

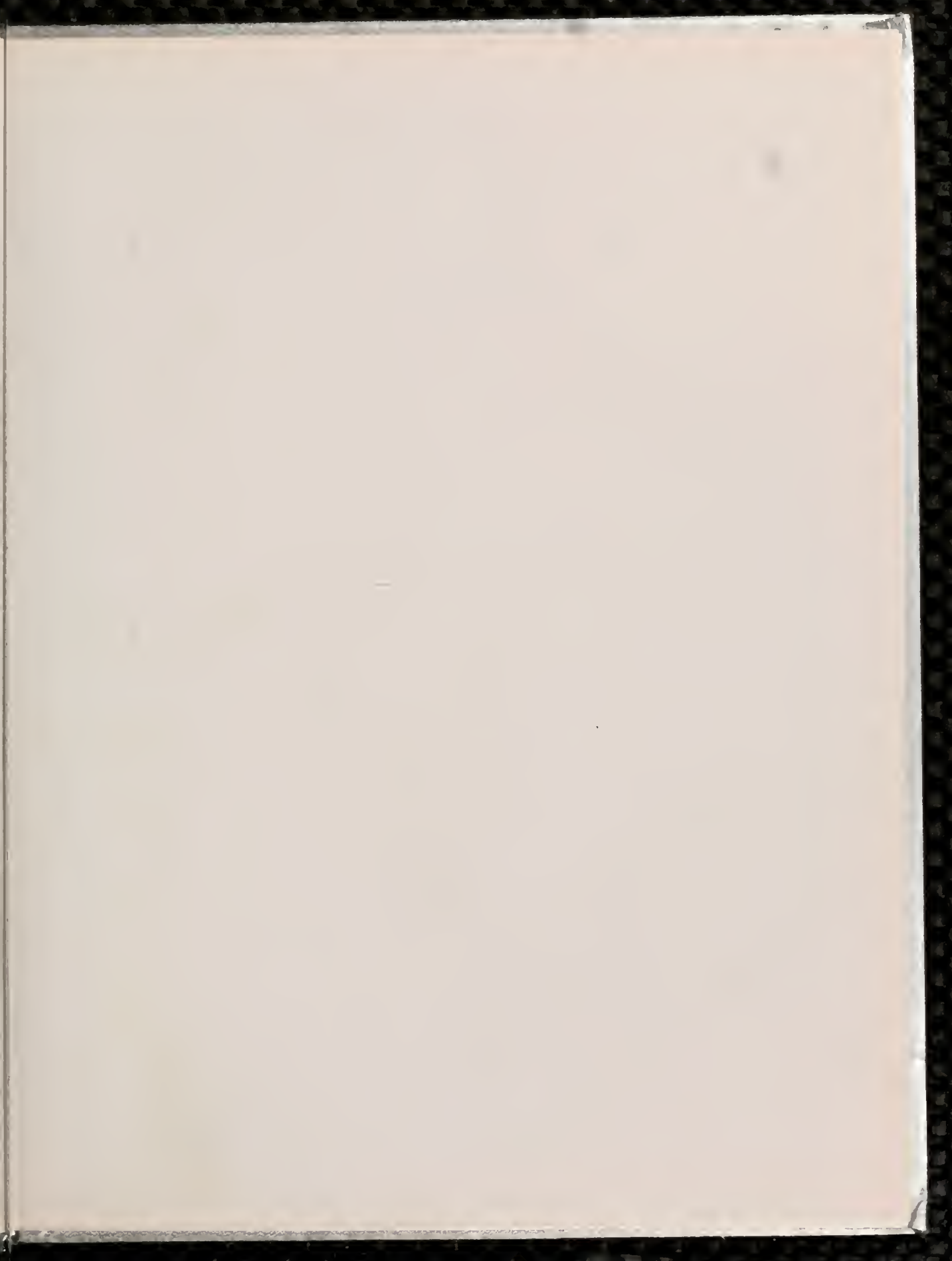
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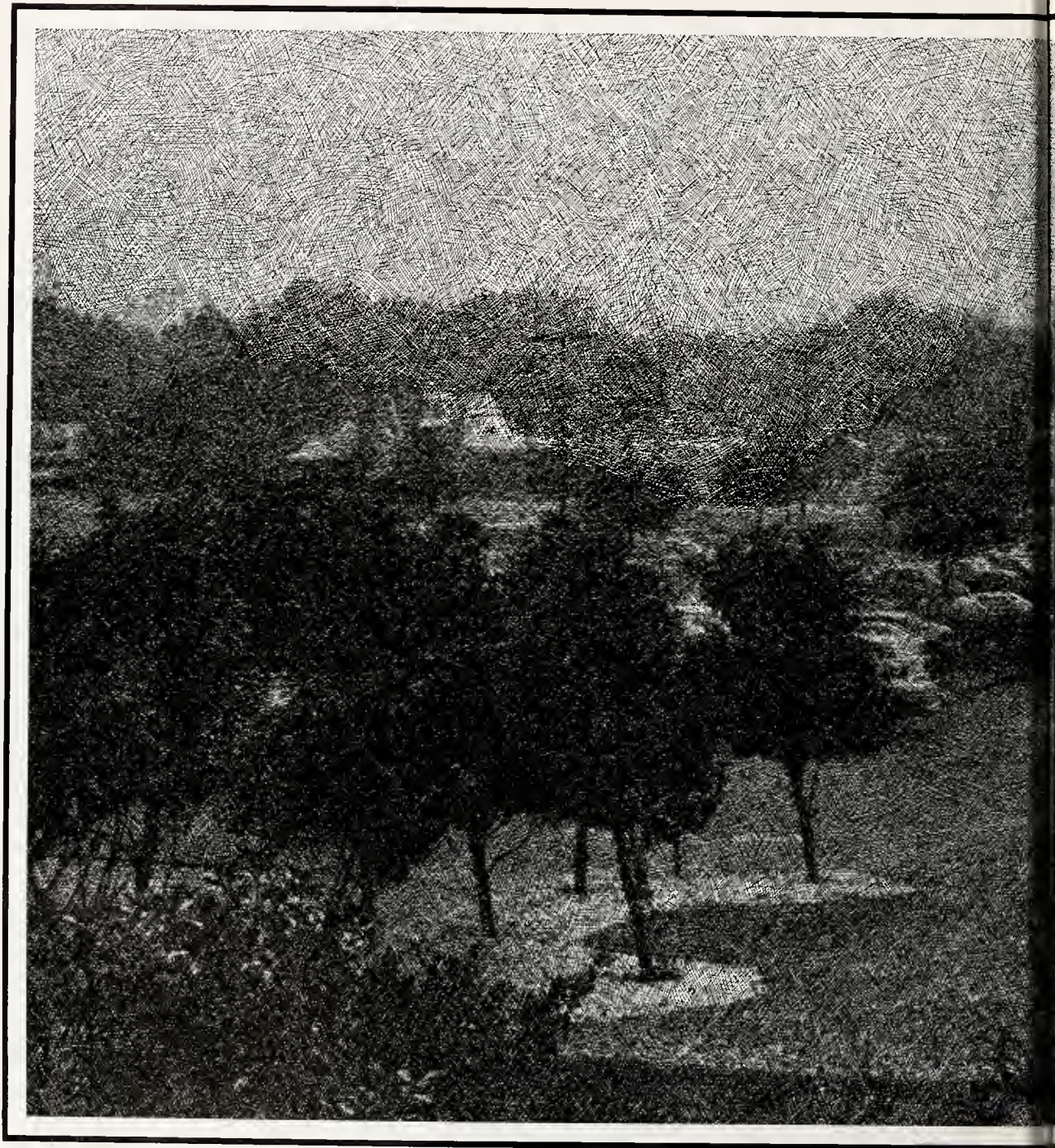
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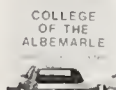
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## DEDICATION

The Beacon Staff of 1987 dedicates this years annual to *Canis rufus*, better known as the Red Wolf.



An event, unique to Eastern North Carolina in 1987, involves the reintroduction of the Red Wolf into its former habitat. There are approximately seventy-five in existence and this spring, four mated pairs will be released on the Alligator River National Wildlife Refuge. Our hope is that they will survive their greatest danger, man.





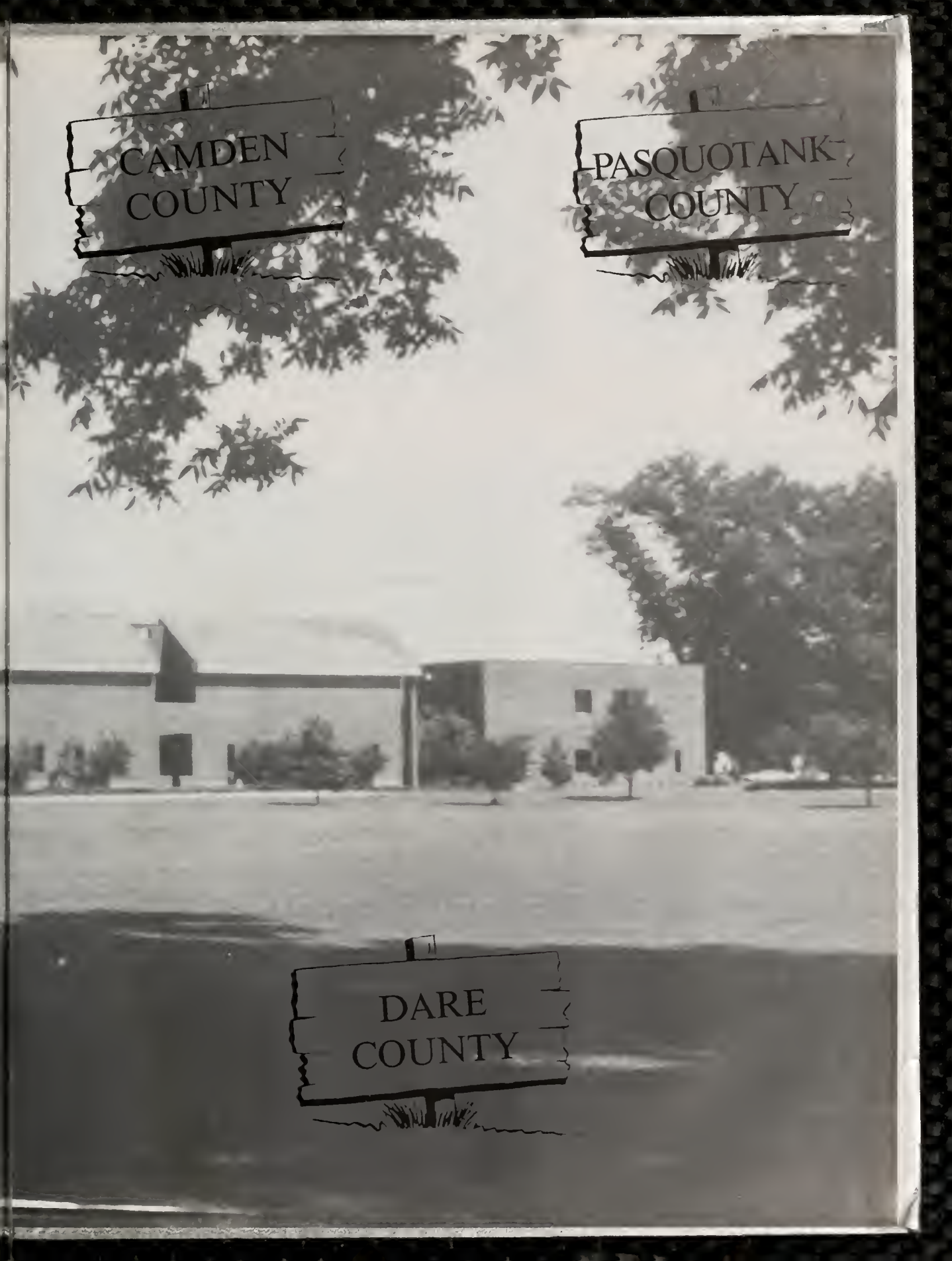
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# CAPPING CEREMONY

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The nurse's cap has always been and still is distinctive. It probably originated when all women wore caps indoors; this would account for the lace frills on the cap which Florence Nightingale designed for her school in 1860. About 1910, simply made, easily laundered caps began to be used; the use of black bands for

graduates or seniors shows military influence, an attempt to indicate rank. The present customs of bands are so varied that they seem to be meaningless, however, the meaning is quite clear to the individual schools and they tend to follow customs set up by the early leaders of these schools. In our Associate Degree

Nursing Program the navy blue stripe across the left corner shows you have completed the first quarter of nursing. The second stripe indicates, "senior status". The full stripe indicates that the nurse is a graduate registered nurse. The cap is a part of your uniform, wear it with dignity and pride.



