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LEES-MCRAE COLLEGE



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# THE PRESIDENT

*In his third year as President of Lees-McRae College, Dr. James Schobel continues to be seen both in the office and throughout campus. Once weather permits he is quick to ride his bike to work and most always dines with his wife in the student dining hall. By making himself available to students he continues to encourage them to discover the resources provided by our mountains. While enhancing the Lees-McRae College experience, President Schobel has worked to improve the college curriculum and has helped guide students to achieve harmony in their spiritual life and balance in their academic achievements at LMC.*



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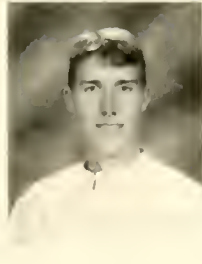


**our Mountain**

# SENIORS



Rebecca Abernathy



William Bebber



Tiffany Clark



Ashely Delmar



Joseph Donadio



Stacy Lamb



Mikelena LaMotte



Chris Love



Deborah Gidney



Maximiliano Gonzalez



Heather Highman



Glenda Hinson



Rezeil Johnson



Tennille Kilby



Carla McGinnis



Danny Medley II Samuel Pearce Michelle Pummel Jennifer Rogers Dennis Silver



Lewis Suber Kristoffer Stewart Chase Warner Graham Warren **Dane Whitehead**



Rachel Wilkinson



## SENIORS NOT PICTURED

|                    |                  |                     |
|--------------------|------------------|---------------------|
| Christopher Austin | Jeff Bailey      | Erick Bayne         |
| Heather Bowman     | Leslie Broussard | Scott Brown         |
| Tamara Brown       | Jodi Bryant      | Katherine Carraway  |
| Kelley Corriher    | Julia Davis      | Nicole Decastri     |
| Heidi Deeks        | Shawn Eldred     | Robert Feamster     |
| Margaret Frazier   |                  | Jason Hatcher       |
| Kimberly Hayes     | Kimberly Herrman | Ginger Hindman      |
| Troy Horton        | Daniel Huff      | William Huntley     |
| Melissa Jenkins    | Jason Jones      | Casey Joyner        |
| Min-Gook Kim       | Jason Kral       | Michelle Krege      |
| Mary-Taylor Land   | Anne Landis      | Jana Lane           |
| Margaret Legner    | Amanda Lineberry | Rebecca Lipford     |
| Joshua Long        | Joseph Magid     | Sherry McCloud      |
| Glenda McDowell    | Ann McGowan      | Keith McInnis       |
| Sean McKee         | Erin McManus     | William Mink Jr.    |
| Joey Morris        | Cheryl Naggiar   | John Nantz III      |
| Casey Newberry     | Kingsley Obidike | Matthew Olive       |
| April Pittman      | Kelley Pulley    | Steven Regan        |
| Samuel Repass      | Tracy Shuford    | Laura Siersena      |
| John Simpson       | Reggie Smith     | Christina Talyor    |
| Cary Talyor Jr.    | Letizia Thrift   | Murrell Timmons     |
| Sarah Troutman     | William Troutman | Karen Van Wert      |
| Susan Vogel        | Brain Whitmer    | Stephen Whittington |
| Melody Willey      | Clint Winters    | Christina Wiseman   |
| James Woods        |                  |                     |



Elizabeth Audet



Debbie Berry



Stacy Burgess



Karyn Coughenour "Darial Dudd"



Lisa Dunham



Jeffery Freeman



Jason Garrett



Bryan Gordon



Andrew Gross



Christopher Hobson



William Klatz



Shannon Lydon



Alexander Marinkovic



Ashely McFalls

# JUNIORS





Courtney Poe



Ellen Sanders



Laurel Smith



Chad Sheets



Sally Schutte



Lauren Steely



Thomas Straughn



Michael Thorne

### JUNIORS NOT PICTURED

Jason Annas

Douglas Bassinger

Jennifer Carey

Sherry Coffey

Cory Edwards

James Lee

Nancy Nesbitt

Andrew Roland

Matthew Simpson VIII

John Spear

Alena Toler

Erik Williams

Jody Arnett

Christine Bell

John Chelko Jr.

James Collins Jr.

Amy Howard

Steven McCollough

Melonie Orr

Carla Romana

Katrina Smith

Cheryl Stofka

Olivia Tucker

Chadwick Wright

Shannon Bass

David Browning

Kenneth Clarke

Becky Drentlaw

Windell Hunt

Gary Moss Jr.

