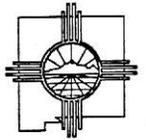


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49ers 1990

49ers: what fun since 1921

by Thomas Jones
PAYDIRT STAFF REPORTER

The first 49ers was held in 1921, and took place in the old Driscoll Hall club room. There was hay on the floor, booths selling things, and a raffle with fun things like bacon, hams, and candy given as prizes. But, despite this exciting beginning, the event was not repeated in 1922.

It was not until 1924 that the idea was revived, when the senior class was desperate for money so that they could leave behind a class gift. You see, the previous class had paid for gate posts at the corner of School of Mines and Leroy, so they felt they had to leave something behind, too.

In his history of Tech, *College on the Rio Grande* (which is the source for most of the antique information in this article), author Paige Christiansen does not say what the class did pay for with the proceeds from 49ers, if anything, but the history does state that "This was the first true Forty-Niners," in that it had a gambling casino and costume ball. The event was just too big to hold

in the Club Room in Driscoll, so it was moved to the gym.

Apparently the 1929 49ers contained more firearms than an NRA convention. A 1929 *Gold Pan* (the student newspaper then), read, "The wall of this adobe of sin looked like part of the United States Arsenal. Guns to the right, guns to the left, and more guns, no matter which direction the eyes chose to rove....Beautiful senoritas, pretty cowgirls, hard-faced miners, tough cowboys, and grim silent gamblers swaggered about the room, all sporting knives or guns."

The festival expanded as time progressed after World War II, and started to involve included the townspeople of Socorro. The gambling casino vanished and was replaced by a kangaroo court. Mr. Christiansen states that "Lack of supervision led to violations of protocol on the part of a few students and... The administration reacted by threatening to end Forty-Niners." One can only speculate what those "violations of protocol" might

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This year's festival begins Thursday

by Thomas Jones
PAYDIRT STAFF REPORTER

Good news for miners and all other majors at Tech: three days of earth-shaking, headspinning, and even stomach-turning (possibly due to too much beer) excitement returns again to shake apart New Mexico Tech. The 68th annual 49ers, starting Thursday, promises to provide more dances, to give away more stuff at contests, and to keep even the most abstemious from sobriety. A complete schedule is on the back inside page of this newspaper.

Two kinds of tea cards are available this year—beer and soda, and just soda. Of course, those who buy the first type must prove that they are 21 or over. The chair of the SA 49ers committee Seb Thompson, who is in charge of most student-run portions of the event, had stated that they would be selling for \$10.00 and \$5.00 for alcoholic and non-alcoholic, respectively. However, when they went on sale on Monday at Student Services, they were selling for \$8.00 and \$4.00. Beverages will, as usual, be available for selected times between Friday evening and the last second of Saturday night before Sunday brings its prohibition. The tea cards will exist in the form of plastic arm bands, and will be replaceable in the event of breakage.

Also arranged during the event is the Dean's Shuttle, to ferry potentially

inebriated students between campus and the Plaza on Saturday, when many of the events occur in town. This shuttle will be coupled with police on the lookout for DWI offenders, so those who consume alcohol are strongly encouraged to take a ride with Dr. Etscorn rather than a ride with the police.

Campus Police will likely be shutting off one or more of the three roads onto campus in order to reduce traffic and afford pedestrians greater safety. Individuals who do wish to leave or return to campus via car will be able to, however.

Most of the events of Friday afternoon will be taking place on the athletic field, although the tide will carry activities to the Amphitheatre up the hill near P-Plant by that evening. Friday's events will likewise be held at the Amphitheatre. Saturday will involve many activities in cooperation with the Town, so events on that day will be centered around the old Plaza downtown.

The first event of this year's celebration will be a rugby game between the Tech Pygmies and San Diego State. While Tech has no cheerleaders *per se*, the Bordello girls are encouraged to fulfill that role.

The Bordello is one of the organizations devoted to maintaining

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Governor candidates express views about Tech and its budget

by Melinda Bailey
PAYDIRT STAFF REPORTER

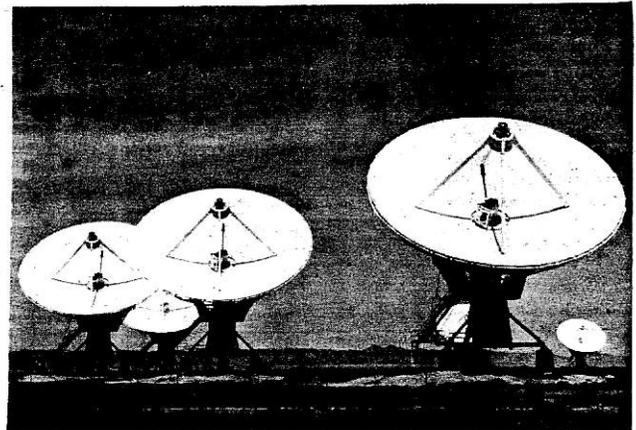
New Mexico gubernatorial candidates Bruce King and Frank Bond were interviewed by *Paydirt* on their plans for Tech, especially Tech's budget. Bruce King, the Democratic candidate, was extremely positive. He felt that not only could the legislature provide funds to renovate Workman Center, but also the five million dollars for a sports center. Frank Bond, Republican candidate, was not as positive. He strongly believes in the prioritizing system run by the New Mexico Council on Higher Education. He stated that he would support the funding of those projects if the CHE made them a priority.

Mr. King stated that if faced with a budgetary crisis similar that which occurred during the legislative session last spring, he would not compromise Tech's budget. Last year, the current Governor Garry Carruthers vetoed Tech's entire equipment replacement fund, the entire athletic budget and \$33,000 in salary money. Mr. King stated that he felt that the equipment replacement fund was especially important to Tech. When Mr. Bond was asked the same question, he mentioned that he had been on the committee that had recommended these cuts and then declined to comment on Governor Carruthers veto.

Mr. Bond said that he would, if elected, look closely at Tech's building needs. He understood the need for renovating Workman Center, however, he stated that he would only support full-funding if the Council on Higher Education listed it as a priority. He felt the same about the long-term plans for building an intramural sports complex for Tech. Mr. King stated that he would support full-funding for the renovation of Workman in the next legislative session. He also felt that the legislation could provide money for the proposed sports complex within the next four years.

