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More Than You Think...



Lees-McRae College
1995 Ontaroga



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The 1995 Ontaroga is published In Memory of Patrick O'Brien

1971-1994



Patrick O'Brien with Chad Smyre



Patrick O'Brien

* A Special thanks to Patrick's parents for these photos.



"Once Upon a Mattress" was the fall musical presented by the LMC Performing Arts Dept. Pictured on Opposite Page



Freshman Kristie Esposito takes a break in between classes on a park bench in Swank Park.

Reaching out in rhythm. A Master's Dance Class was hosted by the African American Dance Ensemble in Williams Gymnasium during the fall.





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Tate lawn is a lot more than a beautiful spot in the morning. It serves as an outdoor stage for the cloggers, tap orchestra, highlanders, an alternate to the classroom for modern dance classes, a picnic area, a place to sun bathe, an arena for ultimate frisbee, and a make-shift football field in the evenings. Tate lawn is the gateway to life at Lees-McRae.



Excitement...it's on every corner at Lees-McRae as (l-r) Burlene Ness, Marsi Hellard, Leslie Smith and Kim Watkins can attest.



The Women's Soccer team advanced to the regional championships in '94. At right Sophi Ashley Rogers beats an opponent to the goal.



At left, Biology Professor Dr. Robin Canterbury assists his class by getting "in touch" with nature by collecting specimens in the nearby Elk River (which runs past the Banner Elk campus).



Taking advantage of a beautiful fall afternoon, English Professor Dr. Michael Joslin holds class at the foot of the Tower.



"Big Daddy" or "King Daddy" in this case (Homecoming King Jeff Wall pictured with '94 Queen Tennille Kilby.)



Students out for a run cross over the footbridge just below the Mill Pond Dam on back campus.

Academics



Dean of the Faculty and Provost of the College Dr. Dwaine Greene gives advice to a student.



Archie Smith gives a lecture on one of his favorite pastimes...building dulcimers...during a faculty Lyceum program.

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Dr. Schobel is often seen talking with students (top left). He also likes to keep in shape by riding his bike to the office.



The President

Dr. James A. Schobel became the eleventh president of Lees-McRae in April of 1994. Dr. Schobel attained his Ph.D at Ohio University. He recently completed his twentieth year as president of Mayville State University in North Dakota.

Dr. Schobel is a lot more than the college president, he is also a friend. Dr. Schobel can

often be seen biking around campus and eating with students in MacDonald dining hall. He is always eager to meet students and encourages them to broaden their horizons. He offers advice, shares stories, and allows students to openly present their concerns. Dr. Schobel is planning to enhance the experience of Lees-McRae through improvements in curriculum and further development of the college as a community.

Trustees



Mr. James E. Lauritsen



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Crutcher*



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Dr. William C. Tate, Jr.



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Mrs. Harriet Tucker



Mr. S. J. Whalen



Mr. Murry White, Jr.



Mr. Plato S. Wilson



Dr. Carter Wiseman

Student Services



*Todd Gambill
Interim Dean of Students*



*John Angel
Dir. Campus Religious Life*



*Carolyn Pope
Counselor*



*Gwen Miller
Dir. Post Office*



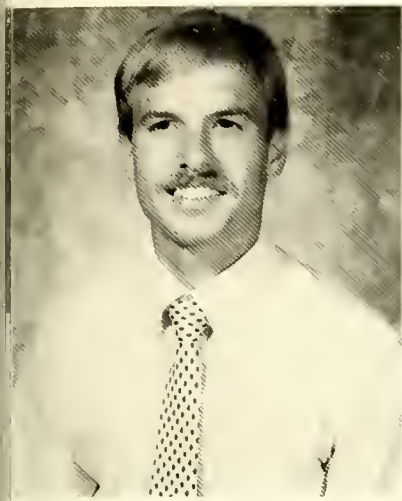
*Patricia Searles
Dir. Counsel., Health Serv.*

*Paul Isaacs
Dir. Public Safety*

*John Wilson
Dir. Health Services*



Athletic Staff



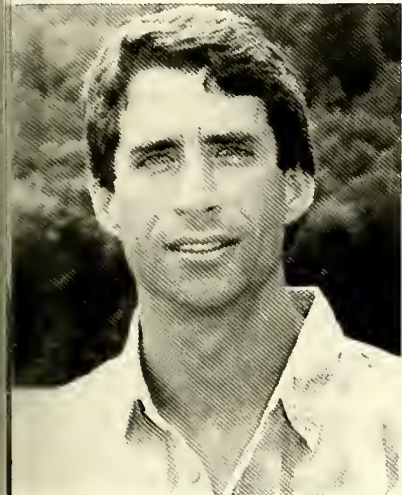
Ried Estus

athletic Director, Women's Soccer, Tennis



Jack Lytton

Asst. A.D., Men's BB, XC, Golf



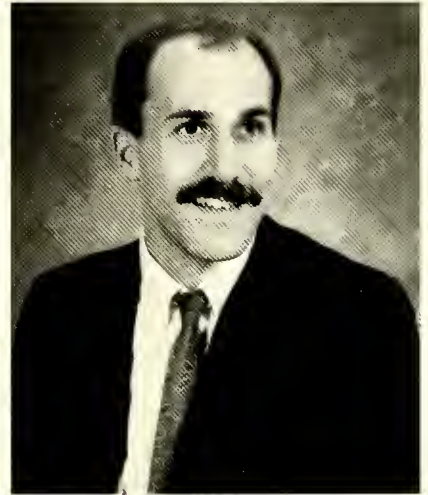
Fred LaRoche

Men's Soccer, Tennis



Teresa Martin

Women's Basketball, Volleyball



Scott Ballard

Ski Team



Rita Smith

Director Athletic Training



Suzie Fisk

Athletic Secretary

Advancement/Communications



Bill Farthing
VP for Advancement



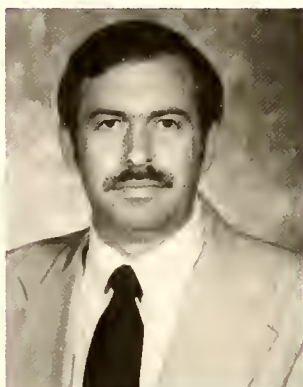
Faye Williams
Personnel



Carolyn Ward
Director of Fixed Assets



Kathy Burton
Computer Network Mgr.



Jimmy Street
College Store



Brent Thomas
Alumni/Annual Giving



Micheal Andrews
Dir. of Communications



Scott Ballard
Media and Sports Info.



Pattie Benfield
Communications Secretary

Business Affairs



Cathy Shell
Accountant



Sue Schaffer
Dir. Financial Aid



Frankie Needham
Advancement Secretary



Mary Johnson
Controller



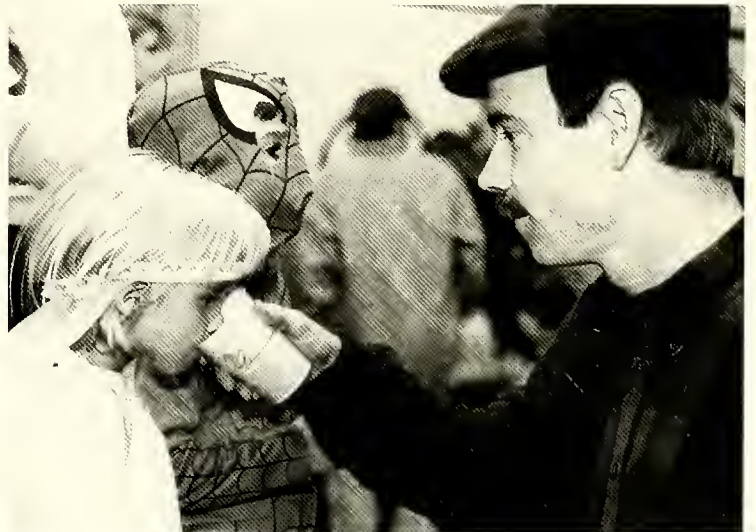
Charles Crumley
Data Processing



Pat Bentley
President's Secretary



Dave Menzel
Dir. Aramark Food Ser.



Dean of Admissions and Financial Aid Dr. Tim Bailey gives his daughter a drink during the OT Halloween Carnival.

Academic Affairs



Dr. Dwaine Greene
Provost & Dean of the Faculty



Richard Jackson
Librarian

*Not pictured: Registrar Dr.
Jim Barbour.

- ▲ LMC College Store
- ◀ Cannon Student Center
- ◀ Nebel & Avery Residence Halls
- ▶ MacDonald Dining Hall
- ▶ Tate Residence Hall
- ➔ Chaffee Administration Building



STS STAFF: Darlene Gibbs, April Pittman, Lynne Wilson, and Director Joyce Watson.



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Asst. Librarian



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Library Staff



Meg Pattillo
Admissions



Kelly Shanley
Admissions



Ramona Hayes
Library Staff



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Admissions Staff



David Hyers
Admissions



Nancy Semones
Continuing Ed.



Joyce Ratliff
Perf. Arts Secretary



Linda King
Academic Counseling



Rosie Smith
Library Staff



Lynn Hinshaw
Admissions Office Mgr.



Tammy Franklin
Academic Affairs Secretary



Robbyn Clemmer
Admissions

Education



Dr. Roma Angel shows off the new satellite uplink programming in the Education Department.



Dr. Daniel Kamanda



Dr. Ita Kilbride



*Dr. Roma Angel
Chairperson*

Academic Ad./Nat. Science



Debbie Gidney
Chairperson



Joan Watts



Amelia Gossett



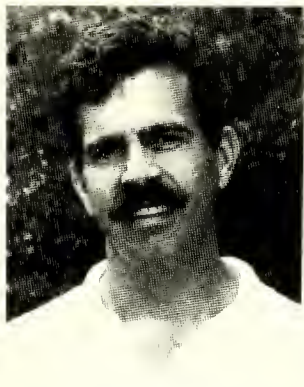
Karla McGinnis



Judy McClung



Dr. Robin Canterbury
Chair



Dr. Eugene Spears



Dr. Stewart Skeate

Performing Arts



Dr. Janet Speer



Jim Martz



Dr. Charlotte D'Armond sits in with the cast of "Piece of My Heart," which she directed.



Dr. Charlotte D'Armond



Kacy Crabtree



James Taylor

Math and Business Administration



Dr. Jack Coffey is also at home behind a camera.



