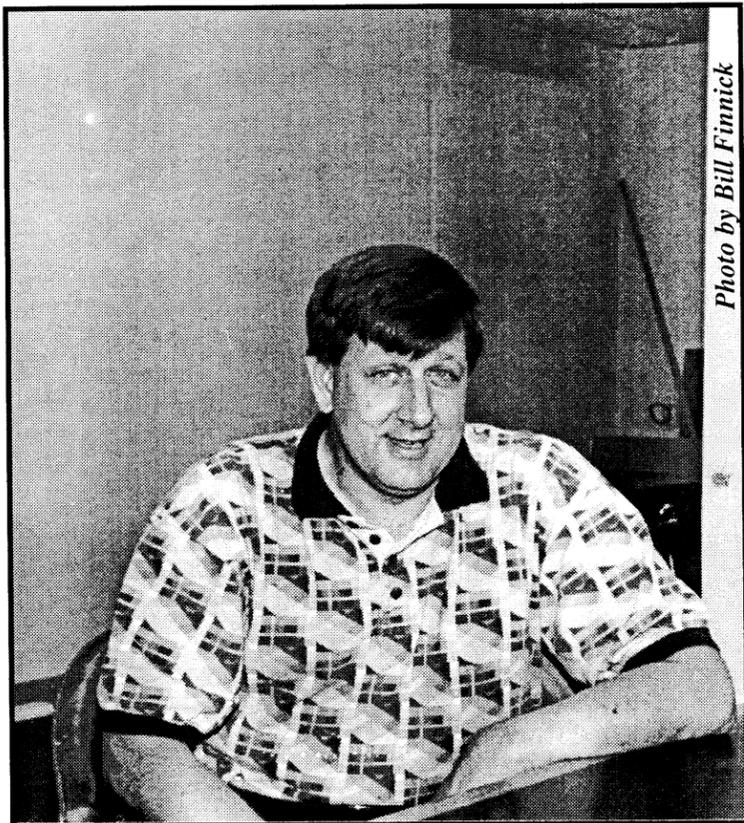
The Student Life Committee, which he chairs, has many plans for the Fall quarter. This past week they threw a "Welcome Back Jam" be-

tween the dorms, Wednesday, October 11th they will sponsor a Safe Sex seminar and finish up the month with a Halloween Festival in the dorms.

The rest of the Fall schedule isn't set; however, all students that reside in the dorms will receive notification of upcoming events.

His plans for the coming year include continual work to insure the college residents are receiving a good quality product and also to work on the agenda for "The Freshman Experience" that should be enacted in the Fall of 1996.

Mr. Klein made the comment that, "the students that live in the dorms at Southern Tech are, as far as college students go, a good group of residents."



Ed Klein - what can we say about the man that hasn't already been said? If you know, call 528-7310 and leave a message.

Campus Facelift May Include New Academic Building and Planetarium

By DEMETRIUS COX

The face and image of Southern Tech continues to change daily as various campus construction and renovation projects move towards completion. The major projects this summer included completion of the Outdoor Recreational Center, ongoing progress on the indoor recreational center, and the refurbishing of Howell Hall.

"Work has gotten serious on the (indoor) recreational center and is progressing along very nicely," says Southern Tech President Stephen Cheshier. He stated that construction is currently on schedule and he is optimistic for completion in the late spring. The center is expected to open for staff and students for 'a trial run' throughout the Summer of 1996.

Renovation of Howell Hall was completed on schedule during the last week prior to the start of Fall quarter. Refurbishment of the dormitory included installation of new carpet, furniture, fixtures, and paint. According to President Cheshier, the contractors "worked until the midnight hour before stu-

dents moved in" insuring all was ready prior to scheduled to deadline.

ARAMARK, the new food service provider, was also working to meet a deadline this summer. Barry Birkhead, Student Activities Director, voiced high praise for Food Service personnel. "It was amazing that hot meals were served on the first day of classes when you consider that installation of the new grill and cafeteria serving line all came together only a week before school started."

However, Mr. Birkhead admits, all is not perfect. "We're preparing to install heat lamps, increase the capacity of the food warmers, and add another ice machine on the serving line in order to better serve customers."

In addition to those projects already in progress, other construction and renovation plans are listed as approved by the college and awaiting funding and/or a window of opportunity for work to begin.

First on the list is the refurbishing of Norton Hall, which, ac-

ording to President Cheshier, will probably be accomplished in several phases over the next eighteen months.

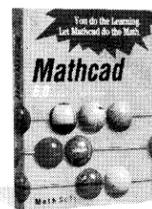
Second in line is the approximately one million dollar renovation of the Architecture building, which is currently awaiting authorization for state funding, followed closely by the renovation of the Physical Plant and other support buildings.

Construction of new dormitories, originally slated for ground breaking this past spring, may finally become a reality in early 1996, after the State Legislature considers a list for requested funding from the University System of Georgia.

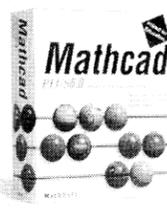
Also near the top of this list for funding is the proposed General Academic Building, an approximately fourteen million dollar facility tentatively scheduled for new construction in 1996.

Other proposed structures still in the formative stages are an Outreach Center and Planetarium, both with possible completion dates sometime in 1998 or beyond.

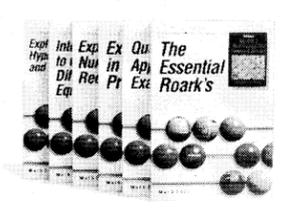
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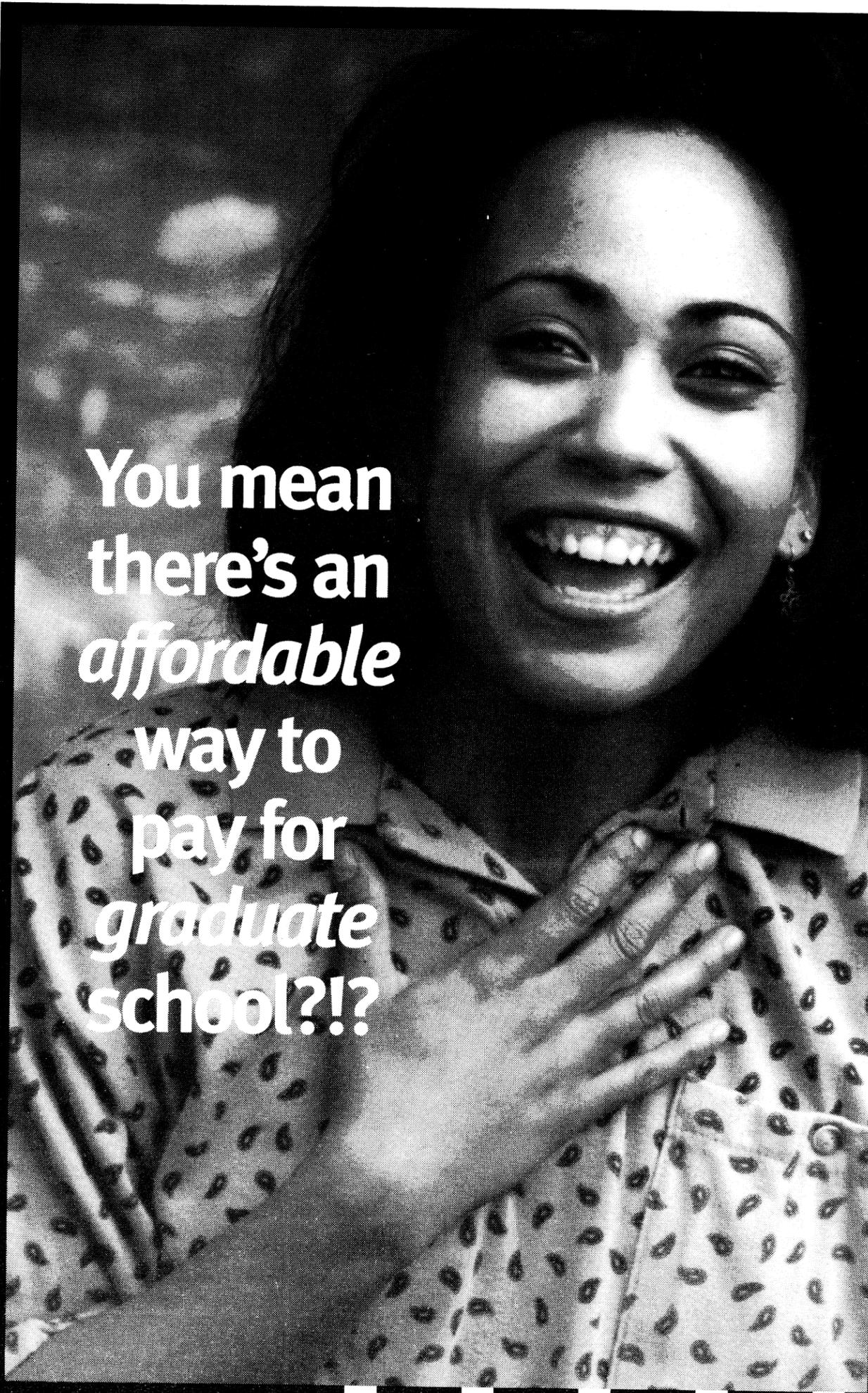
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Access The WWW Thanks To GALILEO

By KEVIN AUSTIN

The GALILEO project is an attempt to bring the information resources of libraries throughout the University System of Georgia to the World Wide Web.

GALILEO stands for Georgia Library Learning Online. It takes advantage of the Internet and offers Southern Tech students, faculty and staff the opportunity to locate information and do research using materials provided not only within the University Library System of Georgia but worldwide as well.

