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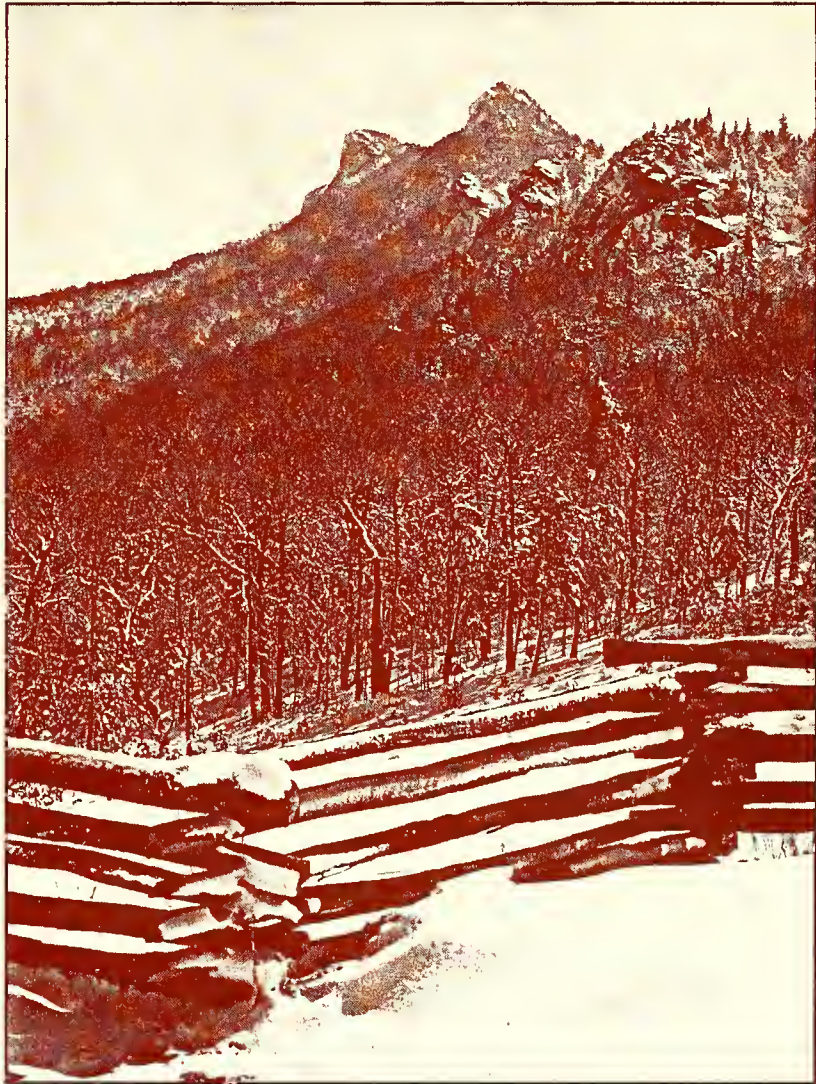
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**Inspiration . . .
in high places . . .**

"I will lift up mine eyes unto the hills"--The words have often been spoken to bless, soothe, and uplift one's soul after weary hours in life's valley. David was a young shepherd boy of the hills and knew the strength and the healing power of the mountains--he, therefore, used them as symbols of the help that cometh from God.

Lees-McRae, at Banner Elk, a place of rocks and hills, offers strength and opportunity for many people. The mountains of Avery County have long been an inspiration to many.



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."

--Henry David Thoreau

Line shot of color photo of Grandfather Mountain by Hugh Morton.

The mountains prompted a Lees-McRae student to pen these lines:

"I look at the mountains and perceive the wide, expansive sea. In the majesty of their height they raise our spirit with them. Our souls may ascertain true beauty in aesthetic appreciation of the mist shrouded peaks and crags. In our experience with people we can soar as high as the mountains that surround us. And from the serenity that the valleys offer gain an insight into life that will enable us to become vital human beings.

--Greg Pierce, Valedictorian, Class of 1968

LEESMCRÆ located in Avery County, North Carolina, high in the Blue Ridge Mountains, proudly boasts of its "Campus in the Clouds" as it was

first described fifty years ago by a Reader's Digest writer. Banner Elk is 4,500 feet above sea level and enjoys a delightful and invigorating climate the year around.

Most aerial photographs are taken from an airplane, but to gain a cloud-high view of Lees-McRae one needs only to climb Beech Mountain to be provided with a spectacular view of the college, the town of Banner Elk, and a large portion of Avery County. The college and community are located in a valley surrounded by such towering skyscrapers as Grandfather Mountain, Beech Mountain, Hanging Rock, and Sugar Mountain.

**Steeped in rich heritage . . .
tempered by proud tradition . . .
with the promise of a
bold future.**



**Opportunities . . .
in high places . . .**

Friendliness is a keynote trait of the small campus where the location of residence halls, classrooms, and faculty homes brings about a close and cordial relationship between students and faculty. With a relatively small student body (800), Lees-McRae has an atmosphere of friendliness and personal interest. Opportunities abound for each

student to find self-expression and increase his self-confidence and knowledge. The administration sponsors a strong academic counseling program which keeps students in close touch with faculty advisors. In addition, a full-time counselor is available to students on a "drop-in" basis for personal consultation. These services provide the desired guidance to young people faced with the problem of making far-reaching decisions for the first time.

Campus buildings are attractively designed of native stone from Beech Mountain, providing a charming continuity from the oldest to the newest.



The heritage of this unique church-affiliated college is grounded in Presbyterian mission efforts. Begun in the 1890's, for the past three quarters of a century the college has continued founder Edgar Tufts' dream of bringing educational opportunities to the region's youth. From a "fire-side school" to a premier senior college that



offers bachelor's degrees in 15 majors, Lees-McRae has continued to widen its circle of educational influence. Today Lees-McRae serves the young people of the Appalachian region and students from across the United States and from several foreign countries.

LEESMCRAE

has much to offer the students--in programs and in people who care about them as individual and who care about their success.

The faculty and staff of Lees-McRae College are extraordinary in their concern for the welfare of our students. Our college community has earned a reputation honestly and widely as "The College That Cares." No doubt our students have already enjoyed the special friendship



The old and the new: Bell Tower Sculpture Roots & Wings

and care of members of the Lees-McRae faculty and staff. Perhaps that experience has helped shape their lives in some positive way. Certainly, they have learned on our mountain-high campus that here at Lees-McRae, they have *friends in high places*.

Lees-McRae and the academic programs at the baccalaureate level have won a wide following of admirers. Each of our senior classes in recent years has grown; many students are subscribing to one or another of our varied majors--now numbering fifteen--leading to a Bachelor of Arts or a Bachelor of Science degree.

Lees-McRae is nearing its goal of a 2.4 million dollar program directed toward making our residence halls the envy of every other college our size and mission in the entire region. Additionally, we are anticipating the computer and communication needs of our students and staff by developing a computer-networked campus. Nearly two million dollars in equipment and software are already available to members of our college community. The sophistication

and availability of our computer network to all students will grow rapidly over the next two or three years.

Lees-McRae continues to hold its costs down for students by aggressively finding other sources to help finance a quality higher education in a geographic setting of incomparable beauty. Through financial aid and cost savings in the operation of our college, we pass savings on to our students. That philosophy will continue--with benefits for each of our students.

"We will soon recognize that our students may forget the math equation or the English poem or the particular historical setting of a lecture, but what they will carry away from Lees-McRae College is a sense of the people who were their teachers.

"I'm very proud to be a part of the kind of faculty and staff who are gathered at Lees-McRae, because I think that every day they have the golden sentence, just the right words that make young people realize that maybe, just maybe, they're too hard on themselves. Maybe, just maybe, what they perceive as failure is simply the first step toward a kind of success. And I think we are obliged at Lees-McRae to bring out the very best we can of those students who are under our tutelage, to find themselves, and once they find themselves, to go out into the world and to make it a better place."

--Dr. Brad Crain



Ever changing and ever the same ...

When I look out the window at Hemlock Hall across that wonderful scene that encompasses one piece of Grandfather Mountain, Sugar Mountain, and Seven Devils and that area, I am struck by the metaphor of the mountains. And that metaphor is, '*Ever changing, ever the same.*' No matter what season, what time of day, *ever changing ever the same.* And I think it is the poet in each one of us, at least at some level, that can understand that complexity of opposites, *ever changing and ever the same.* But it struck me that that was precisely the metaphor that we ought to at least keep in the back of our minds as we talk about the various issues that affect Lees-McRae today. Lees-McRae, I think, is *ever changing and ever the same.* Of course, with our expanded mission in the baccalaureate areas, we are *ever changing.* And some of the issues that we deal with today are precisely those issues of which new majors to add, what those new majors mean, not only for Lees-McRae and its continued enrollment, but also what those majors mean for the young people who take the degree from Lees-McRae and go out into the broader world. When we look back at the miles and miles that the institution has come since 1900, we recognize that it's the *change* to meet those needs, to become current and to meet those needs very well is the objective of the college. But just as Lees-McRae is *ever changing*, it is also *ever the same.* Edgar Tufts very succinctly said that the objective of his ministry was to meet unmet human needs. 'The objective of Lees-McRae College has been to particularize that general statement, 'to meet unmet educational needs,' both for young people here in the mountains and now, as we have expanded our efforts to let people know about us, to have that mission encompass the entire Southeast and even far beyond the 29 states and several foreign nations typically represented in our student body. So Lees-McRae and the metaphor of *ever changing, ever the same*, I think, meet and shake hands and get along well together.

As I look at the sense of mission and purpose of Lees-McRae, I'm always reminded that we use metaphors to understand what we see around us. For example, as we gathered for the trustee dinner, the metaphors that I saw in that room were, first of all, two senior students--two students who, because of their accomplishments and their abilities, deserve the award of the scholarship established by the trustees for leadership. They were not our only seniors, but they were representative of our seniors and indeed of all our students, and we're proud of them. We also saw some very dedicated teachers. And those teachers come to us from various institutions, very prestigious institutions. Their credentials are stellar, but more than that, their commitment to the mission of Lees-McRae is what makes them so good. And they're not our only faculty members, just our newest. And if we were to have had in that same room the Lewis Halls, the John Wilsons, the O'dell Smiths of our faculty, you would have seen that *ever changing, ever the same* concept thread its way through the faculty as well.

--Dr. Brad Crain
(Excerpts from an address
to the Trustees)



You've got friends in high places.

LEESMCRRAE is more than an institution of higher learning, and its graduates leave with more than a college education.

Lees-McRae is a teaching school where faculty members devote themselves totally to teaching, not research, during the academic year. The mission of LMC teachers is to be true teaching professionals, teaching well, teaching quality material, being available when students need help.

In a research college or university where promotion, tenure, and salary are based primarily on research, the student may be an unwelcome distraction. At LMC the student is the total focus. Small classes, subject matter geared to achieving a good basic education, extensive lab work, and practical experience in problem solving are keys to LMC's education program.

No one can spend any time at Lees-McRae without sensing the creative energy, enthusiasm, and familial atmosphere that pervades every aspect of campus life. At Lees-McRae there's an undeniable spirit that sets the college apart and places it near the very top. Two decades ago, a student penned these lines and they still ring true today:



"Every student must strive to gain confidence, and have an assurance of how the spirit of Lees-McRae is the spirit that makes a man or woman responsible, sincere, and above all, constant to the ways of Lees-McRae life."

"While our college did not conceive of the philosophy of caring, it was certainly a theology of caring that brought Edgar Tufts to this place nearly a hundred years ago. We continue to work at being a community of caring. And if we ever stop caring about each other, then we should close our doors. But we are not going to stop caring. And there is every reason to believe that you will sense that you are cared for and about on this campus, and that you will carry that powerful knowledge from this place with you."

O'dell Smith, Chairman
Division of Social & Health Sciences



There is great pride in the achievements of recent years, particularly in the securing of attractive new buildings and the renovations of older ones, faculty improvements, and in the overall widening recognition that "things are happening" at Lees-McRae. The leadership provided by Dr. Brad Crain has given those involved with Lees-McRae an even greater faith and hope for the future. Crain has

helped move the college through the critical transition from a junior college to a baccalaureate degree-granting institution. Throughout these winds of change, the college has kept a steady course, keeping its original purpose and mission statements as both foundation and guide.



When graduating senior Scott Kofroth first came to Banner Elk it was not to enroll in Lees-McRae but to work the third shift in the boiler room which operates from 11:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. "It sure made for some long days," said Kofroth in an obvious understatement, "but then I got an office job in the maintenance department after the second year and that allowed me to work in and around my class schedule."

Kofroth, who majored in Business Administration, could've easily switched to communications or public relations because of the people skills he developed while going to school and also working in the maintenance department. "A lot of the reason for fostering those 'people relations' is that people on campus knew I worked in maintenance and they would relay their opinions and thoughts to me about the maintenance department and I usually tried to act as a mediator. I told people about what problems we faced in maintenance and had them bear with us, and I also took the attitude of the rest of the college back to maintenance to get those people to take more of a concerned view toward campus as a whole."

In comparing himself four years ago with Scott Kofroth today, he admits that he has changed a great deal. "Coming out of the military, I had skills as a boiler operator and they wouldn't have carried me too far, but four years of college have really expanded my knowledge of the world around me and made a vast difference in my life. Lees-McRae gave me an opportunity that I never would have had otherwise. I guess I am a different person, quite a bit more educated, and hopefully smarter and wiser."

**"Things are Happening" ...
in high places.**



LEES-McRAE

College Board of Trustees

Men and women of vision serve . . . in high places.

JANIE BINNION:

I was eager to become active in the community into which we had moved. I had heard very good things about Lees-McRae from friends who are long-time North Carolinians and having had a long-time interest in education I felt that serving as a trustee might provide an opportunity to be useful.



EDMUND BYRNE

A thought-provoking question.

I think at first to contribute in some small way to the obvious needs of Appalachia in general. But then in participating with others with much to give, one gets caught up in the enthusiasm, zeal and sacrifice which association with LMC seems to induce.



EARNEST DEAVENPORT:

My initial response was to serve my church and presbytery, however, after becoming involved with Lees-McRae, my reasons are much deeper and far-reaching. I am impressed with what God is doing through Lees-McRae.



FRED DICKERSON:

Jack Robinson led me to believe that if I could stay healthy, and work hard, perhaps an opportunity would come for me to make a positive contribution to the institution that means so much to me.



LARRY ESTRIDGE:

In addition to being a brilliant scholar, Brad Crain is a good listener. The trustees really do set policy and play a vital role in helping Lees-McRae fulfill its unique and important mission.



DANNY MASSIE:

As a minister I am privileged to serve as a trustee at this special college which shares my commitment to one of the historic tasks of the church, equipping persons mentally, physically, and spiritually to serve others, to honor God, and to enjoy life in all its fullness.



JIM APPLEBY:

My commitment to serve as a trustee of Lees-McRae College came first when I was appointed by the Presbyterian Church and the former Synod of North Carolina, to serve my denomination in its role as one of the supporting institutions of the college. Over the years as a trustee, I have grown significantly in my affection for the extraordinary and unique ways Lees-McRae fulfills its mission as "the college that cares," and I feel that my role as a trustee now extends well beyond one who fills a position for the Presbyterian Church, to one who oversees the activities and mission of an emerging four-year institution of higher education.

EDITH CRUTCHER:

One of the most sought-after human experiences is to "come home" and have it be as good as we thought it was!

I have been blessed to return to Lees-McRae and find there the same fresh, caring concepts of thinking and teaching that I have carried in my memory from my own student years.

The excitement and dedication of the president, staff, faculty, and trustees in bringing these qualities into a new age makes service as a trustee a rare privilege.

WILLIAM LOCKWOOD:

I wanted to be "involved" and to make a contribution to my summer home in the mountains and not just be another summer visitor.



HARRIET TUCKER:

I grew up on the campus of Peace College. Being a part of a school and its life is a special part of my life. When I looked at Lees-McRae with the idea of investing scholarship money there for the Glade Valley School Scholars Fund, I knew I had found a winner. Not only did we (GVSSF) decide to fund 18-20 scholarships, but also I found a renewed interest in serving higher education. The faculty and staff at Lees-McRae are well-qualified, dedicated and enthusiastic. Their love for Lees-McRae is contagious. Being a trustee is a unique honor that has brought personal growth, wonderful friends and new challenges to me. I cherish my relationship with the college and its friends.

JIM LAURITSEN:

I chose to become a trustee at Lees-McRae College because of the cooperative relationship between faculty, students, and community. The spirit of cooperation between community and campus makes the North Carolina mountains a better place to live.

REES JENKINS:

I believe that most of the problems of the world can be resolved if there is universality of the Christian ethic, and knowledge sufficient to understanding Lees-McRae is making a contribution to this end. I am gratified that it is felt that my ability and experience help the college to do this.

TOM BROYHILL:

The education that I have received has been a very important part of my life. It is my way of giving something back.

**WILLIAM M. HALE:**

Wanted to be a part of the good things Lees-McRae represents and help in its on-going climb toward excellence.

**GLENN HUNT:**

The college's undivided allegiance to church, students, faculty and mission. There can be no "divided allegiance" if success is expected

**JOHN WALRATH:**

When I was asked to become a trustee at Lees-McRae College about five years ago, I accepted with some reluctance because I wasn't at all sure I could apply my business experience to the academic world

I have found that a background in business is indeed one of several qualifications that can be offered by a potential trustee. My principal contacts have been with college administrative personnel. I have been richly rewarded, not only through my association with college administrators and fellow trustees, but also from my more limited contacts with academic affairs, faculty, athletics and students (who constitute our sole reason for being here)

Service as an active trustee is a challenging and satisfying experience.

DON MONEYHUN:

Lees-McRae successfully launched the college careers of both my son and daughter. The academic stimulus and a special rapport with the faculty gave them a confidence that is still with them. I will serve and support Lees-McRae in every way I can.

**JULIA MORTON:**

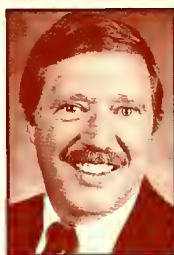
To me Lees-McRae College has a special mission here in the mountains; it provides the opportunity for many young people to prepare for broader, more interesting, more demanding careers, the opportunity for growing and becoming. It is the vehicle of new ideas and new friendships, new interest, new skills, new self-esteem

**ROMA MELTON:**

I love Lees-McRae College! Not only do we offer outstanding educational opportunities to our students, we do it in an atmosphere of nurturing and mentoring. There is an air of enthusiasm on the campus. Enthusiasm for living and enthusiasm for learning. At Lees-McRae "Simply the Best" is not just a motto, it is a mission. I am proud to be a part of this mission.

WHY THEY CHOSE TO BECOME TRUSTEES**PAUL DIETZEL:**

Our career in educational institutions has made us very comfortable with the Lees-McRae family and it is our favorite relationship. We were proud to have been asked to serve

**CHARLES T. (Chip) HERNDON, IV:**

I have prayed for opportunities to be of service to my Lord. By family ties, I had occasion to visit and spend time in the beautiful surroundings and to make the acquaintance of some of the dedicated staff. As I became aware of the mission of Lees-McRae through these contacts, the choice to become a trustee was the answer to this prayer for me--the opportunity to be of Christian service.

EDWARD KUSEL:

Over a period of several years I was one of the sponsors and leaders of a college economics symposium at the Presbyterian Conference Center on Hilton Head Island, SC. Each year, 12-18 colleges in the Southeast would send 4-6 of their students to the Island for a three-day program on the theme "you can be successful in the business world without sacrificing your Christian principles." I was always very impressed with the quality of students who attended from Lees-McRae.

In 1983, we became summer residents of the Banner Elk area, and I had an opportunity to learn more about the college, and, saw that much credit was due the administrative staff and faculty. They were a very dedicated, and, extremely capable group of people truly interested in helping young people prepare for their futures. I hoped as a trustee I might be able to contribute in at least a small way to the continued growth and development of Lees-McRae.

**SAM WHALEN:**

It would be impossible for me to define or enumerate all the benefits education has made possible in the development of my career. Now that I have retired from an active business life, I now have the time to return some of the past favors by offering to serve on the Board of Trustees at Lees-McRae College. I certainly hope I can be of assistance.

**BOBBY LOMAX:**

Dr. Evans talked to our Men of the Church several years ago and I was very impressed with what he said about the college. I was also impressed with the statements that Dr. Crain had to say about student need -- very impressed with Dr. Crain and his wife Alice and their commitment to the college--also Bill Sherrill's interest in Lees-McRae was stimulating.



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LEES-McRAE hallmarks: "It is our belief that the Lees-McRae graduate should be known not only for knowledge and skills, but also for values, a sense of self as a member of society, and a concern for humanity," and students put that philosophy into practice while working on the latest Habitat for Humanity house in Avery.

Many of the students from Lees-McRae who were involved were a part of the college's Alpha 101 Freshman Seminar program which is designed to acclimate incoming freshmen and transfers to the college community and experience. Dr. Roma Joyce expressed her admiration for the students' efforts. "I am extremely impressed with these students. They have a community-minded spirit that many young people do not have. I was impressed not only with the project they chose but also with the introspection they exhibited in examining the talents they possessed and trying to put them to the best use."

Director of Freshman Experience Linda King said that the students' work on the Habitat House was a "fine example" of what the Alpha program is all about. "We strive to raise the awareness of the needs of others and hope to foster the willingness in these students to do something about it." We hope that developing a strong sense of 'community' will stick with the students in their days after Lees-McRae and for the rest of their lives."



Performing Arts is one of the "flagship" majors at Lees-McRae. During the academic year students may be involved in two musicals, two "straight" plays, student-directed one acts, a traveling children's show, as well as several other minor productions. In the summer, students may participate in Lees-McRae's very successful professional summer theatre. Over 200,000 people a year are pleased by the quality of work provided by the Performing Arts Department's traveling troupes. With over 100 performances in locales throughout the Southeast, the various ensembles, the Highlanders (song and dance troupe), the Vocal Ensemble, the Handbell Choir, the Dance Theatre, and the championship and nationally recognized Clogging Team win standing ovations.

Students excel... in high places.



At left, Window of Opportunity--LMC students Kim DeTamble (left) and Keith Stroud take a break during work on the Habitat House; Dr. Crain and Homecoming Queen Julie Farthing; scene from Performing Arts' "Big River." Above, championship Cloggers, modern dance, and the Highlanders.



LEESMCRRAE will keep clear its educational focus even as it expands its educational mission. The recent developments on campus require the expert leadership of the president, the administration, the faculty, and the student body. Here at Lees-McRae, and connected with the college, on the Board of Trustees, from the church, and from all walks of life, are men and women of vision. Because of their vision, students will not only have the best available environment to enhance their strengths and improve their weaknesses, they will be encouraged to further develop a balanced sense of personal values, integrity, and moral worth. Here there is constant challenge, the desire to excel, and a stimulus for learning.

WHY THEY CHOSE TO BECOME TRUSTEES



PLATO WILSON:

I have been enthusiastic about Lees-McRae College for more than 40 years. I think the college has a great story to tell the world, and I would like to be a part of the telling of the good word!

CARTER WISEMAN:

Nearly 30 years ago Lees-McRae College chose to accept me as a student. I was truly honored again when Lees-McRae chose me to become an LMC trustee. With no hesitation, I chose to serve in this position to help ensure the sacred flame Edgar Tufts set aglow nearly 100 years ago.



DORIS CARSON:

I chose to become a trustee at Lees-McRae College because the opportunity to serve, to learn, and to meet new challenges was too good to turn down! It has been a blessing in my life to be associated with the outstanding folks who make up the faculty, staff, and student body of Lees-McRae.



Computers Enrich Campus Life

Lees-McRae has always had as its trademark the foresight to respond quickly and accurately to the changing needs of its students. The college also has had a "second sense" about what society needs from its educated citizenry. A new computer network on campus that will link all students, faculty, and staff into one system of communication is the latest example of Lees-McRae's responding to its students and to the needs of society. This new computer system ultimately will combine all campus activities currently using computers and give access to all employees and students in their offices and residence hall rooms. This new network will allow for "computer-enhanced instruction" which will enable professors to create new methods of instruction in the various academic disciplines. The college expects that by the 1995 academic year the network will be fully in place and Lees-McRae College will be poised and ready for the unique challenges that await as the college and its students enter the 21st century.

LMC Residence Halls Set for Renovation

The Lees-McRae Trustees have approved a \$2.4 million long-term, low-interest loan through the College Facilities Loan Program (CFLP) that was recently awarded to the college for the renovation and construction of living spaces on campus.

Lees-McRae Vice President for Student Services and Campus Facilities Gary Juhan feels that the renovation plan will have a "dramatic impact" on the Lees-McRae campus. "The CFLP loan will provide an excellent opportunity for Lees-McRae to proceed with its renovation program of campus housing, and particular emphasis will be placed on improving the quality of life, safety, and atmosphere for those students who will be living on campus." Total CFLP loan awards in 1989 and 1990 were approximately \$30 million, and Lees-McRae's application for the low-interest loan was accepted ahead of 70 other schools vying for the same monies.

Lovell Admissions and Welcome Center Dedicated

Ed Lovell, who recently completed his second term as a Lees-McRae College Trustee, was recognized by having the new Lees-McRae Admissions building named in his honor. Lovell, who is pictured with his wife Betty, has retired from the Board of Trustees but will remain officially as "Ambassador-at Large for Lees-McRae College" and "Counselor to the President." The Lovells split their time between Hound Ears and Ponte Vedra Beach, Florida.

Competition in high places affords a pinnacle of success . . .

It was a banner year for women's sports at Lees-McRae College in 1992.

The women's soccer program put together yet another winning season as Head Coach Ried Estus, who has been at the helm of Lady Bobcat soccer since its inception five years ago, continued his winning ways leading Lees-McRae to a 13-5 finish. When final season records are compared in years to come, it will appear that the Lady Bobcat soccer program suffered through no real transition period moving from the JUCO ranks to the NAIA, and that is just the way Estus hoped it would be. "We did not skip a beat moving to playing four-year competition," said Estus, adding, "I think our schedule shows that we also did not avoid any of the best teams. We were in the hunt all season long and next year, when we are eligible for post-season action, we will be ready."

The women's volleyball team made great strides in 1991, doubling its output in wins from 6 to 12 in only its second year of competition after being revived in 1990. Second-year Head Coach Fish Gupton explained that the "team concept" was the biggest difference from one year ago. "Last year we had a group of individuals trying to play a team sport, whereas this year we started with a group of individuals who came together as a team as the season progressed."

The Lady Bobcat basketball team set the standard for remarkable turnaround seasons as Head Coach Janet Dixon infused a 6-20 team with exciting new talent in the form of five quality freshman recruits and made a splash in the NAIA during the team's first season of competition on that level by going 22-7 and representing the college in the District 26 playoffs. Dixon was pleased with how easily the new players were integrated into the program. "Our upperclassmen knew what kind of an impact these new players could have on our chances for success this year and they went out of their way to help the freshmen get adjusted, not only to the way we do things on the basketball team, but to college life in general and the result was a runaway success."

Lori Eichler, who became the first Lady Bobcat to score 1,000 career points, was named to the All-NAIA District 26 Team, along with freshman Stephen McCoverly.



"My high school (Harding) coach went to Lees-McRae, so I put Banner Elk on my college shopping list. I took a visit up there and fell in love with the mountains. It's a beautiful place. The people are friendly and the atmosphere is great. It is a comfortable place to go to school. It's a family (caring) atmosphere."

--Lori Eichler

(From an interview in *The Charlotte Observer*)



Bobcat Alumni (Hardy & Tiggie) playing with the pros.

On the gridiron, the successes came not on the scoreboard but through the achievements of Bobcats both past and present. Two members of the "Class of '88," running back Robert Hardy and linebacker Calvin Tiggie, both made the roster of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the National Football League. Although both saw limited action, Hardy was named as one of the team's tri-captains at the conclusion of the season. On the current Bobcat roster, freshman punter David Friday established himself as one of the premier punters in the Southeast by leading the NAIA in punting, averaging over 43 yards per kick and being named to the NAIA All-American First Team. Teammate and starting center Tom Nelson also was recognized by the NAIA by being named to the Honorable Mention All-American Team. The football Bobcats were the hardest hit by the transition to four-year play as the team was comprised mainly of freshmen, with a sprinkling of sophomores, fewer juniors, and no seniors. It was consequently a "trial by fire" for the young men in green and gold, finishing with an 0-9 record but with lots of experience in store for next season.

LEES-MCRAE makes transition to stiff four-year competition in NAIA and NCAA action.



"I transferred to Lees-McRae because it had a great women's soccer program and I knew I could get a good education there."

--Kama Roberts
All-Southeast Team



The men's soccer team, with the exception of All-American goalkeeper John Clark, was mainly comprised of freshmen and, like any team lacking "live-game" experience on the collegiate level, the Bobcats endured many ups and downs throughout the course of the season. "I have to give the players all the credit in the world," stated Head Coach Fred LaRoche, who added, "They put it on the line in some games where it would have been easy to quit; a coach can't ask any more of his players than that."

The men's basketball program, unfortunately, could not manage to draft any momentum from the women's squad, posting two victories early in the season but suffering through a drought until the end of the campaign, coming close to several victories in the process but always coming up just shy. Junior forward Robert Brower received All-NAIA District 26 honors. With everyone set to return next season, Head Coach Jack Lytton is looking forward to bigger and better things in 1992-93.

The Bobcat Ski Team had a successful season as the men's team finished third in the conference, representing Lees-McRae at the regionals; top female racer Tracie Brewer finished atop the Southern Division standings despite missing the last race due to a season-ending knee injury. For the first year in recent memory, the snow was sufficient to ski in every scheduled race.





BOBCATS IN ACTION: At left, Jennifer McAvoy, Desiree Diaz, Libby Byrd (22), Jon Moore (2). Below: Skiers Jagen Lewicki, Andrew Wojak; Robert Brower, Lori Eichler, and Lamont Calhoun (11) calling signals.



At **LEESMCRRAE** you've got friends in high places.



--Dr. Mary Wilgus
Associate
Professor
of History

"As we have implemented our four-year program and our history major, there is more maturity and quality among our students that have served to challenge me as a history professor."



"Lees-McRae has given me many opportunities to get involved, and being a part of the Student Government Association and the Highlanders have been most enjoyable experiences."

--Robbyn
Clemmer,
President,
Senior Class



"I am indebted to Lees-McRae for not only giving me a chance to play football at the collegiate level, but more importantly, to get a college education. Playing football for the Bobcats has been a great experience, but my college degree will last a lifetime."