Susie Sheffield, Chair



Sam Burton



Dr. Jack Coffey



Sam Travis



Nellie Gobble

Social and Health Sciences



O'dell Smith



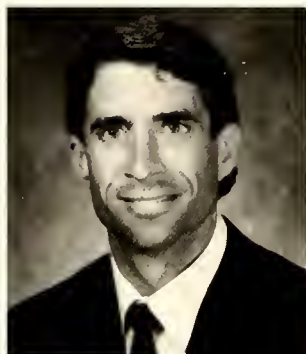
Archie Smith



Dr. Wayne Morris



David Yount



Fred LaRoche



Dr. John Wilson



Jack Lytton



Dr. Allen Speer



Ried Estus



Mary Wilgus



Rita Smith



Ken Nelson

Languages, Lit. and Fine Arts



William Watterson gets ready to pick a tune during a Faculty Lyceum



Dr. Ted Ledford



*William Watterson
Chair*



Carolyn Travis



Dr. Michael Joslin



Phillip Royal

FRESHMEN



James L. Adams III



Eric Ahlberg



Jason Annas



Melauie Ashley



James Askins



Gustauo Anellan



Michael Avery



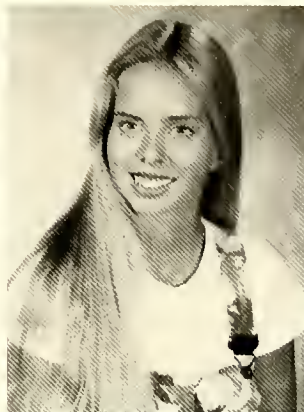
Anitra Ball



John Barlette



Douglas Bassinger



Heather Barker



Edward Barney



Christine Ball



Bryant Blake

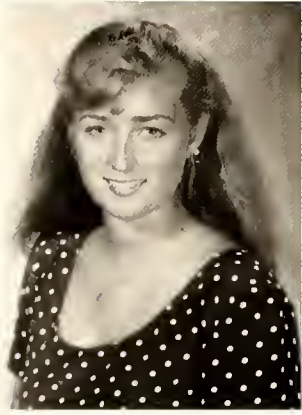


Roy Brown



Aaron Budhisetiawan





Stacey Burgess



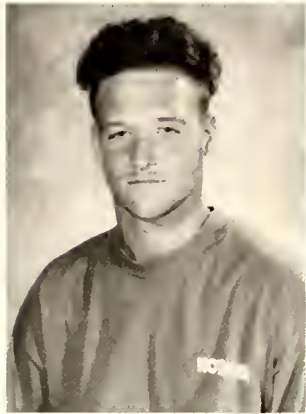
Rebecca Burnette



Ryan Campbell



Jennifer Cary



John Chelko



Jason Clark



Billie Clough



Thomas Cole

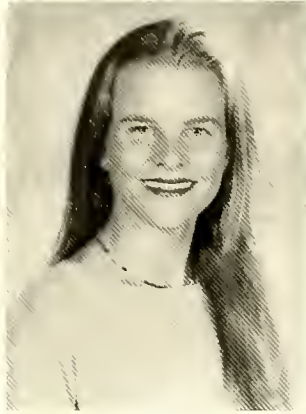




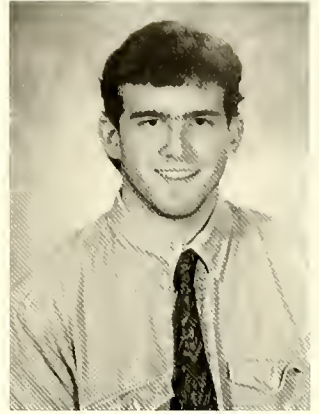
Amanda Cook



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Karyn Coughenaur



Benton Darsey



Bryon Dodd



Kelly Dawnes



Becky Drentlaw



Lisa Dunham



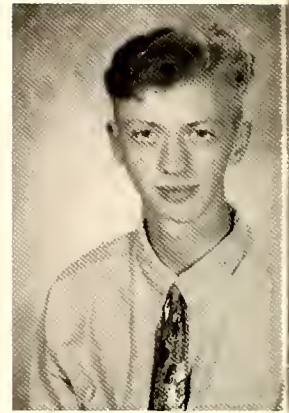
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Kristiue Esposito



Richard Fox



Jason Garrett



Lynne Goodwin



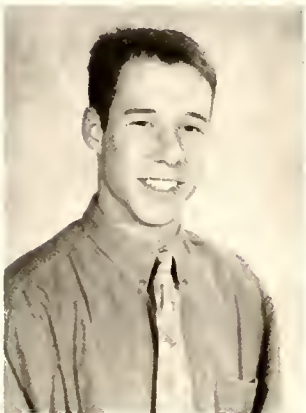
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Marie Green



Andrew Gross



Thomas Guard



John Hathaway



Jordan Hayes



Zack Hayes



Cara Herger



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Jackie Kempton



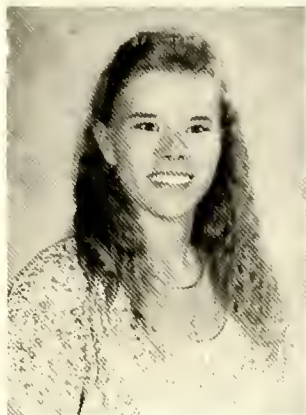
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Kharisma Knepschied



Megan Lighter



Amanda Lineberry



Syndi Lozand



Mary Mantel



Alexander Marinkovic



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Ashley McFalls



Josh McGillard



Junine Morrison



English Moye



Nicole Paradiso



Marc Porham



Karen Parker





Jaime Parr



Patrick Pearson



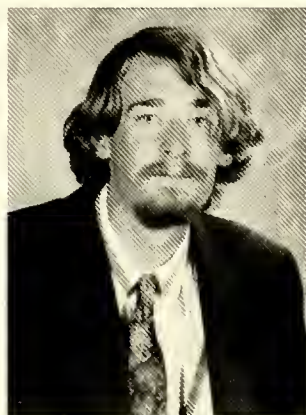
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Jennifer Robertson



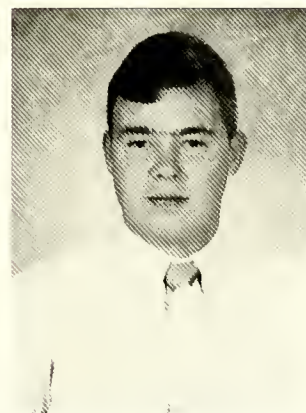
Andrew Roland



Max Rose



Ted Rowell



Joe Rucker



Randall Rumph



Ellen Sanders



John Scardino



Brian Shaffer



Sally Shutte



Ann Shattuck



Chad Sheets



Mary Sibley



Jason Jon Smith



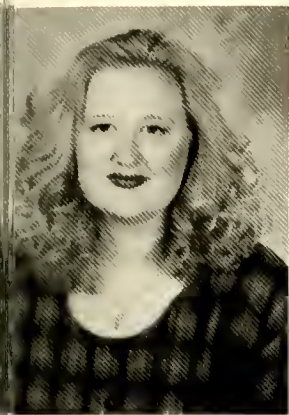
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Cheryl Stofka



Thomas Straughn



Stephanie Taylor



Cornell Taylor



Alena Toler



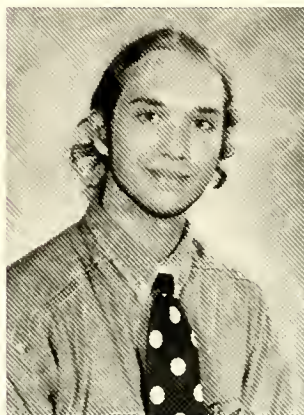
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Lourdes Valenciano



Adam Voelcker



Robert Ward



Scott Ward



Rachel Wilkinson



Jason Wilson

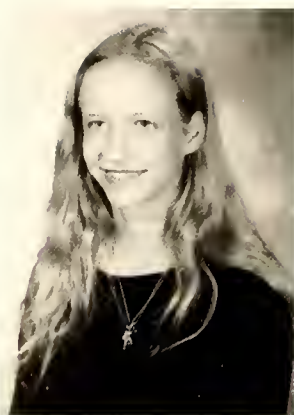


Edwin Woods

SOPHOMORES



Becky Abernathy



Tamara Brown



Richard Cox



Justin Francis





Alex Gilmore



Kimberly Herrmann



Max Gonzales



Glenda Hinson



Lee Harris



Elizabeth Hubbard





Casey Joyner



Michelle Krege



Stacey Lamb



Jana Lane



Margaret Legner



Dana McCullough

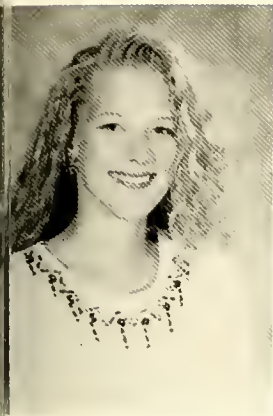


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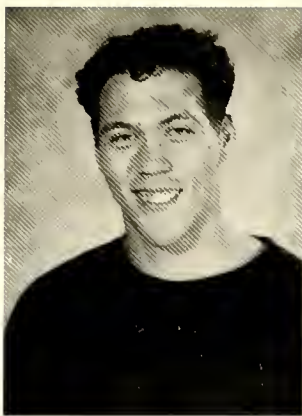


Casey Newberry





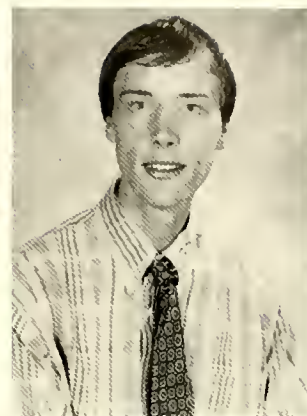
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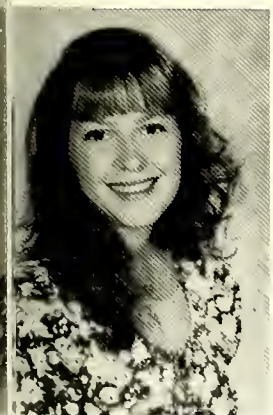
Laney Troutman



Chase Warner



Shawn Williams



Christina Wiseman



JUNIORS



Erick Bayne



Karla Byrd



Gary Chesno



Shannon Church



Juniors



Manuel Cruz



Kristi DeMeritte



Charliece Golding



Alana Hill



Jason Jones



Heather Lee



Sherry McCloud



John McCormick



Juniors



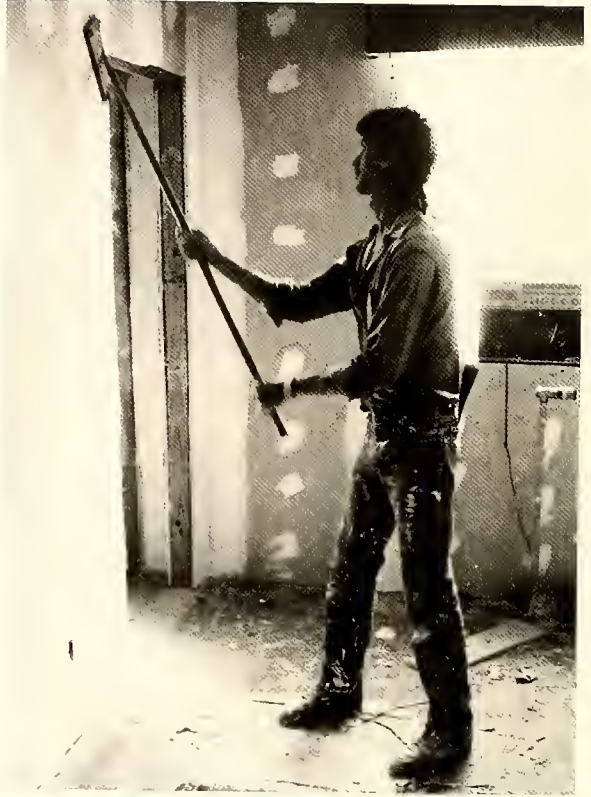
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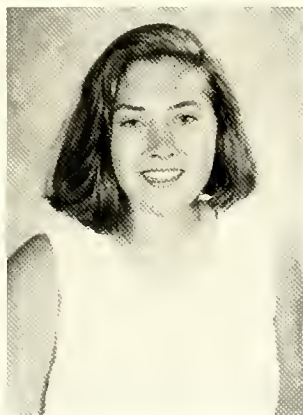




