
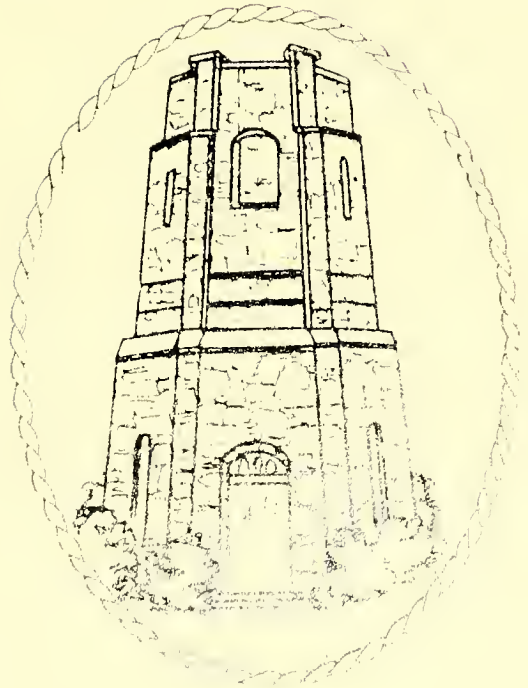


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## The Tall Tower Catches . . .

**D**uring my first year as President, I spoke often about the character of Lees-McRae College. Noting that our college has a special genius for caring about people and for caring about quality, I have said that when those traits converge exciting things happen in people's lives. At Lees-McRae we are about the business of making dreams come true. Our success story in that endeavor is truly remarkable.

With a renewed commitment by the college to maintain our strong heritage — even as we meet the future with fresh confidence — Lees-McRae is symbolized by the stone tower at the center of the campus. That tower is literally a tower of strength. It represents our strong traditions of academic excellence, of spiritual development, and of physical growth.

It is said that the tall tower catches the light first and holds it longest. Lees-McRae is like the tall tower. In our boldness to be the best that we can possibly be, we catch the light first and hold it longest. ♡

**‘The future of Lees-McRae is strong and bright . . .  
the business of Life is to go forward . . .  
it is time to secure our future; we shall do so by the  
Power of ‘Roots and Wings’.’** —Dr. Bradford L. Crain



*President Crain discusses "Roots and Wings" campaign at press conference as Board Chairman John King, left, Ty Boyd, right, and John Thomas, far right, listen.*

At the press conference announcing Lees-McRae College's ambitious ten and one-half million dollar "Roots and Wings" campaign, President Brad Crain said, "Lees-McRae cannot rest on its considerable laurels of yesterday. We have much work to do, many more achievements to attain."

Trustee Chairman Jack King illustrated the campaign as "the horse is out of the gate and has passed the 1/2 mile marker." Student leaders gave their personal observations of the impact of the campaign on the student body and the campus, and noted TV personality Ty Boyd spoke of his "personal involvement" in the campaign.

In his kickoff statement of the "Roots and Wings" campaign, Dr. Crain announced, "The future of Lees-

McRae is strong and bright . . . the business of life is to go forward . . . it is time to secure our future; we shall do so by the power of 'Roots and Wings.' Lees-McRae College opens doors of opportunity for our students. We try to engage and enlarge their moral imaginations."

With that statement, Dr. Crain launched the most ambitious fundraising campaign in the eighth-seven year history of the Presbyterian junior college in Banner Elk.

Flanking Dr. Crain at the press conference and speaking briefly were Jack King, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Kim Krege, honor student and President of Phi Theta Kappa honor fraternity; Buddy Fore, President, Lees-McRae Student Govern-

ment Association; and Ty Boyd of Charlotte and John W. Thomas, Jr. (High Point) who will co-chair the "Roots and Wings" campaign.

Boyd has been a popular broadcaster, TV and radio personality. He is a businessman, commercial spokesman, salesman, consultant, and internationally acclaimed professional speaker. At one time a popular WBTV television personality, Boyd has been seen and heard on nearly every radio and television station in America. He is host of the nationally syndicated "Dawn Show," a daily television series featuring motivational speakers and entrepreneurs. He is a popular and in-demand speaker for some 200 audiences each year.

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Boyd had two children, a son and daughter, attend Lees-McRae. At the press conference Boyd stated, "Our experience is such a positive one. We could not have found more able administrators nor faculty. We could not have had better contact with an institution. Our children loved their choice in schools. They came away with good foundations for life. While Lees-McRae will challenge and benefit the most gifted student, it also provides lovingly the kind of concern and leadership that allows potential to surface from each."

Boyd expressed his pleasure and happiness in joining "this great institution in its quest for greater growth and service."

In concluding he simply and aptly stated, "We need Lees-McRae."

Trustee Chairman Jack King pointed out, "This is the first time that Lees-McRae had undertaken a major fundraising drive of such magnitude. This is an ambitious goal and yet a realistic one for Lees-McRae, a goal that will be reached," King said.

"The starting gate has opened and the horse named 'Roots and Wings' has just passed the 1/8 mile marker," King concluded. "So we can afford nothing less than success."

John W. Thomas, Jr., President of Thomas-Built Bus Company in High Point, is a prominent leader, counselor and national executive board member of the Boy Scouts of America. At the

press conference Thomas cited former President H.C. Evans for his outstanding leadership and contribution to the college. Thomas said, "He (Evans) had an abiding interest in young people. Lees-McRae affords the young person, regardless of his means or circumstances, a real opportunity for character development and leadership development. The nurturing and development of both leadership and talent and a set of ethics are of primary importance when he leaves this college experience behind him." He praised the value system Lees-McRae helps students build and concluded, "Lees-McRae is not for everyone. But it is very effective for those who anticipate its values."



"The time has come to secure the future for Lees-McRae." With that comment Dr. Crain set the stage for launching the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the college's history.

The major part of the campaign is geared in attracting and retaining new students to Lees-McRae.

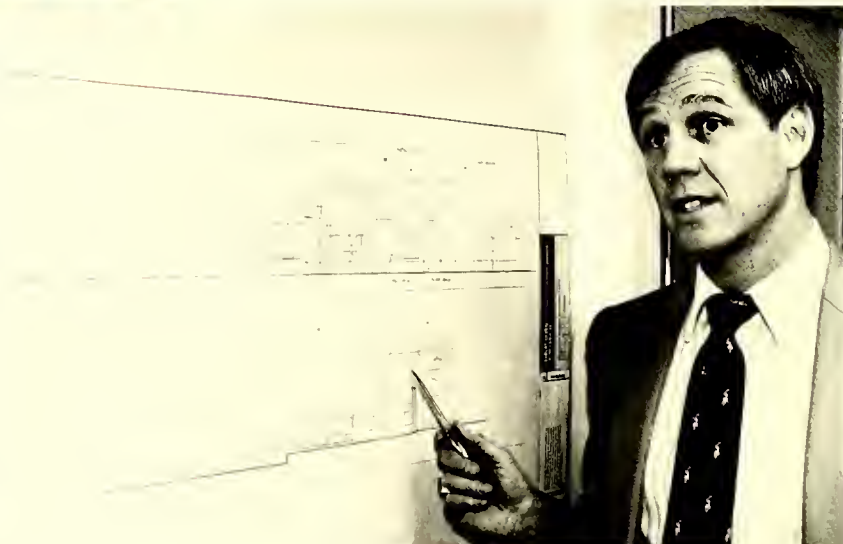
The campaign offers the most challenging and ambitious goal of raising 3.1 million dollars for academic scholarships to help the college attract students with high academic potential by providing merit scholarships to deserving students.

A Student Activities Center has been earmarked for 1.9 million dollars to provide space for recreational rooms, a snack bar, designated lounges for study and relaxation, offices for student clubs and organizations, a post office, and administrative offices for student development and retention efforts.

The "Roots and Wings" campaign gets its name from a passage from Dr. Bradford Crain's inaugural address. He has incorporated it into a statement of the school's mission and aspirations: "At Lees-McRae College we know where we are going in higher education. Unlike many other colleges we suffer no identity crisis. We know where we are going because we cherish where we have been; we place value on memories and imagination, the past and the future. The two greatest gifts, I believe, that we can give our students are roots and wings: roots for understanding their heritage and wings for discovering their future."

In closing Dr. Crain thanked all those involved in the "Roots and Wings" campaign . . . "The faculty, staff, alumni, trustees, and friends, the foundations, churches, and businesses."

Crain concluded, "Our quest has started splendidly. Now the hard work begins."



## Why "Roots and Wings"?

Lees-McRae is an eighty-six year old success story. Having provided educational, cultural, and spiritual enrichment to nearly 6,500 regular students as well as to untold thousands of campus visitors, we are determined to keep our mission powerful for years to come.

To do so, we must have the necessary resources to foster excellence. Symbols for our funds campaign are as natural to Lees-McRae as our surrounding mountains are ruggedly beautiful. The stone Tower on campus evokes a sense of our rich heritage, our deep 'roots' in a special tradition of learning. Our 'Roots and Wings' sculpture by Wayne Trapp graces front campus; this work of art captures and proclaims a bright future for Lees-McRae as the college aspires to be what cannot be bettered.

—Bradford L. Crain, President  
Lees-McRae College





‘This is the ‘year of the tower’ . . . The Order of the Tower celebrates its twenty-fifth anniversary. You know that the tower is a symbol of strength and opportunity here at Lees-McRae. Perhaps you know this, maybe not, that it’s the tall tower that catches the first light of the morning and holds it longest through the day. I wish for you the symbol of the tower as a symbol that can help guide you through this year of education. 9



—Dr. Bradford L. Crain  
Opening Convocation, 1986



# DR. CRAIN: We Sponsor at Lees-McRae a caring

“*Whatever you are, be bold. Because as it once was said, whatever you do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has beauty and joy and love in it.*”

—Col. Borman

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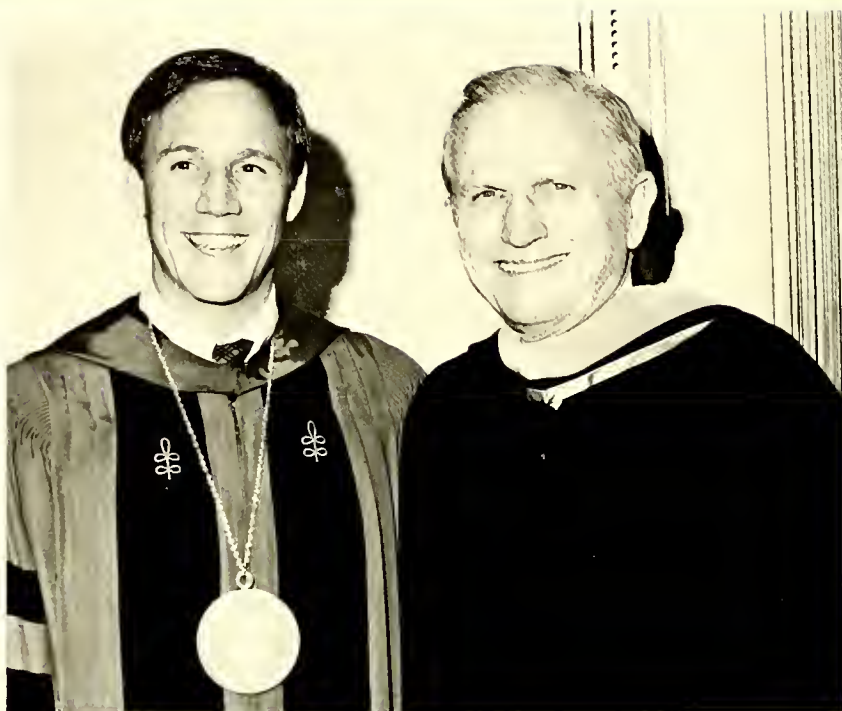
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“Education also involves enlarging our capacities to see. It gives us perspectives,” Dr. Crain pointed out. “And one who has seen the earth and the heavens while circling the moon can teach us much about perspectives. Education also involves failing and succeeding and are both strong teachers.”



“We are in the company of one who knows the depth of the sky and has flown. Our speaker has been an Air Force Officer, a fighter pilot, an educator, an astronaut, and a businessman. But these are just some of the attributes that are outwardly known. We have with us a true hero of our times, one who represents qualities, but not just achievement, qualities that I advise all of you to emulate. His intellect has the elegant agility of an engineer, his imagination the creative force of an artist, his courage the sheer courage of a pioneer. We welcome to Lees-McRae Col. Frank Borman.”

**“M**ay we learn to laugh and get perspectives. The sound of laughter is one of the strongest forces toward health and productivity and strength and spirituality. It was St. Teresa of Avila who looked for novices who knew how to laugh, eat and sleep. She was sure that if they ate heartily they were healthy. If they slept well they were more than likely free of serious sin. And if they laughed they had the necessary disposition to survive a difficult life.”

“May education teach us the perspective that comes through laughter. You students here tonight, and you are the reason we’re all here tonight, take your education at Lees-McRae College as seriously and as joyfully as we,

your faculty and staff, do. Respect ideas, respect people, including yourselves, and respect property. Take this window of opportunity at Lees-McRae to begin again, and to fulfill the promise of this beginning. I wish for you to feel an appropriate pride in yourself and in your college.”

“I want you students to know that we sponsor at Lees-McRae College a caring and nurturing system of relationships. There are two things I want to leave with you. One is an ancient saying that says ‘if the sky falls there are people to hold it up.’ And another saying — ‘we’re all angels with one wing, but by embracing one another we are able to fly.’”

## and nurturing system of relationships . . .

**BORMAN: SPACE TRAVEL Human Effort.** Frank Borman told the Lees-McRae audience what admiration he had for 400,000 Americans that, almost 20 years ago, had done their jobs superbly . . . all those "human beings" with the confidence and skill to put him and his crew 240,000 miles away from earth and to within .4 of a mile from their destination in space.

*"I cannot describe for you the darkness of space," Borman stated. "But in perfect blackness, waiting for the countdown as we went behind the moon, to understand if indeed the trajectory was correctly computed."*

*"Imagine, if you will, the confidence and the skill that put us there," Borman said. "Fly 240,000 miles and coming within .4 of a mile of your projected destination, an almost incredible performance. I remember thinking at that time, what remarkable admiration I had for 400,000 Americans that had dedicated their working hours and their breathing hours to making certain that not only we survived but that we performed the mission we were supposed to."*

*Borman said he and his crew circled the moon, looking for a suitable landing site for a landing mission that was to follow. They had to provide the data function for Apollo 11 that was already scheduled to be the first lunar landing. They circled the moon about six times, taking enumerable photographs, picking sites through the telescope, and to see if indeed there was 19 feet of dust — because they knew conditions had to be suitable for Apollo 11.*

*It was a stressful event for the crew who had been in space for almost three days without sleeping well. And that was when they discovered over the lunar horizon, the way we see a moonrise here, such as the harvest moon of autumn, that they were the first to see the moon, and from the lunar surface looking back to earth, "all thoughts of our mission really were put in abeyance, even our tiredness. Our fatigue evaporated and we became, instead of engineers and test pilots, we became at best, philosophers and tried to understand what it all meant." Borman said that they were there as a result of "human beings" having broken the bounds of earth . . . with the help of 400,000 other "human beings."*

*Borman told the students that not many people, particularly young people, think about freedom. But he urged them to start their academic year and their college experience by remembering that they are not only products of, but members of, a unique society.*

*"We thought that Christmas Eve, 1968, and I remind you today, that the gift of freedom is precious, that it's enjoyed by only a few of the billions on this earth. (Our country has survived) not simply because of its military strength, or political stability, or its economic might, but because of the conceptual idea that somehow has survived this 200 years."*

*Borman concluded, "As you are going about your way, as you are going about your educational process, I hope that you won't be shy in remembering your freedom. And I hope that you will be bold in preparing yourself to make certain that it is nurtured and preserved in the years ahead. Whatever you are, be bold. Because as it once was said, whatever you do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has beauty and joy and love in it."*



A breathtaking, ruggedly beautiful campus is the setting

# LEESMCCRACK



for an atmosphere that is conducive to study . . .



# At Lees-McRae . . .

*The Aldridge Sisters entertained us while we found ways to entertain ourselves*





It would be no small advantage if every college were thus located at the base of a mountain . . . Some will remember, no doubt, not only that they went to the college, but that they went to the mountain. 9

—Henry David Thoreau

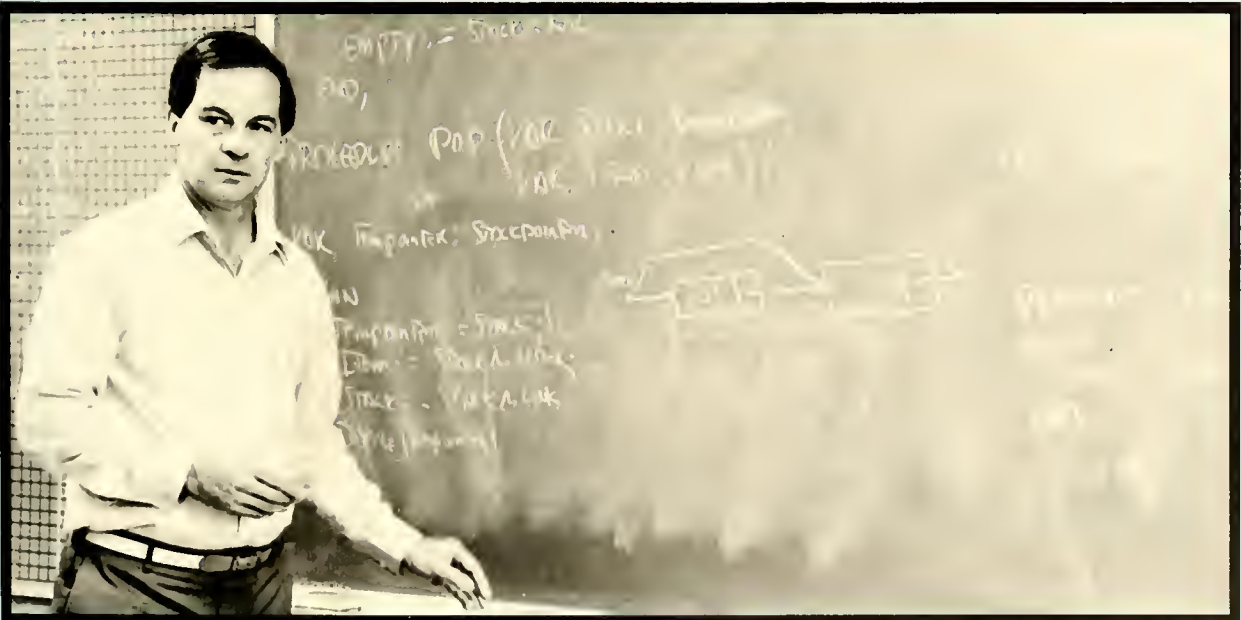




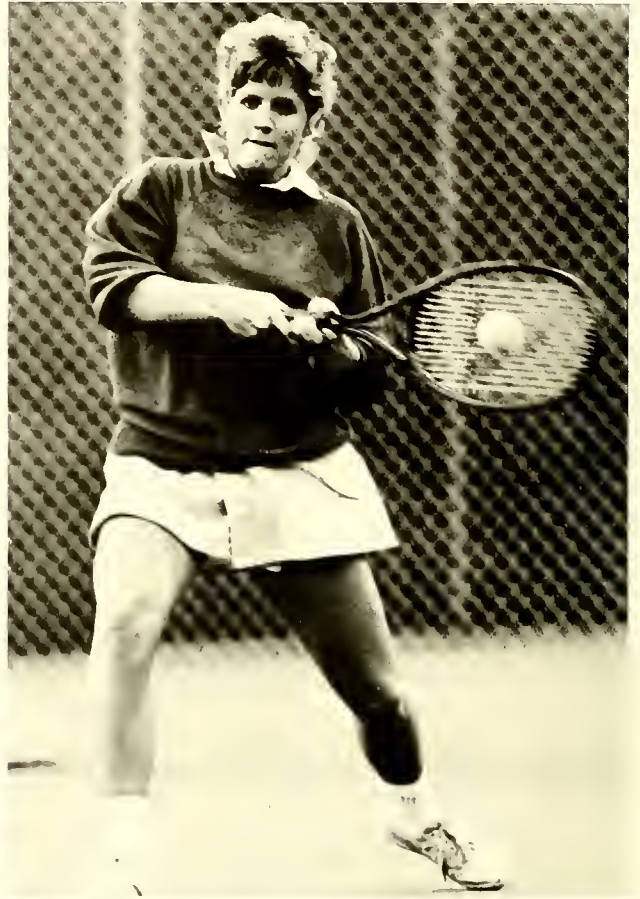


“The academic challenge is here . . . and the college is steeped in a strong athletic tradition for both men and women. The supportive atmosphere afforded me the opportunity to gain confidence, direction, and academic expertise. I feel I am well equipped to meet the challenges that I will face once I leave Lees-McRae.”

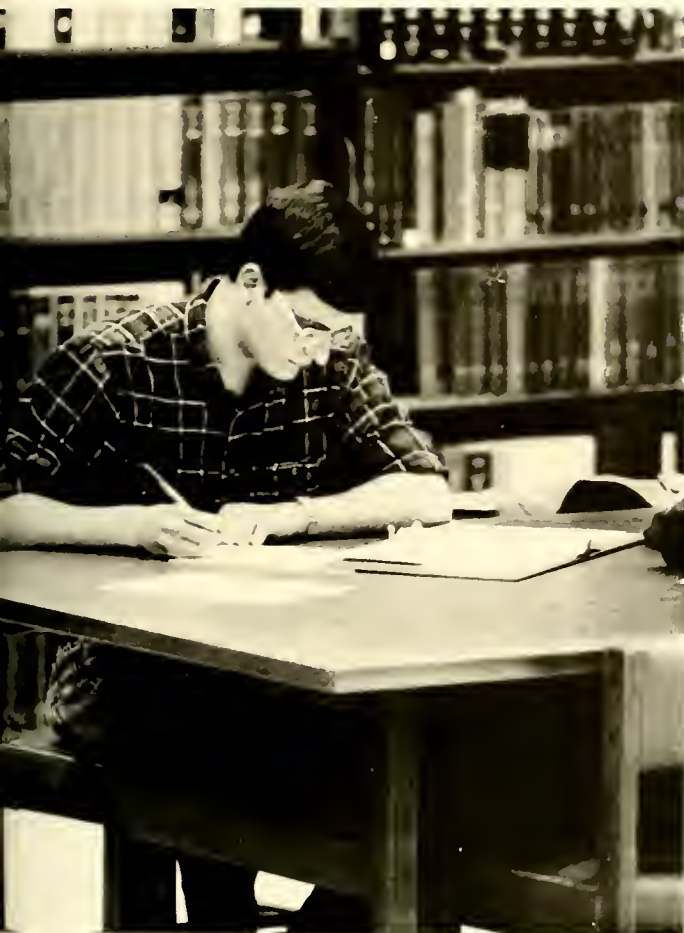
—Charlette Massey



Steeped in athletic tradition . . .



# Academic Excellence . . .



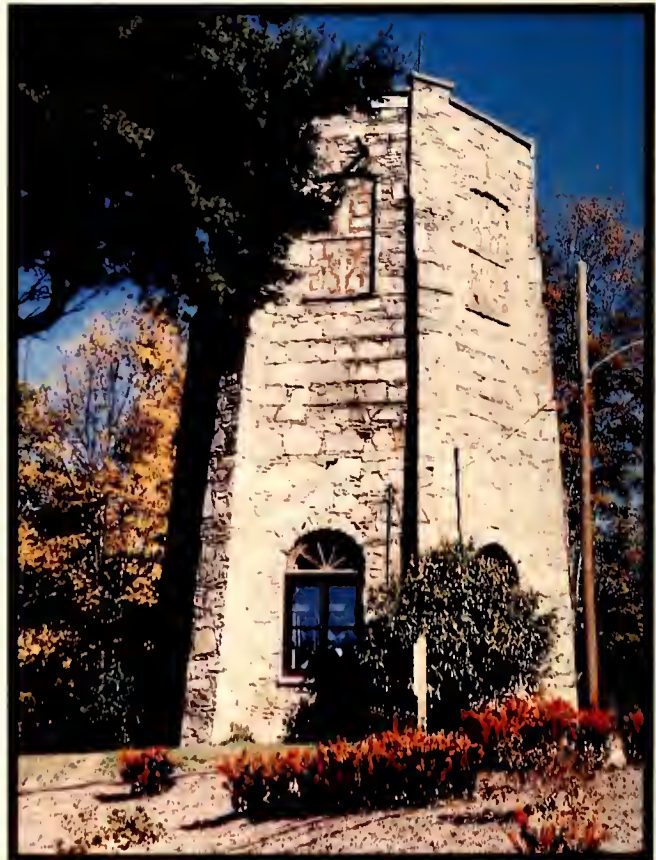
*The largest Freshman Class arrived on campus when LeesMcRae opened its doors for its fifty seventh session. Bucking a national trend the college experienced an astounding increase in applications for its highest enrollment in four years.*



Our heritage . . .  
the Tower . . .

a symbol of strength  
and opportunity at

LEESMCRRAE



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# Academics



## BRADFORD L. CRAIN PRESIDENT

*One of the major duties of a college president is fund raising. Below, Dr. Crain accepts a contribution from NCNB Banner Elk Vice President Tom Peterson.*



"The Man Responsible." Dr. Bradford L. Crain is, for Lees-McRae, "The Man Responsible." His dedication, energy, hard work and untiring efforts are witnessed by the direction he gives the personnel, staff, and faculty of Lees-McRae.

The success of the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the college's history, and the driving force behind the Board of Trustees' decision to seek senior college status, is due to his capable leadership. After arriving two years ago, Dr. Crain accepted the challenge of investigating the transition of LMC to senior college status as outlined in a study made earlier. He also emphasized the need for a major capital funds campaign to secure the future of Lees-McRae College.

His concern and interest in the students is not only evidenced by his "open door" policy to the student body, but by his continuing desire to improve the programs and facilities of the college.

Active in church and civic affairs, Dr. Crain is in constant demand as a speaker. Educated at Berea College, receiving his B. A. degree in English in 1965, Dr. Crain received both his M. A. degree (1968) and his Ph. D. degree (1973) in English from Harvard University.

Having served as Instructor of English at both Berea College and Harvard University, he began as Assistant Professor of English at Stetson University in 1970. He left Stetson as a full professor in 1980 to assume the duties of Professor of English and head of the Department of Languages, Literature and Dramatic Arts at Armstrong State College. Prior to accepting the position at Lees-McRae he served as Vice President and Academic Dean at LMU.

His agenda for the year reads like a travelogue as he journeys the Eastern United States in search of benefactors and foundations to aid the college in its programs, projects, and expansions.

Dr. Crain's vision, direction, and encouragement have benefited every phase of Lees-McRae's mission. The driving force behind the escalating success of Lees-McRae . . . the impetus . . . "the man responsible" is Dr. Crain.

*Presidential Scholarship Winners. Dr. Crain poses with Amy Weaver and Alberico Menozzi following the sophomore dinner honoring the scholarship recipients. These awards are given to the rising sophomores, male and female, with the highest academic average.*





*Dr. Crain is always accessible to the students. Here he chats with SGA president elect Charlette Massey.*

*Pat Bentley  
Administrative Assistant  
to the President*



*Carlisle Hostetter  
Director of Intercollegiate Athletics, B.A.  
Lynchburg College, M.S., Radford College*



*Roy D. Krege  
Vice President for College Planning/Community Relations, B.S., Carson Newman College;  
M.A., Tennessee Technological College*



*Phil Ewalt  
Assistant for Planning/Special Activities;  
B.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill;  
M.Div., Covenant Theological Seminary*



*Mary Hickman  
Director of Financial Aid  
B.S., Duke University*

*Brenda Lyerly  
Director of Admissions  
B.A., University of Houston  
M.A., Appalachian State University*

*Donald R. Baker  
Director of Informational Services  
A.A., Lees-McRae College  
A.B., East Tennessee State University*



*Roy Krege finds himself in many roles as Director of Community Relations. Here Banner Elk's "Man of the Year" M.C.'s elementary school's Spring Fling.*

## FACULTY WORKSHOP LAUNCHES ACADEMIC PREPARATION FOR UPCOMING SCHOOL YEAR

A three-day workshop was conducted by the College involving the faculty, staff and administration. The keynote address at the joint meeting of the college administrators, faculty and staff was delivered by Dr. John Gardner, Associate Vice President, USC, and creator of a unique freshman orientation program, The Freshman Year Experience. Following group discussions in the morning, the college employees returned to offer reports and held a question and answer period, conducted by Dr. Gardner. Jim Stonesifer, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College, gave his interpretation of the Freshman Year Experience concept: "First of all, the courses are set to build a sense of community with the students, to give them some kind of connection on the campus. Preliminary indications are that the impact is what we wanted . . . to try to provide the students with services available on campus that they might not be aware of . . . understanding what higher education is all about and in doing so they will begin to be able to focus on some solid goals and objectives for the future."

*Principals in the Lees-McRae College Faculty/Administrative/Staff Workshop (l-r): Helen Tester, Chairman of Workshop Planning Committee, Jim Stonesifer, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College, President, Dr. Bradford L. Crain, and guest speaker, Dr. John N. Gardner, Associate Vice President for the University Campuses and Continuing Education for the University of South Carolina*



*James A. Stonesifer  
A.B., Bridgewater College  
M.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill*





Tammy Franklin  
Secretary to the Vice President for Academic  
Affairs



Millie G Wiseman  
Registrar  
Honorary Degree, Lees-McRae College



Richard Jackson  
Librarian  
B.A., Western Carolina University, M.A.,  
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



**JAMES A. STONESIFER  
VICE PRESIDENT FOR  
ACADEMIC AFFAIRS  
DEAN OF THE COLLEGE**

James A. (Jim) Stonesifer assumed the duties of Academic Dean following the resignation of Lewis Hall who stepped down after ten years from that post to return to the teaching ranks at Lees-McRae. Stonesifer came to the college in 1967 and assumed the post of Chairman of the Biology Department in 1970. He served in that position until 1973 when he was named Academic Dean. Prior to coming to Lees-McRae, Stonesifer taught two and one-half years at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and also taught at Bridgewater College briefly. At the untimely death of Dr. H. C. Evans, Jr., he ably assumed the responsibilities of Acting President of the college upon the direction of the Board of Trustees.

Helen Tester  
College Counselor  
B.A., Lenoir Rhyne College, M.S., Appalachian  
State University



Warren Hinson  
Director/Coordinator Talent Search; B.S., Wake  
Forest University; M.A., Appalachian State  
University



Librarian Richard Jackson and Dr. Crain pose with Tom Peterson, NCNB City Executive, in front of the "logo" pointing of NCNB's traveling art exhibition in the James H Carson Library.



College Counselor Helen Tester makes a point before a workshop discussion group. Tester's talents and energy are a valuable asset to the college.



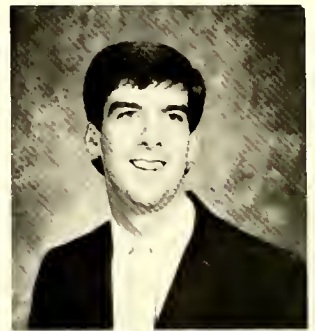
Very Aggressive Person  
-Attempts to speak up for  
himself/herself, but over-  
does it. Overcompensates  
this happens, re-sets  
others' lights and off  
at the other persons - etc.



*William B. Farthing*  
Vice President for Institutional Development Church Relations. B.S., Appalachian State University



*Frankie Needham*  
Secretary to the Vice President for Institutional Development



*John B. Cates*  
Director of Alumni Affairs. A.A., Lees-McRae College; B.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



*Steven G. Griffith*  
Director of Development. B.A., Berea College



*Janet Barton Speer*  
Director of Performing Arts. B.S., M.A., Southwest Texas University; Ph.D., Louisiana State University



*Patti Stephens*  
Dean of Students  
B.S., University of Tennessee  
M.S., Indiana State University



*Grace Woody*  
Secretary to the Dean of Students  
A.S., Lees-McRae College

*John Angel*  
Associate Dean of Students. B.A., University of Tennessee

*Marilyn Lesser*  
Director of Student Activities





Above Alumni Director John Cates discussed a project with Dr. Crain while the Development Office (Farthing, Griffith, Cates) indulge in a little frivolity at Spring Fling.