--Lamont
Calhoun,
Captain,
Football Team



Joslin Publishes Book

Lees-McRae College Associate Professor of English Michael Joslin recently published a book entitled *Mountain People, Places and Ways: A Southern Appalachian Sampler*. The book contains black and white photos and articles written during Joslin's work as a freelance photographer and writer covering the western North Carolina area. Before publication of the book, Joslin toured his photo exhibit, "Spots of Time in the Black Mountains," throughout the area. The photos that were in the display were from a selection of thousands of slides taken for the book. Joslin's photos show the cycle of life and how it is affected by the surrounding environment. His photographs give recognition to the spectacular life of the Southern Appalachian Mountains and the populace which calls them home. "I love living in the mountains of western North Carolina," Joslin explains. "Serenity comes from life in my cove where nature predominates and dictates the rhythm of life."

There are about eight years of photography in the exhibit. Joslin was able to complete the photos through a grant received from the Center for



Yount

Appalachian Studies and Services and East Tennessee State University to promote Appalachian issues.

Yount Delivers Opening Convocation Address

Lees-McRae College Associate Professor David Yount was the featured speaker during spring semester's opening convocation and used "The Idea of a University" as the theme for his address.

Yount put forth the issue of "what a college education at Lees-McRae College aims to do and what you aim to do as a student." "The students of the sixties and seventies in America changed what a college education was to do and the standards by which a degree was obtained. But not everybody changed. There were still educators at colleges like Lees-McRae who saw their colleges in a direct line from the universities in England of the 16th century.

"So what do we have? Educators operating on a 16th century idea of a university, and students operating on a sixties revision. I advocate that you look at your education here from another side. First, a college education at Lees-McRae is not designed to help you become a financial success. It is designed to civilize you. A study of literature, a study of world history, the scientific approach to knowing truth are all designed to make you more tolerant, more sensitive, more responsible, which is to be civilized.

"Many college students of the nineties are in for much frustration and possible failure if they don't get themselves going in the same direction as their educators. They would do well to review the college catalog as to the purpose of this college. They would do well to reflect on the idea that to be educated is to be civilized."

Ontaroga '92

Come to our Mountain Oasis ...

"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."

— Henry David Thoreau



You've got Friends ... in High Places

Academics ...

"Lees-McRae is a special place. People here know and call each other by name. Students here can realize their full potential in a caring, nurturing, supportive atmosphere. Nestled in the spectacular scenery of the Blue Ridge Mountains of western North Carolina is the stimulating and caring academic environment of Lees-McRae College. The college has a certain genius reaching back to the dreams and dedicated work of generations of men and women. It is a genius for caring about people and caring about quality. When these two elements get together—people and quality—all kinds of exciting things are likely to happen.

"People who visit our campus immediately sense that they are in a special place.

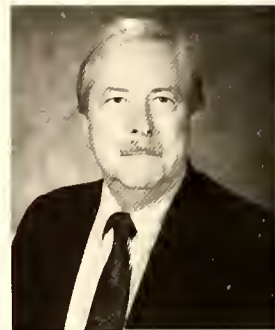
"Yet even in the fullness of this yearbook, we have only partially shown the essence of our college. For pictures and words on a page cannot capture fully the spirit of Lees-McRae. Only a visit to our campus can do that. We invite all who want to know more about our college to come to our mountaintop—and learn through experience how great Lees-McRae is."

— Dr. Bradford L. Crain



Bradford L. Crain
President
B.A., Berea College
M.A., Ph.D.,
Harvard University

Office of the President



George Gunn
Chaplain
B.A., Davidson College
M.Div., Louisville Seminary



Pat Bentley
Administrative Assistant
to the President



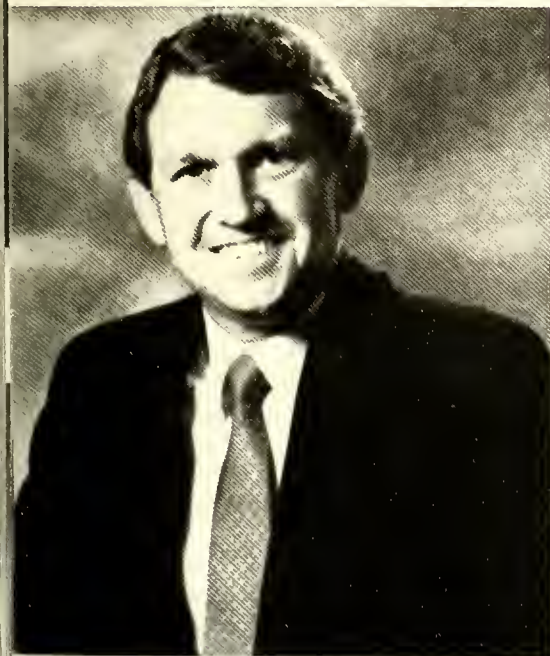
Karen DeSilva
Chaffee Center
Receptionist/Secretary

At left: Dr. Crain and Jane Smith, 1991 "Employee of the Year"

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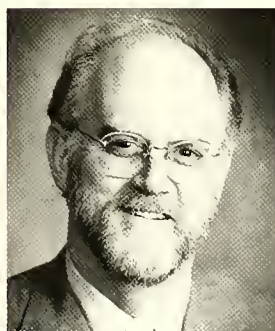
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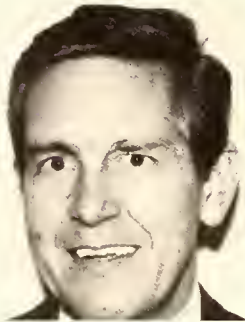
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Lovells Honored

Retiring trustee Ed Lovell and his wife Betty were honored at the fall trustee meeting at Lees-McRae College. Lovell was recognized for the college's recent accomplishments which included a 10.5 million dollar campaign drive, a new student activities center, increased endowment, and record student enrollment. Lovell was instrumental in the success of the largest capital funds drive in the college's history and served on the Financial Affairs, Endowment, and Executive Committees of the Board of

Trustees. Dr. Brad Crain stated, "Our deep appreciation to him for all he has been and done for us to award him this certificate recognizing him as 'Ambassador-at-Large for Lees-McRae College' and 'Counselor to the President.'" The Lovells were also given a replica of the Lovell Admissions Center sign acknowledging their gift to the renovation of the new admissions center on front campus and were awarded a certificate as "Honorary Alumni" of Lees-McRae College.





From left: Martha King, Bill King, Jack King, Jane King, Philip Shivell, and Ann Shivell.

King and Shivell Families Recognized

Jack King, former Chairman of the Board of Trustees at Lees-McRae College, and his wife Jane Shivell King were recognized at the fall trustee meeting in Banner Elk with the dedication of the King-Shivell Lounge. The lounge was named in honor of the Kings' parents, Mr. and Mrs. E.W. King and Mr. and Mrs. H.J. Shivell. On hand for the ceremony were Jack's brother Bill King and wife Martha as well as Jane's brother, Philip Shivell and wife Ann.

Jack King was a visionary leader at Lees-McRae during his tenure as chairman and offered strong financial support to the college. During his tenure the college witnessed record enrollment and launched the most ambitious fund-raising campaign in the college's history. Through his

leadership the college renovated the physical plant and began construction of a two million dollar student activities center. He led the search committee that brought President Crain to Lees-McRae and was instrumental in increasing the college's endowment and directing plans for the college's transition to four-year status.

Present for the trustee dinner were over two decades of past trustee chairmen, Dr. Pitser Lyons (Morristown, TN), James M. McCarl (Lenoir), James "Jick" Garland (Gastonia), King (Kingsport, TN), and Bruce Hathaway (High Point).



Glenn D. Hunt
Charlotte



Rees Jenkins, Jr.
Lumberton



Earl T. Jones
Raleigh



Edward J. Kusel
Vero Beach, FL



James E. Lauritsen
Sarasota, FL



William A. Lockwood
Delray Beach, FL

Walraths named to Society of Edgar Tufts Fellows

Pictured left, John and Ruth Walrath are flanked by Alice Crain and Dr. Brad Crain at the Lees-McRae College Trustees' dinner. The Walraths, of Elk River and Tequesta, Florida, were honored for their support to Lees-McRae. Named for the founder of Lees-McRae, persons qualifying for membership in the Edgar Tufts Fellows Society are those who invest annually and over long periods of time in the top levels of giving. Those recognized last year, and receiving the Bobcat sculpture by David Turner, were Earl and Linda

Jones, Art and Pat Viles, Ed and Betty Lovell, Jack and Jane King, and Jim and Kay Lauritsen. Other members of the Society of Edgar Tufts Fellows are: Mr. and Mrs. David Bailey, Mrs. Dorothy Blair, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Cain, Mr. James H. Carson, Mr. and Mrs. Robert G. Hayes, Mr. and Mrs. S.M. McAshan, Mrs. Virginia Reeves, Mrs. Helen MacDonald and the late N.J. MacDonald, and the late Mr. and Mrs. H. Jack Faw.



Dr. Bobby A. Lomax
Salisbury



C. Edwin Lovell
Vero Beach, FL



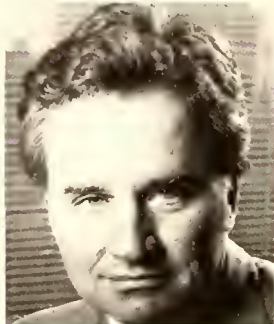
Mrs. Roma Melton
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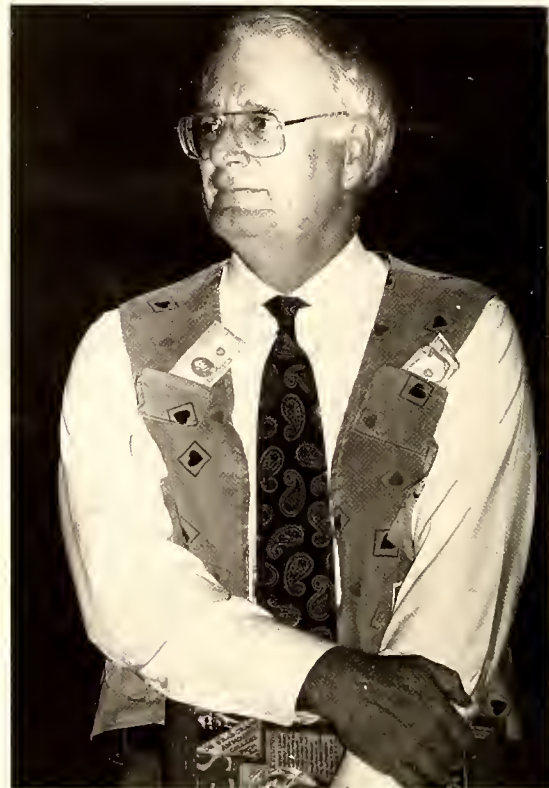
Mrs. Harriet Tucker
Greensboro



John F. Walrath
Tequesta, FL



S.J. Whalen
Naples, FL



Trustee Now Has Vested Interest in LMC

Retiring chairman of the Board of Trustees Erwin Fuller now has a vested interest in Lees-McRae and wears the vest proudly. The vest, adorned with several pockets and stuffed with dollar bills in each pocket, was made by First Lady Alice Crain and presented to Fuller at the Lees-McRae fall Board of Trustees dinner. During Fuller's tenure he was famous for teaching his colleagues and fellow trustees the essence of college "fund accounting"; recognizing that the various college financial assets are in funds that may be described as money in "Peter's" pocket or "Paul's" pocket. He was a good and respected finance teacher.

Among the many recognitions made to Fuller and his wife Nancy the vest seemed to hold the most popularity.

Fuller, a Greensboro attorney, gave astute leadership to the college Board of Trustees for the past two years. As a member of the board he served on the search committee that brought President Brad Crain to Banner Elk in 1985 and was involved in the most ambitious fundraising campaign in the college's 91-year history. He gave crucial leadership to the college's transition to four-year status. Among the highlights of his tenure was a moving and inspiring Founder's Day address he delivered last year as the college recognized the first recipients of the Founder's Day award, Paul and Margaret Tufts Neal. During the emotionally charged evening, there were some lighter moments as Erwin



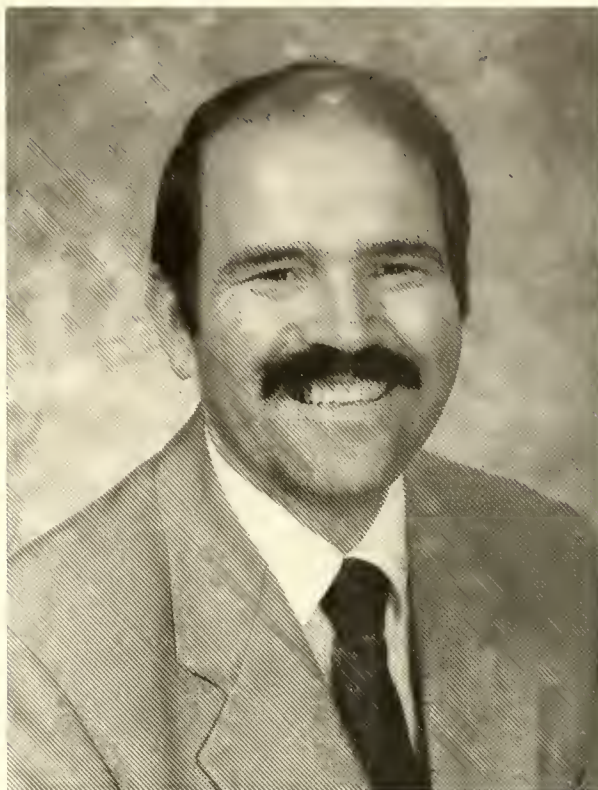
Plato Wilson
High Point



Dr. Carter Wiseman
Newland

Roy Krege
Vice President for College Plan-
ning/Community Relations
B.S., Carson-Newman College
M.A., Tennessee Technological
College

Well know, both on the Lees-
McRae College campus and in the
community. Roy Krege has been
working for the college since 1968.
He has served in the capacity of
Assistant to the President, as Busi-
ness Manager, and currently serves
as Vice President for Planning and
Community Relations. Named "Man
of the Year" in both Avery County
and Banner Elk, Krege has received
numerous awards for his active role
in church and civic affairs.



Sandy Ramsey
Secretary to the Vice President for
College
Planning/Community Relations

Nancy Semones
Director of Continuing Education
B.A., Lenoir-Rhyne College



and Nancy were presented
with honorary tennis team
member shirts and keys to
the indoor courts for life-
time privileges as well as
an illustration entitled "Elk
Times Man of the Year."

In presenting Fuller with
a small bronze sculpture of
a turtle on a fence post,
President Crain quoted the
noted author Alex Haley
who said: "If you see a tur-
tle sitting on a fence post,
you know he had help get-
ting there." Continuing,
Crain said, "Erwin, Lees-
McRae College is that turtle
and you have been and
continue to be a tremen-
dous help in putting us up
on the pinnacle that we
have reached. For that and
for much more, we thank
you."

Krege interviews Dr. Crain for a
seventy minute special about the
college to be aired on local cable
television.

College Planning and Community Relations



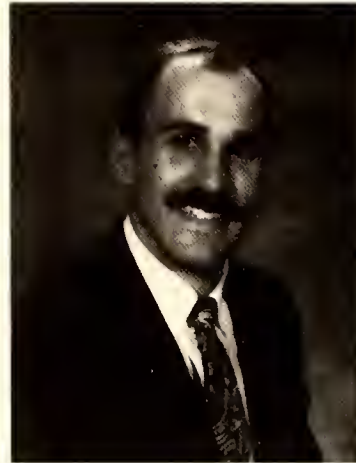


Donald R. Baker
 Vice President for Informational Services and
 Athletics/Athletic Director
 A.A., Lees-McRae College
 A.B., East Tennessee State University

In his thirty-two year tenure he has worn many hats—that of Director of Public Relations, Dean of Men, Alumni Director, tennis coach, Director LMC News Service, Sports Information Director, editor of the alumni quarterly (The Pinnacles), advisor and publisher of the yearbook. Baker has served as president of the W.C.J.C.C. (1977-87); C.J.C.C. (1987-91); Region 10, N.J.C.A.A. Director (1977-91); and Commissioner of the Coastal Football Conference (1970-90). In February 1988 he was named Vice President for Informational Services and Athletics as well as Athletic Director.



Athletic Director Don Baker presents Martha Guy with a plaque acknowledging the Avery Co. Bank for its continued support over the past 40 years. The bank began advertising in the yearbook in 1951. Ms. Guy attended LMC and is a former trustee.



Scott Ballard
 Director of Public Relations
 B.S., De Pauw University



Jack Lytton
 Head Men's Basketball Coach
 Assistant Athletic Director
 B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University



Joyce Baker
 Assistant for Public Relations
 A.A., Lees-McRae College

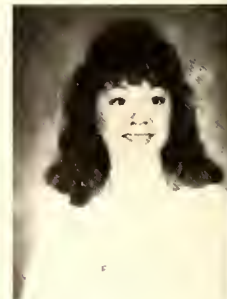


Joanne Franklin
 Secretary to the Vice President for
 Informational Services



Pattie Benfield
 Secretary for Public Relations

Informational Services and Athletics



Suzie Fisk
 Secretary to the Athletic Director



Janet Dixon

Head Women's Basketball Coach
B.A., Pfeiffer College
M.S., Gardner-Webb College



Ried Estus

Head Women's Soccer Coach
A.S., Montreat-Anderson College
M.A., Covenant College



Gene Gupton

Head Volleyball Coach/Men's &
Women's Tennis Coach
A.S., Lees-McRae College
B.A., Emory & Henry College
S., Virginia Polytechnic Institute



Dan Higgins

Assistant Football Coach
B.S., Auburn University



Todd Knight

Assistant Football Coach
S., M.A., Gardner-Webb College



Frederic F. LaRoche

Head Men's Soccer Coach
A.A., Okaloosa Walton Junior College
B.S., University of South Carolina at
Spartanburg
M.S., Midwestern State University



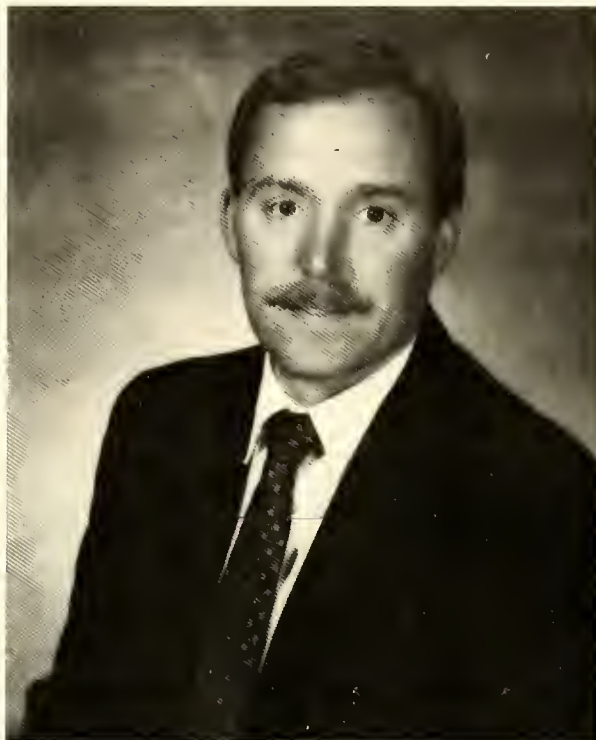
John L. Pate

Head Football Coach
S., North Georgia College
S., Georgia Southern College



Rita Smith

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



Gary Juhan

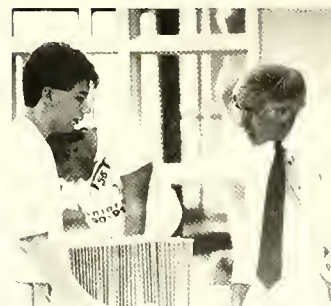
Vice President for Student Services and Campus Facilities
B.A., M.A., Ed.S., Appalachian State University

Student Services and Campus Facilities

Juhan first served at Lees-McRae from 1978-80 as Associate Dean of Students and returned in 1987 to accept the position of Vice President for Student Development. During his service to Lees-McRae, Juhan has greatly enhanced the role Student Services plays in improving the quality of life for students. Juhan is currently the Vice President for Student Services and Campus Facilities.

Stress Week was a "hit" as students

began final exams as Director of Counseling Mary Graham introduced a way to relieve tension. After a breathing/relaxing workshop and a relaxation/visualization video of a beach trip students were allowed to "take out a little frustration" with foam bats and then had "scream time." Health Services Nurse John Wilson discusses physical examinations and immunizations with students during registration.





Patti Stephans
Dean of Student Development
B.S., University of Tennessee at Knoxville
M.S., Indiana State University



John Angel
Associate Dean of Student Development
B.A., University of Tennessee at Knoxville
M.A., Appalachian State University



The Many Faces of John Angel ...

Wilson Named "Employee of the Quarter" — John Wilson (left) is presented his certificate naming him "Employee of the Quarter" for the second quarter of 1992 by Lees-McRae President Dr. Brad Crain.



Student Services



Molly Donnelly
Director of Residence Life
B.S., Murray State University
M.A., Appalachian State University



Sharon Coutant
Career Counselor
B.A., Transylvania University
M.A., Appalachian State University



Mary Graham
Director of Counseling Services
A.A., College of the Albemarle
B.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
M.A., Appalachian State University



Todd Gambill
Director of Intramurals/Activities
B.S., Pfeiffer College



Grace Woody
Student Services Office Manager
A.S., Lees-McRae College



Paul Issacs
Director of Safety & Security
A.S., Western Piedmont

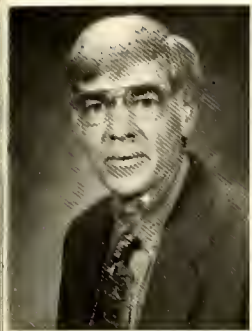


Kara Parsons
Secretary for Student Development



Ken Melton
Director of Physical Plant

Business Affairs/Computer Services



John C. Wilson
Health Services Nurse
B.S., M.S., Iowa State University
M.Div., Th.M., D.Min., Union
Theological Seminary



Jane Smith
Director of College Post Office



Mary Johnson
Controller



Sandy Hoyle
Accounts Payable Clerk



Charles Crumley
Data Processing
Manager/Business Office



Iris Miller
Postal Clerk



Betty Gentry
Student Center Staff



Clara Sparks
Student Center Staff

Also pictured: Brenda Hatfield, Secretary to the Director of Physical Plant; Wayne Byers, Security Officer; Rufus Biddix, Security Officer; C.W. Anthony, Coordinator of Plant Operations; Danny Odom, Coordinator of Physical Plant.



Faye Williams
Administrative Assistant to
the Vice President for
Business Affairs



Cathy Shell
Accountant



Carolyn Ward
Secretary to the Vice
President for Business
Affairs



Jimmy Street
Director of College
Store/Purchasing



Gwen Miller
Purchasing Secretary and
Clerk for College Store



Danny McKinney
College Store Clerk



Melvin Law

Vice President for Business Affairs and Director of Computer Services



Kathy Burton
Assistant Director of Computer
Services
B.S., M.S., University of Tennessee
at Knoxville



Roy Biggers
Epicure Food
Service Director



David Menzel
Epicure Food Ser-
vice Assistant
Director





William B. Farthing
Vice President for Institutional Advancement
B.S., Appalachian State University

Farthing joined the administrative staff at Lees-McRae in 1977 as Director of Development and barely a year had passed before he was elevated to Vice President for Development. In 1983 he took a similar position at Lees College (KY), but soon returned to Banner Elk and took the position of Executive Vice President at Lees-McRae in 1985. In 1986 Farthing was named Vice President for Institutional Development/Church Relations and he currently holds the title of Vice President for Institutional Advancement.

Ned Bryne (left), of the Grandfather Golf and Country Club, presents Lees-McRae College Vice President for Institutional Advancement Bill Farthing with a check. The money was raised during a benefit Pro-Am featuring 60 amateur golfers.



Institutional Advancement



Dr. David Sokol
Director of Development and Investments
B.A., M.A., University of South Florida
Ph.D., Century University



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



Mary Hickman
Director of Financial Planning
B.S., Duke University



Jack Robinson
Associate Director of Development and Director of Alumni Affairs
A.A., Lees-McRae Coll., B.A., Kings Coll.
B.D., Columbia Seminary
D.Min., McCormick Seminary



Lynn Sanders
Director of Institutional Research and Foundation Relations B.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



Frankie Needham
Secretary to the Vice President for Institutional Advancement



Margie Revis
Secretary to the Director of Alumni Affairs



Darla Buchanan
Secretary to the Development Office

Mary Hickman Retires From Financial Post

Mary Hickman was recognized at a reception in her honor for her 19 years of dedicated service at Lees-McRae as Director of Financial Planning. Mrs. Hickman was given a plaque from the faculty, administration, and trustees of Lees-McRae inscribed: "In recognition of her 19 years of dedicated and loyal service to Lees-McRae College Office of Financial Planning, her wit, wisdom, and encouragement was an inspiration to all whom she came in contact."

President Bradford Crain awarded Mrs. Hickman a gold Lees-McRae watch. Bill Farthing, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, presided

on campus in many other ways and is a vital part of the college family."

She has played a vital part in arranging decorations for special college functions and athletic events. "At any college function, dinner, banquet, or other college ceremony you see Mary's excellent handiwork in floral arrangements and decorations," a college official stated, adding, "We have been fortunate to have had such a talented individual, not only in the Office of Financial Planning where she has been efficient and more than capable of handling a demanding job, but we also have had someone who can assist us in the many preparations for



Stuart Silver
Financial Planning Office Manager



Laura Martz
Financial Aid Coordinator and Loan Counselor
B.A., Campbell University



Martha Dorage
Associate Dean of Admissions
B.A., Elon College



Mary Ann Abrusci
Admissions Data Processor



Emily Crain
Admissions Counselor
A.S., Lees-McRae College
Appalachian State University



Jeannie Gambill
Admissions Counselor
B.S., Lees-McRae College



Gregory Griffin
Admissions Counselor
B.S., Lees-McRae College



Jennifer Hermon
Admissions Office Secretary
B.S., Appalachian State University



Bill Farthing gets a laugh from Mary Hickman with teddy bear presentation.

over other awards honoring her including a plaque from the athletic department for "support and dedicated service to intercollegiate athletics, 1973-1992."

A native of Philadelphia, PA, she received her B.S. degree from Duke University and had further study at Appalachian State University in the College of Business. She moved to Boone from Charlotte in 1970 where she was employed by the Bank of North Carolina. She is a member of Zeta Tau Alpha (Duke University) and the Canterbury Club of Duke as well as the North Carolina Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators and the Southern Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

Mrs. Hickman has directed the Office of Financial Planning for 19 years and a colleague stated when nominating her for an "Employee of the Month" award (which she won): "Mary really cares about LMC students and uses every resource to help them. She goes beyond her job description in genuinely caring about each student. She's also involved

various functions on campus. She has kept the welcome mat out for students and her door has always been open to them. She has always been involved in the activities on campus and has added a caring touch to each event."

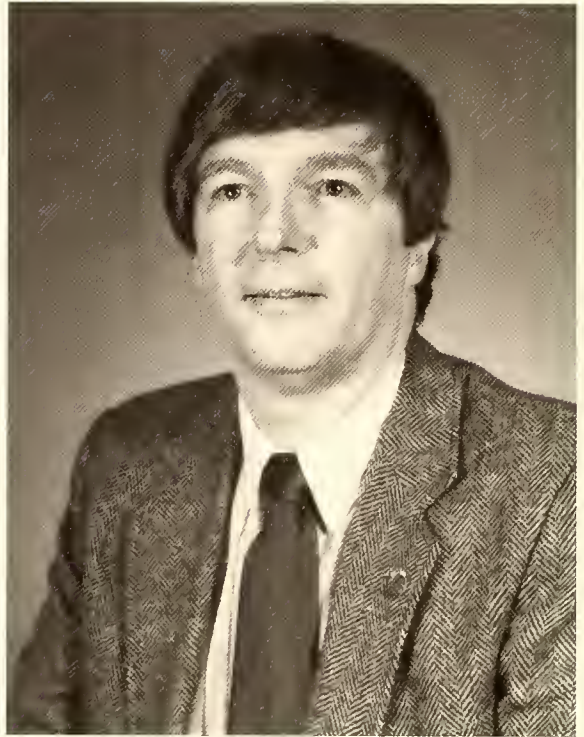




Dr. David Sokol, the school's Director of Development and Investments, completed a test issued by the Institute of Certified Professional Managers and received a certificate naming him a Certified Manager. Sokol is being congratulated by Dr. Crain.



Carter Hammett-McGarry was named as the Director of Financial Aid following the retirement of Mary Hickman. Hammett-McGarry received both her bachelor's and master's degrees from Appalachian State University. She served positions in the Presbyterian Church and Holston Presbytery Camp as well as being the Deputy Registrar at the University of Florida. Prior to coming to LMC she served as a vocational counselor at Guam Community College on the Island of Guam.



James A. Stonesifer

Vice President for Academic Affairs
and Dean of the College
B.A., Bridgewater College
M.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

Beginning as a biology instructor in 1967 at Lees-McRae, Stonesifer quickly established himself in academic life at the college by becoming Chairman of the Department of Natural and Physical Sciences before becoming Academic Dean and eventually Vice President for Academic Affairs. In extracurricular activities he has sponsored the national scholastic fraternity, the Beta Tau chapter, of Phi Theta Kappa since 1973 and has directed this group to national recognition.

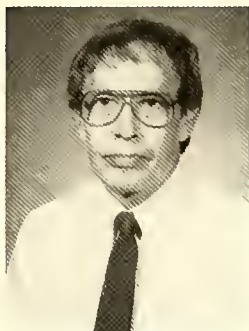
Academic Affairs

1992 LMC Wellness Team Winners (l-r): Celia Dalton, Ita Kilbride, Kristal Norris, John Wilson, Roma Joyce, John Angel.





Millie G. Wiseman
Registrar
Honorary Degree,
Lees-McRae College



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



Linda King
Director of Freshman Experience
and Academic Counseling



Donese Preswood
Assistant Librarian
B.S., M.S., Appalachian State
University



Louise Jackson
Library Staff



Ramona Hayes
Library Staff



Rosie Smith
Library Staff



Mary Louise Pritchett
Library Staff



Tammy Franklin
Secretary to the Vice President
for Academic Affairs and Dean
of the College



Kathy Henson
Secretary for Academic Affairs



Joyce Ratliff
Secretary to the Division of
Performing Arts



Celia Dalton
Coordinator of Curriculum Center



stonesifer during the taping of
LMC film



Donese Preswood (left) receives
books for the library from Dr. Mary
Wilgus, Chairperson of LMC's
Bicentennial of the U.S. Constitu-
tion Committee.

