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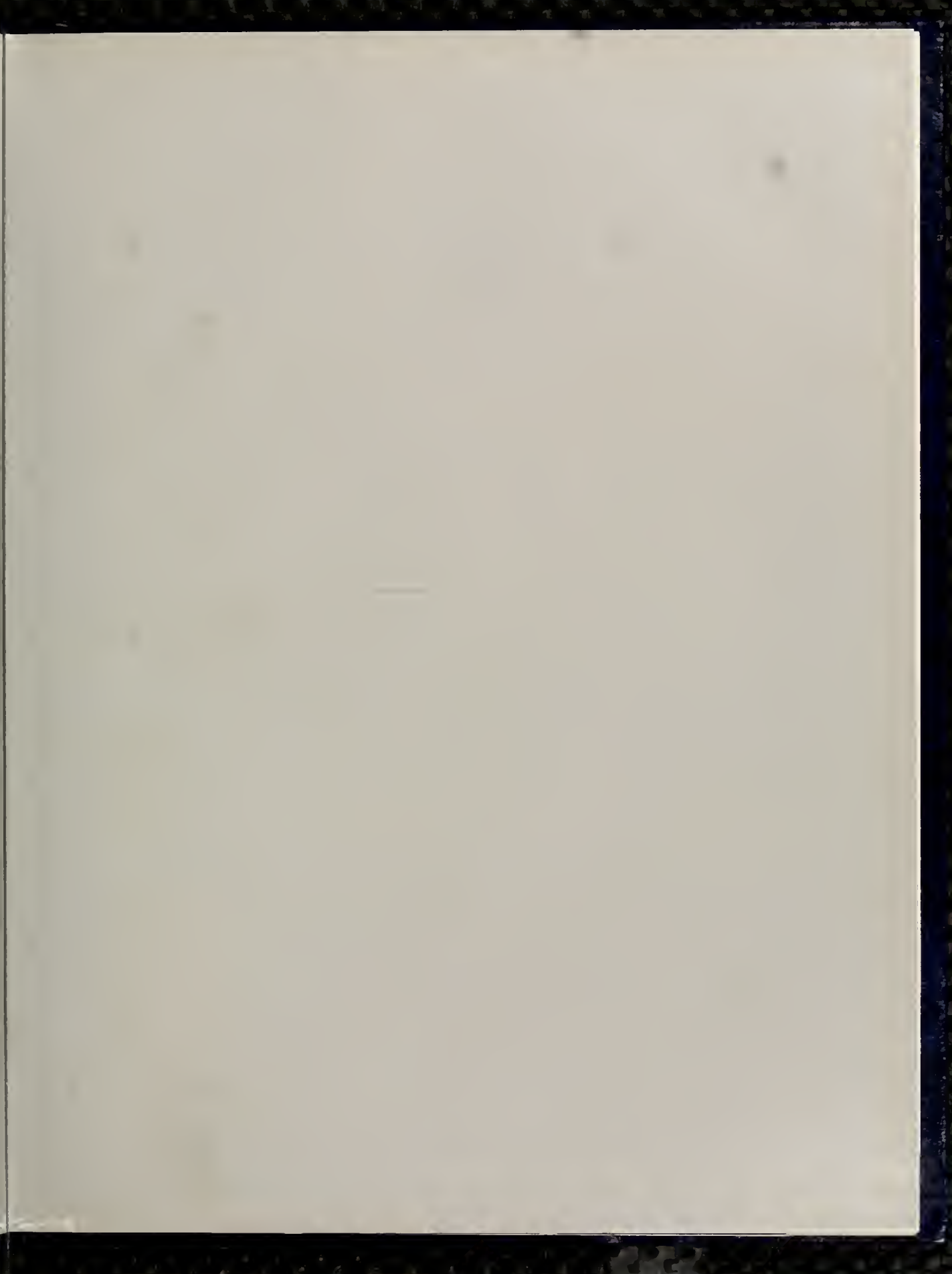
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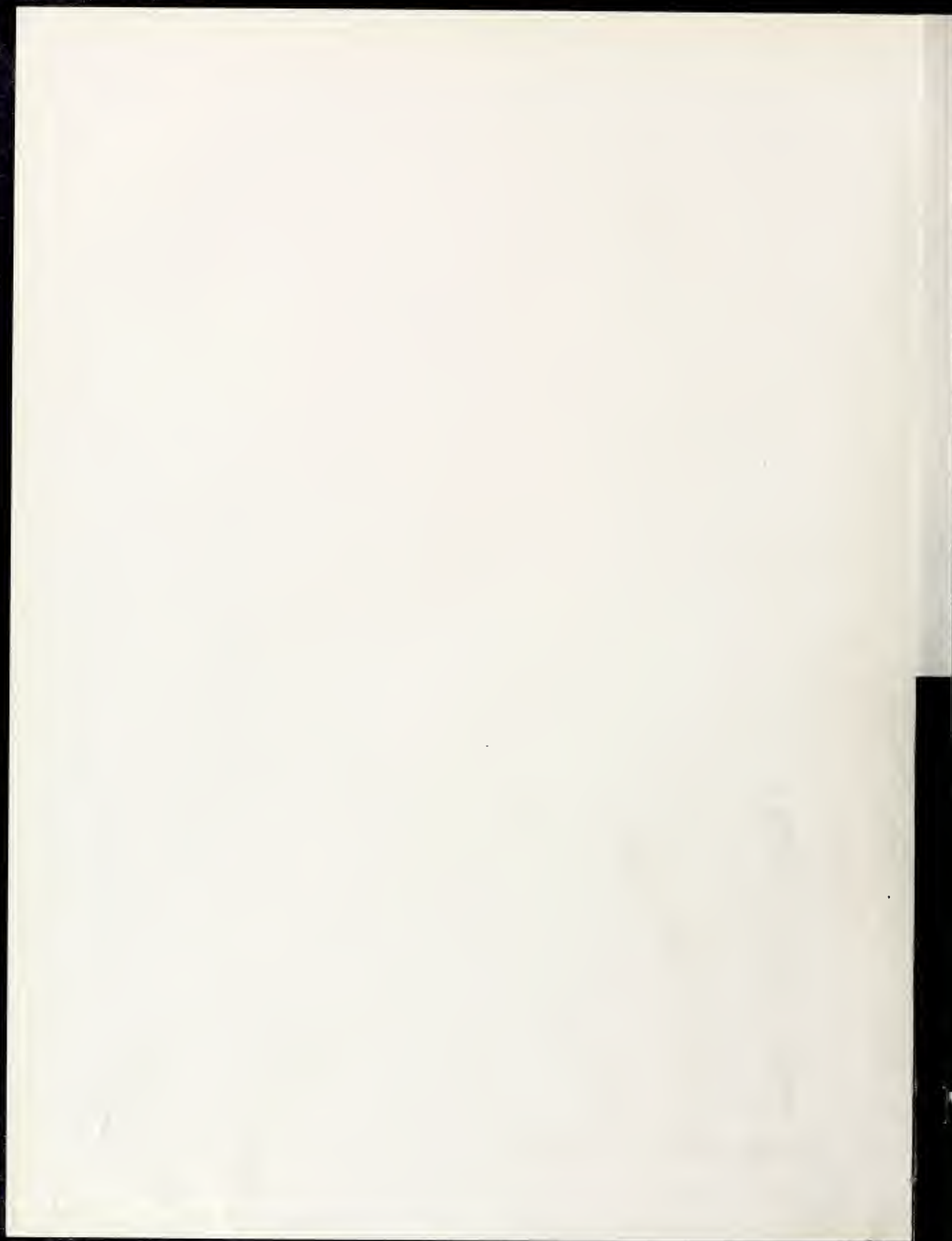
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Dedication to Cortez V. Smith and Steven J. Armstrong.

*The 1997 Dissenter is dedicated in loving
memory to Steven J. Armstrong and Cortez V.
Smith who were taken from us in a tragic car
accident last fall. Below is a poem written by
the family in light of their tragic loss.*



Sometimes it's hard to understand
Why certain things must be,
But there is a reason for everything
Beyond our power to see.
A precious one from us has gone,
a voice we love is still,
A place is vacant in our hearts
That never can be filled.

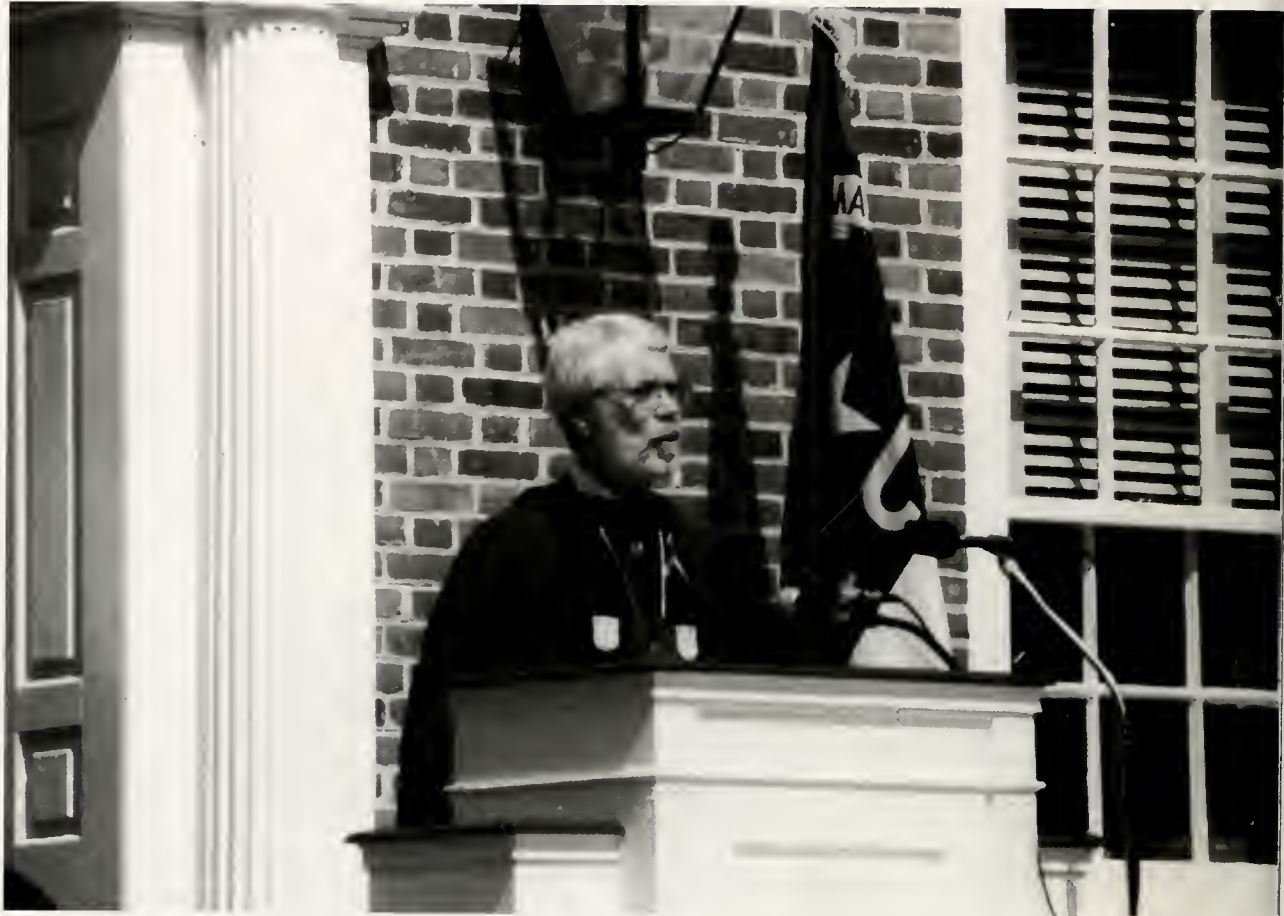
We're all God's children
from the morning of our birth;
He lets us live, laugh, love
And have our day on earth.
He guards us through the afternoon,
"til sunset's rays are cast,
Then one by one, with gentle words,
He calls us home at last.

Regardless of the circumstance,
Regardless of the fear,
Regardless of the pain we bear,
Regardless of the tear;
Performing as he should,
And he has promised in His word
to work things for our good.

But as a loving father would,
He sometimes lets us cry;
To cleanse the hurt out of our hearts,
To wash it from our eyes.
Yet gently gathers He the tears
Within His hand to stay,
Until He turns them into pearls
And gives them back someday.







President John B. White's Message

Dear Students,

As the 1996 - 97 academic year draws to a close, we can look back on an important year in the College's history. Congresswoman Eva Clayton brought our Opening Convocation address; Richard Rosser, the Founder's Day address; former first lady, Barbara Bush stressed the importance of education; and the North Carolina Symphony entertained us on Valentine's Day. The full season of the Performing Arts Series in the Dunn Center for the Performing Arts brought us brass quartets, modern and African dance, rock, and Country & Western. These all were "big" college events... North Carolina Wesleyan going national!

I hope we will look back on the decisions of the Board of Trustees to renovate the former Power Plant into the new Hartness Student Center, to construct new tennis courts on the north end of the campus, and to move forward plans to construct a new addition to the Everett Gym as key in underscoring the College's commitment to you, the students, and the quality of life on campus. When students and alumni return in the Fall of 1997, North Carolina Wesleyan will be in the midst of physical changes that will, I hope, signal an emerging "new Wesleyan" of which we will all take pride in the future.

