



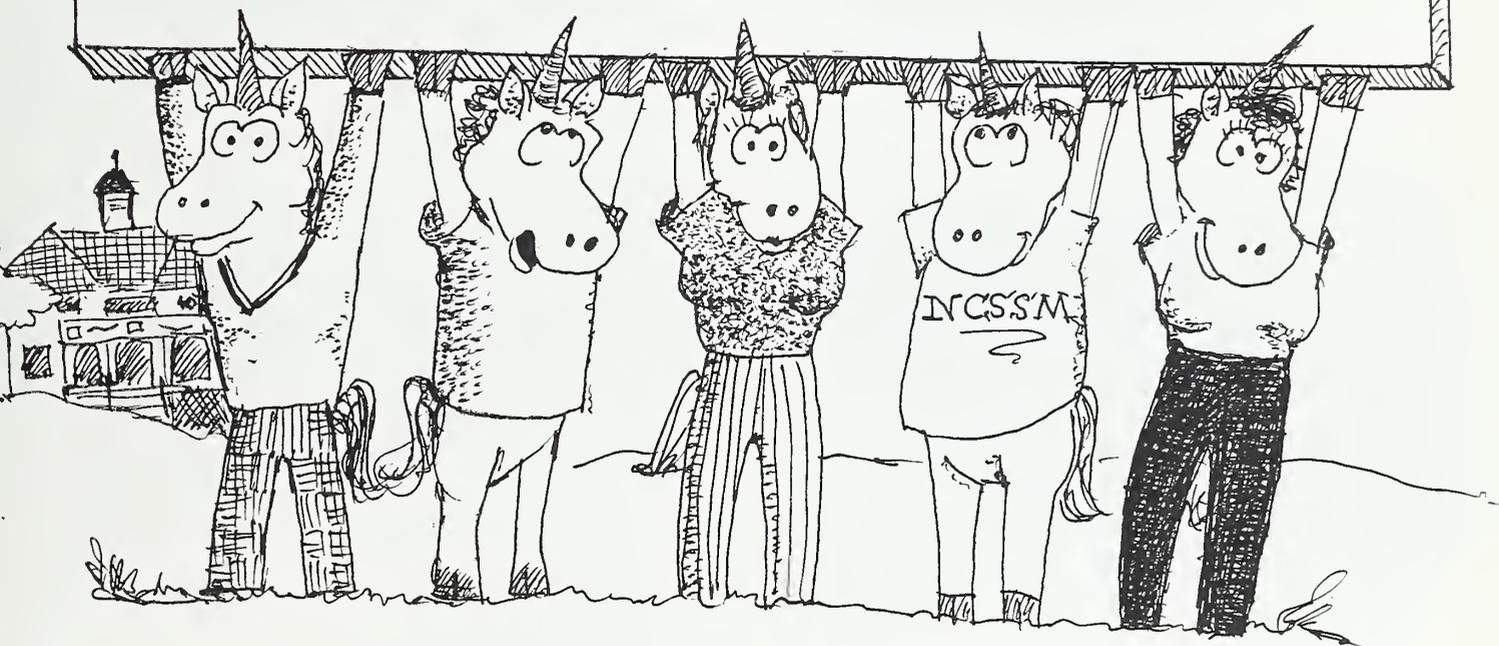
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# STRENGTH IN NUMBERS



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# STRENGTH in



A girl sits with the few friends that she has in her lunch. The lunch room is so crowded that they must go outside as soon as they finish eating, to make room for everyone else. She doesn't know anyone outside, so she has to go stand with the people her friends know. She is wearing sandals today, so she stands off to the side, so the burly redneck guys won't spit tobacco juice at her feet. The sea gulls are very loudly crying and wheeling in the sky, trying to get the scraps from the lunch the students are forced to eat outside. She thinks about her school and how much she hates it. The only ambition of guys is to work on a farm or at a factory and the girls want to get married and have kids. All they do with their free time is hunt, even the girls go. She remembers the time they brought deer urine to school and how it got in her hair. She just wants to leave and find something new, to confirm her belief that people don't act like this everywhere.

Greenville. Then they drive back home, to the country around the city, in their cars and big trucks with gun racks and hunting caps. All of her friends are nice and she has a lot of them. She has actually stayed here long enough to make friends and that scares her. The first time that she complimented a friend's truck, she knew it was time to leave...to go somewhere else. She wants to get out from under her parents' thumb and she wants a change of scenery.

Far to the west, in Hendersonville, a boy jumps as his teacher yells at him to wake up and stop sleeping. In the back of the class, one of his friends snickers. He doesn't care. He just lays his head back on his desk and stares out the window at the mountains in the distance. What does he care? He will make an A in the class no matter what he does. He thinks of how he does not want to go to chemistry next period and have the inevitable fight with his annoying teacher. He sighs as he realizes that he will have the same chemistry teacher again next year. He will have to go to the community college to take math when he excels beyond the offered

Another girl, somewhere north, laughs as she and her friends cruise the same little circuit they do every weekend around



# NUMBERS

courses at his school. He wants to leave and find something different...to have classes he can enjoy and stay awake in.

Somewhere in Cary, a girl sits in an overcrowded classroom. The people are so close, she feels like she can't breathe. All the people around her are dressed up in their polos and khakis, confident in how cool they look. She knows they don't care about school, they only care about the impression they are making. When they laugh, she gets the feeling they are laughing at her, not with her. She is sick of the people and the overcrowding.

In another city, there is a boy playing basketball with his friends in the gym. He is very happy with his situation. His school is very good and he is challenged in his classes. He realizes, though, that he wants more. He would like to try something new. He wants a chance to take different classes. He wants to meet people that care as much about learning as he does.

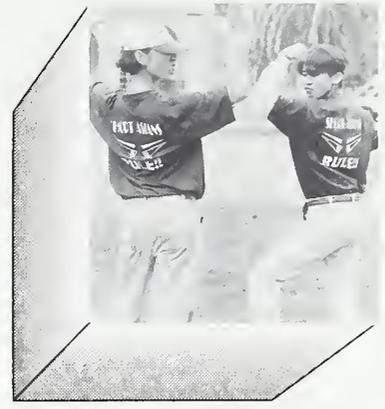
Everyone has their own reasons for wanting to leave their old schools and come to NCSSM. At home, each

is one of the few people that cared about their education, the activities that they participated in, and the sports that they played. At their old schools, the students were a separate part of a big jumble, but they were in known territory. In coming to Science and Math, each student risked losing their comfortable existences for something completely new and unknown.

But coming to NCSSM brings people together. Each brings their own unique and individual strengths to make a stronger whole. NCSSM's biggest strengths are the students. They are the state's brightest high school students. You can find NCSSM students doing their best in all areas. Whether they are competing in Science Olympiad or out on the soccer field or building a house for Habitat, Science and Math students stick together, making NCSSM one of the best high schools in the nation.

...And as one junior said, "At Science and Math, I never have to eat lunch alone!"

Maryellen Corbett



# Taking a Cue From Nature

## By John Frederick

It takes a special person to walk through a decrepit old hospital building, stepping on glass fragments, avoiding leaking pipes, broken fixtures and fallen bits of plaster while seeing the potential of the building as a site for a novel education project. At 83, Joseph M. Bryan, Jr. did exactly that, walking Watt's Hospital's abandoned halls many times, trying to imagine "the first free, residential, statewide high school for smart students in science and math" rising out of the rubble.

He didn't laugh, as others did, when restoration plans were described. Instead he agreed to support this new concept and did so for the rest of his life. He was there:

- donating the school's first gift: one million dollars.

- shoveling with the students at age 86 when the class of 1982 buried a time capsule. He told them he would also be there when it was unearthed.

- dedicating the Bryan Center, named in his

honor and that of his wife, Kathleen.

- hosting NCSSM students at his Jefferson Pilot workplace at 90.

- taking the microphone at age 95 to accept NCSSM's Founder's award. He said that we should take our cue from nature, the greatest philanthropist, that gives to all while asking nothing in return.

Despite obvious great pain, he insisted that he be driven to NCSSM from Greensboro in March of 1995 for the unearthing of that time capsule. He was there, just as he had promised thirteen years earlier.

I was there in April as his cremated ashes were returned to nature after 99 years of life. A quote from Winston Churchill describes Mr. Bryan's dedication: "We make a living by what we get, but we make a life by what we give." Joe Bryan's legacy gives life to many students at NCSSM. He helped create this school we all love. Thank you, Mr. Bryan.



Mr. Bryan at the ground-breaking for the Educational Technology Center in March 1995.

Mr. Bryan with former director, Charles R. Eilber, at the opening for the School of Science and Math in 1980.



## Interesting Facts about Joseph Bryan:

- In the 1940`s he was one of the first to aid in bringing commercial television to North Carolina (WBTC).

-He was instrumental in the beginning of public television (WUNC) in the 1950`s.

- He donated \$10 million to the research of Alzheimer`s Disease.

- He was born on Febraury 11, 1896, in Elyria, Ohio.

- He attended public school at Mount Hermon Preparatory School in Massachusetts.

-He was a member of the American Expeditionary Forces in WWI (1917-1919).

- Bryan was once quoted as saying, "If you don`t strive for it, you won`t even get mediocrity."

- He earned many college degrees in his lifetime and was even awarded an Honorary Doctorate of Law.

- He was at one time a Chariman of the Board at Jefferson Standard Life Insurance Company.

- Just before he died in 1995, Joseph Bryan donated another \$1 million to our school.



Joseph Bryan, benefactor of the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics.



Director Fredrick and Joseph Bryan at the opening of the time capsule in 1995.

The ground breaking ceremony - Mr. Bryan's last visit to the school that he had the vision to help found.





# PEOPLE

The end is drawing near. Soon we will be **dividing** ourselves forever. For seniors, it is a time to reflect on the years spent here at NCSSM. For juniors, it is a time to recuperate and prepare for their final year in high school. But for both classes, it is a time to realize what their most precious gains have been: **Friendships.**

Some of the friendships here will be forgotten the day after graduation. Many others are so precious that they will be remembered by students until they are dead.

While it may be hard to face graduation because it is **the** end of an era, don't worry; every gray cloud has a silver lining. Since most of us will be going to Carolina or State, the **student body** can remain intact with fairly little effort. As for those who dare to go further than an hour's drive away, well, moving along (and away) is a natural process.

Graduation is part laughter and part tears. But everyone here should look back and be proud. We've lived through one or two years in this place, grown as people, and gained invaluable experiences. And just think, it was all at the taxpayer's expense.



## Admissions

(L-R)

Sandra Jackson  
John Poe  
Lisa Washington  
Sheila Carmichael



## Academics

Steve Warshaw  
Belinda  
Cagle-McCallum  
Doug Gray



## Operations

Eddie McBride  
Ruth Morris



## Business Office

Neva Grier  
Dianne Johnson  
Selina Mack  
Donna Bost  
Marva Hicks  
Not Pictured:  
Joe Gibbs  
Janet Haskell



Director  
John Fredrick

The faculty and administration of NCSSM have the fortunate job of overseeing all the things that go on at this institution.

The Admissions office searches from the coast to the mountains of North Carolina to choose the next class of juniors that will attend NCSSM.

Personnel is

responsible for the jobs of everyone from teachers to SLIs.

It is not easy to keep an eye on the factors of school for some 550 gifted students, but the NCSSM administration manages to pull everything together and keep things running smoothly.



# Administration



## Communications

David Stein  
Margaret Baxter



Vickie McNeil



Switchboard  
Operator  
Martha Arrington



## Personnel

Sandy Rothschild  
Ann Cannon



## Development

Betsy J. McFall  
Katie Wagstaff  
Therese Taxis  
Barbara Namkoong  
Janet Wessell  
Not Pictured:  
Rita Ware



## Office of Registrar

Kathy Allen  
Michelle Forsyth





**Math Department:** Top Row (L-R): Laurie Cavey, Dan Teague, Jo Ann Lutz, Julie Allen, Pam Smith, Gloria Barrett, Peggy Craft, Dot Doyle, and Terry Bown; Bottom Row (L-R) Julie Graves, Donita Robinson, John Goebel, and Kevin Bartkovich; Not pictured: Helen Compton and Maria Hernandez

**Biology Department:** (L-R) Anita McCoy, Marilyn Link, Leslie Brinson, and Emily Maxwell; Not pictured: Noreen Naiman and Debra Bowick



**Physics Department:** (L-R) Chuck Britton, Angelina Winborne, Emily Edwards, John Kolena, Hugh Haskell, Andres Manning



**Chemistry Department:** (L-R) Larry Knecht, Kevin Currie, Chuck Roser, Myra Halpin, Sarah Allen, Sonia Weeks, and Gail Webster

# F A C U L T Y



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**Foreign Language Department:** (L-R) Rosemary Munroe, Sylvette Lau, Don Houpe, Marilyn Metzler, Pam Hueckel, and Lucia Stadter; Not Pictured: Tatjana Gajic



**History Department:** (L-R) Gretchen Skidmore, Virginia Wilson, Jim Litle, Jackye Dusenbury, Tom Clayton, and Julie Sikkink; Not pictured: Sheila F. Rudd



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**Art Department:** (L-R) Elizabeth Moorman and Joe Liles

**English Department:** Back Row (L-R) Jon Miller and J.W. Troxler; Front Row (L-R) Elizabeth Moose, Jane Shlensky, Donna Thompson, and Lisa Nanney; Not pictured: John Woodmansee





Junior **Mike** is often hard to buy, a crowd of friends that get off his driveway, because of the sound of his car's engine making a loud look.



**Valerie Kirby, Chloe Palanchar, and Ellen Willson** have their cake and eat it too at a hall party.



Jason **Zirk** seems fascinated with something he sees in the windows of Hunt Dorm.

# PEOPLE



Junior **Cedra Russell** and Senior **Ticora Jones** show off their girls, **John German** and **Charles Johnson**.



Juniors **Phil Stewart** and **Sara Anne Eslinger** spend some time smiling in Hunt before heading off to the Holiday Dance.



Junior **Ross Carson-Groner** is happy to get a free massage from his friends.



**Elizabeth** is the **Lile**'s greatest girl to date, hangs it out in the Art Studio.





Senior Isaac Reed serenades friend Ben Allen during the first coffeehouse this year, held in the assembly hall.

The race is on! You come, you play, you win! In the annual Turkey Trot, students...



# BEING THEIR TRUE SELVES

Work it girls! Cross-dressers Ted Basladynski, Tak Hirata, Lenny Tran, and Dave Nelson let a little feminine influence and some floral prints go a long way.



Senior Will Hayes: breathes a sigh of relief after finishing first in the Turkey Trot.



Senior Third-Weekers and Wade Thomas, Wade and Adam, enjoy a good nutrition season.



Sly SLI Jeff Bray adds his own addition to the coffeehouse with a little help from junior Jennifer Plaster.

# STAFF



Library Staff: Brenda Watson, Russell Robinson, Anthony Miles, Barbara Newman, and Robin Battle. Not pictured: Blondina Lawson



Clinic Staff: Margaret Stewart, Rivka Gordon, and Laura Farrow. Not pictured: Dr. Curt Eschelman



Copy Center Staff: AnnMarie Williams





Maintenance & Grounds Staff. Chris Taylor Not pictured: Joe Clifton, Clifton Gregg, Willie Moore, Danny Watson, John Rhodes, Cam McDonald and Michael Mitchell



Computer Center Staff. Eileen McSherry, Pete Goldberg, and Nelson Bus. Also pictured: Doug Gray



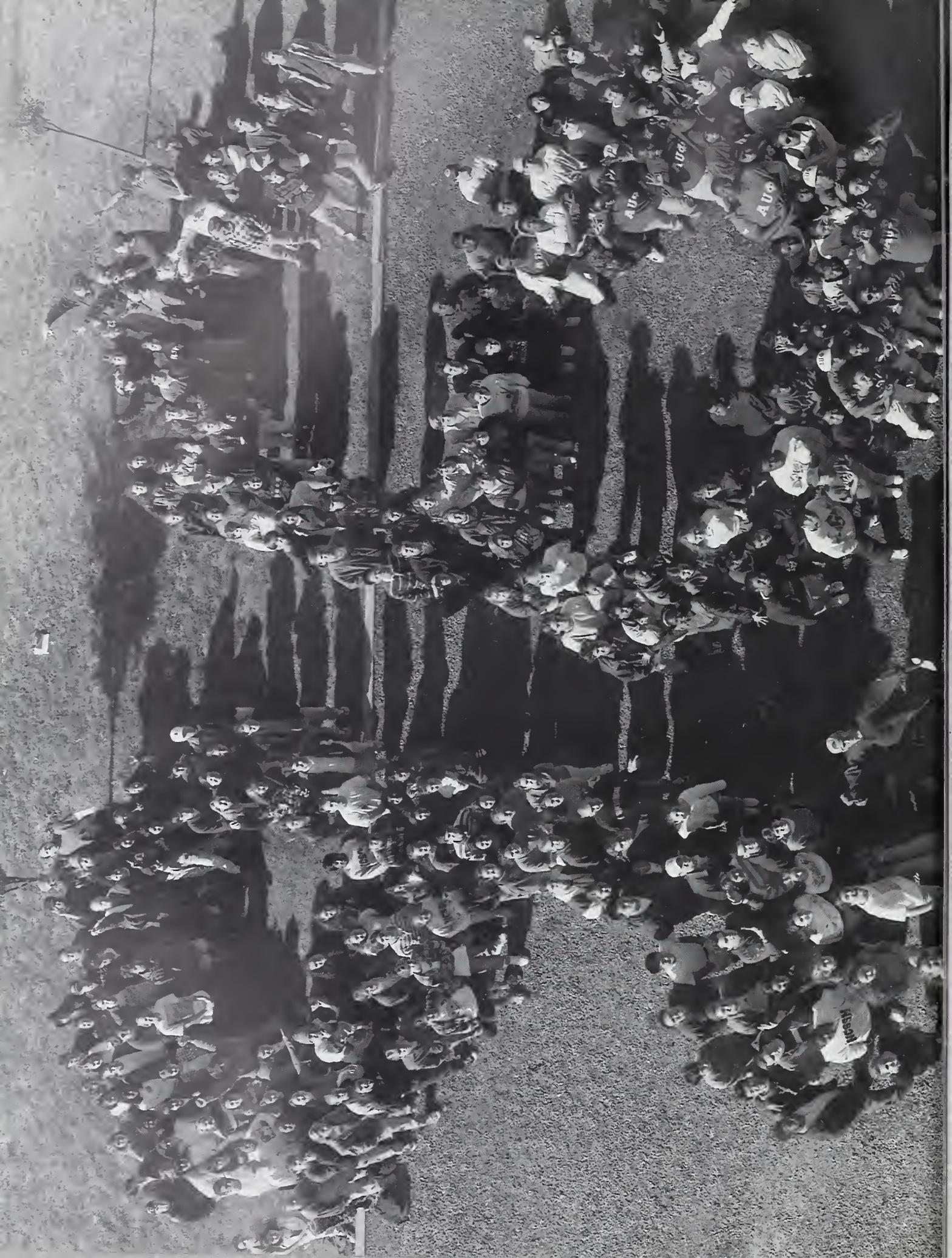
Security Staff: Linwood Suitt, Gwendolyn Pryor, Timothy Gill, and Richard Hess Not pictured: Ken Horne, Babe Lyons, Bobby Jackson, Clayton Moore, and Reggie Small



Housekeeping Staff: Sandy Schofield, Wyatt Richardson, Tillman Coley, Dianne Finney, John Smith, and Walter McNair Not pictured: Joan Williams



Cafeteria Staff: Terry Gray, Steve Parker, Claude Bowan, Maureen Jeffers, Jack Moore, Rachel Riggins, Fred Alston, Tim Hester, Charles Hollaway, Lisa Madren, Tod Mack



# it's about **TIME**

**graduation:** more than just a parade of caps and gowns to **seniors**, who begin to count down the days until the blessed event as soon as they arrive on campus. Until that morning, there's so much to **do** ... college apps, the prom, the best spw ever, clubs galore, plus swarms of work, work, work. **it** all takes grace and style, two elements the class of '96 possess in excess. **with** anticipation, the final hour draws near, and the **class** that has been anxious since june of '95 finally gets its own moment in the morning sun.



Almas Abbas



Bolu Ajiboye

Kimberly Alexander



Benjamin Allen

Sara Allen

Tara Aman



Erin Anderson

Marissa Arney

Frederick Austry



Theodore Basladynski

Sarah Bauer

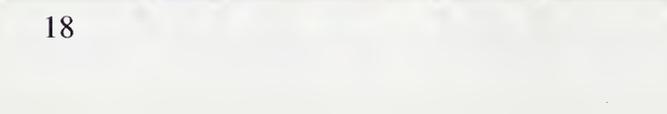
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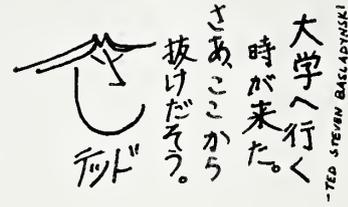


Matthew Belskie

Satisha Bissram

Marshall Blango

●"Hi. "Don't hurry, don't worry. You're only here for a short visit. So be sure to stop and smell the flowers. (Walter C. Hagan)" "Gotta go." - Almas Ibrahim Abbas ●"Success cannot be measured by monetary possessions. Nor can it be measured by outward popularity. Rather, success is the ability to profoundly influence another's life. Success is to leave a place, but still have one's spirit live in the hearts of those left behind. Success is to live and love. Throughout life and death,



I wish the classes of 1996 and 1997 much success." - A. B o l u Ajiboye ●"And you will understand all too soon that you, my children of battle, are your heroes. You must

invent your own games and teach us old ones how to play. (Nikki Giovanni)" "Much growth is stunted by too careful prodding, too eager tenderness. The things we love we have to learn to leave alone. (Naomi Long Madgett)" - Kimberly Michelle Alexander ●"Check the prophecies from around the world and look around now as it unfurls. Look into

yourself and see what goes on. Get a feeling in your heart of the right from wrong because the Mother Earth needs to be respected. Been far too long that she's been neglected. (Beastie

Yo Juego al futbol. Gioco al calcio. Ludo pila. Mi ludas se futbalo. Ich spiele fußball. Je joue au football. Я ИГРАЮ В ФУТБОЛ. I play soccer.

-MATTHEW LOUIS-LUKE BELSKIE

Boys)" - Benjamin J. Allen ●"It's goodbye to all my friends. It's time to go again. Think of all the poetry and the pickin' down the line. I'll miss the system here, the bottom's low and the treble's clear but it don't pay to think too much on the things you leave behind. I may be gone but I won't be long. I'll be bringing back the melody and the rhythm that I find. (Cowboy Junkies)" - Gabriela Allen ●"Let your light so shine before men that they may see your good works and glorify your Father which is in Heaven. (Matthew 5:16)"

"But many that are first shall be last and the last shall be first. (Matthew 19:30)"

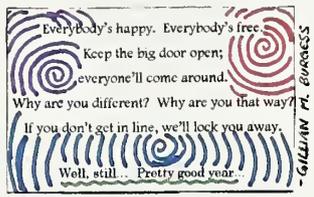


"Shine! (Newsboys)" - Tara Meshane Aman ●"It well may be that in a difficult hour,

-DAVID BEDIZ

pinned down by pain and moaning for release, or nagged by want past resolution's power, I might be driven to sell your love for peace or trade the memory of this night for food. It well may be. I do not think I would. (Edna St. Vincent Millay) - Erin N. Anderson ●"The fortune teller tells me that I have somewhere to go. Look and try and understand and wonder how she knows. So I must be going now, I'm losing time my friend. Looking for a rainbow down this highway in the wind. (Arlo Guthrie)" - Marissa Leigh Arney ●"Parting is all we know of heaven, and all we need of hell. (Emily Dickinson)" - Jennifer Nicole Aubel ●"It's not wrong unless you get caught." "A clean slate is a wholly unsatisfactory foundation

for a better world, and those who wish to free themselves from the past enslave themselves to the present. (Past and Present) - **Frederick M. Autry** ● "Blessed is the man who finds wisdom, the man who gains understanding, for she is more profitable than silver and yields better returns than gold. She is more precious than all riches: and all the things that are desired, are not to be compared with her. (Proverbs 3:13-15)" - **Sarah Louise Bauer** ● "Hark, what light 'pon yonder window breaks? It is the East and Juliet has fallen through the glass. (Simpkin)" "Chaos is as chaos does." - **Peter Dudley Baylies** ● "Gotta go. See ya when I see ya. (Martin Lawrence)"



**Elijah H. Beaty** ● "I count myself in nothing else so happy as in a soul remembering my good friends. (William Shakespeare)" - **Satisha Bissram** ● "Sometimes I can be as quiet as a storm. Although I have overcome many obstacles, there will be many more in the future. As long as I put my trust in God, I know things will work out in the end. Live all you can live and love all you can love." - **Marshall Blango, Jr.** ● "...Choose you this day whom ye will serve as for me and my house, we shall serve the Lord...(Acts 16:31)"

*Sanity is not Statistical*  
- FANG CAI  
1984

- **Courtney Carnesha Bledsoe** ● "In the desert I saw a creature, naked, bestial, who, squatting upon the ground, held his heart in his hands, and ate of it. I said, 'Is it good friend?' 'It is bitter-bitter' He answered; 'But I like it because it is bitter and because it is my heart.' (Stephen Crane)" - **John David Bolick** ● "I should have no objection to go over the same life from its beginning to the end; requesting only the advantage authors have, of correcting in a second edition the faults of the first. (Benjamin Franklin)" "It takes a big man to cry, but it takes and even bigger man to laugh at that man. (Jack Handy)" - **Stephen Keith Bounds** ● "If I should live forever and all my dreams come true, my memories of love would be of you. (John Denver)" "I'd rather learn from one bird how to sing than teach ten thousand stars how not to dance. (E.E. Cummings)" "Forever is to give and on forever's very now we stand. (E.E. Cummings)" "Happy Anarchy!" -

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- SENDHIL K. CHERAN

- **Kimberly Ann Boyd-Bowman** ● "I slept and dreamed that life was Beauty; I woke, and found that life was Duty. (Ellen Sturgis Hooper)" - **Merrick Vincent Brown** ● "I test my bath before I sit, and I'm always moved to wonderment that what chills the finger not a bit is so frigid upon fundament. (Ogden Nash)" "BUT AT LEAST I'M NOT FAILING!" - **Nicholas Steven Brown** ● "Whatever you wish to accomplish can be achieved. Believe in it fully and give it

*Courtney Bledsoe*

*John Bolick*

*Stephen Bounds*

*Kimberly Boyd-Bowman*

*Merrick Brown*

*Nicholas Brown*

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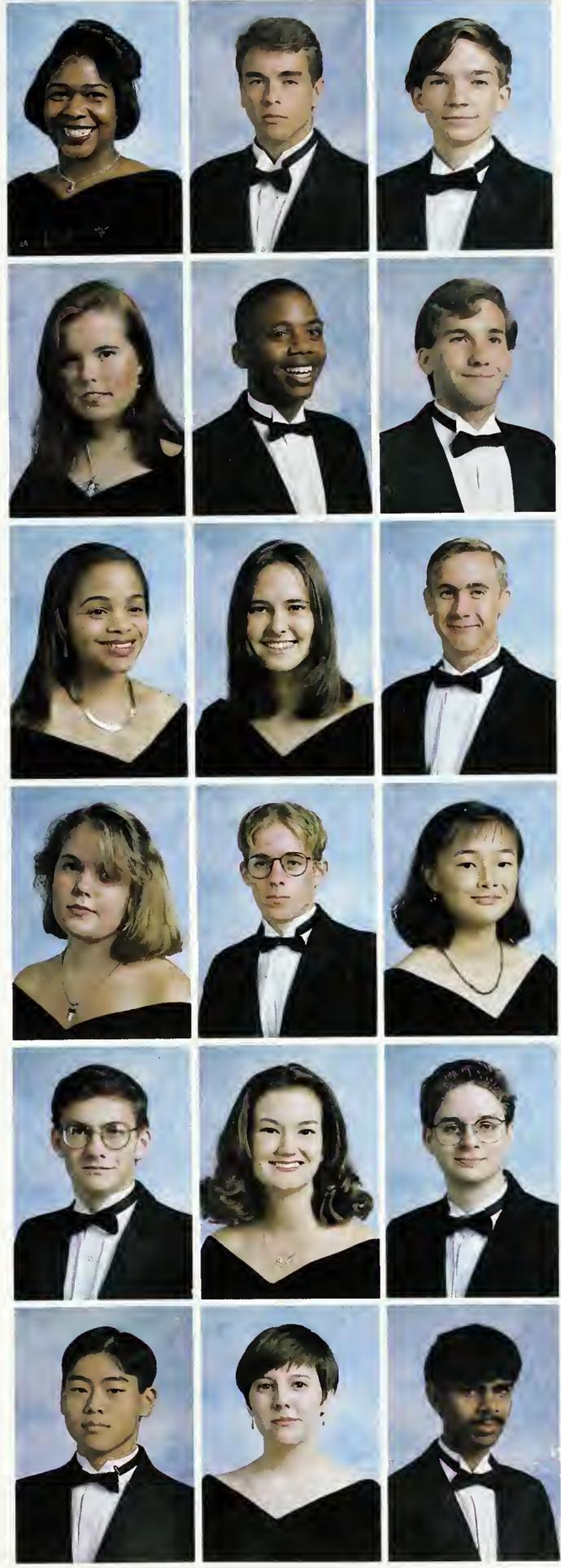
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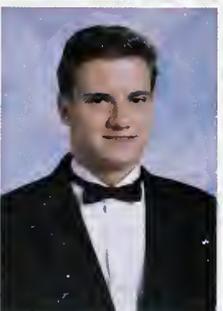
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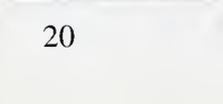
Daniel Davenport



Crystal Davis



Sarah Dean



Peter Deschenes



Nicole Dial

everything you've got." "Caring is selfless selfishness!" - **Christopher George Burrus** ● "Twinkle, twinkle, seem no more, city lights blind heavens door. Man - infinity split asunder, closing minds, no cause to wonder. Wee specks on a planet's face, caught up in the human race. (Paul Giragos)"

Something is wrong here.  
You won't find it on a shelf -  
You're well paid  
You're well trained  
You're tied to a rack  
The dark shattered under-belly  
Of the American dream  
Avoid it like the plague  
It stares you from your bathroom mirror  
DROWN - "Well Paid Scientist! Dead Kennedys"

-SCHUYLER CORRY

- **Emily Alexandra Cade** ● "I sing a song of myself; a simple separate person. (Walt Whitman)"

**Gabriel Thompson Cade** ●

"Go placidly amid the noise and haste, and remember what peace there may be in silence. (Max Ehrmann)" "Be thine own palace or the world's thy jail. (John Donne)" - **Timothy Ryan Carle** ● "Nature is too thin a screen; the glory of the One breaks in everywhere. (Emerson)" "Friendship is the shadow of the evening, which strengthens with the setting sun of life. (La Fontaine)" - **Kelly Easter Carter** ● "I'm the best there is at what I do." "Is that fear I hear in your voice? Don't worry. It'll all be over soon." "Haven't you had enough? (Tetsue)" "Let's Rock. (Ed O'Neil)" - **Mark Causey** ● "Therefore do not worry about tomorrow, for tomorrow will worry about itself. Each day has enough trouble of its own. (Matthew 6:34)" - **James Jungwoo Chae** ●



REPEAT THEODORE DALAND

"Life is too important to be taken seriously. (Oscar Wilde)" - **Priscilla Anne Chappell** ● "Let love and faithfulness never

leave you; bind them around your neck, write them on the tablet of your heart. (Proverbs 3:3)" - **Carolyn Chu** ● "Dear Science and Math, 'It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. (Dickens)' But thank you for all the unforgettable memories in only two years, for the great friends, and the overall experience of long nights with a few hours of sleep. I know I made the right choice of coming." - **Aimee Byonghee Chung** ● "The world is what we make it. What we see today are the results of the mistakes they made yesterday and what we see tomorrow will be the results of what we do today. (En Vogue)" "GRADUATION: It's about time!!" - **Cheryl Diane Cokley** ● "Life is too short for men



-DANIEL GEORGE DAVENPORT

to take it seriously. (George Bernard Shaw)" "Believe me, my young friend, there is nothing - absolutely nothing - half so much worth doing as simply messing

about in boats. (Kenneth Grahame, The Wind in the Willows)" - **Charles Stuart Coffey** ● "Hatred is death. Don't be prejudiced and don't judge another human being, not even by the shoes he wears." "Don't forget where you come from; you may return there in the end." - **Steven Henry Cook** ● "Neither a lofty degree of intelligence nor imagination nor both together go to the making of genius. Love, love, love,

hat is the soul of genius. (Mozart)" - **Bradley Paul Cooper** ●  
 "As large as life and twice as natural." "When I use a word it  
 means just what I choose it to mean - neither more nor less  
 Through the Looking Glass and What Alice Found There)." "Is  
 it true that second thoughts are best? (Lord Tennyson)" -  
**Maryellen Kerr Corbett** ● "Think of me, think of me fondly  
 when we've said Goodbye. Remember me, once in a while,  
 please promise me you'll try. (Phantom of the Opera)" - **Erin  
 Ann Corcoran** ● "In whatever you do, act so that it will give  
 your friends no occasion for regret and your foes no cause  
 for joy! (Tut - Tut & Mufasa)" - **Maisha Jenyetta  
 Cottman** ● "This, our country, the noblest country in the  
 history of men. The country of greatest achievement, greatest  
 prosperity, greatest freedom. This country was not based on  
 selfless service. It

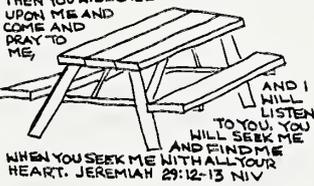
was based on a  
 men's fight to the  
 pursuit of  
 happiness. His own  
 happiness. A  
 private, personal,  
 selfish motive.  
 (Howard Roark)" -  
**Daniel Frederick  
 Cabbage** ● "I'd

like to thank all the little people out there who helped me get  
 through my two years at Science and Math, but most of all  
 I'd like to thank God. To all my friends and teachers I want  
 to say one thing: It's been real, and it's been good. But it  
 hasn't been real good. I'm Out." - **Jason Earle  
 Cummings** ● "There is one constant in life - a good friend. A  
 friend is someone who knows all of your secrets and still  
 loves you." "I count myself among the lucky in life - I have  
 touched a happiness which can never be taken away - it comes  
 from within." - **Michelle A. Cyr** ● "Seeing much, suffering  
 much, and studying much are the three pillars of learning.  
 (Disraeli)" "I came, I saw, I suffered,... then I studied. " "No  
 life is so hard that you can't make it easier by the way you  
 take it. (Ellen  
 Glasgow)" -  
**Crystal U.  
 Davis** ● "There is  
 nothing so absurd  
 but some  
 philosopher has  
 said it. (Cicero)" -  
**Sarah Elizabeth  
 Dean** ● "I climbed a



-SURA ULLAH SA-LAAM EDMOND

-ROBERTA ANNE FIELDEN



mountain today, not to see what I could see but to find what  
 I could feel." - **Peter Jon Deschenes** ● "Now faith is the  
 substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.  
 (Hebrews 11:1)" "Ponder, Question, Live" - **Nicole Dial**  
 ● "We have two ears and one mouth that we may listen the  
 more and talk the less. (Zeno)" "May the Lord bless all those  
 who love dogs. (Unkelbach)" - **Amy Michelle Dittmar** ●  
 "All the power in the world resides in the eyes, my  
 friend...(The Crow)" - **Jeremy Erik Durchman** ● "The  
 reward for conformity was that everyone liked you except  
 yourself.. (Rita Mae Brown)" "Always do right. This will  
 gratify some people and astonish the rest. (Mark Twain)" -  
**Dara Ann Elmore** ● "Welfare mothers make better lovers."  
 - **Steven Paul Emerson** ● "Don't deny yourself any  
 experience." "You shouldn't always listen to what others say."  
 - **Scott David Erikson** ● "The worst truth hurts far less than  
 the smallest lie. And silence hurts worst of all." - **Jonathan  
 David Esten** ● "Peace I leave with you, My peace I give to  
 you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let

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*Joshua Filbey*



*Theresa Fine*  
*Kyle Franklin*  
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*Stuart Frye*  
*Eric Gadol*  
*Joshua Gates*





*Bucky Gates*

*John German*

*Leila Ghassemian*



*Juliette Gilmour*

*Dianne Gonzalez*

*Allyson Graham*



*Rayetta Grasty*

*Ieshia Gray*

*Patrick Gray*



*Sarah Hagevik*

*Charles Haines*

*Katie Hale*



*Cara Hamilton*

*Sean Hartig*

*Matthew Hawkins*



*Carrie Anne Hayes*

*Christopher Hayes*

*William Hayes*

not your heart be troubled, neither let it be afraid. (John 14:27)" - **Kelvin D. Exum** ● "I don't intend to offend, I just offend with my intent. ( Anthrax)" - **Jacob Eldan Farris** ● "To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it - but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor. (Oliver Wendell Holmes)" - **Joshua**



**Richard Filbey** ● "Into this house we're born, into this world we're thrown. (Jim Morrison)" "From there to here, from here to there, funny things are everywhere. (Dr. Seuss)" "And we

were singin'...(Don McLean)" "Look back on time with kindly eyes. (Emily Dickinson)" - **Theresa Ann Fine** ● "You can play the game, you can act out the part, though you know it wasn't written for you. Tell me how you can stand there with your broken heart ashamed of playing the fool?" One thing can lead to another, it doesn't take any sacrifice. Father is mother, sister is brother, if it feels nice, don't think twice, shower the people you love with love. (James Taylor)" - **Kyle R. Franklin** ● "Be alert, stand firm in the faith, be brave, be strong, do all your work in love. (1 Corinthians 16:13)" - **Gregory E. Frey** ● "Life's a pudding full of plums. Care's a canker hat benumbs. Where waste our elocution an impossible solution? Life's a pleasant institution; let us take it as it comes! (Sir William Schwenck Gilbert)" - **J. Stuart Frye** ● "The lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer; my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge. He is my shield and my salvation, my stronghold. (Psalm 18:2)" - **Eric Nathan Gadol** ● "Johnny's in the basement, mixing up the medicine. I'm on the pavement. Thinkin' bout the government. Man in a trenchcoat, badge off, laid off, says he's got a bad cough, wants to get it paid off. Lookout kid, it's something you did, God knows when, but you're doin' it again. (Bob Dylan)" - **Josh E. Gates** ● "Playing under the table and dreaming. (Dave Matthews)" "You gotta go to Hell

