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FALL

Fall

The deep green around changes to a color wheel. The brisk breeze keeps all from being still.

The leaves slowly float gently down from the sky. The trees become bare as they seemingly sigh.

Small animals always disappear, and they don't return until the next year.

How suddenly things change, for they almost go too fast for us to grab hold and go with them, and forget about the past.







FALL USHERED IN ...







REGISTRATION, CLASSES ...



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FALL FOUND LONG LINES



In the cafeteria ... Maybe the "help" were to blame



Fall is pep rallies . . .



... and goofing off ...



Fail 6

FALL IS FOOTBALL



... Madness ...

... and serenity











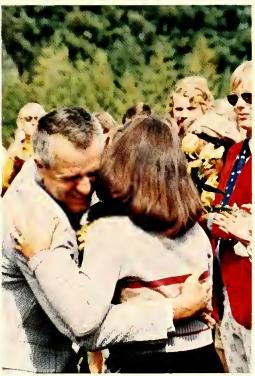












FALL IS THE TIME TO MAKE NEW AQUAINTANCES AND RENEW OLD FRIENDSHIPS





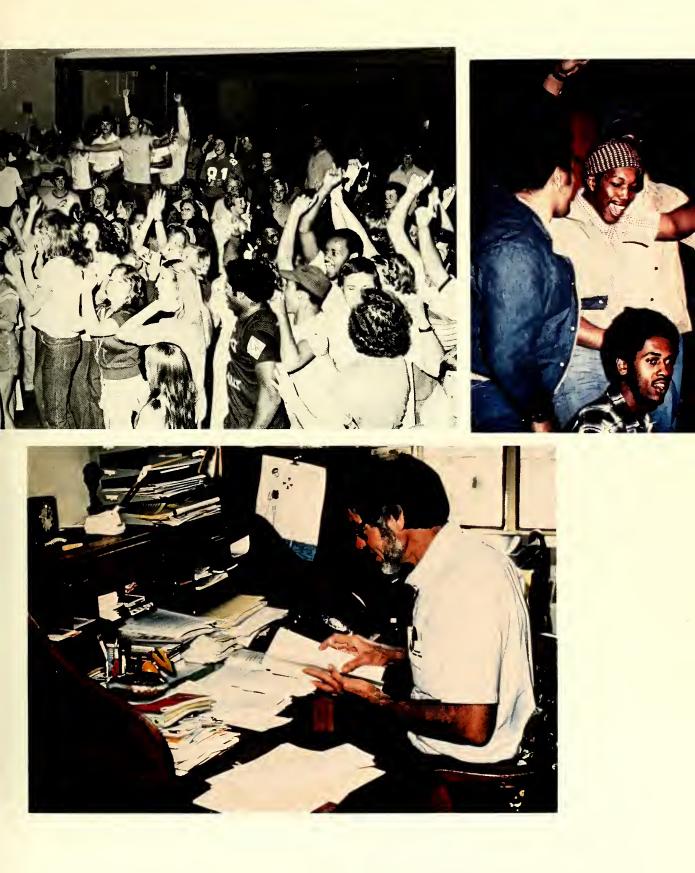


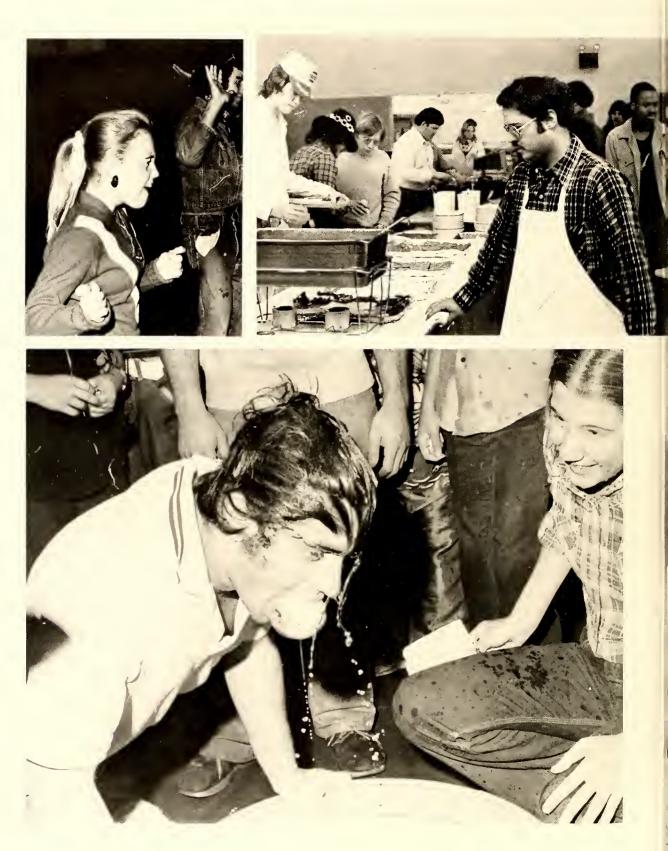






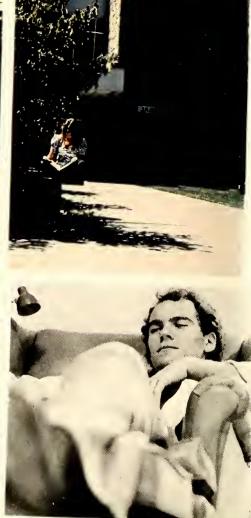












The splendor of this year's Fall made everyone aware of the scenic mountains around us, and with the excitement of Football, Hiking, attending meetings and new friendships, we settled down to the days of hard class work and serious study. We made it through the Fall but looked toward Winter with anticipation and great expectation...





FRESHMAN CLASS

FRESHMAN OFFICERS: Louis Haith, President; Marty Grant, Secretary; Kelly Davis, Vice President.





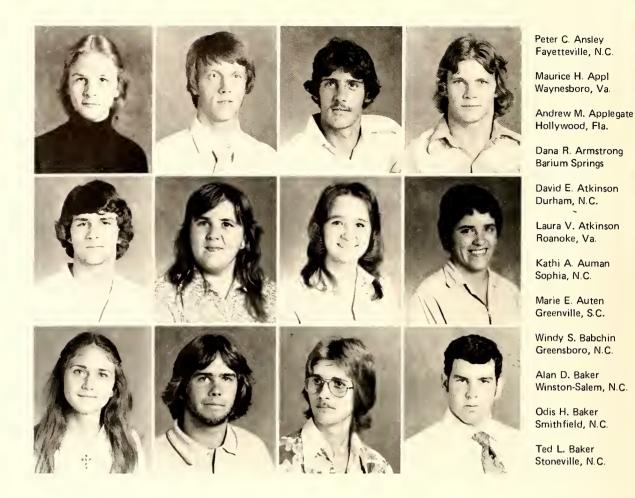


Charles W. Adams Winter Haven, Fla.

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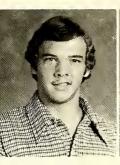




Joni A. Beddingfield Clayton, N.C.



Lawrence R. Bee Johns Island, S.C.



James R. Bellows Greensboro, N.C.



Linda K. Benfield Newland, N.C.



Richard D. Bingham Laurel Hill, N.C.



Bob Miller and Mitch Addington agree that it's funny.





Alan Baker, Kelly Davis, and Charlie Williams express their reflections in song.

Kyle F. Black Greensboro, N.C. Margaret D. Black Etowah, N.C.





William D. Black

Easley, S.C.



Pam A. Blalock

Raleigh, N.C.



Lou A. Blalock

Thomas L. Blalock Raleigh, N.C.

William H. Booth III Marietta, Ga.

Debra J. Bowman Millers Creek, N.C.











Enthusiastic cheerers?



Teresa Bost Hickory, N.C.

Jeffery S. Boyd Babson Park, Fla.

Robert S. Bradham Greensboro, N.C.

Vernon Bradley Brooklyn, N.Y.

Freshmen 20

Susan E. Brantley Atlanta, Ga.

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Thomas J. Bratton Greenville, N.C.

Deborah E. Bridges Brevard, N.C.

Helen A. Bridges Elizabeth City, N.C.

Richard Brimer Talbott, Tn.

Thomas I. Brittingham Pennsville, N.J.

Bolenda G. Brooks Hickory, N.C.

Danny N. Brooks Lynchburg, Va.

Harper W. Brower Savannah, Ga.

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James C. Brown Winston-Salem, N.C.

James D. Brown Greensboro, N.C.

Malissia A. Brown Greensboro, N.C.

Phillip B. Brown Greenville, S.C.

William C. Burke Virginia Beach, Va.

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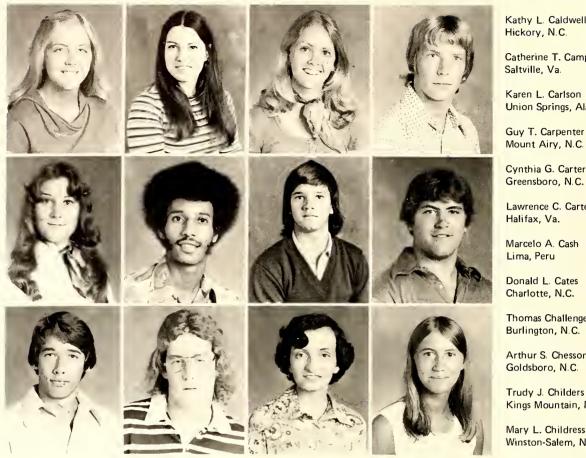












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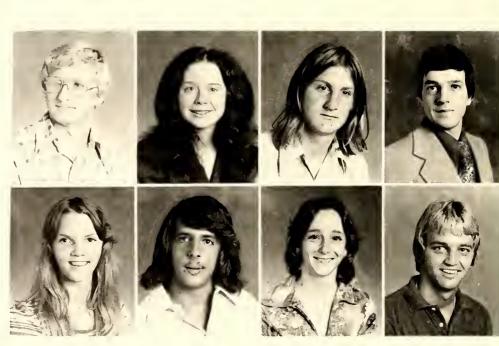
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Michael A. Cole Durham, N.C.



Kathy L. Caldwell Hickory, N.C.

Catherine T. Campbell

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Martin D. Conover Belvidere, N.J.

Richard J. Convery Durham, N.C.

Denise Cooksey Asheville, N.C.

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Ronnie E. Cotton Fuguay-Varina, N.C.

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Karen L. Cox Greensboro, N.C.

Amy L. Craven Upper Marlboro, Md.

Thomas J. Crawford Greensboro, N.C.

Lonza D. Creech Raleigh, N.C.

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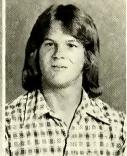
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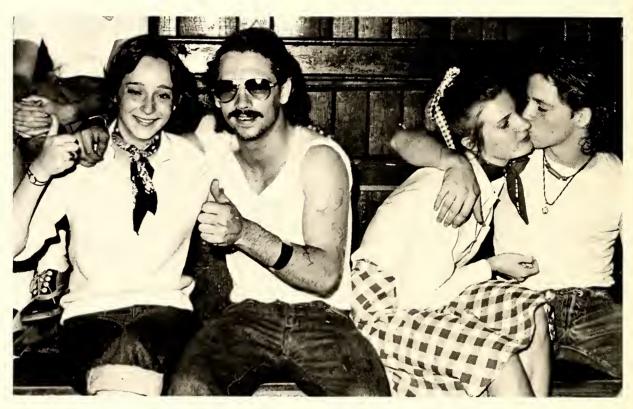
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Walter D. Dillion Bakersville, N.C.



Joanie A. Dixon Fallston, N.C.



Susan Coffey, Mike Pittard, Melissia Bryson and Philip Baugh enjoy the 50's Day Dance. David A. Dowdy

High Point, N.C.

Michael I. Doobrow High Point, N.C.





Peggy N. Dougherty



A China Court

Deborah K. Doyle Myrtle Beach, S.C. William M. Dungan Smyrna, Ga.



Dale A. East Chester, Va.

Paul D. Edmonson Jonesboro, Ga.

Cindi A. Edwards Winston-Salem, N.C.

John I. Edwards Scotland Neck, N.C.

Kevin F. Eichorn Charlotte, N.C.

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Cathi E. Farmer Crouse, N.C.

Russell C. Felts Charlotte, N.C.

Gregory D. Ferguson Randleman, N.C.

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Henry H. Gaddis III Columbia, S.C.

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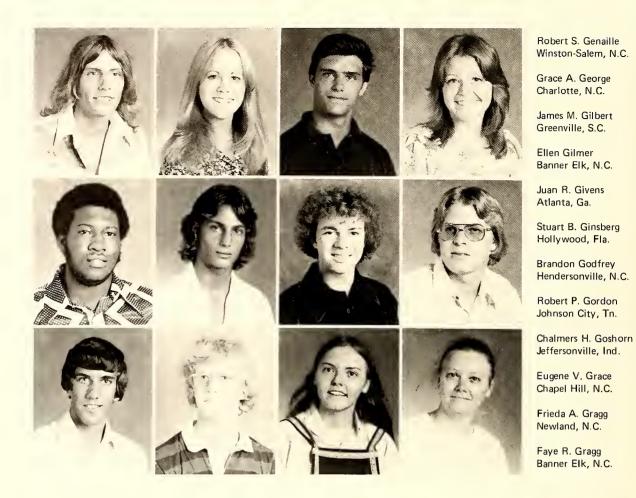












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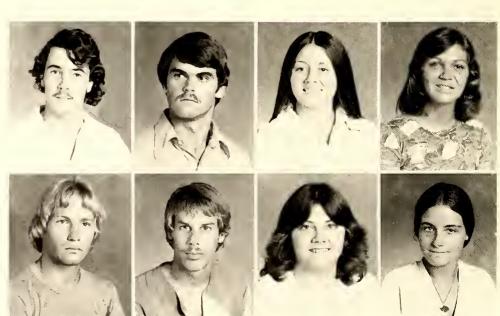
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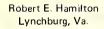
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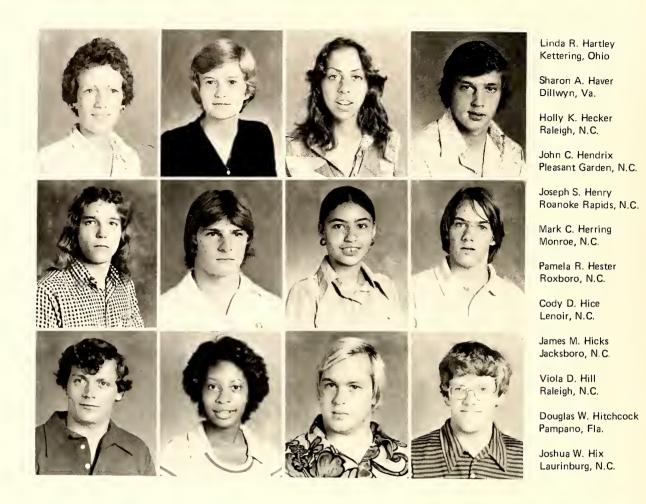
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Barry S. Hogan Marion, N.C.

Anthony N. Holden Montezuma, N.C.

David R. Hollowell Raleigh, N.C.

Michael V. Holt Charlotte, N.C.

Ricky T. Hood Morganton, N.C.

Timothy E. Horvath Sarasota, Fla.











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Brady L. Hughes Roan Mountain, Tn.

Mary A. Hughes Elk Park, N.C.

Marcus A. Humphrey Lantana, Fla.

Charles Hunley Kissimmee, Fla.

James K. Hunt Greensboro, N.C.

Joe K. Hutchens Yadkinville, N.C.

Teresa L. Ingram Greensboro, N.C.

Timothy T. Isenhower Hickory, N.C.

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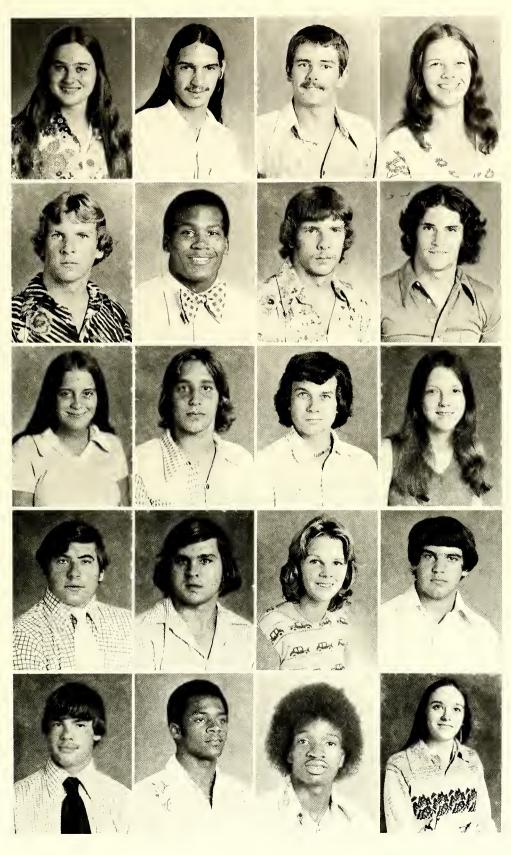
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Willie J. Jones <mark>Kissimmee, Fla.</mark>

Elizabeth Ann Jordon Wendell, N.C.





Luther G. Joye Winnsboro, S.C.



Karen L. Justice Hickory, N.C.



Karen Kearns High Point, N.C.



Aaron J. Kelly Columbia, S.C.



Ivey S. Kennedy Wendell, N.C.



Debbie Kiser bobs for apples at the Halloween Carnival.

James T. Kennedy Wilmington, N.C.





Bill H. Kibler Asheville, N.C.





Ellen L. Kirby Charlotte, N.C.















Deborah L. Kiser Charlotte, N.C. Thomas M. Koester Matthews, N.C.



Eugene L, Kiser Seagrove, N.C. Betty J. Lattimore Statesville, N.C.



Mose Kiser Greensboro, N.C. Joy M. Lavasque Adairsville, Ga.



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James M. Land Raleigh, N.C. Ronald B. Lawson Jacksboro, Tn.

Pamela R. Leach Burlington, N.C. Rosario Lopez Lima, Peru S.A.

Leigh A. Lester Salisbury, N.C. Ronald L. Lowery Lexington, N.C. Charlotte A. Linton Winston-Salem, N.C. James C. Lyons Elizabethton, Tn. Joel F. Loftin Kinston, N.C. Elizabeth E. Main Newland, N.C.

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Cathy L. Maness Polkton, N.C.



Cathy L. Martin Greensboro, N.C.



Lewis R. Martin Louisville, Ky.



Steven J. Massie Candler, N.C.



William Maxwell Kingsport, Tn.

William McCachren Wilkesboro, N.C.

Joy D. McCadams Greensboro, N.C.

Kathy McCall Charlotte, N.C.

John E. McGee Wadesboro, N.C.

Henry C. McIntosh Burnsville, N.C.

Ralph D. McKee Clinton, S.C.

William M. McKinney Winston-Salem, N.C.

Valerie J. McNeil Robbins, N.C.

Christopher J. Messiter Ormond Beach, Fla.

Charles H. Michaux Greensboro, N.C.

Robert A. Miller Easley, S.C.

Cynthia L. Miller Moyock, N.C.

Vickie K. Mitchell Union Grove, N.C.

Yvetta L. Monk Winston-Salem, N.C.

Cathy L. Moore Lake Waccamaw, N.C.

Lawrence P. Moore Greenville, S.C.



























Susan R. Moore North Myrtle Beach, S.C.



Beverly C. Morris Cary, N.C.



Jon G. Morris Huntsville, Ala.



Apryl V. Morrison Bahama, N.C.



Michael E. Morrow Hendersonville, N.C.



Louis Haith pings.



Kelly Davis slams!

Scott A. O'Daniel Charlotte, N.C.



Robert M. Nathan Lumberton, N.C.









Gary B. Nichols



Nick G. Nickolopolus Hendersonville, N.C.



Anthony G. Oglesby Toccoa, Ga.

Diana L. Ollis Banner Elk, N.C.

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Brian R. Osborne Greensboro, N.C.

Rita A. Overcash China Grove, N.C.

Thomas R. Parker Burlington, N.C.

Jerry H. Payne Elon College, N.C.

Heidi A. Pech Plantation, Fla.



On the way to one of those GREAT suppers.

Hector C. Perez Santiago, Chile S.A.





James Perry, Jr.

Richmond, Va.



Sherry A. Perry

Banner Elk, N.C.

Thomas A. Person Havelock, N.C.







Freshmen 34

Marinda D. Phillips Salem, N.C.

Loy J. Pitner Newport, N.C.

William M. Pittard Burlington, N.C.

Jane M. Plyler Monroe, N.C.

Sharon A. Prevatte Wilmington, N.C.

Shelby J. Proctor Raleigh, N.C.

Kevin P. Prufer Salem, Va.

Robert T. Pruitt Winston-Salem, N.C.

Linda C. Pugh Randleman, N.C.

Matthew K. Ramsey Stone Mountain, Ga.

Robert L. Range Burlington, N.C.

Edmund L. Ratliffe Wadesboro, N.C.

I. V. Reeves Sanderville, Ga.

Daniel P. Reichard Charlotte, N.C.

Ann M. Reilly Greensboro, N.C.

Anna E. Renfro Asheville, N.C.

Marcus I. Reynolds Raleigh, N.C.

Nathaniel D. Rhodes Morganton, N.C.

Jimmy Richardson Wilkesboro, N.C.

Alice M. Robbins Pineola, N.C.































Timothy E. Revis Mtn.Home, N.C.



Derrick L. Robinson Candler, N.C.



Gary E. Robinson Durham, N.C.



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John R. Rogers

Greensboro, N.C.



Victoria A. Roger Franklin, N.C.



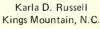
Pam Blalock and Marie Auten work hard in the lab.

Paul E. Rossell Fayetteville, N.C.



Randall D. Rouse Hendersonville, N.C. Gary K. Runyon Randleman, N.C.







Gary R. Satyshu Eríe, Pa.





Thomas H. Schoch Peoria, III.

Sharon Sharp Cornelius, N.C.

Robert F. Shelley Bristol, Tn.

Rebecca R. Sheppard Charlotte, N.C.

Jean E. Shoemaker Walkertown, N.C.

Karen D. Shoffner Liberty, N.C.

Pamela D. Sigmon Cherryville, N.C.

Steven S. Silver Blowing Rock, N.C.

John M. Sim Yorktown, Va.

Guy R. Simpson Mirama, Fla.

Thomas E. Singleton Newland, N.C.

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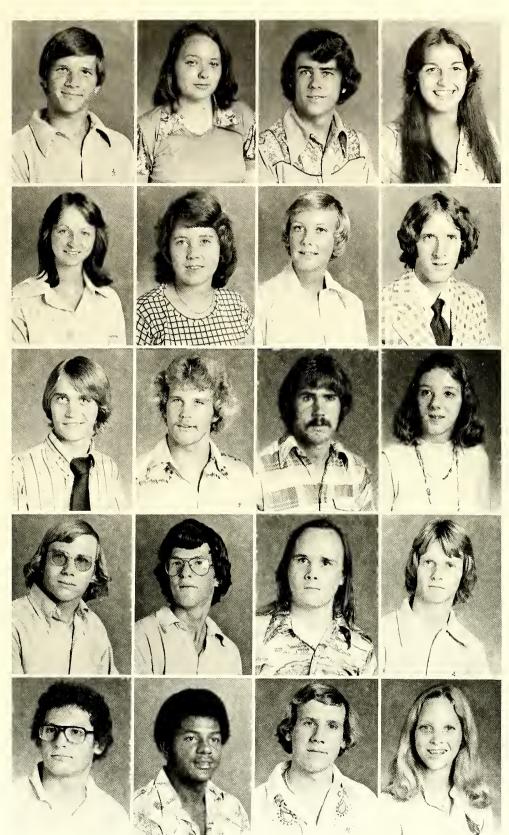
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Randy W. Smith Savannah, Ga.

Terry O. Smith Pulaski, Va.

Steve C. Smith Grundy, Va.

Mary M. Spell Raleigh, N.C.













Lisa L. Starnes Newell, N.C. Roy Stine Raleigh, N.C.

John W. Steed Camden, S.C. Charles E. Stockford Salisbury, N.C.