Your contributions during this year made this a most memorable year for me. I have been very pleased with student leadership, from the new role you are playing, electing a senior to serve a three year term on the Board of Trustees, to the contributions you have made on the playing fields, in the gym, on the Dunn Center stage, and in our student publications. Last spring, the softball team brought home a championship. The women's soccer team represented us in the NCAA tournament. We will not forget a tough moment, the deaths of players Cortez Smith and Steve Armstrong, but we will also remember the run the men's basketball team made during the Dixie Conference tournament. Even though we fell short of the championship by a point, you flooded out on the floor of the gym to congratulate the team's great year and commitment to recover from the tragic loss. Even as I write this letter, our baseball team is having a magnificent year, and the women on the softball team keep pounding out the hits!

The College experience includes challenges in the classroom and memorable friends that you have made with the faculty, staff, and other students. I hope this issue of the Dissenter reminds you of the best of this year at North Carolina Wesleyan, and, as the years pass, draws you closer to your friends and to the College itself.

Thanks for a great year!

John



Senior Class President Marcy Stover makes an impressive speech to the entire Wesleyan Community.

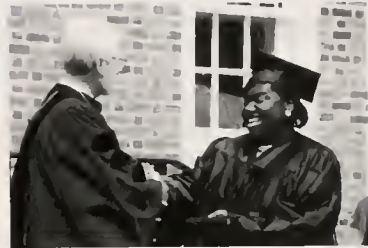


Graduation Day can seem years and years coming or a few nagging credits away. God surely must smile on Wesleyan...the sun always shines on graduation day out on the front lawn of Braswell...always!





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*time to turn the tassles!
...please no hassles!*

Pomp;
handshakes;
marching in to the
cadence of The
Eastern North
Carolina Wind
Ensemble;
recognizing
academic
achievement with
Magna and
Summa Cum Laude
Graduates.



GRADUATION

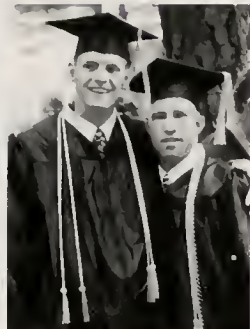
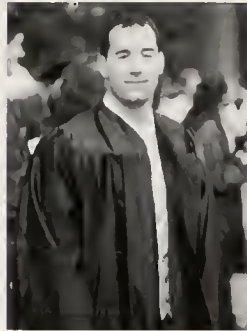
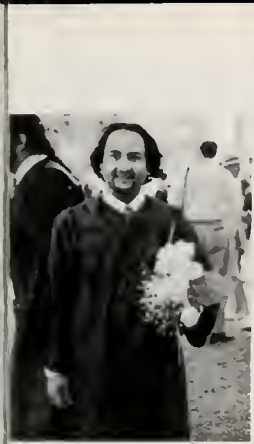


friends



College days at Wesleyan, studying late and partying with friends, make the memories that we can recall legendarily in the future and will wax nostalgic with. Its a funny time, commencement, starting out in "the real world" and saying good byes to best buddies and favorite professors.

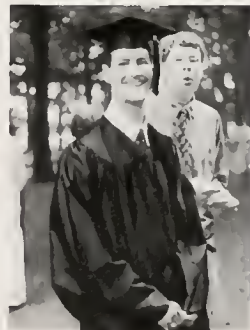




Graduates thank their parents and parents are proud of their sons and daughters. Children are proud of their mothers and fathers; graduating mothers and fathers appreciate the support of all the family, grandparents and children all.



family





Because of Carolyn Whitener, Assistant to the Dean, the diplomas, beautiful floral arrangements, and all the other special ceremonial details, too countless to mention, happen with style and according to schedule. Thank you, Mrs. Whitener from the Class of '97.



GRADUATES ARE
THE COLLEGE'S
ALUMNI.

WELCOME HOME.



Professor Emeritus status is awarded to retiring Dr. Allen Johnson, Al La Rose, and Dr. Robert Bussom, Leo Bishop, as well as retired Francis Harrison and Jean Edge (not pictured).



Wesleyan has graduates from all over the world. Mammie Freeman is Liberian and Lior Teitler is Israeli.



AFTER A WHILE. . .

After a while you learn the subtle difference
between holding a hand and sharing a life
and you learn that love doesn't mean possession
and company doesn't mean security
and loneliness is universal.

And you learn that kisses aren't contracts
and presents aren't promises
and you begin to accept your defeats
with you head up and your eyes open
with the grace of a woman
not the grief of a child.

And you learn to build your hope on today
as the future has a way of falling apart in mid-flight
because tomorrow's ground can be too uncertain for plans
yet each step taken in a new direction creates a path
toward the promise of a brighter dawn.

And you learn that even sunshine burns
if you get too much
so you plant your own garden
and nourish your own soul
instead of waiting for someone to bring you flowers.

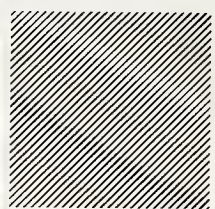
And you learn that love, true love,
always has joys and sorrows
seems ever present, yet is
never quite the same
becoming more than love and less than love
so difficult to define.

And you learn that through it all
you really can endure
that you really are strong
that you do have value
and you learn and grow
with every goodbye
you learn.

-Veronica Shoffstall



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BE THERE!!
(and don't
forget to smile!)



"Love to Mom, Dad, Kim, Heidi, Elliot,
Mountain Dew, Volleyball, and Golf."
-D.J. Gottschall

"Knowledge is Power."
-Tyeshia Barnes

"If it is meant to be, then it is up to me!"
-Ada Scott

"Don't do anything I wouldn't do. But if
you do, name it after somebody. . ."

"Always do your best!"
-Lori Moore

"Gaining a BS degree while working full
time and raising kids has been a MAJOR
challenge. BUT worth every precious
moment."
-Susan Batchelor

"Do you know my pickled cucumber
theory?"
-George Outlaw

"Cha-Chi is simply en fuego."
-Art Taylor

"By any means necessary"
-Stephanie Pelham

"It's a Burgh Thing." -Matt Hollern

"Smile and have fun...that's what life is
about!!"
-Kelly Walters

"UVA 20 UNC 17" -Cameron Dirickson

"Today is the tomorrow, you thought
about yesterday." -Ashley Allen

"We are always against all odds!"
-Larry Mims

"Remember. When all hell breaks loose,
all heaven draws near." F. Chynna
Bonner

"Life consists of many games we have to
play with the rules always changing; so
welcome to the real world." Kenneth
Mundy

"Like a Pony, Like a Pony"
-Craig Anderson

"HEYOU" Matt Stamm

"Absolute corruption empowers."

"Keep the faith." Kelly Wilson

"I would rather be an optimist and a fool than a
pessimist and be right!" Melissa Overman

"Ignore the stereotypes, I am an
ignoramus!!!" Johanna Dobbs

"Always late, always
talkative.....forever greatful!!"
Stephanie Amos

For the

"Always strive to be the best in whatever
you do." Janet Morrison

"I just don't like how you did that."
Kendra Bryan

"No time for fakeness." Takeysha
Lancaster

"Be the best you can be." Jimmy Medlin

"Let go of yesterday, work on today, and
dream of tomorrow." Ann-Marie Savage

"Mista Biggs" Joseph Greene

"Do what you must. Say all you can.
Break all the [freakin'] rules and go to
hell with Superman. Then die like a
champion in your head!!!" John Bracken

"If you eat a live frog in the morning,
nothing worse will happen to you for the
rest of the day." Smurfin Bi'atch

"Without struggle there is no change.
Without understanding there is no
peace." Moses Terrell Adgers

"A dream is like a river. Everchanging
as it flows." Chad J. Eaton

"My college experience and all the
honors and accolades that have been
earned are dedicated to some very special
people. Without them the road would
have been infinitely different." Preston
Rouse.

"There's no easy way out." Anthony
Morrone

"Follow the road, but never let it lead
you." Daniel S. Whitener

"Tri Sigma--everyone else has!"

"Lt. Dan, I got you some ice cream."
Randall Fletchall

"Twist and shout..Westside said How
Ya wanta curb whts up whats up Ha Ha!"
Jequira Smith

"If you can't cut it, ask santa for a jump
shot." Bill Norris

"...if it isn't better, it's worse..." Everett
Mayo Adelman

"Take it easy, and if it is, take
it twice." Anonymous

"MR=MC" Melvin Oliver

"See ya and wouldn't want to be ya!!"
Candy Sftsos

"Sigma Phi Delta...Forever isn't long
enough..." Tammy Gantt

"Keepin' it real!! No Doubt!!" Tracy
Pitts

"Picture 'Me Rollin'" Stacey Marbry

"...a wink is as good as a nod to a blind squirrel..." anonymous

"To be great is to be misunderstood."
Brendan J. Gilman

"No tell." Dottie Barnett

"I love P.B. & J's. Long live the two's.
By the way, I rock!! Peace, Love, and
baseball. Stephan T Kadlick

"A diamond is a piece of coal that
handled it well under pressure." Kim
Cross

"They hate me; cause they ain't me!!!!"
Kim Johnson

"College is for people who don't want to
be in the real world." Rich Capobianco

"Give education all you got and you will
see a difference in life!" Veeta Arrington

"Don't sweat the small stuff." Heather
Harrison

"Live for today, dream for tomorrow,
and learn from yesterday." Shannon
Daniels

"Keep your eyes on the prize!!" Angela
Alston

"Athlete is a fine, strong word. There is
nothing male or female about it." Amy
Brayton

"We are sailing the seas of BS to journey
towards becoming liberally educated."

"Whatever, Dude *?!* Chickens and
little girls." Benny Saint Romain

"Clyde rules, mellow sucks!"
Brooke Centra

"See Bob at 4:20." Nakia N. Smith

"It's a Wonderful life." Erin Gaddy

"Holy Cow!!!!" Richard Wilson

"Only those who dare- truly live." Molly
McClusky

"Be yourself always." Mammie Freeman

Record. . .

"It's Friday, we are at Wesleyan, and we ain't got
!@#S% to do...." Alan Podolinsky

"You can find me on top of the world.
Thanks for everything! Mom, Dad and
family- thank you for all your support.
I love you, mom! Live free! Good Luck
TLB and SB!" Diana Friednch

"The greatest gift to mankind is the
expansion of the mind. Contemplate to
create, initiate to motivate. Peace out
and take it light." Carlton O. Hoskins

"Chillin' at Welseyean" Calvin McAdory

"Tell the truth--and run."
Fred Grissom

"Go Gators!" James Whiting

"Absolute Peanut-loaded with
wholesome goodness." Todd Kurth

"Whatever, I got my points!" Theresa
Johnson

"Life is like a piano. What you put in it
determines what you get out of it."
Katrina Lewis

"Shell dawg representen to the fullest."
Michele Holland

"What you can do is only in your mind."
Sarah Mills

"Sigma Phi Delta--I'll love u always!"
Heather Coburn

"So, how 'bout let's have us an
appreciation dinner at Bob Melton's?
I'll bring the *phat sauce*. Then we'll head
back to La Caesa de Smurfin Br'atch y
Barquinho for a Mountain Dew. . ."
Mush

"Much love to the playas in the playa
party!" Della Burnette

"Establish, act upon, accomplish your
goals." Cleo Evans

"Never change for anyone." Shawnie
Henderson

"I can do all things through Christ who
strengthens me! Phillipians 4:19" Lenise
Cyrus

"Everyone unite and all power to the
people!! Free Momia!" Grant Long

"J-E-T-S: Jets! Jets! Jets!!"
Michael Sohn

"We are all responsible and together we
can change things." Jean Allen

"Your dreams are on the wings of an
eagle, and those dreams become reality
on your way up." Tasha Ramsingh

"Do what you can to enjoy your life,
your friends, and Wesleyan!" Jason
White

"Yearbookyearbookyearbookyearbookyearbookyearbookyearbookyearbookyearbook. . ." Angela Jones

**Black
and
White**

Photography



FALL



FOCUS



TIME
OF
YOUR
LIFE



Homecoming

Jason White and Lenise Cyrus shake that thang. (Top Left)

Erin Durbin says, "I'm number one!" (Top Right)

Homecoming King Terrell Adgers and Queen Mammie Freeman feel like they can get used to this. (Bottom Right)

Gettin' down and goin' down on the dance floor!!! (Mid Right)

Sara Svejda, Laura Boggs, and Leslie Kobasa say, "Get a load of us!" (Bottom Left)

Richard Wilson and Liz Page make a great couple. (Bottom Middle)

Kris Marsh and Meg Hanlon are ready for the night life. (Mid Left)



Dance 1996



Brooke Centra and Jennifer Podorf are dressed to kill!
(Bottom Left)



Monica Alston says "Come on let's dance." (Top Right)

Melinda Platt and Scott Cuvillo pose for their last Homecoming Picture. (Mid Right)

Stylin' on the court. (Mid Left)

Jen Morse and Kevin Corbett lookin' kinda spiffy.
(Bottom Middle)

Courtney Rubes and John Southerland say "Look mom, I dressed up!" (Top Left)

Marshall Murray and Beth Briggs danced the night away!
(Bottom Right)



Candid Candid



Wow! Bonus M. Román and Levi Bier show off their smoo. (Top Left)

Yaaa Daaa, say there!! (Top Right)

Florida Man! swings the day away for the porch of North. (Mid Left)



"Look deeply into my eyes" and Karin Eichen. (Mid Right)

Could love that face! This is Yvonne Jones. (Above)



"Hey, WHAT?!" asks Ethan Engdell. (Above)

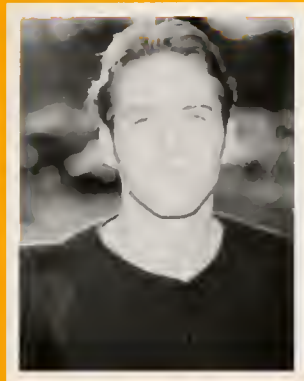


Karen Eichen thinks "When someone upon a star." (Above)



Jolie Staten and Lee Hill are best friends till the end. (Above)

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Casey Green looks on from the crowd. (Top Left)

