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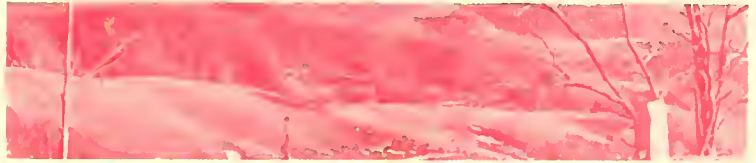
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"Ontaroga" to the ancient Indian it meant: "A place of rocks and hills."





Life at LMC . . .

At Lees-McRae College we've got the classroom and the textbooks and the faculty and the students to prove that education is our most important product. Clockwise: Annie Freeman discovers the headset works. After two years at the lost mountain college — what next? The country club at "C" Hill or Cow College. Instructor Keck makes a point. Will the real Chef-Boy-Ar-Dee please stand up: Louis Haith or Benjy Pekarne. James Jones trying to find out what yesterday's assignment was all about.





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**LEES-McRAE COLLEGE
LMC PARKING SUMMONS**

Vehicle make '42 De Soto
 Color Rusted /
 Tag No. R-U-1-2 State N.C.
 LMC Registration No. none Semester Yr.
 Location of violation president's parking lot

Violations

- Failure to display LMC sticker (\$25.00)
 - Parking violation (\$5.00)
 - Speeding on campus (\$10.00)
 - Other (indicate nature false name and fine —)
- Violation noted on Date 1977 time 12 P.M.
* registered to a "wild Bobcat"

PLEASE READ

Fine must be paid within one week. Failure to do so will result in the fine doubling in cost. Repeated violations will result in suspension.

Signature of Security Officer The Shadow knows



Life at LMC

... At left, Rick Hollowell grabs a bite to eat before action starts at Homecoming. Commuters Robbins and McKinney do their own cramming. Baker kisses trophy goodbye. Editor of the Ontaroga burns the midnight oil. May Queen Karen Waggoner gets the roses. Bottom left: Linda Pugh applauds. The famous parking ticket. It's not all that funny, Harris. Above: Champion skiers Sherry Perry and Sallie Knight not only ski for the recreation and competition but because it's cheaper than registering your car.





Life at LMC . . .

It's not all classes, labs and lectures as demonstrated below by Kirk Graham, but there's other forms of recreation such as demonstrated at left with Lewis Hall practicing his aim with his "Bull-O-th'-Woods", Louis Haith, Becky Sheppard, Karen Waggoner practicing their dance, an elite group practicing being themselves at the 50's Dance. Sullivan, Lopez and Gidney practicing the masculine art of Tug-O-War and Bill Agle, Annie Freeman and Keith White getting in some much-needed practice.





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Lees-McRae has everything to offer — the most beautiful setting in the world for a college campus, one of the last bastions of junior college football, varied seasons. After autumn and football, winter ushers in skiing and spring welcomes golf, tennis, softball and other outdoor sports. Aside from Lees-McRae's excellent academic reputation, why wouldn't you choose a resort area in which to attend college?



what if college
had taught me
to think for
myself



what would i think
about?









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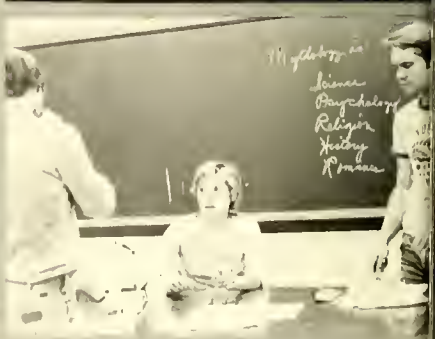
Snow spirit. Familiar scenes. Familiar to any alumnus that ever attended Laas-McRaa. Fall, with long registration lines, pep rallies, football, laughter in the dorms, crowds in the Student Center, classes, labs, collage programs, rainy, dreary days of October gives way to the white, fluffy stuff that blankets Banner Elk. Snow. Snow ushers in the real spirit of LMC. Snow is not a new facet in the life of this year's student body. Snow has belonged to each class that matriculated "The Campus in the Clouds." The physical plant at Laas-McRaa has changed but not the unique spirit and life style at your alma mater.





Life at LMC . . .

We've complained about the food, classes, instructors, and parking tickets. We often said "there's nothing to do." But we found out there was excitement on the Elk and that there was some great teachers and individuals who cared, and the food was better than most places, and that parking tickets can be resolved. And, when it came time to leave, to graduate, we realized that this was "home," and we just might "miss it."







Principals in the Board of Trustees: O'Dell Smith, Dr. H. C. Evans, Jr., Dr. John C. Wilson.



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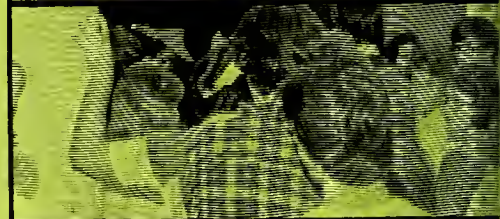
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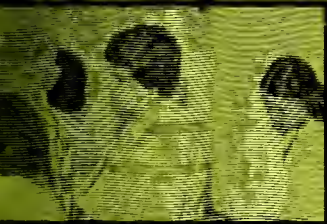
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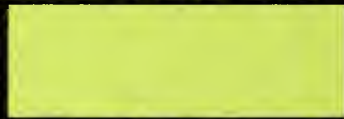
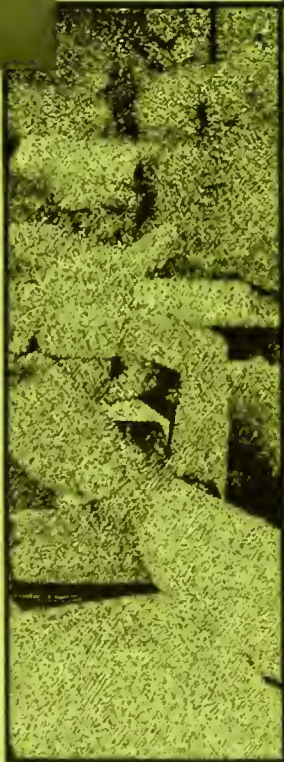


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The freshmen wandered around lost for several days but soon found out what life at Lees-McRae was all about. They didn't find many projects because most causes were taken by the SGA or other clubs or organizations on campus. They elected as their officers: Benjy Pekarne, President, Erle Craven, Vice President, Emily Wiley, Secretary, and Andrea Dunn, Treasurer. Sixty-five of their class made the Dean's List the first semester. Many contributed to the athletic teams and to various clubs and organizations. And, soon, when spring sprung, the freshmen realized they were a viable force and would be known as the Class of '78. It was the second largest Freshman Class in the history of the school. One of the big projects of the class was selling bumper stickers which read: "I'd rather be at the Elk."

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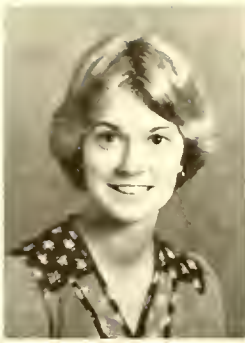
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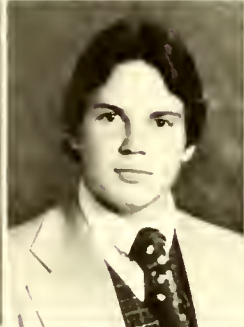


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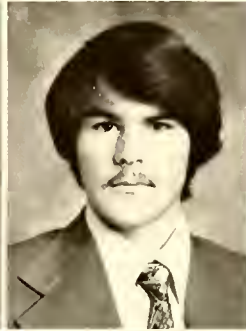


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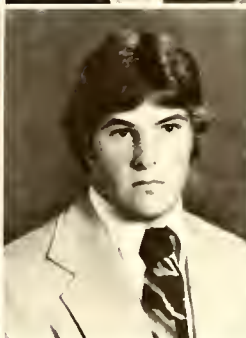
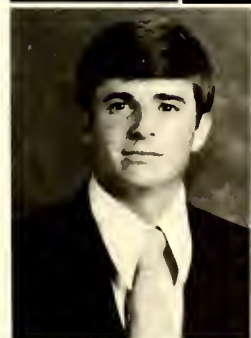


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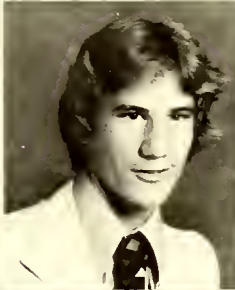
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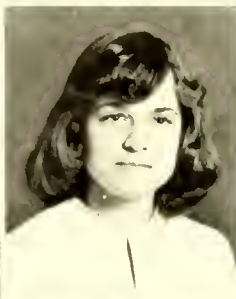


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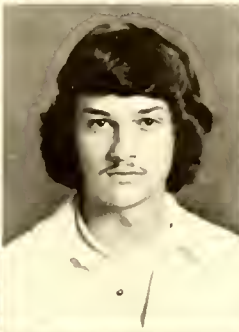


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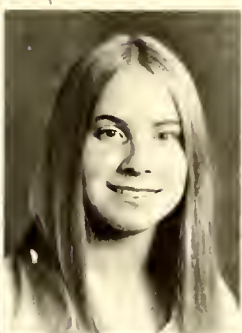


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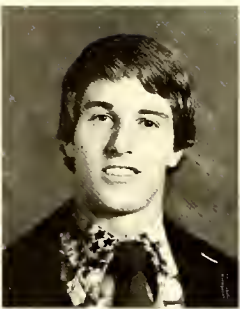
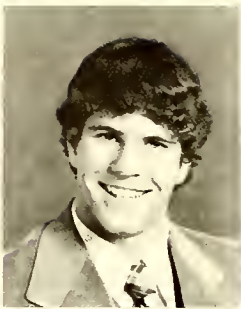
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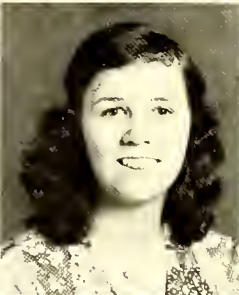


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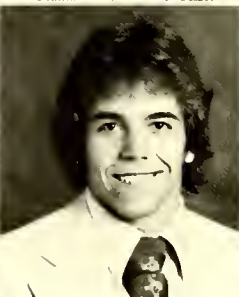
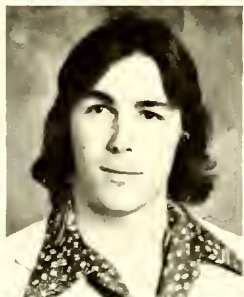


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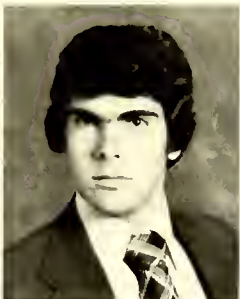
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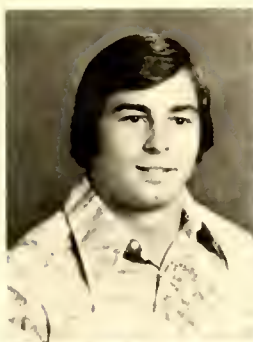


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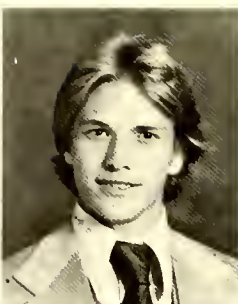
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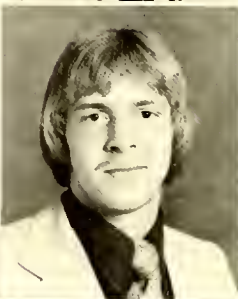
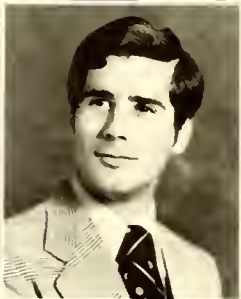


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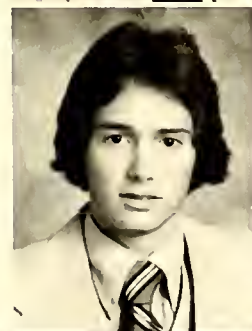
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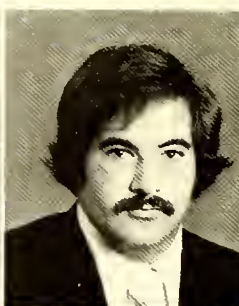
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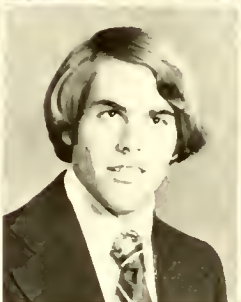
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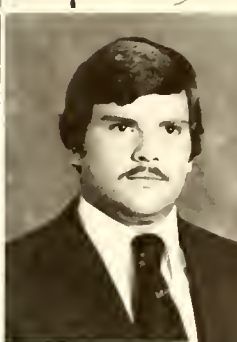


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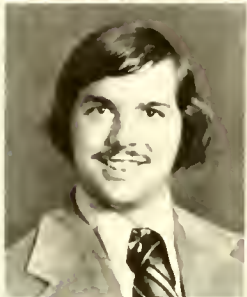


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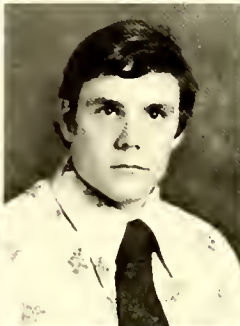


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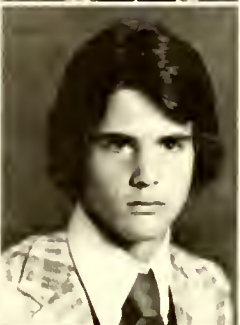


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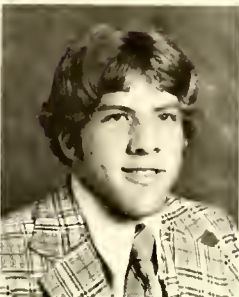
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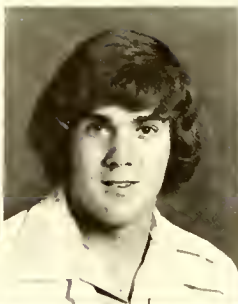


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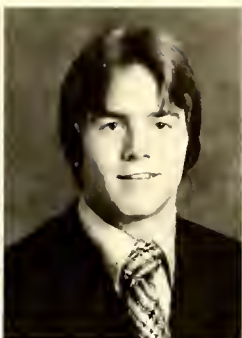


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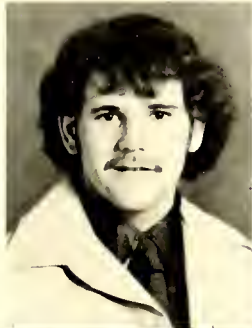


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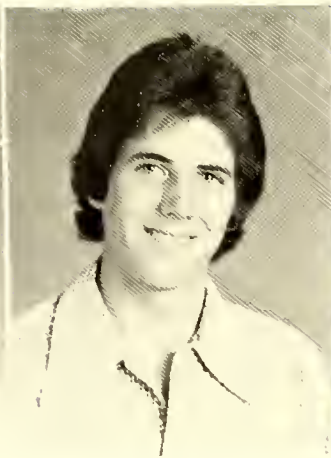
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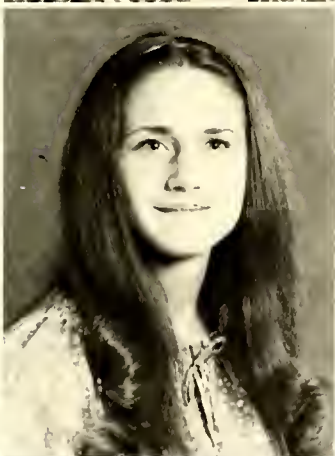
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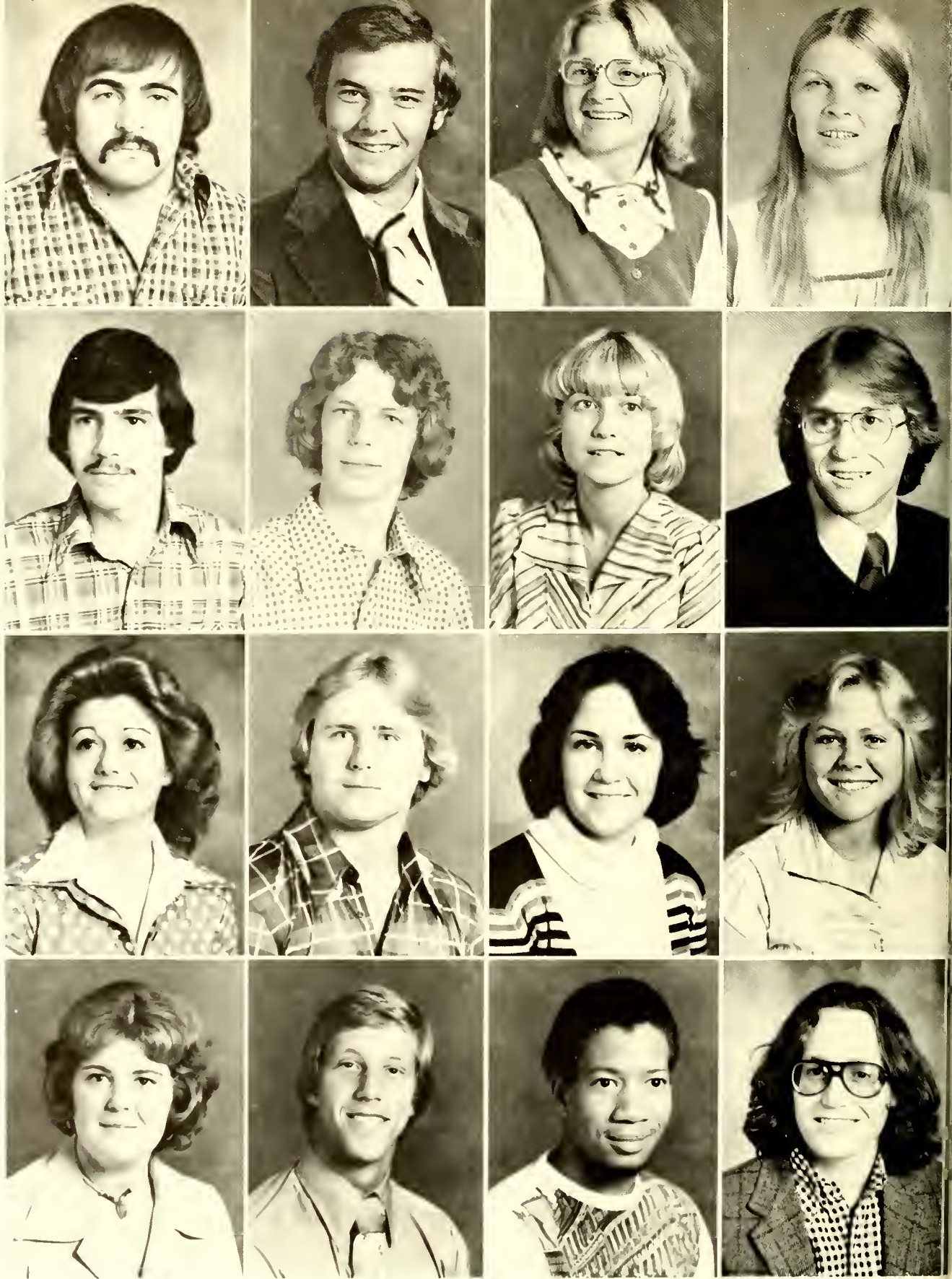


