

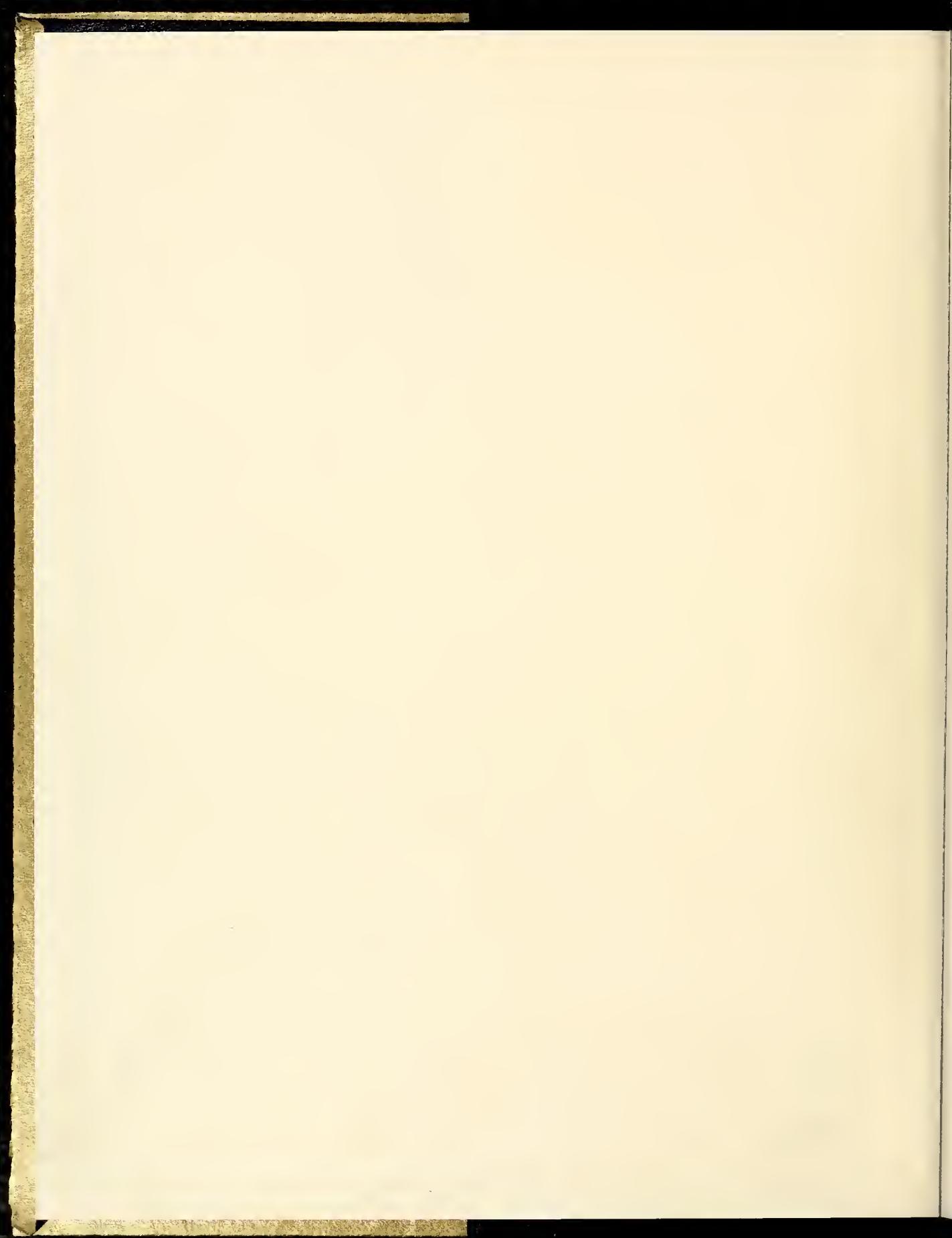
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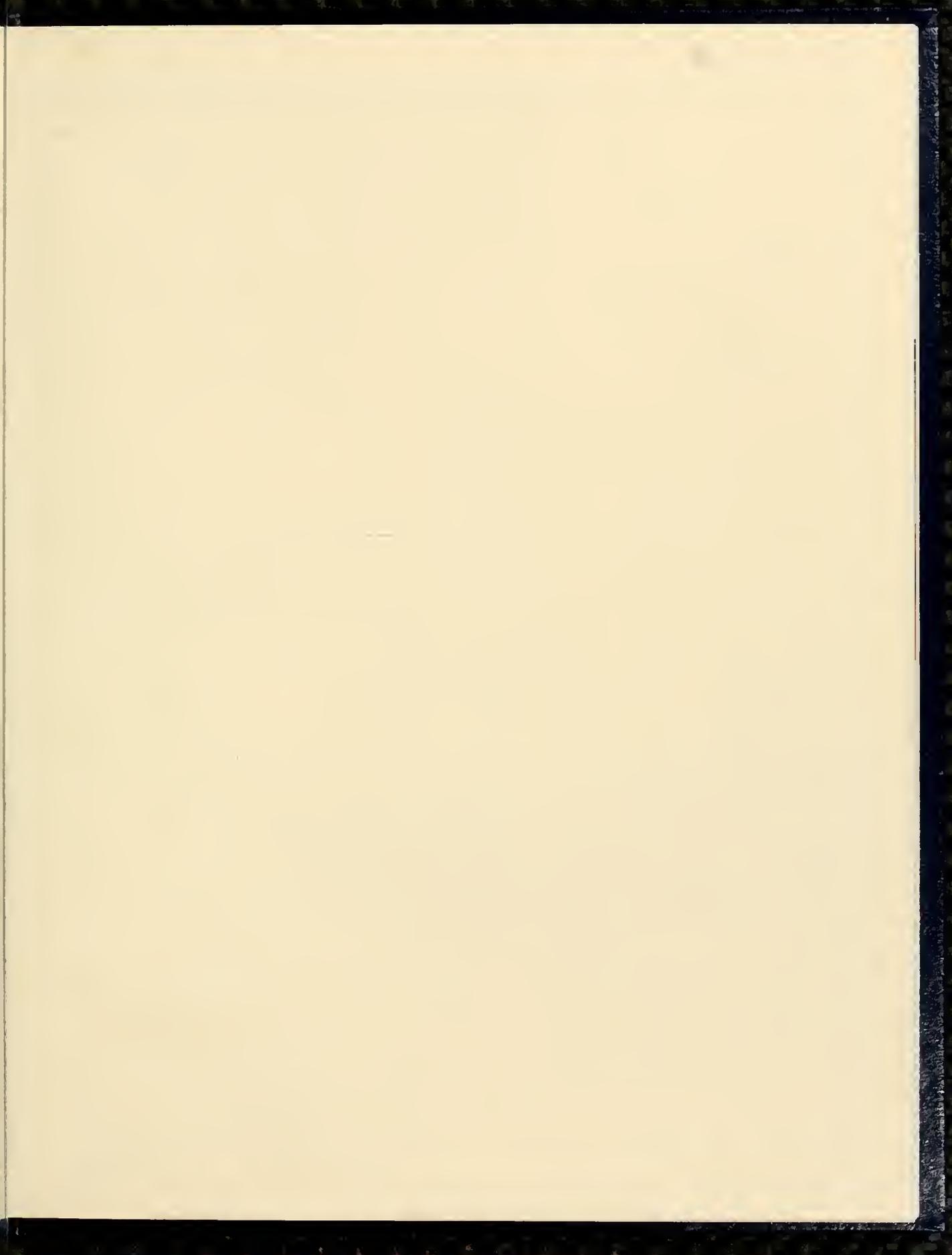
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Despite the cold temperatures this girl still shows her school spirit at the Homecoming Lion's Growl. This was a moment for students to come together and proclaim their lion pride.

Lending a helping hand and touching the heart of a Cuban youth, Adam Reed shares a good time with a new found friend. This was the opportunity of a lifetime.

From This

On Wednesday, August 26th, classes at Mars Hill College

"The first day I was here, I didn't think I would ever

promptly began at eight a.m. Clock alarms were repeatedly

learn my way around. I didn't know what anybody was

slammed off in an attempt to catch the last few minutes of sleep

talking about when they said "The Quad" or "The Loft."

that marked the official end of summer. Upper class students

Now that I've been here for a while I can't believe that I

left for class in high spirits for the long awaited reunion with

was actually scared about being able to find my way

friends, while the freshmen made the transition to college life

around or making friends. I love being at Mars Hill be-

and started their four year journey. With energy levels high,

cause it is like a family and I have the chance to be my-

each student worked diligently toward their goals

self." -freshman Linda Stanfield

starting, "From this moment..."

Moment



2 Opening



Look Out Below

Plummiting to the water below, a Grason Scholar cools off after a hot day on the scholar retreat. Scholars didn't always work on the retreat, they made sure to have some fun times as well.

Body Tater

Creating a colorful tatoo on Rachel Cordell's leg Jason Coleman enjoys some down time on the bonner retreat as Tessa Shelton looks on with laughter. Scholar retreats were held before the school year began and provided a chance for new scholars to meet one another while doing servise work.



Hey Baby

Picking her guy, Deidra Burton, participates in one of the fall mixers at the loft. Skits were an activity to have a little fun and get students acquainted with one another before the school year got underway.



Milk Shake
Taking part in the Zeta Chi Theta skit during the Lion's Growl, this pledge holds in all of the milk he can as Allen Justice pours it down. Then, after all of the ingredients are in mouths of all of the participants, they run around "mixing up" the human milk shake. Skits were an entertaining and fun part of the homecoming week activities.

Stopping to converse for a moment between the hustle and bustle of moving, Joey Trogden and Danny Fusco discuss their summer adventures. Even though everyone was in a hurry, there was still time to catch a breath of air.



Unloading bundles of clothes, Carol Lane and DeAnn Hawkins begin their journey of moving back on to campus. Upperclassmen had the benefit of knowing what to expect and were prepared for the new school year.



6 Moving In

Moving In

After much preparation, planning, and organizing, students filled cars and trucks with all necessary college survival tools and began the journey back to Mars Hill in anticipation of moving into a new place, a new room, and a new school year.

For freshmen, this was a tremendous step to give up so much in one day. However, soon, most discovered that getting along with others, especially roommates, was an everyday part of life, and with a few special touches it was possible to take pride in a room, no matter how small.

To upper classmen, coming back to school meant a better dorm room, new roommates, or even life in a campus apartment. No matter what the case, many enjoyed this time to reunite and catch-up on summer happenings. -by Allison Thomas



In an effort to settle into his new "home," P.J. Kimener begins to organize his room. For many students, this step, though a hassle, was exciting.

Carefully unloading her computer, Andrea Rockel and her mom fight the chaos on Hybrid Hill to move in. Moving into the dorms was one of the troublesome parts of college life.



Freshmen were welcomed by the Gateway staff, made up of returning students. Their job was to make adjusting to college life a little easier by helping freshmen move into dorms.

P arent's Weekend

On October 3, 1998 the Quad was filled with an array of activities as Mars Hill celebrated its annual Parent's Weekend and Lunsford Festival. Many students took the opportunity to spend time with family, taking them to meet professors, tour campus, and show off the small cubicle of space that had slowly become "home."

At the festival, some spent time admiring those belonging to the animal kingdom, and others enjoyed the taste of funnel cake while browsing the craft displays. After lunch, everyone gathered to watch the Bailey Mountain Cloggers perform with a little help from the audience. As the day drew to a close, parents began to return home, leaving with a greater understanding and appreciation for the hill we call "home." -by Allison Thomas



Besides local crafts, animals, such as llamas, were popular attractions on Parent's Weekend. These loveable llamas were a favorite among all ages.



Lunsford Festival activities get underway as craftsmen set up their booths. This gave visitors a chance to see things such as candlemaking, pottery, and native mountain instruments.

Local crafts were not the only handmade attention getters at the Lunsford Festival. Homemade baked items, such as cake and cookies, were also enjoyed.

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Parent's Weekend was the perfect opportunity to spend quality time with family. Here, sophomore, Eydie Pittman, stops to capture the moment with her parents.



A local resident stands at her craft booth during the Lunsford Festival. This was just one of the many art forms represented giving students and parents opportunity to view or even purchase local Appalachian crafts.

As anticipation builds in the crowd, students wonder just who the winner will be. Mandy Luke was crowned the 1998 Mars Hill Homecoming Queen.

Seniors Mandy Luke and Marty Gilbert



Seniors Ann-Marie Grunder and Mike Jones



Seniors Jennifer Wiggins and Adam Reed

Seniors Tara Short and Cedric Scott



Presenting the Court

Soon after the buzzer sounded announcing the beginning of halftime, the 1998 Mars Hill Homecoming Court prepared to enter the spotlight.

The homecoming court included freshmen Aarika Cupp and D. J. Jenkinson. Sophomore representatives were Selena Hileman and Jason Coleman. Junior representatives were Llanie Ranzer and Adam Nelson. Senior representatives were Tara Short, Jennifer Wiggins, Ann-Marie Grunder, Mandy Luke, Cedric Scott, Adam Reed, Mike Jones, and Marty Gilbert.

After all representatives were announced and escorted on to the field, Cedric Scott and Mandy Luke were crowned 1998 Mars Hill Homecoming King and Queen. *-by Allison Thomas*



Juniors Llanie Ranzer and Adam Nelson



Sophomores Selena Hileman and Jason Coleman



Freshmen Aarika Cupp and D.J. Jenkinson

Intense competition is found here among friends playing a game of fuseball. The loft was a popular place to hang out, play pool, and take part in other activities.



Karen helps a prospective student register for a campus visitation day. These Saturdays were exciting times for Mars Hill to show why it was so special

12 Weekends

Weekends

After five days of waking up to the sound of an alarm clock, studying, and hectic days, students looked forward to the fun and leisure of weekend activities. Life on campus provided a relaxed atmosphere with a chance to catch up on sleep and spend time with friends.