(above) Norman Norfleet, along with the nursing faculty and students, enjoys the ceremony.



Debbie Litwin, president of the second year class, welcomes the first year students on this special day.

(below) "Is my cap on right? It feels like it's falling off."



Mary Riggs, second year student, assists her buddy.





Newly capped first year nursing students gleam with pride. The rest await anxiously for their turn.



Tanya Hilbert, second year student, shares words of encouragement.



(above) Sharon walks away proudly. Make sure that cap is on good.



(above) Sandy Weeks thinks on, "My turn has finally arrived."

(below) That cap looks a little wobbly. It'll take awhile to adjust to it.

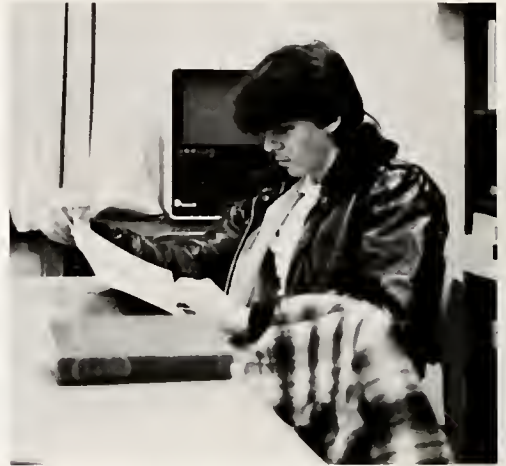


(below) Presenting the newly capped class of 1987!!! Congratulations on your capping day.





I didn't know this was on HBO.



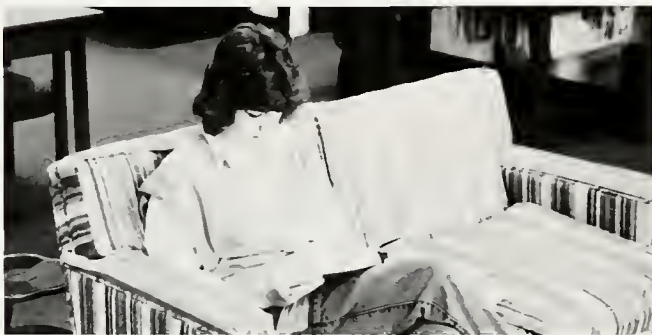
Reading can be interesting.



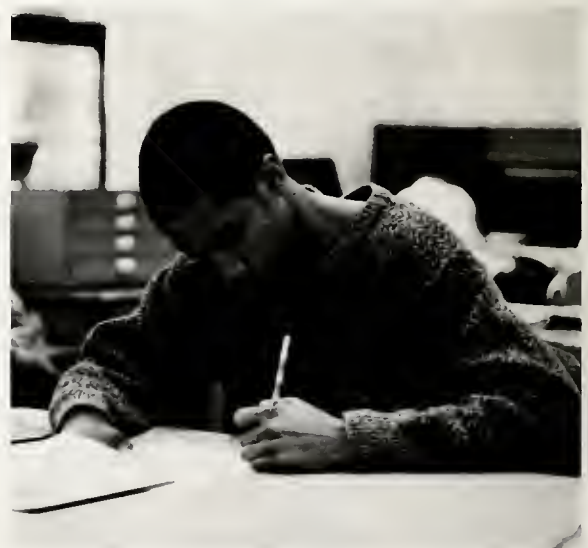
Should I change that answer or go on?



Check that for a centerfold.



A comfortable location for reading.



Time for this test to be over.







Carmen Lord tries to remember where those little red blood cells run.



Getting that delicious Giant-Redskin score.



This student can study and relax.



(above) Gidget Cline calculates the spread for Super Bowl XXI.



Did I lock them in the car again?

(below) Are you sure H<sub>2</sub>O is water?





Judy East and Lisa Smith just hear the news that NUT 102 has been added to their curriculum.



Jim Bridges takes time to enlighten Amy Chappell.



Melissa Braddy waits patiently wishing the PTK induction were sooner.



(above) Carol Patterson slows down in the hall to protect that PTK cap.

(below) Sandy Davis and Larry Drozdowski are two serious types for PTK.



Sandy Meads and Tracy Duncan call for Scotty to beam them up.





## Who's Who

Each year at commencement and awards exercise across the country, a select group of students are called forward to accept one of the most prestigious awards the academic community can bestow — that of being selected to *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*. This exclusive honor is conferred by more than 500 schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and symbolized by the presentation of an award certificate. It exists as one of the most highly regarded and long-standing honors programs

in the nation, having earned the overwhelming respect of college faculties and administrations. In addition to the local and national publicity that each student chosen for the Who's Who program receives, his complete biography will be presented in this year's edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*.

*Candidate selections are based on academic excellence and extracurricular activities. Each candidate must have a minimum overall G.P.A.*

*of 3.0, be of a Sophomore status, and have the recommendation of two COA faculty or staff members. Each candidate is also judged on scholarship, service to COA, citizenship, and potential for future achievement. Each candidate's form is given to the Dean of Student Development, G. John Simmons, Jr.*

*For the students — the outstanding campus leaders of the year — national recognition by the Who's Who program marks a pinnacle of scholastic achievement.*



Mark Kay L. Peele, Katherine B. Harrison, Georgia M. Phelps, Shelia R. Strickland, Rhonda M. Pendleton, Charles L. Monsees, Amy M. Jordan, Sandra Davis, Michael G. Myers, Terri G. Chory, and Susan L. Meyers. (Not Pictured — Dorinda T. Hamm, Rocky D. Midgette, and Audrey L. Stone.)





"These classes start too early. What was I supposed to read over before class?"



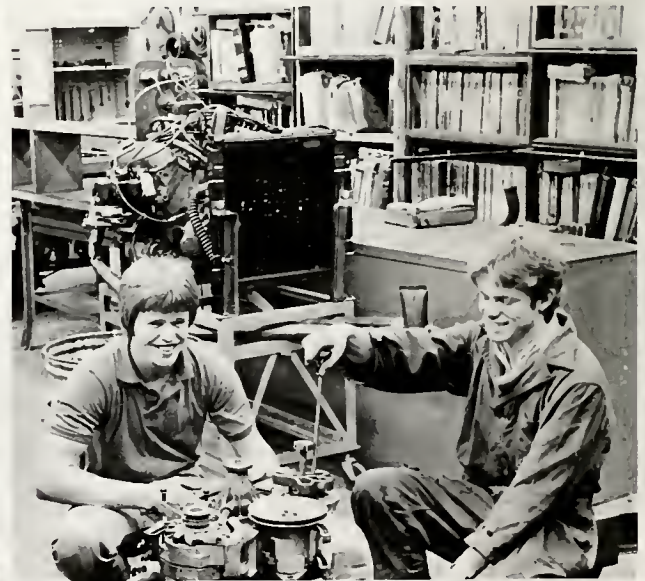
(above) She sure does look like she's concentrating hard. Wonder if it's Chemistry.



(left) Medina works hard at selling those used books.



Fran and her friends enjoy their front row seats at the pig pickin'.



"Do you really think we're gonna put this engine back together again?"

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# BEACON STAFF . . . '87

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## *Surpassing Excellence*

As most of you know, the Beacon Staff are the students who put together your yearbook. But there is inside work that took place and many never heard about. There was time given up, usually Fridays. The workshops were 4-5 hours long sometimes longer. These workshops were used to make up pages that

would be part of your yearbook. The other outside hours were used to sell Ads. We sold \$4400.00 worth, which was a new all time record. There were also deadlines to meet. Boy, those really put the pressure on. We had to meet deadlines once a month. With classes and exams, this created quite a load. We weren't always so

dedicated to go to those meetings and workshops, but somehow we pulled together and worked as a team. Our main goal . . . to make the best yearbook ever!!! We would like to thank the student body for allowing those candid shots that helped make the yearbook. This yearbook has left records for others to surpass.



So many pictures to choose from.



Fran



Bessie



This picture won't fit!



Melissa



Here Fran, let me show you how to do this, force it.

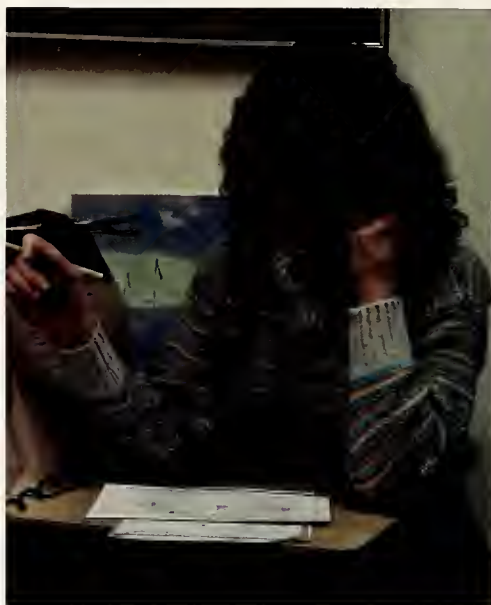


Katherine





Jill



Back: Sandy Meads, Jerry Laete, Bessie Harris, Stacy Sawyer.  
Front: Kathryn Harrison, Melissa Palis, Jill Sims, Fran Spruill.

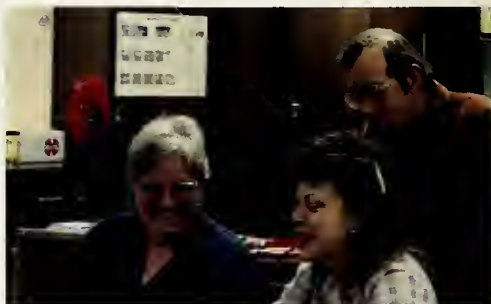


Sandy

Making many telephone calls is just part of the work of the staff members. Beacon staff member Mary Lane solicits for advertising to support the publication.



Stacy



# Christmas at COA . . .

Christmas is a joyful time of year for all especially for the students of COA. With Christmas trees being placed on almost every floor and every building, the spirit begins to take affect on the students and faculty. As each day draws nearer to Christmas, the buzz of students grows louder with more excitement. Heading off the Christmas activities was the Miss Merry Christmas Contest. Each woman was judged for her ability to communicate, poise, appearance, and personality.



A true sign of Christmas shows in almost every window.



Jan Emery, the 1987 Miss Merry Christmas' really presented her bubbly personality and concern for her fellow students at the 1987 Miss Merry Christmas Contest.





