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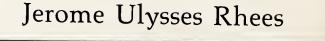
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They Taught Us About The Past



Born in Ohio, Jerome Ulysses Rhees came to COA in 1964 to serve as Registrar and Business Manager. After several years, Mr. Rhees switched to teach history, geography, and sociology, which he continued doing until his retirement in January 1985. In addition to his regular classroom duties, Mr. Rhees conducted several national and international tours taking students and community members to New York City, Quebec, England, France, Greece, and Italy.









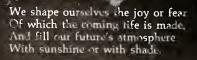
So We Can Have A Better Future. Joseph Michael Salmon







Joseph M. Salmon was hired in 1962 as registrar and history teacher. He became Chairman of the Social Sciences Department and guided its growth until his retirement in June 1985. Mr. Salmon brought U.S. history to life and always kept his students interested and involved in current events and politics. His students remember his forceful and energetic style of teaching.



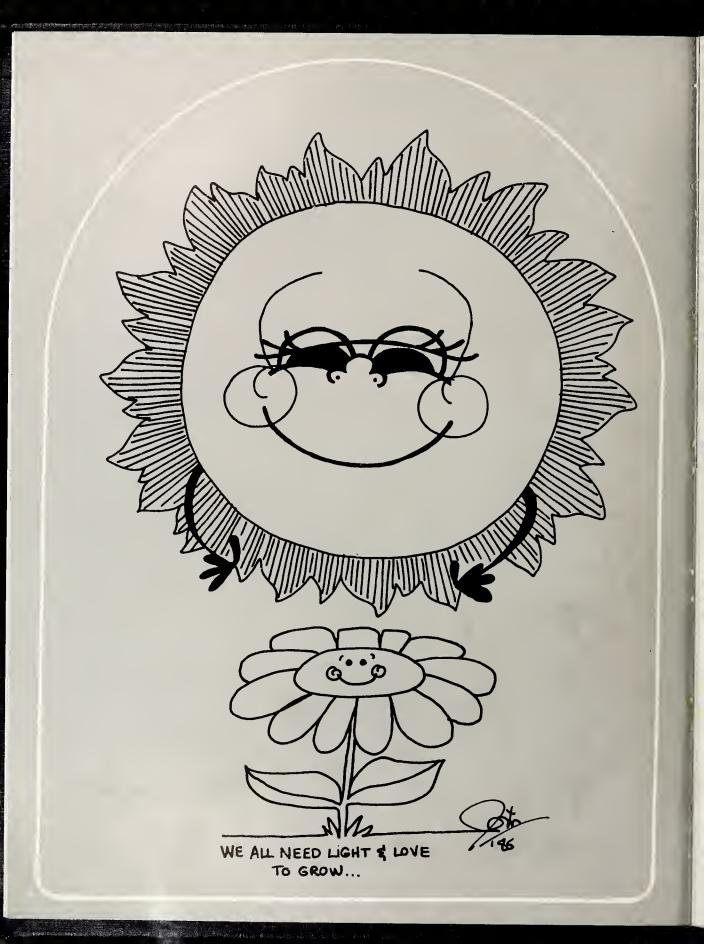
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The tissue of the life to be We weave with colors all cur own, And in the field of destiny We reap as we have sown.

John Greenleaf Whittier, 1907-1892

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PRESIDENT OF C.O.A. DR. PARKER CHESSON









Having first come to C.O.A. as a biology instructor over twenty years ago, Dr. Chesson has served our college in a number of capacities, including Director of College Transfer Education, Chairman of the Math and Science Department, and Dean of Instruction. Appointed College President in 1975, Dr. Chesson has been chief administrator during the period of our school's most rapid expansion, overseeing the laborious move to our new campus as well as the highly successful establishment of a satellite campus in Dare County. In addition to his work at C.O.A., Dr. Chesson is active in several organizations addressing regional concerns; most notable having been appointed by the Governor, he served as Chairman of the North Carolina Coastal Resources. Commission. The Beacon staff applauds Dr. Chesson for his hard work and dedication to C.O.A. and the local community.

