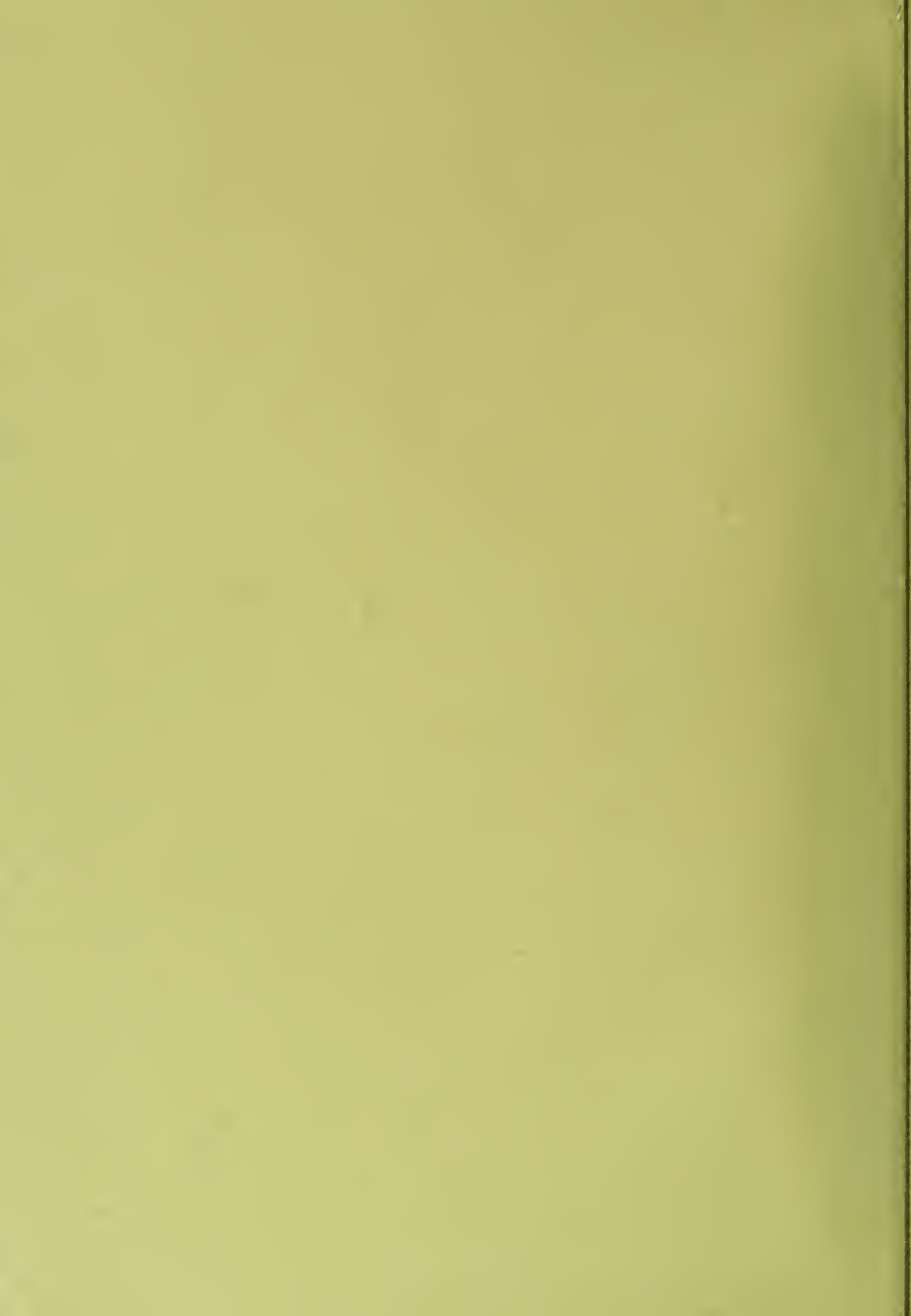




OUTAROGA



Lees-McRae College

"In the mountains, of the mountains and for the mountains"



ELVIS IS IN THE BUILDING!



Megan, Heather and Anita seem very close here.



Mary, Claire and Casey loungin' around; having a great time here at LMC.



Best of Buds!



*"I love LMC
so much I
never want to
go home!"
-Anonymous*



The Sleeping Beauties!



Many students here at LMC are playing and sleeping when they are not studying.

FUN FUN FUN!



Where do you two think you're going?