Carlyle looks on from the crowd. (Top Middle)

Andrea Pils is kind that happens. (Top Right)



Twins!!!! No, just Brad Mitchell and Jessica Brown. (Mid Left)

Erin Barstow thinks about broadcast and sweet thoughts. (Mid Right)

Cleanliness is next to godliness according to Alan Taylor. (Bottom Left)



Female friends: Andrea O'Brien and Courtney Wagner. (Above)



Halloween 1996



"Old McDonald had a farm eeyi, eeyi, oh! Resident Director of South Hall, Stacie Hanson, and her husband sure had that Halloween spirit! (Top Left)

Tyeshia Barnes and her son Darius, "The Little Dragon." (Top Right)

Sweet and innocent, hmm...Tashonda McDonald really isn't a she-devil. (Mid Left)



Marcy Stover is all smiles as the bride of Frankenstein. (Mid Right)

Kris Marsh and Erin Durbin are ready for a night on the town! (Bottom Left)





The Tin Man from Oz visits children from the Rocky Mount community. (Top Left)

Hey. Is that Dr. White or Bill Clinton??? We may never know. (Top Right)

Johanna Dobbs doing face painting at Edgcombe's haunted house. (Mid Left)



This Halloween was so lame that we had to put a picture of cake in it. (Mid Right)



Bob Bowen entertains kids at the haunted house as Brandon Lee from *The Crow*. (Bottom Left)

Kris Marsh's and Taura Taylor's door is awesome!! (Bottom Right)



The Blood Drive

American Red Cross



Senior Kim Johnson has definitely given blood every year at Western. (Top Left)

Art Taylor gives out Pigeon John's place to Steve Earlsbank and Cliff Sullivan. (Top Right)

Miss (twice!) So... just Tony, Murray and Bill Morris also come pretty cheerful after being drained. (Mid Right)

Karen Calletson is a good sport! You say that nurse looks pissed!! (Above)

Carl Hopkins gives a tip for the Red Cross. (Above)

Sigma Pi Brother Alan Seatter represents his fraternity who sponsors the blood drive. (Above)

Keysha Lancaster waits patients to get picked. (Mid Left)

Julie Sealzo threatens the photographer against the use of this picture in the yearbook. (Above)

Parents' DAY



The Parents' Day panel: Owen Cox, Rochelle Rosen and Arlo Commons. (Top Left)

Several parents and her parents had a smidge' great time! (Top Right)

Dr. Little and her mother have coffee with Dr. White. (Mid Left)

Bill 'Nancy' parents sign in for the stage's festivities. (Bottom)



Courtney Ruben's parents chow down on the table of goodies. (Above)

Arlo Commons' father helps sign in for the day at Wesleyan. (Bottom)

Christmas 1996



Wow!! Drew Davis must have been a real good boy!
(Above)

Marc Gainey and Benny St. Romain headed up the team
of students who set out the luminaries. (Bottom Right)

John White and Jennifer Bullock stand proudly outside
of their festive holiday office. (Bottom Left)

Kathy Wilson got into the holiday spirit by decorating
her door. (Top Right)

Kerri Allen and Melinda Platt cheerfully discuss their
holiday plans. (Top Left)

The Gospel Choir led a beautiful candlelight service in
the chapel. (Mid Right)



Wesleyan Nights Wesleyan Lights

Amateur Antics
Halloween
Victory Snack
Comedy



Bon Fire - Bishop Pep Rally



Dunn Center Lights
Friends - Double Exposed
Leaving Chapel - Christmas Lessons of Carols



Pi Epsilon Pizza Eating Contest

David Capellano chomps down during the contest. (Top Left)

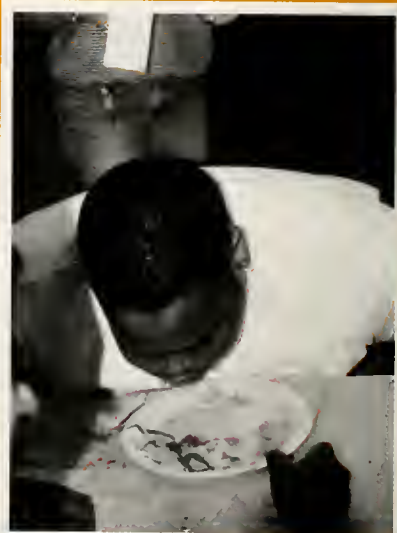
The sisters of Pi Epsilon blundered their way to comfort food. (Top Right)

Joan White goes for the gold! (Mid-Right)

Grant Long is trying to use a hand start. (Bottom Left)

Kris Marsh may have been really hungry. (Bottom Right)

Monika Platt, Erin Darbin, Lorie Taylor, Mrs. Hanton, Jen Flannell, JoAnna Brown, John Smotherland, Holly Huber, Kris Marsh, and Kelly Cameron pile out on what was left! (Below)



Annual Sigma Pi Pig Pickin'



Brothers Mike Inzerick and Brent Brey enjoyed their first North Carolina pig! (Top Left)

Ann Enckel broke away and went for a McDonald's cheeseburger instead. (Top Right)

That's All Folks, it's time to eat! (Mid Left)

Brother Scott Cavella grabbed a pig and finger. (Mid Right)

Brothers Eric Carter and John McCormack are ready to feast! (Bottom Left)

Sigma Pi Secretaries Kristina Gentry and Andrea Jones are laid back with some Tuscan Fennel. (Bottom Right)





..Candid Candid

Jim Moore tries on a new hat. (Top Left)

Joan Pomeroy has got her mind on Matt Walle and Khaled El-Doty. (Top Right)

Carla McAuley, Brenda Taylor, and Angelo Beck give a big group smile. (Below)



Christy White is happy to be at Westman. (Above)

Victoria Donnelly and Tony Deines really think the rat food is a joke! (Above)



John Southerland and Courtney Babes are on their way to a party. (Above)



Justin Renville and Andrew Richards present a new version of hazing. (Above)



Steve Fwing keeps South Central Westman safe. (Above)

MUG SHOTS



Moses Terrell Adgers
 Jean Allen
 Angela Alston
 Monica Alston



Stephanie Amos
 Veeta Arrington
 Tyeshia Barnes
 Sheryl Bennett



Marvin Biggs
 Laura Boggs
 Stephanie Bonadio
 Debbie Cameron

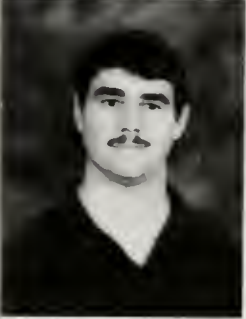


Angela Centra
 Scott Cuvieello
 Lenise Cyrus
 Jennifer DeAngelis





Jeffrey Drugatz
Erin Durbun
Chad Eaton
Cleo Evans



Nick Fairbanks
Mammie Freeman
Michelle Freeman
Dianna Friedrick

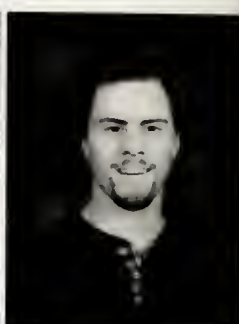


D.J. Gottschall
Kasey Griffin
Margaret Hanlon
Ryan Harris

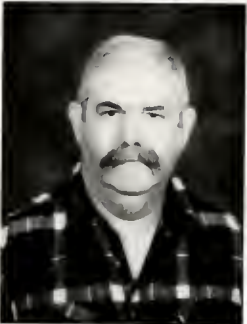


Elaine Hilliard-Johnson
Carl Hoskins
Kimberly Johnson
Theresa Johnson

Jacqueline Kraemer
 Grant Long
 Stacy Mabry
 Andrew Malleck



Jimmy Medlin
 Lars Messerschmidt
 Tiffany Miller
 Brad Mitchell



Ken Mundy
 Tracy Pitts
 Melinda Platt
 Alan Podolinsky



Shelia Reamy
 Joseph Ruderman
 Ada Scott
 Candy Sfetsos





Phillip Strickland
Kelly Walters
Daniel Whitener
Marian Williams
Kelly Wilson



MOVING ON



Marcy Stover and Chip Sullivan tinker away in the Library's computer lab.



Mike Ingerick takes a few minutes to ponder the many questions of the universe.



Stacey D. Mabry
Rocky Mount, North Carolina
B.A. Psychology



Melissa Christine Overman
Washington, North Carolina
B.A. Biology and B.A. Chemistry



Preston Alan Rouse
Morehead City, North Carolina
B.A. Justice Studies, B.A. Psychology,
B.A. Sociology



John Michael Southerland, Jr.
Kinston, North Carolina
B.A. Justice Studies and B.A. Political Science

Desiderata

Go placidly amid the noise and the haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. As far as possible, without surrender, be on good terms with all people. Speak your truth quietly and clearly; and listen to others, even to the dull and the ignorant; they too have their story. Avoid loud and aggressive persons; they are vexations to the spirit. If you compare yourself with others, you may become vain or bitter, for always there will be greater and lesser persons than yourself. Enjoy your achievements as well as your plans. Keep interested in your own career, however humble; it is a real possession in the changing fortunes of time. Exercise caution in your business affairs, for the world is full of trickery. But let this not blind you to what virtue there is; many persons strive for high ideals, and everywhere life is full of heroism. Be yourself. Especially do not feign affection. Neither be cynical about love; for in the face of all aridity and disenchantment it is as perennial as the grass. Take kindly the counsel of the years, gracefully surrendering the things of youth. Nurture strength of spirit to shield you in sudden misfortune. But do not distress yourself with dark imaginings. Many fears are born of fatigue and loneliness. Beyond a wholesome discipline, be gentle with yourself. You are a child of the universe no less than the trees and the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should. Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be. And whatever your labours and aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life, keep peace in your soul. With all its sham, drudgery and broken dreams, it is a beautiful world. Be cheerful. Strive to be happy.

-Max Ehrmann

Seniors Seniors Seniors Seniors



Michele Dreibelbis, Sherry Bennett, and Jerel James hang out in North Hall. (Above)

Shane Synan takes a break from long day of work at Ragazzi's. (Mid Right)

Joe Ruderman, Keith Jordan, and Justin Klipp are seriously chillin' at Wesleyan. (Top Left)

A languid Terrell Adgers is ready to graduate!! (Right)
Kasey Griffin shows a spectacular smile for the camera. (Top Right)

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Mammie Freeman and Shellia Reamy are representin' true sisterhood. Better recognize!! (Top)

H.D. Neale and Keith Jordan demonstrate how the five and a half year plan works. (Middle)

Felicia Thomas washes her way through Wesleyan. (Bottom Left)

Clay Jackson, Drew Davis, Lars Messerschmidt consume fluids at the bonfire in hopes of achieving a good time. (Bottom Right)



Erin Barstow
 Michael Bowman
 Amy Brayton
 Richard Capobianco



Karen Catlett
 Catherine Clark
 Kimberly Cross
 Johanna Dobbs



R.J. Fornaro
 Tammy Gantt
 Alan Garber
 Tiffany Garner



Brooks Gelo
 Matthew Hollern
 Louie Johnson
 Wilson Johnson





Jeff Keys
 Keysha Lancaster
 Kris Marsh
 David Peacock



Stephanie Pelham
 Andrea Ramsingh
 Heather Sherlock
 Matthew Stamm



Jason Stephenson
 Arthur Taylor
 James Teachey
 Jamie Whiting



Class of 1998

Elias Zarkadoulas

Johanna Dobbs is all dressed up with some place to go. (Top Left)



Artina Trader and Keysha Lancaster look over notes before class. (Top Right)



Lee Hill and Missy Harbach are happy because they only have one more year left. (Below)



RJ Fornaro catches a few Z's. (Mid Right)

Chris Mergner shows his pearly whites for the camera. (Right)



Karen Catlett, Angela Jones, and off-campus friends Tara and Candice have a ball at Nu Gamma Phi's Valentine's Day Dance. (Right)

JuniorZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZZ. . .