Christina Taylor



Amy Wilson

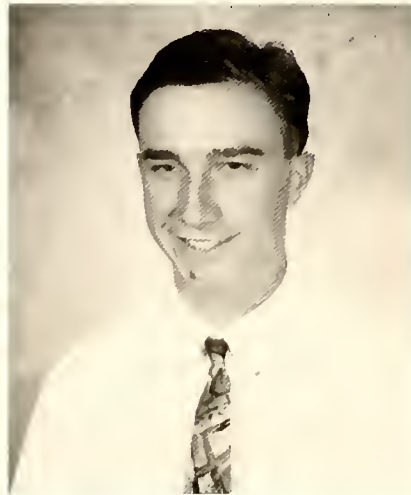


Kim Watkins

SENIORS



Bethany Baumgardner



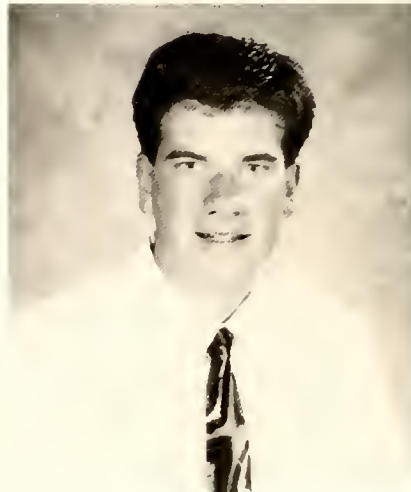
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Emily Davis



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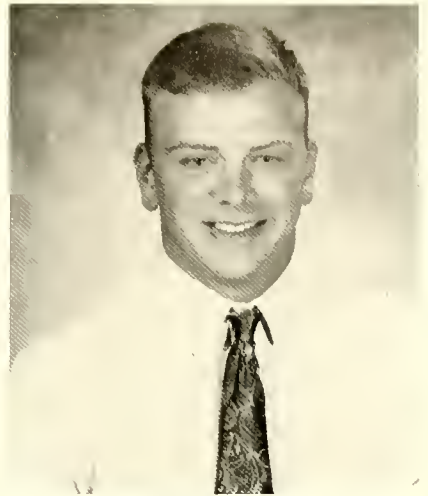
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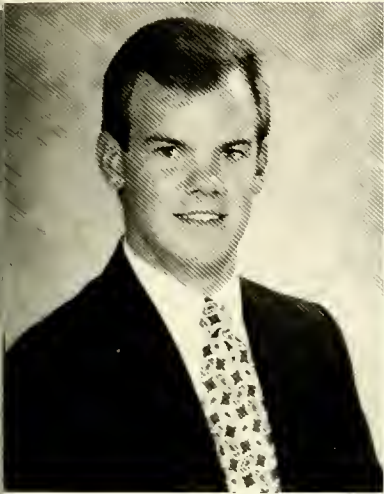
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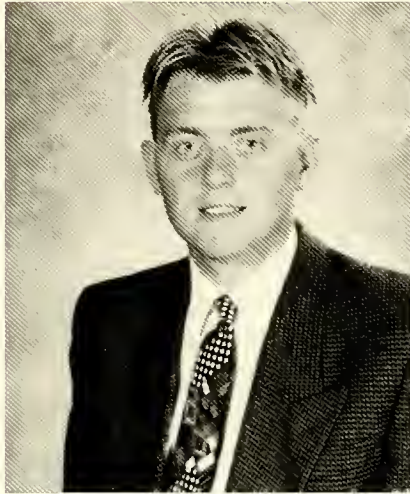
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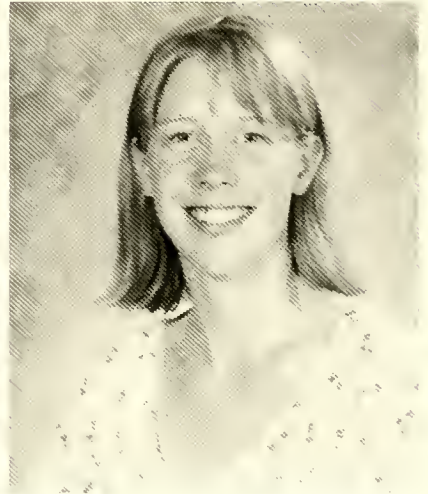
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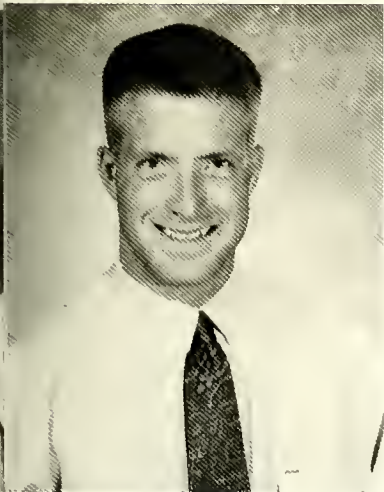
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David Guy



Kelsey Hawkins



Michael Haydon



Kathy Langevin



Gary Mayes



Soko Nozawa



Christine Padoramo



Candy Pitman

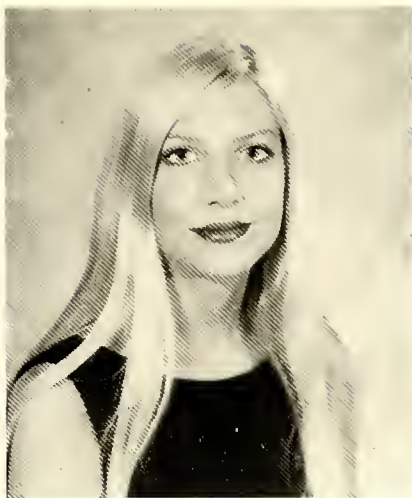


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Paul Stephenson



Jennifer Webb



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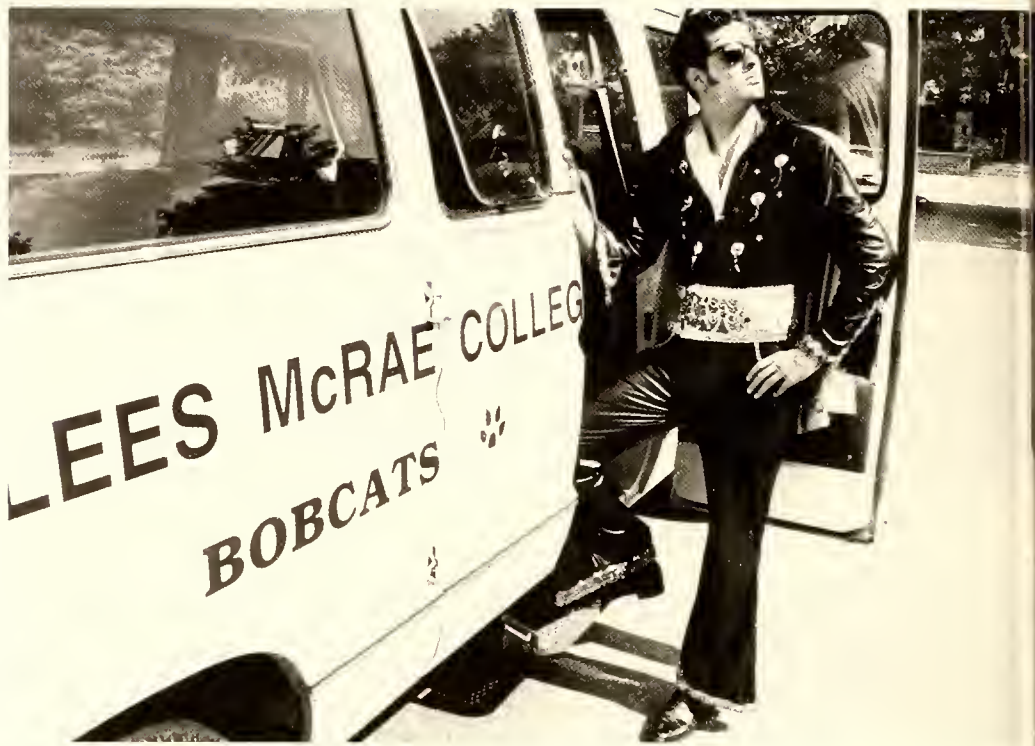


David Witherspoon



Regina Worsley





"(Above) Vegas or Bust." Elvis...aka Todd Morgan takes a break during a trip about to promoting the Summer Theatre production of "Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat."

**EXTRAS
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Spring King and Queen: Jeff Wall and Becky Abernathy.



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*Hair Today, Gone Tomorrow:
James Taylor gets a buzz cut
for his role in LMC's Summer
Theatre production of "Annie."*



*Intamural
Softball
Winners.*

Activities



Delta Psi Omega in '94



Student Ambassadors in '94

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Order of the Tower in '94

Order of the Tower



Officers: Paul Stephenson, Emily Davis, Donya Price, Penny Ward, Terri Young.



*OT President
Emily Davis*



Order of the Tower: (front) Christine Padavano, Lisa Dunham, Donya Price, (middle) Emily David, Penny Ward, Kris Stewart, (back) Sylvester Anderson, Michelle Pummel, Paul Stephenson, Terri Young, Bryon Buesser.

Order of the Tower is an organization limited to twelve outstanding students serving LMC in a leadership capacity. OT is committed in the aspects of service and leadership to keep the values and traditions on which the organization was founded in 1962. OT sponsors the annual Halloween Carnival and the Employee Children's Christmas Party.

Esprit La Danse



*Esprit la Danse President
Bethany Baumgardner*

Esprit la Danse was established in the fall of 1993 for LMC students to meet and share ideas about dance. It promotes awareness of dance as an art form and educational discipline throughout the LMC community as well as surrounding areas. The membership of this organization is open to any student. The club participates in Homecoming, Earth Day, P.A. Phone-a-thons, and Club Fairs on Visitation Days.

It sponsors National Dance Week on campus and receptions for prospective dance students.



*Performing Arts students Bethany Baumgardner
and Ginger Hindman work on publicity for a P.A.
production.*



*Members: (back) Jana Lang, Melissa Uftring, Ginger Hindman,
Suzanne Singletary, Charlice Golding, (front) Stacey Coggins,
Emily Grisham, Jennifer Perotti, Stacy Burgess, Tamara Brown,
Heather Highman, Bethany Baumgardner.*

Alpha Psi Omega



*President Misty Wilcox
Not Pictured VP Amy Wilson*

Alpha Psi Omega is a National Theatre Honorary. Its members are people who have earned at least 50 points by participating in different areas of the theatre such as acting, technical work, etc. Each member has to undergo a week's worth of initiation filled with activities involving dressing up as a character from a play or musical or memorizing the Greek alphabet.



Taking part in the OT Halloween Carnival.

YOUR VOICE

"Your Voice" serves as the voice of Lees-McRae students. Your Voice was started by a small group of students interested in finding an outlet of expression on campus.

The first newspaper, printed in December, was staffed by eight members. The club grew to a staff of twelve members for the second issue.

Through the help of advisor Michael Andrews and the support of Michael Joslin, the students involved with the newspaper have learned (through many trials and errors) the ideas that lie behind good journalism. Your Voice has helped the students learn skills they may decide to use in their professions upon graduation from Lees-McRae. Furthermore, they have provided a service to other students, giving them the opportunity for their voices to be heard.

Hopefully, students will continue taking advantage of this opportunity in the years to come."

Editor, Alana Hill



Your Voice Staff: (front) Shawn Williams, Chris Mueller, Gary Chesno, Chase Warner, (back) Josh McLaub, Alana Hill, Kelly Nantz, Olivia Tucker.

YOUR VOICE

Headlines In Recent Issues

of Your Voice...

***SMOKE GETS IN YOUR EYES
AT LMC***

***THE PRESIDENT HAS
DISAPPEARED!***

NOTHING ON TAP AT LMC

***FOOTBALL SACKED UNTIL
(MAYBE) 1997***



Olivia Tucker working on a story.

Editor Alana Hill during a meeting



Student Activities Board



The purpose of the Student Activities Board is to provide activities for students who live on campus. SAB provides free movie nights, casino night, steak night, bowling, horseback riding, faculty follies, hiking, The Dating Game, Spring Formal, roller skating and shopping sprees.

Members include: Co-Presidents Ginny Worsley and Gary Chesno, Secretary Richard Cox, Paul Lucas, Laura Mizell, Lisa Dunham, Jason Kral, Melessa Roney, Alex Marinkovic, Chase Warner, Michelle Pummel, Bridgette Johnson, Andrew Gross, Lauren Steely, Beth Sibley.