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From The President's Desk

1985 is a special year for College of The Albemarle. On December 16 we will celebrate the twenty-fifth anniversary of the college. The college was chartered on that date in 1960 and admitted its first class in September of 1961. Much has happened during these twenty-five years. From an initial enrollment of 113 students, we have grown to the point we now enroll almost 8,000 students per year in our curriculum and continuing education programs. Degrees and diplomas have been awarded to 3,200 students and an equal number have completed their adult high school diplomas or GED certificates.

I have been fortunate enough to have been a part of the COA family since 1964. Being a native of this area, I know firsthand the impact this college has had on the Albemarle region. As a local businessman once told me, COA stands out like a beacon in the darkness. We have always taken pride in the quality of what we do at the college. I am confident the next twenty-five years will see continued growth and development for COA.



Dr. Parker Chesson





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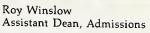
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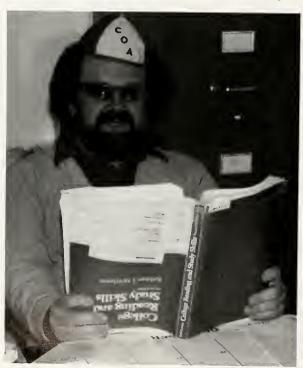
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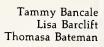




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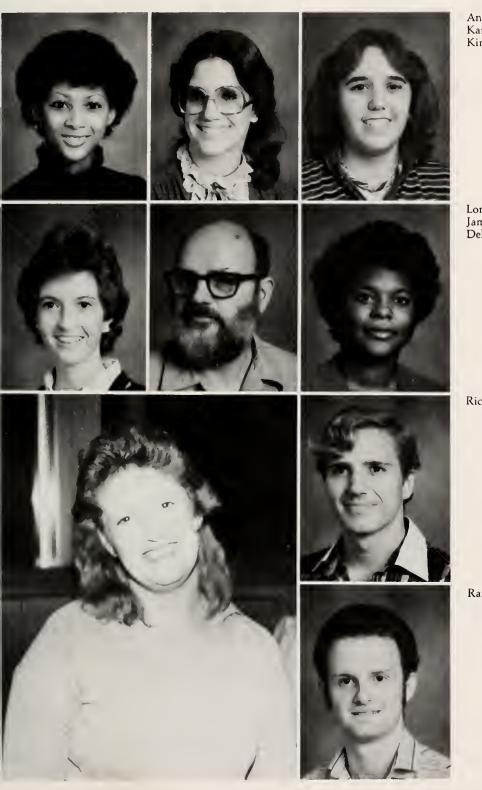


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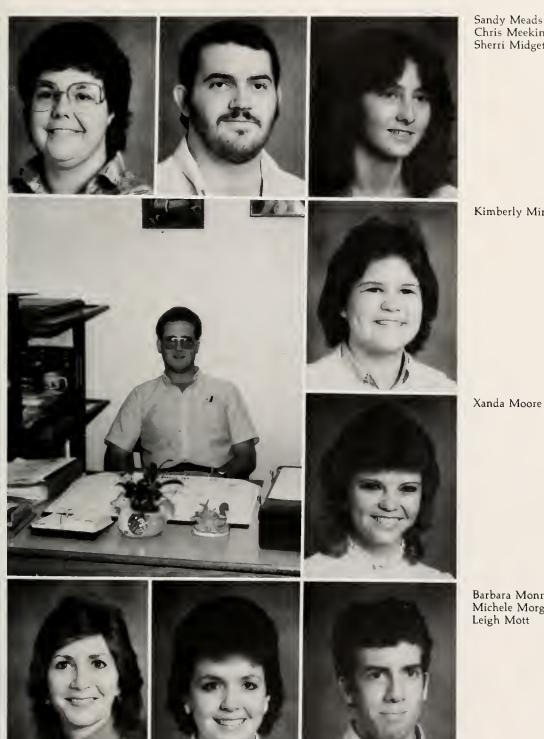


