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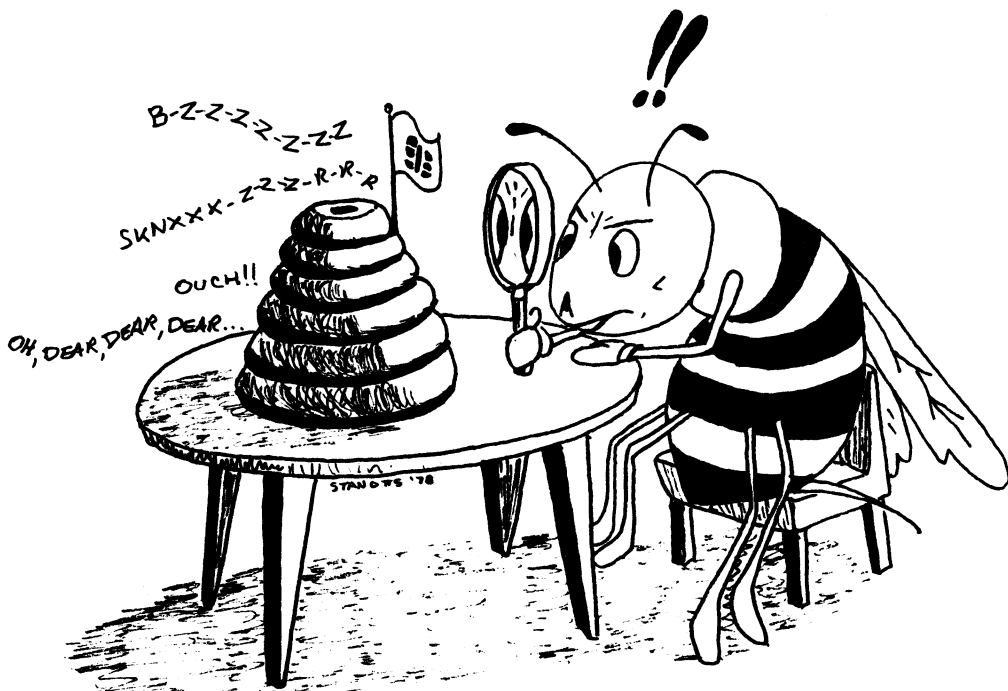


The STING

Southern Technical Institute
Marietta, Georgia 30060

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TAKING A CLOSER LOOK AT S.T.I.



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GETTING THE POINT

Stan Otts

I have been a member of the silent majority of Southern Tech ever since the Fall of 1973. Therefore, I have borne witness to many changes within this school ---usually with little or no comment.

But this past quarter has left me flabbergasted. There have been so many changes and the like of personnel that it makes one question the stability of the very existence of the institution.

The biggest problem is not so much the change as it is the manner in which it is usually brought about. One day things are just as they have been, and the next--BAM! The rumor mill of all things informs us that so and so is gone and such and such is in his place.

Such and such is almost always one Paul Smith, the subject of many recent covers on the STing. Admittedly, my cartoons reflect just one side of the story. And admittedly, I am still familiar with just one side of the story (a situation I hope to rectify over the coming week). But I am a little more willing to back up and see the whole picture now.

The usual student opinion (those that even care) of Paul Smith has been that he is an ego-maniac that is somewhat power hungry...that is, his tactics are too Machiavellian. One does have to admit that under his hand a lot of seemingly unnecessary rules crop up that make life harder than it need be.

Many people feel that it is he, more so than anyone else, that runs this school.

I have to admit that until recently, I firmly adhered to these opinions. I must qualify that statement, though. I am not changing horses in mid-stream and suddenly becoming pro-Smith. I still believe that the position of Director of the Office of Development should have been opened to the usual system of filling such administrative openings.

This system worked fine in the appointment of Charles Smith our new Dean of Students. And a finer selection couldn't have been made.

So why could not the previously mentioned directorship have been opened to all qualified persons?---including Paul Smith? If he is as qualified as everyone on the staff says he is, then he would have been selected anyway. The STing would not have justification in raising so much ballyhoo then.

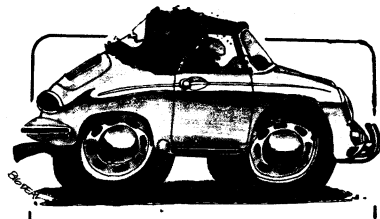
But this secrecy of decision making is what makes everyone on the outside suspicious. Would a more open administrative attitude cure things then? Maybe, maybe not. But I firmly believe it a step in the right direction.