Frank Bond stated that he intends to make the salaries of Tech's professors his highest priority; that Tech's professors are seriously underpaid and that bringing their salaries up to par should take precedence over both NM State and UNM's budgets. Bruce King said that the needs of Tech should be analyzed closely so that what Tech needs most is given priority, and that education in the state of New Mexico should be given more money in general.

Issues concerning education that are not specific to Tech were covered in a questionnaire sent out by ASNM to the candidates. If *Paydirt* is able to obtain the results of that questionnaire, they will be included in the next issue, scheduled for the day before the election on Tuesday November 6.



The Very Large Array celebrated its tenth anniversary last Wednesday. The radio astronomy telescope array is located west of Socorro on US 60, near Magdalena. Many of its operations are performed at the AOC facility on Tech campus. Photo supplied by the VLA Information Office.

We're looking for a few good photos.

Paydirt is looking for photos of this 49ers. If we print yours in our special 49ers layout, you'll receive \$6.00 for each black and white print we use, and \$5.00 for each color print (the bigger the better), along with your name in the caption. One thing—we need them by Wednesday, October 31. Call -5996 for more information.

Student Government Chronicles

by Eric Wagoner
STUDENT GOVERNMENT CORRESPONDENT

The Student Association Senate — a useless rusty machine? Hardly. The Senate met again on September 26, and the student government is now fully operational. Perhaps the most important thing that happened at the meeting was the formation of the committees, through which the Senate really operates. Look in the next issue of *Paydirt* for a complete list of Senate committees, their duties, and their chairmen.

The meeting was opened with a few words from Dean Etscorn, who commented on the new Tea Card armbands that are going to be used at 49ers this year, the lack of a smoke vent in the gameroom, and the upcoming Colorado School of Mines homecoming. Dean Etscorn usually addresses the Senate at the start of each regular meeting. If you have something he needs to hear, and you can't reach him any other way, you can often find him in the SAC right before a Senate meeting.

A few committees had reports ready for the meeting. Among the highlights: The Financial Aid committee reported that the new financial handbooks are completed and now available. The Lobbying committee hosted the Associated Students of New Mexico (ASNMM) meeting in the SAC during the weekend of September 28-30. The ASNMM is a state-wide student political lobbying organization dedicated to making our elected political leaders aware of students' needs. The Finance committee declared that club budgets are now ready. The September 30 deadline for club filing has passed, so if you are a club and you missed the deadline, try again next semester for SA funding. The Activities committee announced that a comedy club tour will be stopping here for two hours on November 16. Finally, the 49ers committee submitted a three page report, including a \$15,000 tentative budget and daily schedule. It was reported earlier that the Strawberry Zois would be appearing, but as we hear that they are on tour in New York, that is looking doubtful. However, they will be here sometime, so be on a Zois lookout.

Vice-President James Gilson offered extensive suggestions to the committees. These suggestions came from students to Mr. Gilson, so, if you have a complaint, comment or suggestion you want the Senate to hear but you can't attend the meeting, tell James and he'll relay the message. Among his suggestions: looking into having dorm kitchens like Driscoll's for all the dorms.

improving lighting in the parking lots, getting a smoke fan for the game room, and formulating a poster policy to pacify the problematic pestulence of prolific polluting posters, and see if there is a way to deal with the non-Tech-student population in our beloved SUB. Also proposed was revival of the 'Mid-term Madness,' a long-dead event that involved opening the game room for 24 hours, providing free coffee, etc. during mid-terms week. The Food committee is looking into getting the sandwiches and baked goods in the Canteen date stamped to ensure that only fresh items are sold. And the Investigative committee was charged with compiling a list of campus agencies, their duties and contacts, and also addressing complaints about our post office.

The rest of the meeting involved approving money for various purposes. The Performing Arts Series, the concerts that happen every so often at Macey Center, was given \$750. This means that Tech students with a full-time ID can attend the shows for free or real cheap for the expensive shows. 49ers was allocated an extra \$3000, bringing their budget up to \$15,000. Finally, \$300 to fix the library typewriters was allocated.

Another brief Senate meeting was held on October 6. At this meeting, the committees gave their reports, and then the meeting was premature ended because there were not enough Senators in attendance to satisfy the quorum. The Dance committee announced a dance on October 27, which will have a Halloween theme. The Movie Committee has determined the movie schedule for most of the semester, which is probably printed elsewhere in this issue. The Food committee saw to it that Canteen items were date stamped. The Library committee reported that the typewriters were repaired.

With the formation of the committees, the SA government is fully in place. The new constitution seems to be working well, and all looks good. The next meeting of the Senate will be October 24, at 7:00 pm in the SAC conference room.

If you are interested in running for a Senate seat, drop by the SA office in the SAC or Student Services by the afternoon of October 17 to declare your candidacy. Elections will be held Wednesday, October 24, in the SUB. Besides the election of ten senators and two proxies, constitutional amendments will also appear on the ballot. Exercise your voice and vote.

Trash bins returning to South Hall; most should never have left

by Thomas Jones
PAYDIRT STAFF REPORTER

Trash cans will be coming back to South Hall within two weeks, and quite possibly sooner, according to Rhonda Savedge St. George, director of Auxiliary Services, which oversees the dorm from which the receptacles were swiped.

The metal cans had been removed from the ends of all three floors at the dorm during the summer session, after a Fire Marshal's report indicated that trash cans located under stairwells were a major fire hazard. Prior to the removal, cans on the first floor had been located under stairwells, and cans on the second and third floors had been located between the staircases along the walls of the building. According to Dennis Hunter, campus safety officer, those cans on the second and third floors were *not* in violation of the fire code. Mr. Hunter stated that both he and Jim Shaffner, Physical Plant Director, were not responsible for the removal of the receptacles from the upper two floors. Ms. Savedge St. George stated that she had not even been informed of the sequestering of the trash cans before hearing about it from irate students.

Since the removal, most South residents have been faithfully hauling their personal garbage to the dumpster on the east side of the building. However, the amount of debris on the

east lawn has increased substantially, presumably from less responsible students unwilling to transport their rubbish to the dumpster. Cardboard boxes and a fermenting, mostly empty milk carton were also observed deposited at the ends of the building where the trash cans had formerly been, and one rascal who was observed placing a box of debris on an upper floor stated that he was doing so as an act of protest. Soon, however, such protests shall be obsolete as new receptacles are installed into which these various, rotting eyesores will presumably be placed.