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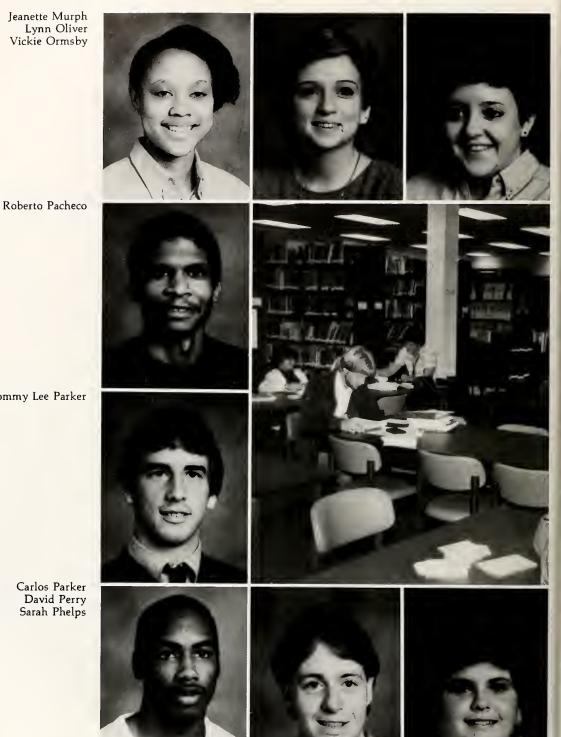


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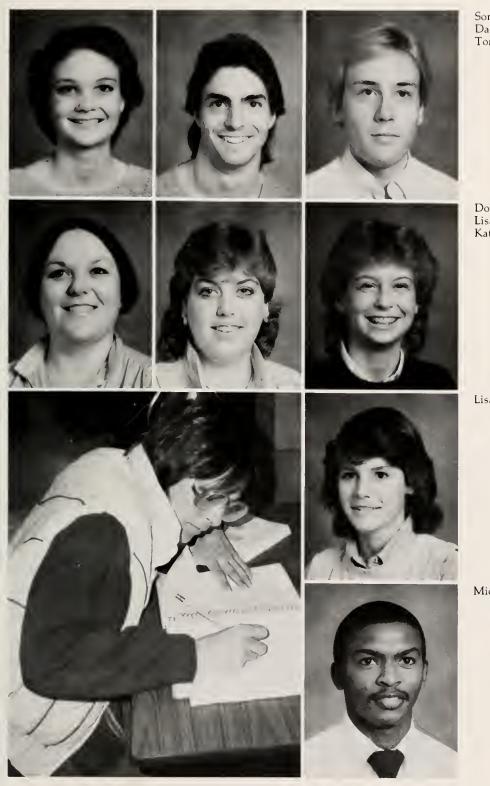
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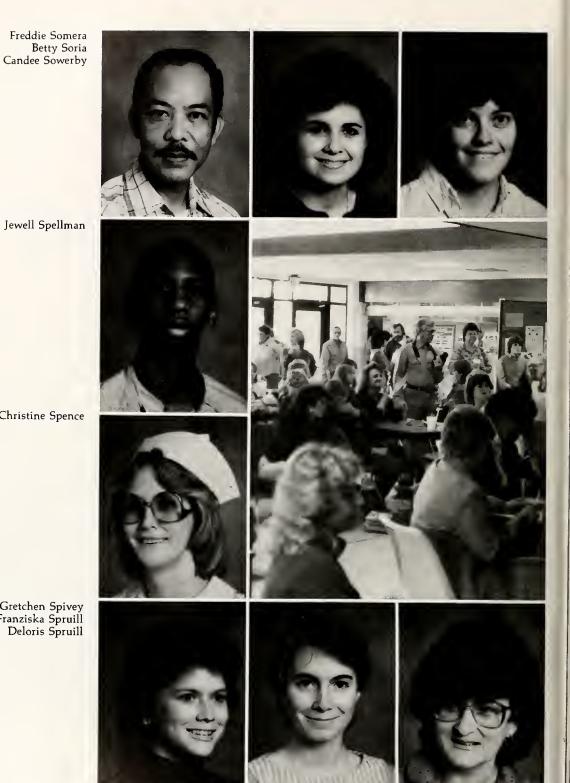
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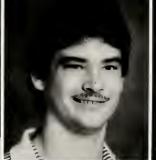
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VOCATIONAL DEPARTMENTS

AIR CONDITIONING, HEATING AND REFRIGERATION

This program is designed to give students the basic skills and academic background necessary to enter and compete successfully in the air conditioning and refrigeration trade. All aspects of installation, servicing, troubleshooting, and repair for domestic and commerical air conditioning, heating and refrigeration are covered.





