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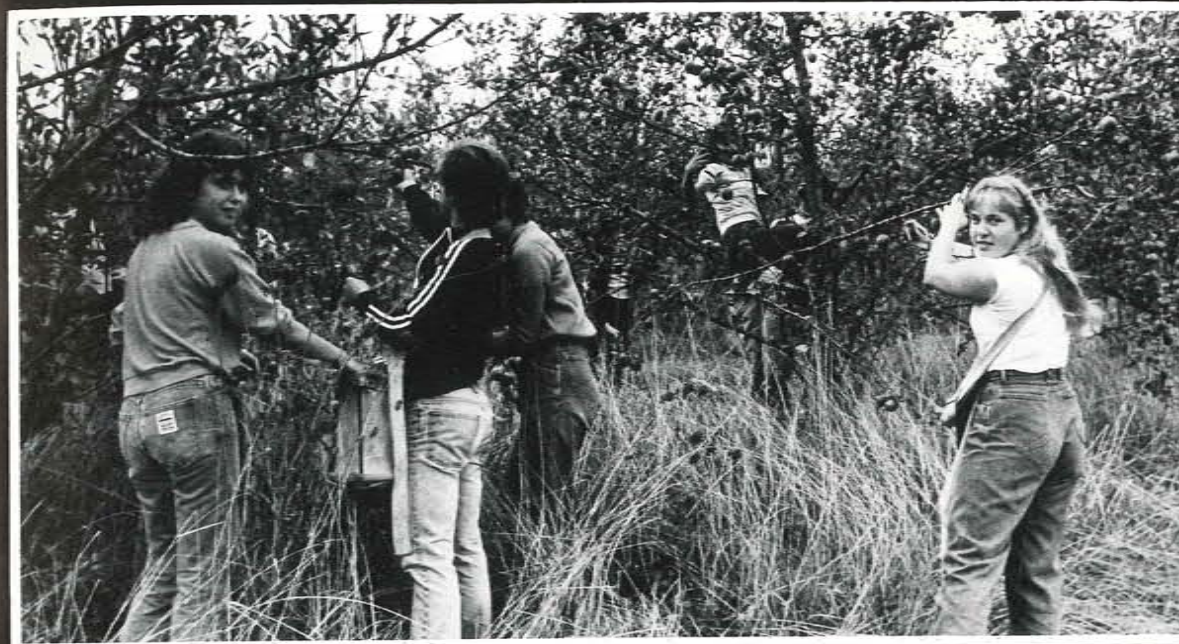
“I AM BEING DRIVEN FORWARD
INTO AN UNKNOWN LAND,
THE PASS GROWS STEEPER,
THE AIR COLDER AND SHARPER,
A WIND FROM MY UNKNOWN GOAL
STIRS THE STRINGS
OF EXPECTATIONS . . .”

DAG HAMMERSKJÖID



Meeting Today's Goals . . .

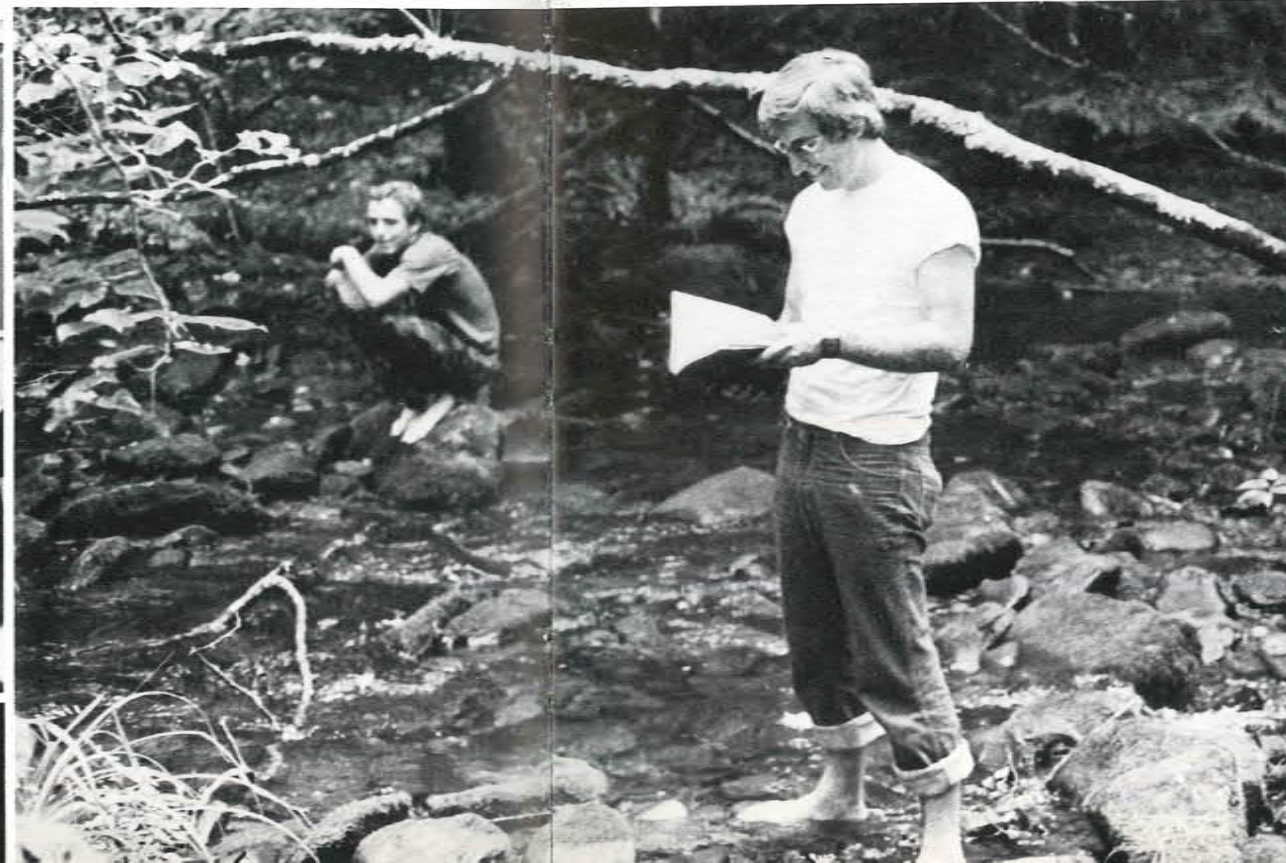
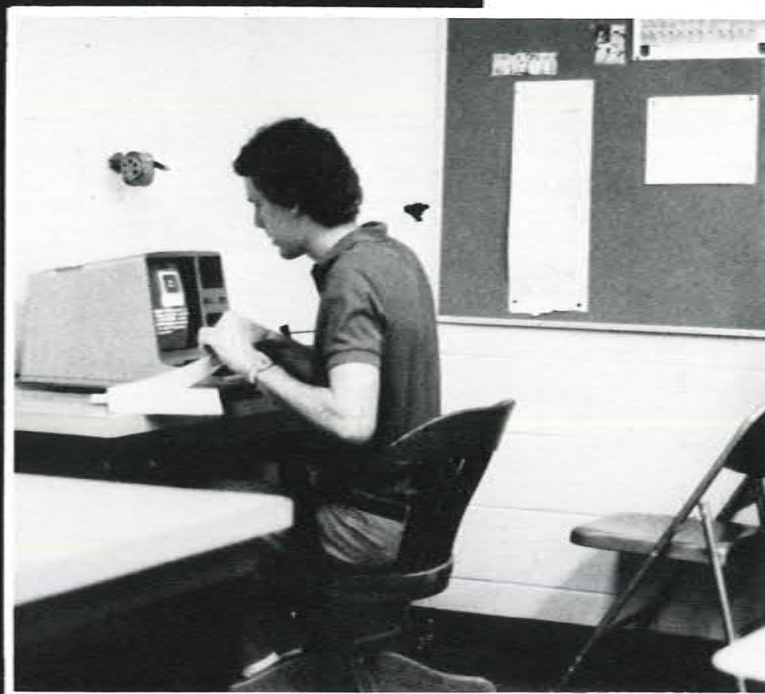
Each student at Fletcher Academy has his own goals and ideas of success. We encounter a special bond of friendship and a spirit of competition that encourages and motivates each one of us to our fullest potential. Every year we start off as a crowd of students experiencing new challenges and acquiring fresh knowledge. And every year we end up as a close knit circle of friends gaining new insights about our strengths, our weaknesses, and our outlooks on life. Gaining new insights about ourselves as we meet today's goals.



Yet Looking Toward Tomorrow's

Fletcher Academy provides a laboratory to prepare students for a life of service. Students are granted opportunities to develop in a Christlike manner while receiving instruction in a Seventh-day Adventist environment. Quality Adventist education encourages development spiritually, academically, socially, physically. Opportunities which develop work ethics are also very important. As you enjoy the memories that this yearbook prompts, it is my prayer that the goals you had when at Fletcher will have been met or, at least, much progress will have been made toward their completion. Looking toward tomorrow's goals — may each day bring you much closer to the point where Christ's character is restored in you.

Roy A. Dunn, Principal



... And Wondering

During the course of our lives, many of us search for our own personal philosophy toward life and living. We all must choose our own road in life, but this decision doesn't need to be made alone. Inspirational speakers such as Elder Bud Bracebridge and David Smith help to guide us to individualism and maturity, their words having a strong effect and impact upon us. But even with all this available guidance and assistance, life still remains a mystery, left only to be lived and experienced.

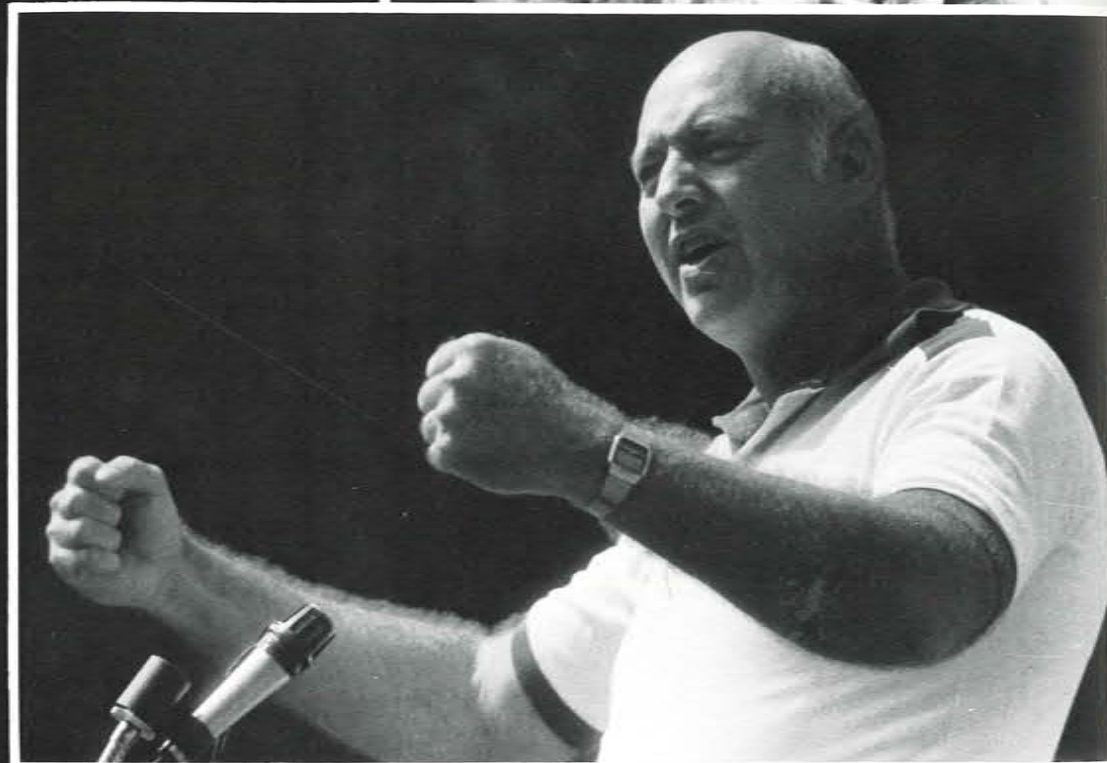
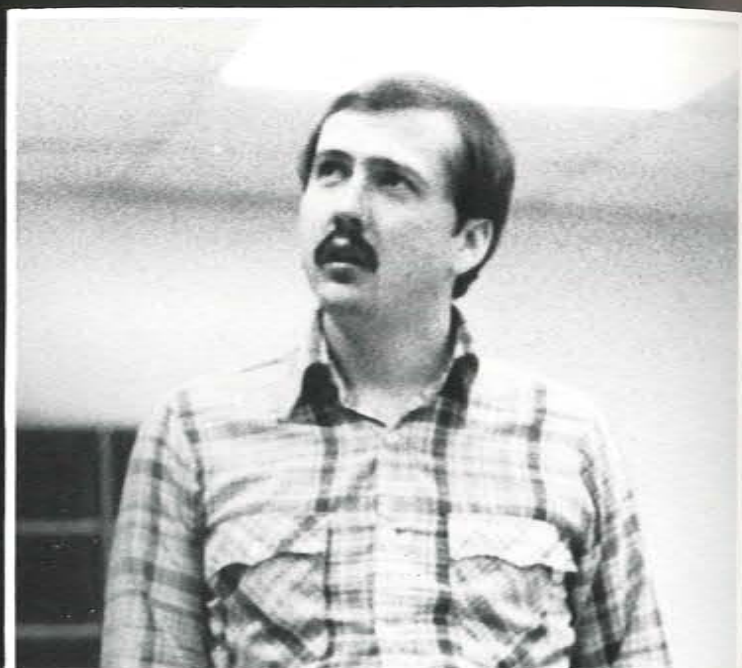


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From Past to Present

Fletcher Academy has a long, interesting, and widely various history. The original 400+ acres has a history dating back to the days of Presidents Washington and Jefferson. The property was purchased in 1910 and the school, under the direction of Professor Arthur Spaulding and Professor Sydney Brownsberger (President of our first Seventh-day Adventist college), began with two pupils. Mrs. Ellen G. White encouraged the establishment of the school and Mrs. Martha Rumbough provided the money for the purchase of the property. The purchase price was \$6,000. The only standing building on the property was the plantation house which was soon named the "Big House." It served as an ad building, cafeteria, and class

rooms. In addition to the school, the institution erected a "cottage for sanatorium purposes" in 1915. This was the forerunner of Mountain Sanitarium and Hospital, now Fletcher Hospital.

Fletcher has undergone many physical changes these past 74 years but the purpose has not been lost. Presently the student enrollment is 419 supported by a faculty of 21. These 218 people combine together to form the basis of what Fletcher stands for.



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The Work of a Lifetime

Work! A word that often brings instant distaste to a teenager. Let me repeat a saying that puts this word into prospective. "The harder I work, the luckier I get." Work is necessary to sustain ourselves, work is a far better use of one's time than idleness, and work gives both a sense of satisfaction and greater definition to our personalities. Work is a vital part of the Fletcher Academy program. It moves us toward that well-rounded character development that is this life's only real goal. This year will be a great success for you is your definition of work has grown. I hope that is each student's report, an A in work.

Herbert E. Coolidge, President



Salli Spaulding "patiently" waits for Paul McCray to finish her three million copies.

Hard at work, Janesta Bryant, Teddy Huskins, and Heather Naiman "keep things current" in the chaplain's office.

Sophomore Chip Puterbaugh really "digs" his job on grounds.

Reader Cindy Clark attempts to straighten Mr. Hall's desk top.

Junior Karen Keaton keeps things in order and on file in the Academy Office.



Boy, Doesn't She Look Pretty!

It is almost two weeks before my first banquet. We guys have sent our invitations, the girls are buying dresses, and we are making plans as to how to decorate our rooms. All over campus is the excited buzz of who is going with whom and what it's going to be like.

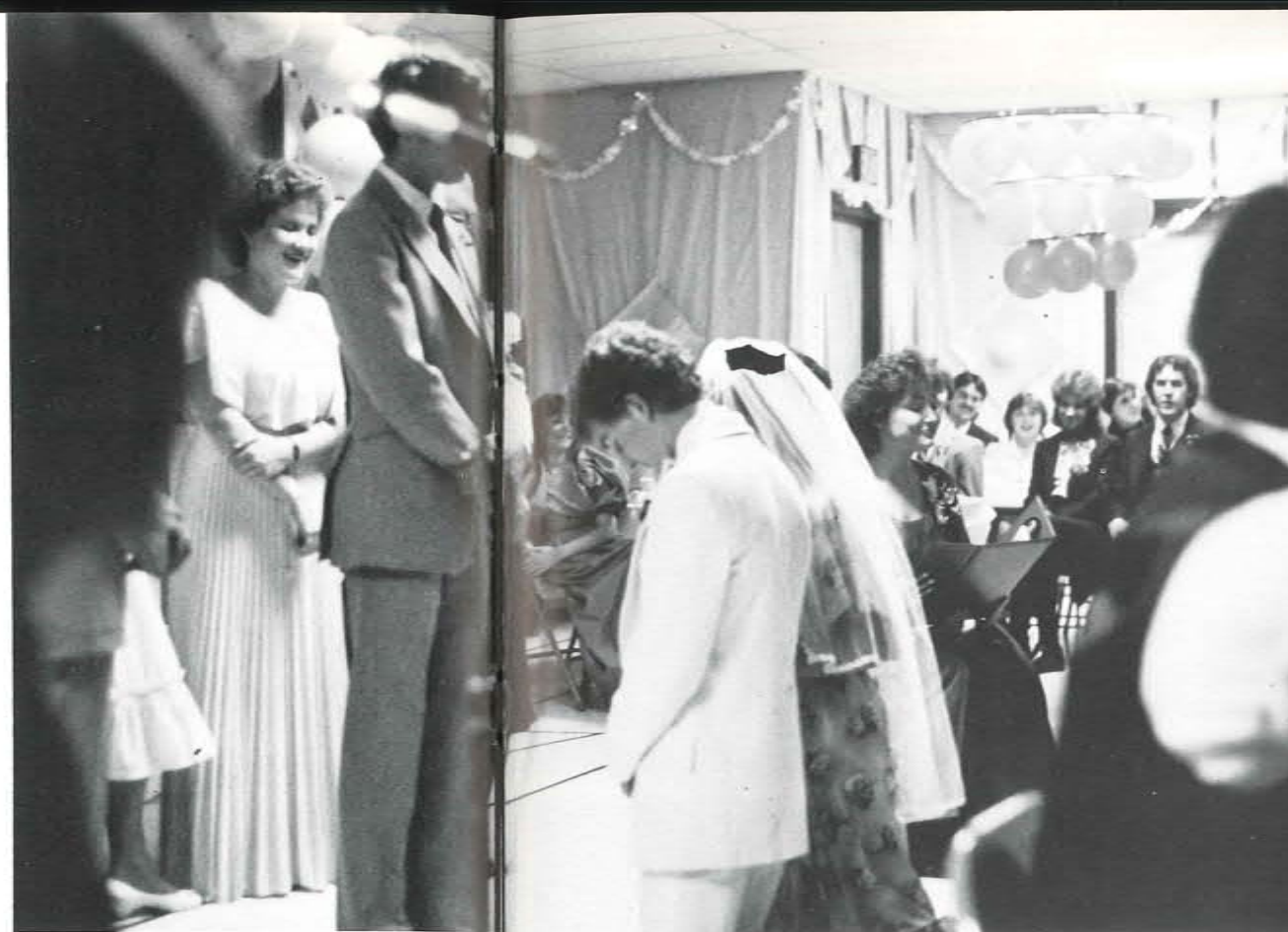
November 20, the day of the banquet finally arrives. While the guys are putting the finishing touches on our rooms and hallways, the girls are busy putting the finishing touches on their hair and dresses.

At 6:00 p.m. Mrs. Jordan begins calling girls to the lobby to meet their dates. There she gives instructions as to how to pin on corsages and boutonnieres.

In my hot and sweaty hands I hold my date's corsage. Where is she? I hope she is ready! There she is and wow doesn't she look pretty in that soft pink dress! (I can't believe how pretty she is!) With great pride I pin on her flowers. I escort her out into the cool night and over to our dorm, decorated to portray the change of the "four seasons."