The sunshine laws recently passed in nearly every state of the union are ample proof that the citizenry of this country are tired of their lives being run for them from behind closed doors. This is the largest motivating factor, I believe that causes everyone to become so upset every time the Goatshed shuffles its feet.

Perhaps, though, we need to take a closer look at the whole picture before giving Paul Smith, Dr. Carlson and others the old Bronx Cheer (raspberry).

A reliable source has informed me that around 1968 or 69 (dates dim with time), Dr. Carlson appeared as Southern Tech's dean/executive director seemingly overnight. The first that anyone on campus knew of the switch in D./E.D.'s was a memo that appeared on their desks after the fact.

This next statement is pure supposition on my part, and I may be biting off more than I can chew. I don't feel that I have that much to lose, however, as all I have is a TV that's slowly going on the blink and a seven year old car that drinks a gallon of gas per mile.



I firmly believe that a lot of the turmoil on this campus is directly the result of decisions rendered by Dr. Pettit and his two side kicks Mr. Fuller and Mr. Crawford at Georgia Tech. Those decisions usually being rendered without consulting Dr. Carlson. In other words he is as unwillingly kept in the dark as we are. Again this is purely supposition on my part, and I am solely responsible for it.

Now, one might immediately draw the allusion that it is Dr. Pettit's responsibility to administrate the needs of Southern Tech just as the President of the United States administrates the needs of the far flung corners of this nation. I agree. But, the President of the U.S. is controlled by a marvelous series of checks and balances that are notably lacking in our own miniature monarchy. The President of the U.S. also has several aides who spend time in those far flung corners, and is kept in check by the legislature---representatives of the people, that are selected by the people and previous to their selection were the people's very own neighbors...that is, they know the turf---and that too is lacking here.

After all, wasn't the American Revolution fought because we, the colonist, were tired of absentee government?

I fully believe the people we have here on campus---Dr, Carlson and Paul Smith included---are thoroughly capable of running this Institution better than it is being run now. Therefore I call for severance from Georgia Tech with more vehemence than ever before.

Why can't the Georgia Tech monkey be removed from the back of Southern Tech?

Stan Otts

GRIPES WITH FINANCIAL AID

Any students who have any grievances against the Financial Aid Office, please contact either:

- David Betz Box 8482
- William Mintz Box 8210
- Mark Williams Box 8775

by Wednesday, January 18.



Dear Editor:

I would like to know if the officials at STI have considered closing in the open stair wells on the buildings on campus. The money spent on such a job would be well spent considering the energy being wasted year after year on heating and cooling these buildings.

Tim Crowley

Dear Disgruntled:

All letters submitted to the STInG have to be signed. If you would rather your letter be anonymous, fine, but your name and box number have to be on file.

Get back to me and I'll publish your letter next issue.

Editor

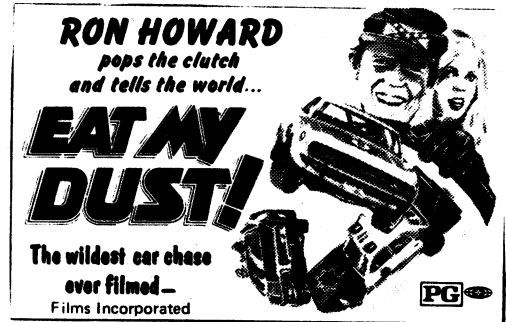
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We can withhold your name from publication, but it must be on file.

STUDENT CENTER MOVIE SCHEDULE

On Wednesday, January 18th at 8 pm is "Eat My Dust", a fast, furious and funny movie. Ron Howard burns up the screen along with an entire squad of patrol cars in his small hometown. Behind the whole affair is the town's resident teenage blond tease, over who Howard's excitement exceeds his lust for fast cars. When the sheriff's teenage son hijacks a champion racecar, he leads its owner along with Dad, Dad's deputies, and most of the town's parents into a war on wheels. The result is a thoroughly captivating mixture of laughter and high speed car chases as cars, boats, barns, fences, and even a Chinese Restaurant are demolished.

The cast is Ron Howard, Warren Kemmerling, Christopher Norris, and Dave Madden.



VETERANS BENEFITS ARE NOT AUTOMATIC!

Veterans eligible to draw V.A. Benefits while attending college should be aware that more attendance does not ensure their receiving a monthly check.

Southern Tech, adhering to governing laws relative to responsibility when unnecessary overpayments have been made, requires that each veteran or dependant who wish to draw V.A. Benefits process through the Veteran Affairs Office each quarter. This is a good policy as often Veterans decide to forgo their benefits to use them at a later date.