Many students participated in service projects with various organizations or helped with campus visitation days for prospective students. Others enjoyed the opportunity to relax outdoors on a beautiful afternoon for a football game.

As Monday morning once again brought hurried schedules and stress, thoughts were already turned to upcoming weekend plans for reoperation. -by Allison Thomas



Excited Lion's fans watch anxiously as Mars Hill sets out in search for victory. Crowd support was a key factor in school spirit and team encouragement.

These two guys spend their afternoon in stiff boxing competition. Activities such as this were provided to help students have fun and relieve stress.



This student takes a break in the shade. After a rough week, it was common to see students resting outside in the nice weather and a soothing atmosphere.

H

omecoming Activities

Homecoming was a large celebration where activities began bright and early Monday morning and lasted through Saturday of the big game. There were shows, contests, a dance, a parade, and the long awaited football game with the halftime crowning of the Homecoming King and Queen.

Preparations for homecoming started early in the prior month. Students worked to make posters and banners while campus organizations built floats and wrote skits in preparation for the parade and pep rally. Beginning the week with the infamous Lion's Growl, the week of activities came to a close at the Loft dance on Friday night.

On Saturday morning things got rolling with the alumni returning to see how things had changed and reunite with friends, followed by the parade.

Student participation made Homecoming '98 the best ever. *-by Jennifer*

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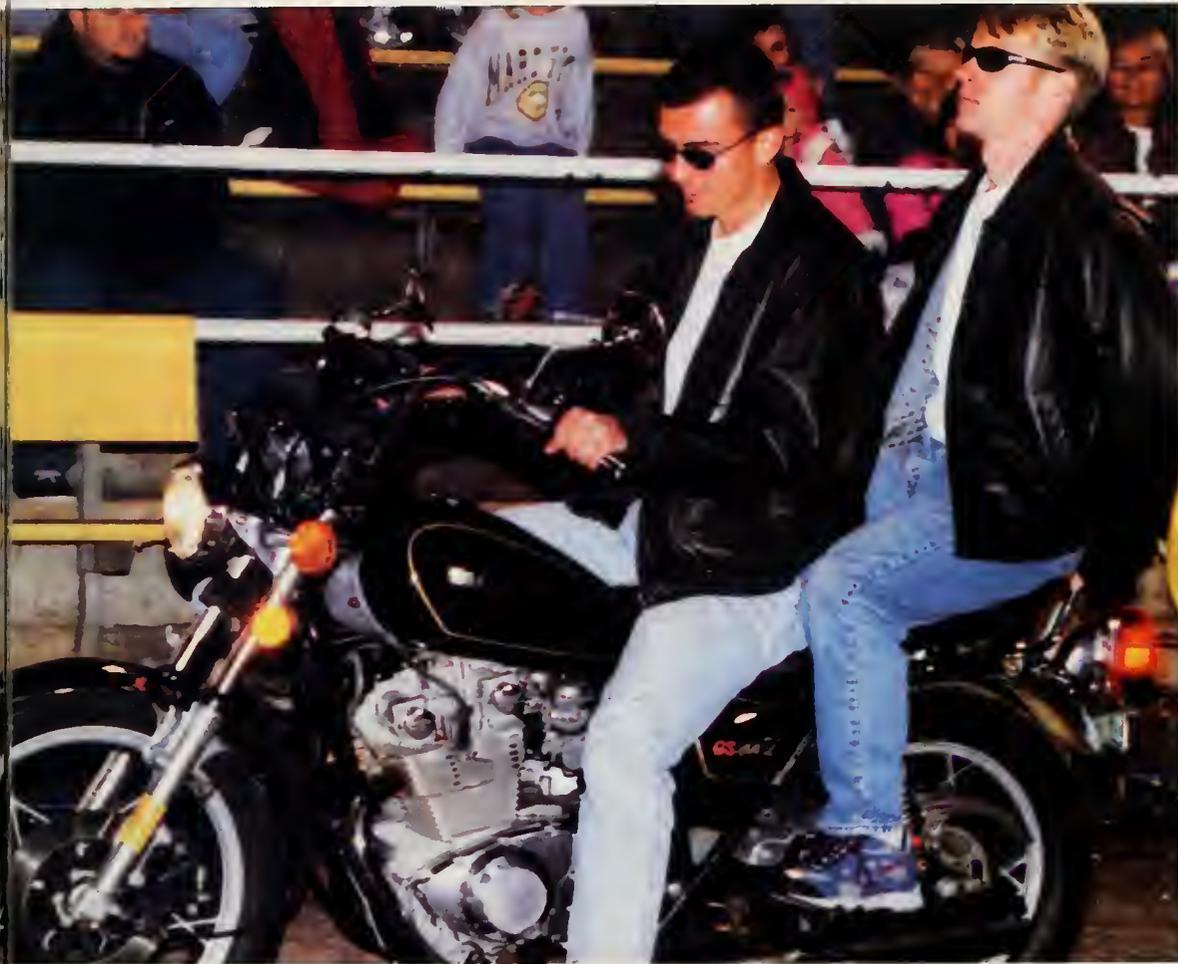
Theta Chi rides the parade route proudly exclaiming spirit. The parade allowed both school and community to get involved.



Among beautiful plants, these two students bask in the sun and spirit. Creativity was widespread in preparation for homecoming events.

Delta Zeta dances to Casey's hits. Popular oldies were used to put the crowd in touch with the homecoming theme, "A Blast From the Past."

14 Homecoming Activities



As part of Delta Kappa Theta's skit, the crowd is intrigued by the sights and sounds of "Grease Lightening." Skits were a way for groups to display their creativity.



A proud lion hands out candy along the parade route. These interesting additions made the parade fun for all ages.

With determination to make it just a few more minutes, Brian Dawson uses a few spare moments to climb on a stair machine. Many students made commitments to get in shape and spent much time exercising.



This student takes a break in the Taylor Fitness Center to play pool. Many students could be found relaxing after a long workout.

Fitness Fever

Being physically fit was important to most college students. Athletes realized the importance of staying in shape during the off season, and others knew that being fit gave them more energy and confidence.

Every day the Taylor Fitness Center was buzzing with activity, and people were frequently seen running or walking the "loop." Intramural sports teams, such as soccer and basketball, gave students a fun enjoyable way to exercise while also sharpening social skills. New courts at the Hart Tennis Center allowed students to get together for friendly matches.

Students and faculty were disappointed that problems arose with Harrell Pool that required it to remain closed for the entire year, but remained hopeful that they would be able to dive back in next year.

Whether running, lifting weights or playing a sport, Mars Hill students focused on remaining physically fit and active. *-by Jennifer Horton*



Autumn makes use of exercise equipment during her P.E. class. Physical Education classes often went to the fitness center to learn more about and make use of the exercise equipment.

The cloggers use their talent to entertain and exercise. Bailey Mountain Cloggers were dedicated to sharing their gifts with others in the clogging class, P.E. 188.



The girls soccer team enjoys a walk after practice. All over campus, students could be seen taking advantage of open space and nice weather.

Study Session

It was a necessary evil and a word that most students hated to hear-STUDY. However, studying was a part of college life. On any given night, students were clustered in the library or study lab, trying to increase their knowledge of various subjects.

Many found it helpful to get insight from fellow students, while others preferred solitary learning. Professors realized the importance of out-of-class study sessions, and many arranged for tutors several nights a week. Students found creative ways to learn with flashcards and games. The computer labs also provided effective ways to finish homework and access information.

While not all students were enthusiastic about studying, Mars Hill College kept its devotion to academic excellence, and students did their part to uphold the standards. *-by Allison Thomas*



Students spend time in the e-mail lab typing papers, communicating with friends, and gathering information off the internet. Labs were necessary to elements of research and college life.



Between classes, Jaime Davidson takes a break in the music building to read. Time between classes was important so that many students could get just a little more information before the next test.

Cousin It takes a break from a physics lab to pose for a picture. Studying required occasional breaks for fun and to keep sanity.



Shawn Pyfrom spends time in the Blue Lounge to catch up on some studying. The Blue Lounge was a very popular place for students to review before a test or even catch-up on much needed sleep.



This Gamma girl takes a break at the IXA sleepout to study. No matter what the occasion, students knew that homework was necessary for success.

Scott McGlone shows off the latest casual wear with a touch of Hawaii. Freedom of movement was an important factor in the spring style.



The whole group of models come together to give the audience a last look before the next set of clothes. An outfit for every occasion was represented.



Spring Fashion

Coming to college in the fall helped students to appreciate the true value of spring weather. When the snow was falling and the weather was a little chilly, it was nice but not as nice as warm weather and shorts.

The fashion design class had a fashion show and asked for students to volunteer their time to model the class's creativity. It was a fun time to get the newest ideas for the spring.

Students had a good time showing off their outfits while walking down the runway. It was also a good opportunity to show off in front of one's peers. *-by Jennifer Horton*



Spring dresses make the evening special. These two girls model the latest in spring dresswear.

Makeup artists get to work early in order to perfect their creations. Makeup and hair were essential to make the outfit complete.



Here is the design team of the fashion show. These students and their professor did a wonderful presentation of the spring fashions of '99.

S ervice With a Smile

The scholar retreats were a MHC tradition to introduce new scholars to other students, mentors, and faculty. They provided ways for students to embark in scholarship requirements and lend a helping hand to others. Before school convened in August, Bonner, Church Leadership, Grayson and Marshbanks-Anderson scholars set out on service journeys.

Bonner scholars spent the week at Ridge Crest Retreat Cabin. They completed a ropes course, went on an "Issues Scavenger Hunt," worked at the Manna Food Bank, and then returned to campus where they painted and repaired the outdoor basketball courts.

The Church Leadership retreat was held at the Hester Center. Their service project included working on three houses for Habitat for Humanity. On the last day of the trip they met the Grayson and Marshbanks Scholars for a rafting trip down the French Broad River.

The Grayson and Marshbanks scholars stayed at Glory Ridge and went into the neighboring community to construct walking trails and lend a hand to the Forest Service near Max Patch.

Everyone agreed that the retreats were a good way to meet other students while also providing various services to the MHC Community. -by Jennifer Hoyle



In an effort to improve the basketball courts, Bonner scholars work to finish filling in the cracks. Every improvement was a major help to faculty and students.



Working diligently to complete the task at hand, Grayson and Marshbanks scholars learn the benefits of teamwork. Though the work was tiring, scholars had a great time making a difference.

Lindsey Cope, a Bonner Scholar, paints in Stroupe Dormitory. Scholar work on campus helped to improve life for students.

Church Leadership scholars, Aarika Cupp, Jenny Norris, and Trey Baine take a breather from their work on a Habitat House. Retreats helped to form bonds between students as well as those they helped.



Aaron Hawkins climbs high to take a break. Grayson scholars had an opportunity to work with the National Forestry Service building trails.

Josh Allen and Allison Thomas cherish a moment with a resident at Madison Manor. Service gave many both inspiration and fond memories.



In full costume, Stan Dotson and wife Kim perform for students involved in the literacy project. Faculty were an active part of MHC's service learning.

Service Learning

Whether to complete required service hours, meet new faces, or just simply make a difference, Mars Hill students were found throughout the community determined to make an impact in the lives of others. Some dedicated several hours a week to tutoring and others chose to brighten up the day for residents in the local nursing home. With an enormous amount of opportunities, it was not difficult to find plenty of service needs in areas of enjoyment.

Mars Hill was made special through this emphasis and willingness of students to serve. Students were able to learn first hand experience the joys of sharing special moments with others. No matter where and when students reached out into the lives of others, it was certain that though it is better to give than to receive, there was much satisfaction and learning through service. *by- Allison Thomas*



Students give up up the comforts of their rooms for the night to Participate in IXA's sleepout for the homeless. The night raised concern for those less fortunate.

With a willingness to give, Jennifer Horton tutors fourth grader, Seth Roberts. All over campus students could be found inspiring others.



After days of service, scholars gather to discuss their adventures. Scholars were found all throughout the community in the spirit of service.

Getting down to the beat of the music, Jennifer Hoyle dances the night away at the Winter Semi-Formal. The dance was an opportunity for students to get together and have a blast before the year ended.



Mrs. Claus awaits help from the elves before giving out her Christmas goodies. Faculty members were eager to celebrate the holiday.



Happy Holidays

With so many obligations as a student it became easy to lose track of time during the semester. Classes, papers, and meetings became so blurred that some mornings it was hard to remember what day of the week it was after waking up. Suddenly, it seemed that Christmas was approaching faster than ever before.

As lighted trees and festive decorations began to appear on campus, plans were made for the Winter Semi-Formal.

To help students get into the Christmas spirit, CSM planned a Christmas banquet. The evening began by the faculty and staff serving up a home cooked meal while special music was performed by the Show Stoppers. Then students proceeded to Wren Student Union for the annual Christmas Party and bookstore sale.

The evening helped students find the Christmas spirit that might have otherwise been lost between studying for tests and working on projects.

-by Jennifer Horton



To add Christmas cheer, Emily Van Dyke preforms at the Christmas banquet. Students enjoyed gathering in a festive atmosphere.

Piling on the homecooked foods, students enjoy the real Christmas Dinner that faculty and staff helped prepare. There is nothing like homecooking when a student is away from home. Students made sure to go back for seconds.



As part of tradition students visit the campus book store for the Christmas sale. Students had a wonderful time searching for the perfect gifts from Mars Hill.

Let Us Worship Together

As the chimes began to ring, students could be seen filing into Broyhill Chapel at the 10 o'clock hour on Tuesday mornings.

When students came to Mars Hill, they knew that their spiritual as well as educational needs would be met. Most often it was through religious life that students retained their strongest sense of home. Every week in chapel there was something new to look forward to with the Dreams into Deeds series and other inspiring people from the area coming to speak.