The replacement receptacles will be constructed of space-age plastic, to reduce the potential damage they receive while blowing about in occasional strong winds, and also to reduce potential damage or injury should a can fall from one of the upper floors to the ground below, or worse yet, onto an unsuspecting victim. Ms. Savedge St. George stated that she is investigating local sources for the containers, and that, if suitable trash containers are available from those sources, they may be in place before this issue is distributed. Otherwise, they will have to be obtained from Albuquerque or elsewhere, which could take up to two weeks. If this is the case, Mr. Hunter stated that plans involved returning metal cans to the dorm for the interim, and that these were likely to be in place as soon as Tuesday October 16.

TERA lays off eleven employees

by Thomas Jones
PAYDIRT STAFF REPORTER

TERA permanently laid off eleven employees as of October 4, and administrators agreed to reduce their workers. Kimberly Eiland of Tech's Public Information Office stated that a decline in the defense contract business at Tech has resulted in the layoffs. She declined to identify the individuals laid off, or the positions they held.

Coming Next Issue:

The SA Election

Who wins the SA Senate election next Wednesday, and why.

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President's Dance is Tech's prom; will be held November 3

by Sam Myers
PAYDIRT REPORTER

It's just about that time again. The air develops a crisp, leaves begin to turn brown; and the women of Tech decide who will be that special guy. Yes, the President's Dance is just around the corner. President's Dance is the closest thing to the Prom at Tech. But this dance is different from a normal prom; it is put on by the women of Tech and they do all the inviting and buying of tickets.

An occasional meeting was held October 8 to decide all the particulars. It had been originally decided that the dinner and dance would be held at Macey Center, but due to conflicting schedules, it will now all be held at the Val Verde Restaurant in town. The old lobby of the hotel has been restored and we will be able to use it for the whole evening. Dinner will be served from 6:30pm to 8:30 pm, and then the tables will be cleared to make room for dancing starting at 9:00 pm. We are hoping to have the fireplace going to help make it a more romantic evening. We will also have access to the center patio and fountain area. The room will be

decorated in red, white, and black. This year, we have added something new to the dance: a King and Queen to be elected by the students attending. A ballot will be made from the list of couples who have bought ticket and will be passed out as people enter the dance. Ballots will be counted and the announcement will be made at 11:00 pm.

For dinner, those in attendance will have the choice of prime rib or baked chicken. Individuals who are over 21 will be able to buy wine or beer, but it will stop at 11:00 pm and all glasses will be removed from the room. This year, it was decided that off-campus women and their dates will be able to attend dinner and the dance. In the past, off-campus women have not been allowed to attend dinner because they did not contribute to the dorm funds from which President's Dance is funded.

Prices for the dance are \$20.00 per couple for on-campus women; \$25.00 per couple for off-campus women; and \$5.00 per couple for just the dance. Tickets will go on sale October 22, or hopefully sooner. You can buy your tickets from Sam Myers, Kim Bell, Trish Cordova, or Gail Coppler.

49ers weekend starts Thursday

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the traditional nineteenth century western-town atmosphere, at least in appearance, dressed in lady-of-the-evening costumes of that time. They will be accompanied by the Gunfighters, who uphold another great tradition of the West—people shooting each other, although the Gunfighters will only be equipped with blanks.

Following the Rugby game will be the annual Powder Puff Football game between the Freshwomen and the Upper Class Girls. Male cheerleaders are a traditional part of this event, although it is difficult to predict what might happen to them this year.

On Saturday, the Cooney Mining Competition will test the traditional mining skills of team and individual participants from Tech and elsewhere.

Sunday will include the Casino, where students will receive 49ers money to gamble with. The Casino Dealers will

be running games including poker, roulette, and craps.

Another group contributing to the traditional atmosphere will be the Can-Can Dancers, although their organization was not complete at the time this article was written.

There will be four student-run dances this year: *The Mutz*, *Fat City*, *The Aborigines*, and *Gangster*. The Alumni program is also sponsoring a Sock Hop which students can attend for \$6.00. (\$10.00 for others.) The Performing Arts Series is also hosting a concert Saturday.

Food for Friday and Saturday will be provided by ARA Campus Dining, and available without charge to students with a tea card or on meal plan. Other students will be charged \$2.00 per meal.

There are many other activities during 49ers, and all those that *Paydirt* was able to get advance notice about are included in the schedule on the back inside page.

49ers: what fun since 1921

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have been. According to Dr. Christiansen's book, they did in fact lead to the cancellation of 49ers after 1960.

But, perhaps it wasn't cancelled for very long, for the 1969 yearbook allocates five pages to 49ers, which would, one could extrapolate, be describing the 1968 49ers, and 49ers is also included in the 1970 and 1971 yearbooks. John Shipman, CS Instructor and *Paydirt* columnist, has casino money with Stirling Colgate's likeness printed on it.

The 1969, 1970, and 1971 yearbooks describe such varied events as gunfights, piefights, male powder puff cheerleaders, a pillory, a turkey shoot, shaving permits, shotgun weddings, a soccer game, the *Red Eye Saloon*, and perhaps better, the *Pink Eye Saloon*. But these are the same yearbooks that show the SA wearing jackets and ties. For a truly interesting 49ers description, one must go to the 1981 yearbook which shows the SA wearing T-shirts. Although there are no pictures of streak races across campus

(as there are from St. Pats), it is apparent that those participating in 49ers during that time did not waste much time on selecting a king and queen as they had earlier, but rather went straight for less intellectual activities such as the wet T-shirt contest.

You may wonder why this is the 68th annual 49ers, or at least why the posters all around campus call it that, since 49ers was skipped 68 years ago. Simple subtraction leads one to believe that this one would be the 70th (current year minus original year plus one). However, those who calculated the value on the posters may have not included two of the three years after its first year, when it did not exist. They would have ignored, though, 49ers being discontinued during the war (according to Dr. Christiansen), and the years after 1960. But then again, the backgrounds of most traditions at Tech are entrenched in a confusing mire, so it is perhaps reassuring to realize that 49ers is no different.