CONGRATULATIONS

Student Activities Board

CLUB OF THE YEAR

The club of the year award is an honorable award that should be given to a club for its efforts to make LMC a more enjoyable place. We, as members of the SAB, have provided a great opportunity for leadership. In addition, several club members hold leadership positions in other clubs. We won the Homecoming competition for service and we have also made efforts to support Bobcat Athletics. At basketball games we did scrambles for money and at nearly all home sporting events it was the responsibility of the SAB to see that Wily Bobcat was on hand.



*Co-President of Student
Activities Board Gary Chesno.*

Organization of African-American Students

The Organization of African-American Students is designed to recruit and retain students as well as to provide community service.

OAA sponsored the Angel Tree at Christmas, the canned-food drive at Thanksgiving and Black History Month in February.



*(Photo at right) Keith McInnis of OAA with Gary Chesno (right) lift up some of the bounty from the Angel Tree project).
(Below...l-r...Officers of OAA) William Suber, President Keith McInnis, Kareen Epps.*



Residence Hall Council



Residence Hall Council is designed to improve life in the Lees-McRae Residence Halls. It participates in service projects as well as other community activities.

(top to bottom)

Officers: (l-r) Becky Burnette, Letanya Coleman, Lulu Valenciano.

(middle photo) Members: (front row) Becky Burnette, Lulu Valenciano, LeTanya Coleman, (second) Pech Ly, Lauren Steely, (third) Rezeil Johnson, Ellen Sanders, Jennifer Carey, (fourth) Rachel Wilkerson, Christina Cupsteid, Beverly Billingsley, Letesia Thrift. (bottom photo) RHC at the Order of the Tower Halloween Carnival.



Student Ambassadors

The Student Ambassadors Club is designed to help recruit students. SAC gives prospective students tours, holds prospective student receptions, and attends high school college nights. SAC sponsored a Rock-a-thon as well as several Phone-a-thons this year.



President Christine Padavano



Members: (front, l-r) Michelle Pummel, Suzanne Singletary, Ellen Sanders, Christine Padavano, Keith McInnis, (back row) William Suber, Miki LaMotte, Emily Davis, Shawn Williams, Andrew Gross (not pictured) Lisa Dunham, Heather Highman, Jennifer Perotti.

Fellowship of Christian Athletes



Officers: (l-r) Lisa Dunham, President Glenda Hinson, Rachel Wilkerson.

FCA is an organization for Christian Athletes and students to gather and share ideas about Christianity. FCA sponsors concerts both on-campus and off-campus, "meet me at the tower" devotionals, National Day of Prayer observations, and this year the FAC participated in a mission trip to Albany, Georgia. FCA is most commonly known for overall fellowship.



FCA Members: (front, l-r) Alex Marinkovic, Jason Kral, Lisa Dunham, Glenda Hinson, Gayle Farina, Rachel Wilkerson, (back) John Angel (sponsor), Chase Warner, Jackie Thomas, Gary Chesno, Michael Avery, Jason Garrett.

Student Government Association

The Student Government Association is the governing body of Lees-McRae's students. It is designed to help get things done to improve the quality of student life.

SGA represents all students and is open to all students.



SGA OFFICERS (pictured above)(front row, l-r) Kim Mattox, Parker Grubbs, (back row) Tina Campbell-Kiser, Gary Chesno.

MEMBERS: (pictured below)(front row) Kim Mattox, Ellen Sanders,(second) Parker Grubbs, Lisa Dunham, Kris Stewart, Alex Marinkovic, (third) Michelle Pummel, Ginny Worsley, Gary Chesno, (fourth) Shawn Williams, Tina Campbell-Kiser, Paul Stephenson.



Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities



Alana Hill (above)

The students of Who's Who are nominated and voted on by faculty and staff at Lees-McRae.

Not Pictured: Jason Hatcher, Kama Roberts, Donna Brady, Soko Nozawa.



*Eric Bryan (above)
Mont Calloun (below)*



*Emily Davis (above)
Keith McLuuis (below)*



*Gary Mayes (above)
Parker Grubbs (below)*



*Richard Cox (above)
Kim Mattox (below)*



Student Life



Sylvester "Tank" Anderson calling an escort in Virginia lobby.

Student life is a lot more than you think. The biggest part of Lees-McRae is its students. Venturing from several parts of the United States, as well as other countries, students bring their own style and creativity to campus life.



Jodi Lamp tending a fire in an off campus apartment



Keith Stratton & Scott Huntley dressed as Milli Vanilli on Halloween

Left: Tina Smith & Julee Marshbanks share a joyful moment together.

Below Left: Carter Todd studying hard in his apartment.

Below: Eric Bryant socializing with friends after dinner.



Left: Hunt Manning and Steven Farmer hanging out off campus



Right: Courtney Poe, Olivia Tucker, Tracey Fox in front of the North Carolina building.



Below: Students dressed up for a costume party



Left: Miki Lamonte and Kristi Esposito talking to Charlie Golding about summer employment.



Right: Matt Simpson and Chris Barlett eating out after class.



Right: Ann Landis "kissing" her puppy



Below: Soko Nozawa painting Kacy Crabtree's face at the Halloween carnival.



Right: The London Bridge. Richard Cox and Sam Pearce will be spending all of the '95 Fall Semester in Cambridge.



Left: Melissa Uftring cooking in the kitchen at the Virginia dorm.



Best friends, LaTanya Coleman and Jennifer Perotti being silly as always in the Virginia lobby.



Above: Brandy Frazier and Chris Finley dressed up at Halloween.



Right: Lindy Hollerman talking on the phone at her apartment.



Left: Jeff "Big Daddy" Wall crowned as Homecoming King.

One of the biggest events of student life each year is the fall Homecoming. This year Homecoming was centered around soccer and volleyball. The Homecoming parade was a big event through the streets of Banner Elk.



Above: Theme float in parade.

Left: Homecoming Queen Tennille Kilby talking with Dr. Shobel

Right: Kamie "JB" Bell dunking at the outdoor basketball courts.



Below: Students carving a pumpkin



Above: Students hanging out on campus.



Above: Students together off campus.

Below: Ginger Hindman, Miss February
performing accompanied by Eric Hagameyer.



Below: Contestants included Lorde's "Lulu" Valenciano, LeTanya Coleman, Michelle Pummell, Lawren Staley, Ginger Hindman and Amanda Cook.

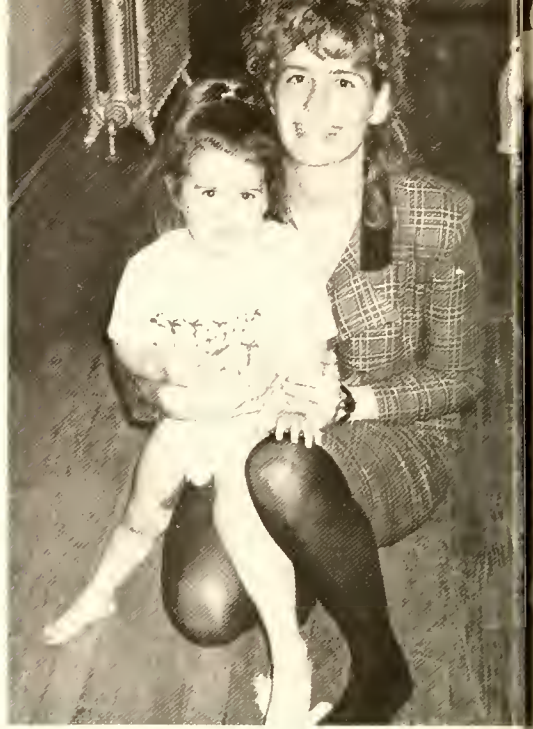


Above: Bridgette Johnson crowning Gin-
ger Hindman, Miss February.

An event new to student life this year is the Miss February Pageant. This year the pageant was sponsored by Virginia residence hall council and coordinated by Brigette Johnson.

Right: Deanna Magaw and her daughter Ashley

Below: Kristin Surber, Matt Treskey, and Grandma celebrate the christening of baby Tyler.

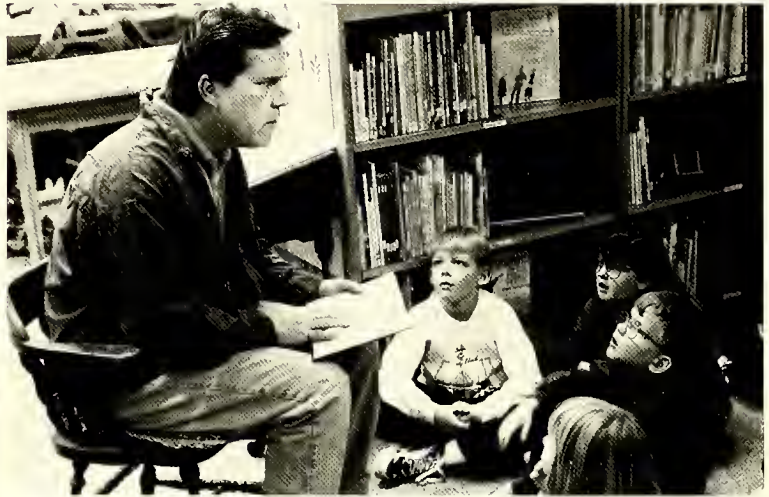


Below: Students hanging out at a soccer game.





Left: Jason Jack playing with his dog.

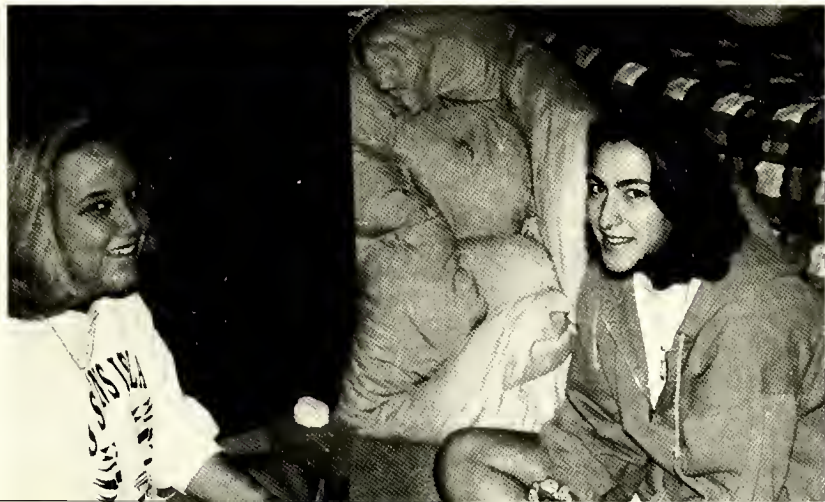


Above: Jon Williams reads to students at Banner Elk Elementary School...and leaves them agog.



Left: Students dressed up for a party.

Below: Liesel Hubbard and Carla McGinnis playing cards in Virginia dorm.



Right: Students enjoying the benefits of off campus life.



Below: Kim Jones and Patrice Peeler singing at a college program.



Above: Students ready for a Halloween party.



Above: Kelly is sitting around off campus.



Left: Kasey Newberry and Scott Schmitt at a party off campus.

Below: Roy Krege and Jennifer Carey displaying the new sweatshirt.



Below: Students on a Homecoming float.

Speakers and Programs on Campus



(Above) Bridgette Johnson with her Grandfather Horace Johnson at a College Program.