Through the use of the Netscape web browser, a user is able to search GALILEO's mutiple online journals. A range of search options are available such as by author, title, name, or keywords relating to the topic you are interested in. The project then provides an abstract of the article(s) you might be interested in and tells the user which journal has the complete article. Also available from within the system are state agency publications as well as U.S. census data.

Unfortunately, due to copyright restrictions entire article reproduction for most pieces is not an option. The primary focus of the project currently is as a search tool.

Due to be fully implemented sometime in 1996 the project has most of its featured options, such as searching online databases, re-

searching key topics, and learning about the project itself, available.

Its main advantage to Southern Tech students and faculty however is the golden opportunity to 'surf' the net.

Using the browser, users can 'escape' from the GALILEO linked system to do research on anything which might be of vital importance in completing an academic paper. Perusing the latest 'Dilbert' comic on the Comic home page is one such activity which comes to mind.

Anticipating users who might use the seven GALILEO workstations in the library for 'research' outside of the project itself, SCT has made available usage statement guidelines involving time limits, and liability disclaimers on blue hand out sheets at the entrance of the library.

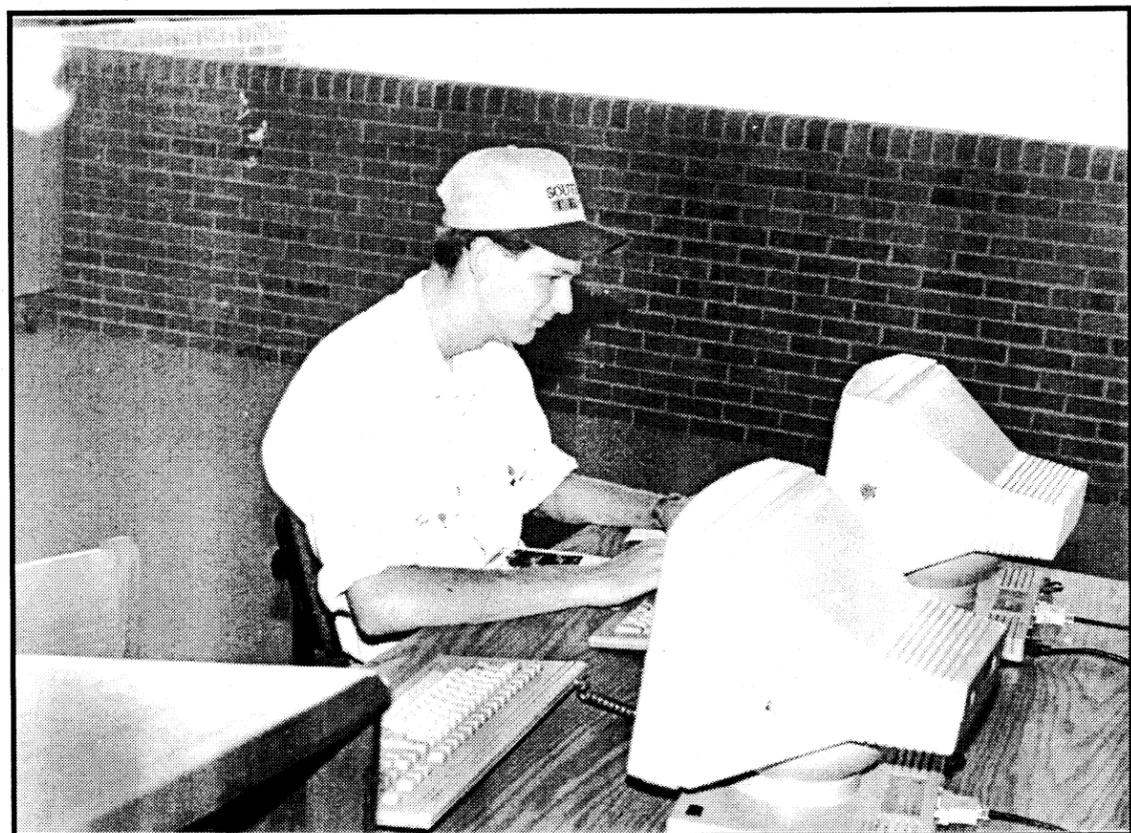
Basically anyone has the opportunity to use the GALILEO workstations for whatever purpose they might like (excluding game playing, e-mail, or word processing). Students, Faculty and staff of SCT are given priority over the general public with a 30 minute time limit for each user if there is a line.

However SCT disclaims responsibility for determining what information is or is not suitable for users. As the information available on the WWW can be potentially adult in nature, the library's policy is to ask users to

searching key topics, and learning about the project itself, available.

To learn more about the

GALILEO system stop by the library or check out the GALILEO home page from the net at <http://gallileo.peachnet.edu/gallileo> or <http://gallileo.galib.uga.edu/Homepage.html>.



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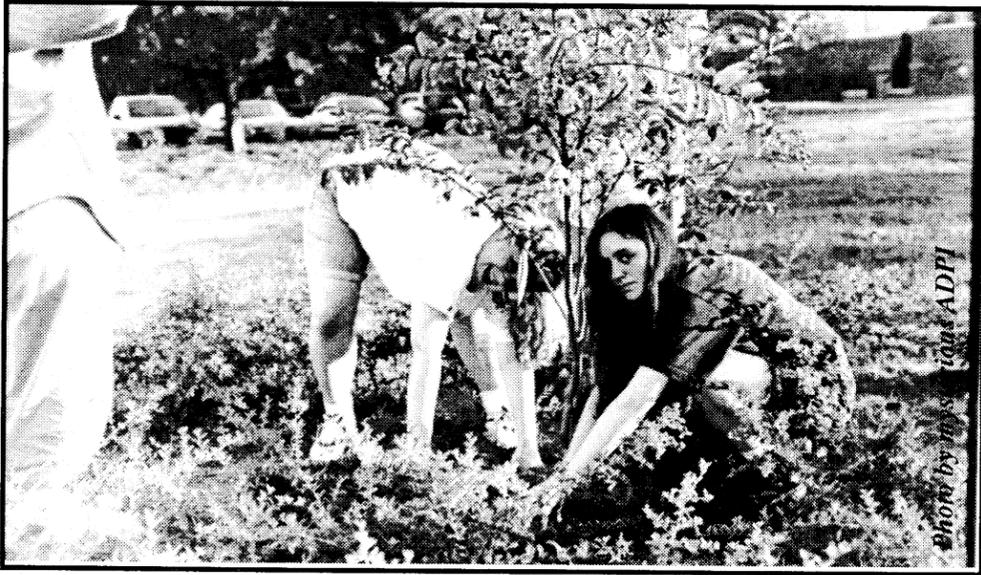
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Crossword Puzzle Answers
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Alpha Delta Pi Plants a Tree



The sisters of Alpha Delta Pi sorority planted a tree September 28 in honor of the Ronald McDonald House. The tree is located on the corner of Hornet Drive and off NE corner of Student Center. The ADPi Plant Operation is going to plant additional trees around this area.

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accomplishment Dean Kaufman stated "This accomplishment belongs to the entire college and would not have been possible without the Environmental Development Program that is within the School of Architecture, the solid arts and sciences courses, the electives in the mechanical and business de-

partments, and all the support from the faculty throughout the entire college."

The Environmental Development degree is also new within the School of Architecture. The students in this program share their first year of classes with those in the Architecture program.

Together they build a foundation for the rest of their education at Southern Tech. The head of the Environmental Development department William Marchant feels very good about the accreditation of the school. "The nature and character of the program fits that of the entire college. We are going where the profession needs to go with cutting edge design through the use of technology. Our students have an on hands education which creates highly qualified practitioners."

With the accreditation behind them the entire staff now plan to continue to create a solid program.

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expected the power to be restored by noon and announced that the school would open at that time. At approximately 10:45 am, they revised their announcement to say that school would be closed for the remainder of the day because the power was still not restored.

After it became apparent that Georgia Power would not be able to repair the line any time soon, the power supply was switched over

temporarily to Marietta Power. The campus received power again around 1 PM, Wednesday, from Marietta Power. Because a switch back to GA Power takes about 20-30 minutes, it will occur during off hours.

Major Harris, of Campus Safety, estimated that about 100 students showed up for classes Thursday. He reported no disturbances or problems during the power outage.



Tree succumbs to blowhard Opal.

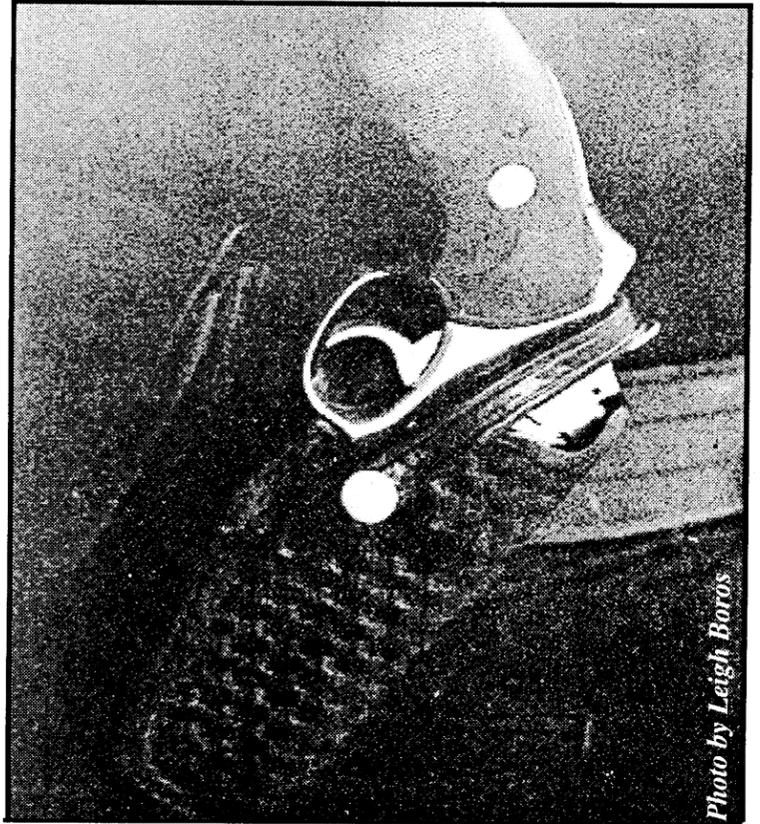
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maintenance for old revolvers was also becoming costly and time consuming. In an effort to save funds, the department was able to locate a company that will exchange the old service revolvers for all of the leather hardware (ie. holsters and ammunition holders) that will be needed for the new Glocks.