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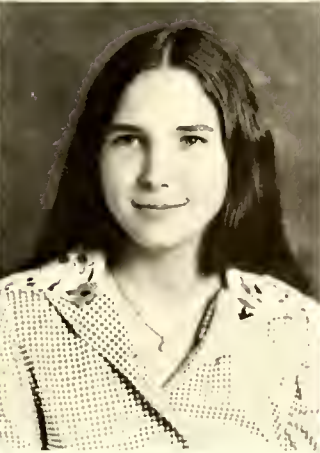


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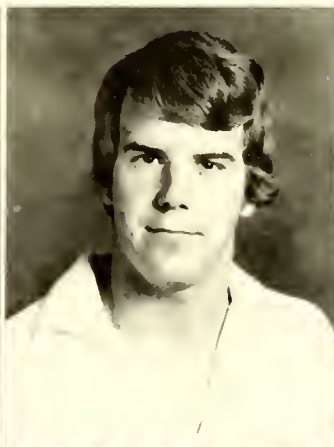


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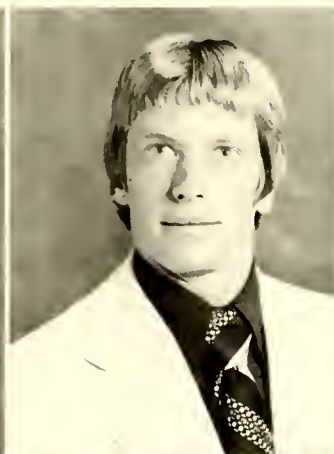
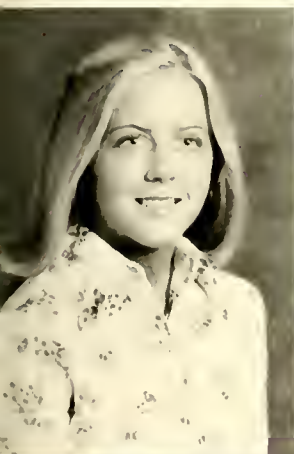


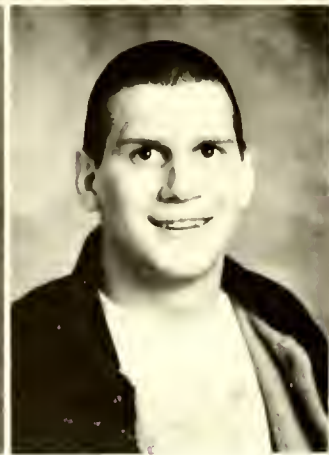
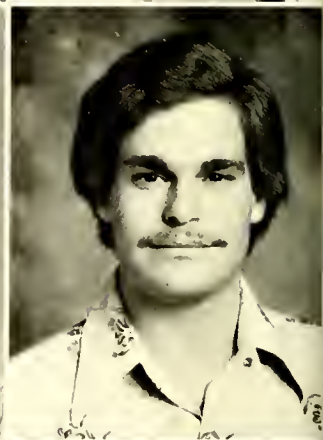
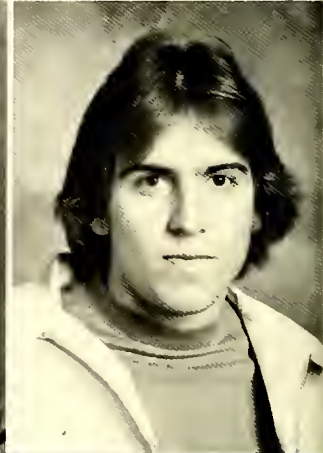
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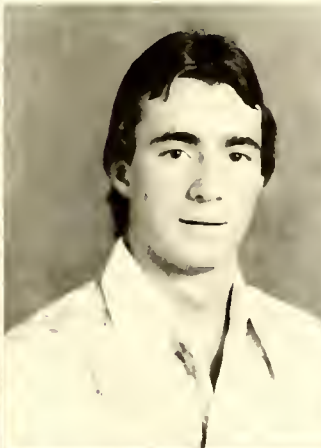
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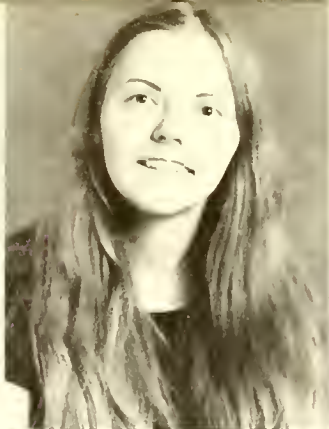
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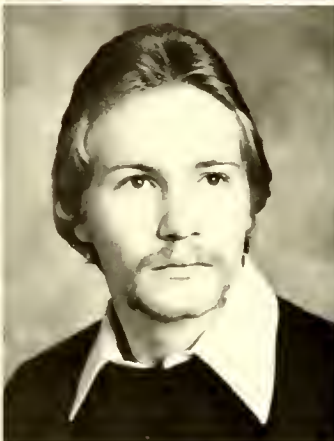
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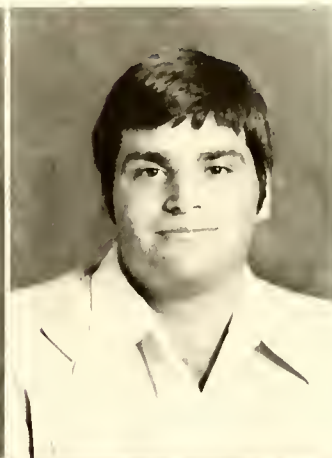


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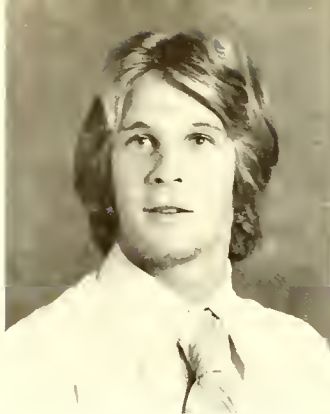
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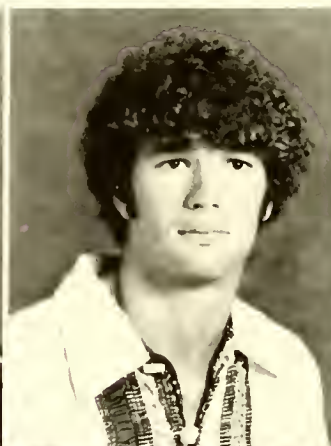
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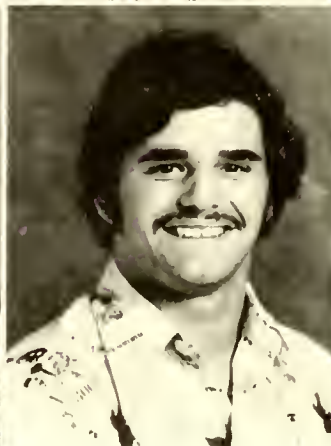


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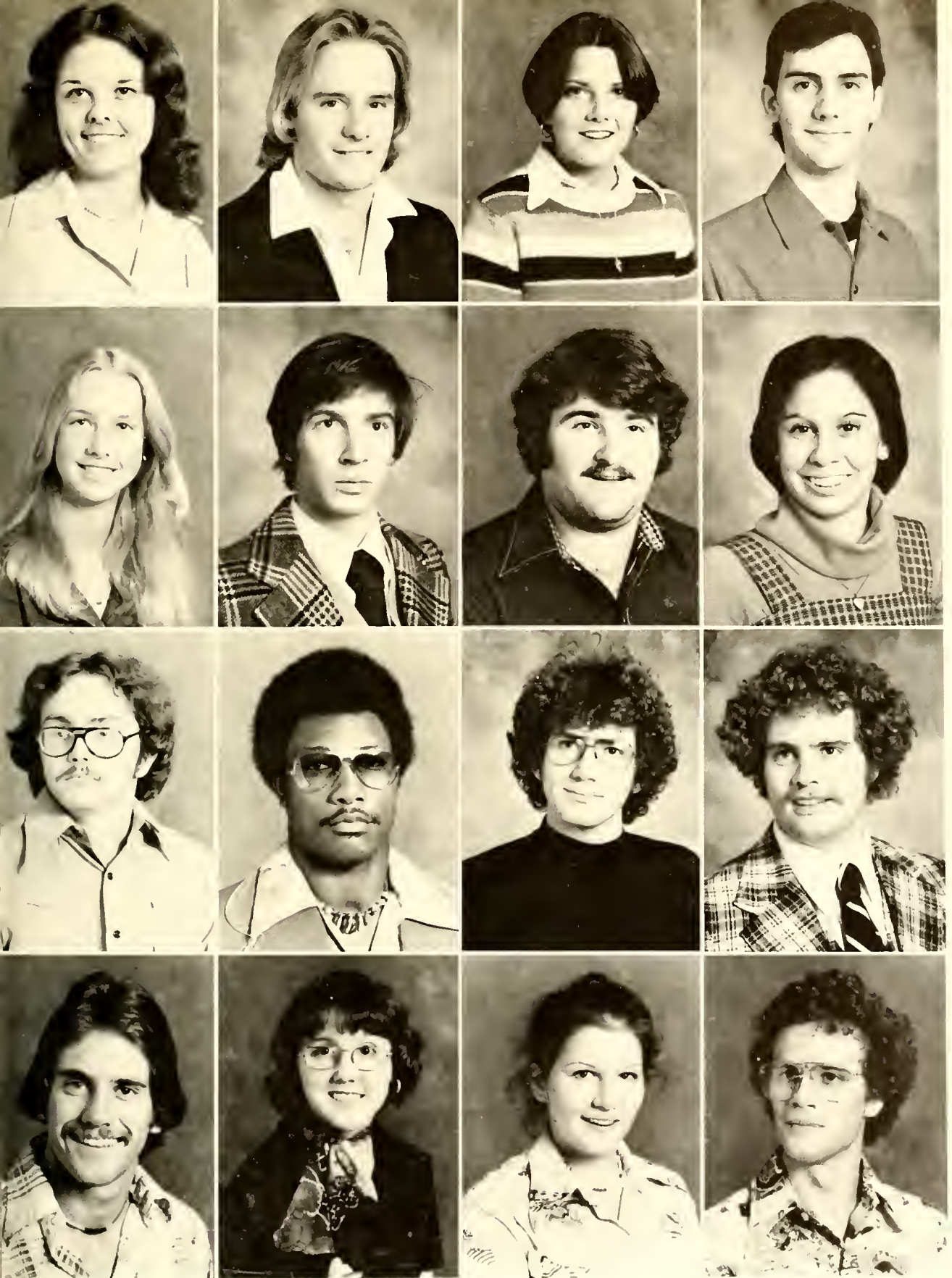


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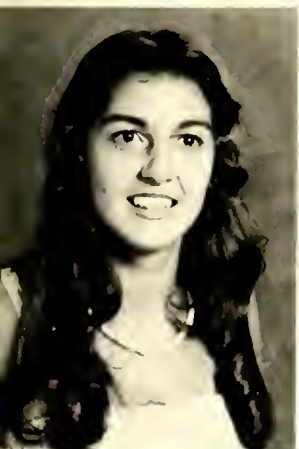


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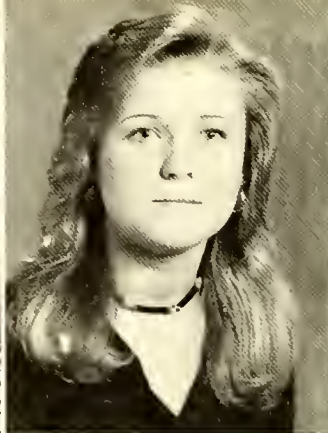




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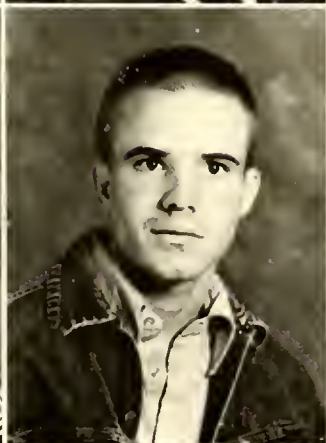
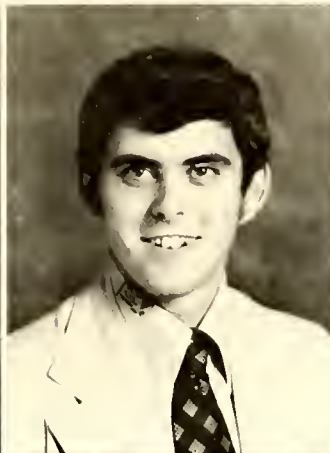


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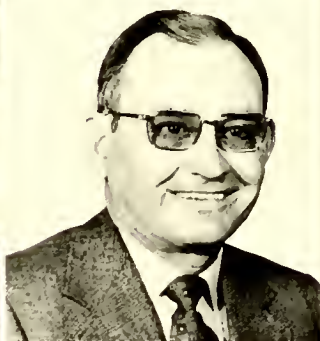


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Chairman of the Board of Trustees Dr. Pitser Lyons, and outgoing Chairman of the Board of Advisors Dr. Lewson Tele, review agenda with new Advisors Chairman George Campbell, and Dr. H. C. Evans. At right, Advisors and Trustees were divided into small groups for discussion at annual meeting. The auditorium in the James H. Carson Library was named in honor of Advisor, Mrs. Virginia Abrams. Principals in this dedication included Dr. Evans, John A. Richmond, relative of Mrs. Abrams, David Hale, Pastor, Rogersville Presbyterian Church, and Dr. Thomas C. Rhee, former president of the Edgar Tutts Memorial Association and longtime trustee of Lees-McRae.



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**DR. H.C. EVANS, JR.
PRESIDENT,
LEES-McRAE COLLEGE**

B.A., Carson-Newman College
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Ed.D., University of Tennessee
Additional study, University of Colorado,
Lafayette College.

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."







James A. Stonesifer, Vice President for Academic Affairs, AB Bridgewater College, MA UNC-Chapel Hill



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Cole Proctor, Director of Athletics, B.A., M.A., Morehead State University



Darlene Owens, Secretary to President



Donese Presswood, Assistant Librarian



Louise Jackson, Library Assistant

ACADEMIC AFFAIRS

JAMES STONESIFER, former Chairman of the Biology Department, has served five years as Vice President for Academic Affairs, and through his sponsorship of Phi Theta Kappa has brought national recognition to the Beta Tau Chapter. Administrators serving under the Academic Affairs office, aside from the faculty, are: MILLIE WISEMAN, a 19-year employee of the college who was named Registrar in 1965. She received an honorary associate degree from Lees-McRae in 1976. RICHARD JACKSON, Librarian, came to Lees-McRae from Pfeiffer College in 1962. COLE PROCTOR, in his first year as Athletic Director and Head Football Coach, previously served on the athletic staff in 1968-69. DARLENE OWENS has served as Secretary to the President since 1973. DONESE PRESSWOOD has served as Assistant Librarian since 1972. LOUISE JACKSON has been a member of the library staff since 1964.



Grace Woody, Secretary Student Services



Marilyn Welch, Sec., Admissions



Frances Klepper, Housemother



Lois Lindsey, Housemother



Marti Proctor
Secretary to President



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



Walter Woodward, Dean of Men; A.A., Lees-McRae College; B.S., Univ. of Rhode Island



William B. Watterson, Director of Admissions, A.A., Gardner-Webb College; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State Univ.; Graduate study, Harvard



Carol Ringley, Admissions Counselor, A.B., King College; Graduate study, ASU



E. O'Dell Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs; B.A., Emory & Henry College, M.Div., Union Theological Seminary

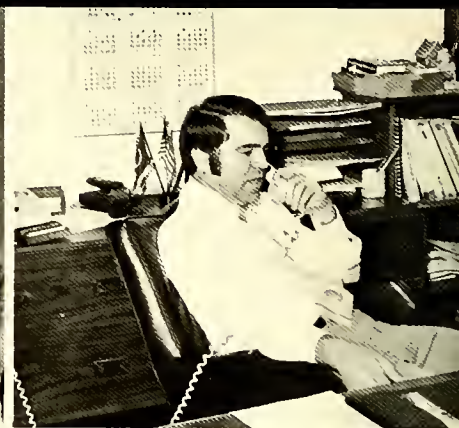


STUDENT AFFAIRS

O'DELL SMITH was selected for the post of Vice President for Student Affairs in the fall of 1968. Through his tireless efforts the department has shown vast improvements over his 9-year tenure. Prior to coming to Lees-McRae, Smith was pastor of the First Presbyterian Church in Jefferson City, Tennessee. Serving under Student Services are the Dean of Men, Dean of Women, and the Admissions Office. AMELIA SENTER, Dean of Women since 1968, also serves as a sponsor for the Order of the Tower and assists in the Business Office. WALTER "PETE" WOODWARD, an LMC alumnus, returned to his alma mater this year to serve as Dean of Men. BILL WATTERSON has served as Director of Admissions since 1974. CAROL RINGLEY, Admissions Counselor, came to Lees-McRae in 1974. MARTI PROCTOR joined the staff this year serving as secretary in the President's Office. GRACE WOODY, secretary for Student Services, has served the college for six years and is a graduate of Lees-McRae. MARILYN WELCH joined the staff in 1969 serving in the Admissions Office. FRANCES KLEPPER is the housemother of Tate Dormitory and joined the staff in 1970. LOIS LINDSEY has been housemother of Virginia Dormitory since 1969.