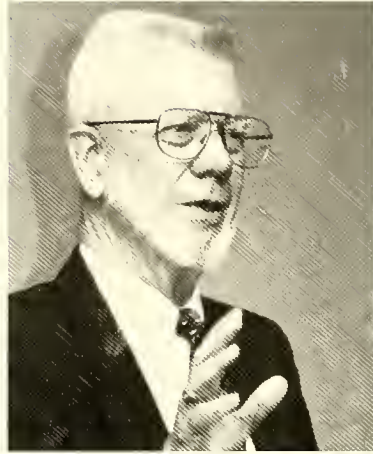
(Above) Author Anne Whitt-Thompson donates one of her books to LMC (accepted by Dr. Mary Wilgus, right) after her stint as the featured speaker during "Women's Week."



Margaret Tate (pictured with Dr. Schobel) accepted the LMC Founder's Day Award on behalf of the Tate Family.



(Above) North Carolina Businessman Ed Shelton gave a College Program in the Fall.



Professor O'dell Smith was the featured speaker during LMC's Founder's Day program.

(Below) Appalachian Author James Still was an "Artist in Residence" at LMC.



Performing Arts



Top Right: Joey Griffin, Eric Bayne, and Suzanne Evans in "Once Upon A Mattress" '94.

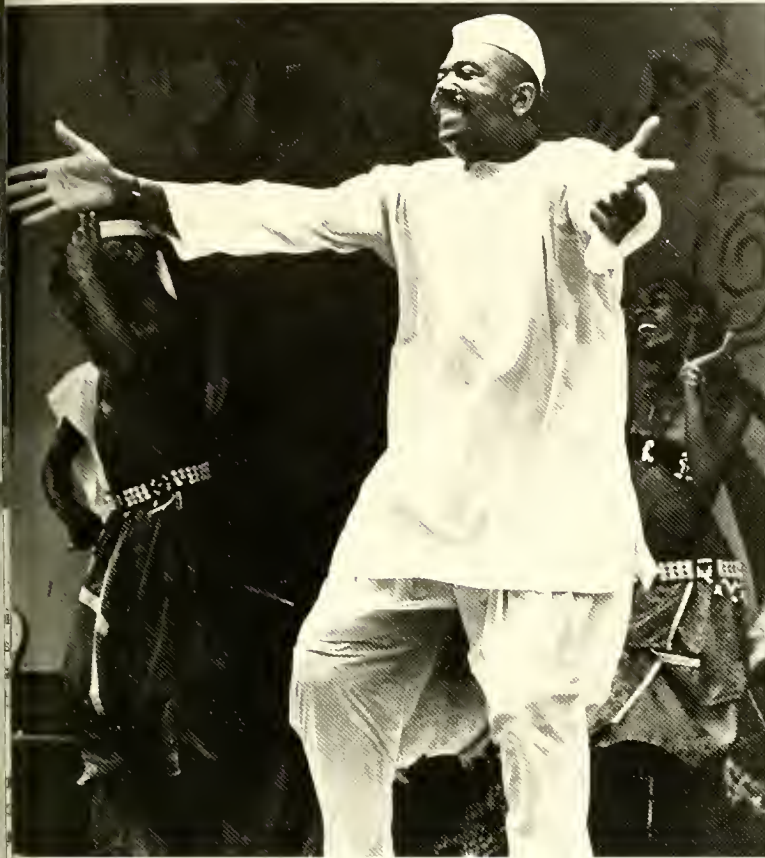
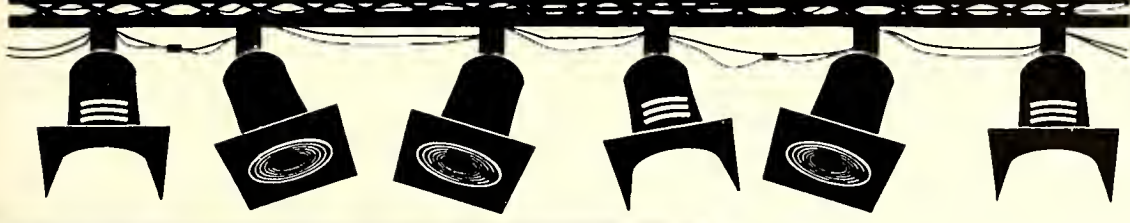
Above: Charlise Golding, Melanie Orr, Mindy Davidson, Suzanne Singletary, Eric Bayne, and Chris Galloway.

Right: Penny Henderson as "Winnifred" in "Once Upon A Mattress"

Performing Arts is a lot more than you think. It includes not only acting and dance but also voice direction, costuming, sound, lighting, make-up, stagecraft, and intense rehearsals. Performing Arts students hit the ground running in August and have no off days since.

The semester opened with the musical "Once Upon A Mattress". This musical had a very large cast including several freshmen, two of which held major roles. When asked what it was like to be a freshman in a major production Jennifer Perotti replied "It is a great and challenging experience. It is something that makes Lees-McRae unique. Most colleges do not allow freshmen to perform."





Lees-McRae was visited by Chuck Davis and the African American Dance Ensemble. A performance was given as well as a performing arts masters class. This was a great chance for students to be educated by African Ethnic Dance.



Performing Arts



A PIECE OF MY HEART:
Junine Morrison, Matt Handley, Tina Smith, Jodi Bost, Tennille Kilby, Melody Wiley, Margie Legner.

Each Semester a straight play was performed. This year these plays were "The Dining Room" and "A Piece of My Heart." Each of these plays required the actors to play multiple roles and gave each actor quite a challenge.



(Above) Adyanna DelaTorre in "The Dining Room."



The Dining Room: Adyanna DelaTorre, Joey Griffin, Matt Handley, Jon Williams, Dana McCullough, Tina Smith.

Performing Arts



A Dance Concert is presented each semester. In the fall, the concert was choreographed entirely by students as a requirement for dance composition class. In the spring, a concert was presented including pieces composed by Performing Arts faculty.

Performing Arts

A very specific aspect of Lees-McRae Performing Arts is Dance Theatre. This includes tap Orchestra, Modern Company, Ballet Ensemble, Jazz Company, Pointe Ensemble, Liturgical Ensemble and Children's Dance Ensemble.



Performing Arts

Performing Arts Students often tour to nearby churches and community gathering places. Two of the groups that tour include the Highlanders and the Cloggers.



"The "Odyssey of Jeremy Jack" at B.E. Elementary.



Children's Dance Ensemble toured to Martinsville in the fall. They performed mostly in schools using dance as education.



Above: Spring Dance Concert.



Left: Fall Dance Concert.

Below: An Ensemble shot in the Dance Studio.



In the spring, student directed one act plays were presented. These included "Everything Adults Should Know" directed by Suzanne Evans, "Quilsuk" directed by Jon Williams, "Graceland" directed by Julee Marshbanks, and "The Lion, The Witch, and The Wardrobe" directed by Marci Hellard.



Right: Tennille Kilby singing a Highlander Solo.



Below: African American Dance Ensemble workshop.



Below: Matt Handley, Jodi Bost, Melody Willey, Margie Legner in "Piece of My Heart".





A scene from the Spring Dance Concert in Hayes Auditorium.

Athletics at Lees-McRae

...More than you think

Lees-McRae College student athletes often practice and play up to 20 hours a week during the season and are usually involved in some kind of off-season training when not playing. Several athletes also play more than one collegiate sport for the Bobcats.





*Alena Toler
(left) and
Deanna
Magaw reject
an opponent.*

Women's Soccer

The Lady Bobcats finished the season with a school record-tying 19-3 record, and were winners of the Carolinas Conference Post Season Tournament. The team also were runners-up at the NAIA Mid-South Regional Championships which Lees-McRae hosted.

The 1994 season included a thirteen match win streak that featured 12 shutouts. Head Coach Ried Estus called the team a "pleasure to work with on a daily basis. We hated to see such a great year come to an end," said Estus, who has guided the Lady Bobcats to 126 wins in just eight years.

LMC	Opponent
0	L. Wilson 2
2	Tusculum 0
2	Tenn. Wes. 0
4	Covenant 0
5	Piedmont 0
1	Erskine 0
3	Pfeiffer 0
4	Lincoln Mem. 0
8	Barton 0
4	Wingate 0
1	St. Andrews 0
5	Chowan 0
6	LaGrange 0
2	Mars Hill 0
1	Coker 2
6	Belmont Abbey 0
2	High Point 2
7	Belmont Abbey 0
2	St. Andrews 1
4	Coker 2
3	Wheeling 2
0	Midway 1



(l-r, front) Stacy Lamb, Jaime Parr, Tanya Basansky, Heather Bowman, Cheryl Stofka, Kim Watkins, Laurel Smith, (second row) Tanya Naumann, Alana Hill, Trainer Rita Smith, Head Coach Ried Estus, Secretary Suzie Fisk, Erica Pratt, Kim Herrnan, Tracy Shuford, (back) Kristie DeMeritte, Megan Lighter, Stephanie Purser, Laura Mizell, President Dr. James Schobel, Jane Schobel, Ashley Rogers, Assistant Coach Karen Van Wert, Ashley McFalls, Kama Roberts.

Women's Soccer



Ashley Rogers (left) and Stacy Lamb go head to head during a practice session.



Starting GK Heather Bowman in Goal



Megan Lighter makes a move to the goal.



Kristi DeMeritte shields an opponent before passing the ball to an open teammate.



At the post-season banquet, Coach Estus stands in with Coach's Award winner Kristi DeMeritte (left) and MVP Kama Roberts.

Women's Soccer



"Your Voice" Editor Alana Hill gets plenty of her kicks out of soccer



Laura Mizell gets ready to redirect the ball.

Soph. Stacy Lamb sends the ball up and over the head of an opponent. Lamb's numbers from '94: 16 goals; 19 assists; NAIA 2nd team All-American.



Women's Soccer



Winning Championships: Definitely. Building Pyramids: Definitely Maybe.



Erica Pratt gets ready to turn the ball back upfield.



Coach Estus with some championship hardware along with President Schobel.



Tracy Shuford goes airborne to escape a tackle attempt.

Women's Basketball

The women's basketball team had some high expectations for the '94-95 season, but a series of injuries kept those dreams on the ground.

The team never seemed to hit on all cylinders and only showed flashes of the brilliance and potent offensive firepower that had become the Lady Bobcat's trademark over the past two years.

Senior Robin Scott concluded her record-breaking career as a Lady Bobcat by adding the all-time scoring 2,004 total points and grabbing 1,337 rebounds. She also led the NCAA II in rebounding in 94-95 by averaging over 16 a game.



<i>LMC</i>	<i>Opponent</i>
71	106 Mars Hill
98	105 N. Georgia
85	77 Francis Marion
61	80 Belmont Univ.
73	78 Lenoir-Rhyne
92	83 N. Georgia
56	104 Belmont Univ.
67	56 Elon
78	88 Belmont Abbey
69	92 Mount Olive
69	86 Barton
57	83 Elon
99	92 St. Andrews
54	80 Pfeiffer
52	84 USC-Spartanburg
77	76 Coker
96	90 Gardner-Webb
63	72 Belmont Abbey
74	90 Mount Olive
90	92 Barton
82	85 High Point
86	90 St. Andrews
75	87 High Point
70	83 Pfeiffer
60	71 Coker
*67	77 Belmont Abbey (CIAC Tourney game)



(left to right) Joey Morris, Karla Byrd, Kim Jones, Robin Scott, Heidi Deeks, Stacy Lamb, Patrice Peeler, Melonye Trivett, Christie Taylor, Head Coach Teresa Martin.

Women's Basketball



Christie Taylor, a junior guard, drives past an opponent. Taylor was the team's second leading scorer with 17.7 ppg.



Joey Morris looks for room inside.



Heidi Deeks drives into the lane



Sophomore Stacy Lamb looks for the ball while sealing off a defender.



Karla Byrd beats an opponent and looks to distribute the ball.