Even though there is no State requirement to retest officers when they receive a new type of firearm,

Chief Chasteen and his department are currently drafting a 40 hour course to help the officers make the transition from revolver type to semi-automatic firearms.

Fortunately, Southern Tech Police have never had to draw their weapons in the interest of public safety. However, Chief Chasteen did express that it was reassuring to know that his officers are well equipped.



Looks tame enough from here. One of the 38 revolvers that will soon be exchanged for Glock semiautomatic pistols. Photo was shot with dry ice fog for that film noir effect.

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Elusive Disc Foils AUVS Team

By KEVIN BRYAN

The Association For Unmanned Vehicle Systems (AUVS) held a competition last July to allow colleges and universities from across the nation to show their knowledge of artificial intelligence.

The object of the competition was the construction of an unmanned "smart" helicopter. The helicopter was to take off from a starting point and move over to a five foot circle containing five discs of uniform size.

It would then deploy a sub vehicle that would pick up, then drop all the discs in turn into another five foot circle across a vertical barrier. Finally, the helicopter was to return to its base.

The Southern Tech team, headed by Prof. Trent, came up with good ideas, but was barely able to get the helicopter off the ground due to problems with the computer programming. This is in contrast with their promising results in 1993, when they got the helicopter off the ground and to the first circle.

Their idea was to use sensors at right angles to the area in question to guide the helicopter. The sensors were attached to a computer that triangulated the helicopter's position and gave it its directions. They also attached a "smart car" with front-mounted pincers as their sub-vehicle. When deployed, it would drive and grasp the nearest disc with the pincers.

The project included people

from many different majors, including CS, EET, and MET. Outside remote control helicopter enthusiasts were also consulted to help program for the competition.

Last year, Stanford University managed to partially solve the problem. They picked up one disc from

the starting position, placed it in the finish circle and returned the helicopter to its base. However, they did not use a smart vehicle to pick up the discs; they used magnets instead.

No school to date has moved all five discs to the ending circle.

SGA Appoints Judicial members

By COLLEEN DESMOND

The Student Government Association made student appointment to several committees and reported on addressing some student concerns about library policies at their September 26 meeting.

Council member, Cynthia Clements, reported that she met with the library director, Dr. Joycelin Mills, to discuss some of the concerns of students. She asked that a permanent fine rate sign be placed on the wall behind the circulation desk. Dr. Mills decided, instead, to print bookmarks with the fine policy.

Clements said Dr. Mills wanted to prevent the walls behind the circulation desk from appearing cluttered with signs. Clements also requested that the instruction sheets by the Ollie machines be made more clear. Dr. Mills told Clements she would investigate these concerns.

SGA President, Bill Finnick, nominated three students, Shannon Acreman, Andre' Willis and Helen Gavrikova to be on the judiciary committee for academic discipline.

The judiciary committee, made up of three students and three faculty members, will be meeting to hear arguments on a plagiarism case. Two architecture students are accused of plagiarism on an architecture project and have been unable to arbitrate a solution with Dean Charles Smith. They have invoked their right to a hearing.

Chief Chasteen asked that a parking committee be formed to address issues such as parking permits and space allocations. Council members Carlisle Hall and Virgil Allen were appointed by Finnick to represent students on this committee.

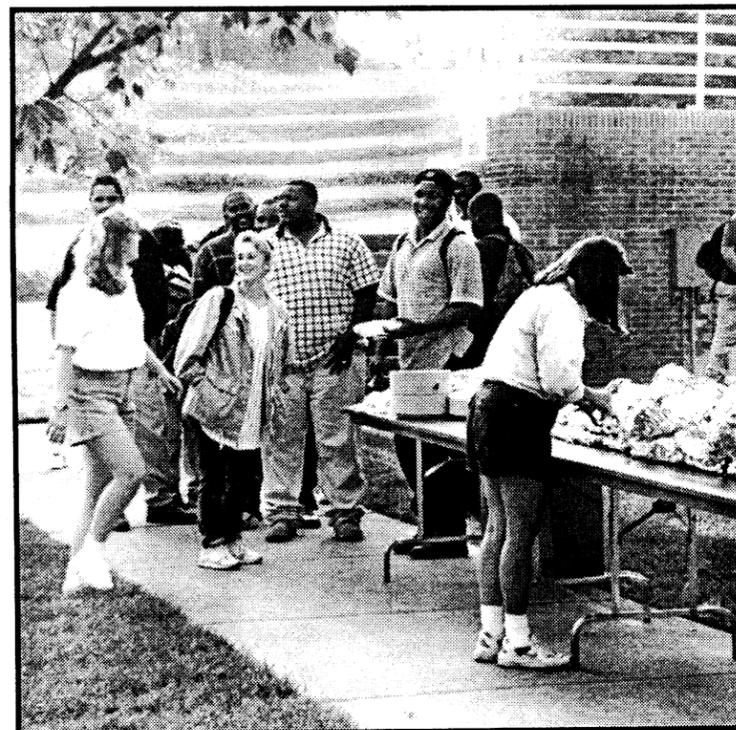
The next SGA meeting will be held Tuesday, October 10, at noon in room 204 of the Student Center.



Rumors that alien beings, known as Borgs, have infiltrated the campus were strengthened when this picture was released through the Freedom of Information Act.

Bash In The Grass

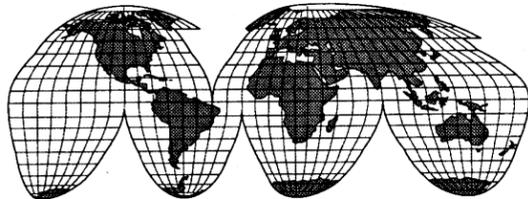
Students returning for the fall were welcomed back to Southern Tech with "Bash in the Grass". The party featured virtual reality, music and Po' Folks chicken dinners. Last year the CAB sponsored event was called The Fall Throwdown.



An extravaganza of aluminum foil conceals the savory southern delicacies from the hungry students hovering nearby.

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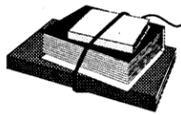
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Blood Countess is Bloody Good Reading

By BILL GREVE



Imagine a story of the personification of evil, taking the form of an Eastern European with a penchant for blood. Also imagine this story is written by a well-known author who writes from the steamy confines of New Orleans.

Also imagine that this story has nothing to do with Anne Rice and her misplaced vampires. Instead, imagine that one of the eeriest books of the year was written by NPR contributor Andrei Codrescu.

Then realize that *Blood Countess* is the fictional telling of the historical figure Countess Elizabeth Bathory of Hungary who was reputed to have murdered over 600 virgins to bathe in their blood.

It is against this background that Andrei Codrescu weaves a haunting tale of unsurpassed brutal-

ity and an attempt to show that this horror wasn't just a product of the 15th century.

To do this Codrescu introduces the character Drake Bathory-Kereshtur, a direct (modern day) descendant of Elizabeth.

Drake, upon returning from covering post-Communist Hungary for his paper, pleads to a New York judge that he is guilty for the murder of a woman in Hungary.

But there is a small twist. Giving his deposition to the judge, Drake pleads: "I killed her with my hands but not with my mind, Your Honor. I am incapable of murder. Elizabeth Bathory killed her, as she has done many times in the past."

Elizabeth's bloodlust is more complicated than just enjoyment of watching people suffer.

It's partly a result of the position of nobility being above "the law." For example, the clock makers of Germany are making a for-

tune developing ornate torture devices for the various king, queens, counts, and countesses.

Even at the age of ten, Elizabeth knows the power of her position: not knowing what "buggery" means Elizabeth has two men perform the task for her.

Neither refuses because to refuse the request of even a ten year old countess would mean a death

penalty.

Eventually, Elizabeth's wont to cause pain takes on an almost sensual quality.

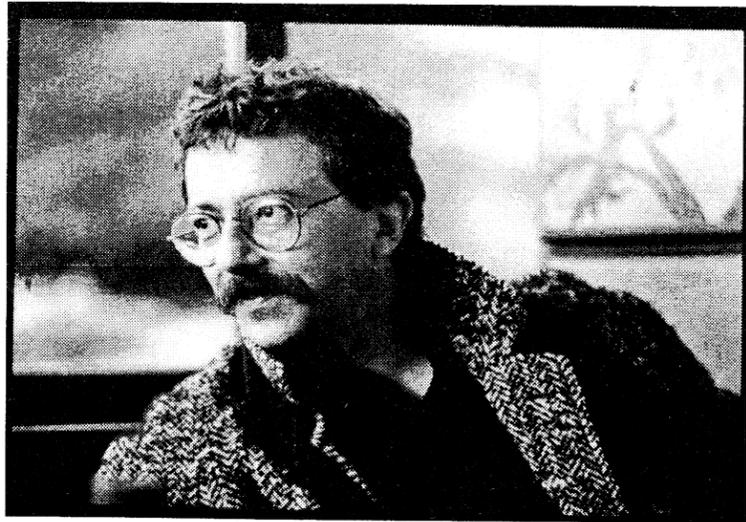
During her wedding night, a musical group plays until their fingers bleed. And when her attentions eventually turn to young women, Elizabeth attacks them in a sexual frenzy.