Harold E. Steelman Deep Gap, N.C. Greg R. Stockton New Bern, N.C.

Donna L. Stephens Fayetteville, N.C.

Lee Ann Strange

Taylors, S.C.

Laura L. Thomas

Charlotte, N.C.

Samuel A. Spencer

Charlotte, N.C.

Michael A. Sprinkle Charlotte, N.C. Kathy A. Stevenson Swannanoa, N.C.

C. Neil Sturgis

Monroe, N.C.

Monroe W. Tilley

Winston-Salem, N.C.

Vickie L. Stanley Troy, N.C. Michael R. Stephenson Angier, N.C.

Ivey J. Sutton

Wilmington, N.C.

Barry L. Tolley

Glade Spring, Va.



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Brent L. Warren Statesville, N.C.

Mickey L. Warren Marion, N.C.

Patti J. Warren Claremont, N.C.

James E. Watson Miramer, Fla.

David A. Watts Banner Elk, N.C.

Robert W. Wellborn Greensboro, N.C.

Steve D. Whaley Tarboro, N.C.

Alfred W. Wheeler Durham, N.C.

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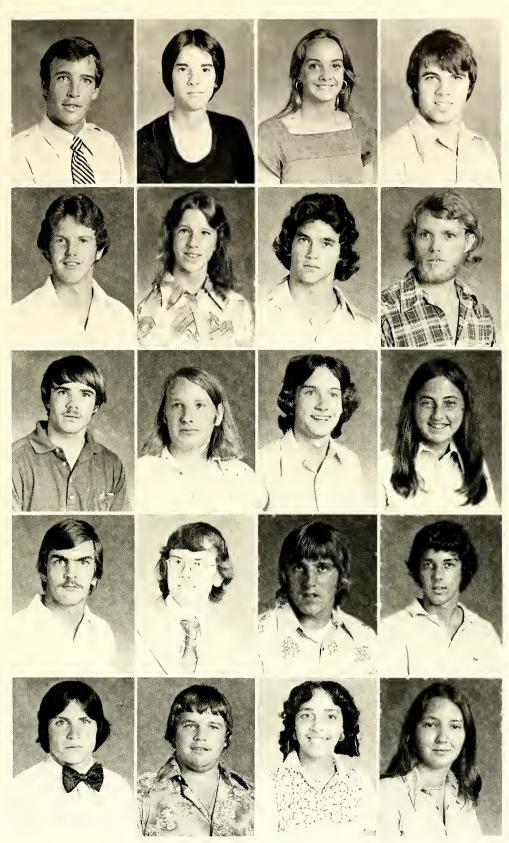
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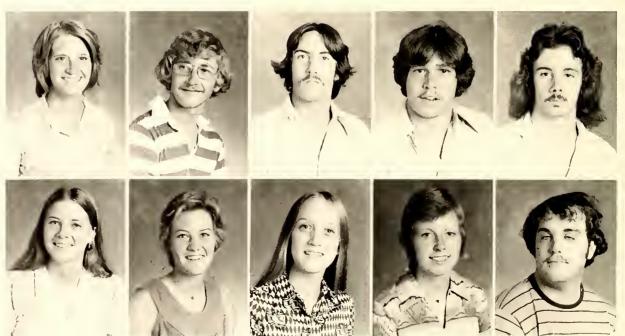
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Carolyn P. Abbott

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Mary Ellen Atwell

Cornelius, N.C.







Creola Bumgarner N. Wilkesboro, N.C.

Chris A. Cagle Mooresville, N.C.

Edward M. Camp Ormond Beach, Fla.

Mark V. Capers Augusta, Ga.

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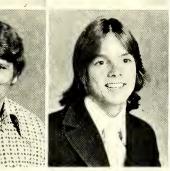




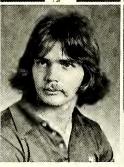












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Janet S. Blackburn Jefferson, N.C.

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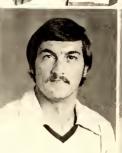






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Belinda L. Drake Charlotte, N.C.

Alton R. Duckworth Newland, N.C.



Robert A. Edelman Philadelphia, Pa.

Patsy D. Efird Monroe, N.C.

Juan Estenssoro La Paz, Bolivia

Charles W. Estes Zebulon, N.C.

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Mary Jo Fredere Winston-Salem, N.C.

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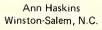
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Gosh Baker, you mean we're doing that well

John G. Hansel W. Palm Beach, Fla. Carlos B. Hart Salem, Va.







John R. Haxton Winston-Salem, N.C.



Michael A. Heaton Elk Park, N.C.

Bad Bob demonstrates how to carry an egg.







Nancy J. Henley Charlotte, N.C. Grant N. Hoofnagle Greensboro, N.C.





Terri V. Henley Candler, N.C. Shirley M. Horton Mount Airy, N.C.



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Ivyland, Pa.





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Bryan Juwig Augusta, Ga. James L. Kirksey Morganton, N.C.





















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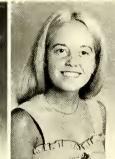
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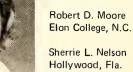
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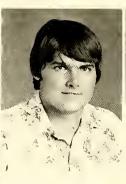




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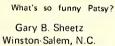




"Greek" does a Greek Dance to the sound of Chuck Berry.

Debra L. Sharp Madison, N.C.





Ernest M. Shomaker Banner Elk, N.C. Robert B. Shull Shelby, N.C.



James E. Sigmon, Jr. Kannapolis, N.C.







Pamela Sinnett Plant City, Fla. Susan E. Snow Mt. Airy, N.C.



Marcelo J. Sixto Ft. Pierce, Fla. Ralph D. Sproles Dante, Va.



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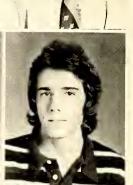


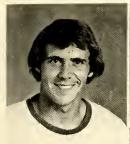


















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Steven R. Zwirz West Palm Beach, Fla.



















Sophomores 49

HOMECOMING ROUSING SUCCESS

Over 70 units meandered their way through downtown Banner Elk and to the football field during the ninth annual Homecoming parade. The founder's daughter, Miss Margaret Tufts, was the parade marshal which saw Circle K win the float competition followed by the Order of the Tower and Phi Theta Kappa. The dormitory decoration awards went to Old Reid followed by Virginia and Tennessee Dormitories. The winning organization received \$100 prize money.

Suzy Parker was crowned the 1975 Homecoming Queen and Pam Brown was Maid of Honor.





Parade Marshal, Margaret Tufts, daughter of the founder.



The theme for Homecoming was the 75th Anniversary ... and Old Reid won ...



And Lee-McRae fed the throngs of students, alumni, friends, families, and guests on the lawn.

Homecoming 50



The parade rolled through town..., Captain Crunch Carter got his instructions.

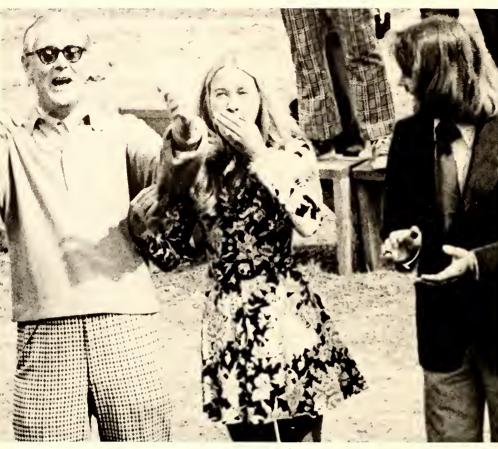






And the Homecoming crowd responded.





Suzy Parker was not prepared for the announcement.



The SGA President crowned.



The Queen and President Evans



Kissed , , , and kissed the Queen





Suzy Parker 1975 Homecoming Queen.



Maid of Honor – Pam Brown





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HOMECOMING COURT



Debra Sharp

Diane Hill



Beth Fletcher



Cecile Lackey

Sue Snow





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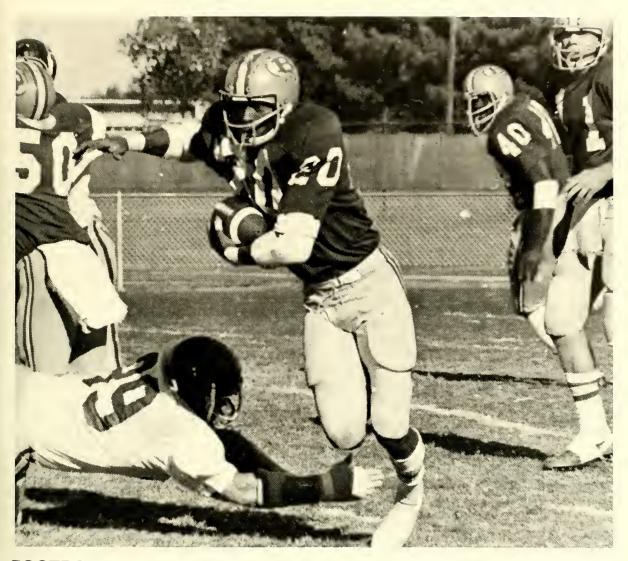


Terri Henley

Mary Ellen Atwell

Crowd reflects final score of game: 15-14





FOOTBALL

Lees-McRae, winner of the Southern Division of the Coastal Conference and second place in the overall standings, led in eight categories of the final Coastal Conference statistics race. The Bobcats led in rushing offense with a 281.4 yard average and led in total offense with 334.3 yards. Lees-McRae also led the conference in total defense, allowing opponents 171.5 yards per game. Nassau, the conference champion and undefeated in 9 games, edged Lees-McRae in the heartbreaking 15-14 decision at homecoming.

Lees-McRae ranked third in the nation in rushing offense with 281.4 yards per game. Coffeyville led the team with 333.5 yards average, followed by New Mexico Military with 296. The Bobcats were sixth in the nation in rushing defense, limiting opponents to only 75 yards per contest. Lees-McRae finished fifth in total defense in the NJCAA, led by defensive tackle Ron Wilson and linebacker Frank Wilson on the Honorable Mention All-America list. Offensive guard Henry Vinson also made the Honorable Mention list, and Wardell Johnson earned a berth on the First Team All-America at running back.

Johnson broke eight school records and was named to the Second Team Grid-Wire All-America and was second in the nation in scoring leaders with 19 TDs for 115 points. He ranked fourth in the nation in rushing offense with 1,256 yards and eighth among individual scoring offense in the NJCAA.

Lees-McRae, champion of Region X of the NJCAA for the first time since 1969, dominated the All-Region X team and placed sixth on the All-Coastal Conference Team. Lees-McRae edged Chowan 15-14 and handed the Ferrum Panthers their worst defeat in grid history, 45-14, to win the title. The Bobcat gridders went on to defeat Potomac State in like fashion, 54-25, to earn the championship of the Southern Division of the Coastal Conference and second place behind undefeated Nassau, who edged the Bobcats 15-14 for the league title.

Wardell Johnson, who rewrote the record books, was named Offensive Player of the Year in Region X and was also named Player of the Year in the Coastal Conference.

Warren Klawiter, master architect of the Bobcat regime, fashioned a 7-3 record in his first year and with his impressive sweep of Region X teams which included the devastation of perennial power Ferrum. The ex-UVA coach earned the honor of "Coach of the Year" in Region X.



COACHING STAFF: Robert Pruitt, Manager; Bobby Talley, assistant; Bill Maxson, assistant; head coach Warren Klawiter; Mike Turner, assistant;

WESLEY COMES FROM BEHIND TO EDGE LEES-MCRAE, 16-10

Eleventh nationally ranked Wesley capitalized on the miscues and fumblitis of Lees-McRae in the opening game of the season to squeak out a 16-10 verdict over the Bobcats. Opening game jitters proved disastrous for Lees-McRae as they saw a 10-9 lead vanish as Wesley scored following a fumble recovery and the point after touchdown gave the Wolvernes a 16-10 victory.

LEES-MCRAE SLAYS DRAGONS, 27-0

Lees MCRAE SLAYS DRAGONS, 27-0 Lees MCRAE stayed on the ground and despite costly fumbles romped past the Ft. Bragg Dragons 27-0. The Bobcat defense held the Dragons at bay with minus yards rushing in the first half. John Nord crashed over from the two, Wardell Johnson plunged in from the one, and Mike Morrison raced 50 yards for the Bobcats. Clyde Shaw recovered a fumble in the endzone for the other Bobcat tally

BOBCATS INVADE CITADEL FORTIFICATION, CONQUER CADETS, 44-0

BOBCATS INVADE CITADEL FORTIFICATION, CONOUER CADETS, 44-0 Lees-McRae vent on a scoring spree in Charleston, South Carolina as they throttled the Bullpup jayvees of the Citadel, 44-0. The big green machine turned out a grueling 362 yards rushing behind the running of Wardell Johnson, Anthony Ogleby, Robert Hamilton, I. V. Reeves, Mike Morrison, John Nord, Ricky Lawson and Chuck Joye. Two long pass receptions valled the Bobcat total offense to 44B yards. The Bobcats scored their first touchdown with Wardell Johnson slashing his way into the endone from 5 yards out. Johnson scored again on runs of 20 yards and one yard to join the elite Three-Touchdown Club to the nine other Bobcats for the most TD's scored in a game by an individual with three. Buil Vola bootd a 25 yard laid near Morrison scored on a gow yard and the mine other bolocats for the most TD is socred in a game by an individual with three. Rudi Volz booted a 25 yard field goal, Morrison scored on a one yard run, Tim Joseph caught a 36 yard aerial from Hamilton, and Oglesby brought fans to their feet with an electrifying 37 yard broken field run. The hard-rock Bobcat defense held the Citadel to 31 yards rushing and 59 yards through the airways for a total defense of 90 yards. The rock wall defense also kept the Bullpups out of the Bobcat endzone as they shut out the Citadel jayvees for the first time since the two teams have been playing.

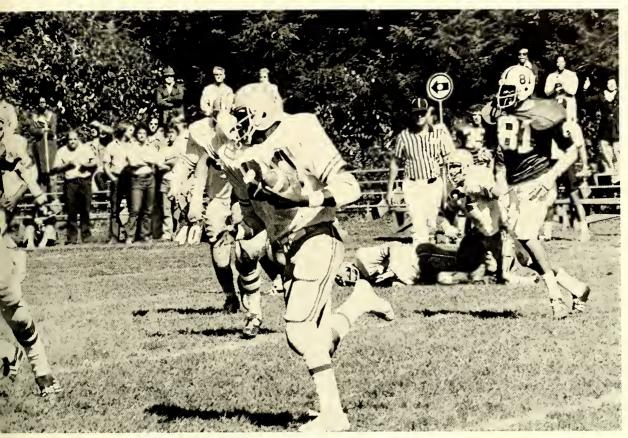
the two teams have been playing. NASSAU NUMBS LEES-MCRAE, 15-14 The Nassau Lions lahed Lees-McRae in the fourth period for a come-from-behind win to spoil the Bobcats' 45th homecoming with a slim one-point margin, 15-14. The Bobcats ran at will against the Lions in the first half, rolling up 14 points with only 6 for the visitors. The first quarter was dominated by the Bobcats with 122 yards rushing, 48 yards passing and 6 first downs. The ball-controlling Bobcats allowed Nassau the ball only 5 rushes and 3 pass attempts for a net of 12 yards. The second period Lees-McRae netted 75 yards, but a pass interception by Nassau turned the ballgame around, and in the second half lost fumbles, the ugly nemesis of the '75 Lees-McRae team, reared its ugly head as the Bobcats lost three fumbles halting long drives. Another fumble recovery on the 30 resulted in a Nassau field goal which brought the Lions to within 14-9. Another recovery of a loose ball on the 19 resulted in Nassau's final TD. PAT failed and Nassau led 15-14. Rudi Volz attempted a 50 yard field goal with 10 seconds remaining, and Volz's gallant effort was in van as Nassau remained undefeated in the Coastal Conference. Wardell Johnson scored the Bobcats' two touchdowns. in the Coastal Conference. Wardell Johnson scored the Bobcats' two touchdowns.

BOBCAT DEFENSE THROTTLES CHOWAN

BOBCAT DEFENSE THROTTLES CHOWAN Lees-MCRae and Chowan battled to a real barnburner in the inaugural Sudan Shrine Goober Bowl in Murfreesboro with Lees-McRae's defense pulling a victory out of the fire, 17:16. The Bobcat's highly valited offense, averaging 276 yards rushing a game and 347 total yards, sulfered 6 turnovers and managed only 173 yards on the ground and 212 total offense — way below their average. But the defense gave the Bobcat offense the ball and scoring position on numerous oversing gave the boltar oriente the balf and scoring position on indirectops occasions and rose to the occasion to keep the Braves at bay. Chowan went out to a 7.3 lead, then made it 10.3, but two runs by I V Reeves left the score 17-10. Chowan loss two quarterbacks in the contest with injuries, and the third quarterback Chowan was to use came in with one second remaining and a fourth and ten situation staring him in the face. The freshman guarterback hit his wide receiver situation staring nim in the face. The freshman quarterback hit his wide receiver in the endcone as the buzzer sounded ending the ballgame. Chowan, trailing by one point, lined up after the game was over to go for the two point conversion, but the Braves' quarterback was not as fortunate this time as Pearl McConnell appeared from the struggling bodies in the endzone and intercepted his pass to preserve Lees McRae's victory, 17-16.



"Captain Crunch" Ken Carter and head coach Warren Klawiter look toward a successful season at the beginning of the year. Their vision materialized.



"Whiteshoes" ..., All-American Wardell Johnson ..., Going ..., Going ..., Gonel

BOBCATS MUZZLE STATE WOLFPACK JV's, 21-12

The Lees-McRae Bobcats muzzled the N.C. State Wolflets and held the pack at bay for three quarters of minus rushing yardage. The only offense the Wolfpack generated was when a linebacker grabbed a Bobcat fumble in mid-air and raced 72 yards for the first State score to make it 21-6. The Wolflets launched a drive late in the fourth period to increase their rushing yardage to 75 yards in 13 plays to score their second tally. Lees-McRae continued their ball controlling offensive game as they had possession for 73 offensive plays compared to 26 offensive plays in the game for N.C. State. The Wolflets came up with 5 first downs for the game. All of them came in the fourth period. The Bobcats opened the scoring with a 54 yard margin climaxed by Wardell Johnson crashing over from the one. Johnson scored again from 7 yards out and then skirted the left side of the line for a 7 yard gainer for his second TD of the game. Johnson rushed for 98 yards in the first half and carried only twice in the second half before going to the bench for the rest of the game with 113 yards rushing. I.V. Reeves came off the bench to rush for 75 yards and scored from 10 yards out for the Bobcats' third and final TD. The Bobcat defense continued to be stingy with Lees-McRae real estate as they held a stable full of State backs to 49 yards on the ground and 67 yards through the airways. The defense was anchored by Frank Wilson, Dale East and Ken Carter at linebackers, and with defensive tackle Ron Wilson and defensive end Tim Cruse. The Bobcat defense spent little time on the field as the time of possession by both teams indicates. The Wolfpack had possession of the ball for a total of four minutes in the first half of the contest.





John Nord, pile-driving fullback, crashes over for score against Fort Bragg Dragons.

LEES-McRAE STEAMROLLS FERRUM, 45-14

The Lees-McRae Bobcats hosted Ferrum to an early Halloween as they tricked the Panthers with an awesome ground attack and treated the Lees-McRae fans to a sound trouncing of rival Ferrum 45-14 in Banner Elk. The victory earned the Bobcats their first Region X title since 1967. They had tied with Ferrum for the Region crown in 1972. It was the worst defeat ever handed the Panther team by Lees-McRae and most points scored in the 15 years series. Ferrum had previously defeated Lees-McRae in 1963, 36-13. The Bobcats spotted the Panthers 6 points on the opening kickoff, with an 8B yard return for the score. PAT was blocked and Ferrum led 6-0 and the Bobcats went to work. Lees-McRae, behind the field generalship of Robert Hamilton, marched 80 yards in 16 plays with Hamilton crashing over from the one to score. Rudi Volz recovered a loose ball on the Ferrum 40 and B plays later Wardell Johnson raced into the endzone standing up to score the first of his 3 TD's. He would later score on runs of 3 and 14 yards. Johnson set a new record in rushing attempts with 41 for the game and rolled up 187 yards rushing. Ironically enough, he broke the record held by Ron Rossello against Ferrum in 1966 with 34 rushes and held jointly by Larry Hopkins who had 34 carries against Ferrum in 196B.

Ferrum coughed up the ball again and Mark Dean recovered on the 30 and behind the running of John Nord and I. V. Reeves, the ball was moved to the 3 where Johnson scored. Anthony Oglesby took the opening kickoff of the second half 49 yards to the Ferrum 39. The Bobcats drove to the 5 where they fumbled and Ferrum recovered. The Bobcat defense held and Ferrum punted to Lees-McRae. The Bobcats launched a 45 yard drive with Hamilton scoring to put Lees-McRae ahead 34-14. Rudi Volz added a 41 yard field goal to give the Bobcats a 38-14 margin. Ferrum held with no first downs in the first half and picked up 4 of their 5 first downs of the game in the fourth period.

The Bobcats put the icing on the cake with a 32 yard pass from Hamilton to Willie Jones climaxing a 6B yard drive in 7 plays. The Bobcats rolled up 26 first downs with 5 for Ferrum. The cogs of the green machine were Wardell Johnson, Robert Hamilton, Mike Morrison, I. V. Reeves, John Nord and Lee Robertson, who ran at will against the panthers. Behind the offense line blocking were Henry Vinson, Samuel Allison, Keith Pearson, Steve Gann, Eric Bray and David Reed.

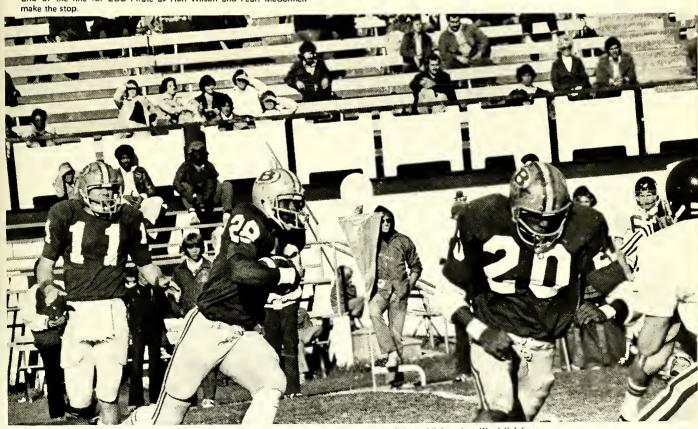


Mark Dean, defensive back, takes off on a 25-yard punt return to set up the Bobcats' third quarter touchdown.

Linebacker Ricky Collins breaks down.



End of the line for ECU Pirate as Ron Wilson and Pearl McConnell make the stop.



I.V. Reeves launches a 44-yard gainer as he picks up a block from All-American Wardell Johnson.



John Nord throws a block for "Mr. Whiteshoes" to slide through in ECU-LM action

BOBCATS BLAST BALTIMORE, 42-3

The Baltimore newspaper headlines stated, "Bobcat Back Explodes, Eradicates Records and Red Devils," and that was the story. Wardell Johnson, sensational sophomore, rewrote the record books at Lees-McRae as the Bobcats blistered Baltimore, 42-3, under a record 370 yards rushing and buried the Red Devils under a six touchdown spree as Johnson scored two TD's and passed for another. Johnson ripped off his thirteenth and four-

Johnson ripped off his thirteenth and fourteenth TD's of the season and threw a 36 yard half-back pass to wide receiver Willie Jones on his way to 273 yards rushing in 29 attempts. Johnson eclipsed Lees-McRae's rushing record of 198 yards and bettered the Coastal Conference record of 215 yards rushing. The Bobcat offense also surpassed the rush-

The Bobcat offense also surpassed the rushing record of 2,083 yards in the season and 1,266 yards in only 8 games.

Baltimore's three points came off with a field goal after Baltimore's deepest penetration into Lees-McRae territory at the 19 yard line, the only offense generated by the Red Devils as the Bobcat defense completely shut off the 8altimore attack. Baltimore's possession of the football in the first half resulted in minus four yards rushing. The Red Devils had 37 yards rushing in the second half and came up with 64 yards passing. The scoring parade was led by Johnson, I. V. Reeves, John Nord, Mike Morrison, Willie Jones, and Clyde Shaw and Brian Johnson dropped the Red Devil's quarterback in the endzone for safeties.