Regardless of religious affiliation there was a place for everyone to worship in the manner of their choice. *-by Jennifer Horton*

"That I may dwell in the house of the Lord all the days of my life, to behold the beauty of the Lord, and to inquire in his temple" *-Psalms 27:4*



Performing for chapel James Mayo, Lindsey Cope, and Daniel Annus sing praise songs. Music in chapel was performed by different students throughout the year.



Students celebrate the birth of Jesus with a candle lighting ceremony in Moore. Special chapel programs were held in honor of many holidays.

During an outstanding performance, Ken Sucito sings praise. Tuesday morning chapel had different speakers to appeal to everyone's taste.



Shaking hands after the chapel service, Stan Dotson, Paula Demsey, and LaVerna Fountain discuss her work with the Children First Foundation. Guest speakers were a memorable part of chapel.



Carl Upchurch signs a copy of his book after speaking words of encouragement during morning chapel. The "Dreams Into Deeds" series brought many uplifting messages to Mars Hill.

Paula Dempsey receives a welcoming hug.



Instead of dancing in the streets there was singing in the streets.



30 Bus Ride

Ride for Civil Rights

During spring break many people enjoy a vacation to the warm sandy beaches, or going home to visit with family members. Well, for some students this past spring break was another learning experience. Students came together from across campus to go on a Civil Rights Bus Ride.

They journeyed all over the state learning about Civil rights issues and visiting monumental sights.

The bus trips were a great learning experience and were organized by Stan Dotson. *-by Jennifer Horton*



Students pose by the Booker T. Washington monument.

Some members of the group stop to read an inscription.



Bus Ride group '98-'99



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Study Break

Linda Stanfield studies diligently before her biology test. Studying in the Blue Lounge before class was a common scene in the Union.

This student makes an estimated guess to how high her rocket will fly. Physics gave students the opportunity to do new things with their math and science knowledge.

Leslie Peterson stirs up a special chemical mix. For some students, dealing with chemicals was the most fun of science labs.



Taking time to enjoy the bright sunshine, these two girls take some time out before their rocket launches. Rocket launches were a great time to enjoy physics with friends.



First the popcicle bridge was tested with books and a chair...



Another Day, Another

LAB

Labs were tedious, but they were also fun in their own way.

Labs were a break from the ordinary and dreaded task of taking notes. They were a teaching tool used to enforce that which was already taught and to help make difficult concepts easier to understand. Students found that through labs they could be creative and learn at the same time.

The science and math departments had the most opportunity to work in labs. The biology classes dissected a variety of spe-

cies while the chemistry classes played with dangerous chemicals. The physics classes calculated acceleration and strength. The other math classes however, had the opportunity to help one another on math packets before a lab quiz.

Labs gave students a chance to control their own learning environment instead of listening to the lectures.



...then two full bookbags were added...



...and finally the ultimate test of strength, a person's full body weight. Wow what a bridge!

This student makes use of the library research computers. Out of the classroom research was necessary for many classes.

This student uses her time at the computer to complete an overdue project.



Jason Coleman is seen downloading files. Basic computer skills were necessary for every major.



In the computer lab, one could sit down...



Another Day, Another

COMPUTER

With the ever upgrading of technology, students had to keep up with the changes.

Technology has come a long way since the turn of the century. Computers especially have become smaller and more efficient. With the wide expansion of the internet, much more information has become available with the stroke of a few keys and the click of a mouse.

Many classes required stu-

dents to use the free expanse of knowledge and investigate more for themselves into different subject areas.

From art and history research to biology notes and study guides, the internet was a valuable asset to Mars Hill's expanding technology.



...check their e-mail...



...and catch up with their friends. Having a 24 hour computer lab really helped students out.

Technology 39

This student makes use of the Taylor Fitness Center in order to keep up with his football workout requirement.

Emily VanDyke cheers for the camera during her intense workout. Students felt that exercising was also a great way to relieve stress.



The '98-'99 Sports Medicine students. These students traveled with the sports teams and helped the athletes with stretches and injuries.



Going...



Another Day, Another

EXERCISE

Physical education was a requirement. But most students took it upon themselves to exercise regularly.

Physical Education, otherwise known as P.E. in elementary school was a fun recreation. In middle school it was competitive, and in high school it was a break from academics. In college it was and still is **REQUIRED**. No matter how many times one might have thought "this is the last year," think again.

P.E. was not a subject that everyone enjoyed but all had to endure it for at least

one semester. But in that time frame some students decided they wanted to make physical education their career.

After all the hours were finished, students ended up being in better shape and became more self conscious about their daily fitness routine. After all, P.E. was a great help to loose the "Freshman 10."



...going...



...gone! These students run the mile to complete their exam for P.E.111. Staying in shape was a must for college students.

It's a bird, it's a plane, it's...a creative English project.

This student dressed as Sir Gawain to present his research entitled "The Lost Diary of Sir Gawain."



Some English classes involved time to read.



What class other than theater...



Another Day, Another

PAPER

English involved much writing. It also involved a lot of creativity.

When you think of English class, what immediately pops into your head? Is it writing long papers, spending hours researching, or reading boring novels? Well for most students English was the most fun of all.

In Mrs. Pell's English classes, she decided to be creative and help students get a feel for what they were

learning by being what they were learning. Students were required to do a research project, and in their presentation they had to dress accordingly to portray the character that they did research on.

Students learned that English was not only about grammar and punctuation, but also about having fun while learning.



...dresses in such odd...



...clothing? Why it is Mrs. Pell's English class. Some teachers had a knack for making learning creative and memorable.

This student travels to Mars Hill Elementary to volunteer her services. Envolvement with the community was important no matter what the age.

Rachel helps her tutee with her internet research.



Amanda enjoys helping Joey how to count.



Sounding out words, Angela helps her tutee learn to be a better reader...



Another Day, Another

Service

Giving freely of time and efforts was what service was all about.

Service was a large part of Mars Hill history. The college itself has always been involved in helping out people, especially those in the nearby communities. Whether it was fixing things, tutoring, or just freely giving of time, students were an active part of serving.

At Mars Hill the benefits were not money, but just the simple satisfac-

tion that something was done to be helpful. This was a philosophy that had long been forgotten at other colleges and in other homes.

Mars Hill students volunteered their time and efforts to a variety of projects but no matter what the service, students helped out when ever their studies allowed them the time.



...while in the study lounge this student learns about her tutee's Beanie Babies...



...as they read a story together. Mars Hill students enjoyed teaching, but they were taught too in a little different way.

These students collect excess twigs and branches on a playground.

This Mars Hill student helps an elementary student understand the instructions on his homework.



Jennifer Hill enjoys tutoring after her classes.



Brian Matlock prepares to plant flowers for a sidewalk boarder...



Another Day, Another

PROJECT

Service projects benefitted the community as well as students.

Sometimes weekends that were thought to be quiet and relaxing, ended up being the hardest working ones. This was due to the fact that many service projects would be worked on in the early hours of a Saturday morning.

Most scholars had a required amount of service hours that they had to complete before the end of the

year, but service was not just for scholars. Many students got involved throughout the school year fixing things or tutoring.

One weekend in '98 was dedicated to service projects. Students traveled all over the Mars Hill Community to make needed repairs and help others in any way possible.



...while this student...



...paints the inside of an elementary classroom. Volunteered time and efforts were appreciated in the community.

Snowflakes Fallin' On My Head •••••

With the first snowfall of the year, Teresa Nelson prepares to throw a chilling hello to Autumn Oliver. Snow brought much entertainment and an occasional moment of enjoyment with the cancellation of class.



Right Beside You

Every moment of college life is centered around those whom we laugh with, cry to, and share deepest thoughts, our friends. This unique setting sparks friendships that become strong enough to stand any trial. Whether to help with homework, listen, or lend a helping hand, friends provide the comfort and company in order to forget the stress of tests, papers, and long nights of studying. Away from family, these relationships provide necessary encouragement to brighten up gloomy days and dreary nights.

Students find a new sense of family in many different ways. While some gain new brothers and sisters through a sorority or fraternity, others develop bonds with a suitemate, classmate, or through taking an active part in an organization. Perhaps for some, a special bond develops with a child who learns to read or the one who sits in a wheelchair yet still shares so much wisdom. No matter the circumstances, it is these unforgettable times that make life at Mars Hill something special.





A Blast From the Past
Sigma sisters prepare to strut their stuff for the 1998 Lion's Growl. Engaging the crowd to arouse school spirit was the intent of the highly energetic evening.



Abu Bakar Liauddin Ahmed



Brian Dennis Alexander



Kristie Blewins Autrey



Brian Matthew Bailey



Michelle Christine Baker



Robin Kaye Bates



Lanese Kathleen Belschner



Deanna Marie Bentley



Jonathan Church Brandon



Vanessa Lynn Brigman



Brian Eugene Bullman



Amanda Carver



Adrian Marquel Clark



Teresa Adrianna Coleman



Kathleen James Cook



Lisa Lynne Couch

50 Seniors



Brock Phillip Bailey



Sara Lee Boucakis



Richard Michael Charlton



Jamie Wayne Davidson

Decisions

There are certain events in life when we anticipate a point in time until the moment arrives. Such is the case in the life of a senior. Though it is a title sought after for a long while, with it comes the hard work, dedication, and decisions that make the journey unique and memorable for each individual. Looking back, it seems like it was only a short time since we first visited this place, Mars Hill College. The decision for most was not an easy one, and the results will remain with us forever. Our choice to make this hill "home" for four years of our lives has profoundly affected us. We have formed unbreakable bonds, experienced incredible things, and created memories to carry with us for the rest of our lives. Most of all, we have discovered what it takes to make decisions that will make ourselves and this world a better place.

By Allison Thomas



Music

Nick Lindsey marches to the beat of his own drum during the homecoming parade. Homecoming was a special time for everyone, especially seniors and alumni.

Giving

As part of the Lunsford Festival, Nathan Ingle shares his pottery talents. Many seniors took advantage of opportunities in the community to touch the lives of others.

Concert

During a concert in the loft, Mandy Luke and Jennifer Wiggins take a break to pose. Concerts were a great way for students to come together and have a little fun.



Rachel Celeste Davis



Sarah Elizabeth Durner



Homecoming Parade

Cedric Scott and Tara Short enjoy their ride down the homecoming parade route. The parade ended at the stadium to await the big game and crowning of the homecoming king and queen.

Smiling for the crowd, Amanda Presley and Megan Sosebee ride with an organization in the parade. Many groups worked hard to create floats and banners to raise Lion Pride.



Walter Theodore Fletcher II



Lisa Haynie Godfrey

Davis - Godfrey



Rebekah Lyn Manns Deaton



Thomas Eugene Dembinsky



Belinda Jane Deyton



Nora Christine Dillman



Joseph Brandon Eller



Kimberly Ann Enger



Jennifer Kelly Evans



Sherry Edith Fender



Don Edward Franklin Jr.



Daniel Peter Jusco



Martin J. Gilbert II



Jason Charles Gilchrist



Christy Lynn Goforth



Sayme Lynn Goodyear



Melissa Dawn Green



Kelly Jennille Grooms



Ann-Marie Cretia Grunder



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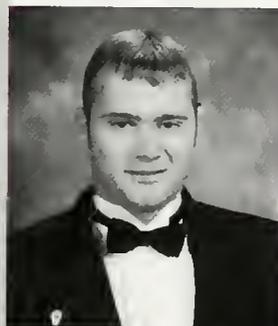
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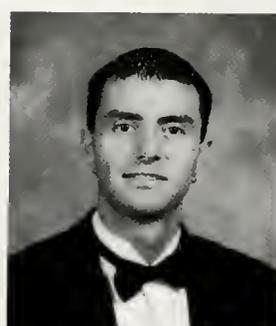
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Jesse Alan Keenan



Hugh Benjamin Keisler



Troy M. Killian



Jillian Foster Knight

54 Seniors



Sandra De Anne Hankins



Heather Lynette Hughes



Kristy Nicole Jenkins



James Marlon Knox



Spirit

As part of Delta Kappa Theta's homecoming skit, Craig Morrison dances to "Grease Lightning." The crowd cheered as sororities and fraternities roamed the football field raising school spirit.



Trial

During the mock rape trial, Cedric Scott and Mike Jones, members of the defense team discuss plans. The trial, held in the fall of the school year, raised campus awareness.

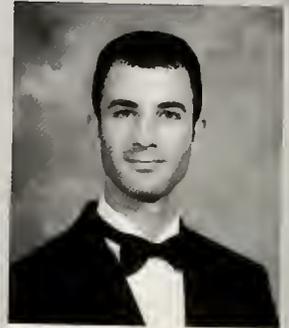
Break

Veronica Sapek takes a break from festivities in the loft as part of Gateway. The staff worked in many ways to see that freshman felt welcome upon their arrival to Mars Hill.



Missions

While on the Cuban mission trip, Brian Alexander takes a moment to get something to eat. Many Mars Hill students took mission opportunities such as this to help make the lives of others better.



David Adam Krebs



Amanda Marie Luke



Teaching Smiles

As part of his major, Danny Fusco, is in the classroom student teaching. Student teaching and internships provided students with the hands-on knowledge necessary to excel after graduation.

Ann-Marie Grunder smiles for the camera while riding as part of the homecoming court. With excitement in the air on a beautiful fall day, it was easy to find happy faces.



Lori Beth Mayo



Mandi Marie Morgan



Roger Allen Lans



Christal Elizabeth Layre



Aimee Lynn Leenhouts



Daphne Caroline Lisenbee



Paul David Mains



Kimberly Rae Mason



Cindy Charlene Maxwell



Julie Diane Beddingfield Maybin



Amanda Alison Metcalf



Jodie Lee Hickey Metcalf



Christon Marie Milligan



Jennifer Tori-Ann Mitchell



Craig Lee Morrison



Stephen Paul Myers



Jill Elizabeth Nelson



Chukara Nishinuchi



Janey Lynn Ollis



Stacie Nicole Padgett



Patience Jewel Parker



Jeremy Wayne Pearsall



Jennifer Pillsbury



Patrick Piscitelli Jr.