... silence is a dangerous sound, we must, we must, keep our eyes open, see what we see, what was once promised now will be. Still uncertain? Get off that hang, don't wait for the bang, the tools, they will be swinging, but we will not be beaten down  
-SEAN M. HARTIG  
-FUGAZI

before you get to Heaven. (Steve Miller)" "It's a matter of what you think you can accomplish. (Ian Malcolm)" - **Bucky Gates** ● "I am so sorry." "W" - **John**

**Henderson** ● "And the trouble is, if you don't risk anything, you risk even more." - **Leila Anne Ghassemian** ● "The clouds part and through the grayness a single beam shines... and it falls to the earth; and just as it parted the clouds it makes the pedals dance... and under these pedals sit two girls shaded from the light safe from the beam; and just as the wind carried the clouds, it also carries their laughter. (S.L.)" - **Allyson Michelle Graham** ● "Love is Nature's second sun. (George Chapman)" "We must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it - but we must sail, and not drift, nor lie at anchor. (Oliver Holmes)" "For sure we've danced in the risk of each other. Won't you dance around the world with me? (Dave Matthews)" - **Rayetta Camille Grasty** ● "If you see a man is poor, do not despise him. You do not know but that someday he may be better than you." - **Ieshia Runel**

Gray ● "Farewell to you and to the youth I was among you."  
 - Patrick Gray ● "A rolling stone gathers no moss." - Sarah  
 Marie Hagevik ● "If someone says something unkind about  
 me, I must live so that no one will believe it." - Charles  
 Franklin Haines ● "I went to the woods because I wished to  
 live deliberately, to front only the essential facts of life, and  
 see if I could not  
 learn what it had to  
 teach, and not,  
 when I came to die,  
 discover that I had  
 not lived. (Henry  
 David Thoreau)" -



IM NOT WEARING  
 ANY UNDERWEAR!  
 -ASHLEY LEE HOLMES

**Kathleen Liana  
 Hale** ● "What lies  
 behind us and what  
 lies before us are small matters compared to what lies within  
 us. (Ralph Waldo Emerson)" - **Cara Marissa  
 Hamilton** ● "Because never in my entire childhood did I feel  
 like a child. I felt like a person all along - the same person  
 that I am today. I never felt that I spoke childishly. I never  
 felt that my emotions and desires were somehow less real  
 than adult emotions and desires. (Orson Scott Card)" "Trust  
 no one. (Agent Fox Mulder)" - **Matthew Ryan Hawkins** ● "I  
 swear by my life and my love of it that I will never love for  
 the sake of another man nor ask another man to live for mine.  
 (John Galt)." "To ancient evenings and distant music. (Bridges  
 of Madison County)" "There's still so much to be done.  
 (Jimmy Buffett)" - **Carrie Anne Hayes** ● "Wow. I'm sick of  
 doubt. Live in the light of certain. South. Cruel bindings.  
 The servants have the power, dog-men and their mean women,  
 pulling poor blankets over our sailors. I'm sick of sour faces,  
 staring at me from the T.V. Tower. I want roses in my garden  
 bower; dig? (James Douglas Morrison)" - **Christopher  
 Eugene Hayes** ● "She hugg'd the offender, and forgave the  
 offence. (John Dryden)" - **William Foster Hayes V** ● "Two  
 roads diverged in a wood, and I - I took the one less traveled  
 by, and that has made all the difference. (Robert Frost)" -  
**Aisha Cecilia Haynie** ● "Let your speech be better than  
 silence, otherwise be silent." "One more day, one more day;  
 I thank God just for  
 one more day. One  
 more day, the Lord  
 has made a way. I  
 thank God just for  
 one more day.  
 (Colours '96)" -

**D a v i d  
 Christopher  
 Herring** ● "She left  
 me marvelling why my soul was sad that she was glad; At all  
 the sadness in the sweet, the sweetness in the sad. (Francis  
 Thompson)" - **Michael Paul Hess** ● "Doest thou love life?  
 Then do not squander time; For that's the stuff life is made  
 of. ( Benjamin Franklin)" - **Jenny Elizabeth Hester** ● "God  
 grant me the serenity to accept the things I cannot change,  
 the courage to change those I can, and the wisdom to know  
 the difference." "I give glory and honour to God and Jesus  
 Christ, his son, for my past, present, and future. Thanks  
 Mommy, I LOVE YOU." - **Kendra Janila Hill** ● "Two roads  
 diverged in a wood, and I - I took the one less traveled by,  
 and that has made all the difference. (Robert Frost)" - **Ailisa  
 Faye Hipp** ● "The future belongs to those who believe in the  
 beauty of their dreams. (Eleanor Roosvelt)" - **Takashi  
 Hirata** ● "Through this world I've stumbled, so many times  
 betrayed, trying to find an honest word to find

-SCOTTY PATRIEK HOOPES

Here's a sigh to those who love me,  
 And a smile to those who hate;  
 And, whatever sky's above  
 me,  
 Here's a heart for every  
 fate.  
 -Lord Byron

*Aisha Haynie*  
*David Herring*  
*Michael Hess*



*Jenny Hester*  
*Kendra Hill*  
*Ailisa Hipp*



*Takashi Hirata*  
*Matthew  
 Hoffman*



*Ana Holmes*  
*Ashley Holmes*



*Tiffiana  
 Honsinger*  
*Scotty Hoopes*



*Chuck Horrell*  
*Jimmena  
 Huffman*

*Louisa Jilcott*  
*Olivia Jones*



*Ticora Jones*  
*Jamie Joyner*



Simon Karpen

Stefan Kazachki

Anthony Ke



Sean Kennedy

Valerie Kirby

Jefferson Knight



James Knutson

Robin Kobli

Joseph Ladapo



Hoang Lam

Brad Lambert

Daniel Lane



Joey Lane

Amanda Lawrence

Benjamin Lee



Victor Lee

Jacquelle Leggett

Sonya Link

the truth enslaved. (Sarah McLachlan)" "NCSSM is Student Centered. (The Administration)" "I don't play races or religions, I'm into fairies. (Tori Amos)" - **Matthew Nicholas Hoffman** "Shoot for the moon, even if you miss you will land among the stars." - **Ana Elizabeth Holmes** "A real live one." "Return the hostage book." "Respect pencils, they can do something you can't. (Kolena)" "Live without any

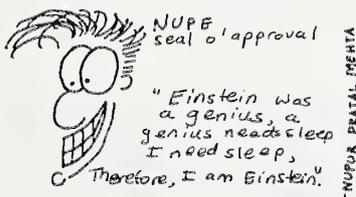


"...when faith succeeds in facing such trials, the result is endurance. But be sure that your endurance comes you all the way, without faltering, so that you may be perfect and complete, lacking nothing." - James 1:3-4 "You are a child of the universe, no less than the trees & the stars; you have a right to be here. And whether or not it is clear to you, no doubt the universe is unfolding as it should." - Desiderato

inhibitions, full of passion, full of soul." "Don't worry. Be happy. Smile 'cause tomorrow will be better." "I love y'all and to Dara Ann - Think About Me." - **Tiffiana Melissa**

**Honsinger** "What is life if you don't have fun? (Q-tip)" - **Trevor Peter Jarvis Hoskins** "All things are possible with faith, determination, and a good mother. In life's struggles, prayer changes all things." - **Jimmena Kamil Huffman** "Purple elephants fly over the green moon at two o'clock in the morning." "...and that's the way it is. (Walter Cronkite)" - **Louisa Monroe Jilcott** "Often the mouth fails to be an adequate interpreter of the language of the heart and soul. (Robert Frost)" "So was I once myself a swinger of Birches. And so I dream of going back to be... so I'm packing my bags for the Misty Mountains. (Robert Plant)" - **Olivia Hays Jones** "I cannot be comprehended except by my permission..." "Remember: knowledge is like a garden; if it is not cultivated, it cannot be harvested." "One love, one heart, give thanks and praise to the Lord and I will feel alright. (Bob Marley)" "All my love to everyone, seek the best in all you do." '96 SENIOR MAFIA - **Ticora Virginia Jones** "Each of us is the source of the other's river." - **Jamie Diane Joyner** "Always remember: Depression is inefficient, anger-whimsical, jealousy-overpowering, hatred-subversive, wisdom is indefinite, nobility-a virtue, love-a luxury, instantaneous pleasure-a thing worth striving for, happiness-a goal in itself. If it is worth to live, it is worth to live well." - **Stefan Kazachki** "Silence is always better than talking." "Your best friend is yourself." - **Anthony Yunning Ke** "I ain't gonna work on Maggie's farm no more. (Bob Dylan)" - **Sean Emanuel Kennedy** "All I want out of life is to die with a smile on my face." "Best friends are not the ones who will bail you out of jail, they're the ones right beside you, so for the 10th year reunion, look for Boobyhatch and Valorize sitting side by side. Mom, where are you with the money!?" - **Valerie Diane Kirby** "Tomorrow's life is too late. Live today. (Martial)" - **Jefferson D. Knight** "We're all one and life flows on within you and without you. (George Harrison)" - **Rohit Robin Kohli** "Mia pantalo estas plenaj de fruktoj kaj legomoj." "Tu padre siempre estara donde tu estas. (Jon Secada)" "Though it's hard to let you go, in the Father's hands we know that a lifetime's not too long to live as friends. (Michael W. Smith)" - **Bradford Justin Lambert** "It's interesting to leave a place, interesting even to think about it. Leaving reminds us of what we can part with and what we can't, then offers us something new to look forward to, to dream about. (Richard Ford)" - **Daniel Christopher Lane** "Do you know the difference between education and experience? Education is when you read the fine print. Experience is what you get when you don't. (Pete Seeger)" "Knowing others is wisdom. Knowing the self is

enlightenment. (Lao-Tzu)" - **Amanda Renee Lawrence** ● "Were they not satisfied where they were?" asked the little prince. "No one is ever satisfied where he is," said the switchman. (Antoine de Saint-Exupery)" - **Benjamin Douglas Lee** ● "In battle or business, whatever the game, in law or in love, it is ever the same; In the struggle for power, or the scramble for self, let this be your motto - Rely on yourself! For, whether the prize be a ribbon or throne, the victor is he who can go it alone! (John Saxe)" - **Victor E. Lee** ● "To Juke or not to Juke, that is the question." "H" - **Jacquelle D. Leggett** ● "Today I bought a yellow tow truck and drove it round and round my neighborhood...(Hunters and Collectors)" - **Roderic Schuyler Leland** ● "The most enjoyable memories are the most simple experiences." "You should of, could of, and would of, but didn't." - **Sonya Link** ● "It is hard to fight an enemy who has outposts in your head. (Sally Kempton)" - **Karen Grayson Lloyd** ● "We look before and after, and pine for what is not; Our sincerest laughter with some pain is fraught; Our sweetest songs are those that tell of saddest thought...(Shelley)" - **Dave Benjamin Lora** ● "Make the best of every opportunity presented to you." "To all my friends - I'll miss you more than I could ever say. You all have meant so much to me. I will keep you all in my heart and on my mind wherever I go." - **Christina Eyvonne Lynch** ● "Virtue debases itself in justifying itself. (The ORGASMIC Voltaire, Qedipe)" "I swear by my life and my love of it that I will never live for the sake of another man, nor ask another man to live for mine. (Ayn Rand, Atlas Shrugged)" - **Dendy Susannah Macaulay** ● "The meaning of life is ours to create, again and again, for every individual and generation. (Mary Catherine Bateson)" "God is in the details. (Freeman Dyson)" - **Dawn Suzanne Martin** ● "Space is almost infinite. As a matter of fact, we think it is infinite. (Dan Quayle)" - **Kelly Brooke McBrayer** ● "Whether you have little ability or great ability and excel in many things, whether you have one talent or ten talents, is not of the greatest importance. What you do with what you have is what counts." - **Stuart Richard McClure** ● "As you see yourself, I once saw myself; as you see me now, you will be seen. (Mexican Proverb)" "The right man comes at the right time. (Italian Proverb)" "Lots of love to everybody from Chadbourne to Durham. '96 ain't taking no tricks. Out. (Lil' Dawg)" - **Adolphus Delane McDuffie, Jr.** ● "It's time to move on, time to get going. What lies ahead, I have no way of knowing. But under my feet, baby, grass is growing. It's time to move. it's time to get going. (Tom Petty)" - **Kenny Patrick McGee** ● "If the future's looking dark, we're the ones who have to shine. If there's no one in control, we're the ones who draw the line. Though we live in trying times - - We're the ones who have to try. Though we know that time has wings - - We're the ones who have to fly.(Neil Peart)" - **Jenny Carol McInerney** ● "Dance with the butterflies." "Who am I? The S-N-DOUBLE O-P..." - **Margaret Leighton McNairy** ● "Confucius say, Woman should not date basketball player, for he dribbles before he shoots. (Redd Fox)" - **John Knox McNeill** ● "If A=Success, then the formula for success is A= X+Y+Z. X=Work, Y=Play, and Z=Keep your mouth shut. (Albert Einstein)" "Buckets don't suck. (Dr. John Kolena)" - **Jonathan Menachem** ● "The Lord is my shepherd;



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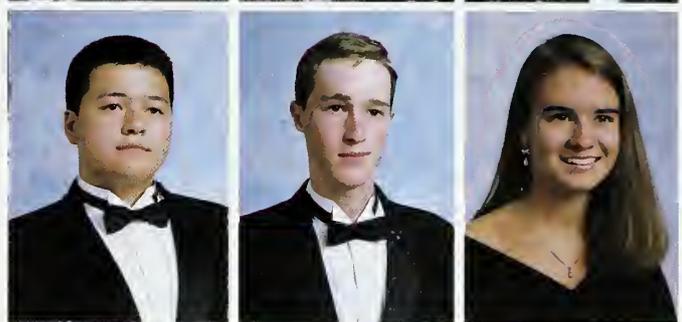
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*Molly McNairy*  
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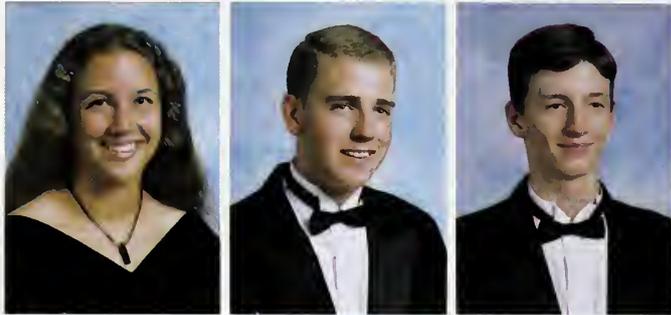
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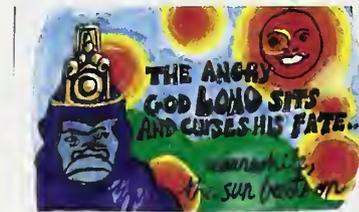
*Schnika Pender*

I shall not want.(Psalm 23:1)" "In a Universe of ambiguity, this kind of certainty comes only once, and never again, no matter how many lifetimes you live.(James Waller)" "Strive to be happy.(Max Ehrmann)" - **Kelley Leigh Mills** "..."nickname? SILKY SMOOOOTH..." - **Sarah Elizabeth Millsaps** "I may know the word, but not say it. I may know the truth, but not face it. I may hear a sound, a whisper secret and profound, but turn my head



-ANNE MARIE NICHOLSON

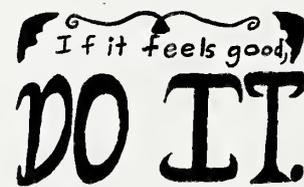
indifferent.(Natalie Merchant)" - **William Roger Mills-Koonce** "I was always looking outside myself for strength and confidence but it comes from within. It is there all the time.(Anna Freud)" "Ciao baby, it's been real!" - **Katrina Marie Miltich** "Prayer is less about changing the world than it is about changing ourselves.(David J. Wolpe)" "God has been so lavish in his gifts that you can lose some priceless ones, the equivalent of whole kingdoms, and still be indecently rich.(Wilfred Sheed)" "Honey, we don't give warning tickets for that kind of speed!" - **Jia Amy Min** "It



-JENNIFER ANNE ORTIZ

was but yesterday I thought myself a fragment quivering without rhyme in the sphere of life. Now I know I am the sphere, and all life in rhythmic fragments moves within me." "You may forget the one

with whom you have laughed but never the one with whom you have wept." - **Jaime Claudette Morris** "It's okay to know nothing if you're open to something.(Jane Schlenky)" "If you're not making any mistakes, then you aren't learning anything.(Emily Maxwell)" "NCSSM, Thanks for the Good times as well as the Bad. I'll Cherish You Always." - **Jason Reginald Nelson** "Memories can only die if they leave the heart. Otherwise, they'll live forever and you'll always know where to find them. Best wishes to all..." - **Adam Livingston Niles** "I'll read to



-CHLOE O'NEIL PALENGAR

you here, save your eyes. You'll need them, your boat is at sea. Your anchor is up, you've been swept away and the greatest of teachers won't hesitate to leave you there, by yourself, chained to

fate.(Live)" - **Brian Todd Northcutt** "Man will occasionally stumble over the truth, but most of the time he will pick himself up and continue on.(Winston Churchill)" "A child of five could understand this. Fetch me a child of five.(Groucho Marx)" - **Victor Jan Orlikowski** "I wish I was a little bit taller.(Skee-Lo)" "The woods are lovely, dark and deep, but I have promises to keep, and miles to go before I sleep.(Robert Frost)" - **Rajeev Pandarinath** "The past is the basis, the future is the goal, and the present is the

opportunity to a hero.(Vedanta)" - **Vaishaliben Babubhai Patel** ● "Trying to define yourself is like trying to bite your own teeth.(Alan Watts)" "When I meet the maker of the universe, I would like to be able to tell them a little of how it works.(John D. Isaacs)" - **Lindsay Caroline Paul** ● "There, you see, is a man who could hunt flies with a rifle...(Mark Twain)" - **Margot Gabrielle Paulick** ● "Those killed for lack of wisdom are numerous; those killed by wisdom do not amount to anything.(Nigerian Proverb)" "Do not blame God for having created the tiger, but thank him for not having given it wings.(Ethiopian Proverb)" - **Schnika Nicole Pender** ● "Life, unlike games or sports, has two parts; deciding what you must do, and then doing it. Thus it is at least twice as hard."

- **Matthew Rhodes Peters** ● "Strange, when you come to think of it, that all the countless folk who have lived before our time on this planet not one is known in history

or in legend as of having died of laughter.(Sir Max Beerbohm)" - **Lebbonnee DeMia Price** ● "A man who stands for nothing, will fall for anything.(Malcolm X)" - **Yancy Kenan Ragin** ● "I'm sorry you are wiser, I'm sorry you are taller - I like you better foolish, and I like you better smaller.(A. Kilmer)" - **Anne Brownley Raines** ● "I believe there are angels among us, sent down to us from somewhere up above. They come to you and me in our darkest hour, to show us how to live, to teach us how to give, to guide us with the light of love.(Alabama)" "To all my friends, may your angels always watch over you." - **Sara Hunter Randleman** ● "I'm tired of screwin' up, I'm tired of goin' down, I'm tired of myself, and I'm tired of this town.(Tom Petty)" "Did you

write the book of love, and do you have faith in God above, if the Bible tells you so? Now do you believe in rock 'n roll? Can music save your mortal soul?(Don

McLean)" - **Erik James Rasmussen** ● "Did I ask too much? More than a lot. You gave me nothing, now it's all I got. We're One, but we're not the same. We hurt each other, then we do it again.(Bono)" - **Christopher Geoffrey Rathjen** ● "To achieve all that's possible, we must attempt the impossible; To be as much as we can be, we must dream of being more." "You have a brain in your head, you have feet in your shoes, you can steer yourself, any direction you choose.(Dr. Seuss)" - **Patrice Ray** ● "The greatest thing you ever can do is trade a smile with someone who's blue." - **Isaac Ariail Reed** ● "A sure way for one to lift himself up is by helping to lift someone else.(Booker T. Washington)" - **Barbara Jean Riddick** ● "You may enter my sleep, people my dreams, threaten my early morning's ease, but I keep comin' followin' laughin' cryin' sure as a summer breeze.(Maya Angelou)" - **Natassha Corthel Robinson** ● "The farther backward you can look, the farther forward you are likely to see.(Winston Churchill)" - **Thomas Walker Robinson** ● "I don't care what you think unless it is about me.(Kurt Cobain)" - **Jonathan Aaron**

FISH DON'T FRY IN THE KITCHEN, BEANS DON'T BURN ON THE GRILL. SPENT MY WHOLE LIFE WORKIN', JUST TO GET UP THAT HILL. NOW WE'VE UP IN THE BIG LEAGUES, GETTIN OUR TURN AT BAT... AS LONG AS WE'RE HERE, YOU AND ME BABY, THERE AIN'T NOTHIN' WRONG WITH THAT. WE'RE MOVIN' ON UP...  
- NEEZY, GEORGE AND THE JEFFERSONS

-JENNIFER LEAH POWELL

summertime and the living is easy  
fish are jumping  
and the cotton is high...  
one of these mornings you  
going to rise up singing  
then you'll spread your  
wings and you'll take the sky  
- "summertime", billie holiday

-FERN ANN PATERSON

*Matthew Peters*

*Jennifer Powell*

*Lebbonnee Price*



*Yancy Ragin*

*Nadirah Rahman*

*Anne Raines*



*Hunter Randleman*

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*Chris Rathjen*



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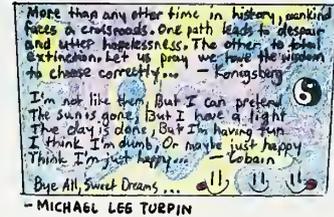


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**Rodriguez** ● "My life is a book filled with comedy, romance, fairy tales, adventure, and even tragedy. I turn back the pages to my memories. And I turn them forward to continue the life learning plot. But I find guidance with my publisher and editor, God." - **Laquicia Russ** ● "I can do everything God asks me to with the help of Christ who gives me the strength and power.(Philippians 4:13)" "The world is round and the place which may seem like the end may also be the beginning.(Ivy Baker Priest)" - **Elizabeth Carol Schaffer** ● "It is sweet to let the mind unbend on occasion.(Horace)" "There is no duty we underestimate so much as the duty of being happy.(Stevenson)" "The day begins, and now let's see what this new world can do for me.(Jean Valjean, Les Miserables)" - **Kimberly Anne Schiera** ● "One climbs, one sees. One descends, one sees no longer, but one has seen.(Rene Daumal)" - **Amanda Janney Scovil** ● "One should never consent to creep when one feels an impulse to soar.(Helen Keller)" "As iron sharpens iron, so people can improve each other.(Proverbs 27:17)" - **Shannon Michelle Sermons** ● "In the middle of the journey of our life, I found myself astray in a dark wood, where the straight road had been lost sight of... And we climbed with no thought of rest... until we reached ground where I could see through a rounded opening, the night sky with the beautiful things it carries, and we came out and looked at the stars.(Dante)" - **Charlie Sessoms** ● "The most important human endeavor is the striving of morality in our actions. Our inner balance and even our very existence depend on it. Only morality in our actions can give beauty and dignity to life.(Albert Einstein)" - **Ameet Umesh Shah** ● "The leaves are falling all around. Time I was on my way, Thanks to you I'm much obliged, such a pleasant stay. But now it's time for me to go. The autumn moon lights my way.(Led Zeppelin)" - **Monica Ramesh Shah** ● "And they said we would NEVER make it. But I didn't listen. I kept my eyes on the prize and followed my heart. And look how far we've gone. Remember to live life for every minute. Peace and one Love to the class of 1997." - **Michelle Alicia Shomo** ● "If you put something off long enough it will go away." - **Jason Dorje Short** ● "I love it when they call me Big Poppa. Throw your hands in the air, if you're an S&M Playa." "Much love to my brothers and sister AU Phi and to the class of 1996. Peace Out.(the Rock)" - **James Tavaras Simmons** ● "I like reality. It tastes of bread. (Jean Anovilh)" - **Justin Northcutt Skemp** ● "The amazing thing about life is that it never stops, not even for a second." - **Jody Garrett Smith** ● "I have found a Friend in Jesus. He's everything to me. He's the fairest of ten thousand to my soul; The Lily of the Valley. In Him alone I see all I need to cleanse and make me fully whole.("The Lily of the Valley")" -



**Matthew Brian Smith** ● "Laissez les bons temps rouler. Always hit the ball in." - **R. Scott Smith** ● "We make a living by what we get, we make a life by what we give.(Ronald Reagan)" "I wish I didn't know now what I didn't know then.(Bob Seger)" - **Susan N. Smith** ● "There are two things to aim at in life: first,

to get what you want; and, after that, to enjoy it. Only the wisest of mankind achieve the second. (Logan Pearsall Smith)" -

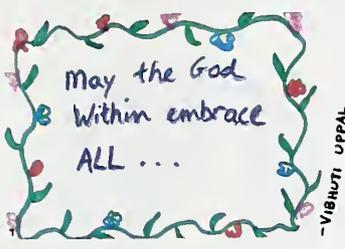
**Anuj Bharat Sonawala** ● "I do with my friends as I do with my books: I have them where I can find them, but I seldom use them. This is how I chill from '96 'til...and you know this, MAN!!!" - **Toni R. Speller** ● "Well, I don't know what will happen now. We've got some difficult days ahead. But it really doesn't matter now. Because I've been to the mountain top. I won't mind." - **Regenia Renee Spencer** ● "That's not me." "I do not know what I may appear to the world, but to myself I seem to have been only like a boy playing on the seashore, diverting myself in now and then finding a smoother pebble or a prettier shell than ordinary, while the great ocean of truth lay all undiscovered before me.(Isaac Newton)" - **Tina Diane Spencer** ●

"The human heart, at whatever age, opens only to the heart that opens in return. (Maria Edgeworth)" "Thanks be to God,

which giveth us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.(1st Corinthians 15:57)" - **Rashonda Salice Steadman** ● "One could do worse than be a swinger of birches.(Robert Frost)" - **Andrew D. Steen** ● "Conquer thyself. Till thou hast done this, thou are but a slave; for it is almost as well to be subjected to another's appetite as to thine own.(Richard E. Burton)" - **Carrie Dell Swinson** ● "The writing of books is endless, and in much study there is weariness for the flesh.(Ecclesiastes 12:12)" "Last name? D-O-DOUBLE G" - **Grace Elizabeth Taylor** ● "Wisdom calls aloud in the street, she raises the voice in the public squares; at the head of the noisy streets she cries out, in the gateways of the city she makes her speech:

"How long will you simple ones live your simple ways? How long will mockers delight in mockery and fools hate knowledge?" (Proverbs 1:20-22) - **Elaine Cheryl Thompson** ●

"The most important human endeavor is the striving for morality in our actions. Our inner balance and even our existence depend on it. Only morality in our actions can give beauty and dignity to life.(Albert Einstein)" - **Nhi Thanh Tran** ● "We are funny creatures. We don't see the stars as they are, so why do we



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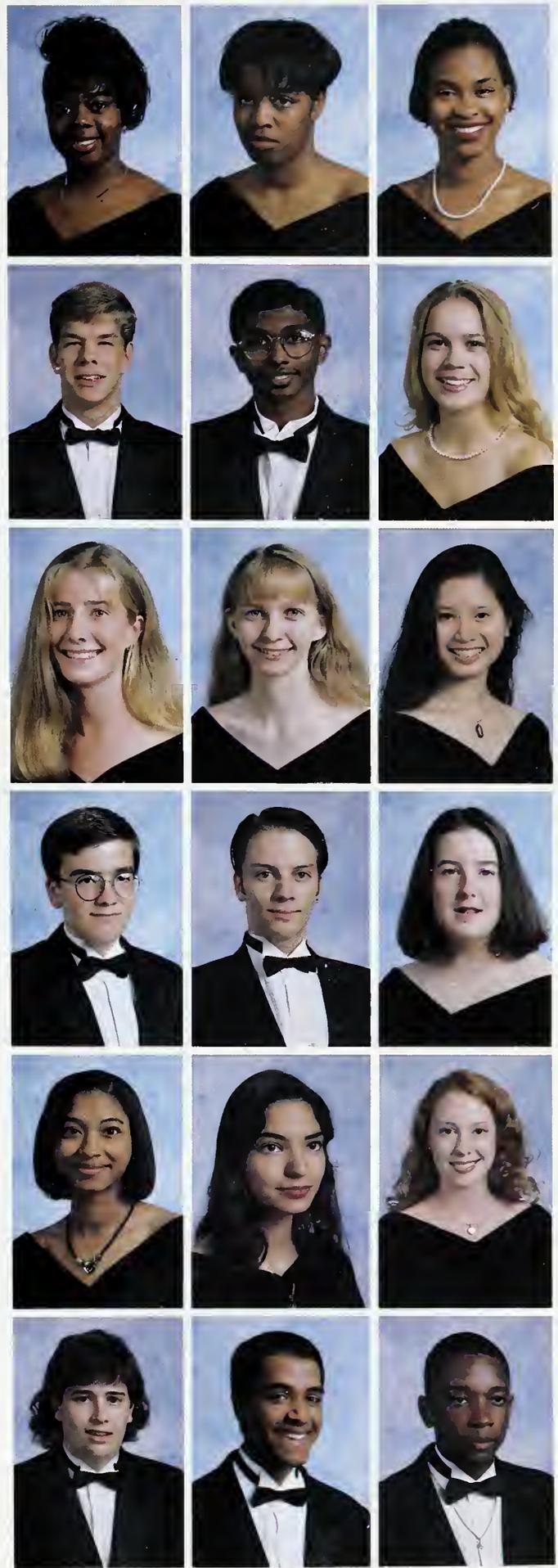
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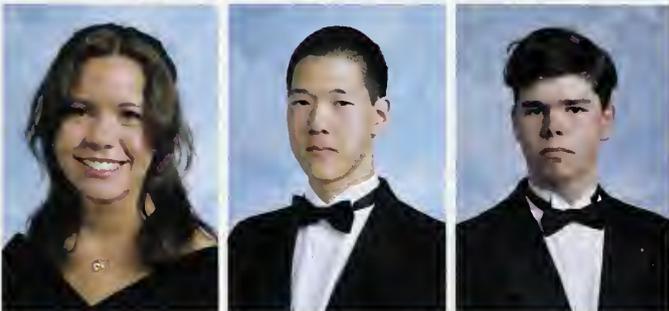
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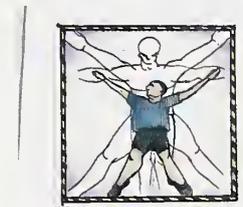
love them? They are not small gold objects but endless fire.(Henderson The Rain King)" - **Joseph David Tucker** ●"Wise men don't say 'I shall live to do that', tomorrow's life's too late; live today." "We should count time by heart-throbs.(Philip James Bailey)" "If the doors of perception were cleansed everything would appear as it is, infinite.(William Blake)" - **Arica Nailean Twiddy** ●"Neither



-ALBERT JUN WHANGBO

is there salvation in any other: for there is none other name under heaven given among me, wherby we must be saved.(Acts 4:12)" "A friend loveth at all times...(Proverbs 17:17)" "Thanks for

the memories..." - **Maria Shadell Tyson** ●"Shhhh... I can show you better than I can tell you." "U" - **Chad Malley Wade** ●"I think therefore I am? I have a question for you." "You are not me therefore you are irrelevant.(Dilbert)" - **Michael Quinn Ventura** ●"Be true to yourself and you will never fall.(Mike D)" "True friendship comes when silence between two people is comfortable.(Dave Tyson Gentry)"



-MICHAEL GEORGE WLODEK

I AM NOT.

"Many adjustments men make in life are made via their pockets." "Goodbye, my friends." - **Manoj Viswanathan** ●"Living is work.(Neil Campbell, Biology 3rd Edition)" -

**Kristin E. Wall** ●"I'm kosher like a dill pickle! And remember, I didn't do it, and if I did The Intrepid Valorize and Latina Greenea made me do it. V- I'm right beside you saying Osifer Bob the Bobbie; I'm not as think as you drunk I am. Love ya'. (The Great Empress Boobyhatch (AKA NO V))" - **Bebhinn Alanna Walsh** ●"Just as kindness knows no shame, you'll know through all your joy and pain. God will be loving you always.(Stevie Wonder)" "Es ist alles gut!(Lorenz Ward)" - **Thomas Spooner Ward** ●"The history of every major galactic civilization passes through 3 phases, those of survival, inquiry, & sophistication. These are characterized by the questions: "How can we eat?", "Why do we eat?", and "Where shall we have lunch?" - **Paul Stewart Waters** ●"The game of life is not so much in holding a good hand as playing a poor hand well.(H.T. Leslie)" "They can because they think they can.(Virgil)" "Be patient and tough; someday this pain will be useful to you.(Ovid)" - **Peter Alexander Weld** ●"I wish I didn't know now what I didn't know then." - **J. Elizabeth Wendorff** ●"The unexamined life is not worth living.(Socrates)" "For God so love the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.(John 3:16)" - **Seth W. Whitaker** ●"My soul is a soft, sweet wind. My spirit flies on wings of high, gathering the wisdom of time. I am the dream born of music, a whispering melody to calm the storm, and proud and unobtainable - I am the wind.(Lee Stallings)" - **Arthur Owen Williams** ● "You'll get mixed up, of course as you already know. You'll get mixed up with many strange birds as you go. So be sure when you step. Step with rare and great tact. And remember that Life's a Great Balancing Act.

Just never forget to be dexterous and deft. And NEVER mix up your right foot with your left." - **Donnie Kenneth Williamson** ● "For I am persuaded that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor powers, nor things present, nor things to come, nor height, nor depth, nor any other creature, shall be able to separate us from the love of God, which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.(Romans 8:38-39)" "Shine(Newsboys)" - **Tonya Renee Willoughby** ● "It's very provoking,' Humpty Dumpty said after a long silence, looking away from Alice as he spoke, 'to be called an egg, - VERY!'" - **Ellen Hayden Willson** ● "Life is a big tambourine, the more that you shake it, the better it seems.(Robert Plant)" "I didn't get caught. I played the game and won." - **Brian Wilson** ● "Smash the control images. Smash the control machines.(William S. Burroughs)" "Great minds think alike, then again, so do idiots." "I WIN!" - **Ed W. Wilson** ● "The wandering outlaw of his own dark mind.(Byron)" "I never found the companion that was so companionable as solitude.(Thoreau)" "Public schools are the nurseries of all vice and immorality.(Henry Fielding)" - **Brendon Michael Windmeyer** ● "If a man does not keep pace with his companions, perhaps it is because he hears a different drummer. Let him step to the music which he hears, however measured or far away.(Henry David Thoreau)" - **Daniel Paul Wise** ● "A man of many companions may come to ruin, but there is a friend who sticks closer than a brother.(Proverbs 18:24)" - **Debbie Soonmee Won** ● "I am hard to be contested in anything." "T?" - **Thomas Oliver Wood** ● "Long ago I had a dream, had to make a choice, or two, leaving all I loved behind, for what nobody knew. Stepped out on the stage, a life, under lights and judging eyes. Now the applause is gone, and I can dream again.(Queensryche)" - **Jessica Marie Woodard** ● "On ne voit bien qu'avec le coeur. L'essentiel est invisible pour les yeux. It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye. L'experience nous montre qu'aimer ce n'est point nous regarder l'un l'autre mais regarder ensemble dans la meme direction.(Le Petit Prince)" - **Lisa Nicole Worthington** ● "I've not learned the acceptable way of saying you fascinate me. I've not even learned how to say I like you without frightening people away. Sometimes I see things that aren't really there, like warmth and kindness when people are mean. But sometimes I see things like love and want to receive it.(Nikki Giovanni)" - **Crystal Wright** ● "The night has a thousand eyes, and the day but one. Yet the light of the bright world dies, with the dying sun. The mind has a thousand eyes, and the heart but one. Yet the light of a whole life dies, when love is done.(F.W. Bourdillon)" - **Jason Michael Zink** ● "Ease up from giving up things like control of your own mind. If you never ask any question than you're never gonna get no answer. Always be wondering what do you want while you keep getting older faster..(Op Ivy)" "Yo! Spread Tha Butta!(Mad Flava)" - **Laura Ann Zmijewski** ●

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*Trevor Hoskins II Eric Leland*

*Daniel Miller Chloé Palenchar*



# Class of 1997

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Dorothee Alsentzer  
Rupen Amin  
Bryce Anderson  
James Ansley

Zachery Armfield  
Robin Armstrong  
Akua Asare  
Jeremy Ashton  
Sami Assaf  
Michael Avett

Anthony Bray  
Joshua Breedlove  
Margaret Brewer  
Stephanie Briggs  
Brandy Britt  
Casey Brown

Sarah Brown  
Amy Brushwood  
Fulton Bryant  
Neda Burapavong  
Michael Burchette  
Teresa Calloway



Elizabeth Bagley  
Patrick Barrow  
Michael Bastin

Maya Bhat  
Seema Bhotika  
Amanda Blanton

Elizabeth Bolton  
Cheryl Borries  
Tihisia Boshart

Samuel Boyarsky  
Jeffrey Boyd  
Peter Boyd-Bowman





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 Stacy Collins  
 Miranda Cotton  
 Alison Cuddy  
 Lisa Czagas  
 Nancy Damar  
 Calvin Dark  
 Catherine Daubert  
 Dorie Davis  
 Elizabeth Deans  
 Bryan Deaton  
 Mark Deaver



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 Marcus Carden  
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 Lia Caulder  
 Easley Chappell  
 Daniel Chase  
 Karen Chen  
 Hyonmi Choe  
 Emily Choi  
 Laura Cifaldi  
 Stephanie Coggins

How quickly it all passes by. It seems as though we met just yesterday, yet we've lived together for only months. What can you be thinking now? The school is yours; we, the class of 1996 have left you a place of trials and tribulations, but I know you will succeed. Did you look to me for inspiration when times were bad? *You* were my inspiration, with your intensity and willingness to go the distance at a place far from your home, in the company of strangers. Next year, you will be a role model and a leader to the new juniors, with your hints of what to do and where to go, how to do certain things more efficiently (like late night homework), and how to thrive and have fun in an environment like S&M. Remember to look to your juniors for support, as I did you, and keep striving to be the best at whatever you do, as I know you will be. Good luck.

A senior...