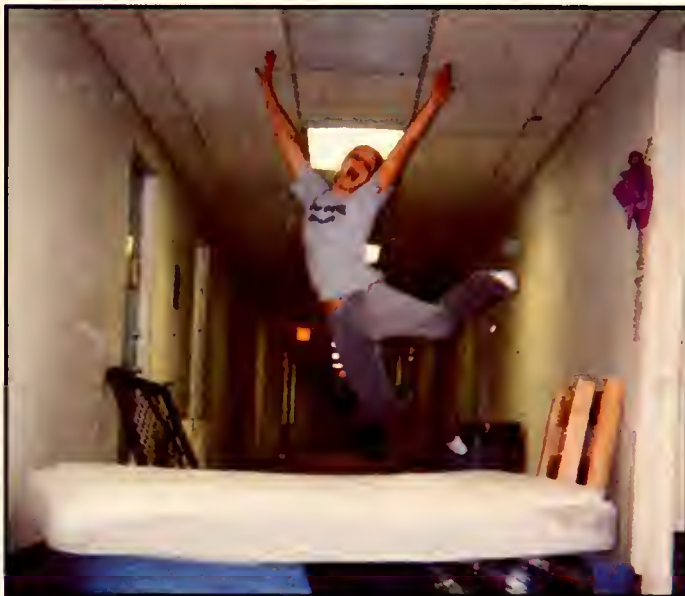
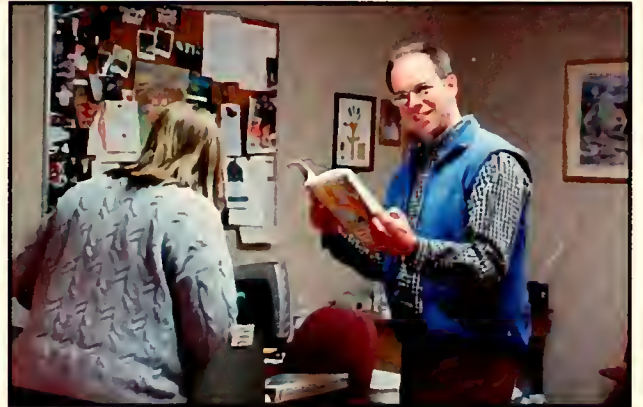
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Or
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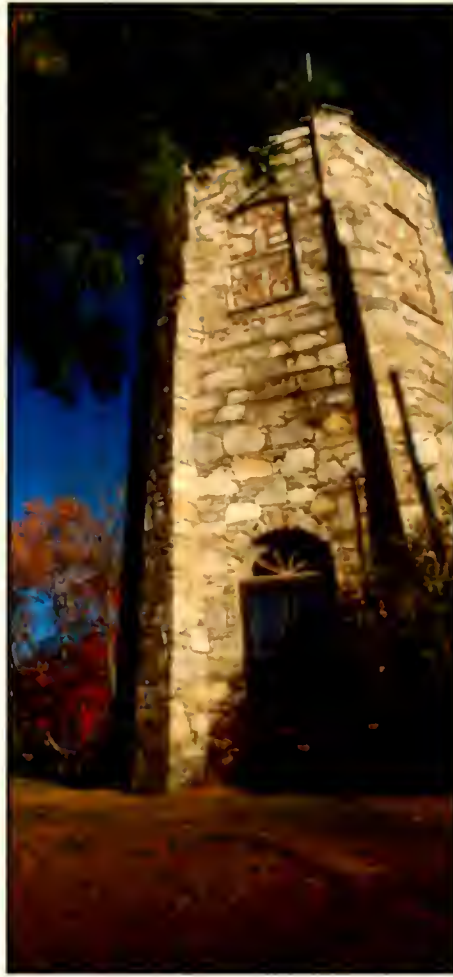
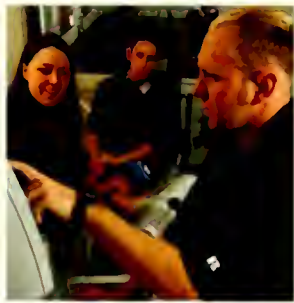


Nobody
Really
Knows!





Lees-McRae Faculty



Of course, what is a college without teachers? Here at Lees-McRae, the faculty serves as the backbone for which the college stands. They offer guidance, insight, and higher standards for all Lees-McRae students.