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Newman College, M.A., Tennessee
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Campus Security



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Campus Security



Danny McKinney
Assistant Manager
Exchange Store



Mary Hodges
Secretary
Maintenance

BUSINESS AFFAIRS

ROY KREGGE served the post of Vice President for Business Affairs in an interim position until July of 1975 when he was named by the trustees Vice President for Business Affairs. Kregge came to Lees-McRae in 1968 as Assistant to the President and Director of Alumni Affairs. 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 held that position until she was named Controller in 1976. MARY HICKMAN, a graduate of Duke, became Secretary to the Director of Financial Aid in 1973 and was named Director of Financial Aid in 1976. GENEVA HOSTETTER joined the staff for Business Affairs in 1976. KATHY STOUT, Secretary for Financial Aid, joined the staff this year. LINDA KING is in her second year as Secretary to the Manager of the Exchange Store. STEVE CUMMINGS manages ARA Slater Food Service for the college. CHEVIS AUTRY came to the college in 1973 and was named Supervisor in 1976. HARVEY PRESNELL, a three-year employee, was named Assistant Supervisor of Maintenance in 1976. ED BENTLEY, Campus Security, has served the college for 30 years. BEN TOLLEY, Campus Security, is in his eighth year, and BOB SHIRLEY, Campus Security, joined the staff this year. DANNY MCKINNEY has served in the Exchange Store for ten years. MARY HODGES has served three years as Secretary of the Maintenance Department. CHARLES CRUMLEY came to Lees-McRae in 1968 and was named Assistant Controller in 1976. JIMMY STREET, Manager of the Exchange Store, has served for 15 years.



Mary Hickman
Director of Financial Aid

William S. Russell, Director of Development; B.S., University of Tennessee, Graduate study, University of Tennessee



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DEVELOPMENT, ALUMNI, PUBLIC AFFAIRS

BILL RUSSELL, in his second year as Director of Development, came to Lees-McRae from Montreat-Anderson College where he served as Director of Development, Business Manager and Treasurer of both the college and the Mountain Retreat Association. Prior to his work there he served as Director of Development at Tusculum College. Serving under Russell are two departments — Alumni Affairs, headed by CARROLL RONEY who took over the post in 1973 as well as heading the Communications Center; and the office of Public Relations and Publicity directed by DONALD R. BAKER who joined the college staff in 1960. FRANKIE RAMSEY joined the staff in 1972 and has worked in Alumni Affairs as well as Development. JOYCE BAKER serves as an assistant in the PR Office. MARY LOUISE PRITCHETT joined the staff in 1965 and serves as receptionist. ROSANNE PENLEY became secretary to the Director of Public Relations in 1974.



Or Ted Ledford, Chairman Division of English Language & Literature, B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University, Ph.D., Ohio University



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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 comprehension of the record of this evolution (literature) will reveal both our century's individuality and its universal union with all that is and has ever been man.

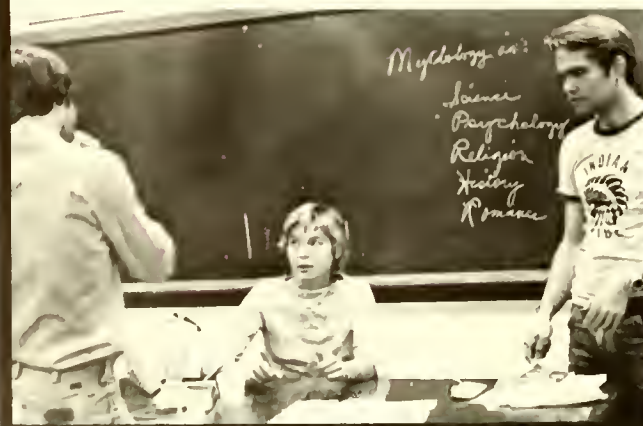


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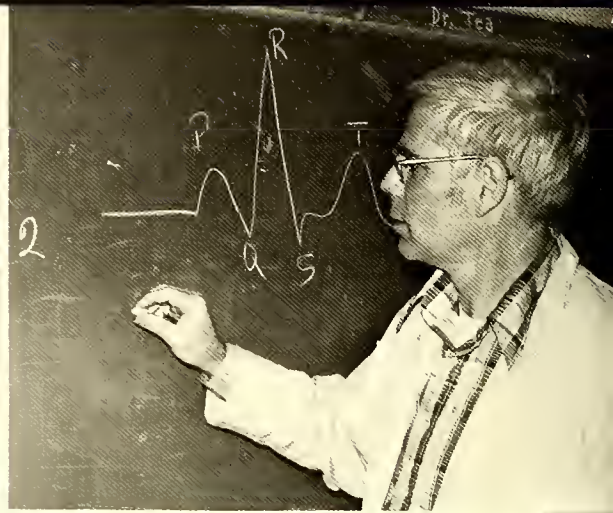




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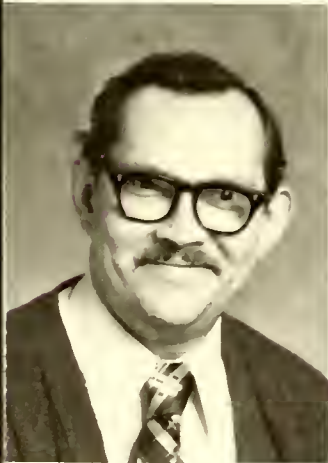
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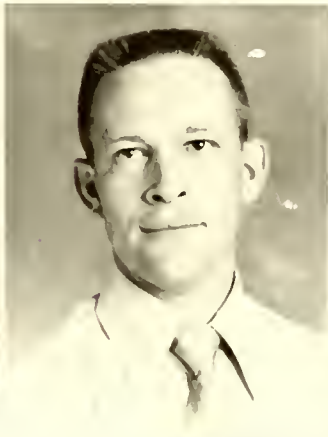


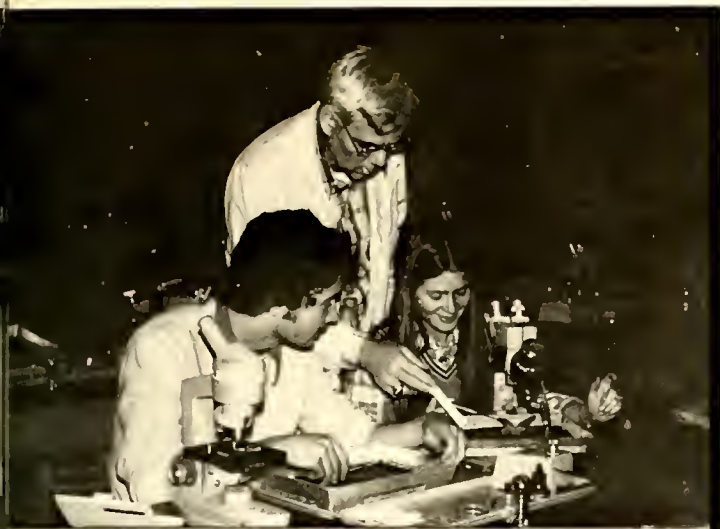
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Science at Lees-McRae College is a happening, a trip into the realm of the natural and physical sciences.

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.



DIVISION OF MEDICAL AND SECRETARIAL SCIENCE

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 development is gained through studies in liberal arts. Cultural and social development comes through active participation in the varied campus activities

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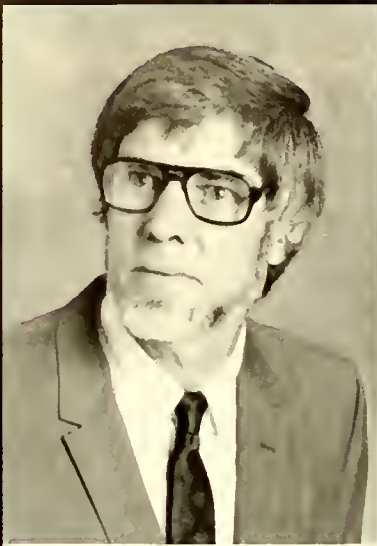


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Since the beginning of man, he has tried to understand the meaning for life and has expressed this search in art, music, religion and his deepest thoughts. Now, on the Lees-McRae campus, the student of today has the opportunity to carry on the same search and seek to understand the meaning of his existence.



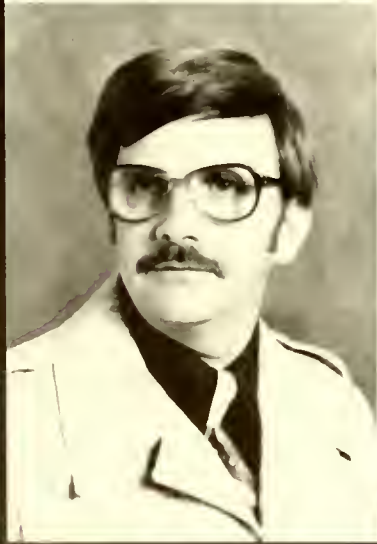
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An understanding of history permeates from the Division of Social Science. Since an understanding of human behavior is the basis upon all social knowledge, studies in many areas will better prepare the student to understand the present and to plan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



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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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 strives to provide an important part of that education.



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Cole Proctor, B.A., M.A., Morehead State University

The philosophy behind the Developmental-Tutorial program at Lees-McRae 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 institution 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.

DIVISION OF DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES

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Lees-McRae College



WELCOME TO COUNTRY





FOOTBALL '76





At left, quarterback Robert Hamilton gets first down against Duke Jayvees. Lower left, Head Coach Cole Proctor, Assistant Bill Maxson and Assistants George Barclay, Mark Zachary, Pete Woodward. Barclay, a retired coach from North Carolina and Washington & Lee, joined the staff this year. Already a member of the Pennsylvania Hall of Fame, he was inducted into the North Carolina Hall of Fame in Charlotte this year. Woodward played with the now defunct Philadelphia Bells of the WFL. An injury resulted in his release from the Toronto Argonauts and he joined the staff this year. Woodward was an all region performer at Lees-McRae in 1972. Below: Captains John Nord, Proctor, and Billy Duncan. Co-Captains present Chowan game ball to Miss Wheelchair America, Janie Robinson Smith at Homecoming. Above: The 1976 edition of the Bobcats.

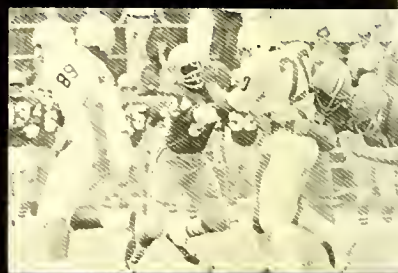




Lees-McRae lost its two opening games of the '76 season, dropping a 14-3 contest to Wesley College of Dover, Delaware, and the Baby Blue Imps of Duke pinned the second loss of the season on Lees-McRae, 20-7. The Bobcat gridders got rolling with a 13-0 win over the highly talented University of Tennessee Jayvees, defeated favored Nassau (New York) Community College, 19-14, and came from behind to clobber Chowan, 34-20. They drubbed the Western Carolina Jayvees 24-14, but had Ferrum College break their winning string with a 14-13 upset. The Bobcats returned to Reynolds Field to defeat Baltimore Community College, 41-0, and lost to Potomac State, 20-13, to end their season 5-4 and Coach Cole Proctor's debut as new head mentor of the Bobcats.



Above, left, the stat man, Mike Doobrow. Lower left, McKenna surveys the scene of the big upset of the U.T. Vols with their ranks of All-American high school players. The Bobcats shocked the Jayvee Volunteers 13-0 for their first defeat since the Jayvees were organized a decade ago. Below, Grace Woody, Susan Maxson confer with Willy Bobcat. Returning lettermen: First row, (l-r), I. V. Reeves, Brian Johnson, Willie Jones, Anthony Oglesby, Robert Hamilton; second row: Gary Satyshur, Paul Edmonson, Hank Gaddis, John Nord, Bill Dungan, Mike Bujewski. Third row: Roosevelt Moody, Ed O'Neil, Joe Hodges, Byron Johnson, Rick Lawson, Rick Collett, Tom Person.

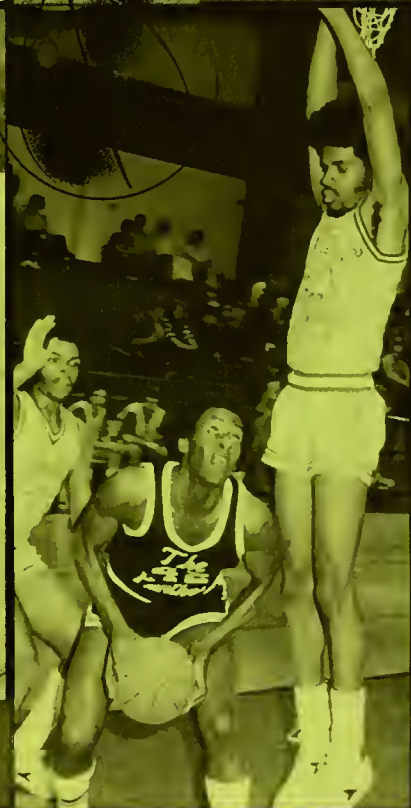
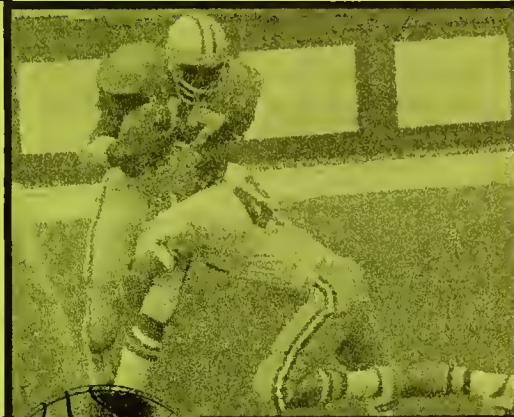




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1. Centers: Kneeling (l-r), Homer Nichols, Robert Wikerson. Standing: Danny Brooks, Tom Schoch.

2. Tight Ends: Kneeling (l-r), Scott Johnson, Chris Canja. Standing: Wayne Wehmhoff, Gary Satyshur.

3. Offensive Tackles: Kneeling (l-r), J.J. Johnson, Gary Hunnyon, Paul Edmonson. Second row: Bruce Causey, Tom Blalock, Coleman Keeter.

4. Running Backs: (l-r), Ronnie Dalton, I.V. Reeves, John Nord, Arthur Howard, Paul McKenney.

5. Linebackers: Front row (l-r), Rock Pickard, Jeff Cagle, Kevin Eichorn, Douglas Goodman, Mike Kilgo, Gary Grubb, Tom Person. Second row: Jeff Worley, Brock Braswell, Roosevelt Moody, Ted Baker, Brian Johnson, Bill Dungan, Greg Hutsell.





1. Quarterbacks: (l-r), Mike Harrill, Rick Lawson, Robert Hamilton.



2. Kickers: (l-r), Paul Talley, Hank Gaddis, Jim Schletzer.

3. Defensive Backs: Front row (l-r), Alvin Bailey, Mike Woody, Greg Ferguson, Terry Humphrey, Robbie Robbins, Gerald Robertson. Second row: Ronnie Wilkes, Larry Williams, Bruce Sullivan, Mike Reynolds, Jerome McKenna.

4. Offensive Guards: Front row (l-r), Pete DeRose, Barry Tolley, Tom Jacob. Second row: Donald Wilson, Eddie Carlton, Mike Bujewski, Phil Price.



5. Tight end Chris Canja snares a pass in the endzone for a touchdown over a Brave defender. (Photo by Compton.)

6. Defensive Ends: Front row (l-r), Richard Penland, John Futrell, Jim Grant. Second row: Ed O'Neil, Jim Mills, Joe Hodges.

7. Defensive Tackles (l-r), Chris Shook, Robert Hodges, Jeff Francisco, Wes Douglas. Seated: Rick Collett.



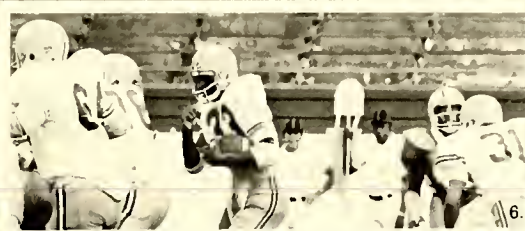


1. That elusive pigskin. "Wait for me," Lees-McRae's All-American linebacker Brian Johnson seems to be saying as he chases after the loose ball during the Homecoming clash between Chowan and the Bobcats. Johnson, a Shelby product, recovered in the endzone to thwart a Chowan drive. (photo by Eddie LeSeur, Johnson City Press-Chronicle.)



2. All-Conference defensive end Joe Hodges zeroes in on Baltimore quarterback.

3. Wide Receivers/Flankers: Kneeling (l-r), Tim Gravely, Johnny Bowden. Second row: Willie Jones, David DuBose, Curtis Robbins, Byron Johnson, Jim Schletzer.



4. All-American place kicker Paul Telley boots record-shattering 51-yarder.

5. Wide receiver Byron Johnson takes flight.

6. Flanker Willie Jones follows interference.

7. Locomotive John Nord rambles.





BASKETBALL

Front row, left to right: Kent Clary, Darryl Washington, Craig Gentry, Lawrence Carter, Ronald Floyd, Stan Hostetter, Nyles Lantor, Robert McLamb, Assistant. Second row: Head Coach Carlisle Hostetter, Mike Spake, Hugh Montgomery, Charleston Miles, Bobby Stafford, John Haskins, Mackie Marquez-Lopez, Ernest Hodges.