Jaime Parr

Charles Rose

Edward Snyder III

Patrick Strain

Ricky Ward

Dawn Yarnall



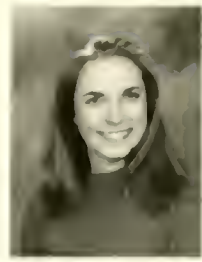
Ben Black



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Terra Burris



Curtis Deal



Paul Crumley



Shawn Dayton



Bert Handy

# SOPHOMORES



Stacey Harris



Heather Harrison



Joshua Hayden



Daniel Jessee



Dawn Lyons



Francis McDermond



John Newton



Mary Owens



Julie Rightmyer



Donald Sanders



Charles Schremp



Lyndsay Sherry

Rebecca Wilson

Baron Wynn



- Melanie Ashely
- Andrew Bell
- Veronica Brandis
- Michael Bronson
- Joseph Caple
- Steven Coleman
- Daniel Dunn
- Benjamin Epstein
- Michael Gerry
- Kimberly Hodges
- Benjamin Jones
- Janet Kresa
- Michael Levin
- Javier Lopez
- James McQuiston III
- Brett Miller
- Jennifer Moorman
- Jones Nance
- Nicole Rasmussen
- Adam Robinette
- Kelley Roper
- Chelsa Shoun
- Sherman Smith
- Christopher Waters

## SOPHOMORES NOT PICTURED

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| Emilo Ancaya          | Larry Barnwell    |
| Charles Beane         | Leslie Bell Jr.   |
| Bradley Betterton     | Amy Branham       |
| Angela Briscoe        | Thomas Bryant Jr. |
| Christopher Bullock   | John Coggin Jr.   |
| Stacey Coggins        | Walker Cook III   |
| Cristine Cupstid      | Julian Earnhardt  |
| Christopher Edwards   | Nicole Franklin   |
| Stacey French         | Jamel Goodlet     |
| Candice Harper        | Marlon Hornsby    |
| Patric Hynes          | Michael King      |
| Adam Knox             | Michael Lackey    |
| Christopher Larson    | Ivey Lewis        |
| Jonathan Linan        | Lauren McCarthy   |
| Casey McConnell       | Jeffrey Melton    |
| Richard Meredith      | Winton Miller     |
| Kelly Moore           | Junine Morrison   |
| Samuel Murdock        | Melissa Perdue    |
| <b>Andrew Poole</b>   | Merit Reid        |
| Kim Rinker            | Gary Rogers Jr.   |
| Kelly Romer           | Matthew Rowland   |
| Randall Rumph         | Mary Sibley       |
| Christina Smith       | Emily Talyor      |
| <b>Todd Teagarden</b> | Jeff Yoxtheimer   |

# FRESHMEN



Karola Arpin



Timothy Bittle



Natile Cannon



Juliana Davis



Velvet Deese



John Frick



Aja Jackson



Michael Jones



Tricia Lewandowski



Kimberly Moran



Jeremy Norton



Stacy Outlaw



Jarrett Ransom



Cindy Sain



Oluwafemi Solade



Ann-Marie Thomas



Shelly Hetzel



Lisa Billups



James Casey Jr.



Jerry Davis II



Amy Harrison



Andrea Hovis



Andrew Jackson



Hope McLaughlin



Jesse Merrit



Courtney Russ



Allen Wilson



## FRESHMEN NOT PICTURED

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| Natile Abernathy   | Harrison Albert        | James Balcereck      |
| Judi Ball          | William Barker         | Justin Barnett       |
| Casey Bates        | <b>Shauna Battaini</b> | Jessica Blackwood    |
| Graham Blue        | Bradley Boyd           | Jeremy Brittion      |
| Sheldon Bruce      | Eric Burcham           | John Burleson        |
| Claudette Cain     | Jaclyn Castell         | Christopher Chitwood |
| Kelly Chrijapin    | Stephanie Clemmer      | Tiffany Collins      |
| William Cook       | Lauren Copland         | Kevin Crow           |
| Peter Culp         | Andrew D'Ambrosio      | Claudia Davis        |
| Nathan Davis       | Austin Dedrick         | Donna Dempsey        |
| Mark Duncan        | Wesley Dye             | Brain Eaton          |
| Ashely Etheridge   | Katherine Fairbrother  | Issac Faust Jr.      |
| Shelby Febro       | Clifford Feitzinger    | Robin Fink           |
| Michael Forrest    | Sheila Fortner         | Todd Gentry          |
| Christopher Gira   | Chadwick Gleason       | Simonn Goode         |
| Sarah Goodrow      | Justin Haddock         | Kimberly Hall        |
| Brain Harris       | Jennifer Harris        | Solomon Harris       |
| Joshua Hayes       | Keathel Haynes III     | Heather Hightower    |
| Patrica Hoyle      | Elizabeth Ivey         | Crystal Jenkins      |
| Jodi Jones         | Steve Kaminski         | Adam Karcz           |
| Tammy Kiehl        | Karri Killen           | Stephen Kopp         |
| Michael Kraus      | Michael Leventhal      | Rachel Levy          |
| William Long       |                        | Michael Lundquist    |
| Andrew Maner Jr.   | Natile McGuiness       | Tracy McGuire        |
| David McKenzie     | Blake McMonigle        | <b>Mark McShea</b>   |
| Anthony Merrell    | Martia Molchko         | William Montgomery   |
| Michael Narutowicz | Carrie Nicholson       | Cara O'Brien         |
| Shawna Oberg       | Emmie Patterson        | Gregory Pope         |
| Walter Pruitt      | Kelly Ray              | Jennifer Reed        |
| Kristy Rightmyer   | Stephen Sanchez        | Melissa Smith        |
| Cozette Spears     | Eriet Staggs           | Christy Steffey      |
| Paul Symington     | Anne Thompson          | Elizabeth Van Dyck   |
| William Weems      | William Welder         | Andrew White         |
| Laura White        | Paula Wilbanks         | Matthew Wild         |
| Melanie Wilkins    | Nicole Williams        | McKenzie Wills       |
| Jason Woodsby      | John Yarborough        |                      |