Not Pictured: Tim Hill, Library Staff;
Darlene Gibbs, Administrative Office
Manager for Talent Search; Gil Bal-
ley, Talent Search Counselor; Nancy
Painter, Director/Coordinator of Tal-
ent Search.

JOHN CATES RECEIVES 1991 DIS-
TINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD.
Cates returned to LMC after receiv-
ing his B.S. degree at UNC-Chapel
Hill. He served in the Admissions
Office and later served as Director of
Alumni Affairs. Although job titles
and responsibilities changed
throughout his time in the Develop-
ment Office he continued to work
with alumni and friends of the col-
lege in each capacity.



Division of Education

Roma Joyce

Professor of Education, Chairman
B.A., Meredith College
M.A., Wake Forest University
Ed.D., University of North Carolina at Greensboro



Ita Kilbride

Associate Professor of Education
Teacher Certification, North Ireland
M.A., Appalachian State University
Ed.D., University of North Carolina at Greensboro



Allen Speer

Professor of Education
B.S., M.A., Appalachian State Univ., Ed.D.,
Univ. of North Carolina at Greensboro



Division of Performing Arts



Not Pictured: James Martz,
Assistant Professor of Performing Arts
A.B., DePauw University
M.F.A., University of Georgia

Kimberly Crabtree

Assistant Professor of Dance
B.A., Lenoir-Rhyne College
M.F.A., University of North Carolina at Greensboro



Stephen Parrish

Assistant Professor of Music
B.M., M.A. Appalachian State University



Janet Speer

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Ph.D., Louisiana State University

Charlotte D'Armond

Associate Professor of Performing Arts
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B.A., Carson-Newman College
M.A., M.L.S., Ph.D., Louisiana State University



James Taylor

Lecturer in Music B.A., Appalachian State University



Division For Academic Advancement



Pat Smith

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Chairman, and Director of Learning Support
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Certified Specialist in Developmental
Education, Kellogg Institute,
Appalachian State University



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M.Ed., University of Central Florida



Amelia Gossett

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B.A., Emory & Henry College
M.Ed., University of Georgia

Not Pictured: Larry Shook, Instructor for Academic Advancement.



Webster's Dictionary defines potential as, "the inherent ability or capacity for growth, development, or coming into being," and encouraging that capacity for growth and development is exactly what Lees-Rae Professor Joan Williams does in the Division for Academic Advancement.



Judy McClung

Assistant Professor for Academic Advancement
B.S., Florida State University
M.A., Wheaton College

Karla McGinnis

Assistant Professor for Academic Advancement
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Joan Williams

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S. M.A., Appalachian State University



Debbie Gidney

Supervisor of Academic Skills Clinic
A.S., Lees-McRae College

Division of Natural and Physical Sciences



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B.S., Colorado State University
Ph.D., Oklahoma State University



Robin Canterbury

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Claude Pyatte

Assistant Professor of Biology
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M.A., California State University
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James A. Stonesifer

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M.A., University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill



Phil Teagarden

Associate Professor of Biology
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M.S., University of Tennessee at Knoxville
M.A., Appalachian State University
D.A., Western Colorado University

Not Pictured: Kenneth Davis, Assistant Professor of Chemistry;
Eugene Spears, Jr., Associate Professor of Biology, Chairman.



O'dell Smith

Associate Professor of Religion, Chairman
A.B., Emory & Henry College
M. Div., Union Theological Seminary



O'dell Smith lecturing.



Yount answering a question.



Roberta Cauvel

Assistant Professor of Religion
B.A., Whitworth College
M.A., Presbyterian School of Christian
Education



Janet Dixon

Physical Education
B.A., Pfeiffer College
M.A., Gardner-Webb College



Dwaine Greene

Assistant Professor of Religion
B.A., Campbell University
M.A., Wake Forest University
Ph.D., University of Virginia



George Gunn

Religion
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M. Div., Louisville Seminary



Gene Gupton

Physical Education
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B.A., Emory & Henry College
M.S., Virginia Polytechnical Institute



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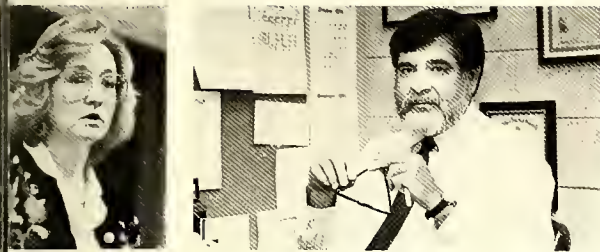
John Pate

Physical Education
B.S., North Georgia College
M.S., Georgia Southern College

Division of Social and Health Sciences



World War II fan admires display of P-38. Below, Wilgus (left) and Randleman.



J. Michael Randleman

Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice
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J.D., Wake Forest University School of Law

Rita Smith

Athletic Training
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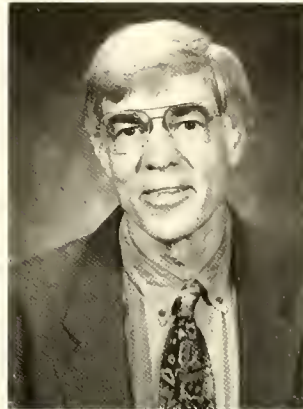
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Mary Wilgus

Associate Professor of History
B.A., M.A., Middle Tennessee State University
Ph.D., Vanderbilt University



John C. Wilson

Psychology and Sociology
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M. Div., Th. M., D. Min., Union Theological Seminary



David Yount

Associate Professor of History
B.A., Lenoir Rhyne College
M. Div., Duke University
M.A., University of Vermont



The Jewish Chautauqua Society donated several books to the Carson Library during a visit and speech by Rabbi Thomas Liebschutz. The books were accepted by College Chaplain George Gunn.

Adjunct Faculty

Mark Barber, Dance; Susan Beam, History; Leota Coffey, Education; Libby Farthing, Clogging; Elizabeth Lightfoot, Reading; Kenneth C. Nelson, Criminal Justice; Thomas Puckett, Geography; Robert (B. J.) Russell, Business; Diane Rydell, Piano and Voice; Catherine Smith, Horsemanship; Barbara Timberman, Art Appreciation.

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Knoxville



Jack Coffey

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Ed.D., Highland University



Lewis M. Hall

Professor of Mathematics
B.S., College of William and Mary
M.A., East Tennessee State University



Susie Sheffield

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B.B.A., University of Mississippi
M.S., Appalachian State University
Certified Public Accountant



Samuel B. Travis

Associate Professor of Mathematics
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Larry Welsh

Associate Professor of Mathematics
B.S., United States Military Academy
M.S., Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute



Not pictured: Floyd Fuller, Associate Professor of Computer Science, Chairman B.S., Presbyterian College M.A., Appalachian State University Xiao-Qing Meng, Associate Professor of Mathematics B.A., Beijing Normal University M.A., Ph.D., State University of New York at Buffalo

Division of Languages, Literature and Fine Arts

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A.A., Gardner Webb College
B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University



Bradford L. Crain

Literature
B.A., Berea College
M.A., Ph.D., Harvard University



Faculty helped celebrate Lewis Hall's retirement.

Michael E. Joslin

Associate Professor of English
Ph.D., University of South Carolina at
Columbia

Ted Ledford

Professor of English
B.S., M.A., Appalachian State University
Ph. D., Ohio University



Philip Royall

Associate Professor of Spanish
A.B., Western Carolina University
M.A., Appalachian State University

Ruth Shomaker

Assistant Professor of French and
Director of Language Lab
B.A., Western Carolina University
M.A., Memphis State University



Carolyn Travis

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S., M.A., Appalachian State University

Mary White

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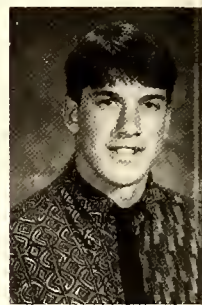
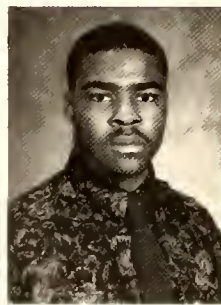
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Freshman class spells out "The Pride's Within."

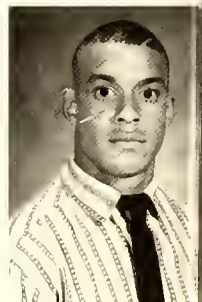
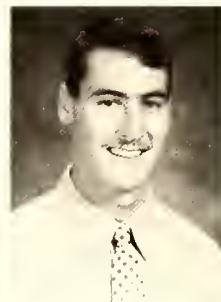
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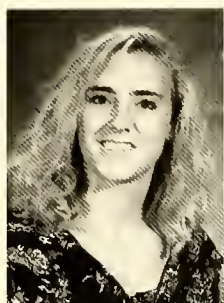
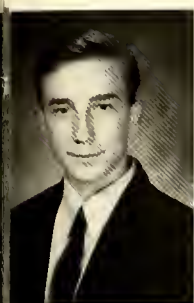


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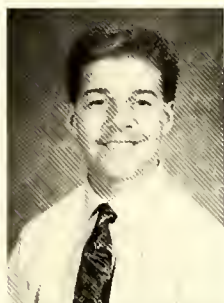


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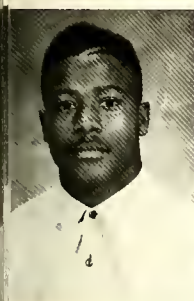
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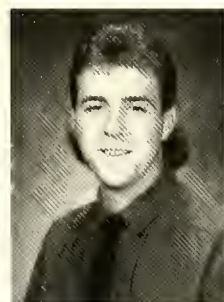
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Lyle Davis
High Point



Upper Left:
Marcus Davis
Blacksburg, SC
Holly Dawson
Charlotte
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Matthews



Tree planting on Earth Day.



Left:
Michelle Driscoll
Charlotte
Jonathon Dunlap
Rock Hill, SC
Brian Dyer
Duluth, GA

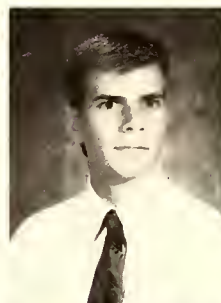
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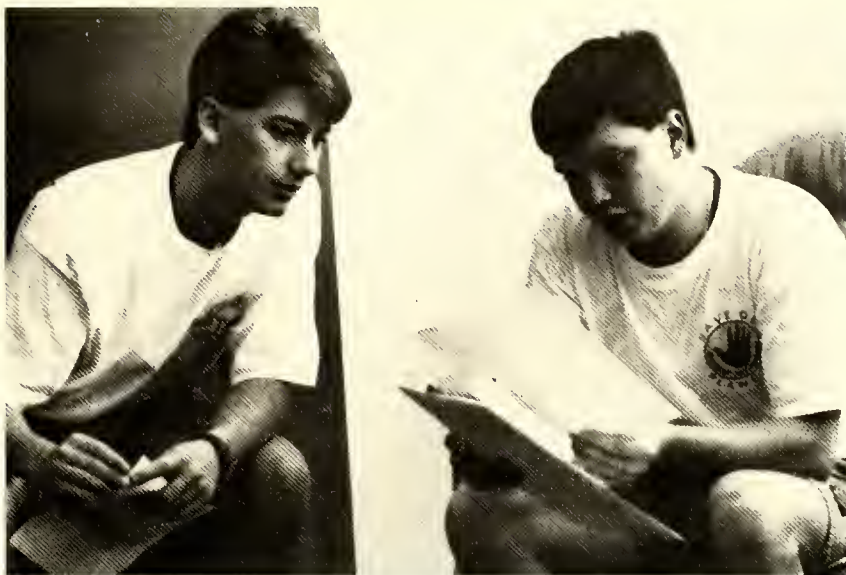
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David Guy
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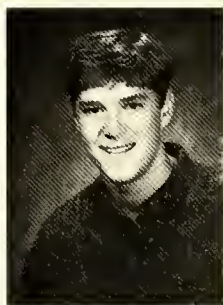


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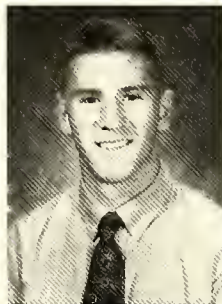


Wellness Check Freshman Joanne Flood has her pulse and oxygen saturation checked during the "Health Fair" while other students review health charts. The "Health Fair" was sponsored by Cannon Memorial Hospital during "Wellness Week."

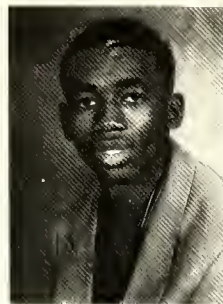
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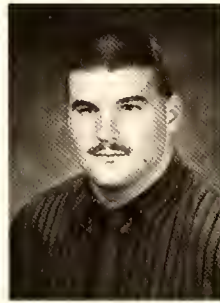


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DeLean Judd
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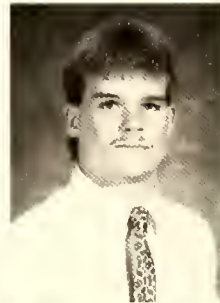




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 Midlothian, VA
Li Liu
 Boone
Ken Lowenberg
 New Port Richey, FL



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 Waxhaw
Alvin Marlow
 Maysville, GA
Neil Marritt
 Winston-Salem



Robin Matheson
 Sugar Grove
Jill McAllister
 Clearwater, FL
Tracy McCray
 Sparta
Chad McCulloch
 Candler



Cindy McKinney
 Roan Mountain, TN
Wendy McKinney
 Roan Mountain, TN
Russell Mendenhall
 High Point
Leon Monroe
 Raleigh



Michele Monsour
 Thaxton, VA
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 Bonaire, GA
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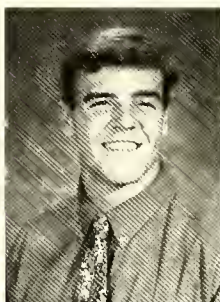
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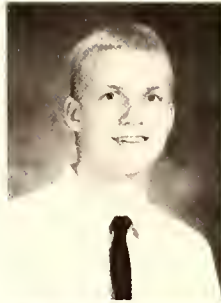
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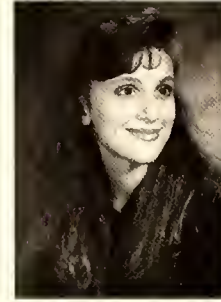
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Angela St. Clair
Denver
Paul Stephenson
Cary



Will Stockton
High Point
Stuart Swager
Orange Park, FL
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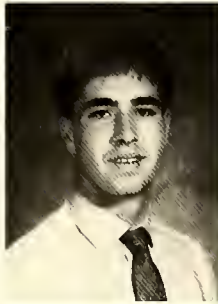


It takes longer to get "Snip" Keaton's boots off than it did for the biology experiment at Elk Rier.

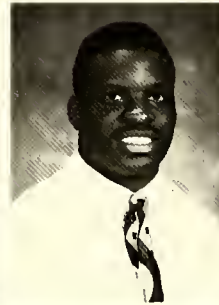


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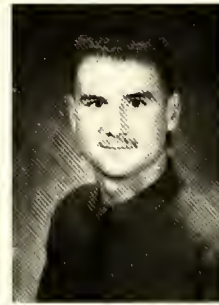
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Derrell Wells
 Winder, GA



David Whaley
 Apex
Christin Wicklum
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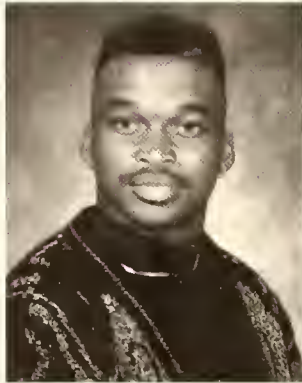


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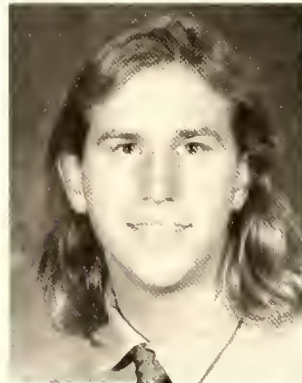


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Louise Banner
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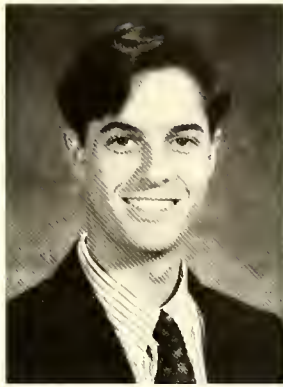
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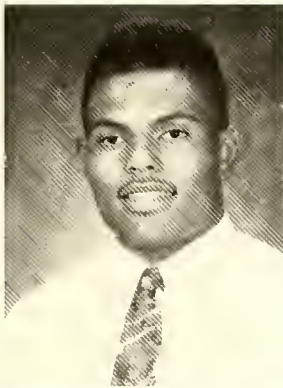
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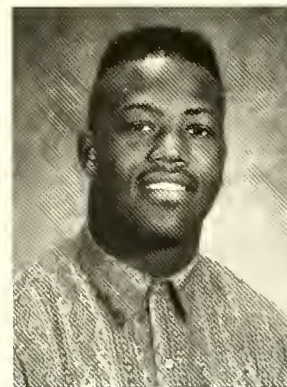
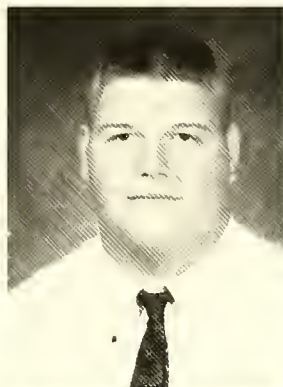
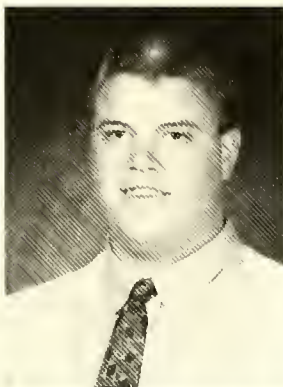
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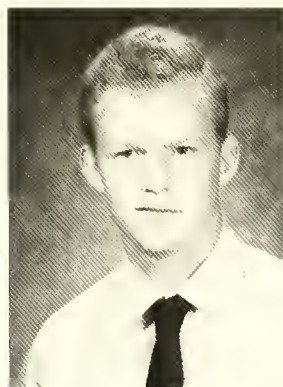
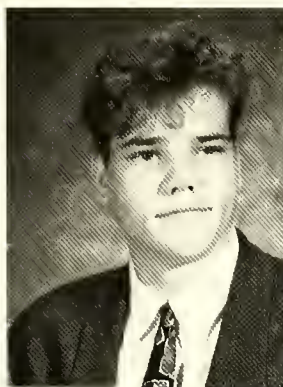
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Roger Conkin
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Matt Davenport
Greensboro
Shea Davis
Hiawassee, GA
Billy Deyerle
Roanoke, VA





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Banner Elk
Michael Duarte
Waxhaw
Susan Evans
Middlefield, OH



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Kingsport, TN



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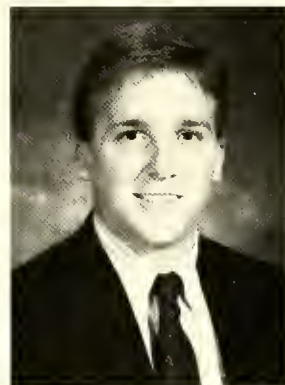
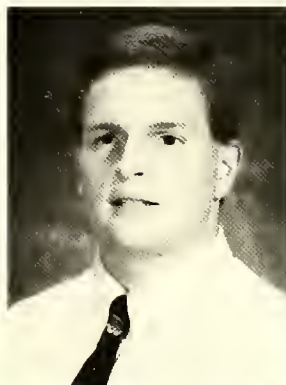
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Banner Elk



John Hinnant
Wilmington
Ed Holcombe
Cary
Eric Horney
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R.A.'s get instruction on fire safety.

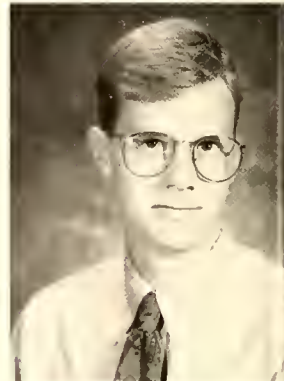


Dax Witherspoon proudly exhibits First Place Show.

Robert Keck
Julian
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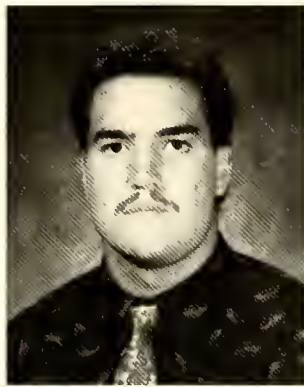


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Spencer Manuel
Beckenham, Kent England
Aaron Martin
Wrightsville Beach



Charles McFadden
Lake City, SC
Amy Miller
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Shela Moffett
Murfreesboro, TN





Jennifer Moody
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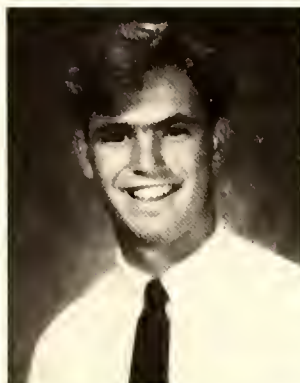
John Hinnant directs Earth Day project.



Hinnant also heads up S.A.V.E. (Students Against a Vanishing Environment).



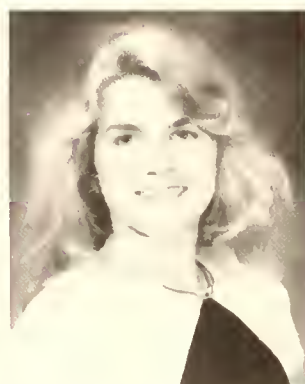
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Scott Parham
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Fred Petke
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Jason Pinholster
Jacksonville, FL



Mandy Poplin
Ronda
Thomas Powe
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Darla Presnell
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Denise Reitano
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Larry Robertson
Asheville
Kim Rose
Raleigh

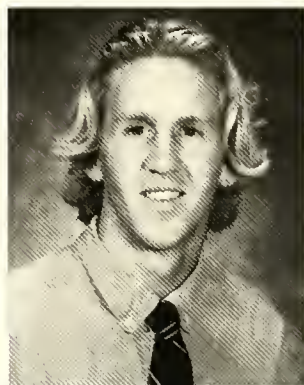
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Eric Schneider
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Joy Schuppert
Wilkesboro



Juan Shackelford
Hampton, VA
Jane Shaw
Walkertown
John Skipper
Morganton



Leslie Smith
Concord
Jeff Stallings
Palm Beach Gardens, FL
Tonya Stephens
Hildebran



SOPHOMORES



SOPHOMORES



Spring Fling was a little chilly this year.



"Toys For Tots" drive.

Vanessa Street
Banner Elk
Kevin Teeter
Monroe
Henry Terrell
Winston-Salem



Elizabeth Thompson
Raleigh
Steven Tollie
Spruce Pine
Tara Trubica
Clemmons

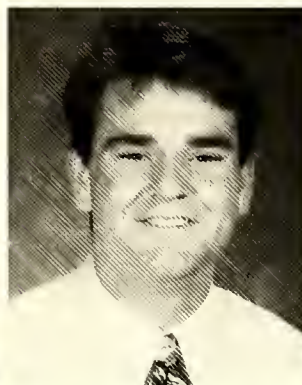
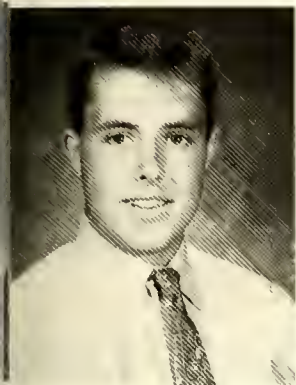


Michael Tucker
Winston-Salem
Stephanie Vannoy
West Jefferson
Frank Warren
Winston-Salem

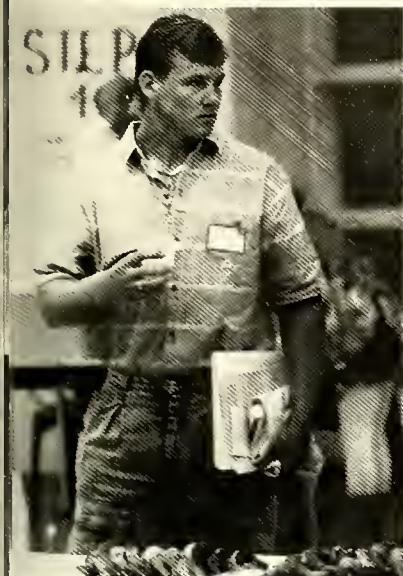




Alex Watson
Sumter, SC
Jennifer Webb
Winston-Salem
Andre Witherspoon
Sumter, SC



David Witherspoon
Knoxville, TN
Debra Woodie
West Jefferson
Charlie Zeigler
Gainesville, FL



Tai Bennett stops at refreshment table two or three times during registration. At right: Students work off stress and tension during exam week with foam bats.

JUNIORS



Rusty Smith works with VITA income tax help for the public.



Mark Reece demonstrates waiter's skills at banquet.

Cristin Atria
Roswell, GA



Robert Ayscue
Cary



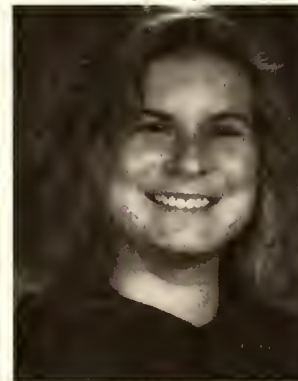
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Chad Benton
Boone



Julia Callarman
Casselberry, FL



Michael Dowdle
Mount Holly



Priscilla Ellis
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Noel Gressner
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Betsy Hall
Banner Elk



Teresa Harris
Winston-Salem



Angela Holley
Washington



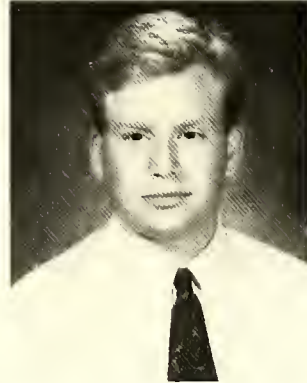
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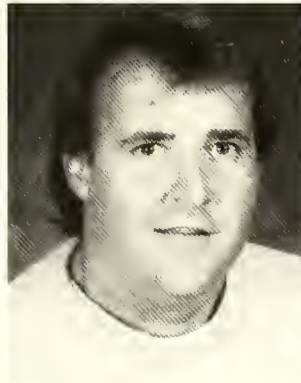
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Jefferson



Brad Lowe
Asheboro



Carson Martin
Charlotte



Allison McDonald
Hendersonville, TN



JUNIORS

Erick McMurray
Damascus, VA
Pamela Miller
Kingsport, TN
Katherine Moore
Lenoir



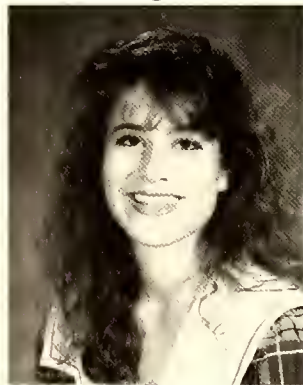
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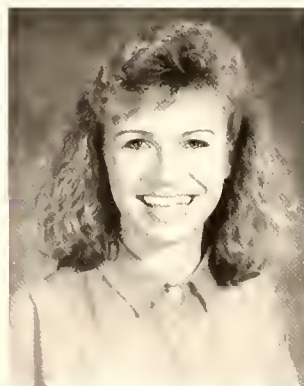
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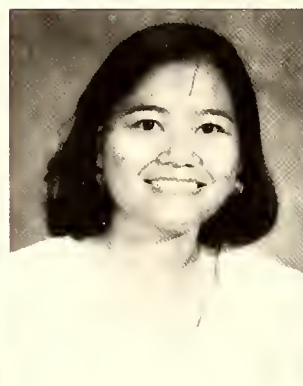
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Banner Elk



Melissa Tedder
Moravian Falls



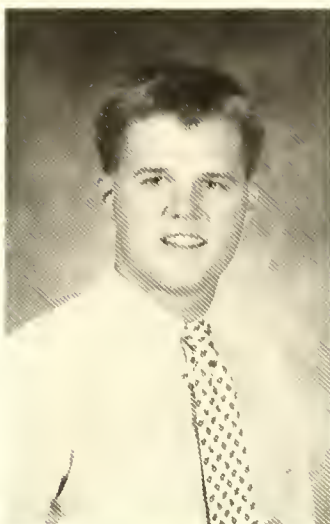
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Bristol, TN



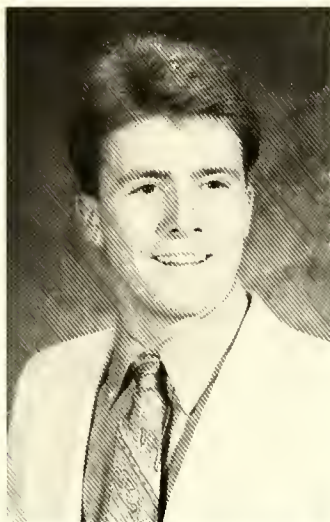
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Linville



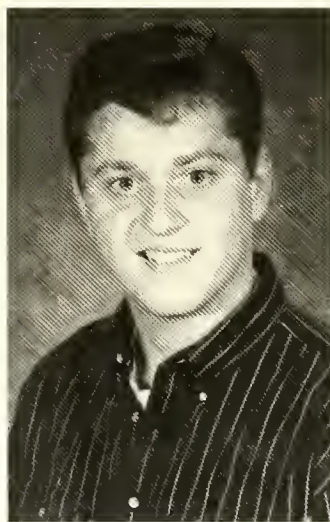
SENIORS



Tommy Anthony
Concord



Chris Arnold
Winston-Salem



Scott Auville
Charlotte



How a senior tennis player spends his spare time — Dale Perry under close supervision of Athletic Trainer Rita Smith.