Paul Dennis  
 Lakhdeep Deol  
 Monica Dev  
 Sarah Dickerson  
 Toye Dogget  
 Elizabeth Dorsett  
 Angela Drakeford  
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 Krista Duran  
 Marcia Eaddy  
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# JR! STRESS

On August 12, 1995, two hundred ninety four rising juniors descended upon the North Carolina School of Science and Math campus in Durham, N.C. to "accept the greater challenge" and hopefully experience the time of their life.

As orientation commenced, students learned about every aspect of life at NCSSM. Juniors attended session after session about security, class attendance, Student Life 101, work service, health and wellness, food service, intramurals, and varsity sports. They quickly formed ideas about their new school. Junior **Sabrina Pendergrass** said, "Orientation was beneficial because I had free time to find friends, adjust to NCSSM, and learn my way around school."

During the evenings, activities were arranged by the Orientation Committee and the Student Government Association. Juniors were gathered in the Physical Education Center to mingle and play games such as "fruit basket" and "group sit". Students had mixed reactions to these activities. For instance, one girl said, "I would have rather watched television in my dorm. I didn't want to get to know other people so soon." On the other hand, **George Van Buskirk** remarked, "I enjoyed the activities in the gym."

The Student Government also conducted activities during orientation week. A water balloon fight replaced a planned scavenger hunt, and the juniors enjoyed themselves immensely. After an hour, some juniors returned soaking wet to their rooms to enjoy the rest of their free day before class started.

Once orientation ended, seniors arrived, and classes began, juniors began to adjust to this new lifestyle that contained heavy course loads along with work service, tutorials, and socializing. However, NCSSM turned out not to be like what many juniors expected. Many juniors thought NCSSM was a school with extremely hard courses and nerdy students who only cared about making good grades. However, in reality, NCSSM was not like that.

The courses challenge students, but still they find time to pursue extracurricular interests such as sports, drama, music, art, dance, and chorus. **Smita Trivedi** commented on this new existence of juggling school and outside activities by saying, "NCSSM students have to work hard on time management [because they] get very little sleep."

The juniors of NCSSM were given challenges beyond their wildest dreams when they arrived. Many of these challenges made juniors homesick because they missed their friends and families. Many even thought about leaving NCSSM. "It was difficult. I wanted to go home," cried **Teasha Kincaid**. **Toye Doggett** said, "I wanted to leave when I became slightly overwhelmed by the large amounts of work and

Precious Vines gives the camera a weak smile as she feels the stress of every NCSSM student's worst nightmare - cafeteria work service.



"Crunch, Crunch!" Karen Chen finds the best stress reliever to be gnawing off all her fingers.



Need a Scrunchie? Lauren Wagener seems to be stressed out both by her reading AND keep back her hair.



Erica Jones seems to be catching up on her studies in the library; that is...the study of sleep, a course in which all NCSSM students fail miserably.

# Accepting the

# Greater



"I just can't take this anymore!" Jared Piland expresses the stress of being a 1st Hill "fella".

# Challenge takes its toll



projects, [but] I decided to stay because I told myself I could handle the challenge. Also, coming here is really like going off to college [two years] early and, [we all have] to grow up sometime."

In addition, students remained at NCSSM because they wanted a more challenging education than they could receive at their old school. Moreover, some juniors wanted to leave their small hometowns and experience life in a larger city. Furthermore, juniors stayed at NCSSM to have new experiences with their new-found friends from around North Carolina. Fortunately, these reasons helped students decide to stay at NCSSM despite their feelings of loneliness and isolation from the familiarities of home.

On the other hand, some juniors were enthusiastic about life at NCSSM. Latrice Hogue said, "[I like it here because] I have more freedom to do what I want. It's not like having the same seven classes everyday and then going home. We live with our friends and see them all day which makes us closer."

Orientation provided an opportunity for juniors to experience life at NCSSM. And, as the year progresses, all of the juniors are settling in and "learning the ropes" at NCSSM. Once they become adjusted to the workload and living away from home all goes well.

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Ashley Stood stress out on finding the answers to her many questions or at least her English questions.



"It's All Good!" Sam Assaf tells Summer Gillenwater.

# SOMEBODY'S WATCHING ME

The idea of having any kind of privacy at a residential school with over 500 students may be unlikely or even ridiculous to some. But for NCSSM students, trying to find privacy in a potentially impossible environment is a way of life.

Math students have adjusted so well to their new home that they don't consider privacy to be a big issue. Says De Tran, a junior, "There are always places to go, even on campus, if you need to hang out and be alone." Students in general seem to agree with this statement, although most feel, as an anonymous senior says, "Sure there are plenty of places to go if you don't mind going places where you shouldn't at times when you shouldn't be out."

However, even this renegade solution does not satisfy many students. A lot of people seem to have complaints about roommates, hallmates, and the structures of campus life that are inherent in any boarding school setting.

Elizabeth Vendroff, a senior, said, "I have a roommate, so don't think I ever have much privacy. But I've accepted that that's the way it has to be. I can't just say, 'Get the hell out of our room, I want to be alone.'"

Another girl was disgruntled with her roommate's good, but misguided, intentions. "I can accept sharing a room with someone, but don't understand why every time someone's upset like 30 girls have to crowd around them, asking what's wrong. They don't seem to understand the concept of dignity."

An anonymous boy said that he thought that the general attitudes of the students here make it hard for him to have a sense of privacy. "People here seem to think that I'm always in the mood to talk and that I always feel like entertaining people in my room. That's NOT true. But I think it's even harder to have an intimate conversation with someone. The mentality here is, 'Oh, he's talking to so and so... that must mean he's in the mood to talk to me too.'"

Interestingly, the factor of school that seemed to affect people

the most was gossip. "I can't stand it," says Leila Ghassemian, a senior. "I feel like people talk about everything. NO ONE is safe! Any privacy that people might have here is pretty much stripped away by gossip." April Johnson, an SL, agreed. "The gossip at this school is amazing. The SL's hear everything too, and it seems like no matter how small an incident is, within ten minutes people are already talking about it." The general consensus on gossip at this school is, "Be very careful. You could sneeze and everybody would know about it, and a few people would probably even care."

What does all of this mean for students at Science and Math? If you feel like you don't get enough private time, that could add on to the already huge and growing-as-you-read-this pile of stress that comes with massive class loads being away from home, and assorted personal problems. As we all know, stress overload leads to nervousness, illness (which causes you to miss class and get even further behind), and general unhappiness. At this point do you ever feel like being alone and crying? Well, you can't if there's no privacy! But fear not... there are many ways to compensate for the privacy that was lost when we moved onto a crowded campus.

**1. WORK AS HARD AS YOU CAN** - Privacy isn't going to come easily at any kind of boarding school. Plan to take a walk alone, or talk to your roommate about letting you have the room for an hour or two... You don't have anything to lose by asking. If you have a single, put a "DO NOT DISTURB" sign on your door and enforce it.

**2. GET A LIFE** - Refrain from gossiping and meddling in other people's business. Why should they respect your privacy if you don't respect theirs?

**3. FOR EMERGENCIES ONLY** - If you are having a nervous breakdown, talk to your counselor. They understand that stress can be just as damaging as a physical ailment in extreme cases, and they might let you take the day off so you can spend it alone in your room while your roommate is in class.

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# Love T A G That E-Mail!

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Dogpile or PDA: level II or level III - The troublemakers of 1st Hill show that love knows no restraint.

During a student's life at NCSSM, he or she will eventually clash with the powers that be, and end up on the losing end of the conflict. Trouble happens to even the most obedient of us, even those who stay in their rooms studying 24-7. Often, the reasons for our punishments are obscure, asinine, or simply unfair, but what can we as students do? There are two simple answers: don't break the rules, and if you do, don't get caught.

Most students prefer the latter strategy of not getting caught. You can get a level I for not signing back in just as easily as for not signing out, so why bother? Many students feel rules are meant to be broken: senior **P.J. Deschenes** claims he had illegal interviz about 12 times last year, and he was never caught. Says P.J.: "Nothing short of a radio-collar will keep me from being where I'm not supposed to be." Most students don't sign out for such small trips as a visit to Revco or a walk to Northgate Mall, and usually no one is the wiser. Some students are slick enough to commit other mischeiveous deeds uncaught - ranging from small scale criminality to well-planned raids on sister halls or worse.

Unfortunately, some students do get caught, and can

face serious consequences. Grand junior **Doug Grimes** returned the loop van to school last year, and was given his choice of an array of several level IIIs. Though Doug and others suffer punishment, their feats of anarchy live on in legend. We all hear about the big stuff, but it's the small things that can make the school seem like a prison (that, along with the mess-hall food). Walking outside barefoot, climbing a tree, sleep through check - each meriting a level.

Sometimes people are punished for something they don't know is prohibited. Juniors invariably suffer from their ignorance: last year senior **Sarah Bauer** received a level III (reduced to a level II) for doing Kolena homework on 1st Hunt during laundry hours. Grand junior **Zac Carter** was levelled for signing check incorrectly (he filled in the box for his initials like a scantron sheet). The silliness of some transgressions begs the question, what are we allowed to do for fun around here? Certain people keep testing the limits of the rules, but a



Damn it's cold...Hill guys figure out other ways to keep warm

clause in the handbook says "offenses include, but are not limited to, the following examples:..." So, what can't we be punished for?

Often the question is not "am I allowed to do this?," but "can I handle the punishment?" This logic has prompted such events as senior **Patrick Gray's** decision to ranomly throw a pillow at SLI Kevin Cromwell,

students often hazing their hallmates on birthdays by attacking them with shaving cream or dog-piles (which have become a level I) and food fights sporadically breaking out in the cafeteria. How else can we learn that cheesecake sticks to the ceiling or that chicken nuggets can bounce? Good, clean fun just can't be found at Science and Math without breaking a few rules here and there.

Particular residence hall (usually male) cause trouble much more frequently than others. Last year 4th East Hunt, 1st Hunt, and 4th Bryan were the biggest troublemakers of all. On 4th East lived infamous grand juniors **Doug Grimes** and **Rob Thomson** as well as senior **Carlos Thompson** and junior **Brian Wilson** and **Derrick Autry**. Besides almost being kicked out in 93-94, Carlos participated in the infamous Special Projects Week documentary depicting certain aspects of NCSSM life (with other seniors from 1st Hunt), and was "involved" in the study-hall fire of 94-95. On 1st Hunt, the infamous seniors **Danny Holyfield** and **Aaron Dolezal**, and **Morgan Randell** have all graduated. On 4th Bryan grand-senior **Aaron Remorenko** and senior **Sean Hartig** set another student's stuffed rabbit on fire, and were all given level IIIs for lighting WD-40



Our love is like water...John German gets an earful from a friend.

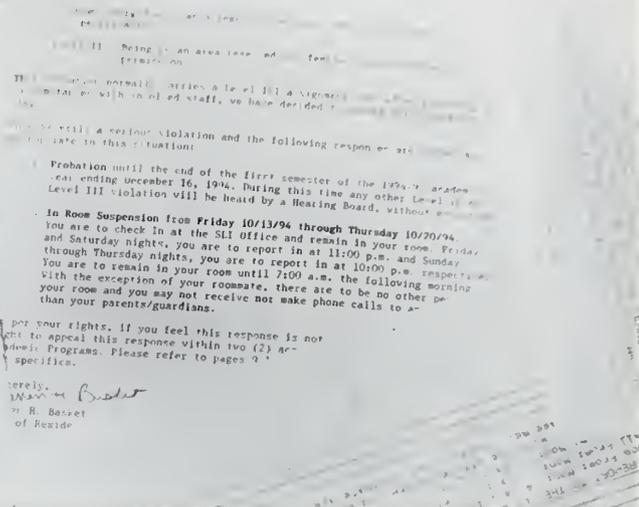
# Only In Trouble If You CAUGHT!!

a dorm room ("haven't you guys seen *Backdraft*?"). Current 1st Hill DA **James Knutson** got caught after throwing an enormous water balloon on a car (breaking the windshield) from 4th Bryan, and had to pay for the windshield. Grand senior **Stockton Butler** was caught in Hill after curfew. The list goes on and on.

During the first quarter of this year, no one hall seems yet inhabited by imps, but many juniors had interesting experiences with the kangaroo law of S & M. The girls on 4th Bryan, besides getting levels for the usual offenses, had too much fun during orientation week: they got warnings for racing chairs down the hall and sleeping in the lounge all night. **Carla Merritt** and several hallmates had to take down *Playgirl* pictures from the lounge (she swears she didn't buy the magazine), and several girls were reprimanded by Ken Horne for jumping on the elevator as it reached the top. "Do you want to lost your elevator privileges for the rest of the semester? This is not a top. This is to get you up and down. This is not a toy." 1st Hill has also gotten in trouble more than is usual this year. In one night, six students got levels for violating in-room curfew. After several students had been dog-piled authorities mysteriously decided to make dog piling a level III. Many of 1st Hill's infractions are still secret, as should be all perfect crimes.

If the many new (and stupid) rules make having fun seem harder and harder to do, just remember the words of great-grand junior **Greg Eddy**: "It's only wrong if you get caught."

-Schuyler Corry



It's a bird...it's a plane...it's Anuj Sonawala on a skateboard!



"We're not as drunk as you think we are!" (Steve Emerson, Chuck Haines, and Tak Hirata)

# YOU'RE IT...



Heidi Kondrad  
Sriyesh Krishnan  
Hillary Kruger  
Holly Landry  
Angela Lea  
Jason Lee

Kylin Lee  
Heather Lewandowski  
Eddie Lewis  
Katharine Lin  
Melissa Little  
James Liverman

Kimberly Logan  
Brian Loomis  
Julius Lucks  
Theodore Luebke  
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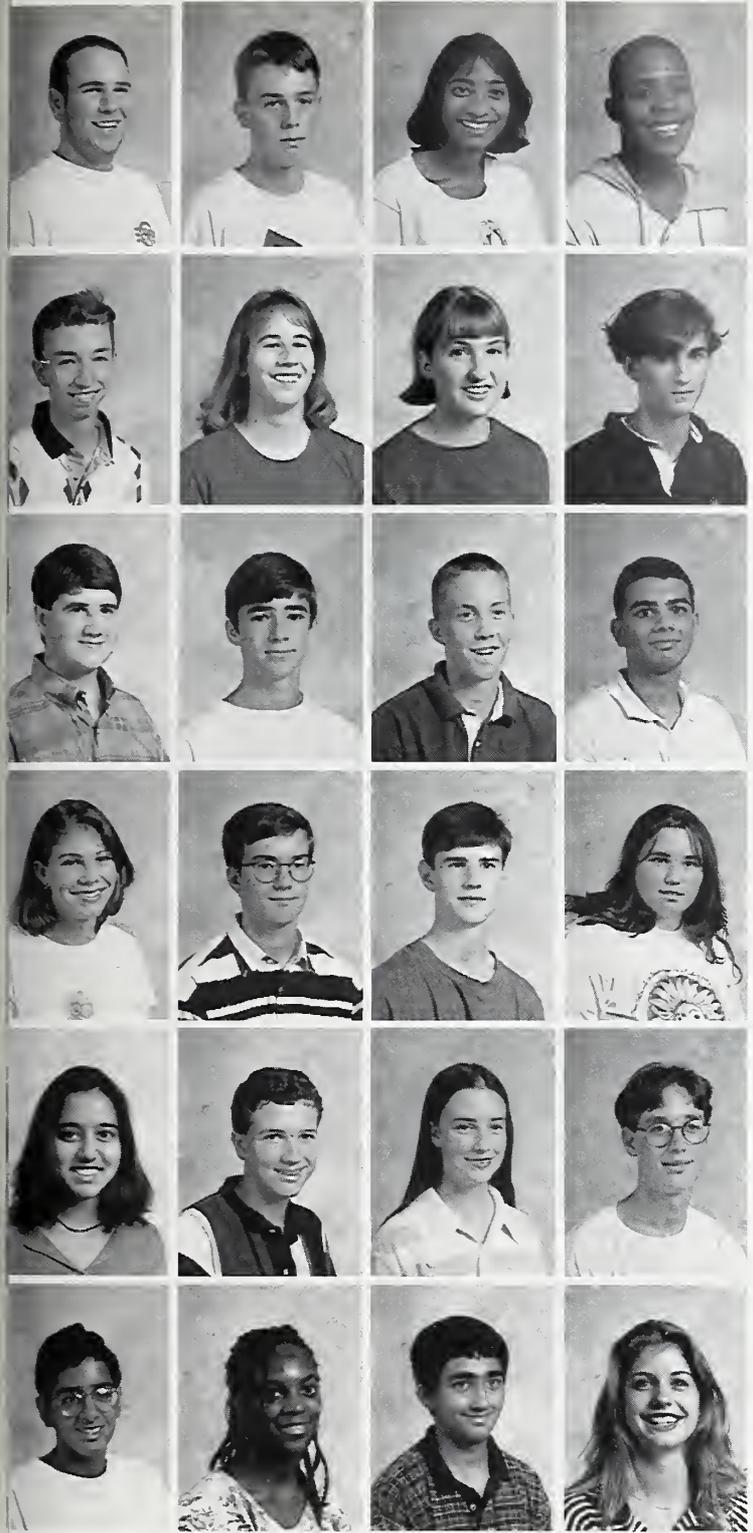
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Carla Merritt  
Stephen Mewborn  
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Erin Moore  
John Moran  
Garrett Morgan  
Lyle Mullican  
Michael Murphy  
Amber Murray

Lauren Muth  
Leslie Myrie Jr.  
Jacqlene Nance  
Henry Newell  
Amy Oliver  
Paul Oppenheimer

ALT DAY "Change of Session" form  
All School Assembly: 8:00-8:55  
Spanish Club Movie: Visit to Methodist Retirement Community Environmental Chemistry Field Trip\* 9:00-9:55  
STUDENT LIFE 101: Alcohol & Drugs; Sexual Issues; Diversity



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ery Painter	Meagan Patterson	Emily Pike	Matthew Raines
nston Parker	Stephen Patterson	Jared Piland	Jay Raval
en Parsons	Dominic Pazzula	John Pittman	Tina Register
anali Patel	Jay Pearson	Jennifer Plaster	Matthew Richards
jal Patel	Sabrina Pendergrass	Siddharth Prabhu	Kirstin Riesbeck

Alternative day was established by the school administration as a non-academic workday for students and staff alike. It is intended to be used by students as a time for Student Life sessions, group work, teacher conferences, getting help with a subject or to catch up in homework. Teachers are supposed to get caught up in work, attend meetings and meet with students. It is required that students plan every minute of ALT day and have this plan approved by their academic advisor. But as we all know, sometimes even the best laid plans go awry.

The first thing that most students do on ALT day is to wake up with a smile, they have just arisen an hour later than normal. Or they can smile because they are able to wake up at the normal time and take their time dressing and have a decent breakfast. Or perhaps they feel like taking an extra long shower in the morning. ALT day mornings are always a nice and relaxing change from the normal weekday morning.

Every ALT day, juniors have Student Life sessions. Seniors now have these sessions every other ALT day. The Student Life sessions are supposed to help students learn to cope with living at S&M and with other things in their lives. The main sessions are broad overviews of the subject being discussed that ALT day and the follow up sessions provide a more in-depth profile. If one is lucky, the main session is in the PEC with the lights off. With the lights off one can nod off without being noticed. (I wouldn't suggest it, though. Sleeping during a session can cause big trouble.) Most of the time, the follow-up sessions are on the same day as the main session. The main session and the follow up sessions are usually an hour long a piece. There goes two hours of ALT day already.

By this time it is eleven to twelve o'clock and time to eat lunch. Lots of students leave campus to eat, because they never conceivably get to go eat a good lunch on a normal Wednesday. So they make the journey in search of food. Two hours later they straggle back to school, ready to start that homework they put off last night.

Then everyone remembers that certain chore they agreed to do for someone last week. An hour later, the task is done and they finally start on homework. About two hours of work gets done before they remember their ALT day forms. They rush over to their advisor's office to turn in the sheet before their advisor leaves for the day.

ALT day is over. Two hours of homework got done and still they have two or so hours left of homework to go. The student didn't have any teacher's meetings, because 1) they didn't have the time and 2) neither did the teachers, due to all the teachers meetings that they had during the day. No group work got done, nobody could decide on a convenient time for everyone to meet.

Does this day sound familiar? On ALT day, all I do is run around like someone possessed trying to get everything done. You may be asking yourself: is the whole day worth the hassle that it causes?

I say emphatically yes! How many schools allow their students a weekday where they don't have to go to class? That allow the students a time, if it can be arranged, to catch up and get help from teachers? None that I know of, except NCSM.

ALT day is a very useful time for all students. ALT day provides a time for Student Life sessions. Before the creation of ALT day, students had to schedule times during a specific week after classes to complete their sessions. The sessions can be very informative from time to time and are worth attending without any distractions, like thinking about the impending four hours of homework. SLI Sandra Baker advises all students to appreciate their sessions because, "whether or not students realize or appreciate it now, these sessions give them a jump on the world ahead and around them." ALT day allows an uninterrupted time to study and do work. It is a good time for seniors to work on their college applications. It is also a good day to find friends and catch up with them. Or watch some TV and find out what is going on in the world outside Science and Math.

Junior Sara Estinger likes ALT day because it allows her to get more sleep, especially since she has all of her classes the next day. Junior Sarah Brown feels that ALT day is overall nice except for the fact that some teachers give more homework because they think students have more time to complete it.

Despite the message conveyed by the lifeless mob of zombies headed to the PEC for all school assemblies, there is hope for a productive ALT day.  
Staff Writer - Maryellen Corbett

Field Trip\* Bioethics WRRD Goes to the Movies:

# TALL TALES OR TRUE TESTIMONIES?



To this day, Ms. McCoy still has a fear of things falling from the sky.

Beware of the ghosts of dead patients in Ground Reynolds.



Will they ever find the mysterious Wyche tunnel?

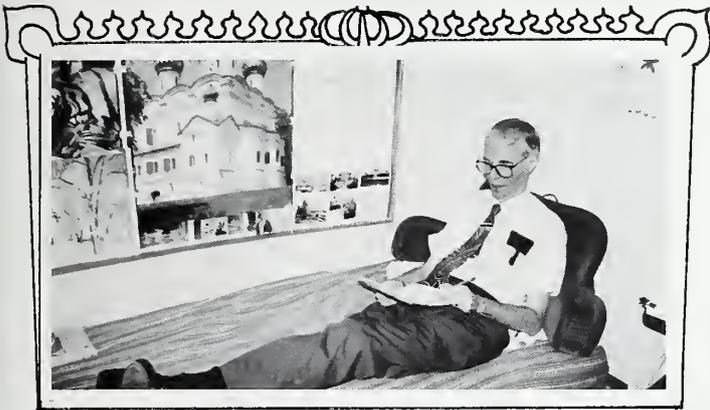
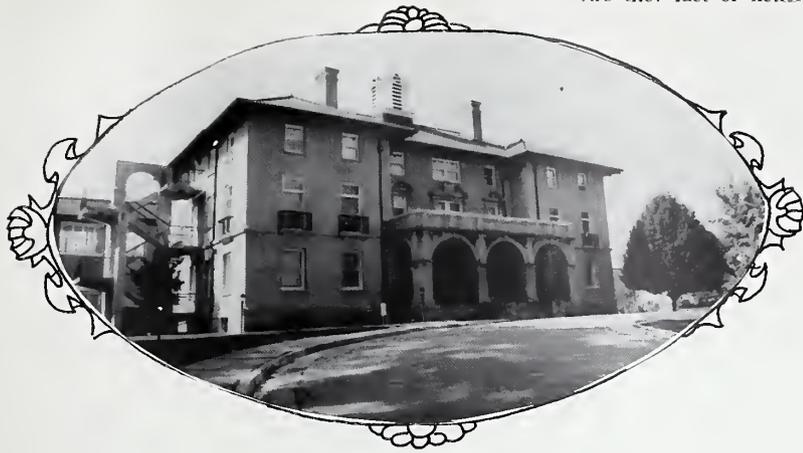
**B**ones in Watts, snow days, mysterious paintings - The stories go on and on, some true, some lies, and some without proof either way. We've all heard some, but how much does the average person know? The stories are there for the finding, from tales of renovations to images from the first years as a school - you may stumble on something you never knew.

We begin our discoveries on Ground Watts in the years when the school was being created. The morgue of the hospital, as you may know, was moved in the 1950's from Reynolds Ground E to where the computer center is now. According to Joe Liles who witnessed the scenes firsthand when the morgue area was explored, it was almost completely intact. Not only were the marble table and drains still in place, human organs (notably a brain) were found preserved in jars. Other morbid facts? There were actually bones found in an incinerator in that same area of the building. Before you draw conclusions it might be a good idea to know that the bones were most likely those of lab animals as the openings of the ovens were nowhere near the size required to cremate a person.

In a different part of the building, just outside the art studio, we find a painting that has been quite mysterious to most students over the years. Everyone tries to speculate about who the person is, where she is sitting, or where the painting itself came from, but the answer was easily found when Elizabeth Moorman and Joe Liles were asked. No, the person is not in Hill, and no the room isn't in Bryan or any other place on this campus for that matter. The painting was actually a gift to the school from the Museum of Art in Raleigh. The museum had hosted an art show for North Carolina artists which had included this woman's self portrait. When they moved to a new facility there was no room to store the paintings so we were asked, along with other state institutions, if we would like to have a few for our buildings. Two other paintings - the one that looks like clouds on the wall near the stairs of first Bryan, as well as a less well-known painting that hangs in the staff lounge, were also gifts from the same museum.

Beyond the breezeway Bryan has some stories of its own worth telling. The physics floor, as we can plainly see, was not renovated in 1986 when the rest of the science floors were as the money ran short. As Dr. Hugh Haskell tells it, what renovation was done brought about some interesting discoveries. First of all, if you have ever wondered why the floor of the physics 105 classroom (which was a waiting room for the x-ray labs) is messed up, it's because bathrooms were taken out of this area to make room for the classrooms. The part of this that is surprising to most people is that before they were torn down, the rooms were clearly labeled "whites." There was another smaller waiting room and set of bathrooms across the hall that was almost certainly labeled "colored." Also dug up was the answer to the age old question of, "What is wrong with those physics teachers up there?" Apparently, as a lab table was being removed from room 453 (formerly Dr. Winter's office, currently Ms. Edwards') about 18 lbs of loose mercury was uncovered. That says to most people that there was potential for some serious "drain damage."

Below the physics floor we find the biology department which had a damaging experience of its own during the renovation of 4th. It's said that somehow connections were severed so that a large, 20-30 lb pipe was accidentally dropped through the floor in a hole that was thought to go nowhere. Little did they know that the hole would lead directly into the office of Mrs. McCoy below. The biology teachers were just outside the office having



Next week on  
"Unsolved  
Mysteries":  
Who slept in Dr.  
Houpe's bed?

The gift that no one knows about...until now.

inch, so Mrs. McCoy was unharmed, but the ceiling still shows a scar from the incident. The biology teachers, to this day, keep their hard hats on hand because they say they never know what might fall through on them from above.

Also on the biology floor, there were a couple of other incidents such as the year in which a strange stench seemed to be coming from the middle classroom. It later turned out that there was another hole that was thought to go nowhere, yet this one led to the sewage lines. The smell that year, for some reason, was strong enough that it seeped out and into the room. Fortunately, this problem was soon fixed. A problem that was not so quickly fixed was a disappearance of a zebra pelt from the biology department. It was gone for about seven years and one day showed up again. If anyone knows where it was during that time, he isn't talking!

In the Hunt - Hill complex there is yet another story that is almost humorous now, but could have been a tragedy. It begins when the construction of Hunt was in progress, Dr. Don Houpe explained that somehow a gas line was inadvertently struck and gas began pouring out uncontrollable. In an attempt to warn the people on campus, the fire alarms were set off to get everyone outside. This would seem like a perfect plan until you consider that the alarms in Hill, when set off, make a spark. In other words, had the gas made it as far as Hill by that time, there might not be a Hill House today. Fortunately for everyone who was in the building at the time, there was no explosion and everyone survived the incident.

The first years in the history of the school provide lots of stories including another mystery that Dr. Houpe still hasn't solved. The office that was his during the first years had a lock that wasn't difficult to release, with a little effort. He came in one morning to find that during the night someone had been in his office. The bed in there usually stays rumpled up, but on this morning it was all smoothed out. A potato chip bag and wine bottle were in the trash making it obvious someone had stayed for a time, yet even now he still is unsure who took advantage of his office that one night. It may remain unsolved forever.

Another puzzle that mystifies students and staff here is what is usually referred to as the Wyche tunnel. Some are unsure of its existence, yet others are fairly confident when they say that it was there at one time. Those who support it say that it connected into Watts somewhere and was likely covered up when the renovations took place. Hopefully, someday we will know the truth so that we can stop wandering aimlessly around Ground Watts looking for where it might have been.

One last story that each class seems to find amusing is that there was one day in the history of the school where classes were "cancelled" on account of snow. In one of the first years the school was in operation there was a snow and one student got the idea to call the radio station and ask that it be announced that our school would be closed that day. When asked for the snow code the student replied that since we were a new school we did not know the snow code yet. The radio announcement made quite an impact that day although some of the classes did go on for the teachers who showed up. Unfortunately, that was the only snow day we've ever had.

Even after only 16 years of operation (the first class was all juniors, so yes c/o '96 is the 15th Graduating class) the stories that are told on this campus are countless. Some are all truth, and some have likely been exaggerated over the years, but often it's more fun to not know which it is.

-Robbye Fielden

Mary Ritchey  
Matthew Roesle



### Breaking free comes with a price

The time is 3:25. The end of classes at ncess. Where is everyone working? From lounge to lounge, hall to hall the books crack open like clock work and the computer servers are on overload. If homework is not the main course, one can try a side order of sports practice or top things off with a nice round of work service from the blessett menu.

Junior shovoy underdug describes the end of the day as follows "at least at home i finish my homework, here i work from the time classes end until at least 100 am." To relieve all the days stress the students at ncess have found their own ways to spend the free time they have. senior crystal davis goes to her room to "cut up and listen to music." senior juliette qimore savors the finer side of life by practicing her violin, viola or bass.

The less experienced juniors have caught on quickly to ways of relieving the stresses of this school. Junior april kinsley plays a friend's catherine wheeled "over and over again" to relieve stress. Junior matt richards has found the yellow brick road that leads to the mall. he goes there to "get away from it all." some students at ncess however have found more athletic and social ways to relieve stress. Junior valerie tse watches team games in her free time and also participates in intramurals.

Weekends on campus are a main time for everyone to catch up on sleep. stacy smallwood lists among his weekend activities "sleep, laundry, then more sleep." one activity which is synonymous with weekends is intervisitation (i-via). The first couple of weeks there is a mad rush to the huts, but as the weeks increase the interest decreases. The same can be said for the nightly ritual of "happy half" which has been renamed "crappy half."

Food runs are one way to spend free time (and money) that never fails to maintain interest. not because of the price of course. miami subs, waffle house, and ben and jerry's are just a few of the places that these hungry bored student's flock to.

invites are a fun "legal" way to spend free time with that someone special. watching movies and skating are a few entertaining activities enjoyed by those partaking of invitations.

one thing math student can there are just not the day to accomplish between the ever-eternal homework clubs, balancing the seemingly impossible even devoted to the students make sense schedules. teachers their student's lack of deprivation some naiman have even student's do jumping wake up many developed their own awake or rather open junior chugs down two cups hopes that the me awake enough to



every science and agree on is that enough hours in everything. lashing classes the and the multitude of scales here is. The first shot was purpose of helping out of their chaotic have complained of energy due to sleep teachers like dr. resorted to making jacks in class to student's have method for staying keeping their eyes carmine hawley of coffee a day with "caffeine will keep function in class."

The problem is not just the enormous work load, but some student's just flat out waste time. senior david herring admits that this is his problem. "i don't use it [free time] wisely, i know i should do work but i don't do it. i just talk and waste time." This problem is not so uncommon because even though the books crack open at 3:25, that is not to say that work is actually being done. it is no big secret that study groups are usually social groups, and the library is "whisper" central.

free time is scarce yet student's at ncess find ways to spend it. i suppose the moral of this story is that nothing is free, so be careful how you spend your time. staff writer: carla merritt



SandyJo Rogers	Charlie Shaw Jr.	Martin Smith	Steven Stewart
Tanya Rogers	Mohammad Siddiqui	Sabra Smith	Todd Stewart
Benjamin Rowland	Michael Simpson	Kalila Spain	Phillip Stewart Jr
Çedra Russell	Stacy Smallwood	Anthony Sprinkle	Daniel Stinhelfer
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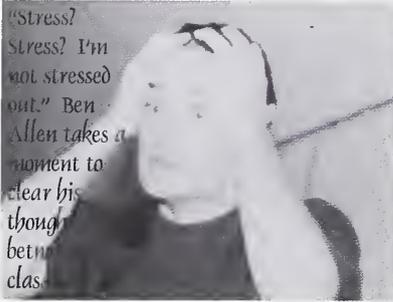




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# THE WRATH OF SENIORITIS



Senioritis. For teachers it is the dreaded word they murmur as no one passes in his or her assignment on time. For juniors it is the attitude that radiated from the upperclassmen as they smirk at the sight of Cliff Notes for The

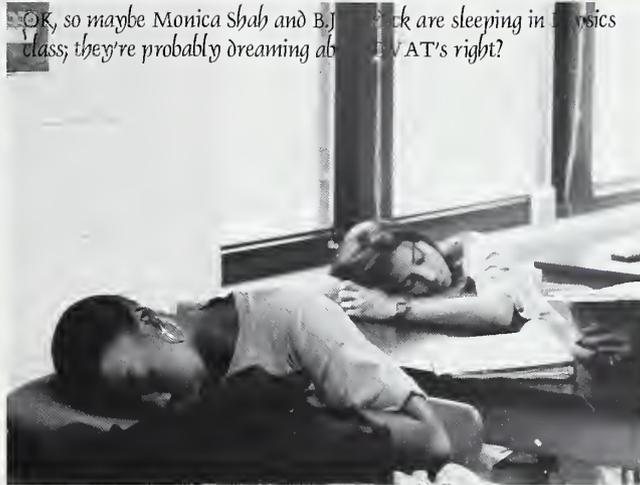


Robin Kohli helps lessen the load on Anuj Sonawala's shoulders.



Thomas Wood, and Chad Wade de...  
...o short to work all the time

OK, so maybe Monica Shah and BJ...  
...ack are sleeping in physics class; they're probably dreaming ab...  
...VAT's right?



Measuring the degree to which a person has senioritis can be tricky. After all, what senior isn't just a little slack? However, symptoms of a very serious case include:

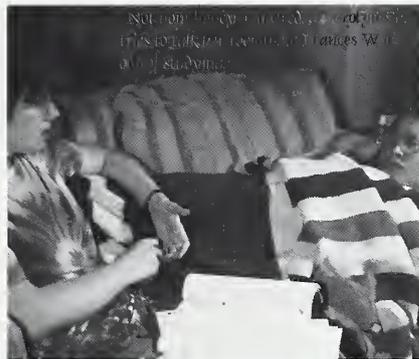
- Not remembering the teachers' names. Big trouble if that "nice old lady" has to write a letter of recommendation.
- Having more free periods than day classes.
- Being banished from the clinic for having too many "sick days".
- Taking college days every week.
- Staying up to date with every single soap opera on TV without having to tape an episode.
- Forgetting where classes are held.

Just to be fair, it should be noted that there are seniors out there who do not let senioritis go to their heads and who keep their schedules relatively full. Many seniors returned after summer break ready to "accept the greater challenge", which is definitely a good thing.

Senior Maqui Ortiz has a clear take on the whole dilemma as she ponders: "Senioritis... what is it? I don't believe in it, but if it exists I think it's disgusting and personally take no part in it." With that comment she heads off to her second and last class of the day. - Elizabeth Wendorff



Molly McNulty and Sarah...  
...ill... read a bedtime story after a hard day's



Not only...  
...this...  
...of...  
...of...



Priscilla Chappel decides to "chill off" her homework.

Scarlett Letter. For seniors... well, it is just a hard habit to break once it has begun.

School's out--or virtually out, for many seniors already. Contrary to popular belief, senioritis does not automatically start at the beginning of the second semester. For many seniors, it starts much earlier. Senior Tomi Speller says:

"Senioritis began with me the day I was handed the key to my room and will not end until June 1, 1996."

The faculty shake their heads, warning the seniors that there is a time for work and a time for play. Okay, so the class of 1996 can't tell time. Pass Go, collect \$2.00, and move on to college. Those suffering from senioritis figure they gave it all they had last year. As Leila Ghassemian puts it: "I don't think senioritis is really a problem because we busted our butts last year. It's sort of deserved."

Deserved, definitely. However, justification for being slack can be pretty hard to pull off on those college apps.

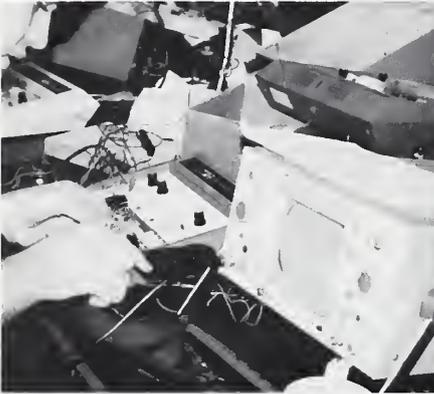
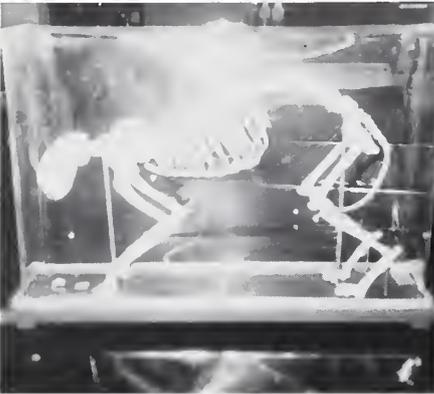
Surely many seniors know the frustration of pulling an all-nighter last year only to walk into their first morning class and find a pop quiz awaiting them. Still, how many of the prestigious colleges from up North know how long the seniors have waited for a break? After all, it is a proven fact that time, stress, and irritation cause wrinkles.