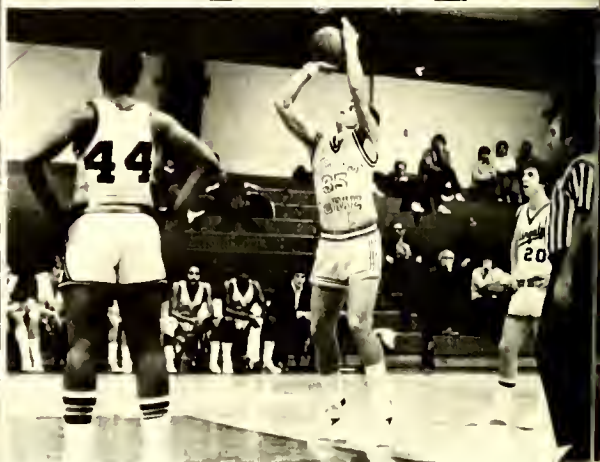
1976-77 Schedule

Lees-McRae	79	Jefferson	66
Louisburg Tourney			
Lees-McRae	82	Ferrum	90
Lees-McRae	87	Louisburg	100
Lees-McRae	84	Duke Univ. JV's	82
Lees-McRae	58	Ferrum	61
Lees-McRae	107	Montreat-Anderson	62
Lees-McRae	71	Brevard	90
Lees-McRae	78	Wingate	74
Lees-McRae	97	Jefferson	80
Lees-McRae	90	Spartanburg	78
Lees-McRae	78	Anderson	90
Lees-McRae	2	Montreat-Anderson (Forfeit)	0
Lees-McRae	73	Spartanburg	80
Lees-McRae	86	North Greenville	89
Lees-McRae	81	Caldwell Community	80
Lees-McRae	94	Brevard	95
Western Carolina JV's (post-poned)			
Lees-McRae	81	Wingate	79
Lees-McRae	68	Louisburg	66
Lees-McRae	74	Anderson	109
Lees-McRae	71	Ferrum	60
Lees-McRae	66	UNC-CH JV's	48
Lees-McRae	106	Caldwell Community	75
Lees-McRae	82	North Greenville	93
WCJCC Tourney			
Lees-McRae	78	Spartanburg	67
Lees-McRae	59	Anderson	88





The Lees-McRae College Bobcats, under the second year tutelage of Carlisle Hostetter, opened their 1976-77 hardwood season as a question mark. Hostetter, when asked about the strength of his 1976-77 edition, stated, "It is the best group of young men to work with that I have ever been associated with, and because of their good attitudes I felt like we surprised some people. Our strength was shooting. We had good overall shooting and combined that with superb attitude and hustle. We knocked off 11th nationally ranked Ferrum and that shocked some folks." Hostetter began his season with a small nucleus of returning lettermen in Craig Gentry, Lawrence Carter, and Ronald Floyd. Eleven freshmen hopefuls were among some of the best talent recruited in later years on the Lees-McRae campus.



Lawrence Carter led the team in free throw percentage with 87%, connecting on 75 of 86 attempts. He holds the school career free throw percentage, connecting on 138 of 161 attempts for an 86% career average. Carter holds the consecutive free throw shooting record with 28 consecutive free throws for a school record. He established a game high of assists with 13 against Caldwell Community College to tie the school record. He scored 359 points for a 16.3 average to lead the team in scoring this season. He was second in scoring last season with 253 points for a 14.1 average. His career points of 612 gave him a career average of 15.3. Craig Gentry led the team in field goals with 147. Carter had 142. Best Field goal percentage shooting went to Charleston Miles, who had 133 in 244 attempts for 55%. John Haskins led in total rebounding with 157 for a 6.5 average. Haskins had 56 offensive rebounds and 101 defensive rebounds. Miles followed Haskins with 154 rebounds for a 6.5 average and Mike Spake grabbed the most defensive rebounds, 110, for a total of 149 and a 6.2 average. These men were the team leaders in statistics but 11 of the 14 players on the 1977 Bobcat edition were freshmen, and Head Coach Hostetter has a strong nucleus to build around for 1978.





Mascot

Lees-McRae won the sixth and last race for the Southeastern Collegiate Ski Racing Association, and by doing so locked down first place with 574.7 pts.; Clemson, second, 573 pts.; University of Tennessee, third, 554.1 pts.; Appalachian, fourth, 539.3 pts.; University of the South, fifth, 161.2 pts.; and Wofford College, sixth, 158 pts. The men's champion was Gery Freaman of Clemson, 59.59 pts.; second place, Wolfgang Funk, Clemson, 57.18 pts.; third place, Peter Nabelek, University of Tennessee, 56.42 pts.; fourth place, Joe Henry, Lees-McRae, 56.17 pts.; fifth place, John Lamprinakos, Lees-McRae, 55.35 pts. Other Lees-McRae skiers were Johan Kinck, seventh, 47.28 pts.; Phillip Brown, twelfth, 35.7 pts.; Mitch Addington, nineteenth, 18.49 pts.; Mike Doobrow, twenty-first, 17.9 pts.; Bobby Miller, twenty-fourth, 14.56 pts.; Bill Kabrich, thirty-fourth, 6.17 pts. Final point standings for the women had Lees-McRae first, 537.8 pts.; Appalachian, second, 482.3 pts.; University of Tennessee, third, 262.5 pts.; Clemson and the University of the South did not score any team points. The women's champion was Sherry Perry, Lees-McRae, 56.14 pts.; second place, Sallie Knight, Lees-McRae, 52.5 pts. Other Lees-McRae skiers were Jennifer Horney, sixth, 42.98 pts.; Sonja Tobler, eleventh, 31.47 pts.; and Peggy Dougherty, twelfth, 28.57 pts.



Captains Mike Doobrow, Sallie Knight, Coach Mark Gidney

(l-r), Mark Gidney, Coach; Bobby Miller, Bobby Gordon, Phil Brown, Julian Moore, Joe Henry, John Lamprinakos, Steve Williamson, Bill Kabrich, Johan Kinck, Sonja Tobler, Peggy Dougherty, Sallie Knight, co-captain; Sherry Perry. Not pictured: Mike Doobrow, co-captain.





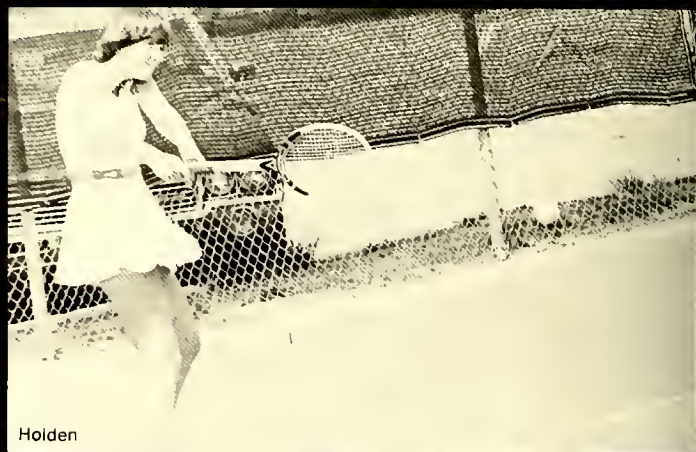
Lees-McRae women skiers placed fifth nationally while the men captured tenth place among 14 schools in overall points standings at Big Tupper Lake Ski Mountain in upper state New York during the National Junior College Athletic Association ski championships.



In the women's slalom Lees-McRae finished fourth behind Hudson Valley Community College (54 points), North Country Community College (52 points), Middlesex Community College (46 points), and Lees-McRae captured fourth with 40 points. Out of 27 women, Sallie Knight of Lees-McRae finished seventh and Sherry Perry of LMC was fourteenth. Knight and Perry finished thirteenth and eighteenth respectively in the giant slalom. In the men's slalom Lees-McRae came in sixth with 105 points behind Paul Smith Community College with 142 points for first place, followed by Canton Community College with 140 in second place, and Champlain Community College was third with 136 points. Lees-McRae finishers were Bobby Miller, eighteenth, Mike Doobrow, twenty-third, and Johan Kinck, twenty-fifth. In the men's giant slalom Lees-McRae finished tenth behind first place Champlain. Johan Kinck finished thirty-first (114.5), John Lamprinakos, thirty-fourth (115.74), thirty-seventh, Phil Brown (117.28), and fortieth, Joe Henry (123.44). In the men's downhill, out of 56 men, Johan Kinck was twenty-first (59.05), Joe Henry was twenty-sixth (59.27), Bobby Miller was thirty-sixth (61.50), John Lamprinakos was forty-first (62.08) and Phil Brown was forty-fourth (71.59). The overall standings went to first place Paul Smith Community College with 573 points. Second was Canton Community College with 488. Champlain was third with 443. Lees-McRae had a total of 247 points for tenth place. Women's overall standings went to Middlesex, finished with 93, Hudson Valley, finishing with 89, Champlain finishing with 81 for third, and Lees-McRae finished fifth with 65 total points.

SKI TEAM





Holden



Bryant



Hager



Horton



Sigmon



Kunkel

WOMEN'S TENNIS SCHEDULE 1976 FALL

Lees-McRae	3	Montreat-Anderson	6
Lees-McRae	3	Mers Hill	6
Lees-McRae	5	Montreat-Anderson	4
Lees-McRae	8	Milligan	1

1977 SPRING

Lees-McRae	5	Montreat-Anderson	4
Lees-McRae	6	Wingate	1
Lees-McRae	7	Milligan	2
Lees-McRae	8	Wingate	1
Lees-McRae	5	Montreat-Anderson	4
Lees-McRae		ASU (Rained-out)	
Lees-McRae	8	Milligan	1
Lees-McRae		East Tennessee State Univ. (Rained-out)	
Lees-McRae	3	East Tennessee State Univ.	6
Lees-McRae		ASU (Post-poned)	

WOMEN'S TENNIS

At left, 1977 team: Rosario Lopez (captain), Kathy Sullivan, Debbi Bryant, Bev Hager; standing: Pat Horton, Angie Sigmon, Patty Holden, Laura Kunkel. Record: 8-3.

Rosario "Charo" Lopez re-wrote the record books going undefeated two years of competition winning 27 matches with no defeats. Her freshman year she won 27 sets to none for her opponents and won 164 games losing only 24 to opponents. In her career she won all of her matches in straight sets giving up only one against Mary Self of Mars Hill College. Her victories included wins over senior college opponents in 12 matches. Without junior college tournaments the women were forced to play senior colleges and universities and finished 13th in a field of 23 senior colleges. Lopez was defeated in the quarter finals of the NCIW by Carney Timberlake, UNC-Chapel Hill.



MEN'S TENNIS

FALL 1976 TENNIS SCHEDULE

Lees-McRae	9	Milligan	0
Lees-McRae	8	Emory-Henry	1
Lees-McRae	8	Milligan	1

MYRTLE BEACH (S.C.) TOURNEY

Lees-McRae	7	Francis Marion	2
Lees-McRae	5	USC-Coastal Carolines	4
Lees-McRae	8	UNC-Wilmington	1
Lees-McRae	6	USC-Sumter	3

1977 SCHEDULE EMORY-HENRY INVITATIONAL TOURNEY

Lees-McRae	7	Emory-Henry	2
Lees-McRae	9	West Va Wesleyan	0
Lees-McRae	6	Klutztown (Pa.) State	3
Lees-McRae	9	Montreat-Anderson	0
Lees-McRae	9	Montreat-Anderson	0
Lees-McRae	9	Spartanburg Methodist	0
Lees-McRae	9	Univ. of Scranton (Pa.)	0
Lees-McRae	9	Brevard	0
Lees-McRae	9	Brevard	0
Lees-McRae	9	North Greenville	0
Lees-McRae	9	Wingate	0
Lees-McRae	9	Wingate	0
Lees-McRae	9	North Greenville	0
Lees-McRae	9	Montreat-Anderson	0
Lees-McRae	8	Anderson	1
Lees-McRae	7	Anderson	2
Lees-McRae	8	Milligan	1
Lees-McRae	8	Emory-Henry	1
Lees-McRae	6	Milligan	0

Region X Tournament: LMC 27, Wingate 10, USC-Sumter 8, Sand Hills 8, Surry 6, Mt. Olive 4, Catawba Valley Tech 0. LMC finished 8th Nationally-NJCAA Tourney, Scottsdale, Arizona.



These four sophomores played their last match in a Lees-McRae uniform in regular season play as the Bobcats posted their best season ever going undefeated against 26 opponents. Above, left, Hector Perez unleashes a blistering serve to post his 22nd victory against one loss; upper right, No. 2 singles player Marcelo Cash smashes a ferocious overhead while his opponent looks on helplessly; below center, Mike Doobrow volleys as he posts his 17th victory against one loss; lower right, sophomore Joe Hutchens returns serve.

The men from the mountain campus journeyed to the shores of Myrtle Beach and upended four senior colleges on their way to a clean sweep of the Myrtle Beach Tournament. The Bobcat netters victimized Frances Marion College 7-2, Coastal Carolinas of the University of South Carolina 5-4, UNC-Wilmington 8-1, and the University of South Carolina at Sumter 6-3. The seven victories, against no losses, in fall tennis was a prelude to the spring season.



Hudson

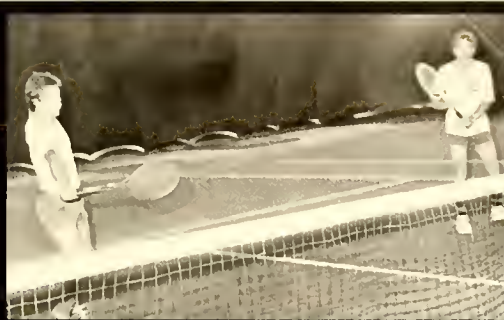
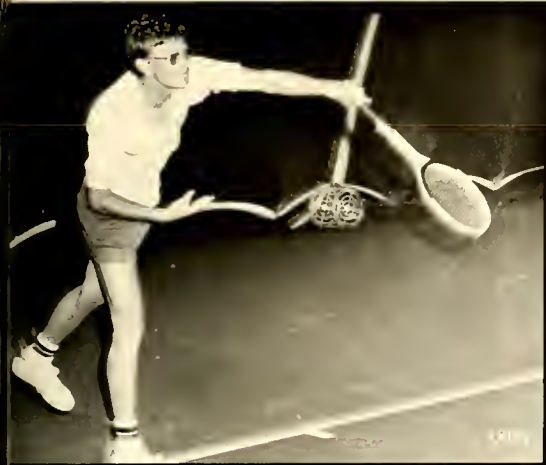
Joining the team late in the season, Hank Avants turned in a perfect 8-0 conference worksheet and 11-0 overall record. Bobby Light posted a 12-0 conference mark and went 19-3 on the season. Roy Hudson, who played at four different positions, posted a 12-0 record in the league and went 24-1 overall.



Avants



Light



1977 Western Carolinas Junior College Champions:
Front row, left to right: Bobby Light, Hank Avants, Mar-
celo Cash, Mike Doobrow, Hector Perez. Second row:
Bill Utley, Joe Hutchens, Keith Strickland, Roy Hudson,
Coach Don Baker.

Doobrow



Hudson



Light



Strickland

Bill Utley went undefeated in the conference and posted a 17-1 overall record. Keith Strickland had a 3-1 singles record, Hutchens was 6-0; Strickland went 10-2 in doubles at various combinations.



Doobrow



Hudson



Perez



Cash

You've heard of the cat and the fiddle? Well, this year was the year of the cat and the racquet at Lees-McRae. Lees-McRae posted a perfect season, won a conference championship, and an uncontested Region crown. The Bobcats posted a 12-0 WCJCC record, and a 26-0 overall record; set a new school record with 14 shutouts in a season (9-0 matches); a new record in consecutive shutout 9-0 matches (11); a new record in fewest games won by an opponent in a 9-point match (five games, Spertenburg Methodist College) while the Bobcats rolled up 108 games; fewest games won by an opponent in singles (two games, Spertenburg Methodist) while the Bobcats won 72 games; fewest games by an opponent in doubles (two games, North Greenville) while the Bobcats won 36 games; set a new school record for Lees-McRae as the Bobcats amassed 209 points for an 8.1 average per match and limited their opponents to 22 points all season for a 0.9 average for opponents. In the spring the 1977 team gave up only 10 points while winning 158 points in 19 matches. New school record for consecutive match victories: 30. Hector Perez, an all-WCJCC, All-Region X performer last season, posted an 11-1 conference record and a 22-1 overall record. He defeated Junior College All-American Mehmood Fazel Kehn and in turn suffered his only loss of the season to Kehn in the return match. He established a 40-3 career record which is a new school record. Marcelo Cash went 9-0 in the conference and posted a 21-1 overall record.



Lees-McRae made a perfect sweep of the finals of the Region X NJCAA championships held at the Sugar Mountain Tennis Bubble. The Bobcats who brought a 26-0 unblemished record into the tournament swept all six singles as well as three doubles in the championships. The clean sweep was unprecedented in Region X tournament play, and also the Bobcats claimed straight set victories in every championship without losing a set to an opponent. Hector Perez captured the No. 1 singles, Hank Avents the No. 2 singles, Marcelo Cash the No. 3 singles, Bobby Light the No. 4 singles, unseeded Mike Doobrow won impressive straight set victories to clinch the fifth singles championship, and Roy Hudson had little trouble claiming the sixth singles championship. The doubles teams of Perez-Cash at No. 1, Avents-Light at No. 2, and Doobrow-Hudson at No. 3 won handily the Region Championships.



The Lees-McRae netters finished eighth nationally among 54 teams entered in the National Junior College Tennis Tournament hosted by Scottsdale Community College in Arizona. Central Texas won the tourney, followed by Midland (Texas) Community College and Miami-Dade South in third place. Mesa (Arizona), Navarro (Texas) Community College, Central Florida Community College and New Mexico Military Institute finished ahead of the Bobcats. Lees-McRae surpassed such national powers as Seminole (Florida), Jefferson State (Birmingham, Alabama), Cowley Co. (Kansas), Scottsdale Community College, Henry Ford of Detroit, defending national champion Odessa (Texas), and 40 other regional powers in the NJCAA. At left, Bobcats' No. 1 tan H.C. Evans, and Coach Baker's wife, Joyce, watch heated match. Bobcats at national tournament Hudson, Avents, Cash, Perez, Light and Doobrow. Above, Avents playing at John Gardner's Tennis Ranch; Bobby Light in singles competition at Camelback Tennis Club; Hudson and Doobrow in doubles at Camelback; Perez and Cash play on center court at John Gardner's. Netters pose at Taj Mahel Fountain at the Casa Blanca Inn where they stayed.

1977 GOLF TEAM



Schedule		
Lees-McRae 346	Spartanburg Methodist	307
Lees-McRae 333	Wingate	326
Lees-McRae 329	Brevard	336
Lees-McRae	Montreat-Anderson	forfeit

WCJCC Tournament, Etowah Valley Country Club
1 Anderson, 2 Spartanburg, 3 Wingate; 4 Lees-McRae, 5. Brevard; 6. Montreat-Anderson

Lees-McRae	Anderson	postponed
Lees-McRae 165	Spartanburg Methodist	159
Lees-McRae 165	King College	175
Lees-McRae	Montreat-Anderson	forfeit
Lees-McRae	Brevard	postponed
Lees-McRae 305	King College	299



1977 Golf Team: Robert Welbourn, Billy Richardson, Susan Wentz. Standing: Eugene Queen, Tom Kennedy, Bill Cline, Gary Shamel, Coach Phil Teagarden. Not Pictured: Gary Noblett, Ted Baker, Rus Felts, Gil Harpe, Rocky Pickard.