Far left:
Byron Bell
Laurens, SC
Left:
Dale Berry
Kingsport, TN



Right:
**Randy
Bloemendaal**
Tampa, FL



Far left:
Sandra Bott
Charlotte
Left:
**Catherine
Button**
Greensboro



Right:
Chris Carlyle
Linville



Far left:
**Robbyn
Clemmer**
Winston-Salem
Left:
Julie Crews
Knoxville, TN



Right:
Tracy Deane
Bristol, TN



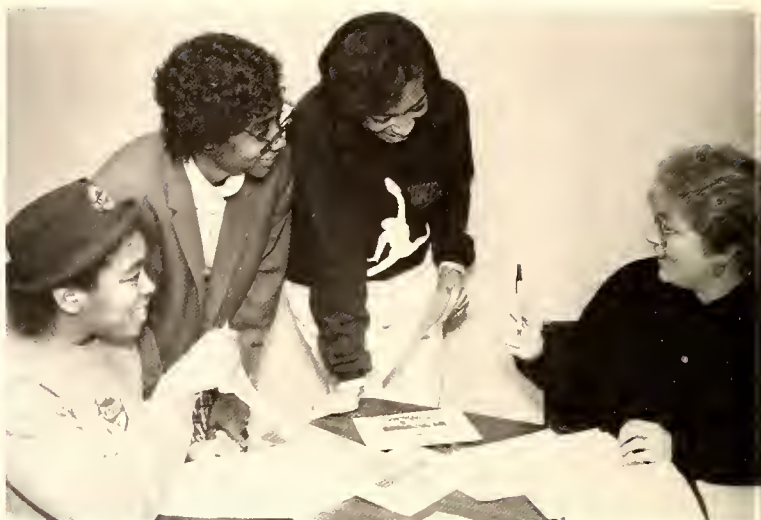
Kim DeTamble
Banner Elk



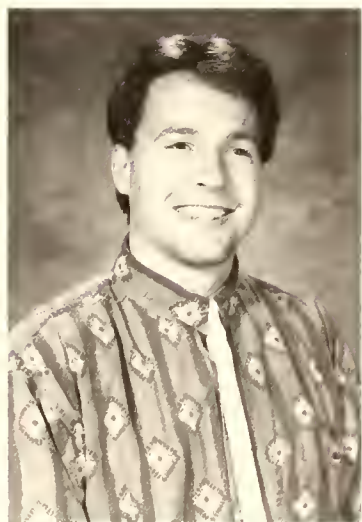
In describing the hallmarks of a graduate, the college catalog states that, "It is our belief that the Lees-McRae graduate should be known not only for knowledge and skills, but also for values, a sense of self as a member of society, and a concern for humanity," and several students put that philosophy into practice while working on the Habitat for Humanity house in Avery County.

above right: The Beta Tau and Epsilon Chapters of Phi Theta Kappa sponsored a poster contest open to fifth grade students at Banner Elk Elementary School. The poster contest was held to promote thoughtful discussion in relation to Phi Theta Kappa's Honor Study Topic: "Paradox of Freedom: A Global Dilemma." Pictured (**back row**) are PTK members Jeannie Harmon and Jeff Scoltock. **Lower left:** Kim DeTamble and Keith Stroud take a break during work on a habitat house. **Lower right:** Mel Love and Cary Strouse put the finishing touches on construction of the roof.





Right:
Dawn Dukes
 Banner Elk
 Far right:
Dale Friese
 Richmond, VA
 Left:
Alex Dewey
 Fort Mill, SC



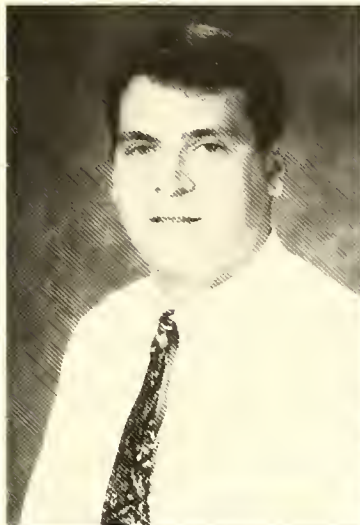
Right:
Jeannie Harmon
 Butler, TN
 Far right:
Merri Justice
 Franklin, TN
 Left:
Robert Gregory
 Banner Elk





Right:
Melvin Love
 Charlotte
 Far right:
**Carolyn
 McGuire**
 Elk Park

Left:
Dewayne Krege
 Banner Elk



Right:
Braxton Perry
 Banner Elk
 Far right:
Penny Reece
 Mountain City,
 TN

Left:
**Rachel
 McMahon**
 Banner Elk



Right:
Tina Shook
 Banner Elk
 Far right:
Garrick Smith
 Banner Elk

Left:
Angie Russo
 Greenville, SC

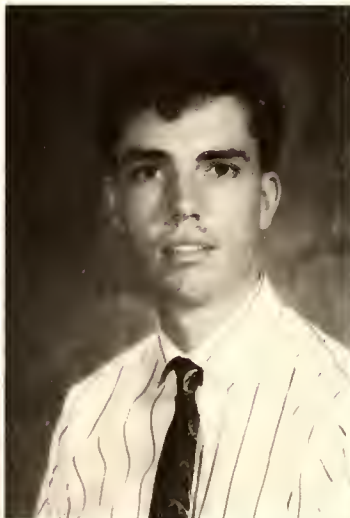




John Angel, Associate Dean of Students, chats with Jane Shaw during Career Day.



Seniors Robbyn Clemmer and Angie Russo enjoy some free time in the residence hall.



Mike Smith
Clinton
Curtis South
Charlotte
Mark Taylor
Newland

Shannon Taylor
Boone
Kelly Watterson
Banner Elk
Debra Woodie
West Jefferson



Ontaroga '92



High Life ...



You've Got Friends in High Places

ACTIVITIES...

College Programs

John J. Carey was the featured speaker as a part of the fall Staley Distinguished Christian Lecture Series. In July of 1986 Dr. Carey was appointed the third President of Warren Wilson College. He left that position in 1988 to return to academic work. Dr. Carey has authored or edited eight books and nearly 60 scholarly articles.

David Sawyer, Director of Students for Appalachia at Berea College, was the featured speaker at a program. He encouraged the students on hand to do "The Good Work."

Dale Ray Phillips is an accomplished author and is widely published. He has baccalaureate degrees in English and anthropology and master's degrees in English and creative writing and is currently a member of the Department of English at Elon College.

The African American Dance Ensemble's talented and dedicated dancers and musicians, as directed by the charismatic Chuck Davis, didn't just perform on stage — they filled it and

bridged the gap between performer and audience. "Peace, love and respect for everyone" was thread throughout the performance.



Lees-McRae graduate Rittler Strachan, R.N., spoke to a capacity crowd in Evans Auditorium



African American Dance Ensemble

Alice and Dr. Crain, Helen Baucom and David Sawyer, Director of Students for Appalachia at Berea College



Dr. John Carey
Staley Lecturer



SAWYER ON GOOD WORK:

I believe there are only two things worth devoting a human life to: Your own happiness and the happiness of others," said Sawyer. "But happiness as sages throughout the centuries have noted, is very elusive. You can't buy it, you can't find it, can't grasp it. Note that the U.S. Declaration of Independence guarantees the pursuit of happiness, not happiness itself.

"When you come into your time of leadership a little further down the line, the fate of the world will very literally be in your hands. The world always has need of its next generation of young leaders but never before has it needed them like it needs you. We absolutely must

have an abundance of real leaders in every arena if we are going to prevent untold human suffering and promote a truly just world. We need you in banking, business and industry, in agriculture, dance and the arts.

"We need journalists and theologians and educators, biologists, physicists and politicians. You are needed in the nonprofit and yes, even in the military. Prepare yourselves because the world is going to draw heavily upon your wisdom or suffer your lack of it. And even though you are hungry or homeless tonight, don't waste a moment being ashamed of your privilege — make it part of your power or change."



The Shady Grove Band



Max McLean Presents "Mark's Gospel" at LMC - Veteran actor Max McLean recently performed "Mark's Gospel" as a part of the Staley Distinguished Christian Lecture Series at the college. After the performance McLean attended a reception and posed with Associate Dean of Student Development John Angel (left) and College Chaplain George Gunn (right).



Lees-McRae alumna Beth Tobin was the keynote speaker during "Women's Emphasis Week" at Lees-McRae, and she spoke of her experiences as a woman in a profession broadcasted that is dominated by males.



China Chat - Lewis and Don's Carson take time out after their presentation on their recent year spent in China with Lees-McRae student Li Liu, who is a native of China. Pictured above (l-r): Li Liu, Lewis Carson, Don's Carson. Mrs. Carson is a trustee of Lees-McRae College.



Virginia MacLeod spoke on the subject of family/spouse abuse and violence and discussed the different perceptions society holds toward both women and men.



Lees-McRae Associate Professor Ita Kilbride spoke on the topic of "Irish Women for Peace in Northern Ireland," which included a slide presentation.



Ruby Hooper, a Republican primary candidate for governor of North Carolina, explained her qualifications and why she was running for the state's highest office in "Women in Politics in North Carolina."

Human organ specialist Dr. Ritter Strachan, Jr., R. N., a graduate of Lees-McRae College, went on to study at Virginia Polytechnic Institute, Patrick Henry Community College, Old Dominion University, Norfolk General Hospital School of Professional Nursing, and while working in the Department of Pathology and Phlebotomy, at Medical Center Hospital in Norfolk.

Max McLean, veteran actor and one of the foremost oral interpreters of the Bible, presented a special, one-night only performance of Mark's Gospel as a part of Lees-McRae College's Staley Distinguished Christian Lecture Series.

The featured speakers for the 1992 "Women's Emphasis Week" were: Ruby Hooper, Republican primary candidate for Governor of North Carolina, on the topic of "Women in Politics in North Carolina; Poet Lynn Doyle offered poetry reading dur-

ing a luncheon presented in the Heritage Dining Room at MacDonald Dining Hall; Virginia MacLeod discussed family violence; and Lees-McRae graduate Beth Tobin was the keynote speaker for the week. Robin is a television news journalist with WBTV in Charlotte. Lees-McRae Associate Professor of Education Dr. Ita Kilbride presented "Irish Women for Peace in Northern Ireland." Pamela Adams wound up the week with "Native American Women's Voices: Cherokee Matriarchy."

"Teaching English in China," a slide show/travelogue, was presented by Doris Carson, currently a Lees-McRae Trustee, and Lewis Carson on the campus life and students the Carsons encountered while in China and showcased some of the places they visited such as Guilin, Beijing, Xian, Tibet, and Xinjiang (the Old Silk Road area). The Carsons, who reside in Kingsport, Tennessee, spent a year at the Wuhan University of Hydraulic and Electrical Engineering near the Yangtze River in China where they taught western culture and English conversation to Chinese students.



**BOYLAN SPEAKS OF
"GENERATIVITY" AT LMC
OPENING CONVOCATION**

Dr. Hunter Boylan of the National Center for Developmental Education at Appalachian State University was the featured speaker at Lees-McRae's Opening Convocation of the 1991-92 academic year, and his speech centered around developing the value called "generativity."

"Welcome to you students who'll be spending the coming academic year at Lees-McRae ... who will be experiencing your own moral dilemmas ... your own ethical conflicts ... and your own struggles — in the coming year and throughout your lives," Boylan began, adding, "This may come as a surprise to you, all of your faculty were also college students once. And they also faced struggles. In fact, many of them had to struggle just to get through college. Some had financial problems, some had academic problems, and some had personal problems — sometimes with courage and dignity ... sometimes with fear and trepidation. But they faced them ... and they learned from them. And they learned something that isn't easily taught in a classroom. They learned wisdom."

"I would suggest that wisdom is characterized by an ability to see things in terms other than black and white ... right or wrong. It's character-

ized by a willingness to wrestle with moral and ethical issues and, perhaps, a recognition that one never knows for sure if he or she won the wrestling match. It's a capacity to make decisions that will not only help you become the best you can be ... but enables others to be the best they can be. Wisdom is empowering ... for yourself and for those who will come after.

"Wisdom reflects a value called generativity. A concern for the next generation ... a concern for those who may know less than you know or have less than you have ... a willingness to make wherever you are a better place because you were there. Wisdom and generativity come not just with age but with experience. They come from facing challenges and resolving them ... they come from living with consequences of whatever decisions you made in resolving those challenges ... they come from seeing the impact of your decisions on others.

"If you look at the literature on life cycles and stages, you find that a concern for the next generation is something that we usually become committed to later in life — somewhere in our forties, fifties, or sixties. But there's no reason you need to wait that long to add generativity to your value system.

"You'll have many opportunities in

the coming year to do that. You will have opportunities to look after younger or less able or less confident students ... you'll have opportunities to try and make Lees-McRae a better place because you passed through ... you'll have a chance to begin practicing generativity long before you reach middle age ... you'll have the opportunity right now.

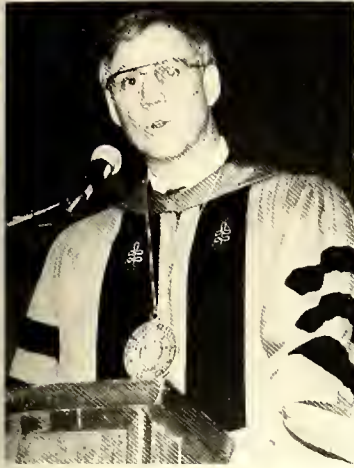
"I've learned that, for some of us when you're really headed in the wrong direction, there's always someone there to get you back on track ... there's always someone there to extend a helping hand ... there's always someone there who commits an act of wisdom and generativity that can change your life.

"For far too many of us, however, there are no such people. There's a shortage of those who act in this manner. And without such acts of wisdom and generativity we condemn those who will follow us to a life that is less than what might have been.

"That's why it's important for all of us to make wise and generative decisions in our dealings with others. It's important for you students to learn and practice it here and now. You may not always get thanked for it ... you may never know if your efforts have any impact. But it doesn't require thanks or reinforcements or knowledge of the outcomes. It simply

CRAIN TO NEW STUDENTS:

"MOVE WITH VIGOR!"



Crain

Boylan



requires that you be the best person you can be."

Boylan concluded, "So I wish you luck — and particularly wisdom — in facing your dilemmas, resolving your conflicts, and prevailing in your struggles. They'll continue to confront you ... now and in the future. And, to paraphrase Abraham Lincoln, 'You will learn now, and perhaps your chance will come.' You'll experience ethical and moral conflicts here in college and you'll learn from those experiences. And perhaps what you learn will help you make wise and important and meaningful judgments in the future. That's one of the most important things you'll learn in college."

Lees-McRae College President Dr. Bradford L. Crain presided over the opening convocation for the 1991-92 academic year and spoke of the "common bond" that brings the college community together.

"We are brought together tonight by a common bond, the belief that education renews our minds and spirits and makes us better, and the belief that to gather as a community of teachers, mentors, and students is an important symbolic act. Oliver Wendell Holmes once said, 'I find a great thing in this world is not so much where we stand as in what direction we are moving.'

"Tonight we are in support of the notion that to discuss and explore things that really matter, to talk about the power of ideas that lead to significant actions, is an essential part of being and becoming both human and humane.

"What direction are we moving in

tonight, together? We are moving toward a realization of our individual and corporate dreams. The novelist Tom Clancy said this at an occasion much like tonight's: 'Nothing is as real as a dream. The world can change around you, but your dream cannot. Your life may change, but your dream doesn't have to. Responsibilities need not erase it. Duties need not obscure it. No one can take the dream away. The only way that your dream can die is if you kill it yourself. If you hold on to it, you may grow old, but you will never be old.'

"And that, ladies and gentlemen, so says Tom Clancy, is the ultimate success. We, I believe, at Lees-McRae this evening, through this gathering, are moving toward that ultimate success. We are moving toward the realization of our collective dreams. I welcome you and challenge you to move with vigor."



PRESIDENT'S SCHOLARS. In recognition of scholastic achievement, annual awards are given by Lees-McRae College President Dr. Bradford L. Crain to upperclassmen with outstanding grade point averages, and the three recipients recognized during opening convocation ceremonies were (l-r): Chris Carlyle, Jeannie Harmon, and Chris Carr.

Howard Abernethy presents Chris Arnold and Julie Farthing with alumni scholarships during Homecoming activities. Not pictured: Reggie Oakes and Julie Crews, the other two recipients of alumni scholarships.

Homecoming '91



One of the many activities sponsored during the Homecoming activities was to bring "Charlie The Barber" back to shear the favorite of a fund raising campaign. The "Crew-Cuts for Kids" Fund Raiser raises monies for the Avery County Social Services, specifically for abused and neglected children. SGA members pitched in to help reach the goal of \$200. John Angel was the highest fund-raiser (\$60.84); Kevin Teeter was second (\$53.04); also participating were Claude Pyatt, Phil Teagarden, Chris Mal... and Todd Gambill. A special thanks to barber Charles Gwyn.

1991 Lees-McRae Homecoming Queen - Senior Julie Farthing (left) was crowned Homecoming Queen during halftime ceremonies by President Dr. Bradford L. Crain. Runners-up this year were Alyson Lowe (pictured above) and De'Lean Judd.

1991 LMC Homecoming Court - Front row (l-r): Wendy Oehler, Rhonda Watson, Allison Lowe, Julie Farthing, Shannon Haney, Caroline Frisbee. Back row (l-r): Waynette Gentle, Jeannie Harmon, De'Lean Judd, Lori Lynk.





Clockwise: Lees-McRae's Homecoming Parade meandered through the town of Banner Elk; the Pep Rally led by the cheerleaders and Wily Bobcat launched Homecoming festivities; with halftime came the shearing of John Angel by local barber Charlie Gwyn.



Halloween Carnival

The annual Halloween Carnival was inaugurated over two decades ago by the Order of the Tower to not only provide college students with all kinds of fun activities, games, auctions, and a costume contest, but to give the children of the Banner Elk community a safe haven for tricking and treating.



Kim and Jack - Kim Taylor (above) poses with Jack-O'-Lantern during a break in activities at her "musical chairs" booth.



"Gaze Into My Crystal Ball" - Lees-McRae College senior/gypsy Melissa Blevins (right) gives an interested customer, Marion Franklin, a look into the future.



From Paper Boy to Paper Monster - (Below left) Lees-McRae sophomore Lamont Calhoun always wanted to be "in the paper," and he got his wish, quite literally, in the haunted house. Calhoun is flanked by De'Lean Judd (left) and Teresa Harris (center).



Anthony A La Mode - Tommy Anthony (center) passed on dessert for a few days following the Halloween Carnival after being the victor at the pie-toss.

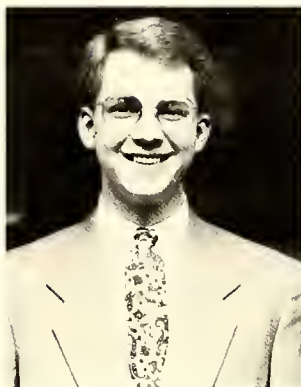




Betsy Hall
President



Cheryl Cline
Vice President



Rusty Smith
Secretary-Treasurer



Caryn Wise
Parliamentarian

Order Of The Tower

The Order of the Tower is a carefully selected group of outstanding students who serve the college and help promote a better relationship between the students and faculty. The members

act as marshals for graduation, serve as orientation guides for incoming freshmen, and act as hosts whenever the administration needs assistance. They host an annual reception at

Homecoming for returning alumni, enter a float in the Homecoming Parade, sponsor the annual Halloween Carnival, and a Christmas Party for the children of Lees-McRae College employ-

ees. The club presides over the annual Honors and Awards Program, concluding the evening with a reception for awards recipients, faculty, and administration.

Front row (l-r): Julie Oliver, Beckie Schwefel, Jeff Scoltock, Jeannie Harmon, Cheryl Cline, Betsy Hall. Second Row: Rachel McMahon, Soko Nozawa, Chris Arnold, Rusty Smith, Caryn Wise, Teng Vengchiem. Back row: Mary Ann Abruscì, Debbie Gidney, Larry Shook, Kacy Crabtree, Susie Sheffield.





Chris Arnold
President



Michelle Halsey
Vice President



Angie Russo
Secretary

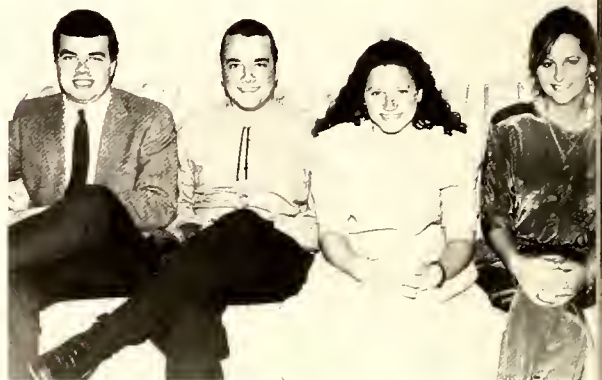


Dawn Dukes
Treasurer

SGA Officers Executive Committee (l-r): Will Sykes, John Hinnant, Deanie Myers, Rhonda Wat

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.



Clockwise: Freshman Class Officers (l-r): Parker Grubbs, Beth Dixon, Tina Campbell, Paul Stephenson; Sophomore Class Officers: Dena Moyer, Mandy Poplin, Wayne Gently; Junior Class Officers: Stephanie Disher, Allison McDonald, Angela Holley; Senior Class President: Robbyn Clemmer.



Student Ambassadors Club

The Student Ambassadors Club has been a vital asset to the Admissions Office. Responsibilities include giving tours of campus to prospective students and their families, entertaining and keeping prospective students in residence hall rooms, and projecting a positive image of Lees-McRae College.

Pictured at left: Front row (l-r): Sandy Bott, Teng Vengchiem, Robbyn Clemmer, Rhonda Watson. Back row: Waynette Gentle, William Bake, Michael Dowdle.



FCA

The Fellowship of Christian Athletes is open to all athletes. This organization's purpose is to confront athletes and coaches, and through them the youth of the nation, with the challenge and adventure of following Christ in the fellowship of the church.

Pictured at right: Front row (l-r): Dr. Roma Joyce, Dena Moyer, Allison McDonald. Second row: John Angel (Sponsor), Christina Heinrich, Sam Mumpower. Back Row: David Guy, Deanise Myers.



Teacher Education Association

This association promotes professionalism among teacher education students by providing a forum for discussion of educational concerns, by encouraging the building of mentor relationships, and by encouraging volunteer work with local schools.

Front row (l-r): Dr. Ita Kilbride (Sponsor), Kim DeTamble, Dr. Roma Joyce (Sponsor), Tina Shook, Melissa Tedder. Back row: Eddie Clark, Michelle Banner, Jeff Hopkins, Beckie Schwefel, Chris Arnold, Mary Jane Stickland, Steve Flynt.



Delta Psi Omega

Delta Psi Omega was very active over the 1991-92 academic year. In addition to the normal participation in productions, the members provided many service projects for the college and the community including performances of a children's show for the surrounding elementary schools.



First row (l-r): Chad Benton, Dale Friese, Charlotte D'Armond, Brad Watson, Cindy Stone
Back row: Brittany Herndon - Swain, Kim Taylor, Michelle Banner, Jen Moody, Alyson Lovelace

OAA



Front row (l-r): Angela Holley, Teresa Harris, Roger Hayes, Mary Wilgus (Advisor), Willie Fleming, Carmelita Conner, Debbie Love. Second row: Sylvester Anderson, Mike Morton, Michael Huntley, Marcus Davis, Shindano Kakudji, Joe Fluellen. Back row: Demetrius Floyd, Shedrick Sarratt, Lamont Calhoun, Kareem Epps, Kevin Crosby, Tommy Powe, Juan Shackelford, Henry Terrell.

Organization Of African-American Students

The Organization of African American Students has as its primary function the interests and concerns of the black student and is open to every student on campus.



Front row (l-r): Advisor Jim Stonesifer, Kristal Norris, Mary Ann Abrusci, Tracie Brewer, Susan Evans, Soko Nozawz, Chris Carr, Fred Petke, Gayle Farina. Back row: Advisor Dr. Allen Speer, Tessa Willoughby, Michelle Banner, Jeff Scoltock, Julia Callarman, Jeannie Harmon, Chris Arnold, Beckie Schwefel, William Bake, Melissa Tedder.

Phi Theta Kappa

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 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.



The Beta Tau and Epsilon Chapters of Phi Theta Kappa sponsored a poster contest open to fifth grade students at Banner Elk Elementary School. The poster contest was held to promote thought and discussion in relation to Phi Theta Kappa's Honor Study Topic: "Paradox of Freedom: A Global Dilemma." Pictured with the winners are PTK members Jeannie Harmon and Jeff Scoltock.



PTK Recognized

The Beta Tau Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa attended the Carolinas Regional Conference and brought back five awards. Beta Tau won an honorable mention in the category of communication. It also was awarded for being a five-star distinguished chapter, as well as for being one of the three top chapters in the Carolinas. Beta Tau went on to take two of the four Hallmark awards, winning the "Scholarship" award and the "Craig Pullen Leadership" award. Phi Theta Kappa is an international honor society based on four hallmarks: scholarship, leadership, fellowship, and service. Individual chapters within the society are recognized for excellence in each of the four areas and awards are given to the chapters that have excelled in each category of competition. Among those attending the conference were (l-r): Beta Tau President Kristal Norris, Advisors Dr. Allen Speer and Jim Stonesifer, and Beta Tau Secretary Tonya Stephens. (Not pictured: Mary Ann Abrusci and Chris Arnold)

The Lees-McRae College Performing Arts Department
presents

BIG RIVER

THE ADVENTURES OF HUCKLEBERRY FINN

Directed by
Janet Barton Speer

Music and Lyrics by
Roger Miller

Book by
William Hauptman

October 9-13, 1991
Hayes Auditorium



BIG RIVER is produced by special arrangement with the Rodgers and Hammerstein Theatre Library

Dr. Speer Directs "Big River"

"Big River," which is the enchanting retelling of "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn," ran for over 1,000 performances in New York and received several "Tony" including one for Best Musical. The music, by well-known songwriter Roger Miller, is spontaneous and lively as Huckleberry and his runaway slave friend, Jim, find adventures on the Mississippi River.

The Company: Mike Hannah, Brad Watson, Jennifer Moody, Brittany Herndon-Swain, Gene Sexton, Joey Griffin, Raymond Jones, Steve Grindstaff, Dale Friese, Tommy Anthony, Michael Williams, Ron Brown, Chris Pearce, Joey Magid, Leon Monroe, Randy Bolick, David Richmond, Chris Arnold, Shannon Taylor, Chad Bent, Alyson Lowe, Beth McGowan, BerChaun Clark, Brent Taylor, Roger Hayes, Burlene Ness, De'Lean Judd, Key Garrison, Shellie Driscoll, Angel Chick, Janet Enriquez, Angela St. Clair, Michelle Banner, Demetrius A. Floyce, Teresa Harris, Kakudji Shindano, Arlo Wilks, Tommy J. Powe, Angela Holley, and Anthony Aruffo.

The Production Staff:
Janet Barton Speer,
Steve Parrish, Jim Martz, Curt South, John Blalock, Joey Magid, Anthony Aruffo, Julie Farthing, Dale Friese, Katherine Moore, Steve Nielson, Brad Watson, Tonya Dove, Regina Grindstaff, Janet Enriquez, Russell Ward, Roger Hayes, Frie Lee, Trish Parr, Chris Pearce, Misty Wilcox, Jodi Eakins, Caroline Frisbee, and Stewart Auville.



D'Armond Does Dickens

This version of "A Christmas Carol" is a fast-paced and fun filled adaptation but includes all the elements of the traditional story. The idea behind this version is that a second-rate production touring company has arrived to present the Dickens classic with only some of the props and costumes, and missing a few key actors! Intended for the entire family to enjoy it, it was staged in the beautiful Pinnacle Room complete with fireplace, elk, and fountain.

The Company: Joey Griffin, Janet Enriquez, Brittany Herndon-Swain, BerChaun Clark, Misty Wilcox, Ron Brown, Tonya Dove, Jodi Eakins, Jen Moody, Demetrius Floyd, Chad Benton, Alyson Lowe, Stewart Auville, Regina Grindstaff, Burlene Ness, and Tessa Willoughby.

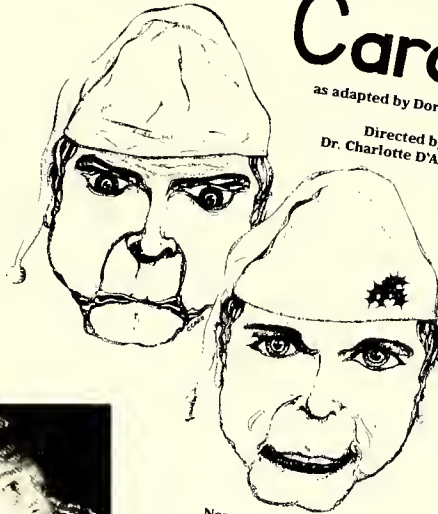
The Production Staff: Charlotte D'Armond, Tessa Willoughby, Brad Watson, Brittany Herndon-Swain, Dale Friese, Kim Wilcox, Tonya Dove, Joey Griffin, Alyson Lowe, Julie Farthing, Roger Hayes, and Chris Carr.

Lees-McRae College
Performing Arts Department
presents

A Christmas Carol

as adapted by Doris Baizley

Directed by
Dr. Charlotte D'Armond



November 20-24, 1991
Wednesday-Saturday, 8:00 P. M.
Sunday, 3:00 P. M.

Pinnacle Room

Adults: \$5
Students: \$2



"It is so really important to get the kids to have a wide variety of productions and direction," said Dr. Charlotte D'Armond. "This helps bring that variety to the academic schedule." This version of "A Christmas Carol" had some eerie moments, but children and adults were entertained by the fast-paced performance. "I love the Pinnacle Room. There was a fire in the fireplace, the fountain came on sometime and we opened with a cigarette in the elk's mouth."



Performing Arts ...

Performing Arts is one of the "flagship" majors at Lees-McRae. During the academic year students may be involved in two musicals, two "straight" plays, student-directed one acts, a traveling children's show, as well as several other minor productions. In the summer students may participate in Lees-McRae's very successful professional summer theatre. Over 200,000 people a year are pleased by the quality of work provided by the Performing Arts Department's traveling troupes. With over 100 performances in locales throughout the Southeast, the various ensembles, the Highlanders (song and dance troupe), the Vocal Ensemble, the Handbell Choir, the Dance Theatre, and the Cloggers win standing ovations.