Teammates congratulate Clyde Shaw (86) after recovering a fumble in the endzone for a TD against Fort Bragg.





Pirate back swamped under by Mark Mauldin on ground as he gets assistence from Clyde Shaw (B6), Ken Carter (55), Ron Wilson (75) and Rudi Volz (67).

Nassau back meets Ron Wilson, Frank Wilson, Clyde Shaw, Tim Cruse and Rudi Volz.



DEFENSIVE ENDS: Front row, left to right: Mark Klass, George Hodges, Charles Hunley, Jr., Clyde Shaw. Second row: Tim Cruse, Brian Wickes, Ed O'Neill III, Lee Sherod, Roosevelt Moody.



Scissored between David Sandefur (on ground) and Ken Carter (top), Wolverine, running back bites the dust.



No place to go. The Ferrum quarterback is bottled in by Pearl McConnell with George Hodges (81) coming in. On the ground is Tony DeHart, Ferrum's quarterback was sacked eight times in the contest.



Mark Dean rides down Wolverine back. McConnell (22) comes in for assist.



DEFENSIVE LINEMEN: Front row, left to right: Douglas Hitchcock, Rick Collett, Mark Mauldin, David Sandefur, Franklin Turner. Second row: Ron Wilson, Harper Brower, Wes Douglas, Jeff Francisco.

LINEBACKERS: Front row, left to right: Scott Busby, Ken Carter, Rudi Volz, Frank Wilson Jr., Randall Smith, Raymond Bee, Kevin Eichorn, Paul Kincaid. Second row: Lawrence Williams, Billy Dungan, John Grant, Dale East, Marc Humphrey, Ted Baker, Thomas Person, Brian Johnson, Ricky Collins.





DEFENSIVE BACKS: Front row, left to right: Herman Durias, Mark Dean, David McConnell, Tommy Simons, Mike Glen Smith. Second row: Tony DeHart, Ricky Sandridge, Aaron Kelly, Chip Sigmon, Buddy Gasche, James Perry, Greg Ferguson.

WIDE RECEIVERS: Left to right: Byron Johnson, Bill Troester, Chester Gatling, Timothy Joseph, Willie Jones.





QUARTERBACKS: Front row, left to right: Gary Satyshur, Mark Zachary, Robert Hamilton. Second row: Mike Harrill, Mike Stoll, Rick Lawson.



RUNNING BACKS: First row, left to right: Vernon Bradley, Greg Qglesby, Wardell Johnson, Mike Morrison, Andy Applegate. Second row: Charles Bratton, Chuck Joye, Russell Felts, Ken Hunt, Rick Lentz.



FULLBACKS: Left to right: I. V. Reeves, John Nord, Lee Robertson, Danny Brooks.

LEES-MCRAE CRUSHES CATAMQUNTS

Lee-McRae polished off Southern Division leader Potomac State with a crushing 54-25 victory on the Catamount field in Keyser, West Virginia and won the Southern Division of the Coastal Conference. Potomac State, previously unbeaten, could not stop the awesome Bobcat attack as Wardell Johnson tied one record and broke two others in his four touchdown performance against the Catamounts. Johnson's four TD's tied a 25 year old record of 18 and bettered the single season scoring by an individual with 110 points. The old record was 108 points set in 1950. He set a new Coastal Conference record of 17 TD's for a season, and with 24 TD's holds the career TD record. His 150 yards in 38 attempts brought his 9-game total to 1,108 yards which bettered the school rushing record of 1,105 held by Clark Gaines in 1973.

Johnson scored the first 3 touchdowns of the game on runs of one, 26 and 4 yards. Quarterback Robert Hamilton scored a TD from 28 yards out and ran the extra point. Qale East rambled 57 yards with an interception and Lee Robertson scored from one yard out as Johnson scored his fourth TD crashing over from the one. Ken Carter scored the final tally as he returned an interception 25 yards into the endzone. Carter, hobbled all season with ankle injuries, looked like a lame locomotive as he rambled untouched into the endzone for the Bobcat finale. Frank Wilson, Tony DeHart, Clyde Shaw, Pearl McConnell, Ron Wilson, Tim Cruse, Mark Mauldin, Tom Simons and Rudi Volz turned in outstanding performances on defense.

The All Region X Team consisted of: Wardell Johnson, Back of the Year; Frank Wilson, Defensive Player of the Year; Keith Pearson; Sam Allison; Henry Vinson; Ron Wilson; Tim Cruse and Pearl McConnell; as well as freshmen Robert Hamilton and John Nord.

Named to the All-Coastal Conference Team were: First Team Qffense: Henry Vinson, Sam Allison and Wardell Johnson. Second Team Qffense: Robert Hamilton. First Team Defense: Tim Cruse and Ken Carter. Second Team Defense: Frank Wilson. Most Valuable Player Coastal Conference: Wardell Johnson.

Listed to the NJCAA All-America: Wardell Johnson, First Team. Honorable Mention: Ron Wilson, Frank Wilson and Henry Vinson. Grid Wire All-America: Wardell Johnson and Ron Wilson.



All-Region X quarterback Robert Hamilton takes flight in ECU contest.

QFFENSIVE GUARDS: Front row, left to right: Gary Runyon, Tom Jacob, David Reed, Charles Michaux. Second row: Mike Bujewski, Dennis Roland, Henry Vinson, Eric Bray.



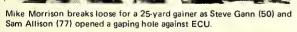
OFFENSIVE TACKLES: First row, left to right: Juan Givens, Paul Edmonson, Anthony Young, Thomas Blalock. Second row: Barry Tolley, Arnold Greenwell, Sam Allison, Keith Pearson.

EAST CAROLINA JV's END BOBCAT REIGN, 21-9

A fired-up East Carolina junior varsity, with flawless execution, got rolling for the last three quarters of the game in Greenville and systematically set out to burst the Bobcats' bubble.

The Bobcats, on a scoring spree of 141 points in their last three outings and a victory string of five straight, could not cross the goal line for the first three quarters and settled for a 21-9 defeat that came as somewhat of a shock to the Bobcat fans.

Lees McRae, in its usual style, opened the first quarter with ball control as the big green machine drove 86 yards in 19 plays before



rner shows concern in homecoming

Russell Felts finds hole against Wolverine line.

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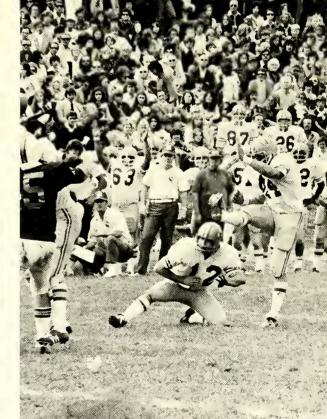
Charles Belissary (kneeling), Jeff

fumbling on the 8-yard line and ECU recovered on the five haulting a drive that saw 9:53 elapse in the first period. This seemed to turn the tide of events as the Bobcat green machine ran out of gas and sputtered and faltered until Johnson scored in the fourth period from one yard out.

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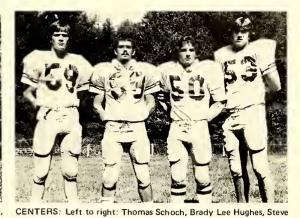
Statistically, the Bobcats led in every department except on the scoreboard, for the final tally read: ECU 21, Lees-McRae 9. The Bobcats fumbled 7 times and lost 4, and committed 5 turnovers to end their season on a sour note and post a 7-3 overall record.

Rudi Volz connects on a 23-yard field goal during action of the LMC-Wesley contest.











HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL ... WEIRD, WACKY, AND WONDERFUL

The Halloween Carnival, sponsored by Order of the Tower, is fun and games for everyone. It is a money raising event for all the clubs on campus and includes such games as bubble blowing and pancake eating contests, bobbing for apples, throwing water ballons at the faculty and basketball shooting. Also included among the fun is an auction with O'Dell Smith as caller. All in all, it is a night filled with excitement and joy.







Halloween Carnival 66







The pancakes weren't very good as the contestants indicate.





Plenty of syrup helped kill the taste

But not for all . .













ATHLETES RECEIVE NATIONAL, REGIONAL,



The Bobcat athletes represented LMC well this year in the athletic arena. The Lees-McRae Bobcats, champions of Region X of the NJCAA for the first time since 1969, dominated the All-Region X team of the National Junior College Athletic Association.

Wardell Johnson, who rewrote the record books, establishing eight new records in offense, was named Offensive Player of the Year. The Cochran, Georgia native is among the nation's leading JUCO rushers and one of the most sought after junior college gridders in the nation. Scouted and contacted by over 30 major colleges, Johnson was a member of the Coastal Conference All-Star team.

Middle linebacker Frank Wilson (Hopkins, S.C.) was named the region's outstanding Defensive Player of the season. The Bobcat defense, led by Wilson, was credited with winning the Chowan contest and Wilson was devastating in the Bobcats' rout of Ferrum. Wilson led the team in tackles made with 109, two interceptions and three passes batted down.

Joining Johnson and Wilson on the All-Region team are: sophomores Keith Pearson (Louisville, Ky.), Sam Allison (Covington, Va.), offensive tackles; Henry Vinson (Goldsboro, N.C.), offensive guard; defensive tackle Ron Wilson (Thomasville, N.C.); defensive end Tim Cruse (Ft. Myers, Fla.); defensive safety David McConnell (Cornelius, N.C.). Two freshmen were named to the All-Region team for the Bobcats: Quarterback Robert Hamilton (Lynchburg, Va.); and fullback John Nord (Brentwood, N.Y.).

COASTAL CONFERENCE ALL-STAR GAME IN HARRISONBURG, VA. Wardell Johnson, Henry Vinson, Sam Allison, Mike Morrison, Ken Carter, Tim Cruse, Ron Wilson. All Region Offensive Player of the Year, Region X. Wardelf Johnson, Defensive Player of the Year, Region X: Frank Wilson. Second Row: Keith Pearson, Rudi Volz. Third Row: Robert Hamilton, David Mc-Connell.



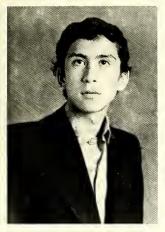
AND ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS ...

Wardell Johnson was named to the First Team All-America List, NJCAA, Henry Vinson was listed as Honorable Mention and Defensive Tackle Ron Wilson and Linebacker Frank Wilson were also listed as Honorable Mention, NJCAA. Wardell Johnson was named to the First Team Junior College Grid Wire All-America out of Pasadena, California, and Ron Wilson was named to the defensive Honorable Mention list, Grid Wire All-America. Johnson was named Back of the Year in the Coastal Conference and other Bobcats honored on the first unit of the All-Coastal Conference team were Guard Henry Vinson, Tackle Sam Allison, and second team offensive honors went to freshman Quarterback Robert Hamilton. Named to the first team defensive were End Tim Cruse, Linebacker Ken Carter, Linebacker Frank Wilson was second team defensive choice.

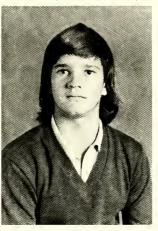
FIELDER LEADS ROUNDBALLERS. Lees-McRae's Reginald Fielder was named to the first team All-Western Carolinas Junior College Conference along with three players from Anderson and one from North Greenville, Fielder, one of the main reasons the Bobcats clinched second place in the Conference, averaged 13.7 points per game, grabbed 11 rebounds per contest, and shot 58 percent from the floor to lead the Bobcats in field goal accuracy. Manuel Jessup of Lees-McRae, a product of East Surry, averaged 16.7 points per contest and 7.8 rebounds. Jessup had a respectable 52 percent from the floor and was second in free throw accuracy with 74 percent. Jessup's career total of 829 points makes him the fourth all-time leading scorer in Bobcat history. Reginald Fielder's 770 career points places him fifth in the top scorers at Lees-McRae.

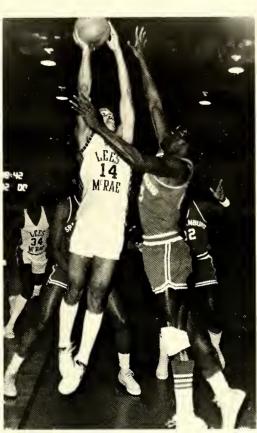
Two newcomers to the tennis scene, Hector Perez and Marcelo Cash Sanday, strengthened the Bobcat effort considerably. The brightest star for the Bobcat netters was Hector Perez, who won the Maryland Indoor JUCO Tennis Tournament in January. The 17year old had the hardest route to the singles championship, having to defeat the 4th, 2nd and 1st seeded players.





Marcelo Allejandro Cash Sanday







Manuel Jessup



Reginald Fielder Jessup (14) shoots over opponent as Fielder (34) comes in for rebound.

Cash, of Lima, Peru, posted a 7-4 conference record and was 15-4 overall at the No. 2 singles position. Perez lost only two matches all season and they were to the Junior Davis Cup champion of Pakistan, Mahmood Fazal Kahn, who took a three-set victory over the young Chilean. Perez was 10-2 in conference and 18-2 overall.

Perez, voted Most Valuable Player by his teammates, established a new singles record breaking the old record of 21-3. Perez established four other records.

Perez was unanimous choice All-WCJCC, All-Region X, NJCAA, All-Region Tourney, and All-Maryland Indoor Tourney. Cash was

named All-Conference, All-Region X and All-Tourney.

Mike Doobrow of Higk. Point received Region X Honorable Mention recognition as he captured the No. 6 singles championship in the Region X tournament. Doobrow posted an 11-1 Conference mark and was 17-1 overall. Mike Doobrow





Freshmen sensation Lawrence Carter passes around defender for assist.

BASKETBALL

Newcomer Carlisle Hostetter directed the Bobcats to the best season since 1957 with a 19-9 record. The Bobcats placed second to Anderson Junior College's champions in the Western Carolinas Junior College Conference, and they also reached the Region X playoffs under Hostetter's turelage.

In the final game of the season Wingate waltzed to a 45-30 halftime lead and then increased their lead 17 points before the Bobcats blew back into the contest to win 76-71 on the Bulldog courts. The victory climaxed the Bobcats' best season in 18 years as they sported a 9-3 WCJCC mark for an overall 18-7 record going into tournament action. The Bobcats' comeback over Wingate was attributed to Ricardo White's 6 steals, Reginald Fielder's 18 rebounds and 26 points, and Terry Smith, who played the second half like a man possessed as he rebounded, blocked shots and held Wingate's leading scorer to two points.

The Bobcats opened their season with a disappointing loss to nationally ranked Emmanuel College in the Westclox Classic, but bounced back in the consolation to beat USC-Sumter soundly. The Bobcats then launched their campaign in the conference as they won four straight before being upset by Spartanburg 76-75 in the Smoakhouse on the Pioneers' floor.

Their next contest was a heartbreaking loss to champion Anderson, B2-76, but they rebounded with an impressive 100-78 victory over Montreat-Anderson and a pound of revenge over Spartanburg, 74-67. They ripped North Greenville and Brevard away from home and then sank Wingate in Banner Elk, B4-74. They lost in a scoring marathon to Anderson, 106-96, on the Trojan courts but went on a scoring spree themselves to bury the Mars Hill JV's under 109 points.

The Bobcats won their next two conference matches with North Greenville and Wingate to assure themselves of a second place championship, the best since the 1970 team captured the crown of the WCJCC, 10-2.

Lawrence Carter led the conference in free throw shooting with an BS percent average. Manuel Jessup was eighth in free throw shooting $% \mathcal{B}$

and field goal percentage, while Carter was tenth in field goal percentage. Reginald Fielder finished fifth in field goal accuracy and finished second in the conference in rebounding. Jessup was the only Bobcat in the top ten scorers in the league with a 16.9 average in sixth place.

Lees-McRae lost in the semi-final round to North Greenville 76-71 to end their hopes for a re-match with Anderson College in the finals of the WCJCC tournament. In the opening round Lees-McRae clamped an B3-68 loss on the Cavaliers of Montreat-Anderson. Manuel Jessup and Craig Gentry combined for 45 points against the Mounties, a team Lees-McRae had beaten twice during regular season.

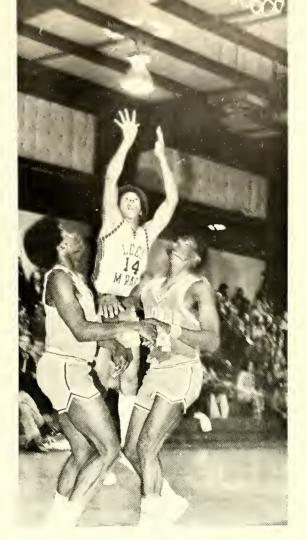
The Bobcats hit a cold streak, missing six buckets in the closing four minutes of the first half to give North Greenville an inter-mission lead of six points. Lees-McRae hit another cold streak and four costly turnovers gave North Greenville an 11-point lead midway in the second half. The Bobcats cut the margin four points with 26 seconds remaining. Lees-McRae, in foul trouble, saw the Mounties go to the charity stripe to ice the game, 73-69. Lees-McRae, on a bucket by Craig Gentry, cut the margin to 73-71, but North Greenville returned to the line twice with 14 seconds and won 76-71.

In the Region X tournament the Knights of Surry Community College cancelled the Bobcats' plans in the tournament at Rocky Mount, Virginia to the tune of 99-85. The game ended with Surry going to the charity stripe 37 times and converting 27, while Lees-McRae got to the foul line only eight times and converted seven. The lopsided calls resulted in Fielder and Terry Smith and Jon Belton going the foul route to the bench with 5 personals. Freshmen Lawrence Carter and Craig Gentry combined for 46 points while sophomore Reg Fielder, in his final game for the Bobcats, captured 20 points.

Manuel Jessup led the team in scoring for the season with a 16.7 average, followed by Carter with 14.1, Fielder with 13.7, and Gentry with 13.5. Fielder led the team in rebounds with 10.6 followed by Jessup with 7.8 and Smith, 6.3. Lawrence Carter led the team in assists, followed by Ric White and Manuel Jessup. White led the team in steals, followed by Jessup and Jimmy Lomax.

1975-76 BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

| LMC | | | OPPONENT | |
|-----|----|---|----------------|--|
| | | Westclox Classic, Franklin Springs, Ga. | | |
| 65 | | Emmanuel | 86 | |
| 82 | | USC – Sumter | 64 | |
| 77 | | Chowan | 75 | |
| 87 | | Louisburg | 92 | |
| 89 | | Jefferson College | 78 | |
| 56 | | Chowan | 58 | |
| 80 | | Ferrum | 75 | |
| 97 | | *Montreat-Anderson | 62 | |
| | | Davidson JV's | Forfeit to LMC | |
| 90 | | *8revard | 73 | |
| 98 | | Jefferson | 69 | |
| 84 | | Louisburg | 77 | |
| 75 | | *Spartanburg | 76 | |
| 76 | | *Anderson | 82 | |
| 100 | | *Montreat-Anderson | 78 | |
| 74 | | *Spartanburg | 67 | |
| 82 | | *North Greenville | 74 | |
| 79 | | * 8revard | 73 | |
| 56 | | Ferrum | 61 | |
| 84 | | *Wingate | 74 | |
| 96 | | *Anderson | 106 | |
| 109 | | Mars Hill JV's | 61 | |
| 62 | | *North Greenville | 56 | |
| 76 | | *Wingate | 71 | |
| | | WCJC Conference Tournament, Spartanburg, S.C. | | |
| | 83 | Montreat-Anderson | 68 | |
| | 71 | North Greenville | 76 | |
| | | Region 10 Tournament, Rocky Mountain, Va. | | |
| | 85 | Surry Community College | 99 | |



Craig "the Gent" Gentry pops two from the corner in Spartanburg action.



Sophomore standout Manuel Jessup hits two against Chowan. 8elow, drives against Mars Hill opponent.



Terri Smith demonstrates soft touch under the bucket.



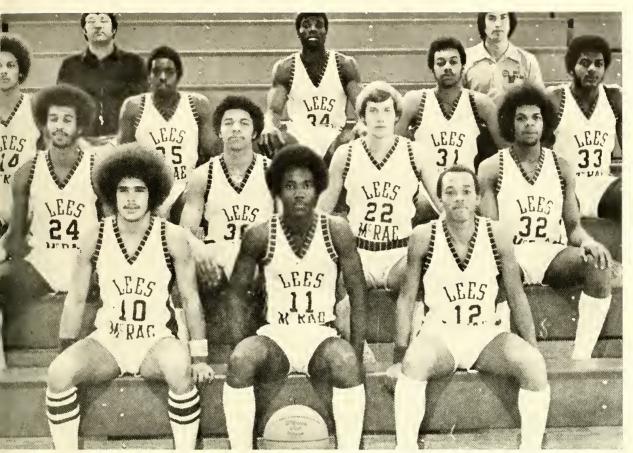


Carter (24) and Lomax (below) on the move.



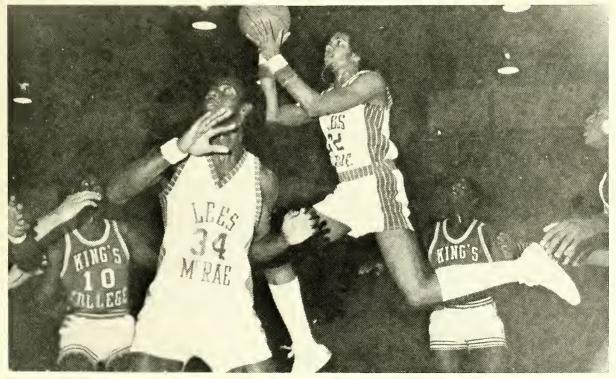
Floyd grabs rebound as Bobcats wallop Wingate.





1976 SQUAD: Doug Copeland, co-captain Ric White, Jimmy Lomax. Second row: Lawrence Carter, Ronald Floyd, Mike McKee, Craig Gentry. Third row: Co-captain Manuel Jessup, Jon Belton, Reginald Fielder, Gary Robinson, Terry Smith, Head Coach Carlisle Hostetter and assistant Kenny Bunker.

"The Gent" goes airborne for a circus lay-up as Reg Fielder looks on.



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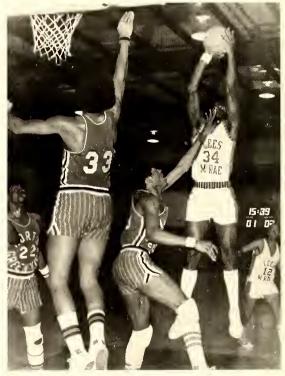
Ballet? No. Helicopter Smith and Fielder perform the Bobcat dance.





Reginald Fielder hits two over defenders.

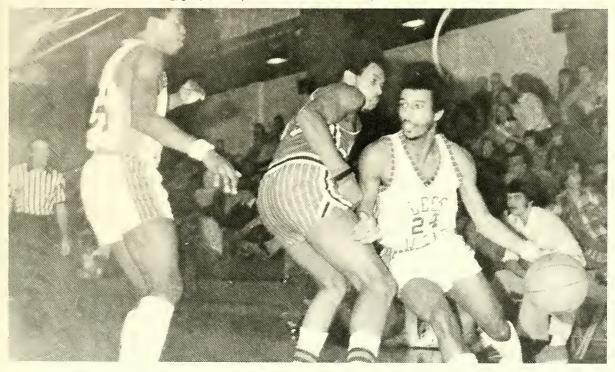






Head Coach Carlisle Hostetter talks with assistant Bunker ... cheerleads ... instructs "the Gent" ... pleads with Fielder ... and contemplates his next move as Craig Gentry looks on ... then summons the entire team together for final instructions.

L. C. makes an inspired drive as he sees Baker ready with the camera.

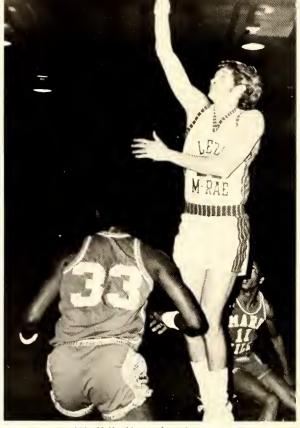




Smith "leans" on opponent and below, Fielder rips the net for two.