Melvin Law  
Vice President for  
Business Affairs

Cathy Shell  
Secretary to the Vice President for Business Affairs

Phillip Heaton  
Business Manager



Jimmy Street  
Director of Exchange Store/Purchasing



Geneva Hostetter  
Chaffee Center Receptionist/Secretary



Mary Johnson  
Controller





Joyce Baker  
Assistant for Public Relations

Margie Church  
Secretary to the Director of  
Alumni Affairs



Evelyn Hall  
Library Staff

Kathy Henson  
Secretary for Academic Affairs

A side of the LMC staff that students seldom see Above Margie Church; At Right, Kathy Henson and Tammy Franklin, Big Bird (John Angel) and Joyce Ratliff



Carol Mask  
Secretary for the Development  
Office

Clara McGuire  
Student Center Staff

Barbara McKinney  
Traffic Clerk, Duplicating Officer

Danny McKinney  
Exchange Store Clerk

Gwyn Miller  
Purchasing Secretary, Exchange  
Store Secretary and Clerk



Joyce Ratliff  
Secretary to the Director of  
Performing Arts

Karen Royall  
Admissions Counselor

Stuart Silver  
Financial Aid  
Coordinator

Lea Skate  
Secretary to the Director of  
Talent Search Coordinator

Margaret Smith  
Secretary to the Director of  
Athletics

Charles Crumley  
Data Processing Manager

Melinda Evaul  
Infirmary Nurse

Joanne Franklin  
Secretary to the Director of  
Informational Services

Martha Frye  
Associate Director  
of Admissions

Betty Gentry  
Student Center Staff



Arlene Hodges  
Student Center Staff

Sandra Hoyle  
Accounts Payable Clerk

Paula Hughes  
Secretary to the Director of  
Informational Services

Louise Jackson  
Library Staff

Linda King  
Admissions Counselor  
Office Manager

Donese Preswood  
Assistant Librarian

Mary Louise Pritchett  
Library Staff

Linda Vance  
Exchange Store Clerk



Charles Crumley and Kathy Henson

Dena Rankhorn  
Secretary to the Director of  
Maintenance

Ramona Truette  
Library Staff

Faye Williams  
Assistant Controller

Donald R. Baker  
Tennis  
A.A. Lees-McRae College, A.B., East  
Tennessee State University



John "Mac" Bryan  
Football  
B.S., Appalachian State University;  
M.A., Appalachian State University



Gregory A. Hooks  
Soccer  
B.S., University of South Carolina, M.S.,  
University of South Carolina



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Assistant Football  
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Emory & Henry College

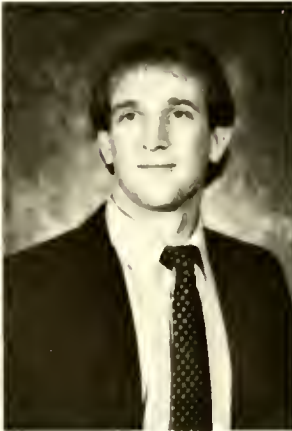


## COACHING STAFF

Musette Mills  
Women's Basketball  
B.S., East Tennessee  
State University



Rita Smith  
Trainer  
B.S., University of North Carolina at  
Greensboro, M.A., Appalachian State  
University



Keith W. Walker  
B.S., Mars Hill College



Musette (Mills) muses "Coaching is fine. Dealing with students like Buddy Fore is somethin' else!"



LMC's First Lady, Alice Crain "Jumps rope for heart".

A JACK of all trades, but a MASTER of none.



Jim Sword  
Housekeeping President



James Golds  
Tennessee, Pinnacle, and Lafone Resident  
Hall Director



Sam Karl  
Virginia Resident Hall Director



Jack Masters  
Avery Resident Hall Director

Scott Pearson  
Back Campus Resident  
Hall Director

Melanie Toms  
Tate Resident  
Hall Director



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"Education also involves enlarging our capacities to see. It gives us perspectives," Dr. Crain pointed out. "And one who has seen the earth and the heavens while circling the moon can teach us much about perspectives. Education also involves failing and succeeding and are both strong teachers."

"May we learn to laugh and get perspectives. The sound of laughter is one of the strongest forces toward health and productivity and strength and spirituality. It was St. Teresa of Avila who looked for novices who knew how to laugh, eat and sleep. She was sure that if they ate heartily they were healthy. If they slept well they were more than likely free of serious sin. And if they laughed they had the necessary disposition to survive a difficult life."

"May education teach us the perspective that comes through laughter. You students here tonight, and you are the reason we're all here tonight, take your education at Lees-McRae College as seriously and as joyfully as we, your faculty and staff, do. Respect ideas, respect people, including

*Above Dr. Crain poses with principle speaker Colonel Frank Borman. The faculty processional marked the 57th opening of Lees-McRae College.*





# TO HEAR SPACE PIONEER COLONEL FRANK BORMAN

yourselves, and respect property. Take this window of opportunity at Lees-McRae to begin again, and to fulfill the promise of this beginning. I wish for you to feel an appropriate pride in yourself and in your college."

"I want students to know that we sponsor at Lees-McRae College a caring and nurturing system of relationships. There are two things I want to leave with you. One is an ancient saying that says 'if the sky falls there are people to hold it up.' And another saying — 'we're all angels with one wing, but by embracing one another we are able to fly.'"

Frank Borman told the LMC audience what admiration he had for 400,000 Americans that, almost 20 years ago, had done their jobs superbly . . . all those "human beings" with the confidence and skill to put him and his crew 240,000 miles away from earth and to within .4 of a mile from their destination in space.

Col. Borman, participating in the FORUM series, addressed the Lees-McRae College student body, faculty and administrators at Convocation exercises.

Borman emphasized the "human effort" involved when he illustrated his lecture with the countdown exercises leading up to that mission, and how it had been absolutely engulfed with technicians and engineers as they went about their task to make sure the vehicle would be ready. But the morning that the crew approached the craft there was nobody around except three lonely technicians. The machine was almost transformed into a life of its own. It weighed 6.8 million pounds, most of it liquid hydrogen, kerosene and liquid oxygen. "It had the explosive equivalent of a small hydrogen bomb," Borman said. "That explains the reason for lack of personnel. Everybody with any brains was a mile away in a bunker."

Borman and his crew of two were the first humans to fly this vehicle — with seven and a half million pounds of thrust, burning fuel at the rate of 20,000 gallons a second, the most powerful machine that man had ever devised. "It was a remarkable experience," Borman said. "And we were well aware of the fact that this was the first time and we were really the pathfinders in fulfilling the mission that the president had set for us."

Col. Borman, in discussing the human effort of the project, stated that "the crew prayed that the people who had calculated the trajectory had done their work well, and they were

talented mathematicians and computer experts, and would have the crew on target, and that after three days of flying we would find ourselves 60 miles above the lunar surface."

"I cannot describe for you the darkness of space," Borman stated. "But in perfect blackness, waiting for the countdown as we went behind the moon, to understand if indeed the trajectory was correctly computed. I remember very well not being too concerned about their calculations bringing us in too high, but hoping desperately they weren't 61 miles low." The countdown in the void behind the moon left three human beings in a solitary environment, watching a clock with great intensity and at the exact second they were supposed to be able to see the lunar sunrise they looked down and, to their delight, there it was. They were not 60 miles above the lunar surface, but 69.5 miles above the lunar surface.

"Imagine, if you will, the confidence and the skill that put us there," Borman said. "Fly 240,000 miles and coming within .4 of a mile of your projected destination, an almost incredible performance. I remember thinking at that time, what remarkable admiration I had for 400,000 Americans that had done their job superbly. They had dedicated their working hours to making certain that not only we survived but that we performed the mission we were supposed to."

Borman told the students that not many people, particularly young people, think about freedom. But he urged them to start their academic year and their college experience by remembering that they are not only products of, but members of, a unique society.

"We thought that Christmas Eve, 1968, and I remind you today, that the gift of freedom is precious, that it's enjoyed by only a few of the billions on this earth. Our country has survived not simply because of its military strength, or political stability, or its economic might, but because of the conceptual idea that somehow has survived this 200 years."

Borman concluded, "As you are going about your way, as you are going about your educational process, I hope that you won't be shy in remembering your freedom. And I hope that you will be bold in preparing yourself to make certain that it is nurtured and preserved in the years ahead. Whatever you are, be bold. Because as it once was said, whatever you do or dream you can, begin it. Boldness has beauty and joy and love in it."

Colonel Borman recounted his Apollo 8 space flight. . . .



. . . and received a warm reception following his address.





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Kingsport, Tennessee

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James Taylor, Shelby Trustee, receives certificate of appreciation for his eight years of service to Lees McRae College. Flanking Mr Taylor are John R "Jack" King, Chairman of the Board of Trustees, and Dr Cran





Mrs. Boswell Blackmer presents Dr. Bradford L. Crain with a check representing the proceeds of the "Scholarships Are Always in Fashion" Project

The second annual Lees-McRae College "Scholarships are Always in Fashion" show was a tremendous success according to Chairperson Polly Blackmer. Mrs. Blackmer presents Dr. Crain with a check for over \$40,000. The exciting event was held at the Linville Ridge Golf and Country Club and was enjoyed by an overflow audience for both the luncheon and dinner programs.

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Kingsport, Tennessee*



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Houston, Texas and  
Linville



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Tequesta, Florida and Banner Elk



Mrs Jean Williams  
Jacksonville, Florida  
and Linville



Cynthia Kirkman, Winston Salem Trustee, receives a certificate of appreciation for her eight years of service to Lees McRae College.

William Bales, Morristown Trustee, receives a certificate of appreciation for his four years of service to Lees McRae College.

Dr Cran presented Trustees Jean Williams and Polly Blackmer with handcrafted wormy chestnut lamps and congratulatory certificates framed in wormy chestnut citing the recipients for their dedication and untiring service to Lees McRae College Mrs Williams is President of the FORUM series which brings cultural programs and entertainment to the campus Mrs Blackmer chaired the "Scholarships Are Always in Fashion" which raised \$40,000 for the college scholarship fund



## Division of Developmental Studies



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The Division of Developmental Studies provides several special programs designed to provide extra-class and in-class help to students with academic problems. The division is staffed by both degree-holding instructors and superior students. The division attempts to discover why a student

has problems, and then to help him solve those problems through building good study habits, planning his time, and tutoring in particular subject areas.

Mark Gidney, Developmental Mathematics, A.S., Lees-McRae College, B.A., Appalachian State University

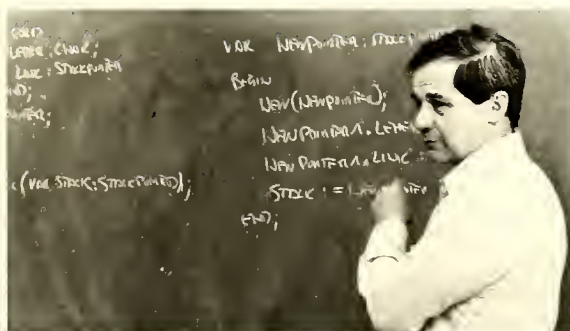
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Joan Williams, Composition; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University



Studies in mathematics and computer science offer the students an opportunity to broaden their experiences in the world of numbers, symbolic logic, and computer programming. The business courses provide the students with an exposure to the dynamics of the business world.



Jack Coffey, Business, B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University; Ed.D., Highland University

Debbie Crocker, Mathematics and Computer Science; B.S., M.A., Ed.S., Appalachian State University

Samuel B. Travis, Mathematics; B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University

Larry Welsh, Mathematics and Computer Science; B.S., United States Military Academy; M.S., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute





O'Dell Smith, Chairman, Bible and Philosophy  
A.B., Emory & Henry College  
M.Div., Union Theological Seminary

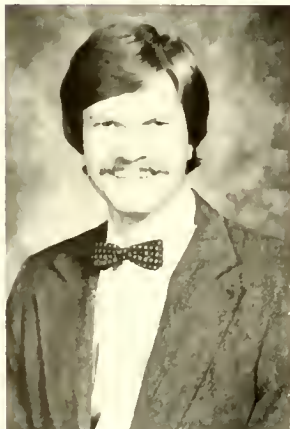
The social sciences are those areas of knowledge dealing with man and society in the development of civilization. They are disciplines which are concerned with the relationships of human beings with their natural environment. The social sciences present the story of human affairs from the past to present times. The social sciences have a definite relationship for the individual to the development, structure, and functioning of society. The subject matter of the social sciences can be analyzed and used in understanding trends, solving problems, and revealing the past as a means toward better understanding of the present. An understanding of the social sciences gives one a broader knowledge and a more complete picture of the development of civilization. The core of civilization is people and the social sciences place emphasis upon people and the world in which they live. The art of effective living can be achieved through an understanding of the social sciences.

Roberta Cauvel, Bible  
B.A., Whitworth College  
M.A., Presbyterian  
School of Christian Education

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



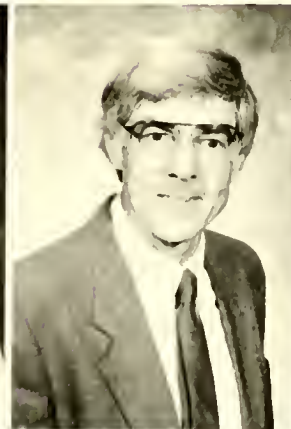
## Division of Social Sciences



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B.S., M.A. Appalachian State University,  
Ed.D., University of North Carolina at Greensboro



Mary Wilgus, History: B.A., Middle Tennessee State University, M.A., Middle Tennessee State University, Ph.D., Vanderbilt University



John C. Wilson (Alfred B. and Mary Elizabeth Young Chair of Religion): Bible and Social Sciences, B.S., M.S., Iowa State University, M.Div., Th.M., D.Min., Union Theological Seminary



David Yount, History and Psychology:  
B.A., Lenoir Rhyne College; M.Div., Duke University, M.A., University of Vermont





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

The study of natural sciences seeks to develop in the student an understanding, appreciation, and application of scientific attitudes and methods by examination of the scientific facts and theories from both established and recent research. This background is used to enhance the student's understanding of the physical, chemical and biological aspects of today's world.



## Division of Natural and Physical Sciences

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College  
M.A., Appalachian  
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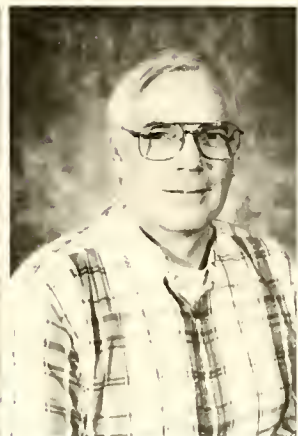
Glen Johnson, Biology; B.A., M.A. East Tennessee State University



Stewart Skeate, Biology; B.S., Rutgers University; M.A., California State University; Ph.D., University of Florida



James Stonesifer, Biology. A.B., Bridgewater College, M.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



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



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## Division of Languages, Literature and Fine Arts

The aim of the Division of Languages, Literature and Fine Arts is to give students competency in written and oral composition and to aid them in the interpretation, understanding, and appreciation of literature and the fine arts.

Phillip Royall, Spanish, A.B., Western Carolina University, M.A., Appalachian State University

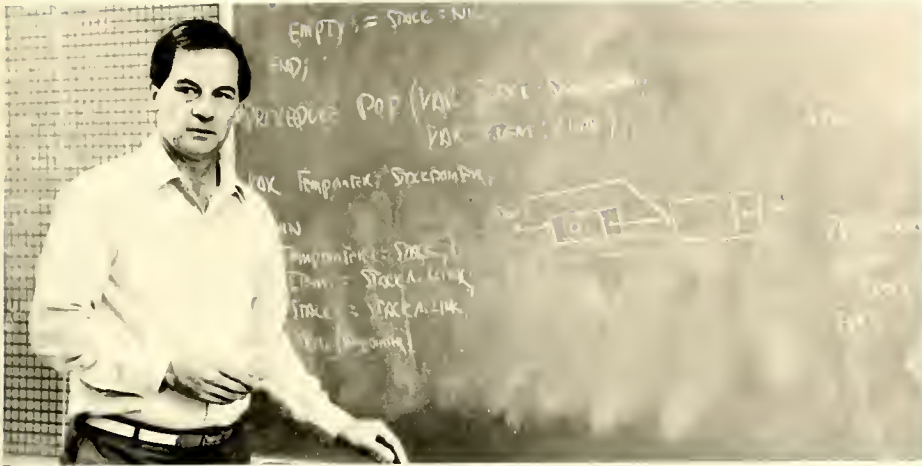
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Mary White, Composition and Literature; B.A., Queens College of New York; M.A., Hofstra University; M.A., Bucknell University



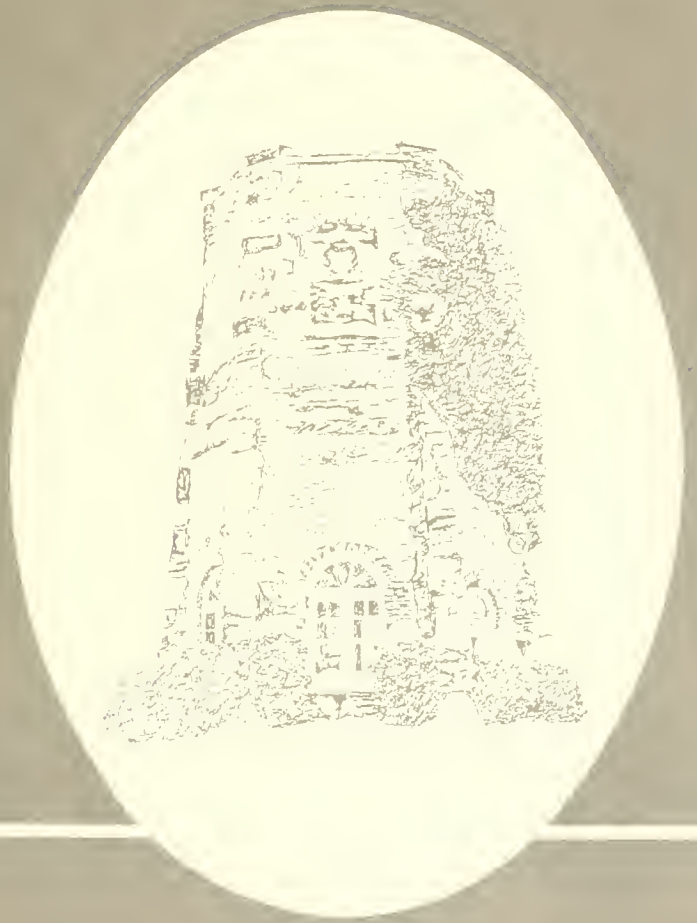
Leadership qualities and academic challenges develop at Lees-McRae with its small, intimate student population. At LMC students can realize their full potential in a caring, nurturing, supportive atmosphere. Here, professors Larry Welsh, Lewis Hall and Sam Burton conduct lectures, while Dr. Claude Pyatte involves students Keith Fowler, John Moore, and Chip Pope in a physics experiment.





# Classes

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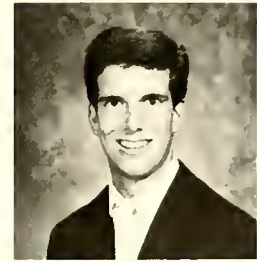
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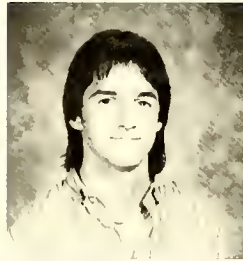


A sure cure for cabin fever. Danny Kirkland and Julie Vick enjoy beach time during the winter months at the Shag Dance Contest.

James Boyd  
Prosperity, SC



Sam Boykin  
Charlotte



Craig Brawley  
Mooreville



Anita Bridger  
Raleigh



Gaye Brinkley  
Raleigh



Rhonda Brinson  
Fayetteville



Les Broussard  
Orlando, FL



Matt Buckner  
High Point



Paula Bundy  
Banner Elk



Diana Burke  
Hampstead



Jill Camden  
Richmond, VA



Philip Canupp  
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Mark Capps  
Lowell



Christine Chandler  
Chapel Hill



Nick Christy  
Sheridan, IN



Bambi Clark  
Linville



Robin Clark  
Lenoir



Walter Clark  
Bristol TN





Jeff Clearwater  
Kannapolis



Jimmy Cledaras  
Asheville



Rec Cobb  
Greenville, SC



Tim Cogdill  
Clemmons



Maurice Conn  
Snellville, GA

Steve Cooke  
Spruce Pine

Andrew Copeland  
Gainesville, GA

Marc Copeland  
Durham



Boa Tie. Jeff Clearwater gets an affectionate hug from science department's Monty Python.

Stephen Corbett  
Nashville, TN



Tom Covington  
Wilson

Gene Cox  
Richmond, VA



Will Cozart  
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Emily Crain  
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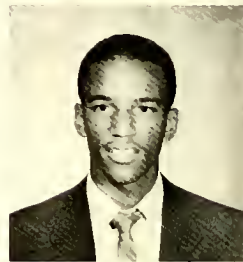
*Jill Camden: Serenity of the library.  
Deb Tate: Chaos of the dorm.*



*Chris Dawson  
Richmond, VA  
Steve DeBell  
Boone*



*Laura Dellinger  
Monroe  
Trevor Dickenson,  
Somerset, Bermuda*



*Shaun Dill  
Hamilton, Bermuda  
Karl Dillner  
Turnersville, NJ*



*Andy Dorer  
Winston-Salem  
Kevin Duckett  
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David Durham  
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Jefferson  
Wendy Ebeling  
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Chrsty Elledge  
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Graham

Mandy Forney  
Lenoir

Todd Frasher  
Forest City

Rob Garland  
Johnson City, TN



Tony Garland  
Johnson City, TN

Mia Gibson  
East Spencer

Jeff Goss  
Fleetwood

Kimberly Gray  
Shallotte



Jules Griffith  
Charlotte

Richard Gunter  
Harrisburg

Paul Gwin  
Tucker, GA

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Lee Hinesley  
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Columbus



Steve Holmes  
Richmond VA



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*Diana Burke won the Bubble Blowing Contest*



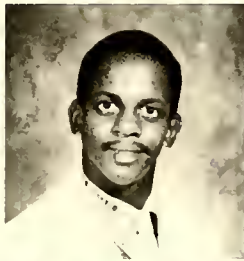
*Blowout. Christine Chandler lost as you can see.*



*Joel Jackson  
Newton  
Billy James  
Bessemer City*



*Walter James  
Claremont  
Babette Jameson  
Charlotte*



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Dalton, GA*



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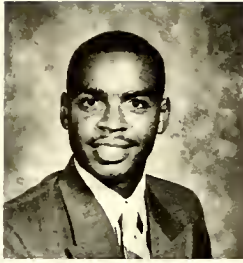
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Rocky Mount  
Glenn King  
Greenville, SC*



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Flemington, NJ  
Lori Kinnamon  
Charlotte*



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Kevin Larkin  
Richmond, VA  
Paul Lehmann  
Satellite Beach, FL  
Jeff Leonard  
Gastonia



Valerie Lueba  
Raleigh  
Mitch Lewis  
Gastonia  
Carlos Lozano  
New York, NY  
Stacy Mance  
Marion



Jon Manning  
High Point  
Cortez Martin  
Bluefield, VA  
Tim Mashore  
Spencer  
Stephanie Mask  
Beech Mountain



Charlette Massey  
Gastonia



John Mathewson  
Raleigh



Heidi Mathison  
Greenville, SC  
Dave May  
Dunwoody, GA  
Joe May  
Elizabethon, TN  
Mike McBride  
Camden, NJ





Mike McCabe  
Poquoson, VA

Richard McCombs  
Greenville, SC

Anthony McCord  
Anderson, SC

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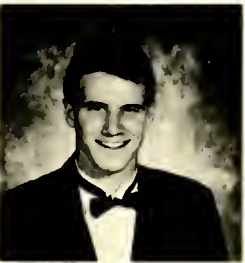


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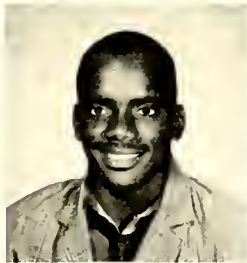


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Houston, TX

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Bakersville

Cam Miller  
Carolina Beach

Mike Miller  
Decatur, GA



Robyn Miller  
Cliffside

Melanie Milton  
West Jefferson

Ron Mitchell  
Bushnell

Kevin Moan  
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Elizabeth Mohr  
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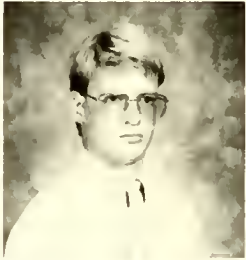
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Burnsville



April Pigg  
Charlotte



Sarah Pope  
Jupiter, FL





Ted Pope  
Henderson  
Josh Prago  
Greensboro  
Lee Pritchard  
Califon, NJ  
Kennon Quick  
Ormond Beach, FL



Stephanie Rawls  
Wilmington  
Carroll Ray  
North Augusta, SC  
Mike Redmon  
Suffolk, VA  
Joe Reitano  
New Port Richie, FL



Football star Steve Smith demonstrates his prowess from the high diving board.

Chris Reynolds  
Asheville  
Karen Risech  
Miami, FL



Scott Richie  
Rockville Center, NY  
Amy Rivers  
Newland



Blayne Robertson  
Toledo, OH  
Scott Rominger  
Bonner Elk



Billy Rowe  
Toms River, NJ  
Scott Ruby  
Salem, VA





*Aki Tada speaks Japanese, English, computers, and soccer*



*A winter's chill does not dampen the Bobcat spirit*

*David Saunders  
Charlotte*

*Lee Sawyer  
Raleigh*



*Carl Scatt  
Miami, FL*

*Brian Sheets  
Chilhowie, VA*



*Mark Shepard  
Concord*

*Eric Simmons  
Wytheville, VA*



*Ronald Sisson  
Midlothian, VA*

*Mandy Slagle  
Raleigh*



*Alphadella Smith  
Hickory*

*Mark Smith  
Fredericksburg, VA*



*Steve Smith  
Wilmington*

*Todd Smith  
Conover*





Tom Spalding  
Asheville

Jeff Staley  
Fayetteville

Sherry Stanley  
Morehead City

Mike Stelljes  
Lenoir



Tom Stephans  
Indianapolis, IN

Robbie Stephens  
Simonsville, SC

Beth Stewart  
Charlotte

Tracey Stott  
Asheboro



Joe Strickland  
Fayetteville

Katie Sutton  
Clemmons

Chris Suetnam  
Jackson, KY

Deb Tate  
Gastonia



Robin Tate  
Banner Elk

Karen Taylor  
Banner Elk

Richard Taylor  
Hickory

Kerry Teeter  
Mooresville



Jenny Teeters  
Brown Summit

Bill Testerman  
Atkins, VA

Jim Thomas  
Tallahassee, FL

Kelli Thomas  
Greensboro



Connie Thomason  
Greenville, SC

Akihiro Toda  
Altamonte Springs, FL

Aaron Tooley  
Greensboro

Reggie Torrence  
Winston-Salem

Ken Tribble  
Columbia, SC  
Melanie Troutman  
Hickory  
Jeanette Turbyfill  
Banner Elk  
John Urben  
Raleigh



Krista Utley  
Greensboro  
Troy Vasos  
Wilmington  
Pat Vernon  
Bristol, TN  
Julie Vick  
Asheboro



Patty Veihaman  
Tryon  
Kirk Wade  
Eden  
Alice Wall  
Winston-Salem  
Betsy Wallace  
Winston-Salem



Anna Ward  
Banner Elk



David Watson  
Bristol, TN



Janee Watt  
Knoxville, TN  
Daniel Webb  
Sylva  
Carl Whaley  
Shelby  
Lee Whitfield  
Wendell



Greg Harville, Stacy Mance, and Janee Watt collaborate on lab project.



Leo Miranda: Tennis is his racket, love is his game. Here, his first love is studying.



Charles Whittenburg  
Columbia, SC



Sandra Williams  
Greensboro



John Williamson  
Charlotte



Craig Willis  
Burnsville



Chip Wiltshire  
Greensboro



Tommy Witt  
Winston-Salem



Bernard Woods  
Southampton, Bermuda



Tracey Wyrick  
Salisbury



Jana Yokeley  
Winston-Salem



Chris Zelski  
Atlanta, GA





Sophomore Class Officers (l-r): Michelle Burleson, Parliament Representative; Dotti Diener, Vice President; Julian Ottley, President; Amy Weaver, Parliament Representative.

## SOPHOMORE CLASS

Greg Anthony  
Winston-Salem

Barry Barrino  
Charlotte

Nicole Baker  
Banner Elk

Gemi Beck  
Newland

Libby Barden  
Asheboro

Anne Bender  
High Point

Casselina Barrett  
Charlotte

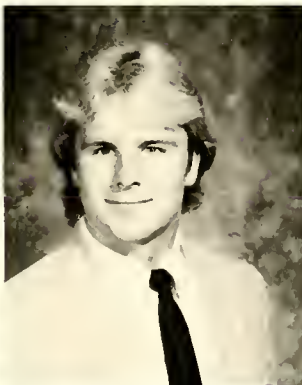
Beth Bowler  
Charlotte





Kevin Bradley  
Forest City  
Susan Bragg  
Winston-Salem  
Van Brewer  
Dallas

Chris Brooks  
Dallas  
Cyndi Brooks  
Pineville  
Tina Brooks  
Lansing



Zack Bryant  
Taylorsville  
Michelle Burlison  
Banner Elk

Thomas Buchanan  
Newland  
Eric Bynum  
Winter Park, FL

Amy Kirk and Sean Watterson perform during LMC Talent Show.