Performing Arts Director Dr. Janet Speer during reading at Christmas program.



LMC Choir - Front (l-r): Director James Taylor, Kim Taylor, Alyson Lowe, Ron Brown, Brittany Herndon-Swain, Robbyn Clemmer. Back row: Penny Reece, Raymond Jones, Gene Sexton, Jen Moody, Mike Hannah.

"Terrible People" Appeared at Banner Elk Elementary - A one-act play entitled "Terrible People," written by LMC Director of Performing Arts Dr. Janet Speer and directed by LMC student Tommy Anthony, was presented to grades K-3 at the Banner Elk Elementary School. The play gave examples of terrible people and how to deal with them and appreciate good people through a variety of sketches that "the kids really seemed to enjoy and were responsive to," said Anthony. The play has also been performed at Crossnore Elementary, Beech Mountain Elementary, and Elk Park Elementary. The cast included (l-r): BerChaun Clark, Regina Grindstafi, Brad Watson, Beth McGowan (front), Brittany Herndon-Swain, and Julie Farthing.



LMC's Dance Theater - Dance students performed three numbers during the Candlelight Christmas Show: One Small Child, Heirlooms, and Winter's Solstice.



Lees-McRae Handbells - Alyson Lowe plays the handbells during the show session at the Candlelight Christmas Show.



Highlanders

Front row (l-r):
 Robbyn Clemmer,
 Beth McGowan,
 Tiffany Adams,
 Julie Farthing,
 Angel Chick.
 Second row: Kim
 Taylor, Brittany
 Herndon-Swain,
 Ron Brown, Roger
 Hayes, Jen Moody,
 Janet Enriquez.
 Back row: Michael
 Williams, Mike
 Hannah, Brad
 Watson, Raymond
 Jones, Demetrius
 Floyd, Dale Friese,
 Tony Aruffo.



Cloggers

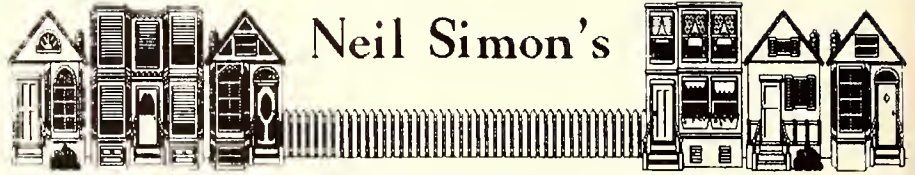
Front row (l-r): Gene Sexton, Kim
 Taylor, Brad Watson, Kara Purcell,
 Dale Freise, Waynette Gentle,
 Raymond Jones, Beth McGowan.
 Back row: Brittany Herndon-Swain,
 Robin Matheson, Chris Arnold, Jen
 Moody, Shellee Driscoll.



Performing Arts stu-
 dents enjoy Alpha
 and Delta Psi Omega
 pizza party.

Lees-McRae Performing Arts Department presents:

Martz and
LMC Students
Tackle Neil
Simon's Play



Neil Simon's

Brighton Beach Memoirs

BRIGHTON BEACH MEMOIRS

When a Neil Simon play is undertaken it is a commitment to craft, pitting directors and actors together in a challenge to present both humor and complexity in such a way that audiences will respond to Simon's enjoyable subtleties. Thus, in such a reach for excellence, the Performing Arts Department of Lees-McRae College chose to undertake Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs," a play that finds humor in the "human condition" of growing up in 1937 Brooklyn.

Jim Martz, Assistant Professor of Performing Arts at Lees-McRae College and the Director of "Brighton Beach Memoirs," noted that many colleges shy away from presenting Neil

Simon plays simply because of the complexities of the works. "The characters are so strong that it makes them a real challenge," he explained. One of the main challenges faced in presenting "Brighton Beach Memoirs," a New York City based production, to High Country audiences has to do with the pace of the play and its ethnic flavor. "We want to have not only the accent but the tempo," continued Martz. "It moves very fast and is very 'New York.' The heart of the play, the beat,

needs to move a lot faster than we do here (in the mountains of western North Carolina)."

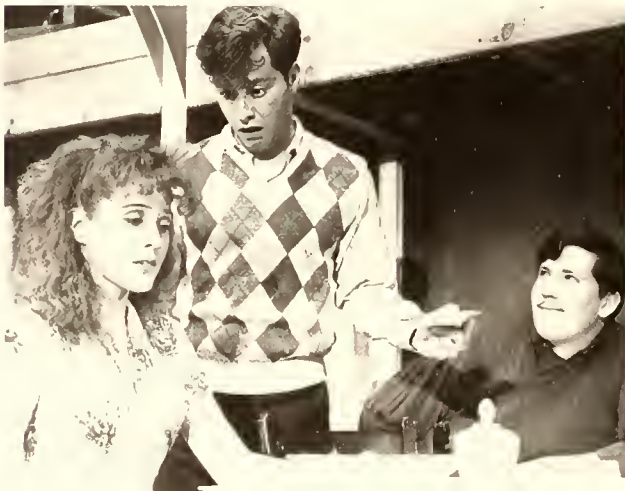
"Brighton Beach Memoirs," the first of Neil Simon's autobiographical trilogy which includes, "Biloxi Blues" and "Broadway Bound," tells the story of fifteen year old Eugene Jerome, who loves baseball and girls, in a play ripe with life's humor. The "Eugene" character talks to the other players and also assumes the role of narrator, thus breaking down the wall that traditionally exists

between actors and their audience.

"Brighton Beach Memoirs" starred Stewart Auville as Eugene, with Shannon Taylor as Kate and Kelly Garrison as Blanche ... two Jewish sisters who must come to grips with death, children, and a long-buried sibling rivalry. The Neil Simon work also starred Leah Allen as Nora, Joey Griffin as Jacob, Chris Pearce as Stanley, and Burlene Ness. Katherine Moore was Assistant Director of the play.

Fifteen-year-old Eugene Jerome is taken aback by the newfound beauty of his cousin Nora, as the more experienced Stanley looks on with disgust in "Brighton Beach Memoirs." Pictured below (l-r): Leah Allen (Nora), Stewart Auville (Eugene), and Chris Pearce (Stanley).

The Jerome family of Aunt Blanche, brother Stan, mother Kate, and father Jack look on as Eugene tries to persuade them that he is choking on the bones in a piece of liver in Neil Simon's "Brighton Beach Memoirs."





Spring Court Queen and King
Robbyn Clemmer and Chris Arnold

Spring Formal

"A Southern Gala"

The Spring Formal was held at the Banner Elk Holiday Inn. The theme was "A Southern Gala." The 1992 Spring Court Queen and King were Robbyn Clemmer and Chris Arnold.

The Spring Court was composed of: Sandy Bott, Christin Wicklum, Beth Dixon, Pam Miller, Beth McGowan, Kammi McLaurin, Angie Russo, Alyson Lowe, Kim Taylor, Waynette Gentle, Jeannie Harmon, and Teng Vengchiam. "King" candidates were Raymond Jones, Steve Hayes, Patrick Boland, Ronnie Brown, John Osborne, Garrett Stonesifer, and Brian Lytton.



Founder's grandson speaks at Founder's Day ...

"My Heaven
Is Still
Here ..."
-Edgar
Tufts

-1992
Founder's
Day Address



Edgar Tufts, the grandson of the founder of what is today Lees-McRae College, was the featured speaker during Founder's Day ceremonies. Tufts' speech, which was entitled "On Going to Heaven," contains several reminiscences about growing up in Banner Elk, and the following is a condensed version of that speech:

"The title of my talk tonight is 'On Going to Heaven.' You may ask where could this title come from and what it is about. That is what I want to tell you.

"I live in Pennsylvania--way up north as we used to say when I was growing up here in Banner Elk--and among the several things that I do there is carrying on a family tradition with a type of mission work (my grandfather Edgar Tufts came here to do missionary work). When I tell someone that we are going away, and they ask where, if it is North Carolina we are going to I usually respond that I am 'going to heaven.' It is just about as easy to explain where heaven is located as it is to explain where Banner Elk is. This is my place of 'roots and wings' and it is a challenge to explain my nostalgia for the mountains. Banner Elk is just a very small spot on the map but on my personal time map it is very big. You, too, will have such spots on the maps of your lives. These will be your memory pegs, your 'roots and wings,' and from these you can receive much strength and guidance.

"I was never privileged to know my grandfather Edgar Tufts but I have heard many stories passed on from

many persons, and I would like to have known him! He came to the mountains more than 90 years ago to Banner Elk in response to an expressed need--to minister to the people here. With him came a sacred flame and through his work and faith and belief and vision, the flame was set upon a mountain. It was not hidden, and today it is even more visible than ever before. For example, and most recently, under the leadership of Dr. Brad Crain Lees-McRae has made a significant advance to a four-year college with privileges and responsibilities of awarding baccalaureate degrees.

"There are more dreams to be fulfilled and larger visions to be realized--and in some ways you are part of this growth of tomorrow and the brightening of the flame. Today, in a little white house next to the library, a part of that original flame still glows brightly, and I am honored to recognize my aunt, Margaret Tufts Neal.

"Henry David Thoreau spoke of mountains and colleges, saying that it would be good if every college could be at the base of a mountain as people would probably remember that they also went to the mountains as well as to college. A unique opportunity for you exists here at LMC at the base of these mountains.

"There have been many changes since 1923 and since the mid-thirties with new facilities, new programs, from a high school to a four-year college, hundreds of homes all over the mountains, even a landing strip for

small airplanes. However, I believe that LMC is still 'In the Mountains, Of the Mountains, and For the Mountains.' I know there is more that will be done and the success of this institution is in its continued dedication--to people, of people, and for people. In 1923 Edgar Hall Tufts began the continuance of the work started by his father Edgar Tufts in Banner Elk. He was thrust into a life's work, maybe before he was fully prepared--but he picked up the Olympian Torch and was its bearer to the mountain, not failing in spirit, nor purpose, not strength--but only endurance failed him and in 1942 these mountains let go of a beloved mountaineer.

"Though there have been many changes here since the mid-thirties, if you went to the top of Beech Mountain today to see the sunrise and the mountains, you would see the same sun rising and the same mountains and my heaven is still here.

"What does this conclusion bring us to? There are unchangeable things despite what we people do to destroy or abuse them or even ignore them. These continue to be and will remain long after we are gone. However we change, we are a viable, you and me. We are responsible then for the harmony between the unchangeable--God and the laws of nature He created and ourselves--the changeable. Some questions to be asked are: Who are we? What is our purpose? Who do we want to become? What are the success criteria to focus?

"Is what you are doing now going to get you to your destination? If you don't have a destination yet, that is the first requirement for you. LMC has a purpose which is clearly stated in the catalog and you are the objective of that purpose, which is 'to cultivate you by providing the curricula that encourages intellectual, spiritual, physical, and social growth.' The vision born here nearly 100 years ago is still viable. Look for purposes and vision. The Bible says this: 'A man without a vision shall perish.' A Chinese proverb says this: 'If the vision carries, wait for it.' Dr. Crain speaking to you last fall quoted novelist Tom Clancy: 'Nothing is as real as a dream. Hold on to it.' The dream does not have to change. Only you can kill your dream. You will never be old as long as you hold on to your dream. This does not mean that you cannot change your objective. Like a homing torpedo, mid-course corrections are needed, but the overall purpose remains the same, make contact with your target. A 'heavenly' sometimes is an illusive target. You can choose to have one or not; you can choose where it will be and if it will truly be 'heaven' for you. This college at the base of a mountain, the people who care, the heritage that has been built for you here--these will call you back."



VonCannon Receives LMC Founder's Day Award. At the annual Founder's Day ceremonies the second Founder's Day Award was presented to Banner Elk Mayor Charles VonCannon (Class of 1935) in recognition of his many years of leadership for and dedication to Banner Elk, Lees-McRae College, and the surrounding areas of western North Carolina. Pictured above (l-r): Mena VonCannon, Roma Melton, Alleen VonCannon, Charles VonCannon, and Dr. Bradford L. Crain.

“ This college at the base of a mountain, the people who care, the heritage that has been built for you here — these will call you back. ”



Principals in Founder's Day Ceremony. Pictured below: Front row (l-r): Paul Neal, Margaret Tufts Neal (daughter of the founder), Ann Tufts, Edgar Tufts, President Crain. Back row: Tom Morra, Allison Morra, Kimberly Tufts, Robert Tufts.





Gwynn



Ray

Gwynn, Ray deliver



Principals in LMC Graduation (l-r): Dr. Daniel Massie, Chairman of the Board of Trustees; Price Gwynn, Speaker; Lees-McRae President Dr. Bradford L. Crain; James A. Stonesifer, Vice President for Academic Affairs.

PRICE GWYNN ADDRESSES LEES-McRAE GRADUATES

Retired businessman and former Moderator of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Price Gwynn was the featured speaker during Lees-McRae's Sixty-Second Commencement Exercises on May 9. Forty-one students were among the third class to graduate from Lees-McRae with a haccalaureate degree.

In introducing Gwynn, President Bradford L. Crain called him a "man of extraordinary note, a leader, a teacher, and a person who has touched and directed the spiritual lives of many people."

The following is a portion of Gwynn's remarks: "To the graduating classes of Lees-McRae College, the educational experience, regardless of your age, begs the question, 'What am I going to do with the rest of my life?' 'How will I invest it?' Some of you are also wrestling with an equally important question. 'With whom do I spend it?' Unless you are lucky or unique these are not questions with easy answers. They often require stopping and starting, exploring dead ends, reassessing options, and sometimes you feel like you're getting no place at all. But answers will come. This part of your life calls for you to dismantle the comfortable boundaries of teenage and college years. You'll learn things are not as simple as they once seemed. The do's and don't's, the good and the bad guys are not as clear-cut.

"One temptation is to resist growth and change and say, 'Who needs all these questions?' 'Let's stay where we

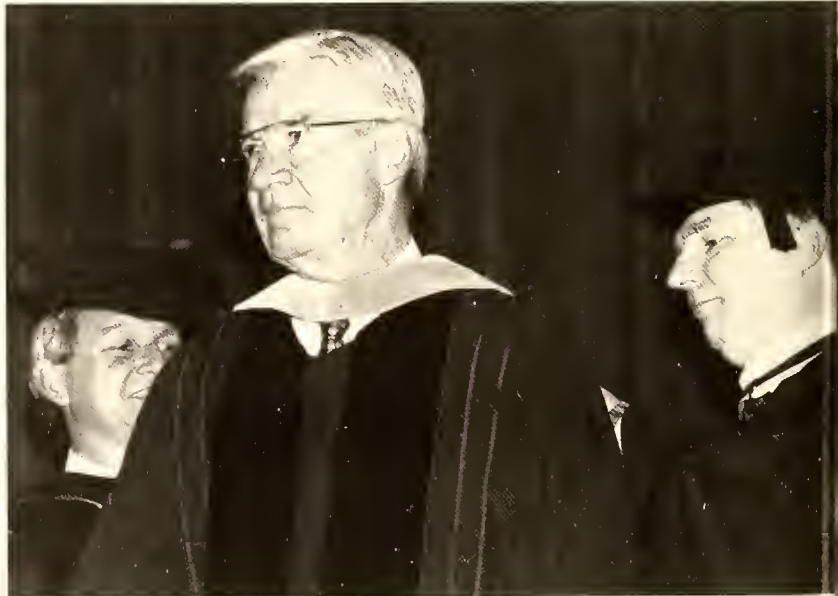
are.' That won't work and you know it. Oliver Wendell Holmes said it best when he stated: 'I don't care a fig for simplicity on this side of complexity, but I would give my life for simplicity on the other side of complexity.'

"As you work out the questions of what to do with your life and with whom, let me suggest that you do not opt for simple answers regarding your faith, either. You're at a stage where, if you let it, that faith can turn from the comforting 'stuffed animal' mentality into a lion that roars and roams, making its presence known in everything you do. It is time to let your adolescent images of the church go, too. When you do that you are free to embrace a God and a life that will have

a new meaning and will support you in what lies ahead, and if you do that it will cost you some of your comfort, but the strength of a life lived in a mature faith is rich beyond comparison. You can make a difference in this world.

"The combination of an unleashed faith and the gifts you've been given has the power to change lives, heal hearts, resolve issues, move mountains, or whatever else God needs done.

"How does this faith relate to the questions of life? Two suggestions: Remember whose work you do and remember whose work you are. Is it possible that God has a plan and purpose for all of our lives? Yes, it is. What we're called to do in this life is rarely crystal clear, but if we trust, we



memorable addresses at graduation exercises.

can find direction. Now is your time for exploration, for listening to opportunities, for trying out hunches. Where do you feel drawn? What gives you a sense of satisfaction? I'm not saying you'll wake one morning and have all the answers, but I am saying that if you'll commit yourself to this journey you'll find that it does lead somewhere. And where it leads, God will sustain you with love and grace.

"Your gifts are the building blocks God uses to restore lives. Our ordinary moments are the medicine He uses to make people whole. Let's make the church together. Without your gifts we are incomplete. The God to whom we belong and whose work we do awaits an answer. How will you respond in this new life that begins today?"

DR. RICHARD RAY DELIVERS BACCALAUREATE ADDRESS

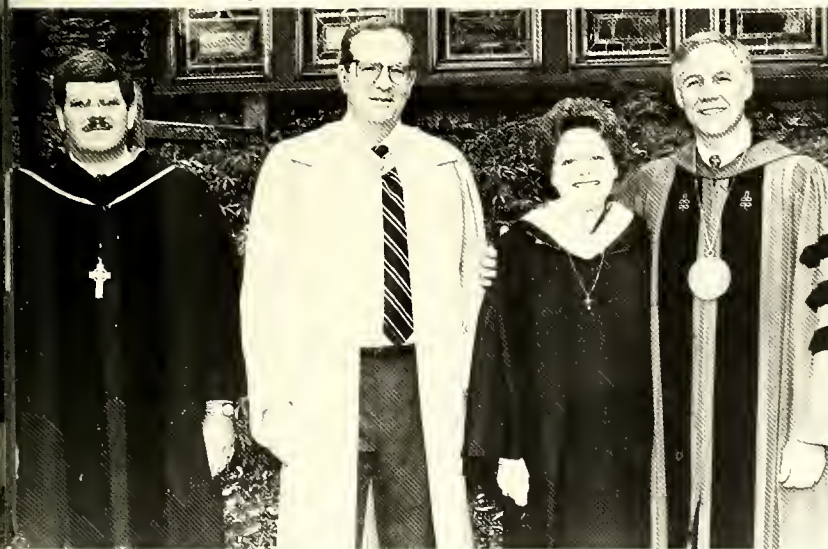
Dr. Richard A. Ray, who is currently the senior pastor of First Presbyterian Church in Bristol, Tennessee, delivered the sermon at the Lees-McRae College baccalaureate service held at the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church May 9.

Dr. Ray commented, "As I was thinking about the auspicious nature of this occasion and everything it represents, a thought came to me of one of the funniest movies I've seen in a long time, 'Honey, I Shrunk the Kids.' And I thought, this is the antithesis of what Lees-McRae College is all about

We're not interested in shrinking the kids, we're interested in expanding the kids. The whole enterprise is to lift up the human spirit to ennoble it, to impress it with great and lofty thoughts, to enable people to expand their consciousness and to sense a path opening for them in life which they didn't have before.

"The grandeur of the moral spirit, the excitement of the pilgrimage of faith, the beauty of God's creation and the discovery of our place in it, all this has to do with the expansion of life.

Why then, when we are concerned in an institution like Lees-McRae about the expansion of the human spirit, why is it that in our culture one of the movies produced is 'Honey, I Shrunk the Kids?' Well, I wonder if parents ever say that about their kids after they have grown up? 'We intended to enlarge them, but mentally and spiritually they seemed to have sort of caved in on themselves.' Even a college might wonder the same. They come for a promise. You wonder in the end, did we shrink them or enlarge them? Or are they more of the



creatures that God wants them to be? Are they growing into something representative of the image of God? Part of the problem is that we are shrinking ourselves. We're in a society that is caving in on itself and shrinking in lots of ways.

"If you open up the book of Genesis you find people placed in the most wonderful of settings. It's a garden, but more than a garden, because it's filled with anticipation, expectation, and possibility. You and I are portrayed in this little narrative as those who decide to take a short cut.

(Cont'd. next page)

Principals in Baccalaureate Service (l-r): Tom Phillips, Pastor of Banner Elk Presbyterian Church; Dr. Richard Ray, Speaker; Trustee Roma Melton; Dr. Crain.

Forty-one receive Baccalaureate degrees ...

There is a tree in the center of the garden, good and evil, and it is a short cut. They didn't create it, cultivate it, or harvest it, they took a short cut. They shrunk. They went right for the fruit. And I warn you that that is a picture of you and me wanting to go right into the fruit, to take the short cut, which is often a moral short cut and which will leave its scars upon you.

"In this wonderful place we're tempted for short cuts in life, and you who are young and you who are old may already be thinking of short cuts you've tried to take in life and you wish now that you hadn't. Shrinking is a way of escaping the moral dilemmas of life. Indeed, I sometimes feel by the time we put our kids in little league this and lessons at that, the whole enterprise is to shrink their consciousness down to where they don't have to struggle with anything really important in life. And I wonder if that has happened to some of us. Sometimes it's even the peer groups that do the shrinking.

"It is incumbent upon all of us to rediscover in our time what it means to be a Christian neighbor in our world. And when you who are graduating leave here and go into business you will be challenged, not just to think of people as customers, but to think of them as godly neighbors. And those of you who leave here to teach, you will be challenged to think of your fellow teachers and pupils as those created in the image of

Mumpower, Reitano among 31 to receive A.A., A.S. Degrees



Dr. Crain and Dean Stonesifer conferred 41 Baccalaureate degrees at the 62nd graduation exercises. (Above) Mark Evans, son of the late LMC President Dr. H.C. Evans, is congratulated by Dr. Crain upon receiving his degree.

God, which means with infinite holy dimensions of creativity. And those of you who leave here to go into post-graduate work to become qualified in your profession will be challenged not to just think of your own personal qualifications but of the world as a magnificent place in which God in all His splendor has placed you in all your splendor.

"The moral grandeur of this is fulfilled in Christ Himself who we see was tempted to shrink. If He had yielded and let His spirit shrink, we would be much smaller ourselves. And so will those who come after you if you

yield to those temptations and let your spirits shrink.

"In the 13th chapter of Matthew there is the wonderful parable which begins with a simple sentence . . . 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man who sowed good seed in his field.' Friends, the kingdom of heaven will start as you sow good seed yourselves. The kingdom of heaven is yours today. Go and do likewise, and grow from this Lees-McRae where you have been jump-started by the wonderful place of the human spirit, and jump-started in the expansion into goodness, holiness, truth, and faith."



Sam Mumpower (left), who served as a student assistant football coach after a knee injury ended his playing career for the Bobcats, was named Valedictorian of the two-year program. Denise Reitano, a tennis standout for two years was Salutatorian.



Gwynn and Hall Receive Honorary Doctorates

Price Henderson Gwynn, III, former Moderator of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) and Charlotte businessman, and Lewis M. Hall, a 38-year member of the Lees-McRae faculty who is retiring from full-time teaching, received honorary doctorate degrees during Lees-McRae College's Sixty-Second Commencement Exercises on Saturday, May 9.

In presenting the Honorary Doctorate of Public Service to Price Gwynn, Lees-McRae President Dr. Bradford L. Crain made the following remarks: "In speaking as Moderator of the General Assembly, Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), you said: 'I would love to be a catalyst in finding ways we can agree and still work together toward common goals. We are not there yet, either as persons or as institutions, but people want it to work and that means it will.' For your depth in Christian precepts and action and for your abiding belief in the essential goodness and power of

people, you have been and continue to be a model sponsor of beneficial change. Society is better as a result of your presence. For your service to church and community, for your success in business as well as your advocacy of business success as a means of contributing to the public welfare, you have provided opportunity and hope to many people in need. For your personal achievements and for your dynamic, eloquent leadership far beyond the ordinary, the Trustees of Lees-McRae College and I are honored to confer on you today the Honorary Doctorate of Public Service."

In introducing Lewis Hall to receive the first Honorary Doctorate of Education ever given to a member of the Lees-McRae faculty by the college, Dr. Crain made the following remarks: "You have devoted your professional life to the education and welfare of students at Lees-McRae College. You have nurtured self-esteem and a sense of academic excellence among a large

circle of learners. Such devotion as you have shown is, indeed, extraordinary. You met and wooed your wife at Lees-McRae and educated your children here; that speaks volumes. Having served as founder and sponsor of student organizations at Lees-McRae, as coach, Dean of Men, Division Chair, Academic Dean, and teacher extraordinaire as professor of mathematics in a career that began here in 1954, you have received recognition steadily, inexorably, and always well-deserved. Phi Beta Kappa at the College of William and Mary with your master's degree from East Tennessee State University, you have consistently served our institution and beyond with fine teaching, wise counsel, and calm leadership. A man of few words, always well-chosen, all of your words have been kind and encouraging, invariably punctuated with a ready smile.

"One of your students, writing in response to the recent establishment of the Lewis Hall Scholarship Fund, wrote the following: 'To honor a professor who has dedicated his life to education is a worthwhile cause. Just as Lees-McRae College is known as the college that cares, Mr. Hall deserves the title, the professor who cares. It is exciting to hear news of an individual who has quietly gone about his heroic task of leading individuals down the paths of insights to a point of meaningful knowledge, especially when the task has been accomplished with such patience and encouragement. The recipient of this scholarship should not only benefit from the funding but from the knowledge that heroes live quietly among us and are not always seen on the evening news. In this age of glittering media, we need to be reminded that worthwhile goals and amazing rewards can be gained quietly in the mountains. That is what the career of Lewis Hall means to me.'

"Little more than that need be said; no more can be said to capture so distinctly the simple eloquence of how a man named Lewis Hall (known as 'Tootie' Hall throughout East Tennessee) has quietly yet persistently touched and guided students and colleagues alike.

"Lewis, as you retire from full-time teaching, the Trustees of Lees-McRae College want to add this honor to the many you have received over the years and recently. Therefore, I find great personal pleasure in conferring on you the Honorary Doctorate of Education, the first such degree to be awarded by us to one in our own faculty."

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At Lees-McRae Women's Athletic Programs Reign

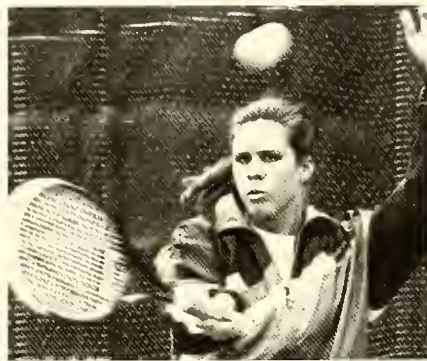
It was a banner year for women's sports at Lees-McRae in 1992.

The women's soccer program put together yet another winning season as Head Coach Ried Estus, who has been at the helm of Lady Bobcat soccer since its inception five years ago, continued his winning ways leading Lees-McRae to a 13-5 finish. When final season records are compared in years to come, it will appear that the Lady Bobcat soccer program suffered through no real transition period moving from the JUCO ranks to the NAIA, and that is just the way Estus hoped it would be. "We did not skip a beat moving to playing four-year competition," said Estus, adding, "I think our schedule shows that we also did not avoid any of the best teams. We were in the hunt all season long and next year, when we are eligible for post-season action, we will be ready."

The women's volleyball team made great strides in 1991, doubling its output in wins from 6 to 12 in only its second year of competition after being revived in 1990. Second-year Head Coach Fish Gupton explained that the "team concept" was the biggest difference from one year ago. "Last year we had a group of individuals trying to play a team sport, whereas this year we started with a group of individuals who came together as a team as the season progressed."

The Lady Bobcat basketball team set the standard for remarkable turnaround seasons as Head Coach

Transition to stiff four-year competition ...



net Dixon infused a 6-20 team with exciting new talent in the form of five quality freshman recruits and made a splash in the NAIA during the team's first season of competition on that level by going 22-7 and representing the college in the District 26 playoffs. Dixon was pleased with how easily new players were integrated into the program. "Our upperclassmen knew that kind of an impact these new players could have on our chances for success this year and they went out of their way to help the freshmen get adjusted, not only to the way we do things on the basketball team, but to college life in general and the result was a runaway success." Lori Eichler, who became the first Lady Bobcat to score 1,000 career points, was named to the All-NAIA District 26 Team, along with freshman Stephene McCovery.

In women's tennis, the Lady Bobcats finished the season with an 11-1 record and placed third at the District 26 Tournament. Host Presbyterian College won the tournament with a distant 24 points. Catawba and Wingate were deadlocked for second place with 11 points each. Lees-McRae was one point from a tie with 10 points, followed by Barton, Pfeiffer, High Point, and St. Andrews. Sophomore Michele Monsour finished as the runner-up for "Player of the Year" honors in the district and was a unanimous All-District Team selection. Head Coach Fish Gupton termed Monsour's effort "outstanding" and praised her dedication to "improving her overall game."

On the gridiron, the successes came not on the scoreboard but

through the achievements of Bobcats both past and present. Two members of the "Class of '88," running back Robert Hardy and linebacker Calvin Tiggler, both made the roster of the Tampa Bay Buccaneers of the National Football League. Although both saw limited action, Hardy was named as one of the team's tri-captains at the conclusion of the season. On the current Bobcat roster, freshman punter David Friday established himself as one of the premier punters in the Southeast by leading the NAIA in punting, averaging over 43 yards per kick and being named to the NAIA All-American First Team. Teammate and starting center Tom Nelson also was recognized by the NAIA by being named to the Honorable Mention All-American Team. The football Bobcats were the hardest hit by the transition to four-year play as the team was comprised mainly of freshmen, with a sprinkling of sophomores, fewer juniors, and no seniors. It was consequently a "trial by fire" for the young men in green and gold, finishing with an 0-9 record but with lots of experience in store for next season.

The men's soccer team, with the exception of All-American goalkeeper John Clark, was mainly comprised of freshman and, like any team lacking "live-game" experience on the collegiate level, the Bobcats endured many ups and downs throughout the course of the season. "I have to give the players all the credit in the world," stated Head Coach Fred LaRoche, who added, "They put it on the line in some games where it would have been easy to quit; a coach can't ask any more of his players than that."