Tech to host Energetic Materials Meeting

by Louie Kincaid
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

Macey Center is set to be the site of an Open Seminar on Safety and Hazards Evaluation for the Research Center for Energetic Materials (RCEM) on Tuesday, October 23. The seminar, which is open to the public, will start at 8 am and last until 6:30 pm.

RCEM is a National Science Foundation-sponsored university coop-

erative that seeks to increase safety and prevent hazards in the processing, transportation and use of new chemicals, propellants, explosives, and blasting agents. RCEM is currently researching detonability and detonation stability, chemical sensitizing, shock initiability, small scale safety, thermal hazards, and safety engineering.

RCEM will also hold its Semiannual Technical Review Meeting on October 24-25.

SA Movie Schedule Fall 1990

October 18	Hang 'em High (49ers)
October 26	The Thing (Halloween)
November 2	Pink Floyd the Wall
November 9	Bill and Ted's Excellent Adventure
November 16	She's Out of Control
November 23	To Live and Die in LA
November 30	Wizards
December 7	to be announced

All movies start at 8:00 PM in the SAC.
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Movies selected by the SA Movie Committee, Phil Jones Chair

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South defeats West for first time in history of annual football game

by Sam Myers
REPORTER

It was warm and sunny that day, and it started out like any other day; but little did we know that we were about to witness history in the making. The date was October 6, the time, a little after 2:00 pm. Two groups of men separately prepared to do battle, stretching and warming up throwing arms. It was the annual football game between South and West halls.

Pre-game activities included the recurring discussion of whether or not alumni players could participate. The heated debate resulted in a final verdict allowing the alumni to play. From the looks of these pre-game antics, it appeared that we were in for a very intense battle. In actuality, however, the game turned out to be mild compared to years past. No ambulances were called

to the field this year, and there weren't even any bench-clearing brawls.

South started off with the first touchdown, but West came back and was leading by the half. There were many interceptions and fumbles which kept the crown on their toes trying to keep track of who had the ball. There was no instant replay for the game—it didn't fit in the budget. It was great to see a lot of freshmen out there. Hopefully, the new blood will keep the tradition going a few more years. Somewhere in the second half, South turned it around and ended up winning, 42 to 21. South had never won this annual event before, for the closest they had come was a tie score in 1988.

Congratulations to South on their victory; but watch out, for West will be back next year, and they'll be playing with a vengeance.

Physical Plant Report

by Jason Coder
PHYSICAL PLANT CORRESPONDENT

The construction around campus is continuing, and for those persons interested in what is going on the following is a list of current P-Plant projects:

1. Construction of the new library is continuing and is still on schedule to be completed within a timeframe of 13 months.
 2. Work on the Centennial Plaza is also being continued by a sub-contractor under P-Plant supervision.
 3. The area between West Hall and the cafeteria was recently concreted over, in order to eliminate drainage problems in the area. It also converted it from a high maintenance area to a low maintenance area. The initial section, due to vandalism, had to be re-smoothed the next day. A guard was stationed after that to insure that the wet concrete would be allowed to set up unmolested through the night.
 4. The site work and installation of the new boilers by Fitch is still going on. When the boilers are actually connected to the loop there will be approximately three days without hot water on campus. This should take place around mid-December.
 5. The area for the new parking lot south of South Hall has been cleaned up and graded. The gravel that is being piled in that area is being donated, and is being provided as time permits. When enough has been acquired, it will be spread over the surface of the new lot. Lighting in the area is also going to be repaired, and the road connecting the two lots will be graded and smoothed.
- Future projects include, the widening of the sidewalk by Wells Hall, to facilitate the flow of traffic; the sidewalk between West and President's will also be upgraded, and will hopefully eliminate some of the drainage prob-

lems in that area.

Additional lighting is going to be installed by the north tennis courts to further illuminate the parking lot by the athletic field, as students have complained that the area is too dark and cars have been vandalized.

TERA has donated a few concrete walls to the climbing club in order to construct a new climbing wall, as the current one has to be removed. The present suggestion for the new location would be near the amphitheatre. If any climber would like to propose ideas about the new wall, drop a note to the address found at the end of the column. It's your wall, and now is the time to design it, not after construction has started.

Last issue possible ventilation problems in MSEC were mentioned with the suggestion that anyone with information on that subject contact either Physical Plant, or Paydirt. So far no one has contacted either organization as to whether a problem of fumes from the labs re-entering through the air conditioning ducts exists or not. If you have experienced this, please inform us, so that the problem can be corrected.

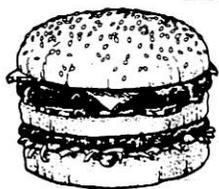
A new bike rack is on order for South hall, and could possibly mean the removal of all bikes currently locked to the railing. According to the Fire Marshall the bikes represent a hazard as they could impede evacuation of the building. The bikes are currently tolerated in their present locations, as there is no other place to secure them.

Do you have a suggestion, gripe, or compliment on something that P-Plant is responsible for? If so write to: Paydirt, Attn. P-Plant Correspondent, Box GG C/S. All reasonable request will be presented to P-Plant, and answers will be provided as column space permits.



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IN MY DAY: Tech life in the late '60s

An emergency landing

by John Shipman
PAYDIRT COLUMNIST

Probably the closest I have come to dying was the evening I spent in a small private plane lost over central New Mexico.

This story is not terribly flattering to the pilot, so I won't mention his name, but he was a well-known figure at Tech at the time. He gave me permission to tell this story, and it is a good cautionary tale for those who are interested in learning to fly small planes.

One beautiful, clear Friday morning, four of us took off in a Cessna 172 bound for Las Vegas, New Mexico, to attend a conference at Highlands University. The sun cleared the mountains just as we started climbing. I have always been fascinated by flying, so the pilot gave me the chart and I tracked our progress along the route by looking at the ground and comparing it with the chart (a technique called pilotage).

The route from Socorro to Las Vegas just happens to line up with the runway at the Las Vegas airport, so we didn't even need to make an approach. There was an airplane sitting at the near end of the runway, and we had to pull up to clear it, but otherwise the landing went smoothly.

At the time, the conference and the post-conference socializing were over, the sun was down. The pilot made some classic mistakes as he took off and headed back to Socorro. He neglected to refuel; there was just enough gas to make it to Socorro, but not much leeway. He didn't notice what time he took off. He set our course for Socorro, but then didn't keep track of his true bearing, or his airspeed.

