or better or worse, things change. People, classes, professors, weather, attitudes and the University too. Although everything always changes with the time, the 1985-86 year seemed overwhelmed with them.

Every year, every quarter, classes changed. Sometimes majors changed with them. With new classes came new professors, but always more books needed to be bought. As always, the changes were accompanied by the stable things we could guarantee.

We changed too. As the surveys revealed, we grew more conservative, but there were always the few that didn’t fit into the norm. We concentrated more on “getting a job” than on learning at times, but with the diversity that makes Tech what it is, we still couldn’t include everyone in that statement.

We learned to call Tech “home” and with that came a change in loyalty. Some couldn’t find anything to be grateful for, while others bathed in maroon and orange happiness.

We grew older but not always wiser, but we did learn how to cope. And in learning that, we adapted to the changing times of 1986.
Slusher Tower, looming over Campbell Hall to the left and Hutcheson Hall to the right, houses the largest amount of on-campus females.

The drill field, the dominant area of the campus, may become unrecognizable in the next years due to architectural changes from Burrus Hall, the building pictured in the background.

"In the last several years, Tech has given the highest priority to the development of educational excellence."

William Lavery
President, VPI & SU
We’ve made major gains in space. Come this fall, we will have in excess of $30 million of construction under way at the university.

Dr. David P. Roselle Provost

Construction was started during the summer on more metered parking behind the bookstore. Although completed before the most students arrived for fall quarter, the inconvenience the closed spots caused for the summer students was large.
Elements change as construction reaches new heights

For anyone who was here, their summer was marked by construction. The road around the drill field on the Lower Quad side was ripped open to replace the pipes below it. Classes held in Hutcheson, Smyth, Sandy, and Price Halls were drowned with the sounds of drills and numerous large trucks that worked from eight in the morning until the afternoon.

Changes also occurred to the parking lot behind the bookstore. Construction began in the summer added more faculty and staff parking in the rear and metered parking for customers in the front.

Construction on Whittemore was completed by fall quarter. The new and improved building had three floors added. Students arriving from Price's Fork Road saw a changed back side of Tech when they came to park in the huge commuter lot behind it.

A new sidewalk was added between Holden and McBryde Halls, changing the way students walked around that area. The new path made it more convenient to walk from Randolph Hall to other parts of campus.

Another new sidewalk was added to replace the

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After students had made an unsightly path from McBryde Hall to Squires Student Center bus stops, the University decided in early fall to clean it up by building a sidewalk there.

Taking little time to complete, the new sidewalk path was even complete with lamp posts.
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dirt path numerous students had made from McBryde Hall to Squires. The huge rain puddles
that were created on the sidewalk below the path were erased once the new sidewalk was completed
in October.

Construction also spread into Blacksburg. Building of Main Street started in the summer and
lasted until October. The plans called for a new look of the street, that would encourage the hometown feeling the city had. New lights were installed up the street, often criticized because they were so bright, as well as benches and trees. When finally completed, the street welcomed visitors, residents, and students with a better view than before.

Haunted with complaints that it was unsafe at night, the university changed the look of the Drill Field by adding lights to the several passes on it. Although they were added to remedy a problem, gazing at stars was not possible from the War Memorial Chapel because of the glare from below.

The courtyard surrounded by Hutcheson, Smyth, Seitz, Agnew, Saunders, Price, and Sandy Halls received a new look. Construction began on new sidewalks around the grass spruced the area up, but the newest change was the addition of an extended sidewalk into the courtyard for students to relax on in between classes.

Of course, sometimes nothing changed. Everywhere students walked, new chain linked fences blocked their path, making them stick to the sidewalks. Additions around Upper Quad and the mall stopped many from making more trodden upon grass areas.

And the future holds more changes. With the passing of the “Master Plan,” the University is due for serious changes in the next five years. More buildings, in addition to changing the drill field’s whole atmosphere, will make this campus a different place if we return after graduation, once again reflecting that all things must change.

When the beautification of Blacksburg’s Main Street ripped up the sidewalks, shoppers and travelers had to avoid the gravel and sawhorses.

Construction was begun and completed during the summer on the road around the drill field. While the fences were up, parking was prohibited and drivers were advised to watch for pedestrians.

To update the courtyard by Hutcheson meant heavy machinery and closed sidewalks. The completed work included more benches, new sidewalks and an extended area in the courtyard.
There were a lot of times when I didn’t think the hassle was worth it.

Karen Moorhouse
Junior
Although students would question the importance of a leader, basketball coaches Charles Moir for men and Carol Alfano for women led their teams into winning seasons and national recognition.

I think that sports gave students a chance to get excited about something in this void.

Dave Knachel
Senior

With our previous victories displayed in the background, the football team celebrates another touchdown.

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With the individualized sport that baseball is, the rest of the team could often be caught relaxing in the dugout.
Most people conceded that sports brought the money and national recognition to Tech, as with most campuses. But another issue affected the campus in 1986.

It wasn’t the scores of the teams. It wasn’t their performances. It was the athletic director. Although the football team ended with a winning season after losing to the first three games of the year, including the exciting game against Clemson, the student body felt that football was boring. The baseball team once again had another winning year, although it was neglected by the Athletic Association. A fine performance by Dell Curry enhanced the year and made it more exciting.

With strong support from their coaches, the men’s and women’s basketball teams went to winning seasons again.

In January William Dooley was marked with criticism from the students and area media. Asked to resign from his position by an SGA member, Dooley’s silence and the controversy that arose from it forced the university to form a committee to investigate the role of athletics at Tech.
Brass buckles gleaming brightly under October skies, the Corps of Cadets Regimental Command marches ahead during the fall homecoming parade. The corps has been an integral part of the university since its opening in 1872.

We must not place our students into a situation in which their enthusiasm for learning is replaced by a realization that all that matters is to survive the system.

Dr. David P. Roselle Provost
While at Tech and after leaving, we realized we were Above the Crowds

Although we could rely on the administration and faculty returning year after year, we couldn't say the same about ourselves, the students.

People left early before graduation from grades or boredom or stayed late for other reasons. In fact, only 40 percent of us graduated from Tech in only four years, the remainder graduating in more than that.

The people we spent time with changed.
As we grew older our priorities changed. Suddenly concerns about jobs, families, and incomes entered the picture and we were left to cope with the decisions to make.

Administration and faculty sang praises about us. They recognized the changes we were going through and changed the way they dealt with us.