The men's basketball program, unfortunately, could not manage to draft any momentum from the women's squad, posting two victories early in the season but suffering through a drought until the end of the campaign, coming close to several victories in the process but always coming up just shy. Junior forward Robert Brower received All-NAIA District 26 honors. With everyone set to return next season, Head Coach Jack Lytton is looking forward to bigger and better things in 1992-93.

The Bobcat Ski Team had a successful season as the men's team finished third in the conference, representing Lees-McRae at the regionals; top female racer Tracie Brewer finished atop the Southern Division standings despite missing the last race due to a season-ending knee injury. For the first year in recent memory, the snow was sufficient to ski in every scheduled race.

The men's tennis team had an outstanding regular season cruising to an 18-2 overall record which included a 14-match win streak midway through the season. At the District 26 Tournament the Bobcats had only one player, Ivan Bello, advance past the second round, but still managed a fifth place finish among the twelve schools competing. Barton College, with 19 points edged Elon (17) for the District 26 crown, while Presbyterian (13) and High Point (10) were close behind the leaders. Lees-McRae placed fifth with 8 points, followed by Carson-Newman (6), Wingate (6), Belmont Abbey (5), Pembroke State (5), Pfeiffer (3), Catawba (2), and Lenoir-Rhyne (1).

Football

The Bobcat squad that was hardest hit by the transition to four-year competition was the football team. On a team comprised mainly of freshmen, with a sprinkling of sophomores and even fewer juniors, it was a trial by fire season as the Bobcats finished with an 0-9 record. Although the season was not without disappointment and frustration, first-year Head Coach John Pate found a bright side in looking toward next season: "While it is not usually my policy to play 18-year olds against juniors and seniors, our players did get a chance to gain a lot of experience, and with some work in the weight room, and the addition of five or six impact players we will definitely see our fortunes reversed."

1991 Schedule

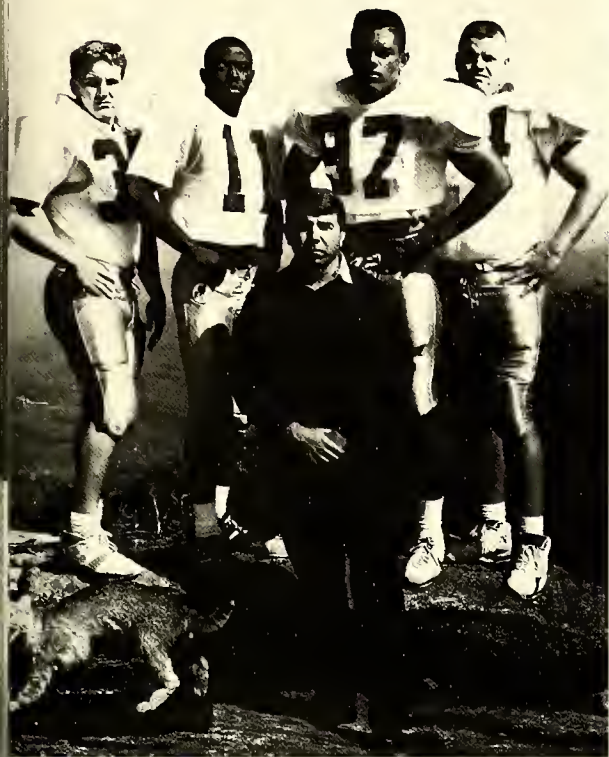
Lees-McRae	13	Catawba College	21
	3	Concord College	45
	7	Livingstone College	28
	0	Gardner-Webb	50
		West Virginia Tech.	forfeit
	19	Newberry College	41
	13	Valdosta State College	59
	18	Mars Hill College	38
	14	University of Findlay (OH)	20



LMC Co-captains: Jerame Conkin (left) and Tom Nelson.



TRAINERS. Front row (l-r): Noel Gressner, Leslie Smith, Wendy Hurd, Rita Smith, ATC. Back row: Scott Hill, Ginny Worsley, Victor Feaster.



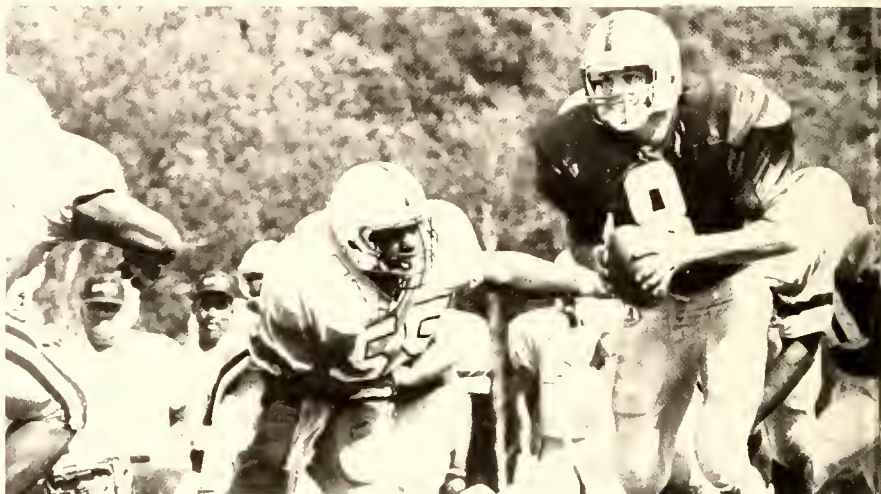
REACHING NEW HEIGHTS. First-year Head Football Coach John Pate sought to guide the Bobcat football program to new heights as it began competition as a four-year school after over sixty years of recognition as a football powerhouse in the junior college ranks. Pate used the above picture taken on top of Grandfather Mountain to symbolically illustrate the Bobcats' trek toward new heights beginning the season. Front: Coach John Pate. Back (l-r): John Osborne, Lamont Calhoun, Rodney Chapman, Jerame Conkin.



Pictured at left: Front row (l-r): Todd Knight, John Pate, Dan Higgins. Back row: Sam Mumpower, Randall Bentley, Donald Price, Brian Dameron, Byron Bell.



QUARTERBACKS Lamont Calhoun (left) and Scott Farham Not pictured. David Friday, quarterback/punter



OFFENSIVE LINEMEN: Front row (l-r): Bryan Sizemore, Leighton Justice, Keith Booth, Chad Campbell, Chris Gentry, John Satterfield. Back row: Michael Duarte, Kevin Crosby, Tom Nelson, Coach Randall Bentley, Jeff Wall, Jerame Conkin, Roger Conkin, Henry Terrell, Kareem Epps



Below: NAIA All-American David Friday reels off record-breaking punt. Far right: Junior receiver Charles McFadden splits between two defenders. McFadden was the second leading receiver on the team with 14 catches, carried the ball out of the backfield 22 times, and returned six kickoffs. Right: The exuberance of playing collegiate sports takes many forms and one of the most familiar is a sideline celebration following a touchdown.

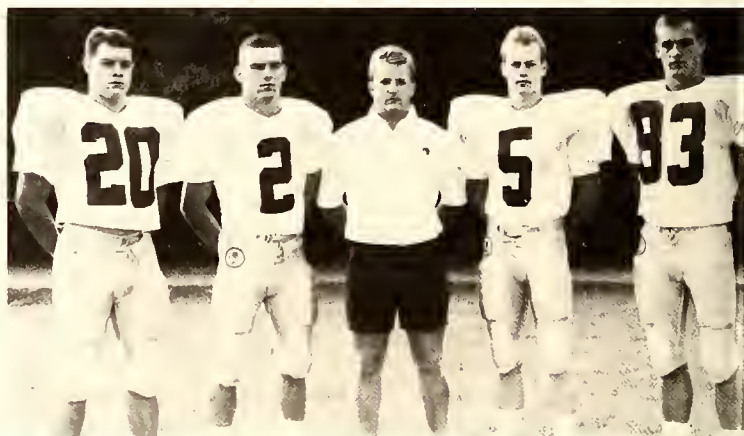


Clockwise: Sophomore running back Johnny Woodberry hit paydirt, scoring the Bobcats' first TD on the four-year level; Offensive lineman Roger Conkin; Captain Tom Nelson leaves the field after a Bobcat score.



OFFENSIVE BACKS. Front row (l-r): Charles McFadden, George Carter, Derrell Wells, Eric Bryan. Back row: Chad McCullouch, Eric Schneider, Jimmy Schimf, Johnny Woodberry.

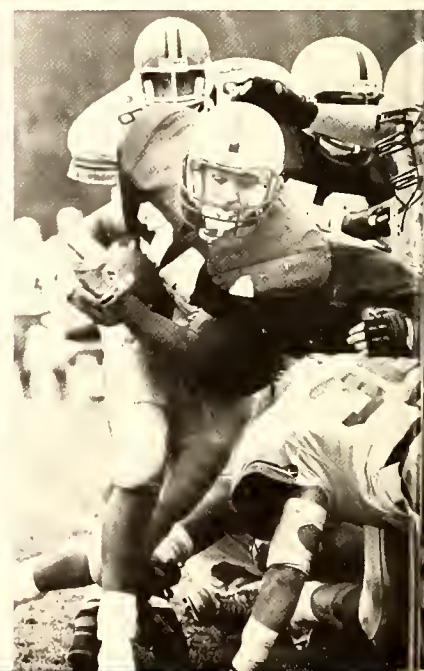
WIDE RECEIVERS. (l-r): Brett Rutland, Jon Moore, Student Assistant Coach Byron Bell, Alvin Marlowe, Brandon Workman.



LINEBACKERS. Front row (l-r): Ronnie Getz, Clint Bost, Robert Horn, Michael Morton, Sylvester Anderson. Back row: Student Assistant Coach Sam Mumpower, John Osborne, Alex Watson, Torrance Hendricks, Michael Jones, Juan Shackelford, Coach Todd Knight.

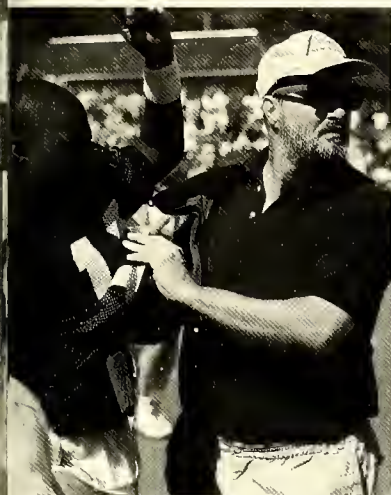


Freshman receiver Alvin Marlowe caught a pass in the game against Catawba which accounted for a 20-yard touchdown.





**DEFENSIVE LINE-
MEN.** Front row (l-r):
Eric Witherington,
Joe Morgan, Chad
Bishop, Tommy
Powe, Shawn Comp-
ton. Back row: Brian
Bentley, Ken Lowen-
burg, Rodney Chap-
man, Head Coach
John Pate, Jaye
DeRienzo, Cai Ben-
nett, Jay Catto, Mal-
colm Britt.



Above left: Dr. Gary Welliver, team doctor. **DEFENSIVE BACKS.** Front row (l-r): Mar-
cus Davis, Tracy McCray, Jon Saunders, Corious Thomas. Back row: Brian Dyer, Joe
Fuellen, Paul Walker, John Skipper, Bryan Abner, Coach Brian Dameron.



Opposite page: Sophomore RB Jimmy
Schimf looks for running room against
the University of Findlay. Schimf began
as a blocking back but proved midway
through the season that he was more
valuable carrying the ball, amassing
nearly 200 yards by season's end. Far
left: Coach Pate issues instruction to
defensive standout Michael Morton. Left:
Sophomore defensive lineman Shawn
Compton, who made 27 tackles and 3
sacks in 1991, takes a breather.

Women's Soccer

The women's soccer team, under the direction of fifth-year Head Coach Ried Estus, was 13-5. When season records are referred to in later years it will appear that the Lees-McRae women's soccer team suffered through no real transition period moving from the JUCO ranks to the NAIA, and that is just the way Estus hoped it would be. "We did not skip a beat moving to playing four-year competition," said Estus, adding, "I think our schedule shows that we did not avoid any of the best teams. We were in the hunt all season long and next year, when we are eligible for post-season action, we will be ready."

1991 Schedule

Lees-McRae	4	Carson-Newman	0
	1	Maryville	2
	3	Tusculum	0
	3	Erskine	2
	2	Presbyterian	1
	4	Tennessee Wesleyan	0
	3	Lenoir-Rhyne	1
	3	Catawba	0
	4	Wingate	0
	2	Methodist	0
	4	Gardner-Webb	0
	3	Queens	1
	0	Coker	1
	6	LaGrange	0
	1	Huntington	3
		Savannah	forfeit
	0	St. Andrews	1
	0	Berry	3



Front row (l-r): Dena Moyer, Dearuse Myers, Kama Roberts, Holly Dawson, Sha Morgan, Shela Moffett, Jeanne Cobbe, Tina Heinrich. Back row: Coach Ried Estus, Karen Van Wert, Stephanie Walker, Merri Justice, Sandy Cartwright, Julia Callarman, Jane Shaw, Allison McDonald, Jennifer McAvoy, Desiree Diaz, Julie Crews, Assistant Coach Eric Terrill.





Clockwise: Kama Roberts (#4) exemplifies the rugged sport of women's soccer; Jeanne Cobble (#10), Dena Moyer (#14), Jennifer McAvoy (#15), and Deanise Myers (#8) are in pursuit of the ball; Allison McDonald (#7) has been a stabilizing force. In the three years she has played the Lady Bobcats have posted a 50-9-1 record; Karen Van Wert (#13) demonstrates MVP form.

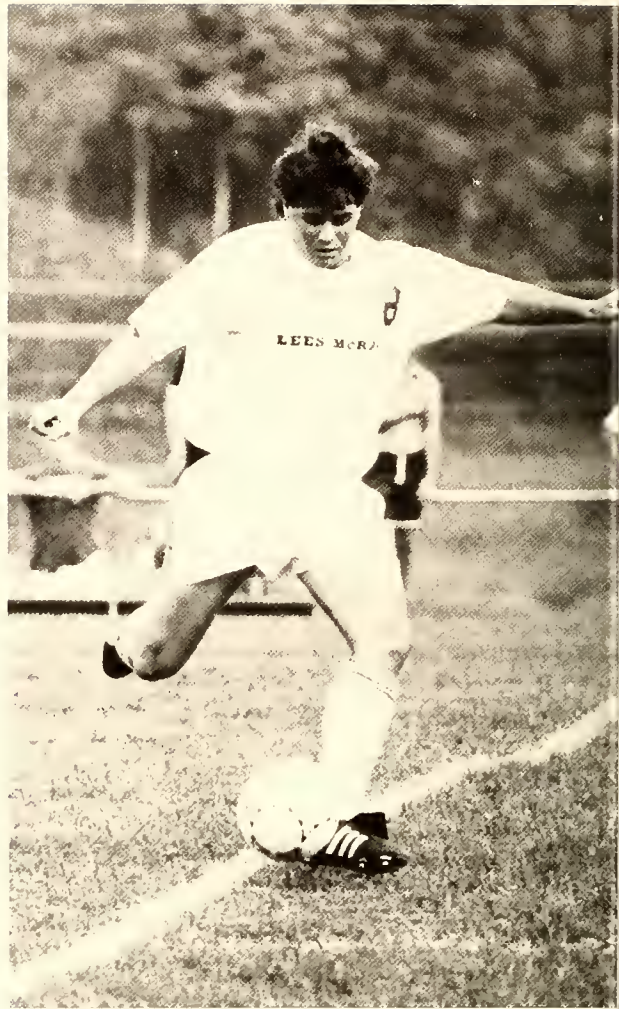


Men's Soccer

Problems began early for first-year Head Men's Soccer Coach Fred LaRoche as preseason eligibility problems knocked a few key players out of the picture for 1991, and various other instances of misfortune, injury, and freshmen experience contributed mightily to the Bobcats' final 2-15-1 record. One of the adversities that served to temper the team this past season was playing as many as two men down during several games in the second half of the season. "I have to give the players all the credit in the world," stated LaRoche, who added, "they went out on the playing field when we only had nine going against eleven, and they put it on the line in each of those games when it would have been easy to quit: a coach cannot ask anymore of his players than that."

1991 Schedule

Lees-McRae	0	High Point	5
forfeit		King	
forfeit		Bellarmine	
forfeit		Morehead	
0		Catawba	6
0		USC-Spartanburg	5
1		Tennessee Wesleyan	4
0		Tusculum	4
2		Central Wesleyan	1
0		Erskine	8
0		Berry	7
1		Mars Hill	1
0		Univ. of Auburn at Montgomery	8
0		Lander	5
0		Bellhaven	7
1		St. Andrews	2



Above: David Bashara takes penalty kick against King. Below: John Clark (left) and Shindano Kakudji. The Bobcats went to mid-season before the first victory of 2-1 over Central Wesleyan. A tie with Mars Hill, as the Bobcats battled nine players against eleven Lions, made the record 1-14-1.





Archie Roa makes his move to steal the ball from a King defender.



Stuart Swager in action against Mars Hill.

Front row (l-r): David Bashara, Emir Yaya, John Clark, Lenny Bono, Archie Roa, David Guy. Back row: Coach Fred LaRoche, Shindano Kakudji, Charlie Rogers, Derrick Clark, Chris Smith, Stuart Swager, Toby Lebin, Jason Burger.



Volleyball

The women's volleyball team sported the only other winning record this fall, making a significant turnaround in only its second year of competition after being revived in 1990, finishing its first NAIA schedule with a 20-17 record. In the fall of 1990, the Lady Bobcat spikers struggled and only managed to win six matches so the turnaround, coupled with the heightened level of competition in the NAIA, makes this season almost remarkable. Second-year Head Coach Fish Gupton explained that the "team concept" was the biggest difference from a year ago. "Last year we had a bunch of individuals trying to play a team sport," said Gupton. "This year we started with a group of individuals who came together as a team as the season progressed. Everyone played as they were called on and performed very well."

1991 Schedule

Lees-McRae	Tusculum	15-6, 15-9, 15-8
15-6, 15-7, 15-4	Salem College	
15-8, 16-14, 15-2	Salem College	
15-12, 17-15, 15-5	Belmont Abbey	
15-7, 15-4, 15-8	Savannah College	
15-0, 15-0	Emory University	15-9, 15-6
	Oglethorpe Univ.	
15-12, 15-12, 15-12	Spelman College	
16-14	Emory University	15-7, 15-6
15-0, 15-1	Stillman	
15-12, 16-4	Emory University	
15-12, 15-9	Mars Hill College	15-4, 15-4, 15-2
	Emory & Henry	15-7, 15-6, 15-8
15-12, 15-1	Elon College	15-10, 15-3
15-11, 15-12	Bluefield College	
15-12	Converse College	15-11, 15-1, 15-6
15-9, 15-7, 15-11	Meredith College	
	Belmont Abbey	15-9, 15-10, 15-13
	Queens College	15-7, 15-5
15-4, 15-11, 15-8	Highlands	
15-4, 15-1	Randolph Macon	
	Tusculum	15-6, 15-5, 15-12
	Tusculum	15-7, 15-8, 15-10
15-8, 15-10	Mars Hill	15-11, 15-8, 15-10
	Queens College	15-10, 15-8, 15-7,
		15-7
	USC-Spartanburg	15-10, 15-8, 15-6
	Catawba College	15-8, 15-7, 15-2



Head Coach "Fish" Gupton leads the cheers from the bench along with freshman Aletha Wise during Lees-McRae's three-game victory over Salem College



Lees-McRae freshman Kim Manis (setting the ball on left) and sophomore Sara Jones (hitting, right) get in some practice before a home match.

Opposite page: Front row (l-r): Manager Konrad Olson, Aletha Wise, Sara Jones, Wendy Jacobs, and Head Coach Charles "Fish" Gupton. Top row: Kristen Surber, Christie Stringer, Kim Manis, Darla Preston, Dreama Pullon, and Michelle Taylor. (Not pictured: Catina Campbell)



Women's Basketball

The Lady Bobcat basketball team set the standard for remarkable turnaround seasons as Head Coach Janet Dixon infused a 6-20 team with exciting new talent in the form of five quality freshmen recruits and made a splash in the NAIA by going 22-7 and representing the college in the District 26 play-offs.

1991-92 Schedule

Lees-McRae	108	Barton	46
	94	Mount Olive	52
	87	Tusculum	81
	97	High Point	62
	95	Lenoir-Rhyne	77
	85	Catawba	77
	95	Belmont Abbey	87
	82	Mars Hill	93
	99	Pfeiffer	64
	84	Wingate	81
	79	Carson-Newman	84
	86	Tusculum	107
	71	High Point	60
	76	Lindenwood	58
	64	Henderson State	79
	93	Harding	99
	94	Belmont Abbey	62
	97	Gardner-Webb	88
	65	Limestone	56
	75	Carson-Newman	86
	115	Lenoir-Rhyne	80
	106	Mount Olive	56
	86	Wingate	82
	98	Elon	84
	98	Catawba	90
	82	Pfeiffer	60
	96	Mars Hill	72
	118	Alice Lloyd	78
	81	High Point	84
		(Dist. 26 Playoffs)	

The Lees-McRae College Lady Bobcats basketball team finished off the regular season with a 118-78 win over Alice Lloyd College, pushing its record to 22-6 on the season and establishing some momentum for the NAIA, District 26 play-offs when Lees-McRae traveled to face High Point College.

At right: THE CLASS OF '95.

The newness of the program centered around both a major influx of freshman talent and the fact that Lees-McRae was entering four-year competition for the first time since the college began competing athletically back in the early 1930s on the junior college level.

The five new faces on the Lady Bobcat squad were Stephene McCovery, a 5'5" guard who made the East-West All-Star Team in each of her four years at Hendersonville High School; Robin Scott, a 6' center who broke several career records during her tenure at Marion (VA) High School; Carmelita Connor, a 5'10" forward who was considered by The Charlotte Observer as the runner-up in "Player of the Year" voting during her senior year at North Mecklenburg High School; Libby Byrd, a 5'7" guard who proved outstanding athleticism at Mitchell High School by achieving All-Conference status in basketball, volleyball, and softball; and Brandi Campbell, a 5'8" guard who was a two-time recipient of "Player of the Year" honors at Cloudland High School.

Combining that talent with returning starters Lori Eichler (20.2 ppg.), Teresa Harris (16.4), Stephanie Disher (6.3), and Angela Holley (7.1) made the Bobcats a formidable opponent.



When Lori Eichler first suited up in the green and gold of a Lees-McRae basketball uniform then head coach Musette Mills, who had recruited her from Harding High School in Charlotte, was quoted as saying that Eichler would "bring scoring power to the Lady Bobcats" and Eichler proved that prophecy correct by topping the 1,000 career points plateau.

Eichler topped the 1,000 point mark in fine fashion with a 23 point performance against Harding University.





The Lady Bobcats led the nation in scoring (89.2 ppg) in 1992. One of the reasons was play-maker Libby Byrd.

Junior guard Stephanie Disher drives inside against High Point as the Lady Bobcats put away the Lady Panthers in victory number ten.

LMC LADY BOBCATS - BASKETBALL MOUNTAIN STYLE! The Lady Bobcats pose at the pinnacle, hoping to take the program to new heights. Front row (l-r): Teresa Harris, Angie Holley, Stephanie Disher, Lon Eichler. Back row: Libby Byrd, Carmelita Connor, Jane Shaw, Robin Scott, Brandi Campbell, Stephen McCoverly.



After meeting all of the goals the team set for the regular season among which included winning 20 games and reaching the NAIA District 26 playoffs, the Lady Bobcats were denied reaching any post season goals by the Lady Panthers of High Point College, losing by an 84-81 final.

It was the first round of the NAIA District 26 playoffs and the Lady Bobcats had played and beaten High Point College in both of the previous meetings, a fact which made Lees-McRae head coach Janet Dixon a bit wary. "Having seen us play it twice before this season, High Point learned its lesson and applied it against us in the playoff game by successfully shutting down our running game.

The Lady Bobcat team finished the 1991-92 season with a 22-7 final record and much recognition across the NAIA that Lees-McRae basketball had arrived on the four-year level of competition.



McCoverly, Eichler All-District 26

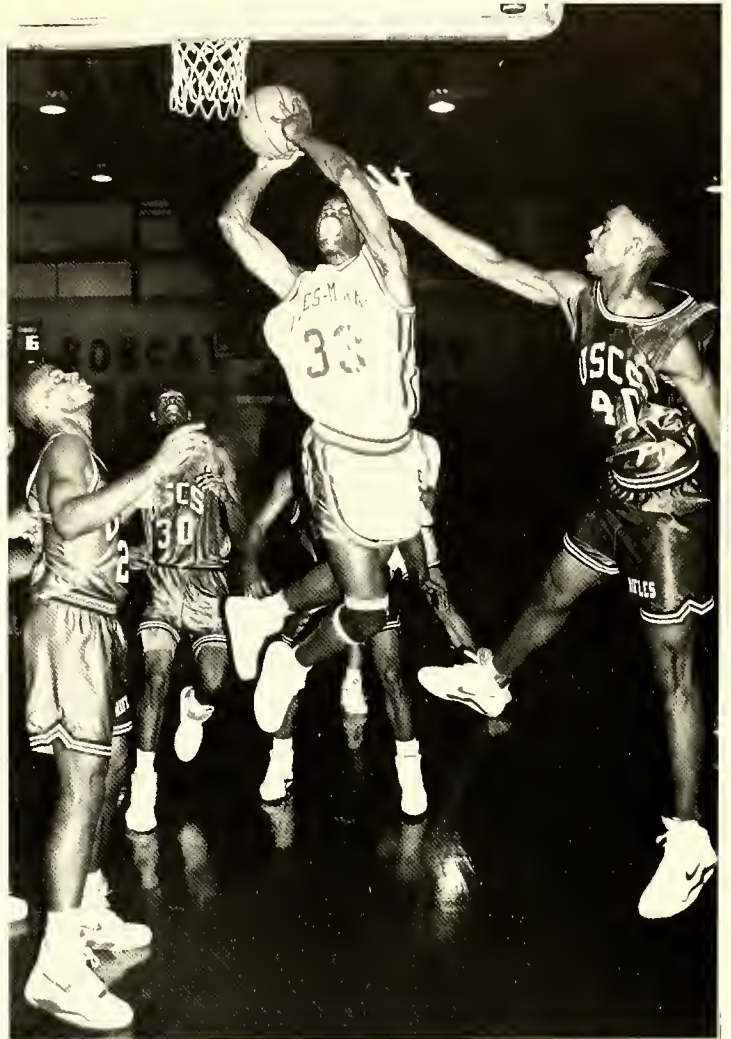
McCoverly was the Lady Bobcats' second leading scorer with 18.3 points per game and third best in rebounds per game with 5.8. McCoverly's freshman records included: Most field goals in a game vs. Tusculum (87-81 win), (14, tied with Lori Eichler); Second best field goal percentage for a season with 52.4% behind only Sandra Williams in 1986-87 with a 54.8%; Most field goal attempts in a game (26 vs. Lenoir-Rhyne); Most two-point shots attempted in a game (26 vs. Lenoir-Rhyne); Most free throws made in a season (134); Most free throws attempted in a season (195); Most free throws attempted in a game (19 vs. Belmont Abbey); Most steals in a game (6, three times); Most steals in a season (82).



Men's Basketball

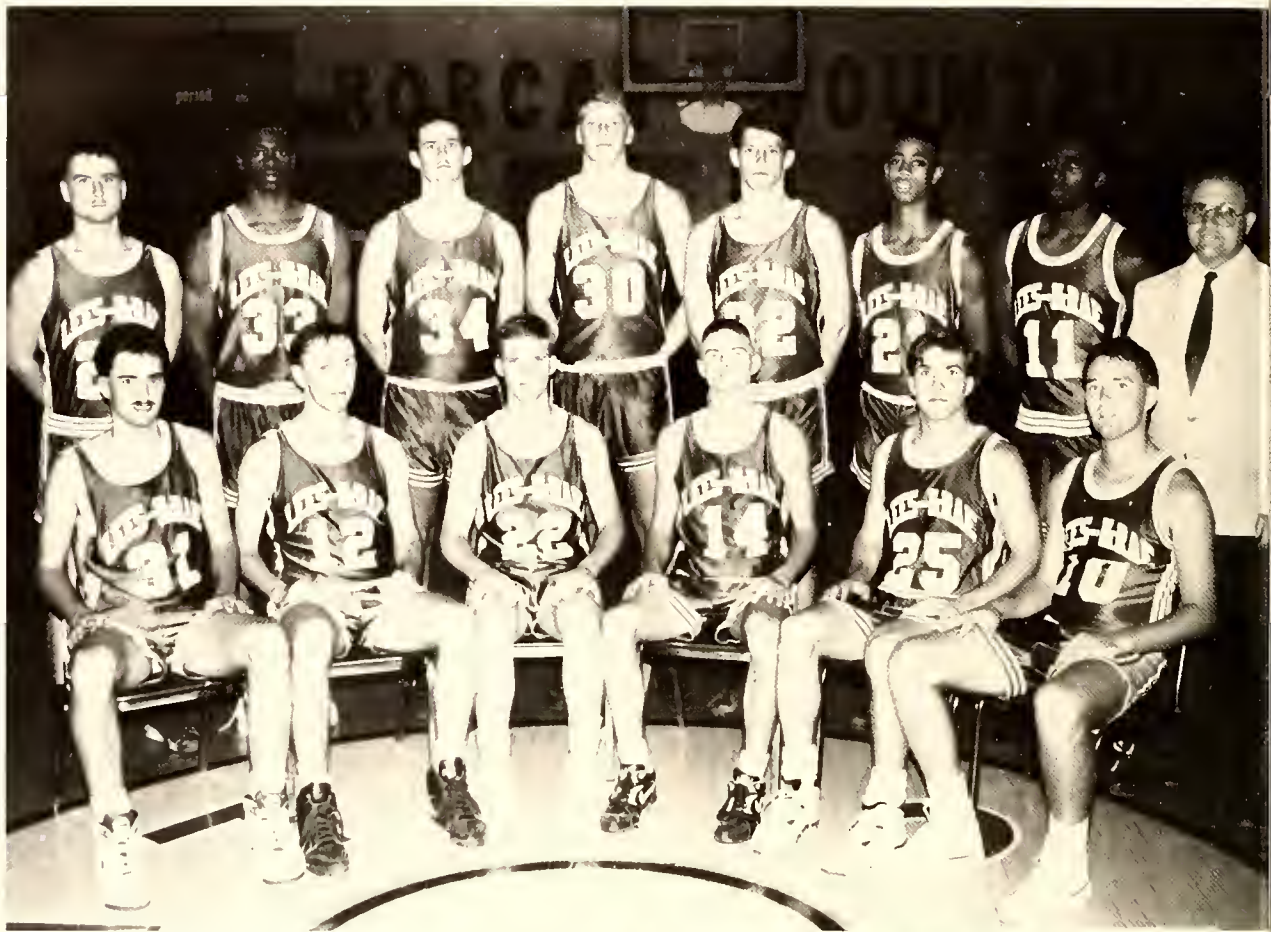
1991-92 SCHEDULE

Lees-McRae	95	St. Andrews	100
	57	Mount Olive	80
	86	Milligan	78
	72	Barton	98
	71	St. Andrews	83
	58	Pembroke State	97
	83	Catawba	73
	59	Lenoir-Rhyne	86
	61	Francis Marion	81
	55	USC-Spartanburg	94
	50	High Point	86
	82	Wingate	86
	68	Carson-Newman	87
	74	High Point	102
	58	Pembroke State	89
	61	Univ. of Auburn at Montgomery	71
	51	Lincoln Memorial	89
	60	Gardner-Webb	95
	77	Limestone	103
	67	Carson-Newman	82
	74	Mars Hill	79
	66	Mount Olive	76
	56	Wingate	64
	78	King	92
	72	Catawba	88
	65	Mars Hill	67
	88	King	97
	73	Milligan	91
	49	USC-Spartanburg	86
	84	Limestone	111



Upper right: All-District 26 Rob Brower carried the Bobcat squad with his scoring and rebounding. Below: Andy Wilson (#24) had an impact as a freshman as did Robert Smith (#10).