Ralph Brown
Assistant Professor/
Program Coordinator

Frank Cantrell
Adjunct



Caroline Garrett
Associate Professor Art/
Program Coordinator

John Keener
Interim Vice President
for Academic Affairs



Ken Craig
Professor

Rachel McClure
Instructor





Michael Joslin
Interim Chair/Professor/
Program Coordinator



Cole Russing - Assistant Professor



Kim Howes - Assistant Professor

Laura Padgett
Instructor/
Coord Dev Reading



Merrie Davidson
Information Literacy/
Reference Librarian

Scott Woodward
Associate Professor/
Math Coordinator





Michael Vines
Assistant Professor/
Program Coordinator



Natalie Serianni
Adjunct



Paul Adamson
Instructor

Stacey Burgess
Adjunct



Lynn Hinshaw
Interim Director of Admissions

Claude Pyatte
Associate Professor/
Program Coordinator





James Taylor
Assistant Professor



Mary White
Special Assistant to the President
Associate Professor

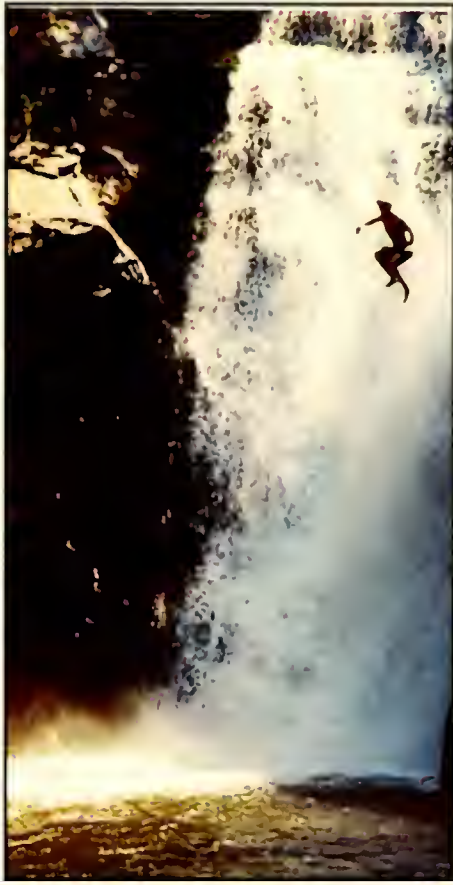


Janet Speer
Chair/Professor/Artistic
Director of Summer
Theatre



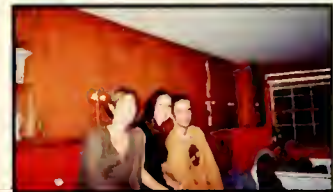
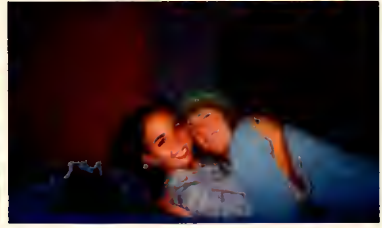
Lizette Rodriguez
Instructor/Coord. Dev Math

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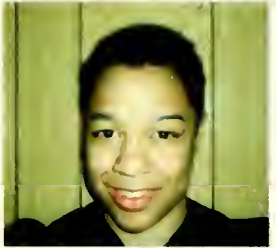




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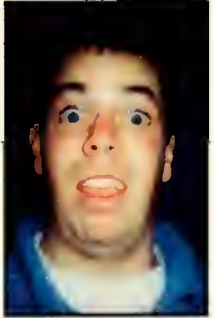
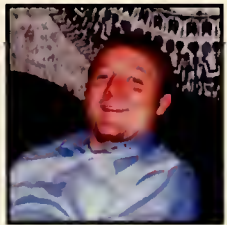
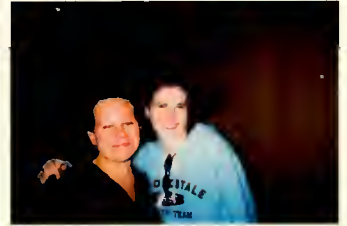
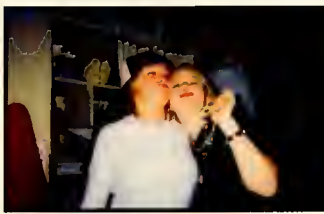


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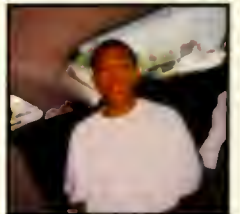
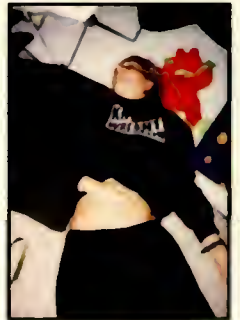
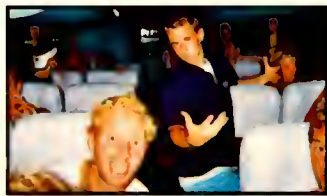
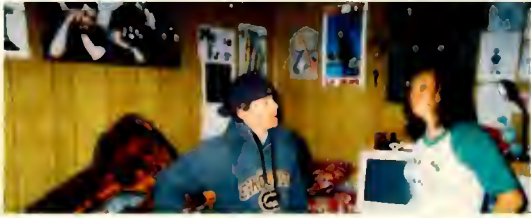