Mary Candace Pittillo



Jessica Lyda Powell



Amanda Michele Pressley



Kristy Leigh Pyatte



Cynthia Dawn Ray



Samuel David Reasee II



Roslyn Jay Reed



Cheryl Lee Renfro



Shauna Lyn Rhoton



Monica Susanne Rice

58 Seniors



Daniel Vaughn Ferdue



Shannon Keith Powell



Adam Christopher Reed



Allison Beth Richardson

Allison Richardson



Searching

Marty Gilbert tells the story of Little Red Riding Hood during the Lion's Growl. Even on a chilly night, the crowd was eager to cheer as groups, such as Delta Kappa Theta, performed.



Line Dance Cheering

Amanda Robinson struts her stuff to music from the past at the Lion's Growl. Organizations worked hard to prepare for their award winning performances to capture the audience's favor.

IXA's ReneeWyatt raises school spirit along the parade route with her banner. With school spirit at its highest, students were eager for the big game to start.





Trevor Pele Koss



Kari Anne Russell



Veronica Lee Sapak



Amanda Renee Sappenfield



Edith Jane Slovák



Torrey R. Smith



Megan Lee Sosebee



Johnny Eugene Spillman Jr.



Walter Grady Summerlin



Amy Marie Tipton



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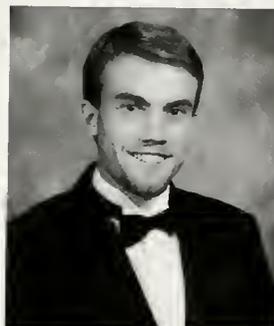
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Jason Michael Williamson



Alan Cody Wyatt



Renee Elizabeth Wyatt

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Humiko Shimokado



Tara Lynn Short



Gianni Cortese Simms



Cory McNeeloy Stanley



Amanda Christine Starcher



Carol Yvonne Suber



Hunter Lee West



Marcie Joy West



Eve Arena Wilkenstoff



Elizabeth Gail Wyman



James Bassett Yanulovich II



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Brian Bailey
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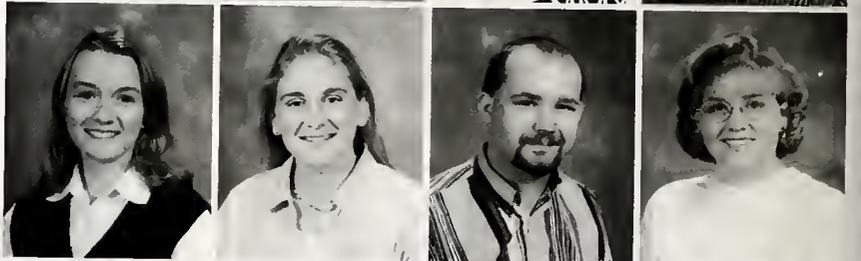
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 Mark Clifford
 Jeremy Cochran
 Cynthia Codrington



Rick Coeburn
 Heather Coker
 Phillip Cole
 Justin Combs
 Arlene Daley



Amy DeHart
 Jessica Decker
 Michael Fox
 Jolene Freeman
 Jennifer Freeze



Shina Fukui
 Christopher Fuller
 Kevin Galloway
 Moraldo Gonzales
 Misty Green





Bailey - Green

Can't Hardly Wait

The Best Is Yet to Come

By Allison Thomas

So, close. Yet, so far away. As a freshman it felt that these four years here at Mars Hill would slowly go by, but we soon discovered that our journey, like many things life has to offer, was to continue at a quick pace. So, here we are just a few credits, semesters, and months left until we will have achieved a degree, but a goal. Our days of changing majors, debating over which professors to take, and making desperate attempts deciding which classes to take have nearly come to an end. We are so near the finish line. Though leaving the familiarity of friends and special memories that we have developed and come to love here, we cannot help but to be excited as we approach the next major step in our lives. Despite the ways we have chosen to celebrate our last days here, one thing is for certain, we can't hardly wait.



Singing

As part of a concert in the loft, Nathan Caparolie sings with his band, The Deaf Hearing. Students enjoyed listening as their peers shared their gifts.

Shopping

Elizabeth Hill browses in the college bookstore. Despite the limited amount of funding college students seemed to have, there was always enough for a stop in the bookstore for needed supplies.

Margaret Harris
 Keith Hatcher
 Jennifer Hendrix
 Philip Heppding



Kelli Herndon
 Jeremy Jordan
 David Joyce
 Mayu Kikuchi



Jason Koon
 Matt Koziuk
 Amy LeQuire
 Howell Ledford



Kelly Lee
 Heather Levering
 Kelli Mathews
 Melanie Mintz



Ryan Montague
 Steve Mullis
 Teresa Nelson
 Asuka Ogawa



Petrina Paradzinski
 Dalila Perez





Mariadela Perez- Albela
Gina Pickeral
Jeremy Pressley
Kellie Ramsey



Llanie Ranzer
Tonya Roberts
Scott Rose
Carrie Sallee



Courtni Scott
Tamara Smart
Eric Smith
Shelby Sorrells



Beth Sutton
Amanda Thien
Chris Thomas
Lindsay Varnadoe



Amanda Webb
Ashlyn Whitson
Jill Wilkerson
Patricia Williams



CJ Wilson
Dave Young

Becky Allen
 Jennifer Arnette
 John Arnold
 Lana Bagwell
 Guerline Baptiste



Melissa Bartlett
 Nancy Becker
 Don Beers
 Karl Benz
 Amy Black



Tim Bridgers
 Ryan Brigman
 Brandon Bryant
 Suzanne Bullock
 Amelia Burnette



Brandi Chandler
 Jason Coleman
 Ashley Connor
 Rachel Cordell
 Sylvonne Cox



Evelyn Craig
 Erik Crouch
 Kristen Dekle
 Sheri Estep
 James Faw



Jeremy Gale
 Michael Grove
 Amber Guidotti
 Megan Hall
 Misty Hall



66 Sophomores

Somewhere

In the Middle

Almost half way there and it seems as though yesterday was freshman orientation. Finally there was the privilege to park on the Hill. There was also the decision of whether or not to move to an upperclass dorm or to be a RA in one of the freshmen dorms.

Being a sophomore was a hard task. One was considered an upperclassmen, but there were still so many classes ahead that had to be taken before one could graduate. The classification of a sophomore was that inbetween stage before being halfway home.

Looking ahead, there still seemed so much to do in the next couple of years. However, even though sophomores were still far from graduation, they were at least one step closer.



Allen - Hall



Cuba

On the Cuban mission trip Eydie Pittmann takes a break for lunch. The entire trip was an incredible experience for everyone that participated.

Testify

During the mock rape trial, Amy Black prepares to testify. The trial was an opportunity for students to participate and witness in a legal experience.

Waving

Sylvonne Cox waves to the crowd on the parade route as part of Harambee's addition on Homecoming game day. Many organizations on campus worked hard to create entries in the parade.



Celebrating Dancing

Awaiting their turn at the Lion's Growl, Gamma girls Reisha Tounzen and Becky Allen dance to the tunes of another group. Homecoming was a time for everyone to celebrate.

Jason Coleman dances as part of Delta Kappa Theta's skit, "Grease Lightening." The Lion's Growl was a "Blast from the past!"



Hanks - Reid



Reed Hanks
Mary Herbert
Selena Hilemon
Marsha Johnson
Barry Jones



Steve Kawaguchi
Shannon Kominowski
Casey Kruk
Metta Little
Christie Long



Nozomi Makiguchi
Jill Marlowe
Sandra McCracken
Candace McElreath
Anna Miller



Greg Mulhollen
Jessica Nadal
Christy Nicholson
Katherine O'Neil
Anna Odom



Tasha Painter
Amy Panikowski
Jaime Parham
Chrystal Parker
Eydie Pittman



Jennifer Pyatte
Shawn Pyfrom
Mitchell Radford
Timothy Reed
Matthew Reid

Sophomores 69

Chris Ridberg
 Alex Rodriguez
 Yiota Sakkas
 Dyana Savotti
 Katrina Silvers



Tatyana Simon
 Amy Smialowicz
 Emily Sowers
 Stephanie Sprouse
 Andrea Stafford



Amanda Stroup
 George Sweet
 Karen Tarkenton
 Whitney Taylor
 Tara Thomas



Heidi Tomberlin
 Heather Tourtellotte
 Cherie Trombley
 Clay Vassey
 Anna Wheeler



Krista Williams
 Tommy Williams
 Brittany Wilson



Lisa Wooten
 Rachel Yarbrough



70 Sophomores



Ashley-Carriss



Preparation

Before the mock rape trial, Amelia Burnette takes a moment to prepare. Students and faculty worked hard to make the trial a great learning experience.



Gamma Homeless

Suzanne Bullock IXA Member, Heather Tortellette helps collect donations at the sleepout held in the fall. Many students came out to raise homeless awareness. For everyone to show off their school spirit.



Roger Angel
 Jessica Anglin
 Daniel Annas
 Wendy Arthur
 Mandy Austin



Chad Bell
 Justin Berger
 Cody Black
 Bryan Bland
 Deirdra Burton



Megan Campbell
 Matt Cannon
 John Chastain
 Jennifer Coggins
 Kimberly Cooper



Lindsey Cope
 Jennifer Crowder
 Aarika Cupp
 Heather Cyre
 Amanda Davis



Brian Dawson
 Dawn Dextraze
 Marshay Deyton
 Shannon Diamond
 Angela Dolezal



Amanda Dukes
 Tiffany Elkins
 Allison Erickson
 Allison Fender
 Noah Fraser



We Have Only Just Begun

After so many visits, transcripts, and interviews, freshmen made the decision to continue their education at Mars Hill. Each came with individual expectations, goals, and many certain on their majors, careers, and futures.

While expectations of Mars Hill were fulfilled in this first year, expectations of themselves changed everyday. They discovered that college was more than classes and being away from home. It was a chance to find out who they really were and expectations from life.

Though goals and majors changed, it was obvious they were not the same as when they arrived for orientation. For freshmen, their discovery and experiences during their year at Mars Hill began a continuing pursuit of their dreams.



Angel - Brasor



Pirate

Riding on Gamma's homecoming float, Angela Dolezal looks into the crowd. Everyone enjoyed the floats as school spirit increased in anticipation of the game.

Snowfall

In the excitement of falling snow, Linda Stanfield and Jenny Norris take a moment to play. Snow was a time for sledding, snowball fights, and lots of fun.

Painting

On the Baptist Scholar Retreat, John Reed works on a Habitat House. All during the year students reached out to others.



Greencard OZ

After a chapel service, Daniel Annas makes sure he fills out his green card. Students worked to meet the requirement of forty events to be able to graduate.

Bryan Bland waits to astonish "Dorothy" with his amazing skills in the Delta Kappa Theta skit. The Lion's Growl was certainly a night of surprises.



Goodman - Lowe



Anna Goodman
April Greene
Melanie Greene
Jennifer Harrison
Jennifer Hashagen



Eric Henry
Monica Hickey
Jennifer Hill
Shanna Hill
Kim Hocking



Ben Hodge
John Hoilman
Kelly Holdway
Jennifer Hoots
Jennifer Horton



Terri Hough
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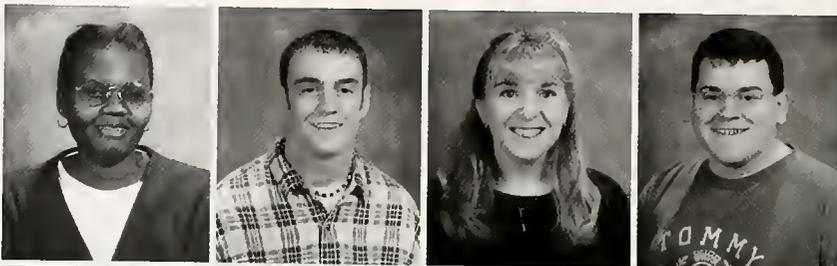


Mika Ichikawa
Jevon Jacobs
SunYoung Kim
Ellen Kobus
Wendi Langrehr



Jessica LaFevers
Brandy Leatherman
Andrew Li
Crystal Loftin
Forbes Lowe

Phoeth Makio
 Jeremy Mallow
 Missy Mathes
 Jonathan McCraw
 Tony McDuffie



Scott McGlone
 Miranda McMahan
 Stephanie Milner
 Molly Milnes
 Zachary Moss



Yuka Nadai
 Todd Neill
 Jenny Norris
 Johanna O'Briant
 Nikki O'Neal



Autumn Oliver
 Stephanie Pace
 Steven Pack
 Patrick Parkhurst
 Josh Phillips



Rebecca Phippard
 Erin Pittman
 Becca Pizzi
 Tom Polincuesz
 Ben Rasnick



Melanie Reagan
 John Reed
 Nicole Rice
 Dusty Robinson
 Julie Robinson



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Minkto - Robinson



Motown

Stripping down to Motown, Nithena Young sings with Harambee Gospel Choir at the Lion's Growl. Everyone enjoyed the variety of music and skits.



Praise

Trey Baine plays praise music for FCA. Music was a main part at worship during FCA.



Sale

Amanda Dukes and Forbes Lowe wait in line at the annual bookstore Christmas sale. Many students took advantage of this sale to buy Christmas presents.