I later sit nervously watching other couples take pictures. Finally after the program has begun I calm down and begin to enjoy the evening. (Boy, is she ever nice looking!) The pumpkin pie tastes almost as good as Mom's, and the room surely is well decorated; someone really put in the time blowing up all those balloons. Boy, am I glad I don't have to have a "Match Maker" find me a date! (You know, I don't think I've ever stopped to notice how pretty she is.)

From Fiddler on the Roof to Daphne Rakestraw's "Out Here on Our Own," the evening ticks along. Between snatches of "Two Less Lonely People" and "One Perfect Rose," our conversation is coming easier. (Boy, she looks nice!) Touching us with a bit of an older era, the aged Mark Twain recounts his earlier days in his Incredible Rocky Mountain Race with Mike Fink. His lesson of unselfishness remains, along with my pressed boutonniere and thoughts of "her" — the memories of a wonderful evening!



Out on her own, Daphne Rakestraw adds harmony to the evening with some help from Heather Jordan and Salli Spaulding.

Enjoying the banquet, Kathy Lothian and George Pendleton share a close moment.



During the 11th Hour's performance of Fiddler on the Roof, Chuck Ewing and Chandra Heinlein seek the blessing of Ron Hoover as we watch on.

In making another memory of the evening, Ron Newton and Becky Rowe work with Mr. Hall at getting their picture.

Spellbound by the night's excitement, Becky Robinson and Kerry Jongeme eagerly wait for dinner.

Michelle Foster reads "One Perfect Rose" for "one perfect evening."

“Hay!” An Evening in the Barn.

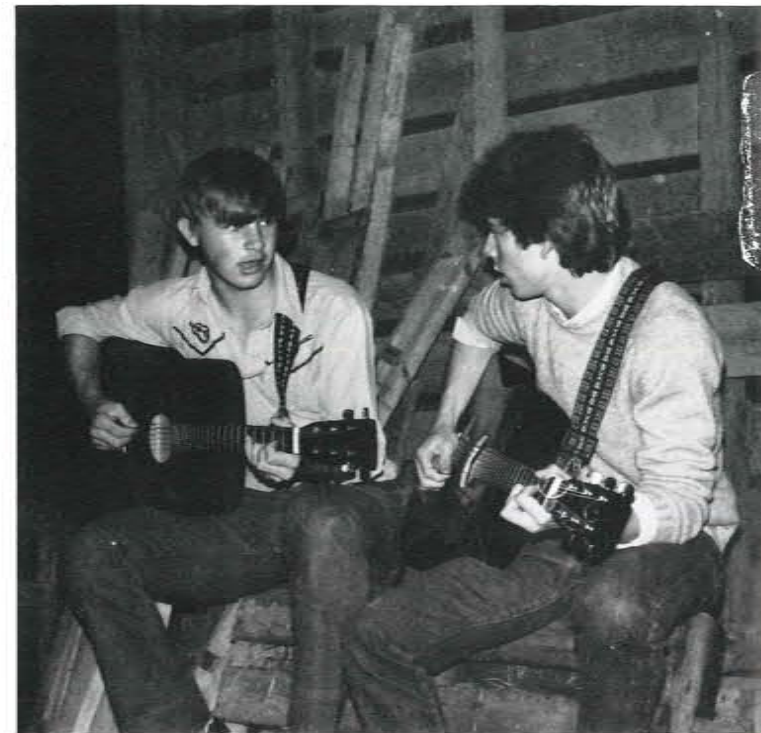
It's a dark, cool night and most of the students meet at the barn for a fun-filled Harvest Party. We divide into three groups and the fun begins.

Our group first goes into the barn, where we load up on popcorn, doughnuts, apples, cocoa, and hot apple cider and then relax on the hay while we listen to Mr. James' Halloween stories.

Next, we all pile onto wagons for a slow, bumpy hayride. Soon, with chattering teeth, we're all laughs as we shove hay down each other's backs and try to knock each other off the wagon. And then as quickly as it began, it's over and it's back to the barn to play musical partners around the bonfire.

Finally one by one we climb up into the loft and burrow ourselves into the hay to watch the movie "The Ghost and Mr. Chicken." Silence and anticipation fill the air as we watch Don Knox at his usual bungling, fearful antics.

Thank you, S.A., for a terrific evening. Thank you for an outstanding job at capturing the mood of the old American barn, harvest season and Halloween.



During the first phase of the Harvest Party, students sit spellbound (?) as the Halloween story unfolds.

Becky Krashingner, Romana Petrovich, Ellen Stanley, and Bryce Wilkie bundle up and enjoy a chilly hayride.

Kicking off the Harvest Party, Seniors Rob Olds and Philip Chappell strum out some good ole' Bluegrass music.



Dr. Coolidge goes for a swim at S.A. Fair.

Paul Jenks leads off third, his eye keenly fixed on the ball.

During the Hodges home party, Heather Jordan throws back the sheet for a quick peek-a-boo.

Kevin Lockhart campaigns for S.A. President.



Kim O'Guin "enjoys" lunch.

Taking a break between Sabbath School and Church, Kenny Zill and Cathy Edwards check out the scenery.

Sharon Pell, along with Mr. Ingersoll favor the group with an "Ode to a Little Boy."



God Is Alive in the Mountains

Birds and crickets join in as we "Sing Alleluia to the Lord." From the circle of grass where we sit, I look through the break in the trees at the mountains in the distance.

Mr. James portrays Peter in a dramatic monologue in which Christ builds his self esteem in one little look from the court room.

For special music Sharon Pell and Mr.

Ingersoll sing of a little country boy and how lost he feels living in a big city.

Elder Bud Bracebridge concludes our Fall Week of Prayer with words of warning against putting our faith in things of this world.

Church is over and we find ourselves among the trees waiting in line for our haystacks.

"To the falls!" yells an excited student and

away we go playing follow the leader down the winding path.

After the hike back up the mountain we eat supper and gladly load the buses to return to school.

We are all tired but we have enjoyed our Sabbath at Balsum Mountain. By coming into nature we have felt a part of God's second book.



Michelle Brown and Maya Donohoe take it easy after a good lunch.

Between Sabbath School and Church, Elder Bracebridge introduces his number one lady.

Getting a unique view of the day, Dean Mathis gives it his best shot!

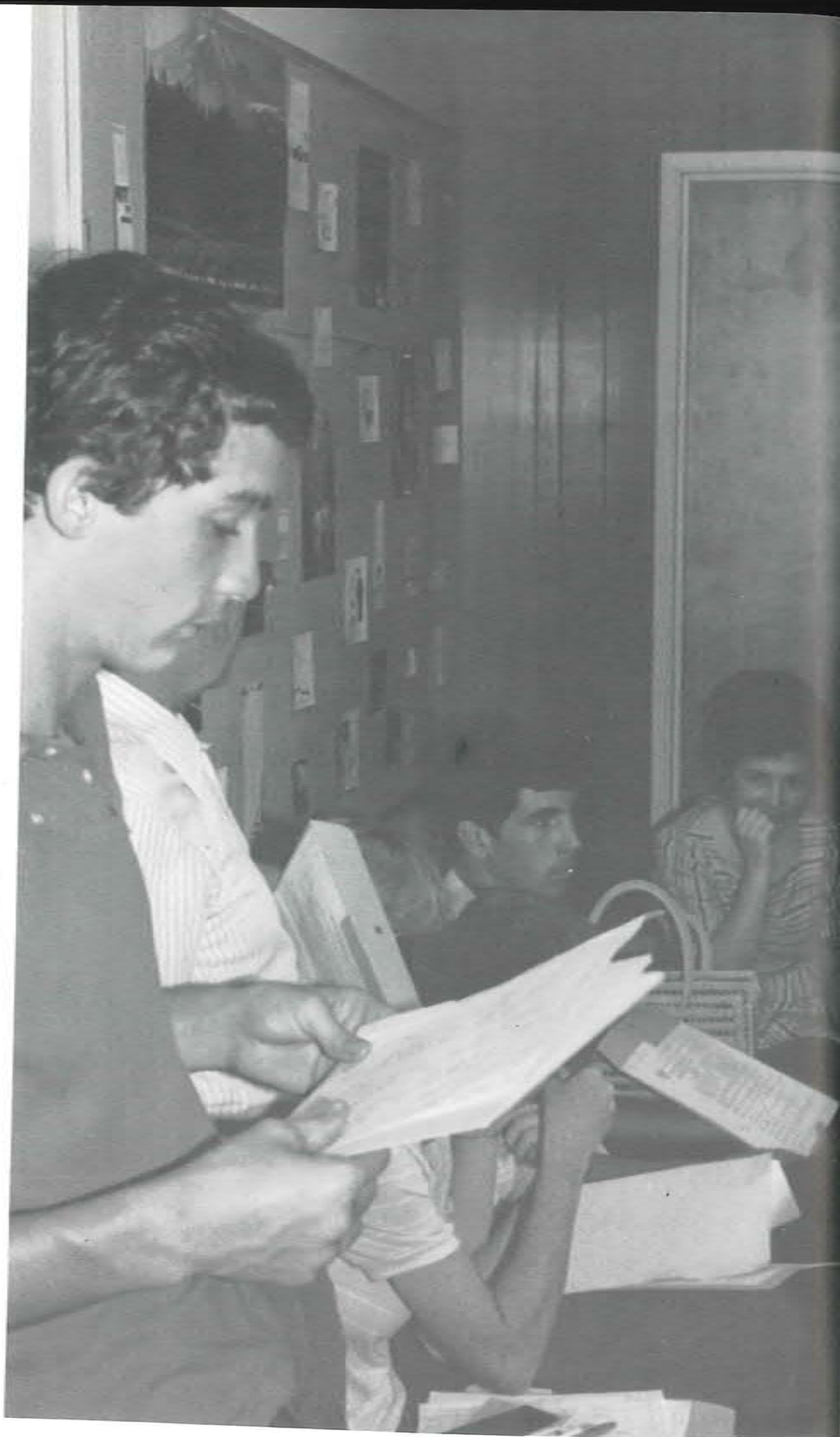
Juli King peers out the bus window, not wanting to miss out on the action.



Caught up in the excitement of being back, Carol Goodwin can't wait till she gets to her room to unpack.

Darrell Kirby and Kevin DeSilva, among others, "excitedly" await for the opportunity to talk with Mr. Ingersoll about a job.

Consulting with Mrs. Novak, Chip Puterbaugh and Mom make it through registration with "the" final signatures.



Man, where did the summer go?

Man, where did the summer go? And what a change! From having to decide which OP shirt to wear to deciding which Algebra I class to take. And who is that? I wonder if I'm at the right school, all these new people. But I can't wait! And soon all the excitement of coming back and hugging friends turns into frustration at Registration.

The Line.

Good grief! Would you look at that line! It's so long you wonder if you will ever make it through, but it slowly inches its way on down 'til now, it's your turn. So you start off with financial clearance which is a nice way to say goodbye to all the money you worked so hard for this

summer. And then class scheduling - - what a hassle! You get the art class you wanted but computer science was already filled. And so it goes all through the day, and by the time it's over, you've signed your name 3,000 times and you've written your class schedule down on what seems to be millions of cards, and now the fun really starts - - unpacking.

And through a flurry of activity, you're finally finished; the clothes are in the closet, the posters are on the walls, and Mom has put clean sheets on the bed. And now it's time to say goodbye; all your feelings rush up and get caught in your throat and then they're gone. Mom, Dad and your little sister, whom you never thought you

would miss. All of a sudden you're homesick and you haven't even been gone a day. About the time you're ready to call home, Handshake brings you back to life. Very soon your mind is all a whirl again, trying to remember names and your arm is ready to fall off from shaking over 200 hands, but it's not over yet. One game leads to another; first you're passing toilet paper over and under and then you're getting poked in the lip by a toothpick with a lifesaver on it. The day is finally wound up with sticky fingers and messy faces as the ice cream sandwiches are passed out. And then it's time to crash out and before you know it - - oh no! It's Monday.



A familiar sight to all registrations, the dreaded line quickly forms as the day commences.

DECISIONS, DECISIONS, DECISIONS. Rick Pendleton struggles with class scheduling under the advisement of Elder Haas.

Spirit of the Olympics Takes Hold, S.A. Fall Picnic

It is Saturday night, September 10, 1983, and the beginning of the Fletcher Fall Olympics. We sing our school song and Kevin Lockhart offers prayer. The games begin.

Shouts echo off Strawberry Hill as sprinters lurch from the starting line, their eyes fixed on the tape 50 yards away.

Becky Krishingner takes the lead in the girls' mile. "Lookin' good," encourages a friend as Becky puffs on to victory. Other running events follow, each one claiming a winner — a student particularly skillful at this or that run.

Sunday morning, following worship in the Chapel, we meet again on the field and resume the events with the Tug-of-War. "Pull, Pull, Pull!" The flag passes the line, the whistle blows

and the juniors have taken first place for the Tug-of-War.

The day speeds on with the frisbee throw. Jimmy Gettys, a freshman, stands on the line. After a brief moment of concentration he hurls the frisbee. It soars through the air and lands 234 feet and 4 inches away.

Senior Dale Sikora wins first place in the shot-put by mustering all this strength to thrust it 42 feet and 2 inches.

Students have been practicing for the obstacle course all morning and it's finally time for the event. Becky Rowe completes the course in 44.42 seconds, taking first place for the junior girls.

After a lunch of sloppy joes, chips, sodas and

pudding pops, we are back into the action with the high jump.

Kyle Root, a senior, jumps 5 feet and 8 inches, breaking the school record by one inch.

The last event is a tension-filled flagball game between the sophomore and senior guys. The score is tied and there are two seconds left in the game. Sophomore Chris Hodges fires a long, high pass to Mark Petit. Mark catches the ball and makes the winning touchdown.

The exhausting day is over and we assemble in the Chapel to congratulate individual winners and the Senior Class for their hard work and success. The seniors are awarded 157 points, giving them first place in the Fall Olympics.



Sweating it out during SA Fall Picnic, Loucretia Ball, Tom Whidden and Steve Burris take a break under a sheltering umbrella.

Tita Rivera gets caught contently watching the guys' football game.

Kevin Lockhart shows his stuff by returning a powerful serve.



Eric Penland gives his all by jumping 5'3" to come in second place behind Kyle Root.

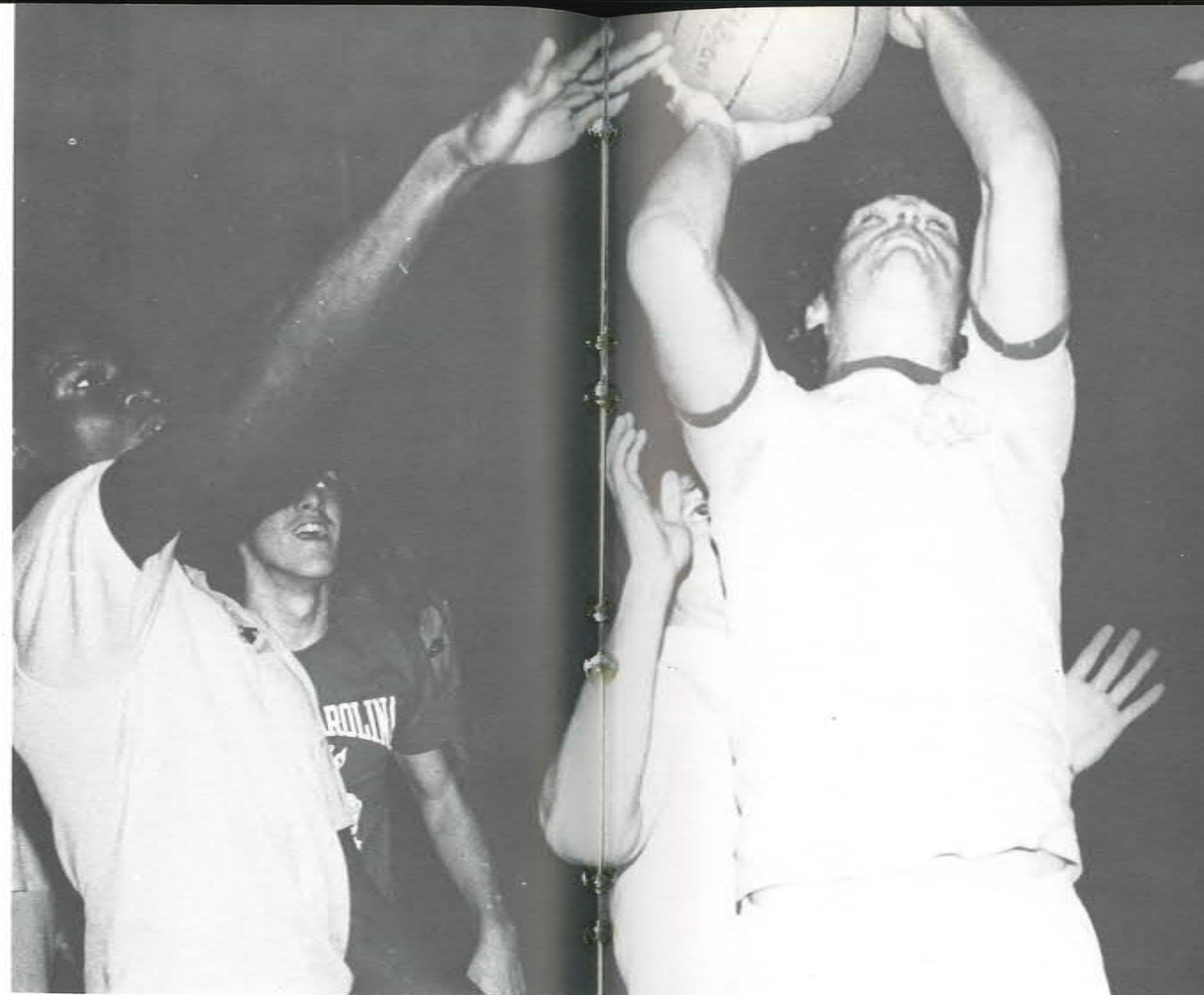
Signaling second down, Dean Mathis keeps the players in check, officiating during flagball.

Down, Ready, Set, Hike!



Fletcher in ACTION

And the pitch is up . . . Teddy rips it! It's going, going, going; it's gone — Man, what a catch! Troy gets it on the 30; he's down to the 20; he spins and then cuts back; he's down to the 10, looks like a touchdown — RIP! Wow! What a save by Willis, and right in the goalie's box. Look at that



footwork! He's really pushing upfield now. He sweeps right and dribbles the ball by two defenders and then BAM! He rips a pass to Lockhart. Kevin gets the ball about mid-court and drives in, muscles his way to the basket, pumps once, and then puts it up. The ball arches up, slowly spins, and comes down — SMACK! Chris really gets a piece of the ball with a powerful spike; it burns over the net, but Paul is quick to get a good set and pops it to Lori, who sends it back over. The intense action goes back and forth — POINT! Whew! What a game!

Here at Fletcher we do not compete with other schools but that doesn't stop us from competing among ourselves. When the whistle blows and the heat is on, it becomes blood, sweat, and tears as we pour our all into the game.

We start into the year with our flagball season and advance through soccer, volley ball, basketball and finish off the year with a season of softball.

This year we have tried a new facet in our sport program. We have formed a Witnessing Basketball Team which is associated with the YMCA. Here, we do compete with other teams, yet with a commitment to witness as strong as the commitment to compete. Although it is a tough area for witnessing it can be more positive than merely telling others of Christ.

So, to the question, "Do you have a sports program at Fletcher?" We can answer, "you betcha."