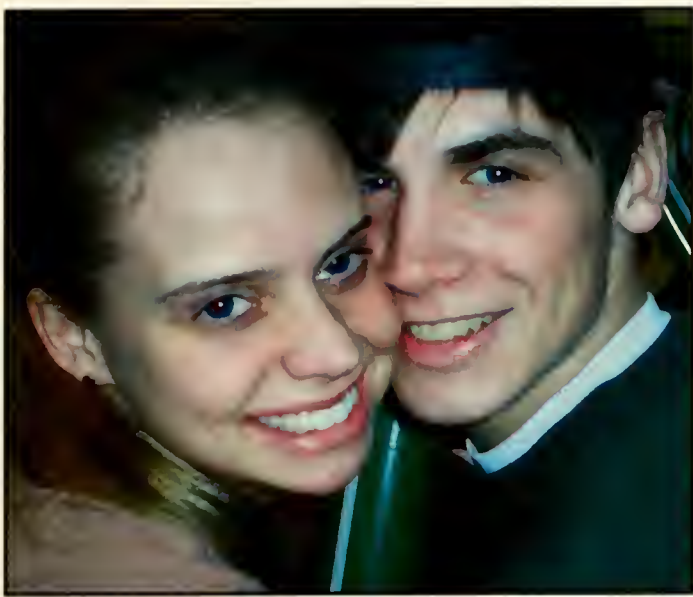


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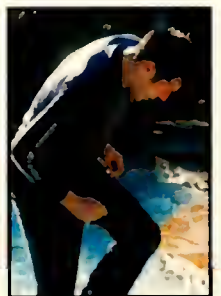
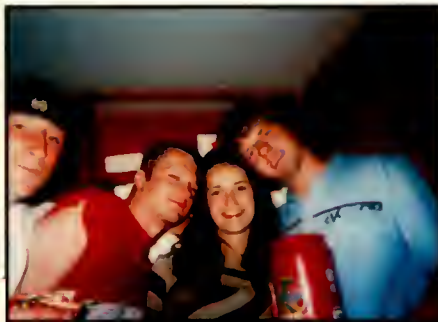
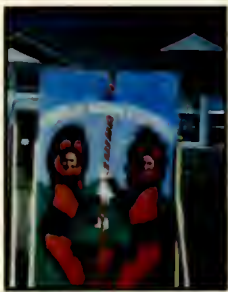


with even a million...





of the most beautiful words."



LMC Spectrum!



Hey look, it's Amanda Feezer doing something nice for SGA right before the start of a Spectrum meeting.



Here is Heather Smith looking intently at Will and Grace; one of Heather's activities at every Spectrum meeting.



Oh look it's Katie trying to hide from the camera!



Justin Eads is deeply involved in a conversation at one of the off-campus Spectrum meetings.



This is LMC Spectrum of 2004 (well, the members that were there that night anyway).

KIBO! - Spring 2004



KIBO is a nine-week experiential leadership program. Additionally, 2-3 KIBO graduates are selected each semester to serve as KIBO leaders.



Communication and leadership skills are the key ingredients to a successful group of clubmembers.



KIBO graduates are prepared to emerge as leaders throughout the campus and community.



KIBO students explore leadership ideas such as risk taking, balance, values and service.



Spring 2004 Retreat!

Circle K

Felipe Castanhera
Jeff Tate
Frlham White



Jesse Cole
Jennifer Stone



Jessica Smith
Adam Thompson
Heather Smith



The meetings for this club took place every Wednesday at 12pm in the heritage room this year!

Circle K participated in various activities such as area beautification projects, the Christmas Angel Project, the Clean Up Watauga Project, the Homecoming Dance, The Homecoming Parade, Hunger Awareness Week (Canned Food Drive), SGA Events, Shoes for Afghanistan Refugees, the Big Sweep, the Avery County River Clean up, and the Woolly Worm Festival.

The LMC Circle K motto:
"Serving God, Community, and Mankind."

Communication Arts Club

From left to right and top to bottom we have: Ms. Villa Mahaffey, Tami Grathwohl, JoAnn Lui, Amanda Feezer, David Sheets, Mandy Lemen, and Alex Myers.



About It:

These are the students that represent the Communication Arts majors. They helped design the spring fling invitations and throw the Oscar party. If you're a Communication Arts major, you should definitely check the club out.

Phi Beta Lambda

Pictured (From left to right): Trey West, Derek Nichols, Marvin Anderson, Peter Holmes, Nathaniel Joiner, Gerard Ngwang



About It:

Phi Beta Lambda is a business service group on campus.

Residence Life Staff

"Life is good in residence life." Residence Life Staff pictured: Baek Row (From left to right): Kristina Ledford, George Howard-Heretakis, Ailee Peters, Jeff Wedner, Ashley Carson, Sherlive Swanson, JoAnna Stuekey, Allison Norris, Josh Tucker, and Jennifer Jordan



Middle Row (From left to right): Kellie Nantz, Alison Ziegler, Melissa Lewis, Mandy Lemen, Terra Burris, Peter Holmes, Lee Wilkerson, John Rogers, Andy Steele, and Michelle Watson. Front Row (From left to right): Clara Beard, Tim Jones, Tamara Randolph, Marvin Anderson, Alex Collier, Chris Perrin, Brad Dunn, and Katya Homayakova.

Sports Medicine Club



Everyone is in action at the massage clinic.



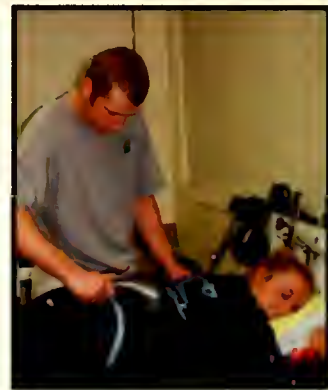
Dr. Watson is getting a massage; even teachers need them!