Billy Capstick  
Ellijay, GA



Tracy Carpenter  
Shelby



Tom Carriker  
Charlotte



Kenneth Carter  
Southport



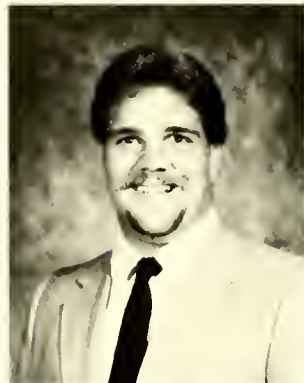
Kelly Clark  
Newland



Bret Coleman  
Greenville, SC



James Boyd battles in water volleyball but isn't confined to water sports as he was an outstanding gridder for the Bobcats' Coastal Conference Champions



Adam Compton  
Blacksburg, VA



William Cook  
Martinsville, VA



Joel Corley  
Greenville, SC

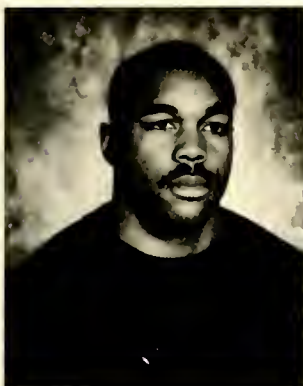


Shannon Credle  
Crossnore





Clarissa Crockett  
Wilson



Todd Daggs  
Bristol, TN



Everyone enjoyed the great sundae eating contest sponsored by Student Activities

Jon Davis  
Salisbury



Stuart Davis  
Graham



Elizabeth Dickson  
Marion, VA



Mark Dishner  
Rock, WV



Mike Dixon  
Kings Mountain



Wynndell Dodson  
Elon College

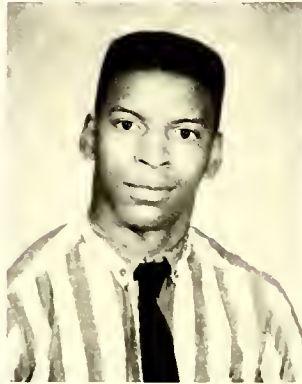
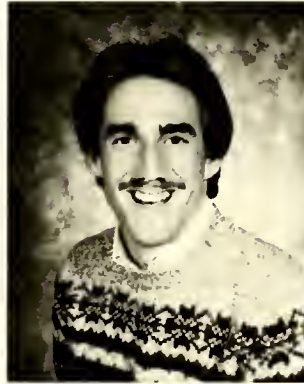
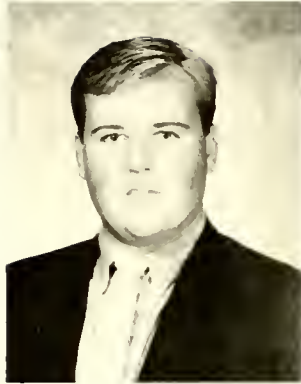
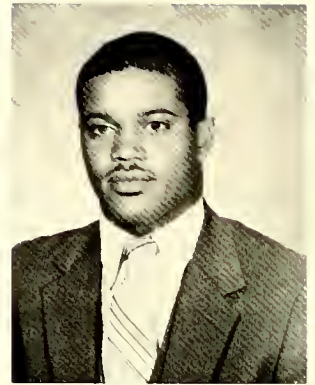


Traci Dority  
Burke, VA



Craig Drescher  
Naples, FL

Scott Drye  
Salisbury  
Tabatha Farmer  
Lansing  
Elise Ferguson  
Easley



Buddy Fore  
Lincolnton  
Keith Fowler  
Lilburn, GA  
Demetrius Franklin  
Louisville, KY



Jeannie Farthing and classmates had the difficult assignment of uncovering worms in the dead of winter for Stewart Skeate's zoology class

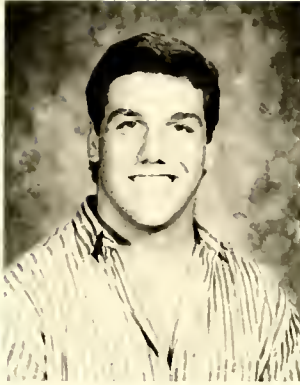


Will Friday  
Lexington  
James Galloway  
Anderson, SC

Karen Frost  
Nebo  
Scottie Galmon  
Charlotte



Alex Ghigo  
Shelby



Charles Graeber  
Salisbury



James Grassano  
Greenville, SC

Maggie Haguewood  
Atlanta, GA



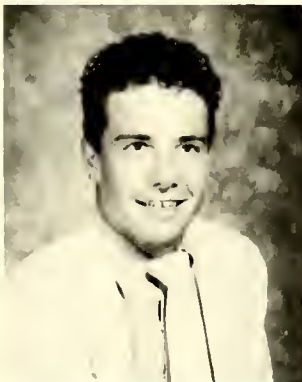
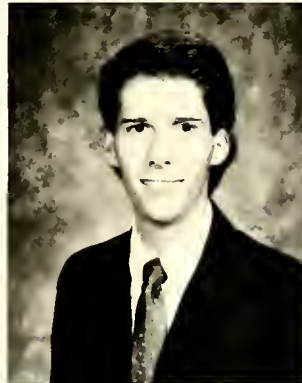
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Wilmington



Jeff Harmston  
Greensboro

Chris Hartley  
Jefferson

Layton Harwell  
Statesville



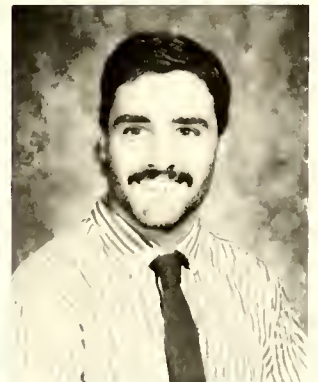
Richard Harris  
Montreal, Canada



Laura Holmes  
Concord



Susan Horne  
Winston-Salem



Daniel Howell  
Greer, SC



John Humphries  
Swords Creek, VA  
Stephanie Humphries  
Shelby



David Kenworthy  
Hickory  
Melissa Kincaid  
Lenoir



Martha Lambert  
Eden

Laura Linton  
High Point



Jack Locke  
Greenville, SC

Tracey Mann  
High Point

Amy Kirk  
Linville

Kim Krege  
Banner Elk



Typical Buddy Fore pose.



*Alberico Menozzi  
Rome, Italy*



*Dawn Merritt  
Bessemer City*



*Susan Mitchell  
Kingsport, TN*

*Todd Middleton  
Lake Worth, FL*

*Hallie Miles  
Wrightsville Beach*

*John Moore  
Lenoir*



*Andy Morris  
Elon College*



*Elizabeth Moss  
Charlotte*



*Hollin Murphy  
Winston-Salem*



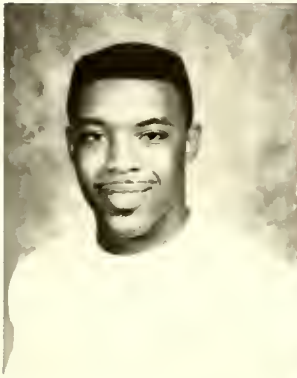
*Mark Musick  
Honaker, VA*



*Rick Nichols  
North Wilkesboro*

*Valerie O'Brien  
Columbia, SC*

*Chrissy Padula  
Boca Raton, FL*



*Derrick Parker  
Mount Airy*

*Rob Patchett  
Greentown, IN*

*Matt Payne  
Alexandria, VA*

*Jeffery Philpott  
Martinsville, VA*

*Wesley Pope  
Hickory*

*Kenny Pressley  
Rosman*

*Mary Colin Rankin  
Bennettsville, SC*



*Melvin Revill  
Hickory*

*Cindi Rimmer  
Durham*

*Keith Ruppard  
Banner Elk*



Elizabeth Sawyer  
Hampton  
Stuart Simm  
Yorktown, VA



Joe McCurdy and Tabatha Farmer illustrate how important it is to bring back proper equipment after the Christmas break



Leigh Ann Stacey  
Lenoir  
Renata Stone  
Cincinnati, OH

Gary Strickland  
Ridgeway, VA

Lance Summey  
West Jefferson

Lester Terry  
York, SC

Rob Watson  
Surfside, SC



Amy Weaver  
Lansing

Cliff Whicker  
Durham

Lance Wiseman  
Newland

Rita Woodie  
Lansing



# Activities

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Tower in 1941.



1986  
45 years  
later.

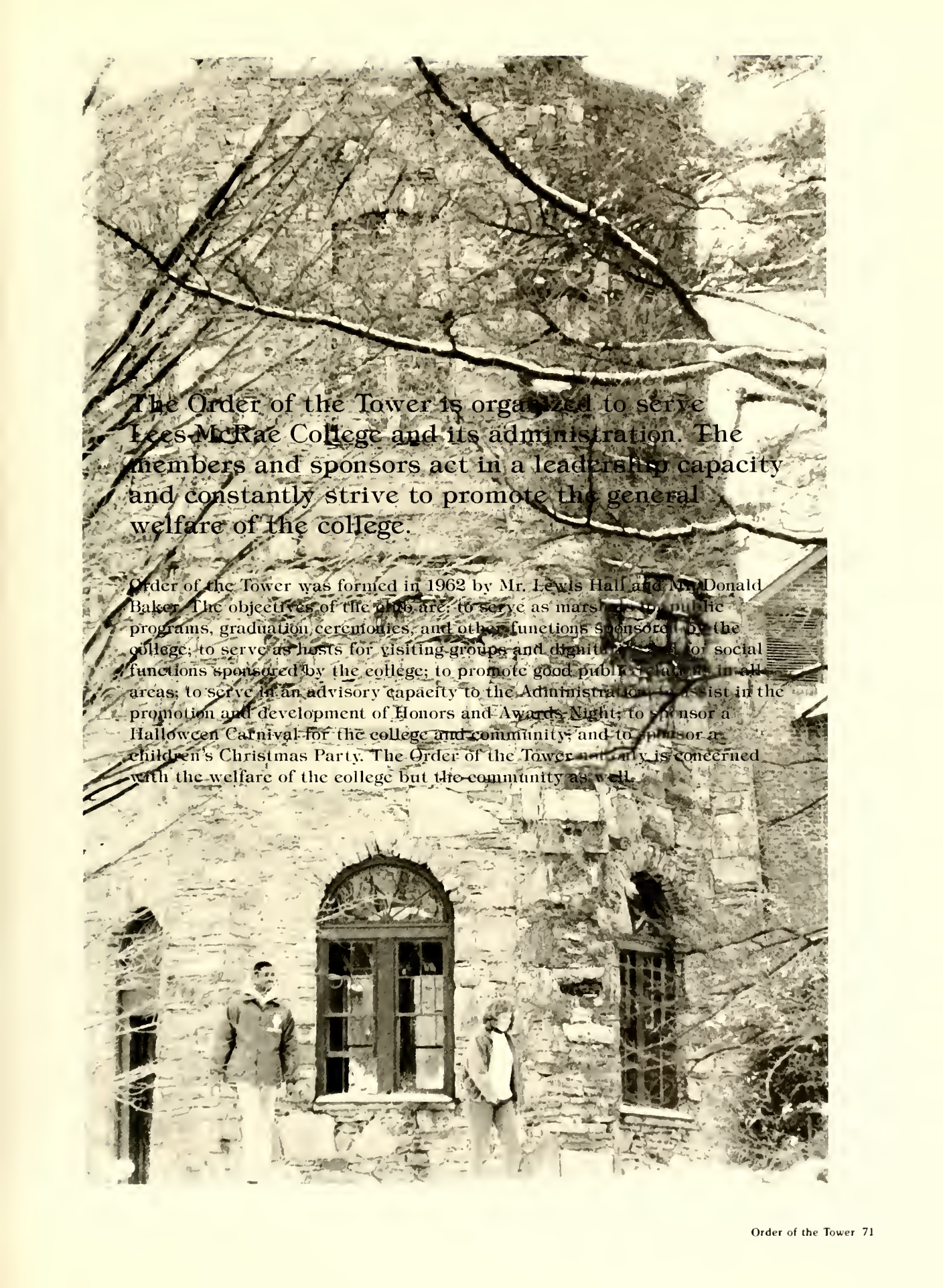


“ This  
is the  
‘year of  
the tower.’ ”

The Order of the Tower, a very special group at Lees-McRae, celebrates this year its twenty-fifth anniversary. You know that the tower is a symbol of strength and opportunity here at Lees-McRae. Perhaps you know this, maybe not, that it's the tall tower that catches the first light of the morning and holds it longest through the day. I wish for you the symbol of the tower as a symbol that can help guide you through ” this year of education.

—Bradford L. Crain





The Order of the Tower is organized to serve Lees-McRae College and its administration. The members and sponsors act in a leadership capacity and constantly strive to promote the general welfare of the college.

Order of the Tower was formed in 1962 by Mr. Lewis Hall and Mr. Donald Baker. The objectives of the club are: to serve as marshals for public programs, graduation ceremonies, and other functions sponsored by the college; to serve as hosts for visiting groups and dignitaries for social functions sponsored by the college; to promote good public relations in all areas; to serve in an advisory capacity to the Administration; to assist in the promotion and development of Honors and Awards Night; to sponsor a Halloween Carnival for the college and community; and to sponsor a children's Christmas Party. The Order of the Tower not only is concerned with the welfare of the college but the community as well.



Front row (l-r): Valerie O'Brien, Nicole Baker Back row: Tom Carriker, Van Brewer, Susan Bragg, Tracy Dority, Chris Hartley, Jeanne Farthing, Daniel Craft, and Tina Brooks.

The Order of the Tower is a carefully selected group of outstanding sophomores who serve the college and help promote a better relationship between the students and faculty. The members act as marshals for graduation ceremonies, serve as orientation guides for incoming freshmen, and act as hosts whenever the administration needs assistance. They serve as tour guides for the Admissions Office in conducting campus tours for prospective students. They host an annual reception at Homecoming for returning alumni, enter a float in the Homecoming Parade (this year won second place), sponsor the annual Halloween Carnival, and a Christmas Party for the children of the faculty, staff, and administration. The members participated in the "Jump Rope for the Heart" event and sponsored a bake and rummage sale to raise money. They assisted in the math contest for area high school students and presided over the festivities and program for Honors and Awards night, concluding the evening with a reception for awards recipients and faculty members.

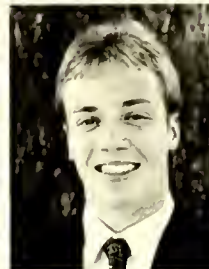


Valerie O'Brien  
President

Susan Bragg  
Secretary/Treasurer

Van Brewer

Tina Brooks





Nicole Baker  
Vice President



Daniel Craft



Tom Carriker



Tracy Dority

THE  
ORDER  
OF THE  
TOWER  
CELEBRATES  
ITS TWENTY-  
FIFTH  
ANNIVERSARY



Jeanne Farthing  
Chris Hartley  
Parliamentarian

Lewis Hall laughs while telling  
about the artwork in the stone  
of the tower



# O-T CELEBRATES 25th ANNIVERSARY WITH REUNION AND ROAST

Don Baker, Director of Informational Services at Lees-McRae, was the honored guest at a "roast" during the 25th anniversary banquet celebrating the success of Lees-McRae's leadership organization, the Order of the Tower. Baker, co-author of the constitution and by-laws of the organization, also wrote the O. T. pledge. A co-founder with Lewis Hall, Baker has served at different intervals as sponsor of O. T. While Lewis Hall has served as sponsor since the organization was founded 25 years ago, Baker's duties have required him to not serve on a continuous basis. Lewis Hall served as master of ceremonies at the banquet, with a welcome by O. T. President Valerie O'Brien. Special recognition of alumni members was made by Mr. Hall prior to the "roast" of Baker, with Denny Wolfe, the first President of O. T. and a charter member, serving as Roastmaster. Following the roast a presentation was made of a color portrait of Mr. Baker to be placed in the library, alongside an existing portrait of Lewis Hall. Presentation was made by his daughter, Nikki, who served as Vice President of O. T. Following the presentation the induction of new members was held with Denny Wolfe assisting the present members. In closing remarks, Dr. Crain acknowledged the accomplishments of current sponsors and members in setting up this gala 25th anniversary event and praised the Tower members, past and present, for their achievements and service to the college. His comment at the opening convocation rang true throughout the year and was especially appropriate at the banquet: "This is truly the year of the Tower."

## ROASTERS . . .



Lewis Hall  
sponsor and co-founder, O.T.



Denny Wolfe  
First President of O.T.



Dr. Crain



Fred I. Dickerson  
Former coach/athletic  
director, LMC



Bill Williams  
Classmate of Roastee



Deac Heath  
Former instructor, LMC



Jack Lytton  
Former coach, LMC

## THE ROASTEE . . .

Don Baker  
co-founder of O.T.



Members of the dais for the roasting of Don Baker, co-founder of O. T. Front row (l-r): Jack Lytton, Fred I. Dickerson, Lewis Hall, Denny Wolfe. Back row: Bill Williams, Baker, Deac Heath, and Dr. Brad Crain. Not pictured, Dr. Larry Hopkins.

Don Baker's reaction to the "roasting" by his friends and colleagues was, "Why aren't we roasting Lewis Hall? I've always been given these types of dinners (. . . and from my appearance you can see I don't need a dinner). No one ever roasts Lewis Hall and it seems every decade or so they get their chance to get me up before a group like this." (Baker was roasted by the SGA in 1977.) "I am deeply honored to be here tonight and be a part of this milestone in the history of Lees-McRae College and Order of the Tower."

The eloquence of the speeches was highlighted with messages from people such as George Litton (ex-football coach who could not be present) and other friends of the "roastee" who sent their congratulations to Baker and the Order of the Tower. Dr. Larry Hopkins, former O. T. member and outstanding football player at Lees-McRae, gave the invocation at the banquet. Mr. Hall was recognized for his 25 years of service with a silver ink well and quill from the 1987 members.



Denny Wolfe congratulates new O. T. members at the swearing-in ceremony following the anniversary banquet.

Alice Crain, sponsor

Bill Farthing, sponsor

Evelyn Hall, sponsor

Archie Smith, sponsor

Mary White, sponsor



## PERFORMING ARTS

The performing arts program adds an exciting dimension to campus activities and provides both a creative outlet and academic credit for students. The programs consist of drama, two choruses, a clogging team, a bluegrass band, and a handbell choir will be added this fall. The theater department has five productions during the year, including a major musical which attracts more than 2,000 persons during performances. A Christmas show in December is followed by a non-musical drama production in the spring and then a children's show which is performed in schools throughout the area. A second major musical is produced in cooperation with The Blue Ridge

Community Theater in Boone. The summer repertory theater recently completed its second season at Lees-McRae. Performance opportunities are available with the Lees-McRae Singers which tour the state during the fall presenting light, popular music. The singers perform in churches in North Carolina and Tennessee during the spring. The clogging team tours throughout North Carolina, Tennessee and Georgia, and has proven its reputation for excellence by twice winning the North Carolina State Championship. The team has won numerous awards throughout the southeast, including the Grand Masters Championship twice.







*Lees McRae College's award-winning clogging team stole the show when it danced its way into the hearts of travel agents and writers attending a February 4 reception at the Clearwater, Florida Holiday Inn — part of an annual trade mission to the Tampa area to promote the Tarheel State as a travel destination.*





## LMC CLOGGERS WIN

At the State Fair in Raleigh, the Lees-McRae Cloggers captured two first places in the clogging competition and for the fourth year in a row were named State Champions. The group took first place in traditional four-couple precision dancing as well as first place in the novelty division with a line dance called "Jump."

*The cloggers delighted an audience of classmates, parents, and friends as they performed during lunch at the 57th commencement graduation exercises*



*The Elk River Band (l-r): Kathy Burton, Allen Speer, Mark Gidney, Sam Burton, Phil Teagarden, and John Angel.*



*The Lees-McRae College State Championship Cloggers. First row (l-r): Susan Bragg, Sean Watterson, Lynn Hawley, Mike Alexander, Keith Fowler, Richard Luther, Julie Vick. Back row: Stephanie Mask, Kim Krege, Michelle Burlson, Kelly Clark, Jeannie Farthing.*



## STATE CHAMPIONSHIP — AGAIN

Roger Harmon, a freshman from Zionville and a graduate of Watauga High School, won the individual competition. He currently is the state, national and world individual male clogger. Competition was held for all age groups over ten days. Sam Burton, Director of the Cloggers, and Kathy Burton, Director of the Bluegrass Band which accompanies the Cloggers, both received director's awards. The Clogging Team tours throughout

North Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia, and Florida and has proven its reputation for excellence. In addition to the state championships, the team has won several prestigious awards including the southeastern competition in Georgia where they were named "Grand Champion," defeating 56 other teams throughout the southeastern United States.



Leigh Ann Stacy and Jeanie Farthing in *Mid-Summer Night's Dream*



Dr. Janet Speer, Director of Lees-McRae College's Performing Arts Department, received a special award from the North Carolina Theatre Conference. The award is reserved for only two persons in the state of North Carolina each year. Dr. Speer has served as Executive Secretary-Treasurer of the organization for five years. She has contributed many hours of service to the North Carolina Theatre Conference.

"I didn't want to do Shakespeare until I thought we were ready. I picked *A Midsummer Night's Dream* because it is clear and funny. There are no characters with the probing complexities of a Hamlet or some of the other great tragic heroes. The play has a lot of broad humor that everyone can enjoy. The romantic characters that get tangled up and then untangled make *A Midsummer Night's Dream* especially appealing to young people."  
— Janet Barton Speer

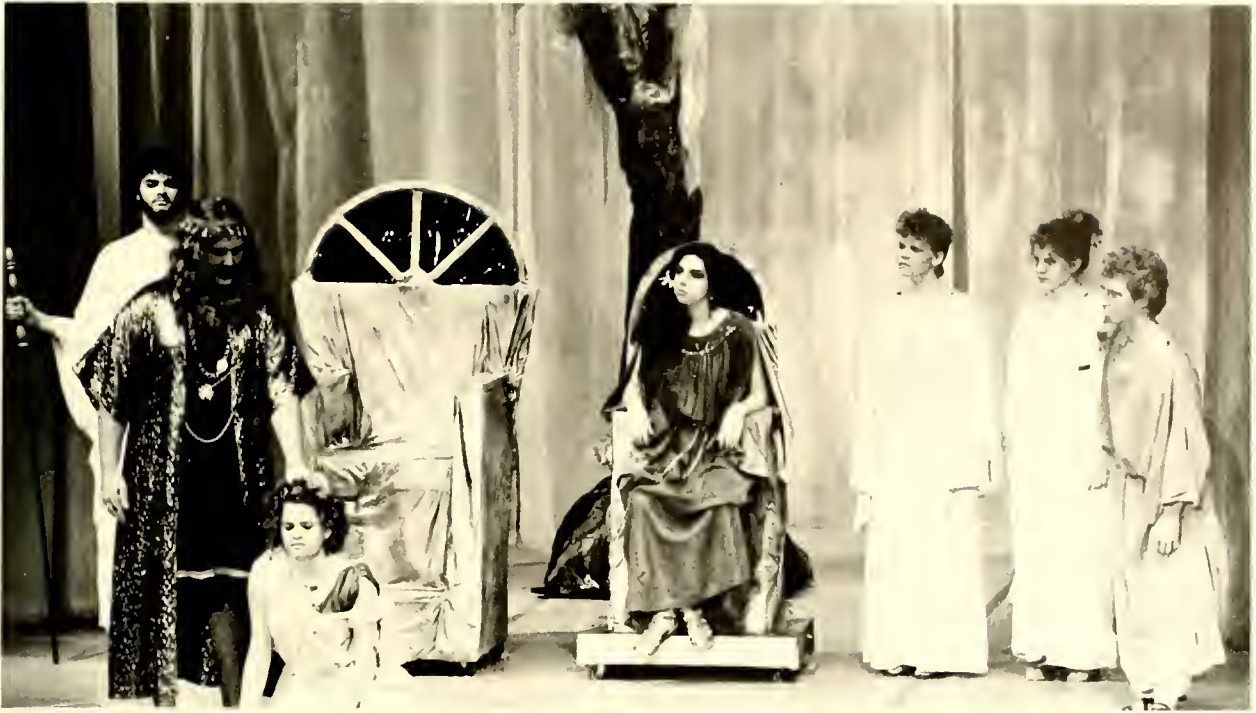
William Shakespeare's  
**A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM**

Presented by the  
**LMC Performing Arts Department**  
 Directed by  
**Dr. Janet Barton Carroll**

February 19, 20, 21, 1987 - 8:00 P. M.  
 February 22, 1987 - 2:00 P. M.  
 Hayes Auditorium  
 Tickets: Adults - \$4; Students - \$2

Tickets may be purchased at THE SHAMROCK SHOPPE, the LEES-McRAE COLLEGE PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT, or at the door.





*The cast of Midsummer Night's Dream.*



*Anna Ward and Buddy Fore as Hippolyta and Theseus.*

A *Midsummer Night's Dream*, a fantasy that takes place in woods outside Athens in Ancient Greece, had the plot of a Roman comedy with some of the character types: objecting fathers, young lovers who get entangled and then disentangled. There are creatures of the woods, fairies to lend enchantment, and a group of pure English "hempen homespuns," tradesmen who are hilarious in their attempts at acting. The play gave the LMC Performing Arts Department the opportunity to incorporate many of the talents of students and staff alike. In addition to Buddy Fore as Theseus and Roland Mullinix as Bottom, the cast included: Karen Taylor as Hermia; Kim Krege as Helena; Jane Watt as Titania; Anna Ward as Hippolyta; Jeannie Farthing as Peaseblossom; Lea Skeate as Cobweb; Julie Farthing as Mustardseed; Leigh Ann Stacy as Puck; Mike Van Dyke as Lysander; Greg Harville as Demetrius; Bill Watterson as Quince; Sean Watterson as Flute; Ted Pope as Tom Snout; Jules Griffith as Robin Starveling; Roger Harmon as Sung; Will Buckles as Egeus; Steve Parrish as Oberon; and Natalie Kop as an attendant. Design and language were two of the strongest points of the play and the costumes were designed and made by Joyce Ratliff, with the help of LMC student Renata Stone and Susan Taylor, a volunteer from the community.

*Roland Mullinix as Bottom, with Bill Watterson (Quince), Sean Watterson (Flute), Ted Pope (Snout), Roger Harmon (Snug), and Jules Griffith (Starveling).*



The production, "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," performed by the Lees-McRae College Performing Arts Department under the direction of Dr. Janet Speer, was selected as an alternate in Region IV competition, sponsored by the American College Theatre Festival. Region IV includes colleges and universities in the states of Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, West Virginia, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands. There were over 70 entries in Festival XIX and 27 of the entries were recommended by the judges for regional competition. There were six productions chosen to compete in the regionals in February with two alternates. The Lees-McRae Drama Department was one of those alternates, along with the University of Richmond. The six institutions chosen to compete in the regionals were Auburn University, North Carolina A & T State University, Virginia Tech, Western Carolina, and Gainesville Junior College and Brenau of Gainesville combined efforts for their production. The sixth entry was Birmingham Southern. "It was a great honor for us to be chosen among the 27 finalists to compete for regional competition," stated Dr. Speer. "And, among such outstanding competition we were overwhelmed that we were chosen as the first alternate." "This is yet another plume in the cap of our Performing Arts Department," College President Dr. Bradford L. Crain stated. "Our clogging team and other performing arts groups have already received outstanding recognition in the state and in the Southeast and I am extremely proud of our Drama Department for this recognition."

LMC PERFORMING ARTS  
RECEIVES RECOGNITION...

## JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

For the fall production, Dr. Janet Barton Speer and the Lees-McRae Department of Performing Arts brought a rare treat to the Lees-McRae campus and community when they presented "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat." The play is a modern-day rock musical based on the story of Joseph and his coat of many colors. The lyrics are witty, fresh and enormous fun. The show was billed as a rock musical and there was a little bit of everything in it in the way of music. The show was full of laughs and was brash and very "camp." Delighting the Lees-McRae audience were Sean Watterson, Ted Pope, Michael Van Dyke, Roger Harmon, Keith Fowler, John Boussard, Will Buckles, Greg Harville, Jules Griffith, Jim Ward, and Steve Parrish. The singing and dancing took place on a set that was a structural design of Jerusalem done by Rita Nasby. The set design had no color itself as all the color was achieved by special lighting designed by Jim Stonesifer. Color on the stage came from brightly colored costumes. The lead of Joseph was capably done by Billy Arrington. The company also included Barton Carroll, Lizanne Duke, Kim Krege, Roland Mullinix, Allen Ratliff, Karen Scott, Leigh Ann Stacy, Renata Stone, Karen Taylor, Anna Ward, and Janee Watt. On piano was Jim Bumgardner, percussion — Jamie Thomas, bass — Thomas Bailey, trumpet — Greg Harville. The assistant director was Cindy Stonesifer.



# JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT

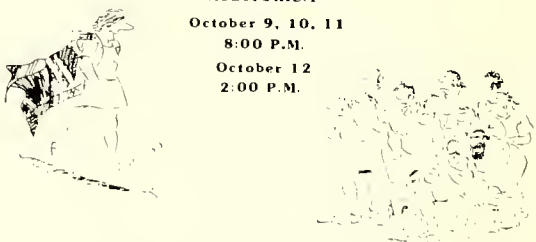
by  
**TIM RICE and ANDREW LLOYD WEBBER**

By arrangement with  
The Robert Stigwood Organization Limited and David Long

Presented by  
**LEES-McRAE PERFORMING ARTS DEPARTMENT**

Directed by  
**DR. JANET BARTON CARROLL**

**HAYES  
AUDITORIUM**  
October 9, 10, 11  
8:00 P.M.  
October 12  
2:00 P.M.



Tickets: \$4.00 adults; \$2.00 students

"Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat," the musical production of the Lees-McRae College Performing Arts Department. Front, Barton Carroll and Roland Mullinix. Second row (l-r), Anna Ward and Kim Krege. Back row: Jim Ward, Eric Watterson, Jamey Thampson.



The Highlanders are students who represent the college touring North Carolina, Tennessee and Virginia. They have appeared in the Superdome in New Orleans, toured Florida and have been present at many prestigious events honoring such dignitaries as congressmen and governors. Although they are known best as a "song and dance" troupe, they appear in concert in churches throughout the year, proving their versatility. These students are carefully selected each year from applicants all over the East Coast. This talented group is constantly in demand.



*Lees McRae College Highlanders* Sitting (l-r) Sean Watterson, Michelle Burlison, Richard Luther, Leigh Ann Stacy. Standing Keith Fowler, Kim Krege, Janee Watt, Mike VanDyke, Anna Ward, and John Bossard.





The Lees-McRae Chamber Ensemble is a vocal group that performs chamber, madrigal and other varieties of fine music. These are some of Lees-McRae's finest voice students who appreciate challenging music and enjoying sharing their talent with others.

LMC Chamber Ensemble (l r): Buddy Fore, Cindy Brooks, Sean Watterson, Susan Horne, and Greg Harville.

### CHILDREN'S SHOW

Delta Psi Omega, honorary drama fraternity on campus, presented a delightful children's production, "I Didn't Know That." The musical comedy was produced by drama students and the students were in charge of directing, costumes, property, scenery and overall production. Cindy Stonesifer, sponsor of Delta Psi, and Rita Nasby assisted the students in the production. Above, the antics of two of the performers, Greg Harville and Roger Harmon, kept the audience entertained throughout the evening. Others starring in the show designed for children of all ages were Karen Taylor, Anna Ward, Jules Griffith, and Greg Harville.



Lees-McRae College Singers. First row (l-r): Elizabeth Moss, Cindy Brooks, Jeannie Farthing, Amy Kirk, Michelle Burlison, Stephanie Mask, Karen Risech, Leigh Ann Stacy. Second row: Steve Parrish (director), Renata Stone, Karen Taylor, Nathalie Kop, Janee Watt, Roger Harmon, Sean Watterson, Robyn Miller, Deborah McMahan, Susan Horne. Third Row: Hallie Miles, Anna Ward, Kennon Quick, Greg Harville, Michael VanDyke, Kim Krege, Stacy Mance. Fourth row: Libby Barden, Laura Linton, Len Hawley, Richard Luther, Buddy Fore, John Bossard, Michael Alexander, Greg Anthony, and Keith Fowler







S.A.B. BEACH DANCE '86



Christine Chandler enjoys the beach party and dance contest while Steve Parrish shows Kim Kregge the moves



ICE CREAM PARTY

"THE GREAT SUNDAE EATING CONTEST"



At left Robyn Miller won best sundae creation and Jon Moore captured 1st place for "most original sundae" and most ice cream eaten. SAB director Marilyn Lesser presented the awards



SHAGGING "ROMA STYLE"

Alberico Menozzi and Lisa Roberts compete in Shag Contest

# TOGA PARTY LMC STYLE

The college's first Toga Party was inaugurated last year through the Avery Dorm Council. It was an unusual site to see the togas displayed in MacDonald Dining Hall but it provided a delightful evening for those participating. Coca Cola Bottling Company offered ten cases of cokes to the winners. Below, the women's basketball team returned from the national tournament in time to crash the party and dance with the toga expert, Jack Masters.





Coke representative gives portion of prizes to Ken Carter and Laura Linton, toga party King and Queen. Below, Ken and Laura sit on portions of prize.



# ORDER OF THE TOWER SPONSORS HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL . . .



The annual Halloween Carnival, sponsored by the Order of the Tower, includes fun and games for all ages. It is a money-raising event for all the clubs and organizations on campus that participate. Featured are many games of chance, booths, best costume contest, a haunted house, the jail, and an auction this year.

## WEIRD, WACKY, WONDERFUL WORLD OF OT'S . . .





The administration got in on the fun at Halloween. Above right hand corner Jim Stonesifer and Pat Bentley. And above, Stuart Silver, Cathy Shell, and Cheryl Farthing. Costume contest winners Melissa Kincaid and Amy Kirk are above. Others seen in their holiday attire are Stephanie Humphries and Nikki Baker; Chris Hartley and Van Brewer; Amy Kirk and Susan Horne; Laura Linton, Mary Collin Rankin, and Cindy Brooks.



# SPRING FLING IN THE RAIN



The Lees-McRae Student Government Association sponsored its annual Spring Fling as the elements did not cooperate but the rain seemed to add a unique ingredient to the frolic. The day's activities ran the gamut from the whipped cream pie-eating contest to egg tossing to body building contest and the traditional tug-of-war which climaxed the carnival atmosphere on the Banner Elk campus. The morning's activities opened with a scavenger hunt and the overall champion was determined in both the men's and women's categories by the number of points collected by participating and winning or placing in the events of the day. The spirit award was determined by the team that showed the most spirit for Spring Fling activities as demonstrated by posters, etc., and had the most spirit during the events.