The one that got away. Jon Belton strains for loose ball.



Mike McKee hits two from downtown.



Basketball 80

Winter

The Winter air chills our bones, and the snow drifts look like big ice cream cones.

Our red noses stand out against the blanket of white, and the ice in the trees is such a beautiful sight.

Winter in these mountains puts a sting in our hearts, for these mountains are our home; its going to be hard to depart.

Cathy Hockett



WINTER





Aycock: "Where was the snow when we decorated the tree?"



Snow and skiing are synonymous . .

Sharp and Phillips: "Who cares?"





While Campus is blanketed in winter's garmet.



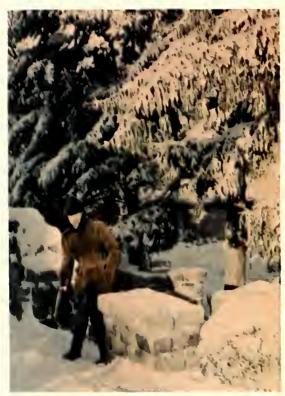




Winter is Basketball, "The Greek's Beard", and classes, classes, and more classes.











Outside, day or night, it's a winter wonderland.



While indoors . . . it's serious study in the library . . . or a swim in the pool . . .





A hot meal in the cafeteria . . . or on to "skills clinic" for help.







"Geritol Set" at basketball game ... Welches, Hostetter, Senter (President) Lindsey & Klepper.





Carter's first love: Roundball.

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Who's Joseph trying to convince" Virginia is for lovers . . .

Smith's first love: Eating.







Virginia dorm party.



Christmas Dance at Beech View Haus.









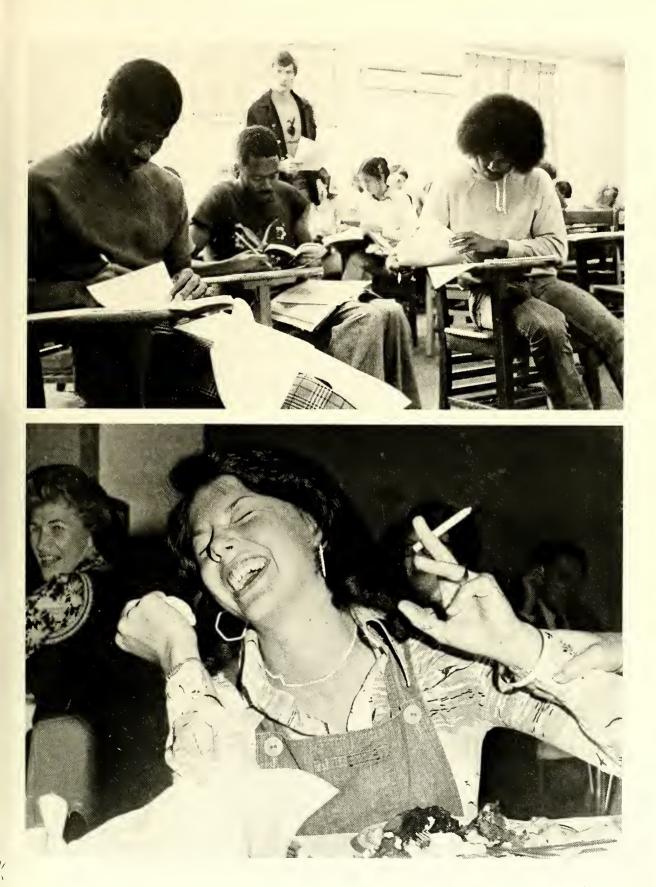
"Oh, Christmas Tree . . . "





Winter may be defined as dull and drab ... But not so at LMC! Witness: Smith's riot, the prez's cat eyes the mousery, the scholars, Marie Riley learns the evils of smoking. Where else but at UNC – At – Oz could you find all the excitement in the dead of winter?







Santa, you rascal ...



Skiers in Vermont . . .





Gidney demonstrates how it's done.



Morrison, Gent, Parker on how it's done



On how to walk to class ..., slowly.

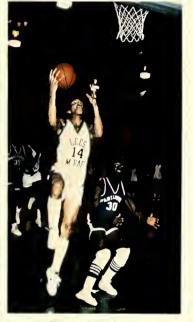


Gordon demonstrates how it's done.





Hostetter on how



Carter on how it's done.



Winter activities consume most of our time \ldots . But we find time to study,

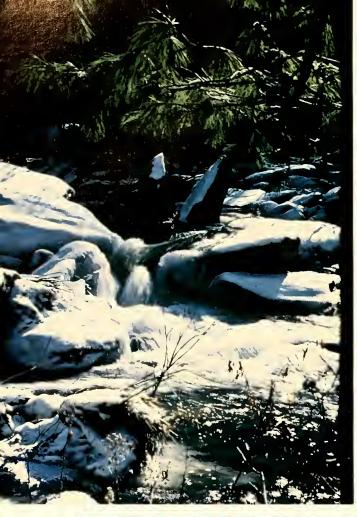




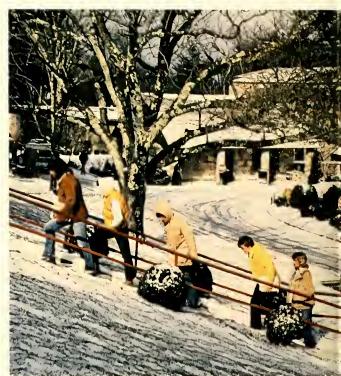




Winter 95



With winter thaws . . . can Spring be far behind?





SKIING

Lees-McRae's Jim Herd took possession of first place in the men's point standings in the Southeastern Collegiate Ski Racing Association as he edged out Watauga Ski Team's (ASU) Chip Venters and U.T.'s Rusty Rochelle. The final team standings: ASU, 285.8 pts.; University of Tennessee, 285.0 pts.; LMC, 258.6 pts.; Clemson University, 246.9 pts.; University of the South, 73.1 pts.



In a snow flurry Bobcat Skiers ready for downhill in Southeastern Intercollegiate Ski Racing Association.



FINISH TWELFTH NATIONALLY

The Lees-McRae College Bobcat ski team finished twelfth in a field of 20 junior colleges at Smuggler's Notch Ski Slope in Burlington, Vermont, March 14, 15 and 16.

Central Oregon Community College captured the national championship with 600 points. Lees-McRae's men scored 111 points in the Downhill, 75.5 points in the men's Giant Slalom, and 94 points in the Slalom for a total of 280.5 points. The Bobcats' top skier, Jim Herd, champion of the Southern Intercollegiate Ski Association, finished 25th, Mike Doobrow 37th, Tom Fowler 40th, Bobby Miller 47th, and Mitch Addington was disqualified. Robert Gordon suffered a boot-top bruise in the Slalom and was unable to race in the Giant Slalom and the Downhill.

Peter Mumford of Champlain (Illinois) College won the Downhill and Eric Keiser of Oregon Community College won the Giant Slalom.

In the women's races Dusty Dale finished 20th for Lees-McRae and Sallie Knight was disqualified. The four women skiers from Oregon Community College swept the top four places, followed by skiers from Cobleskill College and Champlain College.

Mike Doobrow

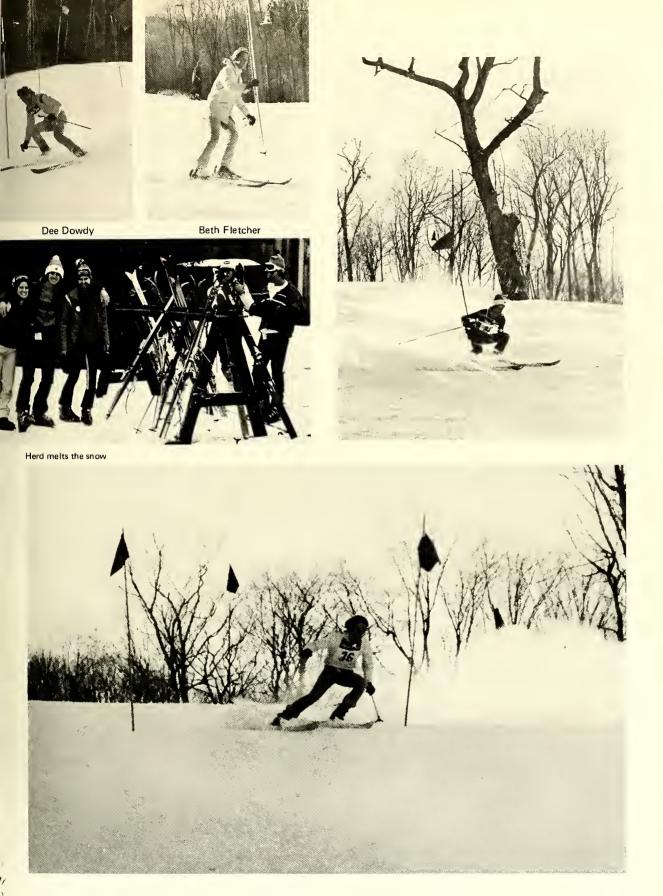




The Ski Team stopped several times to repair the 'Green Goose' on their trek to Vermont.

Jim Herd - Top Skier for the Bobcats













INTRAMURAL BASKETBALL

The men's basketball championship in intramural athletics was won by the Cellar Rats with captain Juan Givens, the 6'7", 300 lb. flash, leading the way. Teammates were Harry Morris, Phil Harris, Blaine Russell, Jeff Hagans, Randy Cameron, James Harper, and the token white, Mark Steinmetz.

The women's champions were from Tate Dorm: Mary Childress, Robin Hamby, Diane West, Belinda Drake, Mimi Smith, Karla Russell, Bonnie Whicker, Debbie Barr, Terry Henley, Lisa Hurd, and Cathy Hockett.









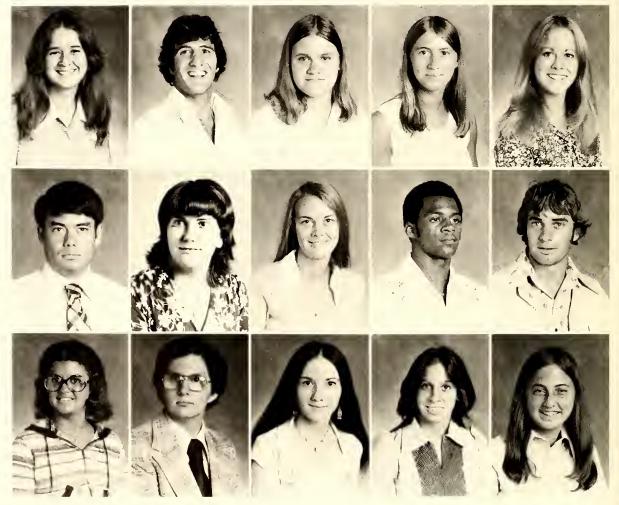


FELLOWSHIP OF CHRISTIAN ATHLETES

The FCA (Fellowship of Christian Athletes) participated in a number of activities these last two semesters. They sold programs at the football games to raise money. They also gave the football and basketball players a couple of parties. The FCA also had two picnics with the children at Grandfather Home. After the picnics they played a variety of games with the children. They babysat for the children there, too, so the houseparents could have a day off. They also had a booth in the Halloween Carnival to raise money.

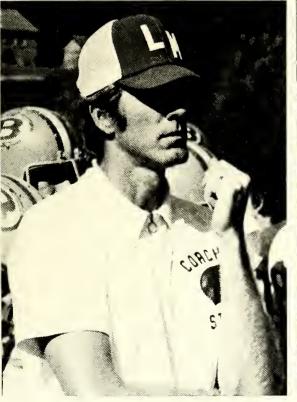


Front row (left to right): Diana Ballentine, Charlie "Greek" Belissary, Helen Bridges, Mary Childress, Grace George. Second row: Arnold Greenwell, Ann Hambright,Robin Hamby, Lewis "Flip" Jones, Stan Lilley. Third row: Cathy Maness, Bill Miller, Yvetta Monk, Linda Pugh, Bonnie Whicker, Not pictured: Mike Bujewski,





Bill Maxson, sponsor



AT LEFT: President Greenwell helps with party for Grandfather Home Children.



FCA members supervised games.







THE RED SHOES

Delta Psi Omega, National Honorary Dramatics Fraternity, presented the play version of Hans Christian Anderson's fairy tale, THE RED SHOES, to 2,400 Avery County school children. The February production starred Stuart Jonap in an unforgettable performance as the evil gypsy who kidnaps the orphan child Karen (played by Karen Royall, daughter of Mr. Phil Royall). Kevin Moore was memorable as the gypsy's clownish sidekick. Delta Psi Omega and children from the Banner Elk Elementary School filled out the cast and technical crews.









BAREFOOT IN THE PARK

"Barefoot in the Park", Neil Simon's farce of apartment living in the big city, was the LMC Theatre Department's fall drama presentation. Sherry Hinson gave a convincing performance in the lead and Kevin Moore seemed to always be running or praying, while Cindy Miller, as the distraught mother, was always being led away or shown undivided attention by the other characters. Tom Brittingham and Stuart Jonap supplied supporting roles.





Lois Harris, Sponsor



Janet Blackburn, President



Kim Harris, Sponsor



DELTA PSI OMEGA

This year has been an exciting one for the dramatic fraternity, Delta Psi Omega. Delta Psi has been active this year involving itself in various productions and activities. In October, members and initiates helped in the production of BAREFOOT IN THE PARK which was very successful. In February, Delta Psi, along with some of the children from Banner Elk Elementary School had six performances of THE RED SHOES for the school children of Avery County. This production was also very successful. The money that was made from this production was divided among the schools of Avery County. Delta Psi also assisted in the LMC bicentennial theater production of THE UNSINKABLE MOLLY BROWN.

Delta Psi Omega is a chapter of the national honorary dramatic fraternity, and its purpose is to reward those who have shown a special interest and aptitude in dramatics and theatre production, and at the same time stimulate them to greater achievement. Delta Psi was organized in 1954 with the membership selectively taken from the group, the Green and Gold Masquers. The Green and Gold Masquers have been inactive for several years, as was Delta Psi Omega until the Harrises reorganized the fraternity in 1973.

Left to right: Tom Brittingham, Betty Ann Young, Stuart Jonap, Janet Blackburn, Debra Sharp, Phil Teagarden, Apryl Morrison. Standing (left to right): Dawn West, Kevin Moore.











THE UNSINKABLE MOLLY BROWN

"The Unsinkable Molly Brown", because of its upbeat philosophy, was considered appropriate for the bicentennial year when there is wide-spread downbeat or at least apathy feelings toward the rejuvenation of patriotism. Although the figure of Molly Brown in the play is somewhat legendary, and although the musical approach is at least partially romantic, the "I ain't down" message of the play is still viable. The most lavish costumes in the history of LMC theatre enhanced the success of "Molly Brown", and Debra Sharp's portrayal of the poor girl from Hannibal, Missouri who sought her fortune in the bustling mining towns of Colorado, was unequaled in drama history at Lees McRae. The orchestra from ASU, with its typical brassy arrangements, added to the brilliance of Meredith Willson's music. Featured on these pages are scenes from Molly's (Debra Sharp) climb from rags to riches. Stuart Jonap had the lead of Johnny Brown, with outstanding supporting performance by Tom Brittingham, Kevin Moore, Brian Sloan, Tim Jones, Danny Reichard, and Choreography by Dawn West.





















Front row (left to right): Karen McKinney, Faye Gragg, Ellen Gilmer, Mitzi Aldridge, Sherry Perry. Back row: Alice Robbins, Frieda Gragg, Cathie Smith, Kathy McFee, Richard Buchanan, Wilbur Franklin, Glen Johnson (sponsor). Not pictured: Nicky Smith.

ROAD RUNNERS

Roadrunners were established in 1971. This club was organized to benefit the commuting students, and is oriented to give the day students representation in school functions and in the Student Government Association. The club also provides a social outlet for the students who are not on campus for other

social functions. It is involved in granting the Renata Baldwin Scholarship to a deserving day student. It provided refreshments for the administration and faculty during Christmas. Also our club held a bake sale and other fund-raising activities.







Left to right: Ellen Gilmer, Frieda Gragg, Cathie Smith, Sherry Perry.



Left to right: Frieda Gragg, Glen Johnson, Cathie Smith.











Sponsor John Wilson and son Matt in their assault on the Roan.

APPALACHIAN OUTDOOR WILDERNESS SOCIETY

The Appalachian Outdoor and Wilderness Society was organized in 1974 for the purpose of educating, inspiring interest, and developing appreciation with reference to outdoor activities, wilderness areas and natural resources. During the past year, it has worked closely with the local chapter of the National Audubon Society.

Among its activities this year have been an afternoon hike to Calloway Peak on Grandfather Mountain, a 10-mile hike to Carver's Gap to Elk Park on the Appalachian Trail, and a white water canoe camping trip down the Little Tennessee and Chatooga Rivers. It also held classes in rock climbing and canoeing.

Toward the end of the year the group collected trash around Wildcat Lake and the Elk River-28 bags full!

The AOWS has no set membership but opens all its activities to LMC students, faculty and staff. Officers for the year were: Bill Rogers, president; Pat Herring, treasurer; Dan Forbes, vice-president; Greg Skinner, secretary. Martin Needham and John Wilson were advisors.









Jim Deese



Doug Anderson **PHOTO CLUB**

The Lees-McRae College Photography Club is dedicated to promoting interest in amateur photography on the college campus. The club has its own darkroom, provides campus-wide photography projects, and sponsors photo contests. Membership is open to all LMC students, faculty and staff. The club was organized in 1973 by Dr. Ted Ledford and Dr. Phil Teagarden.



John Rogers



Phil Teagarden, Sponsor

WAKE FOREST



Logan Howell







LMC CLOGGERS

The LMC Cloggers have had the fun of performing locally six times this year, and have made seven out-of-town appearances.

Learning the basic clog steps and working out routines has been hard work at times, but the Cloggers have enjoyed the whole process. Dancing, getting better acquainted, traveling as an LMC team, have made the work worthwhile.

Since this was the second year of the Cloggers' existence, some organizational details were still experimental. Plans for next year's team are now being discussed. There will be a free workshop next fall for all students who would like to learn to clog. Then there will be tryouts for those who are interested in being members of the LMC team.

Clogging is the kind of experience everybody should try, at least one time. It is part of the mountain heritage. It's great.

The Cloggers went to Goldsboro, Raleigh, Columbia, and other places to dance for various conventions. They also performed at the Roan Mountain Festival.



Row 1 (left to right): Nicky Smith, Ellen Kirby, Creola Bumgarner, Terry Grogan, Patti Warren, Anne Butt, Archie Smith (sponsor). Row 2: Gary Nichols, Don Harris, Gerald Brown, Bill Rogers, Maury Good, Pat Herring, Tom Brittingham, Keith White, Jack Bratton. Row 3: Cathie Smith, Charisse Pitts, Mimi Smith, Vikki Rogers, Ellen Gilmer, Dot Stanley, Kim Reavis, Cindy Carter, Patsy Efird.



ELEANOR OSBORNE MEMORIAL HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

The EOMV is mainly a service organization. Its purpose is not to raise money for various projects, but to volunteer time to Cannon Memorial Hospital and the community. As of this writing, the Hospital Volunteers have donated many hours to Cannon Memoral Hospital as aides, messengers, typists, and serving in other volunteered capacities.



Left to right: Lou Anne Blalock, Kathi Auman, Mrs. Lois Lindsey (sponsor), Jamae Hosner, Debbie Bowman, Vikki Rogers, Jane Watkins, Susan Coffey, Betty Ann Young, Kathy Cornett.



Eleanor Osborne, Dean of Students 1963-66





Head Cheerleader Aleeta Gent

Wherever the Bobcats are playing, you'll find the LMC Cheerleaders. Many a close victory has been sparked by the enthusiasm of the fans led by the Cheerleaders. They have more than ever promoted school spirit in both the athletes and the fans. The Cheerleaders attended all the away football games, which took them to Keyser, W.Va., Baltimore, Md., Charleston, S.C., Chowan and East Carolina. They only missed a couple of away basketball games. Under the sponsorship of Lois Anne Harris, the Cheerleaders made a major contribution to the LMC athletic arena.

CHEERLEADERS, First row (left to right): Malissia Bryson, Suzy Parker, Aleeta Gent. Second row: Kim Mauney, Apryl Morrison, Denise Cooksey, Jane Parker, Pam Hester.



Suzy Parker in action.









Denise Cooksey

Suzy Parker

Apryl Morrison





Malissia Bryson

Kim Mauney









Jane Parker





THE SULLIVANIANS



This year the Sullivanians have participated in many activities. They sponsored numerous projects for the students such as the Get-Acquainted Party for the freshmen women, the Freshman Tea, the Fall Festival, the Haunted House at the Halloween Carnival, bake sales at every home game and also during the semester on class days, the float in the Homecoming Parade, campus cleanup, ushered for the Drama Department, the car wash, sponsored the Talent Show, and helped with college night.











Lois Anne Harris, speech therapist on campus, also helps students learn to walk. Here she demonstrates the light fantastic as she trips and falls. The officers were: Sherry Hinson, president; Mary Ellen Atwell, vice-president; Cree Bumgarner, secretary; Beth Fletcher, treasurer; Ann Kirkman, historian; and Mimi Smith was in charge of the flag.

Sponsor



Aside from bake sales, there were car washes and the talent show which the puppets won.



Left to right: Suzy Parker, Laura Thomas, Ann Haskins, Charisse Pitts, Sharon Haver, Kathy Oszmianski, Jane Watkins, Beth Fletcher, Mary Ellen Atwell, Sherry Hinson, Cree Bumgarner, Melia Washburn, Ann Kirkman, Mimi Smith, Dianne West, Nancy Henley, Dawn West, Janet Blackburn.







Dr. Lee Nelson Sponsor

This past year was very rewarding for all Circle K'ers. Many projects were successfully attempted and turned out for the betterment of everyone involved, including assisting with the Fall blood drive. Circle K had two campus cleanups. The Carolinas District Governor was present for one of these. The club helped the Kiwanians when they sponsored the March-of-Dimes roadblock. All the money that was collected went to the March of Dimes Foundation. The concession stand was open at all the football and basketball games with the help of Circle K. Circle K also sponsored concessions for two square dances and the clogging event. A puppet show was given for the grammar school and again for the talent show.



Front row (left to right): Marinda Phillips, Susan Crews, Cathy Powell, Karen Garrison, Michelle Greene, Pam Fowler, Sharon Sharp. Back row: Lee Nelson (sponsor), Monroe Tart, Ed Camp, Dawn Medlin, Logan Howell, Jerry Midkiff, Judy Garrison, Pam Leach.



Circle K took advantage of the opportunity to name Mr. Roy Krege an honorary member. After election of new officers, they attended a convention in Greensboro and brought home a second place award in the silver division for achievement.

CIRCLE K OFFICERS (left to right): Dawn Medlin, president; Jerry Midkiff, vice-president; Pam Leach, secretary, Karen Garrison, treasurer.







Circle K managed concessions

Roy Krege, V-P for business affairs of the College, Circle K's main man in '76



ΡΗΙ ΤΗΕΤΑ ΚΑΡΡΑ



Phi Theta Kappa was established in 1918 and has been recognized by the American Association of Junior Colleges since 1929. It is presently located in 43 states along with the Canal Zone and Puerto Rico possessing some 500 chapters. Lees-McRae's Beta Tau Chapter, the oldest in the Carolinas, launched an extensive campaign of fanfare and regalia at the convention with buttons, hats, posters, leaflets, and the like and overwhelmed the convention to secure the first ballot selection of Marty Grant. Phi Theta Kappa has been a very active organization during this past year. The members worked hard on many projects and took the initiative to do some things that were never before attempted.

To start out the year, the members began by creating an exhibition of archives and by building a beautiful Homecoming float. Then, with the concern of becoming involved with other chapters of Phi Theta Kappa, the club members planned and hosted the first annual Regional Leadership Conference ever to be held.

The members then turned their attention to ideas for the Halloween Carnival, and they came up with a pancake-eating contest and an auction. Both of these were huge successes. Around Christmas, a faculty Christmas party was held. At this party each member was auctioned off to a faculty member to work a certain number of hours for a minimal fee. This was the last project until after the Christmas break.