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AUTOMOTIVE MECHANICS







The Automotive Mechanics program provides training in developing the basic knowledge and skills needed to inspect, diagnose, repair, and adjust automotive vehicles. Manual skills are developed in practical shop work, and a thorough understanding of the operating principals involved in the modern automobile comes in class assignments, discussions, and shop practice.



COSMETOLOGY

The Cosmetology Program is designed to prepare the student for employment in the field of cosmetology. The program provides instructions and practice in manicuring, shampooing, permanent waving, facials, massages, scalp treatments, hair cutting, and hair styling.





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ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION AND MAINTENANCE





This program is designed to give students the basic kills and academic background necessary to enter and ucceed in the Electrical Installation and Maintenance rade. All aspects of this trade related to domestic and ight commercial applications are stressed.

MACHINIST TRADE

The Machinist program is designed to give students the opportunity to acquire basic skills and the related technical information necessary to gain employment in a machine shop. The machinist is a skilled worker who shapes metal by using machine tools and hand tools.



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LIGHT CONSTRUCTION

The Light Construction program is designed to meet definite needs in the building trades industry. Students must learn the methods used in laying out a small structure, mixing and laying cement, rough framing, laying brick and block, roofing and exterior finishing.



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CLUBS AND ORGANIZATIONS

ART CLUB

Though not a large group, the members of the Art Club accomplished quite much. The members organized the student exhibits, which were given at the end of each quarter. Some members went to the Corcoran Museum in Washington, D.C. to participate in a portfolio day. Among other activities, the club is now in the process of listing all paintings belonging to the school to organize a method of rotating the works of art between the three buildings.







BIOLOGY CLUB



Formed in the fall, the 1984-85 Biology Club has taken several field trips, conducted bake sales and is planning many more activities, including a weekend camping trip in the spring. We sincerely hope the seed has been planted for this club to continue its active participation at C.O.A. for years to come. The Club Officers are: President — Bob Luther, Vice President -George Holmes (not pictured), Secretary — Marie Ellinwood, Treasurer — Kathy Smith, Student Senate Representative - Connie Reid (not pictured). And our thanks to our advisor Jerry Leete.



C.O.A. "POPS" BAND



The newly formed C.O.A. Community Band provides an opportunity for students and community citizens to play classical and popular music. Under the direction of Andy Humphreys, the band plays several concerts per year both on campus and for special events in the community.





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COSMETOLOGY CLUB



The purpose of the Cosmetology Club is to promote unity among its members, patrons, and faculty, and to motivate interest in the cosmetology field. Fund raisers throughout the year are held to help Cosmetogogy students attend out of town advanced cosmetology seminars to further advance their education in the cosmetology field.









FOREIGN ARTS CLUB



The Foreign Arts Club is an organization whose purpose is to promote cultural arts, particularly at the international level. The club sponsors foreign films, hosts international dinners, and has frequent bake sales to sponsor the Alexandra Boada Scholarship.

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MINORITIES IN UNITY



The purpose of Minorities in Unity is to provide a medium for opinion, thoughts and suggestions from its members, to promote equality, togetherness, team work, and tranquility among all minorities, and to stress the importance of an education and the necessity of remaining in school.