Through it all, we grew and learned. We learned about ourselves and others and even this University.

From this education we emerged the new generation destined to succeed and add to Tech's established excellence.

Mike Strickland, president of the Interfraternity Council, looks on contentedly during the IFC's Band Day in the fall.

Juniors Lisa Carr and Mike Villareale discuss the future of senior Tom Phillips who graduated in March.

Alison Leonard, a senior in history, takes advantage of the couches on the third floor of the library for relaxing reading.
Despite what absent students thought, summer didn't Shut the Town Down

With the last days of spring quarter until the third week in September, summer held Blacksburg in what most absent people would think was a standstill. Yet for the people who did stay during those three months, Blacksburg was anything but at a standstill.

Construction was rampant both on and off campus. Almost daily, structures seemed to change and students who saw this progress were amazed at its speed.

Classes were easy. The professors' attitudes changed. They knew that the students in their classes either had to get good grades or leave the University for a year or wanted to learn the subject. This prompted a changed teaching technique that meant more individualized help and much more enthusiasm on both sides.

Businesses in Blacksburg changed their hours. Staying open until 9 pm was rare for most stores. Students had to change their shopping habits to accommodate these closings.

Yet for all the relaxed classes and atmosphere, the counseling services had more people asking for help than normal. It was partly blamed on the drastic difference Tech goes through when over 15,000 students leave in June.

Even so, the weather, the people, the school made it worth it. Most agreed that it was easy adapting to a different schedule and would go through the change another year.

All aspects of life continue during the summer, including students' financial obligations. This student beats the heat by donning athletic attire while depositing his paycheck at the convenient MOST machine on Main Street.

A prominent site on campus was the daily tours run by the Student Alumni Association for the entering freshmen and their accompanying parents. Orientation for these future Hokies went from June to July.
Against grey summer skies, brightly colored balloons were a part of a celebration held in Roanoke this summer.

Lush, That's what you'd call it. Very quiet ... very peaceful.

John Branscome Senior
The beauty of campus foliage is unmatched by most other universities. These two Tech students enjoy the warm air and colorful surroundings on a balmy October day.
The influx of the remainder of the students in September meant many changes for those who were here during the summer and for those year-round residents. Not only did the business hours change to more convenient times, the many bars that closed down during the summer opened back up and although they greeted a smaller drinking crowd due to the recent raise in the legal drinking age, they did greet those customers with open arms.

Of course, as always, students had to fix the schedule they received in the mail. A never ending battle, adjusting one's schedule was a constant element amid the changes.

**Homecoming Queen Peggy Fox** receives a congratulatory hug from her escort Chris Plummer. Fox was crowned during halftime ceremonies at the William and Mary football game.

However the check-in procedure was changed by the new IDs everyone received. With a magnetic strip on the back, the IDs replaced the hassle of waiting in long lines to get an imprint over a certain date quarter after quarter. At last it seemed the university actually did something to benefit the students.

As people got into the routine of school, the weather grew cooler. But this change wasn't as severe or as early as the frigid winter of last year. Normally coated with snow by Thanksgiving, Blacksburg was free of the white covering until the end of January.

That snow was accompanied with frigid weather, which prompted the university to cancel first period classes one Tuesday. Classes were canceled the year before after noon on a Thursday.

As the weather changed, the students wore warmer or cooler clothes and learned to live with the wind, rain, and snow.

**Although the beginning of January was cold enough to freeze the Duck Pond for ice skating, there was no snow until the beginning of February.**

"These have been the warmest seasons since I've been here, but I do miss the snow."

Mark Munson
Junior
Coated in the sun

Spring made classes and responsibilities easier to handle

After a usually long winter that turned Tech into a dismal, bare surrounding, spring was welcomed with open arms. With the first appearance of buds on the trees, students knew that the countryside would once again be turning beautiful.

As spring quarter began in late March, the outdoors became a welcome place. Professors found they had to compete with that “nature yearning” in order to have a successful lecture. Classes seemed harder to attend with the various activities occurring around campus.

Many “beaches” appeared on campus. Mostly on campus girls grouped together layed out in the sun by their dorms, creating a diversion for the males who walked by.

Tennis courts and open fields finally were dry enough to have students play on them. And played on they were.

Intramural teams were numerous, but competition remained in the friendly spirit.

Trips to the New River were common on the weekends. There students could enjoy the breathtaking scenery with their friends. The area was also large enough to find a place of one’s own if needed.

But no matter how beautiful, spring often leads students into thinking of the future: of jobs for the graduating seniors, of next year’s classes for returning students, of summer jobs or summer plans for everyone, but mostly of what changes would happen in the future months.

Because no matter how we might try, there really was no way to avoid the changing times.

I always look forward to it because it’s the only time of the year when the weather makes me feel like I’m in a normal place.

Gerald Hampton
Junior

Over fifty years old, Burrus Hall continues to rule majestically over Tech. Landscaping revisions have made this building a compliment to spring.
Enjoying a pensive moment in the sun, this student relaxes under a willow tree at the Duck Pond's edge.
Experiences are part of the learning too.

Life and Times

Fast, furious, fascinating, and fatiguing — the life of Tech's students was an everchanging collage of sights and sounds. In the fall, the colors of homecoming brightened Lane Stadium and ghosts and ghouls speckled the streets on Halloween. All year round the sounds of local bands filled local bars with rock and roll, jazz, and new wave.

In the midst of this activity, students made decisions — to drink or to study; to go Greek, to go into the Corps, or stay independent; to date many or only one. The students' decisions showed signs of change — tougher laws made it more difficult for teenagers to drink, and threats of sexually transmitted disease added risk to the freedom of dating.

Despite all changes, the traditions of Virginia Tech remained as symbols of the life at the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College.
ON THE ROAD

"To stay or not to stay; should I take off for a relaxing weekend out of Blacksburg, or should I catch up on those eight chapters of Econ readings?" That was the question on the minds of students at many times during the year as they tried to decide on plans for the upcoming weekend.

Some students felt too guilty to allow themselves two days off, so they opted to stay in town to get some of the homework done that had piled up during the week. The weekend was a good chance to study for future tests, too. However, when others decided to give up a weekend vacation to work, they sometimes found that they didn’t get any more work done than if they had spent those two days away. Sharon Stacy, a freshman in general engineering, said, “It’s frustrating because I wanted to go home that weekend, but I tell myself ‘well, put the time to good use.’ But I end up getting nothing done anyway. I might as well have been at home, for all the work I got done.”