As soon as returning for second semester, the main concerns were the Dean's Banquet, and the State Convention. At the Dean's Banquet, the Beta Tau Chapter served as the hosts of what turned out to be a very meaningful occasion. The State Convention held in Goldsboro was another part of the agenda. The club ran a candidate for the office of the presidency and even though they did not win, valuable knowledge and experience was gained.



Jim Stonesifer, Sponsor

BETA TAU OFFICERS AND SPONSORS (left to right): Ann Kirkman, co-historian; Terri Henley, secretary-treasurer; Frank Mendoza, sponsor; Janet Blackburn, president; James Stonesifer, sponsor; David Lecka, vice-president; Karen Cox, co-historian.









PTK in New Orleans for convention

Frank Mendoza, Sponsor

Janet Blackburn, President



The final and most important project was yet to be tackled. This happened at the National Convention held in Biloxi, Mississippi, when one of Phi Theta's new members, Marty Grant, ran for Southern Representative of National PTK. Such a step followed many months of preparation and hard work, but was well worth it when it was announced that Marty Grant had won.



Marty Grant National Office Representative

Front row (left to right): Dianne West, Mimi Smith, Janet Blackburn, Ann Kirkman, Charisse Pitts, Patsy Efird, Jane Lewis, Terri Henley, Debbie Barr. Back row: Bobby Biggerstaff, David Lecka, John Hansel, Karen Cox, Patrick Herring, Arnold Greenwell, Carolyn Banner, Cecile Lackey.









President - Ann Haskins Co-Sponsors: Mimi Senter, Don Baker, Ellen Banks

Sponsor - Lewis Hall



The Order of the Tower has had a very successful year. The Halloween Carnival was a big success, mostly because of the participation of the students and faculty. They had a car wash to raise money, which also brought a good turnout. They have selected their new members who will carry on the club next year. "We have all had a good year full of experiences and by the end of the year we hope to be able to look back on our contributions to Lees-McRae as a successful accomplishment," states president Ann Haskins.

ORDER OF THE TOWER

Jerry Midkiff







Ann Kirkman





Melia Washburn

David Lecka

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Tower members marshal at graduation

-M.C.

The Order of the Tower is a carefully selected group of twelve students who serve the college and help to promote a better relationship between the students and the faculty. This year's Tower members began their work as marshals for the 1975 graduation. Throughout the year these members sponsored the traditional Halloween Carnival, several moneymaking activities, and sponsored Wonderful Day.



SGA (Sttting, left to right): Dawn Medlin, Ellen Gilmer, Dawn West, Lee Ann Aycock, Karla Russell, Marty Grant, Lisa Hurd, Mary Ellen Atwell, O'dell Smith (sponsor). Standing: Charlie Belissary, Bill Miller, Kelly Davis, Louis Haith, Buff Clayton.

PARLIAMENT (left to right): Karla Russell, Mary Ellen Atwell, Ellen Gilmer, Bill Miller



STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOC.



Things are happening! This is what we have heard from students and faculty members during the 1975-76 academic year. The SGA Parliament took the lead in making the Campus in the Clouds

an even more attractive and enjoyable place for students to spend their first two years of post high school learning. The Student Center was renovated through the generous gift from a Trustee and funds from the SGA.

PARLIAMENT (left to right): Lee Ann Aycock, Lisa Hurd, Buff Clayton, Dawn Medlin.







Parliament in Session

Parliament members Louis Haith and Buff Clayton with SGA President Charlie Belissary.

Buff Clayton expounds.





Louis Haith, Marty Grant and Kelly Davis, freshmen hopefuls.



Games and a TV lounge were added to the Center. There were Sunday night movies. And WLMC provided music and campus news through the Mac-

Donald Cafeteria public address system. Your SGA Parliament has worked for you this year, and that same group has made plans to leave a substantial gift to make campus improvements in the future.









HIGHLANDERS

The Highlanders of Lees-McRae College are a choral group which tours throughout the school year singing at churches, schools and civic clubs. It was felt that Lees-McRae, being located in the highlands of North Carolina, resembling Scotland, and with the early establishment of a Presbyterian Church with many of the original members being of Scottish descent, and having the name of the college derived from two Scots, Lees and McRae, it was apropos that the college have a singing group called "The Highlanders." The Highlanders, under the direction of Jo Anne Yates, traveled to Eastern North Carolina this spring for a three-day concert tour.







Spring

The seasons, how gently they fly, bring about changes quicker than the eye.

For Spring, the sun against our face, suddenly comes down upon us then leaves without a trace.

The scent of blooming flowers no longer in the air. The cool refreshing days now gone to who knows where.

The beginning of summer has now come into view. It marks the time for play, for the school year is through.

Cathy Hockett





Spring was a time to ponder. The end of school was here. Some studiec some goofed off.



Spring ushered in spring sports... club picnics... parties... dinners... Wonderful Day... the May Dance... track, golf and tennis tournaments... final exams... and graduation.





Spring break saw the mass exodus of LMC students.



The traditional lighting of the cigar at the annual SGA Banquet, with the Greek presiding.















THE FABLED FIFTIES DANCE THIRD ANNUAL FIFTIES FROLIC



















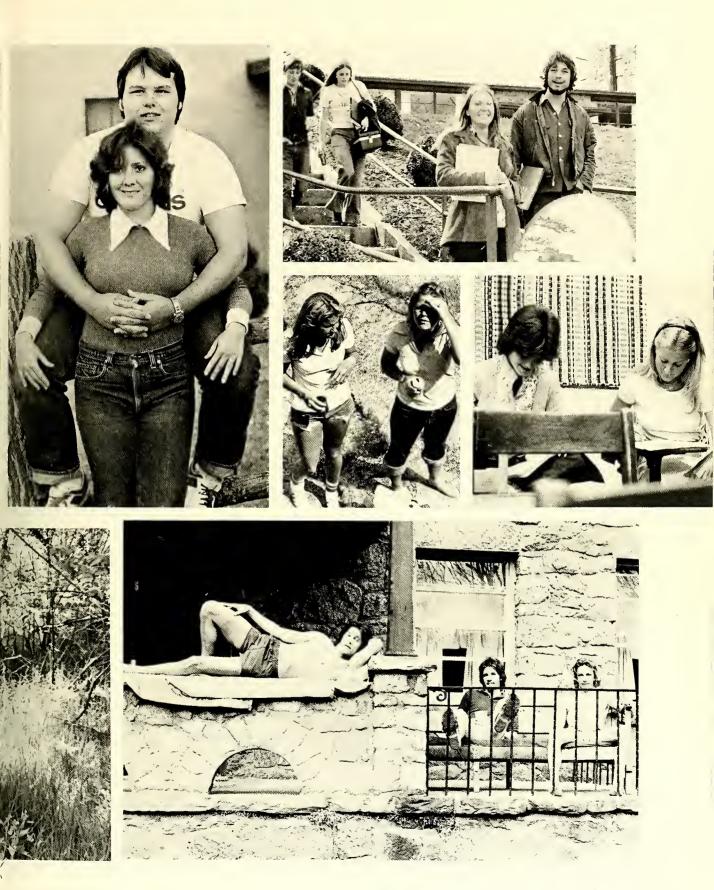
The Second Annual Appalachian Culture Day was observed with handicrafts, cooking and other paraphernalia exemplifying Appalachian culture on display in the library, while other students pursued some culture of their own.















The Student Center, hub of Lees-McRae student activity, welcomed the renovations brought on by the SGA and the college. The students sought out the Holiday Inn for their May Dance, which saw Karen Carlson crowned May Queen as Bill Miller and Kevin Moore presented flowers to the May Queen and Maid of Honor. Mrs. Senter and the Kreges (at right) seem very excited about chaperoning the May Dance.



















Spring represents many things to Lees-McRae. It is a time filled with whirlwind events, club meetings, games, and leisure activities. But students still find time to study amid the confusion of what's happening at Lees-McRae College.

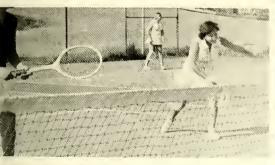




Oszmianski telling Polish jokes... Charo Lopez acting out Spanish jokes ...



"Heet zee ball over zee net, Devvie!"



"Iz okay, Devvie, we so good, si?"





And spring is a little folk music, softball and Honors and Awards night ...





North Carolina Attorney General Rufus Edmisten, commencement speaker, told the Forty-Sixth Graduating Class of Lees-McRae College that he would probably be the most popular commencement speaker in the history of the school as he expected to make his comments very brief which he did. The culmination of two years hard work resulted in 132 students receiving their Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees. Graduation was the finale to a great year at Lees-McRae, and on that Sunday afternoon "it was all over but the shouting." As they made their final march out the doors of Williams Physical Education Center, the shouting began.





















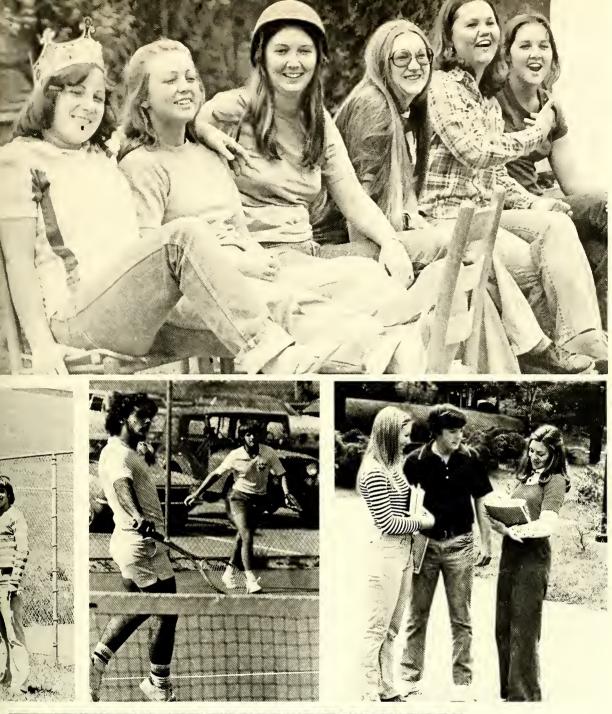


Clockwise: Perez rests... Miller contemplates... the Latin Brigade ... softball sensations anticipate ... Haxton ponders... Baba Boa suns ... Teagarden hacks.











Above: Speech class finalists wait for exam from Professor Lois Anne Harris. Enano Sixto demonstrates his "Come on, now" shot at the net. Zachary waits for his notes for the next class from tutor Terri Henley. Flip Jones connects with a line drive at the hotly contested softball game.

TENNIS TEAMS ENJOY SUC-CESSFUL SEASON

The second annual coed tennis match at ETSU. These members of the men's and women's tennis teams participated in the second annual co-ed match with the East Tennessee State University Buccaneers. The men lost 0-6, the women won 5-4, and Lees-McRae's mixed doubles won 4-3. East Tennessee won the overall match 13-9 in this type of game pioneered by the two schools in this area.



1976 WCJCC CHAMPIONS

The Lees-McRae women's tennis team captured its first WCJCC title after sharing the crown last year as co-champions. Left to right (kneeling): Beverly Hager, Pam Sinnett, Rosario Lopez, Debbie Bryant, Standing: Mary Scott, Dawn Medlin, Ann Kirkman, Debbie Barr, Lisa Hurd. Not pictured. Pam Brown.





WOMEN'S TENNIS

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| | 8 | Milligan | |
| | 3 | ETSU | |

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1976 SCHEDULE

| LMC | 9 | Spartanburg (forfeit) | 0 |
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| | 3 | ETSU (rained out) | 3 |
| | 9 | Montreat-Anderson | 0 |
| | 9 | Spartanburg (forfeit) | 0 |
| | 3 | Mars Hill | 6 |
| | 5 | ETSU | 4 |
| | 9 | Tusculum | 0 |
| | 5 | Wingate | 4 |
| | 5 | Milligan | 4 |
| | 9 | Montreat-Anderson | 0 |
| | | NCAIAW CHAMPIONSHIPS | |
| | | (Chapel Hill, N. C.) | |
| | 5 | Milligan | 4 |
| | | Wingate (rained out) | |
| | 7 | Tusculum | 2 |
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Lopez

Kirkman

The Lees-McRae women's net team captured the WCJC Conference championship for the first time since women's tennis was organized in binantificities that the set of the set of

One of the main reasons for the Bobkittens' success this season was Rosario (Charo) Lopez of Lima, Peru, who went undefeated 16-0 in women's tennis and posted 3 wins and no losses playing on the men's team, for an overall record of 19-0. Lopez won all her matches in straight sets, never splitting sets with her opponents. She won 38 sets to none for her opponents, and won 156 games, losing only 36 to opponents.

Ann Kirkman won 14 and lost 2 matches at the No. 2 position. Ann was the MVP as a freshman at the No. 1 position last year, posting a 7-3 record, setting a career record of 21-5.

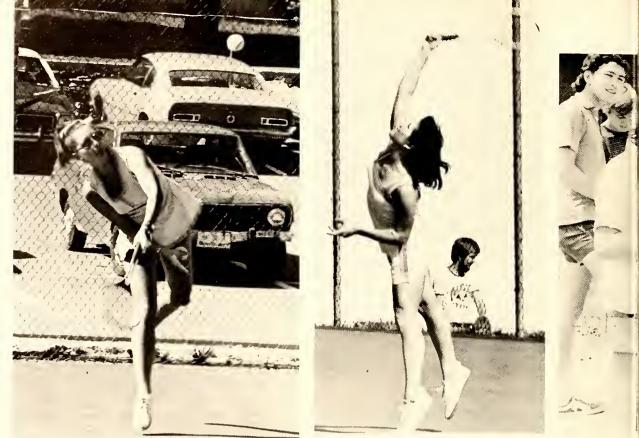
Other netters posted fine records with Debbie Bryant going 6-3; Debbie Barr 9-2; Beverly Hager 7-3; Mary Scott 6-4; Pam Sinnett 3-2; Lisa Hurd 2-2; Pam Brown 0-1; and Dawn Medlin 0-2.

Kirkman

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Bryant & Lopez, No. 1 Doubles champs.

Kirkman

Debbie Bryant, No. 3

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The Gallery.











Mentor Baker confers with Medlin, Hurd. Assistant Ringley starts Bryant.





Pam Sinnett





Mary Scott, No. 6

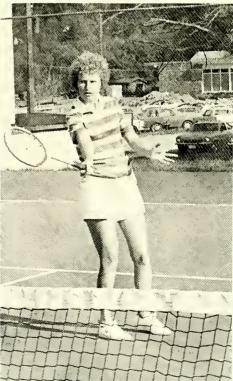
Lisa Hurd



Dawn Medlin



Debbie Barr, No. 4



The 1976 edition of the Lees-McRae tennis team posted a 21-3 record. Juan Estenssoro, a sophomore from La Paz, Bolivia, who played No. 2 as a freshman and No. 1 in fall tennis, was moved back to the No. 3 position upon the appearances of Hector Perez and Marcelo Cash at the semester. Cash, of Lima, Peru, posted a 7-4 conference record and was 15-4 overall at the No. 2 singles position. Perez lost only two matches all season and they were to the Junior Davis Cup champion of Pakistan, Mahmood Fazal Kahn, who took a three-set victory over the young Chilean. Perez was 10–2 in the conference and 18–2 overall. Estenssoro posted a 7–5 conference record, 19–5 overall.

Mark Capers went B-4 in the conference, 17-5 overall, and Marcelo Sixto went 9-3, 17-3, and Mike Doobrow went 7-1, 17-1 at No. 6, Sixto and Doobrow, as well as Perez, entered the record books as the best singles record at their positions. Joe Hutchens posted a 4–0 conference mark and a 10–1 overall mark. Ed Baxter was 1–0, 2–1, and Ron Griffin had a 2–0 overall mark.

Team Records: Twenty-match season winner, season record 21-3. Scoring record: Lees-McRae scored 181 points for a 7.5 average and held opponents to 35 points for a 1.5 average in 24 matches. Lees-McRae had the longest victory string over junior colleges this season of To consecutive matches before losing to Anderson, 6-3. They also had the longest string of victories of 21 consecutive matches before Anderson ended their string. They established the fastest 9-point match played record as they defeated Montreat Anderson 9-0 in one hour and 45 minutes. They established the fewest games won by an opponent in a 9-point match record by allowing Montreat-Anderson only 9 games as opposed to 108 for the Bobcats. They also established the most shutouts in one season as they posted thirteen 9–0 matches. Don Baker was named "Coach of the Year" in the Western Caro-

linas Junior College Conference and Region X, NJCAA.

In fall tennis the Bobcat net men captured four match victories and two tournament championships as they won the Goober Bowl tennis tournament, defeating Louisburg and Chowan, and captured the Tor-nado Tennis Tournament, Lees-McRae, the only junior college in a field of four, swept five of six singles divisions as the completely outdistanced three senior institutions with 23 out of a possible 24 points in the tournament. Lees-McRae had 23 points, followed by Milligan with 16, Tusculum with 13, and host King College with 8. Upset-minded Lees-McRae was edged in the final day of play for the

Region X tennis crown by North Greenville. Lees-McRae made its bid in the first day of play at Anderson, South Carolina, as they won all the opening rounds to lead with 8 points to Anderson's and North Greenville's 5 and Ferrum's 4.

While Lees-McRae was knocking off tournament co-favorites Anderson and Ferrum. North Greenville slipped in the back door for the championship as they scored 7 points the last day of play. Lees-McRae eliminated undefeated Ferrum (20-0) from the tournament with Hector Perez's crushing defeat of Ferrum's No. 1 singles player, Kenny



Lees-McRae took the second place runner-up trophy in a field of 9 in the Maryland Indoor JUCO tourney. Perez won the singles championship

House 7-5 6-0. Perez combined with Marcelo Cash to win the No. 1 doubles match against Ferrum's undefeated doubles team of House and Brad Beatty, 6-2, 6-2.

The Bobcat doubles team of Juan Estenssoro and Mark Capers upset Anderson's undefeated No. 2 doubles team of Donny Pankiw and Dilly Morris to eliminate Anderson from the championship, taking away a bye point and a victory from the Trojans, 6-7, 6-1, 6-2.

In the championship finals the Bobcats were pushed into the Greenville Indoor Raquet Club because of rain, and Mahmood Fazal Kahn proved too much for Perez on the indoor courts, 6-3, 6-4. Mike Doobrow captured the No. 6 singles championship for Lees-McRae with a 6-4, 7-5 victory over Mike Carlton of North Greenville.

BOBCAT NETTERS POST 21-3 MARK

Front row: Mike Doobrow, Mark Capers, Juan Estenssoro, Marcelo Sixto. Standing: Ed Baxter, Ron Griffin, Marcelo Cash, Hector Perez, Joe Hutchens.







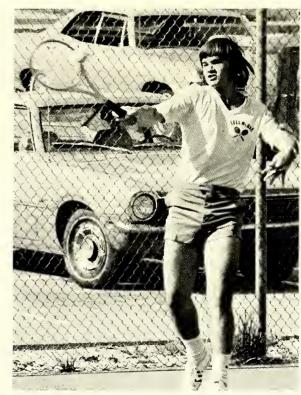
Juan Estenssoro and Mark Capers led the Bobcats in the fall to the Tornado Tourney and Goober Bowl championships.





Ed Baxter

Ron Griffin



Marcelo Cash - Sanday, No. 2

1975-76 SCHEDULE

1975 FALL TENNIS

| University of Kentucky at Cumberland |
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| University of Kentucky at Cumberland |
| Louisburg College |
| Chowan College |
| TORNADO TENNIS TOURNAMENT |
| (1) Lees-McRae 23 (2) Milligan 16 |
| (3) Tusculum 13 (4) King 8 |

1976 MEN'S TENNIS SCHEDULE

| King College | |
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| Milligan | |
| Spartanburg | |
| EMORY & HENRY INVITATIONAL | |
| (Emory & Henry, West Virginia | |
| Wesleyan, West Virginia State, | |
| LMC) | |
| Brevard (Doubleheader) | |
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| Wingate (Doubleheader) | |
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| Spartanburg | |
| Tusculum | |
| USC-Sumter (Doubleheader) | |
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| North Greenville | |
| Anderson (Doubleheader) | |
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| Milligan | |
| North Greenville | |
| Montreat Anderson | |
| Montreat-Anderson | |
| Tusculum | |
| Hiwassee College (Rained out) | |
| Hiwassee College | |
| REGION X TENNIS TOURNAMENT | |

HEGION X TENNIS TOURNAMENT North Greenville 18, Anderson 14, Lees-McRae 13, Ferrum 9, Mt. Olive 1, Wingate 1, College of Albemarle 0, Sand Hills 0.

Juan Estenssoro, No. 3



Mark Capers, No. 4



Mike Doobrow, No. 6

Marcello Sixto, No. 5





Joe Hutchens





TRACK

The Lees McRae cindermen opened their season with a 13th place finish in the Western Carolina Relays. In their track meet with Wingate College, with 6 events to go, the Bobcats were leading 48–47, but Wingate dominated the closing 6 events to win the track meet, 84–61.

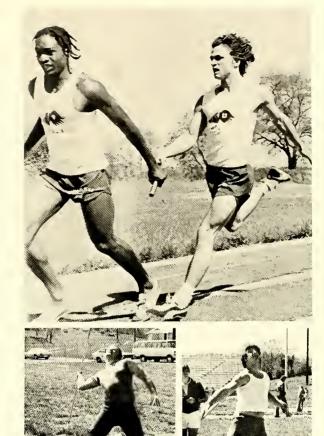
For the second meet in a row Jeff Francisco was the high point man as he captured a first in the discus and a first in the javelin. Francisco led the Bobcats in a losing effort against Wingate as he scored 8 points in the first meet of the season. The Bobcats led Wingate 42–21 after the field events, but Wingate overpowered Lees-McRae in the track events to win 91–54.

Brevard College captured the Region track meet scoring 108½ points as Ferrum placed second with 79½, Chowan third with 44, and Wingate fourth with 24. Lees-McRae had 13. Byron Johnson was high scorer for the Bobcats in the Region meet.

Lees-McRae placed second behind host Emory & Henry College as they edged Mars Hill in a tri-meet in Emory, Va. Emory & Henry rolled up 101 points to 43 for Lees-McRae. Mars Hill finished third with 27.

Atkinson hands baton to Willie Jones in relay action. Rick Collett hurls the javelin as Francisco unleashes the discus.

Front row (left to right): Brian Johnson, Charles Hunley, Charles Bratton, Ronnie Cotton, David Atkinson, Coleman Keeter. Back row: Willie Jones, Scooter Maxwell, Raphael Andrews, Tim Horvath, Jeff Francisco, Rick Collett, Larry Williams, Byron Johnson, Bob Puitz, Mike Bujewski, Brian Wickes, Bill Maxson (coach).







Victory???

Francisco Throws



Larry Williams Up, Up,



And Away



Hunley Hurdles.









Hunley long jumps.







Scooter attempts long jump.

Puitz in dead heat with Mars Hill,





SOFTBALL

Volleyball and softball had large participation, but not as active as in past years. In volleyball the women's champions were: Diana Ballentine, Bonnie Whicker, Tricia Tart, Grace George, Cindy Carter, Karen Garrison, Judy Garrison, Pam Leach, Beverly Hager and Ellen Bridges. The men's volleyball champions were from Cannon Cottage: Monroe Tart, Juan Estenssoro, Eddie Thomas, Clyde Armstrong, Dotson Patterson and Ronnie Cotton. McAlister Dorm captured the intramural softball championship.







GOLF

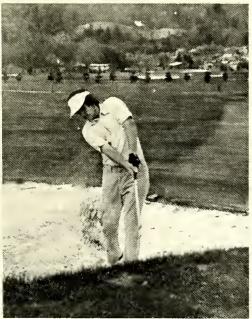
GOLF TEAM SUFFERS DISMAL SEASON

Lees-McRae finished last in the WCJCC team standings behind co-champions Anderson and Spartanburg (42 pts.) with Brevard second (34 pts.), Wingate third (26 pts.), Montreat-Anderson fourth (12 pts.) and Lees-McRae fifth (10 pts.).

Richard Hammond of Lees-McRae missed the top ten golfers in the conference by six strokes. The individual standings were taken from the best three of four tournaments that the conference scorers played at Seven Devils, Furman, Cedar Rock and Glenn Cannon golf courses.