PHI THETA KAPPA

Phi Theta Kappa, the National Honor Fraternity, was organized to recognize and encourage scholarship leadership and service among two-year college students. PTK members excell in academics but have fun, too. This year they had several socials and, as a service to the student body, operated the Used Book Store, sponsored and/or participated in a fund raising booth and 1st place educational booth at the Jaycee Six County Fair, mock national election and voter registration drive, Miss and Mr. Merry Christmas contest, 1st place float in the Christmas Parade, roundtable discussion of Orwell's 1984, 3rd place in the Senate Talent Show, heart fund drive, Save the Children collection for starving Ethiopians, Adopt-A-Senior Citizen, Regional Leadership Conference, Carolinas Regional Conference, and the National Convention in St. Louis.





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- Here are a few scenes from Satyrs' productions: "Scrooge" "Showstoppers IX" "Pinocchio and the Fire Eater's Traveling Puppet Theatre" "Thieves' Carnival"

SPECIAL SERVICES CLUB







The purpose of the Special Services Club is to help bring students together and to better inform and advise them in the ways of college life. A reception was held in the Student Center on December 7, 1984. Refreshments were served and information about the club and the Special Services Program was provided.

Members participated in a number of February's Black History Month activities including the hosting of an Open House of February 15th.

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STUDENT SENATE





The Student Senate is at the hub of the extracurricular activities at COA, serving the college by planning and initiating activities both on campus and in the community. In addition to organizing the school dances, sponsoring campus concerts, and holding fund-raisers for community charity organizations, the Senate provides financial backing for other clubs and organizations on campus. This year's activities included a Pin-in-the-Face Auction for Special Olympics, a Christmas Card Campaign for Armed Forces personnel stationed overseas, and a Toys-for-Tots drive to collect Christmas toys for underprivileged children.

PUBLICATIONS

OLD SALT

This year the newspaper staff consisted of all first year members. Under the guidance of Mr. Robert Stephens and the editorial direction of David Tambling, the staff compiled several interesting and informative editions of the Old Salt.





ARGUS

The Argus Club is a group of students interested in learning about the various literary genres and methods of self-expression. The members are involved in such activities as field trips, literary workshops, guest speakers, and critiquing student work. The club also sponsors the Argus and the Argus Writing Contest with cash prizes being given for poetry, short stories, and plays. The Argus is the literary anthology published by the club.

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BEACON

Under the direction of Mark Helms, advisor and Jim Knowles, editor, the Beacon staff worked to compile a book representative of COA students, faculty, staff, and the goals they accomplished throughout the 1984-85 school year.

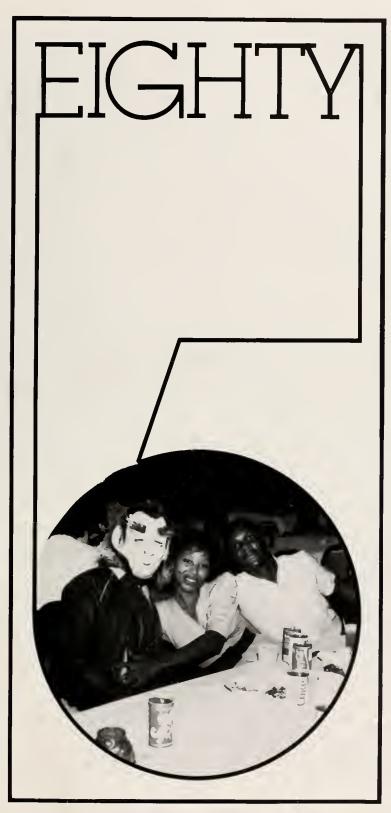
This is the result of our efforts which was only possible with the cooperation of all the pretty faces on these pages.

WHO'S WHO



Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges is a national organization whose purpose is to recognize outstanding Students enrolled in community and junior colleges. C.O.A. is honored to have had the following ten students accepted as members of Who's Who: Deborah Ellen Litwin, Marvin Carrol Baccus, Jr., Doris Roberts Skiba, Jr., Tracy Elizabeth Twiford, Sharon E. McDougal, Mary Roberts Levesque, Susan Elaine Amaral, Carolyn R. Reber, Zorada C. Snowden, Dawn Elliott Rountree.