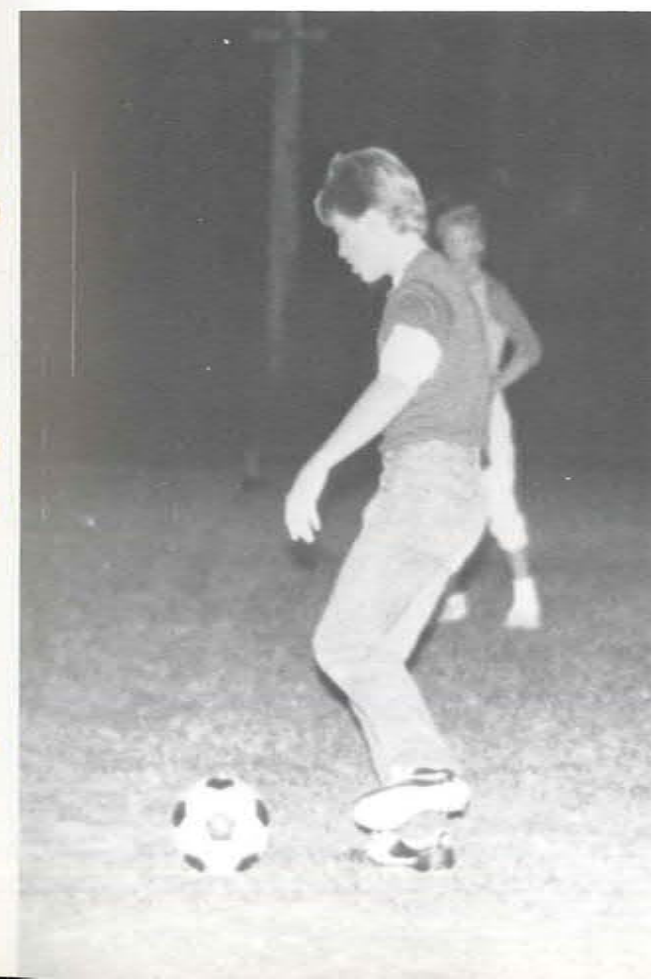


Kyle Root goes into action with a powerful opening kickoff.

Keying on the play, Senior Mike Newsome gets into the thick of things as Ron Hoover pulls up a short jumper.

Barfooted Becky Rowe serves up a hot items during a fun-filled volleyball game.

Winging the ball back to the pitcher, Todd Jenks keeps things hoppin' during a friendly game of softball.



Kenny Zill starts up the game with a little opening kick to Todd Jenks.

Rochelle Battistone "anxiously" awaits the serve while Tim Novak officiates and B.J. Smith helps out.

It's Hard to Believe...

It's hard to believe, a once totally strange and almost scary place, has become your second home and with it an avalanche of memories. Memories of walking back from breakfast at the cafe and seeing the flagpole outlined by the sunrise, and of dogwoods in bloom, and Weeks of Prayer.

Like the Week of Prayer with Elder Bracebridge; not just a lot of talks, but involvement -- finding out things about yourself.



And memories of going to class, the sidewalks that seemed so long, especially when you have an 8:00 class and it's 7:58. And the times when you see an everyday thing a little bit different, like some flowers by the Chapel.

And then the faces -- faces you've grown to love and will always remember. The smiles of J.P. and little Nicole, a slight notice from Angie Earnhart, a quick glance from Al Watson, the faces that, all too soon, you'll see no more -- or very seldom.

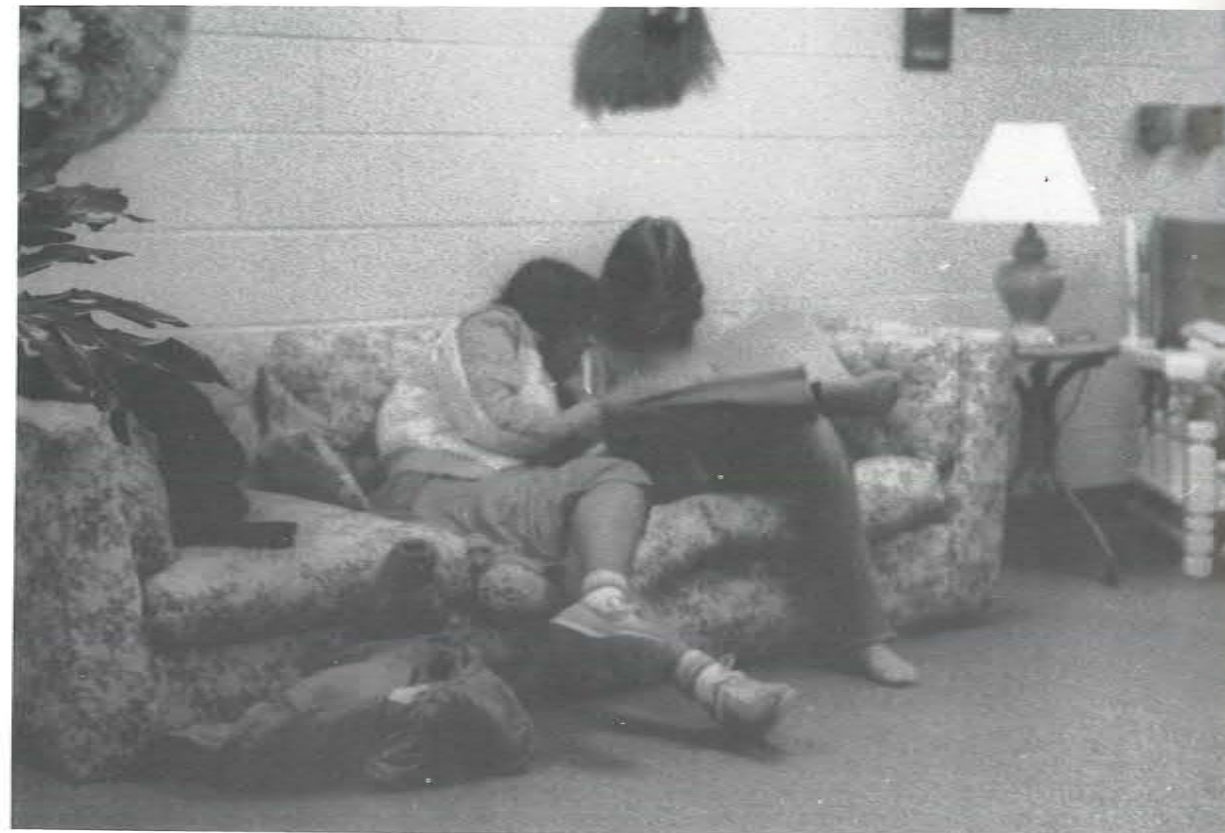


Life in "One Big House"

My family is huge because I live in a dorm. Four years of my life will be spent here. Four years of ringing alarm clock, room checks, study halls, fighting for a shower, and "lights out." Four years of an occasional late night party, an argument with my roommate, a letter from Mom or a letter to Dad (asking for money of course). All of these are what make dorm life so special and unique.

At times I get homesick, and long for my real home and family, but after vacations I am always glad to be back with my "Fletcher Family."

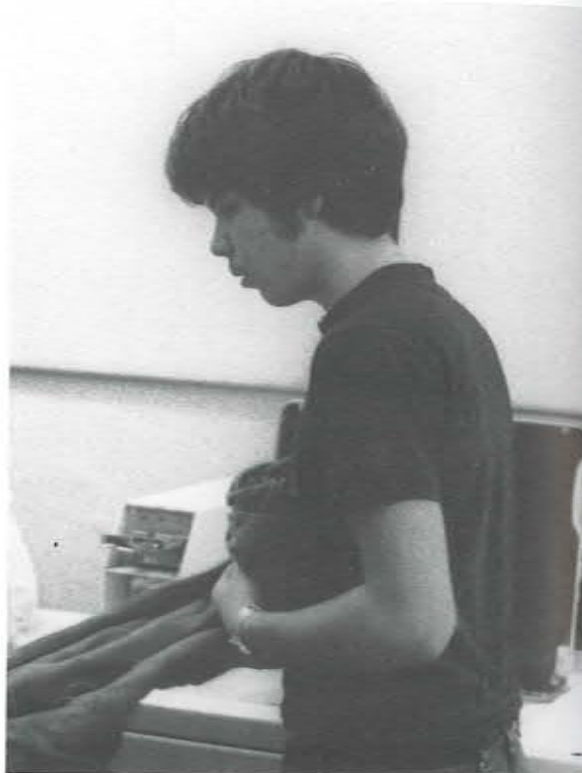
One day, I will look back on these four years and cherish the memories of when I lived in the dorm with "My Family."



Filling in as dean, Mrs. Ingersoll leads out in evening worship in the girls' dorm.

Cindi Brooks and Dawn Lippert relax in the lobby conferring with each other over an assignment.

Extra-action Bill Holt needs an extra action Tide to remove the stains of the guys' dorm.



"... the least of These My Brethren ..."

As the music softly plays, I recall my activities of the day. I smile at just the thought of how funny Tom, Becky and Paul looked in that modern-day parable this morning in Sabbath School. But even though it was humorous, its message is engraved in my mind. You don't have to *tell* others that Jesus loves them; *show* them.

After lunch we practiced this idea in several ways. As one of the Friendly Visitors, I took my adopted grandmother a hot dinner. Scott went to the local nursing home on Sunshine Bands. Bill will be in charge of the Health Team at the Blue

Ridge Mall. Becky helped Mr. Lee with a story hour, and tomorrow morning we are going to help fix up Mrs. Hawkins' home. Mrs. Hawkins lives out Brookside Camp Road. She's 96.

The music has stopped and Sharon and Chris are reading the reflective poetry for Candlelight.

"Thank you, Jesus," I whisper, "for letting me come to this Christian school where you are a main part of my life! Please help me to show others your love!"

"Amen"



Playing an active role in our community outreach, Fletcher's AYBL conducts a funeral for Nick O. Teen during the Great American Smokeout.

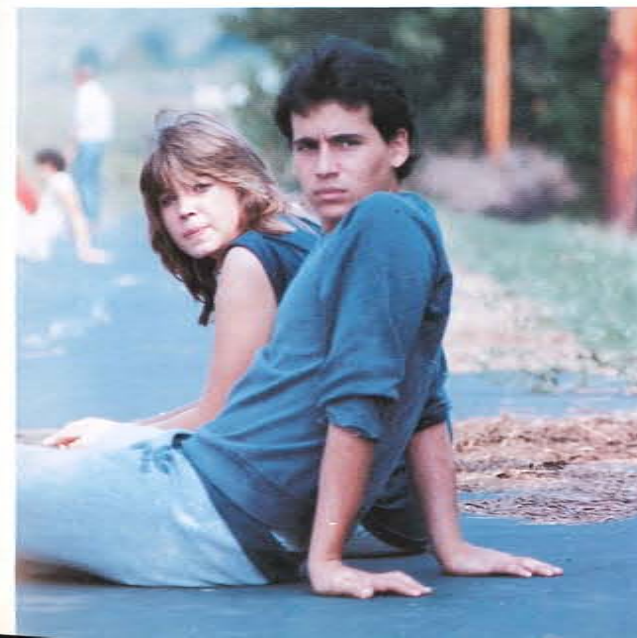
This year's Academy Choir presents a special program to the Alumni to show that the tradition still runs strong.

Mr. Dunn continues to guide us, as he leads out in prayer during Friday night vespers.



And You're Off And Running . . .

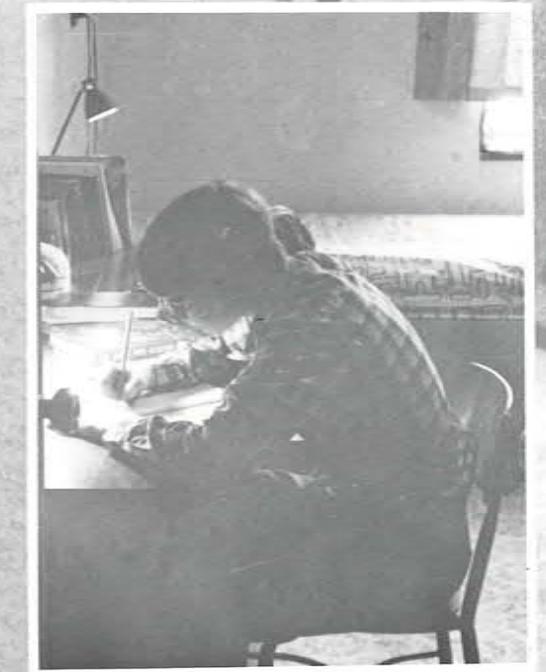
And you're off and running. Dashing through the year. And you take a quick glance at all the looks around you: the posed look of an enterprising (anyone for a purchase?) Sharon Pell and her bag full of cold drinks. From the look of disbelief and total affliction during geometry class to the look of questioning, etched in a furrowed brow during Recreation.



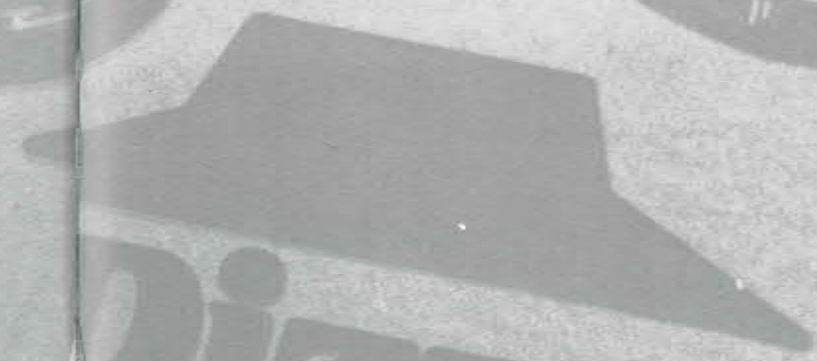
And you remember the times when the day was almost over and you felt like joining R.J. and just sprawling out in the flowers, but you had to go to the Chapel instead, and for no reason, you went the back way.

And then you remember the very best times, times you spend with someone really special and all the little talks and things you did together.

So the memories go, rushing by, and yet you savor each one, because each one is a part of Fletcher and a part of you that was some of the BEST!



Good Morning to Go



How Do You Spell Relief?

W-E-E-K-E-N-D-S !

Weekends. The most exciting time of the week, unless you have to spend it writing the English theme paper that is due the first thing Monday morning. Still, most students prefer to spend their weekends catching up on lost sleep or reading the book that they started last month and haven't had another chance to pick up.

Some weekends are anticipated for weeks because of a special trip with Choir, Outdoor Club, Band or other organizations.

Sabbath is a special part of the weekend because it gives you time to gear down to a slower pace and take a special day to enjoy being with God.

So remember, no matter how you spend it... for 100% relief, it's W-E-E-K-E-N-D-S ! To relieve you from the everyday humdrum of work, tests, and study-halls.



S.A. OFFICERS

Lower Row: Debbie Reynolds, Pastorette; George Pendleton, Community President; Kelley Baldwin, Secretary; Ted Huskins, Rec. Coordinator. Upper Row: June Mathis, Sponsor; Pagett VanHooser, Parliamentarian; Kevin Lockhart, Dorm President; Scott Mahrle, Treasurer; Angie Holdsworth, P.R. Secretary; Janet Novak, Sponsor.

S.A. Paves the Way for a Great Year

Not only did we feel the loss of two friends when Jimmy King and Joe Milholm did not return to Fletcher, but also we lost our S.A. President and Vice President. When reelections were held, Kevin Lockhart and George Pendleton chose to run equally for both offices and share in the responsibility.

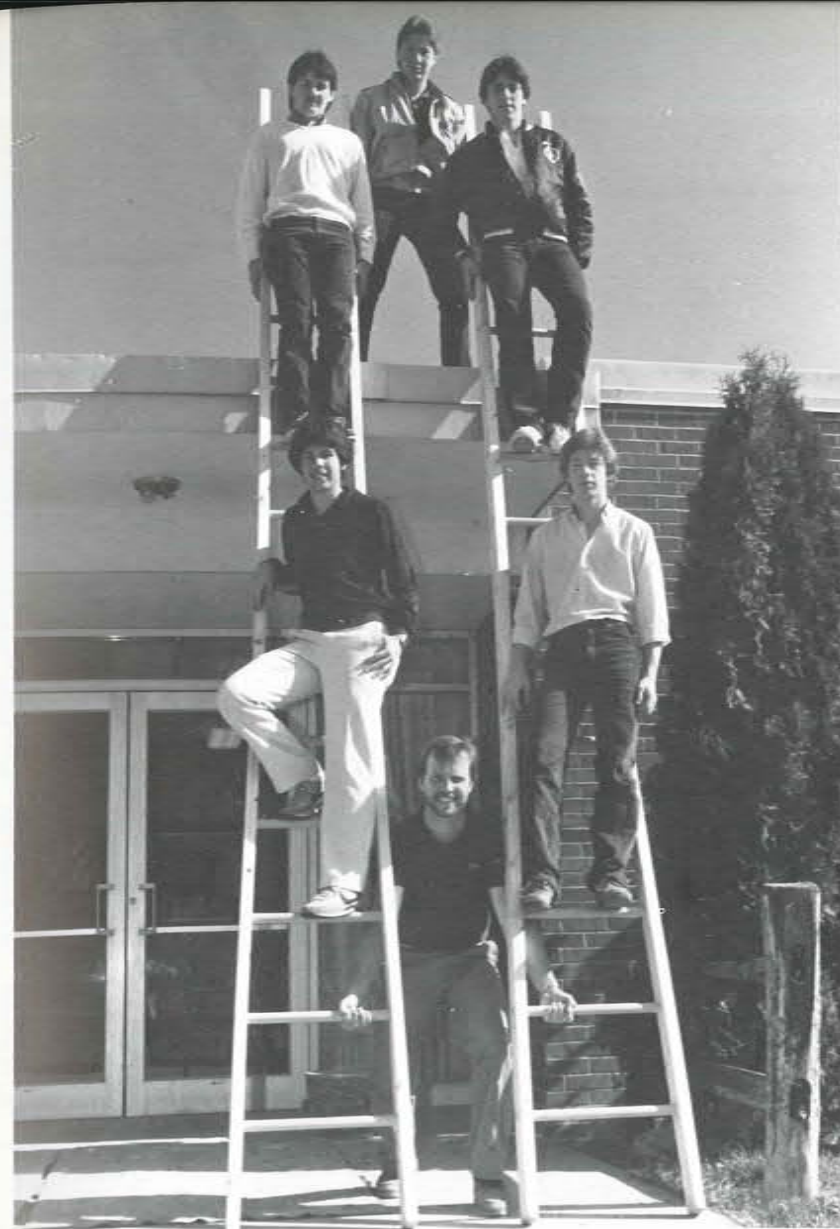
Our entire Student Association has done a terrific job representing the student body this year. They have made it possible for us to wear shorts without sweat pants over them to the track and for community students to park by the Boys' Dorm during recreation. They have also sponsored a fun-filled Harvest Party and a classic Fall Picnic.

The S.A. has truly helped make this a great year.

Co-President George Pendleton and Secretary Kelley Baldwin kicked off the S.A. Fall Picnic with the flames of commitment.



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Girls' and Boys' Clubs Busy With Activities

This year the Girls' and Boys' Clubs have been very active. The girls spent the day of November 6 shopping in Gatlinburg, Tennessee. On Monday nights the boys dorm is a buzz with the excitement of the football game.

Although they have done many things separately they also have activities together.

On November 20 the clubs joined together in sponsoring the Boys' Open House/Girls' Reception.

Girls' and Boys' Club activities give students a chance to develop leadership potential while providing a wholesome and enjoyable time for the students in general.

BOYS' CLUB OFFICERS

Ron Newton, Secretary/Treasurer; Dennis Strack, President; Chris Cox, Vice President; Bill Holt, Pastor; Phillip Chappell, Parliamentarian; Dean Mathis, Sponsor.

GIRLS' CLUB OFFICERS

Donna Scarlett, Rec. Coordinator; Kim O'Guin, Vice President; Angie Holdsworth, Secretary/Treasurer; B.J. Smith, Chorister; Mrs. Jordan, Sponsor; Salli Spaulding, President; Carol Goodwin, Pastorette (not pictured).



Voices in Action

Under the direction of Mr. Macomber the choir has helped to set a feeling of reverence and worship in our Fletcher Church. The choir, along with the "Eleventh Hour," has performed for several area churches as well as traveling to churches in our neighboring conferences.



Our Academy Choir poses for shot after their Christmas program in the Fletcher Church.

During Alumni Weekend, the choir is caught in action as Mr. Macomber directs in their performance.

ELEVENTH HOUR

A small but active Eleventh Hour has a wide variety of talent this year including from front to rear: Chuck Ewing, Sharon Pell, Mr. Macomber, Carol Goodwin, Chandra Heinlein, Sonya Anderson, Shari Vera Cruz, Ron Hoover, Denise Foster, Steve Willis, and Alan Arthur



"Banded" By Talent

This year we have a 44-chair band which is a twenty-one member increase from last year. With the additional members also came additional enthusiasm and talent. Since school started in August, Mr. Cox has been arranging a fine band by transposing individual talent into a single composition. His success was proven when on December 10 the band presented a superb Christmas concert. One of their special guests was Miss Julie McClarty who did a triple baton twirl while accompanied by the band who played "Night Flight To Madrid."