The team did not participate in the conference tournament held May 2, 3 and 4 at Etowah Country Club. Next year the conference format will follow tournament locations at various country clubs, and the best team scorers will determine the conference championship.













WONDERFUL WEDNESDAY

Wonderful Day came once again to the surprise of the students. It was the Fifth Annual Wonderful Wednesday which met with an overwhelming success, as over half the student body engaged in frisbee contests, egg tosses, three-legged races, sack races, tug-of-war, tricycle and wagon races, etc., which earned students and groups certificates and cash prizes. The exact day each year is a closely guarded secret by the Order of the Tower, who sponsors the spring day of madness.



















MAY QUEEN

KAREN CARLSON









May 158





Carlson



Cecile Lackey, Maid of Honor

MAY COURT



Sue Snow







Beth Fletcher



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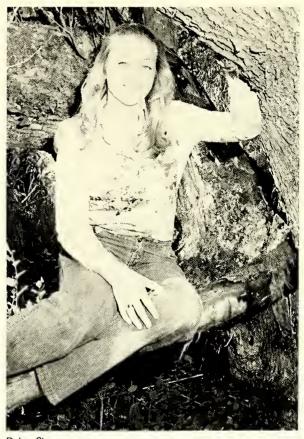


Suzy Parker





Terri Henley



Debra Sharp





Karen Waggoner





May Dance 162

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

This year Lees-McRae had fourteen sophomores selected for the national publication, WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES. The publication recognizes students for their outstanding contributions to their campus, the student's scholarship, leadership, and participation in education and extracurricular activities, his general citizenship, and his promise of future usefulness. It is a means of compensation for outstanding efforts and achievement; a standard of management for students comparable to other recognized scholastic and service organizations.



Charles Belisarry

Cree Bumgarner







Ann Haskins

John Hansel







Terri Henley



Ann Kirkman

David Lecka



Lisa Hurd



Dawn Medlin







HONORS AND AWARDS

The Order of the Tower assisted the administration in the presentation of the 17th annual Honors and Awards Program. Mimi Smith, Tower member, presided over the program. The invocation was delivered by Tower member Ann Kirkman and the Master of Ceremonies was Dr. Phil Teagarden, Chairman of the Division of Natural and Physical Science.

The Roadrunner Award was presented to Mr. Glen Johnson, sponsor. The Renata Baldwin Memorial Scholarship was presented to Alice Robbins, and Richard Buchanan by Sherry Perry.

David Keck, Chairman, Division of Social Sciences, presented the Social Science Award for academic excellence to Cecile Lackey. Miss Dawn Medlin presented the Circle K Award to a non-Circle K member for outstanding service to Mr. Roy Krege. The Executive Secretarial Award went to Belinda Drake and the Medial

The Executive Secretarial Award went to Belinda Drake and the Medial Secretary Award to Gail Gibson. Mr. Tom Taylor presented these awards for academic excellence in the secretarial field.

The Delta Psi Omega Award outside the club's activities was made by Miss Janet Blackburn to Rick Hollowell for his contribution to the drama productions.

Mr. Bill Maxson presented the Monogram Club awards to: Ken Carter, football; Jimmy Lomax, basketball; Ronnie Cotton, track; and Marcelo Cash, tennis.

Coach Mark Gidney presented the Most Valuable Player awards in skiing to Dusty Dale and Jim Herd. The tennis MVP's were Hector Perez and Rosario Lopez. Brian Johnson was MVP for track and Richard Hammond MVP for golf. Ricardo White was named MVP for basketball.

Carlisle Hostetter, Chairman of the Physical Education Department, oresented the Athlete of the Year Award to Wardell Johnson. Accepting



Herd receives MVP skiing from Coach Gidney



Lomax wins Monogram MVP from Coach Maxson

for Mr. Johnson, who is at the University of Kansas, was football coach Warren Klawiter,

The Most Improved Speech Award went to Charlie Belissary and the Outstanding Speech Award was presented to Mimi Smith by Dr. Lois Ann Harris.

Major Charles Michael presented Military Science Awards to: Carroll Dickson, Pete Ansley, James Dula, and Robert Gasche. For excellence in the study of military science, Bill Rogers; and the superior cadet awards went to Pat Herring and Carolyn Abbott.

Dr. Kim Harris presented outstanding drama awards: best supporting actress – Melia Washburn; best supporting actor – Tom Brittingham; best actress – Debra Sharp; best actor – Stuart Jonap and Kevin Moore; outstanding theatre student – Janet Blackburn.

The Highlanders Award was presented to Beth Main by Logan Howell.



Estenssoro Tennis Award ..., Perez MVP presented by Baker

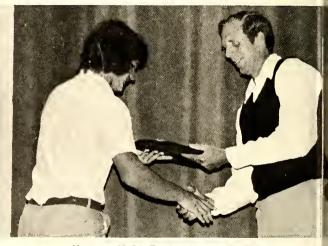
Religion awards, presented by Mr. Ed Berry, went to Windy Babchin and Charisse Pitts.

Mr. Sam Travis presented Mathematics awards to John Hansel and Mimi Smith. The J. B. Pritchett Memorial Award was presented to John Hansel by Dr. Teagarden. The Spanish Award went to Shirley Horton and the Robert Bowman French Medal to Doug Anderson. These were presented by Mr. Phil Royall. The Art Award went to Miriam Tarleton.

Mr. Don Baker presented the George Homan Award for tennis to Juan Estenssoro. The Fred I. Dickersori Award, given to the athlete with the highest academic average, went to Ann Kirkman.

Order of the Tower Special Recognition was presented to Miss Ellen Banks by Ann Haskins, president.

SGA President Charles Belissary presented a special recognition award to Mrs. Joyce Baker. He also presented a check from the SGA to Dr. Evans to help defray the cost of paving Avery parking lot.



Monogram MVP in Tennis to Marcelo Cash Sanday



Dr. Evans presents Sullivanian Awards to Rogers and Smith.



Rogers embraced by Grace Woody following announcement of dedication.





"Greek" accepts recognition for SGA from Ontaroga.

SGA Award of special recognition was won by Mrs. Don Baker.

Mrs. Powell accepts Service Award.

Mendoza receives "Teacher of the Year."



Bill Rogers, editor of the Ontaroga, dedicated the 1976 book to Grace Woody and the SGA.

LMC Service Awards presented by Dr. H. C. Evans, President: 5-year awards: Mrs. Virginia Teagarden, Ms. Christy Powell, and Ms. Joan Williams; 10-year awards: Carroll Williams and Joyce Baker.

Dr. Evans presented Sullivan awards to Mrs. Marilyn Welch, Mimi Smith, Jack Coffey and Bill Rogers. The Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Educator Award was presented to Mr. Frank Mendoza. Charles Belissary was awarded the Fidelity Medal.

"The Greek" receives the coveted Fidelity Medal from Dr. Evans.



PRESIDENT EVANS ... THE MAN RESPONSIBLE ... ON THE

The president's concern for and interest in the student is not only evidenced by his open-door policy to the student body, but by his continuing desire to improve the programs and facilities at the College. His philosophy since he came to Lees McRae in 1967 has been to provide the students with the best possible education, to "be able to offer educational opportunities to the underachiever, and to the culturally and scholastically disadvantaged. At the same time, offer a maximum challenge to the scholastically superior student." He continues to give priority to the college's motto: In the Mountains, Of the Mountains, For the Mountains. His dedication and hard work and untiring efforts are witnessed by the new buildings on campus and when the 8-decade history is written about Lees-McRae College, he will be labeled "the building president," His agenda for the year reads like a travelog as he journeys the eastern United States in search of benefactors and foundations to aid the college and its programs and expansions. Active in church, civic and community affairs, his titles and honors are too numerous to mention on these pages. But he continues to earn his unofficial title, "The President Who Cares." The Morristown native received his education in Tennessee at Carson-Newman College and the University of Tennessee at Knoxville. He holds an M.A. from Columbia University, a doctorate from the University of Tennessee and has pursued further study at the University of Colorado and Lafayette College.







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SCENE ... BEHIND THE SCENES AT LMC





At left, Dr. Evans, founder and charter member of the Banner Elk Kiwanis, observes presentations made to Lees-McRae's Circle K Club by Circle K sponsor Lee Nelson and president Dawn Medlin. Below, Dr. Evans makes scholarship presentation to Jane Lewis. Dr. Evans talks with alumni council, constantly staying in touch with alumni and friends of the college and travels all over the southeastern United States telling the Lees-McRae story. Being active in Kiwanis he takes every opportunity to speak to these groups in the state and area. He is seen here purchasing the first ticket from Greg Skinner in support of radio station WLMC, and posing with the students who received the President's Scholarship for academic excellence: Logan Howell, Ann Kirkman, Charisse Pitts, Patsy Efird and Jane Lewis.







Millie Wiseman Registrar



Warren D. Klawiter – Director of Athletics; B.S., Kansas State University; M.A., Southern Illinois University



Richard C. Jackson – Librarian; B.A., Western Carolina; M.A., UNC Chapel Hill



Amelia Senter – Dean of Women; B.S., Duke University



Mike Turner — Dean of Men; A.S., Lees-McRae; B.S., Carson-Newman; Additional Study: Union College



Director of Admissions A.A., Gardner-Webl College; B.S., M.A., Ap palachian State Univer sity; Graduate Study Harvard

JAMES STONESIFER, former Chairman of the Biology Department, in his fourth year as Vice President for Academic Affairs, through his sponsorship of Phi Theta has brought national recognition to the Beta Tau Chapter. Administrators serving under the Academic Dean, aside from the faculty, are: MILLIE WISEMAN, an 18-year old employee of the college who came to Lees-McRae as Secretary to the Registrar in 1959 and was named Registrar in 1965. She received her honorary associate degree from Lees-McRae this year. RICHARD JACKSON, Librarian, came to Lees-McRae from Pfeiffer College in 1962. WARREN KLAWITER, in his first year as Athletic Director, joined the college after serving on the football staff under Sonny Randle at the University of Virginia and with Randle at East Carolina prior to the Cavalier post. O'DELL SMITH was selected to the post of Vice President for Student Affairs in the fall of 1968. Through his tireless efforts the department of Student Services has shown vast improvement over his 8-year tenure. Prior to coming to Lees-McRae Dean Smith was the pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City, Tennessee. Serving under Dean Smith in Student Services are the Dean of Men, the Dean of Women, and the Admissions Office. AMELIA SENTER, Dean of Women since 1968, is a graduate of Duke. She serves as sponsor for Order of the Tower. MIKE TURNER, a graduate of Lees-McRae, returned to his alma mater two years ago to assume the duties of Dean of Men and Assistant to the Athletic Department in football. BILL WATTERSON served as Interim Director of Admissions and became full-time Director of Admissions in the summer of 1974. Upon the resignation of Malcolm Cameron last spring, ROY KREGE served the post of Vice President for Business Affairs in an interim position

> James A. Stonesifer – Vice President for Academic Affairs; A.B., Bridgewater College; M.A., UNC Chapel Hill







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Vice President for Business Affairs Roy Krege explains to secretary Geneva Hostetter that "it can't be all that bad."



Mary Johnson Controller



Mary Hickman – Director of Financial Aid



Donald R. Baker – Director of Public Relations; A.A., Lees-McRae; B.A., East Tennessee State University

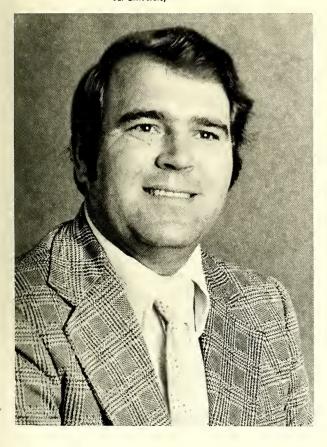


Carroll Roney - Director of Alumni Affairs; B.S., Troy State

until July of 1975 when he was named by the trustees Vice President for Business Affairs. Krege came to Lees-McRae in 1968 as Assistant to the President and Director of Alumni Affairs. He served in those positions until he took a year's leave of absence for further study at Tennessee Tech and returned in 1974 to assume the duties of Director of Financial Aid. MARY JOHNSON assumed the position of Bursar in 1968 and has held that position until she was named Controller this year. MARY HICKMAN, a graduate of Duke, became Secretary to the Director of Financial Aid in 1973. She was named Director of Financial Aid this year. BILL RUSSELL came to Lees-McRae from Montreat-Anderson College where he served there as Director of Development, Business Manager and Treasurer of both the college and the Mountain Retreat Association. Prior to his work at Montreat-Anderson he served as Director of Development at Tusculum College. He brought a distinguished position and fund-raising career to his new position this year. Serving under Russell are two departments. The Department of Alumni Affairs, headed by CARROLL RONEY, who took over the post of Director of Alumni Affairs upon Roy Krege's leave of absence in 1973. Mr. Roney is also Director of the Communications Center. The office of Public Relations and Publicity is directed by DONALD R. BAKER, an LMC graduate who returned to his alma mater in 1960 as Director of Public Relations, Dean of Men from 1960-62, coached the tennis team since 1960, taught art appreciation since 1965 and has served in various other capacities on the campus during his 16-year tenure.

> Roy D. Krege – Vice President for Business Affairs; B.S., Carson-Newman College; M.A., Tennessee Technological University

William S. Russell – Director of Development; B.S., University of Tennessee; Post-Graduate Study: University of Tennessee







Carol Ringley – Admissions Counselor; A.B., King College; Graduate Study: Appalachian State University



Jimmy Street – Manager, Exchange Store



Charles Crumley – Assistant Controller



Louise Jackson — Library Assistant



Assistant Libraria



Louise Jackson assists students in library.

CAROL RINGLEY, a graduate of King College, came from her alma mater, where she served in the Admissions Office, to serve as Admissions Counselor at Lees-McRae in 1974. JIMMY STREET has been manager of the Student Exchange Store since 1966. CHARLES CRUMLEY became Assistant Bursar in 1968 and was named Assistant Controller this year. LOUISE JACKSON has served as a member of the library staff since 1964. DONESE PRESSWOOD has served as Assistant Librarian since 1972. RACHEL HOILMAN became Assistant Librarian in 1973. LOIS LINDSEY has been house-mother of Virginia Dorm since 1969. FRANCES KLEPPER joined the staff in 1970, serving as housemother of Virginia Dorm. CHEVIS AUTRY came to Lees-McRae in 1973 as Assistant to the Supervisor of Maintenance. This year he was elevated to Supervisor of Maintenance. HARVEY PRESNELL, a two-year employee of the college, was named Assistant to the Supervisor of Maintenance. CLAUDE GILLIAM'S service to Lees-McRae for over 25 years. BEN TOLLEY serves on Campus Security Patrol. Not pictured: Rachel Holman.



Lois Lindsey Housemother





Overflow applications keep enrollment picture bright at LMC and Mrs. Welch busy.

Chevis Autry Supervisor of Maintenance

Harvey Presnell Assistant to Supervisor of Maintenance

> Claude Gilliam Campus Security

> Ed Bentley Campus Security

Ben Tolley Campus Security















Joyce Aldridge – Secretary to President



Joyce Baker – Secretary to Director of Public Relations



Geneva Hostetter - Secretary to Vice President for Business Affairs



Rosanne Penley – Secretary to Director of Public Relations



Mrs. Welch confers with Mrs. Greene on student applications.



"Amazing Grace," responsible for the output in the Dean of Student's office.

JOYCE ALDRIDGE has served as Secretary to the President since 1972. JOYCE BAKER serves as Assistant in the Public Relations Office on a part-time basis. She was employed from 1960-66 as Secretary to President Chapman. She took over the typesetting duties for publicity in 1973 in the office of Public Relations and Publicity. GENEVA HOSTETTER joined the staff as Secretary to the Vice President for Business Affairs this year. ROSANNE PENLEY joined the staff in 1974 as Secretary to the Director of Public Relations. MARY LOUISE PRITCHETT came to Lees-McRae in 1965 to fill the post of campus nurse. She took over the position of receptionist for the college in 1970. FRANKIE RAMSEY joined the staff in 1972 as Secretary to the Director of Alumni Affairs. DARLENE SIMERLY has served as Secretary to the President since 1973. MARILYN WELCH has served as Secretary to the Director of Admissions since 1969. GRACE WOODY is Secretary to the Deen of Students. A graduate of Lees-McRae, she has served the college for five years. Not pictured: TUCKY CHAMBERS, Secretary to the Vice President for Development; LINDA KING, Secretary to the Manager of the Student Exchange Store; and MARY HODGES, Secretary to the Maintenance Department.

Mrs. Mary L. Pritchett -Communications Center



Frankie Ramsey – Secretary to Director of Alumni Affairs



Darlene Simerly – Secretary to President



Marilyn Welch – Secretary to Director of Admissions



Grace Woody - Secretary to Dean of Students





Adventure and romance, illusion and laughter, fear and anger, desperate hopes and dreams. These are the things which have prodded man's mind as he developed his intellect throughout the centuries. This evolution of the mind of man is our heritage. The study and compreher sion of the record of this evolution (literature) will reveboth our century's individuality and its universal unio with all that is and has ever been man.

Ted Ledford – Chairman; Division of English Language and Literature

DIVISION OF ENGLISH LANGUAGE & LITERATURE



All instruction cannot be carried on in the classroom, as Mrs. Harris demonstrates here as she conducts instruction on all walks of life.

Heath: "Next week I have got to get organized."

Ted Ledford – Composition and Literature; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University; Ph.D., Ohio University

Lois Anne Harris – Compositi Literature and Speech; B.A., (son-Newman College; M.S., Ph. Southern Illinois University





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m Harris — Drama Composion, Literature and Theatre; A., Carson-Newman College; .S., Ph.D., Southern Illinois Unirsity

Julian Heath – Composition and Literature; A.B., Wake Forest University; M.A., Eastern Kentucky University

Christine Powell — Composition and Literature; B.A., UNC-Chapel Hill; M.Ed., UNC-Greensboro Carolyn Travis — Composition and Literature; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University







Dr. Phil Teagarden - Chairman, Science Department

Science at Lees McRae College is a happening, a trip into the realm of the natural and physical sciences.

Thinking is the key to the approach in this academic area. All the students learn to think over and evaluate basic concepts and principles.

Being in the sciences at Lees-McRae, one has an opportunity to study life and to do so in a dynamic and exciting program.

All of this makes it quite evident that those students educated through the Division of Natural and Physical Sciences are better individuals for having been exposed to the biological, chemical, and physical phenomena of this very complex world we live in today.

Glen Johnson, in the J. B. Pritchett Memorial Greenhouse, assists students in handling the snakes.





Glen Johnson — Biology; A.A., Lees-McRae College; B.A., M.A., East Tennessee State University

Gorden Lindsey – Physics; B.S., M.S., Ph.D., Virginia Polytechnical Institute

Frank Mendoza – Biology; A.A., Lees-McRae College; B.S., Hampden-Sydney College; M.A., Appalachian State University

Lee Nelson — Biology; B. E M.S.E., Arkansas State Univers Ph.D., University of Georgia



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Dr. Lee Nelson confers with students in his office and supervises lab work.

Jenny Teagarden at work in the biology lab.

DIVISION OF NATURAL AND PHYSICAL SCIENCES



Al Overbay — Chemistry; B.A., M.A., Appalachian State University; (Visiting Professor — A.S.U.)

James Stonesifer — Biology; A.B., Bridgewater College; M.A., UNC-Chapel Hill

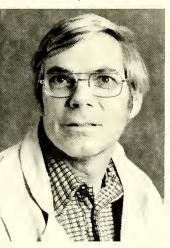
Virginia Teagarden – Biology; B.S., Western Carolina University; M.A., Appalachian State University; D.A., Western Colorado University

Phillip Teagarden – Biology; B.S., Florida State University; M.S., University of Tennessee; M.A., Appalachian State University; D.A., Western Colorado University









DIVISION OF FOREIGN LANGUAGES

Understanding other life styles is an education. The student of a foreign language grows to understand other life styles because he eventually realizes that a simple word for word comparison is not all there is to it. He learns that a language portrays culture, history, concepts, ideas and feelings, all of which foster understanding.



Philip E. Royall – Chairman; Division of Foreign Languages; Spanish; A.B., Western Carolina University; M.A., Appalachian State University



Ruth Greene – French; B.A., Western Carolina University; M.A., Memphis State University





Jack Coffey - Chairman, Department of Medical and Secretarial Sciences

DIVISION OF MEDICAL AND SECRETARIAL SCIENCES

Looking into the future, the career-minded girl sees a need for effective college training for the prestigious position of Medical Secretary or Executive Secretary. The experiences for the development of skills and understanding are provided by the Division of Business and Secretarial Sciences while broad intellectual de-

Jack Coffey – Accounting and Secretarial Studies; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University; Ed.D., Highland University

Thomas Taylor – Paramedical Studies; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University velopment is gained through studies in liberal arts. Cultural and social development comes through active participation in the varied campus activities.

Not pictured: Marion Krege, first semester instructor.

Lois Simmerman — Secretarial Studies; B.S., East Tennessee State University; M.A., Appalachian State University









DIVISION OF MATHEMATICS AND GRAPHICS

Studies in Mathematics and Graphics offer the student an opportunity to expand elementary skills and update past experiences in the world of numbers and symbols. Greater achievements are attained as the mind applies newly found knowledge to areas of personal interest, and logic becomes a way of thinking.

Lewis M. Hall – Chairman, Division of Mathematics and Graphics



Lewis M. Hall – Mathematics, B.S., College of William and Mary; M.A., East Tennessee State University



George Maine – Graphics; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University

Samuel B. Travis — Mathemats B.S., M.A., Appalachian State Unitrisity



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g.d. +R=D D. Robert



David Keck – Chairman; Division of Social Sciences; History and Government; AB., Lenoir Rhyne College; M.A., Ed. S., Appalachian State University

DIVISION OF SOCIAL SCIENCES

An understanding of history permeates from the Division of Social Science. Since an understanding of human behavior is the basis upon all social knowledge, studies in many areas will better prepare the student to understand the present and to plan the future. Thus the social sciences offer the student studies in the major political fields of the past, as well as the present.

DIVISION OF HEALTH AND PHYSICAL EDUCATION

At Lees-McRae the old idea that a healthy mind and a healthy body go hand in hand is closely observed. Lees-McRae has a tradition of fitness and physical education that is closely regarded. Tennis, basketball, skiing, fencing, volleyball, football, the list of opportunities is endless. A good liberal arts education requires an exposure to all of life and the Physical Education Department at Lees-McRae strives to provide an important part of that education.



Carlisle Hostetter – Chairman; Division of Health and Physical Education; B.A., Lynchburg College; M.S., Radford College

Warren Klawiter – Physical Education; B.S., Kansas State University; M.A., Southern Illinois University

William Maxson - Physical Education; B.A., Emory & Henry College; M.S., University of Tennessee









John Everson – History and Geography; A.8., M.A.T., UNC-Chapel Hill



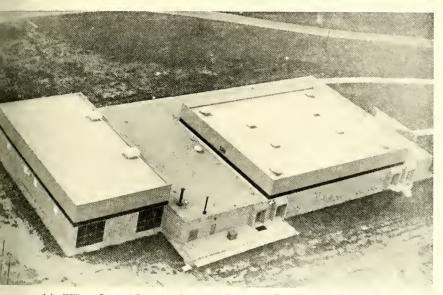
Nancy Rorie — History; M.Ed., B.A., UNC-Greensboro



Archie Smith — History; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University



Carroll Williams - Psychology and Sociology; A.A., Mars Hill College; A.B., Berea College; M.A., Appalachian State University



John Williams Physical Education Center and Rhea-Lyons Pool from a bird's eye view.



Prowess developed in physical education afforded these men (Krege, Stonesifer, Smith, Royall, Heath, Mendoza) the opportunity to prepare for the sack races of life.





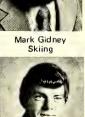
Don Baker Tennis



Capt. Dave Campbell Military Science



Phil Teagarden Golf





Mike Turner Football

John Wilson Swimming



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The philosophy behind the Developmental Tutorial program at LMC is first of all to recognize that there are, indeed, many who are not suited or inclined to enroll in a college curriculum program. There are, however, those who could enroll, benefit from, and achieve in the college situation even though their high school scholastic records do not point to the conclusion. The aim essentially is to provide the situation and staff which will substantially raise that self-concept, operate to build and sustain adequate motivation, and train the students in successful study habits.