Veterans, or dependants who are attending Southern Tech, and who have not completed their "Veteran Status Code", for payment, will not be processed by the Veteran Affairs Office until this has been accomplished.

Don Perry

PLAN FOR SLEET, ICE or SNOW CRISIS

Occasionally a sleet, ice or snow storm makes it necessary to consider the suspension of classes at Southern Tech. If the college decides to suspend classes or modify the day's schedule (begin at noon) the following Radio Stations will be informed as to our announcement:

WSB, WGST, WPLO, WFOM, WBIE, WSTB

The announcement will be given to the above stations by 6:30 a.m.

Office of Development

LAND USE CONTEST

Remember the sixty acre land contest in the November 7 issue of The STing? All entries have to be turned in by 8:00 am, Monday morning, January 23.

You can turn them in at the Student Center office or at the office of the Student Government Association.

Good luck!



CROWDED MAIL BOXES

All students should check their mail boxes at least twice each week. Keep in mind that a lot of the boxes are still shared between one or more people. It is aggravating to try to find stuff when your boxmate hasn't checked his mail since Truman was inaugurated.

The neat thing about the boxes is that nearly all the establishments on campus use them. Your box can tell you of such things as library books coming due, club meetings, official statements from the Goatshed, etc.

So, clean out those boxes! It is a great way to stay in touch.

MANUFACTURING EQUIPMENT AND PROCESSES "IN ACTION"

Plan to be at the Atlanta Civic Center, January 17-19 for the Conference and Exposition. It is designed to meet the diversified needs of the expanding Southeastern manufacturing industries that are centered around Atlanta. Two years in the planning, this is the fifth manufacturing event since 1965 to be sponsored by the Society of Manufacturing Engineers in Atlanta.

Save time, energy, and money! At the show you'll see more machine tools, metalworking processes, related accessories and manufacturing services than you could see in weeks of traveling. Nowhere else in Atlanta this year will you be able to compare such a wide range of manufacturing equipment under one roof... and under ideal conditions.


EXHIBIT HOURS

Tues., January 17
12 Noon—9:00 P.M.

Wed., January 18
12 Noon—9:00 P.M.

Thurs., January 19
12 Noon—6:00 P.M.

See Dean Stevens, Mr. Cuba, or any SME member for more details.



GREEK

LAMBDA CHI ALPHA

The brothers of Lambda Chi would like to extend to everyone an invitation to come to our meetings in the Student Center, room 119, every Thursday at 12:00 noon.

We had a fantastic rush party and eleven new brothers have been initiated. We also have several new Associate Members.

We would like to see everyone turn out and support our superior basketball team. We think Coach Perides is doing an exceptional job and are looking forward to going with the team to Kansas City!!

SIGMA NU

The brothers of Sigma Nu wish to welcome all of you back after the holidays.

Congratulations to all of our new brothers! We are proud of you. Initiation of new brothers and new pledges will be held on Sunday, Jan. 22, 1978.

Special congratulations to Mike Lodge and Mike Futral for scholastic achievement in the fraternity. Also to Rob McCleary and Bob Spence for being named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities.

Thanks to everyone who attended our Winter Rush party. Anyone wanting more information about Sigma Nu, please come by our office located in the Student Center, or contact any brother.

Remember! Ski trip to Beach Mountain, weekend of January 27.

MORT and GNEFD



"Aw, Mort! It ain't really time to clean up the room, is it?"

BASKETBALL INTRA-MURALS

The Southern Tech basketball intra-murals get underway on January 16. If you have not registered for a team, please do so by Monday, January 16.

If you wish to be on a team see Coach Perides.

1978 STI BASKETBALL SEASON

Mon., Jan. 16	Ga. Southwestern-GA	HOME
Wed., Jan. 18	Berry College-GA	Mr. Berry, GA
Sat., Jan. 21	Shorter College-GA	Rome, GA
Mon., Jan. 23	Oglethorpe-GA	Atlanta, GA
Wed., Jan. 25	LaGrange-GA	HOME
Sat., Jan. 28	Georgia College-GA	Milledgeville
Wed., Feb. 1	Piedmont-GA	Demorest, GA
Sat., Feb. 4	North Georgia-GA	HOME
Mon., Feb. 6	Ga. Southwestern-GA	Americus
Wed., Feb. 8	Berry College-GA	HOME
Sat., Feb. 11	Shorter College-GA	HOME
Mon., Feb. 13	Oglethorpe-GA	HOME
Wed., Feb. 15	LaGrange-GA	LaGrange, GA

All HOME and Conference games begin with TIPOFF at 7:30 p.m.