The Bobcat Golfers, led by Harry Noblett, Tom Kennedy and Bill Cline, posted a respectable .500 season and a fourth place finish in a field of six in the WCJCC Tournament. The linksmen recorded a 4-4 season mark.





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Formal dress (coat and tie) is required for convocation; also, appropriate dress is required for the 50's dance; "Come-as-you-are" for the Halloween Carnival; and the casual look for the big men on campus.



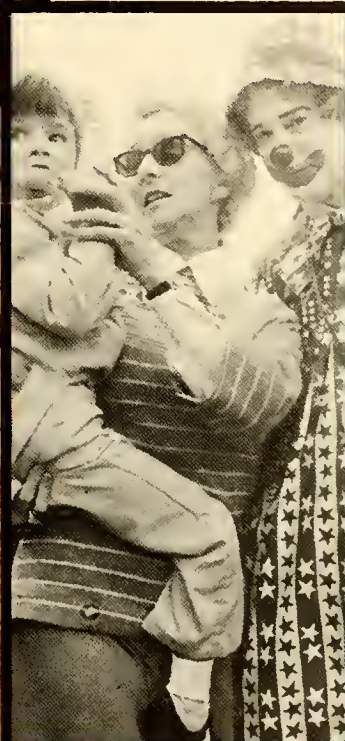




Campus life and student activities are as varied and unpredictable as the seasons at the "Campus in the Clouds."







Fall is synonymous with football and that means cheerleaders and homecoming parades and as Bobcat spirit "brews" Head Coach Cole Proctor (Upper Left) gives sign language while assistants Maxson, Woodward look on. (Center) Bill Maxson in "last hurrah," with All-Region performer Rick Collett looking on. (Above) The Bobcats score to the approval of the crowd while Stonesifer is not sure and Board of Advisor Mrs. Sam Mortimer can't get her grandchild interested in the ballgame or the clowns (Andrea would rather have a popsicle) Wide Receiver Willie Jones prefers the pigskin while Robin Hamby proudly wears the Homecoming Queen crown.

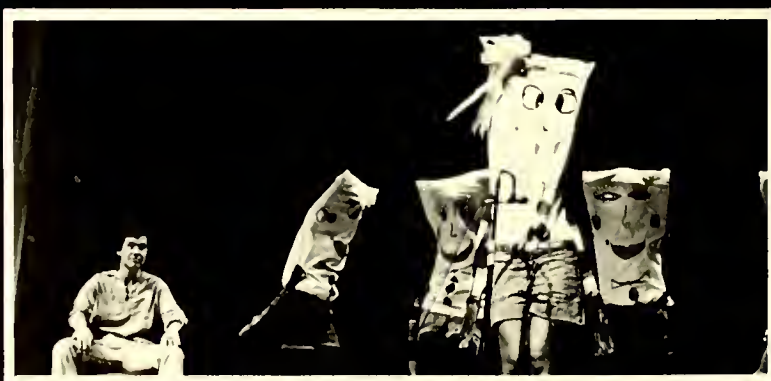


SGA Officers do something constructive while others clown around. Terry Humphrey demonstrates new way to ride skateboard but was beaten in the race by e dog. He end his dog were soon parted. After being insepareble, the dog greduated.





When the students arrived entrance to the Pinnacle Room looked quite different than when the "white stuff" fell. The biggest snow fall in two decades blanketed the campus but it did not seem to dampen the students' spirit.







Major events included homecoming and the May Dance. Karen Waggoner was crowned May Queen and reigned over the May Court: Honors and Awards would be the grand finale of the year.



HOMECOMING





The Homecoming parade meandered its way from town to the football field before an appreciative audience. The Photogs, led by Phil Teagarden, gathered to see the Corvete Club of Boone escort the Homecoming queen candidates. Julie Tollner and Phillip Ball had six Hotdogs left over after feeding the Homecoming throng on Tate lawn.





Clockwise: Homecoming Queen candidate Robin Hamby is escorted to center field, then reacts to the announcement that she is the 1976 Homecoming Queen. She is crowned by SGA President Kelly Davis and congratulated by Dr. Evans, then beams approval while court, including Meid of Honor Karen Carlson, express their favor.







Left to right, first row: Brenda Searce, June Allen, Becky Sheppard; second row, Karen Justice, Marty Grant, Karla Russell, Karen Waggoner; third row: The Homecoming Court, Sherry Perry, Karen Carlson, Maid of Honor.



Janie Robinson Smith, Class of 1969, and voted "Miss Wheelchair America in 1974" acted as Parade Marshal for the prize-winning floats and bands. She was presented with the game ball by co-captains Billy Dungan and John Nord following Lees-McRae's homecoming victory over Chowan.



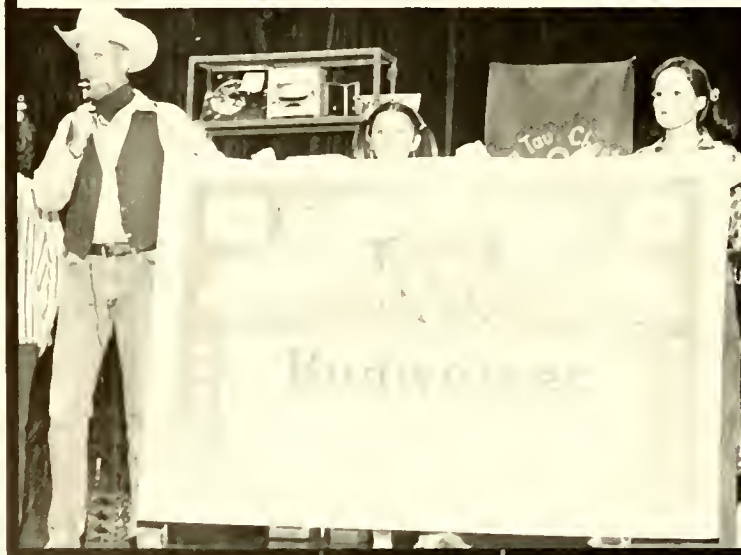




Annual Order of the Tower Halloween Carnival enjoyed its usual brilliant success as demonstrated by these students and Mimi Senter who appeared celebrating her birthday (Halloween) and then flew off on her broom. Dean Stonesifer enjoyed the ball toss and was a unanimous choice in the "Ugly Man" contest. There was apple-bobbing, lollipops, and Donna Baxley demonstrates the art of dart throwing.









The "Dart Throw at your favorite teacher" and Dean Smith's auction for Phi Theta was very profitable. Everyone got into the "Bubble Blowing" contest as examples: Folger, Nord, Miller, Johnson, Evans, Kuhns, and Craven.





Wonderful Day, despite freezing temperatures in May, was met with great enthusiasm and the challenge of competition.







The Order of the Tower-sponsored-Wonderful Day saw over 400 students turn out, in freezing rain that turned to snow, to vie for the cash prizes in such competitions as: the softball throw, the frisbee toss, the three-legged race, sack race, the egg toss, and the daring feats on the skateboard.



MAY QUEEN & COURT

Karen Waggoner 1977 May Queen



May Court, Left to Right: Kathy Miller, Karen Waggoner, Cindy Haltiwanger, Pat Brown, Apryl Morrison, Leslie Towles, Brenda Searce, missing Teresa Bost.





Teresa Bost



Kathy Miller



Apryl Morrison

Brenda Searce, Maid of Honor



Pat Brown



Leslie Towles



Cindy Haltiwanger



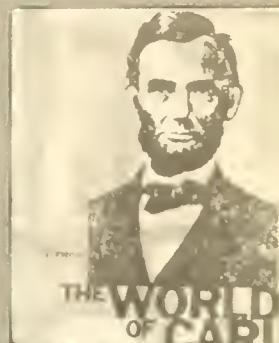
DELTA PSI OMEGA

Left to right: Randy Denny, Martha Elledge, Tim Upchurch, Apryl Morrison, President, Danny Reichard, Cathy Martin, Stephanie Hayes, Jim Aldridge, Marie Auten, Cathy Hockett, Lynn Zeluff, Dr. Lois Anne Harris, Sponsor, Dr. Kim Harris, Sponsor, Kevin Kuhns.

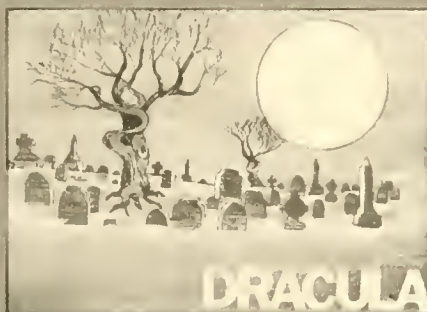
Delta Psi Omega is a chapter of the national honorary dramatic fraternity, and its purpose is to reward those who have shown a special interest and aptitude in dramatics and theatre production, and at the same time stimulate them to greater achievement. Delta Psi was organized in 1954 with the membership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



The Delta Psi Omega's early fall production was "The World of Carl Sandburg" by Norman Corwin, directed by the Drs. Harris, starring Tom Brittingham, Randy Copple, Cindi Edwards, Joe Henry and Apryl Morrison. Also in the fall Tom Brittingham starred as Count Dracula with Stephanie Hayes as the femme fatale with Kevin Kuhns, Karen Allison and Martha Elledge providing some comic relief from the heavy drama "Dracula." Brittingham was convincing as the vampire from Transylvania with Danny Reichard, Leslie Whitlock and Jim Aldridge offering the heavy dramatic efforts.



1. Edwards, Brittingham, Morrison. 2. Morrison. 3. Elledge, Aldridge. 4. Elledge, Kuhns. 5. Copple, Henry, Teagarden. 6. Elledge, Hayes. 7. Aldridge, Brittingham.





George Bernard Shaw's

★ SAINT JOAN ★



Presented by

LMC Theatre Dept.

Hayes Auditorium

March 21-22, 1977

Admission \$5.00

- 1 Brittingham, Hayes.
- 2 Brittingham, Hayes.
- 3 Brittingham.
- 4 Brittingham, Aldridge, Denny.
- 5 Reichard, Whitlock.
- 6 Reichard, Kuhns.
- 7 Reichard, Kuhns.
- 8 Elledge.





Joan of Arc was a contradiction; she was neither Lord nor Lady and what was worse, she was a woman leading the armies of France and she was caught between two opposing forces, the church and the state. It was inevitable that Joan be crushed but her spirit was not. George Bernard Shaw's approach to the character of Joan makes her come alive to modern readers and theater-goers. Typically Shaw chose to take a humorous approach. Although all of the play is not humorous, the humor that is present makes Joan and the other characters realistic; the play, therefore, is not a sentimental melodrama. Martha Elledge, who captured the "Best Actress Award" at Honors & Awards Night, gave a stirring performance of Saint Joan and Tom Brittingham, living up to the last three letters in his name, managed to steal several scenes with his portrayal of the frivolous Charles VII. Other creditable performances were turned in by Danny Reichard, Stephanie Hayes, Kevin Kuhns, Jim Aldridge, Tim Upchurch, Randy Denny, Randy Copple.





This year the Roadrunners started out with a great deal of enthusiasm with a fall bake sale. This proved to be a successful endeavor in fund raising and also in allowing everyone to get to know each other better. The second project accomplished was the building of a Homecoming float which won third place. Roadrunners took part in the Halloween Carnival by having a dart booth. At Christmas the Roadrunners were baking all sorts of candies and cakes as refreshments for the faculty and administration. During the winter the snow was not the only thing that came down, also the parking tickets fell heavy. Finally the commuters found that the snow melted and the parking tickets went away also. Spring came and so did the spring bake sale which proved to be as profitable as the fall bake sale. As always the main goal of the year for the Roadrunners is the Renata Baldwin Memorial Scholarship which is given to a deserving rising sophomore.



Officers: Alice Robbins, Secretary-Treasurer, Sherry Perry, President; Frieda Gragg, Vice President.
Members: Alice Robbins, Kim Fields, Janine Hughes, Richard Buchanan, Frieda Gragg, Faye Gragg, Sherry Perry, Sponsor Dr. Ted Ledford. Not pictured Jackie Buchanan, Phyllis Triplett, Karen McKinney, Rita Oaks, Anita Presnell, Doug Clark, Mike Heaton, Darrell Duckett, Randy Byrd, Tommy Singleton, Skip Beam, Sallie Knight, Mitzi Aldridge.





APPALACHIAN OUTDOOR WILDERNESS SOCIETY

The purpose of the Appalachian Outdoor Wilderness Society is to inspire an interest in outdoor activities. The club tries to take advantage of the wilderness around Banner Elk. We enjoy and protect our natural resources, and we also educate ourselves to understand the world around us.

In September an introduction program was given by Gary Sheetz, and slides of the area around Avery County were shown by Mr. Dale Berry. In October and November the club took a hike up Grandfather Mountain and through Laurel Fork in Hampton, Tenn. December and February featured backpacking program by Sam Houston from Foothillloggers in Boone and a winter camping program by John Davis from the Elk Horn in Banner Elk. In March Roger Roundtree from Cullowhee Wilderness Outfitters in Cullowhee, N. C. gave a slide program about canoeing in the Okefenokee Wildlife Refuge. In April a film was shown from Outward Bound in Morganton, N. C. The club also took a hike on Roan Mountain and a canoe trip in western North Carolina with Roger Roundtree from Cullowhee.



First row, left to right: Annie Freeman, Richard Rogers, Fran Flanagan, Mike Peppers, Bill Turner, Andy Applegate. Second row: Roger Roundtree, Holly Riddle, Donna Isley, Elizabeth Bondurant, John Davis, Bob Rowell, Tommy Propst. Third row: Dale Berry, Craig Hendrix, Robert Norfleet, co-sponsor. Not pictured: Dr. John Wilson, sponsor.





Ted Ledford
Co-Sponsor

The Lees-McRae 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. This year the club provided the photos for the Halloween Carnival's "Throw Darts at your favorite faculty member" event. Membership is open to all LMC students, faculty and staff. The club was organized in 1973 by Dr. Ted Ledford and Dr. Phil Teagarden.



PHOTO CLUB

First row, left to right: John Rogers, Jim Bellows, Richard Parker. Second row: Lawrence Wallace, David Compton, Johan Kinck. Third row: Gary Sheetz, Jim Deese, Phil Teagarden, Sponsor.





Officers: (left to right) Michelle Greene, Marinda Philips, Sharon Sharp.



The Circle K Club was organized in 1969 and is sponsored by the Kiwanis of Banner Elk. The purpose of the organization resembles the theme of the national Kiwanian philosophy; active service to the community.

This year the club sold refreshments at the football and basketball games and assisted in civic projects in association with the Banner Elk Kiwanis Club.

Left to right, first row: Charles Owens, Kathy Kerley, Cindy Sharpe. Second row: Michelle Greene, Sharon Sharp, Marinda Philips, John Owens, Katie Fisher.





LMC CLOGGERS

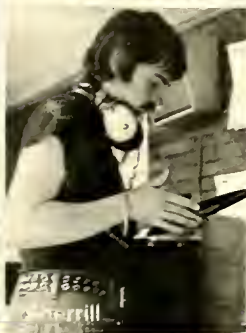
Left to right: Sharon Prevatte, Richard Rogers, Gene Grace, Ben Russell, Julian Moore, Jack Bratton, Cindy Carter, Kent Stewart, Vikki Rogers, Keith White, Patti Warren, Ellen Gilmer, Leslie Whitlock, Tom Brittingham, Ellen Kirby, Cindy Rhodenhiser, Louis Haith, Annie Freeman, Karen Waggoner, Bill McCachren. Not pictured: Sponsors, The Archie Smiths.

The LMC Cloggers have had the fun of performing locally several times this year and have made many 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.



The purpose of WLMC is to serve as a news and information service to Lees-McRae, Banner Elk, Sugar Mountain, Elk Park, and all other surrounding areas. WLMC, the Lees-McRae broadcasting service, operates on a rock/bluegrass music format. The station is almost completely self-supporting. WLMC sells advertising in order to maintain and expand the station. Among projects this year, WLMC sponsored the fourth annual 50's frolic, a disco dance, and WLMC televised this year's Homecoming parade and football game



The staff of WLMC: Danny Kent, Tom Brittingham, Bill Agle, Rick Hollowell, Jeff Hunter, Mark McKinney, Beverly O'Brian, Ric Flagg, David Hurd, Robert Range, Jenny Baker, Greg Skinner, Cathy Hogge, Rick Sherrill, David Compton, Bill McCachren, Debbie Potter, Charles Owens, John Owens, Vernon Bradley.

LMC CHEERLEADERS

Below: First row, left to right: Jenny Baker, Linda Pugh, Apryl Morrison, Head Cheerleader. Second row: Tracey Ward, Sydney Folger, Malissia Bryson, Debbie Potter.



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. Under the sponsorship of Dr. Lois Anne Harris, the Cheerleaders promoted school spirit and made a major contribution to the LMC athletic arena.



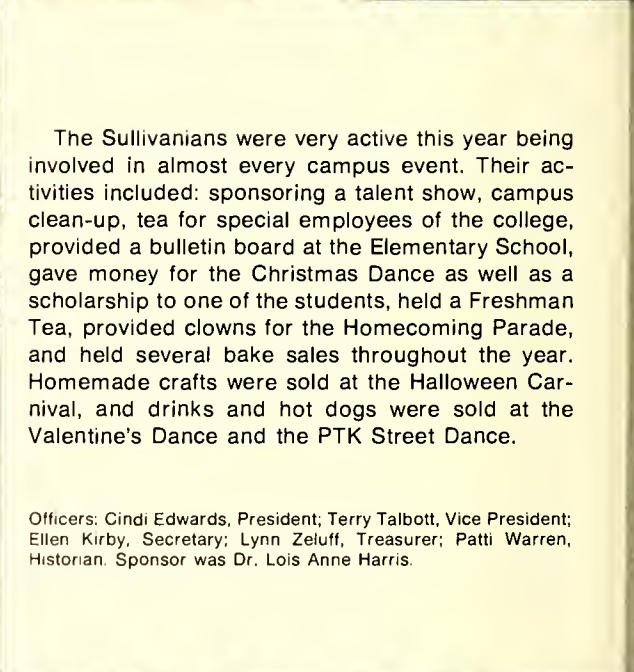


The Highlanders of Lees-McRae are a choral group which tours throughout the school year singing at churches, schools and civic clubs. It was felt that Lees-McRae, being located in the highlands of North Carolina, resembling Scotland, and with the early establishment of a Presbyterian Church with many 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."