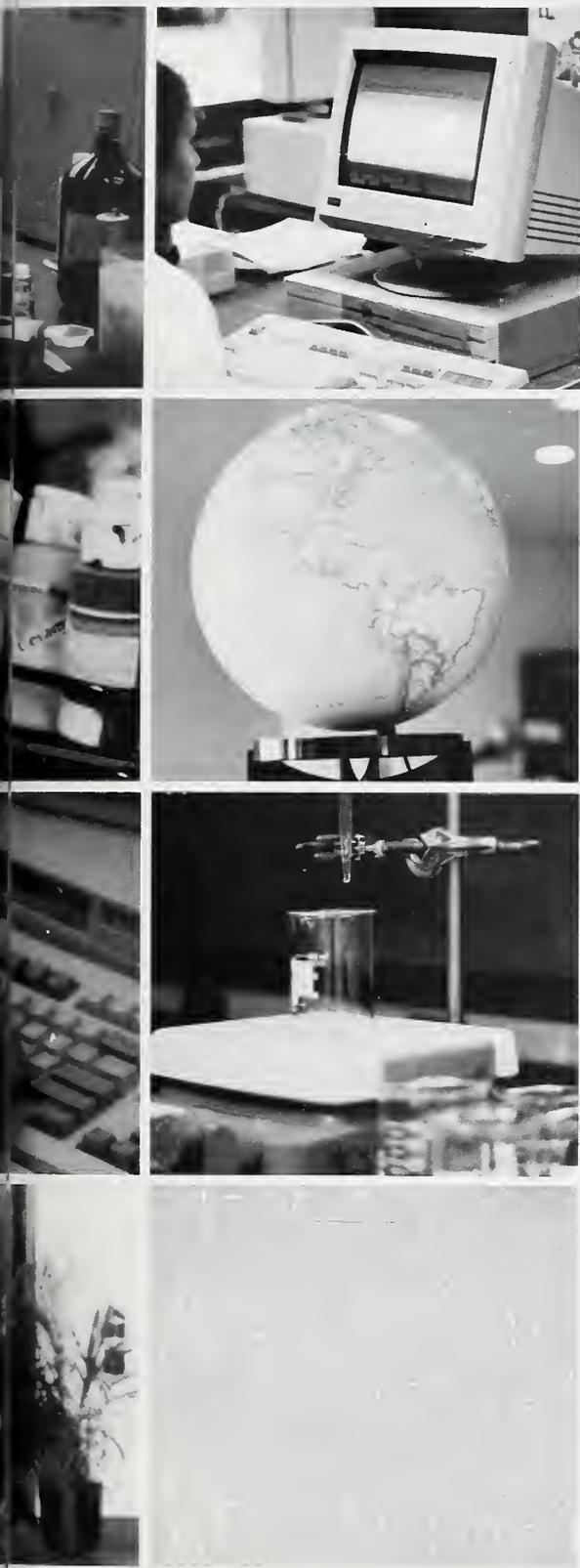


Maqui Ortiz takes a little break between classes.



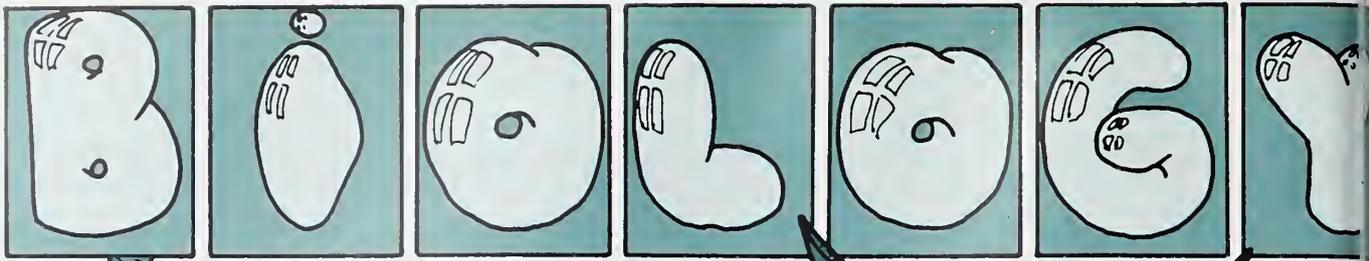
We got it, we know it, we don't need to study to show it. Kendra Hill and Tavaris Simmons show us how it's done during interviz.





Ask yourself a question: **If** you had not come to Science and Math, what kind of education would **YOU** be receiving at home? The education that we receive here at Science and Math has given us a solid background to **build** upon and grow from. **IT** has given us a head start, a chance that few others growing up in a state renowned for its pathetic public educational system will ever have.

Our academic courses found the core of our school. **THEY** constitute only a fraction of what we have learned from attending S&M, but they are the foundations of a discipline that **will** serve us throughout our lives. Our classes figure highly in the **sum** of our time spent here, but they have reached beyond that to integrate themselves permanently into our minds, habits, and attitudes.



"These male flies don't look very sexy to me (Julie Thidodeaux)! What do you think, Erin?"



Satisha Bissram takes Biology seriously as Mohammed Siddiqui goofs off.

"I think I lost my appetite, Jennifer!" says Calvin.



The Biology floor is crawling with life from the moment you set foot on the hall. It's what Ms. Link calls, "The lively floor." From dissections to research projects, there are a range of activities that are not just classes."

In one room, you may find a class sitting in a circle engrossed in a riveting discussion. This class, Bioethics, attempts to relate history, biology, and real life. The students learn to ask questions and various ways of looking at ethical issues.

There are more classes that are not seen in other high schools such as Embryology. With frogs, Medaka fish, and chicken eggs, the classes are able to see life from the very first moments. In the words of Tiffianna Honsinger, "The frogs are really neat."

In Ecology, we find people dealing with everything from dirt to populations. Besides the class work, Cara Hamilton says, "We have fun playing in the mud." Although even the instructor is said to be looking forward to getting into "the things that have fur and purr."

If you've been wondering about that funny smell coming from the Biology floor, the Anatomy class is putting their "two scents worth" in with the cat dissections. Although Tiale Tawake called it "disgusting", Mary Holmes said, "Dudes, love my cat Toonces. He earned me a 100 on my anatomy test on muscles."

Also, we should have some answers to the mystery of the PFM meat. Soon our own Immunology classes will be conducting tests on it. NCSSM can boast the ability to offer classes such as Immunology as it is the only one of its kind in the state.

As Biology has such a wide range of subjects, there are countless classes offered. However, the Advanced Biology class tries to squeeze the whole sha-bang in during the year. Tiffianna Honsinger and Dara Elmore say that they have already learned that, "The Krebs cycle is the meaning of life." Chloe Palenchar says, "Ditto."

One class that students seem to have a big interest in is Genetics. According to Jaime Morris, she and her partners Carla Merritt and Kalila Spain "made babies!" (in reference to fruit flies of course). Although on a more serious note Jaime admits that, "The way they've designed the program, it's very realistic and it helps you get a good grasp on the concepts."

There are obviously more wonderful quotations and information that couldn't be packed into a page of our yearbook. It would require a novel to be able to incorporate and explain what each of the Biology classes is truly able to accomplish in the course of a school year. As "The year of the cat" comes to an end we wonder how we survived a year of all the action of 3rd Bryan. The life in Biology never ends!

Robbye Fielden-Staff Writer



All together now, "The hip bone's connected to the leg bone, the leg bone's connected to the shin bone, the shin bone's connected to the foot bone..."

"Hmmm!  
Wonder if this  
fly nap is toxic?"  
ponders Karen Lloyd.



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# CHEMISTRY: ENVIRONMENTAL, ORGANIC, POLYMER, EXPLOSIONS, REACTIONS:

Work + Procrastination = Stress



Connect the dots? No, Scotty Hoopes is testing substances to learn the solubility rules.



Carla Merritt is concentrating hard on her new found skill: volumetric pipetting.



Laila Ghasseman & Carey Campbell have fun wrestling a buret.

Chemistry: the Messiest Science?  
-Schuyler Corry

2nd Bryan has a different feel about it from any other area at NCSSM. The reason? There lies the Chemistry department, complete with lab tables and beakers lying around. The Chemistry floor has spigots at lab tripods, doesn't smell like formalin as the Biology floor does, and has been remodeled, unlike the Physics floor. Yet there is something more...a danger ever-present requiring students to wear safety goggles.

This year, more students are taking Chemistry than any other science. Aside from Chem., Chem. Tops, and A. Chem., there are several elective courses to be taken. Polymer and Environmental Chemistry are two very popular classes this year, each with full classrooms. Second semester, Organic Chemistry is offered. While students may have gotten to mess with sulfuric acid and magnesium

strips before, in the elective classes they get to use organic solvents and other nifty stuff.

There is more to Polymer than plastics, however. The Polymer class this year experimented with cellulose nitrate, a pyromaniac's dream -- Victor Orlikowski had trouble controlling himself when Dr. Allen proceeded to ignite the extremely flammable substance. Dr. Allen says about the class, "It is an opportunity to extend and apply knowledge of structure and property relationships and chemical bonding to real-life materials."

What do the students think? "Watching the stuff burn is really great in Polymer," according to Sendhil Cheran and Manoj Viswanathan.

Field trips are another big part of Polymer. On alt-days, the class has visited such exciting places as *Tuscarora* at Butner and *ICI* in Fayetteville. There is no way to accurately describe the feeling of walking through a field of giant vats





Dan Pittman looks intently into the spectrophotometer, searching for those little bands of colored light.



Casey Brown and Doug Wilkinson study the light spectrum chart and compare it to their own observations.



and pipes with glycol or catalysts pumping through them, the whole time deaf to the noise all around, because you have little orange ear plugs on (and a hard-hat to boot).

In Environmental Chemistry Mr. Currie teaches all sorts of wonderful things, like the effects of CFCs on the ozone, for example. He describes Environmental Chemistry as a class that "exposes the students to the real-life applications and careers in Chemistry. I teach them about softening water."

His class has gone on field trips also, to a coal factory, among other places. Ana Holmes agrees with Mr. Currie's assertion about the value of his class: "Environmental Chemistry is fun because we get to apply our chemistry knowledge. On a field trip to CP&L we got to see how exactly coal is burned and the air is polluted." Environmental is the only class where students get to titrate ponds water and measure its pH, or

study soap scum in its full glory.

Organic Chemistry, taught by Mr. Roser, involves volatile organic solvents many times, so steer clear of the lab if you see light-headed students stumbling around from the intoxicating effects of acetone or toluene.

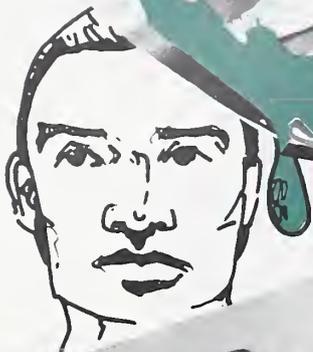
Mr. Roser says of his Organic class, "The course is a survey of general types of organic reactions. There is a considerable amount of lab time spent synthesizing compounds and analyzing them. It emphasizes understanding a range of organic reactions." Does this include synthesis of TNT and C4?

"No TNT. Nothing that explodes. I'd like to be around to teach it next year. There seems to be an overwhelming interest in blowing things up." He's right, of course. Chemistry is the science for people who have overwhelming interests in blowing things up.

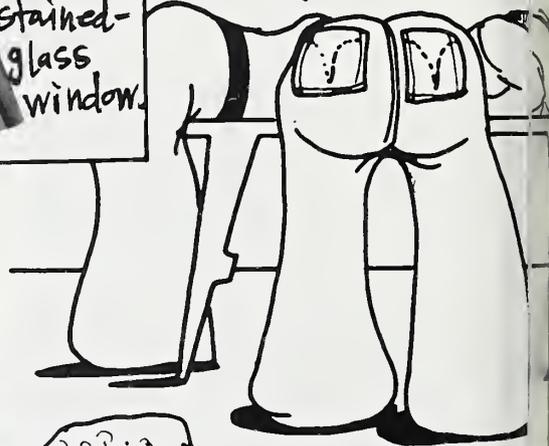
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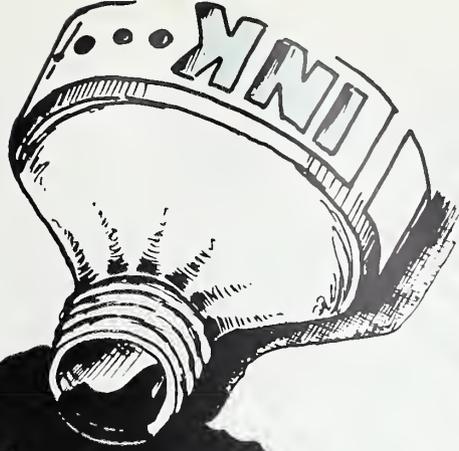
David Bediz & Ted Baslady's demonstrate their unbelievable art skills.



Lindsay Paul, Dawn Martin, Arlen Custer, & Noreen Bray carefully complete the third stained-glass window.



Usually art class is much more exciting

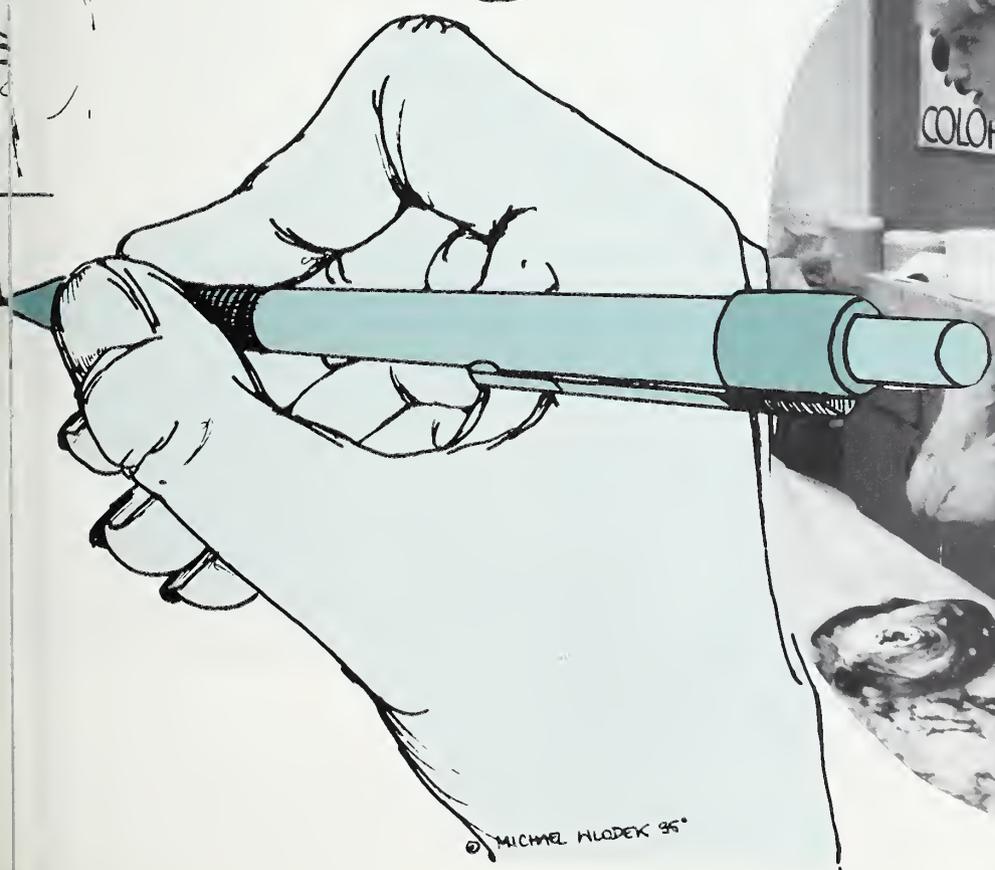
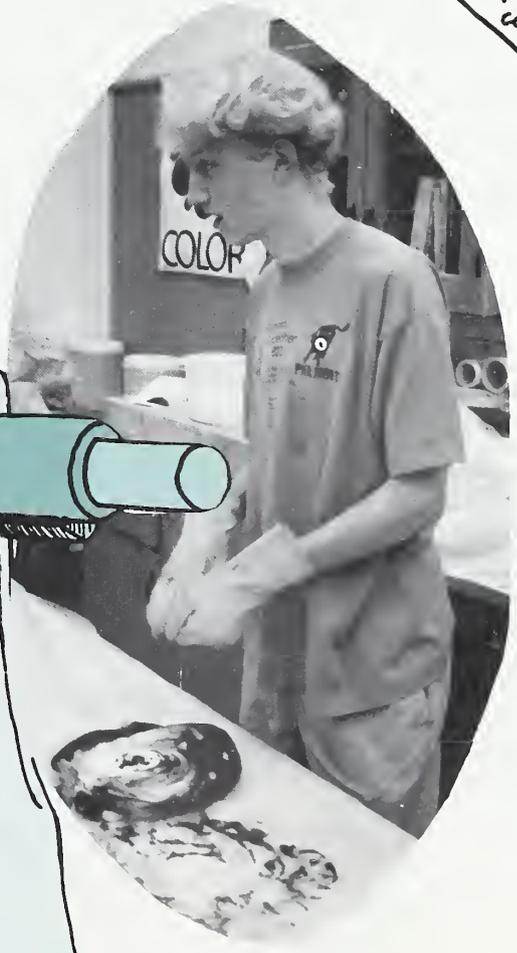


Darice Wong & Sonya Link experiment with Ted Basladynski's favorite medium: Sculpy Clay.



The art department at NCSSM is a favorite among students because of the many opportunities and facilities available. Joe Liles and Elizabeth Moorman instruct all the art classes. Students can take Introductory or Advanced Art Applications, Introductory or Advanced Mechanical Drawing, and Advanced Photography. "Elizabeth and Joe are really great instructors, so you're able to learn a lot, but there's not too much pressure put on you so it's still fun," says *Francis Hall*. The art studio itself is open all day to any students who wish to work with the equipment there. The studio has an extensive darkroom, a ceramics and pottery room, and other areas for sketching and painting. According to *Manoj Viswanathan*, the resources are "astounding."  
-WILLIAM HAYES, STAFF WRITER

Leif Johnson considers tie-dying his whole wardrobe.



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# Get Physical



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You'll stay away from **Sarah Millsap's** physics lab, if you know what's good for you.

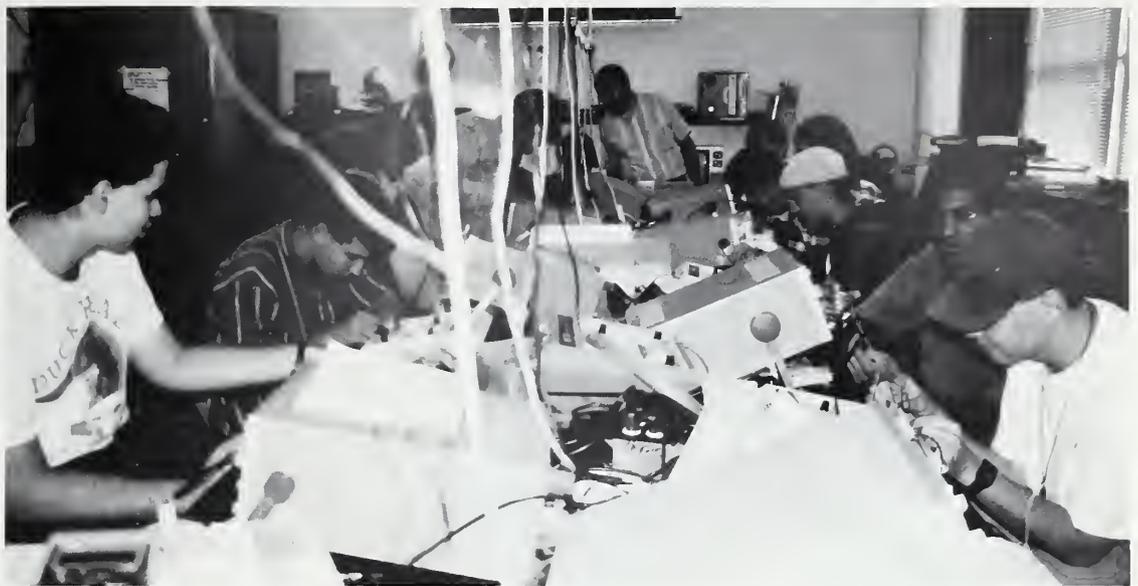
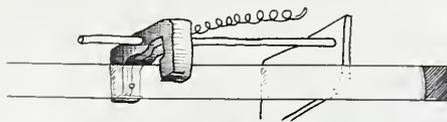


**Schnika Pender** searches desperately for a way to avoid the path of Dr. Britton's laser-vision.



**Margot Paulick** reads over her data before graphing it.





Physics, the branch of science that deals with the study of the physical world, covers a wide range of subjects including motion, gravity, and energy. Physics has given the world electricity, cars, and radios and has produced history changing forces like the atom bomb. While dealing with the interrelationships of matter and energy, physicists can study things as small as subatomic particles and as large as galaxies. With this incredible amount of material placed under the field of Physics, one is easily lost.

Physics at NCSSM has traditionally been one of the most challenging areas of study. This evident, just by looking above the Physics door where it reads "Abandon Hope All Ye Who Enter Here." As Junior **Lenny Tran** states, "Physics is one of my hardest classes." However, everyone is required to take either general physics or physics with topics, giving each student a basic understanding of the forces that shape the world around us.

After this foundation in physics is given to every student, there are a wide variety of classes available to continue study in Physics. Some of these classes include Advanced Physics, Physics with Calculus, and Astrophysics. Each of these classes gives an in-depth study of a more specialized area in the field of physics.

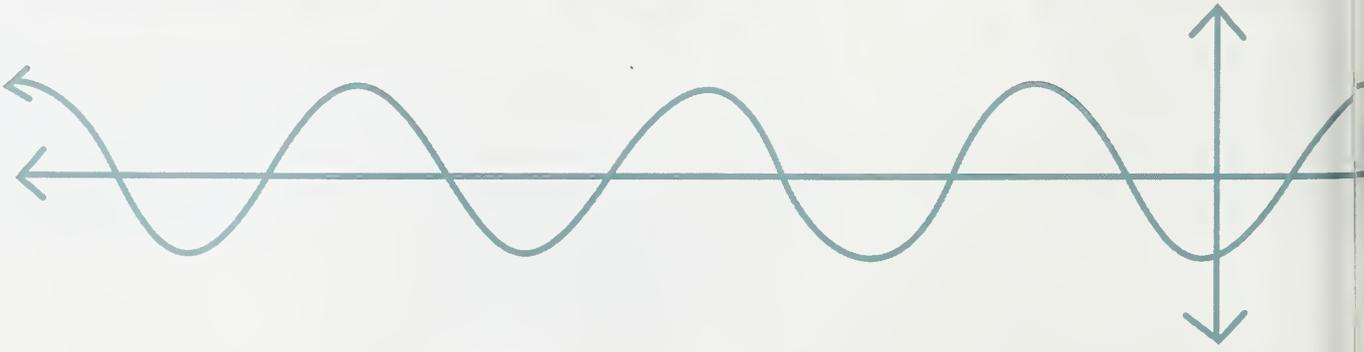
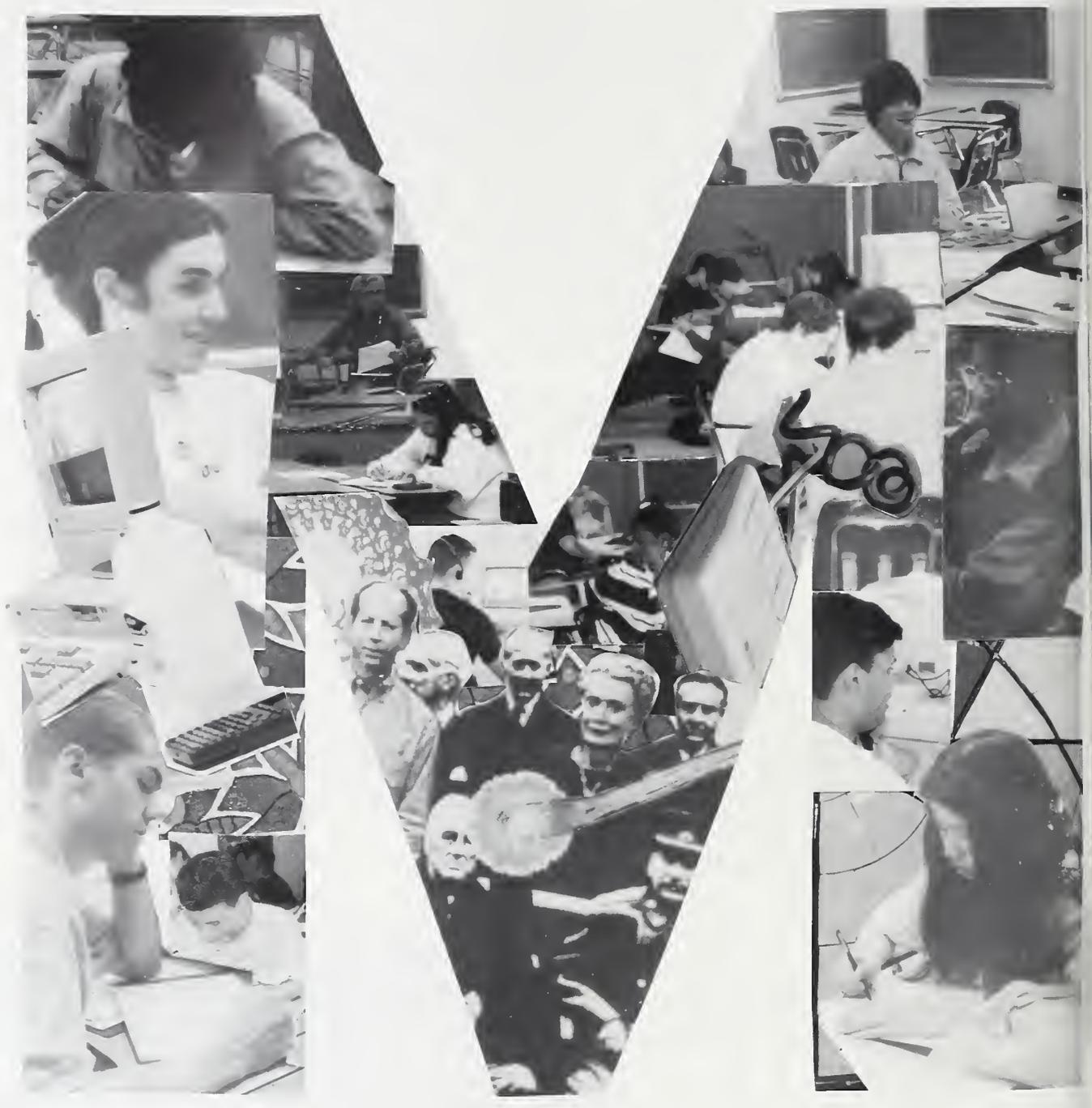
With a group of teachers that includes John Kolena, Andres Manning, Hugh Haskell, Chuck Britton, Angelina Windborne, and Emily Edwards, the Physics department has one of the most enigmatic faculties in any area of study at NCSSM. It is hard to not form a strong opinion, positive or negative, about any teacher. However, they are also one of the best and most knowledgeable faculties at NCSSM.

Some of the students at NCSSM enjoy the difficulty of their Physics course. Junior **Phil Stewart** says, "Physics is fun. It is my favorite class." He is in Ms. Windborne's Physics with Topics class. Senior **Jason Zink** is in Dr. Manning's General Physics class. He says, "Dr. Manning makes Physics entertaining."

Overall, there are almost as many different opinions on Physics as there are students taking it. However, everyone seems to agree that Physics is one of the most challenging areas in the NCSSM curriculum.

- John David Bolick

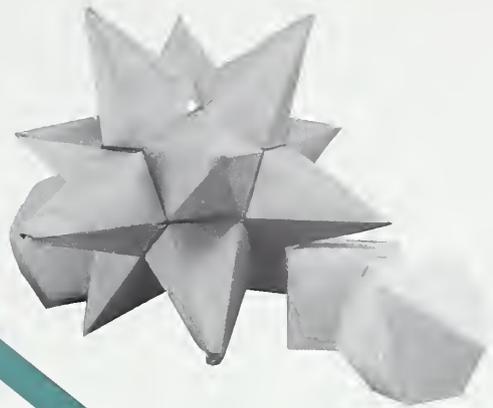




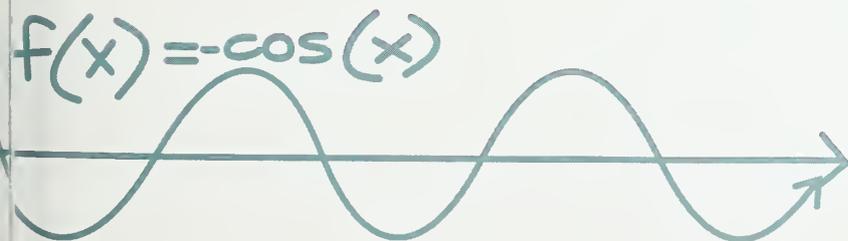
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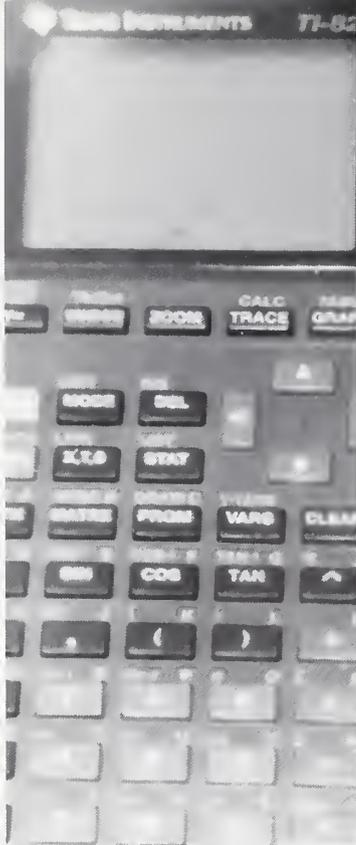
Ah, math. To know it is to love it. To be confused and bewildered by it is not. Perhaps that's why all the math teachers at NCSSM are so excited about math and the majority of the student body... well...

Anyone who's taken a math course here knows the math department around here is a tad strange. Perhaps even a little "loony", as English teacher Ms. Elizabeth Moose put it. Chemistry instructor Dr. Sarah Allen disagrees. "I don't think they're loony at all," she said. The fact is, they must be a little crazy. Math itself can often be a boring subject, but the math teachers around here really do love the subject. How can they maintain such high enthusiasm about that ever-so-sedative subject? Senior Michael Hess hypothesizes they "have a shrine to Pythagoras in one of the housekeeping closets." Perhaps, Michael. A more viable explanation could be that the math faculty here is excited about constantly breaking new ground in the field of math and making the subject more user-friendly.



# math





Without a TI-82, everyone at S & M would DIE!



It takes Frances Wall, Carolyn Chu, Anne Nicholson, AND Robert Daland to figure out what's going on in Advanced Geometry.



About ten years ago the math faculty adopted the philosophy that a teacher is also a learner. In response to this change, the whole teaching style was reversed. When Hellen Compton grew up, "teachers knew the answers to everything." Even when she first started teaching, she walked into the classroom with the feeling that she "could answer any question brought up in class." She wasn't being arrogant; rather, that belief prevailed during most of past generations' educations. Mrs. Compton said "teachers shouldn't want to know everything. Teachers don't want to fight students. When a teacher feels so sure of himself



Theo Luebke can only do his math with his hair in his eyes.



Betsy Dorsett wonders what things were like when there were no computers.

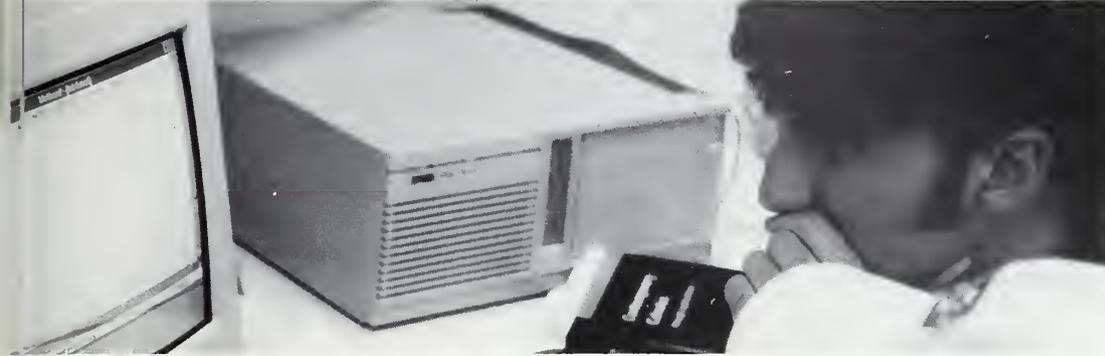
# Calculating Degrees





Pay attention Jaime Morris. Mrs. Barrett is asking you a question.

"If we stare at the screen long enough, we'll think of something," asserts James Knutson.



Staying awake while doing PreCalculus is a challenge for Kylin Lee and Jared Piland.

herself, hostile situations develop. It's only when teachers accept that they are a part of a learning process that they can teach effectively." Mr. Moose would probably come in, saying this philosophy is nothing new; Socrates perfected this teaching method about two thousand years ago. "Wisdom is knowing that you know nothing" was one of his adages. However, I wouldn't go so far as to say the math teachers know nothing; they know more about derivatives and integrals and whatnot than I care to know.

One thing the math department didn't consult old Socrates about was writing their very own textbooks. The

dead-and-gone philosopher was suspicious of the written word, but the math faculty was suspicious more of the effectiveness of old-style textbooks. "The world of math is changing, and textbooks often don't keep up," Math instructor Dan Teague said. So to keep up with the fluctuating math world, two new books were written: Contemporary PreCalculus through Applications, and Contemporary Calculus through Applications. These books put Calculus in a new light, and tried to convince students that Calculus does have practical applications. You shouldn't learn how to fit a curve well just for the curve's sake, but for a

higher reason, be it census-taking or efficiency-monitoring, or whatever. Though it seems only natural for this type of teaching to take place, the concepts put forth in the book were revolutionary, and as a result the faculty had trouble finding a publisher for the book. "This is not mainstream math," Mr. Teague said, "and that's why it's harder to sell." But sell books they did. The books are being used all over--from the University of Michigan to schools in Nova Scotia to the Air Force Academy. A Japanese firm is even interested in translating the books into Japanese.

- David Bediz



Erin Moore, the master of PreCalculus, can maneuver her calculator to succumb to her every desire.



# Specialized Senior Slacking

One of the amazing opportunities we are allowed to take part in at Science and Math is Seminars. Seminars are anything from specialized Math classes during the day to late night reading courses. These classes can be taken as a graduation credit, or to add to your mind-expanding NCSSM education.

Some of the seminars include: Differential Equations, Man in Space, Twentieth Century Fiction, European History, Psychology, Esperanto Language and Literature, Computational Chemistry, Problem Solving, Biochemistry, Literature and Films...and more to be formed.

To really get the true sense of the benefits of seminars we went directly to the student body. Fang Cai stated that the Twentieth Century Fiction seminar "has made me see the true meaning in my life's existence. Really." Lindsay Paul believes that "The European History Seminar is so invigorating, I give up my lunch every week for it." To Lora Varley the Man in Space seminar is "out of this world." And Lisa Worthington's Esperanto Seminar "has shown me that love isn't the only international language."

Seminars are a way for Science and Math students to examine their own academic interests as well as their regular class schedules, besides, seniors need something to take up their time.

Story by Erin Anderson and Hunter Randleman



Twentieth Century Fiction seminar with Dr. Miller only did not Sues.

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Classes in a high school can only provide you with so much insight into the way things are the "real" world. NCSSM offers an exciting approach for solving this problem - Mentorship. At the end of each year, rising seniors have the opportunity to apply for a mentor. A mentor is someone in the student's prospective field of study who volunteers to allow the student to observe and learn from their everyday activities.

Mentorship takes place on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons. The students involved leave campus via van at 12:15 and return at approximately 5 in the afternoon. **Mrs. Maxwell**, a biology teacher, is in charge of the students and finding each one the appropriate mentor.

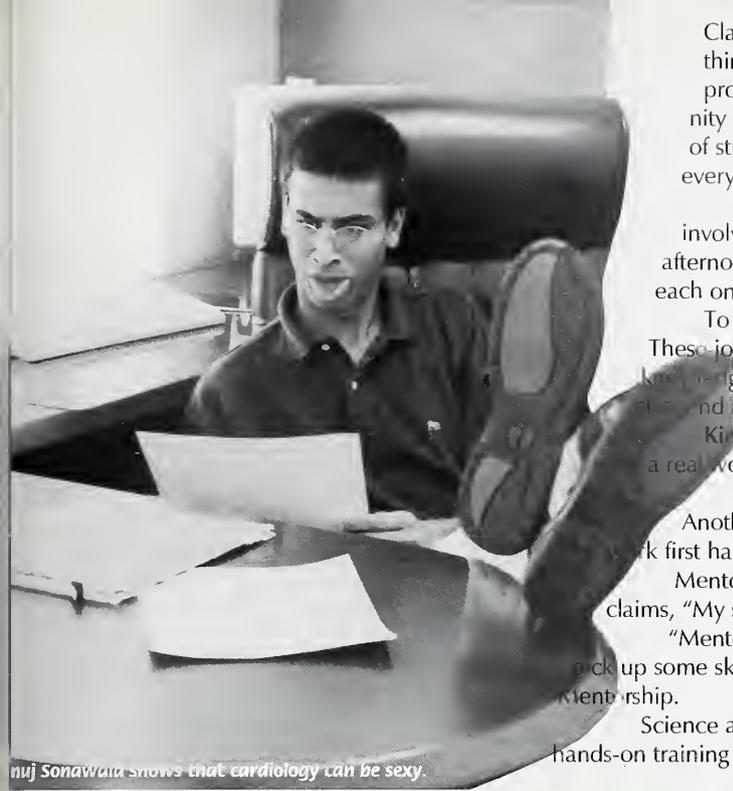
To monitor the student's progress, she takes up journals every two to three weeks. These journals detail how the student spends his or her day with their mentor and the knowledge and experience they have acquired. The students do receive a grade in this class and it is recorded as part of their curriculum for the year.

**Kimberly Alexander** remarked, "Mentorship is a real challenge that gives a taste of a real world working environment. It takes a lot of time and commitment, but it's worth it."