BASKETBALL

Okay, people. I have been on this campus for nearly five years and I have been listening to people carry on that our basketball team isn't worth a lead nickle. Grippers, crawl back in your holes!

The Southern Tech Basketball Team is Number One in the Nation for scoring, rebounds, and point spread. That's right. Number one in the nation!!

So far this season, the team has 12 wins, 3 losses overall; and of the two conference games played at this writing, the team is 2-0.

Let's hear it for our guys!!!

organizations

AIA

The student chapter of the American Institute of Architects will hold its first meeting of the Winter Quarter Wednesday, January 25, in room 568 at noon. All AET students are urged to attend.

AIIE

The first meeting of Winter Quarter will be held on Tuesday January 17 at 12:00 in room 358. Anyone interested in joining please attend. A schedule of events for the quarter will be presented. There will be a plant tour on January 24 to Arrow Shirt.

BATH TUB SAFETY COMMITTEE

The Bath Tub Safety Committee meeting has been post-poned to Wednesday, January 18, at 11:00 am in the GoatShed Conference Room.

ASME

Lieutenant Commander Dennis A. Oltraver, the Nuclear Power Programs Officer for Navy Recruiting - Area Three, will give a non-recruiting talk on the nuclear navy in the Student Center at 8:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 19. All students are invited to attend this talk.

There will be an ASME meeting in Room 601 of the Mechanical Building on Tuesday, January 17 at noon. There will be a movie on steel and America shown at the meeting.

ASME will be meeting every Tuesday this quarter in room 601 at noon. ASME does not discriminate against race, color, religion, or major, so any student interested in learning more about ASME is invited to attend one of our meetings.

LOG

Southern Tech's annual The LOG has been reorganized. Mark Connell will be taking over as editor. The LOG will be taking organizational pictures this quarter. All organization leaders are urged to make appointments by calling ext. 310 or 424-7310, from off campus. Leaders may also leave a note in the box outside the LOG-STing office.

LOG staff meetings are Wednesdays at noon and 2 p.m. Anyone who would like to work with us is welcome.

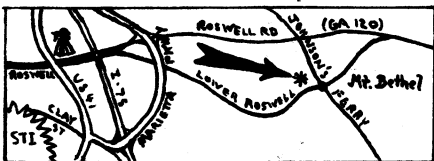
STI BAND

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Notice to all band members and other interested musicians:

The band will practice on Jan. 18 at 7:00 p.m. in the gym. Be prepared to work hard. We will discuss any possible changes in the practice date or time. Please be there. For more information contact Anne Loehr, box 8598.

SWE

The first meeting this quarter for SWE will be Tuesday 12:00, January 17 in conference room B. The schedule for further meeting is as follows:

- Tuesday January 31 Conference Room A
- Tuesday February 14 Conference Room A
- Tuesday February 28 Conference Room A

All meeting will be at 12:00- bring your lunch and see you there.

WSTB Radio

WSTB-AM radio, 1280 on your dial, is our friendly on-campus, student operated radio station (lest some of you forget).

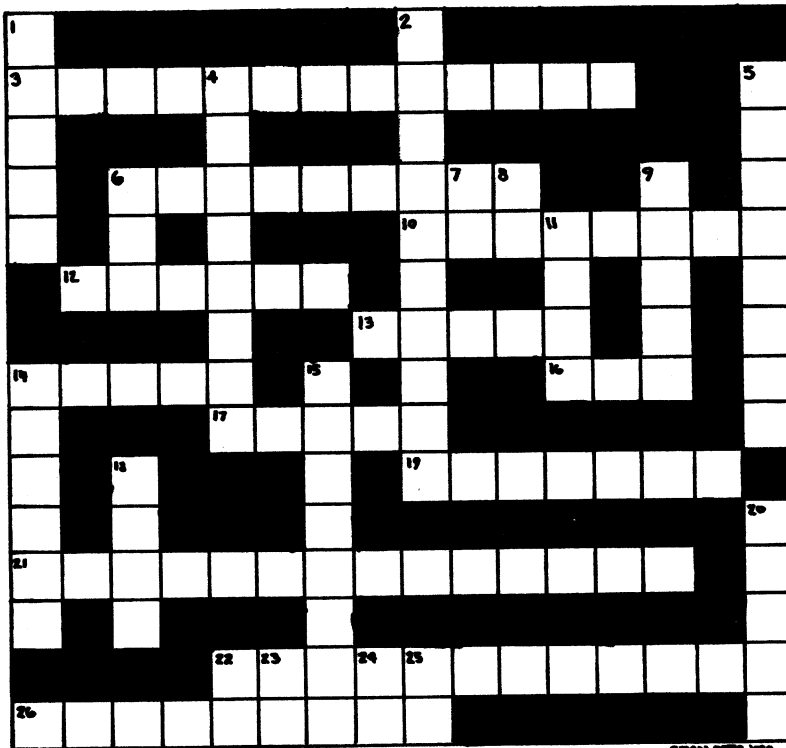
They have launched an all out search for air personalities to fill in the broadcast day. Requirements? that you can talk and read record labels.