# CLUBS

## **College Republicans**

Chris Love

John Amos

Sam Pearce

Baron Wynn

Ashley Delamar

Chip Collins

Larry Shook

## **Dance Works**

Stacy Coggins

Stacey Burgess

Mary Talyor Land

Jana Lane

Tamara Brown

Heather Highman

Dawn Yarnall

Melissa Perdue





Christian  
Student  
Union  
Paul Crumley  
John Burleson  
Rachel Wilkinson  
Chase Warner  
Ellen Sanders  
Jessi Blackwood



Fellowship of  
Christian  
Athletes  
Jessi Blackwood  
Casey Bates  
Ben Black  
Brett Miller  
Shawn Dayton  
Murrell Timmons  
Katrina Smith  
Jeremy Tittle  
Noel Greshner



**Order of the Tower**

Tennille Kilby  
 Nicole Rasmussen  
 Michelle Pummel  
 Lisa Dunham  
 Min Kim  
 Casey Joyner  
 Cornell Taylor  
 Becky Drentlaw  
 Baron Wynn  
 Ellen Sanders  
 Derek Wilson  
 Rebecca Wilson  
 Patricia Searels  
 Linda King

Ricky Ward

Dr. Schobel

Mrs. Schobel

Jessie Blackwood  
 Tricia Lewandowski



**Student Ambassadors**

Patrick Hynes  
 Chip Rose  
 Ivey Lewis  
 Olivia Tucker  
 Lisa Dunham  
 Tennille Kilby  
 Amy Bedsole  
 Becky Drentlaw





Organization of  
African  
Americans

Kingsley Obidike  
Jamel Goodlet  
Femi Solade  
Rezeil Johnson



Students  
Against A  
Vanishing  
Environment  
Lisa Billups  
John Burleson  
Jessi Blackwood



**ONTAROGA STAFF**

Bill Klatz  
Rachel Wilkinson  
Stacy Outlaw  
Jarrett Ransom  
Courtney Poe  
Kim Moran



**YOUR VOICE**  
Jessi Blackwood  
Jake Nantz  
David Bailey  
Murrell Timmons  
Dane Whitehead

**S.G.A.**

Chase Warner  
Bill Klatz  
Baron Wynn  
Courtney Poe  
Kim Moran  
Lindsay Sherry  
Christy Blair  
Alexander Marinkovic



**Student Activities Board**

Chase Warner  
Bill Klatz  
Courtney Poe  
Kim Moran  
Alexander Marinkovic





#### THE ATHLETIC STAFF

Ms. Carol Almond  
Mr. Randy Bloemendal  
Dr. Tom Creola  
Mr. Jason Dombrowski  
Mr. Chad Esposito  
Mr. Reid Estus  
Ms. Kay Munchin  
Mr. David Noles  
Ms. Rita Smith  
Mr. Jeremy Tittle

# LMC ATHLETICS

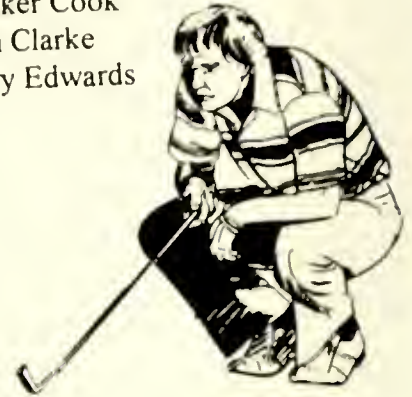
#### ATHLETIC TRAINERS

Brain Beane  
Daniel Jessee  
Jason Kral  
Frankie McDermond  
James Murdock  
Ashley Rogers  
Scott Brown  
Casey Bates  
Andrew Bell  
Nikki Rasmussen  
Pattie Doyle





**MEN'S GOLF**  
 Jeff Davis  
 Jay Repass  
 Patrick Strain  
 Walker Cook  
 Ken Clarke  
 Cory Edwards



Men's Golf finished 10th in the CVAC.