Good flight instructors will always tell you that it is important for private pilots to use several different techniques for determining position, and constantly check them against each other to see if they agree. We had navigated by pilotage on the trip north, and on a clear day, that worked fine. But we were flying by VFR (visual flight rules) at night, and pilotage is difficult when you can't see the ground.

Dead reckoning is another good method of navigation. If you know what direction you are flying, and how fast, and for how long, you can plot your position on the chart. This requires that you observe the difference between the direction you are pointing and the direction you are flying; crosswinds can make these bearings quite different. Determining the difference requires pilotage, or help from radio navigation aids or flight controllers. But with no idea of our time of takeoff, our true bearing, or our speed, dead reckoning would have been a pretty good trick.

The night was clear, with a nearly full moon to light up the landscape. We chattered away about the conference and things in general and the time passed quickly.

We got about two-thirds of the

way back to Socorro before the pilot suddenly realized that he had no idea where we were, and no basis for dead reckoning. We tried pilotage, but at night there are few landmarks other than street lights. The area east of the Manzanos is speckled with small towns and large farms, and they all look just the same: little pools of street lights, randomly strewn over the landscape.

I was starting to get a little bit worried. My friend Jim Flemming, one of the other passengers, had already been getting nervous for some time. We were flying at 9,000 feet, and our course was not too far from Manzano Peak, which is around 10,000.

We kept flying through little chunks of cloud here and there. Jim said later that his knuckles were pretty white, since he fully expected to fly into one of those cloud banks and then slam into a mountainside, without even giving us time to reflect on our deaths.

Our pilot was at a particularly dangerous stage in his training. He had flown for about 100 hours, and flight instructors will tell you that this is long enough to get somewhat lax about flying. The pilot had not done dead reckoning partially because the plane was equipped with electronic navigational aids, and he tended to depend on them.

The pilot was also thinking about the possibility of suddenly flying into Manzano Peak, so instead of continuing on our course, he circled where we were, and switched on our radio navigation equipment. This system, called VOR for Very-high-frequency Omni-Range, is based on a scattered network of small transmitting stations.

A VOR transmitter is an unmanned station, generally located in the middle of nowhere. It has a flat roof with a small round beige dome on top. Each station effectively sends a different signal in each direction, and operates on a specific frequency. If everything is working right, it will tell you approximately what your bearing is, relative to the station; with two bearings, you can triangulate.

We were able to pick up signals from three different VOR transmitters. I was in the back seat with the chart, trying to make sense of the bearings. The first station turned out to be west of us, and it told us that we were east of it. The second station was pretty much due east of us, and it told us we were west of it. But I wasn't used to dealing with compass bearings, so I misinterpreted the second number by 180 degrees, which led me to believe that we were east of both stations.

The third station, as it turns out, was some distance north of our position. Either it was too far away, or it wasn't working right: the bearing was weak and intermittent, and seemed to indicate that we were east of that station, too. I plotted these bearings on the chart, and they intersected at a position somewhere around Dallas.

The pilot started buzzing one of the larger groups of streetlights, which we later found out was the town of Mountainair. He made several low passes over the town, hoping that maybe one of the motels was named after the town and would have a large sign that we could read from the air. No such luck.

Finally, he announced that we were going to have to land on the highway. He picked out a long straight section of highway near the town and circled over it a few times to check it out. We could tell pretty well where the cars were from their headlights. When we lined up for our final approach, there was only one car on the highway, and he obligingly drove it into the bar ditch when he saw us coming.

Our pilot made a great landing. Of the ten or so landings I have experienced in small planes, the landing he made on the highway was by far the smoothest—a virtually perfect three-point landing.

But there are some important differences between landing strips and highways that rapidly became apparent as we rolled down the highway. Landing strips never have slight bends in them. They also don't have speed limit signs close enough to be hit by a wing. You might not notice it from your car, but speed limit signs are actually quite tall. A low-wing plane would have clipped the sign, but fortunately the Cessna 172 is a high-wing model and had several inches clearance over the top of the sign.

Another important feature of landing strips is that they are free of power line crossings (except sometimes near the ends). A few seconds after we had touched down, we went under a power line that had been invisible from the air. If we had landed just a few yards further down, things might have gotten dicey.

Finally the plane rolled to a stop. Just then, it began to snow. We taxied off the highway and into a muddy farm field.

In a Cessna 172, the fuel gauges are not located on the main panel. They are in the wing roots, so you have to look up and to the side to read them. With everything else that had been going on, we had never thought about fuel. There was a bit over a gallon in the right tank, and the left tank was bone dry.

From a nearby phone booth, the pilot called the owner of the plane (the airport manager in Socorro) for instructions. The owner said he would fill up some jerry cans with aviation fuel, throw them in his trunk, and drive up. He would stay in a motel in Mountainair that night, then find a place to take off the next morning.

We decided that the thing for us to do was have the pilot's wife drive up and get us so we could go to the Capitol and have some pizza and get good and drunk to celebrate not dying. Talking about this made us all seriously thirsty. Jim and I were dispatched to town

for a six-pack of beer.

Unfortunately, in these days the streets of Mountainair were usually rolled up about eight in the evening, so there was only one place open. We walked into this tacky bar to find two people in the place. The bartender and some old derelict were having a loud argument about whether the capital of Montana was Butte or Helena. Neither Jim nor I could remember for sure, and since we were the only other people abroad that night, they weren't going to sell us our six-pack unless we settled their damned argument.

After a long argument with these two drunks, they finally realized that they weren't going to get any help from us. They agreed to let us have our beer and we walked back west down U. S. 60 out of town and toward the plane. We got to the motel where the plane's owner planned to spend the night and watched as the plane taxied into the parking lot.

Running a motel in Mountainair probably doesn't provide much excitement, but we gave the motel manager some that night. I can't even begin to describe the look on her face as she watched a light plane taxi down the highway and then pull off and roll up to her office.

Flying South at Macey on Saturday

by Kathleen Hodges
PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICE

Their fingers fly faster than a cloud of mosquitos on a summer night. They're *Flying South*, a Tucson-based band playing a unique blend of bluegrass, swing-era jazz, and new acoustic music. *Flying South* will be performing at Macey Center on Saturday, October 20, at 7:30 pm, as part of Tech's Performing Arts Series.