The band's highlight of the year was their trip to Florida during Spring Break. This trip brought the members closer together and was their reward for a year of hard work.



BAND OFFICERS

Sharon Pell, student director; Roger Krum, public relations; Leland Krum, president; Becky Robinson, tour manager; Robin Stricker, secretary.

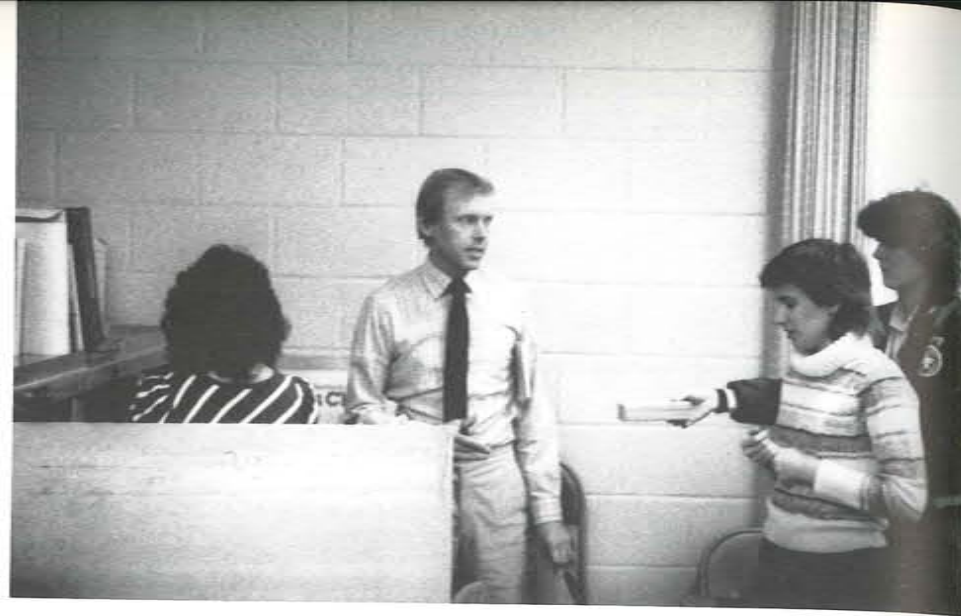
The Fletcher Academy Band of 1983 - 1984 assembles in historic chapel for photo.

Performing in a different type of auditorium, the Academy Band plays for the hospital ground breaking ceremony on October 9th.



Headaches for Memories

Deadlines, mugs, ladder, light-tables — all these, and many more have become everyday terms for the Yearbook Staff. Although the Yearbook Staff is an important organization on the Fletcher campus, Yearbook is also one of Fletcher's most exciting classes. Pulling together everyday, their organization makes an important contribution to Fletcher Academy. Even though putting a Yearbook together is a lot of work, it is also a lot of fun, and this really shows out in the quality of our Yearbook.



Parlez-vous francais — Simple.

Mr. Yingling took charge of this year's French Club and really put to life their language and culture. Being in French Club is very simple — join the class. But the senior members found that the French Club's annual trip was not so simple. This year seemed to present one problem after another and eventually the trip was cancelled. But being in the French Club is a real experience and an experience that Mr. Yingling hopes the members won't forget.



A Special Feeling

Helping others is a specialty here at Fletcher. This year our A.Y.B.L. Team is not a select group of students but an activity in which all students can get involved. But we do, of course, have leaders who organize the various activities, all of which share the main goal to show others Christ's love. Residents in our community have come to associate things like meals, smiles, five-day plans, and blood pressure checks with Fletcher students.

This year our Sabbath School leaders have done a great job organizing thought provoking but entertaining Sabbath Schools. They have really put on some exciting and enlightening skits and special features but yet the leaders as well as the students have not forgotten the meaning behind Sabbath School. All this year we have experienced a special fellowship and blessing from Sabbath School but really that is no surprise, because all this year we have experienced a special fellowship from Fletcher Academy.



Mr. James and a few of the Yearbook Staff are a flurry of activity as a great yearbook is in the making.

YEARBOOK STAFF

Assistant Editor Sarah Wolbert, Editor Stephen Burris, Ad Manager Salli Spaulding, Copy Editor Sally Keller, Business manager Kelley Baldwin, Advisor Samuel James, Typist Loucretia Ball (not pictured)

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Vice President Ted Huskins, President Kelley Baldwin, Advisor Brent Yingling, Secretary Paula McCray

Jim Ingersoll, Scott Mahrle, Stephen Burris, Bill Holt, Dennis Strack, Rochelle Battistone, Dawn Lipper, Sharon Pell

SABBATH SCHOOL OFFICERS

Samuel James, June Mathis, Eugene Haas, Randy Cox, Watson, Dennis Strack, Stephen Burris, Paul Jenks, Dick Ringer, Dani Naugler

Coordinator Jim Ingersoll helps out in a Friendly Visit program.



Gymnastic Team Performs

"Ready hup! Steady! Point your toes! Great!" And so go the phrases that bounce off the gym walls while bodies whiz through the air in gymnastics class.

This year we have a great team and they have put on several spectacular shows. The team took a trip to Greenville, Tennessee, on November 19 and performed there with our Fletcher band. In January the team went on tour in the Washington D.C. area and performed three shows there. On April 28 they wrapped up the year by really showing their stuff at their annual Home Show.



Leading out in team spirit and enthusiasm, Captains Becky Rowe and Kevin Lockhart lean on each other for moral support.

Under the direction of J.P. Mathis, the girls' team performs Routine #8.

"And there they are!" The Fletcher Academy Gymnastics Team.



Caving Club Experiences Many Deep Moments

John Hall has really taken the initiative in guiding the Caving Club through an exciting year. Along with President John Zill, Secretary-treasurer Juanita Hayes, and Pastor Ricky Jongema, he has led the club through some adventuresome and intriguing trips. The first trip to test the group of aspiring young spelunkers was to Big Bone Cave in Tennessee. Going through the caves was an interesting experience, getting to see all the Civil War relics of the Saltpeter Cave. And then there were all the funny times like watching Shannon repel for the first time, trying to set up the tents in the dark, and getting lost in the Grassy Cove Cave. But the experiences, whether good or bad, wouldn't be traded for anything because of the lasting memories we get to keep.



Mountains of Memories

You never thought a hill could be so long and a morning so cold. And isn't it funny how the wind always blows the smoke in your direction. But even with all these and having to walk over a mile to get your water, being in the Outdoor Club is a blast!

This year's Outdoor Club has had a lot going on, mainly because of the energy and the life of its officers and sponsors. This year Sam James and Howard Hall have given their time and involvement as the Outdoor Club's sponsors and were supported by a great group of officers that include Paul Jenks as president, Steve Burris as vice-president, and Rochelle Battistone as pastorette/secretary. The Outdoor Club has had four week-end trips and two day-outings which include everything from the fun and beauty of Shining Rock Wilderness, to the cold and snow of winter camping. But the best thing about being in the Outdoor Club is memories — memories that outlast any of the blisters.



Caving Club comes up from the deep to storm Fletcher Academy.

OUTDOOR CLUB OFFICERS

Sponsor Howard Hall, Pastorette/Secretary Rochelle Battistone, President Paul Jenks, Vice President Stephen Burris, Sponsor Sam James

Dedicated Faculty Guide Student Body

Teachers, secretaries, deans, librarian, and principal comprise what is commonly called our faculty. Many tasks, many responsibilities, many interchanges of thoughts and ideas are all mixed together into one unbeatable combination. Common components include caring and sharing, listening and understanding, but most of all, constantly directing students to Christ.

Whether the focus is on history or industrial arts, work assignments or intramurals, the genuine interest in each student's growing and maturing is uppermost in their minds. We are happy to introduce to you those who handle the varied responsibilities comprising our Fletcher Academy Faculty.



FLETCHER ACADEMY FACULTY

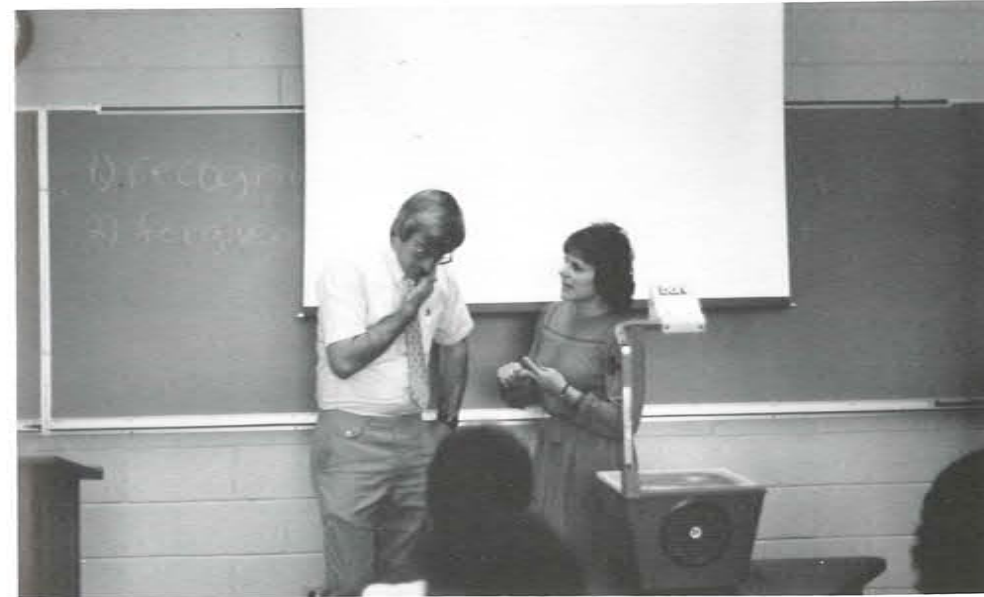
Back: Douglas Macomber, Roy Dunn, Sam James, Brent Yingling, Randy Cox. Middle: Don Mathis, Tom McNeilus, Howard Hall, Al Watson, John Hall. Front: Sharon Lewis, Becky Ingersoll, Janet Novak, Judy Jordan, June Mathis, Debbie Shaw, Waunita Dennis.



Keeping the Books Straight

Our library is a busy place. Someone is always there studying, reading, researching, or socializing. Since Mrs. Waunita Dennis took the job of librarian two years ago, the library has undergone many changes and facelifts and has become more useful to the students. Mrs. Dennis is a very quiet faculty member and goes about

Waunita Dennis, BS
Librarian



campus often unnoticed, but her dedication and her proficiency is not only noticed but also much appreciated.

Mrs. Janet Novak has been doing a terrific job as our registrar for the past seven years. Some of her many duties are helping students with class schedules, keeping up attendance records, and overseeing the office. Mrs. Novak is noted for her professionalism and composure, but she is noted most for her genuine interest in each of the students here at Fletcher.



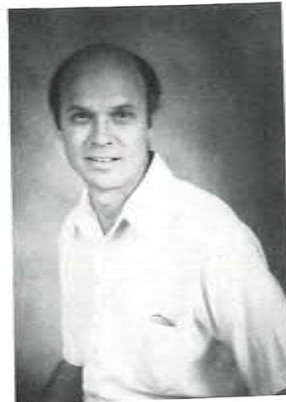
Janet Novak, MA
Registrar

Taking care of business as usual, Mrs. Novak lends an ear as Judi Vogt looks on.

Mrs. Novak briefs Mr. Dunn in on the latest news before he goes to assembly.

Casting a determined glance, Mrs. Dennis maintains order and silence in the Academy Library.

Tom McNeilus, MM
 Algebra I & II
 Geometry
 Pre-Calculus
 Computer Science
 Physics



Richard Nielsen, MA
 Earth Science
 Biology I & II
 Chemistry

A Couple of Heavies

Tom McNeilus and Richard Nielsen are considered the "heavies" on campus; not that they are terribly mean, cruel, or unjust (although we're not leaving out the possibility), but that the subjects they teach are counted as some of the most difficult.

This is Mr. McNeilus' second year at Fletcher Academy and he is really getting into the swing of things, learning more about the potential energy of his students. The interest in math class has greatly increased with as many as fifty-five enrolled for one course. But his reputation could be attributed to his class load, since he teaches Algebra I, Algebra II, geometry, advanced math, computer science, and physics. And this schedule would be "heavy" for anyone.

Mr. Nielsen has taught at Fletcher Academy for seven years and prides himself in inflicting mental pain and anguish on his students and inflicting it in so many different forms. He has been known to give five quizzes during one class period, assign a 40-hour lab, give water or crushed glass for an unknown, and slip an extra page of a test for students he enjoys tormenting. But in all these endeavors to become a "heavy," Mr. Nielsen is known and appreciated as a great teacher and one who pushes us to our best.



With a mischievous look of satisfaction, Mr. Nielsen dutches a chemistry quiz.

Mr. McNeilus sits dumbfounded by the fact that there is "justification" in the geometry class.

Mr. James catches the class's attention with a typical "Folks, picture this."

During French II class, Mr. Yingling patiently explains personal pronouns to Tom Whidden.

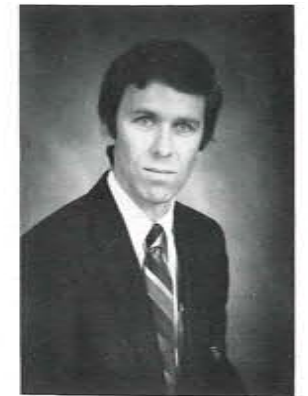


English: Dry and Boring?

Through the years English has been given a stereotype for being dry and boring, but our English teachers, Brent Yingling and Sam James, have proven this to be only a myth. English is not only grammar and usage; English is "Old Christmas," "Beowulf," an "Appointment with Love," "Charles," and naughty knaves. But what's more, English is an accumulation of knowledge. Our current English Department has seventeen years of combined service, fifteen of which have been contributed by Mr. Yingling and two by Mr. James. And through the years all their knowledge and all their experience has been passed on to us, which isn't bad for such a "dry and boring" subject!



Sam James, MA
 English
 Yearbook



Brent Yingling, MA
 Vice-Principal
 English
 French, I, II & III

Sharon Lewis, BS
 Typing I
 Secretary Elective
 Accounting
 Word Processing



Debbie Shaw, BS
 Home Economics I
 Home Economics Elective



Electing the Electives

When it comes to business education, Mrs. Sharon Lewis is the lady with all the answers; she knows everything from the correct way to type a business letter to the procedure for balancing the ledgers. Mrs. Lewis has a bachelor of science degree in business education and has been sharing her skills with Fletcher business students for the past nine years, teaching the secretary elective classes, typing, and accounting.

For three years, Mrs. Debbie Shaw has been preparing students for life in their own homes by teaching home economics. Mrs. Shaw's Home Ec I students learn necessities for everyday life, such as proper skills in cooking, sewing, laundering, etc. In Home Ec II these same skills are polished and refined. At times students feel pushed by Mrs. Shaw's perfectionism, but later, of course, upon completing a project, they appreciate this little boost toward quality.

Taking time out for every student, Mrs. Lewis gives some helpful advice to Dawn Burger during secretarial electives.

Mrs. Shaw helps put the pieces together for Judy Arnold in home economics class.

Laboring away at her machine, sophomore Stella Duncan pauses for a moment to look over the final touches.

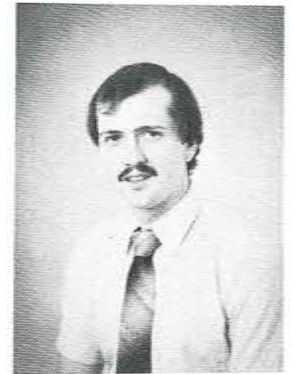
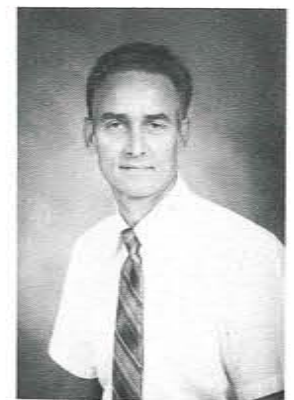


Hall & Hall Inc. Head up the Arts

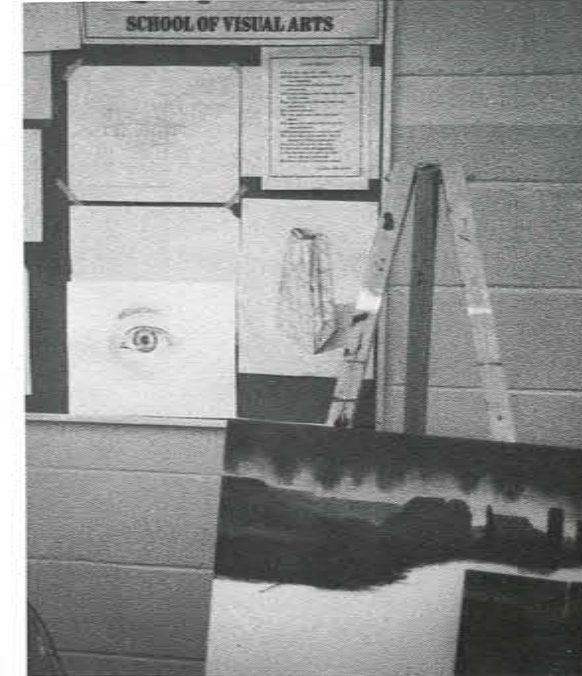
Howard Hall is a new faculty member at Fletcher this year. He teaches industrial arts classes which include drafting, woodworking, general shop, etc. Mr. Hall also does the maintenance work on our school buses. We are very glad that Mr. Hall has joined our faculty team and brought with him his meticulous and easy going lifestyle.

John Hall specializes in teaching visual arts classes, but he doesn't stop there. In his four years here at Fletcher Academy, Mr. Hall has done a little of everything — everything from teaching history to sponsoring the Caving Club. But art is his specialty. Mr. Hall acts as the catalyst inspiring his students to create masterpieces of their art projects as well as of their lives.

Howard Hall, MA
 General Shop
 Auto I
 Woodworking
 Drafting



John Hall, BA
 Assistant Dean of Boys
 Art
 Painting/Drawing
 Ceramic/Sculpture
 Photography
 Pre-Algebra



Being his helpful self, Mr. Hall gives Sharon Fish a "key" for problems.

With roles reversed, John Hall finds himself caught by film.

During his art classes, John Hall keeps an eye on things one way or another.

The Music Men

Douglas Macomber has been our vocal music director for the past three years. Aside from directing our academy choir and Eleventh Hour, Mr. Macomber teaches voice and keyboard lessons and endeavors to enrich our academy lives with a musical tone. Mr. Macomber's hard work is appreciated not only by the students but also by the members of the Fletcher Church.

For two years Randy Cox has been our band director. Mr. Cox takes a real interest in the band and as a result the students are willing to spend their time and effort in becoming the band he works to produce. As well as taking a special interest in the band members, Mr. Cox also takes an interest in Fletcher Academy as well, keeping things light and cheerful with his pleasant smile and jolly laugh.

Randy Cox, BA
Band
Instrument Lessons



Doug Macomber, MA
Choir
Eleventh Hour
Voice Lessons
Keyboard



During an afternoon of relaxation in the Smokies, Mr. Cox lounges around on a blanket.

Coming to support our Fall Picnic, Mr. Macomber pauses to show-off Christina, the newest member of his family.

Student director Sharon Pell, leads the band in Glorious Things of Thee Are Spoken.

Freshmen girls line up against the wall as J.P. takes attendance and awards points.

While loading the equipment for gymnastics, Dean Mathis gets a helping hand from team member Juli King.

Adding a little life to wherever she is, Nicole shows off the new teeth and waves as Dean gives support to his pride and joy.