Blood Countess is much more

than bleeding bodies and kinky sex. Andrei Codrescu does give a disturbing tale of the rise of modern day anarchy in post-communist Hungary.

In many ways, this mirrors his own experiences in visiting his Romanian homeland.

BILL GREVE also reads Codrescu's literary journal *Exquisite Corpse*.



Andrei Codrescu is a professor of English at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge

Five-Eight Threshes Out at The Point

By DEMETRIUS COX



While taking stock of the usual hype and trash that the music industry utilizes to hawk their wares, I readied myself for a ho-hum concert experience as I listened to Five-Eight's 7" promotional demo *Accessorize/Doubter*. The demo was lacking, possibly due to the fact that this was the first vinyl my turntable had seen in a long, long time.

So, with some reservations and bad vinyl ringing in my ears, I set off for The Point.

Upon taking the stage at 12:20 am, after a distinctly mediocre opening act, vocalist/guitarist Mike Mantione, drummer Tigger Ferguson, rhythm guitarist Sean Dunn, and bassist Dan Horowitz set the stage afire.

For a band that has been compared with the likes of R.E.M. and Husker Du, there existed no trace of either - just straight on, driving

rhythm that cannot be pigeon-holed into a single, neat description. Mantione and Dunn deliver exceptional guitar work in tight, passionate explosions that are as irresistible as they are deafening.

Ferguson assaults his drums like a man possessed, while in the midst of the fury, Horowitz calmly lays down the bass, seemingly detached from his band mates.

Within the din comes Mantione's vocals, occasionally allowed to become audible, notifying the listener that he is an articulate vocalist with respectable range. As he sings "Weirdo" or "You Never Look In My Eyes", he moves beyond mere adolescent angst and into his own distinct realm of experience.

As with most good music, what makes Five-Eight and Mantione truly viable is the evidence of conviction in both lyrics and music. When Five-Eight threshes out the modicum of life, you know they mean it.

Banjo Playing Folklorist

By RAY SMITH



Theater in the Square will present one of the nation's longest-running shows, *Banjo Dancing*, starting October 4th and running through November 12th.

This play ran for ten years in Washington D.C. The show features Stephen Wade who performs a one man show.

The show is a continuous singing, dancing, story-telling, banjo plucking joy from beginning to end.

Students at Southern Tech have a rare opportunity to catch a great act for a small sum.

For students the tickets are only five dollars as opposed to the twenty-five dollar price for non-students.

Bring an extra quarter to the

performance; it will come in handy.

Mr. Wade has a stage presence that is intriguing and enjoyable to watch. His knowledge of folklore and literature are only surpassed by his excellent on the Banjo.

During the performance he explains the workings of the banjo and also shows off his impressive collection of the instrument in ques-

tion. So stay late, or come on a day you're not in school, but don't miss



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8+3=12 MATH

By Dr. JOEL C. FOWLER

The puzzle for last issue was to find the dice rolls of two players, A and B, in a game played a four sided dice marked with the numbers 1, 2, 3, and 4. The rules of the game and conditions of the puzzle are too long to repeat. However, the answer is A:1 vs. B:1,2 in the first round and A:3,4 vs. B:4 in the second round (or vice versa). Thus A loses each individual round but wins the single combined round. Correct answers were received from Michael J. Harris, Anthony Blalock, Alan Gabrielli, and Helen Spivak.

For a new puzzle suppose that 24 players are competing in a chess tournament. The players are divided into two, not necessarily equal sized,

Stayin' Alive

By JULIE SCALA, R.N.

As kids, we spent a lot of time roaming about on foot, getting to where we had to go, poking in places we didn't belong, and exploring the world around us. Then, we grew up and got our first car.

The next time our feet touch the ground is 60 to 70 years later when our eyesight fails, and they pry the car keys out of our pale and aging clenched fists.

How is it that somewhere between age 16 and 86 we forget how much fun walking is?

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- 3. IT'S EASY**
You've been doing it since you were two years old.
- 4. IT'S FITTING**

Getting by on a Budget The History of So

In 1998 Southern Tech will celebrate its fiftieth anniversary. In preparation for this event, Dr. Richard Bennett (Asst. Professor, Social and International Studies Department), is working on a formal history of Southern Tech for publication. In addition to the history book, a limited run "coffee-table" book is a possibility. In the interim, Dr. Bennett and The Sting will periodically run sketches of different aspects and events of Southern Tech over the past fifty years. This is story number four of a multi story article.

By PROFESSOR RICHARD BENNETT

Southern Tech opened in 1948 with a budget of \$60,000 to cover all expenses, from salaries to advertising, to lab equipment. In addition, the Board of Regents was still not convinced that the school was a legitimate enterprise for Georgia Tech to undertake, or for the Regents to control.

They regarded it as a trade school, and were anxious, at best, to see it spun off from Georgia Tech as a separate institution. It did not help that Col. Van Leer, president of Georgia Tech, had promised that within three years the school would be self-supporting. The result was that the school had to do everything possible to limit expenditures, while at the same time increasing enrollment.

As mentioned before, much of the lab equipment was home-made and installed by the faculty. The physical facilities of the Navel Air Station were "rented" from the Navy for the grand sum of \$1.00 per year, plus upkeep and maintenance (which on wooden frame buildings could be a significant cost).

The renovation of the buildings had also been done by "in-house" labor primarily. The one way to increase the overall income of the school was to increase enrollment, and this had the added potential of drawing the attention of the Board of Regents to the popularity of the program. Another way was to strengthen respect for the program, so that the Re-

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I KNOW THERE'S A CATCH... BUT WHAT?
I'M SO LUCKY TO BE DATING YOU, LIZ. YOU'RE AT LEAST AN EIGHT.
YOU'RE A TEN.
ARE WE USING THE SAME SCALE?
TEN IS THE NUMBER OF SECONDS IT WOULD TAKE TO REPLACE YOU.
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TO: NETWORK ADMIN FROM: DILBERT CC: ALL USERS I AGREE!
HAVE YOU NOTICED THERE'S TOO MUCH COMMUNICATION IN THE WORLD, DOGBERT?
YEAH, EVERY DAY AT ABOUT THIS TIME.
WE COULD SIMPLY DIVIDE THE CHECK BY THREE...
UH-OH. ENGINEERS.
BUT THAT WOULD RESULT IN AN UNPOPULAR SUBSIDY OF WALLY'S SALMON. DOES ANYBODY HAVE A CALCULATOR-WATCH?
HOURS LATER THIS IS THE TIE-BREAKER ROUND OF WATER TO DECIDE IF YOU GET 13% OR 13.5%.
TODAY WE HAVE A MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER FROM THE "DISCOUNT SPEAKERS BUREAU."
YOU SHOULD, LIKE, WORK HARDER... OTHERWISE YOU MIGHT GET FIRED. ANY QUESTIONS?
WOULD WE GET BONUSES FOR WORKING HARDER?
THIS MUST BE THE SLOW CLASS.
I'M GOING TO INTERVIEW SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE AND WRITE A BOOK OF THEIR TIPS. I'LL START WITH YOU, DOGBERT.
SET YOUR ALARM CLOCK TO GO OFF EVERY HOUR. KEEP A BIG VAT OF "JELL-O" BY THE BED. WHEN THE ALARM GOES OFF, STICK YOUR HEAD IN THE "JELL-O" AND YELL "BOY, I'M TIRED!"
BEWARE THE ADVICE OF SUCCESSFUL PEOPLE; THEY DO NOT SEEK COMPANY.
WHY DO YOU WANT TO TRANSFER TO MY DEPARTMENT, WALLY?
I'M IN A DYSFUNCTIONAL ORGANIZATION. I'M NOT GETTING THE LOVE AND SUPPORT I NEED. THAT'S WHY I'VE BEEN MAKING LONG-DISTANCE PERSONAL CALLS FROM THE FAX ROOM.
YOUR RÉSUMÉ SAYS EVERY BOSS YOU'VE HAD WAS A COMPLETE JERK.
SO, WHEN DO I START?
I HIRED RENOWNED PSYCHOLOGIST DOGBERT TO HELP US ACHIEVE PEAK PERFORMANCE IN TEAMWORK.
PEAK PERFORMANCE IS SOMEWHAT RELATIVE. YOU'RE A HIGHLY DYSFUNCTIONAL TEAM, SO WE MUST SET REALISTIC GOALS.
WHAT WOULD BE A REALISTIC GOAL FOR US?
I THINK I CAN POSTPONE CANNABILISM.
DYSFUNCTIONAL TEAM... I'D LIKE EVERYBODY TO TURN TO THE RIGHT AND SAY WHAT YOU ADMIRE ABOUT THAT PERSON.
I ADMIRE YOUR LEATHERY SKIN, ALICE.
I ADMIRE YOUR ABILITY TO FIGURE OUT WHICH SIDE IS YOUR RIGHT IN ONLY TWO TRIES.
I ADMIRE YOUR ABILITY TO GET PAID FOR THIS.
DESPITE THE FACT YOUR FACE SCARES CHILDREN, I ADMIRE YOUR CO-WORKERS.

STINGER 3/0=?

sections, A and B. Within each section every player plays every other player exactly once. There were 69 more games played in section A than in section B. A player receives one point for a win and 1/2 point for a draw. One player ended the tournament undefeated with a score of 10. Determine which section that player played in and exactly how many games the player won and tied.

Answers should be sent, via conventional methods or e-mail (jfowler@st6000.sct.edu), 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

Stayin' Alive

Researchers have found that regular brisk walking can improve and maintain cardiovascular efficiency, and that it can help elevate HDL ("good cholesterol") and lower triglycerides. It also can help prevent adult-onset diabetes.

5. IT'S WORTH THE "WEIGHT"

You burn fewer calories per minute walking than jogging but, again, most people are more likely to stick with a walking program than with jogging. An hour of brisk walking will burn about 360 extra calories a day. At this rate, you could be almost 40 pounds lighter by this time next year without dieting!