**MEN'S SOCCER**

- Ike Faust
- Paul Symington
- Paul Lucus
- Chris Chitwood
- Mark McShea
- Marlon Hornsby
- Callan Welder
- J.J. Smith
- Andy D'Ambrosio
- Andrew Bell
- Stephan Sanchez
- Tal Sneed
- Frankie McDermond
- Brian Bowles
- John Chelko
- Scott Huntley
- Myles Bruce
- Will Montgomery
- Daniel Huff



Men's Soccer finished the season in 10th place with a record of 7-12 and 3-7 in the CVAC.



## WOMEN'S CROSSCOUNTRY

Jessi Blackwood  
Heidi Deeks  
Patti Hoyle  
Shaunna Battaini  
Jodi Jones  
Emmie Patterson  
Denise Wilbanks



The Women's Cross Country team made a mark on the CVAC competition finishing 3rd overall. Jessie Blackwood competed in the NCAA Div. II Southeast Regional Championships and finished second.

The Men's Cross Country team made a marked improvement over last year and finished in 5th place for the entire season. One of the runners even finished eleventh in the CVAC tournament.



## MEN'S CROSS COUNTRY

David Earnhardt  
Justin McKenzie  
James Murdock  
Casey Joyner  
Min Kim  
Chad Wright  
Michael Wood





This year our Lady Bobcats did compete with their hearts in soccer. Their overall record was 7-12 and 3-7 in the CVAC for a 10th place finish.





## WOMEN'S SOCCER

Stacy Lamb  
Ashley Rogers  
Murrell Timmons  
Jaime Parr  
Kim Herrmann  
Laurie Smith  
Nikki Rasmussen  
Stacy Outlaw  
Tricia Lewandowski  
Rachel Levy  
Cheryl Stofka  
Michelle Beckner  
Lyndsay Sherry  
Sherry Agli  
Dawn Lyons  
Ashley McFalls  
Judi Ball  
Kattie Fairbrothers  
Jarrett Ransom





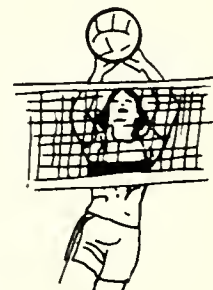
The Volleyball team finished 5th with a record of 18-14 and 5-4 in the CVAC. This year we even hosted the CVAC tournament.



### WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

Becky Abernathy  
Julie Rightmyer  
Carla McGinnis  
Kristy Rightmyer  
Tammy Kiehl  
Hope McLaughlin

Alena Toler  
Shelby Febro  
Janet Kresa  
Katrina Smith  
Shelly Hetzel  
Casey Bates