First row, left to right: Angell McGinn, Pam Leach, Cherie Lynne Powell, Linda Benfield, Beverly Isley, Maureen Hearne, June Allen, Danny Kent, Mark McKenny, Randy Powley, Director. Second row: Cindy Miller, Cathy Hogge, Renee Curl, Helen Phillips, Debbie Bowman, Chuck Link, Jimmy Whetzel, Mark Andrews.





The Sullivans were very active this year being involved in almost every campus event. Their activities included: sponsoring a talent show, campus clean-up, tea for special employees of the college, provided a bulletin board at the Elementary School, gave money for the Christmas Dance as well as a scholarship to one of the students, held a Freshman Tea, provided clowns for the Homecoming Parade, and held several bake sales throughout the year. Homemade crafts were sold at the Halloween Carnival, and drinks and hot dogs were sold at the Valentine's Dance and the PTK Street Dance.

Officers: Cindi Edwards, President; Terry Talbott, Vice President; Ellen Kirby, Secretary; Lynn Zeluff, Treasurer; Patti Warren, Historian. Sponsor was Dr. Lois Anne Harris.





The Sullivanians, a women's leadership organization, was organized in 1934 and was named in honor of Mary Mildred Sullivan, a benefactor of the college. The main purpose of this organization is to develop character, leadership, and personality through fellowship and service to others.



Left to right: Sherry Murray, Cindy Moore, Cathy Martin, Malissia Bryson, Mary Mac Spell, Pat Brown, Cindy Haltiwanger, Sharon Haver, Lynn Zeluff, Terry Talbott, Lois Anne Harris (sponsor), Cindi Edwards, Jennifer Horney, Patti Warren, Trudy Childers, Cindy Matthews, Ellen Kirby, Laura Atkinson.



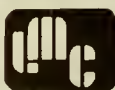
LEES-McRAE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP



The Christian Fellowship is not a club or an organization, but are a people who recognize a need in their lives and are seeking to have it fulfilled.

Opened to the student body, students come together for events such as coffeehouses, square dances, Bible studies, hikes, singing or just to talk and share. These have been found to be enjoyable and meaningful experiences. Believing that man can always aspire to greater heights, we seek to do this through the love of Christ. "If any man will, let him come."

— Wendy Babchin



First row, left to right: Wendy Babchin, Ellen Gilmer, Debbie Bowman, Emily Wiley, Karla Russell, Linda Pugh, Marty Grant, Andrea Dunn, Keren Waggoner, Becky Sheppard, Lou Ann Blalock. Second row: Elizabeth Bondurant, Mike Doobrow, Louis Haith, Erle Craven, Tom Brittingham, Flip Jones. Standing: Kelly Devis, Bill Kabrich, Jim Whetzel.



The FCA sold football programs for all home games, gave the football players a party, babysat for the children at Grandfather Home at Christmas, held an "Ugly Man" contest, sponsored two booths at the Halloween Carnival. In addition, some of the club members became big brothers or sisters to some of the children at Grandfather Home.

Officers: Bonnie Whicker, President; Mike Bujewski, Vice President; Cathy Maness, Secretary; Helen Bridges, Treasurer. Coaches Proctor and Washburn served as sponsors.



Front row, left to right: Cathy Maness, Bonnie Whicker, Karen Kearns, Linda Pugh, Mary Mac Spell, Mary Childress. Second row: Pat Horton, Helen Bridges, Barry Tolley, Ted Baker, Robin Hamby. Not pictured: Bruce Causey, Mike Bujewski, Brenda Breeding, Rick Collett, Bobby Hodges, Mike Harrill, Doug Goodman, Danny Steele, Scott Reeves, Tom Jacob, Pete DeRose.



Parliament: (left to right) Mike Doobrow, Linda Pugh, Elizabeth Bondurant, Jim Whetzel, Bill Kabrich.

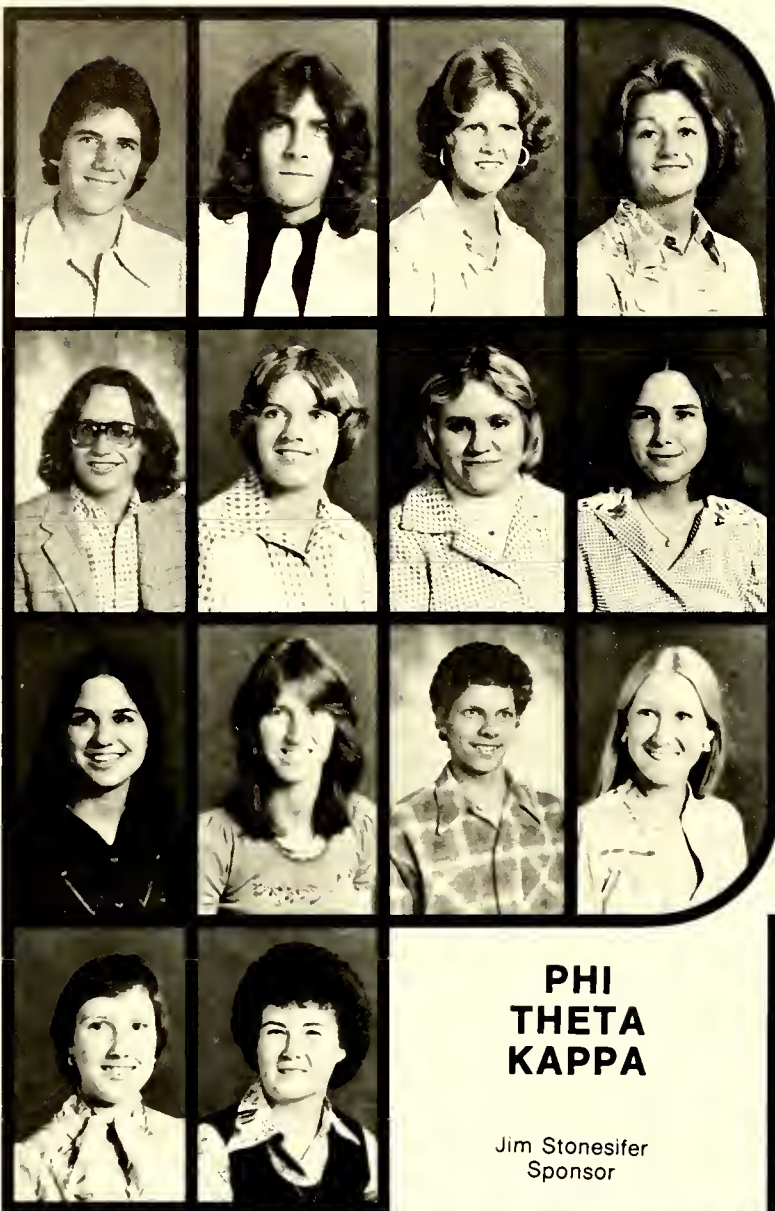


SGA Advisors: (left to right) Wendy Babchin, Ellen Gilmer, Louis Haith, Marty Grant, Flip Jones.



The SGA was active in many projects including painting the iron work on front campus and installing lights, fixing the fountain on front campus, and sponsoring a Get-Acquainted Weekend at the beginning of the school year. They also painted the Chaffee Auditorium and sponsored the Homecoming, Christmas and May Dances.





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Karen McKinney, Bobby Miller, Baverly O'Brian, Mike Peppers, Sharry Perry, Linda Pugh, Susan Robbins, Kim Sharard, Cindy Smith, Terry Teibott, Sonja Tobier, Robert Weiborn, Charlie Williams, John Winston.

LEES-McRAE PTK CAPTURES AWARDS AT NATIONAL CONVENTION

The 59th Annual National Convention of Phi Theta Kappa held in Minneapolis, Minnesota, attracted more than 1,400 honor students from all over the United States the first week in April. The convention was hosted by the Minnesota Chapters of Phi Theta Kappa with the presiding officers Jeff Arnold, President, Lana Community College, Eugene, Oregon, and Vice President and Southern Representative, Marty Grant, of Lees-McRae College in Banner Elk.



The Beta Tau Chapter of PTK, the chapter of Lees-McRae College, was designated as one of the Top Ten Chapters in the nation. In order to be named to the Top Ten Chapters, the chapters are selected from detailed chapter reports, contact with the National Office on plans and activities engaged in during the year and supporting evidence of all the chapter work reported through service, leadership and scholarship. The Top Ten award is selected by the National Office and goes to the top ten chapters out of the five to six hundred chapters across the nation that demonstrate outstanding abilities in the areas of service, leadership and scholarship.

Along with a beautiful plaque designating Beta Tau as a Top Ten Chapter, there was a tuition scholarship set up to the Honors Institute. As a result of being associated with one of the Top Ten chapters in the nation, Jim Stonesifer received an award as one of the Top Ten Sponsors of PTK.

In conjunction with the awards program Beta Tau's Marty Grant was the recipient of the George O. Bierkoe Award. The Bierkoe Award was presented for the first time in 1976 and is given for citizenship and character and is to be presented to the national officer who gives most evidence of living by the principles on which America was founded. It consists of a plaque and a scholarship to the Honors Institute.

Eighteen Lees-McRae College students attended the convention in Minneapolis and traveled over 1,100 miles on the famous Bobcat Bus. Many of the Lees-McRae PTK members were involved in the registration process, as well as helping host many of the activities. Phi Theta Kappa looks forward with anticipation to next year's theme for 1977-78 and remaining in the Top Ten Chapters in the nation.





Officers: (left to right) Terry Talbott, Secretary-Treasurer; Tim Carpenter, Vice President; Debbie Gidney, President.



Sponsors: (left to right) Mark Gidney, Grace Woody, Don Baker, Mimi Senter, Rosie Smith, Lewis Hall.

The Order of the Tower of 1976-77 did many exciting projects this year including: assisted in all graduation ceremonies for the Class of 1976; helped host fall Board of Trustees meeting; hosted open house for Order of the Tower Alumni during Homecoming weekend; built a float for Homecoming which won second prize; put on Halloween Carnival which included all clubs and was open to all students and the public; assisted with College Day in which the men set up tables and arranged room for representatives and the women served coffee and tea for the guests; assisted in Admissions Office when help was needed in showing visitors the campus; sponsored a car wash and rummage sale.

Left to right: Lawrence Carter, Tim Carpenter, Bonnie Whicker, Terry Talbott, Kevin Prufer, Rosario Lopez, Karla Russell, Debbie Gidney, Joe Hutchens, Karen Kearns, Bobby Miller, Ellen Gilmer.





Tim Carpenter



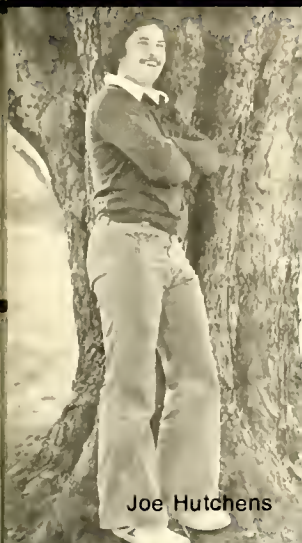
Lawrence Garter



Debbie G.



Ellen Gilmer



Joe Hutchens



Karen Kearns



Rosario Lopez



Bobby Miller



Kevin Prufer



Karla Russell



Terry Talbott



Bonnie Whicker



Each year Lees-McRae offers a list of special programs through convocations for the entertainment and enlightenment of the student body. This year's college programs included: Dr. James T. Cleland, Dean Emeritus of the Chapel of Duke University and Board of Advisor member of Lees-McRae; an excellent performance by the Studio Band of the U. S. Army Field Band; Bill Wilson who presented "Twain — A One Man Play"; Richard "Pek" Gunn, poet laureate of Tennessee and a member of the LMC Board of Advisors, who presented Dr. Evans with a certificate of recommendation and commendation naming him an honorary Tennessee Colonel by Gov. Roy Blanton; Bobby Crimmins, Basketball Coach at Appalachian State University; Mike Griswald, guitarist; Jimmy Faulkner, descendant of author William Faulkner, who discussed his writings; Janie Robinson Smith, LMC graduate of 1969, and Miss Wheelchair America 1974; The Tellers of Baptist College, a musical group representing Baptist College, Charleston; Jerry Jarrett who presented a one-man show in "An Evening with Tevye"; Larry Butler, All-Pro guard with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League; Langston University (Oklahoma) Choir; Lees-McRae College Choir; Doc Watson; Dr. Mary Faith Carson of Moravian College, Bethlehem, Pennsylvania; Junior Miss Show presented by the Boone Jaycees; Dr. Ralph Bell of the Billy Graham Crusade; Dr. William P. Wood, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church of Kingsport, Tennessee, and newly-elected Trustee of Lees-McRae College; The Agajanians, concert performers sponsored by the Youth Committee of the Western Carolina Billy Graham Crusade; Dr. David Burr, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Winston-Salem.



Mike Broom, student body president from Appalachian State University; the musical, "I Do, I Do," presented by the North Carolina Student Theatre Guild; "A Sports Odyssey", considered by many as one of the best Christian sports films ever made; Dr. Albert G. Edwards, pastor of the First Presbyterian Church, Raleigh, N.C., guest lecturer for the Staley Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture Series; Michael P. Sollecito, native of New York and proprietor of Sollecito's Restaurant in Boone, singer; Clark Gaines, '73 alumnus of LMC and member of the New York Jets; and the outstanding show, "Musical America", celebrating 200 years of the most tuneful moments in the American musical theatre.



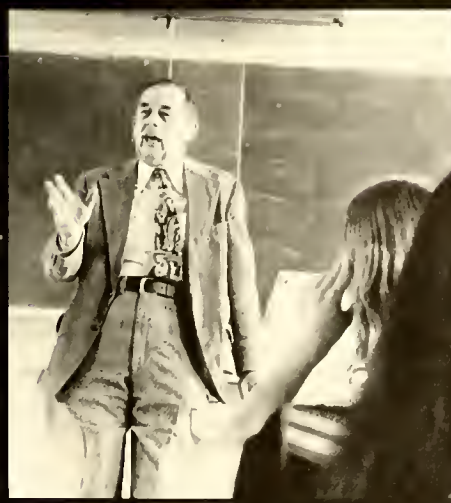
1976 COLLEGE PROGRAMS 1977



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Edwards



Fabled Fifties Frolic



"This is sorrowful, sad, soulful, senseless Skinner . . . Let me interrupt the dance to give you a PARTIAL score: Lees-McRae 13. Ferrum . . ."



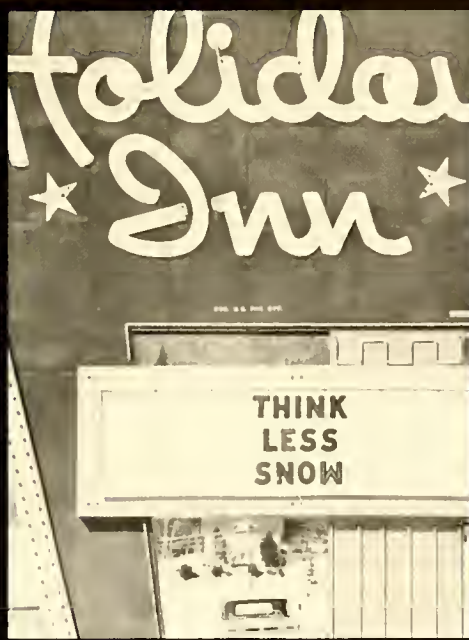
"Thatiz okay We wuzzunit dancin' enyway"



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AVERY COUNTY DAY

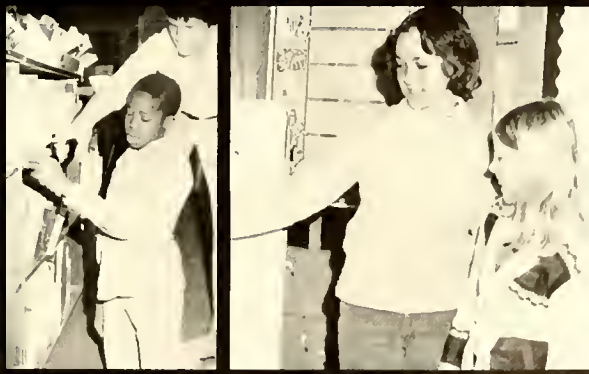


Phi Theta Kappa sponsored Avery County Day at Williams Recreational Center. Student organizations such as the Sullivanians and Order of the Tower set up booths for the big occasion and members of the community displayed their crafts and folkwares. There was fun and games, swimming for the children and as a climax to the day's activities a "CB" radio (left) was drawn as a door prize.

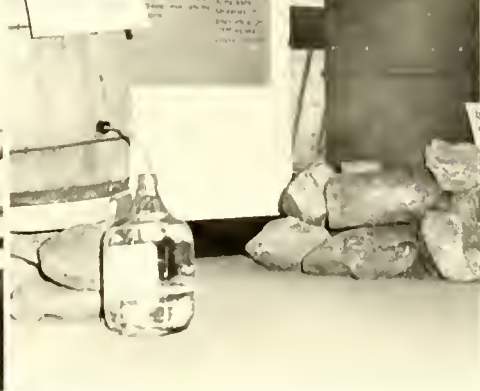
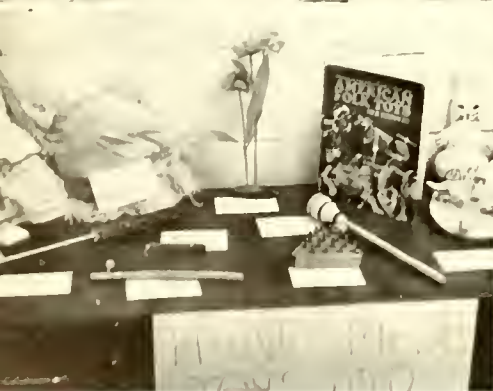
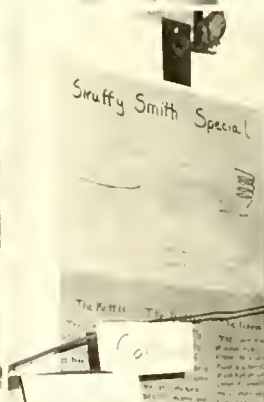
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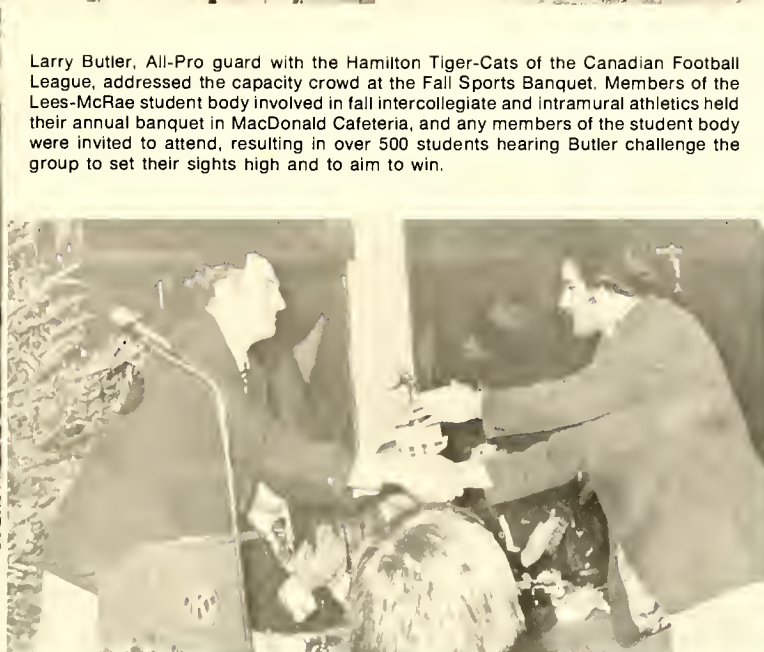
Lees-McRae College, in cooperation with the Avery County Public School System, offers a program for training teacher aides. The program has two functions: to provide assistance for participating teachers and to provide an introductory work experience for those students who might wish to major in teacher education. Students receive a certificate upon successful completion of the program. The certificate identifies the student as a professionally trained teacher aide and should be helpful in securing employment as a teacher aide or in continuing study toward a teaching certificate.