6. ONE "FREE" DESSERT

If you don't need to lose weight, walking an hour a day will enable you to eat an extra dessert or second-helping.

7. IT CAN MAKE YOU SMARTER

Studies have shown that regular exercise can have a significant effect on our ability to think clearly and creatively.

8. PROVEN STRESS REDUCER

Many psychologists and psychiatrists prescribe walking to help relieve anxiety, stress, and simple depression. Dr. Hans Selye, notes authority on stress, sums it up neatly: "Action absorbs anxiety."

9. NEW PERSPECTIVE

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JULIE SCALA is the head of Campus Health Services.

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gents would have cause to reconsider their attitude toward the school's educational program.

Enrollment was actually something of a disappointment, in spite of what seemed to be a successful beginning, with 116 students enrolled the first quarter.

Less than a month before the school opened, expectations were for 200 students, and the previous fall, expectations had been focused on 300 students. With the demand which industry seemed to evidence, and the potential for employment upon graduation, it seemed natural that many would have been interested.

To strengthen enrollment, the administration traveled the state, speaking to schools, civic organizations, and various industrial societies about Southern Tech. Advertisements were placed in newspapers, and articles were written in a variety of journals. These had their desired effect, as enrollment climbed each quarter.

Respect for the school, both by industry and the Regents was greatly increased by achieving accreditation.

While the school was barely a year old, and the first class had yet to graduate, officials at Georgia Tech and Southern Tech were already working on this. At that time, engineering and technology schools sought accreditation from the Engineers Council for Professional Development (ECPD).

Normally, however, a school had to have at least several years, and a few graduating classes behind it before it could be accredited. However, Col. Van Leer had been instrumental in the makeup of the ECPD accrediting committee, so just after the first graduating class had gone forth (summer 1949), an inspection committee visited the campus and before the end of 1949, Southern Tech had received its accreditation.

This plus the quality and success of the first graduating classes brought to the school a reputation in industry which it continues to enjoy today. The Regents were somewhat less impressed but on that...

More next time.

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Strange Days Uploads Techno Into Your Brain

By KEVIN BRYAN



There have been a lot of shoddy techno-thriller movies lately. Trying to find a balance between realistic technology and good movie making, they achieved neither. They finally got it right with *Strange Days*.

Lenny Nero (Ralph Fiennes) is a burnt-out ex-cop that deals in "clips", or human experiences recorded directly from the human cortex.

The technology, called SQUID (Super-Conducting Quantum Interface Device), was outlawed soon after its invention, but that doesn't stop him for a minute.

The breathtaking opening se-

quence of the movie is a testament of the addictiveness of the material. Although a seamy low-life, he refuses to deal in "blackjack", or experiences that end in the death of the individual. However, there is a down side to storing memories.

Lenny can't get over the fact his girlfriend Faith (Juliette Lewis) left him because he relives their good times every night.

Then her friend Iris gives him a mysterious piece of playback that everyone seems to want, and Lenny is sent running for his life. It doesn't seem he's running fast enough, though.

Soon he starts receiving blackjacks of all his friends, and he is forced to figure out who the real killer is.

This movie is like a series of plateaus. Each time you think you

know what's going on, another tidbit of information gets thrown your way and the tension goes up a notch.

By the end, you'll be on the edge of your seat, wondering what comes next.

Somehow intertwined in all of this is the happy notion that the end of the world is coming.

It is the end of a millennium, after all, and one can't help but wonder if they will actually live to see the words "2000" on their television screens. At least, you will if you watch this movie.

There is even a Web site for this movie:

<http://www.strangedays.com>.

It's best to check it out after seeing the movie, though. It doesn't have much in the way of reviews, but contains all the cool quotes you could ever want.



Talk about science fiction: A chiropractor performs an adjustment and claims the patient is now cured of cancer, the common cold, sexually transmitted diseases, foot odor, the need to use turn signals, black death, narcosis, and the ability to deal rationally with anal retentive medical loan defaulters from "Sid's Compound of the Incredibly Gullible."

Fernbank Shows The Moons of Jupiter, But None of Uranus

By ED HARDY & LEIGH BOROS

The something Jupiter Show is currently being shown at the Fernbank Science Center. It is part planetarium show, part movie, and part slide show all in one.

It starts with some historical background on NASA planetary space probes. The main topic in this program discusses the Big Red Spot and how it is formed. This leads into

why, even from Earth through a telescope, a person can see the odd cloud formations.

There are many pictures of Jupiter and its moons. The historical segment on how the four major moons, Io, Ganymede, Europa, and Callisto got their names was interesting.

A portion of the show is spent with a brief history of the constellations to help the average fool find some of them.

The presentation is an excellent overview of the largest planet in our solar system. It doesn't go into detail on any part of the planet except the cloud formations and only discusses the four largest moons.

The Fernbank Planetarium is located off Ponce de Leon Avenue. If you go to the Fernbank Planetarium on a clear Thursday or Friday night you can see the stars through their very large telescope.



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If a Tree Falls on This Band in the Woods, Does Anyone Care?

By KEVIN AUSTIN



In their first album *Nature* the techno-metal group of the same name, creates a form of music which can only be played in one way. Loud.

With electric guitars wailing, liberal doses of synthesized sounds providing backup, one almost misses hearing the drums and bass reverberating in the background. The vocals are mostly sublimated due to bad mixing on one part and a tendency to overuse the programmed sounds on nearly all tracks.

The group consisting of four members (Brian Threatt - guitar, synth and sounds, Hugh Bonar - bass, Andrew parsons - lead guitar and Brendan Etter - drums) plays a blend of hard rock and techno-alternative

It's like listening to Metallica and Nine Inch Nails at the same time

with Threatt and Parsons taking turns at vocals.

Unfortunately the drive and energy that comes from music such as 'Metallica' is built up but not capitalized on. The 'in your face' screams similar to NIN seem contrived by Brian Threatt, who uses the synth to create a surreal rather than shocking effect.

Songs such as "Cometh" and "Zodiac 99" gives the eerie feeling of being at a Danzig concert, but then are followed by pieces such as "Mr. Blonde" which was promoted as "Super-Sounds of the Seventies".

In trying to blend what was hot in the past with what is hot now, Nature fails to create a sound which is unique, the high points of the album reminds the listener of other music which has been heard before, and the low points are simply too many.

All in all the album rates a D+. Buy this one from the trash bin at the local used CD store.

Join The Sting and be a Sports Editor, Photo Editor, or pretty much whatever else you want to be.

Meetings every Thursday, Room 220 in the Student Center at NOON

ORGANIZATIONS

CULTURAL SERIES



The Cultural Series is an organization consisting of faculty, students and staff.

The Cultural Series plans cultural activities on campus.

On October 17th at 11:30 A.M. through 1:30 P.M. the group will sponsor a class on Line Dancing in the Student Center Ballroom.

The following week on Thursday October 25th they will present a One Act Play on the life of William Falkner at 7:30P.M. in Burruss Auditorium.

If any student, faculty or staff member has any suggestions for future activities please contact Kim Welch at 528-7274.



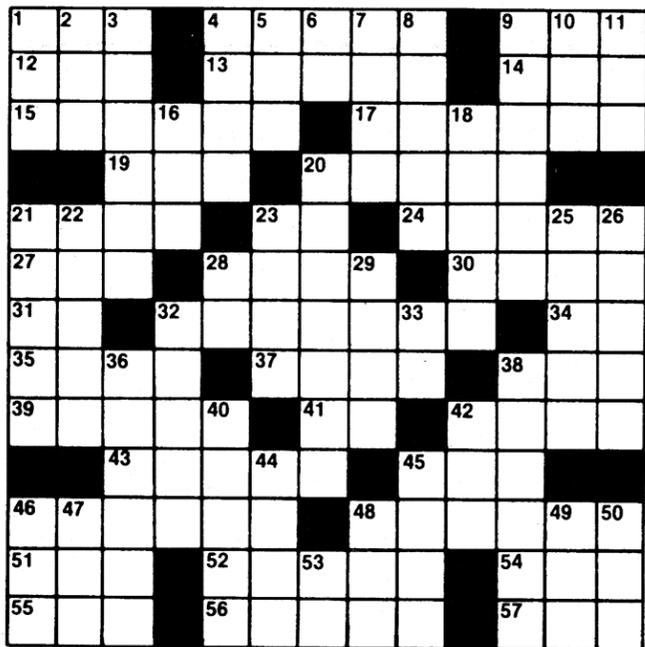
ΑΔΠ
By VICIOUS

Congratulations to our four new Alpha's Amy F., Amy Q, Jada, and Michelle. We are

happy they chose the First and Finest. We all had fun during rush. Especially planting the tree outside. Amy L. and Leigh had fun playing in the dirt. We hope the hurricane did not hurt our little tree

The Chapter would like to thank the following alumnae for helping with Rush: Jennifer Bige, Kim Denton, Angie Sams, Amy Cumby, Jody Morgan and Merry Turner

Happy Birthday Leigh Ann. How was Lulu's...? Have you recovered yet?



Crossword Companion

ACROSS

- 1. Officeholders
- 4. Rapidly
- 9. Equal
- 12. Small child
- 13. A lady
- 14. Route (abbr.)
- 15. Dull
- 17. Flower parts
- 19. Unexploded bomb
- 20. Pile fabric
- 21. Dissolving solution (chem.)
- 23. Prosecutor (abbr.)
- 24. Give in
- 27. Gross (abbr.)
- 29. Substitutes (slang)
- 30. Great Lake
- 31. Old English (abbr.)
- 32. Standardized units
- 34. Exist
- 35. Rajah's wife
- 37. Dash
- 38. Edge of cloth
- 39. Out of proper order
- 41. Near
- 42. Friends
- 43. Measurement instrument
- 45. Elongated fish
- 46. Semitic people
- 48. Exert control
- 51. Night bird
- 52. Rechart

- 54. Male offspring
- 55. Very small
- 56. Wash away
- 57. Female saint (abbr.)