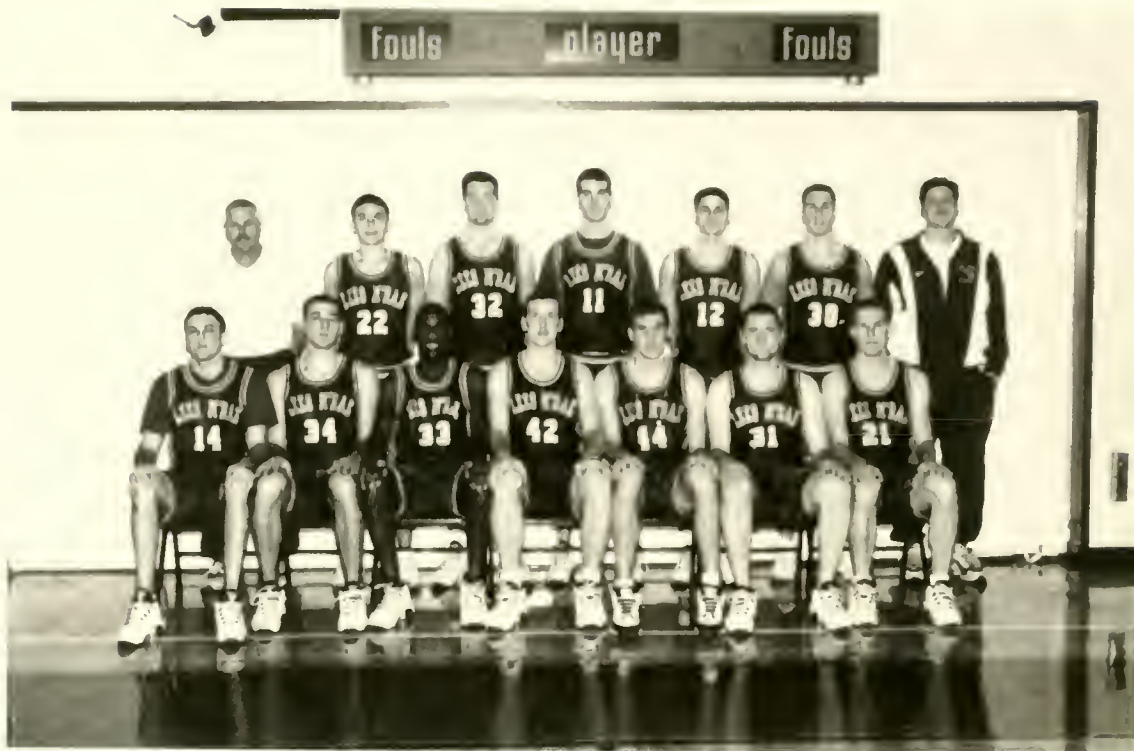


The Women's Basketball team finished 10-18 and 7-13 in the CVAC. The team finished 7th overall. The future looks bright for the team because of its nine freshmen who played this year.



#### WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

- |                  |                 |
|------------------|-----------------|
| Shaunna Battaini | Kelly Chrjapin  |
| Tiffany Collins  | Heidi Deeks     |
| Patti Hoyle      | Aja Jackson     |
| Jodi Jones       | Tammy Kiehl     |
| Stacy Lamb       | Lauren McCarthy |
| Emmie Patterson  | Denise Wilbanks |
| Kristy Rightmyer |                 |



## MEN'S BASKETBALL

Ken Clarke, Walker Cook, David Earnhardt, Cory Edwards, Solomon Harris, Ben Jones, Jeff Melton, Josh Regan, Dennis Silver, Eric Staggs, Chad Wright, Jeff Yoxtheimer



Despite the Men's Basketball team record of 4-23 and 4-16 in the CVAC, the team was known as the "Giant Slayer" because two of its wins came over high ranked teams in the conference. The team finished 10th in the final standings.



The team talks strategy with Coach Noles during a time out during one of this seasons home games



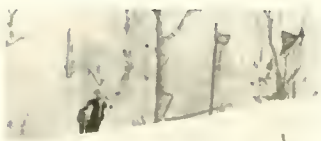


#### MEN'S AND WOMEN'S SKI TEAM

Ben Black, Jeremy Britton, Adam Knox, Sean McKee, Mike Narutowicz, William Long, Anthony Merrell, Callen Welder, Brett Miller, Simonne Goode, Jeni Harris, Tricia Lewandowski, Natalie McGuiness, Tracy Shuford, Melanie Wilkins, Ashley McFalls

The Men's Ski team this year finished 1st in the Southern Conference of the USSA, 2nd in the East Region, and 11th at the National Championships in Nevada.

The Women's ski team finished 2nd in the Southern Conference and 10th in the Region.



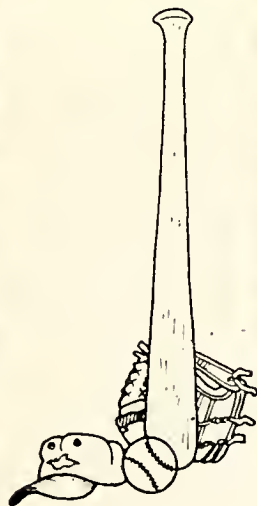




## WOMEN'S SOFTBALL

Casey Bates    Debbie Berry  
Claudette Cain    Stephanie Clemmer  
Velvet Deese    Shelby Febro  
Amy Howard    Karrie Killen  
Janet Kresa    Kim Moran  
Alena Toler    Katrina Smith

The Women's Softball team also made its debut this year. They finished 13-26 and 6-12 in the CVAC. The team had a 6th place finish for the year.





Mike Gerry one of the Bobcats offensive threats, completes another successful clear

Men's Lacrosse made its debut this year finishing 0-9 which gave them 6th place in the Deep South League.

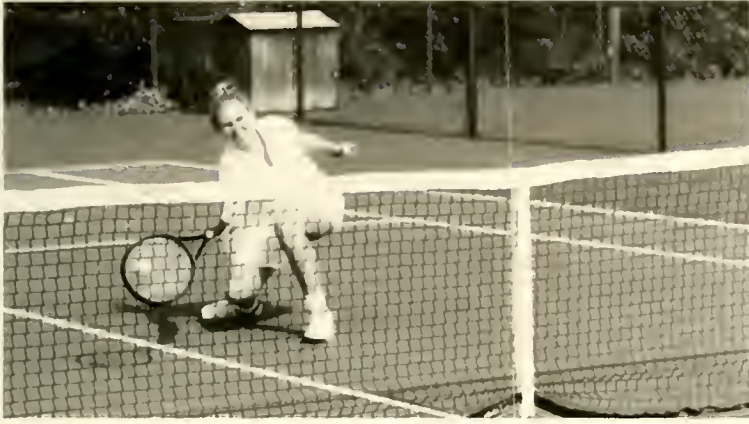
**MEN'S LACROSSE**

- |                 |                  |
|-----------------|------------------|
| Chris Balcerek  | Eric Bayne       |
| Robert Feamster | Cliff Feitzinger |
| John Frick      | Mike Gerry       |
| Steve Kaminski  | Min Kim          |
| Jake Nantz      | Jeremy Norton    |
| Stephen Sanchez | Kris Stewart     |
| Eric Troutman   | Baron Wynn       |