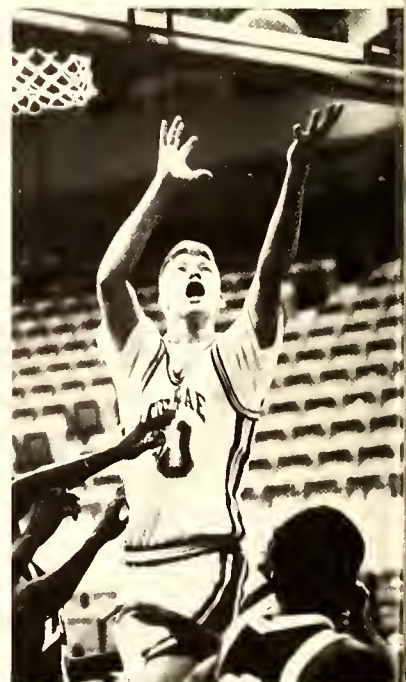


Front row (l-r): Craig Watson, Joey King, Brian Lytton, Chad Wright, Thomas Lambeth, Robert Smith. Back row: Andy Wilson, Robert Brower, Tony Shoemaker, Erick McMurray, Rance White, Adrian Byrd, Vic Hall, Head Coach Jack Lytton.

Junior Brian Lytton surveys the situation from his guard position. Lytton led the Bobcats in 3-point shooting.

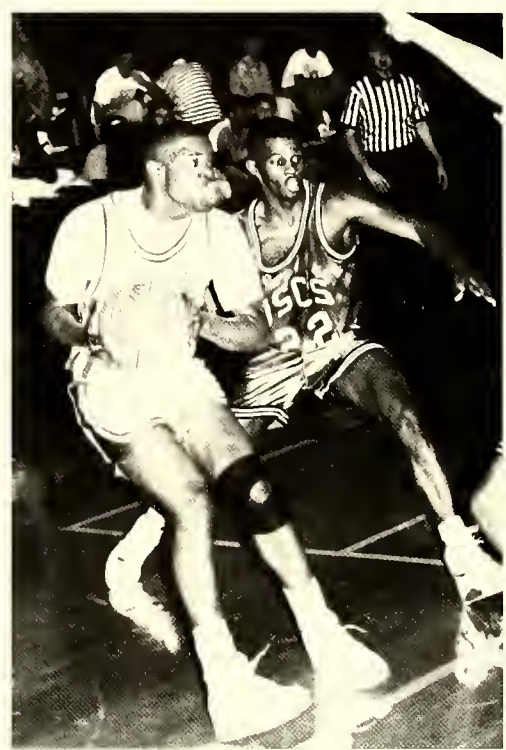


Erick McMurray goes up for a rebound against LMU.





Rodney Stephens pulls up against double team in U.S.C. - Spartanburg action.



Vic Hall drives for the bucket during fast break against LMU.



Robert Brower demonstrates the form that earned him All-District honors.

Brower, a 6'4" junior forward from High Point led the men's team in nearly every offensive and defensive category during the 1991-92 season. Brower averaged 17 points, 5.5 rebounds, 1.3 steals per game, while shooting 53 percent from the field and 67 percent from the free throw line, both of which were team bests.

King-sized Lees-McRae College junior guard Joey King drives around a defender during a game in Banner Elk.



Snow Skiing

The ASU men's and women's ski teams each skied to first place team finishes in the first meet of the Southern Collegiate Ski Conference season. The Lees-McRae College ski teams logged a third in the men's competition and a second in the women's competition.

In the individual competition two ASU men, Mike Baldwin and Brent Wiley, finished one-two, while LMC's Tracie Brewer had the top time among the women.

Beech Mountain - Giant Slalom. Men's Team: ASU 215.40; Duke 224.33; LMC 229.07; UNC 234.52; NC State 275.53; Tennessee 275.61. Women's Team: ASU 258.87; LMC 275.88; Duke 279.07; NC State 345.04.

Beech Mountain - Giant Slalom. Men's Team: LMC 255.66; ASU 265.03; Duke 267.08; NC State 390.46; Tennessee 432.09. Women's Team: ASU 279.51; LMC 295.87; Duke 306.22; NC State 366.16.

Appalachian Ski Mountain - Slalom. Men's Team: Duke 202.24; ASU 205.13; LMC 233.94; NC State 286.82. Women's Team: ASU 241.71; LMC 252.43; Duke 260.69; NC State 436.21.

SOUTHEASTERN COLLEGIATE SKI CONFERENCE 1991-1992 SEASON RESULTS SOUTHERN DIVISION

Women's Team Results

1.	Appalachian State	8
2.	Lees-McRae College	12
3.	Duke University	16
4.	N.C. State	23
5.	University of the South	26

Men's Team Results

1.	Appalachian State	9
2.	Duke University	12
3.	Lees-McRae College	15
4.	N.C. State	28
5.	University of the South	31
6.	University of North Carolina	31
7.	University of Tennessee	33

Men's and Women's Alpine Combined Team Results

1.	Appalachian State	17
2.	Lees-McRae College	27
3.	Duke University	28
4.	N.C. State	51
5.	University of the South	57
6.	University of Tennessee	.
	University of North Carolina	.

*No complete Women's Team



Jon Beall



Andrew Wojak



Tracie Brewer



Partnership. The Lees-McRae Ski Team went to buy for Alpine Ski Center in 1991 helping promote two of the biggest sales of the year and in return Alpine contributed over \$1,500 in credit at the store to the Bobcats which was used to buy new race sweaters. Pictured on right: Co-owner of Alpine Ski Center Hiram Lewis presents check to the Ski Team in appreciation of its services.



Chad Smyre

Alex Dewey

Angie Russo

Pictured below: Front row (l-r): Jason Reynolds, Eddie Horney, Rob Gagnon, Alex Dewey. Back row: Jon Beall, Tracie Brewer, Sandy Bott, Angie Russo, Mark Reece, Andrew Wojak.





LMC Men's Ski Team place third in Alpine Combined at S.C.S.C. Championships at Beech Mountain. (l-r): Mark Reece, Jason Reynolds, Andrew Wojak, Rob Gagnon, Jon Beall.



Eddie Horney



Rob Gagnon

Bringing Home the Bronze. LMC senior Sandy Bott didn't make it to Albertville for the Olympics, but she did receive a bronze medal for finishing third in the women's slalom at the Southeastern Collegiate Ski Conference championships held at Ski Beech. Bott, who has raced for four years at Lees-McRae represented the college at the regional championships held at Silver Creek, West Virginia as the top individual skier not on a team participating at regionals. Bott took up the slack for the Lady Bobcats after LMC lost its top woman skier Tracie Brewer to a knee injury.

Sandy Bott

Bobcats Compete at Regionals. The Lees-McRae College men's ski team returned from regional competition at Silver Creek, West Virginia, and although no trophies were won, Head Coach Scott Ballard said the trip did have its benefits. "Where we placed in the final standings was less important than getting the chance to see the caliber and depth of the competition we will have to overcome if we want to extend our post-season next year beyond regionals to the nationals," said Ballard. "There were no real dominating performances, but the teams that are going on from our region, including Appalachian State, each had 3-5 strong performances each day in the giant slalom and the slalom, and that is what it takes. Now is the time to catch our breath and start mapping out our regimen and roster for next year," according to Ballard.



Tennis

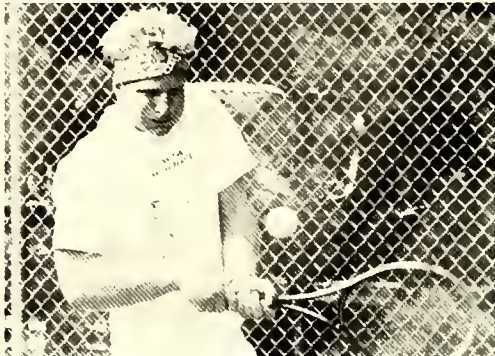
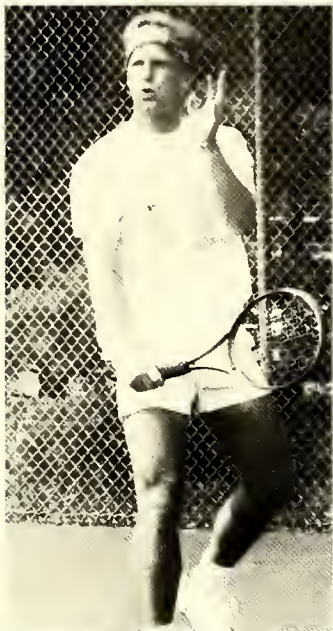
Men's 1992

LMC Men's Tennis Finished Fifth. Barton College, with 19 points, edged Elon (17) for the District 26, NAIA title, while Presbyterian (13) and High Point (10) were close behind the leaders. Lees-McRae placed fifth with eighth points, followed by: Carson-Newman, Wingate, Belmont Abbey, Pembroke State, Pfeiffer, Catawba, and Lenoir-Rhyne.



(left and below): Randy Bloemendaal (above): Jason Pinholster

Lees-McRae	0
Newberry	0
Newberry	0
Gardner-Webb	0
Tennessee Tech	3
E.T.S.U.	5
Univ. of Louisville	0 (forfeit)
Belmont Abbey	2
Newberry	0
Francis Marion	1
Pfeiffer	0 (forfeit)
King	0
Lenoir-Rhyne	2
Lenoir-Rhyne	1
Queens	3
St. Andrews	1
Pembroke State	2
Lincoln Memorial	2
King	0
King	0
Queens	5



Front row (l-r): Juan Boyanovich, Konrad Olson.
 Back row: Ivan Bello, Brian Connolly, Murat Baylan, Mandy Poplin, Desiree Diaz, Randy Bloemendaal, Kristen Surber, Bobby Hendrix, Kammi McLaurin, Jason Pinholster, Denise Reitano, Chad Quesenberry, Michele Monsour, Charlie Ziegler, Noel Gressner.



Women's 1992

Lees-McRae		
6	Queens	3
7	Belmont Abbey	2
9	Milligan	0
9	Newberry	0
1	Francis Marion	7
1	Catawba	5
9	King College	0
5	Appalachian State	4
8	King College	1
2	Pfeiffer	6
9	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
9	Lenoir-Rhyne	0
9	Pembroke	0
9	Lincoln Memorial	0



Desiree Diaz



Kristen Surber



Lees-McRae Women's Tennis Place Third

Michele Monsour advanced to the finals of the District 26, NALA Tennis Tournament at Clinton, South Carolina. Host Presbyterian College won the District 26 title with a distant 24 points. Catawba and Wingate were deadlocked for second place with eleven points each. Lees-McRae was one point from a tie with ten points, followed by Barton, Elon, Pfeiffer, High Point, and St. Andrews.

Michele Monsour, seventh-seed in the tournament, received a bye in the first round then disposed of Jennifer Terp of High Point, 6-0, 6-4. In the fourth round Monsour defeated the eleventh-seed Allison Servetnik (Pfeiffer), 6-1, 6-2. The Bobcat sophomore had trouble disposing of the top seed in the tournament, Andrea Henderson of Presbyterian College. Monsour shocked Henderson with a blanking, 6-0, first set, fell 6-4 to Henderson's comeback in the second, then assumed control with a break at 4-3 to go on to win, 6-4, in the third. Monsour was not through proving she was one of the top players in the tournament as she won a hard fought three-set match in defeating the number three seed Michelle Hancock of Catawba, 6-2, 3-6, 6-4.

What made Monsour's feat so miraculous was she eliminated the top seed and the third seed in three-set matches with only a thirty minute break between matches. "Four and one-half hours of grueling matches with the number one player and number three player in the tournament with only thirty minutes rest between matches!" exclaimed Head Coach Fish Gup-ton. "Michele had something to prove and she did it! I was extremely proud of all of our women. In their first appearance in NALA play they proved they belonged in this league and earned a lot of respect for our program," Gup-ton said.

In the finals Monsour faced fifth-seed Jill Deardorff of Wingate. Deardorff prevailed, 6-4, 6-4, for the tournament championship.



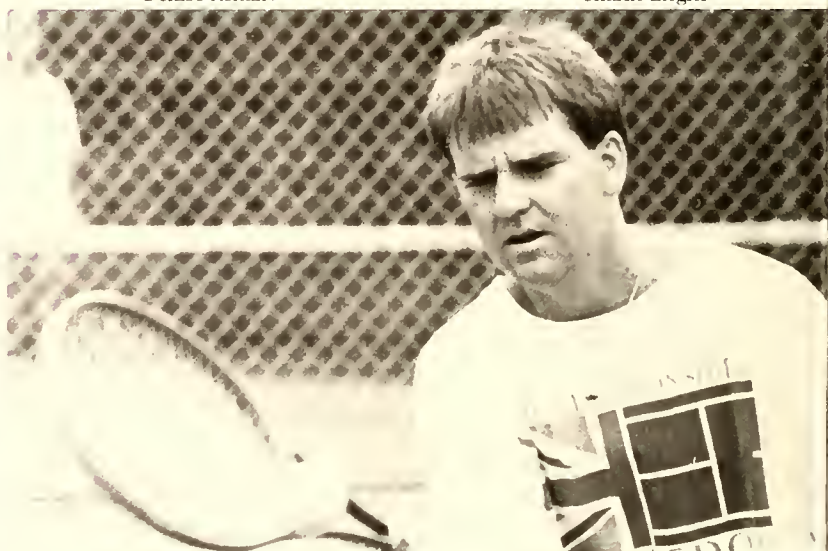
Denise Reitano

Men Capture Third in Big Net Tourney
Lees-McRae pulled the upset of the early season as it shocked the defending Ohio Valley conference champions, Tennessee Tech University, 5-3, in the ETSU Buccaneer Indoor Invitational held in Bristol, Tennessee.

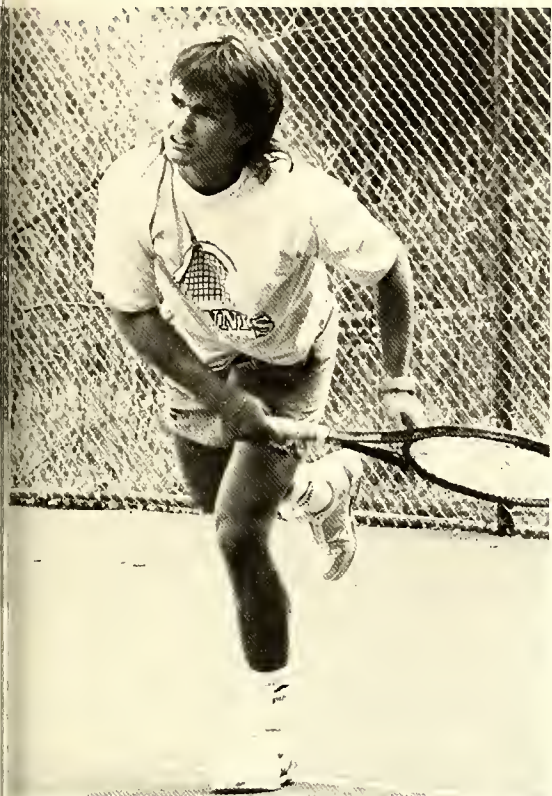
The University of Louisville blanked Carson-Newman in the opener, 6-0, while Jefferson State of Birmingham, Alabama, zapped Appalachian State University, 6-0. Host East Tennessee State disposed of the University of Charleston, 6-0, and Lees-McRae defeated Tennessee Tech University in the nightcap, 5-3.

In the winner's bracket the next day, Jefferson State surprised the favored Louisville Cardinals, 4-2, and East Tennessee State downed upstart Lees-McRae, 5-1. In the loser's circle ASU defeated the University of Charleston, 4-1; TTU downed Charleston, 4-2.

East Tennessee defeated Jeff State, 5-3, to take first place. Louisville defaulted to the Bobcats for third place. ASU and Tennessee Tech tied for fifth; the University of Charleston was seventh and Carson-Newman was eighth. The third place finish for Lees-McRae was the highest finish for a Bobcat team since the tournament started three years ago.



Charlie Ziegler



Juan Boyanovich

**Bobcat Tennis:
The Next Generation**

It would make a good movie title, "Lees-McRae Tennis: The Next Generation," or "Lees-McRae Tennis: The New Frontier." Although there were no cameras rolling, no background music, "Director" Fish Gupton was demanding "action" and the 1992 Bobcat Netters made music of their own getting off to quick starts, capturing their first few matches on the NAIA, Division I level.

Gupton guided the men's team to a berth in the 1991 NJCAA Tournament with a 26-10 record, and the men finished the season ranked 16th nationally as a JUCO squad. The women posted a 12-7 record. This year the men had a banner year finishing 18-2 while the women boasted of a 11-3 record. Gupton took over from his mentor, Don Baker, who retired with 506 wins and 151 losses as the nation's fifth winningest coach in 1990. Gupton played for Baker and captained both the 1969 and 1970 teams.



Denise Reitano

Front row (l-r): Juan Boyanovich, Randy Bloemendaal. Back row: Murat Tayan, Konrad Olson, Ivan Bello, Brian Connolly, Bobby Hendrix, Charlie Ziegler, Noel Gressner, Jason Pinholster, Chad Quesenberry.



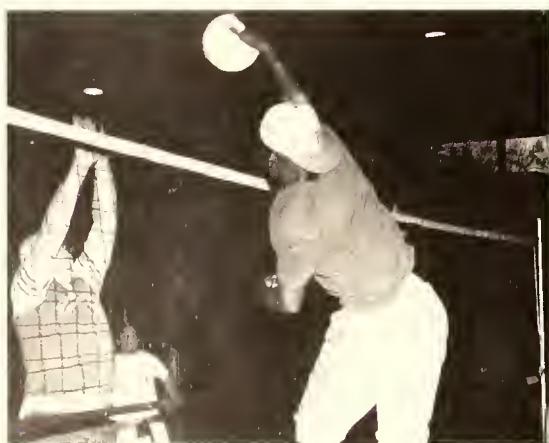


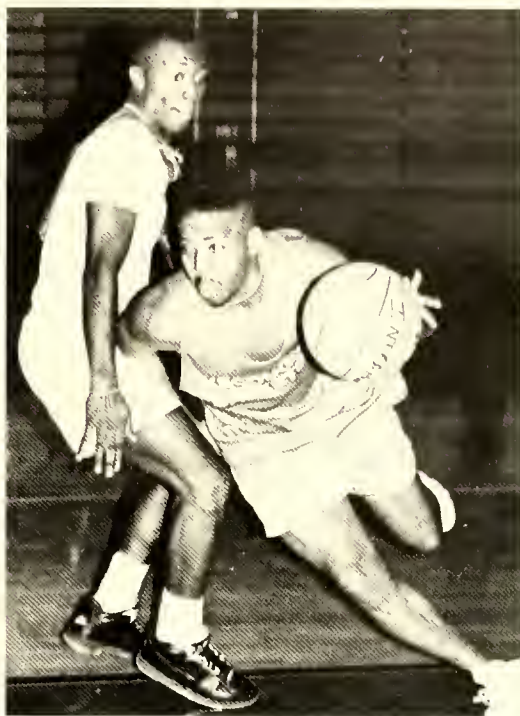
Women's Volleyball Champions: Front row (l-r) Allison McDonald, Stephanie Disher, Jane Shaw. Back row: Mandy Gadd, Wendy Hurd, Robin Scott, Deanise Myers, Krissy Baucom.

Intramurals

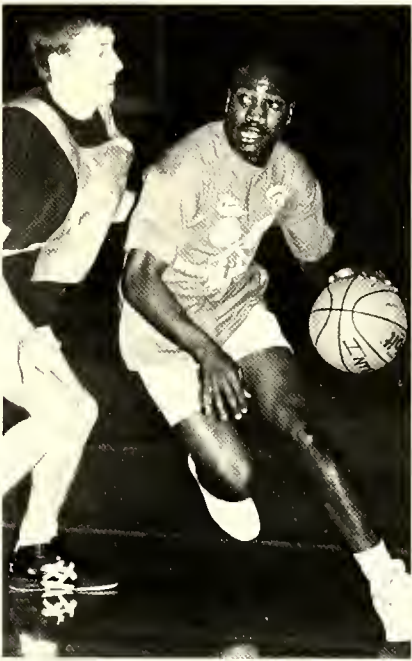


Men's Volleyball Champions: Front row (l-r): Mark Smith, Todd Lacy. Back row: Todd Rudisill, Fish Gupton, Brad Mettee, Dewayne Krege.





Men's Basketball Champions, the Running Rebs: Front row (l-r): Alvin Marlowe, Kelvin England, Adrian Byrd. Back row: Dane Barker, "Snip" Keaton (Journey MVP), Steve Roberts. (not pictured: John Osborne)





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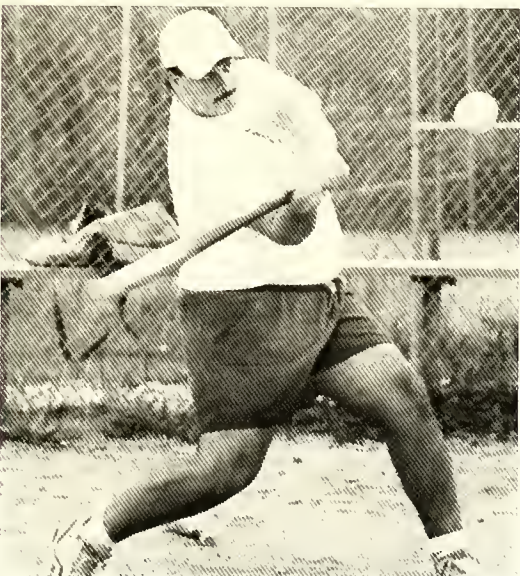
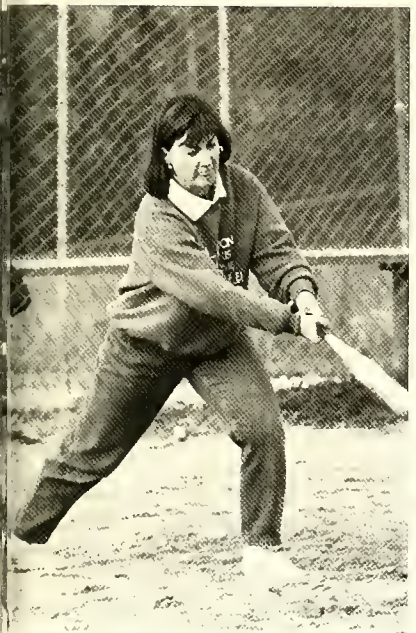
Softball Champs: Front row (l-r): Phil Teagarden, John Angel, Todd Gambill. Back row: Chris Arnold, Gary Juhan, Lynne Crater, Scott Hall, Roma Joyce, Allen Speer, Jeff Hartison, Jack Lytton, the "Staff Team."

THERE ARE DIFFERENT TECHNIQUES IN HOW TO BAT ...

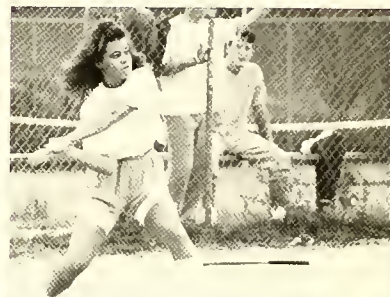




... AND HOW NOT TO BAT.



The 1992 Intramural Softball
Tournament Champs ... THE
STAFF TEAM. Tourney MVP:
Allen Speer; Season MVP:
Robbie Jobe; Sportsmanship
Award: John Schiffer; Team
Player Award: Roma Joyce;
and Best Umpire: Chris Byrd.



Cheerleaders



Front row (l-r): Shannon Harey, Mascot Bobby Hendrix, Staci Purser, Jennifer Adams. Back row: Christin Wicklum, Beth Dixon, Terry Campbell, Jennifer Hilton, Allison Bailey.

Bobcat Bobby Hendrix



Cheerleaders with sponsor Marcia Ballard.



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Tennis (l-r): MVP Michele Monsour; Head Coach Fish Gupton; Kristin Surber; Coach's Award; Bobby Hendrix; Coach's Award.

Athletic Banquets honor BOBCAT STANDOUTS ...

Women's Soccer Awards (l-r): Shela Moffett, Most Improved; Kama Roberts, Offensive Award; Der Moyer, Coach's Award; Julie Crews, Defensive Award; Karen Van Wert, MVP; Head Coach Ried Est...



Women's Basketball (l-r): Head Coach Janet Dixon; Robin Scott, Coach Award; All-District 26 performer Stephene McCovery; MVP Lori Eichler



Coach Gupton poses with Christie Stringer, Volleyball MVP, and Coach's Award recipient Kristin Surber.



Skiing (l-r): MVP Tracie Brewer; Alex Dewey, Coach's Award; MVP Andrew Wojal; Head Coach Scott Ballard; Sandy Bott, Coach's Award.





Football Awards (l-r): Lamont Calhoun, Bobcat Players' Award; Head Coach John Pate; Tom Nelson, Coaches' Award, Offense; John Osborne, Coaches' Award, Defense.



Men's Soccer (l-r): Emir Yaya, Coach's Award; John Clark, MVP; Chris Smith, Most Improved; Head Coach Fred LaRoche.



Fracie Brewer, All-Southeastern Collegiate Ski Conference

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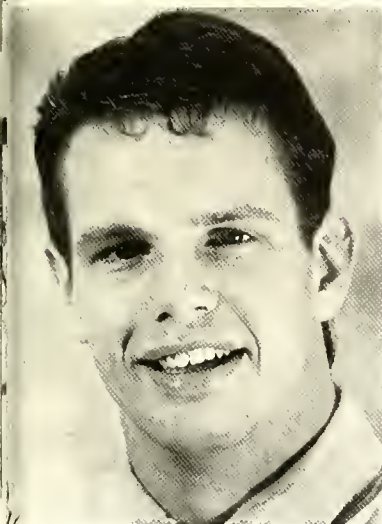
Lori Eichler, All-District 26, Basketball



Stephene McCoverly, All-District 26, Basketball



Kamma Roberts, All-Southeast Region, Soccer



David Friday, 1st Team NAIA All-American Football



Tom Nelson, Honorable Mention NAIA All-American Football





Tommy Anthony



Sandy Bott



Robbyn Clemmer

Who's Who **AMONG STUDENTS IN**

Bobby Hendrix



Merri Justice



Penny Reece





Julie Crews



Julie Farthing



Jeannie Harmon

American Colleges And Universities

Angie Russo



Jeff Scoltock



Garrett Stonesifer





Catherine Button

Who's Who ...

Lees-McRae had fourteen candidates selected for inclusion in the national publication, WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES. 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.

Dale Friese



Thirty-Third Annual

The Order of the Tower assisted the administration of Lees-McRae College in the presentation of the Thirty-Third Annual Honors & Awards Program. Ms. Betsy Hall, Tower President, and Ms. Cheryl Cline, Vice President, presided. Dr. Michael Randleman,

Assistant Professor in the Division of Social and Health Services, was the Master of Ceremonies. The Reverend George Gunn, Chaplain, delivered the invocation.

The 1992 program was dedicated to Mr. Lewis Hall.



Vice President for Academic Affairs Jim Stonesifer (left) presented the Edgar Tufts Faculty Award to Mr. Lewis Hall. This award is presented in memory of Edgar Tufts and is presented to faculty members for outstanding professional performance or contribution to the welfare of the college community.



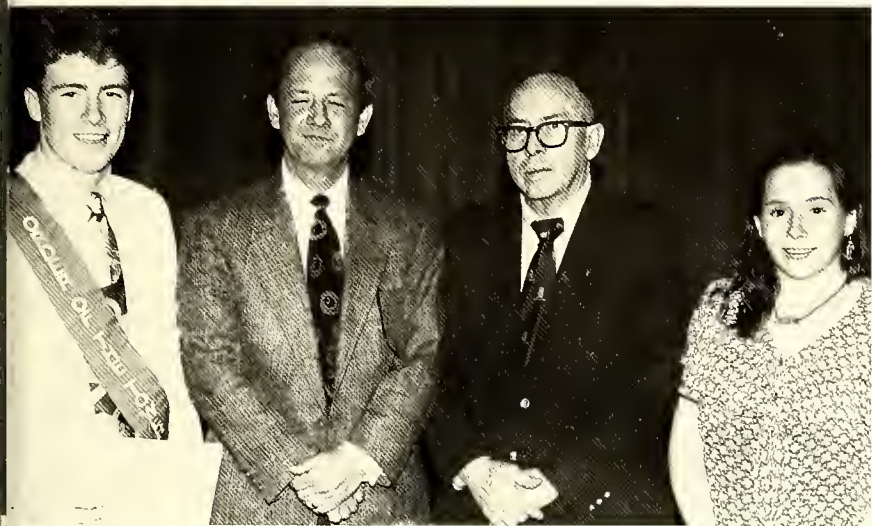
Athletic Awards (l-r): Tom Nelson, Outstanding Athlete, Fred I. Dickerson Academic-Athletic Award, and MVP Football (Offense); Lori Eichler, Outstanding Athlete, MVP Women's Basketball, Julie Crews, Fred I. Dickerson Academic-Athletic Award; Charlie Zeigler, George Homan Award; Kristen Surber, Alesia Ann Albritton Award; presented by Athletic Director and co-founder of Order of the Tower.