While some students took their books on the road with them, most left them at home and left the academic setting behind.

Students left Blacksburg for various reasons; those with girl—or boyfriends in other cities were frequently gone on weekends. Steve Janauschek, freshman agricultural economics major, who drove home four hours away nearly every weekend to see his girlfriend related “the long drives were worth it, because I enjoy my time spent with her much more than I would a weekend in Blacksburg.”

After a long week of homework, papers, and tests, many students elected to go home, to get away from dining hall food and academic pressures. Another reason students left campus were the concerts offered in nearby Roanoke; the Civic Center was host to such bands as Starship and Loverboy during the year.

Besides the popular spring break road trips to east coast beaches, Tech — UVa sporting events held at UVa or in Roanoke were the ultimate excuse for a road trip. Although students had to purchase public tickets to these games, they gathered up friends, food, and good music and hit the road, telling UVa jokes as they went.

Most students who traveled looked for riders to go with them, to split the cost of gas and to have company on long trips. Riders connected with rides in several ways: through word of mouth, by putting a card in the Rides/Riders center in Squires, or putting up homemade signs on campus bulletin boards. Signs such as “Ride needed to/from No. Va.: Oct 8-10” and “Riders needed to/from Ackron, Ohio for Thanksgiving break” were popular examples found in the dining halls and academic buildings.

No matter why students left town, most road trips served the same purpose: to get away from the routine of academic life for awhile and just have some fun.

— S. Lynn Browder
In and All Around Town

Though it may seem scarce at times, entertainment was actually abundant and diverse.

hat am I going to do this weekend?" Although students loved to gripe about how boring or 'dead' Blacksburg was, most eventually discovered that the area was rich with activities.

On the college-oriented side, there were local nightspots that were as popular during the week as on weekends, due to the happy hours offered on weekdays. Those with the urge to dance frequented bars such as After Sundown and Jacob's Lounge at the Marriott, while some who just wanted to share a few beers with friends could usually be found at places like Top of the Stairs or the Hokie House.

Squires Student Center provided a variety of activities to please even the most bored: students could bowl, play pool, pingpong or video games, or watch their favorite show on a wide-screen TV.

The dependable standby entertainment was the movies; with three movie houses in Blacksburg plus movies at Squires, students had quite a selection of films at any given time.

There were diverse cuisines available at restaurants within a ten mile radius of campus; a dinner out was always a welcome change from dining hall food or apartment cooking.

Typical on any college campus, fraternity parties continued to provide weekend entertainment for many Greeks as well as independents; most parties were held at the Greeks’ houses or at local apartments’ club houses.

Tech’s location in the Appalachian Blue Ridge Mountains added to the list of activities, providing an outdoor playground with caving, skiing, and tubing on the New River all close at hand.

Although first arrivals to the Blacksburg area may have thought it was skimpy on entertainment, the city, combined with the university setting, provided plenty of diverse events to keep anyone with spare time busy.

— S. Lynn Browder
Weeknights found Ton-80 regulars practicing at the dartboards, when it was less crowded. The bar, famous for its Mexican food, often held dart tournaments.

Video games, such as this electronic poker game at the Hokie House, were popular accompaniments to a relaxing evening with friends.

In January the Duck Pond finally froze over, and students took advantage of the ice to skate and exercise apartment-bound pets. Ice skating was one way students tried to work off mid-winter's academic pressures.
The Marching Virginians took the relaxed attire rule for the parade as an opportunity to show some spirit; the band had a full day with the parade at 9:00 a.m. and then the football game at noon.

Seniors Mark Hill, an engineering student, and Nancy Parson enjoy each other's company as well as the sounds of the Necktones. The band was one of two brought in for the dance.

At the Homecoming dance Saturday night, the bass guitarist for Power Play enjoys the audience response to "Shout."
During Homecoming 1985, Tech was “Movin’ to the Music.” Some stepped less lively than others, but Hokie spirit prevailed — that will never change. Homecoming piqued emotions, memories, and the differences between them and now — that will never change, nor will the atmosphere that is unique to this campus. The drillfield came to life when the first annual Homecoming Fest kicked off Homecoming weekend. The Fest, planned by the Office of Student Affairs, resembled a carnival with live bands, booths and games sponsored by student organizations. The fun-loving crowd danced to the music, played egg toss, and at one booth even attempted to dunk fraternity men.

The Marching Virginians sousaphone section led the Fest crowd in the Hokie-pokie. Two bands, Instinct and Alias, provided musical entertainment.

For the first time in several years, the Virginia Tech Union did not offer a Friday night Homecoming concert. This decision was the result of low turnout at last year’s concert. Sophomore Becky Shalenko supported the VTU’s decision saying, “there was so much happening during Homecoming weekend, such as parties, that I think most students tended to overlook the concert.”

The decision to crown the queen at halftime was made by the selection committee. “Many alumni and students expressed their feelings for crowning the queen at halftime,” said Marty O’Neill, chairperson of the selection committee. This was a change from last year when the queen was crowned at the Friday night pep rally. The ten candidates for queen were chosen by a selection committee.

After being crowned during halftime at the game, Peggy Fox is congratulated by President Lavery and 1984 Homecoming Queen Robin Johnson. They were waiting to follow the Marching Virginians in the procession off the field.
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Committee, of faculty and students, but popular vote of the student body decided the winner. Peggy Fox, a senior in communication studies, was elected to represent Tech as the Homecoming Queen.

Early Saturday morning the Hokie alumni were ready to show their spirit in the Homecoming parade that started at the Blacksburg Middle School, continued through downtown and ended at the Tech campus. They proudly proved that their enthusiasm had not faded.

The music continued with several area high school bands, the Highty Tighties and the Marching Virginians. Tradition continued as student organizations sponsored floats that reflected the theme. There was, however, a decreased number of participants in the float competition. The festivities continued, as the Hokies defeated William and Mary. It was a decisive victory with a final score of 40-10. For those bored by the game, fans formed a chain by stacking hundreds of plastic Hokie cups together. Freshman Jill Adams commented, "I even enjoyed dressing up for the game. Everyone seemed to be having a good time."

The weekends events wound up with a semi-formal Homecoming Dance. Both ballrooms in Squires were decorated for the evening and each ballroom had a band to provide a variety of music for the dancers. Freshman Kim McMillian expressed her delight with the bands and the dance but said, "I only wish more people would have attended."

Hopefully the participation will change with implementation of new traditions such as the Homecoming Fest. One tradition that won't change is the sentimental return of Tech alumni.