THE WINNERS OF THE 1987 MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS CONTEST, From Left To Right: Jan Emery, first place; Gloria Holley, second place; Michelle Monds, third place.

Christmas joy at COA extends from the Student Center to all parts of the campus.





"Ha, Ha, Ha. I'm getting delirious just looking at these plant models. Mr. Gregory must be kidding."



"I hope this singing starts getting easier. I'll just watch for a little while."



(above) "The library is about the only place I can go to for quiet time."



"Now everyone repeat after me. Do, Re, Mi, Fa, So, La, Ti, Dooooo."





Deborah's studying to be a nurse. It sure is nice to see that she can still smile.

That last minute studying is better than none at all.



(above) Smile! You're on candid camera!!!



"Here I go. Wish me luck."

(below) "There's so much to remember, will I ever understand this stuff?"







Group studying really helps. As these students have already learned.



(above) The magazine articles offered at the library are a blessing!



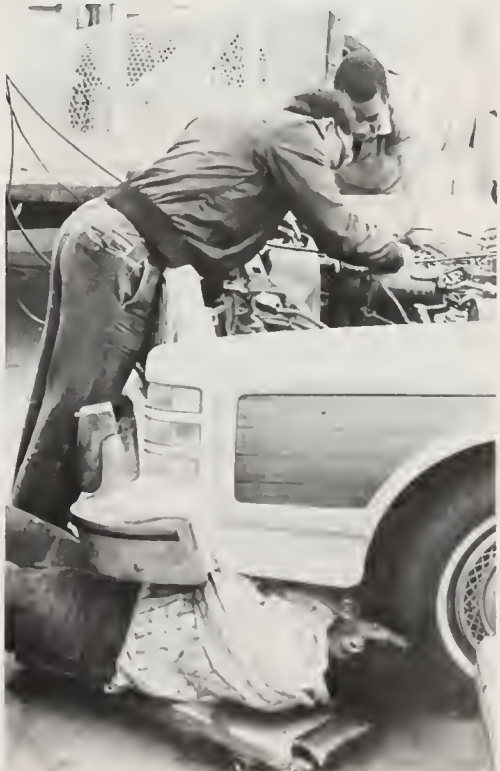
(above) Nothing like relaxing.



Like the sign says, "the library is an open book," and this guy is getting good use of it.



Team work, that's what it takes. Those guys sure got it.





Stanley Nixon and everyone else, approach this window on the 25th of each month.



Ron Riccardo and Robert Stephens make sure their tests are on the same day.



(above) Fred Ring pauses to lay out strategy on making it from first to second this Spring.



(above) Cindy Barber is always ready to tame the computers.

David Hodges patiently waits for answers.



Ben Hill speculates on how this display will be accepted.



# FACES

## Administration and Staff of COA

Theodore Parker once said, "In this country every one gets a mouthful of education but scarcely any one a full meal." It is assumed he never attended COA or had the tremendous help from the college's staff and administration. Ranging from

clean to keeping the college's registration and day to day activities smooth, the administration and staff go unnoticed.

It is difficult to explain or imagine the college without the help many take for granted. With the type of people COA's administration and staff contains, we'll all stay full.

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*"In this country every one gets a mouthful of education but scarcely any one a full meal." — except at COA!*

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# ADMINISTRATION

# DR. CHESSON

Few college presidents have as much genuine concern for the student as does Dr. Parker Chesson. President of COA since 1975, Dr. Chesson began his tenure here as a biology instructor in 1964. He is well-versed in every facet of the college and has strong leanings toward what will be best for the most important people at COA — the students.

Much has been accomplished during the Chesson presidency, the longest in the history of the college. The move to the new campus in 1980 marked a turning point for the college; programs and facilities have grown steadily since. The latest addition to the campus, the COA Community and Small Business Center, is scheduled for completion in 1988, and will provide a much-needed facility for the people of our service area.



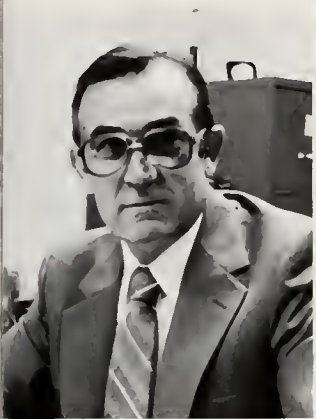
Always ready to listen.



Busy moments.



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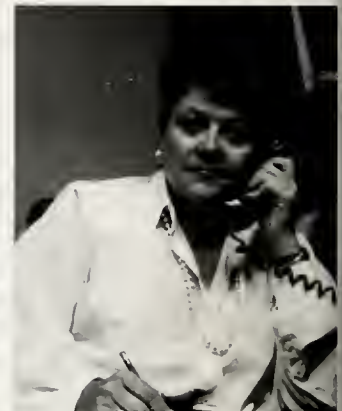
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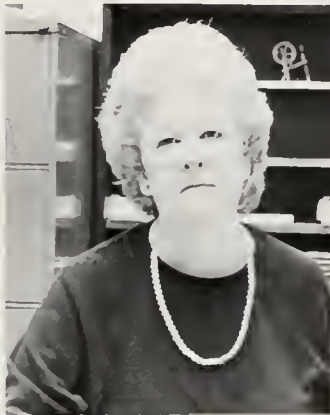
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Bookstore Manager



Carolyn Hopkins  
Financial Aid



Floyd Horton  
Continuing Education



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Secretary



Rita Jennings  
Secretary



(above) I'm only doing this for  
Tom Selleck!!!

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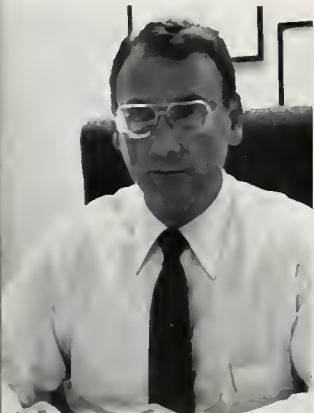
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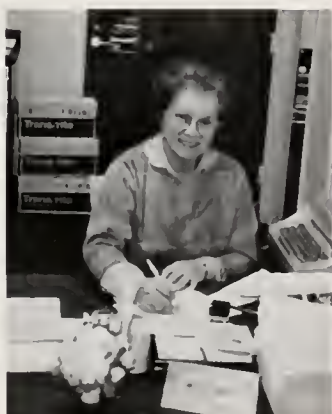
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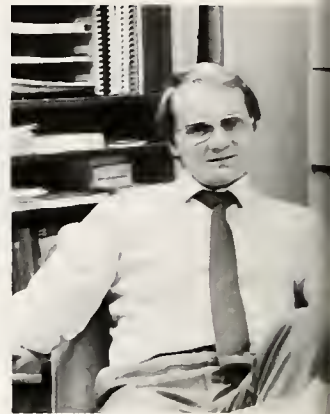
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Counselor

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Debra Williams  
Cooperative Education



Roy Winslow  
Assistant Dean of Admissions

... caught you off guard, and you  
didn't even get a chance to clean  
off your desk.

... so that's what staff does  
during their break.

Will I ever get my work done!  
You're dangerous with that  
camera.







# FACES

## Faculty of COA

Faculty ... who are they? Well, they are the people who we look at as our teachers and advisors helping to prepare us for our future. They're the ones who put up with students complaints of hard tests, unexpected grades, sleeping during lectures and excuses when we're late or absent. But most important, they are our educators and some our friends. Faculty ... who are they? They are people just like you and me.

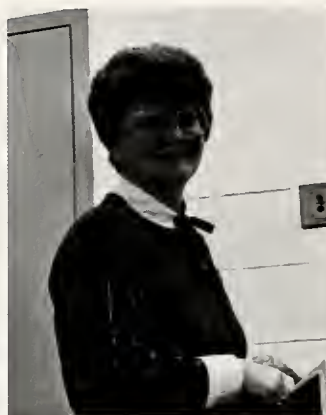
*"Love is the greatest of educators."*



# FACULTY



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**Miriam Alexander**  
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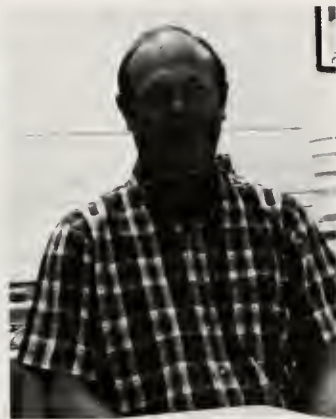
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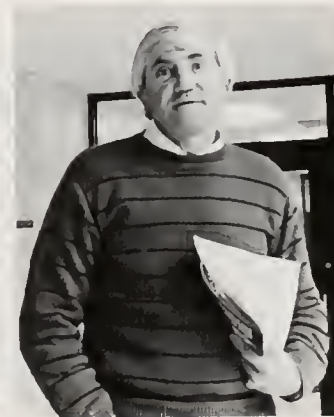
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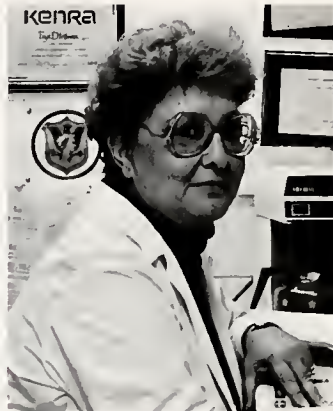


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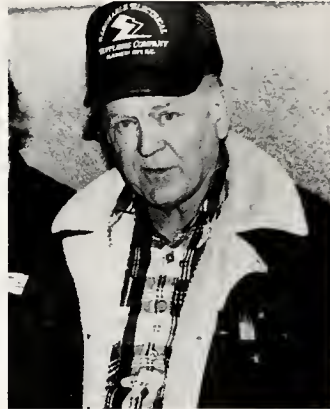


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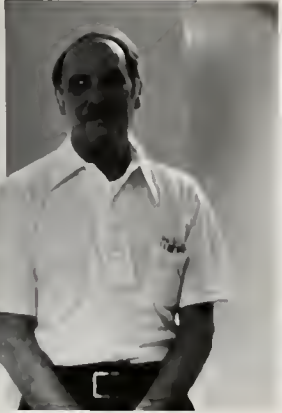
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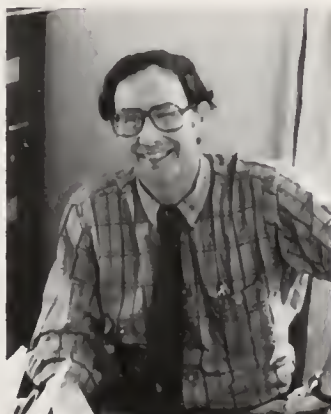
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Automotive



Marvenia White  
Business



Nelson White  
Business



Douglas Williams  
Air Conditioning/Refrigeration



Rosa Williams  
Nursing



Lot Winslow  
Business



(above) Next Course!!!! . . .



# FACES

## Students of COA

Students come in all colors, shapes, sizes and age, with their own personal dreams and goals. They may not always be in a good mood or ready to study, but they are all here for one main purpose . . . to learn. Just as important as their formal education, are the relationships cultured outside of the classroom. Students are exciting and unique and all trying to make their dreams a reality.

*"The glories of the possible are ours."*





(top left) If I could just get that vein . . . Oops!!! I think I cut just a little too much.



(middle left) It's a beautiful day to have a cookout and the food sure is good. Anyone for seconds?



(middle right) Mary, what do you have on your mind?

(bottom right) There's Melissa and Fran TRYING to look busy, as usual.