The Sports Medicine Club offers massage clinics like the pictures featured. They also go to all the sports games to help with injured players.



Making people's backs feel better.



"If it's broke we can fix it."



Dance and Cheer!



The Dance
Team



The
Cheerleaders
and Dance
Club
Together



The Proud
LMC
Cheerleaders

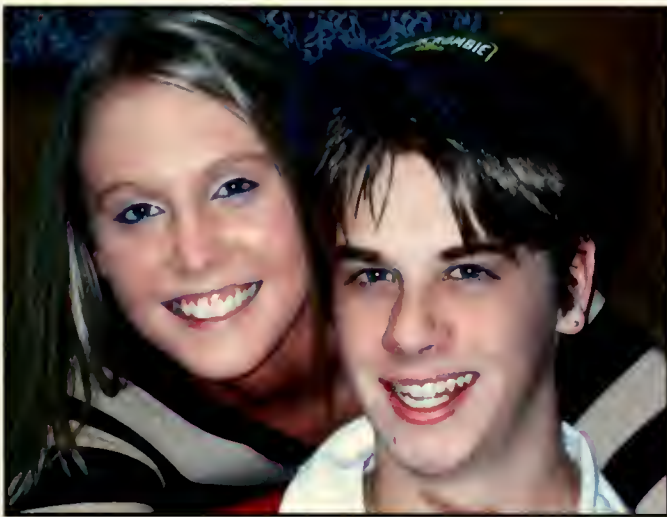


"Many people will walk in and out of your life, but only true friends will leave footprints in your heart."





"Maybe nothing lasts forever, not the mountains or the sea. But the times we had together; they will always be with me."



Each dorm has a rep in RHA, but not all dorm floors have individual representatives.

RHA Officers- Shannon Belisario (President), Jennifer Jordan (Vice President), Joanna Stuckey (Secretary), Aaron Johnson (National Communications Coordinator), and Sherlive Swanson is their advisor.



RHA

Residence Halls Association

What They Do-

Everyone knows about the funny little pieces of paper on the bathroom stalls called "The Toilet Paper." Well, those are brought to you by RHA for your reading pleasure. RHA also helps you get what you want around the dorms. They got shower hooks in the shower stalls and much, much more! They don't host very many activities but during alcohol awareness week they did the Mock Beverages in each dorm. They had Jello shooters, Pina Coladas, Strawberry Daquiris, Mudslides, and maybe a couple others.

When The Meet-

If you live in Tate, you've probably seen the little group of RHA members meet every Wednesday. Each year the meeting day and time changes; this year, the group met at 9 p.m. on Wednesdays. If you're interested in RHA, you may contact any of the officers for information.



This is a student-led fellowship group supervised by Matt Rowan, Campus Ministry Intern.

The average attendance is 55 students, although 140 different students have attended ATT at least once during the year.



ATT participates in monthly activities, one of them being Urbana. Urbana occurs every three years on the campus of the University of Illinois Champaign-Urbana. Our students gathered with nearly 20,000 delegates and staff to learn about God's vision of missions, both local and international, according to His Kingdom.

This was done through numerous session speakers, multi-cultural worship, and over 300 different classroom seminars. There were opportunities for students to visit mission agencies and Seminaries Divinity Schools that had booths set up in exhibit halls during the week.



(2/13-15) Spring Freshmen Retreat "What Does Love Look Like?" Jonesborough, TN: 7 students attended Intern prepared and led the retreat. During this retreat, the freshmen were able to build an even stronger community and develop leadership skills through inductive Bible studies, times of prayer, group initiative games, and simple hanging out. This retreat was held at Buffalo Mountain Camp and Retreat Center.

Approaching The Throne

"Let us now approach the throne of grace with confidence, so that we might receive grace and find mercy during our time of need." Hebrews 4:16

The InterVarsity (I.V.) Chapter of Lees-McRae College

In response to God's love, grace and truth: The Purpose of Approaching The Throne in affiliation with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship USA is to establish and advance at colleges and universities witnessing communities of students and faculty who follow Jesus as Savior and Lord: growing in love for God, God's Word, God's people of every ethnicity and culture and God's purposes in the world.

This is done through fellowship, praise, worship, prayer, and fun on Thursday nights at 8:30pm in the Banner Elk United Methodist Church. Along with the normal large group meetings, ATT will sponsor small Bible groups, GIG's (Groups Investigating God) and off-campus activities once a month throughout the academic year.

Student Government Association



Pictured here are the officers for SGA. Front Row(Left to Right): President William Crouse, Leanne Cook, Amanda Feeser, Peter Holmes. Back Row(Left to Right): Advisor Genie Gunn, Shannon Belisario, Trac Floyd, Talia Freeman, Lindsay Robins.

C.A.T.C.H.