DOWN

- 1. Impersonal pronoun (pl.)
- 2. Negative word
- 3. Artist's workshop
- 4. Among
- 5. Cushion
- 6. Paid notice (informal)
- 7. Sleeveless garment
- 8. Used for grinding
- 9. Petition to God
- 10. Atlantic (abbr.)
- 11. Reticuloendothelial system (abbr.)
- 16. Easy (slang)
- 18. One who attempts
- 20. Flat
- 21. Greek marketplace
- 22. Choicest part
- 23. City person (informal)
- 25. Written defamation
- 26. Judges
- 28. Thus
- 29. Narrow strip of wood
- 32. Cheap person
- 33. Article
- 36. Agile

- 38. Pester
- 40. Equals one cubit meter
- 42. Cooking container
- 44. Wide-mouthed jug
- 45. Yawn
- 46. In what way
- 47. Female sheep
- 48. Angry
- 49. Received
- 50. Direction (abbr.)
- 53. Mid-West state (abbr.)



Taggum Your It

Congratulations to all the new Associate Members. Now that Rush is finally over every-

thing can finally return to normal, what ever that is.

Everybody be on the lookout for Goat Night, as the **Two Time defending Champions** gear up for another win.

What lucky brother will we convince to dressup this year. Nestor and Scott did it so well, who can follow in thier footsteps.

I hope everyone had a fun time and tried to stay dry at Praters Mill.

Partying all night, Parking cars all day and dodging rain

drops, What a weekend. Get ready for intermurals this quarter, the events are Flag Football and Volleyball.

Lets start the year off right with two big intermural victories.

Reminders: **Big/Little Campout Weekend - Oct 20-22, Annual Halloween Bash - Oct 28**

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The Journey has begun. ABNER LIVES ! ENOUGH SAID !!



TKE
By Tac #397

Welcome to another exciting year with TKE! With our new house we've thrown the best parties that Southern Tech has ever seen. (Doug, you puked on my couch!!)

Congratulations fraters for

maintaining the highest GPA among fraternities.

After an excellent rush, we've seen alot of good guys and fifteen have made "the choice to belong." Now they must accept "the challenge to become." Because of an excellent job by John and Mike, TKE had "...the biggest rush that Southern Tech has ever seen."

We had a blast helping out with Special Olympics last week. Love the loop is coming up so get ready for that! Don't forget about the blood drive October 23 and 24 in the Student Center. If you would like to know how you can help, please call : The TEKE Hotline 579-9150.

CAB

CAB PRESENTS:

- October 9 through 13 *Don Juan Demarco* downstairs Student Center starts at 8:00 AM - 11:00PM.
- October 12 12:00-1:00 PM Eric Saperston, Motivational speaker, Student Center
- October 16 through 20 *Pulp Fiction* downstairs Student Center starts at 8:00 AM - 11:00PM.
- October 17 Mocktails TBA Look around campus for fliers
- October 23 through 27 *First Knight* downstairs Student Center starts at 8:00 AM - 11:00PM.
- October 26 Heath Fair Student Center Ballroom 9:00AM-2:00PM

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A Person, of the Female Type, Attends VMI

By CHRISTY LOAR

(NSNS) - While the nation was still buzzing over the controversy stirred by Shannon Faulkner leaving the Citadel, Jennifer Mandeville quietly slipped into military courses at the all-male Virginia Military Institute.

"I don't think there is anything wrong with guys pursuing a single-sex military education," Mandeville clearly stated. "I'm just going there because they offer the courses I need for my ROTC scholarship."

Mandeville received a four-year ROTC scholarship and was admitted into Washington & Lee

University.

"I didn't realize they had stopped their ROTC program until after I'd committed to go there," she explained. "So the administrators worked something out with VMI and Mary Baldwin College."

According to Mandeville, Mary Baldwin College offers ROTC for women, and Washington & Lee still holds a contract with VMI from a former ROTC program.

Out of all this, Mandeville is able to attend military science courses at VMI while receiving her transcripts from Mary Baldwin College.

"I started attending courses at VMI one week after Shannon

Faulkner quit the Citadel," Mandeville said. "I was very hesitant, and at first the guys didn't know what I was about. But then I explained to them that I wasn't interested in changing their policies or traditions, and that I just needed to take my courses there."

Mandeville said she has received a lot of attention.

"I'm the only girl who has ever been at VMI, but it seems like I get the worst reaction from the people at Washington & Lee. The guys at VMI are helping me through it."

A typical day for Mandeville includes waking up early to perform her physical training and then attending classes at Washington &

Lee until noon

She then changes into her uniform and walks to VMI for her afternoon military courses.

"Some Mondays I go to Mary Baldwin College to do my physical training with the other women in ROTC, just for moral support," she said.

Mandeville pointed out that her father was in the military. "I was raised with the lifestyle of discipline and physical training," she explained.

Concerning Shannon Faulkner's situation, Mandeville

said, "It was definitely a noble cause, but she didn't have the background for it. I think you need to be gung-ho military to follow through with something like that."

Mandeville said that it's evident women can handle a military education, but that "starting an all women's program from scratch is difficult, because there isn't a ranking structure and all the traditions would be new."

It wouldn't be able to compare with an education like at VMI, which has been around for so many years."

Stop the Presses! Berkeley Students Protest Again

(NSNS) - A student organization at the University of California-Berkeley continued its campaign against the Board of Regents' decision to abolish affirmative action by staging a teach-in on campus Sept. 27.

The group, Diversity in Action, has staged protests, walkouts and demonstrations to oppose the precedent-setting regents' vote on July 20 which eliminated all race-based admissions, hiring practices and contracts at the school.

"Diversity in Action feels that the regents acted hastily and irresponsibly in eliminating affirmative action, and that the regents' decision was motivated by presidential politics rather than a sincere interest in improving the quality of higher education in the state of California," said Hatem Bazian, a leader of the student group.

Bazian said Diversity in Action is planning an Oct. 12 shutdown of campus, and that organizers are expecting 70 percent compliance.

Overcoming Campus Obstacles While Earning a Degree

By CHRISTY LOAR

(NSNS) - How much is eyesight used while sitting in a lecture hall? "When the professor turns and refers to something written on the board, I'm basically lost," said a blind student in law school, who wishes to remain anonymous.

"I have several professors who seem to do great work on the chalkboard. And then a professor tells the class to open their books to a page to read a section, I just think, 'Okay, I'll tune out here for a while.'"

This student was born with a genetic condition in his eyes which became more acute as he aged. Over the last two years, he said, his eyesight worsened until he had to quit his job and find a new career that did not require eyesight.

"I chose law because virtually all the information in law is online," he explained.

"As a lawyer, I will be paid enough to support the equipment I'll need to make certain services accessible on my own."

Much of the required reading in law school can be found on computer disks, and his computer reads the data on those disks aloud. "Some publishers put their books on disk, and others don't," he said.

When they aren't on disk, the disability program at school steps in to work closely with me and my professors. And I just go through those floppy disks at home, reading one screen at a time." Laughing, he then

added, "That computerized voice gets very old after a while."

The student went on to emphasize the positive aspects of his situation.

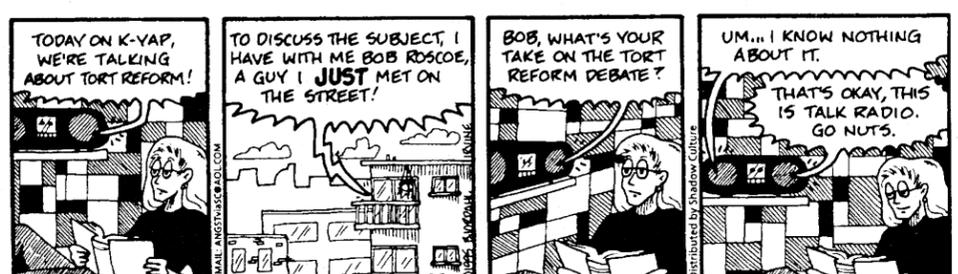
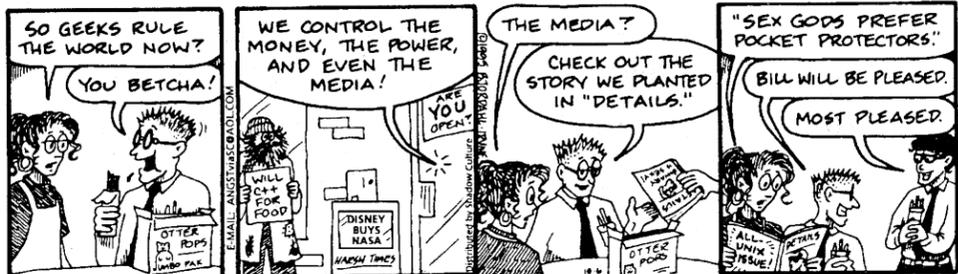
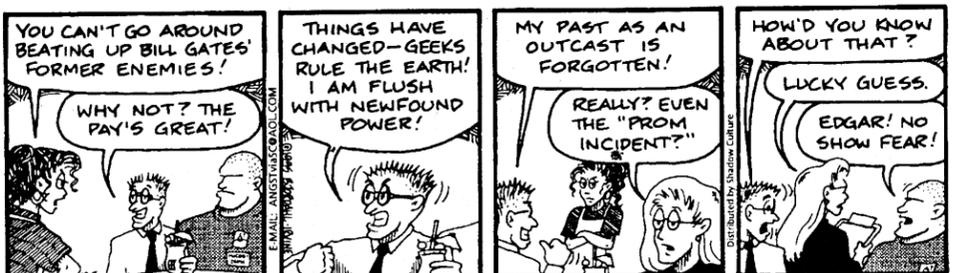
"Losing the majority of my eyesight gave me the chance to redefine myself," he said. "I'm older than most students here, so it was a great opportunity to return to school and start over."