— Anna Glass

The President's Trophy float, co-produced by Zeta Tau Alpha and Delta Upsilon, reflected the 'Movin' to the Music' theme with its four foot high radio and break dancing turkey.

As they marched in Saturday morning's Homecoming parade, the Highty Tighties displayed their prominent symbol on the painted bass drum.
Walking up Main Street in the parade, New Virginians cast members give away balloons advertising their Homecoming Show, held that night.

A Blacksburg youngster gets a bird’s eye view of the parade as the Corps of Cadets pass in review.

During Tech’s 40-10 crushing victory over William and Mary, strong safety Alan Harris (27) and free safety Billy Myers (13) cause another loss of down for the Indians.
Summer sessions relaxed both education and diversions and proved they were NOT SO DULL

Most students celebrated the end of the long school year, packed up, and went home. Vacations, summer jobs, and internships awaited, and most of all a respite from school. However twenty-five percent of the students devoted their summers to staying at Tech.

Over 6,000 students came to one or both sessions to lighten their course load during the regular school year, to repeat classes not previously passed, or to raise their QCA.

Transfer students welcomed the summer as an opportunity to recoup credits lost in changing schools.

Although some may have thought that Blacksburg was dull during the school year, the students who stayed found college life much more enjoyable during the summer months.

"It was my favorite quarter at school so far; the atmosphere was great: beautiful weather, a more relaxed attitude in class, and no long lines to wait in," summed up Erica Willis, a junior in computer science.

The Blacksburg area was full of spare-time activities: tubing on the New River, laying in the sun between classes, hiking at the Cascades, and going out, despite the reduced hours many businesses had during the summer.

A major event of the summer was Blacksburg’s Steppin’ Out festival, held early in August; students and Blacksburg residents crowded to College Avenue to listen to live entertainment, eat a variety of foods, and take advantage of merchant’s sales.

Although with fewer students the campus seemed quieter, faculty members were busier than ever. Many teachers used the summer, with their lower course loads, to concentrate their efforts on research projects.

Campus construction projects also accelerated during the summer months, with a new parking lot completed near the Bookstore and downtown’s renovation getting underway.

Returning students in the fall may have been oblivious to Tech’s summer activity, but for those who had discovered Blacksburg’s summertime pleasures, it was a time to experience, learn, and grow.

— S. Lynn Browder
At Virginia's first Hot Air Balloon Race and Show, held at the end of July, a pilot checks his balloon's expansion as he prepares for the show's start. The show, sponsored by the National Balloon Association, featured entries from over forty states and three countries, and was held at Roanoke's Woodrum Field.

To escape early August's heat and humidity, many students, complete with a floating keg, opted for tubing at the New River.
Ring Dance creates both formal and gala atmosphere with 'Paris' theme

"Our Ring Dance was like a rebirth of the glamour of the Forties. All the glitter and upbeat sounds of Count Basie's Orchestra combined with the Showman's down to earth beach music culminated into one incredible evening for everyone."

Senior Chris Swan's impression of the Class of 1986 Ring Dance echoed that of many juniors who attended.

In a school where many traditions had been broken or changed, juniors welcomed the opportunity to don formal-wear and support the 51st annual affair.

Ring Committee Chairman Desmond Wilson explained that "the whole spirit and tradition behind the dance was something I couldn't picture until I was there and actually saw it."

From its conception by the class of 1935, Ring Dance traditions had remained essentially unchanged, from the Corps' sabre arch at the entrance to the dance, to the midnight fireworks display over the Drillfield.

Another longstanding tradition was the exchange of couples' rings early in the evening while the New Virginians sang "Moonlight and VPI." The song was written by Fred Waring, a Tech graduate, as a tribute to the Class of 1943.

In choosing a theme for the May 1985 dance, class officers and the 1986 Ring Dance Committee looked for a theme "that would reflect the style and class of Tech's first Ring Dance," said Civilian-at-Large John Justino. Thus the committee selected "Rendezvous a Paris," and they decorated both the Commonwealth and Old Dominion Ballrooms to reflect the streets of Paris in the late Nineteenth Century.

Scenery included French architecture in the ballrooms and a horse-drawn carriage with models typical of that era.

To complete the night's formal and gala atmosphere, the Ring Committee chose Count Basie and his orchestra to provide nostalgic big band and swing music.

The second night of Ring Dance weekend was semi-formal, and The Fantastic Shakers and Distance provided the opportunity for more modern, upbeat dancing. Tech alumni were invited to attend the semi-formal night, whereas only juniors and their dates could attend the formal dance.

Billed as the "pre-eminent social event of the South" the 1986 Ring Dance provided juniors with the opportunity to celebrate three completed years at Tech and to participate in one of Tech's most glamorous traditions.

— S. Lynn Browder
Male Member-at-Large John Justino and Carla Valvo enjoy the sound of Count Basie and his orchestra. All executive officers of the Class of 1986 wore blue accents on their attire.

Reflecting the theme "Rendezvous a Paris," Commonwealth Ballroom greeted couples with French doors. All of the decorations worked to create an atmosphere of the Champs-Élysées in the late 19th Century.

A long-time tradition, the Corps of Cadets produced a brilliant fireworks display at midnight on formal night over the Drillfield.
Between running errands, many students grabbed a quick lunch near campus; some meals consisted of only a few bites of donuts at Carol Lee on College Avenue.

The convenient location of Arnold's Sandwich Shop attracted many off-campus students as well as on-campus residents who wanted an escape from the repetitiveness of dining hall food.

Students who lived off campus made very few items from scratch; Tom Wright takes advantage of pre-mixed brownies to make dessert for dinner.
Day-to-day off-campus eating habits: Are they really FOOD FOR THOUGHT?

Well, you finally got what you always wanted, didn’t you? You now have the privileges of avoiding the dining hall for your daily sustenance. However, dining hall food may not seem so bad now, especially when you consider all of the advantages it presents. Let’s take a look at what you gave up.

When dinner time rolled around, a short walk to the nearby dining hall promised you an eating adventure. With a flash of your student ID and a beep of the card reader, your reservation was confirmed. Choices abounded and made it easy to please even the choosiest palates. Carefully, you reviewed your favorites and decided that the scrod was the best catch of the day. Along with the main course, you chose a bowl of brussel sprouts and a piece of chocolate cake to complete the meal. Presto! You then had before you a complete and well-balanced meal, and the effort you made to get it was very minimal.