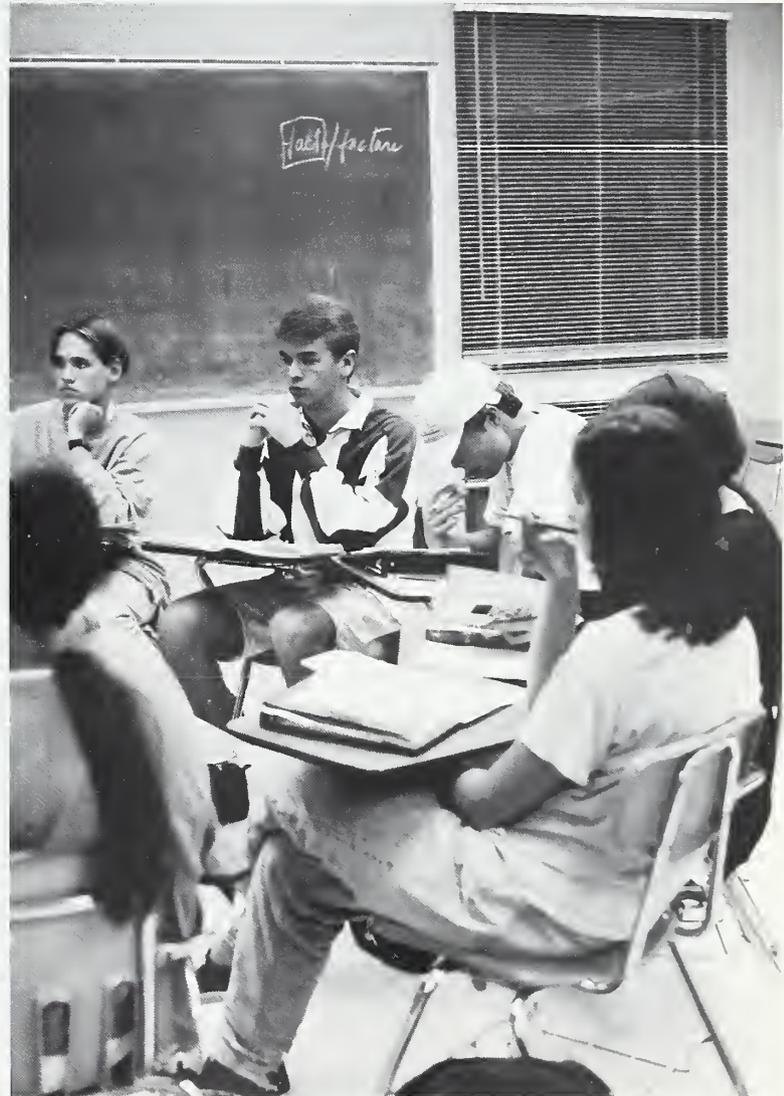
Another mentorship student, **Jenny McInerney**, said, "My mentorship allows me to work first hand in the field of aerospace engineering." She sobs, "Too bad I'm the only girl." Mentorship is an important part of some students academic career. **Rayetta Grasty** claims, "My senior year would be incomplete without Mentorship. I live for Tuesdays!"

"Mentorship is a great experience. We get to work in labs in different universities and pick up some skills at the same time," was **Joe Ladapo's** enthusiastic opinion of his mentorship.

Science and Math has again taken a step forward in education to offer its students the hands-on training other schools can't possibly supply.



*nuj Sonawala shows that cardiology can be sexy.*





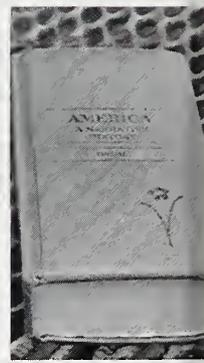




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Dr. Wilson reigns over all humanities at S & M.



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 Arica Twiddy, Louisa Jilcott, Millicent McClain, Charlie Shaw

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Mr. Little models his new thinking cap for Asian class.



M O D E L U . N .



Back: Julie Thibodeaux, Sami Assaf, LaMar Mack, Elisabeth Epps, Stacy Smallwood, Amy White; Middle: Ryan Avett, Amy Oliver, Louisa Jilcott, Arica Twiddy; Front: Andrew Ghassemian, John Thacker, Millicent McClain, Charlie Shaw

One might think a student skilled in the sciences would have little interest in the humanities. But if that were so, why is there a humanities department at a school of Science and Math? The truth is students here are just as interested, if not more so, in the humanities.

Are the humanities here more difficult than the science and math? From my last Chemistry test, I might disagree. But I can attest to the challenging curricula in history and literature, especially for juniors in American Lit & History.

The programs offered in the humanities, are difficult to find even on college campuses. To find a course entitled "Discoverers: People Who Changed the World" or "Wisdom, Reason, Revelation, and Doubt" in the normal public high school is rare. Also, the humanities department has rejoined creative and scientific thought with classes such as "Bioethics" and "Psychology".

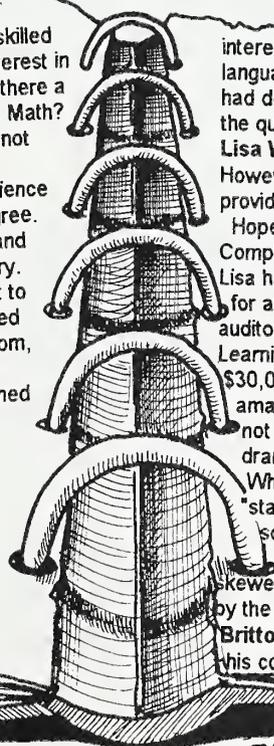
Clubs such as Model UN, Speech and Debate, Knowledge Master and Quiz Bowl, and the Youth Legislative Assembly, in addition to the Foreign Language clubs, offer a myriad of opportunities to the aspiring "humanitarian". Courses in Art cater to those whose interests lie beyond Calculus.

With such a strong humanities department, you'd never think this was a school of math and science. Some students possessing a greater interest

interest in history and language than science and math had doubts before they came. "I was worried about the quality of my humanities courses," said senior Lisa Worthington, "but I was pleasantly surprised." However, concerns still exist that the school does not provide much in the area of fine arts.

Hopefully, the construction of the Educational Technology Complex will eliminate some of the concerns students like Lisa have, though the complex won't benefit any students for another two years. The ETC will hold a massive auditorium, a recital hall, a courtyard, numerous Distance Learning Labs, and even a huge lobby showcasing a \$30,000 sculpture already in the works. Yet, even with this amazing space for not-so-scientific development, it does not appear evident that any new faculty will be hired for drama or music.

While the fine arts may lack the support they deserve, the "standard" humanities courses are well developed, and have some of the most innovative curricula and class structures in the country. Still, some minds are just too skewed by science to ever appreciate the opportunities offered by the humanities department. While physics instructor Dr. Chuck Britton believes "humanities help make well-rounded students," his colleague, Dr. John Kolena, exclaimed "People just need to say 'Enough humanities! We want our PHYSICS!'"



-copy by David Bediz



# Extra Extra

## Odyssey staff

who's to blame. hunter randleman. erin anderson. emily cade. jennifer powell editor in chief. david bediz will hayes. jol bolick. delane medhurst. albert whangho photography editor. michael wlosiek. maryellen corbett. neda burapavong. carla merritt. ticora jones. amber murray. kathly lin. melissa little. dawn martin. lindsay paul. tisha cromwell. the advisor extra-ordinary. almas abbas. frances wall. lekhong price. elizabeth martins. carolyn chu. fang cai. stacey hornaday. and elizabeth wendorff. not pictured. maqui ortiz. lenny tran. schuiter. corry. manoj viswanathan. robye fielden. michelle graham. jennifer jakbusch. kelly mills. charlie shaw. and aisha mcgriff.



## Publications Robbye Fielden

Here at NCSSM many of us find that become somewhat detached from the world. Fortunately, we have a school newspaper, *The Stentorian*, that helps keep us up to date with things taking place around us in school, in the local area, and in the world. Approximately once a quarter each of us can expect to return to our room only to find that some unknown person has delivered that black and white newsprint. We now have an excuse to off our homework and find out what we've been missing.

The staff of *The Stentorian* is led up by **Daniel Davenport**, a senior who says, "*The Stentorian* gives a voice to the student body."

Many on the staff are optimistic about the goals of *The Stentorian*. **Anne Fawcett**, news editor, says, "I think the journalism staff is putting out a very good newspaper this year and I hope that we are helping the students at NCSSM to stay informed. Other staff members such as feature writer **Cammie Hawley** think slightly differently. They enjoy being in the feature section because I get to write more off-the-wall things." The general student body has mixed feelings about our paper. **Donnie Williamson** says that, "Some of it isn't as important or interesting as the rest of it, but it still keeps me informed." **April Kinsey** said simply "it's decent", while **Tiffiana Honsinger** and **Dara Elmore** added, "More often."

While many scoff at the idea of a decent school paper, the staff has high hopes. **Manali Patel**, features editor, stated that "As a member on *The Stentorian* staff I feel that I am contributing to the knowledge

**Odyssey editor-in-chief, the oh-so-fine Jennifer Powell, gives the staff the low down on their next deadline.**



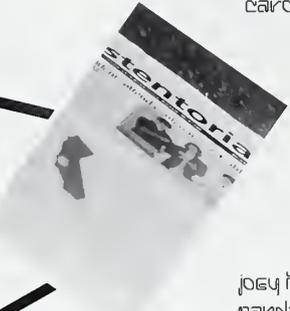
**David Bediz chows down, as Jennifer Powell and Bebhinn Walsh wonder how Adam Tartleton and Joey Tucker are going to explain their late arrival to the *Stentorian* meeting.**



**Amber Murray, Elizabeth Wendorff, and David Bediz consider getting creative with their next *Odyssey* copy assignment.**



# READ ALL ABOUT S&M PUBLICATIONS



**Stentorian Staff:** Elizabeth Moose - Advisor, Manali Patel - Feature Editor, Mike Hess, Nupur Mehta, Brad Cooper, Frances Wall - Photography Editor, Fang Cai, Steve Emerson, Carolyn Chu - Photography Editor, Steven Stewart, Manoj Viswanathan, Kenny Meigs - Sports Editor, Theo Leulake - Layout Editor, John Smith, David Melitz - Layout Editor, Jennifer Powell - Entertainment Editor, Anne Fawcett - News Editor, Jenny Lutz, Smita Privedi - Layout Editor, Amy White, Donald Gays - Advertising Manager, Alton Patrick, Karen Master, Maryellen Corbett, Daniel Davenport - Editor-in-Chief, Joey Tucker - Editorials and Opinions Editor, Rajeev Pandarinath - Sports Editor, Rajesh Swaminathan - News Editor, Jody Smith - Editorials and Opinions Editor, Philip Stewart, Monica Dev - News Editor, Bekhinn Walsh, and Debraig Won - Not Pictured, Sarah Hagevik, Cammie Hawley, Vinay Shastriy - Entertainment Editor, Amy Oliver, Tina Spencer, Adam Parleton, Sara Vance, Bekhinn Walsh, and Katie Millich - Features Editor.

...students. I also feel as if it's a bridge for the students and the rest of the world." It's important that the students remember these people are doing something for our benefit!

Another publication is a literary magazine called *The Blue Mirror*. The magazine is open to all members of the school to contribute. The submissions are in the form of poetry, short stories, and even art. Names are required on all pieces submitted, but they are judged by a group of people who have no knowledge of the author. The works that receive the highest ratings are compiled into a magazine distributed to everyone twice a year.

**Tia Spencer**, one of the readers, mentioned that "The most rewarding thing about being on *The Blue Mirror* staff is that I get to see people's minds through their words. It's really exciting." *The Blue Mirror* is often considered the place for the students at NCSSM to present their creative side. Here is an outlet for our thoughts. In the words of **Leila Ghassemian**, "It's interesting to see the thoughts of my peers." As with any publication there are those who are skeptical of *The Blue Mirror*. **Anne Raes** said (in reference to *The Blue Mirror* from Spring 1995) that, "It has the potential, but it was unfulfilled potential."

The last publication that our school offers is one that you are reading right now...the *Odyssey*. NCSSM's yearbook has been named *Odyssey* for 15 years now and it actually was named for the epic. This one book is something that we can keep forever as a link to our years here, and when we're older our kids can laugh at how silly we look! The staff of the *Odyssey* is headed up by **Jennifer Powell** as editor-in-chief and **Albert Wangbo** as photography editor. Over 30 people are involved in production.



Those of us on the copy staff spend countless hours bugging people that we may or may not know looking for the right quotations to make our articles interesting for our audience. The way **Maqui Ortiz** puts it, "It can be a good way to meet people, but at the same time it can be annoying



**Daniel Davenport, Stentorian editor, compliments the staff on another fine issue sent to press.**

and people aren't serious."

The photographers are a common sight around campus, poking their noses into situations catching us in some rather random positions! **Fang Cai** sums it up, "You catch people in weird moments, but it's cool."

The layout people, however, are not as well known to the general population. Besides the worried looks that they have right near a deadline, very little sets them aside from the normal people on campus. This group of people are the heart of the yearbook, making it pleasing to not only our wonderful editor, but also to the student body. They spend many long hours sitting before sheets of grided paper or in front of a computer screen designing what you see even now. **Melissa Little** says, "Jennifer pushes us, but it's well worth it."

Just remember, if you're ever bored, according to **Lindsay Paul**, "The yearbook office is a great place to party."

NCSSM is fortunate enough to have these three publications that allow each of us to contribute in some way to the knowledge of the other students on campus. Each production has its own unique methods of allowing us to express our thoughts in writing or art for the benefit of our community.



**The Blue Mirror:** Ben Lee, Jenny Lutz, Donald Gays, Teressa Fine - Editor, Ronald Allen, Jessica Woodard, Jaime Morris, Amy White, Vik Uppal, and Lisa Czaras

# Striking A chord...



The clarinet section of the concert band diligently follows the music. It's not easy to keep up the pace!



The NCSSM chorus practices with the orchestra for an upcoming performance.

The infamous violin section of the S&M orchestra.



Three trumpet players work to keep up with the rest of the concert band during the November concert.



The NCSSM concert band performed for the school in November of 1995.



Brad Cooper, an NCSSM band member, studies his music while concentrating on playing the right notes.



Just an oversized guitar? Nah! Daniel Chase and Gabe Cade rock in another way - on the cello!

# NAME THAT *tune...*

The name "North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics" means more than a school for students who like science and math. The students who attend NCSSM have varied interests. Music can often serve as a means of relaxation and a form of self-expression. As one walks down the halls he/she can hear the sounds of voices, strings, woodwinds, clarinets, and percussion working together to make music in perfect harmony.

This year NCSSM has a wonderful performing arts department. After the first band and orchestra concerts, an audience member commented, "The music seemed difficult, but the students did a wonderful job preparing so much material in such a short period of time." In addition, Dr. Church, the director of the ensembles, said, "I am so proud of these young people because they have learned a lot of hard music in two months." Obviously, these budding mathematicians and scientists are also talented musicians.

NCSSM's chorus is also

worthy of such praise. They sang portions of "Handel's Messiah" for the winter concert, accompanied by the orchestra.

Other students with musical talent can join the jazz ensemble or the pep band.

The jazz band has been going all year. They are always busy playing jazz music and creating their own unique songs. With the start of basketball season, the pep band begins its activities. They have an exciting year and pump up the school's spirit at games by playing some music borrowed from a local Durham high school.

Certainly, NCSSM offers students more than just academics. This experience provides students with an opportunity to grow artistically as well as academically.

-Staff Writer Amber Murray

# Performing Arts

# Work hard, Play harder



## Off Broad Street Players

Members: Gabe Cade, Spooner Ward, Clara Holzwarth, Ross Carson-Groner, Kallia Spain, Tiffany Bryant, Theo Luel, Peter Boyd-Boyman, Stacey Collins, Precious Vines, Margot Paulick, Rashonda Steadman, Kimberly Schier, Jody Smith, Rayetta Grasty, Priscilla Chappell, Ted Basladyński, Cammie Hawley, Zach Armfield, Karen Master, Sarah Dean, Elizabeth Bagley, Brianna Wadler, Brooke Ignatowski, Sarah Bau, Laura Craldi, Cameron Mengel, Satish Bissram, Daniel Chase, Smita Trivedi, Rekha Perumallu, Jennifer Plaster, Hoa Lam, Patrick Gray, Kristen Wall, Millicent McClain, Anne Fawcett, Monica Patel, Amanda Hodges, Carey Campbell, Tracy Howard, Stephanie Coggins, Ashley Forde, Christiane Haefele, Shilpa Gad, Rukiya Wingate, Kristy Jackson, Sam Assaf, Kyle Treiber, Sara Martin, Mar Edmondson, Ashley Harris, Elizabeth Bolton, Catherine Daubert, Shelby Gull, Robin Armstrong, Aisha McGriff, Mead Patterson, Lenny Tran, Ameet Shah; Board Members: David Bediz, Lee Tur, Takashi Hirata, DJ Manthripragada, Gillian Burgess, Bebhinn Walsh, Katie Miltich, Laura Zmijewski, and Carrie Swinson



Something has to keep us entertained at Science and Math, even if it means sacrificing Katie Miltich for the sake of drama, as Erin Corcoran and Zach Armfield demonstrate in a production for the Off Broad Street Players.

## Colours

Bolu Ajiboye, Kimberly Alexander, Marshall Blango, Courtney Bledsoe, Cheryl Cokley, Kimberly Cole, Maisha Cottman, Crystal Davis, Sura Edmond, Marcus Funchess, John German, Elisabeth Harper-Epps, David Herring, Trevor Hoskins, Ticora Jones, Teasha Kincaid, Daniel Lane, Amanda Lawrence, Millicent McClain, Monica McClain, DeLane McDuffie, Shekina McKenzie, Sara Martin, Elizabeth Martins, Schnika Pender, Sabrina Pendergrass, Patrice Ray, Jennifer Rayner, Charlie Shaw, Tavaras Simmons, Stacy Smallwood, Tina Spencer, Rashonda Steadman, Katy Steadman, Katy Thalmann, Maria Tyson, Precious Vines, Tomika Wilson, Thomas Wood

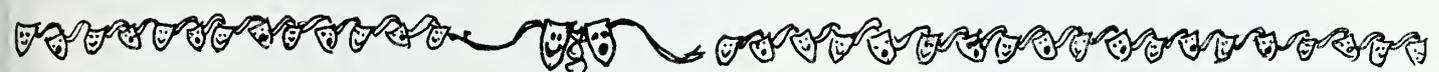


# Cantus

Coming to an assembly hall near you: Elaine Thompson, Jennifer McGinnis, Arthur Williams, Danny Wise, Jennifer Plaster, Elisabeth Grove, Sara Martin, Arica Twiddy, Lisa Worthington, Stacey Collins, Karen Chen, Laura Cifaldi, Philip Stewart, Smita Trivedi, Nick Brown, Kristen Wall, Sarah Hagevik, Kimberly Schiera, Robert Daland, Krista Duran, Tracey Howard. Directors: David Bediz and Ted Basladynski.



Whoa, boy ... Theo Luebke subtly persuades Kim Schiera to submit to his every desire.



meet Shah takes his co-star, Clara Blizwarth, by the hand and asks her, "In the mood for a quickie?"



The Performing Arts Clubs at NCSSM work hard and are dedicated to their actions. These clubs participate in many activities throughout the year and offer NCSSM students a variety of extracurricular activities they can be a part of and simply enjoy.

The students of the Drama Club sponsored by Don Thompson produce several plays which are performed for the student body in the Assembly Hall. Auditions are held and a student committee made up of the writers of the play selects the cast. Among the Plays chosen this year for performance were the titles "Death Knocks," "Visitor from Hollywood," "Successful Life for Three," and "The Store." Lee Turpin, Drama Club chairman, said, "The best play in my opinion and my favorite was 'Successful Life for Three.' That play was funny and was displayed excellently by some gifted actors."

Cantus is a fairly new group of students that meet weekly to practice singing all types of music. Cantus is an acapella group and has performed at the student-run Coffee House. "The members of Cantus have great talent and a good selection of music. Meeting once or twice a week is a good, relaxing break from the stress of NCSSM," says Smita Trivedi, a Cantus member.

The NCSSM Gospel choir, Colours, contains about fifty dedicated members that practice every Sunday night. Colours is led by Leon Goldston and head musician Thomas Vanhook. The choir stays active the entire year, performing at choir anniversaries and church programs around the Durham Area.

"Colours, the name speaks for itself. It's a symbol of all our united voices that blend to create a rainbow of colors that are both beautiful and unique for the sole purpose to celebrate the Lord," stated Precious Vines, an alto choir member.

P.LUNGE stands for "People Like Us Negate Gravity Everyday. The members of this troop of jugglers can be seen showing their stuff on the various lawns about campus, or at several school talent functions.

All in all, NCSSM's community of performing arts survives despite the academic pressures it faces. Through clubs such as these, the many talents of the students at NCSSM are allowed to shine.

Staff Writer: Charlie Shaw



Robbie Fielden gazes into the sky above as she attempts to catch her balls.

## PLUNGE

Members: PJ Deschenes (Co-President), John Burke (Co-President), Patrick Barrow, Daniel Chase, Robbye Fielden, Andrew Ghassemian, Patrick Gray, Sarah Harriman, James Knutson, Jason Lee, Jonathan Menachem, Daniel Miller, Chloe Palenchar, Jared Piland, Manoj Viswanathan, Jon Williams, and Tonya Willoughby



The esteemed boys of P.LUNGE, PJ Deschenes, John Burke, and Manoj Viswanathan, negate gravity everyday, and sometimes get to hit each other with cones in the process.



# JEOPARDY!

## SCIENCE



### ACADEMIC TEAMS

One thing Science and Math students are good at is academics otherwise they wouldn't be here. So when it comes to academic competition, NCSSM knows about winning.

The Knowledge Master team has placed first in the state every year that they have been in competition, and have placed 12th in the nation out of 2000 schools. The competitions entail 11 or so members of the team gathering in one room with a computer answering questions received via computer disk.

Science Olympiad also placed 12th in the nation this past year along with winning 2nd place in the state. Different parts of the competition include taking a test, building a structure (tower, etc.), and doing labs. A group of 15 to 30 go to each competition.

Quiz Bowl has 4 people that compete in a series of trivia questions. Since we attend a science and math based school, they automatically compete on the regional level.

Certamen (Latin Team) is very similar to Quiz Bowl. The difference is that the questions are about Latin grammar, mythology, Roman history, and Roman culture.

The Math team is not really a team so much as students who take an interest in participating in math competitions such as the Mandelbrot. In this competition, individuals compete by taking test as well as a team problem solving section.

These teams put in a lot more time than just competition day. All the teams meet months in advance to prepare for the day when they will have to prove themselves. Knowledge Master meets twice a week from an hour to an hour and a half to prepare for their two competitions a year. In Science Olympiad, the individuals prepare for competition on their own.

The downside for these teams is that they have to deal with a lot of pressure. This pressure not only comes from having to answer difficult questions in restricted time, but also from the reputation of the school. Jeff Knight, member of Science Olympiad, says that, "Since we are a math and science school, we have pressure to be number one in the state...but, we handle the pressure well since we have such a strong team."

Since many of these teams have a legacy of winning, the members feel as if they must live up to the past successes. Anne Raines, member of upper Certamen, says that some of the pressure comes from not being able to devote enough time in preparation for competition due to other interest outside of the team. "We always face a lot of pressure from the schools that concentrate on Certamen all the time."

Unfortunately, the academic teams are not at the forefront of our school so their competitions are not as popular an event as basketball or volleyball. However, they do play a very important role in our school. Not only do they continue the legacy of winning which our school has, but they represent to others the type of students which attend our school. Carla Merritt Staff Writer

**\$400**

This vital gas makes up about twenty-percent of the earth's atmosphere.

In terms of cargo, this city's airport was the busiest in 1994, handling 1.65 million metric tons.

**\$500**

Jane: I'll Take NCSSM for \$1000.

Alex: The answer is: allows students to battle with their brains by competing with other students from across the state and nation.

Jane: What are Academic teams.

Alex: Correct!

# MATH

# MUSIC

# POTPOURRI

# HISTORY



This king of England began a new religion because he could not divorce his wife.

**\$200**

Sir Isaac Newton developed this kind of math in the Scientific Revolution of the 1700's.

**\$300**

**\$300**

**\$400**

**\$400**

**\$4**



**\$500**

The original drummer of the Beatles.

**\$5**

Answers are: MISCELLANEOUS \$500: What is Memphis? SCIENCE \$100: Who are the NCSSM Science Olympiad team? (Sarah Dean, Kelvin Exum, Sendhil Cheran, Jeff Knight, James Knutson, Albert Whangbo, Victor Orlikowski, Sabrina Pendergrass, Siddharth Prabhu, David Furr, Millicent McClain, Michael Wlodek, Steve Lam, Chuck Haines, Manali Patel, Matt Peters, Peter Kim, John Thacker, Jon Williams, Manoj Viswanathan, Nupur Mehta, David Kim, Jaime Morris, Marcia Eaddy, Ameet Shah, Greg Frey, Stephanie Briggs, Kathy Lin, Michelle Cyr, Jeff Gray, Nhi Tran, Jimmy Chae, Sriyesh Krishnan, Paul Nystrom, Hongcheng Mi, Jason Lee, Matt Roesle, Shilpa Gadani, Leah Eisenstein, Schnika Pender, Brandon Windmeyer, Danny Stinebelfer, De Tran, Robin Kohli, Daniel Miller) \$400: What is oxygen? MATH \$300: What is Calculus? MUSIC \$500: Who is Pete Best? USELESS TRIVIA \$200: Who are the NCSSM Knowledge Master team? (Top Row: Kelvin Exum, James Knutson, Nick Stoute, Kimberly Boyd-Bowman, Joey Lane, Peter Boyd-Bowman, Josh Ges Bottom Row: John Thacker, Victor Orlikowski, Priscilla Chappell, Michael Ventura) HISTORY \$100: Who is Henry VIII? \$300: What is Knowledge Master mastering knowledge?





# Student Life

Student life here at NCSSM is as varied as the student body itself. Students here have the opportunity to engage in activities ranging from hall trips and brother-sister hall activities to bands and clubs to academic teams, and **A** lot of things in between. In contrast to popular opinion, Science and Math has more to cheer for than, "3.14159, secant, tangent, cosine, **SINE!**" Clubs, sponsored or not, offer the widest variety **OF** activity available to us on campus. If there is any spare time, chances are that there is a club that organizes the kind of activities you like. If not, there is always the opportunity to get together with a few people that share your interests and start your own club...and it isn't that hard to do. For the studious, academic teams are not only a good way to meet people with a common passion, they're also a chance for glory. Teams from **OUR** school win beaucoup de prizes and awards every year, which makes an academic team the perfect activity for those with little time to spare...you can be sociable and win cool trophies at the same time. The moral of this story is: take **TIME** to investigate what NCSSM has to offer. Even if it's just a trip to Miami Subs with your hallmates, it makes living here bearable.

# STUDENT LIFE STAFF

## HEAD OF THE CLASS



Back: Joan Barber, Head of Student Life; Ken Horne, Head of Security. Front: Jennifer Madriaga, Student Activities Coordinator; Linda Harris, Student Life Secretary

days at school a little less confusing by leading them in group activities and information sessions. During Orientation week, several juniors commented that they found the activities planned by the Orientation committee to be "good icebreakers." The activity at the top of everyone's list was the water balloon fight. And last but not least, the Student Life staff provides us with fun stress relievers when it is time for a break. Dances, concerts, and activity loops give us something to look forward to on weekends. Each of these staffs are here to catch us when we fall down and help us right back up. Being a friend, mentor, and a leader all in one is a tough job, but these people do it well and their doors are always open to us. Staff Writer Elizabeth Wendorff

Even for the most stubbornly independent of us, the students of NCSSM will need assistance from the Guidance staff, PCC's, MPC's, Orientation committee, or the Student Life staff at some point in their high school career. Whether asking for help with college apps, or just needing someone to talk with, these services provide us with valuable advice and friendly faces. The guidance offices are always buzzing with student traffic. The major function of the Guidance staff is to counsel students; however, they provide the school with many other services. The counselors energetically help students plan their schedules, choose colleges, and work toward careers. Says counselor **Ollie Burrell**: "I enjoy my job very much because I like to help young people become the best they can be." Counselors are also there to constantly remind us to **SLEEP!**

The Peer College Counselors provide the seniors with friendly assistance in the foreign process of applying to universities. PCC's also supervise the College Room and dig up information on scholarships. According to senior **Tak Hirata**, the best part about being a PCC is the chance to "help others, but at the same time get to know each person better." The Multi-Cultural Peer Counselors are a group of seniors who have the dual role of guiding their peers through rough times, or just being a friend who will listen attentively while we let our feelings out. MPC's listen to our complaints and fix the problems. They stay busy trying to keep students in control of their lives. Another important group of assistance, at least for juniors, is the Orientation committee. They make the juniors' first few

## GUIDANCE



LIGHTING

THE PATH

Bob Everhart, Molly Rich, Roger Messier, Gail Hudson, Betsy Gardner, Ollie Burrell

Guiding Lights



Bottom: Marissa Arney, Scotty Hoopes, Yancy Ragin, Bebhinn Walsh. Middle: Anne Nicholson, Elizabeth Wendorff, Valerie Kirby. Back: BJ Riddick, Tina Spencer, and Bolu Ajiboye.



Branson Brown, a man in need of no guidance, shows that he knows when to bite his tongue on and off the field.

# BREAKING THE ICE

## PCC'S LEADERS



Top: Carrie Anne Hayes, Amanda Scovil, Katie Miltich. Bottom: Joey Tucker, DJ Manthripaganda, Ameet Shah, and Takashi Hirata.

Vaishali Patel, Kim Alexander, Nupur Mehta, Adam Niles, Natassha Robinson, and Nicole Dial.

## MPC'S OF THE PACK





# REZ-LIFE

Isn't there something you should be doing, Manuel, besides sleeping?



## SLI's

Row 1: Ken Jones, Kevin Croywell, Rebecca Harvard, Manuel Huyen, Tracy Stone; Row 2: Louia Younes, April Johnson, Sandra Baker; Row 3: Jeff Bray, Stephanie Harris, Alan Jung, Amy Wheeler, Shelia Simmons, Sandy Sanford; Not Pictured: Marlene Blakney, Warren Basket, Marc Latta, Greg McCleod

A Student Life Instructor once said "It's challenging to wear as many hats as we are required to wear." A moment's reflection reveals that few to no SLI's really wear hats on a regular basis, but it is true that our in loco parentis have many responsibilities. As a result of these responsibilities, they are as often loved as they are feared.

By the definition of their jobs, a Student Life Instructor plays the part of parent, friend, disciplinarian, and mentor all at the same time. SLI's try to maintain an equilibrium between the two main responsibilities of friend and rule-enforcer, just as parents do. Still, Brian Wilson says, at each instant "they're either one or the other" - friends or foes. Sandy Sanford, an SLI/RA since 1992, says "every situation deserves empathy, but I wouldn't feel comfortable with and understand their SLI's position. In fact, their SLI's often earn the true respect of their students. Kyle Franklin said of Kevin Croywell, his SLI "Kevin's the man!"

Other students are not so satisfied. Ted Basladynski, of Fourth West, said "I don't ever see my SLI." Of course, this is understandable, considering his SLI, Chris Harvey, left to work with a local fire department. Student Life Instructors often have to balance their personal lives tediously with their NCSSM lives. Sandy said that the duties of SLI's include "only a minimal set of expectations. Staff may involve themselves [in hall activities beyond these expectations] as much as they see fit." Student Life Instructors don't have to commit 100% to NCSSM, since they are given the summers off to "recharge". Sandy indicated the job would probably be unbearable if it lasted through the year.

Student Life Instructors are chosen through a long process that involves applications, interviews, and even criminal background checks. A panel of students and staff attempts to conduct as thorough an examination of each applicant as possible. The applications are combed through by the panel, and the final decisions are made by Dr. Joan Barber, head of Student Life, and Warren Basket, head of Residential Life. Art teacher Joe Liles speculates that "in the end, a flipped quarter can be the deciding vote." Some years, over one hundred applications have been submitted to fill under five positions. Despite the hard work, though, some staff members participate whole-heartedly in the process again and again. They may also give their input as to possible SLI candidates. Elizabeth Mooruan said that though she has "a strong attachment to SLI's... I have always said we need grandmothers. Aunt needs a grandmother." She backed up her assertion by declaring grandmothers to be the kind of people "you can't help but love, though they can scold the daylights out of you and bake you a pie within the same breath."

As the parent of two, Mooruan said "good parents are not necessarily loved at all times. My kids hate the fact that I make them eat their vegetables every night." Sandy agreed, stating an SLI is "not necessarily here to be walked. My job is to foster a positive community," and if someone mistreats someone else or breaks the rules, he or she probably needs to suffer the consequences.

Stephanie Harris, a Student Life Instructor on Reynolds 1st E, said that being an SLI "has its challenges, like any job." She also said that though her daughter Niani had become almost a sister to the girls on her hall, "sometimes the students can feel just a little too comfortable around their SLI, since they may sometimes bring up controversial issues around her that are better left to themselves." However, some SLI's have become so close to their students that they have a mutually beneficial relationship. While students generally come to their SLI's with their problems, Dave Lara said of his Student Life Instructor that "he sometimes comes to me with his problems." Sometimes SLI's don't know how to deal with their students. For example, Sandy said that it was both "invigorating and intimidating" that his hall actually looked forward to hall meetings. A strange bunch, he said Third East had a "font of creativity" that sometimes needed to be channeled in the right direction.

Student Life Instructors could have the most impact on students at NCSSM. As dreamers themselves, SLI's often serve as role models for students. Dr. Barber said that many SLI's go on to pursue degrees in medicine, law, and even education, and this may serve as a good model to which students may set their goals. However, Sandy is reluctant to take very much credit when he is honored as a mentor. He said that if he helps students, he simply "empowers what's already inside of them." "I can't pull plants out of the ground," he said, "but I can sow seeds."

David Bodiz





### DA's

Row1: Vinay Shastri, Schnika Pender, Rashonda Steadyan, Maisha Cottman, Leila Ghasseyan, Susan Smith;  
 Row2: DeLane McDuffie, Aiqee Chung, Justin Skeup, Jenny McInerney, Jamie Joyner, Ana Holmes, Roberta Fielden, Jason Nelson, Row3: Donnie Williamson, Tonya Willoughby, Jenny Hester, Ticora Jones, Katie Hale, Joe Ladapo, Row4: Walker Robinson, Jayes Knutson, Josh Filbey, Chuck Horrell, Sarah Millsaps, Jon Menacheu, Row5: Brad Cooper, Andrew Steen, Chris Burrus, Kelly McBrauer, Philip Fielor, Satisha Bissrau, Eric Gadd, Olivia Jones, Not Pictured: Carolyn Chu, Almas Abbas, Fern Patterson, El Beaty, Charlie Sessoms, Stuart Frye.

As you can see, Aiqee Chung has 3rd Beal under control.



What's the best thing about being a DA? DA Week, of course.

# Been there, done that. Beall

Descending from above: Amy Oliver, Carey Campbell, and Ti Boshart.



WHERE THERE'S SMOKE ... ANOTHER BEALL BIRTHDAY...



## First Beall

Front: Fang Cai, Regenia Spencer, Christiane Haeffele, Erin Corcoran, Priscilla Chappell, Alison Hill, Erin Anderson, Dawn Martin, Hunter Randleman, Carolyn Chu, Liz Bolton, Margot Paulick, Anne Nicholson

2nd: Jenille Adams, Kimberly Alexander, Elizabeth Martins, Maya Bhat, Jacqlene Nance, Karen Master, Lora Varley, Sharon Rogers, Kelly Carter

3rd: Lin-Z Paul, Tonya Willoughby, Frances Wall, Erica Jones



Alison Hill assaults the Staff Kickers.



Kyle Treiber defies gravity on Third Beall.



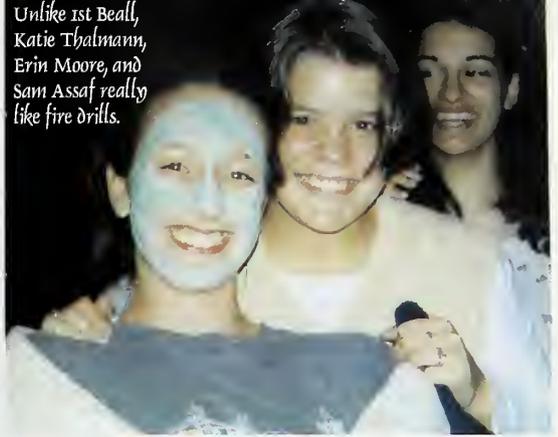


## 2nd Beall

First Row: Brandy Britt, Lauren Wagener, Shnicka Pender, Kelley Vance, Sam Assaf, Jamie Joyner, Ieshia Gray, Millicent McClain

2nd Row: Shelby Gull, Erica Wright, Kathy Lin, Sabra Smith, Michelle Cyr, Kirstin Riesbeck, Julie Thibodeaux, Ellen Parsons, Sarah Watson, Precious Vines, Emily Pike

3rd Row: Kylin Lee, Katie Thalmann, Amanda Blanton, Seema Bhotika, Erin Moore, Monica Dev



Unlike 1st Beall, Katie Thalmann, Erin Moore, and Sam Assaf really like fire drills.



Priscilla Chappell never knew she could fit this many people into her room until her 18th Birthday.



CAUTION: Pulling the fire alarm will result in extreme displeasure (especially Anne Nicholson & Erin Anderson).