If you are interested, contact J.D. Wise, station manager, or drop by the station in building three, opposite the bookstore.



"Go design a paper shredder, then run this print through it."

STAR WARS



ACROSS

3. Played by Mark Hamill
6. The super weapon
10. Piloted the freighter
12. Ben Kenobi's first name
13. What the Jedi sword was made of
14. _____ space. Medium of travel beyond speed of light.
16. Organ of sight
17. Airless void between planets
19. Ben had to turn it off to make good the escape from the super weapon
21. Titled British actor that played Kenobi
22. Title and character played by Carrie Fisher
26. The "walking carpet"

DOWN

1. The people of Alderon were _____ by the super weapon
2. The Black Knight
4. The name of the movie
5. Names of both droids--goldie first
6. Short for Carrie Fisher's mother
7. Hawaiian word for scoriaceous lava
8. Royal Navy (abbrv.)
9. May the _____ be with you
11. What Mark Hamill was when too slow in sword practice
14. Evil empire's word for beliefs that opposed their own
15. The evil _____ Empire
18. Mark Hamill was knighted for being one
20. Movie creator/producer George _____
22. Symbol for lead
23. Symbol for radium
24. North Carolina (abbrv.)
25. Symbol for calcium

PLACEMENT AND CO-OP

The following companies have openings for co-op students--see the Co-op Secretary, Mrs. Buchanan, in Room 125 if interested:

- Kendall Company - Athens, Ga. - IET
- Roberts Company - Atlanta - MET, EET
- Florida Power & Light Co. - Miami, FL. EET
- James M. Lazenby & Assoc. - Atlanta - EET, MET
- Coats & Clark - Clarkdale, Ga. - IET
- Union Special - Chicago, IL. - TET, AMET
- Wellington Puritan Mills - Madison, Ga. IET, TET
- Jack Portman Architect - Atlanta - AET

National Park Service has immediate openings for students in their maintenance division at Kennesaw Mountain National Park, Marietta. Additional information posted on bulletin board.

All graduates using services of the Placement Office must complete a registration card, class schedule and leave copy of resume in Open Resume File in Room 125 (blue notebook on table). Give cards to Mrs. Howard in Room 122. Also keep us updated on any changes in addresses or phone numbers.

An Open Resume File is maintained at Georgia Tech Placement Center for STI Bachelor degree graduates. Turn in resume to Mrs. Howard if you want it sent to Tech.

The next Lendman Associates program will be January 20 and 21. For additional information, read letter posted on bulletin board in room 125.

Information on resume preparation can be obtained in Placement Office.

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OFFICIAL SCHOOL CALENDAR

- Jan. 17 (T) General Faculty Meeting - 12 Noon - Library Seminar Room.
- Feb. 6 (M) Last day to withdraw from a subject or withdraw from school without penalty.
- 7 (T) General Faculty Meeting - 12 Noon - Library Seminar Room. Regents Test - 2:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.
- 13 (M) Last day to file Graduation Petitions with the Registrar's Office for Spring Quarter 1978.
- 14 (T) Curriculum Committee Meeting - Adm. Conf. Room - 2:30 p.m. (Petitions must reach the registrar by 12 Noon February 13.)
- 16 (Th) Committee on Standing Meeting - Adm. Conf. Room - 2:30 p.m. (Petitions must reach the registrar by 12 Noon February 15.)

ANNOUNCEMENT

ID PICTURES TO BE TAKEN

ID pictures will be taken on Thursday, January 19 at 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. in Conference Room A of the Student Center.

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April 7-8

February 13-14

May 5-6

March 10-11

June 2-3 and 28-29

For information about the Conferences, send 10 copies of your resume to:

Ms. Sandy Verdery
Lendman Associates
Southeast Regional Office
1945 The Exchange, Suite 275
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
(404) 952-0822



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