SOPHOMORES



Marietta Armstrong  
Elizabeth City



Barbara Bartlett  
Camden



Sheila Best  
Manteo



Juanita Bostic  
Elizabeth City



Juanita Boykin  
Elizabeth City



Arlene Branam  
Elizabeth City



Terri Chory  
Weeksville



Tracy Christ  
Edenton



Gidget Cline  
Elizabeth City



Kathryn Dail  
Elizabeth City



Sandy Davis  
Moyock



Sherry Dooley  
Elizabeth City



Melinda Elkins  
Poplar Branch



Ivie Elliott  
Perquimans



Risha Foreman  
Hertford



Debbie Garrett  
Currituck

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Moyock



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Elizabeth City



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Edenton



Lisa Hampton  
Currituck



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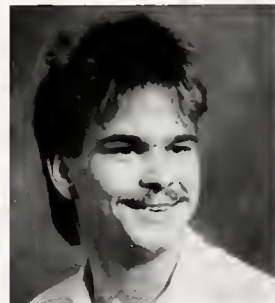
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Elizabeth City



Sarah Weeks  
Elizabeth City



Deborah Whitfield  
Elizabeth City



Sandra Wiggins  
Elizabeth City



Tom Williams  
Shawboro



Debbie Willis  
Kill Devil Hills



Christal Winslow  
Shiloh



Wendy Wooten  
Elizabeth City



Crystal Wyatt  
Perquimans



(right) He sure looks like he's thinking hard. Wonder if he passed the test?

(left) We'll stick together through thick and thin.



# FRESHMEN



Alan Barber  
Elizabeth City



Tommie Basnight  
Edenton



Pam Benton  
Hertford



Becky Bowden  
Elizabeth City



Ginger Brickhouse  
Elizabeth City



Jennifer Butler  
Elizabeth City



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Leni Cannon  
Elizabeth City



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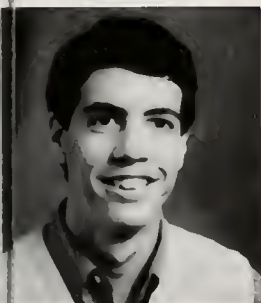
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# FRESHMEN



Ronald Davenport  
South Mills



Virginia Davenport  
Camden



Cheryl Douglas  
Camden



Tracy Duncan  
Camden



Jan Emery  
Elizabeth City



Debra Eure  
Gatesville



Tracy Ferrell  
Elizabeth City



Kenneth Floyd  
Elizabeth City



Virginia Ford  
Hertford



Jimmy Games  
Camden



James Garrett  
Moyock



Scot Glave  
Moyock



Susan Goodwin  
Edenton



Monica Gramby  
Elizabeth City



Sheryl Harden  
Elizabeth City



Marilyn Harris  
Elizabeth City

# FRESHMEN



Sarah Harrison  
Elizabeth City



Kenneth Harrod  
Elizabeth City



Denise Hassell  
Columbia



Ellen Hendrix  
Currituck



Melody Henley  
Currituck



Charlotte Hill  
Dare County



Michelle Holliday  
Columbia



Bill Johnson  
Elizabeth City



Rhonda Jones  
Shiloh



Shelby Langley  
Grandy



Bruce Lee  
Currituck



Amy McGinnis  
Elizabeth City



Alden Miller  
Elizabeth City



Annie Miller  
Elizabeth City



William Mizelle  
Hertford



Deana Morgan  
Winfall



# FRESHMEN



Sheila Onley  
Elizabeth City



Michelle Owens  
Columbia



Julie Ownley  
Elizabeth City



Tammy Pegram  
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Brenda Perry  
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Jenneal Perry  
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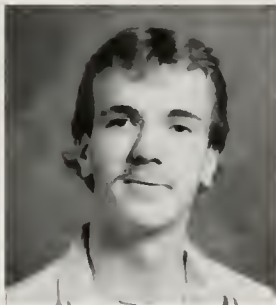
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Shelly Rogerson  
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Elizabeth City



Harold Sanderlin  
Shawboro



Connie Sawyer  
Hertford



Shirley Sawyer  
Camden



Stacey Sawyer  
Elizabeth City

# FRESHMEN



Charlene Smith  
Shiloh



Mark Spivey  
Edenton



Monjetta Spivey  
Gates County



Randy Spruill  
Currituck



L. E. Spry  
Elizabeth City



Crystal Stallings  
Tyner



Keith Stevenson  
Elizabeth City



Lisa Stevenson  
Hertford



Lisa Sylvester  
Currituck



Debbie Terry  
Elizabeth City



Janice Tice  
Currituck



Leonora Trafton  
Camden



Jill White  
Moyock



Peggy Whitley  
Currituck



Grace Womack  
Elizabeth City



Dale Wright  
Elizabeth City



These customers sure lost their heads over cosmetology.

Now, how much Purina did you say Jake ordered this quarter?



*Above left* — You mean there's life after a Kazoo?

*Above* — Is this a social hour or nursing class?

*Far left* — Will Sheila ever eat bacon again?

*Left* — Monica is trying to decide which call to take next.



# A Night of Goblins

As the hour hand moved closer to nine, the creatures began to appear. One by one they came into the dimmed room. The music began and the creatures began to move. Was this the monster mash? NO! It was the Student Senate Halloween Dance. With plenty of food and drink the creatures, better known as COA students, found themselves enjoying with each passing hour the music played by Paul Ahearn, the D.J. of the evening. The dance lasted until the bewitching hour of 1 am.



(below) Michelle Pendleton enjoyed her evening playing the roll of Jane. Hey Michelle, how long before Tarzan arrives?



(top left) What's wrong with the baby? Is she upset because no one will play with her?

(top right) What, another baby? For a baby, this girl can really shake her bootie. Or should it be said that she's shaking her Pamper?

(above) The contestants from the Halloween Dance Costume Contest ask each other if the walk in front of the dance was worth the \$10.00 prize.



The costume contest was a great success. Mike Myers, dressed as the great Charley Chaplin, won the men's best costume. (top left) Fran Spruill, well don't you look just like the bar maid from the place we visited last night. Are you the bar maid for the evening or of the evening?

Laura Bowden was the winner of the best ladies costume. By the looks of THAT suit one can see why. Laura and Mike received ten dollars each as their prize. Laura may need just a few more donations and she'll have enough to finish the costume she has on.



(bottom left) Pam Benton is this your costume or are you moonlighting? (bottom right) Tracy Duncan how did you manage to get out?

# THAT'S ENTERTAINMENT



Mike Myers enjoys to be the center of attention!



Not everyone could toss these things with ease.





This year COA managed to have several varieties of entertainment. In September, Carl Rosen dazzled the Student Center with his singing. In December, Leslie Moye and the COA Chorale enlightened everyone with Christmas carols and Doug Berkey showed us his comedic routine entitled "Foolsophies". In January, Brian Huskey played a few tunes and the talent show thrilled us all. Probably the most exciting entertainment was the hypnotist/ESP expert, the Astonishing Neal. With many varieties, the College of the Albemarle will never be bored.

(center) Brian Huskey can truly make you laugh at his crazy and comedic songs.

Carl Rosen makes you laugh and cry with his many different styles of music from the past and the present.



Doug Berkey astonished us all with his perfect timing and well performed mime.



Brian Huskey sings his heart out and his country personality makes it easy to relate to the comedic everyday situations.

# CHILDREN AND GIVING



Thanks to Gidget Cline and the Student Senate, COA will be remembered by 42 underprivileged children for many years to come. Clubs, organizations, and individuals were notified by Gidget and asked to sponsor these children who were classified by the Social Services Dept. as underprivileged. The party began to be organized by Gidget in early October. Other than the children's late arrival, the party was a great success. The Student Center has probably never been so filled with the echoes of joy as they were that night. The laughter proved that in a world of hunger and despair a lot of happiness can be provided by even the smallest of places, COA.



(top left) It just wouldn't be Christmas without the Christmas tree and all the presents.

(above) Many goodies were supplied by the clubs and organizations of COA.



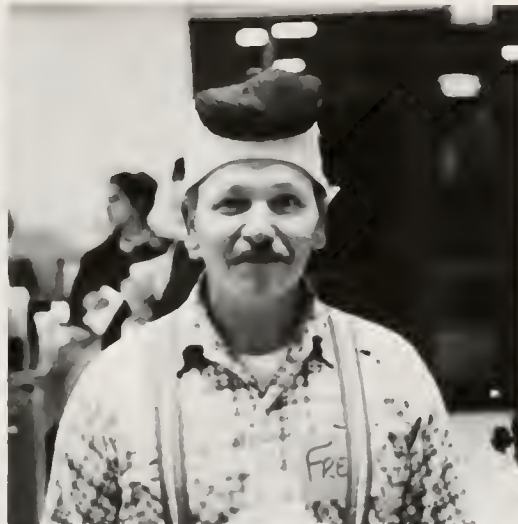
(left) All the children enjoyed their snacks while they watched Christmas video supplied by ADVENTURE LAND VIDEOS.

All the children loved to sit on Santa's lap and speak to him while receiving their gifts.





# IT'S THE SEASON



(center) Carol Parker, one of Santa's helpers, weaves in and out of the excited children to get to the tree that was almost lost among all the gifts.

Fred, another helper of the jolly old fellow, brought many smiles to the faces of the children and adults.

(below) Santa is greeted by many happy and overjoyed children. You did a great job, Jim Timmerman!



Each child that was sponsored had his own teddy that stayed with him all night and helped him with his gifts.

Mary Lane tries to explain that it's not easy having the job of an elf.

# MISS MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Mr. and Miss Merry Christmas Contest is sponsored each year by Phi Theta Kappa. It is a contest in which anyone can enter from the student body. There is virtually no way to know who will win the contest ahead of time.

Each contestant was judged by a panel of five judges chosen from a cross section of the faculty, staff, and administration at COA.



The student body patiently waited for the contest to begin.

Katherine Harrison introduces Mr. Lot Winslow as Master of Ceremonies.



Judges for the contest were, from left to right, Stanley Nixon, Floyd Horton, Ray Scaffa, Julian Adylett, and Shelby Mansfield.



Dr. Parker Chesson pins the corsage on the winner of the contest, Jan Emery.

The student body enjoyed the contest and were happy with the results.





(left) Gloria Holley, Miss Merry Christmas second place winner.



(right) Michelle Monds, Miss Merry Christmas third place winner.



(left) Rebecca Bowden.



(right) Wendy Dunbar.



(left) Robin Brothers.



(right) Mary Lane.

# MR. MERRY CHRISTMAS

The Mr. Merry Christmas is not an easy contest to win. The contestant must first fill out a questionnaire about his career goals, hobbies, and a brief summary of himself. He is also asked about the curriculum he has chosen to study. During the contest, each contestant is judged on several aspects such as personality and appearance. Each judge assigns each contestant with a certain amount of points on a ballot. These ballots are then handed to a panel of three PTK members and tabulated. The contestant with the most points wins the contest.

Mr. and Miss Merry Christmas 1987, Jan Emery and David Ricker.



The seven contestants were, from left to right, Ronald Davenport, Tommie Basnight, Neal Baker, Micheal Lynch, David Ricker, Kenneth Harrod, and Roy Glave.



Mrs. Lucy Gordon did an outstanding job as Mistress of Ceremonies for the Mr. Merry Christmas Contest.

Judges for the contest were, left to right, Pam Whitley, Pam Midgett, Barbara Riccardo, Marvin White, and Debra Williams.



The crowd awaits the announcement of the winner knowing their favorite will win.