Men's Basketball

The Bobcats had some fine individual performances during the season as players reached career highs and surpassed all-time records, but the team fell shy of its collective goals. According the Head Coach Jack Lytton, the prospects for the season dimmed considerably when All-Conference performer Jamie Bell went down with a knee injury in the preseason. "Not having Jamie in the pivot really turned our offensive and defensive philosophies around right before the start of the season," said Lytton. "We never seemed to find the right chemistry all season-long."



(Above) Junior Center Matt Treski uses the dribble to get past an opponent. (Below) The Bobcat's All-Time Leading scorer (1303 points) looks for lane on the break.

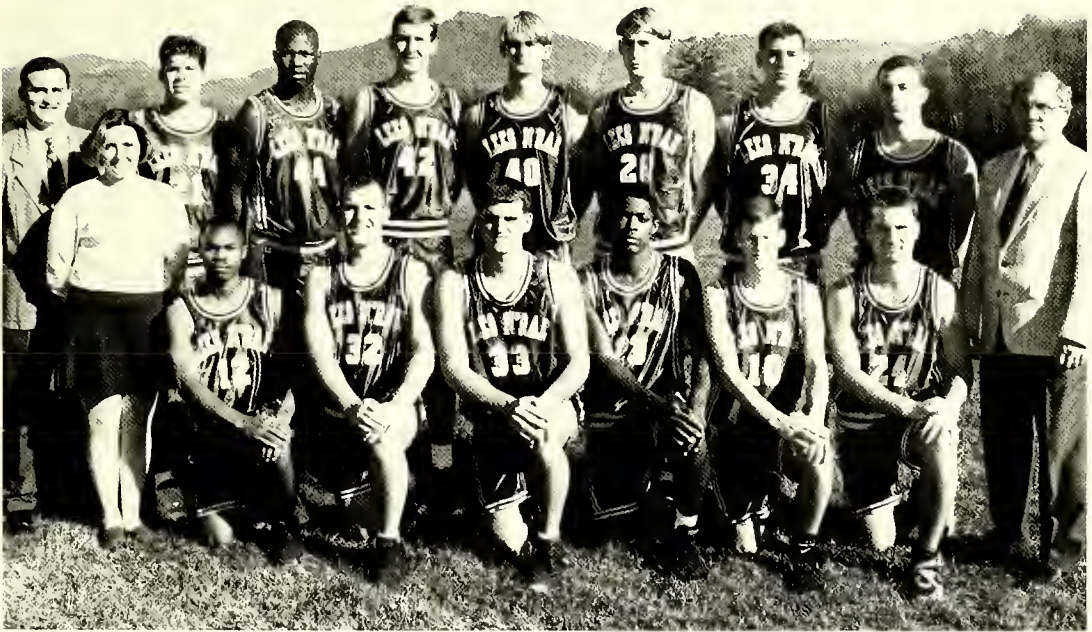
LMC	Opponent
54	71 Newberry
54	66 Erskine
46	67 Presbyterian
61	71 Gardner-Webb
66	99 E.T.S.U.
57	74 Mars Hill
58	66 Presbyterian
67	98 Catawba
99	87 Elon
67	100 Mars Hill
76	80 Catawba
67	84 Belmont Abbey
64	72 High Point
78	96 Mount Olive
89	72 Barton
44	73 Carson Newman
90	97 St. Andrews
86	98 Pfeiffer
62	78 Coker
92	74 Belmont Abbey
65	61 High Point
68	89 Mount Olive
69	97 Barton
57	78 St. Andrews
80	93 Pfeiffer
63	66 Coker
*65	85 Coker
*CIAC TOURNEY	





Men's Basketball

Sophomore Guard Ken Clarke out on the perimeter where he is equally adept at driving off of the dribble or launching the three.



(front row) Student Trainer Leslie Smith, Gary Mayes, Shannon Church, Scot King, Gavrick Carson, Doug Bassinger, Andy Wilson, Head Coach Jack Lytton, (back) Asst. Coach Reggie Oakes, Pat Waguon, Alphonso Keaton, Dennis Silver, Matt Treski, Ian Lockwood, Ken Clarke, Chad Greene.

Cross Country

The "hill and dalers" made great strides in its first full season of competition in 1994. The bulk of the team had not ever raced on the collegiate level, and steadily improved times and results as the season progressed.

Gary Mayes won the "Coach's Award and Derrick Pearson the was named the team's MVP.



(Left to right, front) Derrick Pearson, Gary Mayes, Tom Cole, (back) Ian Lockwood, Jamie Bell, Scott Brown, Chris Finley.

Alpine Ski Team



After a strong start, things evened out somewhat, as the Bobcats got bumped from the Regionals by Duke University at the Conf. Championships at Beech.

"We rebounded very well from an off year in '94," said Head Coach Scott Ballard. "We have a great bunch of people on this team and with the new skiers coming in, this team should do very well next year."

Chad Smyre comes through a gate at Ski Hawksnest.



(Left to right) James Love, Bryon Buesser, Tracy Shuford, Jake "Kelly" Nantz, Bryan Dodd, Cornell Taylor, Sean McKee, Chadwick Smyre.

Men's Soccer

<i>LMC</i>	<i>Opponent</i>
0	8 Lander
0	6 King
2	4 Mount Olive
0	8 Charleston
1	2 Erskine
1	3 High Point
3	2 Barton
4	2 Limestone
2	1 St. Andrews
4	0 Milligan
1	1 Lenoir-Rhyne
1	5 Wingate
0	4 Pfeiffer
2	3 Coker
1	7 Tusculum
0	5 Belmont Abbey
*2	6 Pfeiffer

**CIAC TOURNEY*

Lees-McRae showed signs of promise in '94 winning four straight in a mid-season stretch, but couldn't sustain the momentum throughout the year. The 1994 team was primarily made up of freshmen and sophs with only two juniors and no seniors to lead the way.

Coach's Award winner Curtis Fisher gets set to work the ball upfield.



Men's Soccer



Freshman J.J. Smith takes the ball away during action early on in the season.



Team MVP Keith Sutton is driving quickly to goal.



Matt Morrell puts the defense on a forward.



Bryan Dodd turns an opponent to the sideline.

Men's Soccer



In a study of contrasting hairstyles, Gus Avellan goes head to head vs. Barton.

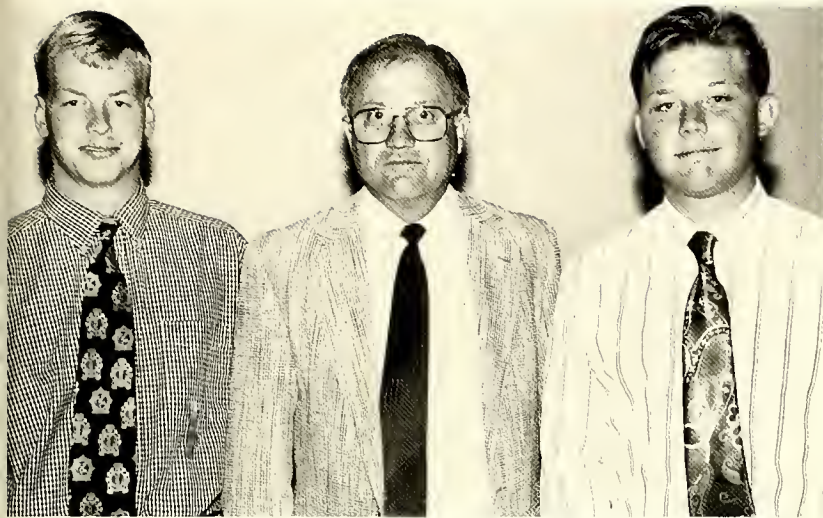


It's a Bobcat Celebration after a goal.



Front (l-r): Carter Todd, Curtis Fisher, Bryan Dodd, J.J. Smith, Matt Morrell, Brad Burns, Gus Avellan, Kevin Renz, Alvaro Caberera, John Chelko, Eric Ahlberg. Back: Jason Kral, Keith Sutton, Brian Bowles, Scott Huntley, Scott Huntley, Edwin Woods, Paul Lucas, Matt Simpson, Casey Joyner, Mike Ray, John Scardino, Student Trainer Troy McCormick, Assistant Coach David Guy.

Golf



The Bobcat linksters improved over the course of the season in '95 and won the first match in the team's history as a four-year college defeating Milligan on the Buff's home course.

At the Spring Sports Banquet Tommy Thomas (left) won the MVP Award and Jay Repass won the Coach's Award from Head Coach Jack Lytton, center.



(l-r) Head Coach Jack Lytton, Ron Mink, Tommy Thomas, Andy Wilson, Jay Repass, Bill Candler.

Volleyball

The Lady Spikers rebounded quickly after a rough start to win three straight matches early in the season and established a presence in the Carolinas Conference. The youth and inexperience of the team tempered the momentum from those wins, but set the stage for more productive seasons to come. The team finished the season with a 6-18 record.

Carla McGinnis spikes the ball during a home match in Williams Gym.

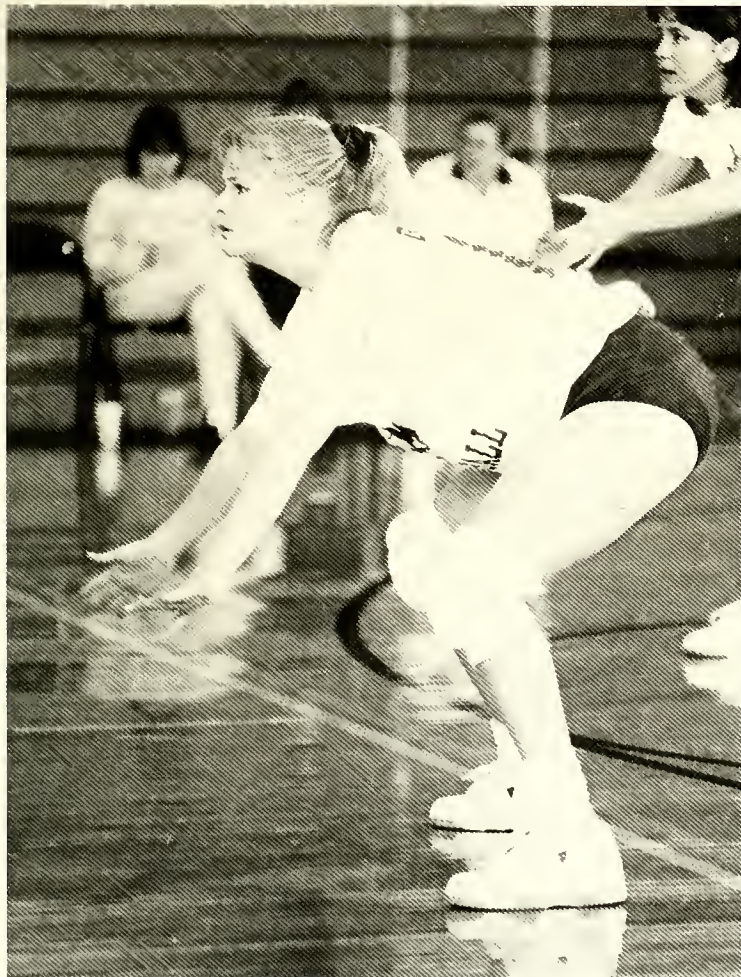


(front) Kharisma Kuepshield, Sherry McCloud, Carla McGinnis, Becky Abernathy, Head Coach Teresa Martin, (back) Kristeu Surber, Kim Jones, Christie Simonds, Deana Magaw, Aleua Toler.

Volleyball



Honors to the seniors...The Coach's Award to Kristen Surber (left) and MVP to Deana Magaw (center) with Coach Teresa Martin.