A Team Makes A Team

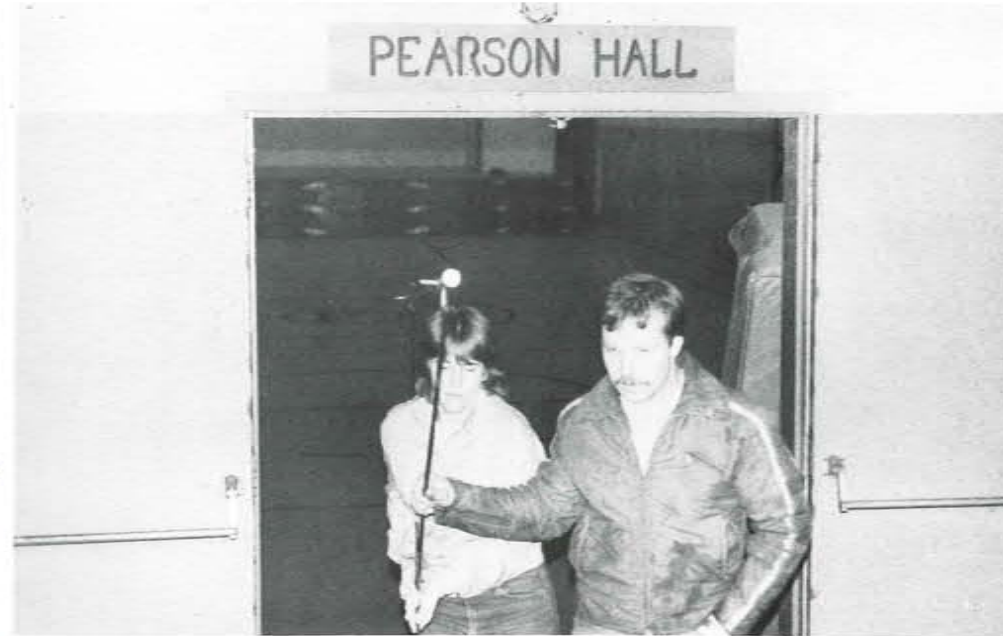
Volleyball, basketball, weight lifting, tennis and soccer are just a few of the things students learn in P.E. classes. For four years Mrs. June Mathis has been doing a super job not only at building muscles and athletic skills but also in building self worth, teamwork, and self control in Fletcher students. To many of us, J.P. is not just another faculty; she is a friend.

Together Mr. and Mrs. Don Mathis do an outstanding job as coaches of our Gymnastic Team. They are also responsible for organizing our intramural games, serving as umpires, and maintaining school sports records. But with all these, the tasks that Dean and J.P. are most appreciated for is their personal involvement with each student.

Don Mathis, BS
Dean of Boys
Gymnastics



June Mathis, BS
P.E. I
P.E. Elective
Gymnastics





Roy Dunn, MA
Principal
Religion IV



Jim Ingersoll, MA
Work Coordinator
Religion I & II
Health



Judy Jordan
Dean of Girls
Christian Lifestyling

The "Few Crew"

Life is often considered a race, and the winner is not the one who finishes first, but the one who endures and finishes complete. And as in a race you need a dependable pit crew to keep you properly maintained and fueled up to the finish.

Here at Fletcher we may not have the fastest crew; matter of fact, our pit stops usually take at least four years. But our "few crew" is one of the best in the racing circuit, each specializing in a different area of our maintenance. Our four man "few crew" consists of three who have been on the pit crew for two years and one rookie — Roy Dunn, our principal, who teaches senior Bible; Jim Ingersoll, our work coordinator, who teaches freshman and junior Bibles; and Judy Jordan, our dean of girls, who teaches Christian lifestyling. And the rookie to the "few crew" is Al Watson, our campus chaplain, who teaches sophomore



Bible.

Now don't get me wrong, we have a great pit crew at Fletcher Academy and each has his own specialty, but our "few crew" forms a unique foundation for Fletcher Academy as well as a unique foundation for each one of the students.

Mr. Ingersoll leads our song service with a favorite song.

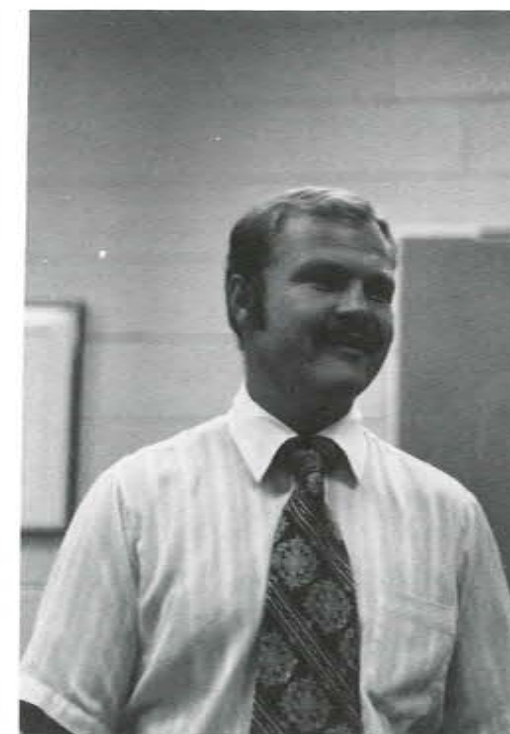
Even with a room full of commotion, Mr. Dunn remains calm and collected.

Having to fill in as a second mom, Mrs. Jordan gives a reassuring hug.

During his surprise retirement party, Elder Haas finally makes his grand entrance.

Even after sophomore Bible class, Elder Watson manages an encouraging smile.

Prof. carefully prepares for another American history class.



Al Watson, MDiv
Chaplain
Religion II



Gene Haas, MA
American History
World History



Lewis Nestell, MA
American History

History in the Making

It was history repeating itself. It began with Harold Haas teaching both the American history and world history classes. And for at least one semester the economy was stable. But then fate took a dreaded turn and our monarch of history retired. But chaos was brief; stability was restored. Soon the position of leadership was divided and filled by two competent surrogates, John Hall and Lewis Nestell. The responsibility of world history fell upon Mr. Hall and that of American history upon Prof. Nestell. And quickly the wheels of progress began to move and history was in the making once again.

We were all saddened by Elder Haas's announcement of retiring. This was his second year at Fletcher and his presence was a positive motivator on campus. But sadness was turned to happiness when Prof. Nestell returned to Fletcher Academy to pinch hit, along with Mr. Hall, for the History Department. So by Elder Haas's leaving, all is not lost, because in return we received some living American history as well as a new view on the world.

Sweating It Out Over Final Exams



The semester is almost over and test week is just ahead. For the last month everyone has been on edge. Book reports are due, late work has to be turned in, my computer science program isn't working, I have only one of my four unknowns, Mom is expecting a letter, I have to make an A on my English test to pass the class, and that is just the beginning. Help! Where do I begin?

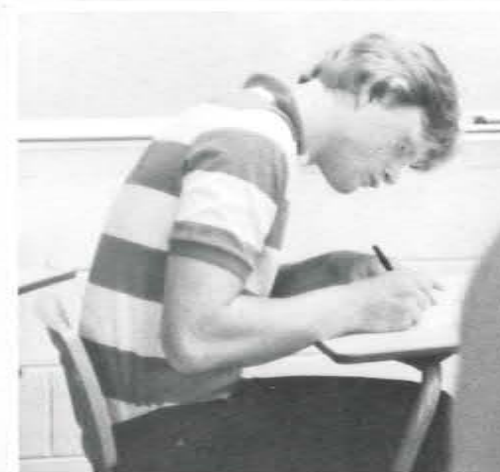
The test schedule is out. Oh, no, I have three tests scheduled on the same day! Where will I fit them all in?

I've been studying for hours. I'm becoming cross-eyed, and all the words on the page are one big blur. I'm so confused that I can't remember if a gerund is a biology monster or an English idiom. And to be real honest, I don't really care.



It's one a.m. and I fall into bed to catch a couple hours of badly needed sleep. Ring-g-g! Oh, could it be four a.m. already? I've got to drag myself out of bed, get a shower, and try to bring this dead body to life, because it's my last chance to memorize the Redox reactions. And by the way, what is a Redox and what does it do?

Finally it's 6:59 and I run into the science room and hurriedly take a seat. My heart is pounding, my palms are sweating, and my mind is whirling. It seems as if I'm in a nightmare. Suddenly Mr. Nielsen brings my nightmare to life with the words, "Everything off your desk please."





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Stumbling but Striving

With wide eyes and wobbly knees, freshmen face the first year of a whole new phase in life. Academy life is totally new and different for them and it takes a lot of getting used to. The dorm, the teachers, the homework, the students — all in all, a strange experience.

Freshmen are notorious for the attitude that the other classes take toward them, but most of them recognized it as just another phase of high school and don't let a slight cut down now and then bother them.

But freshmen contribute a lot to Fletcher with their fresh outlook on life, their constant laughing with each other, and their fears and discoveries. All the other classes have experienced this and seeing the freshmen go through it brings back memories both good and bad.



FRESHMEN CLASS OFFICERS

Rear: Mr. Yingling, Sponsor; Mrs. Shaw, Sponsor; Chris Indermeuhle, S.A. Representative; Kenny Zill, President; Jon Nash, Parliamentarian. Front: Anissa Johnson, S.A. Representative; Rochelle Battistone, Secretary; Tim Kroll, Treasurer; Mrs. Lewis, Sponsor; Connie Thompson, Pastorette.



Penny Atherton
 Rochelle Battistone



Amber Bradford
 Michelle Brown
 Janesta Bryant
 Carl Cotter



Andy Cox
 Maya Donohoe
 Angie Earnhardt
 Cathy Edwards



Michelle Foster
 Paul Gentile
 Jimmy Gettys
 Carl Hall
 Charles Harvey

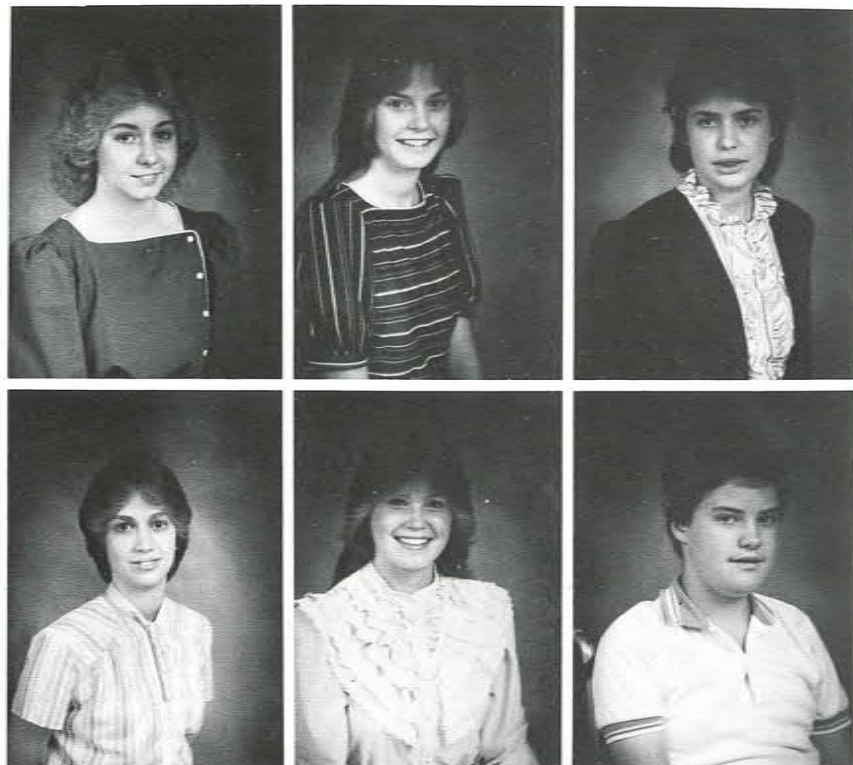
Although their fingers are doing the walking, Shannon VanHooser and Alicia Hernandez's eyes still wander during typing class.

Bright eyed Maya Donohoe cracks a cheery smile.



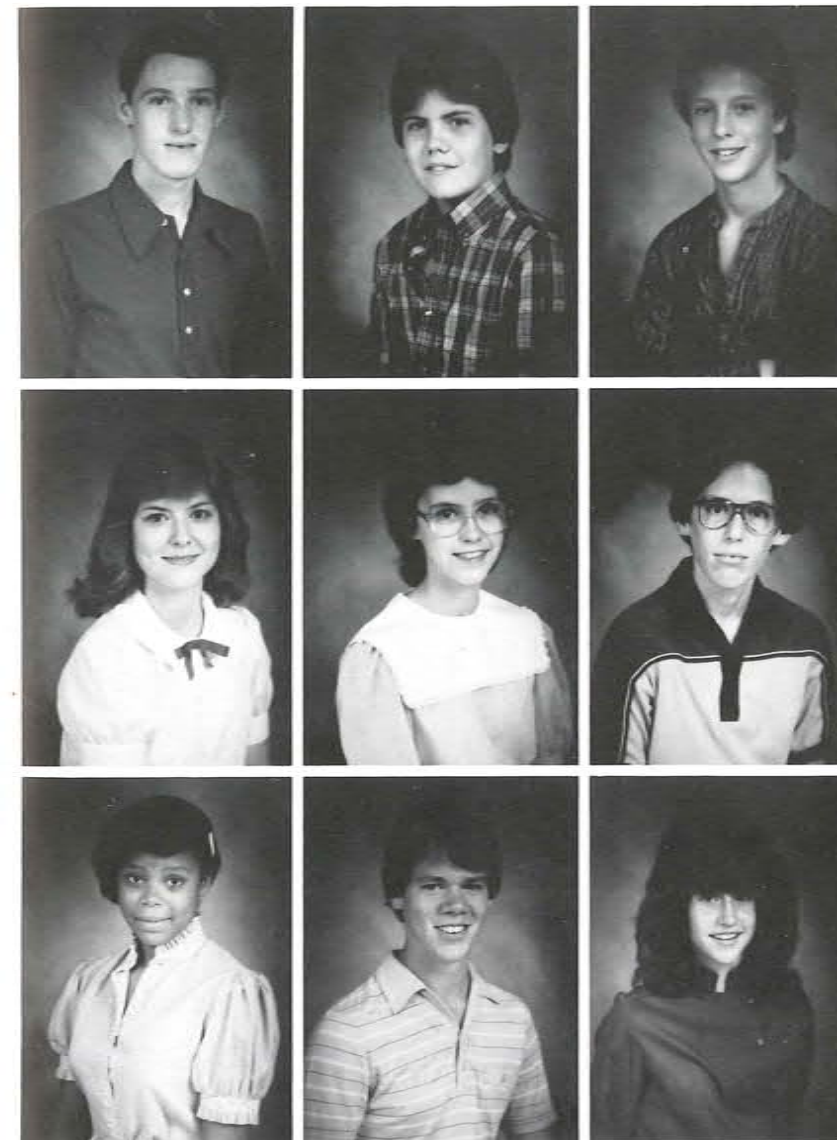
Joann Mendosa feels "no sweat," during S.A. Fall Picnic.

Displaying the good ole' Red, White and Blue, Joe Weisberg adds some life to Sunday afternoon down on the field.



During the S.A. Flea Market, Judy Vogt is caught in a moment of frustration as the day goes on.

Kenny Zill, George Sermersheim, and Vikki Hayward enjoy an exciting meal in the cafeteria.



Vikki Hayward
Angie Heath
Alicia Hernandez
Troy Hollenbeck
Chris Indermuehle
Todd Jenks

Anissa Johnson
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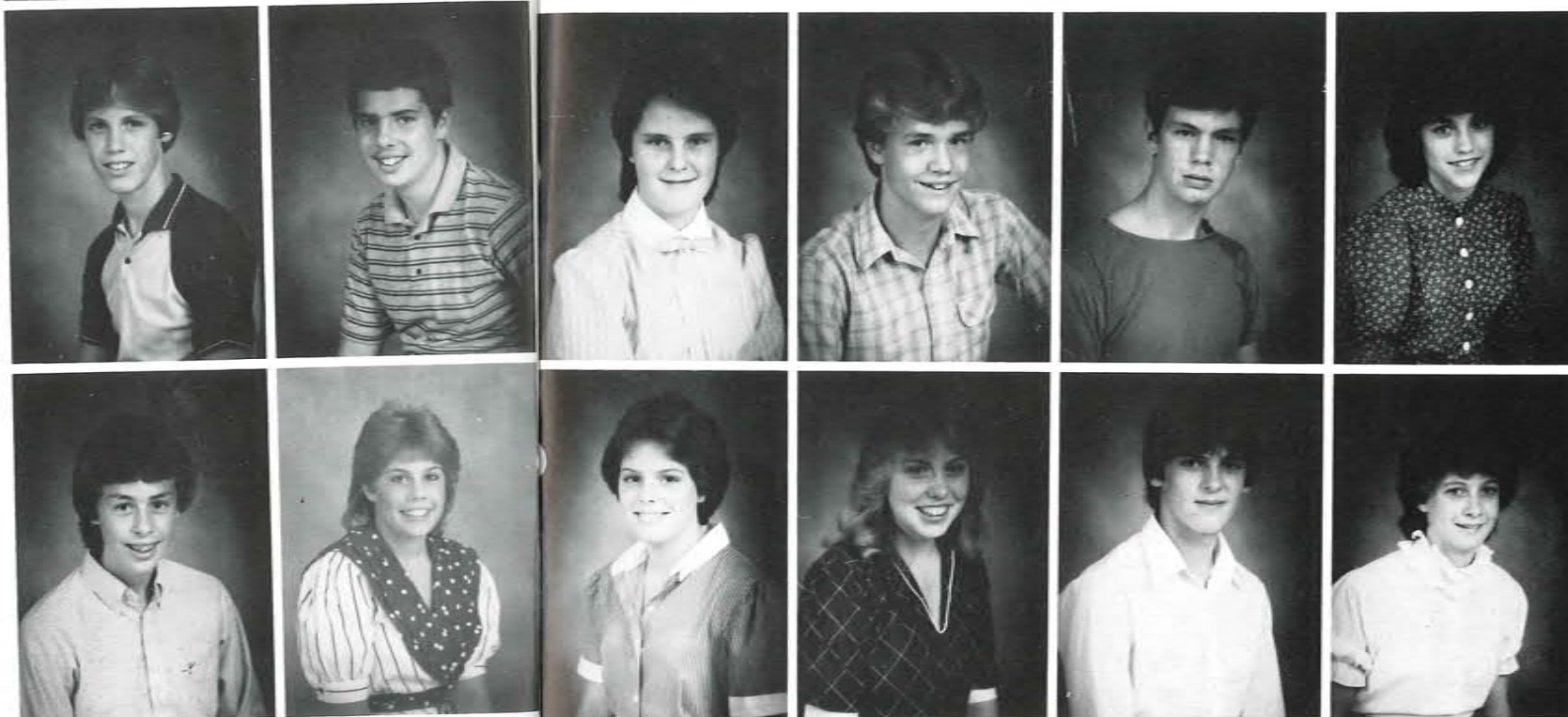
Randy Possinger
Manuel Quinones



Trying to escape the monotony of the day, Todd Tucker finds himself treed.



Connie Thompson figures her words per minute for a three-minute timing in Typing I.



David Ringer
Phillip Roberts
Becky Robinson
George Sermersheim
Michael Sterling
Connie Thompson

Todd Tucker
Shannon VanHooser
Judy Vogt
Heidi Walker
Joe Weisberg
Michelle Williams



Sisters Wendy and Kerry Jongema confide in each other their latest gossip.

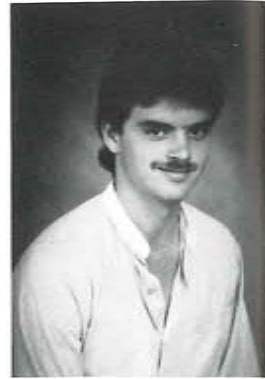


Kenny Zill

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Enduring and Achieving

Now that the sophomores have attended academy for one year, they feel more at home with their busy life styles. They have now set goals that to them may seem distant, but with a bit more self-confidence they are soon reaching for them. And with that self-confidence also comes pride in the class as it becomes closer and pulls together for a great Sophomore year.