Peter McLaughlin, one of the group's two guitarists, won the 1988 National Guitar Flatpick Championship and will demonstrate his award-winning technique during the show. The other members of the band include mandolinist Kirby Mittelmeier, guitarist John Zarske, bass guitarist John Willis, and banjo player Frank Dedra.

The show is free for full-time students with IDs, and tickets are \$6 for other adults, and \$3 for those under 12 or over 65. Tickets are available at the door or by calling -5688.

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OPINION

Editorials, Commentary, and Letters to the Editor

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How/Why to join the SA

Wednesday is the deadline for candidacy declarations for the SA. But you're not going to run. You may think of the SA administration as a bunch of bungling fools. A lot of people do, even some who are in it. You may sit at lunch and gripe about how bad life is at Tech, and a lot of people do—"That dance really stank," "Dorm life stinks," "Cafeteria food stinks," "49ers stinks," "Financial Aid stinks," "My roommate stinks." Well, aside from attempting to get your roommate to bathe more frequently, there is something you can do. It's not terribly easy, it might not work perfectly, but it does look good on your résumé. Run for the SA Senate.

"Why should I run for the SA Senate? Senators don't get paid. The SA President and Vice-President get paid. I want that job." Alas, you can't run for President or Vice-President this semester—you'll have to wait until Spring. And sure, they get paid, but with that pay they are expected to do a great deal more. Just how much? Run for the SA Senate and find out.

"The SA is a bumbling beaucracy." Yes, in some ways the SA is a beaucracy, and in some ways it bumbles. But if you're a part of it, you'll get experience dealing with beaucracies. Beaucracies are self-generating. Unless you become a hermit or wash dishes for a living, you're going to have to deal with beaucracies. And Tech is the perfect place to learn about them, because they're small enough that you can understand them. If you graduate and work for a government lab, there'll be a beaucracy above you so big that it'll block out the sun. And there's no way you'll ever learn how it works—there are entire agencies devoted to such investigations. But, if you start with a comparatively small organization, such as the SA, you can see how it works, how people have to interact, how you have to interact. Then, when you graduate, you'll be in the best position to understand bumbling beaucracies because you worked for one.

"I'm too busy." Well, there you've got a good one. Doing a decent job as an SA Senator does take some time, but at this very moment, there are twenty or so people who are working for the SA, and making the SA work. They find the time, and some of them are extremely busy.

Go ahead—give it a try. If the last elections are any forecast, if you run, you're almost certain to win, because very few people run, so most of them win. Make a difference. Register today, and run. You don't even need to do any serious quantity of campaigning; the election is next Wednesday. Give it a try.

What's wrong with the SA

The SA continues to have problems. The meeting last week didn't work. When one of the Senators left the meeting to go to work, the number present dropped below the quorum level. When that happens, the SA can't do anything, except sit around and "discuss" things. So they leave, abandoning everything else on the agenda.

The first thing the SA needs to do is lower its quorum. It's obvious that a significant number of its members are either too busy or too lazy to show up to the meetings. Last semester, there were several meetings infected with the same difficulty. Quorums are designed to prevent a small portion of a legislative body from holding a special meeting and/or passing all kinds of legislation that the others wouldn't like if they were there. With the number of absences at a typical SA meeting, those who don't attend a particular meeting have little justification in complaining about anything that occurred in their absence.

But in order to change the quorum, the SA Constitution must be changed. That takes the approval of 67% of the SA Senate, and 50% of the general student body in an election. A new Constitution was ratified last spring, and represented a substantial improvement over the previous edition. Yet, there are a number of other things that should also be changed in the SA Constitution.

The current Constitution does not allow Senators to abstain from a vote—if a Senator does not vote, it counts as a nay. This is unethical, for individuals should always be given the choice not to vote on an issue that they have a conflict of interest with, or that they just don't know anything about.

Perhaps worse, the Constitution has no provisions for allowing Senators to resign—the only method described for a Senator to leave the Senate is to be voted out of office by the others or the student body. One Senator has already resigned this semester—or has she? By the Constitution, she is still in office.

Today is the deadline for declaring candidacy in the SA Senate election. The election is in seven days. That means that there is no time for any kind of a substantial campaign, and *Paydirt* can't help by interviewing candidates, because our next paper comes out after the election. One week is too short. Making it longer—even just two weeks, would be a substantial improvement, and might allow some dialogue between and among the candidates and voters.

There are a number of loopholes and difficulties with the Constitution as it currently reads, some trivial and others dramatic. *Paydirt* will forward a copy to the SA of the difficulties it sees with the document. And when you, the students at large, are given a chance to vote on the changes, read them and vote for all those that have nothing objectionable in them. The SA has many of its internal affairs regulated by a document that requires the vote of the entire student body for any changes—the least we can do is help them out when it does need changing.

Security lax on campus

Editor:

I am writing this letter concerning the way that our security has operated over the past several weeks. Vandalism is getting out of hand! Tires stolen, canvas tops shredded, rocks thrown through windows are just but a few examples.

On the weekend of September 29, 1990, my truck received \$300.00 worth of damage. Specifically, a rock was thrown breaking three windows. On the weekend of October 5, 1990, another student had his canvas top knifed to shreds. Four other students have had damage to their vehicles at a total damage cost of \$2,500.00.

At a cost of \$400 to replace my

windows, a life becomes very cheap. If Mr. Tom Zimmerman and Dr. Latman expect myself as well as other concerned students to sit back and let this continue they had better be extremely quick on their feet before someone is hurt seriously. On the other hand, if Tech had decent security or any security at all, we would not be experiencing these problems.

Instead of patrolling your precious TERA and CETR properties for several million dollars in grants, how about promoting a safer and better environment for your students? I am truly not sincere about this letter.

Robert Burgher

KTEK vs Club NMT dance battle

Editor:

It is a known truth that this campus thrives on conflict. The great 'Yacht Club vs. The Administration' war seems to have either died or moved behind the scenes, and now another rivalry has risen to take its place. This new clash became apparent in the weeks leading up to the much-advertised KTEK dance. No one is throwing punches yet; this war is starting in the press. Club NMT, the people who [last spring] filled the SAC with sand and set Box Canyon alive with blacklights, seemed to take exception to all the hype associated with KTEK's effort, and so had a blurb run in the Scope. To paraphrase, they are glad that KTEK is getting their act together, they are behind KTEK all the way, but there is not competition between the two groups. A nice turnabout from remarks of last year ("You're dying out there, man."), and I hate to disagree. But, there has been a mandate from the masses. There is competition.