Tara Taylor stops for a moment from her studies to pose for a picture. (Top Left)

Shaundra Cummings is chillin'!! (Top Right)

Jamie Teachey says peace, love, and hair grease. (Mid Left)

Some say that Julie Scalzo was from another planet that night. (Above)

Kris Marsh looks very content. (Above)

Art Taylor proudly displays his big stick. (Above)

Lori Ahearn
 Carissa Alderman
 Ashley Allen
 Kristy Alston



Craig Anderson
 Natalie Baggarley
 Dorothy Barnett
 Brian Bartlett



April Black
 Karolyn Braun
 Kendra Bryan
 Della Burnette



Brooke Centra
 Angela Cheek
 Angelina Collie
 Tabitha Creath



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Stephen Ewing
Rick Fontana
Chris Greene



Michael Harmann
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Stephen Kadlick
Mary Kuba

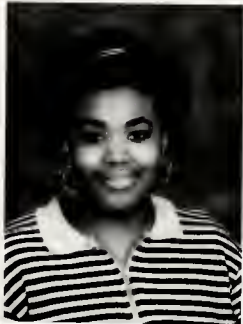


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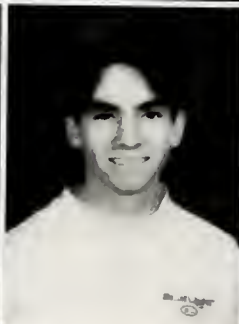
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Danny Schlosser
Cristian Skinner
Jequiria Smith



Nakia Smith
Thomas Snelling
Michael Sohn
Artina Trader



Megan Ward
Richard Wilson
Matt Wulk





Watch out for these three: Talisha Tillis, Nakia Smith, and Anika Taylor. There's no telling what they're up to. (Left)

Rocco Danella and Tara Woodruff are havin' a good time. (Mid Left)



"It can be done, it should be done, it shall be done tomorrow." Ashley Allen takes a rest after a hard day's work. (Above)

Kristy Alston and Mary Kuba are at Tutor's Crossing- the place we all need to be right about now. (Bottom Left)

Nakia Smith says, "Can I help you?" (Left)



SOPHOMORE CANDIDS



Mandy Rice, Karolyn Braun, and Chrissy White share a moment in the hall of Edge. (Right)

Jenn Podorf and Tommy Herson spend some fun time together. (Top Right)

Jamar Jones and Justin Hunt are hard at work in art class. (Below)



Artina Trader enjoys cup-a-noodles and Coke while studying for that big test. (Mid Right)



"Say cheese!" Ben Tilley and Al Breud enjoy some good ole Carolina Lemonade! (Right)

"Sit back, relax, and chill. . ." Dorrie Jones takes it easy in Nash. (Bottom Right)





Joshua Addison
Susan Carson
Ronald Cox
Shannon Daniels



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Dorothy Douglas
DJ Dozier



Bryan Earl
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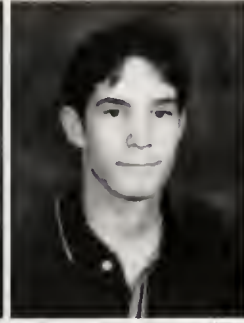


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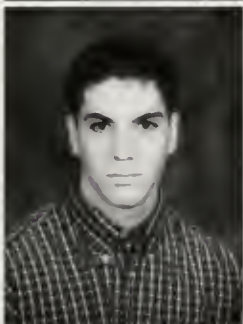




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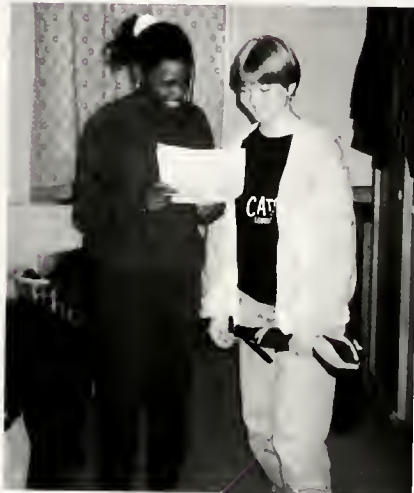


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 Andrea Warren
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Emerson West
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 Chris Whitehurst

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Jason White sings with all his might! (Top Left)

Students gathered in the gym to show their support and school spirit. (Top Right)

Damian Noto and Kevin Snyder challenge each other to a game of Jenga in Doc's. (Above)

Kim Stancil helps Jill Little with her homework. (Mid Right)

"Is that finger lickin' good, DJ?" DJ Dozier enjoys some wings in the caf. (Right)

Randall Fletchall poses as the new jester of Wesleyan. (Bottom Right)



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Chillin' on the Edge: Candice Rowe, Katrina Lewis, and Shannon Daniels hang out in Edgecombe Hall. (Top)

Night of the living dead: Tony Morrone tries in vain to escape his zombie state in the game room. (Mid Left)

Mandy Passwaters and Brandon Maser work on an assignment in the Lab. (Below)

The extended library hours allow Bill Norris to work even later into the night on his paper. (Bottom left)

Meegan Gray takes a breather from the work of the theater. (Bottom Middle)

Leslie Estes and Mandy Rice are glad to be friends. (Bottom Right)



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Heidi Block
Justice Studies



Dr. Marshall Brooks
Education



Dr. Elizabeth Edmiston
CIS



Dr. Fred Grissom
Religion



Dr. Jerry Joplin
Justice Studies



Dr. Allen Johnson
History



Al Larose
Director of the Library



Michael McAllister
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Justice Studies



Dr. Jay Quinan
Psychology



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Dr. Leverett Smith
English



Pat Smith
Business



Gail Stafford
Math



Dr. Mary Lou Steed
Sociology



Dr. C. Dale Thermen
Biology



Dr. Rick Watson
History



Kathy Wilson
Food Service and Hotel Management

Faculty at Work

Ken Finney ponders the many questions of religion as leader of *Skeptics Anonymous*. (Below)



Steve Ferebee continues to torture his English Composition students. (Top Right)

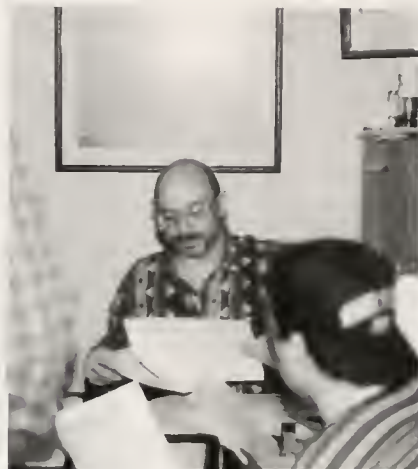
Kirk Oldham helps his students explore the many worlds of religion. (Above)

Mel Oliver is surprised to find a hidden camera in his economics class. (Bottom Right)





Vaughn Schutz takes a break from his work in the Dunn Center. (Left)



Dana Ford shuffles through his students' papers. (Above)

Don Scaff takes a break from playing catch on Wesleyan's southeast lawn. (Bottom Left)



Nick Fairbanks' and Bob Bowen's plan to take over the world is thwarted by Bill Kilgore. (Above)



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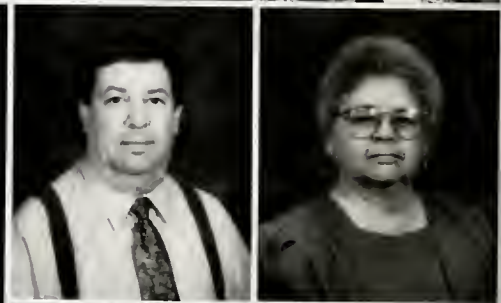


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Don Ehrhardt
 Edna Farmer

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 Pam Gourley



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 Stacey Hanson





Tina Jones
Pat McKenzie
Janet Morrison
Danita Perkins



Deborah Pittman
Dru Richardson
Benny St. Romain
Kim Sparks



Linda Stallone
Earlene Stewart
Lori Strickland
Cliff Sullivan



Dianne Taylor
Madeline Walls
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John White
Tonya Whitehead
Carolyn Whitener



Dianne Taylor of the library staff works hard to fill all of the studious students' resource needs. (Top Left)



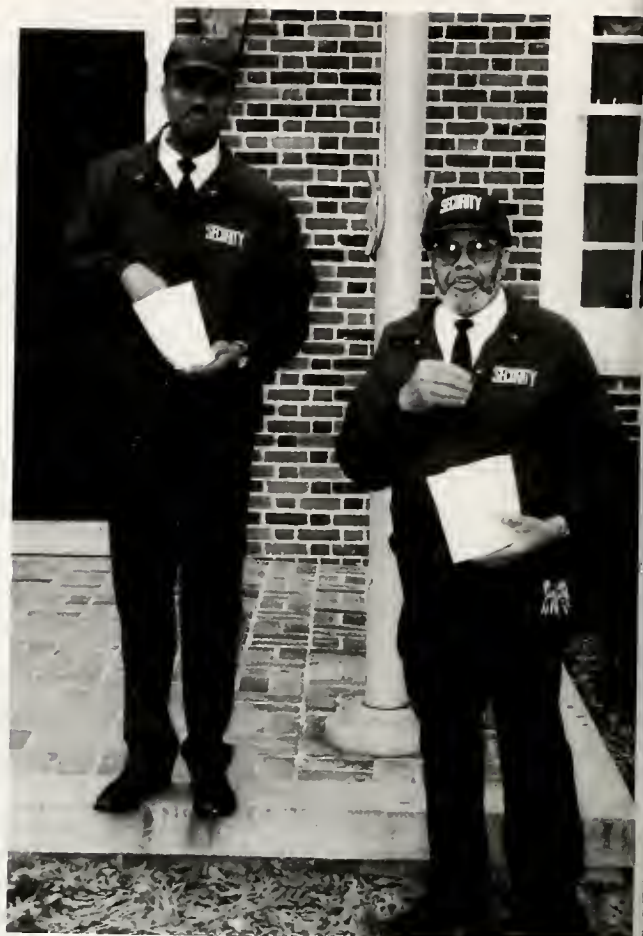
Owens Grant and Billy Davis, two of Wesleyan's finest, work diligently to protect the campus and the student body. (Top Right)

Deborah Pittman also hard at work protecting the school from the evils of the world. (Mid Left)



Todd Meiners, the new "Food Dude," redefines what is considered a meal at Wesleyan. (Bottom Left)

Benny St. Romain is a true friend of the Wesleyan student. (Bottom Right)



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Bonnie Kivett enjoying her job serving the Wesleyan campus. (Mid Left)

Tina Jones says, "Working for Wesleyan is not just a job, but a challenge and an enjoyment." (Mid Right)

Molly McClusky and Bob Trullinger discuss life at Wesleyan. (Top Left)

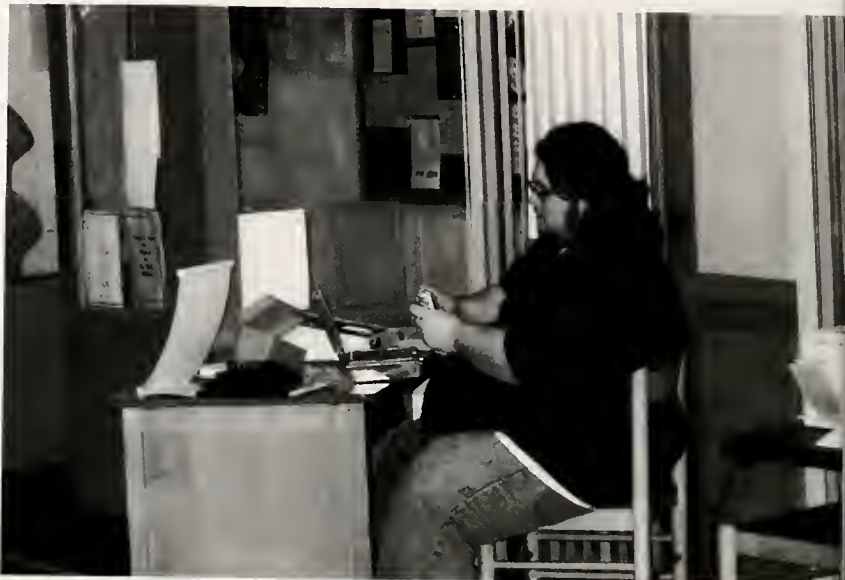


Pat Boyd helps a student figure out the one of the many pitfalls of working with computers. (Bottom Left)

Kathy Wysokinski, "always helpful, always a charm" as some Wesleyan students would describe her. (Bottom Right)

Cafeteria Staff

Michelle Freeman makes sure that coffee drinking in the cafeteria is always a pleasure. (Top Left)



Preston Rouse counts the vast amount of money that Marriott receives from students every day. (Top Right)



A fine young Marriott man prepares the main food staple of most Wesleyan students: french fries. (Mid Left)

Making sure that students have enough caffeine to support many sleepless nights is just one part of the many services that the Caf Staff provides Wesleyan. (Mid Right)



Bagels; its what's for dinner!! (Bottom Right)

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Sports Editor Angela Jones takes time to commune with nature. (Top Left)



Everett Adelman is working away at the Dissenter computer. (Top Right)

Marshall Murray, Ann-Marie Savage, and Laci Powell represent the yearbook at Get on Board Day. (Below)



Alexis Barr modestly poses for a picture. (Mid Right)

Rugged shoes such as these are just one of the many items of equipment required to be a good yearbook staff member. (Right)



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John Bracken and Marshall Murray discuss phat sauce, Rufinol, Jesus, appreciation dinners at Bob Melton's, and world conquest over dinner in the caf. (Left)

April Black looks through a stack of pictures in the Dissenter office. (Below)



Laci Powell is a faithful and hardworking member of the yearbook staff. (Above)
Courtney Rubes takes a unique self portrait in the Dunn Center. (Left)

Club Dramatica presents *Beyond Therapy*



The cast of *Beyond Therapy*: Gigi Glenn, Kevin Corbett, Chris Lalonde, Cindy Cline, Jen Morse, Tony Morrone, and Ryan Smith. (Above)

Gigi Glenn, Chris Lalonde, and Tony Morrone discuss guns, drugs, and sex in the streets. (Top Right)



Gigi Glenn and Chris Lalonde get caught up in one of many sexual overtones of the play. (Above)

Gigi Glenn and Tony Morrone discuss the pros and cons of the sexual relationships of their characters. (Mid Right)

Ryan Smith and Tony Morrone fight over their distraught relationship. (Bottom)



1940s Radio Hour



The Cast of the Club Dramatica sponsored production, *1940s Radio Hour*. (Top Left)

Meegan Gray and Drew Davis make an announcement. (Mid Left)



Missy Harbach and Jen Morse sing a duet. (Mid Middle)

Kevin Corbett sings his heart out!!! (Mid Right)

Missy Harbach, Candice Rowe, and Meegan Gray made a terrific trio. (Bottom)







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Gospel Choir and

Members of the gospel choir take time out of rehearsal to take a quick picture. (Right)

Kirk Oldham and choir members participate in the Festival of Lessons and Carols. (Below)



Ebonique Burden and Madeline Walls are unaware that they are being photographed. (Above)

They look beautiful! (Mid Right)

It's time for another practice session with the gospel choir. Let's all sing along to the beat! (Right)



Wesleyan Singers



The Wesleyan Singers diligently prepare for their event. (Left)

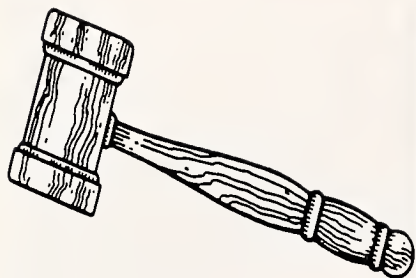
Diane Hardin, Barbara LaRose, and Kendra Bryan sing to the Wednesday chapel crowd. (Mid Left)

Pat Smith and her choirmates sing praises and melodies. (Below)



Just another night of musical magic at Wesleyan. (Left)





The Student Government Association



SGA Executive Board Members: (left to right) Secretary Danyel Thomson, Treasurer Carl Hoskins, CAB President Melissa Overman, President Scott CuvIELLO, and Vice President Erin Durbin.