## 3rd Beall

Top Area: Stacy Collins, Lena Hansen, Shilpa Gadani, Debbie Won, Brenna Farmer, Ti Boshart, Amanda Hodges, Alison Cuddy, Sarah Dickerson, Carey Campbell, Kim Treiber, Kyle Treiber, Margo Knight, Rukiyya Wingate, Tracey Howard, Kristy Jackson

Middle Area: Clara Holzwarth, Nora Wilson, Erin Shaughnessy, Nhi Tran

Bottom Area: Brooke Kellas, Dorothee Alsentzer, Amy Oliver, Aimee Chung, Jennifer Plaster, Olivia Jones, Cedra Russel, Sara Vance, Hillary Kruger

## 2nd Bryan

Front Row: Jennifer Maginnis, Abigail Brooks

2nd Row: Miranda Cotton, Jene Kapela, Maria Faust, Elie Kerler, Laura Difaldi, Elan Kalkbrenner

3rd Row: Jennifer Jabbusch, Sandy Jo Eriksen, Amy Dittman, Terenie Stevenson, Ana Ho-me, Rescy Steadman, Cherie Barnes, Maryellen Corbett, Jennifer Powell, Emily Enrie

4th Row: Sarah Brown, Lisa Czagas, Neda Brnapavcig, Margaret Brewer, Rayetta Grasty, Amy Brushwood, Melissa Whitney, Elisabeth Grove, Stephanie Jilcott, Sara Eriksen

Not Pictured: Lisa Schuffen



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## 4th Bryan

1st Row (l to r): Jaime Morris, Mary Beth Fritchey, Dana Elmore, Tiffianna Honsinger

2nd to Top (l to r): April Johnson (sli), Julie Schlenker, Chuck Britton (hall dad), Angela Drakeford, Leila Ghassemian, Crystal Davis, Robbye Rielden

3rd (l to r): Anne Raines, Elizabeth Wendorff, Maqui Ortiz, Tiale Tawake, Juliette Gilmour, April Kinsey, Cammie Hawley, Kalila Spain, Sarah Hamman, Nancy Daman

Kneeling (l to r): Kim Logan, Gabriela Allen, Mary Holmes, Hyonmi Choe, Valerie Tse, Becky Essah

Sitting (l to r): Stacy Jankowski, Amy Choi, Carla Merritt

# Bryan!



Mary Holmes gives Hyonmi Choe a makeover. Maybe she should try again!

strong enough for  
a man.  
Made for a woman?



Fella' won't be a man  
thinks Mangelor Carter  
could watch



### 3rd Bryan

1st Row (l to r): Karer Chen, Krista Duman, Tiffany Bryant, Kim Cole,  
Katie Miltich, Elizabeth Bagley, Talia Gangoo  
2nd Row (l to r): Nicole Dial, Vaishali Patel, Tina Lynch, Amanda Scovil,  
Herdi Kondrad, Jenny McInemey, Monica Shah, Arica Twiddy, Heather  
Lowendowski, Almas Abbas, Stephanie Briggs, Shekina McKenzie, Summer  
Eisenwater  
3rd Row (l to r): Brianna Wadler, Kelly Smith, Teresa Calloway,  
Catherine Daubert, Ashley Steed  
4th Row (l to r): Lauren Muth, Robin Armstrong, Kenda Jordan, Melissa  
Little  
Not Pictured: Lebbonee Price



# The Great Sex Change...



Rajesh Swaminathan should know better than to mess with Brendon Windmeyer and Kyle Franklin of 2nd Hill East.



## 2ND HILL NORTH

Top Row (l to r) James Ansley, Ronald Allen, Eric Gadol, Marcus Carden, Pete Trachy, Josh Gates, Lamar Mack, Alex Rosefield, Eddie Lewis

Standing Row (l to r) Brian Northcutt, Mark Deaver, Jason Lee, Nick Stoute, Jorge Valdes, Bucky Gates, Kenny McGee, Michael

Hawkins, Donnie Williamson, Roger Mills Koonce, Stephen Patterson, Michael Ventura, Stephen Vizer, Matthew Roesle





## 2ND HILL EAST

1st Row (l to r): Charlie Sessoms, Brendon Windmeyer, Victor Lee, Matt Smith, Paul Nystron, Marcus Tunstall  
 2nd Row (l to r): Erik Rasmussen, Eric Leland, Leif Johnson, Dan Cabbage, Kenny McGee, Kyle Franklin, Arthur Williams, Tim Carle, Chad Wade



## 1ST HILL

Top Row (l to r): Brian Yi, Daniel Miller, Jared Piland, Steve Newborn, Patrick Barrow, Case Brown, Ian VanBuskirk, De Tran, Stacy Smallwood  
 Middle Row (l to r): Aaron Pratt, Trevor Hoskins, Mike Drewnowski, Patrick Gray, Charlie Shaw, James Knutson, John Burke, P.J. Deschenes, Fulton Bryant, Sean Hartig, Schuyler Corry, Daniel Chase, Will Wilson, Julius Lucks, Jimmy Thrasher  
 Bottom Row (l to r): Marshall Blango, Manuel Hyman, Eli Beatty  
 Not pictured: Will Edwards, Steven Stewart, James Liverman, Chris Burrus



...kes so little to entertain Patrick  
 ...y and Chris Burrus.

## Second East

1st Row: Tony Sprinkle, Bryce Anderson, John Williams, Lyle Mullican, Ross Carson-Groner

2nd Row: Phil Fieler, Rajeev Pandarinath, Yancy Ragin, Mohammad Siddiqui, Jason Nelson

3rd Row: Jesse Smith, Sean Kennedy, Brett Knight, Jordan Glassman, Keith Bounds, Saakait Mathur, Simon Karpen, Jon Rodriguez, Mark Causey, Winston Parker, Trey Waters, Brad Lambert, Ashley Holmes

Not Pictured: Vincent Brown, Jay Pearson, Michael Westmoreland, Peter Baylies



## Fourth East

1st Row: Brian Loomis, Woody Gray, Marc Latta (SLI), Charles Mi, Daniel King

2nd Row: Lakhdeep Deol, Seth Whitaker, John Thacker

3rd Row: Bolu Ajiboye, Delane McDuffie, Kelvin Exum, Alexander Memory, Tavaras Simmons, Rupen Amin, Daniel Lane, Michael Wlodek, Jason Cummings, Shavoya Christodue, Christopher Sembroski, David Furr

4th Row: Jon Esten, Brian Wilson, Derrick Autry, Stuart Frye, Matt Martin

## Third East

1st Row: Justin Skemp, Chris Hayes, Ben Allen

2nd Row: Brad Cooper Scotty Hoopes, Rajal Patel, Sriyesh Krishnan, James Han, John Pittman, David Nelson

3rd Row: Rochelle Beall, Matt McGowan, Sam Greenberg, Stuart McClure, Danny Wise, Daniel Stinehelfer, Cameron Mengel, Robert Daland, Garrett Morgan, Matt Peters, Michael Avett, William Hancock, Nupe Mehta

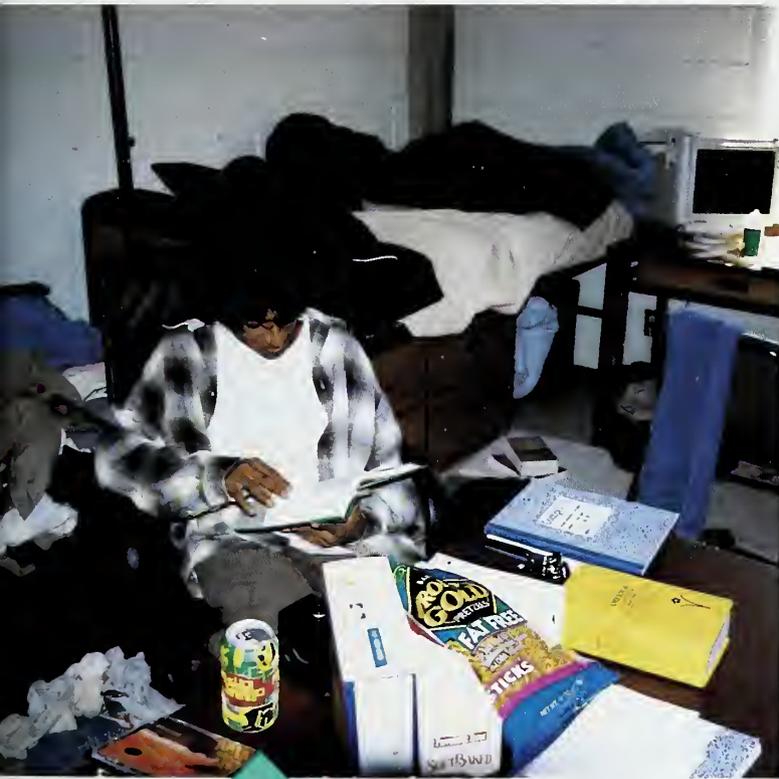
4th Row: Theo Luebke, Ben Rowland, Sam Boyarsky, Jason Short, Chris Rathjen



# The Eastern Block



Sriyesh Krishnan diligently studies with a steady supply of "real" brain food.



## The Thrill of the Hunt



## First Hunt

1st Row: Mac McNeill, Justin Oxman, Adam Tarleton

2nd Row: Jody Smith, Andy Wingo, Rajesh Swaminathan, Josh Filbey, Sid Maheshwari, Joey Tucker, Markeith Williams

3rd Row: Jeff Painter, Anthony Bray, Marty Smith, Anthony Ke, Leslie Myrie, Chris Dudley, Walker Robinson, Charles Johnson, David Herring, Gartrell White, Jeremy Ashton

## Second West

1st Row: Calvin Dark, Jason Jones, John McLellan, John Wu, Mike Hess, Matt Hoffman, Sean Kennedy  
 2nd Row: Pizza Man, Nick Brown, Vinay Shastry, Doug Wilkinson, Isaac Reed, Todd Oldenburg (SLI), Ryan Suydam, Zack Armfield, Paul Dennis, Maqui Ortiz, Dorothee Alsentzer, Jeff Gray, Jeremy Kindy, Andrew Steen, Jeff Boyd, Karsten Huneycutt, Menkah Mathews  
 3rd Row: Jesse Smith, Paul Oppenheimer, Lee Turpin, Dave Lora, Andrew Ghassemian, David Walker, Dan Davenport, Satisha Bissram, Tom Horton, Vic Orlikowski, Alton Patrick, Marcus Funchess, Sid Prabhu



# Hunt West



The fellas of 3rd West and 1st Hunt display hall support.



# GO WEST!

Mike Hess and Vinay Shastry attempt to fool our photographer into thinking that they are studying. Really guys, c'mon.



## Third West

1st Row: John German, Jacquelle Leggett, Manoj Viswanathan, Chad Wade, Steve Emerson, Thomas Wood, Spooner Ward

2nd Row: J.D. Bolick, Charlie Coffey, Jake Farris, Gabe Cade, Robin Kohli, Charles Haines, Jeff Bray (SLI)

3rd Row: Sendhil Cheran, Jason Zink, Adam Niles, Jeff Knight, Will Hayes, Anuj Sonawala, Albert Whangbo

4th Row: Greg Frey, Scott Smith, Donald Gaye, Phillip Stewart, Lenny Tran, Matt Richards

## Fourth West Volunteer Firemen

1st Row: Ben Lee, Chuck Horrell, Jimmy Chae, David Boiz, Bryan Deaton, Jon Menachem

2nd Row: Michael Simpson, Johnnie Lyles, Michael Bain, Steve Cook, DJ Manthripragada, Tak Hirata, Ted Beadynski, John Moran

3rd Row: Dominic Pazzula, David Walker, Saul Valobos, Henry Newell, Jay Raval, Eric Sigmon, Bobby Hedin, John Smith, Joey Lane, Tom Jordan

4th Row: MacKenzie Stogner, Josh Breedlove, Peter Bod-Bowman, Stefan Kazachki, Robert Carter



In Maisha Cottman`s and Natasha Robinson`s opinions, there`s nothing like a late night with Harvest Crisps.



# R Reynolds



Feline Female Kimberly Schiera lounges with her stuffed buddies

**WRIGLEY'S**  
**JUICY FRUIT**  
 CHEWING GUM



**1E, 2E, & 2D**

**Bottom Row:** Katie Hale, Rehka Permallu, Jennifer Aibel, Marissa Arney, Betsy Dorsett, Ellen Willson, Laurel Varnado, Dendy Macaulay, Kimberly Schiera  
**Middle:** Katie Hobbs, Christina Hammock, Toye Doggett, Lisa Worthington, Amanda Lawrence, Aisha McGriff, Valerie Kirby, Bebhinn Walsh, Darice Wong, Latrice Hogue, Erica Beckham, Cara Hamilton  
**Back Row:** Kimberly Boyd-Bowman, Maisha Cottman, BJ Riddick, Michelle Shomo, Dorie Davis, Sura Edmond, Natassha Robinson, Crystal Wright, Ticora Jones



**The Mad Flava of Ground Reynolds:**

**(seated)** Kendra Hill, Laquicia Russ, Rachel Sturm, Carrie Swinson, Bettie Faulkner.  
**Row One:** Krisitin Wall, Sara Martin, Karen Llyod, Patrice Ray, Sarah Hagevik, Aisha Haynie, Maria Tyson, Smita Trivedi, Laura Zmijewski, Ashley Frode, Monica McClain, Amber Murray, Angela Lea, Sabrina Pendergrass, Melissa Williams, Meagan Patterson, Stacey Hornaday, Teasha Kincaid.  
**Row Two:** Satisha Bissram, Kelly McBrayer, Courtney Bledsoe, Carrie Johnston, Elisabeth Epps, Jocelyn Kearney, Amy White, Jenny Lutz.



**1C, 2C, 1D**

**1st Row:** Elaine Thompson, Sarah Bauer, Grace Taylor, Sarah Millsaps, Molly McNairy, Amy Min, Nadirah Rahman, Shannon Sermons, JK Huffman  
**2nd Row:** Fern Paterson, Kathryn Guy, Mary Edmondson, Loria Caulder, Caroline Hon, Louisa Jilcott  
**3rd Row:** Tomika Wilson, Stephanie Coggins, Sandra Baker (sli)  
**4th Row:** Cheryl Cokley, Gillian Burgess, Tara Aman, Ailisa Hipp, Susan Smith, Kelley Mills



The fellas of Second West always have something to celebrate ... especially a fun IM season. Here, hall members **Andrew Ghassemian** and **Jeff Gray** display their hall pride on their ... um ... well, their chests.

Even though juniors are notorious for unbelievable bouts with homesickness, 2nd Beall's **Kelly Vance** and **Kathy Lin** seem to be adjusting just fine. After a grueling week of orientation, most students find that they meet the majority of their friends through classes and life on their residence halls.



"MIT or Carolina ... MIT or Carolina?" The college choices are endless as **Gabriel Cade** ponders his future in front of the guidance office. Unlike other college applicants, Science and Math students must make the majority of college decisions, with little help from parents. As a result, flocks of seniors can be found in between classes, swarming around **Molly Rich's** desk ... asking for everything from transcripts to scholarship applications. It's a good thing Gabe got started early.



**Sendhil Cheran** and **Robin Kohli** take a breather after an all night studying session. As they wonder to themselves, "Is Papa John's still open?," **Sendhil** points out some interesting facts about digestion described in his Biology textbook.



# HOME..



"Is there a Shriner's convention anywhere around here?," senior **Daniel Davenport** asks **Lisa Worthington** as they prepare a video for their WRRD class.



During the first few weeks of school, juniors have trouble finding things to occupy those long Friday nights. In an attempt to avoid interviz, these students have started a quick game of Uno in Hunt lobby.



# THERE'S NO PLACE LIKE IT.

Senior Maqui Ortiz catches some rays from the sun beneath the big window in the art studio. Because seniors are required to take fewer classes, many spend a lot of time exploring their creative sides through art and literature classes.



Jennifer McGinnis, Shelby Gull, and Brooke Ignatowski are ready to display their beautiful Science and Math smiles at the drop of a hat. It must be Premium Night in the cafeteria.



"Math Cad, shmath cad," says senior Katie Hale, who having completed her calculus, decides to hitchhike on the information super-highway. Though e-mail can take up valuable studying time for many students, for others it is a valuable means of communication and stress relief.

Ashley Harris, Christina Haeffele and Liz Bolton prove that the hall spirit on First Beall is alive and kicking.



"There's nothing like a good hall meeting to get your juices flowing at 10:30 check," say Matt Peters and Robert Daland of Third East..



# STUDENT LEADERS

Student Activities Board, Student Government Association, & Elections

## SGA

John Wu, Juliette Gilmour, David Walker, Manoj Viswanathan, Charlie Shaw, Molly McNairy, Fang Cai, Kendra Hill, Anne Nicholson, Kenny McGee, Victor Lee, Karen Lloyd, Kelley Vance, Carla Merritt, Grace Taylor, Neda Burapavong, Manali Patel



## SGA Officers

**Victor Lee, Vice-President; Molly McNairy, President; Karen Lloyd, Treasurer; Juliette Gilmour, Secretary**

NCSSM is the temporary home of more than five hundred of the most talented students in the state. Needless to say, student leaders are an abundant and vital part of our school. No matter what degree of leadership experience, there is always a way for NCSSM students to get involved.

Student Government Association is comprised of juniors and seniors who are elected by their peers. SGA is very active in NCSSM activities. The group sponsors an annual t-shirt sale, field day, and various other events. At the end of each school year, a panel of executive officers is elected, including an organization president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer.

The Student Activities Board, headed by SAB coordinator Jennifer Madriaga, has the task of entertaining the student body. Each residence hall nominates two SAB members to offer input for extra-curricular activities. SAB plans events designed to compliment academics, including cultural events such as plays and concerts. They also organize college football and basketball games, excursions to the annual State Fair, and International Day. SAB is also responsible for distributing DATA bus schedules and coordinating van loops to Ninth Street and Northgate Mall. Parents are kept informed of SAB activities with a regular parents' newsletter.

The Elections Committee is made up of NCSSM seniors. They are nominated by SGA members to serve on the committee during the upcoming year. The elections Committee is responsible for organizing the selections for junior and senior representatives, as well as SGA officers. They run the elections, pass out ballots, and count up votes to arrive at the official decision on who will hold the offices.





Jimmy Chae pulls his weight (plus some) at the SGA sponsored field day.

**Elections Committee**  
Aisha Haynie, Frances Wall, Erin Anderson, Hunter Randleman, Laura Zmijewski



SAB Coordinator Jennifer Madriaga.





# ORGANIZATIONS



Truly, one of the best parts of our great school is the surprising amount of diversity within the student body, and the opportunities we have for expressing everything about our wonderful selves. **ADDING** together the various clubs, teams, bands, and private activities, there are dozens of ways on campus to have fun and learn from others, no matter how unusual the activity may be. We are literally **UP** to our elbows in choices at Science and Math, ranging from art clubs to acting groups to a blues band to math modeling. **OUR** talents vary, but all students should feel that if there is *anything* they're interested in doing with a group of other people, their **OPTIONS** are limitless. All it takes is a little motivation to either join or start a club.

This year, concerned S&M students are involved in several politically oriented clubs, notably Amnesty International and the Young Republicans. For the more spiritually oriented, Eidolon provides an excellent outlet for discussion and discovery. All being widely known organizations, the functions and activities of both are still not clear to the uninformed spectator.

Amnesty International, which has existed at NCSSM for two years, is primarily concerned with human rights worldwide. Best known for "Stop the Torture" posters and stickers sent through the mail, A.I. has actually been invaluable in helping unjustly imprisoned/detained people in foreign countries through letter writing campaigns. Often political officials in other countries pay no heed to such letters, but by influencing local politicians A.I. forces human rights violators to shape up. Here at Science and Math, students participate in letter writing, and hear about the human rights struggle firsthand from speakers.

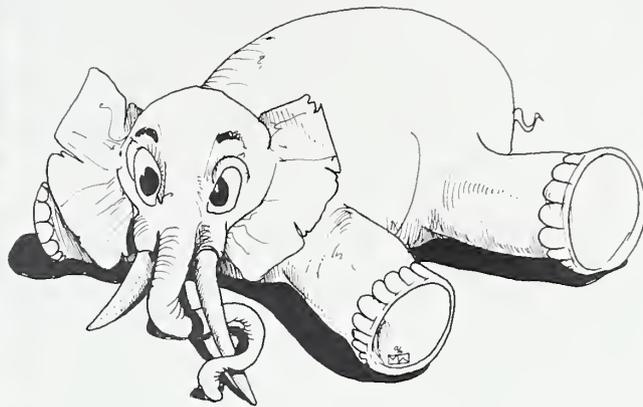
The Young Republicans are conservative youths who want to promote the Republican party and other conservative causes. Once a week they meet in the American Tobacco Dining Room to discuss Rush Limbaugh, Newt Gingrich, the Contract For America, and other politics while eating a delicious PFM lunch. President Seth Whitaker and cohorts say they plan to hold a voter registration drive later this year, perhaps when more of the seniors are 18 years of age. In addition to all these activities, the Young Republicans also produce an e-mail newsletter, to apprise members as to club goings-on.

Eidolon is a club devoted to art and literature appreciation. Led by sponsor Jon Miller and senior Jessica Woodard, Eidolon members meet occasionally to discuss "nifty stuff." According to junior Stacey Hornaday, "Eidolon is tons of fun. It's always cool to sit back and play with bubbles or take a stress break in the art room." Accredited with a reputation for being eclectic, the members of Eidolon are apt to analyze Dr. Seuss or go out for pizza before exam week. - Schuyler Corry



# Eidolon

# YOUNG REPUBLICANS



Christopher Sembroski, Paul Waters, Sandy Jo Rogers, Seth Whitaker, Winston Parker, Matt Martin, Laura Cifaldi, Walker Robinson, Marcia Eaddy, David Furr



acey Hornaday, Tiffianna Honsinger, Jessica Woodard, Meagan Patterson, and ex Rosefield

Many of us may have had to force ourselves to accomplish a bit of community service in our recent past, but there are some among us who work in our local community on a regular basis. Our school has four chartered service clubs: Interact, Habitat for Humanity, EK Powe Big Brothers/Sisters, and Junior Civitans. You may wonder what motivates these people to help out, but according to senior **Rayetta Grasty**, a member of the Interact club, "We learn a lot about ourselves by helping others."

Interact is a Rotary-sponsored service club that serves the school, the local community, and works to further international understanding. It is interesting to note that it is the first internationally affiliated club on campus, according to the president, **Gabriela Allen**.

This year the club has been involved in a tutoring at EK Powe Elementary School. Junior, **Elisabeth Harper-Epps** said that, "Interact provided an opportunity for me to meet a teacher at EK Powe Elementary School, who I could help weekly as a tutor and as an assistant. Thanks to that contact, I was able to do something that I enjoy, and that is good for the community."

**Leslie Myrie**, the Interact Co-Vice President thinks, "Interact is a club where students at NCSSM can get together and have fun while doing something positive and helpful, not only for the community, but also for the state, nation, and world."

Another of the service clubs on campus constantly at work in the community is the EK Powe Big Brother/Sister program. The purpose of this organization is to act as a role model, tutor, and friend to a specific child at the elementary school.

"... the kids appreciate having big brothers and sisters. There hasn't been a single time I have gone to EK Powe when one of the kids didn't ask when they were going to get an older brother or sister. Since EK Powe is a school that gets kids from a lot of the less privileged areas of Durham, it is not uncommon for the kids not to have many people to pay attention to them, or teach them, or even just play with them. NCSSM has had quite a few dedicated big brothers and sisters, as

well as tutors, and many of them have mentioned how surprised they are that the kids look up to them and appreciate them as much as they do," says **Clara Holzwarth**, co-founder of the club.

Habitat for Humanity is another of our organizations that finds its place in assisting the less fortunate of the community, by aiding in the construction of homes in which they can live. They help in many capacities, from fundraising to the actual construction work.

While it is true, according to junior **Cammie Hawley**, that, "It's tough to get up on a Saturday morning to go work on a house," senior **Lindsay Paul** sees it as "a good chance to get out into the *real* Durham and help out."

**Dawn Martin** shared that, "I've only been to one work site, but it was really fun. We painted walls and even got into paint fights...I met a lot of really nice people. It makes you feel good inside when you know that you are helping out someone in need of a place to call home." **Adam Niles** added that, "You are making a positive difference in someone's life with every nail, every brick, every shovel full of mud... Don't let Habitat get put on a shelf when you leave S&M. Habitat has opportunities in almost every community. Get involved wherever your path may take you."

The one other service club at our school is the Junior Civitans. Co-President, **Lisa Schaffer** is full of news about the club.

"Junior Civitans is a community service organization designed to reach out to the local community as well as people throughout the state. Members participate in district events such as Environmental Awareness Week and our 12-hour dance-a-thon which raised over \$2,000 for NC Boy's and Girl's Homes. In our school community we held a Spaghetti Dinner. As a fund raiser, we worked with our Senior Civitan Club at Duke football concession stands. With this money we bought clothes, toys, and other Christmas gifts for a family of four through the "Adopt-a-Family" program. We also organized a canned foods drive. In addition, we partici-

pated in the Hawfield Haunted Forest fund raiser."

**Jenine Stevenson** said, "Junior Civitans is a hardworking, dedicated organization. I am glad to be a part of [it]."

The community benefits in many ways from each of these clubs at our school. As **Donnie Williamson**, and Interact member, said, "...In a place where it's hard to stand out, we can make a difference in the world."

- Robbye Fielden

# REACHING OUT





# Habitat for Humanity

Priscilla Chappell (Co-President), Adam Niles (Co-President), Kirstin Riesbeck (ICC Rep), Dorothee Aisentzer, Seema Bhotika, Amy Brushwood, Emily Cade, Gabe Cade, Carey Campbell, Aimee Chung, Alison Cuddy, Monica Dev, Sarah Dickerson, Anne Fawcett, Kathryn Guj, Amanda Hodges, Olivia Jones, Ellie Klerlein, Stephen Mewborn, Lauren Muth, Manali Patel, Hunter Randleman, Shannon Sermons, and Jenine Stevenson



Kneeling: Elizabeth Schaffer (co-president), Lousia Jilcott, Kirsten Riesbeck, Seema Bhotika, Vib Uppa (PRC), Kristy Jackson. 1st Row: Lebbonee Price, Olivia Jones (co-president), Danny Wise, Kelly Carter

(secretary), Fang Cai, Jaime Joyner (treasurer), Jenny Hester (PRC), Sara Esinger, Sarah Brown, Lena Hansen, Ellie Klerlein, Amy Brushwood, Emily Cade, Cheri Borrries, Manali Patel, Jenine Stevenson, Leah Eisenstein, Marcia Eaddy. 2nd Row: Tim Carle, Brad Cooper, Steve Mewborn, Alison Cuddy, Elisabeth Grove, Stephanie Jilcott, Margaret Brewer, Jennifer Powell, Hunter Randleman.



Kneeling: Seema Bhotika, Priscilla Chappell. 1st Row: Dara Elmore, Jacquelle Leggett, Elizabeth Wendorff, Donnie Williamson, Gabriela Allen, Stephanie Briggs, Liz Deans, Rayetta Grasty, Julie Schlenker.

Manali Patel, Lousia Jilcott, Leila Ghasseman. 2nd Row: Tiffiana Honsinger, John German, Kelvin Exum, Vib Uppal, Jason Filbey, Walker Robinson, Maryellen Corbett, Robbye Fielder, Michelle Graham, Tonya Willoughby.



## E.K. Powe Big Brothers and Sisters

1st Row: Stacey Collins, Sara Vance, Brooke Kellas, Julie Thibodeaux, Dendy Macaulay, Clara Holzworth (co-president). 2nd Row: Andy Wingo, Aimee Chung, Olivia Jones, Shilpa Gadani.

# Afrikans Unified: AUΦ



**1st Row:** Cheryl Cokley, Marshall Blango, Regenia Spencer, Ticora Jones, Rashonda Steadman, Michelle Shomo, Schnika Pender, Daniel Lane  
**2nd Row:** Sura Edmond, Tavaris Simmons, Ieshia Gray, Amanda Lawrence, Bolu Ajiboye, Kim Alexander, Thomas Wood, BJ Riddick, John German, Natassha Robinson, Delane McDuffie



Harambee, Akwe:kon, Asian Cultures Club and Afrikans United are NCSSM clubs that strive to promote cultural awareness in our community.

Harambee whose name means "unity" in Ki-Swahili, advocates unity and appreciation of diversity among minority students at NCSSM through community service, fellowship, and cultural education. Some of their activities this year include volunteering in Centerfest and Worldfest, providing food for needy families, and a Holiday Hugs fundraiser.

Akwe:kon promotes the education and understanding of Native American culture and philosophy among all people. It serves as a support group for Native American students at NCSSM. Their activities include guest speakers and the annual Native American Powwow held in February of each year.

The Asian Cultures Club strives to education the community about various asian cultures . The members

# HARAMBEE

**On Steps:** Amanda Lawrence, Teasha Kincaid, Regenia Spencer, Dorie Davis, Amber Murray, Monica McClain  
**In Desks:** Toye Doggett, Jorge Valdes, Crystal Davis, Marcus Funchess  
**1st Row:** Schnika Pender, Calvin Dark, Marshall Blango, Shekina McKenzie, Thomas Wood, Maria Tyson, Natassha Robinson, Sura Edmond, BJ Riddick, Michelle Shomo, Jenille Adams, Latrice Hogue, Jocelyn Kearney, Tavaris Simmon  
**2nd Row:** Crystal Wright, Kelvin Exum, Trevor Hoskins, Fulton Bryant, Maisha Cottman, Patrice Ray, John German, Daniel Lane, Debra Bowick





# 亞洲文化會

## Asian Cultures Club

1st Row: Caroline Han, Monica Dev, Kathy Lin, Manali Patel, DJ Manthripragada, Joey Tucker, Tak Hirata (co-president), Vaishali Patel, Jordan Glassman, John Wu. 2nd Row: Neda Burapavong, Darice Wong, Seema Bhotika, Aisha McGriff, Lenny Tran, Stephanie Briggs, Almas Abbas. 3rd Row: Ameet Shah, Albert Whangbo (vice president), Lindsay Paul, Ted Basladyanski, David Bediz, Paul Oppenheimer. Not Pictured: Theo Luebke and Carolyn Chu (co-president).



# AKWE:KON



**Sarah Bower, Jason Cummings, Jake Farris, Gabe Cade, Sura Edmond, Nicole Dial, Theresa Fine, Robert Carter, Lakhdeep Deol**

of the club don't necessarily have to be of Asian descent. The Club has sponsored various booths at Worldfest, trips to International Fest in Raleigh, Asian film nights, and held a fundraiser by selling carnations at Valentine's Day.

The purpose of Afrikans Unified is to unite African-Americans on the NC-SSM campus. A unique fact about this club is that the current members encourage and require interaction with members of their organization that have graduated. Afrikans Unified does this to show that their group does not end with graduation, because now all members are part of a larger family. The club has a saying that summarizes their success: **"All of my life, you know, Afrikans Unified."** Their activities include sponsoring special tutorials on Monday and Wednesday nights, developing an excellent Stepp team, tutoring students at Wall Town Community Center, and organizing Powder Puff football games.

Staffwriter Elizabeth Wendorff

# Chess

Anthony Ke (President, left in picture), Jody Smith (Vice-President, right in picture), Peter Boyd-Bowman, John Burke, Mike Drewnoski, Chris Dudley, Trevor Hoskins, Karsten Huneycutt, Peter Kim, Sriyesh Krishnan, Amy Min, Henry Newell, Justin Oxman, Jeff Painter, Danny Stinehelfer, Nicholas Stoute, De Tran, Arica Twiddy, Ian van Buskirk, Darice Wong



NCSSM offers very little in the way of weekend entertainment, so it's often up to students to find means of making it through those dreaded weekends between fun-filled workdays. To cope with the boredom, some simply do homework early. Those lucky enough to have transportation may find more fun ways to waste time on local university campuses. However, those stranded at NCSSM who despise homework may take part in some student-led club activities. For instance, students may see a Film Club blockbuster on a Friday night, or a Japanimation movie, or they could strike up an exciting game of chess with a chess club member. If computers fit your fancy, there's a computer club that can help you to become not only computer-literate but computer co-dependent.

The Japanimation club has existed at NCSSM for two years, and presents a full-length Japanimation movie about every three weeks. While those who haven't been to one of the showings may picture clips of old *Speed Racer* cartoons, Japanimation junkies know that the movies are often more action-packed, violent, and altogether spectacular than anything shown on cable tv. Some of the films they've shown are *Battle Angel* and *Akira*.



Members: Carolyn Chu (President), Ted Basladynski (Vice-President), Sarah Bauer, David Bediz, Maya Bhat, Mark Causey, Karen Chen, Hyonmi Choe, Amy Choi, Brad Cooper, Schuyler Corry, PJ Deschenes, Toye Doggett, Bettie Faulkner, Bucky Gates, Ashley Harris, Cammie Hawley, Chris Hayes, Mike Hess, Tak Hirata, Matt Hoffman, Mary Holmes, Caroline Hon, Stacey Hornaday, Brooke Ignatowski, David Kim, Jeremy Kindy, Daniel King, April Kinsey, Hillary Kruger, Julius Lucks, Jenny Lutz, Karen Master, Millicent McClain, Shekina McKenzie, John McLellan, Katie Miltich, Henry Newell, Paul Nystrom, Jeff Painter, Meagan Patterson, Jay Pearson, Sid Prabhu, Vinay Shastry, Justin Skemp, Martin Smith, James Thrasher, Valerie Tse, Lee Turpin, David Walker, Frances Wall, Albert Whangbo, Gartrell White, Melissa Williams, Rukiya Wingate, Darice Wong, John Wu



Pictured: Mark Causey, Tak Hirata, Valerie Tse, Ted Basladynski, John Kelley (sponsor), David Bediz, Carolyn Chu, and Katie Miltich

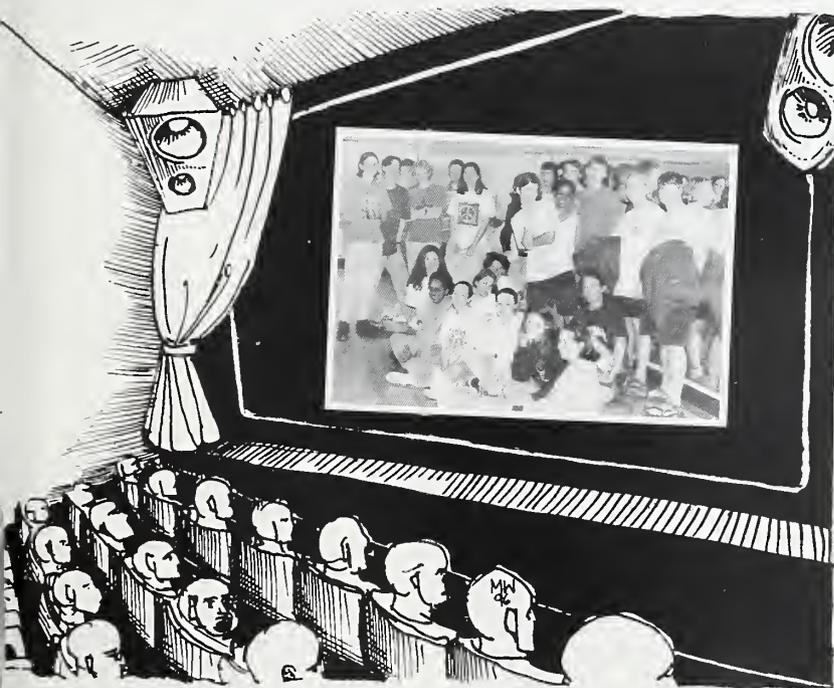
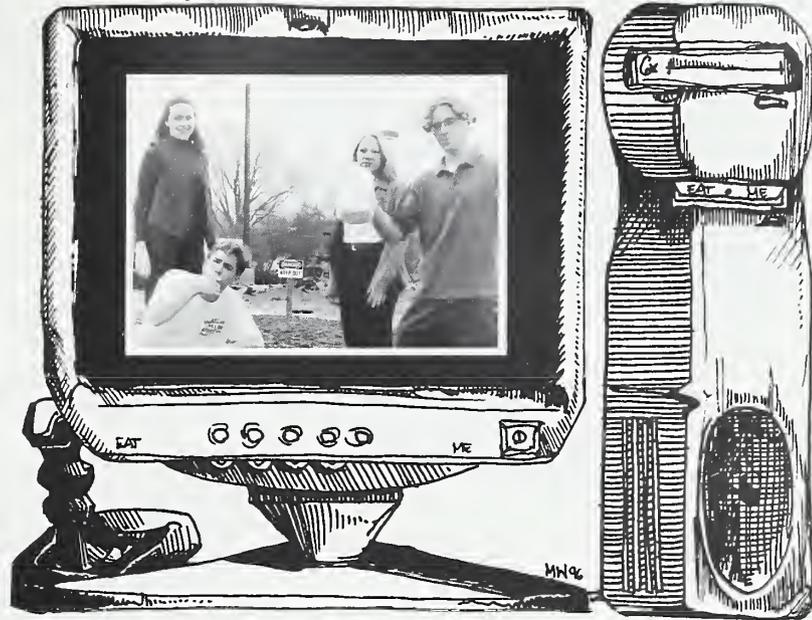
The film club has a similar mission as the Japanimation club: that is, to entertain. Films from cult classics to blockbuster hits are shown almost every Friday night in the Dance Studio or the lobby of Hunt Dorm. Some of the flicks shown include *The Princess Bride*, *Pulp Fiction* and *Raising Arizona*. While the club has only existed for this year, the popularity of the club is likely to give it momentum to exist in the future.

Another club with more educational intentions is Emoticons, a computer club that derives its name from an obscure technological term. Formed by junior **Jennifer Jabbusch**, the club has as a mission "to get people interested in various areas of computers, including software development, graphics, maintenance and end users." They hope to provide activities for the student body and staff, including Alt-Day sessions if possible.

The Chess Club, which has presumably existed since the founding of the school, has as its simple mission "to play chess and teach others how to play." According to president **Anthony Ke**, "We play chess." They meet weekly for small tournaments. -David Bediz

# EMOTICONS

Sandy-Jo Rogers, Charlie Coffey, Jennifer Jabbusch, Gabe Cade



Sitting: Jennifer Powell, Donna Thompson (Sponsor), Stephanie Coggins, Emily Cade, Pete Trachy, Mary-Love Edmonson, Ashley Harris, Holly Landry, Jordan Glassman. Standing: Tom Jordan (President), Matt Richards, Marcus Carden, Leif Johnson, Alex Memory, Karen Master, Theo Leubke, Bryan Deaton, Kelly McBrayer, Aisha McGriff, Sean Kennedy, Nick Stoute, Brett Knight, Winston Parker. Anyone else who has come to see a movie shown by the film club is also a member.

# FILM

Top: Matt Richards, Donald Gaye, Jacqueline Nance, Holly Landry, Aisha McGriff (co-founder), Meagan Patterson.  
 Bottom: Sara Vance (or a reasonable facsimile), Bebhinn Walsh, Darice Wong (in spirit; co-founder), Elizabeth Bolton.