You see, Club NMT'ers, you hosted some great dances last year, really good ones with visual themes and everything. [We at] KTEK, on the other hand, played some music of questionable quality to a mostly empty SAC. People talk about your dances with fondness in their voices, and they try to be out of town for ours.

We at KTEK have suddenly realized that it takes more than noise from big speakers to make a good dance. It takes thoughtful music selection, pleasant atmosphere, and proper public relations. A new, younger generation is in control of KTEK, a generation with high aspirations for our beloved station. We could just sit back and let The Club take all the glory, but one of our aspirations is being popular with our fellow students and relive the grand old days of yesteryear. This means hosting dances at least as good as The Club's.

Club NMT was formed to provide an alternative to KTEK's abysmal dances. We have risen from our ashes to meet the challenge, and we would like to encourage friendly competition between us and The Club as a way for both of us to improve. We will race each other for the perfect dance, and everyone will profit—especially the students, who want more than just two great weekends per school year. And once we reach that height, there will be no further need for competition and we can work together producing living works of art. But for now, the gauntlet was dropped, and KTEK gladly picked it up. The duel has begun.

Eric Wagoner
KTEK Program Director

Another desert roving concern

Editor:

I'd like to make an additional comment about desert roving. For those of you who might be inclined to rove and take a little hike, just bear in mind that your vehicle, unattended in the middle of nowhere, is a temptation that some people can't resist. At least that's what I experienced.

While hiking 11 miles east of Las Cruces, someone must have seen my vehicle, noticed no one was around, and let their baser instincts go to work. When I returned from my hike, I found that someone had stolen two wheels and had

attempted to take the other two. They left my vehicle sitting on some rocks which damaged the brake rotors. I did not enjoy replacing my tires, rims, and brake rotors.

The more frequently you rove, the higher the chances are that you might get ripped off too. I strongly recommend locking lug nuts, an inexpensive device to lock your steering wheel, and a locking gas cap. All of this can be bought for about \$40.00. That's a very small investment to avoid a very big hassle. Good luck.

Bob Svec

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STEPHEN SMOOGEN'S HOROSCOPES

(Paydirt accepts no liability for the content of these horoscopes. Cast your own if you like.)

Welcome once again to my horoscopes. A few of you have asked me about some books to learn more about the art of astrology. If you want a laugh, I recommend anything written by Lirida Goodman. Her writing brings more to my mind that of fantasy than that of hard core astrology. One of my favorite lines in her book *Sun Signs* was that of the effects of the planet Vulcan, which contrary to Star Trek does not circle 40 Eridani but instead resides inside the orbit of Mercury. She states that though the planet has not been found, its astrological effects are quite evident. Interestingly enough there was once thought to be a planet within the orbit of Mercury because of the planet's 'strange' orbit which is very parabolic, however this was explained by Einstein's general relativity theory as being caused by the sun's gravity curving spacetime (an explanation that Carl Sagan, or better yet, your favorite physics professor can make much clearer than I have.) If you wish a bit more open minded work on astrology there is the *Gemini Syndrome* written by Culver and Ianna. They can be a bit hard on debunking the subject and can get somewhat rude about astrologers, but it contains a lot of good facts about the history and art of astrology. If you wish to read the bible of astrology read the *Tetrabiblos* by Ptolemy.

Aries (March 21—April 20): You have the ability to scale the mountains life presents with ease. You will meet an old love at 49ers that sparks old feelings. A trip will take money from your pocket but the experience is worth it. Look for a test soon.

Taurus (April 21—May 20): While you may not have many dates over 49ers, you are the life of the party during the celebrations. A check comes in the mail, be careful; it may bounce. That midterm grade you worried about is worse than expected.

Gemini (May 21—June 21): Beware too much partying; a crucial test is in the balance. You'll win at the casino, and will take someone home that evening. Keep your positive attitude and on Saturday you'll be rewarded at the auction.

Cancer (June 22—July 22): You may meet the person of your dreams or you may not. You may win some money at poker or you may not. You may get stinking drunk or you may not. Someone will make a pass at you soon.

Leo (July 23—August 22): Forget the dreary person you've been seeing and have fun this 49ers. You seem to have everything going for you as a dream date takes you out for a steamy Saturday night. You may sprain your ankle early that morning.

Virgo (August 23—September 22): The future looks up as you find yourself in jail from drinking too little Tequila on Friday. You find yourself robbed of all dignity as you dance the Pee Wee Herman hat dance to get out. You ace a test on Tuesday.

Libra (September 23—October 22): You make a mint selling condoms over 49ers. After the first thousand on Friday, you find yourself surrounded with 'friends' who will help you spend your riches. Beware of any proposals.

Scorpio (October 23—November 22): Once again, 49'ers will pass you by since you have three term projects due Monday. You might go to the celebrations, but will spend too much money, get too drunk, and be in the cage most of Saturday...

Sagittarius (November 23—December 21): You don't have many hot dates over 49ers, but you do finish your homework, and get several proposals from very drunk people. Try playing blackjack at the casino; you may win. Look for something blue.

Capricorn (December 22—January 19): Mars favors you this month as like a warrior you do well in classes. A drinking game on Saturday will result in some interesting nights later on. Watch your money over 49'ers.

Aquarius (January 20—February 18): School, friends, love, and money seem to work out in your favor. Beware drinking too much on Saturday or you may end up in a nudist colony in Ontario. Beware of hands containing the queen of spades.

Pisces (February 19—March 20): You find yourself in several new positions this 49ers. A late check still doesn't appear. You find yourself mistaken for Billy the Kid, and must rob the stage coach on Saturday to save the lady tied to the railroad.