In contrast, off-campus living often meant that the special of the day turned out to be whatever was easiest to prepare. “I never knew how many different ways I could fix hamburger that were relatively simple to do,” said sophomore David Crites. Chicken was another popular dish, because it was an easily prepared nutritious meal. Many students found too much trouble in making fresh vegetables, so they opted for those found in the frozen food section at Kroger; they looked for all available shortcuts.

Off-campus students tended to miss the convenience of the dining hall plan, but most said they would not give up their own cooking. Michael Biltonen, a senior in horticulture, says, “I can eat cheaper and better off campus. I eat what I want, when I want, and where I want.”

Frequent trips to the local grocery store were an added inconvenience to off-campus students, although Jeff Arndt, an industrial forestry operations major, didn’t mind too much because going ‘Krogering’ “gave me the opportunity to meet lots of women.”

In the end, each kind of student defended his/her own lifestyle. Said senior Lynn Salowe, “you get used to your own pattern of eating. It may not be Mom’s home cooking, but you stay alive!”

— Michael Creamer
— Lynn Browder

Many students who had their own places set up a cooking rotation with their roommates: each person had to fix a full meal one or two nights a week. Karen Heine pitches in by draining the vegetables.

On his night to cook, Bernie Noe strains the pasta for a spaghetti dinner. Taking turns cooking helped give off-campus students a more complete diet.
How many times have you felt, "what else could possibly go wrong? I've got three midterms next week, an outrageous phone bill to pay, and I'm fighting with my roommate?" At one time or another all students experienced stress.

No matter what their major, all students felt academic pressure. Between attending an average of 14 to 17 hours of classes a week and preparing for those classes, students were glad to see Friday afternoon come to get a break from the week's work. Whether it was an English paper or a computer science program, students worried over deadlines for projects and assignments.

Procrastination only made matters worse — trying to cram weeks of neglected work into one night's studying caused pre-test anxiety. Competition for grades among peers, especially in classes where work was judged on a comparative basis, added to the pressure.

Quality credit average (QCA's) also had students biting their nails as they waited for report cards at each quarter's end. Academic probation loomed in the minds of those with averages below minimum requirements.

Students faced numerous other responsibilities, in addition to academic ones. Off-campus students had bills to look after, and many had cars to maintain. Because most students lived within strict budgets, many of them took part-time jobs to help make ends meet; this took up even more of a student's precious time. A good portion of students also paid for their college expenses, placing an extra financial burden on them. "Sometimes I just don't know where the money for next quarter's tuition is going to come from," said Jack Rouch, a junior in accounting information systems.

Freshmen felt their own kind of stress as they adjusted to a new environment and took on the responsibility of new freedoms. Seniors, on the other hand, were busy worrying about trying to graduate on time and interviewing with prospective employers.

As far as reducing stress, Student Health services counselors recommended athletic activity: anything ranging from jogging to just tossing a frisbee around. They also advocated putting mandatory free time into every day's schedule to relax and collect one's thoughts. Students had their own ways of relieving tension, which usually included beer and friends. Hobbies also helped, as did extra-curricular activities such as campus organizations. Students gathered in local nightspots to find relief, no matter how transitory, from all the stressful aspects of student life.

— S. Lynn Browder

In the midst of a night's homework, students often found themselves worrying over other problems in their lives, such as paying phone bills, juggling school with a part-time job, or dealing with emotional problems.
Chemical engineering major J.J. Knepper gives his final salute to Tech. Knepper was one of many undergraduates who began post-graduation festivities early.

Many spectators at graduation felt that much of the dignity and tradition had left the ceremony. Business major Jo Zielinski was one of the many undergraduates who grew bored with the doctoral exercises, since they didn’t receive their diplomas until after the two hour long ceremony in the stadium.

While many undergraduates’ mortarboards carried Greek letter or advertisements, some chose to thank those responsible for the financial part of their degree.
Tradition means more to some than others

At 6:00 a.m., final preparations were made for the 115th annual commencement. A half-dozen families moved around in the early morning air trying to find a vantage point to view their son or daughter's proud moment. For many parents, this degree represented more than their child's scholastic achievement; the degree was the result of a lifelong dream to provide what they, in many cases, never had. For these reasons, Enid F. Tozier, chairman of the Commencement Committee, referred to the Bachelor's degree as "the family degree." The student walked to McBryde every day for four years, but the family arranged financial aid, transportation to and from school, and supplied moral support in difficult moments. Now on graduation day, the parents sat high in Lane Stadium watching as their child made one more walk — the commencement procession.

Speaker Alexander F. Giacco urged the 5,305 graduates to "Go World." Giacco, a 1942 Tech graduate and current rector of the Board of Visitors, also noted, "the new frontier is the emerging world marketplace. Your early recognition and understanding of this marketplace will lead you to opportunities. You are the first generation of people who will have lived their entire lives in this age. That produces a frontier of opportunity — one you can participate in."

While Giacco delivered his speech, as well as during the other activities of commencement, soon-to-be graduates began to celebrate.

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erriment took flight with popping champagne corks and messages of "Hi Mom," and "I've got a job!" covered mortarboards. Some attending graduation saw the outbursts as fitting. "They herded the graduates into the seats without any order," explained senior Kathy Riley. "Graduation was just like another football game."

Riley's parents, however, had a different opinion. "My parents were appalled at the amount of liquor and the lack of respect for the speaker. No one was listening."

Dr. Sandra Sullivan maintained that the disruptions were not a big enough problem to warrant any action; moreover, the celebration was "not an accurate reflection of the student body." Sullivan, the Vice President for Student Affairs, also suggested, "a society is defined by its traditions; a poll as to whether or not graduation should be held would fall in favor of having commencement every time." Tozier, on the other hand, noticed the problem and suggested, "a football stadium was not the place for a graduation. Some students could not distinguish between conduct at a football game and conduct at their commencement."

According to Tozier, "The officers of the class of 1984 made a sincere effort to alleviate the problem far in advance of their commencement. If the students themselves see the problem, the time has come for a change. These behaviors are typical at other institutions, we should be ourselves."

At the first meeting of the commencement committee preparations began for this year's ceremony. Results of a poll of faculty and staff asking for comments and suggestions towards improving the ceremony were reviewed. Tozier said, "the goal of the committee is to make graduation a beautiful spectacle and a joyous family occasion."