Red Moon rises to the occasion, above

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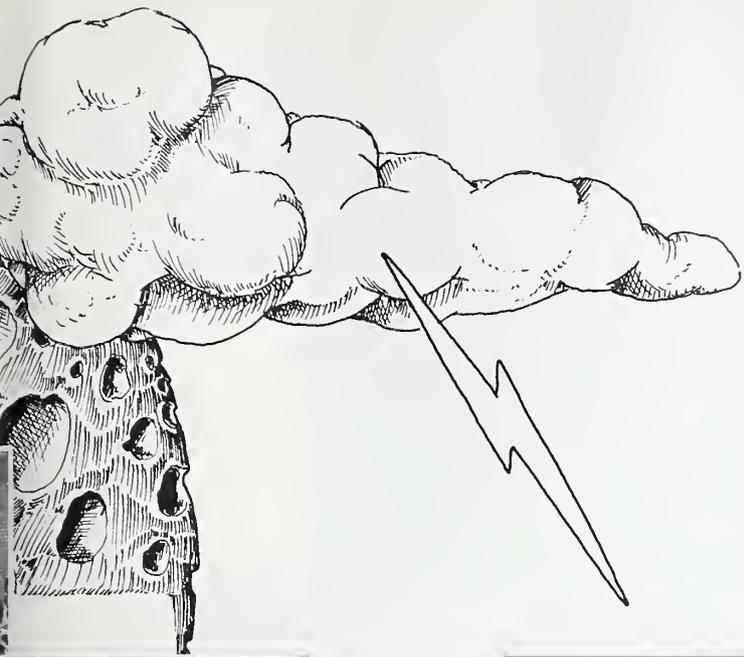
Roommates Darice Wong and Aisha McGriff came to NCSSM with high hopes. Both lovers of poetry, they found NCSSM did not offer the type of poetry club they wanted. So they did what any enterprising S&Mer would do, they founded their own. They named the

club after a message from a friend of McGriff's.

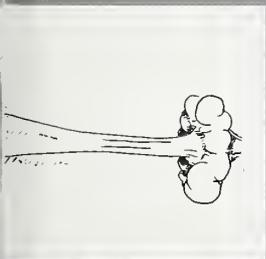
The Red Moon poetry club was started this year by Wong and McGriff to provide an opportunity for the young poets, writers, listeners, and admirers of poetry at NCSSM to relax and enjoy poetry with friends. The members of Red Moon converge on the hill between Beall and the greenhouse, or as they call it, the "grassy knoll."



Red Moon sponsored the Risk-free Graffiti Wall seen in the 1st floor Reynolds breezeway this year. They also submitted a group effort to the *Blue Mirror*, the NCSSM literary magazine. McGriff sums up the Red Moon experience best when she said, "We didn't know there was a poetry club, so we started our own. We do it for fun."



David Bediz, Dave Lora, Chuck Horrell, Brian Northcutt,  
Ben Lee (founder), Jon Menachem, Scott Smith.



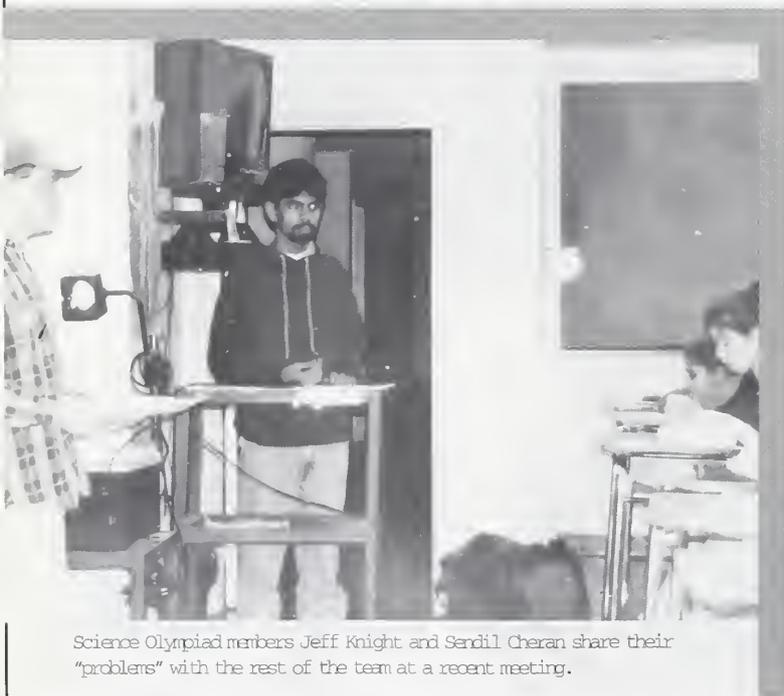
# CLUB

Inter-act club president Gabriela Allen rushes to sign up yet another diligent member. Peter Weld, dynamo of the

weightlifting club, tries to remain solemn as spectators adore his



Harambee members and friends, Elizabeth Harper-Epps and Teasha Kincaid, take time out of their busy schedules to hang out together outside.



Science Olympiad members Jeff Knight and Sendil Cheran share their "problems" with the rest of the team at a recent meeting.



Where's Amnesty International when you need them? Caught in captivity, senior Kelly McBrayer screams for a member of the service club to come to her rescue.

Priscilla Chappell, co-president of Habitat for Humanity, makes her own place of residence in some cramped quarters in the Ground Reynolds laundry room.



An Amnesty International member places in the mail one of the many letters that the club sends to souls in distress and captivity world-wide.



Carolyn Chu, co-president of the the Asian cultures club, tries to avoid her numerous nagging groupies with a covert disguise.

While contemplating the wonders of modern physics, Chuck Horrell looks confused without his fellow K Club members around.

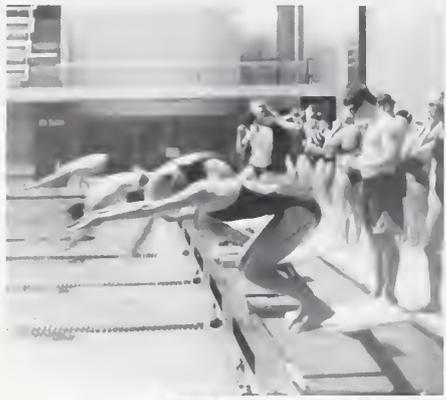


Tavaras Simons, bearing the burden of the school on his shoulders, looks stressed after an intense Afrkans Unified meeting.



Junior Civitans co-president Lisa Schaffer hurries to arrange another activity for the busy service club.

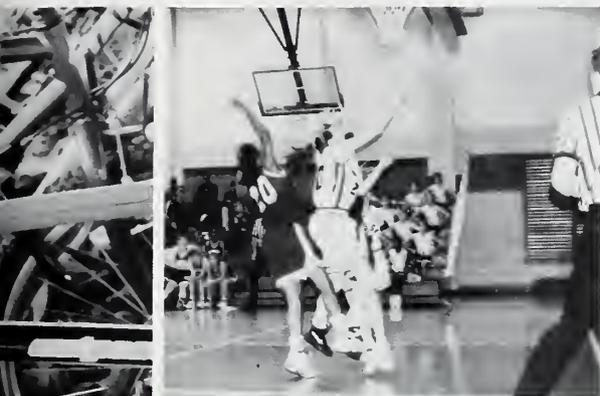




# SPORTS

Few activities are more exciting than sports. For both athletes and spectators, the thrill of an **INTERCEPT**ion or turnover, the

rush of an ace or goal, and **THE** hope for victory provides both relaxation and much needed release for over-worked students. But sports is more for Science and Mathers than therapy; we don't just have a lot of participation, we're extremely successful as well. Perhaps students feel a need to prove to other schools that we can be good at activities that don't involve calculators. In addition to all of this, sports strengthen the already tight **NCSSM** bond and are a great way to lose the 15 pounds you've gained since you came here. So, go ahead, pick up a **BALL**, put on your swimsuit or running shoes, and join in. Despite the extra work, sports can be the best part of the **NCSSM** experience.



# Slamming the Competition

## Ladies' Tennis



### 1995 Conference Champions

1995 Ladies' Tennis Team: (top) Ben Lee (manager), Sara Anne Eslinger, Rebka Perumallu, Juliette Gilmour, Margaret Brewer, Leila Ghasseman (co-captain), Lonisa Jilcott (co-captain), Carrie Swinson, Erin Moore, Sco Smith (manager); (bottom) Katie Hobbs, Amanda Scotvil, Ashley Forde, Neda Burapatong; Not pictured: Lisa Schaffer, Betsy Dorsett, Warren Basket (coach)

SCOREBOARD		
NCSSM		OPP.
'5	Durham Academy	4
4	Cardinal Gibbons	5
2	Ravenscroft	7
'9	Clayton	0
'9	South Granville	0
'9	Warren County	0
7	Bunn	0
'9	Louisburg	0
'9	Clayton	0
'8	South Granville	0
2	Cardinal Gibbons	5
7	Louisburg	2
'7	Warren County	0
'9	Bunn	0
0	Ravenscroft	9
'9	Red Springs (Playoffs)	0
0	Jordan-Matthews (Playoffs)	9
Final Record 12-5		
* denotes win		

Katie Hobbs smashes a backhand winner as doubles partner, Betsy Dorsett, looks on.



Amanda Scotvil exhibits perfect form as she slams a serve to her opponent.

# T E N N I S

This year the ladies tennis team had another phenomenal season! The team went 12-5 overall and 10-0 in the conference to win the regular season. They won the Conference Tournament, earning them the right to compete in the State Team Playoffs. The Unicorns contributed four players to the All-Conference team: **Louisa Jilcott** (Co-Captain), **Leila Ghassemian** (Co-Captain), **Amanda Scovil**, and **Erin Moore**. Erin Moore was the Conference Player of the Year. An impressive showing for a team that, by necessity, begins their practices later than other schools.

The team's real success this year was Amanda Scovil's performance in the State Tournament. Scovil finished in the top eight of all singles players in the State 1/2A. Scovil was especially pleased with her play after having missed most of last season due to injuries. One of the real keys to this team's success is teamwork. While tennis is often thought of as a solitary sport, these girls really pulled together. Several of the seniors got together in the summer before the season began to get in work together. The seniors were happily surprised at the number of juniors who tried out for the team. Once the team was chosen and everyone got to know each other, the real work began. They endured the twenty minute rides to Whippoorwill Park in the hot school vans. The team practiced in the sun for two hours every weekday.

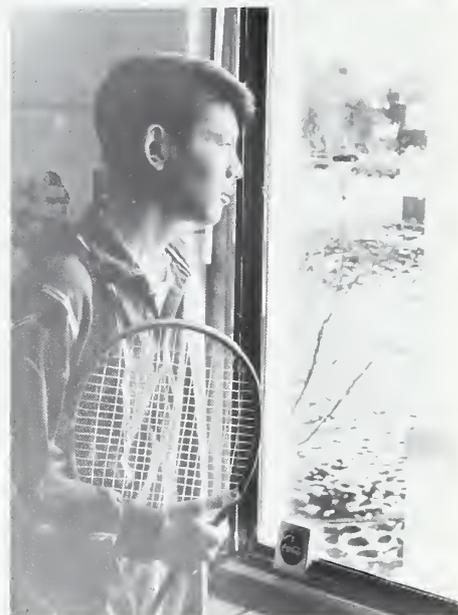
The other key to their success was the loyalty the girls felt for each other and Coach Warren Basket. After the bonds of friendship have been formed, they are never broken. If a girl was not playing, she would go root another teammate on. The strongest loyalty was to Coach Basket. Coach Basket, or Warren as the girls call him, has coached ladies tennis at NCSSM for the past ten years. Coach Basket has decided that his season was his last.



This caused great dismay among the team as best said by Louisa Jilcott, (She) is sure the juniors are going to miss such a kind, fair and considerate coach.

Club tennis, a new sports club, is run by the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics Tennis Association (NCSSMTA), a member organization of the United States Tennis Association. **Scott Smith**, president, and **Ben Lee**, director, formed the club for the many tennis enthusiasts at NCSSM. It is a non-profit organization devoted to the development of tennis as a means of healthy recreation and to the establishment and maintenance of rules of play and good sportsmanship. The tennis club sponsors clinics and notifies members of upcoming tournaments. - Maryellen Corbett

*Leila Ghassemian evokes fear in her opponent as she delivers another one of her powerful serves.*



*Staring at the snow, Lenny Tran longs for the beginning of the spring tennis season, a desire held by all of the tennis club members.*

## The Tennis Club



Tennis Club members: (top) James Han, Ameet Shah, Scott Smith, Betsy Dorsett, Andrew Steen, Karen Lloyd, Isaac Reed, Sarah Brown, Adam Niles; (middle) Ben Lee, Maryellen Corbett, Lisa Schaffer, Amber Murray, Todd Stewart, Monica McClain; (bottom) Daniel Stinehelfer, Gabriel Cade, Ashley Forde, Neda Burapatong, Margaret Brewer, Sara Anne Eslinger



# All Wild!

## Varsity Men's Soccer

### The Goal's on the Top

The tough schedule of the 1995 men's soccer season ensured that the team had its work cut out for them. However, it proved to be a great season with the experience of the returning seniors and several talented juniors. Led by co-captains Stuart Frye and Charley Coffey, the team won every conference match and triumphed as conference champions. The soccer team showed dedication, determination, and desire by finishing the season with an impressive record of 13 wins and 6 losses. Charley sarcastically summed up the team's achievements by saying: "It is my firm belief that, short of playing better and winning more games, we couldn't have had a better season!"

NCSSM started off the year slowly by facing many experienced 4A teams in pre-conference games. Victor Lee comments:

"Coming together was hard at first, since we had a new team and a new coach, but with hard work and Coach's inspirational half-time lectures we proved that we could succeed." The soccer team went on to defeat all the teams in their conference through each player's hard work. The season ended in the first round of the state playoffs with a tough match against Richlands High School.

Members of the first All-Conference teams were Andrew Ghassemian, Matt Raines, Steve Emerson, and Stuart Frye. Paul Oppenheimer and Saul Villalobus were named to the second All-Conference team.

Coach Kevin Bartkovich was pleased with the team's efforts and summed it all up when he said: "Overall it was a very successful season."



Standing (l-r): Coach Kevin Bartkovich, Robert Koffer, Jeff Gray, Steve Patterson, Brian Loomis, Stefan Kazachki, Will Edwards, Victor Lee, Chuck Haines, Steve Emerson, Sriyesh Krishnan, Stuart McClure, Stuart Frye (Captain), Roderick Leland, Charley Coffey (Captain), Gabe Cade, Matt Raines  
Kneeling (l-r): Andrew Ghassemian, Chris Hayes, Saul Villalobus



Steve Emerson dribbles the ball down field, leaving his opponent in the dust.



Chris Hayes leaps to the rescue.



Saul Villalobus receives coaching tips from his younger brother Josh.



**Kickin` around  
Before Da` Game**

Steve Patterson receives the ball as he, Victor Lee, Stuart Frye, Steve Emerson, Chuck Haines, Brain Loomis, Stuart McClure, and Charley Coffey juggle before loading the bus for an away game.



Manager

Elizabeth Wendorff reads the stat book for a home game.



Goal-bound Matt Raines dodges a slide tackle.



*Science and Math  
Amateur Soccer League*

Back Row (l-r): Steve Vizer, Michelle Cyr (president), Leif Johnson, Ashley Holmes, Arthur Williams, Pete Trachy, Ti Boshart, Nora Wilson, Stephanie Jilcott, Margo Knight, Brad Lambert, Jimmy Thrasher, Marty Smith  
Front Row (l-r): Almas Abbas, Rayetta Grasty, Stephen Patterson, Jason Lee, Matthew Bel-kie, Erin Shaughnessy, Sarah Dickerson, Rachel Sturm, Theo Luebke, Holly Landry, Danny Wise  
On Ground: Charlie Coffey

# volleyball volleyball volleyball



Height is the operative word for those spikes as **Satisha Bissram** rises to the occasion (left). Coming together, the volleyball team prepares for their next match (right).



## NCSSM Volleyball Serves an Ace of a Year!

The women's volleyball team had big shoes to fill this year, and they worked hard to successfully fill them. With a 3rd place title for the conference, they certainly did well.

Many seniors remember the women's volleyball team last year for their amazing success story; the team overcame Lousburg, which had not lost the first-place conference title in many years. They also rebounded with heightened energy, though perhaps less mobility, after an accident left one player with a wired-shut mouth and other players in slings.

This year, despite a lack of such dangerous bonding activities, the team has worked hard to keep the momentum. Though some star grand-seniors are no longer around to help, new junior stars emerged and our familiar seniors have practiced long hours to perfect plays. One star junior, Nora Wilson, has left referees, not to mention players and audience members, flabbergasted by her powerful spikes. Other powerful hitters include Satisha Bissram and Dianne Gonzalez, who were also named All-Conference players; the title comes about from coach and referee recommendations.

Sonya Link, known for her athletic versatility, was considered by many team members to be a source of great enthusiasm essential for team unity. Her spirit and ability helped to tighten the team and made her a role model for others to follow. However, as the entire team will assert, the cause of most of the team's success was probably their coach, Dianne Lloyd, who was described as "excellent" and "awesome" for lack of better adjectives. She motivated many players, such as Satisha Bissram, to "put a lot of effort into (their) practice to get better." Her motivational energy and knowledge helped get the team off the ground both years. This is not an easy task, considering the team changes every two years, rather than four years, as with other high schools. When half the team is made up of complete strangers, it's a little harder to establish a team before games get under way, apparently this didn't stop the women's volleyball team here now, nor in the past.

The only thing some team members regret about the team is that the season was so short. "It went by so fast," Satisha said. "I wish I could have played here all four years of high school..."

-Staffwriter David Bediz



**Nora Wilson and Jenny Hester** exhibit perfect form during a game.

## The Women's Volleyball Team

Manager Ted Basladynski, Kelley Vance, Akua Asare, Amy Oliver, Nora Wilson, Satisha Bissram, Ana Holmes, Krista Duran, Loria Caulder, Dianne Gonzalez, Sonya Link, and Jenny Hester



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# volleyball volleyball volleyball

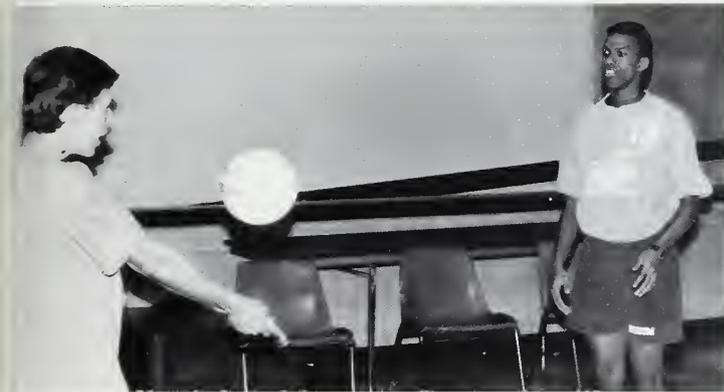


David Bediz give his bust a boost during volleyball practice.



## The Volleyball Club

Ted Basladynski, Akua Asare, Nora Wilson, Satisha Bissram, Krista Duran, Kelley Vance, Michelle Shomo, Tak Hirata, John Smith, and Jenny Hester



Arthur Williams waits to receive the ball as he and David Bediz warm up before a game.



Another volleyball success story at NCSSM was with the men's team. You might be surprised to even hear of a men's high-school volleyball team in North Carolina, much less at NCSSM, but that didn't stop ambitious players from trying it out.

Soon after the women's volleyball season finished, tryouts were held for a men's school team. However, soon after cuts were made, it was apparent that the team would have to be independent of the school; other schools in the area that had agreed to start up similar programs didn't, and it appeared there would be no other teams to play against besides the women's or staff teams. Satisha Bissram, Jenny Hester and Krista Duran, coaches of the team (as well as players on the girls' team), decided instead to enroll the team in the US Volleyball Association.

The team began practice, and skills improved dramatically as the weeks progressed. Players who had held a volleyball only at intramural games were now spiking, digging, smashing, pancaking, diving, and, of course, bumping and setting. Rainbow serves developed into killer serves, and Ted Basladynski has even been working on a deadly jump-serve.

The team has overcome many obstacles. The first was school sponsorship; players had to pay their own registration fee to the Association. They also went without an adult sponsor for most of the semester because no one was willing to contribute a few Saturdays to chaperone the team. "It's sad," Satisha commented, "that we have put so much effort into the team that may go unrecognized."

The team, though far from winning all four matches in a tournament, has come a long way, thanks to the perseverance of the players and the ability of the coaches. Hopefully the program will continue next year, and hopefully there will be more support from the NCSSM community.

-Staffwriter David Bediz



## The Men's Volleyball Team

Coaches: Satisha Bissram and Krista Duran Row 2: John Smith, Bucky Gates, Ted Basladynski, and Takashi Hirata Row 3: Jeff Knight, Nupur Mehta, Justin Skemp, David Bediz and Arthur Williams

# men's men's men's

# WRESTLING

It may be the least appreciated sport on campus — wrestling has no cheerleaders supporting the team during the matches, in preparation for matches the team only pulls out one side of the bleachers, and hardly any non-wrestlers know what's going on in a match. But in spite of this lack of hype, the wrestling team managed to start the season with a bang, winning the majority of its matches. The motto of Coach Avery Winford (and of the entire team) was *Intensity*, and it showed from the ensuing excellent performance.

At the beginning of the season, November 1st, each wrestler tried to determine an optimum weight class at which he or she would stay all season long. For a few wrestlers, this was no problem, and they merely followed their regular diet. The majority, however, had to work to maintain their weights. How is this done? For a start, long practices ending with calisthenics help melt away a few pounds, but diet is very important also. As Coach Winford says, "Eat foods that are baked, broiled, or boiled. Milk is good, water's better." This irregular, healthy diet is difficult to sustain, especially with the temptations of pizza, candy, and that delicious PFM food. It is not unusual to see wrestlers spitting in cups on the day of a match to lose a little more water weight. If you happen to be in the gym during lunch, you might catch a glimpse of **Stuart Frye** running around in three or four sweatshirts. **Laurel Varnado**, a junior and one of this year's female wrestlers, was not quite sure what to expect from being on the team: "I thought losing weight would be the hardest part, but that was before I was out on the mat."

Laurel was not alone in being surprised upon entering that 28 ft diameter circle. This year, several newcomers joined the team and are doing well, and many of last year's juniors returned for more fun. For a second year, girls have starting positions on the team: **Laurel Varnado** at 103 lbs, and **Hyonmi Choe** at 119 lbs. Laurel and Hyonmi have surprised many of their opponents by being so tough — as the season has progressed, both girls learned how to stay off their backs for the whole six minutes — and Hyonmi stunned everyone at Roanoke Rapids by pinning her opponent. "There are 36 lights on our ceiling — I don't know how many are on Roanoke's."

In addition to the fresh meat on the team, NCSSM was fortunate that many of the junior class had good backgrounds in

wrestling: **Peter Boyd-Bowman**, **Josh Breedlove**, and **Dom Pazzula** have wrestled for several years, while **Daniel Chase**, **Lamar Mack**, and **Doug Wilkinson** have more experience than any of the returning seniors.

Many students are utterly disconcerted by the sport of wrestling. A brief synopsis of how a match works is that the wrestler gets dressed up in a blue singlet, wrestling shoes, and kneepads; tries to forget his nervousness and nausea; walks out on the mat to shake hands; puts his toe on the red or green line; and explodes in the longest six minutes of his life (if no one gets pinned). Although wrestling is a team sport, each individual gets his (or her) chance to make a contribution to the team's score by winning his/her match. Some wrestlers get to continue to the state finals if they are good enough, but it takes hard work and lots of determination — one must have strong will power to wrestle hard in the third period of a close match. As Peter Boyd-Bowman says (quoting his T-shirt), "There's a side of me that is ruthless and punishing that needs to dominate my opponent and make him beg for mercy. And then there's my aggressive side." It helps if you share **Patrick Gray's** view: "I like to hurt people."

As Coach Winford always says, "We're getting good, but we're going to get better." There are big bears out there, and if we aren't good enough, they'll tear us apart, but NCSSM continues to surprise the opposition with amazing victories. **Steve Cook** puts it best: "You don't know me, man. You don't know me."

-Staff Writer Schuyler Corry

**(Bottom): Coach Winford, LaMar Mack, Robert Hardin, Lauren Varnado, Hyonmi Choe, and Peter Boyd-Bowman**

**(Middle): Jimmy Chae, Douglas Wilkinson, Stuart Frye, and Markeith Williams**

**(Back): Anthony Bray, Steve Cook, Jeremy Kindy, Eric Sigmon, Schuyler Corry, and Patrick Gray**



**Junior, Peter Boyd-Bowman lets out a cry of help as Senior Jimmy Chae shows him the correct way it's done.**

# SLAMI!



# WEIGHTLIFTING

## The Weightlifting Club

**(Front):** Joe Ladapo, Jimmy Chae, Michelle Shomo, Paul Oppenheimer, John McLellan, Tak Hirata, Gabe Cade, John Wu, Andrew Ghassemian, and John Smith  
**(Back):** Jason Jones, Ameet Shah, Jason Zink, Henry Newell, Matt Martin, Lee Turpin, and Peter Weld



**Laurel Varnado demonstrates good form as she stays on top of things.**



**Stuart Frye waits anxiously for the signal in his attempt to take down Coach Winford.**





# CROSS

## In it for the long haul

Endurance, strength, and commitment are all the ingredients that can make a long distance runner succeed. In order to be on the cross country team you need the ability to endure the 3.1 mile meets and over 6 mile practices, the strength not to collapse after the runs, and the commitment to return to practice even if you do collapse.

Once you have these ingredients, the next step to becoming a competitive runner is to work on speed. Try to imagine having to run 3.1 miles at one time and worry about speed at the same time. A good time for girls to run the race is 20 minutes; a good guy's time is around 18 minutes.

This year, both the girls team and the boys team showed that they have superior running skills. The girls team proved that they were a force to be reckoned with by winning the conference title and coming in first at regionals. The boys didn't do too shabby either. They also won the conference title and placed second at the regional level, losing first by only two points.

The Cross Country team, the girls team in particular, has had a reputation of good performance which extends over the years. **Alex Rosefielde** feels that because of their good reputation, the girls team "has more pressure because they have won so many titles." **Marcia Eaddy** agrees, "In the region other teams know us so they know our reputation of good performance." This pressure has not hindered the team, but fueled its desire to win.

To keep a competitive edge, many of the Cross Country runners do not limit running to Cross Country season, but continue running with the Running club. The Running club meets two days a

Row 1: Michael Wozniak, William Sander, Kester, Matt Dink, Will Egan, Becknum, Jenna Zmijewski, Morgan Swick, and Katie Holmann.  
Row 2: Elyse Hardin, Jorge Walker, Grace Taylor, Sinita Trivedi, Keren Lloyd, Jaime Morris, and Emily Pike.  
Row 3: Eric Sigmon, Jeff Boyd, and Charlie Messoms.  
Row 4: Brian Yi, Alex Rosefielde, Jesse Smith, Steve Cook, Andrew Steen, Brian Northcutt, and Sid Prabhu.  
Not pictured: Nick Brown and Greg Frey.



week to run the long trails that there was no time to run in Cross Country. The trails include Duke Forest, Duke Wall, and the golf course.

It may seem that most of the Running Club members are also Cross Country runners. **Brian Northcutt** sheds light on why this is the case, "There are not many non-distance people who came out for the Running Club because for one it is cold when we run, and another reason is that we [Cross Country runners] have already bonded."

To some all this running may sound like torture, something that no right-minded person would do on their own. For many, running is a way to relieve the stress of the day. **Jaime Morris** says Cross Country and Running Club are "a great way to

relax after school."

For others, Cross Country has become almost a second family. Everyone on the Cross Country team commented mostly about the bonds formed between the members of the team. **Laura Zmijewski** says that "there is a lot of bonding because you may not hang out with the other runners outside of the Cross Country team, but during practice we get along well."

Through their endurance, strength and commitment, the Cross Country team and the Running Club have made it through the long haul and challenge the upcoming runners of NCSSM to do the same.

-Carla Merritt



Cross country - an all terrain sport...even in the mud!



# COUNTRY

Charlie Sessoms and Jeff Boyd proudly display their Conference Championship trophy.



And they're off...



Greg Frey demonstrates the proper running form for the camera.

## RUNNING CLUB



Jeff Boyd, Andrew Steen, Nick Brown, Alex Rosefielde, Matthew Belskie, Karen Lloyd, Emily Pike, Greg Frey, Erica Beckham, Margot Paulick, Holly Landry, Marcia Eaddy, Will Hayes, Debbie Won, Charlie Sessoms





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McNeill, Jacquelle  
Leggett. 2nd Row  
Adam Niles, Vince  
Brown, Thomas  
Wood, Chad Wade,  
Sean Hartig. 3rd  
Row: Paul  
Nystrom, Justin  
Oxman, Steve  
Mewborn, Kyle  
Franklin, Spooner  
Ward.



Senior Mac  
McNeill  
consults  
teammate  
Eddie Lewis  
in the heat  
of play,  
right.



Junior Eddie  
Lewis looks  
for a way  
around the  
Hammett  
Central  
players  
while Vince  
Brown  
guards his  
man.



Adam Niles and Spooner Ward



# Women's Basketball

The ladies of the 1996 Women's Basketball Team made the courts visited by Science and Math more exciting places with their presence. They struggled to overcome many obstacles this year to make the season a successful one. Included in these obstacles was the addition of a new coach.

Says returning senior Dianne Gonzalez, "Compared to last year, this season was better."

Loking at the numbers of wins and losses is no way to measure the success of this team of fighting females. The winning attitude displayed by every member of the team was more than enough to make for a winning season.



# Men's Basketball

The 1995-96 NCSSM men's basketball season was one filled with high expectations. With six talented seniors returning from last year, this team had a good foundation from which to start. These veteran players were expected to carry much of the load throughout the year. In a comment about his expectations for the season, Coach Anthony Miles, a fixture in NCSSM basketball, said "this team is full of all around players. They are a force to be reckoned with." One of the worries about this year's team was the fact that they lost a great deal of their height from last year and looked to be at a disadvantage in the post. However, co-captains Vince Brown and Kyle Franklin worked hard to turn the post into a high scoring area all season. This force down low was balanced by the sharpshooting quartet of "Mac" McNeil, Chad Wade, Thomas Wood, and Spooner Ward. While Thomas and Chad produced consistently high numbers throughout the season, Spooner got off to a late start. However, by mid-season, his three-point threat was a crowd favorite and was respected around the league. Mac was also a dangerous weapon from beyond the arc,



Amy Oliver shoots for two.

raining three-point baskets at clutch moments in several conference games. The balance of this team, from down low to long range, was its biggest advantage and set them apart from many of the teams in the conference. When asked about the motivations for this year's team, senior and leading scorer Chad Wade said "the goal for this year is to make it at least to the second round of the state playoffs. No men's team has ever made it that far." At the time of this article, they appeared to be headed in that direction.

-Staffwriter John David Bolick



Sonya Link tries to make her way through a swarm of opponents

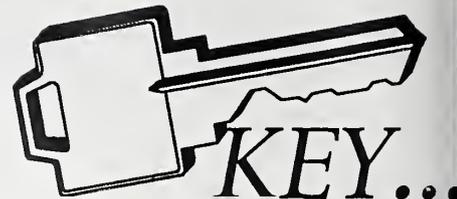


1st Row: Kelly Vance, Michelle Graham, Sonya Link, Brenna Farmer, Erica Jones. Row 2: Rehka Perumallu, Elaine Thompson, Amy Oliver, Alison Cuddy, Jocelyn Kearney, Dianne Gonzalez, Tonya Willoughby, Coach Tripp



# Performance

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## dance team, cheerleading, AND colorguard

As most people on this campus know, the cheerleading team had a difficult time getting on their feet at the beginning of the year. Yet, that was not very apparent when I showed up at one of the practices. From a review of the latest episode of *Days of Our Lives* to a physics discussion, everyone there seemed to feel at ease.

For Kimberly Logan, cheerleading serves a particular purpose. "Since I've been cheerleading for so long, cheerleading at NCSSM relieves any feeling of being homesick and allows me to release my stress after a day of school, because I love [cheerleading] so much." It has also been a positive influence in the life of Regina Spencer, "Although I didn't make the squad last year, I believe that [cheerleading] has been a rewarding part of my senior year."

For some cheerleaders it's not easy to be positive about the trials that were experienced this year, but according to senior, Hunter Randleman, "Even though we have had several substantial setbacks, I believe this year's cheerleading program has been and will be a success." Erin Corcoran adds, "We have fought really hard to get where we are, and I am proud of the effort that has been put forth." For all the junior cheerleaders, there

may be light at the end of the tunnel. Erica Wright happily, yet jokingly, points out that, "Peter Weld, senior co-captain] won't be here next year!"

On our campus we have another, somewhat similar group with an interesting past. The dance team consists of a group that were nearly all once cheerleaders. As a team they said that, "Being on the dance team has been a wonderful experience. We are proud to be the first successful all African-American dance team at Science and Math. It's brought people closer that normally wouldn't associate."

The students seem to have a very positive opinion of the dance team as well. According to Donnie Williamson, "The dance team is awesome. They are 100% better than before." As we watched them perform at a basketball game, there

was opportunity to probe for more opinions. Roger Mills-Koonce thinks that, "Their spirited rhythm engages the crowd." Jaime Morris agrees adding, "...they are good and you can tell they work hard. It gives us something to be proud of."

Staff Writer Robby Fielden



Cheering at Basketball games is one of the highlights of cheerleading.



The NCSSM dance team performs at the fall pep rally



### DANCE TEAM:

**Seated:** Tomika Wilson and Rashonda Steadman  
**Kneeling:** Shekina McKenzie, Tina Lynch, and Schnika Pender  
**Standing:** Kendra Hill, J.K. Huffman, and Cedra Russell



Aisha McGriff shows Karen Chen the elusive secrets of the speed spin.





## **CHEERLEADING:**

**Row 1: Brandy Britt, Jamie Joyner, Kim Logan, and Jenine Stevenson**

**Row 2: Regina Spencer, Kisten Riesbeck, Peter Weld, Brett Knight, John McCullen, Erica Wright, and Hunter Randleman**

**Row 3: Carrie Campbell, Erin Corcoran and Erin Anderson**



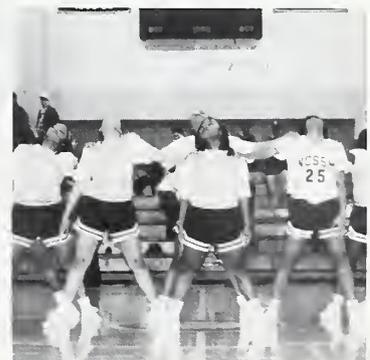
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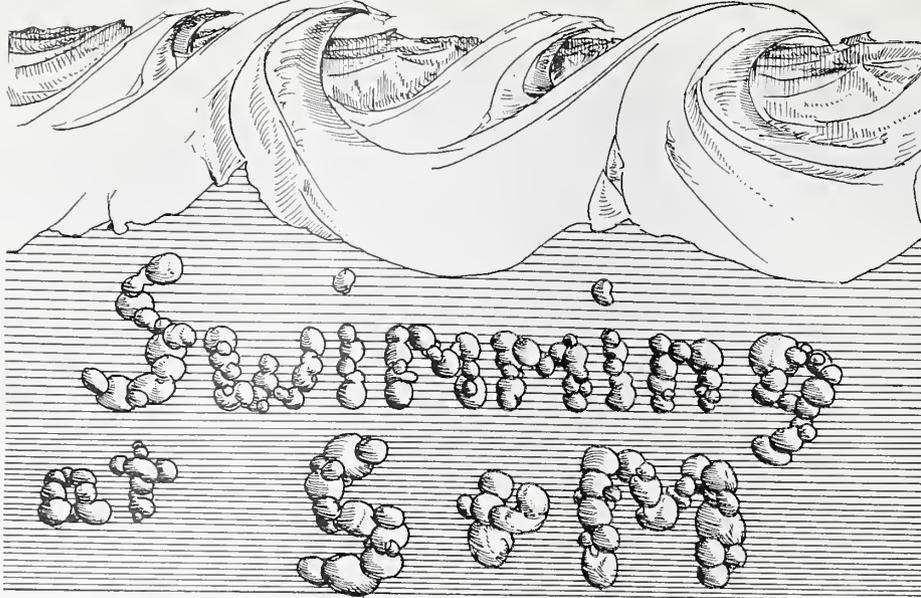
**Seated: Stacey Hornaday (Captain)**

**1st Row: Tracey Howard, Rachel Sturm, Shavon Rogers, and Elizabeth Martins**

**2nd Row: Aisha McGriff, Jenine Stevenson, Tony Sprinkle (Captain), Lisa Czagas, and Karen Chen**

*The dance team uses style and energy to get the crowd in the spirit.*





Wouldn't it be great to be able to get off campus everyday so you could do something that you really enjoy and get exercise in the process? Well, some NCSSM students have that opportunity. They are the members of the men's and women's swim team. With a new coach, a new attitude, and a few wins under their belts they're having an exciting season. What makes the teams success even more remarkable is that it is composed of students who have interests varying from music and poetry to government. With all these differences, it might be hard to imagine that a team could be successful, but they have been, and they seem to get along great with each other. In addition to these hurdles, the team has had to learn to work



**The 1996 Swim Team (fully clothed):** Row 1: Jennifer Aubel, Stephanie Coggins, Meagan Patterson, Carolyn Hon, Grace Taylor (co-captain), Sabra Smith. Row 2: Donnie Williamson, Matt Richards, Chris Dudley, Josh Filbey (co-captain), Daniel Davenport (co-captain), Chris Hayes, Coach Sevick. Row 3: Liz Deans, Amanda Blanton, Kristen Wail, Sarah Milsaps (co-captain), Tak Hirata, Tom Jordan. Row 4: Kylvn Lee, Mary-Love Edmonson, Kesi Haynie. Not pictured: Candice Johnson, Emily Cade, P.J. Deschenes, Camille Hawley



Co-captain **Daniel Davenport** knows what bliss is -- a wet speedo, above. **Chris Hayes** guards his trusty kickboard with his life, right.





Kylin Lee "kicks and pulls" while Meagan Patterson glides on her back.



Matt Richards takes a breath poolside after a hard practice, left. Cammie Hawley is relieved to finally be out of the water during a meet, right.

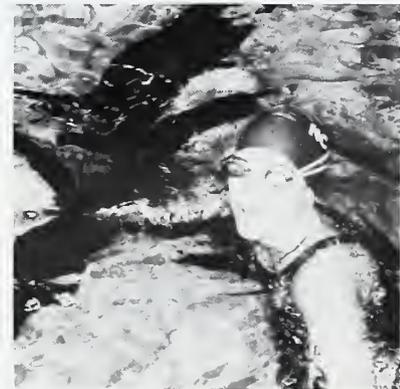


with a new coach. Junior Darice Wong says, "I'm proud of the swim team's accomplishments despite our new coach and the heavy work load we have at NCSSM." Obviously, the swim team is headed for much success during the 95-96 season. So, swim on to victory!