Lisa Dunham

Karyn Coughenour



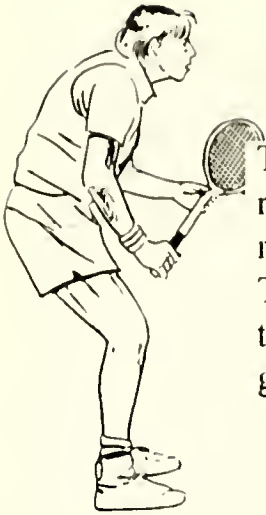


Women's Tennis finished with a record of 3-14 and 2-8 in the CVAC, for a 9th place finish.



### WOMEN'S TENNIS

Judi Ball, Katie Fairbrother, Brandy Frazier, Shawna Oberg, Ellen Sanders, Murrell Timmons



The Men's Tennis team is currently ranked 9th in the region, and has a record of 19-3 and 9-1 in the CVAC. The team was going to compete in the Regional Tournament over graduation weekend.

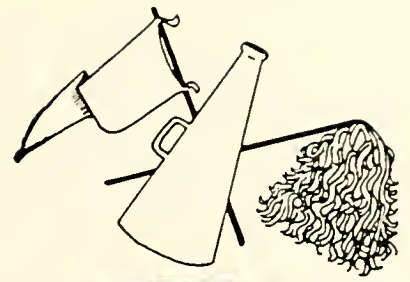


Over the graduation weekend the men qualified for nationals. Nationals proved to be a success as the Bobcats finished ninth in the nation.

#### MEN'S TENNIS

Max Gonzalez, Patric Hynes, Jonathan Linan, Javier Lopez, Miguel Lopez, Chip Rose, Reggie Smith, Jason Woodsby





We #1  
Are

**CHEERLEADERS**

- Christy Blair
- Eric Burcham
- Karyn Coughenour
- Lisa Dunham
- Star Ivey
- Heather Harrison
- Shannon Lydon
- Ivey Lewis
- Jeremy Norton





# Performing





# Arts!





# LMC Summer Theatre '96

**Brigadeon**



**The  
Fanasticks**





# Taffetas



**The Taffetas. . . for singing, swinging, doo-wap fun!  
(front) Natalie, Kelly, Suzanne, Jaminda,  
(back) Junine, Tennille, Dawn, Ginger,  
Ann-Marie, Jullana, Stacey, and Andrea!**