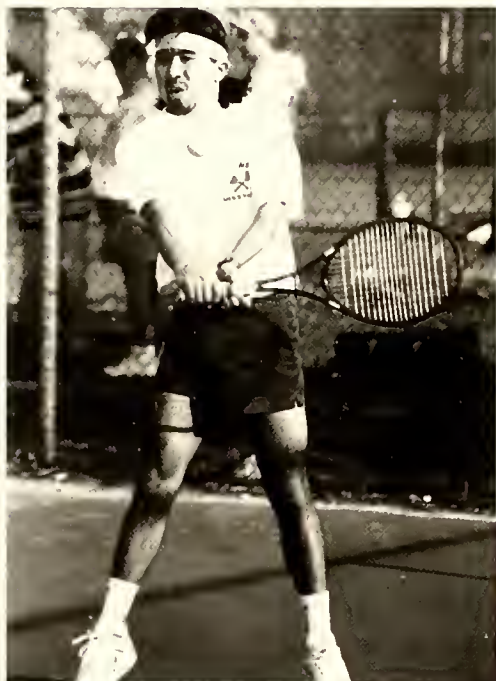


(left) Kharisna Knepschild gets ready to return an opponent's service. (above) Deana Magaw and Kim Jones foil a spike attempt.

Men's Tennis

LMC	Opponent
0	7 Barton
3	6 King
0	7 Limestone
1	6 High Point
7	0 Coker
0	7 Behnont Abbey
2	5 Mount Olive
1	6 St. Andrews
4	5 Va. Intermount
3	4 Longwood
0	7 Pfeiffer

Chris Bartlett fires a backhand cross-court for a winner.



Esteban Nakano lifts off the ground to return a backhand.

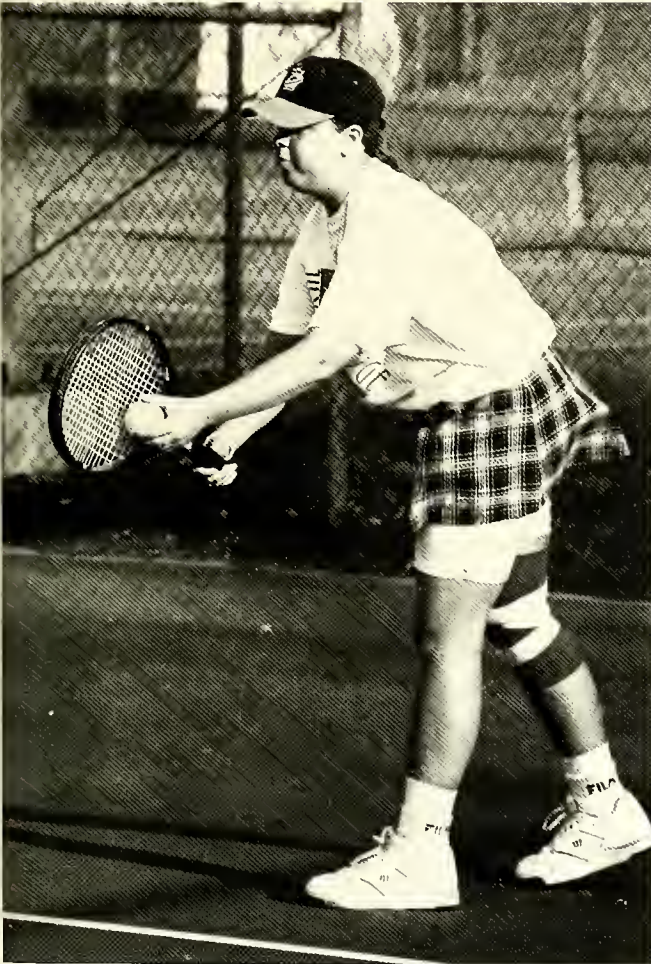


(front) Esteban Nakano, Tyson Edwards, John Scardino, Chris Bartlett, (back) Asst. Coach Randy Bloemendaal, Alvaro Cabrera, Paul Lucas, Max Gonzales, Coach Fred LaRoche.

Women's Tennis



LMC	Opponent
2	5 Bartou
1	6 Beluout Abbey
0	7 High Point
0	7 St. Andrews
0	7 High Point
0	7 Coker
1	7 Va. Intermont
0	7 Longwood
2	5 Mount Olive
1	6 St. Andrews
0	7 Pfeiffer
3	6 Tusculum
2	4 Tnsclum



(Above) Tennis Awards went to Kristen Surber (left) MVP, and Jaime Parr (right) Coach's Award. (Left) Heidi Combs gets set to serve.



(front) Ellen Sanders, Jaime Parr, Heidi Combs, Kim Watkins, (back) Asst. coach Randy Bloemendaal, Beverly Billingsley, Christie Taylor, Kristen Surber, Coach Ried Estus.

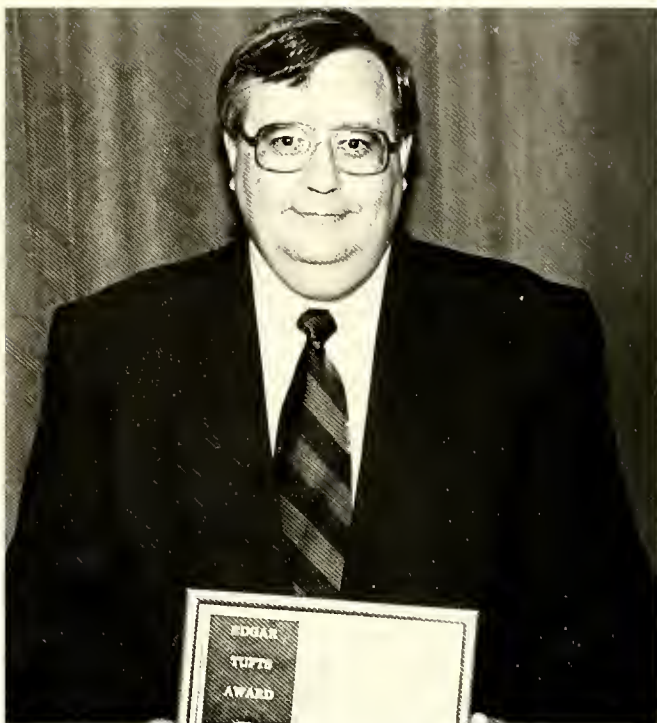
Honors & Awards/ Graduation



Graduation participants: (l-r) O'dell Smith, Dr. T. Lane Hurley, NC Gov. James Hunt, Ed Shelton, Dr. James Schobel, Roma Melton, Dr. Jim Barbour, Dr. Dwaine Greene.

**...More than
you think.**

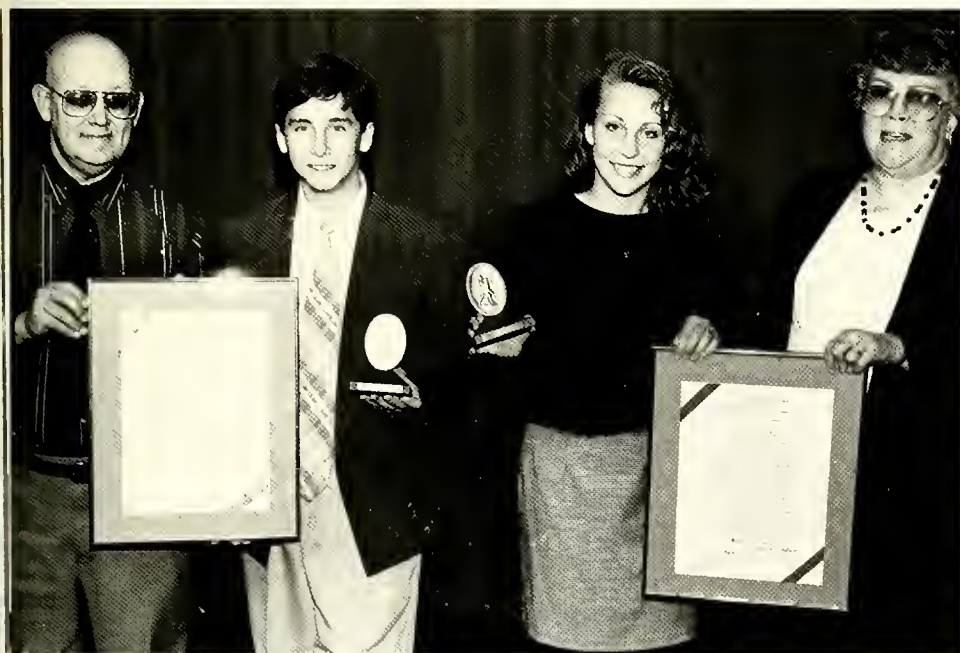
36th Annual Honors & Awards



The Edgar Tufts Faculty Award is presented each year in memory of the college's founder, and it is given to a faculty member for outstanding professional performance or contributions to the welfare of the college or community. The 1994-95 recipient was Assistant Professor of Criminal Justice Ken Nelson.



Michelle Krege (left) won the Margaret Tufts Neal Scholarship, Bridgette Johnson (right) won the LMC Alumni Council Scholarship.



Sullivan Awards: 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 beauty and value of the intangible elements of life.

(left to right) Charles Crumley, Richard Cox, Alana Hill, Mary Johnson.



The Grace Woody SGA Special Recognition Award went to A.D. Ried Estus pictured with Grace Woody (left).



Outgoing SGA President Kim Mattox (left) swore in the new SGA President Kris Stewart .

The SGA Outstanding Officer Award went to Shawn Williams (right) pictured with Interim Dean of Students Todd Gambill.



The Board of Trustees Scholarship for the 1995-96 academic year went to Kim Mattox (left) pictured with current Trustee Dr. Bill Tate (center) and the recipient of the Lewis Hall Scholarship Durl Jones (right)





**Honors &
Awards Master
of Ceremonies:
Archie Smith**



**Academic Awards: (l-r/front) Mandy Gadd (Religious Studies), Laura Padgett (History/
Social Science), Mary Stirling Schley (J.B. Pritchett Memorial Award for Science), Alana
Hill (English), Misty Wilcox (Education), Catina Campbell Kiser (Business and the H.C.
Evans Fidelity Award), (back) Joey Griffin (Overall Performing Arts), Jason Parker (E.L.
Lafferty Science Scholarship), Eric Travland (Criminal Justice), and David Magid (Neron
Wilson Math Award).**



Memorial Awards: (l-r) Tennille Kilby (Preston Peter Wolfe Scholarship), Tamara Brown (Calvin Lindsey Scholarship), Jaime Parr (John Mackorell Scholarship), Michelle Punnel (John A. McConnell Scholarship), and Kim Jones (Jack "Pap" Martin Scholarship). Below: Faculty and Staff Awards (l-r) Secretary to the Dean/Provost Tammy Franklin received the Order of the Tower Special Recognition Award, Assistant Professor of Academic Advancement Joan Watts and Dean/Provost Dr. Dwaine Greene each received special recognition for their preparation before and during the recent accreditation visit by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.





*Athletic Awards: (l-r) Academic All-Americans Erica Pratt, and Alana Hill, Fredi I. Dickerson winner Robin Scott, Academic All-American Kama Roberts and Fred I. Dickerson winner Andy Wilson.
(Below) Student Life Honorees: (l-R) O'dell Smith Leadership Scholarship Kim Mattox, Gary Juhan Residence Life Scholarship Glenda Hinson, Pat Smith Scholarship for Academic Advancement Chip Rose, and Resident Assistant of the Year Miki LaMotte.*



Graduation '95



Dr. T. Lane Hurley

Hurley: Be A Part of the Solution.

Dr. Thomas Lane Hurley was the featured speaker at Lees-McRae's 65th Commencement Exercises in front of a capacity audience in Hayes Auditorium.

Hurley, who is both a Lees-McRae graduate and trustee, began his remarks with the question, "Where do we go from here?"