*Helen Tester gorging marshmallows*



*Coach Mills flexes her muscles.*

*Steve Griffith staggers*





# 1986 HOMECOMING

Fall ushered a 1986 autumn in all its resplendent glory. The beauty of the majestic mountains, panoramic vistas of brilliantly colored leaves, and Saturday afternoon football with parades and entertainment was the typical scene for Lees-McRae's Homecoming. Over 60 units meandered to delight thousands of onlookers. Dr. and Mrs. Bradford L. Crain served as marshals for the parade. The float contest was won by the Road Runners Club, followed by the Order of the Tower in second place, and Avery Dorm in third. In dorm decorations Virginia Dorm took first place, Avery Dorm placed second and Tate was third. The theme of the 1986 Homecoming was "Fire on the Mountain."

*Kelly Clark shows the emotion in hearing the announcement that she is the 1986 Lees-McRae College Homecoming Queen. Her escort was her father, James Clark of Newland*



1986 LEES-MCRAE HOMECOMING COURT Front row (l-r): Stephanie Humphries, Tabatha Farmer, Tina Brooks, Michelle Bureson Back row: Amanda Forney, Maggie Haguewood, Kelly Clark, Charlette Massey, Lynn Ulery, and Mayclare Mulhern



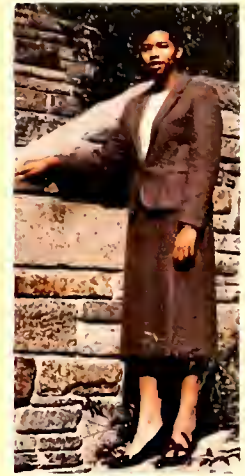




Kelly Clark, Queen



Stephanie Humphries, Maid of Honor



Charlette Massey



Amanda Forney



Tabatha Farmer



Michelle Bursleson



Tina Brooks

Maggie Haguwood  
Not pictured Lynn Ulery



# 1986 HOMECOMING COURT



# Spring Fling



*Jamie Metcalf in Body Building Contest*



*Betsy Earnhart after Sundae Eating Contest*



*John Angel speechless*

# FACES OF FLING . . .



*Beth Dameron, Clarissa Crockett and Cecily Huff*

*Clarissa Crockett*





Maid of Honor was Stephanie Humphries of Shelby, escorted by her father, Steve.

Parade Marshals, Dr Brad and Alice Crain.



### GARGON'S FOREST

There is a legend on the "Campus in the Clouds" that concerns the pregame and halftime rest area of the Bobcats. Since the football field is surrounded by the highest mountains in eastern America the Bobcats find it more convenient to adjourn to the wooded area adjacent to the field. The legend grows concerning what goes on in the "BLACK HOLE." The area is known far and wide to Lees-McRae opponents and even returning alumni footballers have been known to visit the area when they return to the campus.



The Black Hole



All any coach will reveal is that the area in the forest is "where we got ready" and when the Bobcats charge from the forest at game time it sounds like the roar of the monster Gargon emerging from his ominous lair



Amy Kirk



Lynn Swisher



Emily Crain



Lynn Ulery



The winner is Jamie Metcalf.



Kelly Clark spins the bat, then looks on with Janee Watt and Kim Kregg as Jenny McLemore runs relay.



# FACES OF FLING . . .



*Clarissa Crocket at her best*

*Jeff Clearwater in body building contest Karen Royall looks on with disbelief.*



*Clarissa Crocket and Buddy Fore embracing.*





*James Boyd after sundae eating contest.*



*John Angel as Superman in body-building contest*



*James Galloway showing no respect for his audience.*



*Jamie Metcalf displays form that won body building contest.*



*Spring Court with escorts.*



*Maid of Honor Melissa Kincaid.*

*Dr. Crain crowns Melissa Kincaid.*

## SPRING COURT

The annual Spring Fling Dance was held in April at the Sheraton in Boone. SGA sponsored the event that met with tremendous success. Leigh Ann Walker was crowned the 1987 Spring Queen at the formal dance and Melissa Kincaid was Maid of Honor. President Crain crowned Miss Walker and Alice Crain presented her with a bouquet of roses.







Leigh Ann Walker, Spring Queen

Patterson Temple



Dr. Crain crowns Queen of Spring Court, Leigh Ann Walker.



Elizabeth Moss



1987 Spring Court (l-r): Mandy Forney, Elizabeth Moss, Betsy Earnhardt, Melissa Kincaid, Janee Watt, Leigh Ann Walker, Lisa-Leigh Bacogorge, Julie Williams, Patterson Temple.





*Tim Caldwell, Shannon Dawson, Lynn Swisher and John Brossard*



*Mia Gibson with Richard McCombs*



*Betsy Earnhardt*



*Jane Watt*



*Everyone enjoying Spring Fling*

# LMC'S DATING



*Eric Watterson and Lisa Leigh Bacogorge.*

The Lees-McRae Dating Game was a great deal of fun for everyone. Everyone came out to cheer their favorite couple on. Or, in some cases, to see if they could help persuade their friends to choose the least likely date.

*John Angel as Pat Sayjerk.*



*Valerie Lueba and Andy Norris.*

G



*Preston Sizemore and Robyn Miller.*

A



*Amy Weaver and Derrick Conner.*

M



*Emily Crain and Kevin Bower.*

E



Jeni McLemore seems to be enjoying questioning the eligible bachelors

Dating Game contestants try to persuade the lovelies to choose the most intelligent, charming, suave, debonaire individual with the best response to the question. This left Buddy Fore out



Leslie Hughes evidently did not understand the answer or maybe did not understand her own question



## JIM AND TAMMY TALENT SEARCH

The Student Government Association at Lees-McRae sponsored its annual Talent Search. Acting as MC's were Jim and Tammy Bakker (John Angel and Jane Watt) of the fictitious B.T.L. Club. Pat Murray sang and was accompanied by Rich Johnson. James Galloway led his group through "time" while Angela Hicks displays her talent with her singing. Amy Kirk and Eric Watterson sang their rendition of a John Denver song and garnered a third place honor for their efforts.



# STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION

The purpose of the SGA as stated in the constitution is "to unify the student body in the common goal for self-government in order to assume responsibility in dealing effectively with matters of student affairs, to perpetuate the best traditions of the college, and to strengthen the cooperation among students, faculty and administration." The SGA Parliament supervises campus activities and offers suggestions to the administration for improvement in campus life.



SGA Officers (l-r): Melissa Kincaid, Buddy Fore, Tabatha Farmer



SGA Sponsor Grace Woody.



SGA members (l-r): Amy Weaver, Patterson Temple, Leigh Ann Stacy, Chris Adams, Julie Williams, Greg Harville, Grace Woody, Buddy Fore, Tabatha Farmer, Dottie Diener, Julian Ottley, Melissa Kincaid, Michelle Burselon.





SGA President Buddy Fore posing with Grace Woody, Sponsor.



President-elect Charlette Massey swearing in new SGA members.



SGA President Fore swears in President-elect Massey.

Student Activities Board Front row (l-r): Lisa Holmes, Suzanne Mitchell, Melissa Kincaid, Gary Melton, Matt Buckner. Back row: Joel Corley, John Blalock, Roger Harmon, Keuin Bowers, Lee Peppers, Sponsor Marilyn Lesser, Billy Rowe.



## PHI THETA KAPPA



PTK President, Kim Krege



PTK Vice President, Valerie O'Brien

Installed at Lees-McRae in 1932, the objective of Phi Theta Kappa is to promote scholarship and develop character. To be eligible, students must have an overall 3.4 average and must be of good moral character and possess leadership ability. Members are selected after the first semester of each year and must maintain the required average to retain membership.



Phi Theta Kappa Front row (l-r): Valerie O'Brien, Jeannie Farthing, Melanie Milton. Second row: Tom Carriker, Nicole Baker, Kim Krege, Emily Crain, Joe McCurdy. Third row: Lee Peppers, Amy Weaver, Leslie Hughes, Leigh Ann Walker, Stephen Carson. Back row: Joe Reitano, Andy Norris, Mike Alexander, Scott McCarter, Wendell Dodson, Luther Beck, Zac Bryant







Stephen Carson



Amy Weaver



Andy Norris



Wynndell Dodson



## BETA TAU CHAPTER MEMBERS ATTEND CONVENTION

Col. Larry Chesley, former POW, was named Alumnus of the Year in 1976 for Phi Theta Kappa, national honor society. Here he poses with Beta Tau Chapter sponsor Jim Stonesifer and officers of Lees-

McRae's PTK (l-r): Zac Bryant, Recorder; Amy Weaver, Treasurer; Valerie O'Brien, Vice President; Col. Chesley; Kim Krege, President; and Jim Stonesifer.



Sullivanians Front row (l-r): Sponsor Judy McClung, Emily Crain, Leigh Ann Stacy, Valerie O'Brien, Melissa Kincaid, Carolyn Bailey, Sponsor. Second row: Janee Watt, Stephanie Humphries, Susan Bragg, Martha Lambert, Kim Krege

## SULLIVANIANS



Valerie O'Brien



Mary Colin Rankin



Hallie Miles  
Secretary-Treasurer



Anne Bender  
Historian



The Sullivanians, a women's leadership organization organized in 1934 and named for a benefactor of the college (Mary Mildred Sullivan), has as its main purpose the development of character, leadership and personality. This is achieved through fellowship and service to others, as the Sullivanian motto will attest: "A clear eye, a ready hand and a pure heart." The year began with the annual Freshman Tea. The group sold mums for Homecoming, participated in the Homecoming Parade, worked for the Bloodmobile, participated in the Halloween Carnival, held a bake sale, sponsored "Mr. Turkey" day, and sold flowers for Valentine's Day.

## COMPUTER CLUB

Chip Pope, President



The Computer Club was organized in 1982 to stimulate, among faculty and students, interest in computers through guest speakers and hands-on experience with the computer.

Sponsor Larry Welsh is seen here with some of the members of the Computer Club





Valerie Leuba

## S.A.D.D.

S.A.D.D. (Students Against Drunk Driving) was formed this year on the Lees-McRae campus and tries to help students be aware of drinking and driving. Through S.A.D.D. college students can now take a leadership role in preventing alcohol-related deaths and injuries.

S.A.D.D. (L-r): Roger Harmon, Valerie Leuba, Mike Alexander, Marilyn Lesser, Sponsor.



## ROAD RUNNERS



The Roadrunners Club was established in 1971 to benefit the commuting students. Its purpose is to give the day students representation in school functions and activities and in the Student Government Association. The club also provides a social outlet for commuters and is involved in raising funds for the Renata Baldwin Scholarship which is given annually. The club participates in the Halloween Carnival and in the Jump Rope for Heart campaign. The group also provides refreshments for the staff and faculty at Christmas and always has an entry in the Homecoming Parade, coming in first place this year.

Sponsor Glen Johnson presents Scott Rominger with \$100 Roadrunners Scholarship.

Roadrunners. (L-r): Glen Johnson, Sponsor; Katie Hall, Phillip Canupp, Donna Gwyn, Jeanette Turbyfill, Amy Rivers, Joe Estes, Scott Rominger.



Jeanette Turbyfill  
President

Amy Rivers  
Vice President

Katie Hall  
Secretary-Treasurer



# RESERVE OFFICERS TRAINING CORPS ACTIVE AT LEES McRAE

From hiking in the mountains and canoeing rivers to learning about first aid and land navigation the Reserve Officers' Training Corps at Lees-McRae College had an exciting and active year. During the fall semester they rappelled, canoed the New River, hiked Boone's Fork Trail and learned to shoot rifles. One student even celebrated his birthday on the Canoe Trip. His birthday celebration was complete with a singing of happy birthday and a candle stuck into his cake from the Meal Ready to Eat, the Army's field ration.

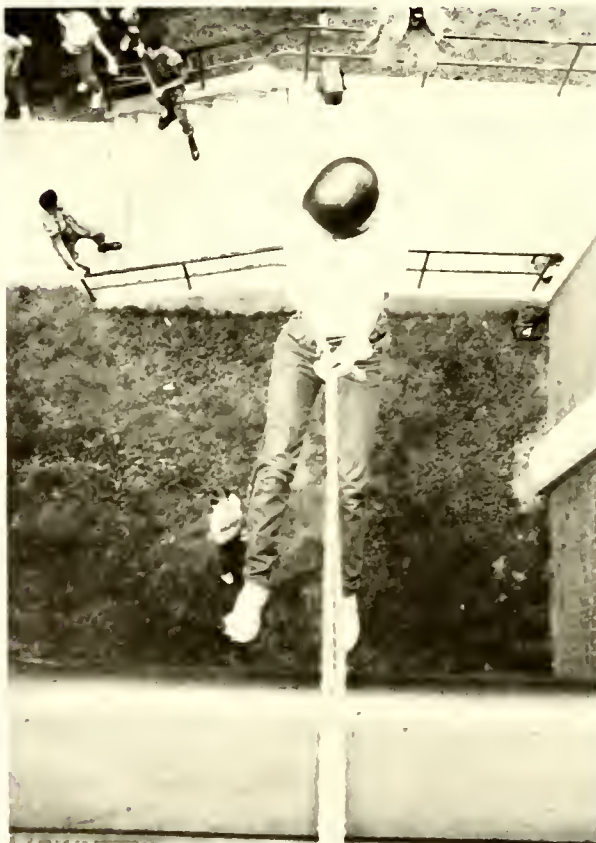
Lees-McRae ROTC students also provided the color guard for the home football games. It was the first time that the Lees-McRae Military Science program was able to provide the entire color guard. In the class room freshmen received a basic introduction to the military with classes on such subjects as role of the Army, the National Guard and Reserves, physical fitness, rank structure and customs and traditions of the service. Sophomore students studied military history in the fall. As a part of their military history course they toured the Revolutionary War Battlefield at Guilford Courthouse.

In the Spring semester ROTC students remained active with shooting pistol, water survival training and their annual winter softball game; the game was played in February and everyone was hoping for several inches of snow. However, the weather didn't cooperate and it was warm and sunny. There was enough mud to make the game interesting, however, as the Lees-McRae ROTC classes competed against the Appalachian State University freshman ROTC class.

In the classroom freshmen students learned about the law of warfare and leadership. Sophomores were taught land navigation and first aid. For one ROTC student the skills he learned on first aid was invaluable to him as he was involved in rendering first aid to an accident victim. "I knew what I was doing and I didn't panic, thanks to what I learned in class" he said. "I am much more confident than ever before."



*Physical Aptitude Test: Mark Cooper*



*Belaying Tom Gulton*



*Rifle Marksmanship: Troy Vasos (left) and Timothy Davenport*



*Rifle Marksmanship: Mark Capps and Michael McCabe*



Capt. Michael Yurk instructs Lees McRae ROTC students during Guilford Courthouse Battle-ground tour

Sixty Reserve Officer's Training Corps students from Appalachian State University and Lees-McRae College toured the Revolutionary War Battlefield at Guilford Courthouse at Greensboro. Warm, sunny autumn weather greeted the cadets as they toured the battlefield. But on an early spring morning over two hundred years ago the weather was considerably different when the Continental Forces under General Greene and the British Army under General Cornwallis met at Guilford Courthouse. It was a wet, cold day when the 4,400 American soldiers, clashed with the 2,200 man British Army. By the end of the day the Americans had lost the battle but they had inflicted more casualties on the British than what they had taken which contributed to Cornwallis deciding to withdraw from North Carolina to invade Virginia instead. Cadets from ASU and LMC toured the Courthouse as part of their military history classes; students in both classes had just finished studying the American Revolution.



Canoe trip on New River



Hiking in Boone's Fork. Eating lunch in Boone's Fork: Scott Parker, Daniel Cisco, Mike Cisco



Kneeling (l-r): Scott Parker, Troy Hochstetler, Charles May, Jim Armstrong. Standing: Daniel Cisco, Jay Falls, Mike Cisco, David Wiljong, Lawton Kitchen (ASU) and Warren Gaye (ASU).





Pistol Marksmanship. Chrissie Herring, Lauton Kitchen (ASU), Scott Parker, Marcus Copeland.



Mike Cisco, Warren Gaye (ASU), Kenneth Cisco



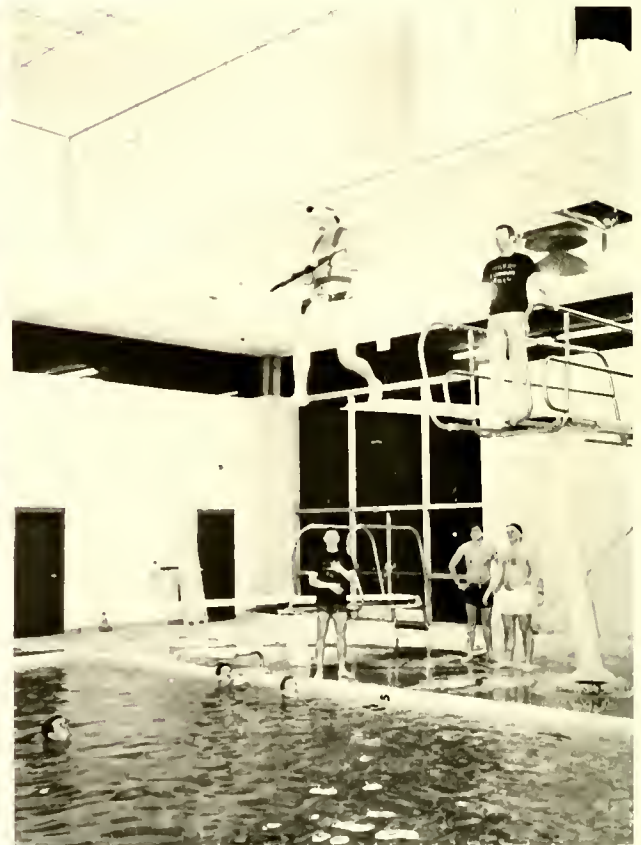
Pistol Target Kneeling (l-r), Daniel Cisco, Scott Parker, Chrissie Herring Standing Michael Cisco, Kenneth Cisco, Marcus Copeland



80 meter shuttle run. Charles Whittenburg



Physical Aptitude Test Chrissie Herring, standing, Mark Cooper



Daniel Cisco on diving board



Charles Whittenburg tags opponent out while Danny Cisco allows runner safe at home.

## ASU ROTC 12 LM ROTC 1

The weather wasn't quite right, but Appalachian State and Lees-McRae went ahead with the Second Annual Winter Softball Tournament. Last year the game was played in the snow. Under clear skies and warm temperatures, the ASU ROTC freshman class demolished Lees-McRae ROTC 12-1 to take a 2-0 lead in the annual event. Last year, ASU won 14-9. Gail Brindell was the winning pitcher for ASU, while Danny Cisco took the loss for Lees-McRae.



## ROTC FEATS FACULTY TO ARMY CHOW

Army chow. War stories abound about it. The thought of it conjures up all sorts of images. Soldiers sing songs about Army food as they march. But for sixteen faculty members of Lees-McRae College who sampled the Army's field ration they got a new perspective of Army chow. The Army smorgasbord was an idea that began between CPT Michael Yurk, Lees-McRae ROTC instructor and O'dell Smith, Social Science Division Director.



Phil Eual samples peanut butter and jelly on wafers.

## FROM SOFTBALL TO CHOW . . . LMC ROTC HAS IT ALL!

Richard Jackson (right) attempts to tear open pouch while Sam Travis offers advice.

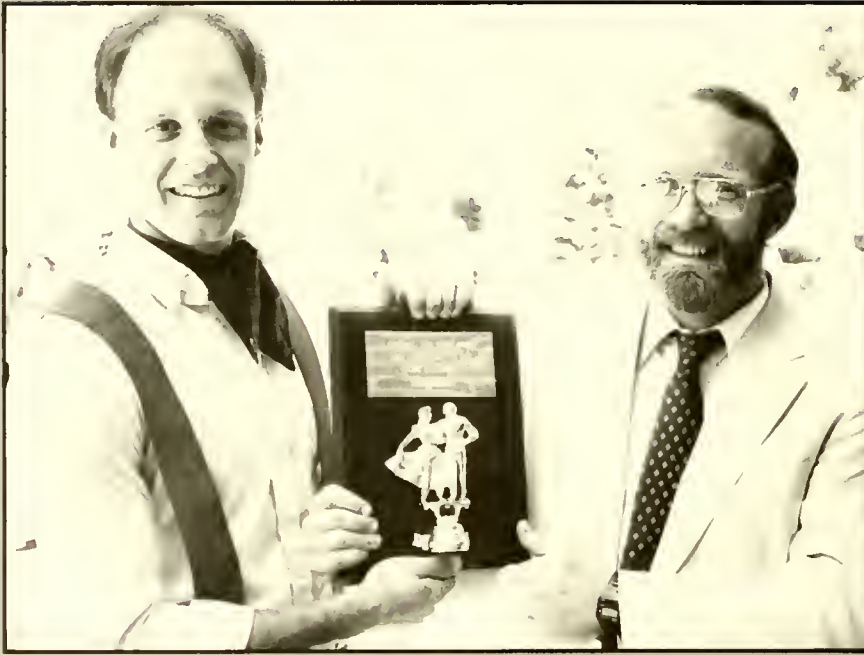


Capt. Yurk observes Glen Johnson and Phil Teagarden in pouch maneuvers.

Gourmet Chef Roy Krege isn't sure.



*Sam Burton recognized for service to LMC cloggers (Richard Luther presenting).*



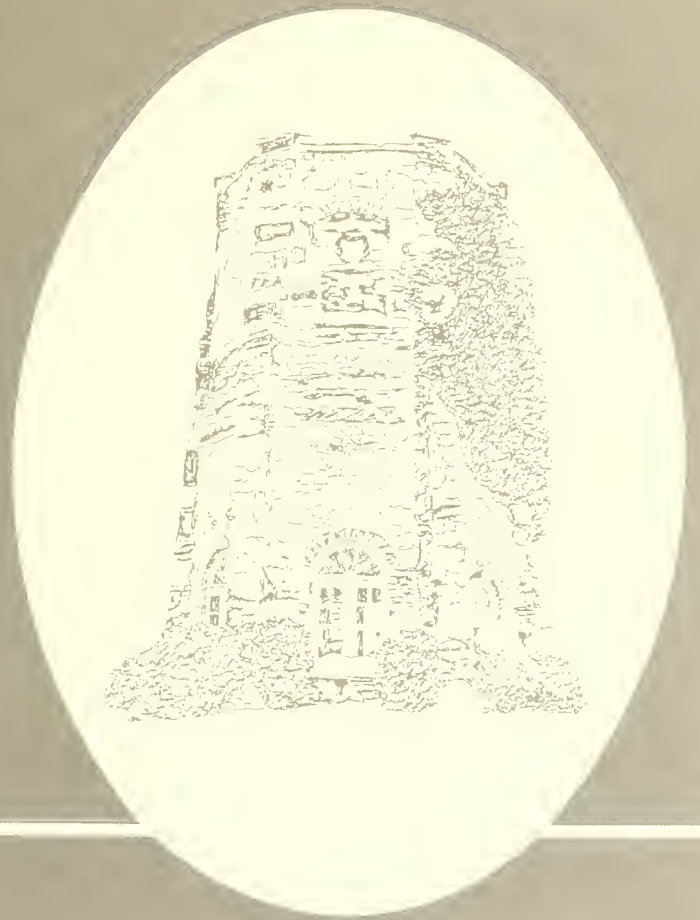
*... And the winner is ... Alberico Menozzi.*



# Accolades

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# ORDER OF THE TOWER ASSISTS IN THE TWENTY-EIGHTH HONORS

The Order of the Tower assisted the administration of Lees-McRae College in the presentation of the Twenty-Eighth Annual Honors and Awards program. Miss Valerie O'Brien, Tower President, and Miss Nicole Baker, Vice President, presided. Dr. Stewart Skeate, Instructor in the Division of Natural and Physical Sciences, was the Master of Ceremonies. The invocation was delivered by The Reverend J. Thomas Phillips of the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church.

**Athletic Awards:** MVP basketball, Sandra Williams and Gary Strickland; Coaches' Awards in basketball, Gina Bennett and John Humphries; MVP skiing, Gretchen Fearing and Donovan Carroll; Coach's Awards in skiing, Cecily Huff and Stephen Carson; MVP football, James Galloway (defense) and Tony Pearson (offense); Coaches' Awards in football, Mark Musick (offense) and Steve DeBell (defense); MVP soccer, Chris Zelski; Coach's Award in soccer, Joe McCurdy; MVP tennis, Nikki Baker and Leo Miranda; Coach's Awards in tennis, Stephanie Humphries and Billy Rowe; George Homan Tennis Award, Alberico Menozzi; Alesia Albritton Memorial Tennis Scholarship, Emily Crain; Fred I. Dickerson Academic-Athletic Awards, Nikki Baker and Alberico Men-

ozzi; Outstanding Sophomore Athletes, Gretchen Fearing and Gary Strickland; F.C.A. Award, Tina Brooks.

**Military Science Awards:** The Superior Cadet Awards, Angela Herring (MS I) and James D. Armstrong (MS II); Academic Achievement Insignia, David Wilfong, Mark Capps, Thomas Fulton, Angela Herring, Mark Spruiell, Mark Cooper, Steven Frye, James Armstrong; Military History Award, Mark Spruiell (MS II); Two-year Army ROTC Scholarships, James Armstrong, Steven Frye, Mark Cooper.

**Performing arts Awards:** Lees-McRae Singers Award, Amy Kirk; Clogging, Mike Alexander, Theatre, Sean Watterson, P. A. Technical Award, Renata Stone; and the Performing Arts Award, Kim Krege.

**Academic Achievements:** Art, Elizabeth Moss; Spanish, Rita Woodie; Robert Bowman French Medal, Amy Weaver; English, Amy Weaver and Alberico Menozzi; Neron Wilson Math Award, Lesley Hughes; Sophomore Math Award, Alberico Menozzi; J. B. Pritchett Memorial Award in Natural Science, Rick Trivette; in Physical Science, Alberico Menozzi; Computer Science, Alberico Menozzi; Social Science, Tom Carriker; Religion, Daniel Craft.

*Below, Buddy Fore presents Marilyn Lesser with SGA Award. At right, Phil Royall presents Rita Woodie with Spanish Award.*



*Academic Awards (l-r): Tom Carriker (Social Science), Rick Trivette (J. B. Pritchett Award in Natural Science), Lesley Hughes (Neron Wilson Math Award), Elizabeth Moss (Art), Alberico Menozzi (English, Sophomore Math, Physical Science, Computer Science), Emily Crain (Alumni Memorial Academic Award), Amy Weaver (French, English) Daniel Craft (Religion).*



# AND AWARDS PROGRAM AS MENOZZI COPS TOP HONORS

Scholarships: Sullivanian Society, Valeria O'Brien; Renata Baldwin Memorial/Roadrunners, Scott Rominger; Margolis, Mike Alexander and Jeannie Farthing; Alumni Memorial, in athletics, Joe McCurdy; in Performing Arts, Anna Ward; in leadership, Mike Alexander; in academics, Emily Crain; Tim Weatherman Memorial, Rusty Barr.

The Student Government Association presented a special recognition award to Mrs. Marilyn who has served as Student Activities Director. The Order of the Tower recognized Mrs. Evelyn Hall for her years of service and support as a sponsor of the organization.

The Vickie Lee Weaver Friendship Award was given to Richard Luther by Mr. Dick Weaver who established the award in memory of his daughter (LM Class of '76).

The Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Educator Award was presented to Mr. Lewis Hall, and Edgar Tufts Awards for Teaching Excellence went to Dianne Hinson and Roberta Cauvel.

The dedication of the 1987 Ontaroga (yearbook) was presented to the Order of the Tower in commemoration of its 25th anniversary. Lewis Hall, sponsor and founder of the

organization, accepted this award.

Dr. Bradford L. Crain, Lees-McRae President, presented the following service awards: 10 years, Roberta Cauvel; 15 years, Mark Gidney, Bill Watterson; 20 years, Phil Teagarden, Jim Stonesifer, Phil Royall; 25 years, Carolyn Travis.

Sullivan Awards (national awards given to individuals who possess a marked degree of helpfulness, an awareness of the beauty and value of the intangible elements of life) were presented by Dr. Crain to Donese Preswood, Amy Weaver, Carroll Roney, Evelyn Hall, Debbie Gentry, Scott Payne, Ernie Norwood, Tina Brooks, Kim Krege, and Chris Hartley.

The H. C. Evans, Jr. Fidelity Award, given to the sophomore considered the best all-around student, was presented to Kim Krege by President Crain.

Following the awards ceremonies a reception hosted by the Order of the Tower was held for the honorees, faculty, staff, and administration.



Sullivan Awards (l-r) Tina Brooks, Scott Payne, Evelyn Hall, Kim Krege, Amy Weaver, Chris Hartley, Donese Preswood (not pictured), Carroll Roney (accepting the award for Mr. Roney was Dr. John Wilson), Debbie Gentry, Ernie Norwood



Performing Arts Awards recipients (l-r): Renata Stone (Technical Award), Anna Ward (Tony Soverell Memorial Scholarship), Sean Watterson (Theatre Award), Mike Alexander (Clogging Award), Amy Kirk (LMC Singers Award), and Kim Krege (Performing Arts Award).



Academic Scholarship recipients (l-r): Mark Cooper, Steve Frye, James Armstrong, Anna Ward, Scott Rominger, Jeannie Farthing, Russell Barr, Emily Crain, Mike Alexander, and Joe McCurdy



Judy McClung and Carolyn Bailey present Valerie O'Brien with Sullivan Award  
 Evelyn Hall, library aide and sponsor of the Order of the Tower, was the recipient of the O  
 T Special Recognition Award, presented to her by Chris Hartley, Tower member  
 Recipients of the Edgar Tufts Faculty Award Roberta Cauvel (left) and Dianne Hinson  
 Shown in middle is Lewis Hall, recipient of the Phi Theta Kappa Outstanding Educator  
 Award



TWENTY-EIGHTH  
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# FACULTY AND STUDENTS RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE, ACHIEVEMENT.



*LMC Service Awards (l-r): Phil Royall (20 years), Mark Gidney (15), Phil Teagarden (20), Roberta Cauwel (10), Jim Stonesifer (20), Carolyn Travis (25), and Bill Watterson (15).*



*Tennis players Rowe, Miranda and Menozzi take top tennis awards.*

*Athletic Awards. First row (l-r): Cecily Huff (Coach's Award, Skiing), Gina Bennet (Coach's Award, Basketball), Emily Crain (Alesia Albritton Award in Tennis), Stephanie Humphries (Coach's Award, Tennis), Nikki Baker (MVP Tennis, Fred I Dickerson), Gretchen Fearing (MVP Skiing, Outstanding Athlete). Back row: Stephen Carson (Coach's Award, Skiing), Donovan Carroll (MVP Skiing), Gary Strickland (MVP Basketball, Outstanding Athlete), John Humphries (Coach's Award, Basketball), Joe McCurdy (Coach's Award, Soccer), Alberico Menozzi (George Homan Tennis Award, Fred I. Dickerson), Sandra Williams (MVP Basketball).*





*Top photos: Nikki Baker, Vice President, and Valerie O'Brien, President of Order of the Tower, hosted the awards program while Stewart Skeate served as Master of Ceremonies.*



(Opposite page) Leo Miranda receives tennis MVP award from Coach Baker while Athletic Director Carlisle Hostetter congratulates Gary Strickland as the outstanding sophomore athlete. Rita Woodie accepts Spanish Medal from Mr. Royall. (Above) Elizabeth Moss receives Art Medal from Janice Miller; Menozzi takes English; Dr. Crain accepts women's basketball awards; Coach Mills recognizes Sandra Williams. (At left) ROTC winners with Capt. Yurk.