When asked how he found the motivation to forge ahead with a challenging career upon losing his eyesight, he explained, "Because of the condition in my eyes, I always knew I was different, but my parents had raised me to live my life just like anyone else and to work my way through the challenges I faced."

Such challenges include taking notes in class. This student does not use the silent, inconspicuous tools of pen and notepad, but rather a special laptop computer which automatically speaks aloud each typed word or letter. "And I can't exactly flip through books as easily, or highlight relevant information, like other students can," he said. "It's not as easy to review various case studies when, for example, I have to rewind and fast-forward through a book on tape."

Despite such obstacles, he said that he can face these challenges and move on with his life. "I am an insanely competitive person," he confessed. "I just work around these inconveniences, and then get on with it."

Café Angst by Hans Bjordahl and Holley Irvine





Southern College of Technology Campus Strategic Plan



For Southern Tech's strategic planning process to be successful it must involve the entire campus. Your input is essential so please take a few moments to answer the following questions regarding SCT's preliminary planning assumptions and priorities listed below.

ASSUMPTIONS

The following assumptions were made based upon data supplied by the Georgia Department of Labor, the Atlanta Regional Commission, and general knowledge concerning the environment in which we operate.

- The Board of Regent's strategic principles, policy directions, and budget redirections will serve as a guide for SCT's strategic plan.
- Requested new degree programs in engineering and emerging science and technological programs will be approved and implemented within five years.
- Enhanced image, continued emphasis on undergraduate and graduate degree programs will have a positive effect on SCT's enrollment.
- Construction projects on the college priority list (Academic Building, Physical Plant Building, Continuing Education Center, Residence Halls) will be completed by the year 2000.
- New formulas for state funding will force the college to secure other funding sources to support its growth and improvement over the next five years. Restrictions on other funding sources will increase.
- SCT's marketplace will continue to become more competitive as educational institutions diversify and potential students have more choices.
- The Atlanta Region's population will grow at an annual rate of nearly 3% over the next five years.
- The percentage of women, minorities, older workers, and people with disabilities employed in Georgia will increase.
- Demand for SCT graduates in the State of Georgia will continue to increase as managerial, professional specialty, and technical occupations are projected to grow more rapidly than average.
- The number of Georgia-based companies conducting international business will increase.
- The need for continuing education and lifelong learning will continue to increase as technological innovations cause workers to change careers an average of three times and jobs at least seven times in their professional work life.

PRIORITIES

The following priorities were developed from previous planning documents, faculty senate input, and feedback from the Chancellor. All priority statements are grounded in SCT's mission and support the priorities established by the Board of Regents.

- Priority One:** SCT will increase undergraduate and graduate enrollments through renewed commitment to recruitment, retention, and graduation of academically prepared freshmen, transfer students, and graduate program candidates.
- Priority Two:** SCT will concentrate on the enhancement of the teaching/learning environment both inside and outside the classroom.
- Priority Three:** SCT will work collaboratively with its various partners to enhance the educational benefits provided by institutions of higher education to the citizens of Georgia.

You can return this form by **10/20/95** to one of the following people or send your comments via email:

- Barbara Anderson, Chair of the Campus-wide Planning Committee (banderso)
- Jerry Baswell, Chair of the Staff Council c/o Vicki Langston (vlangsto)
- Bill Finnick, President of the Student Government Association (wfinnick)
- Ron Young, Moderator of the Faculty Senate (ryoung)

If you wish to address your concerns to the committee or wish to speak directly to someone on the committee, please feel free to contact any of the committee members.

Barbara Anderson, Sam Baker, Jerry Baswell, Jim Brown, Rich Cole, Regenia Doyle, Bill Finnick, Beverly Golden, Gini Head, John Hosey, Harry Kaufman, Ron Schroeder, Charles Smith, Tony Tilmans, Harris Travis, Sandra Vasa-Sideris, Ed Vizzini, Ann Watson, Paul Wojnowiak, Bob Yancy, Ron Young, Dan Youngblood

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Drop off your response at the Information Desk in the Student Center or to any member of committee.

1) Would you add or delete any planning assumptions? If so, please specify.

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2) Additional comments:

2) Do you have any suggestions for goal statements for the above priorities? If so please list.

THANK YOU FOR TAKING THE TIME TO RESPOND BY 10/20/95 AND FOR YOUR INPUT!!

EDITORIALS

I Know Crap When I See It

By BILL FINNICK

I don't need this crap.

The first thing I hear about this quarter is that the rain has forced the organization fair inside along with The Pain. Cool, it rains every fifth year so we are set for the remainder of the millennium.

The second was that an irate female had sent a tersely worded complaint concerning a fraternity's rush flier to the administration.

The third was, "Duhhoqu, ahoqu have you seen our flier, you gonna write something about us in the Sting?" from Skippy one of the Sigma Pi brothers listed as a contact on the offensive flyer.

The offense centers about a provocatively dressed young lady straddling the title "Pledge Trainer."

First, the pledge trainer is a blatantly demeaning characterization of females as sex toys.

Page 12 of the Student Handbook contains, "that academic freedom is not a license for a single group or person to act without regard for another. Rather, true academic freedom requires an environment in which no person is intimidated, exploited, or coerced."

A dorm room door in a men's hall with this material may seek protection as freedom of expression. There is no regular mixed traffic. There is no assault on an unsuspecting passer's eye.

Flyers posted to catch the attention of one and all do not meet this protection. Organizations should not stoop to this level of crass advertising.

Second, no pledge will ever meet the trainer so there is a false advertising element to the advertisement.

This lends to the assertion that the Greek system's attempts to distance itself from the stereotypes of the Animal House movie are false.

That they are no more than a collection of barbaric future alcoholics socially incapable of a real relationship with the opposite sex.

I know this to be false.

I personally believe the Greek system is a benefit to any campus lucky enough to have one.

The Greek system is a powerful statement about who we are.

I have friends who are Sigma Pi's.

Unfortunately one idiot can ruin all the work that has gone into maintaining the Sigma Pi's image.

The Sigma Pi's image is the Greek image.

The Greek image is Southern Tech's image.

Southern Tech's image is why I came here. Why most of us are here. This digital fantasy nymph advertises a group whose latest love conquests had to be inflated.

We don't need this crap.

Bill Finnick hopes Skippy is pleased with seeing his name in print.

SP-1 Will Damage Berkeley

By COLLEEN DESMOND

After being the first to institute affirmative action programs in a university system, California is the first to abandon it.

Governor Pete Wilson rebuked the advice of students, faculty and administrators and led the California Board of Regents into eliminating affirmative action admission programs.

This policy, known as SP-1, forbids any school in its system to factor in race, religion, sex, color, ethnicity or national origin in its admission selection process. This decision to prevent universities from actively creating a socially diverse student population is wrong.

Berkeley, the shining star of UC, flourished under its affirmative action admission programs. In 1955 Berkeley's population was overwhelmingly white and only 48% graduated within six years.

Now with a population comprised of roughly half Asians, one third white and a quarter other minorities, 80% of a freshman class graduates within six years. This year Berkeley's business school is ranked first and its engineering school is ranked third in the country by U.S. News and World Report.

Berkeley believes that social diversity helped them to achieve this remarkable standing. The Chancellor at Berkeley wrote the following in a Los Angeles Times letter: "Diversity benefits students. It is critical to academic excellence. Only by giving students opportunities to interact and learn about each other will we prepare America's leaders for success in today's global village."

To prepare students for "real life" the school should reflect society. Heterogeneity is an asset that makes college life more real and interesting. Institutions like Harvard who believe they can understand social dynamics from the shelter of their monochrome armchairs are fooling no-one but themselves.

The words 'affirmative action' are emotionally packed. Critics often oversimplify its basic purpose and distort information about how affirmative action

is integrated into programs. Virtually everyone at Berkeley, from the chancellor to the students, opposed the legislation to dismantle the admission's affirmative action program.

Pete Wilson manipulated the emotions of uninformed people and oversimplified the issue to get this legislation passed.

Berkeley's admission program is complex. It is designed to provide Berkeley with a socially diverse student body that is beneficial to the entire campus. Berkeley does NOT use a quota system or admit unqualified minorities.

Admitted minorities are top high school graduates who are qualified for and successful at Berkeley. No one is giving them a handout. These students are valuable to Berkeley. Berkeley does not want to be Harvard or Stanford. Berkeley wants to be Berkeley, where multiculturalism, uniqueness and creativity are cherished.

Each year Berkeley receives around 22,800 freshman applications for 8,840 admission places. 9,000 of these applicants are students with 4.0 GPAs. Does anyone really think that these 9,000 students can be ranked in order exactly. Or that the 9,001st student is really any less qualified to attend Berkeley than the 9,000th? Can a number really describe a student?

Admittance officers use a variety of information to pick those qualified students who will best contribute to Berkeley holistically.

My point is that affirmative action is an important program to the majority population, as well as to the minority. Social diversity is a critical element at Berkeley. They will lose their edge without it.

Don't worry about those minority students who may have their applications declined because they got a 1224 SAT score instead of a 1225. They are winners and will be successful wherever they attend. Worry about Berkeley, which needs and thrives on the freshness that a diverse population stimulates. With this decision, Berkeley, not minorities, is the big loser.

Colleen Desmond wishes the presidential race drop-out a happy, healthy slide into obscurity.