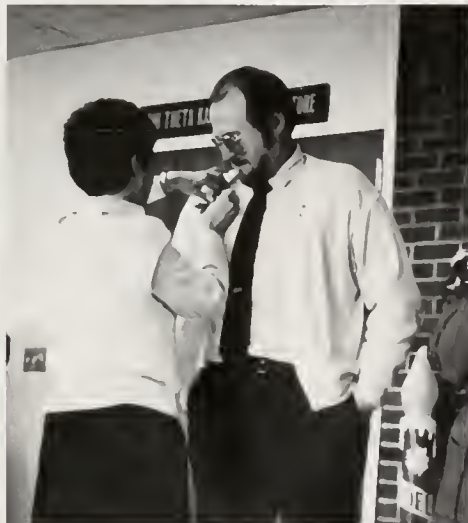




(center) Mr. Merry Christmas 1987, David Ricker.

(right) Micheal Lynch, second place winner.

(below) Ronald Davenport.



(center) Kenneth Harrod, third place winner.



(left) Neal Baker.



(right) Tommie Basnight.

# FUN WITH FRIENDS

The Christmas Dance at COA is a time of fun with friends and good entertainment. It is looked forward to each year by both the faculty and students alike. This year it was held in the Officer's Club at the US Coast Guard Base. The entertainment was a local DJ known as Paul Ahearn. Paul did a fantastic job as usual. He played everything from soul to top 40. A couple could sit at a table and listen to the music with friends or take a turn on the lighted dance floor. Food was catered by the base and it ranged from meatballs to dips. Games were played as well. Teresa House won a Jelly-Go-Round for not getting caught holding the Santa when the music stopped. The highlight of the evening was when Santa came to visit. Everyone received candy canes except Mike Myers who received a bag of coal for being a BAD BOY! Jan Emery, Miss Merry Christmas, was presented a dozen red roses by the Student Senate. The dance lasted into the morning hours. Everyone had a great time and the Student Senate as well as the Coast Guard Base should be commended for providing such a nice dance for the student body.

(above) The dance was enjoyed by both the students and the faculty alike.



(left) With that beer on the table I just know all of you are old enough to drink, legally!

(right) Joyce Hurley, the chairperson of the dance, did an excellent job and deserves a hand for all her hard work.



Mary talks so much, her husband, Tony, begins to fall asleep.



Don't be shy, Liz Boone, we all know you're not!



# THE HOLIDAY SEASON

Katherine, is Roy telling you a good joke or is he saying sweet nothings?

Take a look at the executive table. Everybody smiles!



(left) Shake it, baby! Is this the dance they call the Smurf?

(right) Come on ya'll, smile. We know you can handle that!



Slow dancing, swaying to the music.

Hold on tight! We don't want him letting go any time soon.



# LIBRARY CHRISTMAS

Christmas is the time for giving and the faculty and administration of COA truly enjoy the generosity of Don Lee and the Library staff. Every year they have managed to thrill the Faculty, administration, and staff with a party of fantastic food and entertainment.

The entertainment consisted of the visiting artist, Leslie Moye, the COA Chorale, and a visiting flutist. With great food, great entertainment, and great friends, it can be understood why this party is considered the best on campus.

(left) Don Lee proudly displays his tempting table. GREAT JOB, Mr. Lee!

(below) Everyone truly looks forward to the Christmas party again next year.



With all this great looking food, it makes one realize why it's only given once a year.



# CHRISTMAS 1986



Christmas is truly the most active time at COA. With activities ranging from dances to community service everyone stays busy.

(below) Everyone waits to see the first brave soul onto the dance floor.



(above) Everyone enjoys dancing but there's nothing like the slow dances with good friends.

Probably the most memorable event of this Christmas was David, Mr. Merry Christmas, and his acceptance of his prizes.



She's definitely not happy with you!

So, who's winning now?



You're awfully greedy!



What's so interesting?



Like mother like daughter. Mom, where are all the college guys?

Smile pretty, Sandy.







Really, you went out with him! Guess what happened to me this weekend?

Caution, dangerous curves ahead.

Don't you enjoy the COA food, Mrs. White?



You want us to do what? You must be joking, I can't cut your hair.

Does anybody understand Doonesbury?

They're up to something. They must be up to something.







Cramming before a test?

I've had it up to here with that class.



I don't know what it is, but at least it's friendly.



Don't stare. Oh no, you caught us.

But Mrs. Riccardo, we can't have a test today!







Turn around and talk to me, and stop being cute.

A mind . . . it's a terrible thing to waste.

What do you mean, that's counterfeit?



Another boring class!

No one goes through until I get my book back.



This sure ain't home cookin'!



Members of the Beacon Staff are hard at work trying to meet the dreaded deadline.



Barbara Bartlett takes time out to give us a friendly smile.

(left) Pam is getting ready for one of Mr. Gregory's labs.





Fran has a serious chat with Marsha Dubbé.



These cosmetology students stay at it all the time.

(right) Alan Barber spends his extra time studying in the library.





(left) Stephanie sends the ball back to her opponent.



(above) What determination!!!



(left) Keith is really concentrating on his serve.







(right) Some of the Deans have to work.



(above) Our professors occasionally get a break.

(right) Who says I only get one?





Let me get to the cafeteria before everyone else decides the same thing.



I wonder what's going on over there.



I hope there will be some food left over for us.



Here . . . I found the last of the hamburgers.





Ok . . . just this one picture, because I'm late for class as it is.



Oh no! I can't do anything with this hand.



This food reminds me of the mess hall.



Now I'm so full I don't feel like working.



Look! Can't I get some peace and quiet so I can eat my food?



I am so glad this day is over.



(above) Doesn't Bessie look like she knows what she's doing?



Let "Mikie" eat it. He'll eat anything.





Janet bewitched by Sylvester the cat.



Herb's still waiting for his lunch.



Hear no evil and see no evil.



Katherine working to Mary's tune.



(left) Melissa and Jill playing cards during an Annual Staff workshop!



Faculty and student can get along.



This is what's called "working together."

I can't believe that!



(below) Glenda is always happy.



Family togetherness.







Entertainment in the student center.



Let me see those 5 aces again!



(left) Are you certain that term is on the test?

(below) Inclement weather outside keeps students inside.

A time to relax.





Holly and Mike take time out to be sociable.



Herb's not sure whether it's worth it or not.



(above) There must be something in the water.



Do I dare go into that English class?



# CLUBS

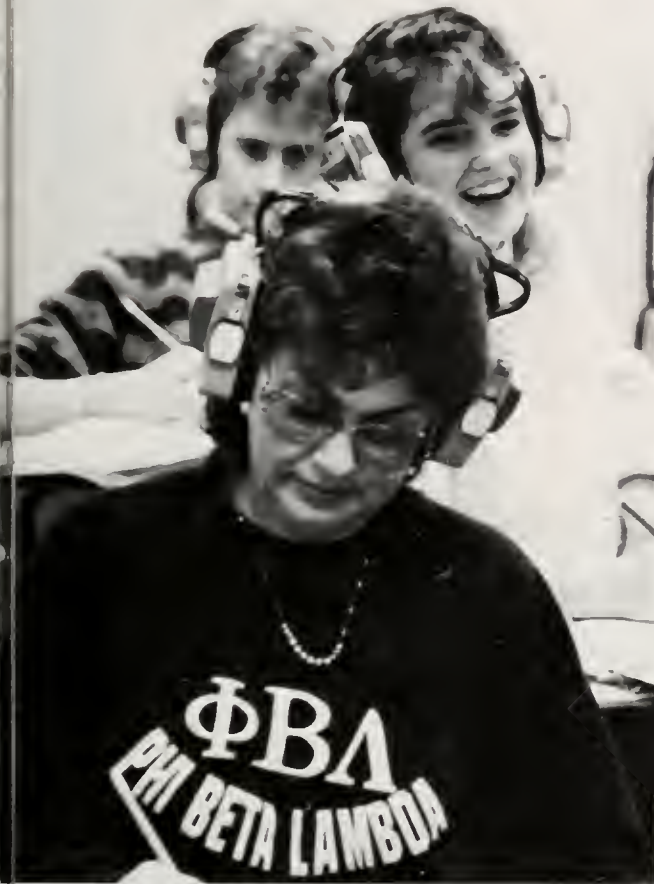
## Getting Involved

Clubs are an intricate part of college life. There is a large variety of clubs at COA and this is quite evident on Club Day. Club Day is set aside each year to make the student body aware of the benefits each club has to offer. There are clubs for those majoring in biology to those majoring in music. A few of the clubs at COA are: Beacon, RN '88, RN '87, Pops Band, Art Club, Foreign Arts, PBL, Student Senate,

Chorale, LPN, and Biology. PTK is the only club that a student has to be invited to join.

Clubs promote the well being among fellow students. They give students a chance to make and enforce their own guidelines for moral and ethical behavior. Clubs also give students skills in fund raising activities for cultural and social events at COA and in the community.

"Clubs promote well being..."



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## ADN Class of '88

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**S**tudents in the ADN class of '88 are not often seen about COA, but they are here. Usually, they are in classes while other students are enjoying a break and then they get quick breaks while others are in classes. Because many nights and meal times are spent studying the books, it becomes difficult to "practice what they preach" to their patients (get plenty of rest, eat right and

exercise).

Although the work is hard and long, the nursing students enjoy it. They learn and then get a chance, thanks to local agencies, to put what they have learned into practice. Working with different instructors and nurses, the students are exposed to a variety of nursing situations.

Even with all the work involved, the students somehow find the time

to have fun. Some activities they enjoy are bake sales, a valentines raffle, first-aid kit sale, a pot luck dinner and purchasing gifts for children at Christmas.

With each day more work is put behind them as they continue to look to their future . . . the fulfillment of their dreams . . . holding the title of RN.



Practice makes perfect as Sandy works at perfecting her clinical skills.



Working together Juanita and Medina get the feel of nursing life.





Nursing students seem to be forever studying.



CLASS OFFICERS — Judy East, Medina Jones, Juanita Bostic, Sharon.



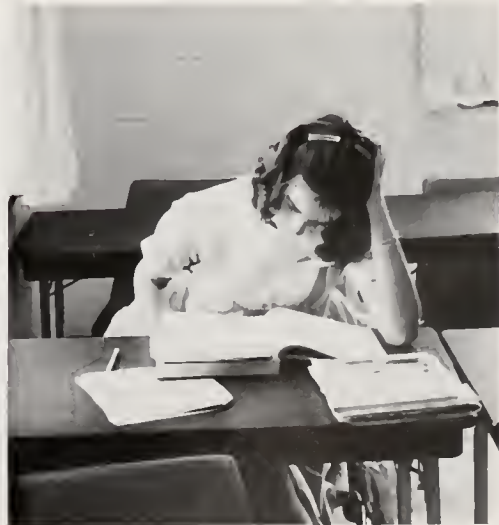
Studying usually takes the place of our lunch breaks.



Judy and Sharon sneak some time off between classes.



The class needs a break once in a while and what better place than in school with our friends.



Miss Dail concentrates hard, the next exam isn't too far away.

# ADN Class of '87

**W**e are a group of people who have come together with a common interest ... Nursing. We would like to thank our "support systems" for their patience and understanding through our years of training. Without them our dreams could not have become a reality.



Left to Right: Debbie Garrett — Student Senate Rep.; Sarah Weeks — Treasurer; Debbie Litwin — President; Amanda Mansfield — Secretary. Absent: Tina McCloud — Vice President; Tanya Hilbert — Historian.