Here are the students of Campus After The Class Hours for the 2003-2004 school year. The co-chairs for the year were Amanda Feeser and Jeremy Rietman.

KIBO!

The fall members after going shopping, this activity along with many others are ways they helped build leadership skills

Fall 2003

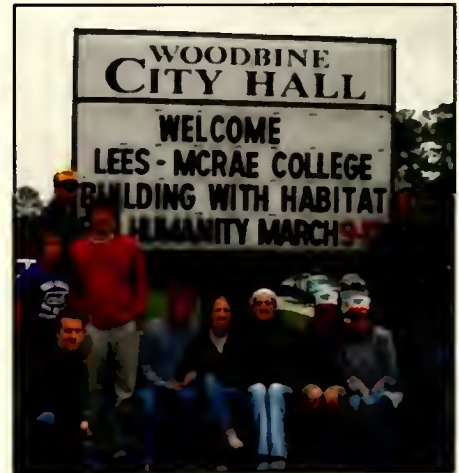


Fall Members (Pictured left to right): Megan Phillips, Erica Canada, Alim Hetman, Adam Lowe, Rachel Purcell, Bobby Toms, Cassie Koerber, Fallon Scianna, Brie Young, Melissa Bujan, Shannon Mercier, Pete Roddy, Tiff Downing, Jennifer Layton, Megan Phillips, Victoria Burnett, Lauren Lanza, Cody Moseley, Robyn Jones, Eric Jones, Michele Ghodrat, Cynthia Jackson, Ryan Moore. KIBO Coordinators: Hannah Morgan and Serena White. Not Pictured: Villa Mahaffey, Curtis Moore, Kayla Sluder

Bonner Leaders

The Bonner Leaders are a group of students that are selected to be in the organization. They do community service projects very often.

Several of the projects are with Habitat for Humanity in which students help build houses for families. They offer regular students the chance to help.



For Fall break and Spring Break, some of the Bonners went on an alternative break trip. Students who were not Bonners also had the chance to go.

The Bonners are advised by Jessica Terry and Betsy Dunn -- two fabulous women who love their jobs and love to help out. Keep it up Bonner Leaders!

'03-'04

*The women who give their
time to the yearbook so
you can see lovely pictures
around campus.*

Yearbook



Pictured: Back Row (From left to right)- Michelle Watson, Elizabeth Trask, Terra Burris(Advisor), Tami Grathwohl
Front Row (From left to right): Jennifer Robinson, Tonika Gillis, Erica Canada



SPORTS

The section to get all the information on your Bobcat Teams.

Men's Basketball



	No.	Pos.
Antwon Brown	1	F
David Buchanan	2	G
Henry Williams	4	G
James Holmes Jr.	20	G
Robert Davis	22	G
Aaron Dugger	30	G
Jeff McGowan	32	G
Shawn Zellers	33	F
Tyreek Ramseur	42	F
Cedrie Smith	44	F
Michael	50	C
Schachleiter		
Lester Harbin	55	C
Lawrence Foreman		F

The LMC Men's Basketball team is coached by Randy Unger and his assistant coach, Jeff Pardue.

Women's Basketball



	No.	Pos.
Victoria Valintin	00	W
Taukia Hughes	3	W
Olivia Maurey	4	W
Julie Hardison	5	G
Tonia Hall	10	G
Amber Benefield	12	W
Deanna Lady	20	W
Lindsey Pope	21	W
Courtney	22	W
Gogolinski		
Laura Parker	23	G
Katie Campbell	24	W
Kasey Henson	33	P
Alice Petes	40	P
Amanda Huffaker	42	P
Tasha Golston	45	P
Melissa Wilson	52	P
Jameka Hemming	54	P
Ashley Hopkins	55	P
Stephanie Mullinax		P

The LMC Women's Basketball team is coached by Gene Joiner. His two assistant coaches are Tim Jones and Ben Warren.

Women's Lacrosse

	No.	Pos.
Anita Heenan	1	G
Jenn Myers	2	A
Kaylen Keith	3	D
Melissa Clark	5	M
Brittany Dabkowski	6	A
Margie Lesser	10	A
Amanda Posey	11	A
Jenn Alevetsovitis	12	D
Ashely Urfer	13	M
Xiomil Perez	15	D
Casey Cruikshank	19	A
Shelby Schestag	21	A
Stephanie Gallant	22	D
Stephanie Jarwurski	23	D
Sarah Wilkin	26	D
Bessie Boyle	29	M
		M
		D



The LMC Women's Lacrosse team is coached by Shaun Williamson; this is Shaun's second year coaching the team.