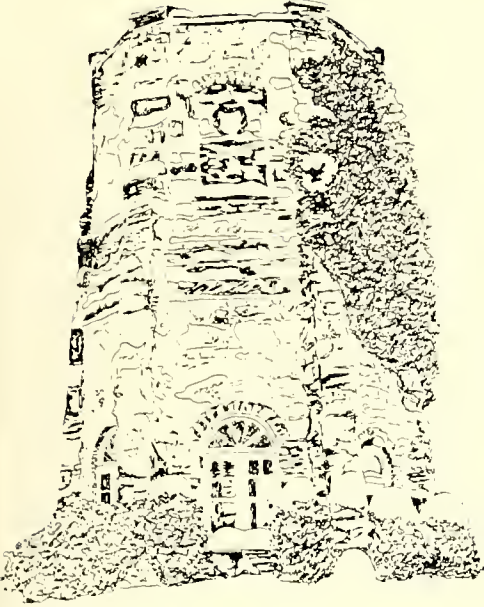


*Alberico Menozzi picks up one of his five awards from Claude Pyatte Dr. Crain recognizes Donese Preswood and Richard Luther claims the Vickie Lee Weaver Friendship Award Kim Krege accepts coveted H. C. Evans, Jr Fidelity Medal*





# Dedication . . .



On rare occasions the yearbook staff has honored an outstanding organization. In 1980 the *Ontaroga* recognized the outstanding achievements of the Beta Tau chapter of Phi Theta Kappa. The 1987 *Ontaroga* staff wishes to recognize all the members, past and present, of the Order of the Tower and the founders Don Baker and Lewis Hall. It is with a great deal of pride that we dedicate the 53rd edition of the *Ontaroga* to the leadership organization on campus celebrating its 25th anniversary . . .  
*Order of the Tower.*

## THE ORDER OF THE TOWER

*Dr. Croin congratulates Lewis Holl and the Order of the Tower*

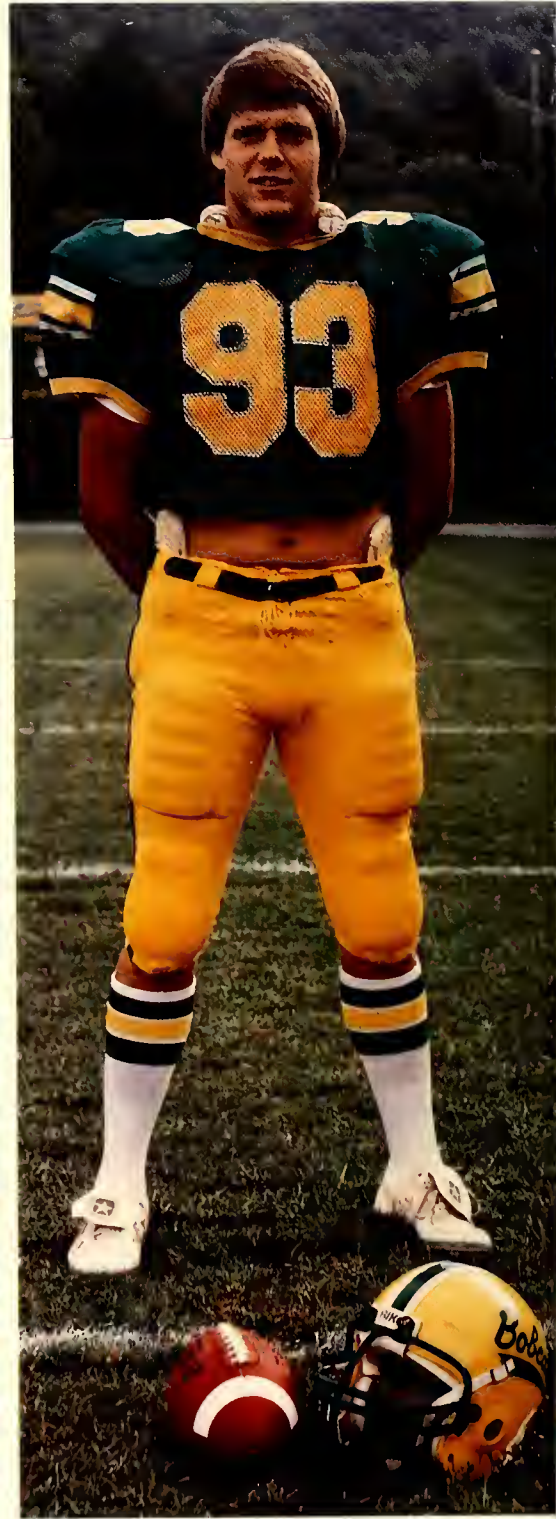


*Nikki Boker, Editor, presents the yearbook dedication to Mr. Lewis Holl (sponsor) for the Order of the Tower, leadership organization on campus celebrating its twenty-fifth year at Lees-McRae.*





*James Galloway, First Team Defense, NJCAA All American*



*Steve DeBell, Second Team Defense, NJCAA All American*

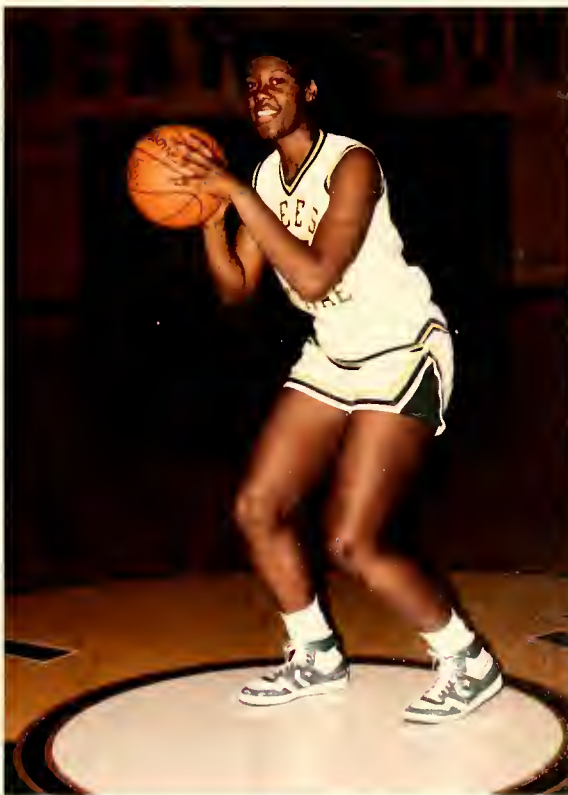
## NATIONAL JUNIOR COLLEGE ATHLETIC



*Anthony Pearson, Honorable Mention Offense, NJCAA All American*



*Alberico Menozzi, First Team, Academic All American*



*Sandra Williams, Honorable Mention, NJCAA All-American*

## ASSOCIATION ALL-AMERICANS 1986-87

# BOBCAT PLAYERS ARE ALL-AMERICANS

For an unprecedented two consecutive seasons, Lees-McRae College has placed three players on the National Junior College Athletic Association All-America list.

The Bobcats, who were ranked second in the nation in defense, placed defensive back James Galloway on the first team defensive unit. Defensive tackle Steve DeBell was named to the second team.

Tailback Anthony Pearson, the Coastal Conference's leading rusher and its player of the year, was named to the Honorable Mention list of the offensive unit.

Pearson rushed for more than 1,000 yards this season and led the conference in scoring with 13 touchdowns.

Galloway was a team leader on defense and led the 1986 squad in tackles with 73. He had 49 solos, returned an interception for a touchdown, and blocked a punt and returned it for a touchdown. He blocked four punts on the season and broke up six passes.

DeBell was third on the team in tackles with 65, and 41 of them were solos. He had seven quarterback sacks and constantly applied pressure to opposing quarterbacks. Fifteen of his solo tackles were for losses and he batted down three passes while recovering two fumbles.

Galloway was named to J. C. Gridwire second team All-American, and Pearson and DeBell were listed as Honorable Mention.

1986 ALL-COASTAL CONFERENCE. Lees-McRae gridders recognized on All-Coastal Conference Team. Top left, Anthony Pearson, "Player of the Year," Coastal Conference, picks up yardage against Mississippi Gulf Coast in the East Bowl contest.



Steve DeBell  
Gridwire All American



James Galloway  
Gridwire All American



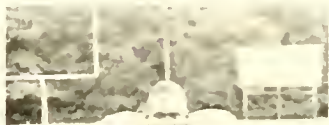
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Gary Strickland  
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All Region, 1st team  
Runner-up, Player of the Year



Sandra Williams  
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All-Tourney, Region X



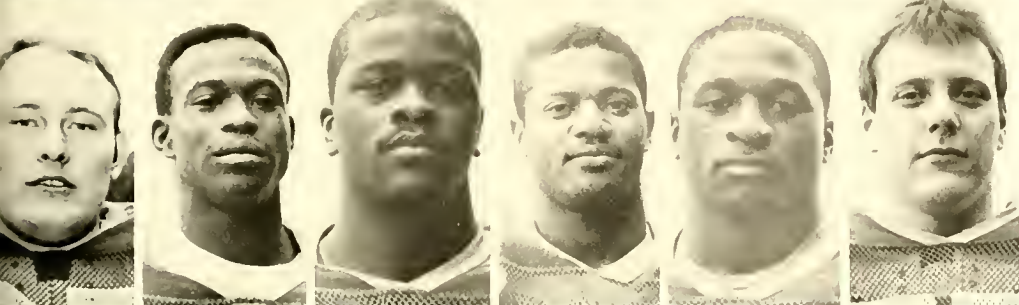
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Most Valuable Player  
Defense  
East Bowl



Mia Nance  
All WCJCC, 2nd team  
All-Tourney, Region X



Tracy Absher  
All WCJCC, 1st team  
All Region, 1st team



Those named to the All Coastal Conference team: Top row (l-r): First Team Offense: Anthony Pearson, Todd Doggs, Cliff Whicker; First Team Defense: Steve DeBell, Todd Middleton. Second row: First Team Defense: James Galloway, Steve Smith; Second Team Offense: Jon Davis, Cortez Martin, Michael Miller. Third row: Second Team Offense: Richard McCombs; Second Team Defense: Rob Watson, Anthony McCord, James Boyd; Honorable Mention Offense: Mork Musick, Willie Ray Friday; Honorable Mention Defense: Rony Norris, Elise Ferguson, Joy Jones, Mike Dixon.



Donovan Carroll, 1st team All Conference, 1st team All-Region; Dennis Hondley, 1st team All-Conference; Gretchen Feoring, 1st team All Conference; Stephen Corson, 2nd team All Conference; Poul Lehmann, 2nd team All Conference.

Trevor Dickenson, 1st team All-Conference, 2nd team All-Region; Les Broussard, 2nd team All-Conference, 1st team All-Region; Chris Zelski, 2nd team All-Conference, All-Region; Bernie Woods, 2nd team All-Conference, Honorable Mention All-Region; Shawn Dill, 2nd team All-Region.



Nikki Baker, 1st team All-WCJCC



Stephanie Humphries, 1st team All-WCJCC, All-Region



Emily Crain, 2nd team All-WCJCC, All-Region

Alberico Menazzi, 2nd team, All-WCJCC, All-Region

Leo Miranda, Honorable Mention All-Region

Deb Tate, All-Region





*Alberico Menozzi*



*Nicole Baker*



*Michelle Burlison*

*Donovan Carroll*



*Tina Brooks*

*Keith Fowler*





Amy Weaver



Amy Kirk



Buddy Fore

Lees-McRae had twelve sophomores selected for inclusion in the national publication, WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES. The publication recognizes students for their outstanding contribution to their campus, the students' scholarship, leadership, participation in educational and extracurricular activities, general citizenship and 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.

Kim Krege



Valerie O'Brien



Sean Watterson

## WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

# ATHLETIC BANQUETS IN FALL AND SPRING RECOGNIZE



President Crain addressed both the fall and spring banquets which were catered by Epicure under the capable presentation of Roy Biggers (pictured above in the buffet line).



Coach Mac Bryan poses with Lees McRae football stars (l-r): James Galloway, MVP Defense; Mark Musick, Coaches' Award, Offense; Steve DeBell, Coaches' Award, Defense; and Anthony Pearson, MVP Offense.



Lees McRae Head Coach Mac Bryan presents Dr. Bradford Crain with the Coastal Conference championship trophy and an East Bowl jacket.



# LEES-McRAE'S FINEST . . . TEAMS AND INDIVIDUALS . . .



Soccer Coach Greg Hooks poses with Chris Zelski, at left, who was voted MVP on the '86 soccer team. At right, Joe McCurdy was named recipient of the Coach's Award.

Head Ski Coach Mark Gidney awards Donovan Carroll with his All-Region and All-Conference ski plaques.



The ski team hoists the second place trophy in Southeastern Collegiate Ski Conference as the Bobcat skiers finished second to ASU and gained a berth in the nationals through regional competition.



Musette Mills presents Sandra Williams with an award recognizing her as Lees-McRae's first female basketball All-American

Head Basketball Coach Keith Walker congratulates Gary Strickland on his All-Conference and All-Region selections.

Not pictured: The women's tennis team that finished runner-up in Region X, NJCAA.

# COLLEGE PROGRAMS

Each year Lees-McRae offers a list of special programs through the Lyceum Series for the entertainment and enlightenment of the student body. This year's programs included: Frank Borman, former astronaut; Plexus Mime; John Klacsmann, Executive Vice President, Clean Sites, Inc.; Ex-Cleveland Brown Oscar Roan, Staley Distinguished Lecturer; Ty Boyd, noted TV personality; Albert Long and Happenings, Inc.; ExPOW Jim Chesley; Bounce the Clown & Mademoiselle 000 La La's Vaudeville Circus; Performing Arts Fall Show; Rev. Angus Shaw, First Presbyterian Church, Johnson City, Tennessee, Founder's Day Speaker; Irv Weiner and his "Mr. Fingers" Show; Thomas F. Murray, lecturer-actor-poet, Alcohol/Drug Abuse Education Program; Texas attorney Anthony J. Sadberry, commemorating Black History Month; Edith Colvard Crutcher, Indian Arts & Crafts Board Commissioner and Lees-McRae Alumna, celebrating National Women's Emphasis Month; The Rev. Benjamin Cooper Mathes of the Medical Mission Program of the Presbyterian Church, Staley Lecturer; The Harper Sisters, musical duo; Bob Inman, noted TV anchor man and novelist.

Ex-Cleveland Brown Oscar Roan is congratulated by Dr. Bradford Crain, Lees-McRae President, following the Staley lecture appearance. Roan and his wife, Linda, were guest lecturers at the Distinguished Christian Scholar Lecture series.



Col. Frank Borman, astronaut



Plexus

Ex POW Jim Chesley



Bounce the Clown and Mademoiselle 000 La La

Clean Sites Executive Vice President John Klacsmann poses with Jean Williams, President of FORUM, and Lees-McRae President Dr. Bradford L. Crain. Klacsmann addressed the LMC students in the final program of the 1986 FORUM Series. Mrs. Williams is a trustee of the college and with the assistance of a capable committee brought delightful, entertaining and educational programs to the campus during FORUM'S eighth season.





Angus Shaw, featured speaker, LMC Founder's Day.



Ben Maihes, Staley Lecturer



Albert Long and team pose with Roy Krege, left, and John Angel, far right.



"Mr. Fingers"



Anthony Sadberry



Albert Long



Edith Crutcher

## 1986-87 COLLEGE PROGRAMS



The Harper Sisters and favorite fan.

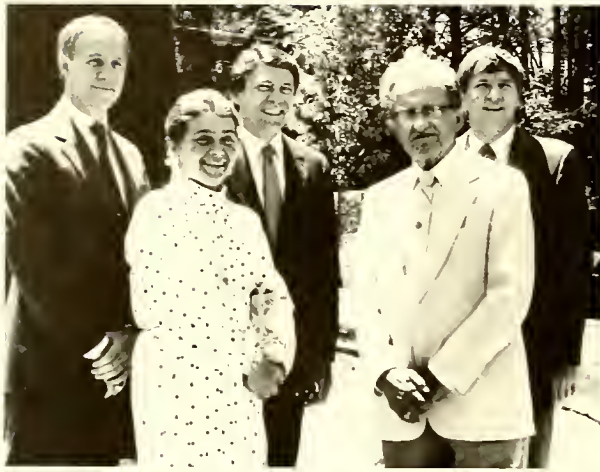


Jim Stonesifer and Dr Crain chat with Anthony Sadberry



Pictured with the guest of honor, center, are Dr and Mrs Crain and Paul and Margaret Tufts Neal Mrs. Crutcher, a 1942 alumnus, serves as the Commissioner, Indian Arts and Crafts Board





Principals in Lees-McRae Graduation Exercises: Dr. Crain, Bob Inman, Dean Stone-sifer, pose with honored guests, Trustee Earl Jones and his wife, Linda. Dr. Crain conferred an honorary degree upon Jones, a Raleigh businessman.



The Lees-McRae Chorus performed during the baccalaureate service held in the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church. Rev. John Thomas Phillips delivered the Saturday morning sermon. At left, the Ensemble sang at graduation exercises in Hayes Auditorium.



## NOTED TV NEWS ANCHORMAN BOB INMAN ADDRESSES 57TH

Listen to your hearts, your souls, and find out who you are. In your wanderings you will always know that 'home' is in your own hearts and there is the place where you will abide. 9



Bob Inman, noted author and television celebrity, urged the students of the 57th Graduating Class of Lees-McRae College to listen to their hearts, their souls, and to find out who they are. He pointed out that in their wanderings they will always know that "home" is in their own hearts and there is the place where they will abide.

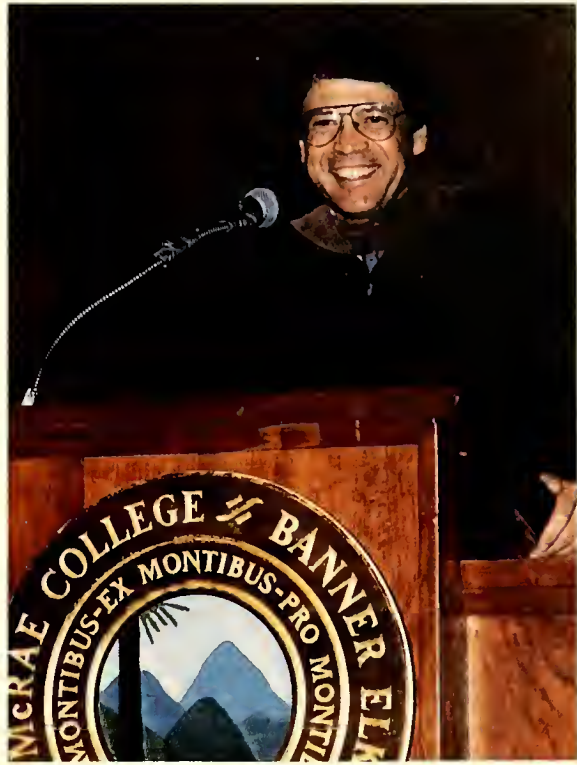
In his opening remarks Inman stated, "I am in the company of scholars today, and I realize that and I salute what you had to go through. There are many in the world who are capable of

doing what you've done, but you are among the few who did it. And there have been those long and lonely hours in your dorm room or the library in the middle of the night that you've tussled with conjugating a verb or solving a math or science problem when you've wondered if it was really worth it. But you stuck with it. And you came through. And you are proof today that you have the will to go on into other things."

"This is a transitional point for your lives. I'm proud that you have done that and I hope you won't forget this institution because you owe it a great debt," Inman said.

Inman emphasized the parents' role in education, "I want to congratulate you proud parents and grandparents and aunts and uncles and friends. It's not just parents that raise young folks, of course. A lot of folks go into the raising of young folks. I want to congratulate you on what you've been through. You know, there is not a dirty diaper in the whole bunch down here. And you raised 'em right and you got 'em through."

"My daddy used to say that every man, in order to appreciate the rest of life, ought to have two things — one was an attack of appendicitis and the other was a teenage daughter. I do have a teenage daughter and I know a little about what Daddy was talking about. I know that young folks don't arrive at this place in life without a lot of encouragement. My daddy was the kind of person who did that. And I came from the kind of town that did that. And I thank my lucky stars that I grew up in Elba, Alabama where folks care about their young people."



*Dr. Crain (left) introduced speaker Inman and told the grads, "This is your day. It is one that you've waited long for, one that you've worked hard for, and it's probably a very sad-happy day in many ways. Remembering commencement is a beginning, not an ending, and I hope as you leave Lees-McRae College and commence your future work in life, that you will carry with you only the most wonderful memories and some very fine knowledge and skills that will help you lead a much fuller life than you might otherwise have led."*

## GRADUATING CLASS – URGES GRADS TO LISTEN TO THEIR HEARTS

But Inman observed that he wanted to be informal and talk of where he was from, and that is "a small-town boy and storyteller." He told the graduates of three people he admired most in life. "There are lots of folks that I admire. But there are three that I picked out in particular because of the qualities that they have that can apply in my own life and I can tell audiences about these three people. I think whether you're young or old, or what your station is in life, you can learn something from these three people."

Inman used as his first example a former colleague, Jim Patterson. Inman stated that "Many grew up in the Carolinas watching Jim Patterson on Channel 3." Patterson was killed in an automobile accident a year ago and Inman pointed out it was a great loss to the Channel 3 family. "Patterson," Inman said, "was one of the people who made Channel 3 feel like a family."

"I learned from Jim Patterson what I believe I'll carry with me all of my life. It is about work. Jim was a wonderful actor. He loved to get into a role. Anything that needed doing at the station Jim was willing to do it. He would put on a clown face and get in some big top circus show with Big Bill Ward and just have a grand time. He and Fred Kirby could get out there on Kirby's Cartoon Corral and Jim would just have a ball. He loved being 'Uncle Jim.'"

Inman said that "Jim was in his element because he was essentially an actor, the most versatile, the most talented person who ever worked at Channel 3. Fittingly, the man who signed on the air Channel 3 in 1949, Patterson was willing to use his talent in any way in the world."

Inman said that Patterson did what many people thought was not dignified. He was a clown, a side-kick on the Fred Kirby Show, but he did it with such love and grace and beauty and wit and charm and talent that he took what might not be considered a dignified job and made it dignified work.

"I learned from Jim Patterson that there really is no such thing as undignified work, only undignified ways of approaching work." Inman said he learned from Patterson that any job worth doing well and doing it in a dignified manner — whether it's hoeing the garden or building a multimillion dollar corporation — is worth putting all of yourself into it because it reflects on you.

Inman stated that he felt there was no drug problem in America, that there was only a self-esteem problem in America. He pointed out that there are no problems with families in America, only problems with self-esteem. He stated that if we don't feel good about ourselves inside, we are not going to act right. We are going to see that people will seek escape in other things. "If we can do something to help people gain self-esteem then we have given them a precious gift."

"When we do the kinds of things that Jim Patterson did, when we say to a person younger than us, regardless of what age we are, you're important, you're unique, you're special, we know you're going to do wonderful things and we're so glad you're here, and we expect good things from you. I think that's important, to expect good things from people. It's important to let younger people know that we expect them to do good things because if we do then they will."

Inman stressed the importance of an investment in young people and in helping them achieve a measure of self-esteem so that they would feel "very special in the world."

Inman said the second person he admired was his father-in-law, Paul Jones Strong, a man he referred to as "Papa Strong." "Papa Strong," Inman said, "was very, very special. He ran a drugstore in Homewood, Alabama, just outside Birmingham. About ten years ago Papa Strong suffered a debilitating stroke. In a coma and near death in a hospital in Birmingham, he was not expected to live."

Inman said that he knew that something was going on in his mind and an iron will and constitution would not let him give up. "Even though he wasn't with us, he was in there inside himself, fighting that fight of mortality."

"Papa Strong came out of the coma but wasn't given much

of a chance to go home. But he did and surrounded by love and his family, and with a great iron constitution and will, he began to get better. And for the past ten years, he has been getting better.

"Although confined to a wheelchair, he has proved one of the most worthwhile things, he has overcome obstacles that everyone said he could not achieve. I think for the rest of us, that the pushing is worth the effort. Like Papa Strong you can move your brick walls. But even if you don't you will become stronger for the effort. And the next thing you come up against will be 'a piece of cake.' We need to find some 'brick walls' in our lives and find things out there that people say we can't do, that are impossible to do, and deep down inside ourselves, we do them."

*Valedictorian Alberico Menozzi accepts his diploma from Dr. Cran.*



Inman urged, "Go after your walls and see if you can push against those brick walls. You might move them, you might not, but the trying is worth the effort. Because the next brick wall you come up against will seem like a little bit smaller brick wall.

"Papa Strong is 78 now, and like many people that age, he lives a lot in the past. But not entirely, he reads, keeps his mind strong, and always looks for things to challenge him. He looks for brick walls.

"I try to find things in my life that I really don't think I can do and then I go after them and try to do them because Papa Strong set that wonderful example for me," Inman said.

Inman's third example of the most unforgettable character in his life was a high school sidekick, affectionately named

"Booger" Winston. Inman said that people didn't think he really knew anybody named "Booger," but he assured them that there was a man named "Little Booger" Winston, because his daddy was named "Big Booger" Winston and he inherited the family name.

"I guess if it hadn't been for Booger I would have been a preacher." Inman stated that he and Booger played church in Booger's grandmother's house in her front parlor, and Booger "would always do the preaching and I would lead the singing. He emulated preachers we had seen on Sunday and I would have to lead the singing."

"Now Booger is a college professor and I'm on television so, in a way, he's still preaching and I'm still leading the singing."

*Amy Weaver receives salutorian honors*



*Dr. Cran offers congratulations.*



*Below: Bob Inman at an autograph session for his new book, "Home Fires Burning"*



Inman pointed out that his friend Booger "a grain-fed youngun, weighed over 250 pounds when you didn't see a lot of kids in high school in those days that big. He played football but he was not an outstanding football player. It's just that when he got down in a three-point stance, he cast a big shadow. It looked like the 'Sun setting over Myrtle Beach.'"

"Booger," Inman said, "was slow, it took him a long time to get up, a long time to get rolling, but once he did it was that force that couldn't be reckoned with. He would run over anything once he got started, but generally he was about three plays behind everyone else."

Inman said that his high school team was terrible. His team's record was 1-9 that year because they beat a team that was 0-10. "I'll never forget that game. It was with Florella, Alabama, down near the Florida line and it was our homecoming. And it was Big Jim Folsom's high school reunion. Big Jim was the governor of the state and he was from my hometown of Elba."

"Big Jim came to his high school reunion and we dedicated our athletic ability and our lives that night to Big Jim Folsom." Inman stated that after they had won their homecoming game 25-0 that night they found out that Big Jim was three sheets in the wind and had no idea who won the game.

Inman said that it was common wisdom that Booger could not play football but Booger decided he wanted to be a football player, and he was a football player. He wasn't a very good football player, but he was a football player. "Deep down inside Booger Winston there was somebody like Dick Butkus or Fran Tarkenton, or somebody, I don't know. He had an idea of himself deep down inside that said 'football player.' And regardless of what the exterior was like, he was going to go with what his heart told him. It was the thing to do. So he stayed out for football and made himself into a football player."

Inman said that Booger also wanted to be a musician, but he was a terrible musician. He tried to play the piano but he wasn't very good. But he had so much fun trying that he gave a great deal of joy to people around him when he did it. And he gave a great deal of joy to himself, expressing himself through music.

Inman said, "Booger wasn't going to let whatever limitations he had musically get in the way of him being a musician. And I admire Booger Winston for that. He was one of my role models."

Inman stated that the last time he saw Booger he told him, "You can run for governor of North Carolina because you're better known than most politicians in the state; I talk about you all the time."

Inman told his audience that you have to define yourself and know who you are down deep inside yourself. "You have to have searched your soul and your heart and said, 'This is who I am.' You have to have been quiet and listened to the innermost secrets of your heart and soul to find out who you are.

"But if you can discover who you are, the way Booger Winston did in high school, then all those







externals will take their own place and you won't have any problems. I admire Booger Winston because he said, 'I am Booger Winston, therefore I can do, be, think anything I want to in the world, and all those externals will take their place. I am not going to let stereotypes define who I am. I'm not going to let the color of my skin, or anything else, define who I am' — and that's the lesson I took from Booger Winston."

Inman quoted one of his favorite authors, Walker Percy of Louisiana, whose central theme in writing is that man is 'a wayfarer or pilgrim.' "Percy calls man a sovereign wayfarer. We are a little bit lower than the angels. We are a little bit higher than the beasts. And there is a great gulf in between, and we are doomed because we, with our ability to reason and think wander around in that great gulf between beasts and

angels trying to find out who we are all of our lives.

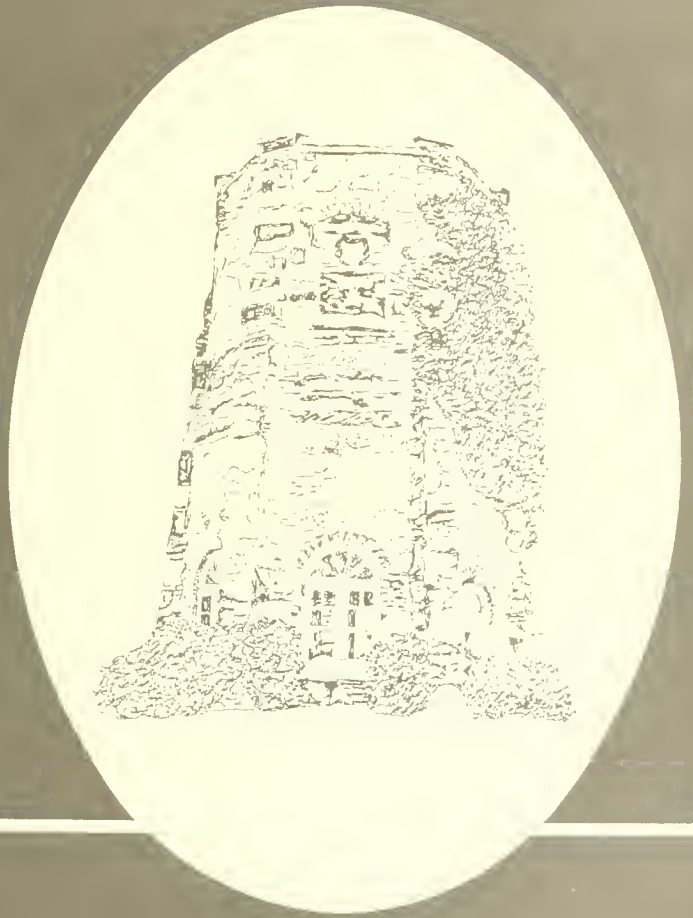
Inman stated that Percy also said 'we were doomed to be a pilgrim,' "but it comes down to the same place that Booger Winston found himself, that your home is in your own heart and there is the place that you have to abide."

"I think you folks who are graduating here are going to do some wonderful things in this life," Inman said. "You are going to accomplish some great things. What I hope you will do, though, is to be yourself. If you take time to listen to your heart, to listen to your soul, to find out who you are, and in your wanderings, and you will always be a wanderer, a pilgrim, always a wayfarer, that you will always know that your home is in your heart, and there is the place you can and will abide."



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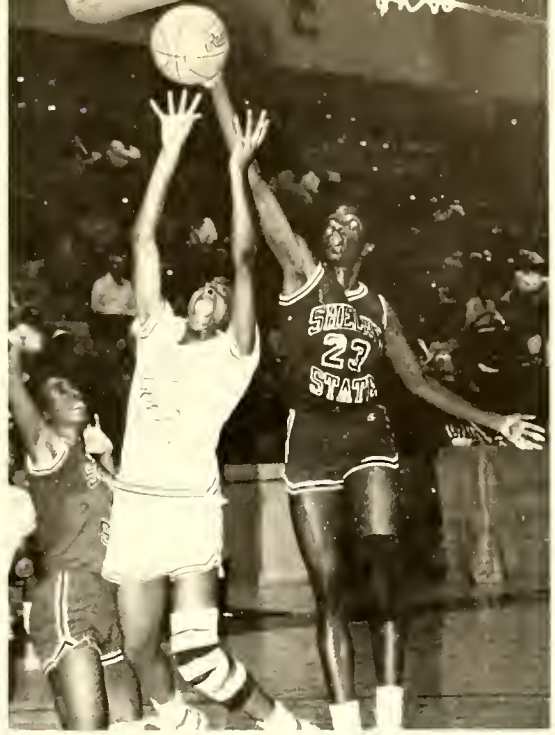


The Lees-McRae Lady Bobcats reached a landmark in women's basketball as they participated for the first time in the national tournament. Above, Coach Mills directs action. At right, All-Region performer and MVP Sandra Williams hits two of her 23 points in NJCAA tournament.