"As I reflect on my answers to that very question over the years, it is clear that Lees-McRae played a significant role in the choices. In many ways, I represent the student that Lees-McRae was established to serve.

Growing up just over a mountain from here, with few resources, I had a dream, a little talent, but not much hope of attending college. Lees-McRae provided me the opportunity through athletic scholarships and campus work to begin my journey toward my dream.

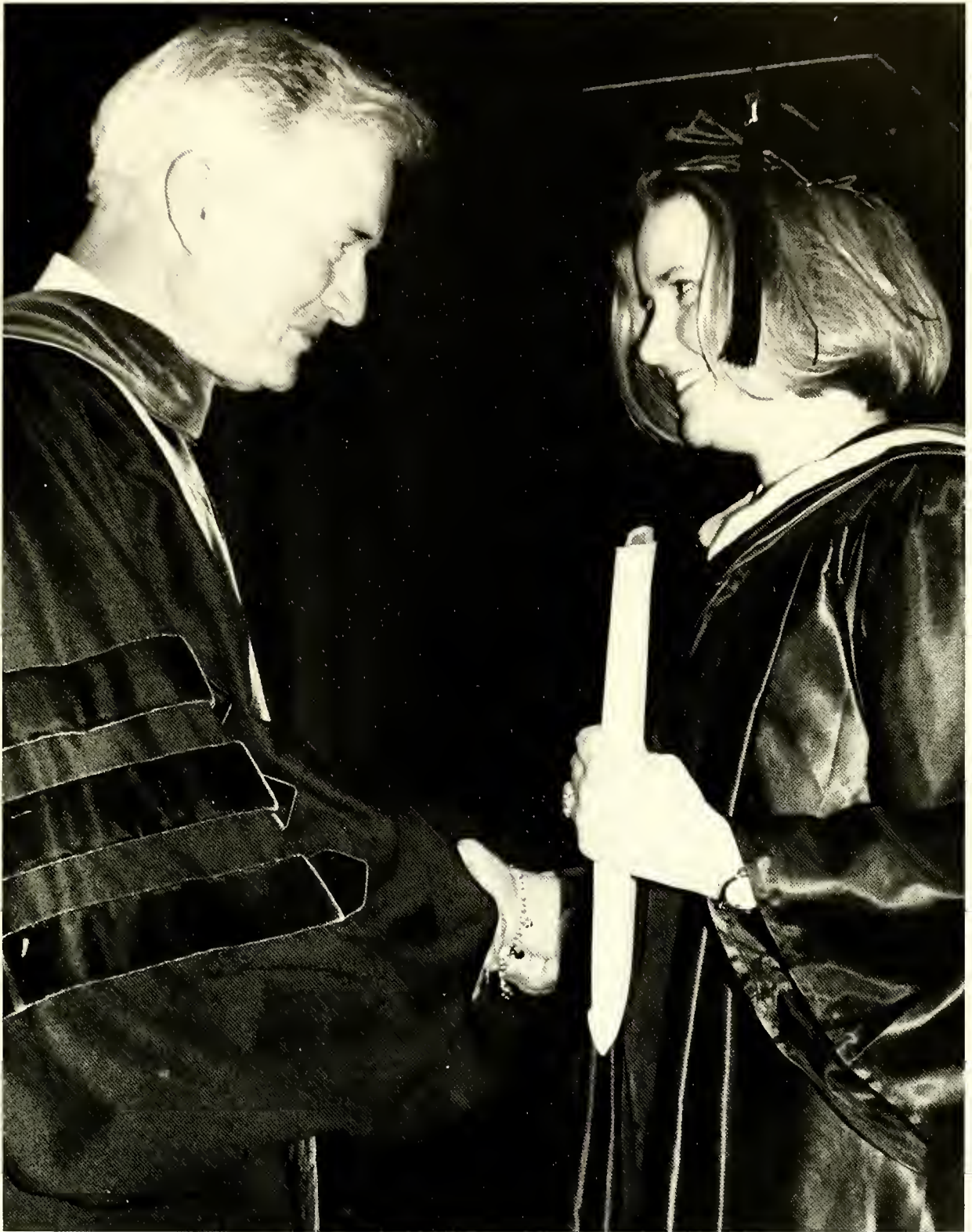
At Lees-McRae, I found a caring family that wanted me to succeed. A family that often saw more in me than I saw in myself. This family cared enough to nurture me through two years of study and also a very turbulent period of American history.

That family was the faculty, staff and students of 1962-64. Many in the family helped build a foundation that I often fall back on as I seek to answer the question, 'Where do I go from here?' Their gift to me was a 'sacred flame,' the gift of empowerment.

I challenge you today to develop positive motivators and create a positive self-expectancy for your future and to play an empowerment game by recognizing problems and taking ownership for them; for seeking and implementing solutions. A game where you make and keep commitments and own the results.

Where do you go from here? Are you the one that will change the future for the next generation of Lees-McRae graduates? In the words of Warren Bennis, 'If you have ever had dreams of leadership, now is the time this is the place, and you're it. We need you.'"

*NC Governor James Hunt
greeted graduate Leslie Smith as
she crosses the stage*



Peterson: Sign the Vivid Air.

Dr. Charles Peterson, the featured speaker during Lees-McRae's pre-graduation Baccalaureate Service, urged each of the graduates to make their collective mark in life, or paraphrasing British author Steven Spender, "Sign the Vivid Air."

"In the 1930's there appeared a poem by British author Steven Spender, some lines of which have burned themselves into my memory...'I think continually of those who were truly great. The names of those who in their lives fought for life; Who wore at their hearts the fire's center; Born of the sun, they traveled a short while toward the sun, and left the vivid air signed with their honor.' The poem is a moving tribute to the gallant men of the Great War and is an acknowledgment that their sacrifices on behalf of peace had not been in vain.

"For our purposes, however, the meaning is much broader. The signers of the 'vivid air,' as he described them came from all walks of life. We, therefore, are challenged to sign the 'vivid air,' to put exclamation points after our names, to let the world know that we have been here."



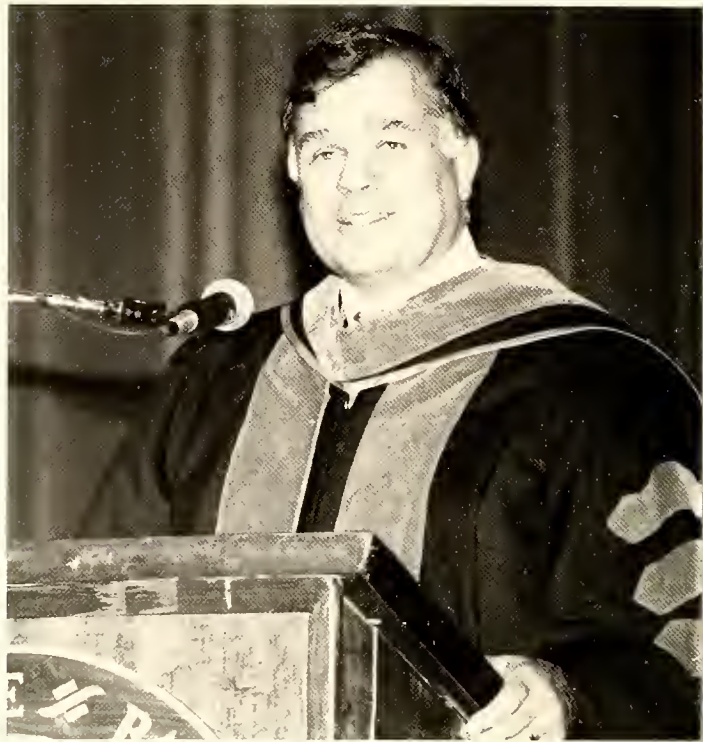
Baccalaureate Speakers: (l-r) Rev. Tom Phillips, Dr. Charles Peterson, Roma Melton, Dr. James Schobel.



Jeff "Big Daddy" Wall checks to see if the coast is clear while the photographer hurriedly snaps a photo before Commencement. Wall returned the President's Schwimm, riding it down the aisle, after an extensive statewide search that involved the Governor's Office and the SBI. President Schobel was both relieved and appreciative of the students extraordinary efforts.



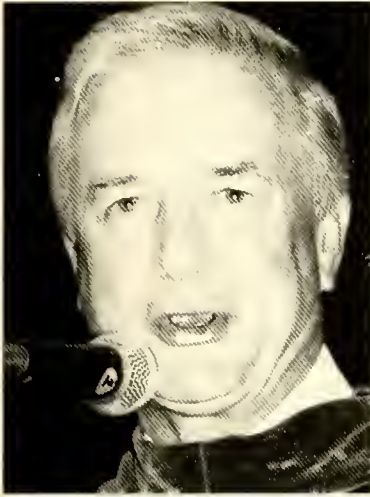
The Class of '95 gathers for a moment after the conclusion of the Baccalaureate Service at the Banner Elk Presbyterian Church.



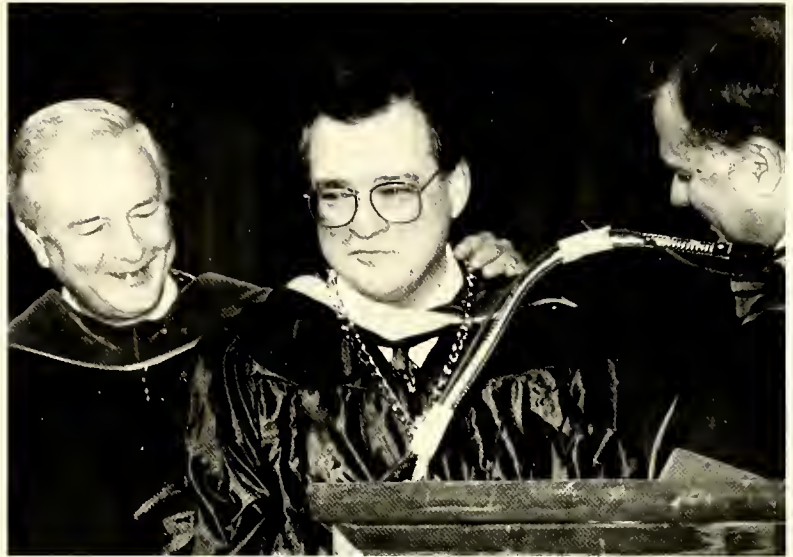
President Schobel presides over his second Commencement at Lees-McRae.



Eric Bryan, Jason Catto, Lamont Calhoun and Kareem Epps bid a somewhat cryptic farewell to their alma mater.



NC Governor James Hunt introduced Shelton before he was honored.



Ed Shelton (center) was all smiles as he received a LMC medallion and an honorary bachelor's degree of Political Science. Shelton is flanked by NC Governor James Hunt (left) and LMC President Dr. James Schobel (right). Shelton, a NC businessman and developer, was Hunt's Finance Chairman during the '92 gubernatorial campaign.



Shelton, after joining the Lees-McRae class of '95, related one important item to his fellow classmates...compounded interest. "Know all there is to know about it," said Shelton.

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To The Ancient Indian It Meant A Place of Rocks and Hills

Dedication

To: Mary White



**"Excellentia Est Praemium
Laboris"**

**("Excellence is the fruit of
Labor")**

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When Lees-McRae College Associate Professor of English Mary White was absent from class for a brief portion of the Spring Semester, it just wasn't the same on campus.

A rare virus known as acute transverse myelitis paralyzed her left leg. It was correctly diagnosed in time to bring feeling back to her leg, but perhaps never again to 100%.

White took everything in stride (no pun intended) by returning to campus quickly and motoring with the aid of a cane...much to the delight of the campus community.

She has taught at LMC for 16 years--English Lit., composition, history or drama/literature, and who could forget technical writing?

The 1994-95 Ontaroga is dedicated to Mary White for her dedication to the students of Lees-McRae College.

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