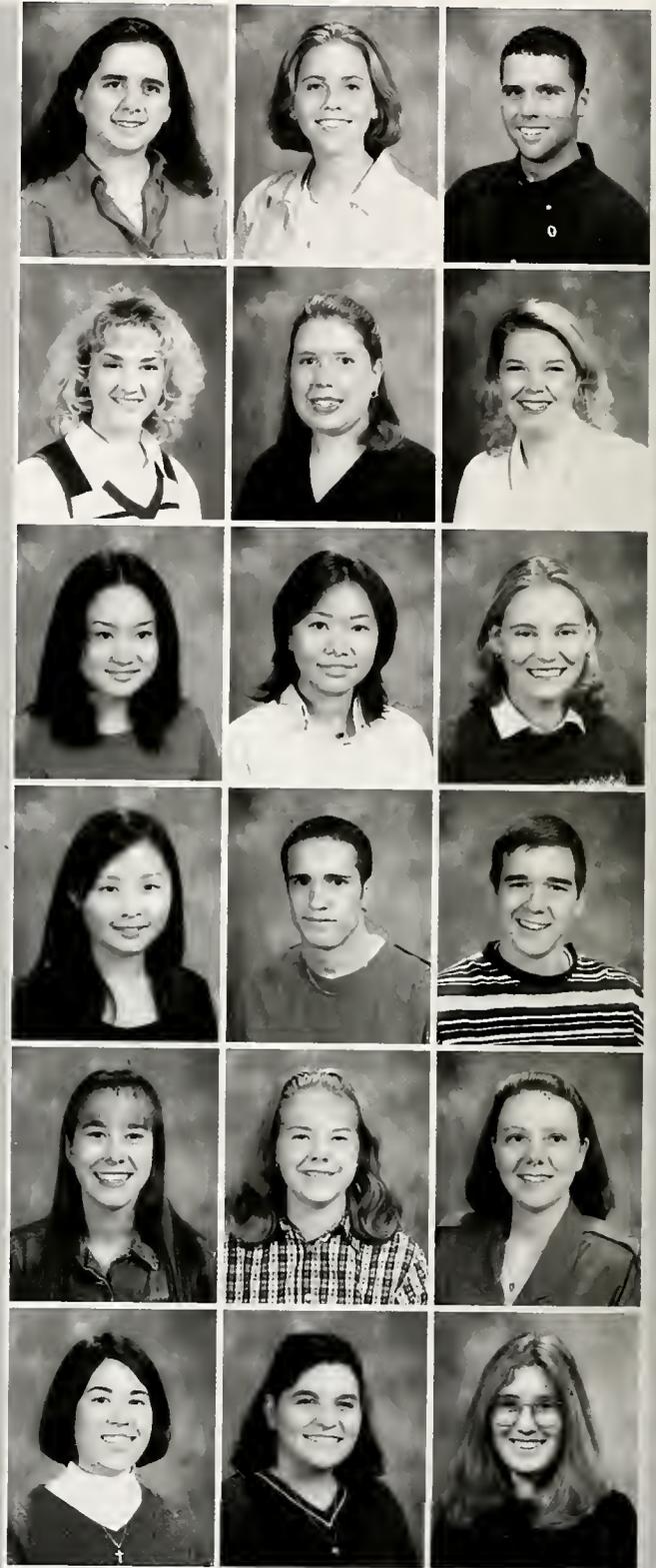
Dance

At the winter semiformal, Jenny Norris shows off her best moves. The evening was a time not only of enchantment but fun.



Exercise

Stephanie Condrey makes best use of the fitness center. A break was required for everyone sometimes, even from exercise.



Rockel - Young



Andrea Rockel
Dionne Rustin
Scott Sarrells
Jacob Slagle
Jennifer Slonecker
Jacqueline Smith
Steven Smith



Tanya Smith
Linda Stanfield
Sarah Stapleton
Shawn Stephens
Tara Stockman
Christina Stuart
Erin Style



Ayaka Takahashi
Kazumi Takeuchi
Amy Tauli
Martha Taylor
Bethany Teem
Allison Thomas
Tiffany Thomas



Akiko Tomioka
Clayton Toney
Brent Townsend
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Angela Turner
Shannon Twist
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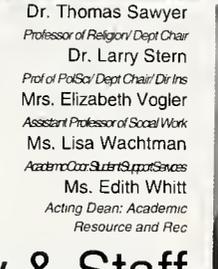
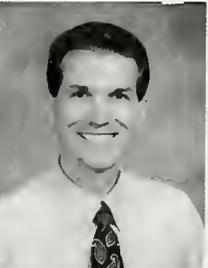


Yvonne Vaughan
Mandy Wallace
Natalie Wallace
Shawn Watson
Craig Whitehouse
Rachel Wiles
Greg Will



Carrie Williams
Shannon Williams
Lindley Williamson
Alyson Willis
Crystal Woodyard
Katy Young
Nithena Young

Dr. Bruce Branan
Assistant professor of Chemistry
 Mrs. Cathy Bridgers
Administrative Assistant/Registrar
 Mr. Weston Burgess
Counselor Student Support Services
 Mr. Joe Burney
Controller
 Mr. Dean Caldwell
Manager of Residential Living
 Miss Jan Caldwell
Sales Assistant/Cashier
 Dr. Steven Chicurel
Assoc Professor of Theater Arts
 Mrs. Ellen Coomer
Manager of Medical Services/FIN
 Mr. Michael Dehart
Manager of Publishing
 Rev. Paula Dempsey
Campus Minister
 Mr. Stanley Dotson
Acting Dean of Lifeworks/Dir of Service Learning
 Mrs. Lura Edsall
Assistant Professor of Physical Ed
 Miss Naomi Ferguson
Executive Assistant
 Ms. Nancy Fosson
Assistant Registrar
 Mrs. Cynthia Frost
Manager of Business and Social Learning
 Mr. Craig Goforth
Dean of Student Life, Dir of Police
 Mrs. Donna Green
Secretary, Wren Student Union
 Ms. Nancy Harmon
Manager of Counseling and Careers
 Ms. Becky Horner
Assistant professor
 Mrs. Nancy Hyatt
Program Asst Student Support Services
 Ms. Barbara Johnson
VP for Finance and Administration
 Dr. Dan Lunsford
Assistant Professor
 Mr. Brian Matlock
Assistant Manager of Student Activities
 Mrs. Barbara McKinney
Director Student Support Services
 Mrs. Rachel Miller
Retention Counselor
 Mr. Scott Miller
Director of Financial Aid
 Mrs. Marla Milling
Manager of Public Affairs
 Mr. Michael Owens
Controller/Occas County Track Coach
 Dr. Gordon Roberts
Associate Professor of Mathematics
 Mrs. Brenda Russell
Assistant Professor of Health & Physical Education



Dr. Thomas Sawyer
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 Dr. Larry Stern
Prof of PolSci/ Dept Chair/ Dir Ins
 Mrs. Elizabeth Vogler
Assistant Professor of Social Work
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To the Ship!

Some of the cloggers pose for a shot on one of their performing tours. The cloggers traveled to numerous places representing the college.



Where We Belong

Someone once said, "I've learned that work enjoyed is as much fun as leisure." This could be applied to the clubs and organizations on campus. Students had many from which to choose. Each expanded interests and molded ideas as students stepped out of the classroom.

Students who got involved in extracurricular activities supported worthwhile projects. Organizations provided students with opportunities to serve the community and campus.

Clubs and organizations became an important part of college life. Although they took extra time, most students found the benefits rewarding. Students experienced leadership, fellowship and expressed school spirit.



Inter Greek Council

The Inter Greek Council, known as IGC, is the governing body of the Greek organizations on campus.

The council consists of two representatives from each organization and executive council. IGC is in charge of the Greek Banquet and Open Rush. This year was the first year that freshmen were allowed to rush their first semester.





A Greek Gathering in front of the McConnel Building. The fraternities and sororities were a big part of Mars Hill College life.

Delta Kappa Theta

Delta Kappa Theta prides itself in being the biggest service oriented fraternity on campus. This fraternity has been established since March 7, 1979.

These Greeks sponsor and organize the American Red Cross Blood Drive each semester. Their purpose is to serve Mars Hill College and community while promoting fraternal activities.

Leanne McCracken, Shannon Kominowski, Tasha Painter, and Amy Smith cheeze for the camera during Spring Rush.

Brother Matt Key enjoys a snack at the annual Delta Kappa Theta blood drive.



Delta Zeta

Delta Zeta is a national Sorority on campus that was formed here on April 8, 1993. Delta Zeta helps with campus and community life.

The sorority has a large group of active sisters who work hard and have fun at the same time. They all have formed strong bonds that will last a lifetime.



Delta Zeta Sisters: **First Row:** Bethany Teem, Nichole Gilstrap, Amanda Pressley, Shannon Kominowski **Second Row:** Sarah Luke, Leanne McCracken, Jamie Howard, Jennifer Bailey, Amanda Robinson, Megan Sosebee, Emily Sowers, Jennifer Hendrix **Third Row:** Megan Rowland, Stephanie Pace, Jennifer Coggins, Mandy Luke, Monica Rice, Shelby Sorrels, Ellen Kobus, Megan Campbell, Amy Smith, Tasha Painter

Here the Delta Zeta sisters are decorating their homecoming float.





The 4th Annual Delta Kappa Theta Christmas Party: **Back:** Jeremy Gale, Chip Hood, Brian Dawson, Brad Hughes, Scott McGlone, Josh Phillips, Jason Coleman, Adam Turem, Advisor Darryl Norton, Bryan Bland, Andy Henderson, John Reed **Kneeling:** Marty Gilbert, Craig Morrison, Steve Marshall, Ryan Clerico, Erik Crouch, Jonathan Brandon, Brian Matlock



A group of the brothers celebrate the arrival of the pledge class Alpha Upsilon.

The Annual Blood Drive brings in many participants from all over MHC. Here Adam Reed helps out by waiting patiently.





Delta Phi Zeta sisters huddle for warmth. The night of the sleepout was very cold and blankets were seen all over the union.



Homecoming '98 was a joyous time for Delta Phi Zeta. Their float "Peace, Love, and Happiness in Delta Phi Zeta" won second place overall and first place out of the greek floats.



Gamma '98-'99: **First Row:** Carrie Williams, Angela Dolezal, Heather Coker, Rachel Wiles, Kelly Evans, Teresa Nelson **Second Row:** Lana Bagwell, Amelia Burnette, Suzanne Bullock, Becky Allen, Stephanie Sprouse, Courtni Scott, Advisor Donna Green **Third Row:** Nancy Becker, Beth Wyman, Christie Long, Carrie Saller, Amanda Thien, Autumn Oliver, Tessa Shelton, Gina Pickeral.





Are you ready for some football? The ladies of Gamma burst through a banner at the beginning of their homecoming skit.

For the homecoming parade, the Gamma girls decorated their float as a pirate ship. Their theme was "We're out to hook the Hose."



Delta Phi Zeta

Delta Phi Zeta came together in sisterhood with several new sisters. They bonded over hippy style clothes at homecoming and dressing up Mary Kim Cumming for the Greek Goddess Contest.

The purpose of Delta Phi Zeta was to serve the school and community. Their colors were yellow and green.

Gamma Chi Epsilon

Gamma Prides itself in being a group of diverse individuals who came together for a common purpose. That purpose was to improve themselves and their surroundings through their activities and service projects.

In the fall, they participated in IXA's Homeless Awareness Sleepout and Madison County's Crop Walk to fight world hunger. They prepared packages for Operation Christmas Child and actively support a child in the Phillipines.

In the Spring they worked at Lake Junaluska Methodist Retreat Center to improve facilities. Their advisor is Donna Green.



These girls from Gamma strut their stuff during their skit, which included their version of the Mars Hill Football team.

Group Picture at Greek Goddess Contest: Mary Kim Cumming, Jayne Goodyear, Ericka Lunsford, Leah Bonner, Jennifer Hill, Brittney Wilkinson, Abbie O'Sullivan, Molly Milnes, Leslie Rose, Monica Hickey, Eli Head

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Iota Chi Alpha

Iota Chi Alpha, which stands for "Jesus Christ first," is a Christian sorority available to any female on campus. Their motto is "Sisters who pray together, stay together," and "Unique, yet united."

Their service projects for the past year included sponsoring the Reachout, a sleepout for students aimed at helping the homeless, volunteering at Madison Manor, hosting their annual Easter egg hunt for local children, and taking part in the leadership conference held in April.

IXA took part in Greek Sunday at Mars Hill Baptist. They received the Service award and the Outstanding Service Project Award at the Greek Banquet. The sisters have worked hard to serve the community, nation, and Lord.

Sigma Alpha Chi

Sigma Alpha Chi is a service and social sorority formed on Mars Hill's campus in 1965. The group is the oldest sorority on campus.

Even though their activities required hard work, they enabled the sisters to have fun while making a difference.

These memories and friendships will be carried throughout life.



IXA sisters at the sleepout held in the fall semester.

Anna Odom "chokes the hose", Anna Miller, on IXA's parade float.

Students and faculty came out to support IXA in their campus sleepout for the homeless.



Sigma sisters ride on their parade entry during homecoming day.





Sigma ventures away from the hill for their retreat. Active sisters were:Katie Sparrow, Jamey Cook, Rachel Cordell, Carol Layne, Angela Barkley, Danielle Shrider, Jessica Nadel, Jessica Lefevers, Wendy Arthur, Jodie Norris, Megan Hall, Kelly Towe, Leslie Boone, Nicki O'Neal, Amanda Morton, Yvonne Vaughn, and Brandy Leatherman.



Jessica Nadal and Jessica Lefevers enjoy the hayride.

Sigma goes "haywire" before their hayride with Theta Chi.





Members of Phi Tau Omega on their homecoming float, "Women's Suffrage."

Kim Cooper and Jennifer Ammons ride on their "Somewhere Over the Rainbow" float.



Phi Tau Omega members: Jennifer Pillsbury, president; Amy Tipton, vice-president; Cherie Trombley, Lora Hopkins, and Amanda Starcher. Not pictured: Crystal Maney, secretary; Petrina Paradzinski, treasurer; Patricia Williams, Tatyana Simon, and Sylvonne Cox.





A member of the theatre fraternity is decorated as part of the float.

Alpha Psi Omega prepares for their homecoming debut.



Alpha Psi Omega

Alpha Psi Omega is a national theatre honors fraternity active at Mars Hill College. The group worked to support theatre arts through their participation and appreciation.