Back Row, L to R: Debbie Litwin, Amanda Mansfield, Sherry Dooley, Fran Watring, Pam Taylor, Tina McCloud. MIDDLE ROW:

Tanya Hilbert, Mary Riggs, Pam Hall, Debbie Garrett, Sarah Weeks, Deborah Whitfield. Front Row: Sue Priest, our transfer student

from Maine. Great to have you! Sheila Best, Melissa Palis, Pat Lewis, Lisa Walker.



(above)As Debbie fantasizes about her future, Lisa acknowledges Mrs. Harris's toast to our upcoming graduation.



(right)In between classes and long hours of study, there's always a little time for good food and Diet Pepsi.





o make the world I live in a little better place...  
 want me faith and courage and put purpose in my  
 days.

Togetheress...it helped us through our toughest times.



**S**omeone to share our fears, our sadness, our joys and triumphs, our friends have been our family, working together toward a shared goal. Learning from each other and leaning on each other has strengthened us. Together we have cried and laughed, hugged and smiled to get us through the challenges we faced. Now as we face the challenges of the real world we can take with us what we have gained from each other. Always remembering the little red train who thought he could...and DID!!!!"



od! Food! Isn't that what nurses are made of?! Sherry seems to be think-  
 g, "Is it time for seconds?!"

Intent conversations and sharing experiences, part of our growing closer together.

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# COA Community Band

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**T**he COA Community Band, led by Joan Jones has increased it's size and number of performances this year. The band has played concerts at Riverspree, at the Southgate Mall, and at area nursing homes. The officers of the band are:

Michele Madre — President  
Jennifer Butler — Vice-President  
Ray Scaffa is the advisor

The members of the band are:  
FLUTES — Denise Aydlette, Tamara Brothers, Ivie Elliot, Charles Penrose, Bonnie Wille;  
CLARINETS — Jennifer Butler, Donna Drew, Michele Madre, Debra Old, Stacy Sawyer, Ray Scaffa, Steve Sutton, Emily White;  
SAXOPHONES — Frank Terranova, Bill Whaley; TRUMPETS — Allen Barber, George Haskett, Tyree Icenhour, Ella Icenhour;  
FRENCH HORNS — Carietta Haskett, Tom Old; BARITONES — Milton Aydlett, Ellen Bray;  
TUBA — Ray Jones; DRUMS — Tom Williams.



Ray Jones plays some deep notes on his tuba.



The COA COMMUNITY BAND played for Veteran's Day and Christmas at the Southgate Mall.



The COA COMMUNITY BAND rehearses on Thursday evenings at 7 p.m.



Clarinet players supported by brass during a performance at the Southgate Mall.

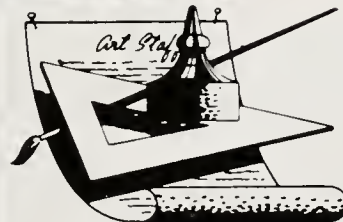


# Art Club

The Art Club was formed to provide an outlet for artistically inclined students. Under the direction of Mr. Ben Hill the Art Club has sponsored Student Art Exhibits and various other fund raisers to support a newly established Art Club Scholarship. The Art Club also encouraged the joining of new members by participating in Club Day. The purpose of the Art Club is to promote the fine arts and inspire a spark of cultural interest among students. We hope that students retain their interest and continue to make the Art Club the fun and active group that it is. Officers: President — Kathy Smith; Vice-President — Mark Hutto; Secretary and Treasurer — Crystal Stallings; Parliamentarian — C. J. Barkley; Historian — Kevin Rogerson.



Back: Mark Hutto, Ben Hill (Advisor), Nilesh Patel, C. J.  
Front: Charlotte Hill, Kathy Smith, Crystal Stallings, Melissa Braddy, Dina Richmand, Ivie Elliot (absent).



Mr. Hill is more interested in eating breakfast than helping Kathy Smith recruit members for the Art Club.

# Phi Theta Kappa

**P**hi Theta Kappa, the national honor fraternity, was organized to recognize and encourage scholarship, leadership, and service among two-year college students. The local order of the fraternity is called the Nu Nu Chapter. Students meeting the grade requirements are selected and asked to join by a panel of PTK members. The new inductees must first go through pledge week before becoming members. This year during pledge week the pledges wore homemade dunce caps and participated in several events like the bake sale, getting the secret signers, and finding a grand prize hidden somewhere on campus.

Being a member of Phi Theta Kappa is a privilege earned by qualifications, honor, and service. Phi Theta Kappa members are caring and enjoy serving the community and the college. This year members prepared Halloween treats to give to the faculty and administration and to take to the nursing homes. At Thanksgiving,

the PTK members made and distributed turkey favors at Albemarle Hospital. Phi Theta Kappa won a Pizza Party from the Student Senate for being the school club whose members brought in the most canned goods for the Albemarle Food Pantry. The Heart Fund Drive was held in February and a check was presented to the Heart Fund's regional representative, Pat Stori. At Easter, PTK took felt bunny pins to the patients of Winslow Nursing Home. A paper back drive was held twice during the school year for the local prisons.

Among the many events sponsored by Phi Theta Kappa were the Mr. and Miss Merry Christmas Contest. This year's winners were Jan Emery and David Ricker. Phi Theta Kappa hosted the Humanities Lecture Series and sponsored several workshops related to student-interest topics which were held at the 10 am break time: a lecture on rape, driving while impaired, and AIDS. A round table

discussion was held on the national honors topic, "The American Dream: Past, Present, and Future." Phi Theta Kappa members also wanted to show their professors how much they appreciated them by holding a Faculty and Staff Appreciation Day.

Phi Theta Kappa provides leadership training. Members are asked to participate in fund-raising projects. These funds are used to purchase the materials and items needed in service projects in the community and at COA. These funds are also used to sponsor PTK members at the leadership conference, the state convention, and the national convention. This year PTK had a gasoline raffle, held bake sales, sold old-fashioned stick candy, and had a dunking booth at Riverspre. One of PTK's most important fundraiser is the PTK Used Bookstore. The PTK Used Bookstore not only raises money for the club, but helps its members learn how a business is run while providing a service for the whole student body.

Phi Theta Kappa is a club which offers its members the opportunity to grow both socially and intellectually and to become involved in various activities in the college and the community.



(above) George McKecuen holds the bowl while Katherine Harrison and Mary Lane sign Valentine Cards to send to Servicemen in the navy.

Katherine Harrison and Mary Lane sign Valentine Cards to send to Servicemen in the navy.

Terri Chory, Katherine Harrison, and Melinda Elkins present Glenda Crane with a Halloween Treat.

Tom Williams, Katherine Harrison, and Wendy Wooten have just kicked off the annual PTK Heart Fund Drive.

Niles Patel, Debra Eure, Charles Monsees, Tammy Cartwright, and Jan Emery took part in the Talent Show presented by the Student Senate.

Niles Patel, Arlene Branam, and Amy Jordan pull Used Bookstore duty.

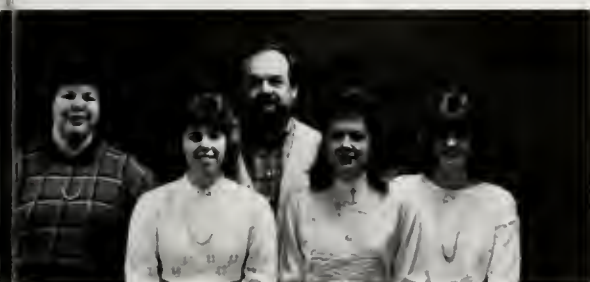




(far left) PTK MEMBERS — Mary Baillargeon, Michelle Pendleton, Wendy Wooten, Arlene Branam, Crystal Winslow, Melinda Elkins, Renee Barclift, Amy Jordan, Nilesh Patel, Tom Williams, Katherine Harrison, and Terri Chory.



Back Row: NEWLY INDUCTED PTK MEMBERS — Melissa Braddy, Tammy Cartwright, Georgie Cooper, Lawrence Drozdowski, Debra Eure, Mary Lane, Roy Lane, Chuck Monsees, Nilesh Patel, Glan Ross, Laurie Jo Smith, Mary Lou Thatcher, Deborah Whitfield, Peggy Whitley. Front Row: Deborah Bush, Sandy Davis, Jan Emery, Alan Barber, Alden Miller, Rocky Midgette, Deborah Norman, Carol Patterson, Edith Pitkin, and Nancy Schaffer.



(far left) PTK OFFICERS — George McKecuen — Advisor; Sandy Meads — Treasurer; Terri Chory — Vice-President; Katherine Harrison — President; Wendy Wooten — Secretary.



(bottom left) Carol Patterson is presented the Outstanding Pledge Award by Katherine Harrison.



Katherine Harrison congratulates Nancy Schaffer from Dare County at the PTK Induction Ceremony that was held in January.

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## Foreign Arts Club

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**T**he Foreign Arts Club was formed in order to promote cultural arts at College of the Albemarle. The club attempts to have a service project, a cultural presentation, a fundraising project, and a social event each quarter. The club annually sponsors the Alexandra Boade Scholarship to pay tuition and some book money for a college transfer student studying a foreign language.

This year, the club has sponsored bake sales, "adopted" a grandmother at Guardian Care Nursing Home, has sold donuts, has eaten an Italian meal at Pizza Hut, has enjoyed an International Dinner, and has sponsored foreign films in French and Spanish.

The club shared its Christmas Spirit by sponsoring two underprivileged children at COA's Children's Christmas Party, put up a Christmas wreath and gave food to the Albemarle Food Pantry.

The Club also enjoyed a speaker, Mrs. Blanca Tirado, a Spanish teacher from North Eastern High School. She spoke about her native country Puerto Rico. Last but not least, we took a trip to Virginia to see Latin American dancers and have a Mexican dinner.







The Foreign Arts Club has been under the leadership of: Front Row, Left to Right: Michelle Pendleton, Vice-Pres.; Terri Chory, Stu. Sen. Rep.; Tracy Duncan, President; Bessie Harris, Alt. Stu. Sen. Rep. Back Row, Left to Right: Nilesh Patel, Sec.; Barbara Barlett, Treas.; Stacey Di Giovannie, Publi.



Tracey and Mrs. Barbara Riccardo, advisor to the Foreign Arts Club, discuss future plans as the club looks on.



Dios mio! What a good-looking group of amigos!

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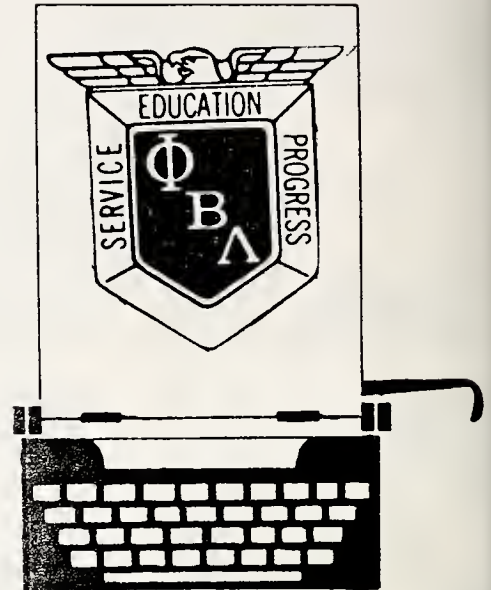
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# Phi Beta Lambda

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**N**o longer is classroom instruction enough for the development of strong aggressive leadership today in preparation for an active leadership role tomorrow. Through Phi Beta Lambda, members learn to lead and participate in group discussions, preside at meetings and conferences, work effectively within committees, and engage in practical problem-solving and decision-making. This year the MU SIGMA Chapter has learned the value of competition on the district and regional levels. They have experienced the responsibility of success as well as the challenge of defeat, through contact with their instructors, advisor Marvinna White, employees, and interested business persons, Phi Beta Lambda members have developed confidence in their own ambitions.