Danyel Thomson, Kim Johnson, Keysha Lancaster, Michelle Dreibelbis, Tequila Moore, Stephanic Pelham, Angela Centra, Marcy Stover, Amy Brayton, Melissa Overman, and Scott CuvIELLO: students who actually showed up for the SGA meetings.

The Campus Activities Board



Cab Board members: Michele Dreibelbis, Sara Svejda, Marc Gainey, Grant Long, Carolyn Braun, Kim Cross, Melissa Overman, and Dottie Barnett. (Top)

CAB members busy making those important decisions. (Bottom Left)

Melissa Overman and Marc Gainey represent CAB on Get on Board Day. (Bottom Right)

NCWC Cheerleaders!!!



At Midnite Madness, the cheerleaders took center stage as their dance begins.



The NCWC cheerleaders show off their gymnastic abilities with a solid pyramid.



Courtney Rubes, Molly McCluskey, Jason White, Aquia Grayton, Talisha Tillis, Kim Johnson, Tashonda McDonald, Candice Rowe, Stephanie Pelham, and captain Keysha Lancaster make up this year's cheerleading squad (Top)

Second year cheerleader Courtney Rubes has got that Wesleyan Spirit!!! (Above)

Sideline cheers during a game. (Above)

Religious Life

Religious Life at Wesleyan consists mainly of two groups, FCA and Campus Life. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is a nationwide organization that promotes Christian values and growth to students and athletes (Top). FCA meets weekly in the Chapel or the PE Classroom. Campus Life is a local Christian group started by students at Wesleyan (Bottom). They meet weekly in the Dunn Center to support one another through Bible study, prayer, and Christian action.



on Campus



Kirk Oldham and Robby Lindsey are cookin' up burgers for a hungry FCA crowd. (Left)

Dave Capobianco, Steve Kadlick, and Marcus Mitchell are waiting for some food at the FCA Spring Cookout. (Bottom Left)



Campus Life discusses their plans to bring the Seven Man Jesus Band to the Dunn Center. (Above)

Americorps

Americorps Members Angela Jones, Angela Cheek, Michelle McKnight, Della Burnette, and Keshi Satterwhite take a well deserved break for a picture. (Right)

This is the Americorps Coordinator, Glynis Jones. (Below)



Glynis Jones poses with a volunteer on Americorps Volunteer Appreciation Day just before the Americorps Appreciation Dinner at Bob Melton's. (Above)

"What 'cha lookin' for, Della?" Della Burnette is a hard worker for Americorps. (Mid Right)

Americorps members and volunteers Kirk Oldham, Al LaRose, and Marshall Brooks "get things done" for Habitat for Humanity. (Right)



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SIGMA PI FRATERNITY 1996-1997

Sigma Pi Fraternity

The Zeta Sigma Chapter of Sigma Pi International Fraternity believes that not only do they learn in the classroom, but value what they learn out of the classroom through their fraternity relations.

Through Fellowship, Leadership and Community Relations, Sigma Pi members grow in character and in understanding their roles as members of the greater Wesleyan Community.

Our Chapter is famous for their on-campus pig-pickin' barbecue every fall semester. Sigma Pi always contributes its energies, school spirit and general enthusiasm toward

making Homecoming Week a successful tradition.

The Annual Orchid Ball is a special social event that Sigma Pi Brothers and their dates can remember for years to come.

Our Chapter is looking forward to the 1997 Bicentennial and 100th Year Celebration in the coming fall semester.

President - Brain Woodley
Vice President - Alan Garber
Treasurer - Nick Fairbanks
Secretary - Lars Messerschmidt
Herald - Art Taylor
Faculty Advisor - Jerry Joplin

Brother Alan Garber hangs out in the lounge during Rush Week. (Below)



The Brothers of Sigma Pi: Scott Cuvillo, Mike Ingerick, Alan Garber, Howie Miles, John Southerland, Clay Jackson, Nick Fairbanks, Art Taylor, Brian Woodley, and Ken Mundy.





Brothers Ryan Harris, John Southerland, Art Taylor, and Nick Fairbanks represent Sigma Pi during Get on Board Day. (Top Left)

Doc, Squiggy, Maverick, Grandpa, and Peanut prove that you can have fun at Wesleyan. (Below)



Brothers John Southerland, Nick Fairbanks, and Alan Garber walked for the American Cancer Society. (Mid Left)

Alumni Rody Gyorke and Sage Brian Woodley are Brothers for life. (Mid Right)



Brothers are lookin' good: Art Taylor, Nick Fairbanks, and Alan Garber at Homecoming. (Above)

Brother Scott Cuvillo enjoys a smoke!!! (Above)

Sigma Pi

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Brothers Clay Jackson and Nick Fairbanks pose with Dr. Joplin, the fraternity's advisor. (Above)

Sigma Pi sweethearts Courtney Rubes and Heather Coburn proudly display the shirts that the brothers gave them. (Right)

John Southerland and Preston Rouse are "Brothers For Life!" (Right)





Brothers Scott Cuviallo, Mike Ingerick, John Southerland, Alan Garber, and Preston Rouse discuss their favorite recipes for *phat sauce* at the Labor Day Pig Pickin'. (Left)

Brother Alan Garber hands over the Hurricane Fran money to a representative for the American Red Cross. (Above)



Sigma Phi Delta 97'

Sigma Phi Delta founded in 1971 is a local social sorority comprised of unique and diverse women. The sisters pull together to lend their hearts and time to the community. Activities the sororty participates in include: Adopt a Highway, Giving Tree, Americorp, and assisting the Knights of Columbus with their youth soccer program. Sigma Phi Delta does handle their time wisely and they do have fun! Most socials are in conjunction with the Sigma Pi Fraternity. They also have a sorority dinner each semester and a retreat in the spring. Sigma

Phi Delta is not just an organization, but a sisterhood that leaves you with a lifetime of memories and new sisters.

President- Keri Allen
 Vice President- Stefanie Lynn
 Secretary- Heather Coburn
 Social Chairman- Erin Polley
 Treasurer- Tammy Gantt
 Sergeant-At-Arms- Terri Bass
 Sweetheart- Brian Woodley



While singing "You are my Sunshine," the sisters make Brain Woodley their offical Sweetheart. (Above)

Sigma Phi Delta Sisters: Tammy Gantt, Terri Bass, Stefanie Lynn, and Kim Cross give Clay Jackson of Sigma Pi Fraternity a big hug. (Top Right)

The sisters gather to promote Sigma Phi Delta at Get on Board Day. (Bottom Right)





Sister Rochelle Rosen proudly displays her Christmas present from Alan Garber. Nice wrap job!!! (Top Left)

Stefanie Lynn, Tessa Dyer, Kerri Allen, and Tammy Gantt are laid back and chillin' at the Sigma Pi Pig Pickin'. (Top Right)

Sisters til the end! Erin Polley, Terri Bass, Kerri Allen, and Stefanie Lynn. (Bottom)



Sisters Terri and Buffy share a big sister hug. (Top Left)



Two sisters even volunteer as firemen in their spare time: sisters Buffy and Sherry dressed are to fight those flames. (Bottom Left)

Sister Stefanie Lynn is all ready to party "South of the Border!" (Right)

Stefanie Lynn is surrounded by the accapela group Graffiti Tribe in the Power's Recital Hall. (Right Page; Top)



The new sisters: Ashely Allen, Karolyn Braun, and Rochelle Rosen. (Right Page; Bottom Left)

Sisters Heather Coburn and Erin Polley are Sigma Phi Delta forever. (Right Page; Bottom Right)

Sigma Phi Delta 97'



PI EPSILON

The oldest local sorority, founded at Wesleyan in 1968, closed its doors forever on February 19, 1997. The disbandment was a result of some sisters' desire to bring Sigma Sigma Sigma, a national sorority, to Wesleyan. Now remain old pictures and treasured memories of this sorority. Through the years, the sisters sponsored the annual Pizza Eating Contest and Tie Dying during Spring Fling. They also helped "My Sister's House," a local safe house for battered women and their children. This sorority founded on Sisterhood and Service through Christian Faith will now take its place in NCWC History. This year's Greek Section is dedicated to the former sisters of Pi Epsilon.



Former Sister Erin Durbin is now head of the Tri Sigma interest group. (Right)

Friends and former sisters gather in their former lounge: Melina Platt, Laura Boggs, Caroline May, Kris Marsh, Meg Hanlon, Erin Durbin, Jessica Brown, Debbie Cameron, Shellia Reamy, Holly Huber, Jamie Teachey, and Jennifer Pfancuff. (Below)





Former sisters Melinda Platt, Caroline May, Meg Hanlon, and Shellia Reamy chat outside the Bookstore. (Left)



Erin Durbin, Shellia Reamy, Kris Marsh, and Meg Hanlon embrace their sweetheart. Go Benny! (Above)



Melinda Platt watches Scott Cuvello perform with her sisters. What admiration, Melinda! (Above)

Pi Epsilon

Debbie Cameron is chillin' after the Homecoming Dance. (Right)

Meg Hanlon and Laura Boggs enjoy some of that good ole' *Carolina Lemonade*!! (Far Right)

Masters of the Marshmallow: Kris Marsh and Erin Durbin. (Below)



Shellia Reamy, Melinda Platt, and Erin Durbin claim their spots on the Homecoming Court. (Mid Right)

"My eyes, my eyes! Oh!! They are not open!" realizes Meg. (Above)



Meg, Shellia, and Jamie say, "Peace Out!"



Shellia Reamy in her Homecoming dress. Yeah, Shellia!



Meg and Melinda are tired out. Being in a sorority is hard work!

Pi Epsilon

Erin Durbin and Holly Huber are Pi Epsilon forever!!
(Left)



Wacky and ready for some more, says Erin Durbin.
(Above)

Melinda Platt and Meg Hanlon represent Pi Epsilon at
Get on Board Day. (Bottom Left)

Kris Marsh proudly displays her pledge pillow.
(Bottom Left)





Nu Gamma Phi

Fraternity

1996-97

Nu Gamma Phi is a local fraternity composed of a small group of men who share the same standards. These brothers are centered around loyalty, brotherhood, truth, and quality. They have a strong unity that has formed a close-knit group. This year the fraternity sponsored the Homecoming Dance held in the Dunn Center. During Spring Fling Week, they held their annual volleyball tourney. They also held a festive Valentine's Day Dance in the SAC.



Brothers Tom Quinn, C.E. Hodges, and Rich Capobianco represent Nu Gamma Phi at Get on Board Day. (Above)

Dressed to kill: Chris Puig and Rich Capobianco head out for a meeting. (Right)





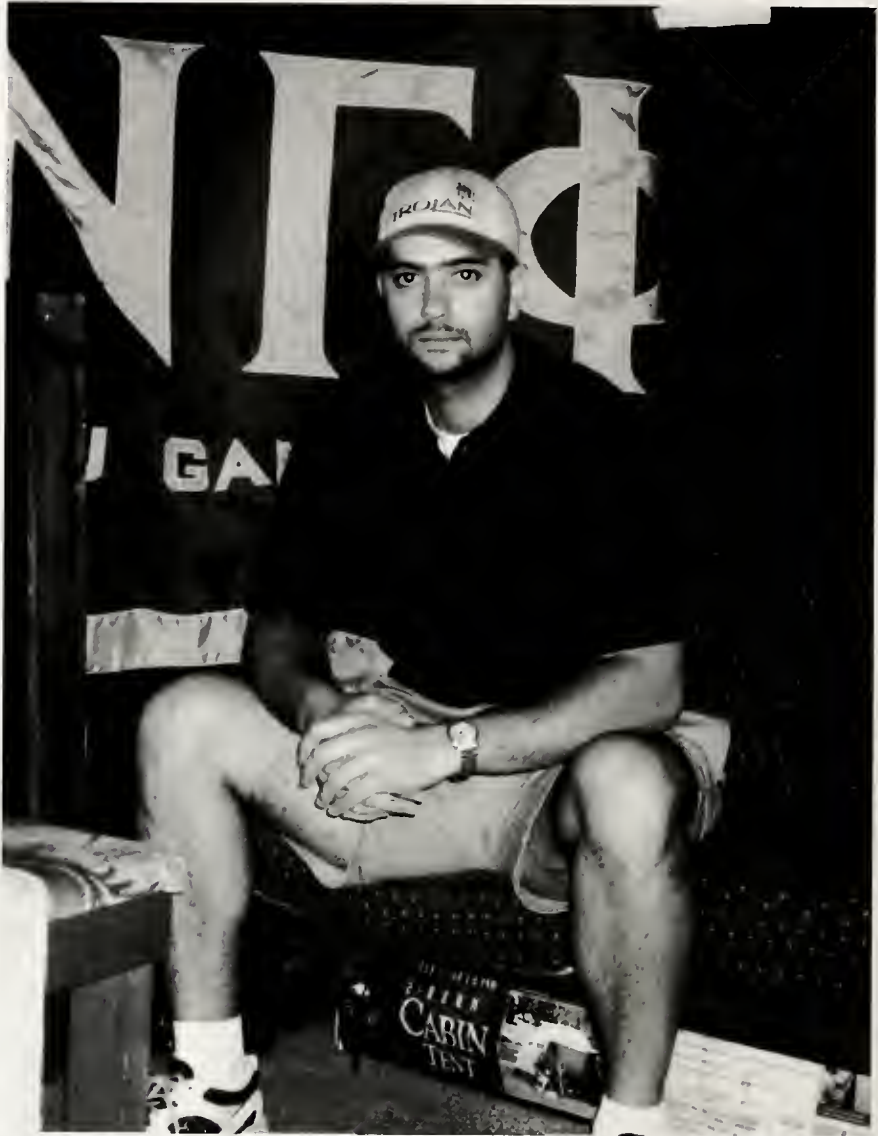
The Nu Gamma Phi Brothers: Chris Puig, Rich Capobianco, Matt Stamm, C.E. Hodges, Khaled El-Daly, and Tom Quinn hang out in the lounge during Rush Week. (Left)



NU GAMMA PHI IS NUMBER ONE !!!