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CONVOCATIONS AND ACTIVITIES

Our Visiting Artist Is Mary Cooke — Soprano



A North Carolina native, Ms. Cooke received both her undergraduate and graduate degrees in music from the University of North Carolina at Greensboro. In 1978, she began vocal studies with Henny Driehuys in Davidson, N.C. As a Resident Artist with the Charlotte Opera, she has performed roles in Abelard and Heloise, world premiere work by composer Robert Ward, Madame Butterfly and The Pirates of Penzance. She also performed regularly with the North Carolina Opera throughout both North and South Carolina and in Virginia.

Ms. Cooke has performed as a concert soloist with the Charlotte Symphony, singing a variety of operatic selections. As an oratorio soloist, she has sung with the Concord Choral Society.

She has performed roles in The Marriage of Figaro and Sister Angelica with the Opera Workshop of Central Piedmont Community College, as well as non-singing roles with the Davidson Community Players.

In 1982, Ms. Cooke was a finalist in the San Francisco Opera Auditions.

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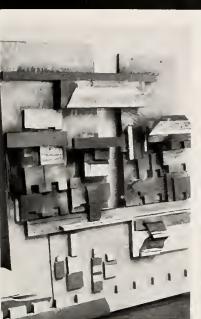
The Pie in the Face auction was sponsored by the Student Senate in an effort to raise money for the Special Olympics. Their effort "panned" out. The event was monetarily successful, and more than a little amusing. Clockwise beginning at the bottom left: The only person at COA who benefits from the price of textbooks; unidentified Ray Scaffa; a direct hit for Mark Helms; creme him!; chemistry?; our two guest olympians and their coordinator.



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STUDENT ART EXHIBIT









At the end of each quarter the Art Club organizes a student art exhibit. Pictures above are works from the Fall exhibit. The success of the exhibit may be attributed to the willing participation and enthusiasm of the art students.

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1st Prize: Doris Skiba, aka Mama 2nd Prize: F2 Crew 3rd Prize: PTK Puppet Show







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ROCKY THE RACCOON



For those who share the belief that "the only good raccoon is a dead raccoon," there is an enlightening therapy available - a four-legged little critter named Rocky. Rocky, a shy animal who had had a hard go of life was brought to C.O.A. in hopes that Mr. Leete and his fellow biologists could help Rocky overcome his ills. Rocky slowly began to regain his good health. Between Mr. Leete's seafood dinners and nurse Melissa's intensive care, Rocky soon began to feel right at home. But as often happens to those who leap to overnight fame, tradedy struck. Almost overnight Rocky lost most of his co-ordination and all of his appetite. The vet confirmed the worst fear - Rocky had distemper and would probably die. It seems that raccoons can contract both canine and feline distemper and, left unvaccinated, are likely to fall victim to one or the other. The vet gave Rocky an injection of antiviral substance and some flavored medicine to take each day, but warned against getting any high hopes. By this time, Rocky had to be fed sugar water through a syringe since the little ball of fur couldn't even raise his head to take a drink of water. Four days and nights passed without any food and the only movement Rocky made was to breathe slowly. Not long after that little Rocky left us here at C.O.A. Rocky - even though you are no longer here, you will always be a very special part of our C.O.A. '84-'85 memories.



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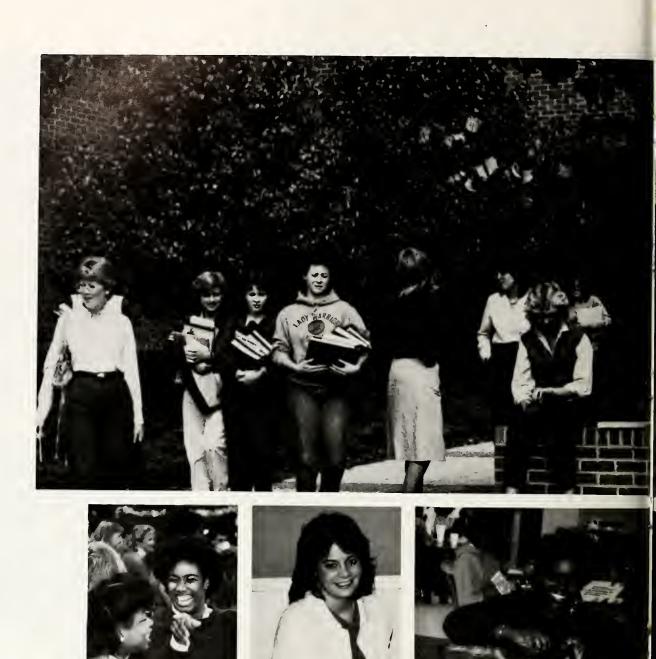