(front) Carmen Lord, Carol Patterson, Jacqueline Smith, Delois White.

(back) Marvenia White, Phi Beta Lambda Advisor: Chuck Monsees, Linda Davis, Barbara Bartlett, Scott Jones.





PHI BETA LAMBDA OFFICERS — Left to Right: Carmen Lord, Vice President; Jacqueline Smith, Secretary; Delois White, Reporter; Barbara Bartlett, President; Scott Jones, Student Senate Rep.



Carmen Lord and Scott Jones enjoy refreshments at Phi Beta Lambda's Twentieth Birthday Party.



Phi Beta Lambda sponsored American Free Enterprise Week. Barbara Bartlett and Pam Williams distribute information and goodies to the student body.

# Student Senate

G. John Simmons, Student Senate Advisor

(below) SOPHOMORE OFFICERS — Susan Myers, President; Mary Lane, Vice-President; Michelle Pendleton, Secretary; Roy Glave, Historian; Mike Myers, Sergeant of Arms.

**T**his year the 1986-1987 Student Senate has remained quite busy compared to the year's past. The year began with the nominations and speeches of the Freshman Officers along with the elections being held on October 7th and 8th. Following the elections, the Student Senate sponsored the National Red Cross Blood Drive and reached their goal of 75 pints. Club Day, October 3, informed the freshmen of all the varieties of clubs and organizations at COA. At the end of October all the goblins, known as COA students, enjoyed the night at the Halloween Dance.

December was the most active time for the Student Senate. With Gidget Cline organizing the Children's Christmas Party and Joyce Hurley organizing the Christmas Dance, there was plenty of room for volunteers. The Student Senate also sponsored a contest in December to see who could raise either the most canned food or the most money for the Albemarle Food Pantry. Mary Lane, chairperson, was

pleased to announce that \$152 was raised and 326 goods were collected. Mike Myers organized the Military Roll Call with many responses to the cards sent. The Christmas Float, usually undertaken by the freshman officers, was designed and prepared by three young ladies — Ginger Brickhouse, Tracy Duncan, and Mary Lane. Thanks to their determination COA won First place in the College Division in the Christmas parade in Elizabeth City.

Entertainment at COA is mostly provided by the Student Senate. Brian Huskey, Carl Rosen, Foolosophies, William Whithrow, and the Astonishing Neal were a few that kept the student body from being bored.

The year ended with a bang. The Spring Ball, organized by Joyce Hurley, dazzled everyone with the fantastic light show and wide variety of music by Sound Approach. Sophomore officers were elected to finish the year giving old officers time to relax and reminisce of the great accomplishments of the past year.



**STUDENT SENATE MEMBERS** — Mary Lane, Beth Spence, Joyce Hurley, Roy Glave, Mike Myers, Susan Myers, Cosmotology Rep., Dwayne Parker, Katherine Harrison, Milton, Michelle Pendleton, Liz Boone, and Wyn Kinion.





# Biology Club



**T**he Biology Club was formed in the Fall of 1984 to help provide a school club for nature lovers. We are a young but active club which encourages participation. We have taken several field trips and we now have several civic projects under way. Our "Spring Break" camping trip was so successful in 1985 and 1986 that we have planned another one for this year. We raise most of our funds through club sales. We hope that our club continues to generate interest among students as we hope to continue being active and growing.

Left to Right: Sheila Strickland, Wynn Kinion, Lisa Hare, Fran Spruill, Jerry Leete — Advisor, Jill Sims, Mary Baillargeon.  
Absent: Melissa Palis.



Mary waits for the club meeting to start.



Sheila helps at the Christmas party.



Sheila, Melissa and Jill recruit at club day.

The Biology Club prepares for spring break.



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# COA Chorale

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**T**he COA Chorale is led by Dr. Leland Chou. They are active in serving the student body and the community. The COA Chorale participated in Club Day and held bake sales as fundraisers. They sang "Messiah" by Handel with the Albemarle Community Chorus at First Baptist Church. They were accompanied by an orchestra. At the convocation during Christmas, they sang various selections of Christmas songs. Next, they presented "Gloria" by Antonio Vivaldi at Christ Episcopal Church. While preparing for community events, each singer must prepare to sing in a quartet each quarter for an exam grade. The COA Chorage provides everyone with beautiful music during graduation and this shows what each individual has accomplished through hard work all year.



Front: Bessie Harris, Lenora Trafton, Brenda Perry, Pam Williams, Fran Spruill. Back: Bruce Lee, Ivey Elliott, Edward Nixon, Pam Benton, Sheryl Britt, Dr. Chou (Advisor).

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# PNE Club

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Front: S. Langley, S. Snow, Sue Hackley, E. Smith, T. Forehand, L. Mattera. Back: T. Dubose, P. Phillips, A. Wynn, M. Dance, G. Simpson, R. Rouse, G. Rountree.



# AFTER HOURS

## Away From COA

There are many reasons that you may choose to go to college. With the increasing taxes and inflation, good paying jobs are what are needed today. People are trying to better themselves financially. But in order to pay for this schooling, students are finding themselves working after hours. Students either find

work on their own, or take advantage of the Co-op program.

Working is not all that occurs after hours, it's a time to unwind. It's a time to put the books away and relax, have fun, date, whatever you choose. Obligations can become overwhelming and the weekends are anxiously awaited.

"College makes for a busy life."



Ray Scaffa — Tennis



Tanya Hilbert — Albemarle Hospital



Robert Stevenson — Guitar Playing

Sherry Dooley — Chesapeake General Hospital





Donna Pippins — People's Drug Store



Norman Norfleet — Racquet Ball



Donna Jennings — U.S. Coast Guard Support Center



Michelle Yacobi — Baby Sit (Coast Guard Base)



Melissa Palis — COA



Cindy Colclasure — Blvd. Amoco



Melissa Braddy — Jewel Box

Scott Jones — Taco Bell



Stephanie Sharber - COA



Fran Spruill — Harvey's Point



Pat Lewis — Albemarle Hospital

John Gurganus — Pizza Hut





Tracy Duncan — Albemarle Hospital



Daffy Onley — Town & Country Daycare



Risha Foreman — COA



Peggy Jackson — K-Mart





Lawrence Drozdowski — Atlantic Forest Products



Michele Madre — Eliz. City



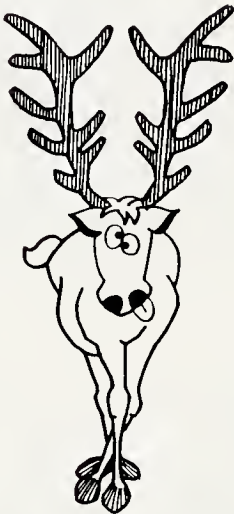
Ron Riccardo — Racquet Ball



Karen Pierce — Owens Moving



Joe Kight



Ralph Hollowell



Wynn Kinion







Doug Sawyer



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Brian Stille



Roy Johnson



Lisa Jordan — Perquimans Co.  
Health Dept.



Melody Henley — The Foliage Factory  
and Veg. Market



Michelle Pendleton — Eliz. City Brick  
Co.

Melissa Dance - COA

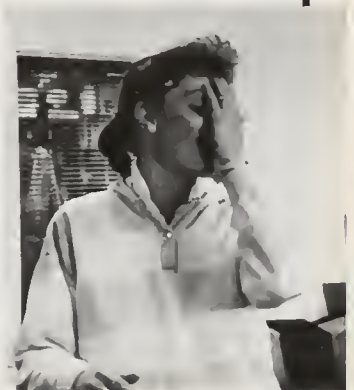






Amanda Mansfield — EMT

Lisa Henenson — Hardees



Arlene Branam — COA



Steve Landreth — Landreth's TV



Terri Chory — Life of Virginia

Michelle Holliday — Chowan C.  
Health Dept.



Evelyn Hatfield — Ferebee & Son, Inc.



Beth Spencer — Albemarle Hospital



Sandy Davis — Hornthal, Riley,  
Ellis, and Maland



Mary Kay Peele — COA



Joyce Hurley — COA

Sherry Ketchem — COA



Monica Gramby — COA



Sandy Meads — George Jackson  
Accounting



Carol Patterson — COA



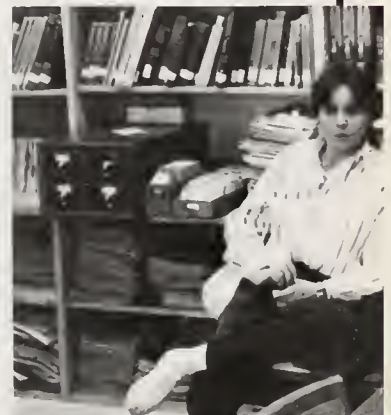
Katherine Harrison — Born to Shop





Lisa Hare — Brooks

Tammy Forehand — Taste Freeze



Holly Luther — Aerobics



Amy Jordan — COA

# Talent of COA

This year the Talent Show was definitely a great success. The seven acts ranged from comedy to thought provoking songs. With the Student Center packed with eagerly awaiting faces, the nervous entertainers provided some of the finest home-town entertainment COA has witnessed in a long while.

Pam Benton coordinated the Talent Show this year.

Susan Myers computed the total scores for each act.



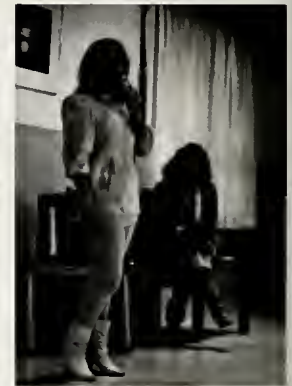
"Rocky Top" was sung by Christine Zahn.



Tom Williams was accompanied by Steve and performed "Stand By Me."



The Judges were: G. John Simmons, Lucy Vaughan, Lily Chou, Dr. Chou, and Jim Bridges.



B. J. Moore performed "I Wanna Get Married."

Winners of the Talent Show: First Place: Gloria Holley; Second Place: Gina Moore; Third Place: David Ricker and Mike Myers.



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# DARE COUNTY CENTER . . .



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We wish to acknowledge and thank The Coastland Times for allowing us to use some of their photographs in the Dare County Center section

This section of the annual is dedicated to Dr. Rebecca Carpenter, the first director of the Dare County Center, whose hard work and demand for excellence has made the center a source of pride for all of us.





## BEST DRESSED

Shelly Harrington  
John Yoder

## CUTEST

Wendy Fearing  
Brent Vucinovic  
Amy Spruill



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## DARE COUNTY CENTER

Vicki Basnight  
Rocky D. Midgette







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Arty Tillett  
Ellie Burtress



**MOST INTELLIGENT**

John Richeson  
Laurie Smith



**FRIENDLIEST**

Rocky Midgette  
Sarah Elizabeth Spink Downing



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Marvella Liverman

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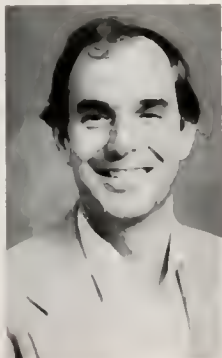
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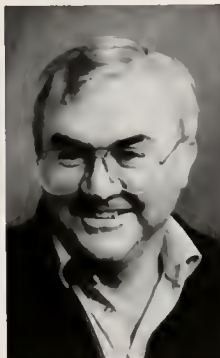




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Larry Chaney  
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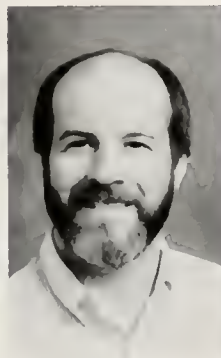
Peggy Haitcock  
Elizabeth City, NC  
Secretary



"Why am I here?"