C.E. Hodges and Tim Elmore announce the Homecoming King and Queen at the dance. (Above)



Senior Chris Puig poses in the New Gamma Phi Lounge.



Spring Spotlight



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1997 SPIRIT DAY



Candice Rowe and AM look as if their up to no good in front of the yearbook table. (Bellow)

Alan Garber and Lexi Barr take their shoes off to walk in the grass on Spirit Day. (Above)

Two trustees break new ground for the tennis courts beside North Hall. (Mid Right)

Four Tri Sigma sisters smile and await greeting prospectives for next year. (Right)

Gospel Choir members sing to get everyone in the spirit for a day such as this one. (Top Right)



Sigma Sigma Sigma's Tie-Dying



Four Edgecombe residents gossip and prepare for their works of art. (Right)

When the change machine is broken in Edgecombe, April washes her laundry in a bucket. . . or is she helping wash all of Edgecombe's dirty clothes? (Mid Right)



Ern Durbin displays her psychedelic masterpiece. (Mid Middle)

What is Jamie Teachey hiding in her bucket??? (Above)

Jessica Fox and Mary Kuba decide to cut their ties. (Left)



Spring Fling

Kasey, Shellia, and Jamie smile sneakily. . . Does that have anything to do with Carolina Lemonade? (Right)



Shellia Reamy and Kasey Griffin have trouble standing up and holding their weapons at the same time while they see who can "Get 'em Off." (Below)

Rich Capobianco and a young American Gladiator battle for the prize in the joust. (Mid Right)



RJ Fornaro and Mike Harmann go for the gold in the bungee-run. (Above)

Field Day



Michelle McKnight comes out victorious after a grueling match with a 6 year old! (Left)



Eeyore and Michelle announce "We are Family" as they shake their booties to the toonies. (Bellow)



Disgruntled residents of North attach Marc Gamey to the velcro wall. (Mid Left)
Shellia prepares for the fight of her life in bouncy boxing...just call her "Rocky". (Above)



Four of Wesleyan's finest try to cool off and catch some rays at Field Day. (Above)

Band Day '97



Ebonique Burden, Cindy Lopez, Sarah Mills, Kim Stancil, Candice Rowe, AM, and Dorothy Douglas see how many people they can fit on their "magic carpet." (Top Left)

DJ Gotteschall and Angela Jones bond on the couch. (Top Right)

Rich Capobianco, Buffy, and a friend get cozy and catch some rays on Band Day. (Bottom Left)

Kasey Griffin, Shellia Reamy, and Tequela Moore enjoy some good Band Day food. (Mid Right)

Marcus Ray, Cornell Davis, Shawnic Henderson, Keysha Lancaster, and their friend are all smiles, I wonder what they are trying to hide. (Bottom Right)





Jamie Teachey and Holly Huber relax and listen to the tunes as they drink their juice on Band Day (Left)

Said Karume and Bob Bowen go snidely for a refill of that good ole *Carolina Lemonade*. (Mid Left)



Tessa Dyer tries out her wave as she awaits the title of Mrs. Wesleyan 1998. (Left)



Lexi Barr, Marc Gainey, and Karen Catlett get close and have fun in the sun. (Above)
Julie Scalzo, Leigh Hill, and Leslie Kobasa are all smiles. (Left)

Band Day



Is Pat Finn teaching the dog tricks or is the dog teaching Pat? (Top Left)

Is John Carriero having similar experiences with his dog that Pat had? (Above)

Rochelle Rosen, Alan Podolinsky, and Dorrie Jones have a case of the munchies at band day. (Top Right)
Will Pizio has a family outing with his wife and dog. (Mid Right)



HD Neale tries to calm the angry masses by flashing a peace sign. "Can't we all just get along?" (Above)



Courtney Claggett has everything in life to make her happy. . . fun, sun, and pizza! (Above)

North Hall Valentine's Day Superlatives



Most flirtatious-
Rich Capobianco and Dorrie Jones (Left)



Most romantic-
Buffy Dreibelbis and Alan Garber (Right)



Cutest couple-
Kris Marsh and Art Taylor (Left)



Biggest Dog-
Carl Hoskins (Right)



Most huggable-
Buffy Dreibelbis and Chris Puig (Left)



Nicest-
Shellia Reamy and Alan Garber (Right)

The 1997 First Annual Mr. Wesleyan Contest



Drew Davis demonstrates what he can do with a hoola-hoop. (Top Left)

"Porsche! We want Porsche!!" Mike Harman gracefully disrobes before an eager audience. (Top Right)

"Here she is, Mr. Wesleyan!" Tony Morrone poses after winning the contest. (Above)



"Come to me, my sweet Helga! Come to papa!!" Clay Jackson shows the crowd everything. . .well, almost everything! (Above)



David Capobianco poses in his evening wear. (Above)

Porsche is finished playing with that sausage! (Top Left)

Jesse Boger doesn't know how or why he got into this mess. (Top Right)

It took hours of preparation to get RJ ready for the big night!" says Julie Scalzo. (Above)

Mary Lou Steed, Marcy Stover, and Winona Price lead the Pi Gamma Mu Initiation Ceremony. PGM is the largest honor society at NCWC. (Right)

John Southerland was this year's recipient of the Political Science Award. (Mid Right)

Kimberly Davis was chosen for the SNCAE-Student Education Award. (Below)



Clay Jackson was presented with the Helen Merriam Thorp Music Award. (Above)

Michael Stewart got the Mathematics Award. (Above)

Heather Sherlock took part in Cooperative Education: Alternating Experience. (Above)

1997 Honors Convocation



Kelly Wilson and Chip Sullivan both were awarded the outstanding History Major Award. Chip Sullivan also recieved the John Paul Jones History Award. (Above)
 Scott CuvIELlo recieved the Outstanding Food Service and Hotel Management Senior Award (Mid Left)
 Jennifer Neugebauer is the Chemistry Award winner. (Top Left)
 Seniors Chip Sullivan and Marcy Stover were awarded the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award and the President's Cup. (Top Right)

Brad Mitchell was awarded the Religious Studies Award. (Above)

Spring Break 1997



John Carriero and Angela Centra dive into their hotel bed. (Above)

Erin Barstow, Chris Mergner, and Pat Finn do that boat thing in Florida. (Top Left)

Pat Finn really loves Shamoo! "I went all the way to Florida to get a hug. oh, ah!" (Top Right)



The Five Amigos visit Disney World: Cliff Kobi, Mike Stewart, Chris Mergner, Pat Finn, and Bill Kowack. (Above)

LET THE GOOD TIMES ROLL



Bill Kowack, Mike Stewart, Cliff Kobi, Chris Mergner, Angela Centra, Erin Barstow, and Pat Finn chow down on ribs smothered in *phat sauce!* (Above)



Angie Centra, Pat Finn, Bill Kowack, and Cliff Kobi enjoy Florida's Sea World. (Above)

Disney World! Hey, where's Mickey? (Top Right)

If I Had My Life To Live Over...

I'd dare to make more mistakes next time. I'd relax. I would limber up. I would be sillier than I have been this trip. I would take fewer things seriously. I would be crazier. I would take more chances. I would take more trips. I would climb more mountains and swim more rivers. I would burn more gasoline. I would eat more ice cream and less beans. I would have more actual troubles and fewer imaginary ones.

You see, I'm one of those people who live sensibly and sanely; hour after hour, day after day. Oh, I've had my moments and if I had it to do over again, I'd have more of them. In fact, I'd try to have nothing else. Just moments. One after another, instead of living so many years ahead of each day. I've been one of those persons who never goes anywhere without a thermometer, a hot water bottle, a raincoat, and a parachute. If I had it to do again, I would travel lighter than I have.

If I had my life to live over, I would start barefoot earlier in the Spring and stay that way later in the Fall. I wouldn't make such good grades except by accident. I would have more dogs. I would have more sweethearts. I would have more headaches, and drink more tomato juice. I would go to more dances. I would ride more merry-go-rounds. I would pick more daisies. I would open my eyes to the life that might have passed me by.

Author Unknown



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MEN'S SOCCER

NORTH CAROLINA WESLEYAN



Rob Simon #1

Craig Anderson #2

Joey Bowman #3

Jason Pittman #4

Chris Petrini #6

Kenneth Sloane #7

Scott Kennell #8

Jason Old #9

Tommy Hernon #11

Ben Tilley #12

Ron Fullerton #13

Sean Muller #14

Paul Zuk #15

Ben Hulvey #16

Rob Kaylor #17

Damian Noto #18

Mohamed Said #21

Kevin Snyder #22

Jonathan Jordan #23

Joshua Addison #24

Head Coach: Greg Vogel

Assistant Coach: Cale Bennett

Trainer: Carol Carson

GOLF TEAM

Rich Capobianco
 Ryan Harris
 Jarrad Lange
 Cameron Dirckson
 C.E. Hodges
 Eric Nordstrom
 George Brtt
 Stan Mohn

Head Coach: Greg Vogel
 Trainer: Carol Carson



Ryan Harris
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 C.E. Hodges
 Rich Capobianco



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Stan Mohn stands with Coach Vogel at Watersedge Golf Club in a match against Ferrum College (Far Left)

Ryan Harris and Stan Mohn wait to tee off at the Christopher Newport Tour (Above)

Ryan Harris is ready to roll (Left)



Cameron Dirckson, Rich Capobianco, Jarrad Lange, Ryan Harris, Stan Mohn, and Coach Greg Vogel pose on the high links (Left)

Circling the enemy sighting a shot on the putting green at the North Green Golf Club (Above)



Women's Soccer

Senior Amy Coley runs hard for the ball.
(Top Right)



Alyssa Hurder runs the ball down the
field. (Top Left)

Freshman Missy Weitzel focuses on the
ball. (Bottom)





Sophomore Danyel Thomson gives the ball a kick. (Bottom Right)

Amy Coley fights hard to keep the ball!!! (Top Left)

Freshman Betsy Jones charges down the field. (Bottom Left)

VOLLEYBALL



Christi Maxi spikes the ball!



The ladies of the volleyball team strike a pose. (Above)



The team pays attention as Coach Lubbers gives some advice. (Mid Right)

Teaqla Moore, Michon Lubbers, Toni Ninni, Christi Maxi, Jennifer England, Renee Walcott, Christina Burch, Shawnie Henderson, Carissa Alderman, Kasey Griffin, Vivian Vega, and Chesna Selway make up NCWC's Volleyball Team. (Bottom Right)



Sophomore Toni Ninni serves to the opposition. (Above)





The 1996-1997 NC Wesleyan Lacrosse Team. (Left)

Amy Brayton, Steve Nunes, and Randy Fletchall wait for prospective players at Get On Board Day. (Mid Left)

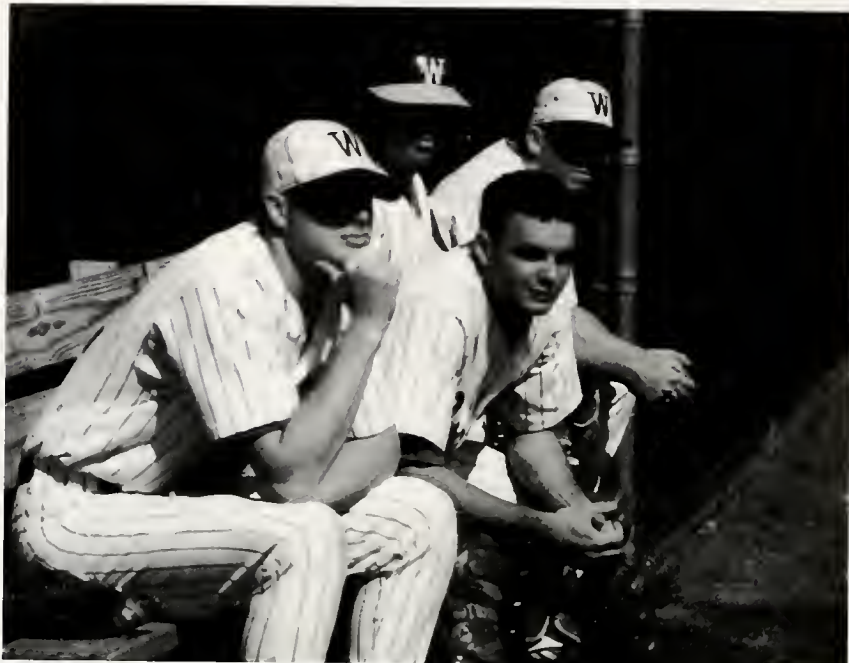
HD Neale was this year's Most Valuable Player. (Below)