— Michael Creamer

While some undergraduates waited with quiet respect during the graduate ceremonies, others, like education major Tracy Doyle began celebrating early — hours before actually receiving her diploma.
While graduate students celebrate the end of six or seven years of hard work, cheers, hugs, and congratulations cover the football field. The presence of friends and relatives made commencement exercises all the more special.

As the College of Education is recognized, not all show their enthusiasm by dignified applause; spirit ranged from ear-piercing whistles, Hokie turkey calls, to bored silence.
Spirit on the

Halloween allows students to break fall quarter routines and provides a safe outlet for insanity

Some things were supposed to change as we mature, however, the celebration of Halloween was not one of them. Students celebrated it with the same zeal as the younger trick-or-treaters.

While students of Blacksburg's elementary schools knocked, costume-clad, at their neighbors' doors, college students flocked to local bars, fraternity-sponsored celebrations, and apartment parties.

With all the pirates, Gumby's, guys in drag, Madonnas, Swatches, and Vampires there was not much room for conservative dress or behavior.

Sophomore Mike Lattanzi recognized that fact and went public as the Grim Reaper, reasoning, "everyone else was going out and I figured it would be a good night to go out and meet a lot of different people."

The Marriott and Phi Kappa Sigma sponsored a costume party that had the line outside Jacob's lounge reaching down one side of the hall and back by 9:30. More than an hour wait faced any trick-or-treater partying there.

Crickets' held a costume contest whose bizarre entrants included a hunter with a mounted deerhead strapped to his chest.

Around the corner at Top of the Stairs, souvenir pumpkin orange Tots cups were available for consuming beverages.

As the bars began to close, the late crowd moved out to fraternity houses such as Kappa Sigma to continue their celebrating.

For some the festivities lasted until 4 am. Junior Lisa Stassi referred to Halloween as "a social night when everyone is out." She stopped at five different parties before the night was through. As much as college is supposed to mature a student, Halloween was still a night to socially let loose and have fun.

— Jill Neebe

Dressed for a much warmer climate than Blacksburg's, sheiks Ann Bebefield, Steve Klosky and Mary Caughman enjoy the Halloween Greek Ball held in the Commonwealth Ballroom.

As the first place winner, in After Sundown's Halloween costume contest, 'Buckwheat' enjoys the night's celebration for socially acceptable weirdness.
At the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Council's Halloween Greek Ball, two sorority sisters were the center of attention, as they were noted for the effort they put into their original costumes.
Tech's evolution to the mid-1980's is best characterized by the changes in on-campus housing visitation policies. For the 85-86 school year, there were three co-educational residence halls: East Ambler-Johnston, Newman, and Shanks. All dorms except East A.-J. were under visitation option 2, which allowed guests of the opposite sex in the dorms between 10 a.m. and midnight Monday through Thursday, and between 10 a.m. and 2 a.m. on Fridays and Saturdays.

The majority of judicial referrals that resident advisors (RA's) gave out were for visitation violations, and they were most prevalent in the single-sex resident halls. Many students were unhappy with the restrictions that the visitation policy placed on them. Fall quarter the Office of Housing and Residence Life conducted a poll in all campus dorms to get student's preferences for option 2 or option 3 (which allows 24-hour visitation on the weekends). Since an average of 92% of students in each dorm voted for option 3, the housing office began considering policy changes for the upcoming school year.

Winter quarter they announced that all but two dorms would change to option 3 visitation beginning in the fall of 1986, and that three more dorms would be converted to co-educational: Lee, Main Campbell and West Eggleston. On-campus students rejoiced: at last a school known for its conservative policies had changed one of them as a result of the student body's voice. To fill the small need for option 2 housing, Johnson and Miles were designated to remain under option 2 visitation.

Most students involved with Housing and Residence Life were pleased with the decision; Mary Knebel, Residence Hall Federation student life chairperson, said she thought the changes for next fall would help solve the discipline problem in the dorms. T. J. McCroskey, a sophomore RA in Slusher Wing, agreed, adding that it would "make for a more mature student attitude about dorm life, which would bring about a healthier living environment."

— S. Lynn Browder

Dormitory residents had constant reminders of visitation restrictions; junior Astrid Pallme walks her boyfriend Randy Baldwin out to Slusher's 24-hour lounge at ten minutes to midnight on a Monday night.

After an evening of homework or just enjoying each other's company, couples said goodnight as visitation ended for that evening.
Sometimes only sweet nothings could make the day worthwhile.

On a cold rainy day in Blacksburg, a smile was a very welcome thing. Companionship with the opposite sex, whether friend or sweetheart, could change a dreary trek across the drillfield to a fun-filled adventure, a bland dining hall meal to an opportunity for spicy conversation, or a Friday night with the girls to a chance to dance and flirt. Many places were available to meet the opposite sex including bars, classes or even the grocery store. "Being at a coeducational school makes it easier to get to know girls. You can talk to them in classes instead of trying to make conversation in a bar," said Eddie Shore, a sophomore in mechanical engineering. "Girls are fun! I like having them around."

Having a good friend of the opposite sex often provided stability and security and helped to relieve the pressure caused by schoolwork, money and extracurricular activities. "It's nice to have someone around who cares for you as more than just a social security number," said senior communications studies major Dave Knachel. These friends might study, go out drinking, or just sit around and talk. Explained sophomore Jolie Clavelli, "I like to get opinions from the opposite sex." Clavelli, a social studies education major, went on to say, "Some people think you can't be just friends with a guy, but that's not true. Talking with a guy helps me understand how men think."

For some, the good friends became steady boyfriends, girlfriends or possibly spouses. Couples differed greatly; some were seen together constantly while others met infrequently. Mary Handorf, a senior in biology, was unable to see her fiance, Scott Sadler, often because he was a student at the University of Virginia. The problem was a common one among couples. "We pay expensive phone bills, put lots of miles on our cars, and send lots of letters," said Handorf. Junior Maria Gilbreath added, "I spent $200 last summer on a long distance relationship, but it was worth it!"

"My fiance is my best friend," added Handorf. "There's no tension when I talk with him like there is sometimes when I talk to girls; Scott and I become better friends all the time."

— Lynn Salowe

Even a brief meeting between classes can relieve any tedious day. One pair enjoys an Indian summer day in fall quarter as they chat outside the bookstore.
Being together could make even rainy Blacksburg days nice. At the Duck Pond, junior Dana Phillips enjoys a quiet autumn walk with her boyfriend Eric Samuelson, a Radford University student. "It's convenient having him only fifteen minutes away, and we don't get tired of seeing each other like we would if we went to the same school," Phillips said.