Elizabeth Hawehotte  
Southern Shores, NC  
Mathematics



Harvey Hess  
Kitty Hawk, NC  
History/Economics



Teresa Kerber  
Manteo, NC  
Comp. Programming



Bob Morrill  
Wanchese, NC  
Counselor



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Louisburg, NC  
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Manteo, NC  
Continuing Ed.



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Learning Lab



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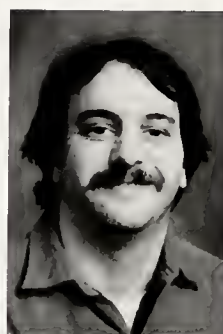


Vicki Loy  
Kill Devil Hills, NC  
Literature

## Sophomore Class



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Business Adm.



Greg Compher  
Hatteras, NC  
Business Adm.



Bonnie Craddock  
Manns Harbor, NC  
Business



Sarah Downing  
Norfolk, VA  
Liberal Arts



Dorinda Hamm  
Powells Point, NC  
Business Tech.



Jim Jackson  
Kill Devil Hills, NC  
Business Adm.



Carla Johnson  
Manns Harbor, NC  
Business Comp.  
Prog.



Karyn Mayes  
Alexandria, VA  
Business Adm.



Rocky Midgette  
Colington, NC  
Journalism



B. J. Moore  
Manteo, NC  
Equine Tech.



Georgia Phelps  
Manteo, NC  
Comp. Programming



Isabel Pitcher  
Nags Head, NC  
General Education



Dave Pledger  
Manteo, NC  
Business Adm.



James Stoffer  
Nampa, ID  
Comp. Science



Audrey Stone  
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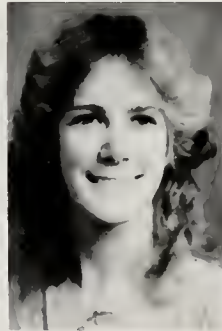
"Anybody got a quarter?"



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Kitty Hawk, NC  
Business Adm.



Holly West  
Manns Harbor, NC  
Business Adm.



Katharina  
Wunderlich  
Kingston, NY  
Business Adm.



Christine Zahn  
Manteo, NC  
Early Education



a "classic" photo

## Freshman Class



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Manteo, NC  
undecided



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Manteo, NC  
Computer Tech.



Joseph Campbell  
Southern Shores, NC  
Business Adm.



Rusty Campbell  
Manteo, NC  
General College



Sue Canning  
Absecon, NJ  
Biology



Andrew Chaney  
Fairfax, VA  
General College



Angela Coletti  
Alexandria, VA  
General College



Wendy Fearing  
Nags Head, NC  
Business Adm.



Lyn Fernandez  
Manteo, NC  
Comp. Programming







"Maybe I should have saved this apple for the teacher."



Janie (Garfield) Moore, waiting for Friday.



Amy Foreman  
Kill Devil Hills, NC  
General College



Tim Gaylord  
Manteo, NC  
Business



Vivian Gray  
Buxton, NC  
Business Education



Dana Hamilton  
Nags Head, NC  
Fine Arts



Shelly Harrington  
Kill Devil Hills, NC  
undecided



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Kevin Heifferon  
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Pre-Med



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Duck, NC  
Forestry



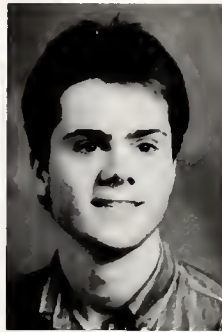
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Johnson City, TN  
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Kill Devil Hills, NC  
General College



Wynona McKinney  
Point Harbor, NC  
Business Adm.



Kim Moreland  
Kill Devil Hills, NC  
Computer Tech.



Marianne Myers  
Manteo, NC  
Liberal Arts



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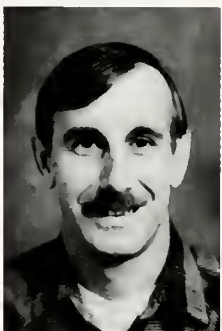
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Comp. Engineering



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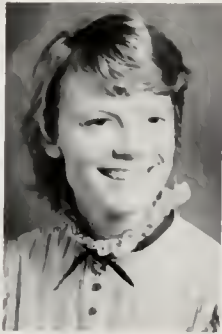


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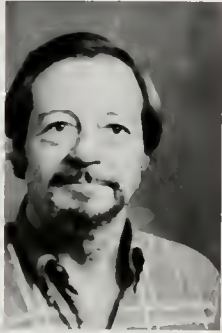
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Washington, DC  
Journalism

Laurie Smith  
Kitty Hawk, NC  
Horticulture

Mike Snell  
Nags Head, NC  
General College

Amy Spruill  
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Samira Stoffer  
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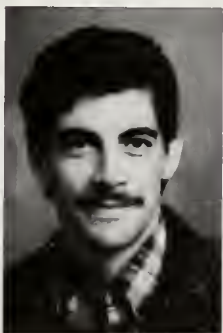
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General College

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Powells Point, NC  
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Business



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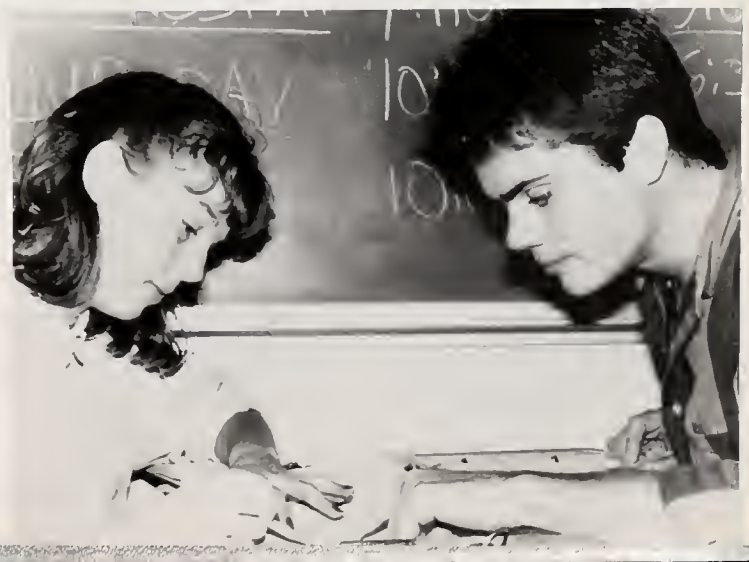
John Yoder  
Elizabeth City, NC  
Tele-Communications

Why go  
to COA?





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## DCC Co-ed Softball



(top left) team photo, standing: Rocky Midgette; Verena O'Connor; Brent Vucinovic; Dan Schubert; Randall Holmes, (coach and pitcher) and Debbie Talley. Kneeling: Wendy Simpson; Jodi Preiser; Carla Gray and Sarah Elizabeth Spink Downing.

(top right) Brent prepares to connect for a typical home run hit, as does Rocky (middle left) in a game against a local private school team.

(middle right) Carla Gray makes the catch, leaving the runner out, and with a greater appreciation for clay.

(bottom left) The team "goofs around" as usual, while coach tries to take a team photo.



## Campus Literary Clubs

Literary Ventures Magazine Staff: Back Row: John Richeson, Wynona McKinney, Christine Zahn, Inez Saunders and Arty Tillett. Front Row: Rocky D. Midgette, Deanna Volk, Sue Canning, Amy Spruill, Sarah Elizabeth, Spink Downing and Laurie Smith. Not Shown: Barbara Smith, Nancy Schafer, Wayne Gray, Vicki Loy, and Marvella Liverman.

The basic goal of this Pioneer staff is to produce an annual Literary magazine displaying the talents of DCC students and faculty. Intended publication is geared for the end of Spring quarter. It is our hope that the appeal of Literary Ventures Magazine would reach well beyond the walls of the Dare County Center.



Beacon Staff — DCC Section: Rocky D. Midgette, Sue Canning, Amy Spruill, Deanna Volk, Laurie Smith, Arty Tillett, Wynona McKinney, and Christine Zahn. Not in the picture are Angela Colletti, Vicki Basnight, and Jane Shimpach. Our job is obvious as you now observe the first product of our labours.



The Daily Dolphin Staff: Back Row: Rocky Midgette, Sue Canning, John Richeson, Christine Zahn, Chris Smith, Inez Saunders and Arty Tillett. Front Row: Deanna Volk, Amy Spruill, Janie Moore and Sarah Elizabeth Spink Downing. Not Pictured: Vicki Basnight, Larry Chaney, Marvella Liverman, Nancy Schafer and Barbara Smith.

After much hard work, the first edition of "The Daily Dolphin" arrived hot off the press on December 12th. Of course, "daily" is in a sense sarcastic; The Dolphin is scheduled for monthly publication. We believe that quality in a product is essential and co-operative efforts are necessary to participate as a staff member of some literary venture.





**"Exams"**



**Columnist C. Cobb bangs out his first Daily Dolphin Editorial, "Constant comments."**



**A typical happy DCC student**



**Surprise! Candid Camera!**



**"Sorry, it's occupied"**



**Rumor has it that Emi moved from Japan to the Outer Banks just to attend Dare County Center!**



**"A little more off the top?!" You've got to be kidding!**





STUDENT SERVICES CLUB members include Arty Tillett; Wynona McKinney, (president); Christine Zahn, (parliamentarian); Barbara Smith, (vice-president); Virginia Tillett, (advisor); Rocky Midgette, (treasurer/vice-president); and Brent Vucinovic. Kneeling are Amy Spruill and Marianne Myers. The SSC created and maintain the first campus non-smokers lounge where hot drinks are available to all desiring them. The SSC is evolving and will likely be the stepping stone to a DCC student government. All students of DCC are invited to participate.



A student studies in the campus library.



A DCC Dolphin player reaches for the power spike.



"It's time for Economics!"



"Gee whiz, aren't we excited!"



Mike Jackson and the Dare County Center graffiti board.



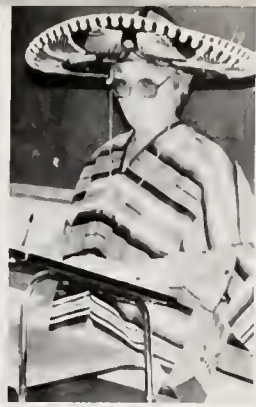


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Halloween







Hat's off to Elizabeth Kays, who through genuine concern for her students, has developed artistic natures in novices and has satisfied artists who before were frustrated. Her ability to draw out personal creativity deserves a warm "thank-you" from all who have enjoyed her classes.

### Art at DCC







## Our Thanks

The annual staff would like to thank the following for their special contribution to the 1987 Beacon:

Bret Palis for painstakingly drawing and designing our cover;

The U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Atlanta, Georgia, for their pictures of the Red Wolf;

Steve Amarillo of Taylor Publishing Company, for his patience and help; and

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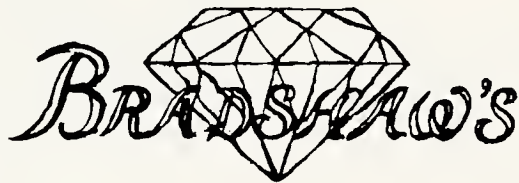
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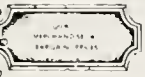
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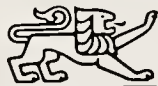
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