## LADY BOBCATS BECOME LEES-McRAE'S FIRST



Amanda Forney shows Bobcat pride standing before the national women's basketball tournament poster at Senatobia, Mississippi site.



## BASKETBALL TEAM TO APPEAR IN NATIONALS



Shannan Credle and Deb Tate stop Aquanta Milligan after the Shelby State star knocked Mia Nance to the floor (There was no charge called)

Standout Tracy Absher hits two as Connie Thomason moves in for the rebound.

## FIRST YEAR COACH MILLS TAKES WINNING IN STRIDE

Musette Mills, former student at ETSU, assumed the head women's basketball position at Lees-McRae this year and quietly went about the work of finishing the recruiting that former coach, Keith Walker, had started. Walker resigned the position to take the head men's basketball job at Lees-McRae.

Mills, who was affectionately known as "Punky" during her playing days at ETSU, shed her nickname for a label she liked much better, "Coach." No one calls her "Punky" on the Lees-McRae campus and she has earned the title "Coach."

At ETSU Mills was the fourth player to score 1,000 points and holds the school record for a career high in rebounds with 937. She also holds the record for most games played (115) and was named the Lady Bucs' Most Outstanding Player in 1984. Musette was a member of the Christian All-Star Team that traveled to China in 1982 and was a member of the record-setting team for the most wins in one season by a Lady Buc squad (29-7).

Mills, a willowy 5'11", exemplifies the athlete that displays outward self-confidence and at the same time possesses a very calm demeanor. She stated her coaching philosophy was a simple one: "The main ingredient of a successful program is the athlete's attitude. The proper attitude of an athlete is one who is willing to work hard and has a positive approach. This is as essential an attribute to a winning team as is athletic ability."

*Coach Musette Mills diagrams play during timeout. In her first year, the ETSU product has earned the respect of her colleagues and opponents alike for her strategy and disciplined offense and defense.*



*Coach Mills contemplates Lady Bobcats' next move. She directed Lees-McRae to its first title since 1959*





Mills was selected as National Junior College Athletic Association's Region X Women's Basketball Coach of the Year. Mills' team compiled a 20-6 record and competed in the NJCAA Women's Basketball National Tournament. She was also selected as the Coach of the Year by the Western Carolinas Junior College Conference.

### MILLS DIRECTS LADY BOBCATS TO WCJCC CHAMPIONSHIP

Twenty-eight years is a long time between championships, but Lees-McRae accomplished that feat as Musette Mills' Lady Bobcats defeated North Greenville and posted a 7-1 WCJCC record and a 15-4 overall record. It was the first championship in women's basketball since 1959 and the first since basketball was reinstated in 1979. This season was also the best for women's basketball in a decade.

This season the Lady Bobcats' road to the championship was almost too easy. When Musette Mills came on the scene she faced a rebuilding year with only one sophomore returning.

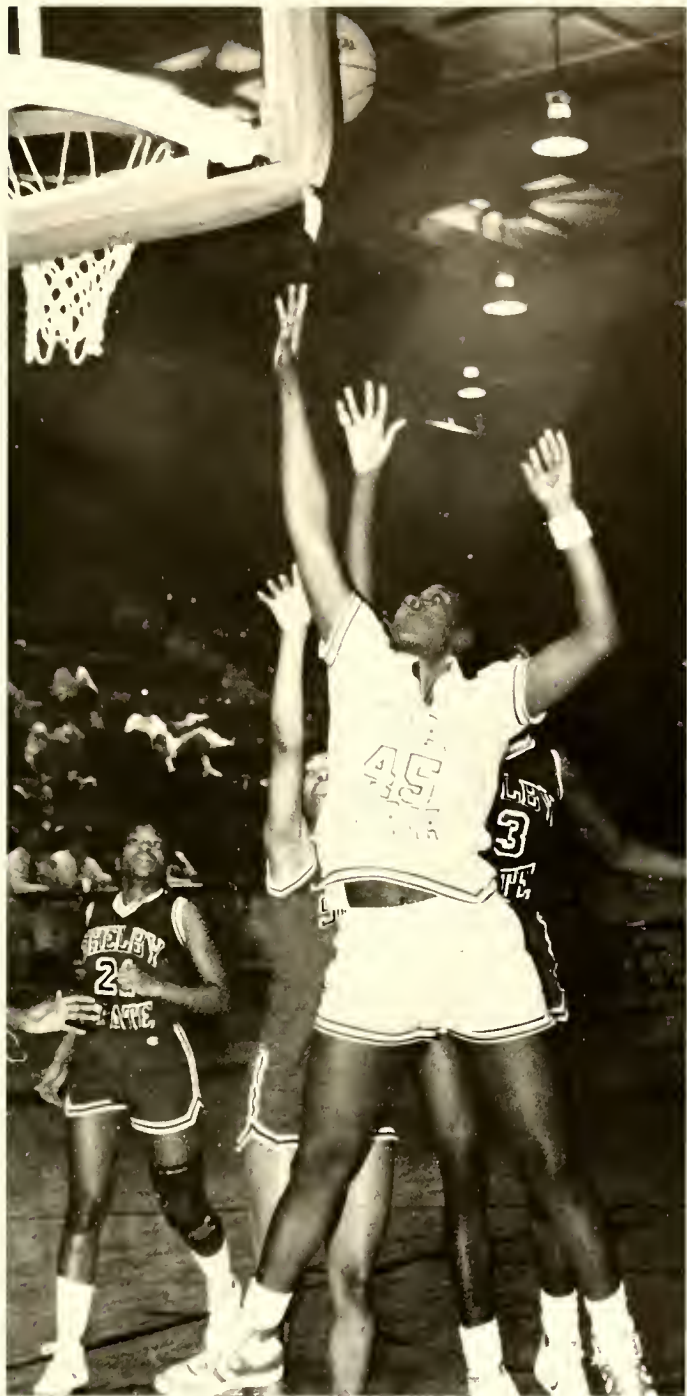
This freshman-laden team posted a 4-3 record before Christmas, losing to Louisburg for its only loss in the Region and giving up two games to Region VII powerhouse Walters State. The Lady Bobcats closed the first part of their season with a convincing win over the Lady Tornados of King College, a team that was ranked 12th nationally by the National Christian College Athletic Association.

A loss to Anderson College immediately after the holiday break was chalked up to "inexperience" as the Lady Trojans came from behind to beat Lees-McRae 59-56 and preserve their undefeated streak in the Conference.

Then the Lady Bobcats went on the road, defeating Spartanburg, North Greenville, and Brevard on their home courts, a feat that had not been accomplished since 1979 when the new conference was formed.

The Lady Bobcats then doubled the score on Louisburg at home, 76-38, a team that had beaten them 15 points earlier in the season.

The Lady 'Cats turned the tables on Anderson, de-



feating the Lady Trojans on their home court, 76-67, for the first time ever over an Anderson team since the series began in the 1950s.

They rolled over Bristol College and had an eight-game winning streak going when Spartanburg Methodist upset the Lady Bobcats, 59-57, on their home court. The Lady Bobcats rebounded the following Saturday by beating North Greenville, 68-53, to clinch the Conference title.

Word came the same day that Anderson had to forfeit its games, so Lees-McRae earned a victory over Anderson through forfeiture, giving it a 7-1 record in the Conference, and a 16-4 overall mark.

Clutch play all season by freshmen Sandra Williams and Tracy Absher led the Lady Bobcats to their surprising season record. Absher's heroics at Spartanburg directed that win as she poured in

21 points; Williams and Mia Nance had 11 points each. Nance, a point guard, has been the catalyst to the Bobcats' success. Mandy Forney and Alphie Smith have also provided excellent floor play from the guard positions. Nance's 19-point effort sparked Lees-McRae's upset bid of Anderson.

Williams poured in 19 points and grabbed a career high 17 rebounds and Shannon Credle, the only sophomore on the team, had 14 points and seven rebounds as Lees-McRae handed Brevard its worst defeat since the series began in the 1950s.

Absher and Nance led the romp past North Greenville on the Lady Mounties' home floor when freshman sensation Sandra Williams got into early foul trouble and was negated to the bench. Nance, the Lady Bobcats' playmaker and floor general, tossed in 15 points as Absher dominated board play, pulling down 15 rebounds and scoring a game-high 21 points.

Another freshman, Charlette Massey, came into her own as she and Williams led the attack that shocked Conference leader Anderson, 76-67. Williams was quickly gaining a reputation as one of the best players in the women's league and led the Lady Bobcats with 18 points, followed by Massey's sixteen. Mia Nance and Gina Bennett chipped in 11 points each in double figure scoring to give the Lady Bobcats their first win ever over an Anderson team.

When the Lady Bobcats got revenge for an early season loss to Louisburg, Williams poured in 23 points, Absher contributed 18 points, Constance Thomason came off the bench to score nine points, Deb Tate had eight in a sub role and Tate also pulled down nine rebounds.

Williams scored her career high 29 points against Region power Chowan as the Lady Bobcats won, 80-59. Williams got assistance from Absher with 21 points as the freshman duo teamed for 50 points.

The Lady Bobcats, by virtue of Anderson's forfeited games, took over sole possession of first place in the Conference and in the Region. They won the WCJCC title outright. They were the top seeded team in the region tournament March 4-6 at Chowan. The WCJCC Tournament was held February 25-27 at Anderson.

The Lady Bobcats were second in the Region with a 74-point offensive average and led the Region in defense, allowing only 62 points to opponents.

The Lady Bobcats led the Region in field goal percentage with 52.2 percent. Deb Tate was second in the Region in field goal percentage with 60 percent. Sandra Williams was fourth with 56 percent, followed by Tracy Absher (ninth) with 50 percent from the floor.

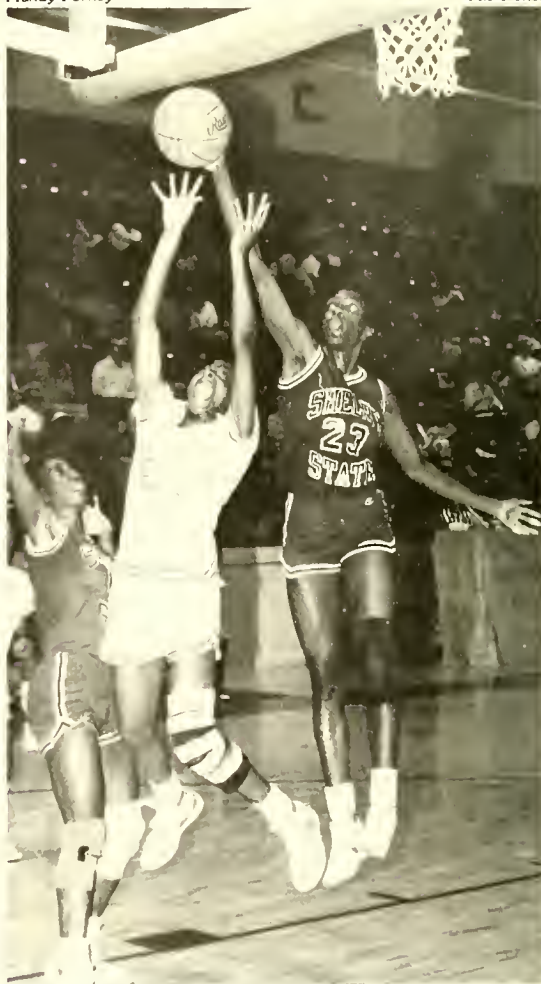
Williams and Absher were in the top five individual scorers in the Conference. Absher led the Conference in free throw percentage with 81 percent from the charity stripe. Shannon Credle was sixth with 77 percent and Mia Nance tenth with 71 percent.

Lees-McRae had both assist leaders in the Region with Mandy Forney leading the Region with six assists per game, followed by Mia Nance with a 5.3 average. Williams was the leading rebounder in the Region averaging 11 rebounds per game. Absher was eighth, hauling down 8.5 rebounds per contest. Nance and Forney were among the top five thieves in the Region as they averaged 3 and 2.5 steals, respectively, per contest.



Mandy Forney

Mia Nance







Mandy Forney

Shannon Credle

Brevard found the only way to stop Lees-McRae's Sandra Williams was to foul the talented center. Williams was fouled on this play but scored 19 points and grabbed a career high 17 rebounds to lead LMC in its romp over conference foe Brevard, 90-57.



Mia Nance

Connie Thomason





Alphie Smith

Jamie Metcalf



Gina Bennett



Coach Mills and Athletic Director Carlisle Hostetter proudly display the national, conference, and regional awards copped by the Lady Bobcats.





Above, Deb Tate halts Lady Pioneer while Charlette Massey puts defensive move on Louisburg ballhandler. Lees-McRae doubled the score on the Lady 'Canes in an important Region X victory. Sandra Williams clears out under the basket and goes up for a layup enroute to her game high 19 points against North Greenville. Below, women toured many historic sites in Nashville while on their way to Mississippi for the nationals.





**BRYAN NAMED CONFERENCE  
COACH OF THE YEAR**

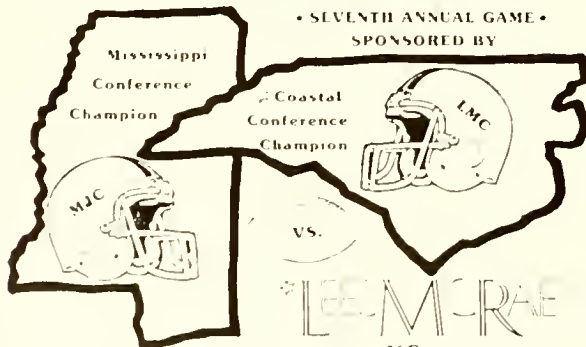
John "Mac" Bryan, who directed his 1986 Bobcats to an undefeated regular season (9-0-1) and captured the Coastal Conference championship with a 5-0 record, was the unanimous choice for the Coastal Conference "Coach of the Year." Bryan, in his first year as Head Coach, landed his team in the first ever East Bowl for Lees-McRae College. The Bobcats were upset by Mississippi Gulf Coast in the final seconds to take a 14-13 East Bowl victory. It was the first bowl appearance for a Bobcat team since 1969. It was the first Coastal Conference championship for Lees-McRae since the league was formed in 1970.



**LEES-McRAE CLINCHES LEAGUE  
TITLE AND GAINS BOWL BERTH**

Lees-McRae didn't have to resort to trickery to ground out a 21-7 victory over Potomac State before a homecoming crowd of 2,800 at Tate Field. The Bobcats scored on three safeties, as many field goals, and added a fourth-quarter touchdown to clinch the school's first Coastal Conference championship. As a result, Lees-McRae automatically qualified for a junior college bowl berth, the East Bowl on Nov. 21. Tailbacks Todd Dags (133 yards on 19 carries) and Anthony Pearson (121 yards on 33 attempts) each rushed for more than 100 yards, and a gang-tackling Lees-McRae defense surfaced to hold Potomac State (0-3, 2-3) to just 49 yards in total offense.

# East Bowl



**MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST JC**

**BOBCAT DEFENSE RANKS SECOND IN THE NATION**

Lees-McRae's football team concluded its season in 1986 ranked second in total team defense in the country behind Westchester Community College of Valhalla, N.Y. The Bobcats, with a 9-0-1 record during the regular season, gave up 1,454 yards in total defense, allowing their opponents 145.4 yards per game to take the national honors. Westchester lost to Nassau, Hudson Valley and Montgomery, three Coastal Conference opponents. All three teams were soundly defeated by Coastal Conference champion Lees-McRae. In passing defense, the Bobcats gave up 693 net yards for a 69.3 average per game and gave up 2,382 yards for an average of 238.2 yards rushing per game by opponents. The Bobcats were 10th in rushing defense and second in passing defense.



*Lees McRae Coaches Tudd Dean, Head Coach Mac Bryan, Rob Younger, Jim Lyons, George Fuller, and Joe Johnson.*

*Todd Dags looks for an opening against a tough Chowan defensive wall. The Braves put the only blemish on an otherwise perfect season for the Bobcats with a 9-9 tie.*



## EAST BOWL: THE GAME THAT GOT AWAY . . .

# LEES-McRAE LOSES TO MISSISSIPPI GULF

Missed opportunities. That best sums up Lees-McRae's predicament in the Seventh Annual East Bowl held at Conrad Stadium on ASU's campus which saw the Bobcats' unbeaten junior college football season and the East Bowl championship fade in the final 34 seconds with Mississippi Gulf Coast's lightning rally for a 14-13 upset of the fourth-ranked Bobcats.

The defeat in the season finale for both teams was defined most definitely as Lees-McRae (9-1-1) squandered second-half chances against a Gulf Coast (10-3) defense that made three goal-line stands against the Bobcats.

On three separate occasions the Bobcats drove to first downs, twice on the four-yard line and once one foot from the goal with first and ten. Another time they were inside the ten with a fourth opportunity to score. They came away with two field goal attempts that succeeded and two that resulted in miscues.

But the play that finally did the Bobcats in was a 15-yard Bulldog scoring pass, a floating, wobbly aerial delivered as the game's MVP, quarterback Danny Kelley, was being decked by several Bobcat defenders. "It was supposed to be thrown to the back in the endzone," said All-American tight end Tyrone Jones. "When I saw it go up like that I just came back to it." Lees-McRae defensive back Jay Jones was preoccupied with the receiver and never turned to see the ball. Tyrone Jones, who is 6'4", 215, leaped in front of Jay Jones, who is 5'11", and made the catch at the two. He was leaning toward the endzone, lunged through Jones and defensive back James Galloway and landed on the goal line for the touchdown. A decisive extra point was kicked by 5'6", 150-lb. Laotian native, Adethsack Chanthvane.

Gulf Coast had gotten to the 15 on two completions by Kelley after his team got the ball at midfield following a punt.

"We've done this all year," stated Lees-McRae Coach Mac Bryan. "Move the ball on people but couldn't punch it in. Somehow, though, we always seemed to be able to make the big play to win."

The Bobcats' first score was a picture perfect march of 81 yards as they took the opening kickoff and returned it to the 19-yard line. It took the Bobcats 16 plays and three first downs to march up field as Tony Pearson slammed and banged and rushed for 136 yards on the day in 34 carries. Alternate Todd Daggs spurred for 126 yards in 20 carries and figured in the score in the opening drive.

Pearson carried the ball 11 times in the drive to the 14 where Daggs took over and carried to the five. On fourth down Daggs found Matt Payne open in the endzone for the toss and Ryan McMurtry's kick made it 7-0 with 6:36 left in the first quarter.

Offensive MVP, Bulldog quarterback Danny Kelley, is pressured by defensive back Jay Jones.



Pearson looks for running room.



# COAST IN LIGHTNING RALLY, 14-13

The Bobcats, with the rushing of Pearson and Daggs and awesome blocking by the offensive line (Wesley Pope, Mark Musick, Jon Davis, Cliff Whicker, and Rob Davis), dominated the game for the most part, moving the ball almost at will as Lees-McRae rolled up 284 yards and executed 80 offensive plays, an East Bowl record. They had 17 first downs, three short of the East Bowl record.

But Gulf Coast, unranked this season but a perennial junior college power and 1984 national champion, won its tenth straight game after losing its first three. The Bulldog defense would bend — but not break — and three goal-line stands proved its mettle.

The Bobcats' relentless running attack, behind strong blocking, brought the first two ill-fated second half penetrations each time to the Bulldogs' four-yard line. Both chances crumbled when field goal attempts went awry on high snaps. On the first, holder Lester Terry passed to Billy Capstick, who was swarmed under as he caught the ball at the three. On the second, the high snap deflected off Terry's hands to kicker Ryan McMurtury whose pass into the endzone was almost caught in a crowd for a touchdown by Capstick.

The next two times McMurtury kicked field goals of 20 and 25 yards

when the Bobcats failed to penetrate the Bulldog defense. The missed touchdown opportunity that hurt most came after quarterback Billy James whipped a 25-yard fourth-and-seven pass to Willie Friday who was knocked out of bounds a half-yard from the goal. A penalty moved the ball half the distance and was resting on the one-foot line. But James fumbled the snap on first down for a loss of three, Pearson gained one and Pearson's third-down pass fell incomplete in the endzone.

Gulf Coast could only muster 137 yards on the ground in 37 attempts. The Bobcat defense held the Bulldog offense to only two yards rushing in the fourth quarter and nine yards rushing in the third quarter. Once again, the old adage rang true: "Statistics are for losers." The Bobcats dominated the stats but failed to put the winning score in the record book.

The Bulldogs mustered only two drives in the game, both for TDs. The first came in the second quarter when the Bulldogs got their most productive offensive surge of the game with 19 rushes for 107 yards and in a drive that took 11 plays to score from their own 20-yard line. Unable to move the ball on the ground in the fourth period they went to the airways on the arm of Danny Kelley, who connected with Tyrone

Jones on a 14-yard pass play to the 26 and then hit Steve Jones to the fifteen. Two of Kelley's passes fell incomplete until the desperation pass that Tyrone Jones grabbed for the score with :34 seconds remaining.

Steve Smith, Todd Middleton, Steve DeBell, Mike Dixon, were all in the running for the defensive MVP but Anthony McCord was recognized as the game's defensive MVP as he turned in two interceptions and was instrumental in four broken up passes. James Boyd, Elise Ferguson, Rob Patchett, James Galloway, and Jay Jones had outstanding defensive efforts for the Bobcats but could not stop the storybook finish of Mississippi Gulf Coast.

The Bulldogs won their two playoff games against Itawamba and Northwest Mississippi in storybook fashion. Both come-from-behind wins in the playoffs were engineered by Kelley and Jones. It was the same combination of Kelley and Jones that won the championship over Northwest by an identical score of 14-13.

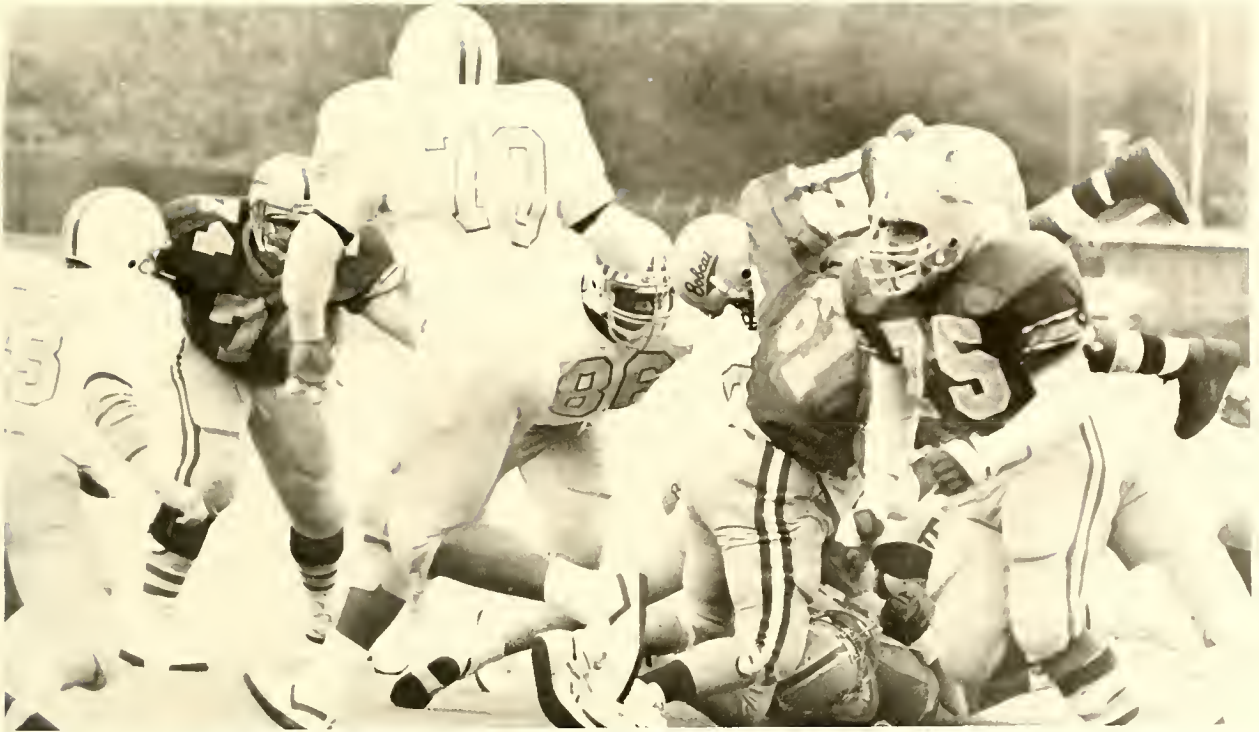
The victory seemed to be in the stars for the Bulldogs and an ill-fated Lees-McRae will just have to wait. Missed opportunities this year may be the building blocks for next year's season.

PEARSON ROLLS. Running back Anthony Pearson breaks loose for a long gainer in East Bowl action as he gets a block from Wesley Pope (79) and Mike Miller (88).









Todd Doggs upended in East Bowl action. Blockers Mark Musick (75), Jon Davis (61) and Rob Davis (74).



Anthony McCord (4), the East Bowl's defensive MVP, stops All-American receiver Tyrone Jones.



**HOPE FADES.** Wide receiver Richard McCombs typifies the numbing reaction to defeat as the Bobcats' hopes for a victory in the East Bowl faded in the closing seconds. For McCombs, a freshman from Greenville, SC, there will always be next year.





A Chowan defender breaks through to stop Anthony Pearson for a loss in the 9-9 stalemate with Chowan. Pearson slogged for 102 yards in a steady rain and scored Lees-McRae's only touchdown.

Glenn Rollins of the Charlotte Observer wrote: "It is a decades-old football tradition at Lees-McRae College that twice before every game, and during halftime, the entire squad descends into The Black Hole.

To get there, they leave the college's neatly-lined Tate Field, run across the track and disappear through heavy branches and undergrowth down a 10-foot incline.

This season, the Bobcats slipped into The Black Hole and came out as so many supermen. Or so it would seem."

**"GARGON'S FOREST"**

There is a legend on the "Campus in the Clouds" that concerns the pre-game and halftime rest area of the Bob-

cats. Since the football field is surrounded by the highest mountains in eastern America the Bobcats find it more convenient to adjourn to the wooded area adjacent to the field. The legend grows concerning what goes on in the "BLACK HOLE." The area is known far and wide to Lees-McRae opponents and even returning alumni footballers have been known to visit the area when they return to the campus. All any coach will reveal is that the area in the forest is "where we get ready" and when the Bobcats charge from the forest at game time it sounds like the roar of the monster Gargon emerging from his ominous lair.

OFFENSIVE LINEMEN Marc Copeland, Lee Whitfield, Chris Reynolds, Wesley Pope, Cliff Whicker, Adam Compton.



OFFENSIVE LINEMEN Walter Clark, Joe May, Mark Musick, Rob Davis, Andy Kimber





Rob Watson recovers a fumble by the Chowan quarterback

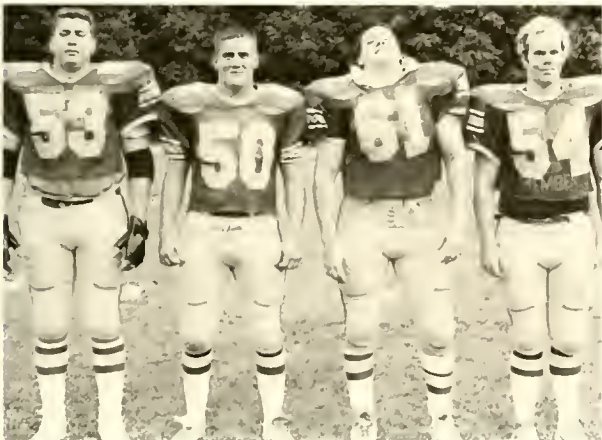
**WIDE RECEIVERS** Barry Barrino, Richard McCombs, Willie Ray Friday, Jeff Hardigree, Todd Frashier, Matt Payne, Willie Miller, Charles Whittenburg, Mike Steljes, Troy Anderson.

**TIGHT ENDS** Rick Nichols, Scott Galmon, Mike Miller, Randall Johnson.



**OFFENSIVE LINEBACKERS** Troy Vasos, Carroll Ray, Jon Davis, Mark Capps.

**KICKERS** Scott McMichael, Guy Harville, Ryan McMurtry, Craig Brawley, Todd Frashier.





Randy Norris (30) signals "Bobcat ball" as James Galloway (17) and Rob Patchett (33) look on. The Bobcats recovered a fumble to stop Potomac State's drive.



**QUARTERBACKS.** Lester Terry, Kevin Bradley, Paul Eilers, Billy James, Billy Rowe, Brian Sheets

**DAGGS SPARKS LEES-McRAE TO OPENING VICTORY**

Todd Daggs ran for one touchdown and passed for another to lead Lees-McRae past the Gardner-Webb junior varsity in a rain-soaked contest. Daggs hooked up with wide receiver Willie Ray Friday on a 21-yard pass and then crashed over from one yard out in the third quarter. Lester Terry opened the scoring with a 36-yard pass to Ricky McCombs and Tony Pearson ran for a touchdown shortly afterwards from four yards out. Place kicker Ryan McMurtury completed the Bobcat scoring barrage with a 24-yard field goal. Wide receiver and return specialist Richard McCombs had two touchdowns called back, one on a 65-yard pass play and another on an 89-yard kickoff return that was nullified by penalties. The defense held the Bulldog JVs to nine yards rushing in the first half and 12 yards passing for a total of 21 total yards offense before intermission. The Bobcats allowed only 91 total yards offense for the game.

Todd Daggs breaks a tackle during action of the A.S.U. JV contest. The Bobcats posted their best season ever with a 9-0-1 record.



**DEFENSIVE LINEMEN** Scott Drye, Keith McPherson, Jeffery Clearwater, Ronald Sisson, Steve DeBell, Deron Johnson, Rob Watson, Todd Middleton, Andrew Copeland, Jack Locke, Randy Norris.





**LINEBACKERS.** Jimmy Henson, Craig Drescher, Jockery Jones, Melvin Revell, Chuck Baker, Rob Patchett, Chuck Bowling, Guy Harville.



**RUNNING BACKS.** Kevin Finger, Eric Bynum, Billy Capstick, Tim Anderson, Todd Dags, Mike Redmon, Kenyata Tribble, Cortez Martin, Anthony Pearson.

### Lees-McRae Edges Montgomery, 20-13

The Bobcats spotted the Montgomery Knights ten points before roaring back to take a 13-10 lead on two touchdowns by Anthony Pearson. Todd Dags hit Richard McCombs with a 60-yard touchdown pass in the fourth quarter to give Lees-McRae a 20-13 victory. The defense was spearheaded by James Galloway, Rob Watson, Rob Patchett, Anthony McCord, James Boyd, Randy Norris and Todd Middleton. The defense was forced into several goal line stands in the contest, one in the closing minutes of the game, to hold off the Knights' determined upset bid of the nationally sixth-ranked Bobcats.

### McCombs, Dags and Defense Stop Nassau, 14-9

Richard McCombs returned the opening kickoff for a touchdown and caught a scoring pass to ignite Lees-McRae to a 14-9 upset of nationally ranked Nassau. The Lions entered the contest an overwhelming favorite to defend their Coastal Conference Championship and number one ranking of last year, but quickly found themselves trailing 14-0. McCombs returned the opening kickoff 93 yards and caught a 6-yard scoring pass from Todd Dags. The Lions recovered a fumbled punt in the endzone for their only touchdown of the contest. Their other score came on a 28-yard field goal. It was a defensive battle from the beginning led by James Galloway and linebackers Ken Pressley, Jay Jones and Rob Patchett. Anthony McCord had ample assistance from the defensive line anchored by Steve DeBell, Rob Watson and Jack Locke.