Walks around campus gave couples a chance to get reacquainted after a long day of classes.
hanging times were apparent all over; however, before a change could occur there must have been a beginning. Imagine March 19, 1872, the day the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College first opened its doors. The college consisted of one academic building located on 5 acres of land and total enrollment was 43 men.

Quite a contrast compared to today's Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, which was located on those original 5 acres plus 5,800 more. Enrollment has increased to 23,000 along with the cost of tuition which rose from $45 a session in 1872 to $560.

The evolution of Tech was not only apparent in the size and enrollment, but in many other areas as well. Originally a military college, women were not admitted until 1921. Even then they were not allowed to appear in the Bugle, but rather published their own yearbook. The first black student was admitted in 1953 and in 1966 all students united to form a single unified student body, today's Student Government Association.

Other changes could be seen in student activities. The first social fraternity was Pi Kappa Alpha, established in 1873. All social fraternities were banned in 1880 due to rowdiness and destruction of property in town, not to be officially recognized again until 1972. The number grew to thirty-three fraternities and thirteen sororities at the university.

1934 marked the first Ring Dance, 23 years after the production of the first class ring.

The football team of 1895 was one of the first athletic teams at Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College. Their training consisted of a cross country run every morning before breakfast plus practice sessions in a plowed wheat field in the afternoon.

Students passed time by playing sports such as football, baseball, and basketball. The original team colors were black and cadet grey, but were changed after criticism that the uniforms resembled striped prison uniforms. Chicago Maroon and Burnt Orange replaced these colors in 1896. At the same time, Polytechnic Institute was added to V.A.M.C., which was changed again in 1970 to V.P.I. & S.U.

The layout of the university had also changed tremendously. Many buildings were replaced and some added since 1872. The oldest standing structure is "Solitude" which is used by the College of Human Resources for Interior Design classes and offices. The current Performing Arts building was used for YMCA activities in 1899.

With the advancement of technology high rise development came in the 1960s with the construction of Pritchard, Lee, and O'Shaughnessy and later with Slusher Tower and McBryde.

The first on campus fraternity-sorority houses were completed in 1983, the same year that the Blacksburg Transit began its operations.

Changing times were definitely apparent at Tech, from the opening of the doors in 1872 to the closing of Mr. Fooz in 1984. Tech progressed tremendously through the years, allowing for better education and more opportunities for the students. However, no matter how many things change, some things still remained the same.

Established in 1896 and still cheered, the spirit yell — "Old Hokie": "Hokie, Hokie, Hokie, Hy; Techs! V.P.I.; Sola — Rex, Sola — Rah; Polytechs — Vir-gin-i-a!; Rae, Ri; V.P.I."

— Sharon Martini
After "mess", cadets often spent their freetime playing poker. Other activities for the students were marbles, fishing in Tom’s Creek or the New River, baseball, and checkers.

Two football players of the 1901 team display the uniform reflecting the addition of Polytechnic Institute to V.A.M.C. Bill Choice (left) was the captain and quarterback, helping the team have a 6-1-0 season that year.

The McBryde Building of Mechanical Arts, completed in 1917, was the first campus building built resembling Neo-Gothic style. It was torn down in 1966 and construction for the new McBryde building was completed in 1971.

This aerial photo of campus was taken in 1938 over Davidson Hall looking toward Newman Library. The "V.P.I., Blacksburg" painted on the gym roof was a landmark for those planes landing at Tech’s airport.
Changes Through the Years

Student life at Tech was not always as diverse as present times. Since the late 70s and early 80s there has been a large number of organizations open for membership and many places to go for nighttime activities. Such was not the case when Tech was known as Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College.

Until 1873 there was no on-campus housing, forcing students to find room and board in Blacksburg. As of 1873 students could choose to live on or off campus; however, in 1881 it became mandatory that all students live on campus. Today only freshmen are required to live on campus.

Dormitory policies have also changed through the years and have had an affect on student life. In 1971 the rule was made that a door must be opened 6 inches if that room had two people of the opposite sex in it. This rule provoked many students and resulted in a violent demonstration on campus and throughout Blacksburg. In recent years, some dormitories have been designated as co-ed, while as late as the fall of 85 three single sex dormitories received twenty-four visitation privileges on weekends.

The military program has also undergone changes. Membership in the Corps of Cadets was required in the early years for those physically able. In 1879, Tech incorporated a military pattern of mandatory participation in drill and the wearing of a uniform outside of the dormitories. As of 1924, membership in the Corps was required only for the first two years of a male's education. In 1964, enrollment in the Corps of Cadets program finally became optional for entering students.

The nightlife was limited in the beginning so many students resorted to pranks to keep themselves occupied. Pranks such as sending a roommate's belongings home to his girlfriend or disassembling a wagon and reassembling it atop a building became popular. As of 1877 only one bar was open to the public and it was almost 100 years before Squires Student Center could serve beer.

With the popularity of dancing in the late 1800's, dances were held in the Yellow Sulphur Springs Hotel. By 1893, dancing facilities had been arranged at the college and German Club was created to sponsor dances. The most popular dances were the two-step and the waltz. All others had to be approved by the wives of the faculty before allowed. Concerts were introduced in 1968 as a major form of entertainment. Around this time social fraternities were once again organized, providing students with another form of nighttime activity. Recently, Virginia's drinking age was raised. Bars and fraternities however still provided a major source of student nightlife.

Student life has been the victim of many changes throughout the history of Tech. Not only has the military structure affected student life, but also the living arrangements and the nightlife. Although there was some initial controversy to the changes, students have adjusted their lives and continued pursuing their education at Tech.

— Sharon Martini

Tech's campus has undergone significant changes since the founding of the university. This aerial shows construction of the New Undergraduate Facility, used to house athletes. Also seen are three of the newest buildings on campus, Slusher Tower, Wallace and Cowgill.
Price Hall is one of the older buildings on campus; built in 1907, it was once known as Agricultural Hall. The Entomology and Plant Pathology Departments are located in this building. Price has some classrooms, but it is mainly used for offices and laboratories.

The construction of the new McBryde building was completed in 1971. The modern building houses the History, Political Science, Computer Science, and Math departments along with many classrooms. The building’s auditorium, “ McBryde 100” seats over 500 people.