Alishia Akin
 Sonya Anderson
 Judy Arnold
 Allen Arthur
 Robert Atherton



Adam Blackburn
 Cindy Brooks
 Mark Brunner
 Cindy Clark
 Tony Collier



Steve Coon
 Lettye Davis
 Nona Doerner
 Stella Duncan



SOPHOMORE CLASS OFFICERS

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Jennifer Elkins

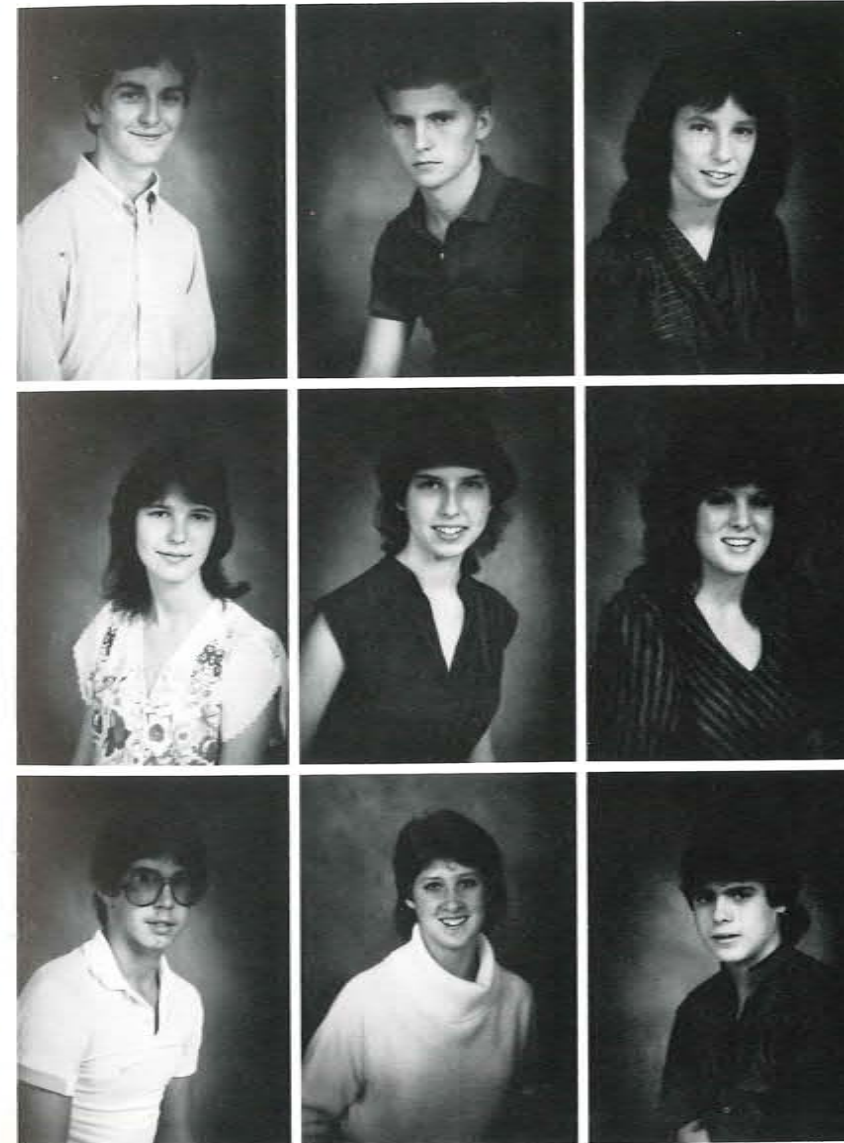


During Elder Watson's Bible class, Coraly Rivera is overwhelmed by the deep and profound logic presented.

Darrell Kirby munches down on a Sunday afternoon special.
Taking a break from apple picking, Melanie Whitaker peeps through the branches.



Chris Hodges
David Hucke
Theresa Johnson



Chuck Ewing
Keith Freeman
Edna Gentry

Randy Goodwin
Sharna Greenlee
Vince Griesman
Colleen Harrington
Chandra Heinlein
Krystal Hill

Ricky Jongema
Heather Jordan
Ray Josheff

This year during the S.A. Fall Picnic, the Sophomore Class really pulled together, coming in second place.

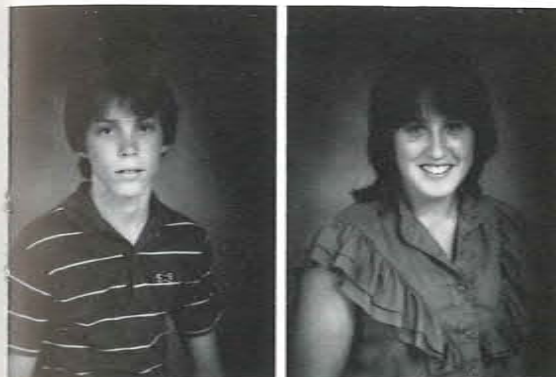




Taking time for a quick chat, Gene Krisingner makes his way up through the bus.



Darrel Kirby
Walter Kraft



Gene Krisingner
Pam Krisingner

Leland Krum
Roger Krum
Samiris Leonor
Lisa LeVangie
Kathy Lothian
Lisa Lugus



Dani Naugler
Rick Pendleton
Lynette Pennington
Mark Pettit
Esther Pae
Lora Polivka



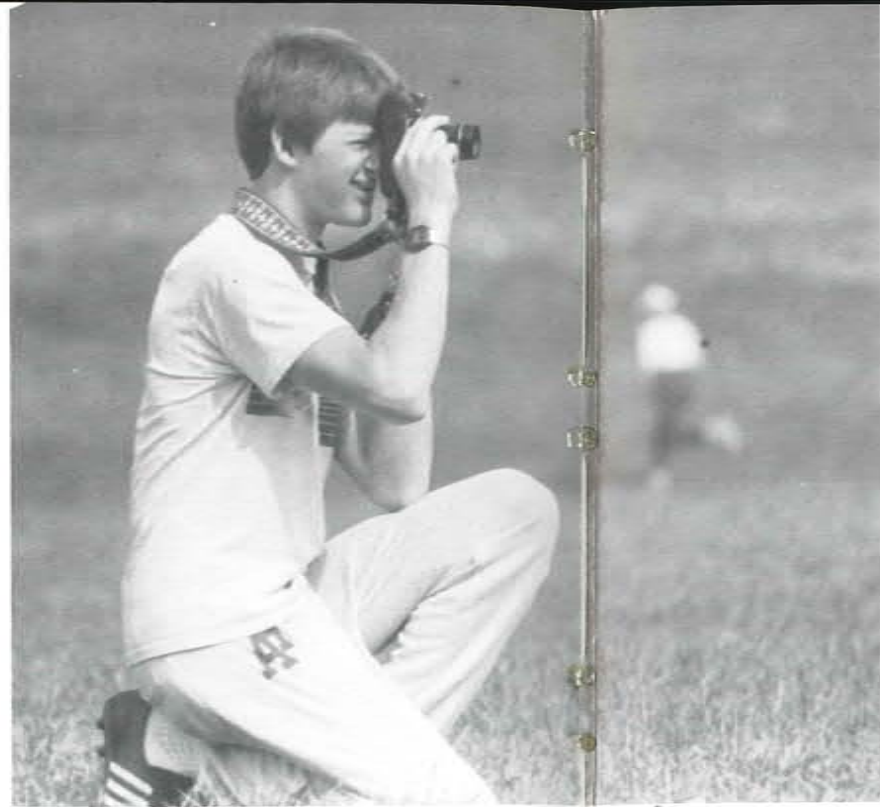
Sonyz Anderson is ready and waiting for the bell during the afternoon assembly.



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Jennifer Elkins maintains morque-like silence as a part of her tasks as library monitor.



Chip Puterbaugh
Kathy Rigsby
Coraly Rivera

Tim Shumate
Mandy Smith
Margaret Stone

Leland Krum takes a different view of things during recreation on the field.



Eli Torro
David Vaughn
Melanie Whitaker
Julie Whitesides
Bryce Wilkie
Leilani Yates



Adam Blackburn improves his image by walking with fellow sophomore, Krystal Hill.

Leilani Yates gives Cindy Clark a hand as Sharna Greenlee and Lettye Davis look on.

Stacey Yurth
Brian Whitmill
Carla Darden

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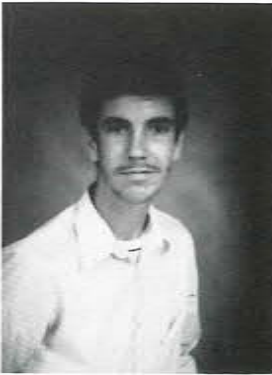
Up and Coming

As the years have progressed so have the ideas of the juniors. They now find themselves on course, striving together in one direction. And we find that their once-distant goals now shine brighter on the horizon and will soon be reality. But to reach these goals it takes much hard work, staying up late and rising early. Often the Junior Class has ambled into first period Algebra I, Algebra II, or chemistry, eyes barely open, brains, in some cases, barely functioning at 7:00 or 7:50 a.m. As the morning progresses, a strange kind of metamorphosis takes place in which the sleeping juniors come to life, bringing the Administration Building alive in the process. Just so, this class has helped to bring Fletcher alive spiritually and socially. And because they have matured from their underclassmen state, Fletcher has matured as well.



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Roxanna Benson

While in Mr. Ingersoll's enlightening Bible class, Monica Sandborn attempts heavy concentration.

Gary Bradley
 Amy Burger
 Tania Bushnell
 Kevin DeSilva

Reggie Diggs
 David Edwards
 Lori Ferree
 Kim Fuqua

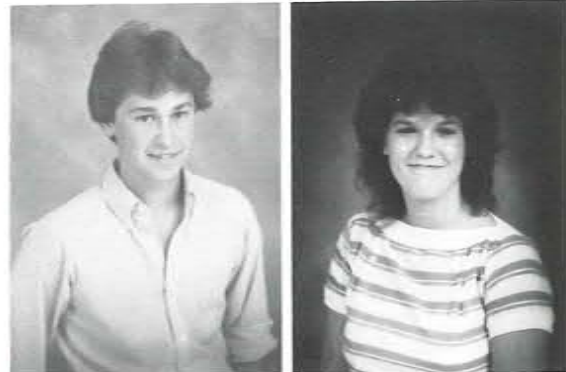
Wesley Garven
 Bonnie Hamby
 Juanita Hayes
 Bill Holt

Sheri Hunt

Gary Bradley takes a break from the heat of competition and enjoys a refreshing caffeine-free Coke.



Amid the hassles of registration, Debbie Reynolds takes time to spread a little happiness.



Karla Olson
Sharon Pell



Romana Retrovich
Dixie Reed



Tania Bushnell idly sits through English class playing with her glasses.



Ted Huskins
Karen Keaton
Sally Keller
Juli King
Becky Kyle
Scott Larson



Dawn Lippert
Shasta Lowe
Scott Mahrle
Myrlene Marsa
Paula McCray
Ron Newton



Although a little embarrassed, Roxanna Benson shyly poses for a quick shot.

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During a Sabbath in the Smokies, Tita Rivera wearily plops on a table after a day of vigorous hiking.

Silvia Smith
Ellen Stanley
Ann-Marie Stevenson
Robin Stricker
Ava Sunderland
Shari Vera Cruz



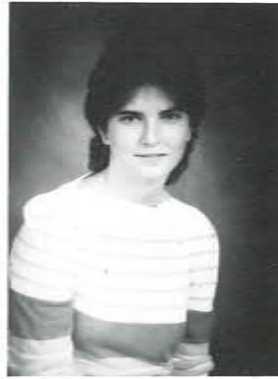
Jeff Wilkie
Steve Willis
Sarah Wolbert



Team work is the "word" as Sharon Pell assists B.J. Smith in taking first place in S.A.'s Anything Goes Baby Bottle Race.



Debbie Reynolds
Diane Ringer
Tita Rivera



Becky Rowe
Monica Sandborn
B.J. Smith



Caught up in the excitement of the day, Lori Ferree shows us all her energy.

Shasta Lowe inspires us during Sabbath School with special music.



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President Loucretia Ball Speaks of Future Challenges

The year has come. The dreams and anticipation of being on top and proclaiming "WE ARE SENIORS" is finally here. But it's a different kind of excitement. One which will be felt graduation day, an exciting, emotional, yet sad day for this class.

Through the last four years the spirit we have nurtured and shared has brought us extremely close. It's the vitality and drive we share, as a whole, that makes the class of '84 the unique class it is.

As we take our roles in society and meet with the daily struggles that come our way, it is my wish that we be able to think back to our academy days and the super class we were each a part of and be able to reach for that energy and keep going.

It is my challenge to you, fellow seniors, to keep this energy alive and maintain the bonds



between us that sets us aside and makes us what we are.

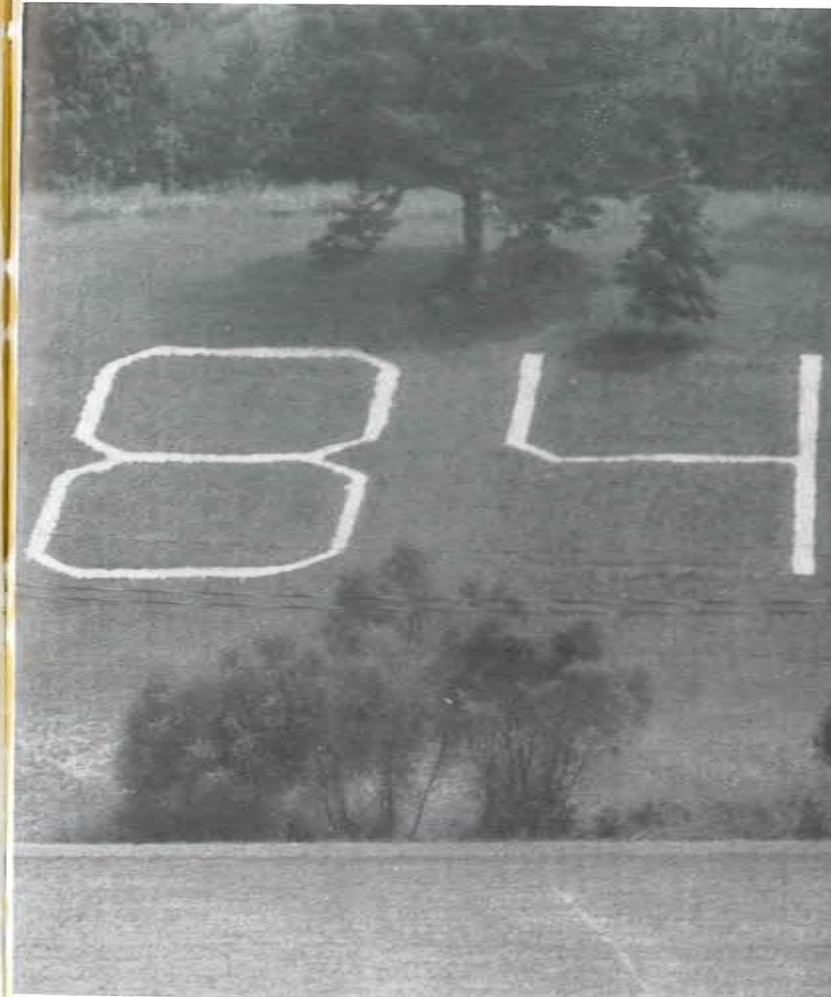
Loucretia M. Ball



Senior class officers and sponsors pose in front of historical chapel for group shot. Mr. Hall, Sponsor; Dennis Strack, S.A. Representative; Mrs. Nielsen, Sponsor; Gary Hoover, Pastor; Kelley Baldwin, Parliamentarian; Denise Foster, Treasurer; Dale Sikora, Vice-President; Loucretia Ball, President; Paul Jenks, S.A. Representative; Shannon Parker, S.A. Representative; Mr. Nielsen, Sponsor; Melinda Crissup, Secretary; Mrs. Hall, Sponsor.

- S School student plans to attend
- E Enjoyment
- N Nickname
- I Irritant
- O Occupation
- R Residence

Tom Whidden works up a sweat while the seniors dress up the hill.



On Top at Last

As known leaders in our school, the seniors are respected and looked up to by their peers. Their enthusiastic school spirit inspires others to get involved in fun and challenging activities. At school functions seniors boast their pride and pledge their loyalty to the large '84 nobly anchored on Strawberry Hill.

Having conquered the frustrations of study halls, action packed clubs, tests, pop quizzes, and a raft of other activities, these students feel the pride not unlike that of reaching the majestic summit.

Just the thought of graduation brings a whirlwind of feelings to mind. The satisfaction of accomplishment is accompanied by the fear of the unknown future staring them in the face like a blank wall.

Regardless of their uncertain feelings about the future the seniors are proud to have finally made it to the top.

Janel LaRae Adams

- S USF
- E Getting off campus
- N Nelly
- I Geometry, closed weekends
- O Special Educator
- R New Port Richey, FL

Traci Rae Allen *Campbell*

- S UTC
- E Going off campus
- N Allie Cat
- I Teachers that give quizzes
- O Computer Technologist
- R Greenville, SC



Dawn Elaine Burger

- S Cleveland St. Comm. College
- E Playing the piano
- N Tootsie
- I Two-faced people
- O Nurse Anesthetist
- R Englewood, TN

Stephen Ray Burris

- S U.S. Navy
- E Life
- N Steve
- I People who say "Ferr Shurr"
- O Genetic Engineer
- R Rocky Mount, NC

Kelley Marian Baldwin

- S Southern College
- E Being with my friends
- N Kelley
- I Hypocrites
- O Lawyer
- R Hendersonville, NC

Loucretia Marie Ball

- S Southern College
- E Spending money, CKL
- N Lou
- I Being called Lou
- O Lawyer
- R Fletcher, NC



Philip Garland Chappell

- S Andrews University
- E Music
- N Philip
- I Broken guitar strings
- O Recording Technician
- R Galax, VA

Christopher Dale Cox

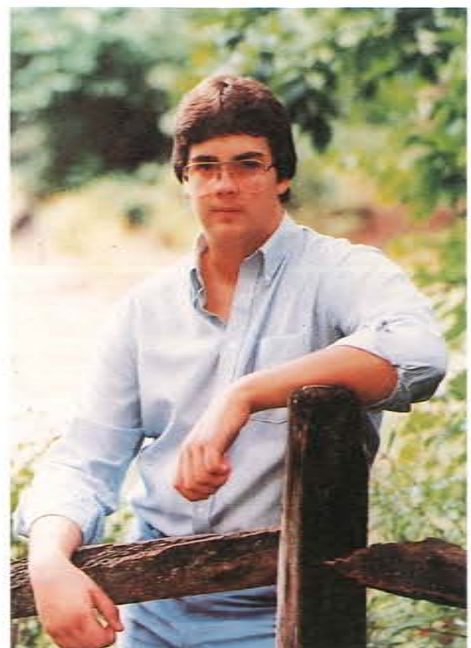
- S Andrews University
- E Dallas Cowboys
- N Dennis
- I Fake friends
- O Business Executive
- R Avon Park, FL

Timothy Wyatt Brooks

- S Southern College
- E Making friends
- N Brooks
- I Smart-mouthed people
- O Computer Technician
- R Hendersonville, NC

Kristin Julia Brown

- S Southern College
- E Sleeping in late
- N Krissie
- I Valley Girls
- O Undecided
- R Hendersonville, N.C.



Melinda Gae Crissup

- S Andrews University
- E Being with my friends
- N Jolinda
- I Two-faced people
- O Office Administrator
- R Reading, PA

Sonia Joanne Eberhardt

- S North Georgia College
- E Weekends
- N Sony
- I Moody or nagging people
- O Registered Nurse
- R Cleveland, GA

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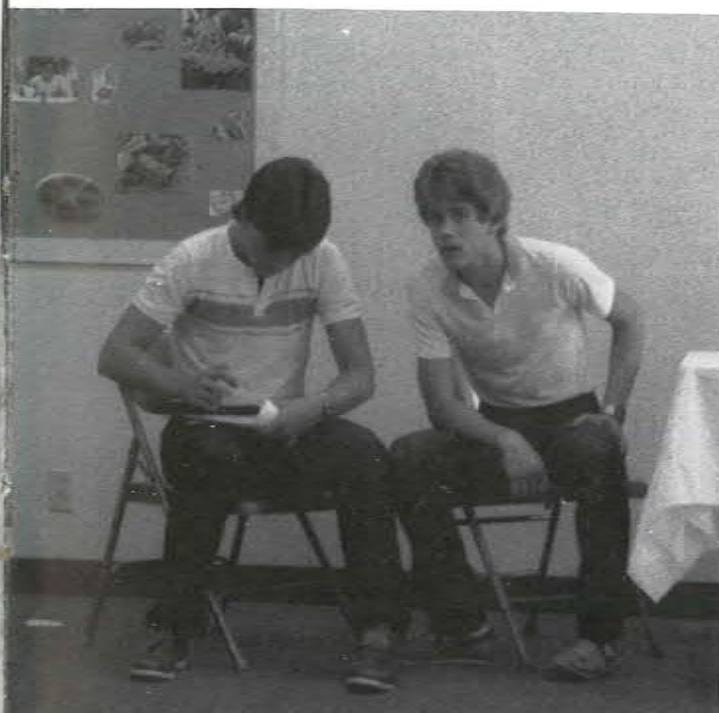


Krissie Brown gropes with arm-loads of apples, boosting money-raising funds for Senior Class on August 29, Apple Picking Day.