The clinic is staffed by three developmental instructors, three adult counselors, four peer counselors. The entire staff undergoes an extensive program of training in the diagnosing and training, study skills, techniques and motivation. Incoming students are tested in skills, tutored in individual subject matter, and trained in the skills of good study habits. Special study sessions are conducted in various subjects and skills classes are also held in such areas as note-taking and exam-taking techniques. Programmed materials are prescribed in some subjects with achievement tests being given to determine their success or lack of it.

Molly Crews and Ronald Floyd work together.

Carolyn Travis discusses program with Mrs. Smith.

Pat Smith - Chairman a Director; De Studies; B.A., Development

Henry College

Emory

DIVISION OF

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Ellen Banks – A.A., Lees-McRae College; B.A., Appalachian State University

Anita Blevins (Paraprofes-sional) – A.S., Lees-McRae College

Molly Crews - Developmental Mathematics; B.S., Florida State University; M.A., Florida Tech University

Mark Gidney – A.S., Lees-McRae College

Rosie Smith - Developmental Writing; B.A., University of North Carolina at Greens-M.A., Appalachian boro; State University

Joan Williams - Developmental Reading; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University





Donald R. Baker – Art; A.A., Lees-McRae College; A.B., East Tennessee State University

Frances Berry – Religion; A.B., Agnes Scott College; M.A., Wake Forest University

Edward S. Berry – Religion and Philosophy; B.A., Wheaton College; M.Div., Columbia Seminary; Ed.S., Appalachian State University

E. O'dell Smith — Religion; A.B., Emory & Henry College; M. Div., Union Theological Seminary

John C. Wilson — Religion and Ethics; B.S., M.S., Iowa State University; M.Div., Th.M., D.Min., Union Theological Seminary

Jo Anne Yates - B. Mus., M.A., Appalachian State University



John C. Wilson – Chairman; Division of Religion, Philosophy and Fine Arts



DIVISION OF RELIGION AND FINE ARTS

Since the beginning of man, he has tried to understand the meaning for life and has expressed this search in art, music, religion and his deepest thoughts.

Now, on the Lees-McRae campus, the student of today has the opportunity to carry on the same search and seek to understand the meaning of his existence. Art, music, religion, and philosophy attempt to give avenues for this expression, as they did when man first appeared. However, these expressions are now in the form of college courses — Art Appreciation, Music Appreciation, Introductory Philosophy, and Fine Arts. There is hope that these courses will enable the student to understand, affirm, and express life as he lives, works, and studies in a complex world of people, places and things.



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BOARD OF TRUSTEES

On these pages are represented the men and women of vision who are responsible for the programs, progress and perpetuation of Lees-McRae College. In a period of recession and crunch on the economy, they have had to make far-reaching decisions in order for Lees-Mc-Rae to continue to serve In The Mountains, Of The Mountains, For The Mountains. Their actions represent the sincerity of the slogan, "The College That Cares," governed by the Trustees who care.

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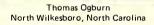
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J. W. Foley Greenville, South Carolina



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Dr. H. C. Evans beams as he presents Mrs. Nebel with a bouquet of flowers, honoring the dedication of Nebel Dormitory this spring at the MacDonald Cafeteria ceremony.

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Outgoing Chairman Herbert L. Underwood congratulates newly elected Chairman Dr. Lawson Tate of Banner Elk, At left is Mr. George Campbell, Vice-Chairman.

The members of the board serve in an advisory capacity to the college Board of Trustees and promote the general welfare of Lees-McRae College. The Board of Advisors was formed to enlist such persons and to give them an opportunity to assist the college in making recommendations to the Board of Trustees for the benefit of the college; stimulating interest in Lees-McRae College among prospective students; interpret the college to friends and acquaintances; and reflect public and personal opinions and observations to college leaders.

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THE 1976 ONTAROGA PROUDLY DEDICATES



THIS BICENTENNIAL ISSUE ...









An honor graduate of Lees-McRae, active in drama and extracurricular activities as a student, constant and tireless support of Lees-McRae activities and programs, active behind the scenes as well as offering enthusiastic support to the Bobcats ... it is with grateful appreciation that the staff expresses our thanks ...

TO GRACE WOODY, AND,

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SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO THE SGA

One of the most difficult tasks the yearbook staff had in this Bicentennial celebration was to determine the dedication of the 1976 Ontaroga. Many faculty, staff and numerous groups contributed, and continue to contribute, to the many programs and life of Lees-McRae College. Among the outstanding and deserving list, two names continued to get the most votes. After much deliberation the '76 staff chose to recognize two recipients.

Realizing that the students are Lees-McRae and Lees-McRae is the students, not as they exist one by one, but as they exist as a whole, past, present and future, the staff wanted to recognize "the student." Chosen was a person who is studentoriented, a person who personally contributes time and effort on behalf of the student body at Lees-McRae. Miss Woody is involved in practically every facet of Lees-McRae life. She is present at all student activities and in the office is willing to extend full cooperation, service and sometimes counseling to the students. Always cheerful, always concerned for the welfare of each Lees-McRae student, this individual, a product of this alma mater, is the epitome of the slogan "The College That Cares."

Deadlocked with "Amazing Grace" was the Student Government Association, directed by the bubbling enthusiasm of Charles "The Greek" Belissary. It was felt that the SGA, under the leadership of the Greek, had contributed much to campus life, to the betterment of the college and its students, with always the concern for the student foremost in their mind. We would like for this book to be remembered not only for this individual and this group, but for all the student bodies and graduates that have come before and are yet to come. This is not only the "Spirit of '76", but the "Spirit of Lees-McRae College."

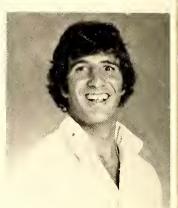




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"THE SPIRIT OF '76"

The word "Ontaroga" is derived from the ancient Indian "Among rocks and hills." It is apropos that the SGA pose among the "rocks and hills."



CHARLES BELISSARY



All men who have come to know liberty celebrate it. Each generation learns that it can be lost through neglect and complacency. Today we salute two hundred years of vigilant independence for these United States of America.



"We cannot, I fear, falsify the pedigree of this fierce people, and persuade them that they are not sprung from a nation in whose veins the blood of freedom circulates."

Edmund Burke 1766



British Stamp Tax Seal 1765

If one were to isolate a single incident which precipitated colonial America's struggle for independence, it would be the Stamp Act of 1765. If there was a point of no return, it occurred with the "Olive Branch" petition of 1775. This ten-year period marked a time in which a nation was fashioned, forged in the heat of frustration on the anvil of the North American continent.

An overwhelming problem facing the British Crown in the 1760's was the financial strain placed upon the English people — a strain furthered, in part, by the maintenance of British troops in the American colonies. The steady expansion westward called for even more troops to protect and secure this new land.



Rehellious Stripes Flag

In 1765, by royal proclamation, King George III closed all land west of the Alleghenies to further immigration and expansion. Parliament, in order to force the colonies "to pay their fair share" for protection, passed the Stamp Act. Although this tax on documents and legal papers amounted only to $\pounds 60,000$ a year, there was instant outcry from the colonies against this internal tax. Many felt that it was one more burden in a list of repressive acts by the Crown.

Fear also existed among English creditors that colonial merchants and planters could not meet their debts and pay this additional tax as well.

The seeds of discontent were spreading through the colonies farther and faster than anyone expected. New problems of enforcing the taxes, conducting trials, and meting out punishments all brought further alarm. In Boston, Philadelphia, New York, Charleston, and even in Williamsburg, apprehension began to run high.

In a fiery speech before the House of Burgesses May 29, 1765, months before the Stamp Act was to go into effect, Patrick Henry "shook the spire of the Capitol" with his verbal assault against the Crown. Many cautious men who heard it, including a young lawyer named

When in the course of human events it becomes necessary for one people to dissolve the political

Olive Branch Petition 1775

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Thomas Jefferson, suggested that "Patrick had come close to treason."

In small groups Virginians began to meet at the Raleigh Tavern and the Bruton Parrish Church to form a resolution. With the help of a colonel from Mount Vernon, George Washington, they framed the Virginia Resolutions. Before long all the colonies were adopting resolves, refusing "taxation without representation."

The spring of 1766 saw the repeal of the Stamp Act. But King George, fearing that other British territories would follow America's lead and refuse to pay their taxes, decided to make an example of the American colonies "by putting them in their place."

"Every man in England seems to consider himself as a piece of a sovereign over America."

Benjamin Franklin 1767

In place of an internal tax, external taxes were levied on such goods as lead, glass, paper, paint and tea. Several other acts, among them the Townshend Act, levying duties and permitting the search and seizure of property, soon became the law, Local government was giving way to control by "men paid by the Crown."



Grand Union Flag

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"Caesar had his Brutus, Charles the First his Cromwell, and George the Third may profit by their example. If **this** be treason, make the most of it!"

Patrick Henry 1765

Through the years of 1767-69, tensions seethed just below the surface. Most of the trouble occurred in the port cities and surrounding areas. The press became more unified and more outspoken for colonial rights.



In 1769, George Washington, in an address to the House of Burgesses, called for a set of resolves which stated "only Virginians could tax Virginians." Soon Virginia joined Massachusetts in an importation agreement. The colonies showed unity by boycotting English goods.

By the spring of 1770, after the tally sheets of British merchants showed a strong decline in revenue, the Townshend Act died. All that remained was a small tax on tea. The American patriots still were not satisfied. Skirmishes between the "Sons of Liberty" and British troops garrisoned in Boston, New York, and Philadelphia would occasionally break out, but not until March 5, 1770, was the real spark ignited.

A British sentry was standing his post that night in front of the Commons House in Boston while local toughs taunted him. Several other guards came to assist him and soon the mob had grown to considerable size. A shot was fired and, before order was restored, several colonials were dead or wounded. What soon became known as the "Boston Massacre" was a signal fire to militant radicals like Samuel Adams of Boston. Fanning the flames wherever and whenever possible, the rebels kept alive the spirit of independence.

England remained antagonistic to the cause of independence during 1771-72, steering a middle course with the colonies, trying for some reasonable solution. During this time, however, the Sons



arate and equal station to which the Laws of Nature and of Natures God entitle them, a decent

of Liberty continued to exchange ideas through the efforts of the Committee of Correspondence. Formed by Samuel Adams, the Committee used post riders to deliver pamphlets and letters dealing with the latest British offenses, and the newest hopes for colonial freedom. One of the best of these riders was the Boston silversmith, Paul Revere.

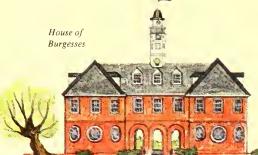
Meanwhile, Benjamin Franklin, Deputy Postmaster General, was in England trying patiently to work out the problems between the Crown and the colonies. It was here that he came into possession of some letters which indicated that



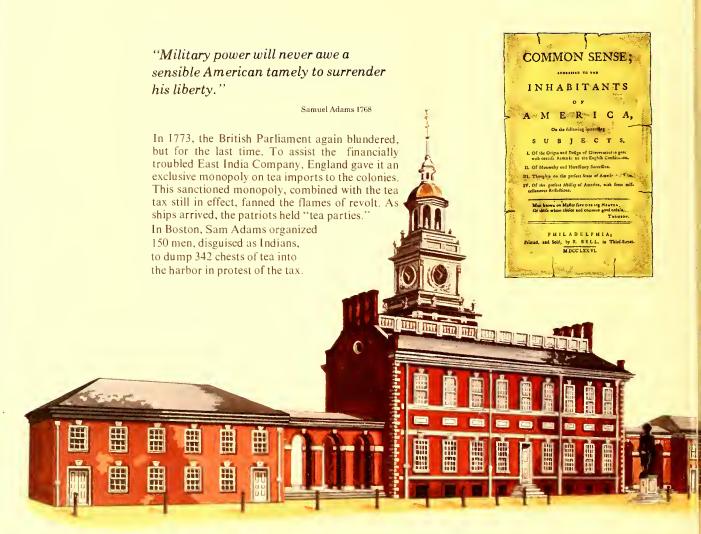
not all of the problems and questions of the colonies were being forwarded to Parliament; hence the many miscalculations created by the absence of proper information could not be (categorically) placed at the door of Parliament.

Bruton Parrish Church

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Independence Hall – Philadelphia

This act was repeated in other colonial ports and was, according to the British, "the most wanton and unprovoked insult offered to a civil power ... recorded in history." King George III knew what had to be done: "Suppress the revolt with troops, do not negotiate, make America obey."

The line had been drawn and the flames assumed the proportions of an inferno.

In the fall of 1774, delegates from every colony journeyed to Philadelphia to form the First Continental Congress. The time had finally arrived to display some unity of purpose.

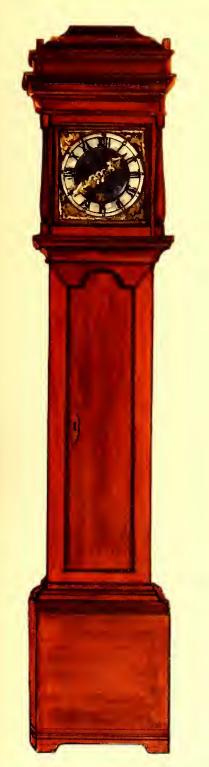
Philadelphia, a booming city of 30,000, greeted her visitors with the jubilant sound of pealing church bells.

After much arguing and heated debate on pro-

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-----We hold these truths to be self evident, that all men are created equal



cedures and voting rights, Patrick Henry jumped to his feet, saying, "Let free men be represented by numbers alone . . . there are no distinctions HERE . . . I am not a Virginian, I am an American."

The Congress put forth a set of resolutions similar to Massachusetts' "Suffolk Resolves," stating colonial rights to life, liberty and property, the rights to free assembly and exclusive power to determine taxation and internal policy. Thirteen acts of Parliament were declared illegal. Economic boycotts were to be brought against England, until such time of their repeal. All future imports from England were to cease!

During the winter months of 1774, tension ran high in Boston. More and more of King George's troops arrived. As cold weather also arrived, it became impractical for the troops to quarter on the Commons. General Thomas Gage, the British Commander, tried

to hire labor to build huts, but to no avail. Unemployment was high, the British wages good but few Bostonians responded with any spirit of cooperativeness.



Keeping up the troops' morale was difficult, so marches were made across the bay to "the interior." On one such march, American arms and powder were confiscated by the British at Cambridge and Charlestown; the reaction to these forays was the organization of the Committee of Safety.

John Hancock, a wealthy merchant and shipper, was selected to head the group. The Committee was given the power to call out the militia — of the entire colony if necessary — at any sign of

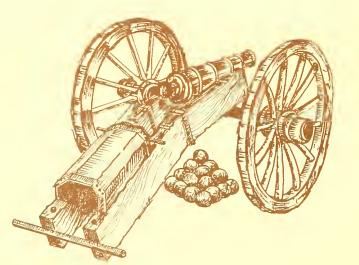
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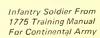


distress. Each unit of men had a few who were subject to instant call. They were designated "Minutemen." The Committee set about procuring arms and provisions for up to 15,000 militiamen, choosing Concord as a suitable depot because of its distance from the British troops in Boston.

The spring of 1775 brought British retaliation with new acts forbidding the colonies to trade anywhere except with England or the British West Indies. New England fishing boats were forbidden to fish the North Atlantic waters.

General Gage now faced the difficult task of enforcing these new acts of Parliament while at the same time trying to pacify the Massachusetts colony — an obviously impossible task. The concern of the Committee of Safety was soon





iberty and the pursuit of Happiness — That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted a



"Perhaps I do not go too far when I say that next to the introduction of Christianity among mankind, the American Revolution may prove the most important step in the progressive course of Human improvement."

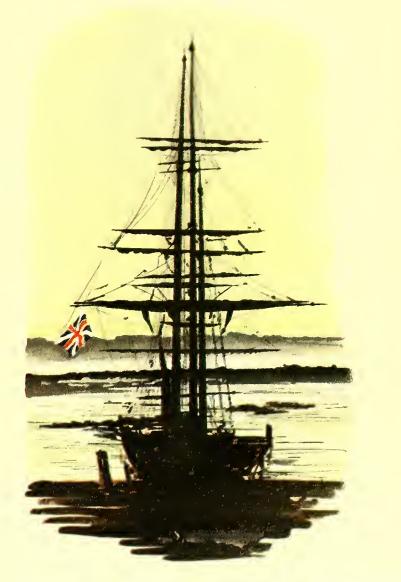
Richard Price 1770

aroused by the large troop movements being made outside Boston, and arrangements were made with patriots to warn the Committee if at any time more than 500 British troops left the city's garrison.

On the night of April 18, 1775, Paul Revere, was awakened and warned of British activities. While being rowed across Charles Harbor, Revere looked for and found his signal — two lanterns in the spire of Old North Church, the sign that the British were moving in force, by water.

Revere's main objective was to warn John Hancock and Sam Adams, who were staying in the Hancock-Clarke House in Lexington. After doing so he joined William Dawes and Samuel Prescott; soon they were ambushed by a British patrol and Revere was captured. He was later released without his horse. By that time, however, others had warned "every Middlesex village and farm."

General Gage's men were not in the best of moods: being aroused soon after going to bed, rowing across the Charles river, disembarking into knee deep water and standing for two hours in the cold night before marching off to Lexington-Concord had made them anxious, to say



Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed. — That whenever any form of



Old North Church

the least. All night long the sounds of bells ringing in the distance and men running through the woods kept them on edge. Arriving in the early morning on Lexington Green under the command of Captain John Pitcairn, the British troops faced two companies of Minutemen commanded by Captain John Parker,

The situation was not promising for the Americans, so Captain Parker ordered his troops to disband. Major Pitcairn, meanwhile, ordered his men to form a line but "on no account to fire or even attempt it without orders."

Who fired the first shot will never be known, but after the skirmish was over, 8 American patriots lay dead. The remaining militia scattered and the British marched on to Concord. The Minutemen waiting in the grey dawn along the road into Concord had just received the news of Lexington Green when they saw the approach of the scarlet-coated British troops. The Americans withdrew to a hill to watch the British move into Concord. Major Pitcairn ordered the troops to secure the town and search for hidden arms.

Three companies were sent to hold the North Bridge. From the hill the Americans saw smoke and presumed the town was being put to the torch. They marched on to North Bridge. This time there was no doubt who fired the first shot.

In defense of the bridge, the British fired a charge of volleys; the first American to be killed at Concord was Issac Davis. The fire was most accurately returned, and soon the British were routed. As they began falling back, fresh patriots were arriving from distant places to replace others who "ran out of powder and went home."

Considering the number of shots fired, the casualties were relatively few; only 72 soldiers were killed of the more than 2,000 men who had been fired upon.



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By mid-May these new troops formed the New England Army. In Boston General Gage waited patiently and passively for the hour of conflict.

It came on May 10, 1775, with an assault on old Fort Ticonderoga on Lake Champlain. Ethan Allen and his Green Mountain Boys, assisted by Benedict Arnold and some Connecticut troops, quickly overran the small British garrison; although the fort itself was situated on a "useless piece of land," within lay a vast array of artillery.

June 17, 1775, the first major encounter between British and American forces occurred above Charlestown, across the river from Boston. The Americans intended to entrench on Bunker Hill, but, in the dark, they mistakenly dug into Breed's Hill, a position closer to the water and therefore to the British gunboats. Later it was called "The Battle of Bunker Hill," even though little fighting took place there.

The events of April 19, 1775. ushered a new order into America. The cautious, the moderate, the conservative elements joined with the extreme and the liberal to form a common bond. They promised to defend each other with "their lives and their fortunes."

The War had begun!

Soon the colonies of North and South Carolina were raising money and troops to join the cause. The most immediate action, however, came from Massachusetts' northern neighbors: from Connecticut, Israel Putnam brought 3,000 men, including the Governor's own foot guards led by Benedict Arnold; Rhode Island sent troops commanded by handsome Nathaniel Green; New Hampshire sent the old Indian fighter Colonel John Stark with a force of "rugged men."

<mark>d to institute new Government, laying its foundation on such principles, and organizing its powe</mark>

"Yes, we must indeed all hang together or most assuredly we shall all hang separately."

Benjamin Franklin 1776



Poor planning also sent them with no provisions for food or extended ammunition. Early in the morning General Gage ordered the gunboats to lay seige to the Hill. After an all morning shelling, the city of Charlestown was ablaze, and even seasoned troops would have been justified in giving ground. The green American troops remained, however, forcing the British troops to cross the Charles River and begin a frontal assault. Three times the Americans repelled the attack; finally, having spent their ammunition, they retreated across the small neck of the Peninsula to the safety of the mainland. It had been a costly lesson for the British; of the 2,300 men in the assault, 1,054 were dead or wounded. Had the British chosen to cut off the retreat route, it would have been a costly blow to the American cause; however, governed as they were by the gentlemanly tradition of warfare they had known in countless wars with the French, the English chose instead to gallantly assault the entrenched Americans from the front. As a result, the British marched with honor to defeat. If victory was ever to be theirs, English generals would have to alter their tactics.

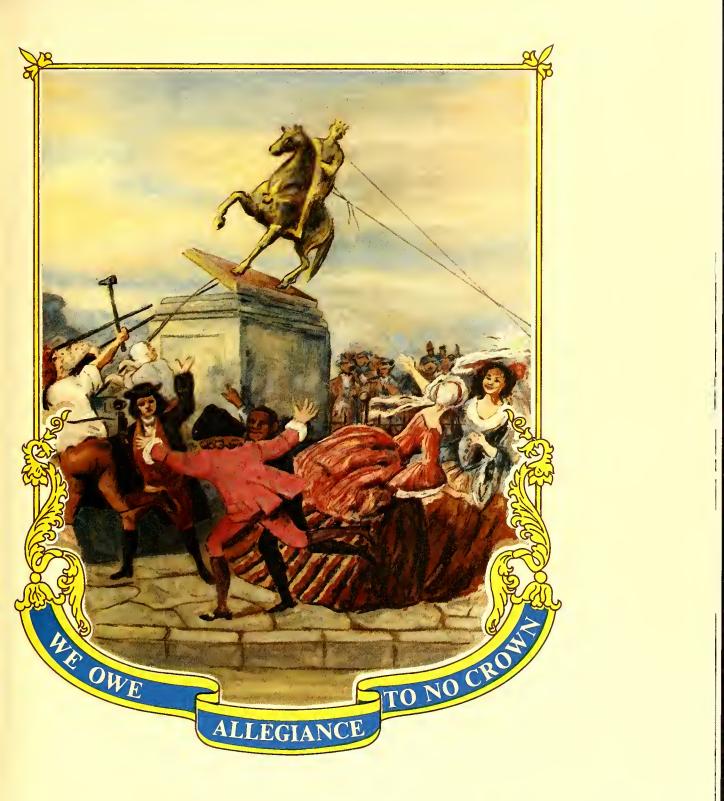
On the same day in Philadelphia the Second Continental Congress also made history, John Adams presented before the delegates his "Grand Plan" for a Continental Army, consisting of soldiers from every colony. He went on to nominate Colonel George Washington as its commanding general.

Discussion lasted two days before Thomas Jefferson, presiding that day as head of the Congress, was asked to inform George Washington, Esq. of "the unanimous vote . . . to be Commanding General and Commander-in-Chief of the forces to be raised in defense of American liberty."

Washington, concerned about his inexperience with such an "extensive and important trust," accepted the responsibility with humility and some reservation. "As no pecuniary consideration could have tempted me to have accepted this arduous employment . . .," he stated, "I do not wish to make a profit from it."

The Congress made one final effort in July, 1775, to settle the differences between the Crown and the colonies. The "Olive Branch" petition, as it was called, was signed by 25 of the same men who a year later would sign the Declaration of Independence. King George refused to see the bearer of this document, William Penn's grandson, Richard.

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General Washington worked through the fall of '75, reviewing his military assets and liabilities. He visited the various commanders and built confidence in his "chain of command." Recruiting was difficult because many had enlisted for only eight months and would have to be talked into re-enlisting. The only arms they had were their personal rifles. The present extent of Washington's artillery was that captured from the British at Ticonderoga, 300 wilderness miles away from Boston where it was needed.