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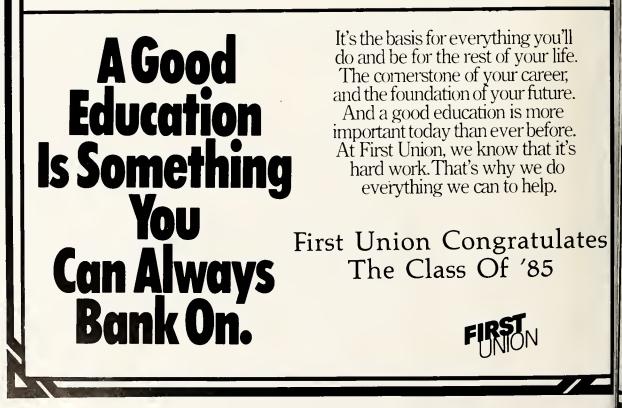


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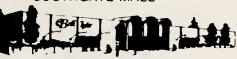
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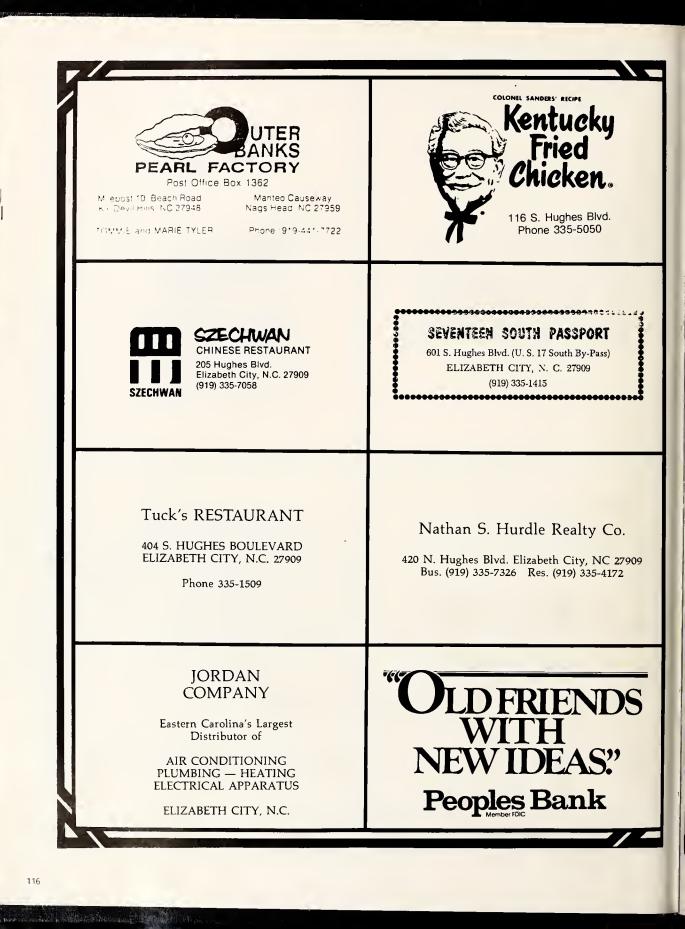