Pagett VanHooser concentrates on computer science assignment.

Senior Candy Wynn flashes a quick smile as she rushes off to health class.

Kevin Lockhart and Gary Hoover catch up on summer gossip to avoid standing in countless registration lines.



Daniel Leslie Edwards

- S Andrews University
- E Reading
- N Dan
- I Being kept waiting
- O Undecided
- R Naples, NC

Marjorie Dena Edwards

- S Southern College
- E Weekends
- N Marji
- I Getting yelled at
- O Undecided
- R Hendersonville, NC



Angela Sue Holdsworth

- S Southern College
- E Steeler games
- N Angie/Yank
- I People who say, "Never mind!"
- O Accountant
- R Bristol, TN

Gary Edward Hoover

- S Southern College
- E Cutting up in choir
- N Grover
- I Know-it-alls
- O Business Salesman
- R Hendersonville, NC

Denise Lynn Foster

- S Andrews University
- E Being with friends, Life
- N Dennis
- I Two-faced people, money
- O Obstetrician
- R Orlando, FL

Carol Marie Goodwin

- S Southern College
- E Friends, talking
- N Red
- I Unreasonable teachers
- O Registered Nurse
- R Malawa, Africa



Paul Gardiner Jenks, Jr.

- S Southern College
- E Having fun with my friends
- N Paul
- I Dull people
- O Physical Education
- R Hendersonville, NC

Wendy Jane Jongema

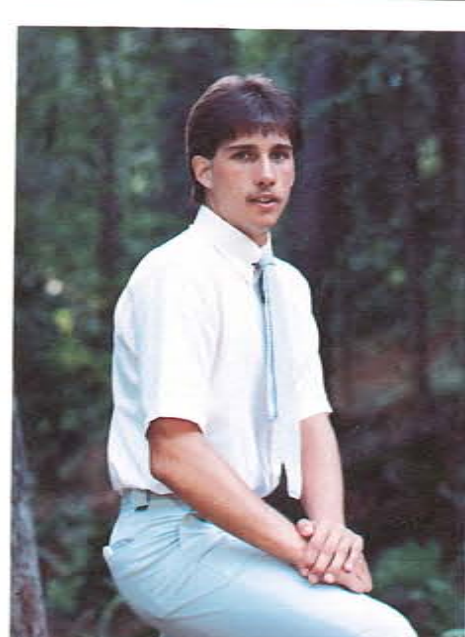
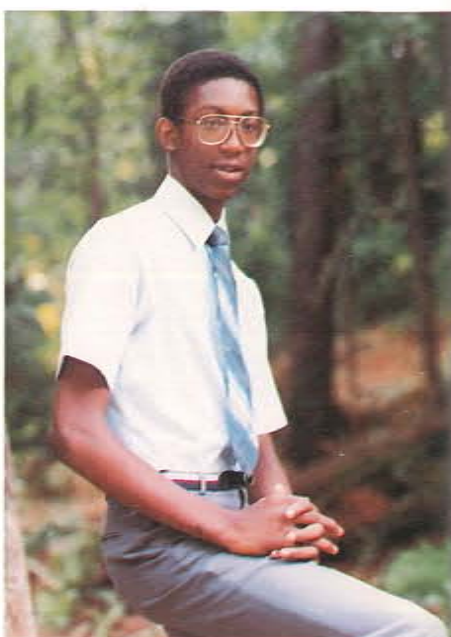
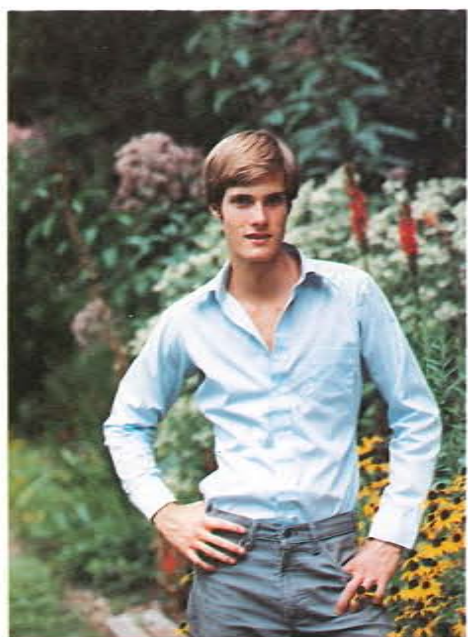
- S Georgia State University
- E Guys
- N Wendell
- I Smart-mouthed people
- O Accountant or Secretary
- R Atlanta, GA

Robert Ashley Haight

- S Georgia State
- E Hiking, Camping
- N Rob
- I Rude people
- O Real Estate Agent
- R Atlanta, GA

Adrian Claude Hensley

- S Southern College
- E Basketball, Friends
- N Adrian
- I Mouthy people
- O Computer programmer
- R Orlando, FL



Rebecca Ann Krishingner

- S Southern College
- E Sports, music
- N Beaker
- I Not enough time!
- O Medical Doctor
- R Hendersonville, NC

Charles Kevin Lockhart

- S Virginia Tech.
- E Basketball, LMB
- N Kevin
- I Dumb rules
- O Engineer
- R Wytheville, VA

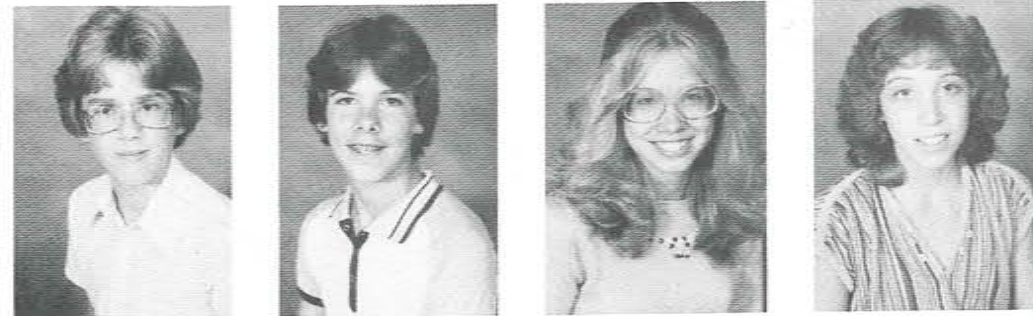
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Paul Jenks
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Becky Krishinger



Kevin Lockhart
Leah Mulligan
Kim O'Guin
Shannon Parker



George Pendleton
Donna Scarlett
Salli Spaulding
Bobby Stepp



Four Year Seniors:

Fifty Percent of Senior Class Reminisce Across Four Years

For the last three years the four year Seniors of Fletcher have watched graduates march down the aisle in cap and gown at graduation and their turn is just ahead.

Their hard and fun packed academy days have been spent here at Fletcher and they feel a part of it. Now they look back and remember the insecurity they felt coming to Fletcher as freshmen. With the guidance and support of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Nielsen and Mr. and Mrs. John Hall, these students have grown together

as a family with close bonds of friendship that will never be broken. As juniors they really pulled together and were the winners of both the Fall and Spring Picnics. They also completed a successful fund raising project of selling pecans. As a result of their hard work to raise this money the seniors enjoyed a fun and exciting class trip. Their final year they also won the Fall Picnic making three straight wins in a row. They will receive their final reward for their hard work in the past when on graduation day their hands finally grip the long-awaited diploma.



1984 Four-Year Seniors assemble for group picture near academy sign.

Pagett Van Hooser
John Zill

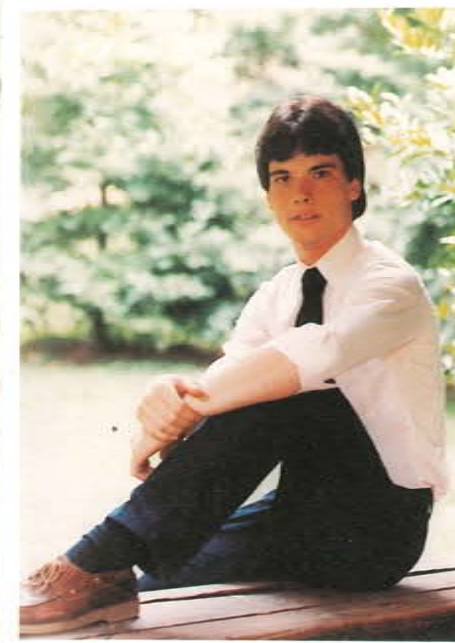


Rachel Leah Mulligan

- S Southern College
- E Vacationing on the beach
- N Leah
- I Not enough time
- O Elementary Educator
- R Hendersonville, NC

Michael Anthony Newsome

- S Oakwood College
- E Basketball, running
- N Mike
- I Unorganized activities
- O Minister
- R Hendersonville, NC



Kyle Larry Root

- S UNC at Chapel Hill
- E Sports
- N Kyle
- I Nosey people
- O Commerical Airline Pilot
- R Fletcher, NC

Donnakaye Lorraine Scarlett

- S Undecided
- E Sports
- N Scaglett
- I People who use others
- O Pediatrician
- R Freeport, Bahamas

Kim Lorraine O'Guin

- S Southern College
- E Making friends
- N Kemo
- I Too much homework
- O Undecided
- R Newport News, VA

Shannon Lee Parker

- S Georgetown University
- E Traveling, talking
- N Shanigans
- I Math, slow drivers
- O Political Scientist
- R Hendersonville, NC



Robyn Patrice Schwalm

- S Southern College
- E Playing the piano
- N Robyn
- I Stuck-up people
- O Flight Attendant
- R Daytona Beach, FL

Dale Carlyle Sikora

- S Texas Tech or LSU
- E Socializing with females
- N Dale
- I Lt. green paint in bathrooms
- O Computer Designer
- R Marshall, TX

George Willis Pendleton

- S Andrews University
- E Gymnastics, talking
- N George
- I People without guts
- O Media Technologist
- R Hendersonville, NC

Daphne Katrina Rakestraw

- S Southern College
- E Music, talking
- N Daph
- I Unemployment
- O Lawyer
- R Cleveland, GA

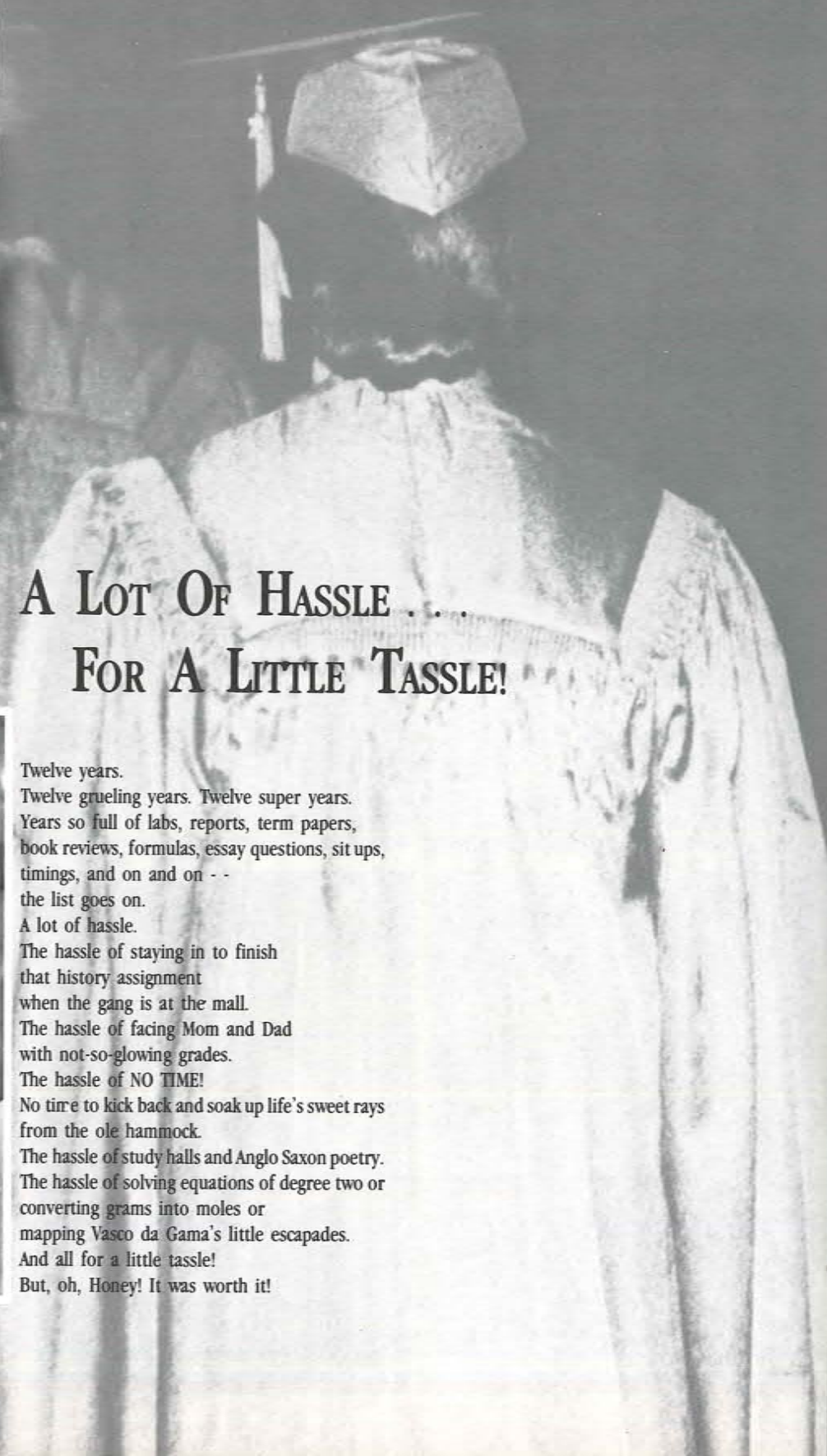


Salli Lynn Spaulding

- S Southern College
- E Acting "deflicted"
- N Back Alley
- I No bologna sandwiches here
- O Secretary
- R Athens, GA

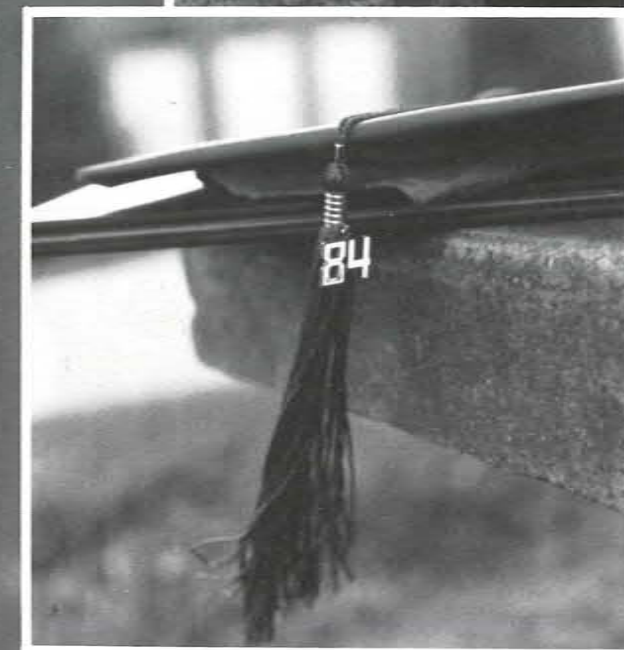
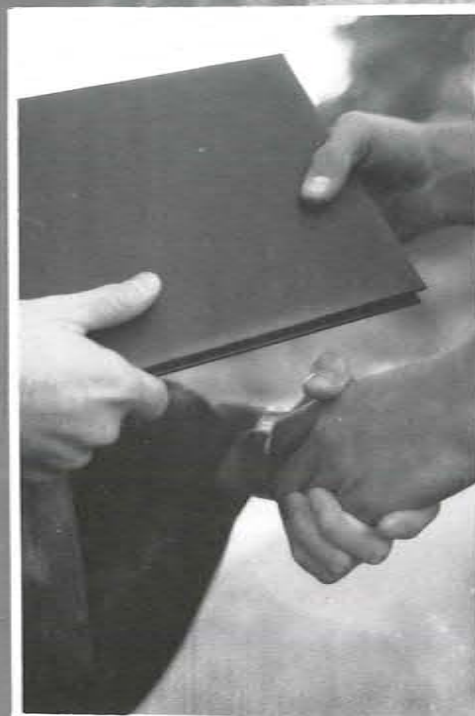
Timothy Allen Smith

- S Southern College
- E Art
- N Cannon Ball
- I Punishment without trial
- O Commercial Artist
- R Hendersonville, NC



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book reviews, formulas, essay questions, sit ups,
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The hassle of staying in to finish
that history assignment
when the gang is at the mall.
The hassle of facing Mom and Dad
with not-so-glowing grades.
The hassle of NO TIME!
No time to kick back and soak up life's sweet rays
from the ole hammock.
The hassle of study halls and Anglo Saxon poetry.
The hassle of solving equations of degree two or
converting grams into moles or
mapping Vasco da Gama's little escapades.
And all for a little tassel!
But, oh, Honey! It was worth it!

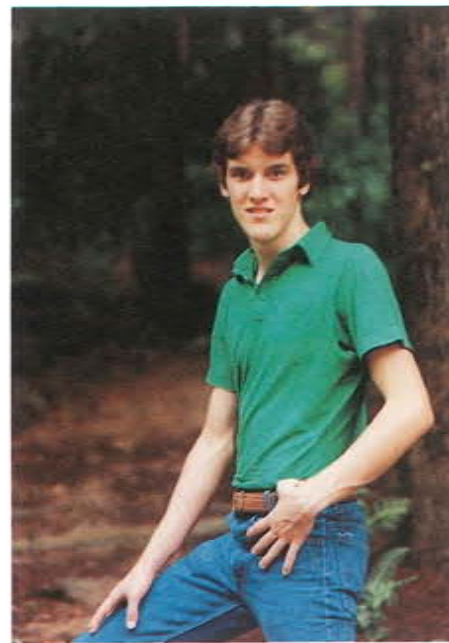


Robert Gregory Stepp

- S AB Tech
- E Playing basketball
- N Booby
- I Smart-mouthed people
- O Radiologist Technician
- R Hendersonville, NC

Dennis James Strack, Jr.

- S Undecided
- E Dallas Cowboys
- N Chris
- I Smart-mouthed rebels
- O Computer Programmer
- R Glengray, W.VA



John Walter Zill

- S Southern College
- E Caving, scuba diving
- N John
- I Working with lazy people
- O Medical Doctor
- R Boyton Beach, FL

Cherri Blossom Summerton

- S Kettering College
- E Walking
- N Cherry-berry
- I Being stuck on campus
- O Ultrasound Technician
- R Nashville, TN

Pagett Lynn VanHooser

- S Mtn. Empire Comm. College
- E Gymnastics
- N Pag
- I Two-faced people
- O Doctor
- R Big Stone Gap, VA



Thomas Lee Whidden

- S Auburn
- E Whatever I am doing
- N Whidden
- I Irritating people
- O Business Executive
- R Fletcher, NC

Angelia Michelle Wynn

- S Southern College
- E Life, Christ, friends
- N Candy-Bobbsy #1
- I Leaving friends
- O Psychologist
- R Miamisburg, OH



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Dear Fletcher,

Thank you.

Thank you for the mist rising between successive layers of green hills all around.

Thank you for a faculty who cares - - a faculty who became a friend.

Thank you for evenings of flag ball - - my diversion, mornings of chemistry - - my discipline, and afternoons on the job - - my development.

Thank you for my close friends, friends who understood even when I made stupid blunders.