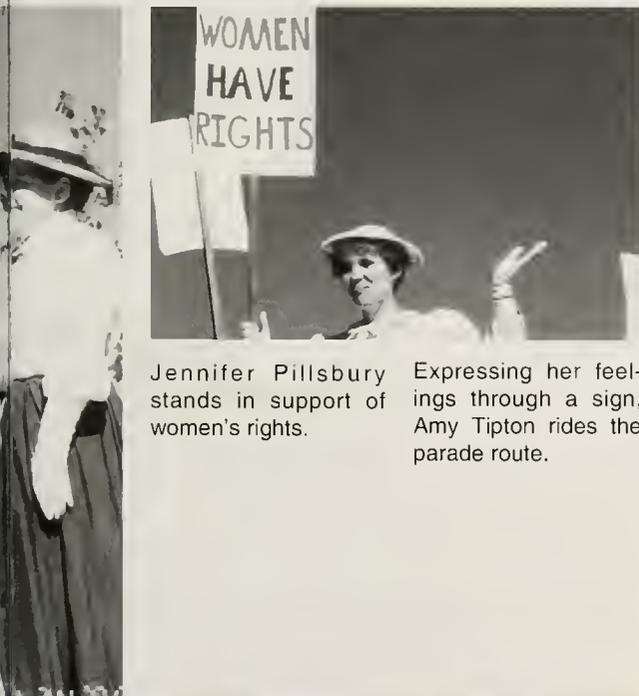
Their homecoming float, "Somewhere Over the Rainbow," added both color and character to the parade.

Members were: Jennifer Ammons, Katie O'Neil, Jackie Smith, Kimberly Cooper, Sergey Kireyev, Jay Smith, Betsy Hill, Joseph Jenkins, Jennifer Gilbert, Michelle Asselin, and Lori Jenkins.

Phi Tau Omega

Phi Tau Omega Honor Sorority is a group of empowered sisters that were committed and actively involved on the Mars Hill campus. Their purpose was to serve Mars Hill both socially and educationally.

Their Philanthropy was Helpmate of Madison County, a safehouse and agency for battered women and children.



Jennifer Pillsbury stands in support of women's rights.

Expressing her feelings through a sign, Amy Tipton rides the parade route.

Phi Mu Alpha

Phi Mu Alpha fraternity was for music majors and minors. They prided themselves in performing throughout the year.

In December they went caroling through campus dorms spreading Christmas cheer and they also did singing telegrams during the love month of February.

They had members who helped each other during recitals by volunteering to turn pages, accompany the performer, and set up the stage.

Delta Omicron

Delta Omicron, an International Music Organization, both rivaled and complemented Phi Mu Alpha. Delta Omicron also assisted members in doing recitals and helped to prepare and plan receptions following them.



Phi Mu Alpha members get their instruments ready before a concert.

These fraternity and sorority members look over some music.



Kathy Childs is caught red handed preparing to practice.





Delta Omicron '98-'99



Phi Mu Alpha '98-'99

Guys from Phi Mu Alpha socialize after a concert.



Dela Omicron 99



The horn section blasts into the crowd. Crowd involvement was an important part of the marching band's function.

While the trumpets keep the jazzy rhythm up, the rest of the band claps to the beat.



Under the warmth of the late Saturday afternoon sun, the band takes a breather after halftime.

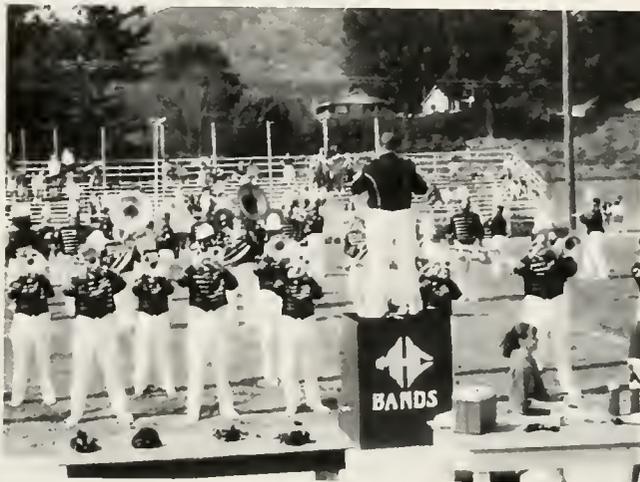


100 Band



As the telephone section of the marching band passes in the parade, the crowd cheers with enthusiasm.

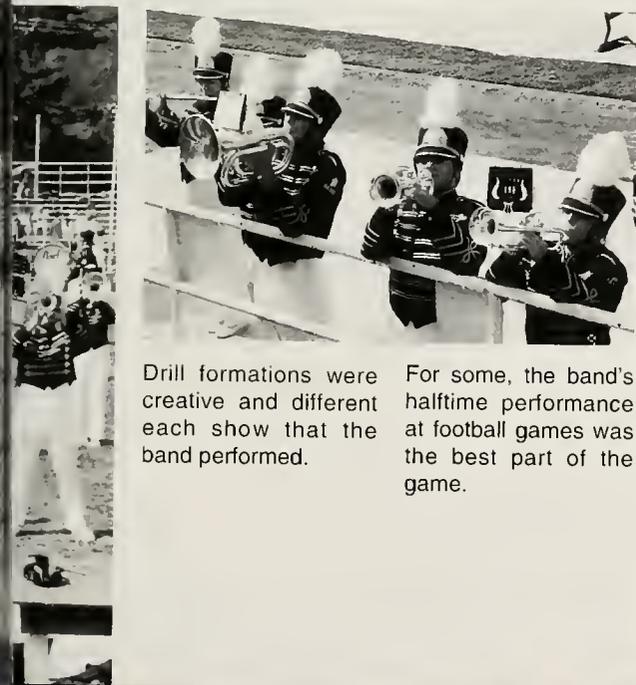
Howie Ledford, Drum Major, gives it his all in conducting the band. The band added pazzaz to a game.



Marching Band

When one thinks about the marching band, they usually think of the music and never the grueling work that went along with it. The Mars Hill Marching band, composed of mainly music majors and minors, came back to school a whole week early just to go through the torture of band camp.

Band camp is defined as many uncountable hours in the sweltering hot sun marching drills so that the halftime show would be a crowd pleaser. And that it was! The band worked extra hard and ended up with a number one crowd pleaser this year.



Drill formations were creative and different each show that the band performed.

For some, the band's halftime performance at football games was the best part of the game.

Symphonic Band

The band at Mars Hill, conducted by Mr. Danny Shmitt, was an excellent one needless to say. This year made the third consecutive year that they recorded with Warner Brothers Music. The band had many separate ensembles such as jazz band, percussion ensemble, and many more.

It was hard for some people to catch up with band students because they spent many a hour in the practice rooms in Moore. Even though it took a lot of time commitment it payed off in the end.

Although the band was music majors and minors, there was opportunity for other students who played an instrument to be a part of collegiate band. This band met once a week in the evenings and performed semi-annual concerts.



Watching the conductor, Jim keeps best with the music. Only one person off beat could mess up the whole group.

Haley is seen practicing her clarinet. As it was one said, "practice makes perfect."

Chris warms up before he plays in a chapel concert.



Kathy Childs plays a little before performing. Memorizing music was a difficult task.





A horn player keeps a carefull eye on his music as to not loose his place during the concert.



Jason Jones and a friend walk arm and arm to lunch after completing their last music exam.

The band performs in a chapel concert.





Choir Members '98-'99: **Front Row:** Andrea Rockel, Beth Honeycutt, Lindsey Cope, Jennifer Horton, Chrissy Parker, Kelly Grooms, Nithena Young, Anna Miller, Maria Adela Perez-Albela
Second Row: Andy Washburn, Josh Burns, Howie Ledford, Jason Jones, Idris Rashid, Jeremy Gale, Marty Gilbert, Kelly Holdaway, Kim Hawking
Third Row: Shay Drummond, Rachel Yarborough, Lindly Williams, Chrystal Williams, Melissa Boyd, Jennifer Freeze, Rachel Davis, Emily VanDyke, Melonie Mintz
Fourth Row: Allison Thomas, James Mayo, Daniel Annus, Patrick Parkhurst, Brian Alexander, Sergey Kireyev, John Arnold, John Reed, Scott Sprinkle



Enjoying a moment to themselves, Kim Hawking and Kelly Grooms take time to relax.

Shay Drummond and Daniel Annus warm up their voices to some old gospel hymns.





Melonie Mintz goes through and organizes her music before the concert.

Chamber Singers rehearse "O Praise the Lord" one last time before their performance.



Choir and Chamber Singers

Mars Hill's Choir and Chamber Singers continued to carry on their tradition of excellence under the direction of Dr. Joel Reed for the fourteenth year. Second semester there was a slight change when a doctoral student, Mary Jo Nash, came to conduct.

Both groups performed constantly throughout the year. Not only did they perform in many campus chapel services, but they also toured at the end of each semester.

Students wishing to joining these groups first had to audition to be a member of choir. After having been in choir, one was then eligible to be hand picked and placed into the Chamber Singers.

Members of both groups would tell you of the long hours of practice they went through to make the year a success.

The versatility and tradition of musical excellence lived on once again because of the direction of Dr. Reed and dedication of the students.



Mary Jo Nash takes her last deep breath before going out to conduct her final doctoral exam.

This was only one of the choir's many chapel concerts.



Katie as "Cinderella" is seen talking to the "Mad Hatter."

The cast of "The Robber Bridgroom" rehearses their choreography.



Four members of "The Robber Bridegroom" cast sing one of their musical numbers.





A scene from "The Robber Bridegroom" where Abigail is seen pregnant with twins.

A scene from "Sister Mary Ignatius."



Drama

This year's drama productions were fascinating and audience captivating. There was a small group of students who were active in drama because they wanted to be theater majors. However, the productions involved many more students from all majors. The musical "The Robber Bridegroom" was the first production that got underway within the first month of school.

Other performances that the theater department produced were "Medea," "Sister Mary Ignatius," and "The Actor's Nightmare."

The Children's theater performed "The Liberated Cinderella." This group had the opportunity to travel to various schools and perform for younger students.



The last scene in "Medea."



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'98-'99 Bailey Mountain
Cloggers

Square dancing played
a large part in the origi-
nation of clogging.



Precision line dances
had difficult and intri-
cate moves.





This clogger smiles in confidence after a performance well done.

The cloggers enjoyed performing at many different functions and festivals.



Clogging

Among many talented groups on campus one of the largest performing ones was the Bailey Mountain Cloggers.

The clogging team was formed through tryouts in which students were judged on their skills and their enthusiasm.

The team performed often throughout the year in the community and all over the United States.

The team was coached by Jay Ledford. However, the students basically controlled the team as they choreographed most of their own routines.



Partner dances gave clogging character and made it interesting to audiences of all ages.

The cloggers usually performed in Moore Auditorium.

110 MEDIA

If you turned your radio to 90.5 FM or picked up an issue of the Hilltop this year, you probably didn't realize what was behind them. In the case of WVMH-FM, there was "alternative radio." The DJs were all music loving volun-

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music that they enjoyed listening to. The DJs worked hard to please the student body.

Another communication medium which was dedicated to the

service of the students was the Hilltop. This newspaper was backed by a staff of dedicated individuals who were willing to give their time to something that meant a great deal to them. Each issue presented its own particular

school year saw many new additions and many new things in this year of transition. With a staff of three and some others who occasionally came and took pictures or wrote a page of copy, the book meant many late nights and

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problems. There were a lot of hassles to putting together a paper, but they did a good job and overcame the trials.

As for the '98-'99 Laurel, it came along slowly but surely. The

change in the book that had more student appeal and incorporated a vast majority of students. For next year we hope to make it even better and have some new ideas and additions as well.

DIA

Hilltop Staff: **Editors:** Casey Kruk and Kevin Brooks **Staff:** Natalie Wallace, Derick Bandy Jacob Jarvis, Metta Little, Jennifer Hoots, Rachel Cordell, Leslie Boone



Laurel Editors: **Left:**
Jennifer Horton **Right:**
Allison Thomas
(Not pictured: Jennifer
Hoyle)





FCA '98-'99

Sometimes a pizza feast was a good incentive for an evening of fellowship.



The singing of praise songs was always enjoyable.





The playing of musical instruments was entertaining and added a nice extra to praise music.

Close friendships were made.



Fellowship of Christian Athletes

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes, otherwise known as FCA was a widely known program on campus.

This organization involved students from freshmen to seniors, athletes and non-athletes. The organization met on Tuesday evenings at seven p.m. Students had the opportunity to worship together, sing praises, and discuss things that were going on in their lives.

It was a time to come together with a common love and understanding of God.

Having time to spend together was a good way to relieve academic stress.



Christian Student Movement

As a Christian college Mars Hill tried to foster an atmosphere in which students could strengthen their faith, gain experience contributing to their development of values, and have the opportunity to witness and serve.

There were numerous organizations on the campus which fit into this overall goal. CSM was the umbrella structure under which the wide variety of activities, events, and personnel could fit into the big picture.

Put outstanding personnel, facilities and programs together and one had the ingredients needed to reach the goal of creating an atmosphere conducive to spiritual growth.



These students enjoy spending time together during the week.

Say Ahh! This group likes showing off their talents to everyone.

Here the group of CSM students socialize after a Tuesday Night Live meeting.

Look at the nice spaghetti dinner still being devoured.





Here the New Beginning Singers pose for a group shot after conducting a Sunday night service downstate. Traveling to different churches was a big part of NBS service.

Ice cream socials were occasionally a good way to interest new students to come.





The International Festival allowed students to ask questions and learn more about other countries.

This student sets out photos to display her homeland.



Phobee shows off her land's native crafts to students.





The festival allowed the student body to try different worldly tastes.

International Club '98-'99



International Club

At Mars Hill College there were over 20 different countries represented from around the world.

The international students in the International Club organized the International Festival held April 13th. It combined food, music, art, and culture from all over the world.