**DEFENSIVE BACKS.** Tim Mashore, James Galloway, Walter V. James, Jeff Philpott.



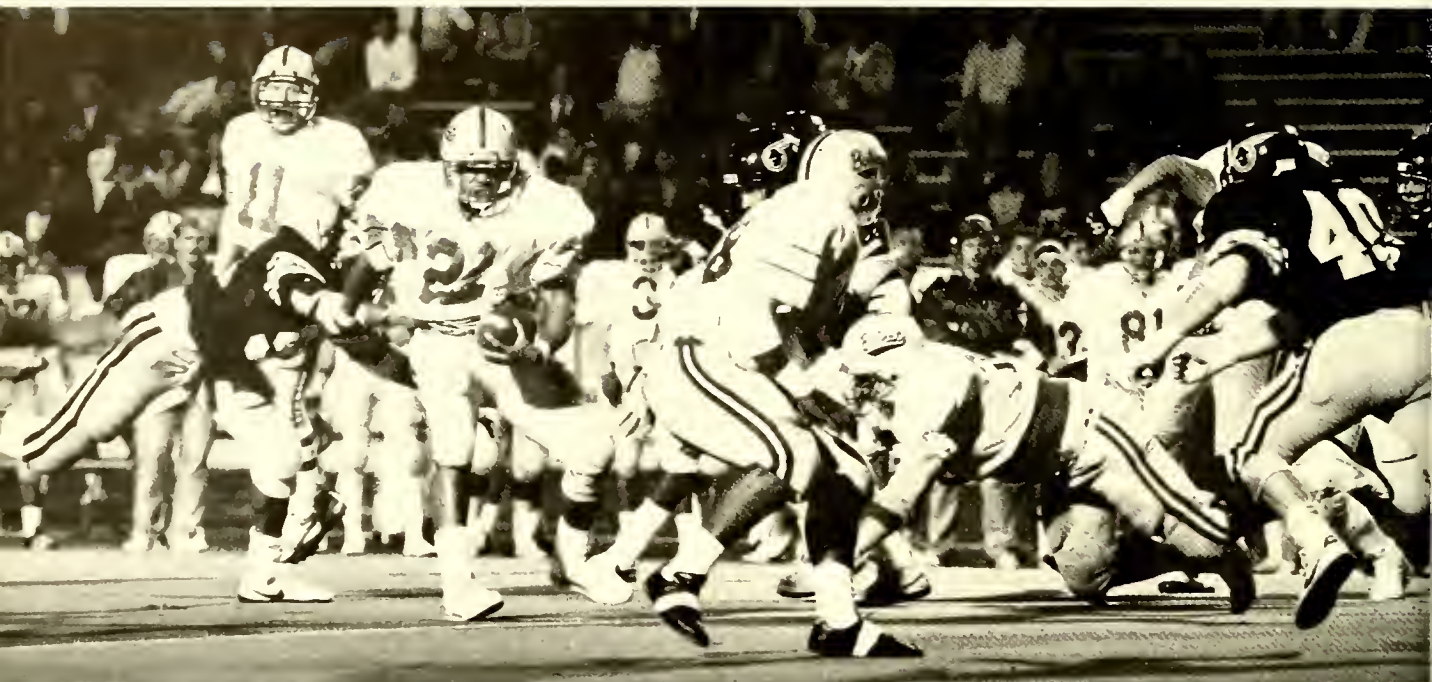
**LINEBACKERS.** James Boyd, Steve Smith, Mike Dixon, Kenneth Pressley, Joel Jackson.

**TRAINER AND STUDENT ASSISTANTS.** Christine Chandler, Maggie Haguewood, Tommy Witt, Mia Gibson, Rita Smith.



**DEFENSIVE BACKS.** Mike McBride, Kirk Wade, Lee Hinesley, Ron Mitchell, Elise Ferguson, Robert Knox, Eric Simmons, John Merrell, Anthony McCord.





Todd Dags (22) tries to break away from a tackler as TE Mike Miller (88) attempts a block.

#### LEES-McRAE'S SECOND-HALF RALLY BLANKS CHOWAN, 14-0

Anthony Pearson rushed for a touchdown and a game-high 137 yards on 28 carries as nationally fifth-ranked Lees-McRae scored 14 second-half points enroute to a 14-0 conference victory over Chowan. Defensive back James Galloway took over for the Bobcats on defense as he blocked a 32-yard field goal attempt early in the third quarter and then returned an intercepted pass for a touchdown in the fourth quarter. Chowan began playing desperation catch-up football and was unable to dent the Bobcat defense. Tackle Steve DeBell continually pressured the quarterbacks as Chowan used three in trying to penetrate the Bobcats' hard-rock defense. DeBell got able assistance from James Boyd, Jay Jones, Todd Middleton, Randy Norris, and Anthony McCord, along with Mike Dixon, Elise Ferguson and Rob Patchett. The defense completely shut down Chowan's offensive attack in the second half as it held the Braves to minus 21 yards rushing in the fourth period and allowed the Braves only four yards total offense in the second half.

#### DAGGS-LED BOBCATS DOWN HUDSON VALLEY, 38-14

Tailback Todd Dags rushed for two touchdowns and passed for another as Lees-McRae, the nation's fifth-ranked team, downed Hudson Valley, 38-14, in a Coastal Conference clash in Troy, New York. The Bobcats jumped out to a 14-0 halftime lead and were never threatened. Willie Ray Friday caught a 34-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Kevin Bradley and Ryan McMurtury added the first of five conversion kicks for a 7-0 first quarter lead. Dags scored on a two-yard run in the second period. The Bobcats increased their lead to 21-0 in the third period when Dags connected with Richard McCombs on an eight-yard halfback pass. It was Dags' third touchdown pass in three attempts for the season. A hard-rock Bobcat defense held Hudson Valley to minus 78 yards rushing in 30 attempts and gave up only 83 yards thru the airways to give the Vikings only five net yards for the game. A minus seventy-eight yards rushing by Hudson Valley set a new school record for the best defense against the rush. The old record was set in 1969 when Lees-McRae held Chowan to minus fifty-six yards rushing.

#### LEES-McRAE WINS FIRST COASTAL CONFERENCE TITLE

Ryan McMurtury kicked three field goals as Lees-McRae, the nation's fifth-ranked team captured its first Coastal Conference championship with a 21-7 Homecoming victory over Potomac State. Lees-McRae scored early in the opening period on the first of three safeties, two produced by snaps out of the endzone and one when James Galloway and Steve Smith tackled the quarterback in the endzone. McMurtury kicked field goals of 25, 22 and 28 yards, and Todd Dags scored on an 18-yard run. Lees-McRae's defense held the Catamounts to 49 total yards offense, giving up only 15 yards on the ground in 29 rushes and allowed 34 yards through the airways. The Potomac State quarterback was pressured all day and sacked 12 times. Ironically, the 12 sacks tied a school record of 12 sacks of the opposing quarterback against Potomac State, set in 1974.

#### DAGGS' HOMECOMING LEAVES MARS HILL JVs REELING, 51-7

Tailback Todd Dags rushed for 148 yards and one touchdown and passed for another to lead Lees-McRae to a 51-7 victory over the Mars Hill junior varsity in Bristol's fabled Stone Castle Stadium. Dags starred for the Tennessee High Vikings and returned home for the Stone Castle's fiftieth anniversary celebration. Dags drove the Bobcats 68 yards following the opening kickoff of the game and passed to Jeff Hardigree for five yards for the first TD. James Galloway blocked a Mars Hill punt on the 27 and defensive back Robert Knox recovered on the 19. On the initial play from scrimmage Kevin Bradley hit tight end Mike Miller on a 19-yard pass play to give the Bobcats a 13-0 lead. Anthony Pearson crashed over from two yards out to give the Bobcats a 20-0 margin. Bradley found Hardigree open again for a 14-yard play to the ten and Dags ripped off two runs, scoring from five yards out. Pearson scored again in the third period from four yards out and Ryan McMurtury kicked a 32-yard field goal. Freshman quarterback Billy James came in the fourth quarter to direct the Bobcats on their final touchdown drive. James found Charles Whittenburg open on a 14-yard pass and then connected with Richard McCombs for a 36-yard gainer and passed to Willie Friday for 11 yards, putting the ball on the Lees-McRae three-yard line where Cortez Martin crashed over for the score. McMurtury's final kick of the night gave the Bobcats their decisive 51-7 win and improved their record to 7-0 on the season. The Lees-McRae defense, led by linebacker Steve Smith, Mike Dixon, James Boyd and linemen Randy Norris, Todd Middleton and Steve DeBell, and defensive backs James Galloway and Anthony McCord helped limit the Mars Hill JVs to 141 yards total offense for the night.

#### LEES-McRAE, CHOWAN BATTLE TO 9-9 STALEMATE

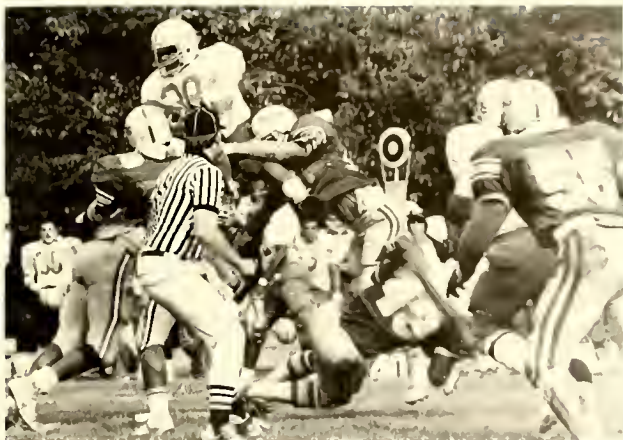
Ryan McMurtry kicked a 34-yard field goal with 5:03 remaining to give Lees-McRae a 9-9 tie against Chowan. The Bobcats began their rally, with a 9-0 halftime deficit, in the third quarter, when Anthony Pearson ran four yards for a touchdown. Chowan built its lead on a pair of second-quarter scores. Chowan scored on a 47-yard field goal and returned a blocked punt 32 yards for a touchdown. Nationally third-ranked Lees-McRae saw its hopes for a national number one standing diminish and seeking the first perfect record in the school's history. The game, played in a quagmire, saw both teams jockeying for field position with Chowan maintaining the upper hand throughout the first and second quarters.

#### LEES-McRAE DOWNS CATAWBA JVs, 47-18

Anthony Pearson ran for 220 yards and three touchdowns to spark Lees-McRae to a 47-18 victory over the Catawba junior varsity. Pearson was complemented by LMC quarterback Billy James who entered the game in a reserve role and threw three TD passes. Pearson gave Lees-McRae a 21-12 halftime advantage on TD runs of ten, 48 and 11 yards. James Galloway blocked a punt and then returned it 24 yards for a touchdown in the third quarter to increase the lead to 27-12. James blew open the contest with scoring strikes of seven and 12 yards to Willie Ray Friday and a three-yarder to Jeff Hardige.

#### LEES-McRAE EDGES ASU JVs, 19-14

Anthony Pearson rushed for 169 yards and three touchdowns and Todd Dags added 104 yards as Lees-McRae defeated Appala-

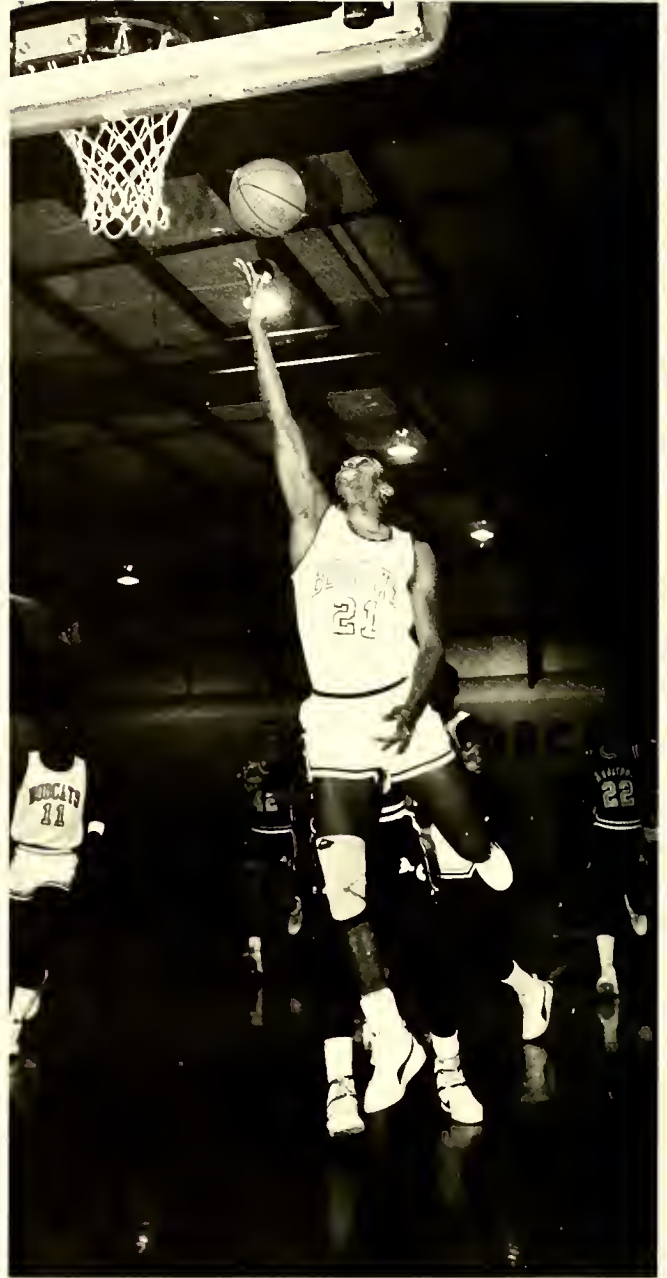


Potomac State's John Harris couldn't run through the Bobcats so he tried to go airborne. He was met by a host of Bobcats and stopped at the line of scrimmage.

chian State JVs, 19-14 in Conrad Stadium, giving the Bobcats one of their best season records ever. The Bobcats bettered the best regular season record held by a Lees-McRae team in the Bobcats' proud 56-year history. In 1967 the bowl-bound Bobcats posted an 8-0-1 record. Fred Dickerson had teams that posted a 6-0-1 and a 7-0-1 record in 1948 and 1950. Pearson's 13-yard scoring burst in the third quarter boosted Lees-McRae from a 13-14 halftime deficit to take the lead, 19-14. He also scored on a ten-yard run in the first quarter and again from two yards out in the second quarter. The Bobcat defense finished the fourth quarter strong holding the App JVs to minus 26 yards rushing.

Rob Watson (92) pressures A.S.U. quarterback.





## FIRST YEAR COACH KEITH WALKER DIRECTS BOBCATS TO 14-13 RECORD

Keith Walker, who directed the women's program for a year before taking over the helm of the men's basketball team, looked to the '86-87 campaign with optimism. He had signed the college's first seven-foot player in John Henry Bohlken and had veteran Gary Strickland, an All-Conference performer and All-Region X choice, returning. Lees-McRae opened its season in grand style led by the electrifying feats of sophomore skywalker Gary Strickland, who sent Milligan College junior varsity reeling and then kayoed Montreat-Anderson to claim the Bobcat Booster Tournament crown. The sensational Strickland, a major college prospect, was the overwhelming choice for Tournament MVP. The 'Cats had some great wins in the early season as Mark Dishner's heroics led the Bobcats from behind with :01 second left to take a 74-72 win over Walters State. The victory avenged an earlier season loss to the Senators. They came back to win Walters State's own tournament in overtime on a last-second shot by Gilbert Johnson. Lees-McRae

trailed Walters State in the Senators' Classic, 37-30, at halftime, but knotted the score at 67-all in regulation. Johnson hit two of his 13 points on the game-saving shot. Tracy Armstrong had 17 points, followed by Mark Dishner and Gary Strickland with 15 apiece. Johnson's desperation shot as the buzzer sounded earned Lees-McRae a 76-74 victory. The Bobcats buried the JV team of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, 94-76. Gary Strickland pumped in 17 points and Tracy Armstrong contributed 15 to lead the Bobcats past the Carolina JVs in their first meeting in over a decade. In the Region X cage tournament, Louisburg outlasted the Bobcats, 59-52, to take an opening game victory and eliminate the Bobcats. Gary Strickland, whose game-high 26 points captured the audience's attention in the NJCAA Tournament, was not enough as Lees-McRae fell to 14-13 on the season. It was the last game in an outstanding career for Strickland. Mark Dishner and John Humphries also played their last game in an LMC uniform.





Head Coach Keith Walker gives instruction to Nick Christy (33) and Todd Smith (10). After leading throughout the game the Bobcats lost in the closing minute to Spartanburg Methodist, 88-87.

1986-1987 BOBCATS seated (l-r): Demetrius Franklin, Gary Strickland, Mark Dishner, John Humphries, John Henry Bohken. Standing: Craig Willis, Ernest Norwood, Keith Banner, Nick Christy, Fred Patterson, Head Coach Keith Walker, Gilbert Johnson, Reggie Torrence, Todd Smith, Tracy Armstrong.

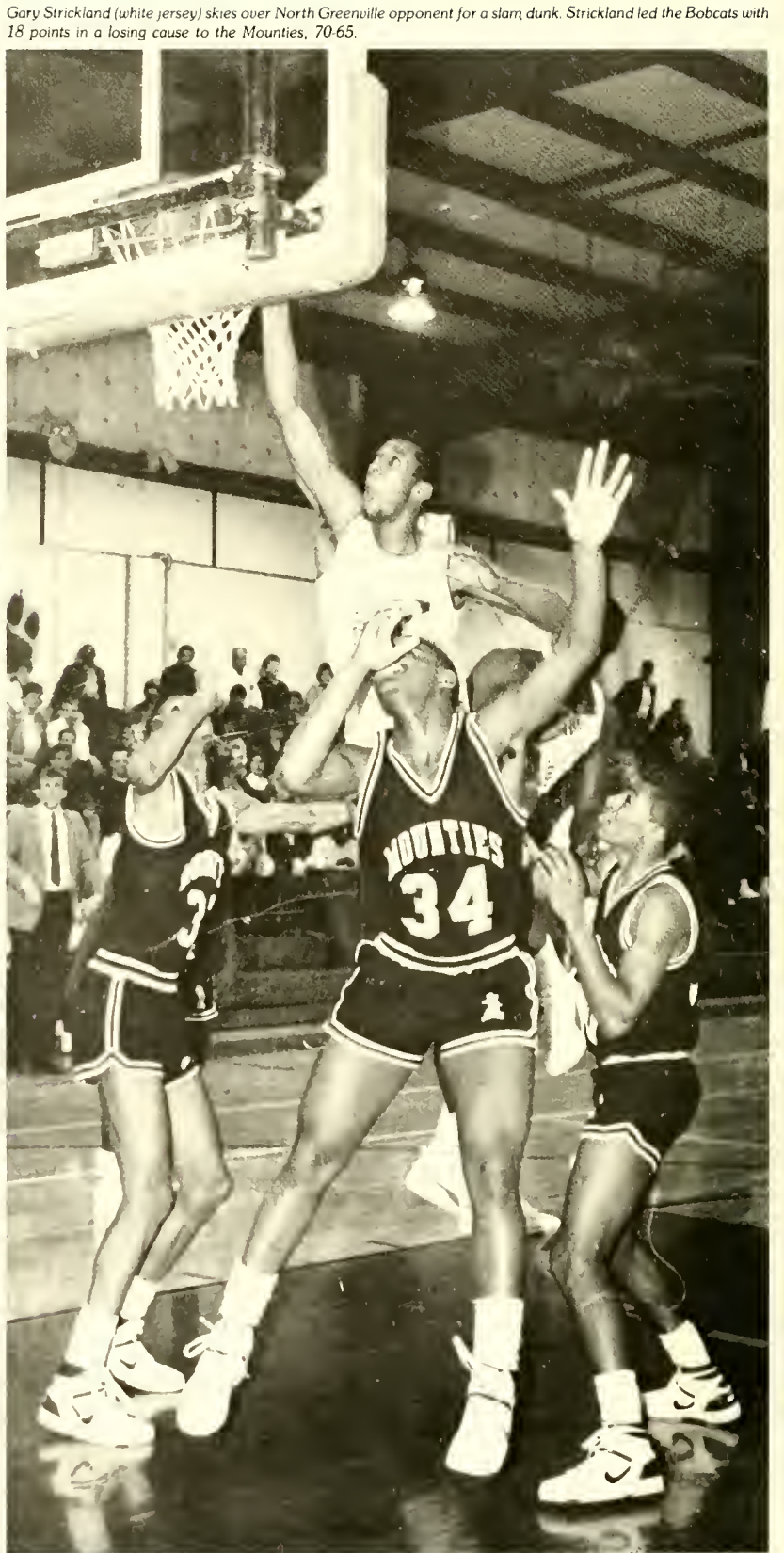




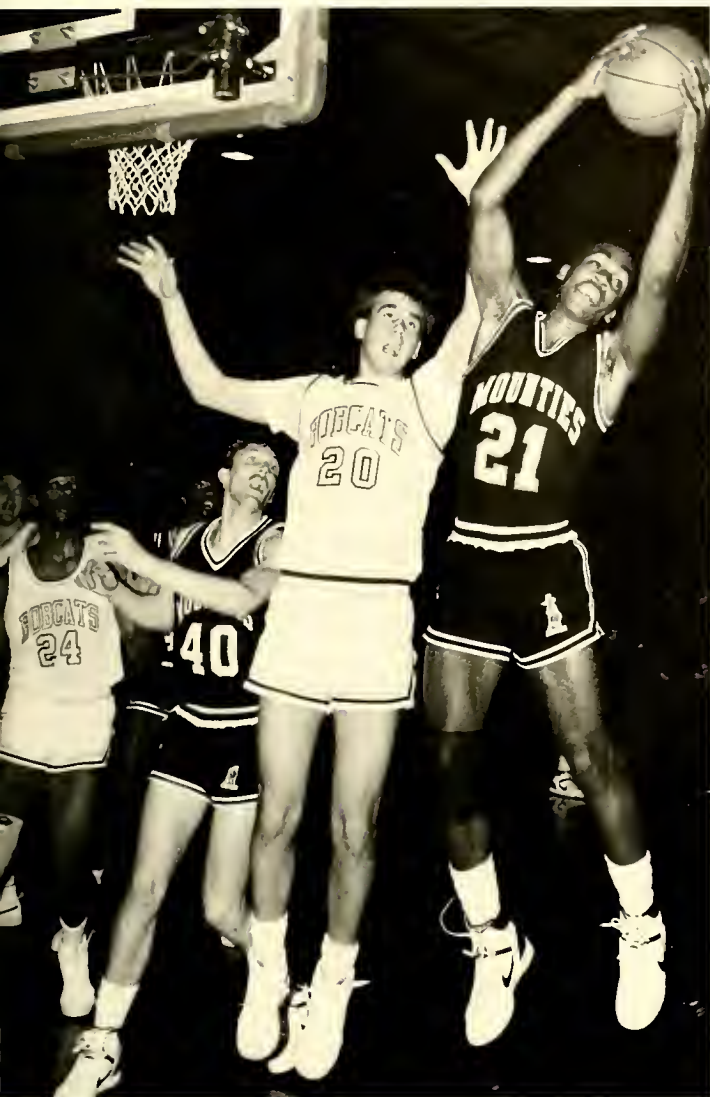
Gilbert Johnson blocks North Greenville attempt



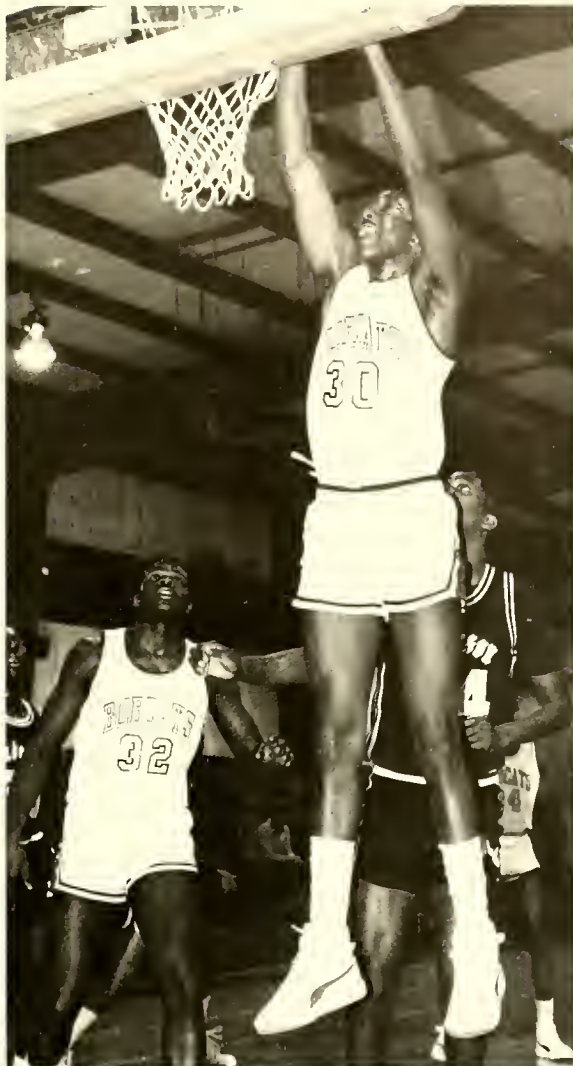
Point guard Todd Smith penetrates Brevard defense



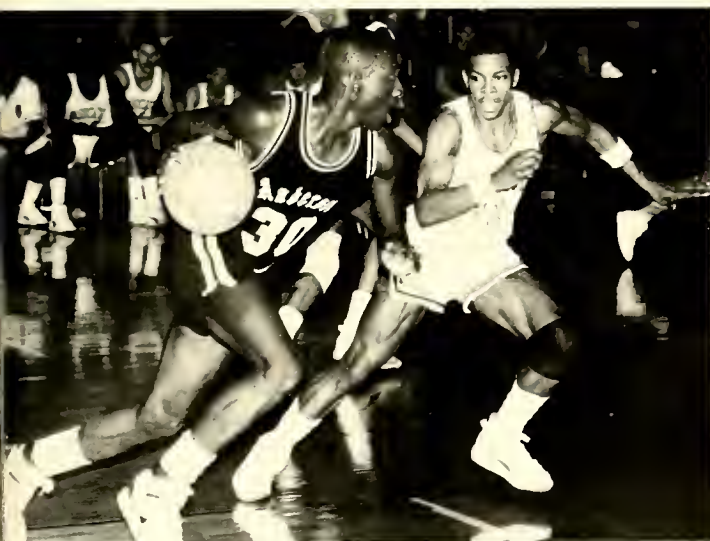
Gary Strickland (white jersey) skies over North Greenville opponent for a slam dunk. Strickland led the Bobcats with 18 points in a losing cause to the Mounties, 70-65.



North Greenville steals rebound from Mark Dishner. (Below) Tracy Armstrong puts the stops to Anderson drive.



Fred Patterson goes for rebound while teammate Gilbert Johnson (32) looks on.



Armstrong drives past North Greenville defender.



Fred Patterson robs a North Greenville defender of a rebound.



Demetrius Franklin hits a layup over a Mountie defender.



The Bobcats played in the Dean Dome and defeated the Tarheel JVs 94-76. (Above) Todd Smith, Nick Christy, Fred Patterson defend. (Below) Seven-footer John Henry Bohlken goes to the rim.





LEES-MCRAE COLLEGE  
1986 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

Lees-McRae	30	Gardner-Webb JVs	0
	14	Nassau	9
	20	Montgomery	13
	14	Chowan	0
	38	Hudson Valley	14
	21	Potomac State	7
	51	Mars Hill JVs	7
	9	Chowan	9
	47	Catawba JVs	18
	19	ASU JVs	14
East Bowl:			
Lees-McRae	13	Mississippi Gulf Coast	14

RECORD: 9-1-1



LEES-MCRAE COLLEGE  
1986 SOCCER SCHEDULE

Lees McRae	2	Montreat-Anderson	0
	1	Spartanburg Methodist	1 (20T)
	0	Anderson	2
	1	North Greenville	2
	1	Barber-Scotia	0 (forfeit)
	0	Brevard	3
	1	Anderson	2 (OT)
	3	Mount Olive	0
	3	Columbia Bible College	2
	5	North Greenville	1
	2	Montreat-Anderson	0
	1	Brevard	3 (OT)
	1	Spartanburg Methodist	0
	4	Limestone	2 (OT)
	0	Catawba	4
	2	Oxford	1
Region X Tournament:			
	0	Brevard	2

RECORD: 9-7-1

1987 WOMEN'S SKIING SCHEDULE

Beech Mountain — Tri-South — Giant Slalom

Time		
137.37	U. of Virginia	114.48
	VPI	119.57
	Clemson	120.16
	UNC-Chapel Hill	121.41
	James Madison	127.45
	Georgetown	127.67
	N. C. State	162.02
	U. of Tennessee	164.85
	A5U	167.39

Showshee — Giant Slalom

Time		
199.69	Clemson	187.17
	James Madison	188.87
	VPI	193.20
	Georgetown	192.57
	ASU	195.48
	U. of Virginia	238.34
	N. C. State	245.02
	UNC-Chapel Hill	248.07
	Duke	274.65

Winterplace — Slalom

Time		
217.45	James Madison	187.49
	U. of Virginia	210.16
	Georgetown	211.65
	N. C. State	216.33
	VPI	229.67
	UNC-Chapel Hill	267.82
	A5U	337.96
	Duke	369.73
	Clemson	370.86

Beech Mountain — Tri-South — Slalom

Time		
333.97	Georgetown	319.78
	U. of Virginia	334.10
	James Madison	337.32

A5U	338.79
UNC-Chapel Hill	345.81
N. C. State	364.66
VPI	396.25
Clemson	492.87
Duke	516.87

NCSA Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships — Showshee, WV

Slalom	Time		
Lees-McRae (seventh)	326.33	Penn State	237.73
		Lehigh	252.25
		Princeton	259.34
Giant Slalom	Time		
Lees-McRae (12th)	545.57	Penn State	429.28
		Princeton	463.66
		Georgetown	465.66

Alpine Combined

Lees-McRae (did not place)		Penn State	2 points
		Lehigh	4 points
		Princeton	4 points

WOMEN'S SKIING  
FINAL TEAM STANDINGS

Team	Points
U. of Virginia	7
Georgetown	10
James Madison	12
VPI	15
Lees-McRae	16
Clemson	21
UNC-Chapel Hill	22
ASU	25
NC State	27
Duke	39
U. of Tennessee	42
U. of the South	43
Western Carolina	45



1987 MEN'S SKIING SCHEDULE

Beech Mountain — Tri-South — Giant Slalom

Time		Time
104.82	A5U	100.46
	Georgetown	105.71
	James Madison	108.01
	U. of Tennessee	117.76
	N. C. State	117.84
	Western Carolina	128.36
	Clemson	129.12
	U. of the South	130.31
	Washington & Lee	169.58

Snowshoe — Giant Slalom

Time		
167.34	A5U	167.54
	James Madison	168.16
	Georgetown	169.92
	N. C. State	170.80
	U. of Virginia	171.32
	U. of Tennessee	179.18
	Clemson	194.48
	U. of the South	195.58
	UNC-Chapel Hill	196.60

Winterplace — Slalom

Time		
173.72	A5U	163.95
	Georgetown	168.94
	James Madison	170.72
	VPI	172.36
	U. of Virginia	185.52
	Western Carolina	219.08
	U. of Tennessee	238.50
	Clemson	274.84
	ETSU	346.13

Beech Mountain — Tri-South — Slalom

Time		
333.97	Georgetown	319.78
	U. of Virginia	334.10
	James Madison	337.32
	ASU	338.79
	UNC-Chapel Hill	345.81
	N. C. State	364.66
	VPI	396.25
	Clemson	492.87
	Duke	516.87

NCSA Mid-Atlantic Regional Championships — Snowshoe, WV

Slalom	Time	
Lees-McRae (third)	225.78	A5U
		208.81

Lehigh	225.71
U. of Penn.	233.70
Montclair	235.78

Giant Slalom	Time	
Lees-McRae (fourth)	216.05	Penn State
		208.51
		208.93
		216.02

Alpine Combined	Points	
Lees-McRae (second)	7 points	ASU
		3 points
		Penn State
		8 points

U.S. Collegiate Ski Championships — Crested Butte, CO

Giant Slalom	Time	
Lees-McRae (14th)	387.74	College of Idaho
		320.29
		Brigham Young
		320.21
		Montana State
		323.67