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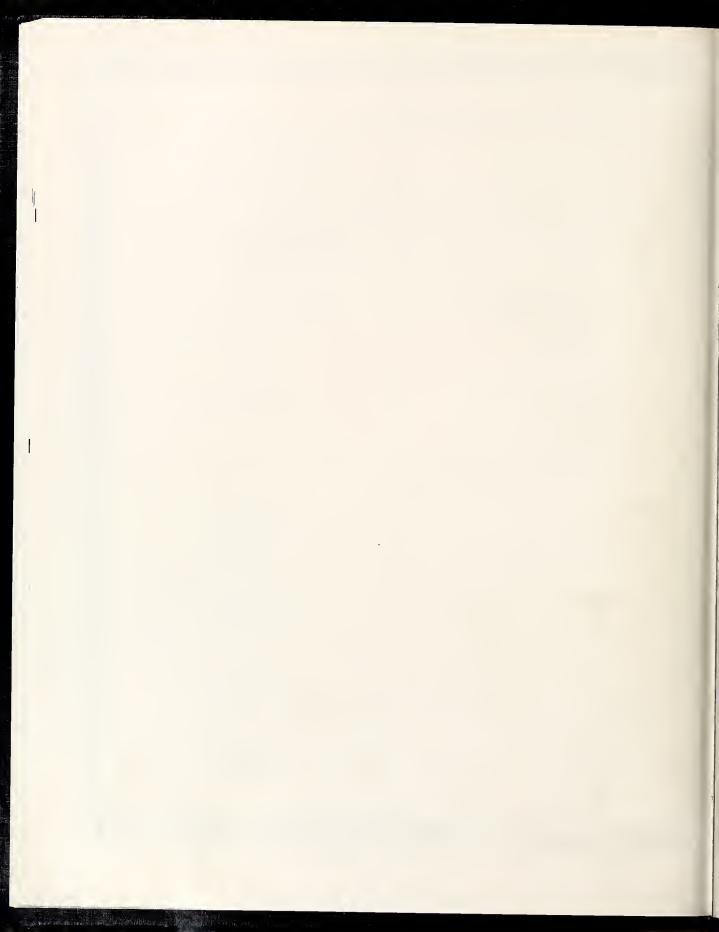
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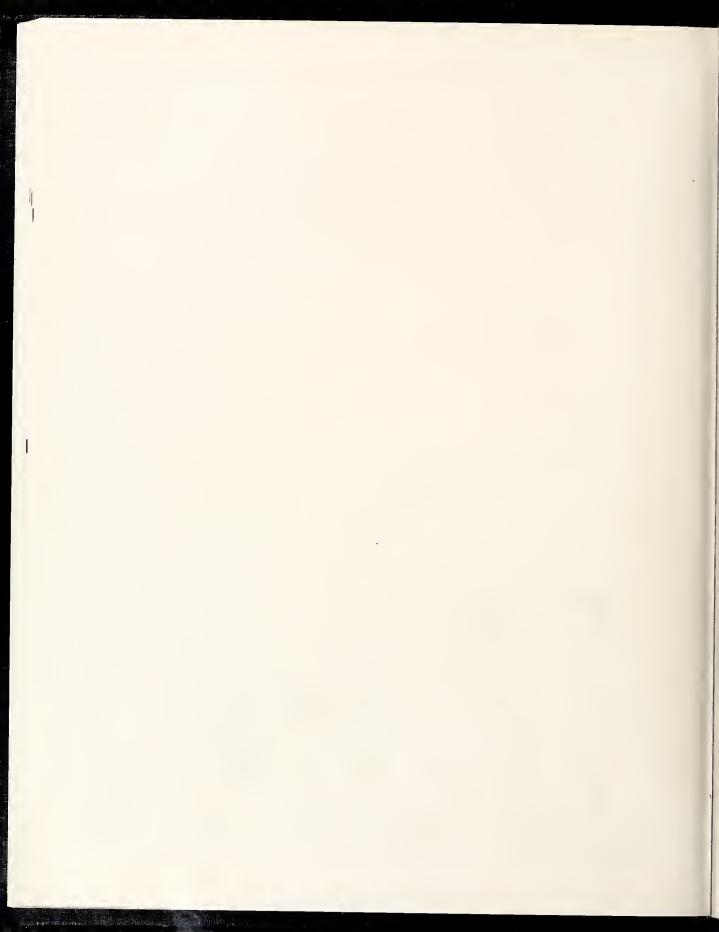
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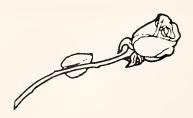
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