**Someday Stacey  
may get the  
"E" right!**

# Rosencrantz and Guildenstern

Margie Legner Erick Bayne

# Guildenstern

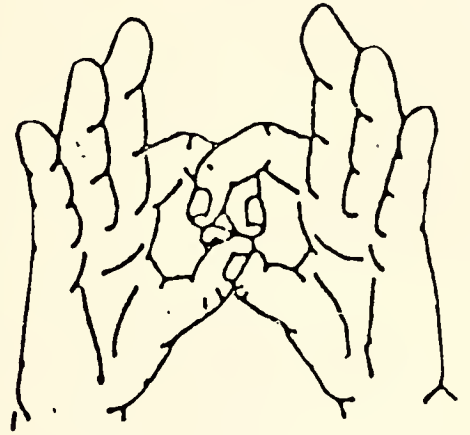


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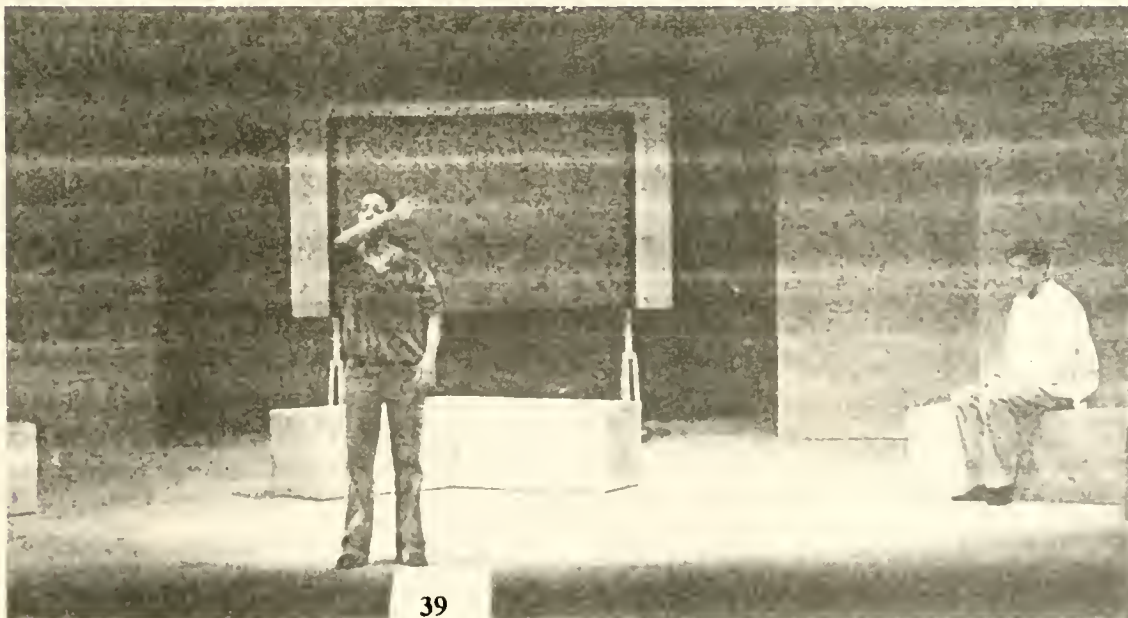
The Cast gave us the best of surprise, suspense, and melodrama!



# Children of a Lesser God



**Left: Jason Garrett, Dawn Yarnall, and Cheryl Naggair**



# Candlelight Christmas Concert

When they saw  
that the star  
had stopped,  
they were . . .



Overwhelmed  
with  
Joy



The Oral Interpretation Class read the Christmas story from the Gospel of Luke.

## Student Directed One Acts



- After Midnight. Before Dawn: Melody Willey**  
**The Second Family: Erick Bayne**  
**Variations on The Death of Trotsky**  
**and Sure Thing: Jason Hatcher**  
**The Devil To Pay: Chris Hobson**  
**The Prettiest Girl in Lafayette County:**  
**Christina Wiseman**

**G. W. Rodgers in** *Variations on the Death of Trotsky*

**Terra Burris and Josh Hayes**  
*in After Midnight, Before Dawn*



**Andrew Jackson and Rachel Wilkinson** perform *The Second Family* at Avery High School.



**Alex Marinkovic,** playwright, talks to and encourages students at Avery after the performance there.

# Dance



**Signatures 1996**  
**Weekend of Dance**  
(with guest artists)

**Kaliedoscope 1997**  
**Dance Outreach**



**Cheryl Naggair and Cindy Salm perform at the Wooty Worm Festival.**



**Mist and Sea was taught to LMC dancers in the fall by the West Virginia Dance Company.**



(above) Emily Crisham, Stacey Eurgess, Amy Harrison, and Jason Hatcher perform *Sacred Stones*.  
Not pictured: Jana Lane.



(left) The LMC cloggers and tap dancers perform *Images of Riverdance* in *Kaliedoscope 1997*.

What was that hand thing?!



# Highlanders



**FALL SEMESTER FICTITII:**  
**FRONT:** Donald Sanders, Stacey Furgess, Tennille Elby, Jullana Lavis, Angie Friscoe, Suzanne Singletary, Jaminda Hackman  
**ERIC FURCHAM; MIDDLE:** Myssi Arplin, Andrea Lavis, Junine Morrison, Kelly Moore, Dawn Yarnall, Lindsay Sherry, Margie Legner, Natalie Cannon, Ginger Hindman, Eddie Lunn; **BACK:** Erick Payne, Ann-Marie Thomas, Mary-Taylor Land, Chris Callaway, Timothe Little.

**SPRING SEMESTER NOT FICTITII:** Amy Parrison, Andrew Jackson, Melissa Ferdue

Highlanders perform at churches, schools, as well as a variety of LMC functions.

The highlanders and cloggers went on tour to Florida during Spring Break! They performed at a variety of places, including retirement communities and Sam Whalen's party (pictured here).







**The students who went on tour  
worked hard and had fun.**

**They had plenty to eat!**

# Clogging Team 1997

**Team captain, Lisa Dunham,**

**flares her skirt in the  
Homecoming parade.**



**FRONT: Erick Bayne, Tennille Kilby, Lisa Dunham, Donald Sanders  
BACK: Rachel Wilkinson, Stacey Burgess, Emily Erisham  
ALTERNATES (not pictured): Karyn Coughencour and Margie Legner**





HOMECOMING 1997





The Highlanders perform a crowd favorite for Homecoming



Stephanie Taylor, Jennine Morrison, Suzanne Singletary & Christina Wiseman strut their stuff for the Parade onlookers



Wiley the Bobcat recruiting future students



Students gear up for the Homecoming festivities amidst the fall colors



Courtney Russ and her escort David McKenzie



Melissa Purdue shows the judges her evening gown

## MISS FEBRUARY 1997



Rising Senior, Tennile Kilby is crowned the 1997 Miss February



Christy Blair taking a breather from her Karoke performance

## SPRING FORMAL 1997



Timothy Bittle and Stacy Burgess make Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers look like amateurs!