Slalom	Time	
Lees-McRae (eighth)	304.37	Saint Olaf
		262.88
		Brigham Young
		269.09
		Plymouth State
		275.17

Alpine Combined	Points	
Lees-McRae (11th)	22 points	Brigham Young
		4 points
		Saint Olaf
		7 points
		Plymouth
		7 points

MEN'S SKIING  
FINALE TEAM STANDINGS

Team	Points
A5U	4
Lees-McRae	7
Georgetown	13
James Madison	14
U. of Virginia	22
VPI	24
U. of Tennessee	29
Clemson	30
NC State	32
Western Carolina	35
Duke	38
UNC-Chapel Hill	39
U. of the South	43
ETSU	47
Washington & Lee	51

LEES McRAE COLLEGE  
1986-87 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Lees-McRae	61	Chowan	60
	91	Peace	73
	73	Walters State	77
	60	Walters State	72
	81	Peace	54
	71	Louisburg	86
	68	King	59
	74	King	64
	56	Anderson	59
	78	Spartanburg Methodist	54
	90	Brevard	57
	2	Warren Wilson	0
	76	Anderson	67
	76	Bristol	64
	73	North Greenville	47
	76	Louisburg	38
	80	Chowan	59
	56	Brevard	50
	57	Spartanburg Methodist	59
	68	North Greenville	53
	76	Bristol	57
	2	Warren Wilson	0
WCJCC Tournament:			
Lees-McRae	60	Anderson	72
Region X Tournament			
Lees-McRae	58	Spartanburg Methodist	52
	69	Anderson	67
National Tournament (Senatobia, MS):			
Lees-McRae	64	Shelby State	69

RECORD: 19-7



LEES-McRAE COLLEGE  
1986-87 MEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

Lees-McRae	87	Milligan	78
	87	Montreat-Anderson	71
	63	Walters State	71
	52	Louisburg	77
	74	Walters State	72
	101	Blanton's	71
	76	Walters State	74
	76	Charles County (MD)	89
	59	Chowan	88
	91	Warren Wilson	68
	94	Carolina JVs	76
	52	Spartanburg Methodist	82
	76	Brevard	64
	86	Blanton's	49
	90	Richmond Tech	84
	71	North Greenville	75
	84	Montreat-Anderson	72
	63	Anderson	80
	72	Brevard	66
	87	Spartanburg Methodist	88
	65	North Greenville	70
	87	Montreat-Anderson	70
	70	Louisburg	75
	65	Anderson	76
WCJCC Tournament:			
Lees-McRae	60	Brevard	54
	81	Anderson	90
Region X Tournament:			
Lees-McRae	52	Louisburg	59

RECORD 14-13



### LEES-McRAE'S FIRST SOCCER TEAM

#### MEN'S FALL TENNIS

Old Dominion Challenge, Marion, VA

Avery Open Singles

Lees-McRae	6	ETSU	3
	6	Lenoir-Rhyne	3
	5	King College	4

Avery Open Doubles

Lees-McRae	9	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
	9	Roane State	0
	6	King College	3
	9	Milligan	0

#### FALL 7-0 RECORD

Champions

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#### LEES-McRAE COLLEGE

#### MEN'S 1987 SPRING TENNIS SCHEDULE

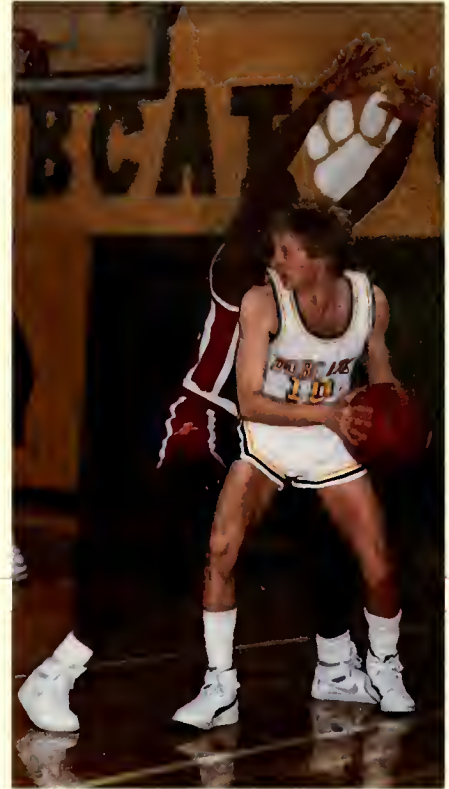
Lees McRae	9	Nazareth	0
	9	Brevard	0
	9	Tusculum	0
		Anderson (snow)	
	9	Tusculum	0
	5	Carson-Newman	4
		Roane State (snow)	
		Roane State, Tennessee	
		Tech (snow)	
	9	Brevard	0
	5	Gardner-Webb	4
	0	Anderson	9
	0	North Greenville	9
	9	Davidson JVs	0
	8	Carson-Newman	1
	9	Gardner-Webb	0
	0	ETSU	9
		Roane State (rain)	
		North Greenville (rain)	
	9	Western Carolina	0
Region X Tournament at Clemson University:			
		North Greenville	14
		Anderson	13
		Lees McRae	0

RECORD: 11-3

OVERALL RECORD: 18-3







Old Dominion Challenge  
 Avery Open Singles  
 Lees-McRae  
 Avery Open Doubles  
 Lees-McRae

**WOMEN'S FALL TENNIS SCHEDULE**

	1	Anderson	8
		Brevard	2
		Brevard	0
		Roane State	7
		Roane State	7
		Milligan	3
		Milligan	0

**FALL 4-3 RECORD**

Lees-McRae

**WOMEN'S 1987 SPRING SCHEDULE**

	2	Nazareth	7
		Anderson	5
		Tusculum	0
		Davidson (rain)	
		Clinch Valley	0
		ASU	9
		Milligan	2
		Roane State (snow)	
		Roane State, Tennessee	
		Wesleyan (snow)	
		Brevard	0
		Lenoir-Rhyne (snow)	
		Brevard	8
		ETSU	7
		Tusculum	0
		Clinch Valley	0
		Anderson (rain)	
		Milligan	5
		Roane State (rain)	

**REGION X TOURNEY**

Anderson	12
Lees-McRae	4
Brevard	3

RECORD: 6-6  
 OVERALL RECORD: 10-9





## MENS' SOCCER PROGRAM HAS SUCCESSFUL INAUGURAL

The Lees-McRae soccer team finished its first season with a 9-7-1 record, 4-5-1 in the conference. The Bobcat booters finished in third place in the Region X, NJCAA soccer league, and faced Brevard, the number two seed, in the Region tournament. Brevard prevailed in that match, 2-0. Brevard won the finals in an upset over number one-seeded Anderson, 3-0.

In the inaugural season for the Lees-McRae soccer team the Bobcats faced a very tough schedule for new Head Coach Greg Hooks as four of his six losses came in the first two weeks of the season. With an all freshman squad the Bobcats continued to improve each week and won seven of their last nine matches. During the season the Bobcats outscored their opponents, 28-23. The leading scorer was Les Broussard with eight goals and Thomas Horton had six. Key players on defense were Chris Zelski and David Kinnamon. Named to the All-Region X Team were: Broussard, Horton and Zelski. Zelski was voted MVP on the 1986 team and Joe McCurdy was named recipient of the Coach's Award in soccer. Bernie Woods and Shawn Dill were named, along with Broussard, Horton and Zelski, to the All-WCJCC Team.



Paul Guin

Joe McCurdy

Josh Prago

Thomas Horton

Rob Nearn

Gene Cox



At left, Thomas Horton scores against Bristol College. Below, Joe McCurdy takes out Bristol defender.



Trevor Dickenson



Shawn Dill



Les Broussard



Chris Zelski



Bernie Woods

Aaron Tooley

David Kinnamon

Chris Dawson

Mike McCabe

Matt Alexander

Dan Fairley



Carl Scott



Kennon Quick



Akihiro Toda



Karl Dillner



David Saunders



Chip Wiltshire



## Bobcat Cheerleaders

Lees-McRae coeds try out for cheer-leading in the fall and after the team is selected a whirlwind of activities follow with home football games and basketball contests in Williams Gym. Cheerleaders promote school spirit in both the athletes and the fans.



*Robin Miller  
Kelly Roach*



Whenever the Bobcats are playing you'll find the LMC cheerleaders. Many a close victory has been sparked by the enthusiasm of the fans led, of course, by the cheerleaders. When opposing teams come to Tate Field or the confines of Williams Gym they know they must pay the price of an enthusiastic home partisan crowd.

*Amy Kirk*

*Carol Spangler*

*Trena Kee*

*Tina Brooks*





LEES-McRAE COLLEGE'S MEN'S SKI TEAM Front row (L-R): Donovan Carroll (Banner Elk), Coach Mark Gidney, Second row: Tom Spradling (Asheville), Eric Kusch (Stone Mountain, GA), David Miller (Boone), Third row: Rusty Barr (West Jefferson), Paul Lehmann (Banner Elk), Back row: Stuart Sim (Yorktown, VA), Brett Barbour (High Point), Stephen Carson (Los Gatos, CA), Not pictured: Dennis Handley (Banner Elk) and Leonard Holden (Sylva).

LEES-McRAE COLLEGE'S WOMEN'S SKI TEAM Front row (L-R): Cindy Brooks (Pineville), Anita Bridger (Raleigh), Coach Mark Gidney Second row: April Pigg (Charlotte), Julie Williams (Lenoir), Patterson Temple (Boone), Cecily Huff (Richmond, VA), Lynn Ulery (Boone), Gretchen Fearing (Bristol, TN).

### LMC SECOND IN STANDINGS

Lees-McRae failed in its bid to unseat champion ASU in the final standings of the Southeastern Collegiate Ski Conference. The Apps have dominated the conference for the past four years and Lees-McRae's challenge fell short as it missed the league lead by three points. ASU finished in first place with three points followed by Lees-McRae with six. Georgetown University was third with nine.

In the women's division, University of Virginia was first followed by James Madison and Georgetown with Lees-McRae in fourth place.

#### Men's Division:

##### Team — Points

Appalachian State Univ.	3	Western Carolina Univ.	22
Lees-McRae	6	N.C. State	26
Georgetown University	9	Duke University	30
James Madison University	10	University of Virginia	32
University of Virginia	15	East Tennessee State Univ.	36
VPI	18	University of South	40
Clemson University	22	Washington & Lee	43
University of Tennessee	22		

#### Women's Division:

University of Virginia	4	Appalachian State Univ.	17
James Madison University	7	Clemson University	18
Georgetown University	7	N.C. State	19
Lees-McRae	11	Duke University	29
VPI	12	University of South	31
UNC-Chapel Hill	15	Western Carolina Univ.	34





Dennis Handley

Paul Lehman

David Miller



Eric Kusch

Stephen Carson





Gretchen Fearing



Donovan Carroll

Stuart Sim



Patterson Temple  
Lynn Ulery

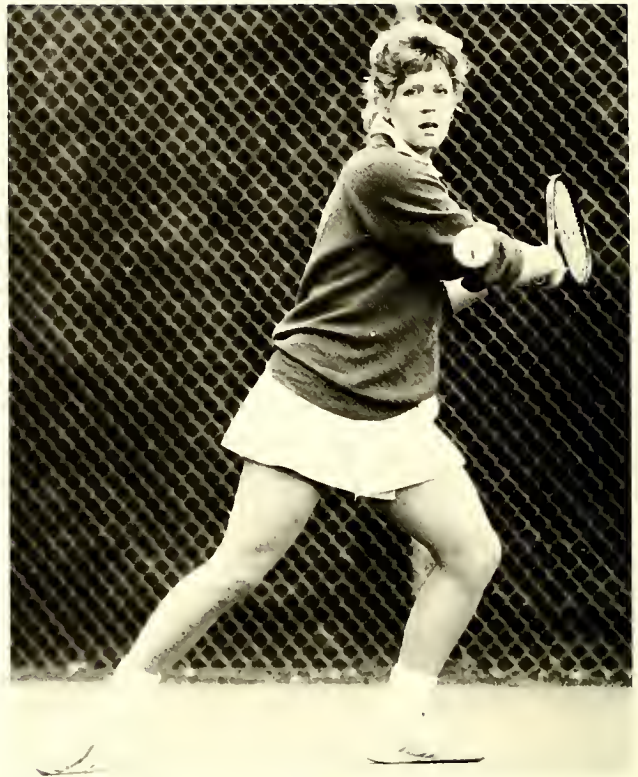


Cecily Huff  
Cindy Brooks



### LADY BOBCATS FINISH SECOND IN REGION TOURNEY

The Lees-McRae women's tennis team finished the season 10-9, and placed second in the Region X, NJCAA Tennis Tournament held at Anderson. The host Lady Trojans won the tournament; Brevard College placed third. Flight winners were named to the All-Region Team and from Lees-McRae, Deb Tate, Stephanie Humphries and Emily Crain received berths in the All-Star squad. Nikki Baker, MVP two years for the Lady Bobcats, captained the team for two seasons, and at the No. 1 singles had a career record of 11 wins and 19 losses, and in doubles compiled a 20-10 record. In mixed doubles she had a perfect 9-0 record. She teamed with Murat Erden and Leo Miranda to win consecutive championships in the Avery Open Mixed Doubles, and won the Tim Weatherman Memorial Award two years in a row as the Outstanding Female Player in the tournament. She was named All-WCJC Conference both years. Stephanie Humphries, No. 2 singles player, and freshman Emily Crain, No. 3 player, posted identical 7-7 singles records. Freshman Charlette Massey, Deb Tate, and Amy Rivers were strong assets to the Lady Bobcats and came on strong during the season. The Lady 'Cats are forced to play stiff competition as there are only four junior colleges playing women's tennis in the state. This compels the Lady Bobcats to face strong four-year college and university varsity teams.



Nikki Baker

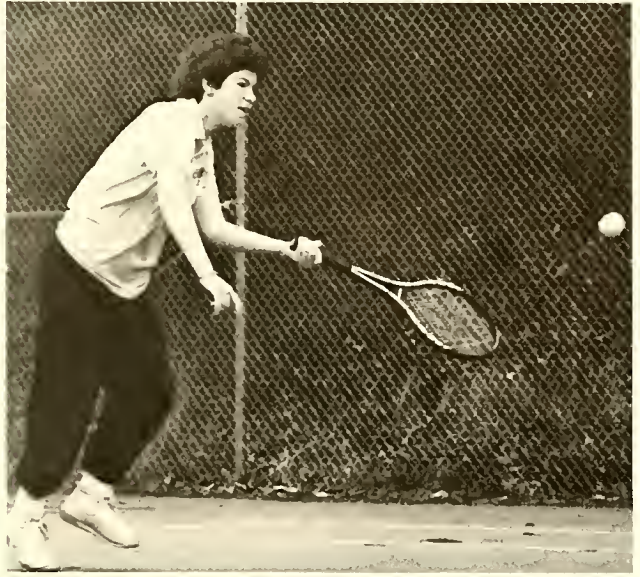
LADY BOBCATS Charlette Massey, Stephanie Humphries, Nikki Baker, Amy Rivers, Emily Crain, Debra Tate.



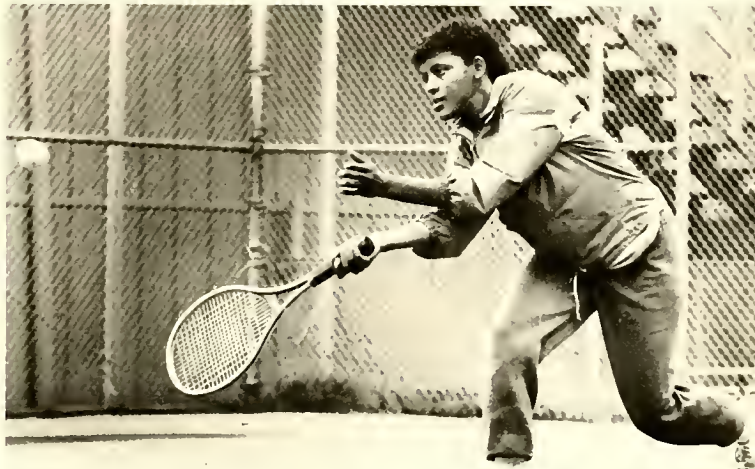




*Stephanie Humphries*



*Amy Rivers*



*Deb Tate*



*Emily Crain*

*Charlette Massey*

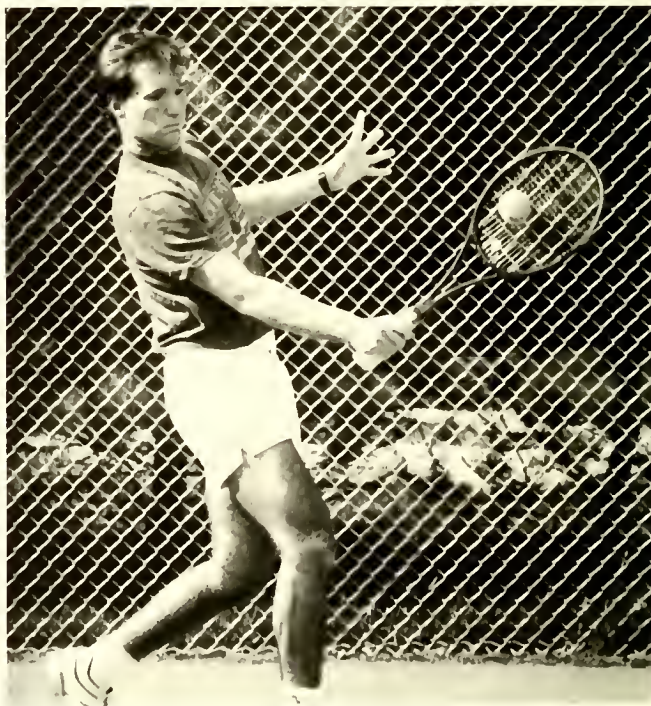


## BOBCAT NETTERS POST 18-3 RECORD, FINISH THIRD IN REGION



MEN'S TENNIS TEAM Kneeling Joe Reitano, Alberico Menozzi, Leo Miranda, Richard Harris Standing Hunt Norment, Lee Peppers, Billy Rowe, Coach Don Baker. Not pictured Allen Hill

North Greenville eeked out a 14-13 victory over Anderson College to capture the Region X, NJCAA tennis crown. The Lees-McRae Bobcats placed third in the tournament. North Greenville put its 39-0 record on the line at the Clemson University tennis courts as the Anderson Trojans (24-6) fell short of an upset bid. North Greenville placed six players on the first and second teams, while runner-up Anderson had five players. Lees-McRae placed Alberico Menozzi on the All-Star squad. North Greenville and Anderson went on to share the national championship as they tied at the national tournament in Tyler, Texas, with 36 points each. The Lees-McRae Bobcats, with an 18-3 record, lost only to North Greenville (twice) and Anderson, who eventually were named national champions. For two years in a row the Bobcats had been undefeated with the exception of their losses to the two national powers. North Greenville won the nationals the year before and Anderson finished fourth. Sophomores Leo Miranda, Richard Harris, Alberico Menozzi, Hunt Norment and Allen Hill will be lost to the Bobcats but freshmen hopefuls Joe Reitano, Billy Rowe and Lee Peppers return.



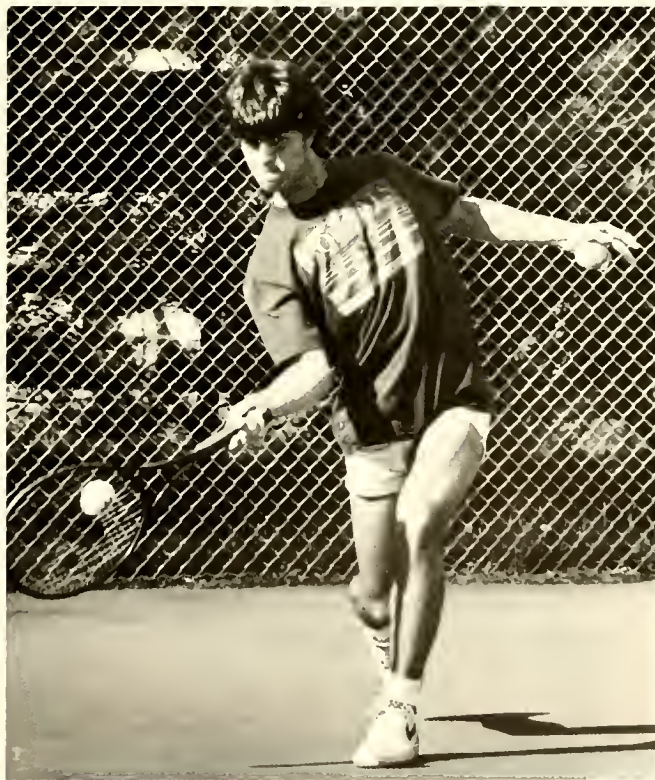
Hunt Norment

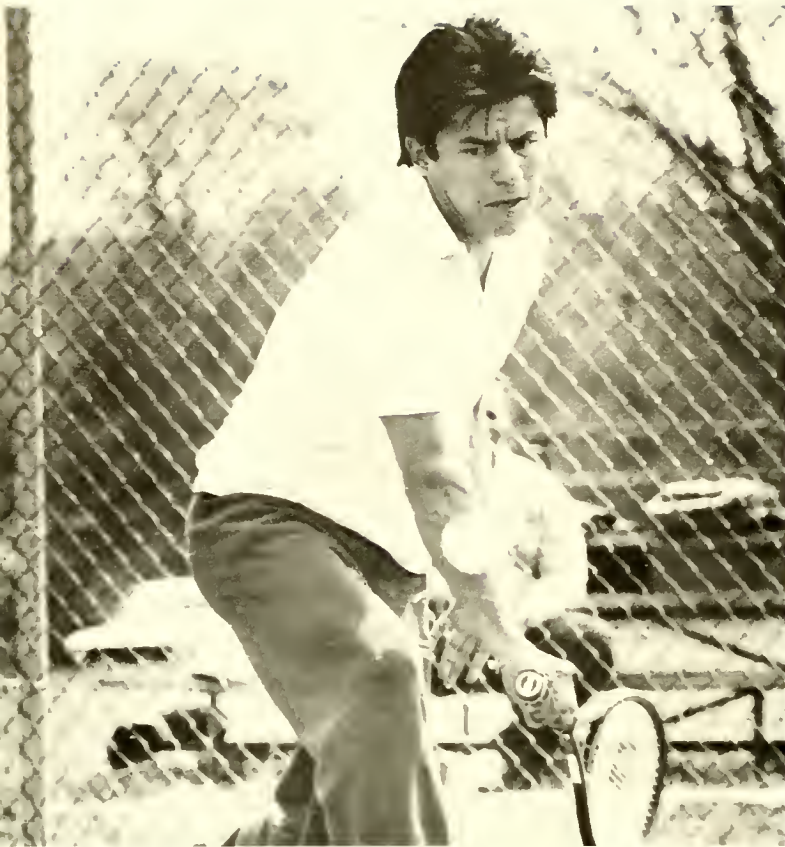


*Alberico Menozzi*



*Joe Reitano*





Leo Miranda



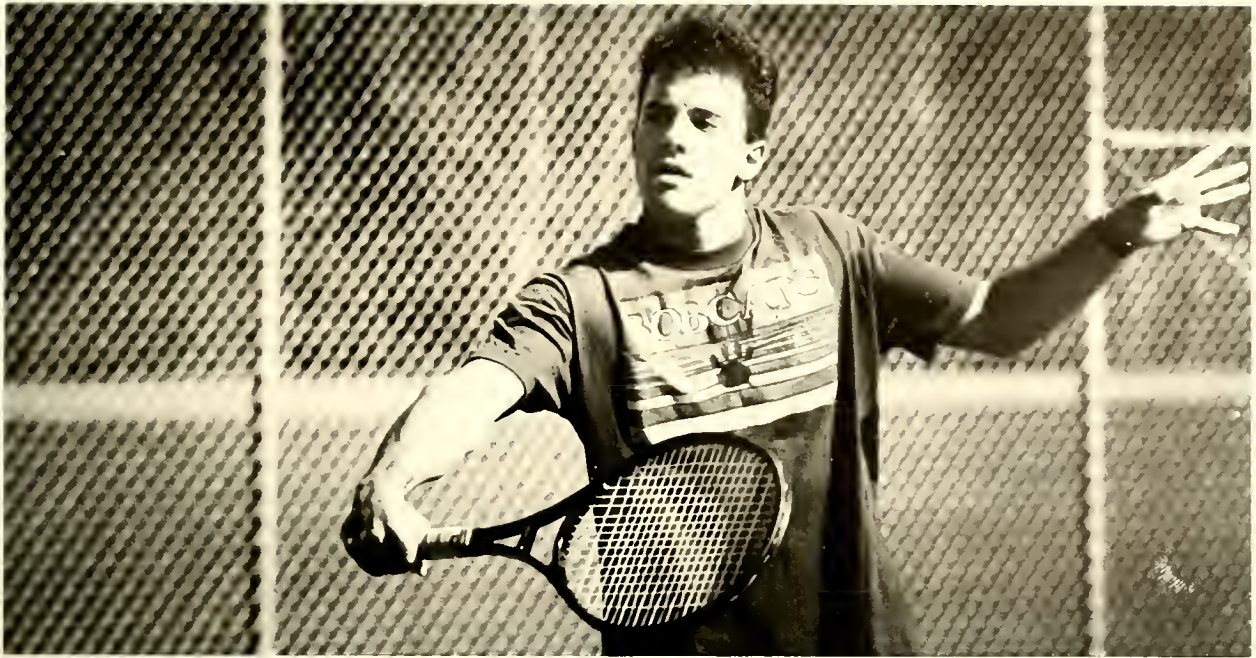
**BOBCATS CAPTURE THE SILVER**

Lees-McRae netters that walked away with the "mother lode" of silver at the Old Dominion Tennis Challenge Tournament in Marion, Virginia, Labor Day weekend were: (L-R) Allen Hill, runner-up, men's B singles; Barry Bertram, champion men's B singles; Richard Harris, runner-up, men's A singles; Leo Miranda, champion men's A singles, champion men's A doubles; and Alberico Menozzi, champion men's A doubles. The awards were Thomas Jefferson silver cups, bowls and trays handcrafted in Virginia. Aside from dominating the tournament the players received lasting and memorable awards.



Billy Rowe





Richard Harris

Lee Peppers



The last of Coach Baker's international squad finished their careers for the Lees-McRae Bobcat netters. Murat Erden of Istanbul, Turkey went on to play #1 for ETSU the year before, as did Tom Fehil of Dublin, Ireland (UNC-G). Leo Miranda of Lima, Peru, finished his sophomore season with a 22-8 record and ended his career at Lees-McRae with a 35-

13 record. Alberico Menozzi, Rome, Italy, posted a 24-5 singles record, with a career of 38 wins and 11 losses. Richard Harris posted a 20-8 season and finished his career 35-16. Joe Reitano had a 14-7 record, followed by Billy Rowe (12-7), Hunt Norment (12-8), and Lee Peppers (10-4). (Records include tournament play as well as regular season matches).

## Intramurals . . .

*Nikki Baker returns shot during championship game as Deb Tate looks on.*

A strong and diverse intramural program offers all students the opportunity to participate in sports for skill, recreation, and healthy activity. Competition sponsored by the college varies according to the students' needs and interests. More than one-half of the student body participates in one or more intramural sports during the academic year. Intramural sports include softball, basketball, tennis, badminton, billiards, backgammon, table tennis, volleyball, fencing, horseshoes, bridge, chess, skiing. Lance Summey, Kevin Mann and Barrett Lynch participated in the "Three-On-Three Tournament" held in Columbia, South Carolina. The trio were winners in the three-on-three tournament held at Lees-McRae. The tournament is sponsored by the Schick Corporation and all expenses were paid by Schick to cover cost of the three LMC winners competing in Columbia.



## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS

*Dawn Merritt, Deb Tate, Jamie Metcalf, Mandy Forney, Alpie Smith, Shannon Credle, Sandra Williams.*





**RUNNER-UP VOLLEYBALL CHAMPIONS**

Jana Yokely, Melanie Milton, Nikki Baker, Tabatha Farmer, Emily Crain, Stephanie Humphries.





Men's Intramural Volleyball Champions Reggie Torrance, Tracy Armstrong, Nick Christy, Demetrius Franklin, Gilbert Johnson, Gary Strickland, Fred Patterson.



Men's Intramural Volleyball Runner-up Team: Craig Melton, J.D. Lowe, Zach Coleman, Mike Dixon, Wesley Pope.

Billy James goes up for a layup against Mike Dixon during intramural championship



Reggie Torrance of champion Galloway team shoots over Barrett Lynch.







Intramural Basketball Championship Team: Front row: Jay Jones, James Galloway, Chris Brooks Back row: Jeff Philpott, Reggie Torrance, Billy James.



Intramural Basketball Runner-up Team: Front row: Lance Summey, Kevin Mann, J.D Lowe. Back row: Mike Dixon, Barrett Lynch, Zach Coleman.



Tony Jordan is caught between bases during All-Star contest with Ferrum.

For the first time in two years Ferrum College won the intramural All-Star Softball contest copping a doubleheader from the Bobcats. Front row: Leonard Hawley, Matt Byerly, Gary Melton, Jeff Staley, Rusty Barr, Kevin Kaga Second row: Simone Simaan, Craig Melton, Lance Summey, Tony Shelton, Chuck Baker, Guy Harwell, Jeff Philpott Back row: Layton Harwell, Todd Frasher, Tony Jordan, Jack Masters.



NICOLE (NIKKI) BAKER  
1987 EDITOR



“EXCELLENTIA EST PRAEMIUM LABORIS”

## The 1987 Ontaroga . . .

Through the wonder of print and the miracle of photographs I hope the 1987 Ontaroga captures the wonderful memories and records the whirlwind activities at Lees-McRae this past year. I would like to thank Joe McCurdy, Stephanie Humphries, Emily Crain, and all those who helped me with the class section layout and identifying photos. I would also like to thank my father, Don Baker; Phil Teagarden, and Bill Sheffield for supplying photographs for the yearbook; and a special thanks to all the staff in the Public Relations Office, Joyce Baker, Joanne Franklin, and Paula Hughes for their assistance and hard work on this book. Thirty years ago the editor of the 1957 Ontaroga chose the slogan “Excellentia est praemium laboris” — and, “excellence is the fruit of labor” has been the theme and trademark of the yearbook since that time.

“*Ontaroga*” — To the ancient indian it

DON BAKER  
YEARBOOK ADVISOR

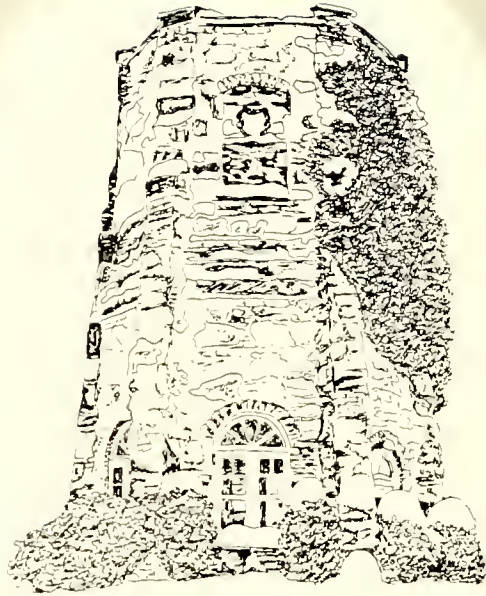


## A Family Affair . . .

The 1987 yearbook, *The Ontaroga*, marks a milestone in the career of the Baker family at LMC. I have had the privilege of editing *The Ontaroga* for the past two years. Exactly thirty years ago my father edited the 1957 yearbook at Lees-McRae and this year marks the thirtieth anniversary of Delmar Company in Charlotte publishing the book. My father has been sponsor, technical advisor, and has directed the layout, design, and production of the yearbook for the last twenty-seven editions. (There have been fifty-five volumes published to date.) It has been a joy to work with and learn from this association with Don Baker and Delmar — (hopefully, you'll think) — a winning combination as you review this, the 1987 *Ontaroga*.

*Nicole Baker*

meant, “a place of rocks and hills” . . .



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