Men's Lacrosse

	No.	Pos.
Chris Fielder	1	G
Dan Barry	2	A
Derek Anderson	3	D
Zach Dabowski	4	D
Joe Miller	5	A
Jason Walker	6	M
Chris Stieber	7	A
Kyle Harter	8	G
Zach Spriggs	9	M
Bobby Hodges	10	D
B.J. Lamb	11	M
Hal Ingram	12	D
Tyler Sticher	13	M
Nik Nixon	14	A
Josh Spriggs	16	M
James Miccicche	17	LSM
Brian Voight	18	M
Madison Thompson	19	A
Michael Swearingen	20	M
Ben McCauley	21	LSM
Brad Dunn	22	D
Jon Biden	23	LSM
Jorden Sinrud	24	D
Ian Bell	25	A
JJordan Peters	29	M
Adam Roberts	31	D
Casey Grandelli	41	D



The LMC Men's Lacrosse team is coached by Chris Perkinson; this is his fourth year coaching

Men's Soccer



The LMC Men's Soccer team is coached by Adrian Blewitt and this is his second year. He is assisted by Chris Whalley and Nick Young.

	No.	Pos.
Calvin Dixon	1	GK
Isaac Unruh	01	GK
Daniel Welsh	2	D
Lee Rogers	4	M
Gerard Ngwang	5	M
Jeff Tate	6	D
Chris McIntosh	8	D
Ian Batson	11	D
Michael Shope	12	F
Mark Somerville	13	F
Tim Bender	14	M
Mark Nowoslawski	15	M
Shawn Berting	16	F
Nick Velasquez	17	M
Luke Patterson	20	D
Nik Nixon	21	M
Chris Shiflett	22	D
George Burlaeu	23	F
John McLelland	24	D
Chad McGee	RS	M

Women's Soccer



The LMC Women's Soccer team is coached by Tracey Leipold, who has been with them for three years. She is assisted by Ried Estus.

	No.	Pos.
Samantha Morgan	0	GK
Anita Hekman	1	GK
Felleia Davidson	2	F
Megan Hersh	3	D
Jaime Workman	5	D
Meghan Bofenkamp	6	M
Heather Laflamme	8	F
Heather Klaus	9	F
Danielle Glenn	10	D
Natasha McIntosh	12	F
Lindsay Smith	13	M
Shelley Stillman	14	M
Dottie Brown	15	D
Amanda Caron	16	D
Ashlee Tate	22	D
Adrienne Sansing	23	F

Women's Cross Country

Angela Chappell
Rebecca Johnson
Leslie Thurman
Mairy Trexler
Claire Weeks
Lashanda Williams
Casey Willis



The LMC Women's Cross Country team is coached by Craig McPhail, who is in his sixth year here.

Men's Cross Country

Nathan Anderson
Joe Barnett
John Bilotta
Brent Devinney
Brian Knapp
Doug Ianuario
Lewis Martin
Jeffrey Swicegood
Andrew Walton



The LMC Men's Cross Country team is also coached by Craig McPhail, who is in his sixth year here.

Men's Volleyball



The LMC Men's Volleyball team is coached by Robert Manosca.

No.	Pos.
Luis Lazaballet	2 S
Justin Wozniel	3 OH
Brandon Neace	4 MB/OH
Chris Gaskill	5 MB
Brandon Williams	6 OH
Andy Freidenfelds	7 OH
Jeff Kubichan	10 OH
Rich Newton	11 MB
Steven Dierstien	13 S
Elias Valentin	15 DS
Kolby O'Donnell	17 MB
Josh DeYoung	19 OH
Kevin Peoples	21 OH
Chris Flierl	30 MB
	33 DS

Women's Volleyball



The LMC Women's Volleyball team won the Carolinas-Virginia Athletic Conference (CVAC) regular season and tournament titles once again.

No.	Pos.
Lacie Smith	1 OH
Ashley Bolinder	2 MH
Anita Rivera	3 L
Lenka Jamrichova	4 S
Amanda Huffaker	5 MH
Christina Massey	6 OH
Lauren Vandercook	7 OH
Jessica Smith	8 MH
Dana Morgan	9 MH
Olivia Luce	10 OH
AD Hunt	12 OH
Tatiana Moore	13 MH
Megan Sampson	15 S
Lisa Scott	19 OH

Women's Track and Field

Shunessa Auty
Trevéz Basden
Karissa Bender
Andrea Brown
Angela Chappell
Kristeryn Gunter
Rebecca Johnson
Monique Maloney
Michelle Tapp
Leslie Thurman
Mairy Trevler
Claire Weeks
Lashanda Williams
Casey Willis
Renee Zeno



The LMC Women's track and field team is coached by head coach Craig McPhail and assisted by Raymond Brewer.

Men's Track and Field

Chase Alley
Nathan Anderson
Joe Bartnett
John Bilotta
Michael Carter
Issac Davidson
James DeMarsh
Brent Devinney
Michael Florence
Greg Galloway
Jeremiah Godette
Brian Knapp
Doug Ianuario
Chris Lyerly
Lewis Martin
Caesar Morales
Brandon Ponds
Ira Roberts
Cory Smith
Matthew Starr
Jeffrey Swicegood
Aaron Thompson
Andrew Walton
Cornell Whitney



The LMC Men's track and field team is coached by head coach Craig McPhail and assisted by Raymond Brewer.