During the December 31st attack on the citadel city of Quebec, a devastating defeat was suffered by the American armies in the north and many fine troops were wasted in the deadly cold and snow. General Richard Montgomery was killed and Colonel Benedict Arnold was wounded.

It was a demoralized force that retreated back through the ice and snow down the St. Lawrence to old Fort Ticonderoga that January, and only through the courage displayed by Arnold were they able to persevere. Later that spring the British sent a flotilla with additional men into Canada.

In Boston, General Howe quietly replaced General Gage as British Commander.

While Boston lay blockaded to the East, and the Northern armies of Benedict Arnold licked their wounds and tried to regroup after defeat, the Continental Congress debated what the next course of action should be for the colonies in their relationship with England.

Conservatives were afraid that any further talk of Independence would "mean suicide" for the colonies. They argued that it had been the English Parliament and not the King that had injured them. About this time, the Englishman Thomas Paine, newcomer to the colonies and friend of Ben Franklin, issued a pamphlet entitled "Common Sense." Here for the first time the thoughts John Adams had voiced were articulated in every day language for everyone to read. An attack on the very institution of Royalty, "Common Sense" helped promote the idea of independence as a concept to be sought by all people.

Early in the spring of 1776, King George's message to Parliament reached the colonies. The few remaining conservative elements in Congress who believed a reconciliation was possible were most disturbed. The colonies' protest for rights was labeled a "desperate conspiracy to establish an independent empire."

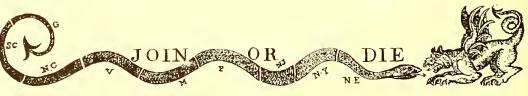
England hired mercenaries from central Germany to fight in the colonies under the British flag.

The only good news that spring was that Henry Knox, with a group of teamsters and oxen, had delivered 59 excellent field pieces of every description and size to Boston after weeks of journey through treacherous snow from Fort Ticonderoga.

After one surprise bombardment, the British evacuated their troops from Boston. The Americans' joy was overshadowed by the realization that the British would return — perhaps landing.

Accepting resolutions from the delegates of the thirteen colonies, Congress appointed a committee to draft a response to the Crown, against such time as a vote for independence should take place.

Forming the committee were John Adams, cousin of the militant Sam Adams; Benjamin Franklin, the learned doctor, printer, statesman and writer;



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Thomas Jefferson, the thirty-three year old lawyer from Virginia who brought with him a reputation for literature, science, and a happy talent for composition; Roger Sherman from Connecticut; and Robert R. Livingston of New York. The actual task of drafting the paper fell to Jefferson, who protested that he already had pressing business in Williamsburg — that of drafting a workable constitution for Virginia. The protestations were waved aside, and he was left alone to choose the words that would create a new republic. Occasionally during those "days before July," Franklin or another colleague would visit to offer a minor change. On or about the 28th of June, Jefferson copied his "rough draft," on which all later major changes were noted. The copy was presented to Congress the "First day of July," 1776.

The Declaration was read and opened for debate. John Dickenson of Pennsylvania strongly objected to the document: "I had rather forfeit popularity forever, than vote away the blood and happiness of my countryman... it is like destroying our house in winter... before we have another

shelter." Thus argued the man who would later defend America as a private in the Continental Army. John Adams spoke later in the day, as lightning crashed and driving rain pounded the Philadelphia State House. Nature herself, it seemed, suffered the selfsame pangs as those locked in heated debate within. The following day, as more delegates arrived, the vote for independence was taken and approved. Now it remained to vote for the Declaration itself, which would explain to the world why the fight for independence was necessary. "Tyranny, like Hell, is not easily conquered: yet we have this consolation with us, that the harder the conflict the more glorious the triumph."

Thomas Paine 1776

On this anniversary day, two hundred years ago, July 4, 1776, a bellman was waiting in the steeple of the red brick State House for a signal from a boy stationed at the door below. On the bell was an inscription from Leviticus: "Proclaim liberty throughout all the land unto all the inhabitants thereof". Early in the evening, the boy clapped his hands and shouted, "Ring! Ring!"

It was a jubilant sound signaling the colonies' proclamation of freedom, yet doleful in its warning of the dangers which lay ahead. A new nation would now have to earn its declared freedom. To do so its citizens pledged their

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1976 GRADUATION

Dr. Paul M. Edris, Moderator, 115 General Assembly, Presbyterian Church, U. S., and the Honorable Rufus L. Edmisten, Attorney General, State of North Carolina, addressed the Fortysixth Graduating Class of Lees-McRae College and a capacity audience in John Williams Physical Education Center.

One of the largest graduating classes in the history of Lees-McRae College heard baccalaureate speaker Dr. Paul Edris state, "Our world is a confused and confusing world. So, how are we going to take life as it is, our bodies, our minds, our spirits, and offer them to God in service? In all this confusion how are we going to know how to go about it? The Apostle Paul says, don't do it. Do not be conformed to the world. There is too much confusion. If you are perfectly conformed you aren't getting anywhere. But, be transformed – made over. How are you going to be transformed? By the renewal of your mind!

"People who are Christians ought to think. A past president of Florida Presbyterian said 5% of all the people in the world think; 10% of the people think they think; and the other 85% would rather die than think. That's what education is all about – the renewal of your mind, learning how to use a God given gift, the human intellect, which is perhaps the most striking of all the gifts of God. How do you use it properly? Be transformed by the renewal of your mind – that is the educational process, so that you



may understand what is the will of God. It is better to fail in a cause that will ultimately succeed than to succeed in a cause that will ultimately fail.

"In the process of finding God's will He expects us to use our minds. Paul says to start out by first not thinking more highly of yourself than you ought to think. Think with sober judgment. Consider other people. If there is one characteristic that stands out as Christian morality and Christian ethic it is to be concerned and considerate of other people. We live in a world with other people in it. We cannot make our decisions in a vacuum for ourselves alone. We are one in Christ. The whole thing can be summed up in Paul's words — let love be genuine, serve the Lord, practice hospitality, think of others."

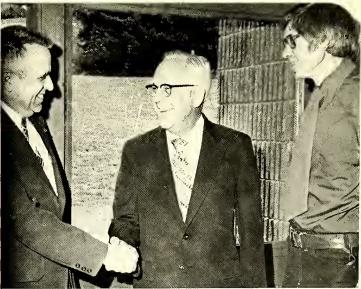


Dr. H. C. Evans congratulates Class of 1976.



At left, Vice President for Business Affairs Roy Krege chats with Attorney General Rufus Edmisten.

Below, Dr. Evans with baccalaureate speaker Dr. Paul Edris and Chairman of the Religion Department, John Wilson, principles in the baccalaureate service.



Dr. Edris recognized the achievements of the graduates and said, "Getting an education is never really easy. Looking back over the history of this college and its service to people, it is an honorable history, a good history. This year we are celebrating 200 years as a nation and it is an honorable history at many points. We have made mistakes but we have been the recipients of great traditions and so we look back with pride. But, there is only one way to look — forward — in a spirit of rededication to the good things our country stands for.

"Alfred Lord Tennyson tells us that the motto of the Knights of the Round Table under King Arthur was: Live pure, speak



truth, right wrong (and there is so much wrong in this world), follow the King (I am not talking about King Arthur, but the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords, Jesus Christ – follow Him and I promise you your life will be significant), otherwise, why were you born?"





The flamboyant Attorney General opened his remarks, "I am probably going to be the most popular graduation speaker you have ever heard because I am going to do two things. Senator Sam Ervin once told me, whatever you do, do not trespass on time, and for God's sake, don't encroach on eternity. I promise to do neither of those. I also have been taught to stand up, speak up and shut up.

"I think what you have been embarking on is an experience in making yourself a better person and how you can improve the quality of life around you. Education separates those in society from those we call animals from human beings. If you have learned nothing else in your experience at Lees-McRae it should be this: that every human being on this earth is important and they have a right to live and have your respect. Education is the first step towards respecting the rights of others.

"Youth is a process of wearing many faces – situations change every day and you should change with those situations. You should never lose the ability – this is most important – of maintaining a spirit of youth.

"You have been privileged to go to Lees-McRae College; therefore, you are obligated. You are obligated to give something of yourself to your fellowman every waking moment of your life because you have had the best that America can offer and, believe me, there is no nation on earth that can offer the best that America offers. Privilege obligates.









"If I were to give you one credo to live by, it would be this, from the Book of Michael... what doth the Lord require of thee but to do justly and to love mercy and to walk humbly with thy God. This is a good thing on which to base your life.

"I am reminded of the man who asked another fellow which was worse, ignorance or apathy. The fellow replied, 'I don't know and I don't care.' You cannot have respect for yourself until you have humility. I have told you what Lees-McRae says – 'the college that cares.' A professor of mine used to tell us that everything makes a difference. Remember that you have been taught to care and that everything does make a difference."

President H. C. Evans, Jr., and Vice President for Academic Affairs James A Stonesifer conferred one hundred thirty-two Associate in Arts and Associate in Science degrees upon graduates at the Forty-sixth Commencement-Convocation of Lees-McRae College.







Valedictorian Charisse Pitts



The last hurrah





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Each year the Ontaroga staff tries its best to produce an annual in which students can remember friends and experiences. Countless hours have been spent to bring each person memories of this 1975-76 school year. It is through the dedication and cooperation of students and faculty that this year's Ontaroga is the best ever produced.

I would like to thank Kathy Hockett, Kathy Martin and Doug Anderson, for with their endless support and help, this book has become a standard. This year's Ontaroga budget was cut 10%, but our business manager, Bill Miller, overcame this handicap and set a new ad sales record. A grateful thanks goes to Dr. Ledford for his color photographs and to Logan Howell for his time and photography.

I will be forever indebted to the personal dedication of Don Baker and to Joyce Baker and Rosanne Penley, who have sacrificed enormous time to help in layouts and typing for the sake of giving us, the students, this book. This undertaking, the Bicentennial Issue loaded with color and a new approach, was a tumultuous task to say the least, and without the advisor, Mr. Baker, it could not have become a reality.

One person may be called editor, but it is through all the people helping that a yearbook is formed. Thus, these people are the credits to this Ontaroga, and I hope each of you enjoys our perseverance.

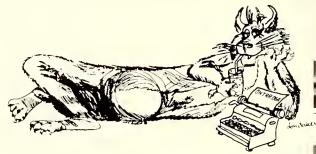
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"EXCELLENTIA EST PRAEMIUM LABORIS"

ONTAROGA STAFF

It is almost impossible to even attempt to complete a yearbook that presents an accurate account of the events of 1975-76. We have spent long hours producing this yearbook and it is our sincere wish that through the wonder of pictures and the miracle of print that we can record for you a reminder



Bill Rogers Editor

of your stay at Lees-McRae. In its 45th year the Ontaroga, believing "excellence is the fruit of labor", produces its "best." The 1976 edition is the largest in the 76-year history of Lees-McRae College. We hope that this volume will mean more than its number of pages.

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IN MEMORIAM



Rev. Ferguson Wood, one of Upper East Tennessee's best known ministers, died at Johnson City Memorial Hospital April 7, 1976, after suffering a heart attack earlier in the evening. The pastor of First Presbyterian Church, Rev. Wood, 66, had been in Johnson City since 1946.

Rev. Wood, known fondly as "Fergey" to his many friends, had been ill for several days and suffered the attack while at his home.

Not only had Rev. Wood built First Presbyterian into its status as one of the largest churches of the city, he had also been extremely active in the civic and community affairs of Johnson City and the area since his arrival 30 years ago. His activities are far-reaching. He was considered one of the founders of the Johnson City Preaching Mission and served as its chairman for four years.

In 1968 he was chosen as "Citizen of the Year" by the Nativic Civitan Club. His own civic organization was the Johnson City Kiwanis Club; he was a former president of that organization.

Rev. Wood had served as moderator of the Synod of Appalachia and chairman of the Synod's Council in the Presbyterian Church. For 19 years, he served on the Board of Trustees of the Edgar Tufts Memorial Association, which operated Lees-McRae College, the Charles A. Cannon, Jr, Memorial Hospital and Grandfather Home for Children, all in Banner Elk. He served as chairman of the board for several years.

He had also been a member of the Board of Trustees of King College, Bristol, and he spent 12 years on the board of Montreat-Anderson College, Montreat, N. C.

Rev. Wood was a former president of the Washington County-Johnson City Ministerial Association. He was named several years ago as a Tower Room Scholar by Union Theological Seminary, Richmond, Va., from which he graduated in 1934.

His other activities were many — president of the Community Chest for three years and of the United Fund for two; a member of the Johnson City Heart Association board; president of the Johnson City Executives Club; active in the Boy Scouts; a member of the executive committee of Oakland Park Home; and a delegate to the National Council of Churches on many occasions.

His congregation honored him and his wife Mary in 1968 when the new chapel at First Presbyterian was dedicated and named the Wood Chapel. Samuel Knox Mortimer, Jr., prominent Newland (N. C.) businessman, died unexpectedly Thursday, February 5, 1976, in a Banner Elk hospital. He was 58.

He was a graduate of Crossnore High School, received his B.A. degree from King College in Bristol, Tennessee and his graduate work leading to an M.A. degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and Appalachian State University in Boone. He taught at Newland High School for three years and was principal there for six year.

Mr. Mortimer joined Security Life and Trust Company in Winston-Salem as a representative in 1943 and established his own insurance agency later that year. He later added real estate to the company and in 1949 bought Anthony Lake Nursery from H. C. Marmon.

He was a trustee of Lees-McRae College, chairman of the Avery Development Corporation in Newland, trustee and chairman of finance of Garrett Memorial Hospital in Crossnore, president of Old Smokey Trust in Newland and member of Linville Masonic Lodge No. 498. He was past District Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of North Carolina. He was also director, charter member, past president and past zone chairman of the Avery County Lions Club and Chairman of Advisory Board, Avery Branch, Watauga Savings and Loan Association.





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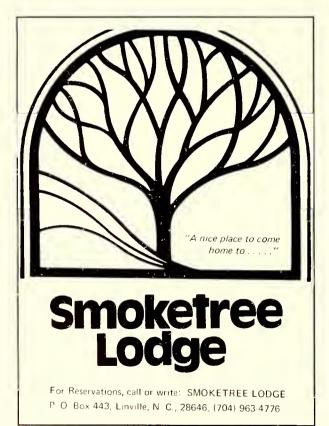


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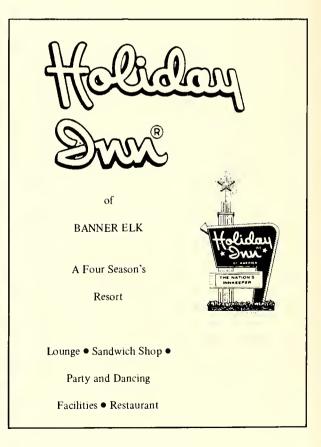
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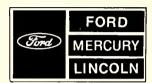
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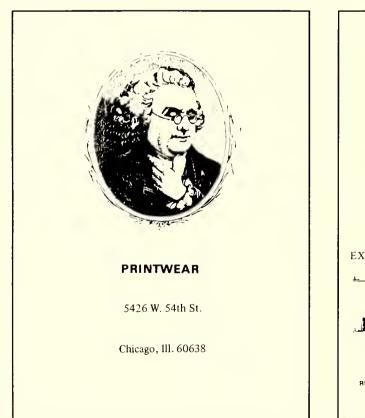
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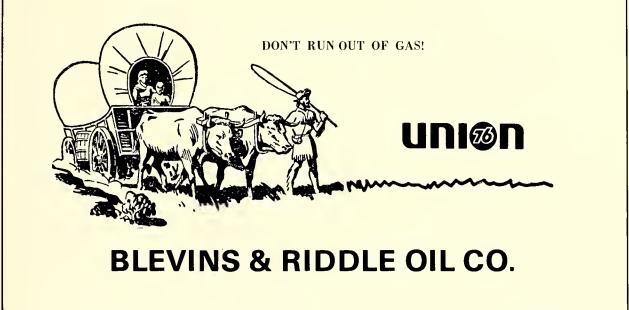
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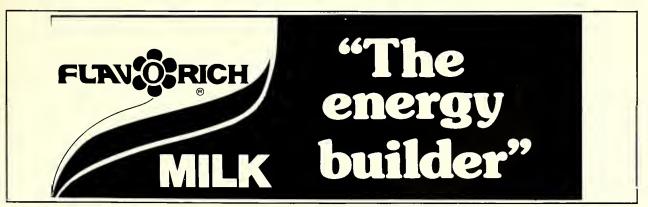
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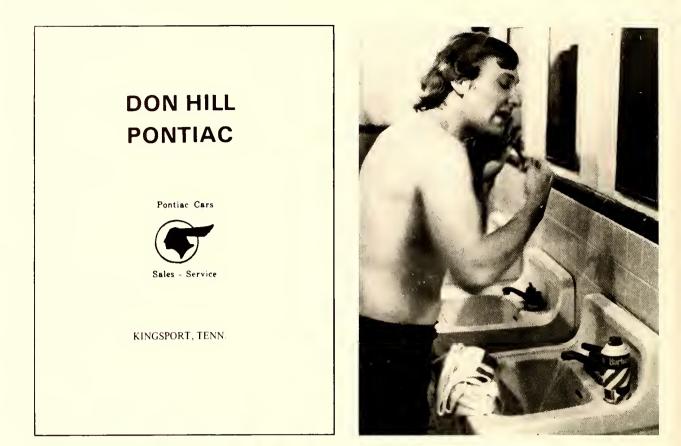
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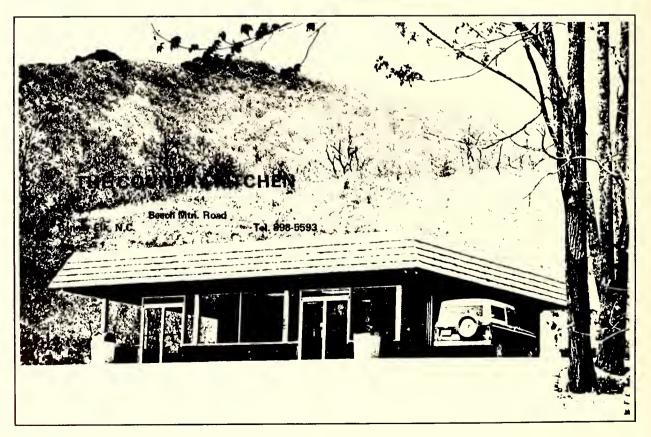
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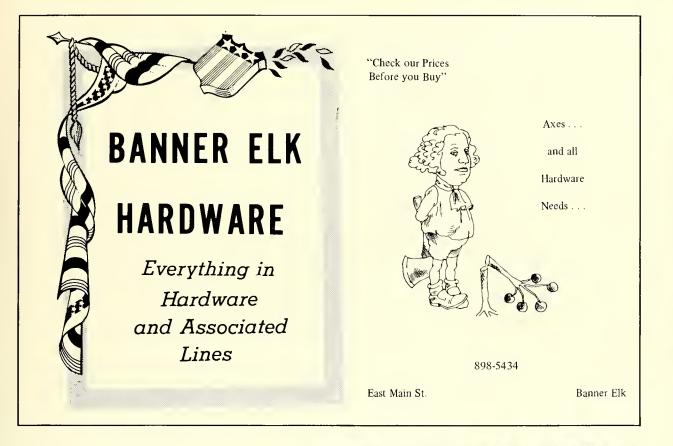


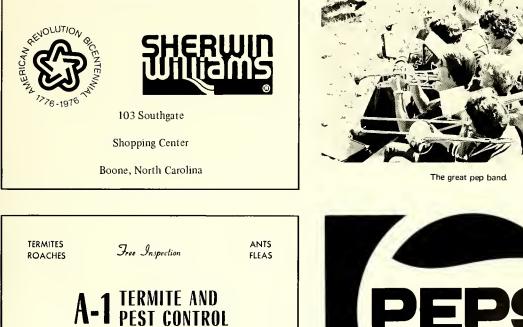












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The panel chosen to "turn the spit" was well prepared with barbed tongues and blatant insults – but they were aware, after having been heard, that Baker would retaliate. As Administrator Jim Stonesifer put it, "The blood will roll, Baker always strikes back."

On the insult panel besides Stonesifer were: Brian Sloan, Rosario (Charo) Lopez, Mimi Senter, Dean of Women, O'dell Smith, Dean of Students, Eddie Thomas, Grace Woody, Roy Krege, Vice President for Business Affairs, and Mrs. Don Baker, Dr. H.C. Evans, president of the college, sat on the sidelines convulsed with mirth.

The action began immediately after dinner was served and cigars similar to those Baker smokes were passed out to members of the panel. Hanging directly behind Don Baker's seat was a huge caricature of Baker and a banner reading, "The Roasting of Donald Baker."

Stonesifer was right; though Don was insulted most thoroughly, he had the last say, determined to draw blood, and draw blood he did.

It was hard to tell who enjoyed the dinner more — Baker, students or faculty. Don Baker's closing remarks made a lot of sense: "Oscar Wilde said there was something worse than being talked about, and that is not being talked about."

It was apparent Don Baker is held in high esteem by the faculty and student body — the amount of good natured insults proved it — as did the standing ovation at the end. — by Bertie Cantrell, Avery Journal





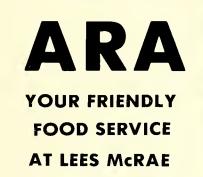


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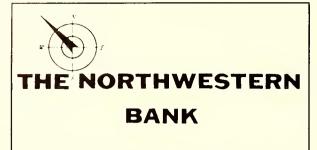
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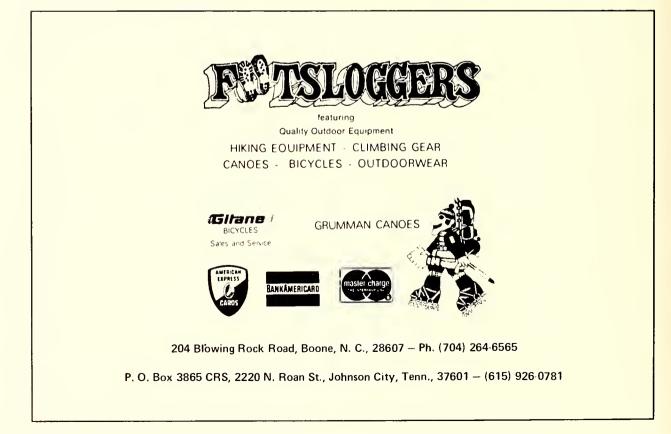
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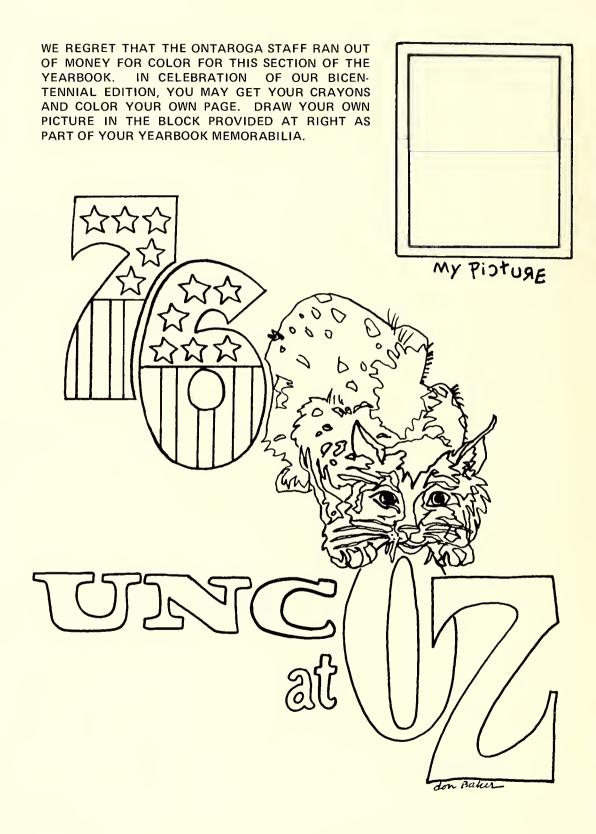


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