The club also traveled to the Biltmore Estate to view the Christmas decorations in December and went on weekend hikes to the Appalachian Trail and Celo Knob.

The purpose of the club was to provide an opportunity for international students and Americans to interact and help incoming international students adjust to college. It was also a goal to increase global awareness at MHC.



Renee Wyatt enjoys the opportunity to cook an authentic food.

Crafts were a big part of the festival along with foods.



Awaiting their tour the group mingles with others. Tours were an informative part of the trip.

Here the group rests from their dilligent climbing of Mt. Siani. They enjoyed the view along with the religious meaning.



Emily VanDyke and Jennifer Wiggins read while afloat in the Dead Sea. The amount of salt in the water helped make this possible.





When traveling over seas one sometimes has to find alternate modes of transportation. These students found camels to be most efficient.

Here the group poses for a shot overlooking the Holyland. Jerusalem was one of the main attractions of the trip.



Israel

A group of twenty-one Mars Hill College students, one staff member, and three parents went with Gail and Tom Sawyer to the Holyland, Greece, and Egypt in May of 1998.

Highlights of the study tour were visits to Jerusalem, the sea of Galilee, and the Dead Sea in Israel. They traveled on land through the Sinai Desert, climbed Mt. Sinai, visited the Cairo Museum, and saw the great pyramids and the sphinx.

In Greece, they went to ancient Corinth and proceeded to Athens to visit the Acropolis and Mars Hill, for which our college is named.



Leaving the pyramids, Gail Sawyer talks with one of her students about the information they just learned about.

Here on their way to the top of Mt. Siani, Tom and Gail Sawyer break for a Kodak moment.

Beta Iota Omega

Beta Iota Omega, otherwise known as the biology club, promotes biological and environmental educational awareness among members as well as for Mars Hill College students.

The biology club has played a major and active part on campus this year. They had the carnation sale for Valentine's Day and they sponsored the Aids awareness week.

Beta Iota Omega is for biology majors and minors. In addition to education they are also a social group.



The Biology club went on a trip to to Knoxville 200, a great place for exploration.

Chrystal Loan shows off the cute catapiller that she caught. Discovery was a fun part of Biology.

Kelly Towe finishes up a design for an Aids Awareness poster.

Beta Iota Omega: Brian Bullman, Cherie Trombley, Amy Tipton, Chad Sparks, Jeremy Cochran, Amber Bramlette, Amy Panikowski, Daliah Perez.





Sylvonne Cox, Cherie Trombley, and Ryan Clerico attend a biology breakfast. Time spent together was fun.

Kristy Pyatte and Amy Panikowski inspect their findings from a lab.



Backhand

This tennis player backhands a nice serve. Patience and practice helped make every sports team better.



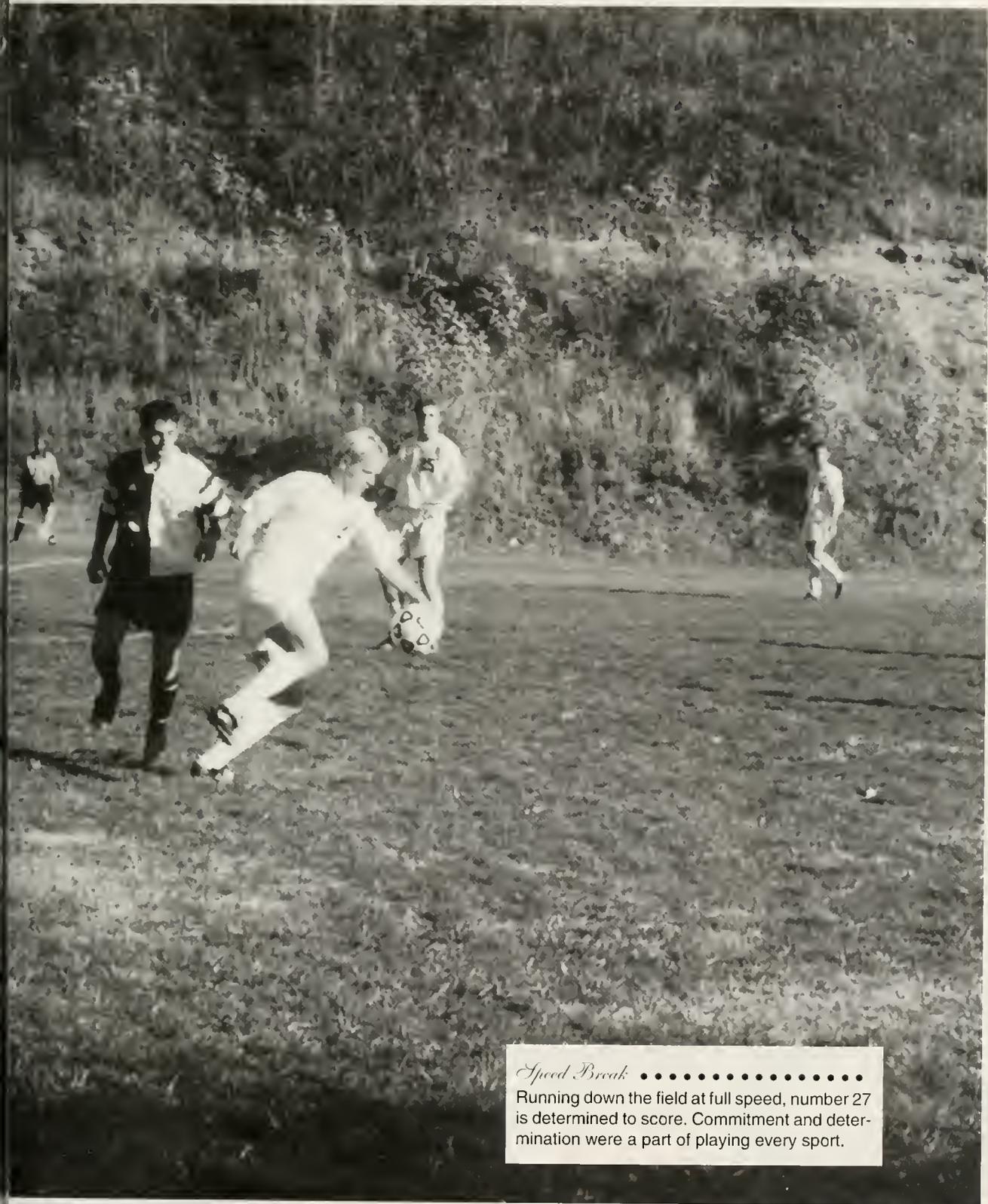
Shining Moments

From scoring touchdowns to acing a serve, athletes played against the clock as athletics played a major part in the lives of many students. Athletes maintained not only a commitment to their sport, but also to their studies.

“I think sports are like academics, they are a way to represent your alma mater; if you put a lot of time into them you will represent it well, if you put in little time you will represent it poorly.” said Jenny Norris, a freshman soccer player.

At any time an athlete could be found in training. They put forth a high level of commitment, and that brought fans who were willing to give support, no matter how much time was left on the clock.





Speed Break •••••

Running down the field at full speed, number 27 is determined to score. Commitment and determination were a part of playing every sport.

Cheerleading

Dedicated

Fan support of the various athletic teams encourages the players to succeed. Besides the local fans and the students, the band and the cheerleaders were always there to cheer on the lions.

The cheerleaders were at every game leading the crowd in cheers. The band sometimes even added a musical beat to their enthusiasm.

The cheerleaders worked extremely hard every day to increase their athletic ability for stunts by running and lifting weights. They also won various competitions for Mars Hill College.

by Jennifer
Horton

The MHC cheerleaders gave a warm welcome to the visiting team. Both teams enjoyed the break on a warm Saturday afternoon.



This year the cheerleaders were coached by Brenda McElreath. They used the time before games to warm up and prepare the cheers.

Cheerleaders for the '98-'99 season: **First Row:** Heather Coker, Tara Short **Second Row:** Shannon Diamond, Brady Chandler, Amanda Stroup **Back Row:** Candace McElreath, Rachel Wiles, Cherie Crawford, and Cosmo





Many stunts graced the sidelines of the football field and basketball court throughout the year, which are perfected after hours of practice. Heather Coker is lifted into a familiar stunt by Rachel Wiles, Amanda Stroup, and Candace McElreath.

The '98 Homecoming ceremonies saw the return of many distinguished alumni. Candace McElreath and Rachel Wiles proudly escort an alumnus onto the field.

The football cheers got the fans riled up.



Homecoming was a time for everyone to show their spirit even the lion.

Football

4th and 10

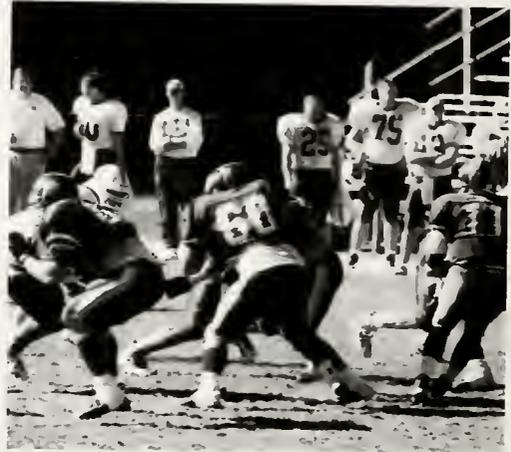
When the football season started, the football team was pumped. Although there were some unexpected losses the team never gave up and conquered Tusculum 27 to 24.

As most students' minds moved off of football and onto the next sport, the members of the football team were already looking forward to next year.

With the promise of a clean slate for next year, the Lions began practice one again to ensure victory for the new millennium. The year 2000 will be one to remember in Mars Hill football history.

*by Jennifer
Horton*

The MHC offensive line blocks the opponent as Jon Wilson (#11) looks for an open receiver. As a junior quarterback, Wilson brought experience and leadership to the team.



The Lions take extra care and precautions to warm up before each game to help prevent players from being hurt.

Senior Anthony Boyd receives instructions from assistant coach Kevin Barette before heading back onto the field. Boyd played running back during the '98 season.





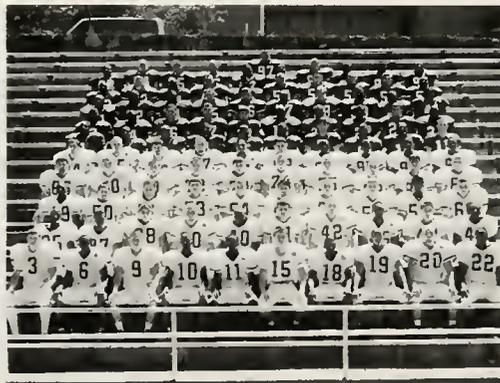
Anthony Boyd(#42) tries to dodge a defensive player on a punt return during the homecoming game.

Trevor Ross catches a perfect pass for a MHC touchdown! The senior defensive back is from Columbia, SC.

The '98-'99 Mars Hill College Football Team

Scores

MHC	OPP	
0	West Georgia	37
17	Concord	24
21	Catawba	41
14	Wingate	42
21	Newberry	34
27	Tusculum	24
14	Carson-Newman	41
7	Presbyterian	41
2	Samford	20
7	Lenoir-Rhyne	26
13	Gardner-Webb	27



Ryan Nichols, freshman, practices his kick on the sidelines. He had to be ready for his play after the next touchdown.

Lacross

A New Spirit

This '98-'99 sports season Mars Hill introduced their first Lacross team. For their first year they held a 2-4 record.

Being a mix between soccer and hockey, lacross was an interesting and active sport to watch. Lacross drew a crowd of diverse numbers and gained some die hard fans.

The team had a good year and looked forward to the next year.

by Jennifer Horton



Huddle up. Coach Sean Oakley tells the Lions his idea for the next play.



After scoring a goal for MHC P.J. Kimener (#13) and Todd Sullivan(#12) rally the crowd.



Number 14 steals the ball from a Lees-McRae player. Lee Mollman takes a quick water break.



Number 36, Greg Will, waits his turn on the sideline before a tradeout.

Chad Nash and Todd Sullivan run down the field on defense.



Scores

MHC		OPP
7	Dowling	17
16	Kean	15
5	St. Andrews	21
16	Lees-McRae	8
5	Limestone	24
14	Pfeiffer	17

Soccer

Goal!

The 1998 mens soccer team ended with a memorable record for the Mars Hill Lions. Winning against Wingate, Newberry, Presbyterian, Carson-Newman, Gardner-Webb, and Lenoir-Rhyne put the Lions on top with a season that took them to the championships.

The Lions ended their regular season 16-5-1 putting them on top as the SAC regular season champs. They ended their tournament games in a 6-1-0 record making them the tournament champs as well.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



What a block by the goalie!
Being goalie meant a lot of
responsibility.



Men's Team "98-'99

And it's up in the air!
With a swift kick the ball
was rescued from the
opponent.





A huddle up secession for a quick "good job!" by teammates.

With a killer head butt the ball was saved from the opponent and Mars Hill scored again.

Down the field he races to put the ball in the net.

Scores		
MHC		OPP
1	USC Spertenburg	21
0	Kennesaw State	8
2	Tusculum	6
3	Presbyterian	4
1	Queens	9
1	USC Aiken	9
2	W. Virgina Wesleyan	11
2	Milligan	3
2	Wingate	6
2	Carson-Newman	8
1	Gardner-Webb	5
5	Montreat	6



A nice steal by Mars Hill.

Soccer

Corner Kick

Hard work, determination, practice, and fun were a few of the components involved in shaping the women's soccer team.

Quite a few freshmen came on to the 1998 team. This was not too noticable however as the Lady lions were 5-2 in the Southern Atlantic Conference. During the season they were 9-10.

The year was a good one that created a good reputation for Mars Hill along with lasting bonds of friendship.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



McKelle Uim, butts the ball to her teammate to make the goal.