"Three Decades Ago, Lewis Hall Had Th

Honors & Awards Dedicated To Lewis Hall

"Some 33 years ago, Lewis Hall had the great wisdom and insight to put together a program that recognized excellence across the Lees-McRae campus. Over the years the Honors & Awards program has served to show the quality that this campus has been able to generate. With this in mind, this program is respectfully dedicated to Mr. Lewis M. Hall for his service and dedication to Lees-McRae and his desire to recognize excellence."

— James A. Stonesifer, Vice President for Academic Affairs and Dean of the College



Chris Arnold (left) was named the first recipient of the Lewis M. Hall Scholarship. The 1992 Honors & Awards program was dedicated to Mr. Hall (second from right). Hall played a major role in establishing the annual awards ceremonies and is a co-founder of the Order of the Tower (student leadership organization) which hosts the event. Dr. Denny Wolfe (Class of '63), the first Order of the Tower president, introduced Mr. Hall who awarded the scholarship. Also shown is Betsy Hall, the current president.



Dr. Michael Randleman, Master of Ceremonies

Most Valuable Player Awards (l-r): Michele Monsour, Tennis; Christie Stringer, Volleyball; Lamont Calhoun, Bobcat Players' Award in Football; Tracie Brewer, Skiing; Ivan Bello, Tennis; Lori Eichler, Basketball; Robert Brower, Basketball; Karen Van Wert, Soccer.

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Coaches' Awards (l-r): Alex Dewey, Skiing; Kristen Surber, Tennis; Robin Soett, Basketball; Sandy Bott, Skiing; Tom Nelson, Football (Offense); Emir Yaya, Soccer; Vic Hall, Basketball; John Osborne, Football (Defense).



Performing Arts Awards (l-r): Chad Benton, Theatre Performance; Joe Magid, Technical Theatre; Beth McGowan, Dance; Waynette Gentle, Clogging; Stewart Auville, Overall Performing Arts; Mike Hannah, Music.

Honors & Awards Recognizes Outstanding Achievement

Scholarships (l-r): Charlie Zeigler, Jack "Pap" Martin Memorial for Excellence in Athletics; Sylvester Anderson, John Mackorell Memorial for Smallest Football Walk-On; Tina Shook, Delta Kappa Gamma Society; Fred Petke, Beta Tau; Joanne Flood, Alumni Council; Steve Tollie, Glen Johnson; Kristal Norris and Tonya Stephens, Beta Tau; Kim Wilcox, Ralph "Tony" Soverel Memorial for Excellence in Performing Arts; Tessa Willoughby, Preston Peter Wolfe Memorial for Excellence in Academics; Kim DeTamble, Margaret Tufts Neal, Chad Quesenberry, Tim Weatherman Tennis; Chris Arnold, Calvin Lindsey Memorial for Excellence in Leadership; Sam Mumpower, O'dell Smith Resident Life.





Camella Chaney (left) and the Watauga High School Theatre Arts Department were presented the Teacher Education Association Special Recognition Award by Dr. Roma Royce, Chair, Division of Education.



Kelly Watterson was the winner of the President's Essay Award, presented to her by Dr. Crain.

(Below) Dr. Bradford Crain (left) presented Sullivan Awards to (l-r): Dr. Allen Speer, Mrs. Barbara Timberman, Jeff Scoltock, and Cheryl Cline.



Rosie Smith, Order of the Tower Special Recognition; Gary Juhan, Student Government Special Recognition.



The PTK Outstanding Educator Award was presented to Dr. Allen Speer by Kristal Norris, PTK President.



(Left), Joe Ashley, center, was the recipient of the E. L. Lafferty Science Scholarship. Pictured are Mr. Will Lafferty, who presented the award, and Mrs. E. L. Lafferty.

(At right) Mark Evans was presented the First Lady's Award for Excellence in Teacher Education by Mrs. Alice Crain.



Academic Awards: Front row (l-r): Krissy Baucom, Neron Wilson Math Award; Soko Nozawa, Spanish; Julie Crews, History; Betsy Hall, J.B. Pritchett Memorial Award for Science; Kelly Watterson, English; Kim DeTamble, Social Science. Back row: Chris Carlyle, English; Dewayne Krege, Religious Studies; Robert Smith, Business; Braxton Perry, Computer Information Systems Award.



MOST VALUABLE PLAYER/COACHES' AWARDS: The MVP Award is voted on by the team members and approved by the head coach while the Coaches' Award is given by the coach to a valuable team member who is not recognized by all-conference or all-region honors.

GEORGE HOMAN AWARD: This award is given to the tennis player that best demonstrates the courage, desire, and esprit de corps that typified George Homan's character, and to the player who shows the greatest improvement at Lees-McRae.

FRED I. DICKERSON AWARDS: These awards are given to the male and female student-athletes who possess the highest scholastic standing. Criteria for the awards also include attitude, dedication, discipline, and demonstration of the Lees-McRae spirit.

ALESIA ANN ALBRITTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP: Established by friends and the students of Lees-McRae College in memory of their close friend, captain, and number one singles player, Alesia Ann Albritton. Presented annually to a member of the Lady Bobcat Tennis Team. Recipient represents the drive, talent, friendliness and gracious attitude demonstrated by Alesia.

OUTSTANDING ATHLETE AWARDS: These awards are presented to a male and a female student-athlete in the Junior Class. The students must have participated in one or more varsity sports and, through outstanding personal achievement, have brought prestige to the college through conference, regional, and national recognition.

CLOGGING AWARD: This award is presented to the student who is talented in and dedicated to the Lees-McRae Clogging Team. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

TECHNICAL THEATRE AWARD: This award is presented to the student who has exhibited talent and dedication in the area of technical theatre arts at Lees-McRae. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

THEATRE PERFORMANCE AWARD: This award is presented to the student who has exhibited talent in the area of theatre performance at Lees-McRae. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

MUSIC AWARD: This award is presented to the student who is talented and dedicated to the music program at Lees-McRae. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

DANCE AWARD: This award is presented to the student who is talented and dedicated to the dance program at Lees-McRae. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

OVERALL PERFORMING ARTS AWARD: This award is given to the Performing Arts student who has exhibited talent, dedication, and academic achievement in the Performing Arts program at Lees-McRae. The selection is made by the Performing Arts faculty and staff.

ART AWARD: This award is presented to the art student having completed two or more art courses at Lees-McRae who has shown outstanding achievement in art.

SPANISH AWARD: The Spanish Award is given to the student who has the highest grade

point average after completing both the elementary and the intermediate levels of Spanish at Lees-McRae.

ENGLISH AWARD: Given each year by the English faculty to a student who has excelled in both composition and literature in at least four courses at Lees-McRae.

NERON WILSON MATH AWARD: This award is based on superior achievement in two semesters of math. It is given on the basis of grades and depth of understanding.

COMPUTER INFORMATION SYSTEMS AWARD: This award is presented to a senior who has shown significant potential in computer information systems through course work offered in the minor as well as outside the classroom.

BUSINESS AWARD: This award is presented to the senior business major with the highest GPA in the major.

J.B. PRITCHETT MEMORIAL AWARD FOR SCIENCE: This award is given to the student who best exemplifies the attitudes and achievements of Mr. Pritchett, a teacher at Lees-McRae for 25 years. The recipient must have taken at least 15 hours of science, including at least one 200 level course, and maintained a 3.25 GPA.

E.L. LAFFERY SCIENCE SCHOLARSHIP: This is an endowed scholarship in honor of former Lees-McRae Administrative Dean and Instructor E. L. Lafferty (1931-1969), awarded annually to a student majoring in science and having contributed time and service to the betterment of Lees-McRae College.

SOCIAL SCIENCE AWARD: The Social Service Award is given to the student who has taken a minimum of 12 hours in the Social Science area. The criteria for this award include the student's overall GPA and involvement in campus activities.

HISTORY AWARD: The History Award is given to a senior history major with an overall GPA of 3.25 or higher who demonstrates an enthusiasm for the discipline through academic excellence and leadership.

RELIGIOUS STUDIES AWARD: The Religious Studies Award is presented to the junior or senior who has demonstrated special interest and ability in religious studies and who is chosen by the faculty in this area.

GLEN JOHNSON COMMUTERS SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship honors Glen Johnson, Professor Emeritus and founder of the Roadrunners, in recognition of his service to local students and to Lees-McRae College.

RESIDENT ASSISTANT OF THE YEAR AWARD: This honor is given to the student member of the Residence Life Staff who has performed all responsibilities in an exemplary manner. The nominations are made by the Resident Directors and the selection is made by the Director of Residence Life and the Dean of Student Development.

O'DELL SMITH RESIDENCE LIFE SCHOLARSHIP: The O'Dell Smith Residence Life Scholarship, established in the spring of 1990, is awarded annually to an individual who has excelled in the position of Resident Assistant during the previous year and plans to continue in that position for the coming year. The scholarship is provided by the family and friends of O'Dell Smith in recognition of his many years of service to Lees-McRae College and particularly as Vice President/Dean of Students.



Trustees Dr. Carter Wiseman (left) and Mrs. Roma Melton (second from right) presented the Trustees Leadership Scholarships to John Hinnant and Allison McDonald.

The H.C. Evans, Jr. Fidelity Award was presented to Penny Reece (Mountain City, TN) by President Crain. This award is given to an upperclassman who is considered the most dedicated to the college and the best all-around student. The award recognizes the student who best represents the exceptional idealism and generosity displayed by the late Dr. H.C. Evans, Jr., President of Lees-McRae, 1967-84. The recipient is selected by the student body.

PAT SMITH SCHOLARSHIP: The Pat Smith Scholarship for Academic Advancement is a \$500 award recognizing the determination, diligence and persistence of a continuing student who has far surpassed his high school performance.

COLONEL AND MRS. PAUL M. CALLAHAN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS: These scholarships are awarded to rising sophomores, juniors, and seniors by Col. and Mrs. Paul Callahan. **LEADERSHIP AWARD:** Presented to an outstanding campus leader in honor of Calvin Lindsey. **ATHLETIC AWARD:** Presented to an outstanding athlete in honor of Jack "Pap" Martin. **ALL-AROUND EXCELLENCE AWARD:** Presented to a student who has made distinguished contributions in all facets of campus life. This award is made in memory of John A. McConnell. **PERFORMING ARTS AWARD:** Presented to a student who has made an outstanding contribution to the Performing Arts Department. This award is made in memory of Ralph "Tony" Soverel. **ACADEMIC AWARD:** Presented to a student with high academic qualities and a grade point average of 3.5 or higher. This award is made in memory of Preston P. Wolfe. **SMALLEST FOOTBALL WALK-ON AWARD:** Presented to the smallest football walk-on. This award is made in memory of Coach John Mackorell who coached at Lees-McRae from 1936-39.

ALUMNI COUNCIL SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is awarded to a rising sophomore, junior, or senior who possesses a minimum GPA of 2.25, exhibits the hallmarks of the Lees-McRae graduate, and is a contributing member of the college community.

TIM WEATHERMAN SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is awarded in the memory of Tim Weatherman and is presented to a rising sophomore. The criteria for this award will be a strong motivation to succeed in reaching individual goals, the determination to work for an education, a desire to achieve academically and athletically in tennis or skiing, and the ability to love life and live each day to its fullest — the traits that characterized Timothy Dale Weatherman.

WHO'S WHO AWARDS: Presented annually to the students selected to the national publication *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*. The publication recognizes students for their outstanding contribution to their campus, scholarship, leadership, participation in extracurricular activities, general citizenship, and promise of future usefulness.

SGA SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD: This award is presented annually to the person(s) the student Government Association determines as being worthy of recognition for outstanding service to Lees-McRae College and the student body thereof.

ORDER OF THE TOWER SPECIAL RECOGNITION: This award is given to the person that the club acknowledges to have shown exceptional service to the college in ways that may sometimes go unrecognized.

THE TEACHER EDUCATION ASSOCIATION SPECIAL RECOGNITION AWARD: This award is given each year to a community, person, or agency that has contributed significantly to the growth and development of the Teacher Education Program and to the student members of the association.

DELTA KAPPA GAMMA SOCIETY SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is awarded to an Avery County student in the teacher education program. The recipient must embody the high ideas and standards of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, an honorary society of professional women educators.



THE FIRST LADY'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN TEACHER EDUCATION: This award is presented annually to the senior education student who has demonstrated excellence through purposeful commitment to the teaching profession. The criteria are promise as a teacher as evidenced in the field experiences and student teaching; participation in professional teaching organizations; participation in community and school service; commitment to mentoring, cultural distinction and diversity as important aspects of learning in the educational environment, and dedication to a life of learning. The cash award is graciously funded by Mrs. Bradford Crain.

MARGARET TUFTS NEAL SCHOLARSHIP: The Margaret Tufts Neal Scholarship is given by Lees-McRae alumni in honor of "Miss Margaret" Tufts Neal, a long time Lees-McRae instructor and daughter of the college's founder, Edgar Tufts. The scholarship is awarded to an upperclassman in good academic standing with a demonstrated financial need. Preference will be given to those students entering the teacher education program and to those students from southern Appalachia.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES LEADERSHIP SCHOLARSHIP: Established in 1988, the Trustee Leadership Scholarship is awarded annually to students who are rising juniors or seniors. The recipients must have demonstrated excellence by their membership in leadership organizations on campus, extracurricular involvement and leadership skill. The scholarship is funded by the generosity of the Board of Trustees.

BETA TAU SCHOLARSHIP: This scholarship is presented by the Beta Tau Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa to members who plan to continue their education at Lees-McRae. It is funded by the chapter with support from the alumni of Beta Tau.

PHI THETA KAPPA OUTSTANDING EDUCATOR AWARD: This award is given by the Beta Tau Chapter and Epsilon Alumni Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa to a faculty member who best represents academic excellence and dedication to his or her discipline as it relates to the purpose of Lees-McRae College.

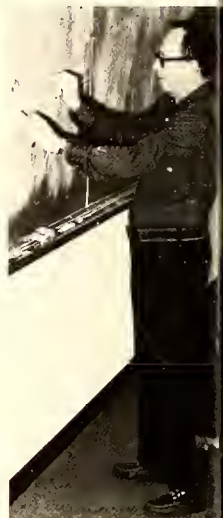
EDGAR TUFTS FACULTY AWARD: This award is presented in memory of Edgar Tufts. It is presented to faculty members for outstanding professional performance or contributions to the welfare of the college or community.

THE PRESIDENT'S ESSAY AWARD: This award is presented to the student who has written the best essay on the topic "Why I Choose to Stay at Lees-McRae." Essays are evaluated on the basis of content as well as expository writing skills.

SULLIVAN AWARDS: These awards are presented to individuals who, by their general conduct and relations with others, indicate that they possess to a marked degree a spirit of helpfulness and an awareness of the beauty and value of the intangible elements of life. The recipients are selected by a staff committee in conjunction with the administration.

H. C. EVANS, JR. FIDELITY AWARD: This award is given to an upperclassman who is considered the most dedicated to the college and the best all-around student. This award recognizes the student who best represents the exceptional idealism and generosity displayed by the late Dr. H.C. Evans, Jr., President of Lees-McRae College, 1967-84. The recipient is selected by the student body.

The *Ontaroga* Proudly Dedicates The 1992



Aside from teaching math, Lewis Hall served as Dean of Men, Assistant Football and Baseball Coach (under legendary coach Fred Dickerson), Head Women's Basketball Coach (turning the reigns over to pupil Joyce Baker), until assuming the position of Academic Dean. Hall retired from the Dean's position and returned to the classroom in 1972 where he served as Chairman of the Math Department.

Hall's Tenure Spans Five Decades: 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's

LEWIS HALL HONORED FOR THIRTY-EIGHT YEARS OF DEDICATION

HALL RETIRES AFTER 38 YEARS

Lewis M. Hall, who has served Lees-McRae College in a wide variety of ways since joining the faculty some 38 years ago, has announced his retirement effective at the end of the current academic year.

Hall graduated Phi Beta Kappa from the College of William and Mary, received his master's from East Tennessee State University, and did further graduate study at the University of Tennessee on a National Science Foundation Fellowship.

He joined the Lees-McRae faculty in 1954 and went on to serve as the Academic Dean, Dean of Men, and Chairman of the Division of Mathematical Sciences and Business Administration. Hall has been a sponsor of Phi Theta Kappa, Order of the Tower (a leadership organization he helped establish in 1962), the Women's Athletic Association, and the Monogram Club. In athletics, he coached baseball, women's basketball, and served as an assistant in football.

Hall, who established the current

Honors & Awards program which recognizes students, faculty, and staff at the end of the year, has received many accolades during his tenure, including: *Ontaroga* (yearbook) dedication in 1962 and 1987; Sullivan Award in 1975; PTK Outstanding Educator in 1977, 1986, and 1987; James T. Woelfel Teaching Award in 1977; H. Jack Faw Chair of Mathematics in 1977; Order of the Tower Special Recognition in 1989; Edgar Tufts Faculty Award in 1992; and a scholarship was established in his name by the Order of the Tower in 1992.

During a reception honoring Hall, President Crain presented Hall with a medallion signifying his distinction as a professor emeritus. Crain called Hall a "man of few words and great ideas," and added that "through his career here at Lees-McRae, not only as a teacher, but as a mentor for many of us, his academic vision for us has always kept us on track."

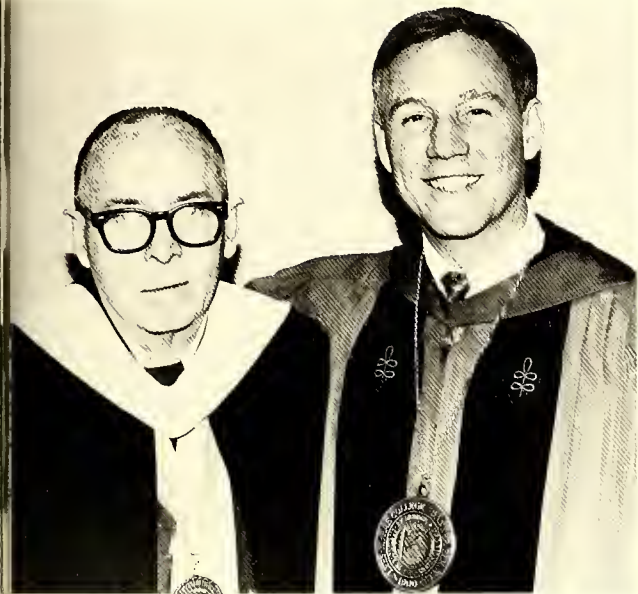
Hall made the following comments: "Let me quote from Adolph Rupp: 'My eternal thanks to all of you who have traveled the glory road.' And I really think it has been a glory road. I've had the opportunity to work with some mighty fine colleagues, those present

and those that have been in the past. And that has been an extreme pleasure to me. I've also had the opportunity to work with over 7,000 students since I've been here, in different capacities. And I appreciate the college letting me serve in many different capacities and getting a good understanding of what the whole college is about.

"I've had a chance to work with some mighty fine students. And as I look back over the 38 years I've been here, I don't remember so much the 'A' students as I remember the students who came here underprepared, undermotivated, with low self-esteem—diamonds in the rough. And what I think Lees-McRae has done most importantly in the past, and I hope will continue in the future, is to take these diamonds in the rough, knock off some of the rough edges, and get down to some of the brilliance in the diamond. There are hundreds and hundreds of cases in Lees-McRae's history. But we've taken people that would not have succeeded other places and turned them into fine, solid, upstanding citizens.

"And I hope Lees-McRae will always have that as its mission. That's why I came here, and that's why I've stayed

Yearbook To Lewis Hall



Hall receives Honorary Doctorate while wife Evelyn (Class of '63) beams approving smile.

CATED SERVICE

here. 'In the Mountains, Of the Mountains, For the Mountains' primarily, but any student whom we can shine a little bit is really what Lees-McRae is all about. I think you're well on the way to continuing that tradition of Lees-McRae.

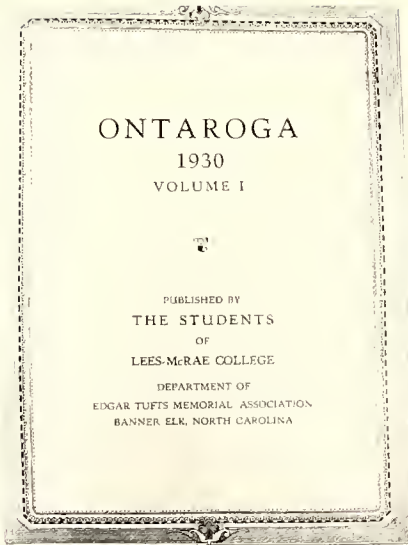
"I'm glad I've had the opportunity to maintain traditions, to stand for standards, and to help develop Lees-McRae where it needed to change. I'm very proud of the faculty that are here now. I'm very proud of the administration that's here now. I think we're in good hands.

"Most importantly, Lees-McRae gave me Evelyn and a wonderful family, and I'm blessed by that."

From the 1962 *Ontaroga* dedication: "Lewis Hall is a man who is well known on the Lees-McRae College campus for his cheerful smile and kind words of encouragement . . . a man who, as Academic Dean of the College, expects the students to live up to his high expectations . . . who adds so much to the intellectual atmosphere of LMC . . . a man who strives continually to improve the scholastic standards of the college . . . he is more than an Academic Dean, more than a teacher, he is, above all, a friend."



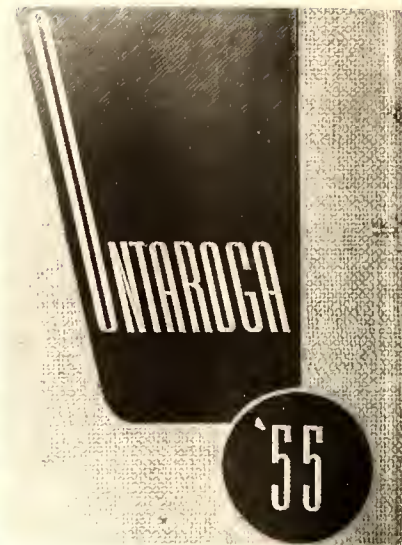
Hall's family are all graduates of Lees-McRae: Betsy, Katie, wife Evelyn, and son Rusty. Hall, who has served in a wide variety of ways since joining the faculty 38 years ago, announced his retirement at the end of the 1991-92 academic year. The 1992 Honors and Awards program, which he helped start, was dedicated to him. He also received an honorary doctorate during commencement exercises. Hall is pictured at left (front center) with members of his division, taken at a reception in his honor.



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“Excellentia Est Praemium Laboris”

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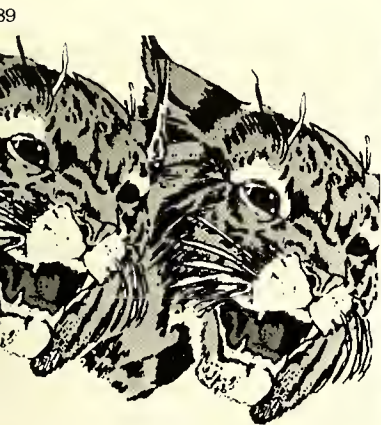
It has been my privilege for the past 30 years to chronicle the life and times at Lees-McRae through the wonder of print and the miracle of photography in the Ontaroga. Of the 60 volumes published to date I have been involved in 32 editions, over half the yearbooks produced by the college. You could add two more years when I served on the Ontaroga staff as copywriter, photographer, artwork, layout and design, in 1956 and editor in 1957.

The first yearbook was published in 1930 and the staff and sponsor chose the name Ontaroga which was a Cherokee Indian word for "a place of rocks and hills." There were no books published during the war years of 1943, 1944, and 1945. The first book was published by King Printing (Kingsport, TN), later by Howard-Duckett (also Kingsport), Hunter Publishing Company (Winston-Salem), and for 30 years by Delmar Printing Company in Charlotte. Most recently, we have joined Walsworth Publishing in Marceline, Missouri.

The early editions of the Ontaroga were paperback versions and from 1937 until 1960 were in a hard-bound 8½ x 11 format. In 1961 the Ontaroga went to a collegiate-style 9 x 12 format until this year when the 1992 edition returned to an 8½ x 11 size. School yearbooks have undergone an unusual metamorphosis over the past 30 years and many high school and college yearbooks have become extinct. Long standing, traditional books, like The Rhododendron at ASU, have ceased publication.

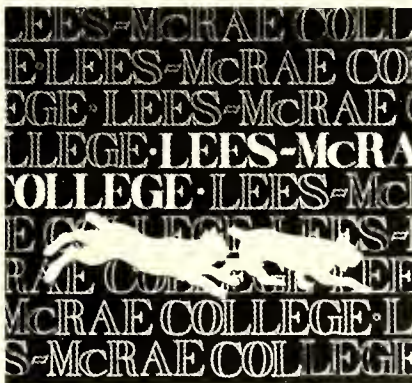
The yearbook staff of the 1957 Ontaroga chose the slogan "excellencia est praeium laboris (excellence is the fruit of labor)" and it has been the theme and trademark of the yearbooks since that time. This, the 60th edition, marks a milestone in the history of Lees-McRae College and hopefully the Ontaroga will continue to be a significant part of Lees-McRae's future as a baccalaureate institution.

Excellence Is The Fruit Of Labor



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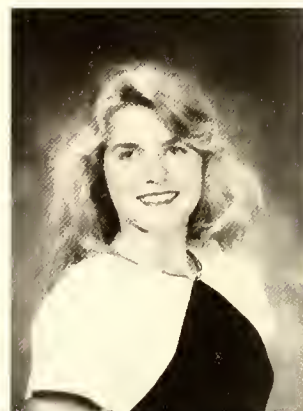
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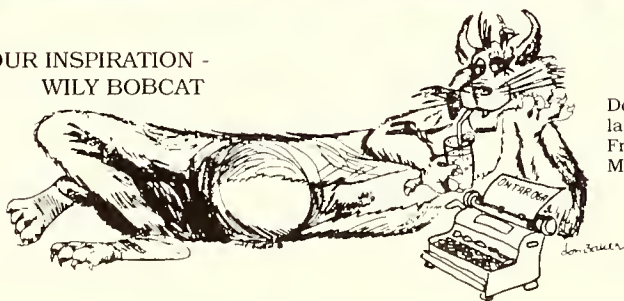


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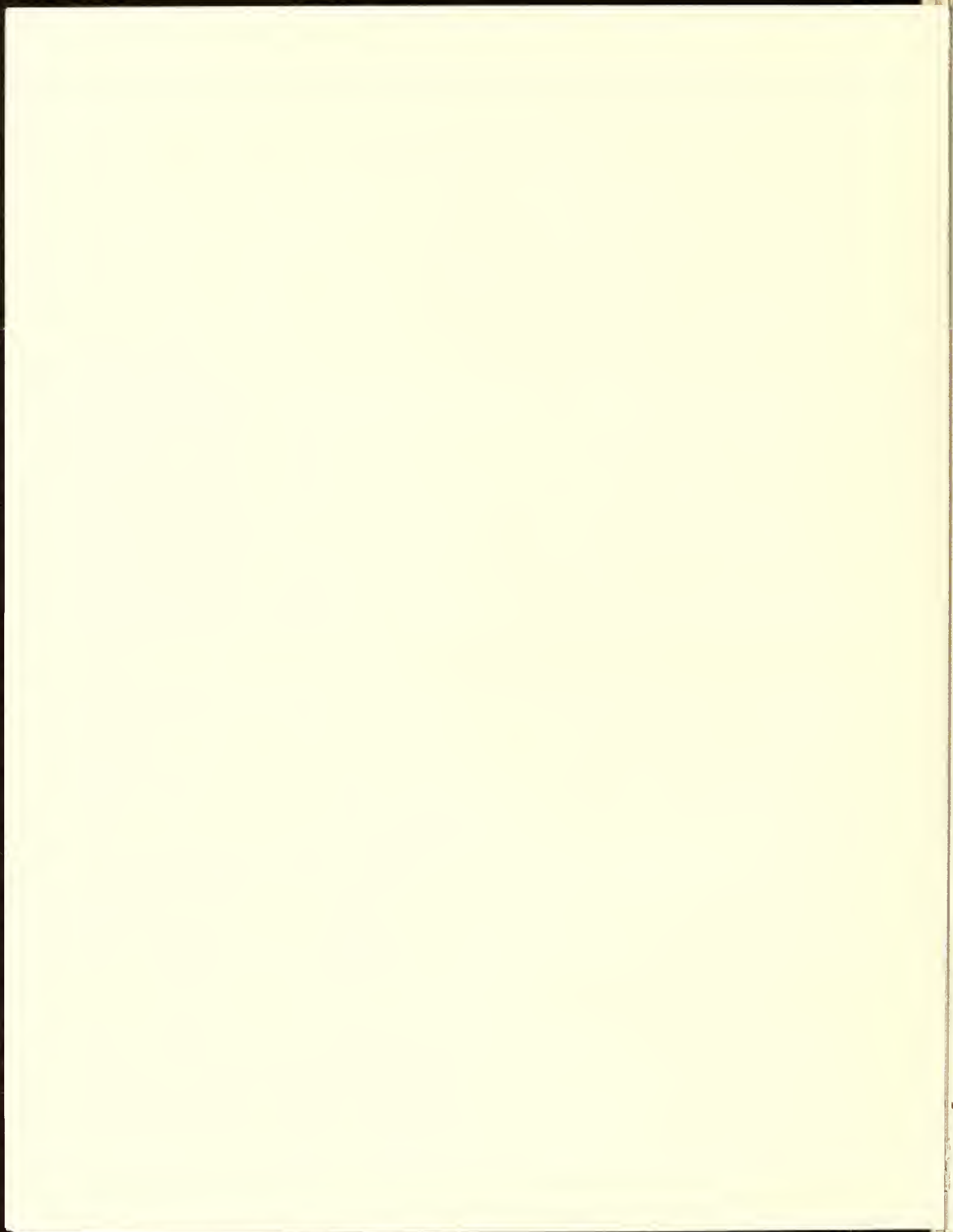
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