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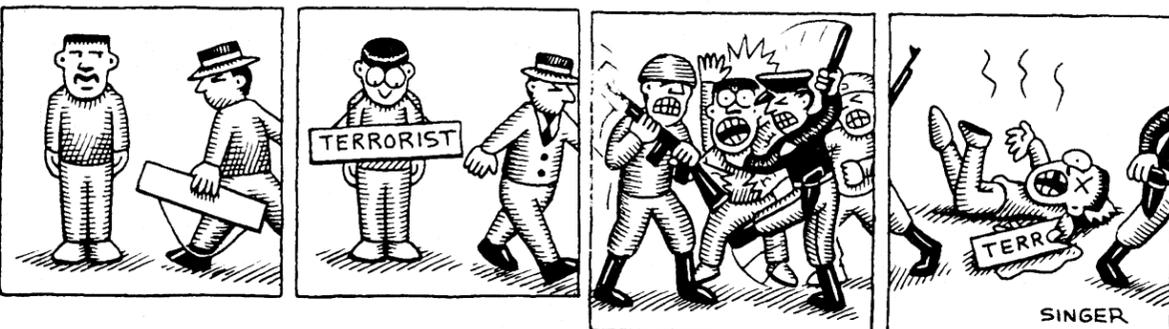
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CONSENSUS EDITORIAL

Hurricane Opal took many of us by surprise. Luckily most of the buildings were relatively undamaged. Plant Operations should be commended for their quick response in cleaning up the campus the next morning and for their ability to get temporary power to the school.

Less impressive, however, was the administration's ability to communicate the school closing. The delay in closing school until almost 11:00 am, made it virtually impossible for our lightning fast, wonderfully technological, mass media to relay the message to students already driving to school. Many students made the harrowing, life-threatening drive only to find class canceled.

School closings occur with enough regularity that the lines of communication need to be very smooth and effective. This drill does not augur well for the coming snow season.



National Student News Service, 1995

Starving Student Says Service Stinks

Dear Editor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the new food service at Southern Tech. I am not satisfied with the new providers and have several reasons for my dissatisfaction.

At this time I will only briefly discuss a few of my complaints, hopefully the major problems, in hopes of some action.

First, I feel that all around prices are just too high for most average college students, especially for items such as soft-drinks, coffee, and tea. I think .75 cents for a small cup of coffee and .89 cents for a medium fountain drink is outrageous. I realize that refills are available, but most

of the people that I have spoken with say they do not make it a habit to get their refill.

Moreover, if drink prices are to be that high there should always be adequate ice for the tea and soda drinks. Almost every time that I have gone through the short-order line for a tea or soft-drink the ice machine has been empty. And no one was even making an attempt to fill the machine up.

This brings me to my second complaint. I have not been able to figure out the system in the short order line yet. The line at lunch time is usually wrapped around the corner of the connect-

ing hallway to the dining area. This is not entirely due to the popularity of the new food service.

After careful examination, it is clearly a combination two problems; design problems with the layout of the area and slow food service. The single register operator during peak lunch hour doesn't help either.

After a couple of frustrating visits to the short order line, I chose to try the hot food line to see if better results could be obtained, but much to my discord I found this line to be equally frustrating.

Just like the other line the prices were outrageous. The service was equally slow. But, the major

problem that I have with the hot food line is a complete lack of clearly posted information such as a menu with prices and directions as to how the line operates.

The only place that I have seen a price or a name of what exactly it was that I was buying was a loose piece of paper lying on the counter with the listed entree' along with a price.

I even had to reach down and pick up one of these entree' tags' off the floor. If this is first class service I'm a brain surgeon. I realize that the new service has only been in operation a couple of weeks and that I don't know all the future plans of this company, but as it stands

right now I will only use the services if I have too.

I have been using the drink machines and bringing my lunch if at all possible. Furthermore, these complaints are not only mine, I have heard several other students voice there own frustrations.

It is my hope that this is an opening of the door for other fellow students and faculty members to come forward on this issue and voice their own opinions. It has been said that if a camel sticks his head in a tent then the rest of the body will soon follow. I thank you for this space to voice my opinions.

Joel P. Simmons

Daybreak

by Demetrius Cox

Carl Sagan
Marvels at our love of stupidity
While he, a mortal man, a dying man,
Prepares to face the empty void
He has prepared for himself
And others.

Daybreak,
And I consider the horizon;
A ribbon of light and hope
Veiled with mist,
Shedding night's cool solace.

Briefly,
Despots rule their corner of the dot,
Striving to improve the product of man
By embellishing themselves
In the blood and apathy
Of the human race.

Daybreak,
I stand small and large
Disgraced, reviled
Humbled, joyous
To witness again
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Intramurals: Sports for Those That Sign Up

By RAY SMITH

The beginning of the 95-96 school year has brought a tremendous amount of interest in Intramural sports on Southern Tech's campus.

So far this year, over 300 students have joined, making up ten flag football teams, ten volleyball teams and 30 members for the new team tennis league.

The Flag-football teams have such names as The Wolverines, TKE Sharks, the Odd Balls, the Civilians and Tapa Kegg (a name used on college campus since the twenties).

The games will be every Wednesday, 4:00pm and 5:00pm on the new athletics fields starting October 11. The two teams winning the majority of the games will compete in the state competition in November.

The volleyball teams have even more original names like The Crew, Mislead, and The Volleyball Gods (champions two years in a row). Volleyball matches will be held in the gym Monday - Thursday at 6:30pm.

At press time the tennis teams names were not available, however, the first game will be late afternoon on October 11th after flag-football.

In October, Recreational Sports, CAB, and The Wellness Committee will sponsor many ac-

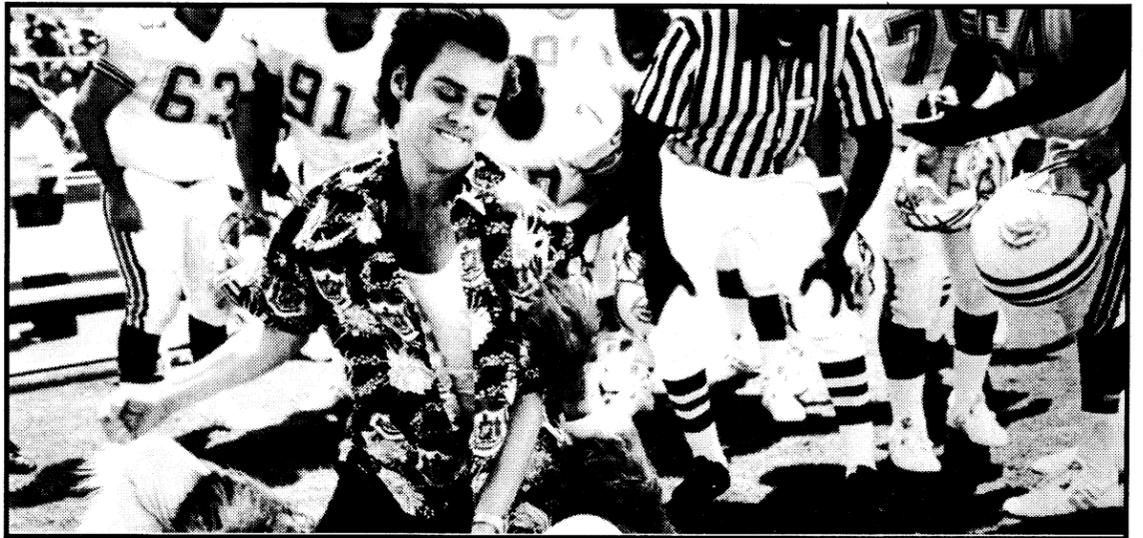
tivities including a Mocktail Hour on the 17th from 4:00pm - 5:00pm in the Student Center atrium and a Health Fair on the 26th from 9am - 2pm.

Recreational Sports plans many activities throughout the year, including Ocoee Whitewater trips, Fall and Spring and a Ski trip in December

Places on the Ski trip are available for \$567.00.

The ski trip includes airfare and room and board to Steamboat Springs, Colorado.

If getting physical is your thing, don't miss the opportunities available through the Recreational Sports Department.



New flag football rule: disagreements with the referee will result in Jim Carrey beating the ever-loving skippy out of you.

<p>HEALTH FAIR</p>  <p>Participate in this annual event and receive free testing of eyes, etc. etc. Free food. Enter to win a Mountain bike</p> <p>For information: Campus Health Services 528-7366 Thursday, October 26</p>	<p>5K TECH TOUR WELLNESS RUN Wednesday, November 8, 3:00 pm Free Entry</p> <p>All Participants receive:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> T-SHIRT Refreshments Group Photo Pasta Dinner Door Prize Opportunity 	<p>TURKEY TROT 1 MILE, TIME PREDICTION WALK/RUN WINNERS RECEIVE A HOLIDAY TURKEY Thursday, November 16 FUN FOR EVERYONE CONTACT 528-7349</p> 
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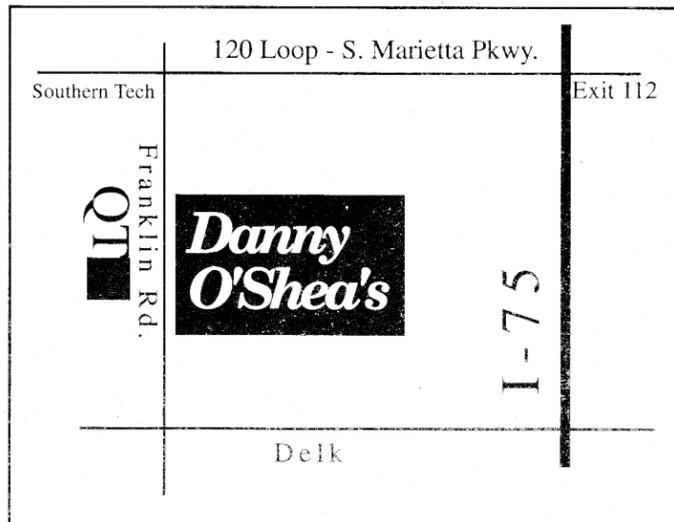
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