Below: Cindy Edwards works with second grade class. Tom Schoch, all-conference football player, was enthusiastic about the Student Teacher Aide Program as he helped John Cradle in the library. John is from Grandfather Home.



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Larry Butler, All-Pro guard with the Hamilton Tiger-Cats of the Canadian Football League, addressed the capacity crowd at the Fall Sports Banquet. Members of the Lees-McRae student body involved in fall intercollegiate and intramural athletics held their annual banquet in MacDonald Cafeteria, and any members of the student body were invited to attend, resulting in over 500 students hearing Butler challenge the group to set their sights high and to aim to win.

Dr. Evans, center, poses with principals in Fall Sports Banquet. (Left to right): Cole Proctor, Head Football Coach; Brian Johnson, Outstanding Defensive Player, football; Dr. Lawson Tate, recipient of Lifetime Bobcat Award; Larry Butler, Hamilton Tiger-Cats, CFL, speaker; John Nord, Outstanding Offensive Player, football; Tom Person, Sportsmanship Award, football.





SPRING SPORTS BANQUET 1977



Coaches pose with Banquet Speaker Gaines. Lees-McRae College coaches Carlisle Hostetter, basketball; Phil Teagarden, golf; Cole Proctor, football; President H. C. Evans, Jr.; Clark Gaines of the New York Jets; Mark Gidney, skiing; and Jim Washburn, assistant football and head track coach, as shown following the Spring Athletic Banquet. Gaines, All-Rookie for the Jets and MVP, was the guest speaker at the banquet. (Not pictured, Don Baker, tennis coach.)



ATHLETES EARN NATIONAL, REGIONAL,



Talley

Johnson

Brian Johnson, sophomore linebacker from Shelby, N.C., was named to the First Team Defense of the NJCAA All-American football team. The announcement came from the home office of the NJCAA in Hutchinson, Kansas, where listed among first and second team All-Americans was Honorable Mention Paul Talley, place kicker, Lees-McRae. Johnson, a 6'1", 190-lb. linebacker who led the team in the tackles made department, set a school record for the most tackles in a game with 10 solos and 20 assists for a total of 30 tackles made. Johnson shared the title of "Defensive Player of the Year" in Region X of the NJCAA and becomes the 24th All-American named at Lees-McRae. Talley, a freshman from St. Marys, Georgia, was named All-Region X NJCAA "Kicker of the Year" and was listed as Honorable Mention NJCAA All-American. Talley's talented toe converted 10 of 15 field goal attempts, establishing a new record with the old record 8 field goals in 15 attempts in 1972. His kicks include a 51-yarder against Nassau which eclipsed the old record of 47 yards set in 1974.





Lawrence Carter

Charleston Miles

Lawrence Carter was selected to the All-Western Carolinas Junior College Conference second team. The Bobcats' sensational point guard led the team in assists, averaged 16.8 points per game, scored 320 points, hit 51% from the floor and connected on 64 of 74 free throws for 86% to lead the league. A sophomore, Carter is from Halifax, Va. Charleston Miles, Charlotte, was named to the All-Tournament Team as a result of his performance in the WCJCC Tourney held at Spartanburg.

Hector Perez (Santiago, Chile) led the balloting for the All-Western Carolinas Junior College Conference Tennis Team. Perez, the sensational sophomore, was a unanimous choice by the coaches of the WCJCC. Following Perez in the voting was Mahmood Fazal Kahn of Anderson, Marcelo Cash (Lima, Peru) and Hank Avants (Fayetteville) of Lees-McRae, with Dihren Rathod and Donnie Pankiw rounding out the fifth and sixth positions. Lees-McRae's Bobby Light (Boone), who missed the top six by a narrow margin, headed the Honorable Mention list, followed by Roy Hudson (Charlotte).



Hector Perez

Marcelo Cash

Bobby Light

Roy Hudson

Hank Avants

Mike Doobrow

All-Region X NJCAA Tennis: Hector Perez, Marcelo Cash, Hank Avants, Bobby Light, Roy Hudson, Lees-McRae; Tim Stewart, USC-Sumter. Honorable Mention: Mike Doobrow (High Point).

WCJCC Singles Champions: No. 1, Perez, co-champion; No. 2, Avants; No. 3, Cash; No. 4, Light; No. 5, Utley (High Point); No. 6, Hudson. Doubles Champions: No. 2, Avants-Light; No. 3, Utley-Hudson.

Region X Singles Champions: No. 1, Perez; No. 2, Avants; No. 3, Cash; No. 4, Light; No. 5, Doobrow; No. 6, Hudson. Doubles Champions: No. 1, Perez-Cash; No. 2, Avants-Light; No. 3, Doobrow-Hudson.



AND ALL-CONFERENCE HONORS



At left: (l-r), Mike Bujewski, Chris Canja, Rick Collett, Bill Dungan, Paul Edmonson, Jeff Francisco. Above, first row (l-r): Robert Hamilton, Joe Hodges, Jerry McKenna, Paul McKenney. Second row: John Nord, Ed O'Neil, Gary Satyshur, Tom Schoch.



Lees-McRae placed three men on the offensive and defensive units of the First Team All-Coastal Conference, announced by Coastal Conference Secretary Jack Reynolds of Potomac State. Named to the First Team Offense were center Tom Schoch (Peoria, Ill.), running back John Nord (Brentwood, N.Y.), and place kicker Paul Talley (St. Mary's, Ga.). On the First Team Defense unit were Joe Hodges (Greensboro), end, Rick Collett (Rockwood, Tn.), tackle, and Brian Johnson (Shelby), linebacker. On the Second Team Offense the Bobcats placed Paul Edmonson (Jonesboro, Ga.) and Gary Satyshur (Erie, Pa.), tackles. Second Team Defense listed Bill Dungan (Smyrna, Ga.), linebacker, and Jerry McKenna (Bayonne, N.J.), safety. Named to Honorable Mention were guard Mike Bujewski (Raleigh), tight end, Chris Canja (Concord, Tn.), offense, and end Ed O'Neil (Belvidere, N.J.), defense.

All-Region X NJCAA Team: Defense: Rick Collett, tackle; Joe Hodges, end; Ed O'Neil, end; Brian Johnson, linebacker; Jerry McKenna, back. Honorable Mention Defense: Bill Dungan, linebacker. Offense: Tom Schoch, center; Paul Edmonson, tackle; Chris Canja, end; Paul Talley, kicker; Paul McKenney, back; John Nord, back.

Selected for All-Star Coastal Conference Football Game at Harrisonburg, Va.: Paul Edmonson, Gary Satyshur, Robert Hamilton, John Nord, Brian Johnson, Bill Dungan, Rick Collett, Joe Hodges.

EIGHTEENTH ANNUAL HONORS AND AWARDS

The Order of the Tower assisted the administration in the presentation of the 18th Annual Honors and Awards Program recently held on the Lees-McRae College campus. Ms. Debbie Gidney, Tower President, presided over the program. The invocation was delivered by Dr. Robert Norfleet, Instructor in the Division of Religion and Philosophy, and the Master of Ceremonies was Mr. Don Baker, Director of Public Relations.

Mr. William Jones, Student Government representative, presented Kelly Davis, SGA President, an appreciation plaque for his work with the students this year.

The Circle K award was presented to Mr. Jimmy Street for his assistance and a special award was presented to Dr. Ted Ledford as sponsor. These awards were given by Ms. Marinda Phillips, President.

Mr. O'dell Smith, Instructor in the Division of Religion and Philosophy, presented the Religion Award, given for excellence in that field, to Miss Brenda Breeding. The Freshman Mathematics Award was given to Johan Kinck and the sophomore Math Award was presented to Mike Sim; both were awarded by Mr. Lewis Hall, Chairman, Division of Mathematics and Graphics.

Drama awards were presented by Dr. Kim Harris, Director to the following: best supporting actor, Kevin Kuhns; best supporting actress, Stephanie Hayes; best actor, Tom Brittingham; best actress, Martha Elledge.

The English Award, based on competitive writing, was given to Cathy Hockett by Dr. Ted Ledford, Chairman of the department.

The Joseph H. Carter Award, named in honor of a former Religion Instructor and past president of the college, is given in recognition of high achievement in the religion courses. Dr. Robert Norfleet made this award to Miss Karen McKinney.

The J. B. Pritchett Memorial Award for study in the biological sciences was presented to Miss Helen Bridges by Dr. Phil Teagarden.

Mr. Phil Royall, Chairman, Division of Fine Arts and Language, presented the Spanish Award to Miss Wendy Babchin and the Robert Bowman French Medal to Cindy Williams.

The Art Award was presented to Roosevelt Moody by Don Baker. The George Homan Award for Tennis was given to Marcelo Cash and Mike Doobrow.

Mitch Addington was presented the Margolis Scholarship given by Mr. Jack Margolis to a deserving student worthy of financial aid.

The Fred I. Dickerson Award, given to the sophomore athlete having the highest academic average, was presented to Mike Doobrow.





Sullivan Awards, also presented by Dr. Evans, were given to: Richard Brimer, Dr. Ted Ledford, Vickie Rogers, Mrs. Amelia Senter and Mrs. Millie Wiseman. This national award is given in recognition of fine spiritual qualities, notable character, and helping and encouraging others.



Major Charles Michael, Appalachian State University, made the following Military Science Awards: Commendation awards to Vernon Bradley, Jim Greene, James Hall, Paul Klason, and Neron Wilson. The Superior Cadet Award (this is the highest ROTC award given to a student who must be in the top 25% of his class) went to Jim Greene.

Miss Lois Simmerman, Instructor in the Division of Secretarial Science, presented the Executive Secretarial Awards to Misses Cathy Maness and June Lattimore; the Medical Secretarial Award went to Miss Trudy Childers.

Most Valuable Player Awards were given in each sport to the player voted by his/her teammates as contributing the most to the team. They were: Skiing (men), Johan Kinck, presented by Mr. Mark Gidney, Coach; Skiing (women), Sallie Knight; Tennis (men), Hector Perez; tennis (women), Rosario Lopez, presented by Don Baker, Coach; track, Coleman Keeter, given by Jim Washburn, Coach; golf, Gary Noble, presented by Phil Teagarden, Coach; football, Brian Johnson, awarded by Cole Proctor, Coach; and basketball, Lawrence Carter, presented by Carlisle Hostetter, Coach. At this time President Evans was presented with the '77 Conference Tennis Trophy by Marcelo Cash and Mike Doobrow, team captains.

A special appreciation award was given to Mr. Bill Maxson by the Athletic Department for his work with the program. This award was received by Mrs. Amelia Senter.

Carlisle Hostetter presented the Outstanding Athlete Award to Lawrence Carter given to the sophomore making the greatest contribution to the athletic program.

The James T. Woelfel Award, given annually to the male and female instructor voted on by the students as making the greatest contributions in the classroom, was awarded to Mrs. Christy Williamson and Mr. Lewis Hall. The Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mr. Jim Stonesifer, made the presentations.

The order of the Tower Special Recognition Award was given to Mr. Rick Hollowell for his work with WLMC, the campus radio station. SGA special recognition was awarded to Don Baker by Kelly Davis, President.

The dedication of the 1977 Ontaroga, the college yearbook, was given to Don Baker, by Miss Cathy Martin, Editor.





The Sullivanian Scholarship went to Mr. Neron Wilson, presented by Miss Cindi Edwards, President. The Roadrunner Scholarship was awarded to Kim Fields; the outstanding roadrunner was Freida Gragg; these were presented by Miss Sherry Perry.

Mr. David Keck, Chairman, Division of Social Sciences, presented Mr. Mike Doobrow with the Social Science Award given in recognition of academic excellence to the student enrolled in at least 12 hours in that division.

The Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Educator Award is given annually to the instructor who not only makes a lasting contribution in the classroom but helps the student outside the classroom as well. This award, given by Ms. Ellen Gilmer and Mr. Stonesifer, was presented to Mr. Lewis Hall.

The Fidelity Medal is the highest honor accorded a student at Lees-McRae. This award was given by Dr. Evans to Miss Ellen Gilmer.

Dr. Evans presented service awards to: Grace Woody, Lois Anne Harris, Kim Harris, William Watterson, Frankie Ramsey, Lee Nelson and Donese Presswood, all for five years of service. Ten-year plaques were awarded to: Danny McKinney, Phil Royall, Jim Stonesifer, and Dr. H. C. Evans (presented by Stonesifer). 15-year plaques to Jimmy Street and Carolyn Travis. For 30 years of service to Lees-McRae, plaques were presented to Mr. Harrison Baldwin and Mr. Ed Bentley.

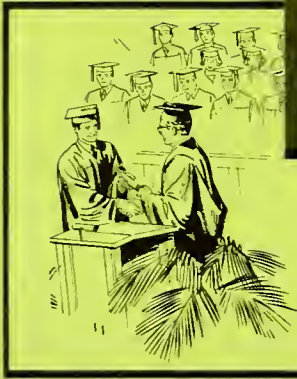


Ellen Gilmer, winner of the Fidelity Medal, given to the sophomore considered the most faithful to the college and the best all-around student.



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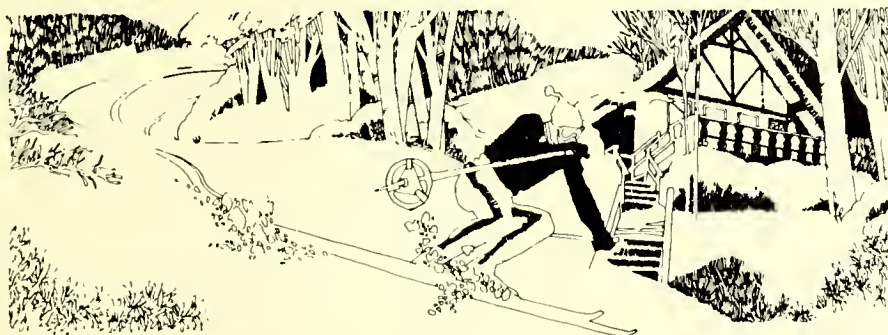






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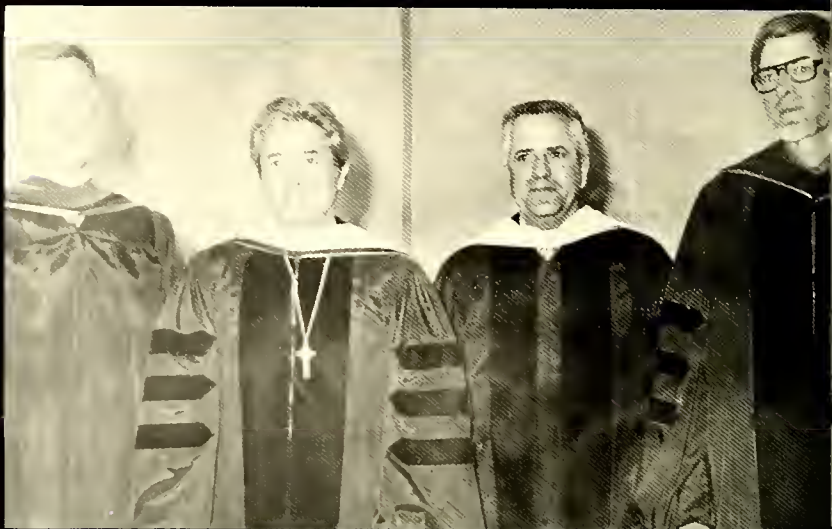
Dr. Jule Spach, Moderator, General Assembly, Presbyterian Church in the U. S., and the Honorable Robert Morgan, United States Senator from North Carolina, addressed the Forty-Seventh Graduating Class of Lees-McRae College and a capacity audience in the John Williams Physical Education Center.

The second largest graduating class in the history of Lees-McRae heard baccalaureate speaker Dr. Jule Spach state, "We are a tiny oasis with all of the privileges of drinking of the knowledge of God and man in the midst of a dry desert of ignorance and despair.

"Always recognize and hold dear this legacy of education that has been given you. One of the great tragedies in America today is the casual attitude with which most of our society accepts the treasure of educational opportunities. The fact that almost anyone who wants to go to college today can do so is not just happenstance. Our heritage is the result of great sacrifice and great vision on the part of our forefathers, especially those of the Christian faith. The first colleges formed in our nation, such as Harvard, Yale and Princeton, were a part of the life of the church. Their basic purpose was to open up the mind, to discover new knowledge, to prepare leaders, and to train persons to guide both the church and the society with love and compassion. But an even more basic objective was to give them a greater understanding of their relationship with our Lord. The standards set and the contribution made by these early church institutions became one of the cornerstones of the strength of America. Lees-McRae and many other church schools still exist to maintain these ideals, and you have the legacy of being the product of such an institution. Today it is so easy to get an education that we tend to forget how privileged we are in America. Actually, we are a tiny oasis with all of the privileges of drinking of the knowledge of God and man in the midst of a dry desert of ignorance and despair. If only all of us could travel around the world and see how most of humanity lives. I have and my heart has been broken at what I have seen.