Thank you also for that outer ring of friends - - the casual ones who laugh and talk and play and work and study alongside me.

Thank you for school year '83-'84 and the lessons it has taught me, the growth it has meant to me, the full life it has handed me.

Thank you for the willow - - the mighty willow - - which was always there like a wise old sage, solid as any shoulder I ever cried on.

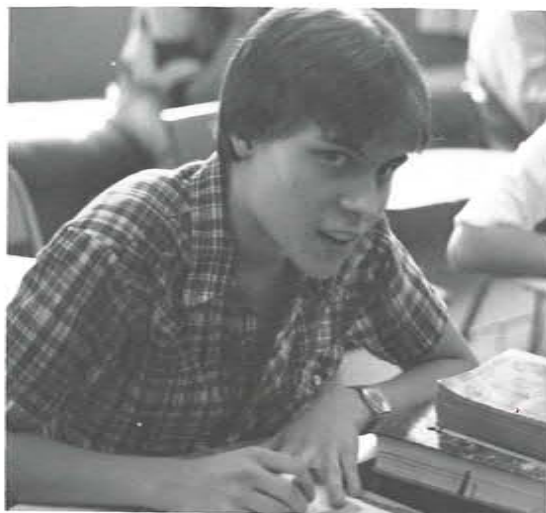
Thank you for Strawberry Hill and Christmas Break and Boys' Open House and Outdoor Club and Gymnastic routines and my dean.

Thank you for that special person whom I grew to have such strong feelings for.

Fletcher, you were great!

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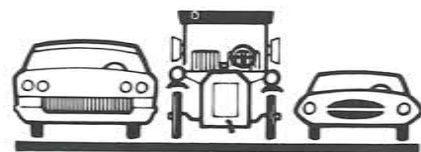
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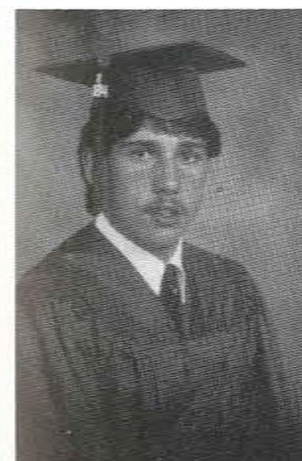
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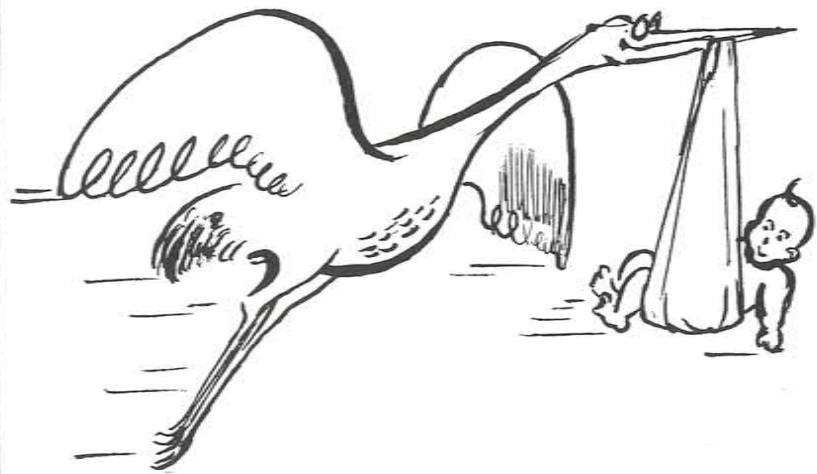
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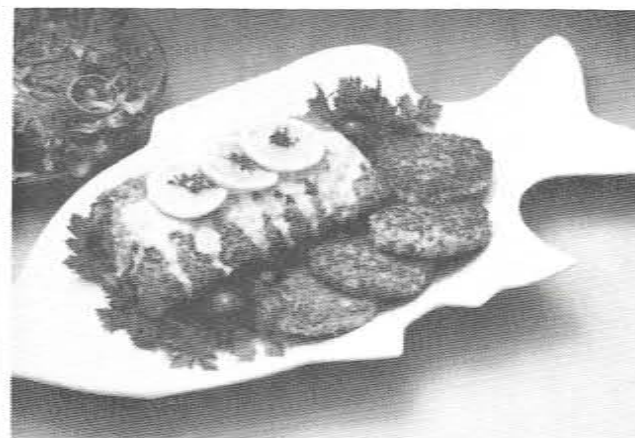
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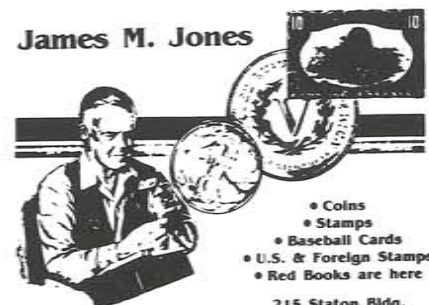
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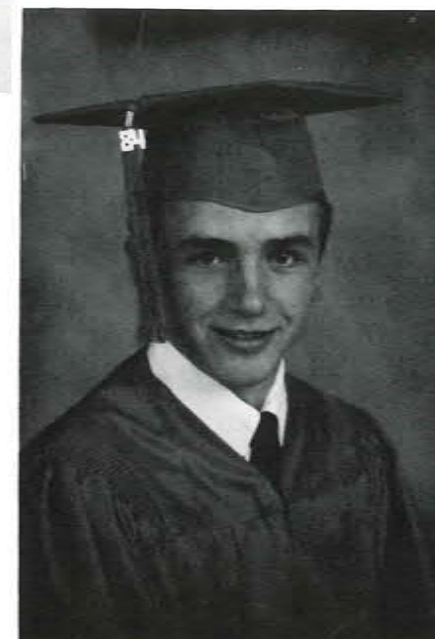
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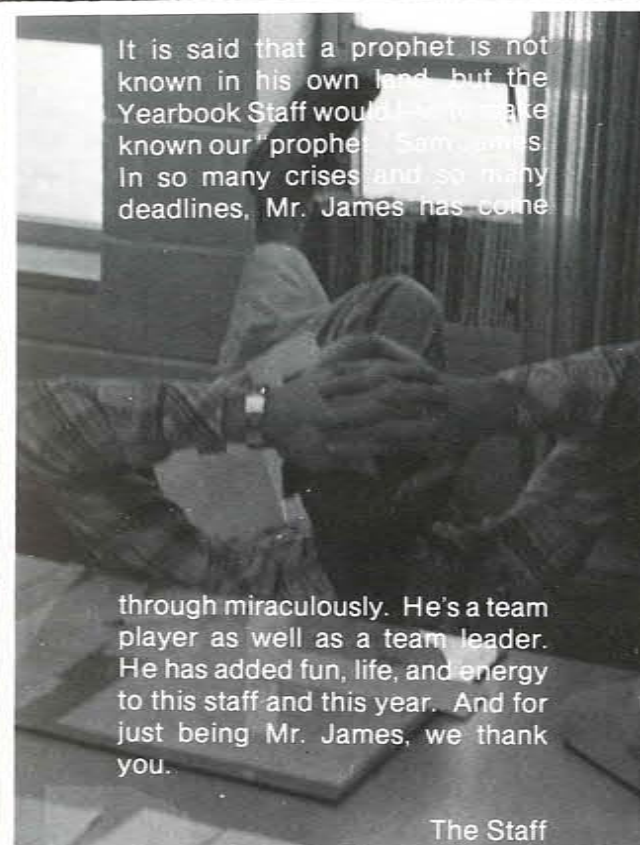
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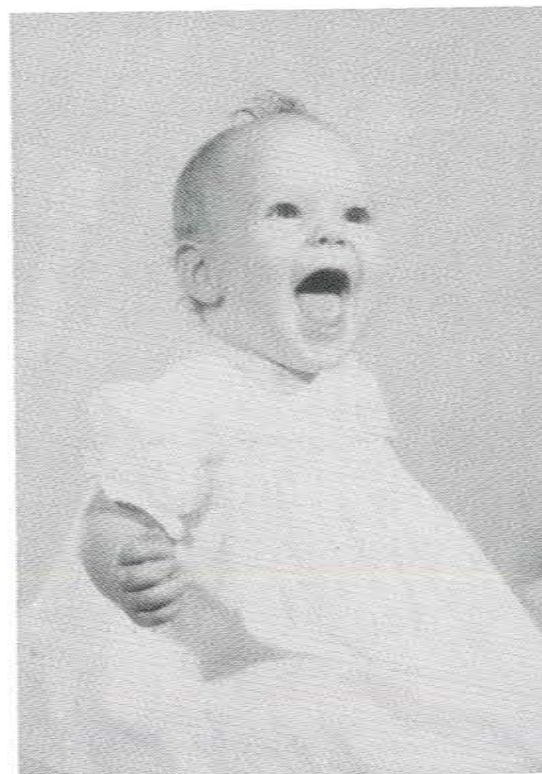
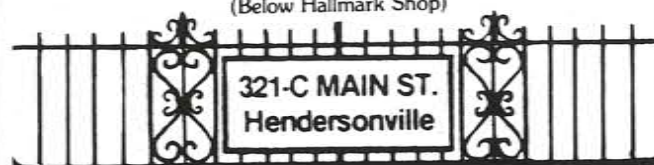
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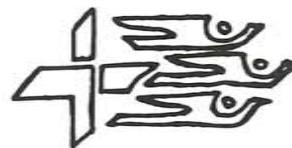
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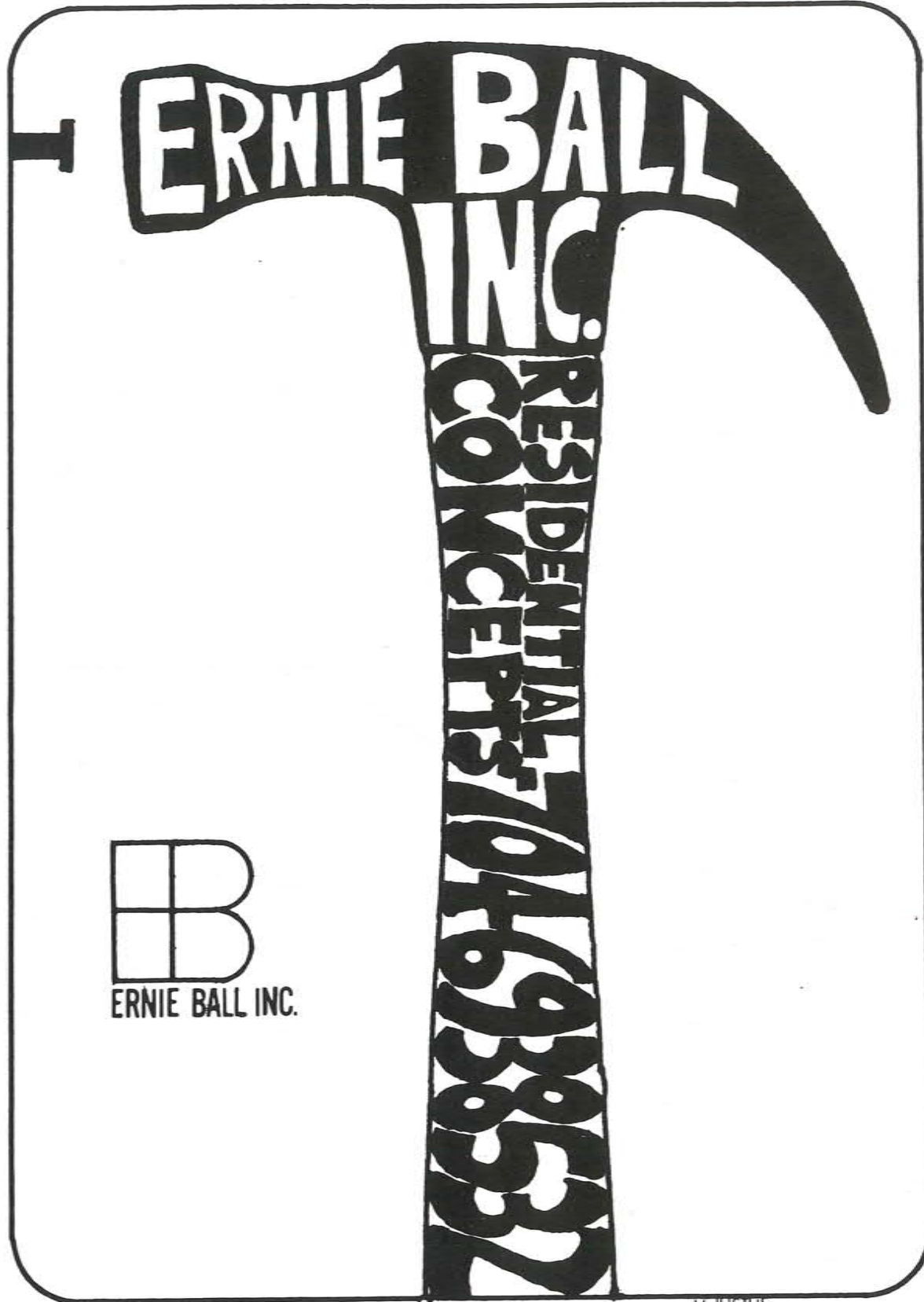
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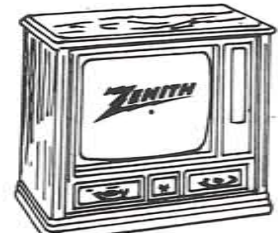


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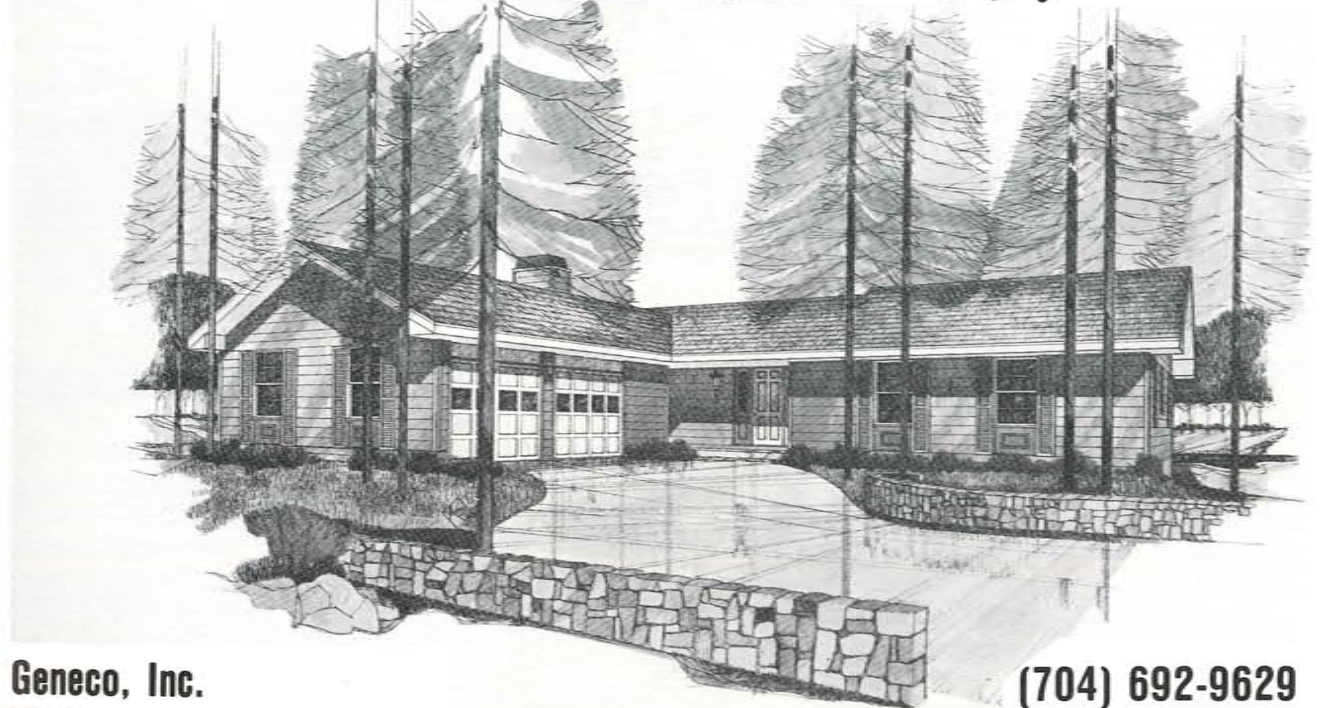
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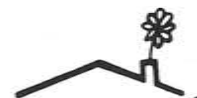
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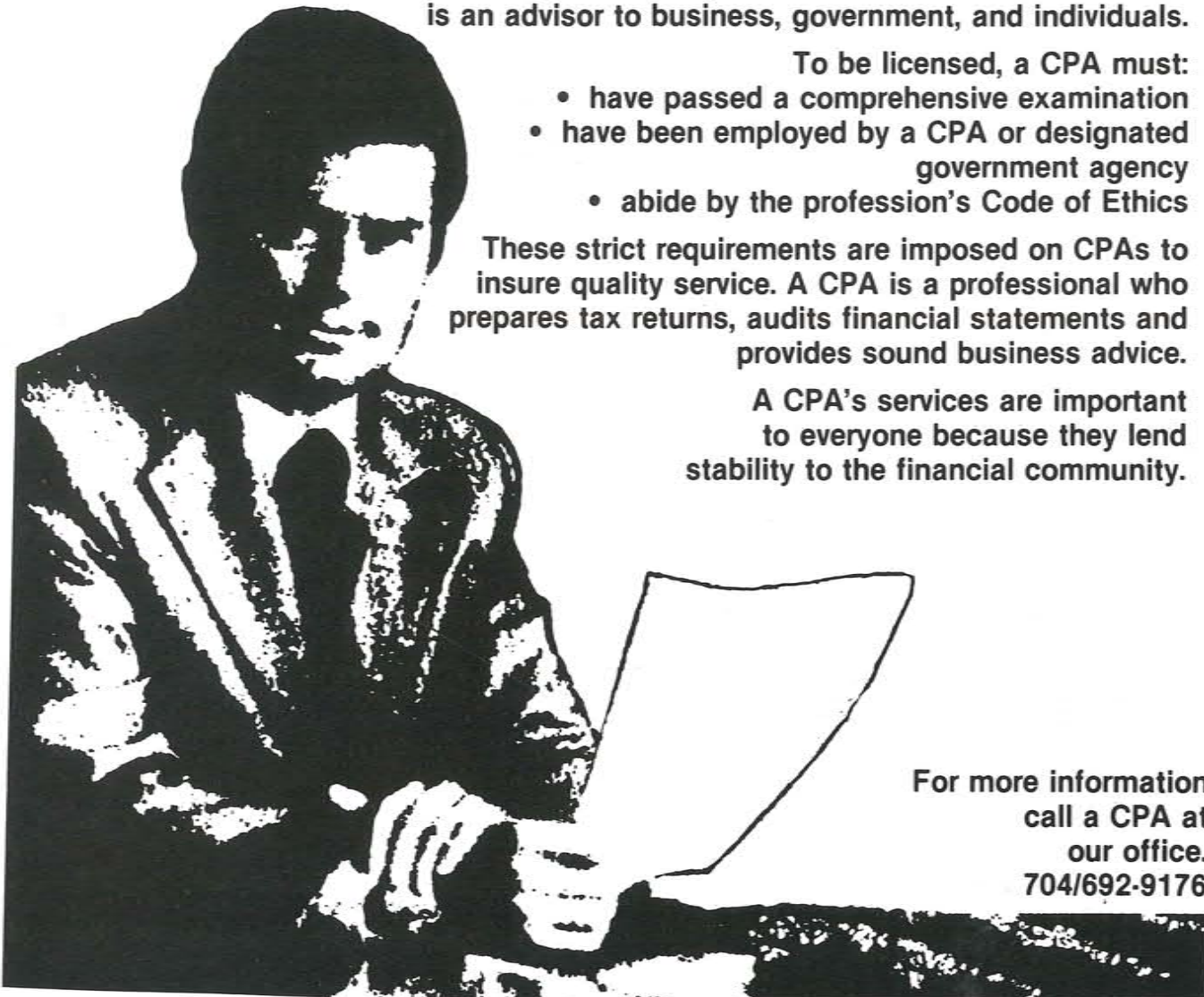
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