What a handsome group!!

# Residence Life Staff



## PICTURED ABOVE

**FRONT:** Cheryl Stofka, Murrell Timmons, Glenda Hinson, Laney Troutman, Allison Norris; **SECOND:** Craig Norris, Kris Stewart, Stacey French, Bridgette Johnson, Rachel Wilkinson, Ellen Sanders; **THIRD:** Shannon Church, Casey Joyner, Danny Medley, Brett Miller, Rebecca Wilson, Paul Crumley; **BACK:** Erick Bayne, Dane Whitehead, Chad Sheets, Doug Bassinger, Jason Garrett.

## SPRING STAFF NOT PICTURED

James Murdock, Jeff Melton, Femi Solade, Emily Taylor





As though softball practice is not enough, Amy Howard and Casey Bates compete over ping pong in the student center

## Student Life at LMC



LMC was taken by storm in March by a comical one man band!

**PAUL PLAYS IT ALL!** "ON TOUR WITH A ONE MAN MUSIC STORE!"  
 "EVERYTHING AND THE KITCHEN SINK!"

**PAUL ORDER**





Dr. Greene takes the opportunity to hold class outside creating smiles around!



Is it Friday yet? What question of life must Courtney and Karyn be considering?



**Dr. Ledford works on his Appalachian Women's project**





THE U.S. ARMY FIELD BAND APPEARS AT  
LEES-MCRAE



Dr. Klarman and his wife  
arrive for the performance



John Frick looks to have lost a big bet  
as Steve Kaminski appears to  
be running the table!

## CASINO NIGHT



Courtney is ready to  
"SHOW YOU THE MONEY!"



Robbyn Mull looks ready to gamble!



THE ASSASSINATION GAME-- A STRESS RELIEVER!!



When life gets a little too hard to handle,  
Ann Marie forms a Congo line!



The gang is all here!!



Jack Higgs talks to the students

Dr. James Jackson and his son Andrew



The poetry of Don Johnson



Dr. Timothy Bailey  
Admissions

Dr. Robin Canterbury  
Science

Denise Dyer  
Student Services

Mr. Harvey Bauman  
Businesses

Dr. Kenneth Craig  
Humanities



Mr. Chad Esposito  
Athletics

Dr. Dwaine Greene  
Humanities

Mr. Richard Jackson  
Library

Tammy Franklin  
Academic Affairs

Ramona Hayes  
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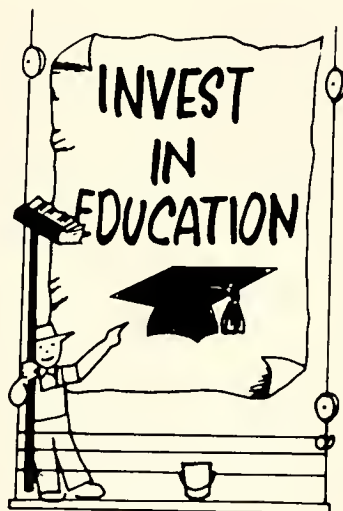
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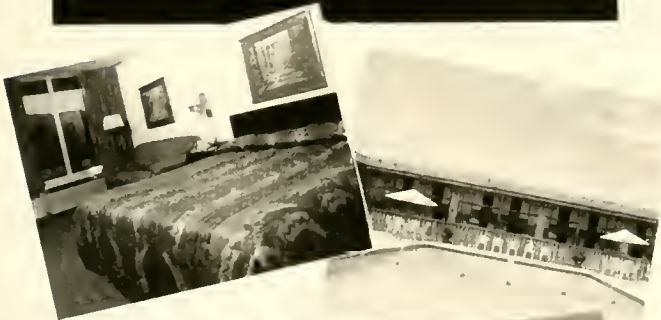




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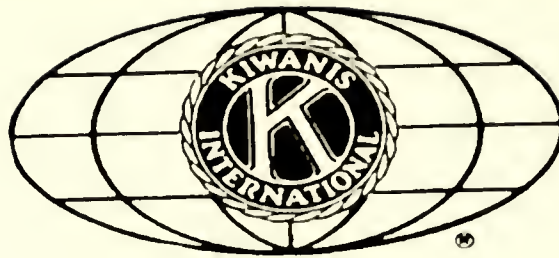
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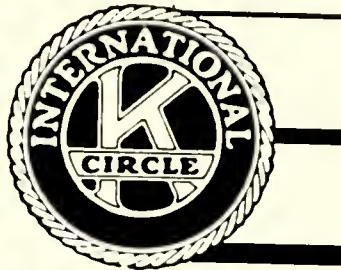
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