"Learning is not enough. What makes your education meaningful and important is how you use it. This very fact allows everyone to begin on equal status, and history has clearly revealed that many of the greatest leaders of the world were not necessarily the most brilliant students.

"Churchill struggled to finish his courses. Einstein flunked math in the ninth grade. Demosthenes, the famous Greek orator, had such speech problems as a young man that he had to put stones in his mouth to



PRINCIPALS IN THE LEES-McRAE COLLEGE BACCALAUREATE. Left to right: E. O'dell Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs; Dr. Jule Spach, Moderator, General Assembly, Presbyterian Church in the U. S.; President H. C. Evans, Jr.; and John Wilson, Chairman, Division of Religion and Philosophy.

overcome his stuttering. Yet his name today is synonymous with eloquence. Brilliant scholars like Thomas Jefferson, George Marshall, and Albert Schweitzer were tops in their classes. All were able to make their imprint on history, not only for what they had learned but for how they applied their talents and their knowledge."

Spach concluded, "So, I leave these thoughts with you as you move into present that only yesterday seemed so far in the distant future. One, recognize the legacy

that is yours in acquiring this education. Two, always remember — to learn and acquire new information and knowledge is not enough. What is important is how you use it. Three, understand for each of us there is a divine plan and it is fulfilled when we surrender ourselves to God. With God's presence in your life, your capacity to love and to have peace is far superior to anything human with our human limitations."



ADDRESSING LEES-McRAE GRADS MORGAN WARNS "DON'T TAKE IT FOR GRANTED"

United States Senator Robert Morgan addressed the Forty-Seventh Graduating Class of Lees-McRae College and warned the graduates and audience not to take their educational opportunities for granted.

President H. C. Evans, Jr., and Vice President for Academic Affairs James Stonesifer conferred 170 degrees upon graduates at the second largest commencement-convocation of Lees-McRae College in its history.

After congratulating the graduating class on their achievements and exhorting them on their accomplishments, Senator Morgan stated, "You are graduating from this institution and going out into the world to make your mark. Only in this country can we have the opportunity to receive higher education and take that opportunity for granted. We can take our freedom and our opportunities we cherish so much for granted. It is only in a democratic society and a democracy such as ours that we can afford to take all of these things for granted. As Harry Golden so amply stated, 'Only in America could all these things happen.' We live in the greatest country in the whole wide world. Nowhere in the world could there be greater freedom. Nowhere in the world are there greater opportunities and greater challenges."

"But we take these things for granted," the Senator from North Carolina continued. "We degrade ourselves. We find fault with our friends, with our institutions, with our government. We criticize the very system that makes this country great."

"I could stand up here for months telling you how great we really are. Look at the strides we have made in just the last 25 years. When the country was torn by the Watergate scandal a great man stepped in

and restored the people's faith in human dignity in the office of President, and that man was deserted by his father at the age of two. He struggled all through his early life and became President of the United States in a most critical time in the country's history. I am speaking of President Ford. The man who succeeded him was a peanut farmer who rose to the office of President. Again, as Harry Golden points out — only in America.

"It is not easy to succeed. No one ever promised us it would be. We take other people's success for granted, and we take our comfort in this world for granted while our world is in turmoil in the Middle East and with nations where human dignity and human rights are abused. This nation strives as you must strive."

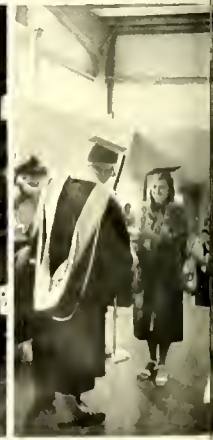
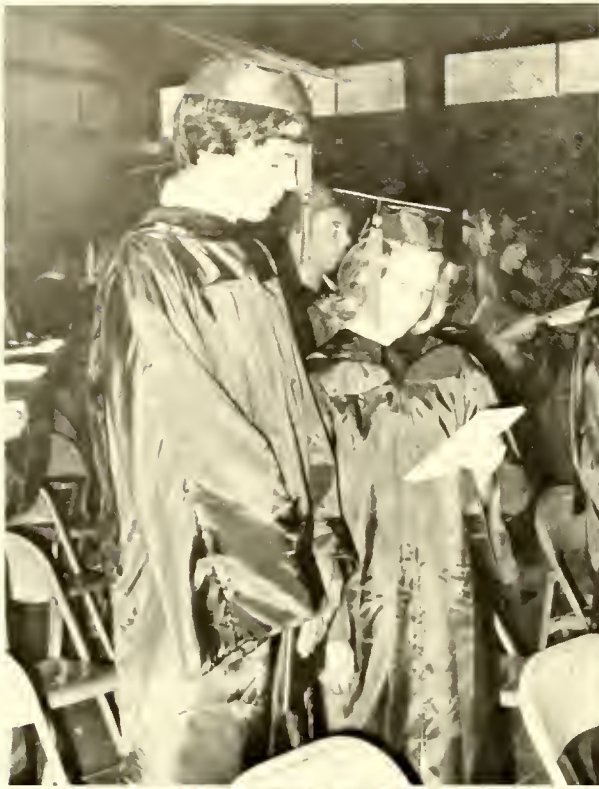
"Your careers won't be easy. There are many obstacles and challenges but these can be overcome if you don't take what you have for granted and you strive for success and happiness. Take advantage of the many opportunities this country offers you, because your parents and their ancestors before them made these opportunities available for you."

"In trying to find success and happiness let me remind you that you don't always find them in wealth, fame, notoriety, power or prestige. The thing that matters is whether you are satisfied with the contributions you make to your society, friends and family. The greatest rewards in life come from being at peace with one's self, one's God, and one's fellow man. You can best achieve this by being part of the lives of those around you and by being part of your government. Try to extend the same opportunities that have been extended to you and take nothing for granted."



GRADUATION 1977. A Lees-McRae coed demonstrates the emotions of joy and sadness following the Forty-Seventh Commencement exercises at Lees-McRae College. The scene was typical at institutions across the nation but on the "Campus in the Clouds" it has a special meaning of the two years spent in Banner Elk.









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"EXCELLENTIA EST PRAEMIUM LABORIS"

Striving to live up to the yearbook's motto, "Excellence is the reward of labor," we attempted to produce the best yearbook ever. It does not have as many pages as the '76 edition but every year is not a bicentennial year. We gave it our best shot. It may be a wild approach but it's different and we hope you like it. We think the layout, pictures and print are just short of genius. Realizing it is not humanly possible to document a year we selected what we could from our picture files. We offer our apologies to the 1977 Track Team since the film did not turn out, and as you can see the photographer, Kirk Graham, needed a checkup. But by the end of the year most of us needed our heads examined.



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Most of all, I wish to acknowledge the people who worked so hard to make this yearbook the best ever: Kirk Graham, Cathy Hockett and with photography assistance from David Compton.

Enough has been said about our advisor, Don Baker, but I wish to express my thanks and appreciation for all the behind-the-scenes work and planning he does on the yearbook. He is the positive force behind this production and we are indeed grateful.

To his secretaries, Mrs. Baker and Rosanne Penley, as always, our thanks for applying the finishing touches.

It is my sincere wish that this 1977 Ontaroga will be among your most treasured possessions.

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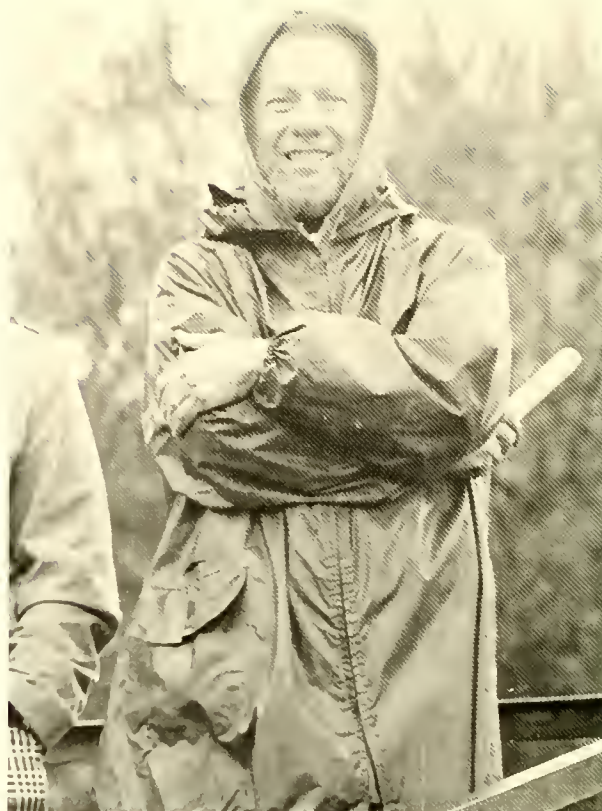


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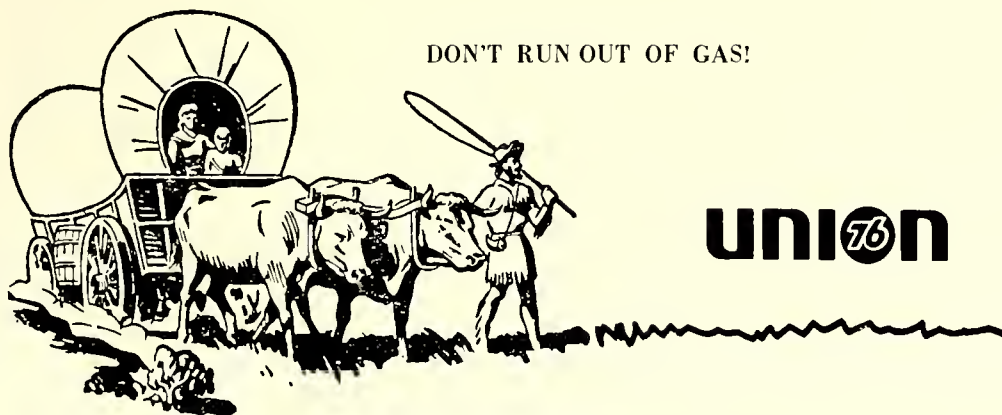


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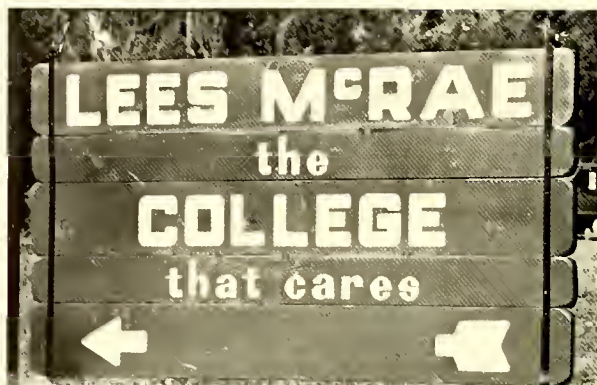
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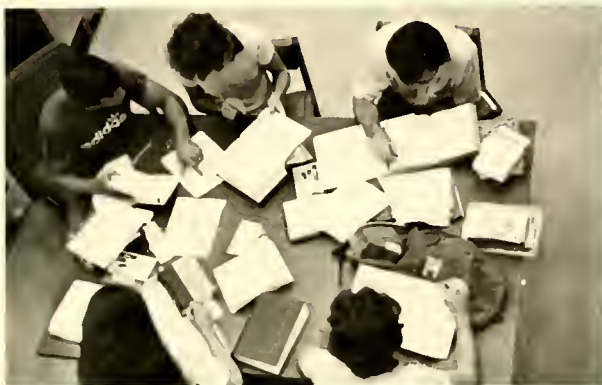
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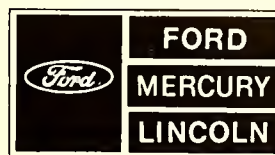
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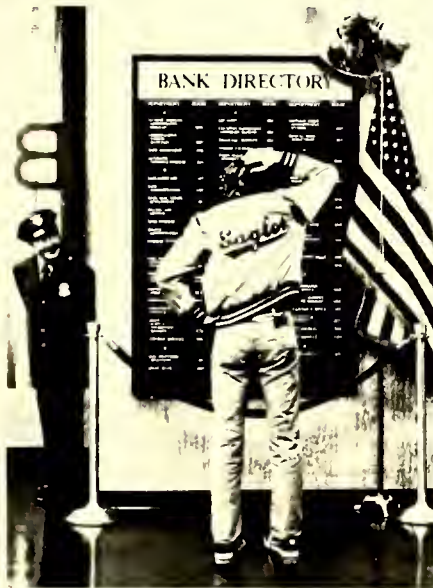
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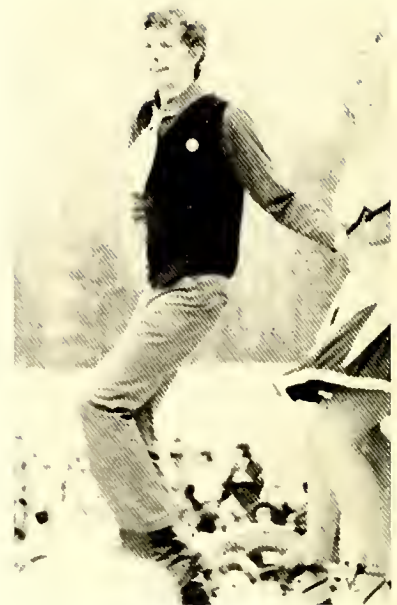
This year Lees-McRae had sixteen sophomores selected for the national publication, WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES. The publication recognizes students for their outstanding contributions to their campus, the student's scholarship, leadership, and participation in education and extracurricular 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. This honor was conferred upon the following: Wendy Babchin, Richard Buchanan, Lawrence Carter, Marcelo Cash, Michael Doobrow, Ellen Gilmer, Deborah Gidney, Martha Grant, Robin Hamby, Rick Hollowell, William Jones, Rosario Lopez, Elizabeth Main, Sherry Perry, Linda Pugh, Victoria Rogers.

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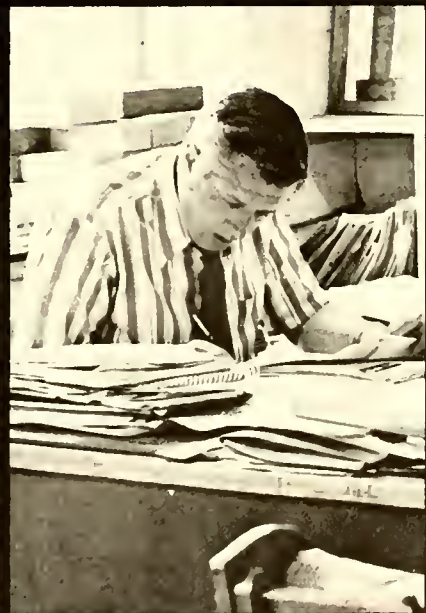
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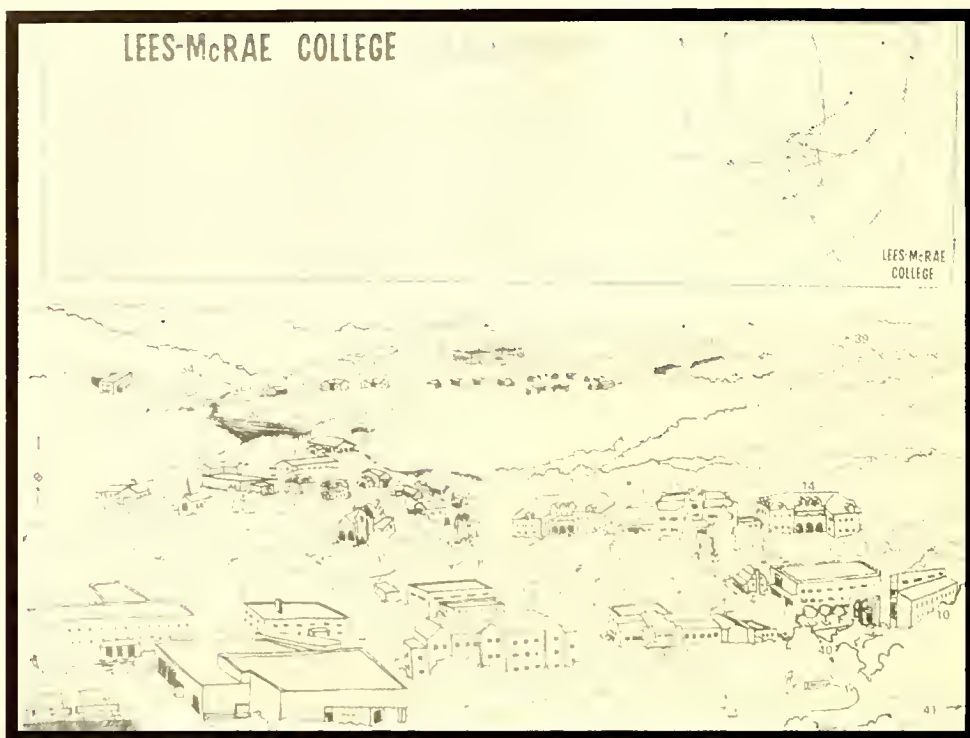




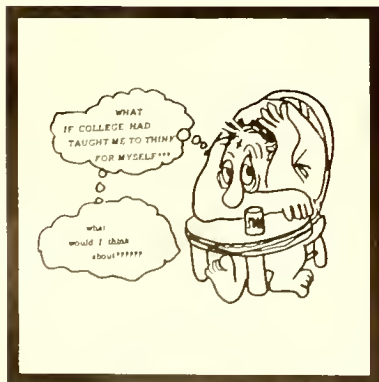
Counter clockwise: Baker, the tennis coach for the past 15 seasons, collected his 200th victory this season as his career record stands at 207 wins and 76 losses. Upper left, he accepts gold watch from the tennis team captain Mike Doobrow following the Bobcats' clean sweep of the Region X Tournament. An avid booster, supporter in athletics at Lees-McRae, he is shown with football coach Cole Proctor, All-Canadian League Pro Larry Butler at the Sports Banquet. His office is in charge of all publications and publicity and he does all finished artwork for the college as well as signs and posters of student organizations. Here he is roasted last year with Lawrence Carter doing the roasting. He films, keeps statistics and publicizes the athletic events at Lees-McRae in the same exhaustive and thorough manner in everything he undertakes. An avid angler, he assists the President of the College with the fishing program. He teaches Art History and in his spare time is a friend to all. Above, wife Joyce, son Rick and daughter Nicola.



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