Women's Team



Here three freshmen, Angela Dolezal, Jenny Norris, and Emily Makenson journey to soccer practice. Practice was important to keep skills sharp.

Dribbling around the defense this Mars Hill girl goes in for the score.



Pushing the offensive player out of the way this Mars Hill girl recovers the ball.

With a powerful head butt this girl keeps the ball in play. Now that's using your head.



Scores

MHC	OPP	
0	East TN	3
0	UNC Asheville	7
5	McKendree	0
2	Gardner-Webb	1
2	Wingate	1
0	Lenoir-Rhyne	1
2	UN Alabama	1
1	Presbyterian	0
5	Newberry	2
5	Montreat	0
0	Francis Marion	3
2	Catawba	0
1	Carson-Newman	3
1	Barry	7
1	Rollins	5
1	Tusculum	2

Basketball

Jump Ball

The beginning of late fall marked the start of another basketball season. This season, hours upon hours were spent making the men's basketball team more than just a group of talented individuals.

The players were transformed into a single functioning unit; one which relied on the abilities of the team as a whole for stability and strength.

The team's strength came from the unity of the team who proved that there was no "I" in the word "team."

by Jennifer Horton



This player sets up for the perfect shot.



Men's Basketball team

This player keeps up with Wingate as to not allow him room to pass off the ball.





Some players were awarded for their talents on and off of the court.

Attempting to give his team the first possession of the half, number 34 takes the jump against Wingate.

A tripple team is a sure way to get the ball back.

Scores		
MHC		OPP
87	Lees-McRae	84
87	Tusculum	89
72	USC Spartanburg	66
70	Lander	79
66	Campbell	88
69	Barber-Scotta	80
78	Knoxville	62
77	Montreat	69
67	St. Andrews	64
59	Catawba	76
76	Newberry	67
81	Lenoir-Rhyne	72
114	Gardner-Webb	84
54	Carson-Newman	56
72	Presbyterian	74
65	Wingate	68



This player looks for an open teammate.

Basketball

Foul Shot

Women's basketball began with a rock start against Northern Kentucky, but the girls came fighting back. The Lady Lions held a 11-12 record for the regular season and a 4-8 record in the confrence.

They played hard and always gave it their all when they were on the court. The girls came together as a team and worked together as a single body.

With determination and concentration they came out with a promising future.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



And it's a fight for the loose ball.



Women's Basketball team

Strategy huddle. Having a plan made the game more competitive.





This Lady Lion looks intently for one of her teammates.

Number 33 scores two more for the MHC Lions.

A nice score by #51.



Number 31 puts one up for more points on the Lion scoreboard.

Scores

MHC	OPP	
67	N. Kentucky	100
56	Slippery Rock	97
86	Tusculum	73
73	Lander	72
76	Milligan	72
89	Tusculum	78
68	Converse	40
75	Francis Marion	68
88	Union	91
80	USC Spartanburg	78
64	Carson-Newman	77
54	Catawba	60
63	Presbyterian	82
69	Wingate	87
76	Newberry	64
82	Lenoir-Rhyne	75
67	Gardner-Webb	64
81	Lander	94
69	Gardner-Webb	61

Tennis

At the Net

Tennis is a sport that not only required speed and strength but also flexibility and quick thinking. Tennis was trying to be one step ahead of your opponent at all times.

When spring came it signaled the time for the tennis teams to take the court and chalk up more wins for the Lions.

Both teams had good seasons and a promising future for next year.

The tennis teams practiced diligently concentrating on specific techniques and strategies to ensure victory.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



With the quickness of a cat this player reaches the serve just in time to keep it in bounds.

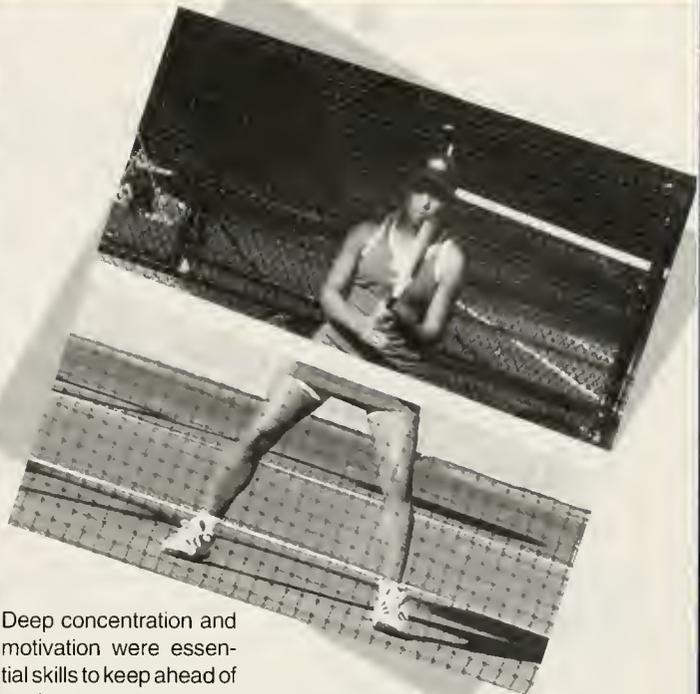
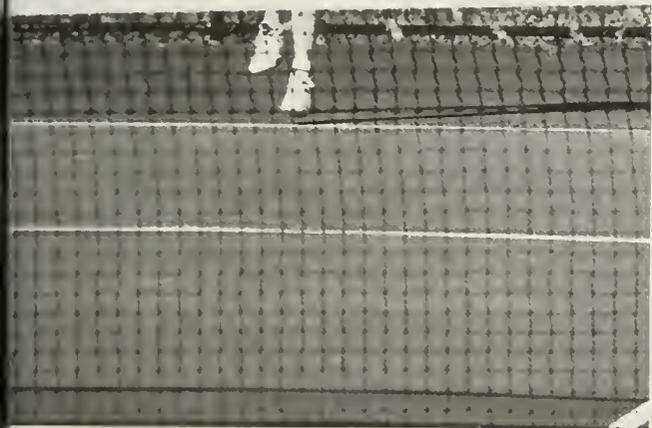


Women's Team



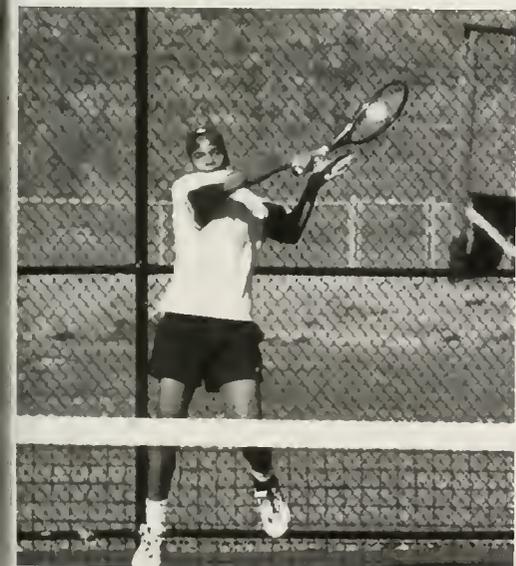
Men's Team

A nice backhand helps this player gain the winning point.



Deep concentration and motivation were essential skills to keep ahead of one's opponent.

Kelli Herndon returns the power serve. Quickness and agility were the keys to win.



Mens

MHC		OPP
2	Belmont Abby	7
6	Tusculum	3
0	UN Alabama	9
7	N. Greenville	2
7	Newberry	2
7	Lincoln Memorial	2
5	King	1
4	VA Intermont	5
0	Catawba	9
2	Gardner-Webb	7
0	Lees McRae	9
0	Carson-Newman	9
7	Clinch Valley	2

Womens

MHC		OPP
2	Belmont Abby	7
4	Tusculum	5
8	Milligan	1
9	Presbyterian	0
9	N. Greenville	0
6	Newberry	3
7	King	1
9	Johnson C. Smith	0
9	VA Intermont	0
3	Lees McRae	6
9	Montreat	0
5	Carson-Newman	4
2	Clinch Valley	7

Volleyball

Spike Down

This year's volleyball team created quite an upset with their opponents. The Lady Lions were in high hopes to beat all previous records of the past and make this year the best one yet.

The team had a 32-6 record for the regular season and a shutout 14-0 record in the South Atlantic conference. Under expert coaching, the Lady Lions volleyball team finished out on top by being the South Atlantic Conference Regular Season and Tournament Champs.

"That just shows what a lot of hard work and a little determination can do," quoted Amy Brock.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



A perfect set to #23 results in another score and another win for MHC.



Volleyball '98-'99



And the Lady Lions have done it! Winning the tournament was a real time for bonding with one's teammates.

Dive for that ball! Close saves sometimes meant the difference in winning and losing.



A spike increases the hopes of another score.

These girls take a moment to smile for the camera. Some bonds made in sports lasted a lifetime.



Scores

MHC		OPP
3	Gannon	2
3	Concord	1
2	Carson-Newman	3
2	King	3
3	Gardner-Webb	0
3	Montreat	0
3	Milligan	1
3	Lincoln Memorial	2
3	Gardner-Webb	1
3	USC Aiken	0
3	Lenoir-Rhyne	1
3	Lander	0
3	Gardner-Webb	0
3	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
1	Lees-McRae	3
3	Catawba	0
3	Wingate	0
3	Presbyterian	1
3	Newberry	0
3	W. Virginia State	0
3	Glennville State	1
3	Tusculum	0

Softball

Batter Up

Batter, batter, batter, swing! Softball season began swiftly on the 16th of February. The girls on the Lions team had a bit of a slow start. Even though they went 0-26 the team's spirits were high.

They might not have scored many runs but they did indeed score many new friendships. The team developed a closeness unlike any other. All in all, the Lions developed high perseverance and determination.

*by Jennifer
Horton*



Ball one! A good eye for the right pitch was a necessary skill to be a ball player.



Pitch one right over the plate. Every team needed a good pitcher.

Waiting until the timing is right, this lady Lion gets ready for her homerun swing.





It's a hit! With all of her might #4 barrels one to left field. A good offense was essential.

A good follow through meant a good hit.

Third baseman, Jennifer Wilson, prepares to make a play. Fielding the ball was just as important as hitting.

Scores

MHC	OPP
1	USC Spertenburg 21
0	Kennesaw State 8
2	Tusculum 6
3	Presbyterian 4
1	Queens 9
1	USC Aiken 9
2	W. Virginia Wesleyan 11
2	Milligan 3
2	Wingate 6
2	Carson-Newman 8
1	Gardner-Webb 5
5	Montreat 6



On the defense Missy Gibson positions herself at shortstop. Defense was key to keeping the other team from scoring.

Scores

MHC OPP

2	USC Spartanburg	7
1	Armstrong	5
8	Erskine	6
4	Milligan	3
3	Pfeiffer	4
7	Wingate	8
6	S. Wesleyan	1
7	King	8
5	Catawba	6
6	Kutztown	2
3	Carson-Newman	6
4	Lenoir-Rhyne	7
5	Duke	3
2	Presbyterian	11
2	Newberry	5



Baseball '98-'99

Scores

10 of 16	Lenoir-Rhyne
12 of 18	Richard Randleman
9 of 11	Catawba



GolfBaseball '98-'99



Men's Cross Country '98-'99



Women's Cross Country '98-'99

Scores

Men		Women
2 of 7	Western Carolina	2 of 7
1 of 12	Lenoir-Rhyne	1 of 12
2 of 18	Winthrop	1 of 15
1 of 16	Mars Hill	1 of 16
1 of 9	Wingate	2 of 8
14 of 24	Furman	15 of 24
2 of 2	NC State Championships	1 of 6
1 of 8	SAC Championships	1 of 8
7 of 23	NCAA DivisionII Regionals	8 of 21

Graduation



The choir waits for their cue during the introductions of the baccalaureate service.

The few days prior to graduation were a time of reflection and remembrance. Friday before graduation on Saturday May 8, 1999, the baccalaureate service was held. And there was a senior the seniors could time as a student to performances. well did a few fare-

For seniors it opportunity to be of Mars Hill Col- day was graduation and along with it came a new life: one of a graduate degree in higher education, a future of a career, and the building of a life and family for themselves. A time that could never be the same again...



later that evening concert for which listen for one last the band and choir The cloggers as well numbers. would be their last known as a student lege. For the next

The guest speaker addresses the senior class.

Craig Morrison speaks to his classmates one final time.



President Lennon introduces the guest speaker.

These two faculty members talk after the ceremony.



Dr. Leiningar is led in the processional by marshal Emily VanDyke.

Dr. Jenkins keeps the shades on for sun block.



The hour of graduation had finally arrived. With caps on and gowns neatly pressed, the moment in time was finally theirs to hold forever. Professors entered robed in black ready to watch their students walk across the stage as they once had not so very long ago.

They rejoiced with the seniors because during their time here at the Hill, they had watched them grow and become mature and knowledgeable people.

The students walked in proud of who they were and of who they had become. They now had a greater appreciation of the long hours spent to gain a greater understanding. They had learned to take things in stride.

They had packed up all of their things for the last time at Mars Hill and it was all loaded into the station wagon. But look at the room he stead he looked at all had met, the classes through, the profes- experiences that would of who he is...



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The faculty stands in respect as the graduates march in to the stadium.



Graduation

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Students stand with pure excitement as they wait to receive their diplomas.

...The seniors had been so anxious to graduate, to finally be through with everything that college had "to offer." It was time to stop studying for tests. The time was now for part of life and the future. For been nothing but a final day would be tired of the all-studying, the bus-companies every even a little tired of their friend's idiosyncracies. It was time to move on.



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The seniors held their heads high as they walked across stage for they knew that college would always be with them in their head and in their heart, as they stood with classmates for one final day, they knew that they had experienced everything that college had to offer them. The people the academics, and the feelings that would burn within them from that moment on. -Jennifer Horton



One last look to Mom and Dad before the graduation starts.

Here they come marching in for the last time at Mars Hill College.



The class stands together before switching their tassels.



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