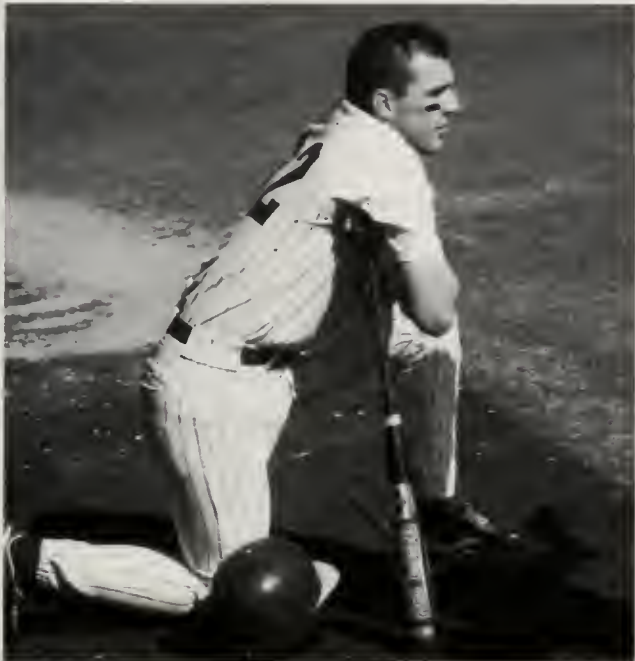


Alan "Beaver" Davis and Ryan Smith compare to see who is better equipped. For Lacrosse, of course! (Left)

Britton Sukys, Fred Pfeil, Randy Fletchall decide after practice, "It's time for a shower!!" (Above)

BASEBALL





| | | | |
|-----|-------------------|-----------|-----------------|
| 1 | Jeremy Stewart | Sophomore | C / 3B / P |
| 2 | Jamie Whiting | Junior | 2B |
| 4 | Andy Jones | Sophomore | OF / 3B |
| 5 | Barry Blake | Freshman | SS |
| 6 | Matt Hollern | Junior | 3B |
| 7 | Darryl Drenth | Senior | OF |
| 8 | David Peacock | Senior | P |
| 10 | Charlie Long | 6th Year | Assistant Coach |
| 11 | Chris Scuffham | Sophomore | 2B / SS |
| 12 | Heath Terry | Freshman | P |
| 13 | Scott Robeson | Sophomore | OF |
| 15 | Jon Rardin | Sophomore | P |
| 16 | Chad Eaton | Senior | P |
| 17 | David Capobianco | Sophomore | 1B / OF |
| 18 | Matt McCay | Freshman | OF / C |
| 19 | Todd Middlekauff | Junior | OF |
| 20 | Rocky Seagroves | 2nd Year | Assistant Coach |
| 21 | Sean Fleming | Freshman | P |
| 22 | Steve Kadlick | Sophomore | C |
| 23 | Mike Abbruzzese | Sophomore | P |
| 24 | Jason Gardner | Freshman | P |
| 25 | Justin King | Freshman | OF |
| 26 | Bernie McQuarrie | Freshman | C |
| 27 | Ron Romano | Sophomore | OF |
| 28 | Jason Sigley | Freshman | P |
| 29 | Ed Kovac | Freshman | 1B |
| 30 | Mike Fox | 14th Year | Head Coach |
| 31 | Scott Tharrington | Senior | P |
| 32 | Scott Forbes | Senior | C / 1B |
| 33 | Daniel Johnson | Sophomore | P |
| --- | Carol Carson | Faculty | Trainer |
| --- | Scott Cuviglio | Senior | PA Announcer |
| --- | Shellia Reamy | Senior | Statistician |





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| 10 | As-simi Brown | So | G |
| 12 | Jamar Jones | Jr | G |
| 20 | Ricky Hargis | Jr | G |
| 21 | Jeff Commo | So | G |
| 22 | Cortez Smith | Sr | G |
| 24 | Marcus Ray | Fr | F |
| 30 | Anthony Ervin | Fr | G |
| 31 | Bryan Earl | Fr | F |
| 32 | Thomas Snelling | So | G |
| 34 | Marquis McDougald | So | F / C |
| 40 | Chris Moody | Fr | F / C |
| 45 | Jeff Keys | Sr | C |
| --- | Elias Zarkadoulas | So | G |
| --- | Emerson West | Fr | F |
| --- | John Thompson | 2nd year | Head Coach |
| --- | Joe McDowell | 6th year | Assistant Coach |
| --- | Renny Taylor | 1st year | Assistant Coach |
| --- | Geoff Williams | 1st year | Assistant Coach |
| --- | Carol Carson | Faculty | Trainer |



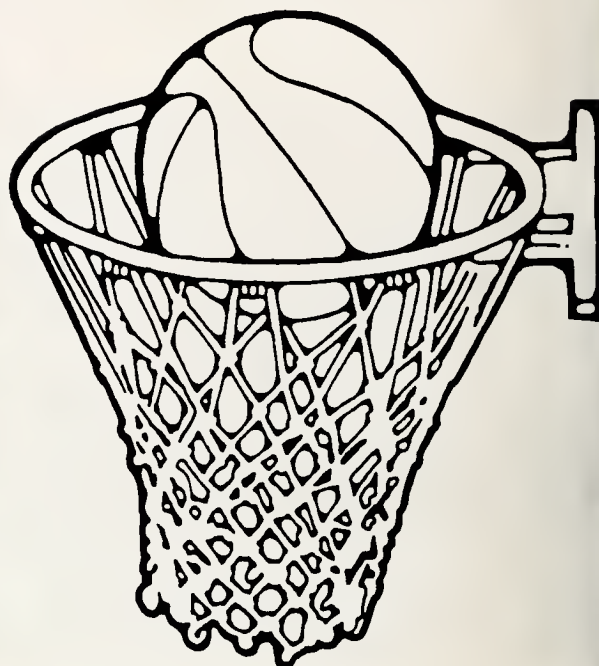
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Women's Basketball



NCWC BATTLING BISHOPS

| | | | |
|-----|-------------------|----------------------------|---|
| 22 | Angelina Collie | So | G |
| 23 | Ruth Harris | Fr | G |
| 30 | Shawnic Henderson | Fr | F |
| 33 | Jill Livezey | So | F |
| 34 | Sara Svejda | Sr | F |
| 35 | Laura Boggs | Sr | F |
| 40 | Christi Maxie | Fr | F |
| 42 | Artina Trader | So | G |
| 55 | Anika Taylor | Sr | C |
| --- | John Brackett | Head Coach (8th year) | |
| --- | Cynthia Jones | Assistant Coach (4th year) | |
| --- | Rae McClary | Manager | |
| --- | Carol Carson | Trainer | |

Softball 1996-1997



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|-----|-------------------|----------|-----------------|
| 1 | Kim Cross | So | 2B / 3B |
| 3 | Mayflower Sours | Fr | OF / C |
| 5 | Kim Wimbrow | Sr | OF |
| 7 | Laura Boggs | Sr | 1B |
| 8 | Jill Livezey | So | 3B |
| 10 | Jackie Fricke | Fr | OF |
| 11 | Kim Olsen | Sr | SS / 2B / OF |
| 12 | Kristy Coull | So | P / OF |
| 15 | Nicole Carson | Fr | P / 2B / 3B |
| 17 | Melody Bradford | Fr | C |
| 18 | Leslie Kobasa | Jr | OF |
| 19 | Amanda Passwaters | Fr | P / OF |
| 22 | Angelina Collie | So | 3B / 2B / OF |
| 23 | Sara Svejda | Sr | 2B / SS |
| 24 | Amanda Rice | Fr | OF |
| --- | John Brackett | 6th year | Head Coach |
| --- | L.B. Watson | 1st year | Assistant Coach |



I N T R A

M U R A L S





Benny Saint-Romain has done an excellent job as the Intramural-Recreational Coordinator over the past year and a half. Thanks for a job well done, Benny!

IM-REC Champions

Table Tennis

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Billiards

Men's Singles: Rich Capobianco

Women's Singles: Rae McClary

Men's Doubles: George Outlaw & Rodney White

Soccer

Men's: "Team 2 Beat"

Captain Jeff Vivenzio

Women's: Team "Lady's 1st"

Captain Ashley Allen

Co-Rec: "Team South"

Captain Jeff Vivenzio

Flag Football

Men's: Team "Untouchables"

Captain Chris Bryant

Women's: Team "Whatever"

Captain Amy Brayton

Co-Rec: Team "New Kids"

Captain Jeff Vivenzio

Softball

Men's: Team "Thanks 4 D Try"

Captain Mike Sohn

Women's: Team "Check This Out"

Captain Lee Hill

Co-Rec: Team Nu Gamma Phi

Captain Chris Puig

Volleyball

Men's: Team "Side Out"

Captain Jeff Vivenzio

Women's: Team "In Your Face"

Captain Lee Hill

Co-Rec: Team Nu Gamma Phi

Captain Chris Puig

Sand Volleyball

2 on 2 Men: Art Taylor and D.J. Gotteschall

2 on 2 Women: Caroline May and Shellia Reamy

4 on 4 Co-Rec: Jeff Vivenzio, Richard Wilson,
Mayflower Sours, Cris White

2 on 2 Blacktop Basketball

Terrell Adgers and C.E. Hodges

3 on 3 Basketball

John Goodwin, Jean Allen, Terri Cash, Steve Ewing

5 on 5 Basketball

Team South: Jeff Vivenzio, Kyle Surack,
Sean Ryan, Brandon Maser,
Rodney White, R.J. Fornaro,
Carl Hoskins, Chris Chaffnich,
Jason Woodall, Ron Fullerton

AEROBICS

Karolyn Braun, Karen Catlett, and Shellia Reamy are sweatin' to the oldies!



Karolyn Braun loves her aerobics instructor, Heather Coburn. (Top Right) Heather Coburn leads the class. (Above)



Jen Morse, Heather Coburn, and Karolyn Braun feel that burn. (Above)



FAREWELL



"Benny, before I met you, I thought I was God. Now that I have met you I know that you are the true God. Thanks for everything and good luck in everything that you do in life."

"Benny has his 'swerve' going on! Benny, you are 'the man.' Don't ever change because we love you just the way you are."

"Benny, you have touched many lives here at Wesleyan. Keep up the good work. God Bless you in whatever you do."

"Benny, don't cause any major trouble at your next job. Stay out of trouble. Love you lots!!!"

"Hey sweetheart, hate to see you go, but where ever you go... I hope you get lucky!!! Love you. Good luck in the future, and come back and see us."

"Benny is the man. He will be missed and I love him. He is the nicest RDever. I will always remember him and his jokes."

"Benny, I'll never have my cheeks squeezed quite the way you squeeze them! You always make me smile. We will all miss you!!!"

"Get you some!!! You are the best sweetheart I ever had!! Good luck in the future; you will be missed!"

"Benny, thank you for all things that you let slide. We will miss you much!!!"

benny saint romain



Farewell to Mike McAllister



Mike McAllister joined the Wesleyan faculty in 1987. He has enhanced the performing arts at Wesleyan and in the Rocky Mount community as a performer, conductor, musical director, and teacher. Mike was a member of the Tar River Orchestra and has performed at Wesleyan many times on the French horn and trumpet. The Eastern North Carolina Wind Ensemble has flourished under his leadership. As the conductor of this ensemble, he enabled students and other local musicians to perform a diverse and challenging repertoire. They have entertained us with band concerts, supported musical theater

productions, and provided musical accompaniment at College ceremonies and celebrations. Mike has also served as the musical director of many theater productions both at Wesleyan and at the Rocky Mount Playhouse. He has shared his knowledge and love of music with us in the classroom and on stage, introducing countless students and others in the Rocky Mount community to a variety of Musical styles.

Mike and his family will be moving to California. We wish him and his wife Elizabeth continuing success as they teach music and entertain new audiences. --Jay Quinan



Farewell to Leo Bishop



Leo Bishop is an example of a case where, contrary to the Euclidean axiom, the whole is greater than the sum of its parts. The parts: Family man devoted to "Bee" and their children, tennis ace, supportive colleague, superb mathematician, computer whiz, caring and competent teacher- -taken separately these are commendable attributes, but taken together they compose a really remarkable man. He held various positions, requiring diverse skills, and has served the college well in each one. Possessed of a wry wit, he is able to enliven class discussions, even as he leads students to find their way through complex problems. Many of his accomplishments have been unheralded as he has, with a ready ear and sound advice, removed obstacles from the paths of students and others.

My own years at Wesleyan were greatly enriched by my relationship with Leo. He patiently mentored my early days, rescued me when I got myself into trouble ("You didn't assign *that* thing, did you?"), and rejoiced with me in successes. Leo is one of my finest friends. I look forward to many more years of great associations with him and Anne.

- Frances Harrison

Fare thee well, Al LaRose

Al LaRose has faithfully served as Director of the NCWC Library since 1989. According to Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Farmer, Mr. LaRose has made sweeping changes that have modernized the library. Mr. LaRose himself has jokingly commented, "We moved from twenty-five behind to only five or ten years behind." However, to most, Mr. LaRose has contributed much more to NCWC than he acknowledges with this statement. During the course of his time at Wesleyan, many students have come to realize that his greatest contribution has been his devotion to helping students. When he retires after the spring 1997 semester, Mr. LaRose believes that it is the people that he will miss most.

Mr. LaRose has had a full and varied career. He worked as a language translator for the U.S. Army. After receiving his B.A. in Government and Politics in 1966 from the University of Maryland, he worked as a bibliographer for the U.S. Copyright Office. In 1969, he continued his studies at the University of Maryland earning a Masters Degree in Library Science. He has worked in various library positions at Concord University, Willenberg University, and the University of Alabama. Mr. LaRose also received a M.A. in Communications in 1983. Since coming to NCWC to head the library, he has been very active on countless committees, including the curriculum committee, and has participated in many activities, such as the

Wesleyan Singers.