Cycling Team



Brent Bookwalter
Aaron Bradford
Jon Cross
Aram Dellalian
Jesse Hayes
George Howard-Heretakis
Robert Jameson
Stuart Lamp
Daniel Marquardt
Bryan McCutchen
Luke Rozanski
Chris Saxton
Weston Shirey
Taylor Tolleson
Joshua Tucker
Luke Winger
Clara Beard
Candice Edwards
Monique Hein
Sarah McAllister

Ski Team



Jon Cross
Stephan Daniels
Talmedge Durham
Sam Fagg
Chad McGee
Luke Patterson
Keith Poore
Spencer Reed
Scott Reitzel
Isaac Unruh
Megan Hersh
Becky Reiff
Lindsay Smith
Jamie Workman

Golf Team

Thomas Anweiler
 James Battista
 Joshua Beck
 Ryan Byrnes
 Chris Mowat
 Matthew Short
 Eric Simpson
 Dion Sirianni
 George Viall
 Chris Wright



The LMC Golf Team is coached by Randy Unger.

Softball Team

No.	Pos.	
Greta Turner	0	3/B
Ashlyn Birmingham	2	3B/OF
Talia Freeman	3	OF
Amelia Henson	4	OF
Tiffany Solesbee	5	3B/UT
Janessa Pawl	7	P
Jennifer Baker	8	OF/C
Meika Jones	11	MI
Stacey Swain	12	P/OF
Hannah Morgan	13	P/1B
Heather Benfield	14	MI
Keri Austin	14	OF
Stephanie Weinbarger	18	P/1B/3B
Megan Phillips	20	P



The LMC Women's Softball team is coached by first-year head coach Julie Kennedy.

Tennis Team



Andres Intriago
Felipe Castanheira
Shane Horan
Andrew Zarb
Eckhardt van der Linde
Daniel Graziani
Rhiannon Ruth
Anna Bailey
Thatianne Moreira
Paula Takara
Giselle Nakakura
Rachel Nesbit

The LMC Men's and Women's Tennis Teams are coached by Patric Hynes who is in his first year of coaching here at Lees-McRae.

Cheerleading Squad



Ashlyn Bringle
Justan Mounts
Mary Ann Millender
Clay Beattie
Aubrey Gordon
Justus Hughes
Erica Canada
Justin Eads
Jay Fox
Juan Garcia
Jessica Jondrow
Katie Kirby
R.J. Newcombe
Spencer Robbins
Andrew Smith
Lucy Spain
Shannon West

The LMC Cheerleading Squad is coached by Pam Showalter, who led them to win 3rd place in Nationals 2004.

Homecoming



At Homecoming 2003 the school did several things. We had the yearly parade and bonfire. We had the homecoming court and crowning of the king and queen. We had the dance where everyone had a good time. Along with all of those things this year we also dedicated the new track and field.





In Loving Remembrance of

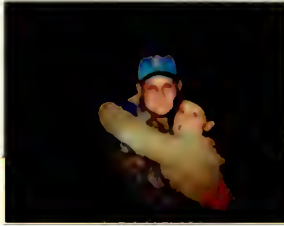
Courtney Leigh Ballard



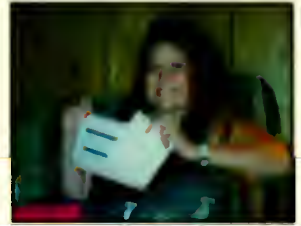
"In the year that I knew Courtney, she taught me so much about who I was and what I wanted out of life" -Elizabeth Trask



Courtney at Homecoming 2002 with fellow ATT members.



"Sometimes I miss you so much, I just want to rip you out of my dreams and hug you!" -Anonymous



Courtney's amazing and unwavering faith in God was an illustration for any Christian. She was a role model in her community.



Anyone who saw Courtney was instantly charmed by her smile and warm hearted glow. You couldn't help but smile when you saw her.



Courtney's spirit for fun and adventure was what made her so much fun to be around. When you were around her you knew you would have a good time.



May 29, 1983 - October 15, 2003

Do Not Stand At My Grave and Weep

*Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there, I do not sleep.*

*I am a thousand winds that blow.
I am the diamond glint on snow.
I am the sunlight on ripened grain.
I am the gentle autumn rain.*

*When you wake in the morning hush,
I am the swift, uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circling flight.
I am the soft starlight at night.*

*Do not stand at my grave and weep.
I am not there, I do not sleep.
Do not stand at my grave and cry.
I am not there, I did not die!
Mary Frye (1932)*



"Friends are friends forever, if the Lord is the Lord of them, and a friend will not say never, 'cause the welcome will not end..."



"...Though it's hard to let you go, In the Father's hands I know, That a lifetime's not too long, to live as friends."
-Michael W Smith -



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We personally believe that the hurdle is set high for next year, but with the talent and creativity that already exists on the Ontaroga staff in addition to the new ideas that are added, there is no star that cannot be reached and surpassed.

Thank you for all your help and support.

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