Los Folkloristas visit Tech again

by Amy Koerner
INDEPENDENT WRITER

Los Folkloristas played at Macey Center on September 29, 1990, as part of New Mexico Performing Arts Series. Their program states that, "Founded in 1966, *Los Folkloristas* has as its stated goal the preservation of the true sound of folk music of Latin America, especially Mexico." They are a musical group from Mexico that have traveled all over Central America, South America, the Caribbean, and, of course, Mexico, learning the native songs of each area with the area's instruments. The instruments included all sizes and shapes of guitars, reproductions of ancient flutes shaped like little animals, half a gourd in a tub of water (which sounds like a drum), butterfly cocoons with beans in them, a belt with deer hoofs on it, a hollowed-out log, and even a wooden box. Most of the songs were sung in Spanish, although there was a Mayan lullaby. The songs were explained in Spanish, with some English translation. Even though I couldn't understand a lot of the words, I still enjoyed the show very much. Copies of 13 of their albums were available during the intermission. The concert was well-attended and *Los Folkloristas* even played an encore and received a standing ovation. Some of my favorite songs were *A Una Rosa* (To a Rose) a song from Puerto Rico and *Tierra Mestiza* (Land of Mixed Blood) which combined different types of Mexican music in an instrumental piece. The concert was enjoyable and enlightening, and, as this was not their first time at Tech, we can hope that the group will be a part of future Performing Arts Series calendars.

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18th, Friday: 12:00 - 1:00 pm, Lunch at Ampitheatre. Hamburger Fry.
5:00 - 6:00 pm, Dinner at Ampitheatre, Fried Chicken.

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October 23: Mexican Lunch to-go
October 25: Poultry Extravaganza
October 31: Halloween Theme Night
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1990 New Mexico Tech 49ers Schedule

Thursday, October 18

- 8:00 am-5:00pm **Tea Cards on Sale**, Student Services in Wells Hall. \$8.00 for Beer, food and soft drinks; \$4.00 for food and soft drinks. Bring your Driver's License (for Beer card) and your Student ID.
- 2:00-5:30 pm **Rugby Game**, athletic field. Come watch the Tech Pygmies battle San Diego State and the Bordello girls cheer them on.
- 4:30-6:00 **Powder Puff Game**, athletic field. A classic competition featuring the Freshwomen versus Upperclass Girls at flag football, with guy cheerleaders for assistance.
- 5:00-6:30 **Dinner**, athletic field. ARA-cooked meal consisting of throwable food. Free for students on campus meal plan or with tea cards; \$2.00 for other students.
- 7:00-9:00 **Movie: *Hang Em High*** starring Clint Eastwood, at the Amphitheatre.
- 7:00-12:00 **Tea Available** at the Amphitheatre.
- 9:00-1:00 am **Bonfire** near the Amphitheatre. The hot fire will keep away any chills.
- 9:30-1:00 **Dance: *The Muttz***, at the Amphitheatre. Classic Rock and Reggae.

Friday, October 19

- 8:00 am-noon **Tea Cards on Sale**, Student Services in Wells Hall. \$8.00 for Beer, food and soft drinks; \$4.00 for food and soft drinks. Bring your Driver's License (for Beer card) and your Student ID.
- 11:00-noon **Booth Set-Up**. Clubs and other organizations participating in the day's activities should have their facilities set up at the Amphitheatre by noon.
- noon-1:00 pm **Lunch**, at the Amphitheatre. ARA-cooked meal consisting of cold cuts, chips, beans, and cake. Free for students on campus meal plan or with tea cards; \$2.00 for other students.
- noon-5:00 **KTEK Music** at the Amphitheatre.
- 1:00-5:00 **Tea Available** at the Amphitheatre.
- 1:00-5:00 **Contests and Activities**, Amphitheatre. Wet T-Shirt, Wet Shorts, Mr. Big Enchilada, Ms. Hot Tamale, and others. The **Gunfighters** will also be around.
- 2:30-3:30 **49ers Invitational Shoot-Out** sponsored by the Combat Simulation Club at the CSC range across from the TERA guard shack. Spectators are welcome.
- 5:00-6:30 **Dinner** at the Amphitheatre. ARA Hamburgers, potato salad, beans and brownies prepared and served by the Psychology Club. Free for students on campus meal plan or with tea cards; \$2.00 for other students.
- 7:00 **Sock Hop & Casino Night**, Macey Center. Grand prize is a Concha belt. \$10.00 (\$6.00 for students) admission includes deli dinner.
- 7:00-midnight **Tea Available** at the Amphitheatre.
- 7:00-8:30 **KTEK Music** at the Amphitheatre.
- 9:00-1:00 am **Dance: *Fat City*** at the Amphitheatre. Top-40 tunes.

Saturday, October 20

- 9:00-10:30 am **Bloody Mary Breakfast** at the Capitol Bar by the Plaza. Special prices on Bloody Marys for those brave enough to make it.
- 10:30-noon **Booth Set-Up**. Clubs and other organizations selling food or other merchandise should have their facilities set up at the Plaza by noon.
- 11:00-noon **Parade** along California Street, will circle plaza for judging.
- noon-4:00 pm **Barbecue**, sponsored by the Optimists' Club, and other food at the Plaza.
- noon-5:00 **Tea Available** at the plaza.
- noon-5:30 **Dean's Shuttle Van** between Driscoll Hall and the Plaza. Frank Etscorn will be driving, and no questions will be asked about the level of intoxication of the riders. Will stop when there is nobody wanting a ride.
- 12:30-1:30 **Cooney Mining Competition** at the Plaza. Individual and team events: jackleg drilling, timber sawing, hand mucking, hand steeling, gold panning, track laying. Teams from Tech and other schools will be participating. For more information call the Mining Department at -5345.
- 1:00-5:00 **Band: *The Aborigines*** at the Plaza.
- 1:00-4:00 **Contests** at the Plaza. Pumpkin carving, horseshoe pitching, chile cook-off, jalapeno eating, tortilla tossing, horseshoe pitching, pie eating, best costume.
- 6:00-8:00 **Casino** at the SAC. Students showing ID will be given 'money' to play craps, roulette, poker, blackjack and other games, and can buy prizes with their winnings.
- 7:00-midnight **Tea Available** at the SAC.
- 7:30 **Concert: *Flying South*** at Macey Center. Bluegrass, jazz, and country western music. Part of the Performing Arts Series. \$6.00 adult admission; \$3 for under 12 or over 65; free to Tech students with ID.
- 8:00-9:00 **Garter Auction** at the SAC. Bordello girls will be auctioning their garters to be removed by any reasonable method by the highest bidder.
- 9:00-1:00am **Dance: *Gangster*** at the SAC. Rock tunes.

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