After retiring from North Carolina Wesleyan College Mr. LaRose, as always, will be busy. As for what Mr. LaRose hopes to see in NCWC future, he "Would like the vision of the President and the Dean to be realized and for this to be rewarding for the faculty Wesleyan's wish for Mr. LaRose is that he will be happy at whatever he chooses to do furthermore, that he knows how important it has been to the Wesleyan community. According to Mr. LaRose, "It has been a good career. There are worse things to do than helping people to learn." Thank you Mr. LaRose for all that you have done for us.
--Marcy Stover



Farewell Dr. Johnson

After 27 years of service to the North Carolina Wesleyan College community, Dr. Allen S. Johnson, Professor of History and Geography, will be retiring at the end of the Spring 1997 semester. Dr. Johnson exemplified excellence both in and out of the classroom. His vast knowledge of history and affable accessibility earned him a great deal of respect from the student body.

Dr. Johnson received bachelor's degrees in History and English from Wake Forest University, where he graduated *summa cum laude*. He continued his study of History at Duke University, earning his master's and doctorate

degrees and being named Phi Beta Kappa.

He began teaching history at Shorter College in Georgia, where he split his time between teaching and serving as Academic Dean. Next, Dr. Johnson went to Oklahoma Baptist University, where he taught history and served in another administrative capacity, as assistant to the college's president.

To Wesleyan's good fortune, Dr. Johnson joined the faculty in 1964. An educational jack of all trades, he taught World Geography and British, Russian, and Asian history-- while contributing to the high standard

of excellence that the History Department continues to maintain.

A distinguished scholar, Dr. Johnson has been the recipient of the prestigious Fulbright Fellowship (which he used to explore India) as well as Carnegie and Malone fellowships. By all indications, Dr. Johnson will be even more active in retirement--in the last two years he has published two books, *A Prologue to Revolution: The Political Career of George Grenville* and *Tar Heel Maps: Colony and State, 1590-1995*.

But perhaps Dr. Johnson's most lasting contribution to Wesleyan

has been his work in the classroom. His knowledge of history is unexcelled; few would quarrel with the statement, "If Dr. Johnson does not know it, it has yet to be discovered." In addition to his superior command of history, Dr. Johnson genuinely cared about helping his students understand history, winning his share of history major converts in the process. Perhaps what countless students will remember the most about Dr. Johnson was that his office door was always open to students--and that he was always ready to challenge and inspire his students to realize their full potential. -Chip Sullivan



Farewell Will Pizio



Will Pizio, a native of New Paltz, New York, came to NC in the spring of 1995 with his wife Nancy and his dog Sheba. Will left a life of policing as a NY State Trooper of six years after injuring his knee in the line of duty. He then moved south where he began a career as a justice studies professor at NCWC. His unique style of teaching has had a tremendous impact on many of his students, including myself.

I have had the privilege of learning from Will both inside as well as outside the classroom. Will also has two hobbies that many people may not know about--photography and frisbee. On Monday you may find him in the darkroom developing film or making prints, which has also become a hobby of mine. On Wednesday and Friday you can most likely find him on the field playing Ultimate Frisbee with some of his students.

Will has chosen to further his career as a professor and is returning to New York to further his education. As a student and friend who has learned from your wisdom and knowledge, I want to wish you the best in everything you do. Farewell, Will. You will definitely be missed.

Cordially yours,
Johanna Dobbs

FAREWELL



"Hey there guy! It's been real. Thanks for being so supportive and understanding. No more North Hall meetings for either of us . . . thank goodness!!! Be good and stay in touch."

"At least the dorm didn't burn down with you running the show. Maybe we will run the next RD out faster. Lots of fun and laughs . . . take care and good luck in school."

"Don't work too hard and good luck at ECU!!!"

"Take care of yourself. Keep up the good work, Marc. Good luck and Godspeed."

"Marc, good luck! We'll miss you. Thanks for every thing!!!"

"Marc, we will miss you at Alpha Phi Omega. Take care of yourself at school. We love ya!!!"

"Good luck; I wish you the best of luck in everything."

"Thanks for letting us have so much fun! We will miss you, but we wish you good luck in the world."

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"The Garden House - Portrait of Daisy Thorp" 1996 acrylic on woven paper 48" x 70": Rocky Mount artist J. Chris Wilson was featured in the Mims Gallery from October 10 until December 17. Wilson is a professor at nearby Barton College, husband of food and hotel management professor Kathy Wilson here at Wesleyan. He is a longtime friend of Daisy Thorp whose portrait is shown above.

A fund-raising campaign was staged with the help of Mrs. Erwin Wilde to raise money to purchase this important portrait which will be permanently installed in the soon to be renovated Pearsall Fine Arts Building (known to this graduating class as the SAC). It was no surprise that this campaign was such a great success, as Daisy Thorp has many friends and admirers who were proud to acknowledge her friendship and inspiration in matters of conscience and culture. For many years Daisy was a popular professor of art here and an instrumental leader in the fortunate acquisition of the Robert Lynch Collection of Outsider Art which will be featured in the Daisy Thorp Gallery in the new Pearsall Fine Arts Building. Daisy was also the recipient of the important Algeron Sydney Sullivan Award for 1996.

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Daisy just loves Wilson's portrait of her.



ART EXHIBITIONS

MIMS GALLERY at the DUNN CENTER and at the PEARSALL LIBRARY

Exhibition Curator Everett Mayo Adelman organizes art seasons that involve living artists with diverse personal backgrounds as well as a broad range of artistic styles in order to reach the greater Wesleyan community from Halifax County to the Triangle.

The Mims Gallery features contemporary art by high profile nationally-known and regional artists and young artists with emerging careers.

Because the the College has a world-class collection of contemporary folk art made by self-taught artists from the Coastal Plain from Richmond VA to Charleston, SC, not only is it part of its mission to feature that collection but it is to provide a venue for the self-taught artists living in this geographic area.



Chris Wilson talks with Cliff Sullivan at opening reception.
Daisy Thorp meets with her former students and many admirers on this occasion.
Linda Stallone, VP for Development stands before Wilson's portrait of Allan Gurganus.



Stephenson with "Wooden Bird" a featured sculpture in Wesleyan' Robert Lynch Collection and in his solo exhibition in the Pearsall Library

Quentin J. Stephenson, Naturalist and Self-Taught Artist in the Pearsall Library

February 27 Stephenson gave a gallery talk about how man should connect with nature and how he has involved himself in artistic expression. Many students and faculty attended the galley talk and were talking about Q.J.'s folk wisdom and imaginative art for weeks afterward.



Old friends. Professor Emeritus Arch Sharer talks nature with Q.J. at his "Earth Museum" in Garysburg, NC. Professor Sharer gave the public introduction of Mr. Stephenson at his exhibition



Co-authors Gregory W. Williams and Allen S. Johnson flank their editor Earlene Stewart at the book signing.



Mr. Williams always admired his history professor, Allen Johnson. One long burning dream for Williams was to do some work with Johnson collaboratively. The book was both the realization of a dream and an outstanding collaboration.

**TAR HEEL MAPS: COLONY and STATE 1590 - 1995:
THE EXHIBITION and the BOOK co-authored by
Gregory W. Williams and Allen S. Johnson**

Special thanks to alumnus Gregory Williams Esq., class of 1975, Delaware attorney and rare map collector who made a significant and valuable gift to the College in the form of a unique collection of rare antique maps of North Carolina. Special thanks too to Allen Johnson for months of careful research and writing to realize this important historical record.



Robby Lindsey, a professor of physical education, studies a 19th century map.

ASSUMING A MISUNDERSTANDING OF ANONYMITY

DRAWINGS BY NORTH CAROLINA ARTIST **ERIC LAWING**

first exhibition for the season was the serial portraits by critically acclaimed artist from Carolina Beach. Lawing's studio was wiped-out by Fran - but because he was scheduled to show here at the Mims Gallery, he had moved his work to higher ground.

**GIRLS AT WORK**

PAINTINGS AND WOODCUTS - DAWN LATANE

FEB 20 - MARCH 21

Richmond, Virginia artist, Ms. Latane came to the Mims Gallery highly recommended by other national curators. Her subjects involved feminist social questions posed as images of girls involved with tasks usually associated with men. Her gallery talk with students sparked lively discussion on social expectations within and toward one another as determined by gender and race. Such open discussion is what we hope art exhibitions can stimulate.

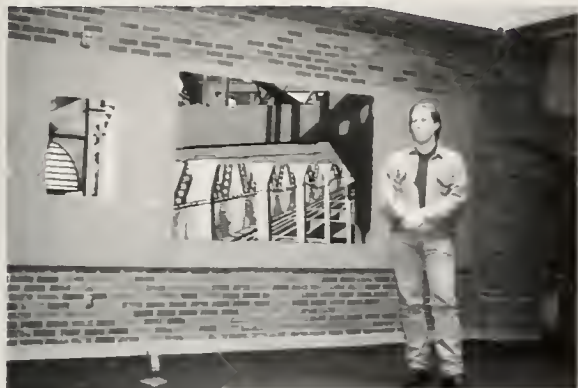
Latane's show was a success.

eye **gumbo** [(i) (gum' bo)] n 1. a photograph exhibition thickened with African culture. 2. containing extreme portraiture and photo commentary. 3. experimental narrative and surreal images with a dash of color.

ANDRE' GRAY MADE HIS DEBUT AT THE MIMS GALLERY JAN. 20

Self-Taught Raleigh photographer-artist Andre' Gray exhibited straight photography and photo-collage. Many pieces were purchased by collectors. The show was such a great success, Gray could move on to other venues, like the new Lump Gallery in Raleigh.





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drawings by William Moakler



Brooklyn artist William Moakler talked to Wesleyan students about commitment to his profession and his work as a muralist in the five boroughs of New York City. Moakler's subject matter in the drawings in his exhibition featured the man-made and industrial. His murals involve socially positive themes, such as the drug-free zone, education and community awareness.

Artist Moakler stands in front of large drawing titled "Williamsburg Bridge"

Moakler fields questions from students.

The artist engages Professor Jerry Joplin and Mrs. Terry Joplin

Students, faculty and Rocky Mount public see a variety of art in the Mims Gallery. Moakler's brand of gritty realism showed them an epic side of the big city.

Even Then You Realized You Were Destined To Succeed.



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Love, Mom and the Cats

Debra, You Did IT!



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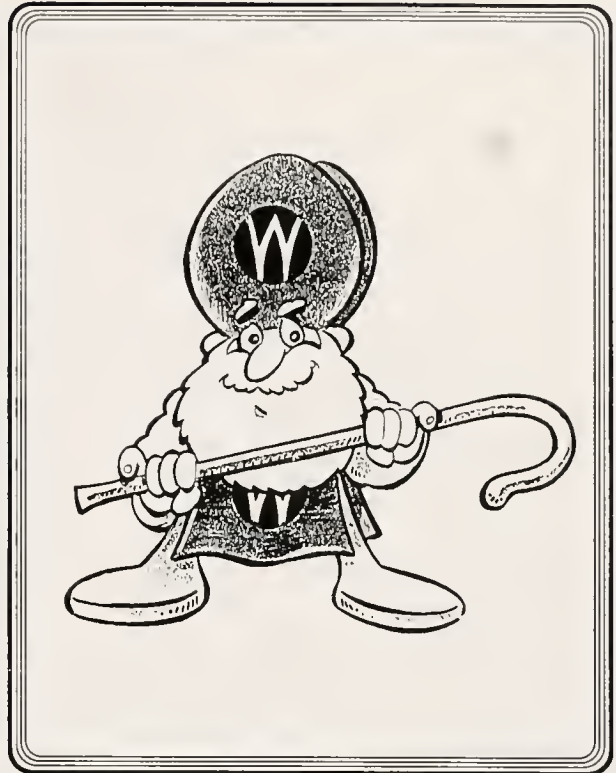
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Congratulations, Shelly!
To My Little Sissy — Michelle
the best always

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Michelle Freeman

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What a Finish!

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Can you imagine . . .

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Live Well . . .
Laugh Often . . .
Love Much . . .



Rob & Emily,

Much love, happiness & success for your futures.
Love, Mom, Dad, Matt & Andrew



Congratulations

Kenneth Alfred Mundy

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Love, Mom, Dad and Christine



We face the future fortified only with the lessons we have learned from the past. It is today that we must create the world of the future . . . In a very real sense, tomorrow is now.

Eleanor Roosevelt

Congratulations and Love
We are so proud of you!

Thomas Quinn
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Chip,
Meeting you made it all worth while!

Love,
Marcy



Marcy,
The best thing about my 4 years here
was meeting you.

Love,
Chip



Congratulations
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Love,
Terry & Kim
Nanny & GrandDaddy

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It was my goal as editor to make real the motto "North Carolina Wesleyan [Is] where the student comes first". Throughout these many pages--the title page, the quotes, the dedication, the farewells, the candid--it is evident that Wesleyan is about people, more so than the bricks and mortar of buildings old and new. These pages reflect on experiences with buddies, friends, professors, road trips, parties, graduation, breaks, etc. Memories. "Moments." It's what life is about. And as we say goodbye to friends, classmates, and mentors--we experience changes. "You learn and grow with every goodbye you learn." These memories become a part of us; they make us who we are. These people have made an impact on our lives. Some people we may never see again--miles apart, yet it takes only pictures and the right words to bring them back into our mind. ". . . Hey, who is that? . . . I remember her. She's the one that helped me change that flat tire. . . That guy is the greatest! One time he . . . There's my crew!! We used to hang out all the time!! . . . Hey look, here's Jim. I wonder how he is doing. . ."

In putting these thoughts together, I am reminded by Jean Roberts, Dissenter Editor 1970, that "It is difficult to conceive of the making of a yearbook until you get involved with one. Then you begin to realize that it is a more delicate thing than you ever imagined." At first, a yearbook seems to be just a group of names and photographs spread out over 152 pages. But it is much more than that. I quickly learned that it was the job of the Dissenter Staff to capture an entire year at Wesleyan on paper. You just can't go out any day and expect to find Michael Harmann hugging a pizza delivery guy. When you find it, however, that's real.

Marshall W. Munday

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