Staff writer Amber Murray



Jennifer Aubel, in an anxious effort to get practice started, leaps into the pool.



"How's the water, guys?" asks a reluctant Josh Filbey, left. Watch out Paris -- Sabra Smith models the latest style at Science and Math, a spandex ensemble with waterproof eyewear, above.



Grace Taylor tightens her swim cap before invading the waters of the practice pool, above.

SMASL girls Rayetta Grasty and Juliette Gilmour, unable to play soccer in the snow, patiently await some natural cold refreshment, right.



Junior Matt Raines charges downfield, knocking down all opponents in his path, above. The Science and Math dance team, above right, is two two two hits in one. At right, Elaine Thompson, Ana Holmes, Satisha Bissram, Amy Oliver, and Krista Duran cheer on their teammates courtside at a volleyball match.



Steve Emerson of the weightlifting club, below left, gives it his all. Below right, Coach Anthony Myles gives the men's basketball team some guidance before the second half of a game. It looks as though Steve Mewborn isn't convinced. Paul Oppenheimer, right, bursts through the opposing player, getting too close for comfort.

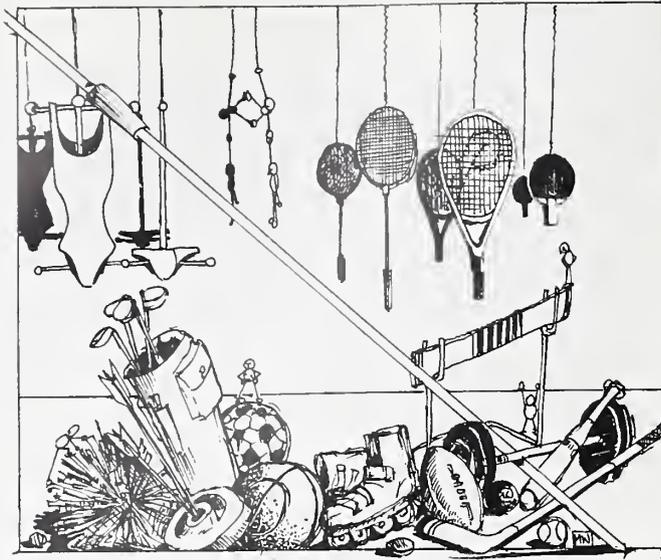


The Cross Country team made many sacrifices in order to make it to the conference championships, most notably their hair, left. Junior Amy Oliver struggles to get the ball back where it belongs, above.



Senior tennis players Louisa Jilcott and Leila Ghassemian team up for an unstoppable doubles combination, below. At left, senior and devoted FCA member Ana Holmes displays her club t-shirt with pride.





Sports Clubs

Sports clubs are an important part of life at Science and Math. They provide an outlet for the everyday stress that can build up from academic pressures. Sports clubs also serve to balance the mental aspects of school life with a physical one. Many students who do not play varsity sports join a club for after-school activity that is both fun and active. The tremendous variety of sports clubs at Science and Math reflects the diversity of student interests.

One of the clubs that seems to be a fixture at NCSSM throughout the years is the skiing club. This year's club was organized in an effort to give students access to videos and lessons about skiing. It involved taking one major trip in February. The club places an emphasis on enjoyment rather than competitiveness, and this year was

Chris Rathjen blocks a powerful pass from Nupur Mehta

Climbing Club:  
Robin Korih, Miranda Cotton, Dan Cabbage, Louisa Jilcott, John Smith, Advisor Anne Marie Williams, Ben Allen and Gabe Cade

Rollerblading Club:  
Gabe Cade, Will Hayes and Steve Emerson



Ultimate Frisbee

Danny Sprehnelfer, Lindsay Paul, Chris Rathjen, Dawn Martin, Lora Varley, Danny Wise, Robert Paland, Jason Short, Sam Greenberg, James Han, Cameron Mengel, Nupur Mehta, Rajal Patel, Ben Rowland, Garrett Morgan, Mike Hess, Ryan Avett, Alton Patrick, Justin Skemp, and Matt Peters



Beaded Thinking:

Ben Allen, Robert Daland, Danny Wise, Andrew Ghassemian, Anne Nicholson, Brian Wilson, David Nelson, Cameron Mengel, Carrie Swinson, Jason Short, Ben Rowland, Rajal Patel, Olivia Jones, Matt Hoffman, John Smith, Camille Hawley, Ryan Avett, Justin Skemp, Chris Hayes, Christina Hammock, Chris Rathjen, and Nupur Mehta



# C L U B S



Eric Sigmon doesn't fool with marshmallows. He only roasts bagels.



Skating Club  
Marcia Eaddy, Jeff Knight, Chris Hayes, Robert Koffler, Rajal Patel, Nupur Mehta, Brad Cooper, Ben Rowland, Ellen Willson, Ame Nicholson, Danny Wise, Chris Rathjen, James Han, Shamon Semmons, Lebboree Turner, Anne Albers

...er up or skiers with experience ranging from  
...ve to advanced.  
...ew club this year was the Ultimate Club  
...lub was open to anyone with an interest in  
...ate Frisbee. The IM field was often  
...ied by darting students and flying  
...ces on weekday afternoons. Through  
...e aces twice per week, the club solidified  
...a team that played and defeated several  
...e teams.  
...T Roller Blading Club was formed for  
...nts who participate in and enjoy this  
...expanding new sport. The club had  
...noon blading sessions and even took  
...small trips. A few members went to a  
...at park in Raleigh to improve their skills.  
...stands for the Fellowship of Christian



Outdoors Club  
Alison Cuddy, Elizabeth Bagley, Alex Roscfield, J  
Mantirpragada, Nupur Mehta, Jon Mencher, Jeff  
Boyd, Eric Sigmon, Jeremy Dorchman, Lora Vanley,  
Sarah Millsaps, Chuck Horrell, John Smith, Olivia  
Jones, Sarah Dickerson, Lindsay Paul, Anne  
Nicholson

Row III, YanBuskirk, L. Ghahai, M. Graham, B. Farrer,  
McCombs, T. Willoughby, J. Liverman, Row? S. Roggen,  
Aydam, S. Dean, I. Schaffer (pres), S. Bauer, T. Aman,  
Fielden, S. Essinger, S. Brown, Row 3, J. Brezdanova, E.  
Chappell, S. Wintaker, E. Gadol, J. Thrasher, Ist. Baptri,  
Church Couple, W. Robinson, B. Alboye, M. Smith, B.  
Furchess, C. Dark, M. Martin, E. Gilbert, S. Harman, J.  
Patrick, S. Mikota, R. Grost, M. Eaddy



Athletes. This has always been one of the most popular sports clubs on campus and is a nation-wide organization. FCA held weekly meetings this year with activities and trips to religious events in the area.

Another popular organization at Science and Math was the Outdoors Club. The club promoted an appreciation for the environment and outdoor activities. The big camping trip this year was to Stone Mountain State Park.

Beaded Thinking was one of the most unique clubs on campus. It involved the sport of hackey-sacking. A group of students realized that they often had their best and most interesting discussions while hackey-sacking. So they decided they should discuss philosophy and hackey-sack on an organized basis. The result was one of Science and Math's most original clubs.

The Rock Climbing Club is another firmly established club on campus. This year the club took trips to a nearby facility with a rock climbing wall. They also visited other outdoor areas.

The Running Club consisted of members of the Cross Country and Track teams as well as others interested in running for physical fitness. The club met two or three times a week and drove to good running courses off campus.

Another new club this year was the Cycling Club. It was organized for cycling trips around the Durham area and to serve as a resource for cycling information to the NCSSM community.

Staff writers William Hayes and John David Bolick



Ping Pong Club  
Damy Strehelifer, Nupur Mehta, Arreet Shtah, Chuck Horrell, D.J. Mantirpragada, John German, Tavaris Simmons, Eli Beatty







Frances Eudalynn Wall

A Magnificent child, Out Standing in her Field!!



Justin Skemp

"...the high country of the mind..."

Few people travel here. There's no real profit to be made from winding through it, yet...it has its own austere beauty that to some people make the hardships of traveling through it seem worthwhile...

Many trails through these high ranges have been made and forgotten since the beginning of time, and although the answers brought back from these trails have claimed permanence and universality for themselves, civilizations have varied in the trails they have chosen and we have many different answers to the same question..."

Robert M. Pirsy

Dear Justin--May you continue to travel in joy and wonder down those trails, old and new.

All our love,

Mum, Dad, and E.



Anne Nicholson

With congratulations, admiration, and love we watch you finish NCSSM and move on to college. You have enriched our lives with extra fun and extra animals. You have tested us with your strong determination and purple hair. You have expanded our lives with your friends and your adventures. Keep up the good work. You have done it all so well.

We send you on with love, pride, and support.

Mom, Dad, Trey, P.C.



Fang Cai

祝賀小放高中畢業!

Congratulations, Fang.

We are proud of you and we wish you the very best in the years to come!

With our LOVE,

Mom and Dad



David R. Bediz

**Congratulations!**

**We are so proud of you and very happy for you! Much success in your future undertakings.**

**Much Love,  
Mom & Clyde**



*"Will the real Ellen Willson please stand up?"  
Ellen, you have always had many different sides to you,  
and we have loved and enjoyed every single one! Congratulations,  
you've made it! We love you.*

*Mom & Dad*





Roberta Anne Fielden

We tend to reflect back, now it's time to look forward! Congratulations!



Maqui Ortiz

The best pet I ever had.  
Love,  
Mom



Christopher Burrus

Dear Bubba (aka: The Forty-Four Year Old Midget),

Thanks for giving us the greatest adventure any family could hope to experience in a lifetime. James Bond or Indiana Jones would find it a challenge to provide as many thrills and "spills" as you have given us.

We are so proud of your many accomplishments. We look forward to the adventure ahead.

"Semper Paratus"  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, & Bonnie



David Maquire Nelson

Congratulations, David.  
We love you and wish you many  
happy hikes.  
Love from Mom & Anna.

Tasha, don't think you will ever realize the depth of our love for you. All of your goals are obtainable, if you are willing to make the sacrifice!  
Hugs & Kisses,  
Your Family

Natassna Robinson



Congratulations  
 ...for all you have been,  
 all you are, and  
 all you will be.  
 Love, Mom, Dad, & Jareth

Jason Short



Bebhinn Alanna Walsh

"Scotty, take her warp speed to the Star Fleet Academy."  
 "Aye Captain, but I don't think the engines can take anymore.  
 We must take #1 to where she's never gone before. So get  
 ready to beam her up!"  
 May your next academic adventure be a Happy one.

Love

Mom-Dad-Keauy-Brendan-Shekinah



**Katie, Turn around  
 and now it's your  
 time. We wish you all  
 the best as you con-  
 tinue to graduate.**

**All our love,  
 Mom & Tim  
 Dad & Ann  
 Allie, Laurie, Hannah**

**Katie Miltich**



Courtney Bledsoe

Congratulations Baby,

You have always kept my heart  
 smiling and I am so very proud of you.  
 Keep up the good work and remember to  
 always put God first.

Love, Mommy



Charles F. Haines

Congratulations  
and best wishes on  
your graduation  
and future plans.

We love you,  
Dad, Mom  
Amanda &  
Disa

Kelley, We're so proud that you have dared the storm to capture the rainbow. You've always known that there's more to a dream than wishful thinking. Follow that dream with strength and determination and you'll be prepared for whatever the future awaits. Congratulations! We love you, Mom & Dad



Kelley L. Mills



Aimee Chung

**Congratulations, Aimee! You've always brought joy, love, and pride to us. We wish you a successful future and good luck in college.**

**Love always,  
Mom, Dad, & Arlene**

Congratulations, Anuj, You fill our lives with laughter and our hearts with joy. Best wishes for a happy and bright future. Keep up the great work and keep on smiling.

Love,  
Mom, Dad, and Ami



Anuj Sonawala



**It's Hard to Imagine...**

by Sara Belskie

It's hard to imagine how we'll say goodbye,  
So clearly we remember when we first told  
you "Hi"

It's hard to imagine you've grown,  
From such a curious little boy  
Into such an intelligent young man.  
It's hard to imagine the years gone by  
From when we were teaching you  
'Til now, when you're teaching us.

It's hard to imagine all the memories we've  
shared..

The good times, the bad times, and how much  
we've cared.

It's hard to imagine that we'll have to let go.  
But we'll always love you, this you should know

Matthew L. L. Belskie

Matthew,  
We're all so proud of you. Congratulations!  
Love,  
Mom, Dad, Sara, Nana, & Pop



**Keep on smilin'...  
Keep on truckin'  
Congratulations, Dan!**

**Love,  
Dad, Mom, and Doug**

**Daniel Cabbage**



**Isaac Ariail Reed**

**Isaac-  
Just as handsome and intense then as now -  
Congratulations and love from Mom, Jacob, & Hannah  
Grandma and Grandpa**



**Isaac Reed**

**Congratulations, Isaac. Good luck in col-  
lege, from all those brothers and sisters:  
David, Sarah, Jacob, Jeremy, & Hannah.**

**Congratulations, Isaac!  
Love from Dad and Rhonda.**



**Isaac Reed**



Schnika Nicole Pender

Congratulations on all your accomplishments, at home, at Southeast Halifax High School, and NCSSM. We are very proud of you.

Mom and Dad



Laura Zmijewski

**Congratulations senior, but remember you'll always be our "Strawberry Shortcake"!**

**Love, Mom and Dad**

**Love is like a butterfly. It goes wherever it pleases, and pleases wherever it goes.**

**You`re our butterfly, Matthew, and we love you!  
Mom, Dad, Adrienne, & Adam**

**Matthew Brian Smith**



"...*shibumi* has to do with great refinement underlying commonplace appearances. It is a statement so correct that it does not have to be bold, so poignant it does not have to be pretty, so true it does not have to be real. *Shibumi* is understanding, rather than knowledge. Eloquent silence. In demeanor, it is modesty without pudency. In art...it is elegant simplicity, articulate brevity. In philosophy...it is the spiritual tranquility that is not passive; it is being without the angst of becoming. And in the personality of a man, it is... authority without domination."



Jaime Morris

Wishing you *shibumi*.. Love Always,

Mom & George



Ben Allen

You make our lives richer by who you are. On all that you've achieved thus far, Congratulations! For the journey ahead, our love and best wishes!

Mom, Dad and Jess

our future's even brighter today than it was 16 years ago! We've been so amazed by your abilities that perhaps we're the ones who need the shades! May the light of your knowledge always reflect the love of your heavenly Father.

We love you.

Mom and Dad

Ticora V. Jones



JK Huffman

JK, I knew you could do it! I also know that your best is yet to come.

Congratulations!

I love you. Mommie

Congratulations, Chris! May our Lord continue you in your wit and your winning ways.

Love, Dad, Mom, & Tony

Christopher G. Rathjen



**IF YOU CAN TALK WITH CROWDS AND KEEP YOUR VIRTUE,  
OR WALK WITH KINGS NOR LOOSE THE COMMON TOUCH;  
IF NEITHER FOES NOR LOVING FRIENDS CAN HURT YOU;  
IF ALL MEN COUNT WITH YOU, BUT NONE TOO MUCH;  
IF YOU CAN FILL THE UNFORGIVING MINUTE  
WITH SIXTY SECONDS WORTH OF DISTANCE RUN-  
YOURS IS THE EARTH AND  
EVERYTHING THAT'S IN IT,  
AND-WHICH IS MORE-YOU'LL  
BE A MAN MY SON!**

**P.J., THERE ARE NO "IFS" IN  
OUR MINDS ...  
YOU ARE WELL ON YOUR WAY  
TO FILLING THESE SHOES!**

**LOVE...MOM AND DAD**



**P.J. Deschenes**





*There`s no vocabulary  
For love within a family, love that`s lived in  
But not looked at, love within the light of which  
All else is seen, the love within which  
All other love finds speech.*

T.S. Eliot

**Gabriel and Emily Cade**



Jennifer Powell

*You still make us proud. Congratulations on all your  
accomplishments. We love you.*

SuperFred and B-Dawg

Congratulations, Ben!

You have come a long way since the days of diapers!  
(This photo shows you at 6 weeks of age.)

What a thrill it has been to be a brother, mom and dad  
of such a COOL CUY! You have made our lives so easy.  
Yours has been a life of someone who made all the right  
choices.

We firmly believe you will MAKE A DIFFERENCE in this world.  
Whatever endeavors your future may lead you to, we will  
always support you all the way.

In ever-growing love and appreciation,  
Freddie, Mom and Dad.

**Benjamin D. Lee**





**Joseph David Tucker**

**Joey Tucker starts his debating career.**

**We are proud of you and love you !**

**Signed: Mom, Dad, Matt, Jenny, Bonnie, Sam,  
Nellie Moser, & Socks**



Jamie Jouner

We are so proud of you. It may have been tough, but you made it!

Love ya babe, Daddy, Mama, and Ken



Amanda R. Lawrence

We wish for you a future that is bright, yet serene like  
our heart-warming smile. May God Bless You in all your  
endeavors.

Love Always,

Mom & Dad



John Smith

John,

I remember when you were at base camp, and I had the pleasure of watching you climb toward your mountain summits. You are now much further up the trail and have reached a major encampment. Congratulations! I believe you will scale many peaks but remember it is the climb which is the real adventure. I am so proud of you as you graduate from NCSSM.

I love you, Mom



Lebbonee,

There is inside you all the potential to be whatever you want to be - believe that you can do whatever you want to do. Imagine yourself as you would like to be, doing what you want to do, and each day take one step towards your dream.

Dad, Mom, and LeShawndra

Lebbonee Price

**"I WOULDN'T BE SEEN IN A TUX."**

**WE LOVE YOU ANYWAY,**

**MOM, DAD & APL**

**Roderic S. Leland, III**



**Congratulations!**

**You are on your way!**

**Love, Mom, Dad,  
Becky and Tammy**



**Ailisa Faye Hipp**

Carrie,

We're all very proud of you and all you've accomplished. We love you and know you'll succeed at anything you choose to do.

Love, Mom, Dad, Ken,  
Jonathan, David and Lucy

Carrie Swinson



**Victor Lee**

Victor,

Congratulations! We're so proud of you! Always be happy and remember we love you very much.

Love, Mom, Dad, Christine,  
and Peter

Lindsay Paul



Lindsay,  
You've grown  
into a wonderful  
young woman. I  
love you and I'm  
very, very  
proud of you!

God Bless! Mom

Congratulations!

We always had faith that you would make it to  
this point. We love you very much.

Love,

Mama & Granddaddy, Lori & Steven & Boys,  
RL & Sharlene & Family



Dawn Suzanne Martin



Lara Rebecca Varley



Dawn Suzanne Martin

Congratulations Lara. We are very proud of you and your  
accomplishments. We love you very much and wish you much  
success and happiness.

Mom and Dad

Dawn,

Watching you grow up has been one of the most wonderful  
things we've ever done. Letting you go has been one of the hardest.  
Loving you has been the easiest thing we will ever do. Remember that  
you can count on our support in all your future endeavors.

We love you,  
Mama, Daddy, & Jonathan



Yancy K. Ragin

Twelve years ago you started on this road for your education. This road carried you all over this great state of NC - to Asheville (in the west) and Durham (in the east). As you pass your first milestone - graduation from high school - your dad and I would like to celebrate this occasion with you. We are so proud of all your accomplishments! We wish you a bright and successful future.

**Congratulations!**  
Love, Mom and Dad



Chad Wade

Chad,

I never thought I could be prouder of you then but now I'm honored and proud.

I love you. Congratulations!

Carolyn Wade your "Mother"



Michael Paul Hess

The last two years have taught us how to let you go though our hearts ached at the loss. Time again, to spread your wings - a little further this time. (Remember too, the nest is still there when you need it.)

We love you, we are proud of you, we wish you happiness. Relax, enjoy, we know you can soar.

Love, Dad, Mom, Jeremy, and Sarah

**Continue to set high goals, work hard, and accomplish what you want. You've come a long way!**

**We love you, Mom, Dad, and Hugh**

**Maryellen Corbett**

**"First Born"**  
**My link with the future**  
**The truth of the past**  
**My joy for the present**  
**My purpose is cast**  
-C.H. Masencup



FOR OUR DAUGHTER:

*In your happiest and most exciting moments,  
my heart will celebrate and smile beside you.  
In your lowest lows, my love will be there  
to keep you warm, to give you strength, and  
to remind you that your sunshine is sure to come again.  
In your moments of accomplishment, I will be filled  
so full of pride that I may have a hard time  
keeping the feeling inside of me.  
In your moments of disappointment, I will be a shoulder  
to cry on, a hand to hold, and a love that will gently enfold  
you until everything's okay.  
In your gray days, I will help you search, one by one,  
for the colors of the rainbow.  
In your bright and shining hours, I will be smiling, too,  
right along beside you.  
In your life, I wish I could give you a very special gift:  
When you look in the mirror in the days ahead, may you  
smile a hundred times more than frowning at what you see.  
Smile because you know that a loving, capable, sensible,  
strong, precious person is reflected there.  
(Excerpt from a poem by Luanar Atherton)*

*Remember how very much we love you! Mom and Dad*



Hunter Randleman

*In our sides  
She's been a thorn,  
But she's always loved  
The unicorn.*



Arthur O. Williams

Congratulations, Arthur, you made it. The road to success seems to have more curves and hills, but it's that challenge which makes life more interesting and you a better man. Keep going after the challenges, anyone can choose the straight road. Although it was tough you kept hanging on by your teeth and we are very PROUD of you. We love you and always remember we will be here for you. Keep your faith in the Lord. Jesus Christ and he will get you through those tough times. Stay focused and Good Luck in your future endeavors.

With Love,  
Mom, Dad, Thomas, Chris  
and Grandma

Congratulations, Josh. We are extremely proud of you and we love you so very much.

“Rise above the clouds and the master pilot will guide you through the turbulence.”

Joshua Filbey



Congratulations

My baby has grown up. I am so proud of you. Keep striving to do your best and remember God is the one that causes you to prosper, so always look to him and success will be yours.

I LOVE YOU! Mom.



*Crystal Umstead Davis*



Kelly Carter

Dear Kelly,

We are so proud of you for wanting the challenge, for accepting it, and for achieving it! The joy you have brought us continues with each day. We wish for you health, peace, and achievement of your goals.

With more love than we can convey,

Dad, Mom, and Adam

A diller  
a dollar  
a ten o'clock  
scholar  
double your  
age...  
you're a hard  
act to follow.

Always,  
Mom and Pop



Roger Mills-Koonce



**Amanda Scovil**

We wish you strength, courage, conviction, and joy.  
With pride and much love, Mom, Mal, and Matt

## Congratulations!



**Jonathan Rodriguez**

**You bring love  
and happiness  
to our lives.  
We're proud of  
you and wish  
you the best life  
has to offer.  
Love,  
Mom and Dad  
1996**

ma Schrader Elementary School, Cape Girardeau, Missouri  
 utterfield Road Elementary School, Libertyville, Illinois  
 edham V. Isham Elementary School, Wadsworth, Ohio  
 ternational School of Helsinki, Helsinki, Finland  
 ffreys Grove Elementary School, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 est Millbrook Middle School, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 llbrook High School, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 esville Road High School, Raleigh, North Carolina  
 C. School of Science and Mathematics, Durham, North Carolina

Well, it just goes to show: if you go to enough schools,  
 you are bound to find one that will finally graduate you! You  
 must be very excited; we certainly are! Let's celebrate your  
 many achievements, but please know that, achievements or not,  
 we will always love you and pray for God's best in your life.  
 Mom and Dad

**Elaine C. Thompson**



*Allyson Michelle Graham*



To Michelle,  
 From your birth to the present  
 time, you have been a wonderful  
 inspiration and a source of joy to  
 us. We look forward to the  
 future with great expectations.  
 What you have been and are, we  
 hope will be developed to the best  
 that is within you.  
 Congratulations, Sweet Pea!  
 Love,  
 Mom and Dad



Schuyler Corry

Schuyler,  
We never could contain your enthusiasm and curiosity! We hope you'll continue to question all that's usual and customary. The sky's the limit. Amen.

Mom, Dad, Jared & Bronwyn



James Knutson

**LOOK OUT WORLD, HERE HE COMES!**

**James,**

**You have always charged into your endeavors with enthusiasm and determination. The reward have been richly deserved. We are very proud of you and wish you the best in the years to come.**

**Love, Mom, Dad and Kristin  
(Dog, Shelby and Malibu, too)**

Jonathan,

From kindergarten to college... how could 12 years go by so fast? From the day you were born, you have filled my heart with love and pride. When you go off to college, you will be missed more than you can imagine-- you're such a big part of my life. If you give the world even a fraction of all you've given me over the last 17 years, it can't help but be a better place. My love, support, and friendship will always be here for you.

Mom

I got to pick my son, and I Done Good!

Believe in yourself as I believe in you, and you can do anything. I love you, kid.

Johnnie



JONATHAN ESTEN

Imagine, my baby brother is graduating from high school. I held your bottle for you when you were an infant... where did all the time go? You grew up so fast... Our past has been riddled with difficulties that we survived by holding one another's hands, and the future holds promises and problems that are, as yet, unknown. During those future trials, don't ever forget that my hand will always be extended. I love you, "Dorkas."  
Tori

Louisa Jilcott



From Scarlett hats to tennis hats to montan boards.. We love you in them all!  
Olivia, Mom, and Dad

Louisa Jilcott

For all the years I hated being called your "twin," now nothing makes me prouder! I love you, Big Sis!

Libba



Sura U. S. Edmond



Congratulations!  
(Hoola Hoop)

You have always made me proud.

I love you,  
Mommy

"People say the earth is round. But you don't have to believe it if you don't want to." (F. Gump)

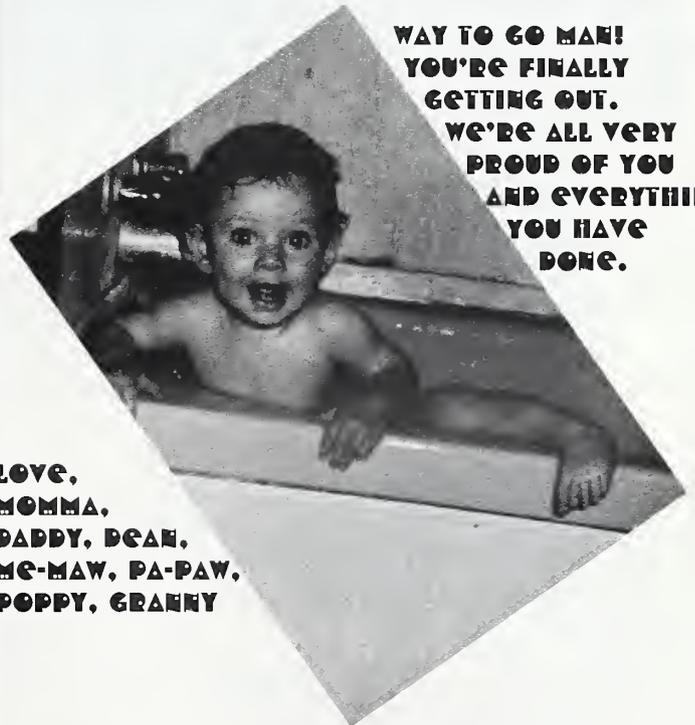


Charlie Sessoms

ABBBY DABBBY

WAY TO GO MAN!  
YOU'RE FINALLY GETTING OUT.  
WE'RE ALL VERY PROUD OF YOU AND EVERYTHING YOU HAVE DONE.

LOVE,  
MOMMA,  
DADDY, DEAN,  
ME-MAW, PA-PAW,  
POPPY, GRANNY



DANIEL MILLER

Congratulations, John David!  
 This is your day!  
 You're off to great places  
 You're off and away.

Your life's full of treasures  
 That's certainly true  
 When you count all the people  
 Who truly love you

A real source of pride  
 Love and great joy  
 A leader a pal  
 And you in Grandparents' boy.

We've loved all your ball games  
 Watching as you succeed  
 Win or lose, you're our son  
 And AWESOME, indeed!



John David Bolick



Brad Cooper

Congratulations, Brad!  
 We Love You!  
 Love, Mom, Dad, & Kelly

Best wishes for a wonderful future to the BEST of friends!  
 Love, Kathryn



John David Bolick

Erin Anderson



Congratulations Buddy! The beginning of a wonderful and exciting life is here. You have grown from an adorable baby to a beautiful woman. I am so proud of you. Remember that you will always be my "Best Girl." May all your hopes and dreams come true!  
Love, Mom

Rashonda Salice Steadman



Finding the right words for the right occasion is not always easy. As usual Dad created the following just for you:

**"Opportunity is given; success must be earned. Approaching the end always yields a new beginning."**

We will always be proud of you, Rashonda.

Our love always,  
Mom, Dad, Leah, and  
Glenn

Kristen E. Wall



Congratulations Kristen,  
on your graduation from NCSSM!

You did it and we're proud of you...  
And as you go forth into the world,  
remember this:

**"Above all, to thine own self be true...etc.etc.!"**

Much love,  
Mom, Dad, Rebecca, Rosie, and Mozart



Karen Lloyd  
 Congratulations!  
 I am so proud of you!  
 And I love you dearly!  
 Mom



Ana Holmes

Congratulations  
 and Love -

Mom, Dad, Thomas &  
 James

Your determination and perseverance  
 have led to many accomplishments.  
 You have unleashed your artistic  
 as well as academic talents,  
 and acquired many friends  
 with whom you've shared  
 your love, laughter, tears.  
 AISHA, our little CEE-CEE!  
 We are so proud of you and  
 the young woman you have become.  
 CONGRATULATIONS on a job well  
 done!  
 Follow your dreams, Trust God,  
 and keep on making your Music.



Aisha Cecilia Haynie

We love you,

Mom, Grandmother, and Kesi



Lisa Nicole Worthington

We are proud of you, Lisa!

Love, Mom, Steve, & Alex

*Some see things as they are and wonder why. You can see  
 them as they could be and wonder why not.*

Love, Daddy



Susan N. Smith

More cheese, more toppings...more, more....  
 Stop laughing JK!  
 need a nuke?  
 Jenny Jones - ER - Simpsons - Lion King  
 No sitting in the hallway!  
 "I cleaned the shower on Monday and I thought Monica was going to clean it on Tuesday, but...she didn't"  
 "Go back to bed Courtney, and turn down that radio!"  
 John-John the woman beater  
 Vaishali and the joke  
 Is that another one Juliette?  
 Is it good Vaishali?  
 Chingal!  
 Can I have some?  
 Put on some clothes Tina (Snoopy boxers)  
 Golden Corral, gummy bears  
 Something smells like feet...oh Monica you're in here  
 Me llamo Aimee...  
 Milk and salsa  
 Amanda 2000  
 Satan movies  
 Hey Snoop what do you want to be when you grow up?



Jack Jams and MTV Party To Go  
 Who's stealing Nadirah's man?  
 Wake me up in 10 minutes  
 Cosmopolitan  
 Jim/TK/Ban/Juke/Kenny/Mac/DelaneLane/Scotty/Spencer/Kevin/Shelton/Quami/Victor/Puck/Jason/Coffey/Uyi/Chad/Eddie/Snell/Adarell/DiRon/Harry/Ali  
 Mad Diet/Fatty  
 D. B.  
 Dan-Dan-the-nimp-daddy-man  
 LL Cool J/Baby Boy/Trumpet Boy/Pete Sampras/Dave Justice  
 Pescado  
 There were these two guys rap and rewrap...  
 What's tomorrow?  
 Ms. ma'am  
 Party in Bryan 318  
 Chairy  
 Sleeping in the lounge  
 Hey Nadirah where's David?  
 Oh my God what are those animals doing?  
 Wanna Pez?  
 This time, it's over!



**NCSSM**



Aimee Chung  
 Almas Abbas  
 Amanda Scottil  
 Courtney Bledsoe  
 J.K. Huffman  
 Juliette Gilmour  
 Lebbonee Price  
 Monica Shah  
 Nadirah Rahman  
 Tina Lynch  
 Vaishali Patel

Rayetta

Jenny

Ana



Hunter

Olivia

Jaime

*"Friendship is unnecessary, like philosophy, like art....It has no survival value; rather it is one of those things that give value to survival."* C.S. Lewis



SARAH, MARYELLEN, & SARA - FRIENDS FOREVER

**Actually...**  
**"When you part from your friends, you grieve not; For that which you love most in them may be clearer in their absence."**

**-Kahlil Gibran**

### DIFFERENCE

Erabeth, Sedna, Shekina, Akua, Teasha, Jenille

Shavon  
Karin  
Tomika



Jocelyn,  
Valia,  
Erica

*We'll get through it all  
Because we won't let us fall  
We're steppin' towards heaven  
The Ladies of '97.*



James "FCA" Liverman



Julius "Tiny Elvis" Lucks



P.J. "Deez Nachos" Deschenes



Brian "Bong" Yi



Ian "Bound For Glory" Van Buskirk



Dan "Yentu" Chase



Aaron "Pygmy" Pratt



Stacy "The Pimp" Smallwood



Sean "Hartig"



Schuyler "King of the Yukon" Corry



Mike "Rockin' the Sure Shot" Drewnowski



James "Thor" Knutson



Trevor "Pudue" Hoskins



Stephen "Carpethead" Mewborn



De "Axx-Whippin" Tran



Steven "Sweet Britches" Stewart

1<sup>st</sup> HILL  
You may not like us...  
but your girlfriend does.



Patrick "Shortstop" Barrow



Bradley "Midlife Crisis" Chappell



Chris "El Bombero" Burrus



Manuel "Huggie" Hyman



Elijah "F.A.Y." Beaty



Jared "Forrest" Piland



Patrick "Juvenile Delinquent" Gray



Charlie "See-through Backpack" Shaw



Marshall "Black Man" Blango



Jimmy "80's Frat Guy" Thrasher



Byron "Fuity Sweetheart" Bryant



Will "Rap On" Edwards



Will "Tool" Wilson



"G. O." Daniel Miller



Matt "Gigolo" Raines

not pictured  
"Polymer John" Burke





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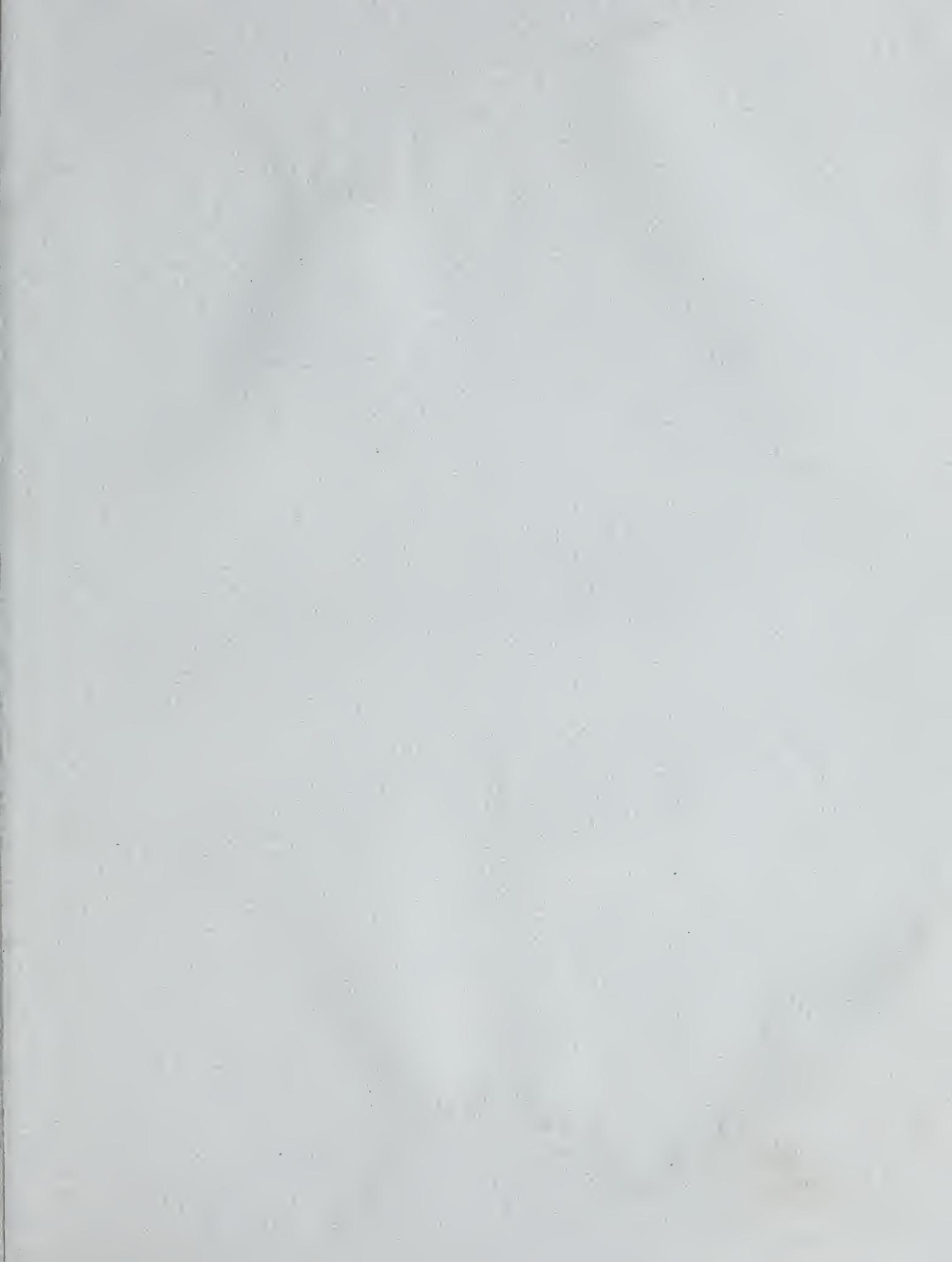
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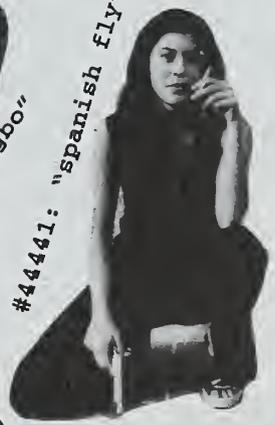
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