Under the sabre arch Evey Laer places the class ring on “Pop” Eades’ finger during the first Ring Dance held in 1934. Seven years later the first coast-to-coast radio broadcast was made of the dance. In 1942, Fred Waring wrote “Moonlight and V.P.I.” for Ring Dance. This song is still played each year.
Some students had to fit jobs into their already busy schedules.

All year long many students found themselves wondering, "how am I going to make ends meet?" Students often felt the effects of a limited budget; they looked for inexpensive entertainment and pinched pennies whenever they could. Many worked all summer long to save money for the coming school year, but still found that they couldn't make it last long enough. Other students had the added responsibility of partially or totally financing their schooling, and had difficulty coming up with the funds for the next quarter's tuition.

Fortunately, the Blacksburg area was full of part-time job opportunities for students to turn to. The university itself provided many students with paying jobs in the dining halls, where they did everything from serving food to clearing trays.

A Domino's Pizza man checks his order before he leaves for campus; delivery pizza services employed many students.

Another on-campus job was that of resident adviser. The job involved work as a peer counselor as well as a policy enforcer. The campus police department also employed students as auxiliaries to meter parking spaces and work in the escort service after dark.

The town of Blacksburg offered a wide variety of part-time jobs to students, in everything from retail stores to restaurants. Students arranged their work hours around their classes. Although many working students found it difficult to maintain good grades, Dorcene Tugwell, a junior in accounting who works at University Bookstore part-time, said that "if I just set priorities for myself and keep on top of my homework I do all right."

While some students worked to get some extra spending money, a good portion of them were paying their tuition or paying off a student loan. They also worked to gain valuable experience in the job market.

— S. Lynn Browder
SWIMMING IN A SEA OF LOCAL SOUNDS

When students came, they brought their music; no dorm room or apartment was complete without a stereo system or boom box. Students carried their music with them, whether driving in cars or walking to class with a Walkman, and local nightspots provided still more diversity in musical tastes.

Certainly the added musical entertainment came once each quarter: After Sundown's Air Band contests, drawing capacity crowds, Students put together mock-up bands to lip-sync favorite songs. They competed to mimic the looks and actions of professional bands. Many groups used elaborate costumes and props. Air band contests provided ways to have fun with music, as students were limited only by imagination, not skill.

Bars also expanded the variety of music styles available when they booked local bands; Blacksburg became a melting pot of tastes, ranging from country to progressive music.

Area bands not only entertained students, they employed them. Many students found themselves juggling the trade-off between academics and band rehearsals.

Steve Lang, vocalist for Alias, found it “difficult to manage a civil engineering-building construction double major and still find time for practice with the band.”

The Noise Boys were another local favorite. Lead guitarist Tony Lopacinski acted as business manager for the band — a job that became more important when the band received bids for recording contracts. Lopacinski, a sophomore business major, also found the musical-academic struggle difficult, but said the excitement of embarking on professional production would carry him through.

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Many entrants in the Airband Contest put a lot of effort into their performances, including complex costumes and dancer routines.

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These bands gave students valuable experience as well as the satisfaction of being in the local limelight. Gary Applegarth, Alias drummer and a senior in economics, said "it's nice to be treated special for awhile; you feel so different when you're up there performing." Student fascination with music was evident in many areas of their lives; it supplied tranquility during tense times as a relaxing getaway from their busy schedules. It could also serve as a quiet backdrop for studying. Music also provided the perfect party atmosphere, whether at private get-togethers or at local bars.

Andy Nabors, bartender at Top of the Stairs, said he enjoyed working better when there was a good band playing, because it draws a "different type of crowd from the routine (one)."

Each individual had their own appreciation for music, but most agreed that it eased them through the hard times and livened up the good times.

— Jill Neebe
— S. Lynn Browder

Lead guitarist Gary White of Fetchin' Bones takes control of a crowd at Morgan's with one of his solos. His band, based in Charlotte, N.C., was known for their unpredictable shows, and their music was compared to groups such as R.E.M.

During a pre-show warmup, Kurt Kratch of Sum People prepares for a Friday night show at Morgan's Restaurant. Kratch was formerly the bass player for Nervous Romance, another popular student band.

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Look What Landed was another area band seen regularly in nightclubs such as Morgan’s. Their style was a mixture of Southern American rock and new wave.

Sigma Phi Epsilon brother Steve Lang (far right) recruited a brother to photograph Alias for their promotional posters. Alias played popular rock music as well as a few original songs.
Entering students faced three major tasks upon arrival: moving in, getting a decent class schedule, and, if they chose to drink, learning drinking etiquette. Learning when and how much to drink was an art in itself, but getting acquainted with the diversity of games played with a variety of alcohols was perhaps the most difficult.

The grandfather of all drinking games was quarters, with its endless variations; in a basic version of quarters, students attempted to bounce a quarter off a table into either a shot glass or a pitcher of beer; if he/she was successful he could pass a drink to any player he/she chose. His/her turn ended when he/she failed to land the quarter in the glass.

Another campus favorite was Mexican; using dice and a cup, players tried to beat the previous person’s roll by either rolling a higher score or by lying and saying he/she did get a higher number. If he/she lied and the following player lifted the cup to check him/her, the liar had to take a drink.

Jill Neebe liked the game because “the more drunk the other people got, the easier it was to fool them, and thereby win more.”

Other games revolved around a diversity of items, including cards, spoons, or TV shows.

No one seemed able to explain how the games came about or exactly why people played them. Many times games got started at parties when the pace began to get slow; WUVT Music Director Brady McTigue suggested that “people played drinking games because they were just too dull to have intelligent conversations.”

Others thought people used drinking games as a quick way to get drunk, or saw them as a socially acceptable way to get drunk. Often the games resulted in a chance to pick on one person in the group, forcing them to drink and drink and drink. Many times, drinking games were used in competition to see just how much one could outdrink another.

But whatever the reasons, drinking games were determined to play a prominent position in a lot of students lives and proved their continuous popularity.

— S. Lynn Browder
Two years ago, a student might not have received his Guaranteed Student Loan check until March—far too late for the major expenses that came in September. Thanks to some dramatic changes in the Financial Aid Office, Tech students could count on their money, usually before the fall quarter began.

According to Elizabeth Creamer, Associate Director of Scholarships and Financial Aid, Tech was a national leader in the modernization of financial aid systems. Over a period of two years, the Financial Aid Office moved from manually recording the data on all 10,000 financial aid forms to entering information into computers. Creamer, who has been with the Financial Aid Office for four years, was extremely proud of the progress in the past two. “There’s been a major automation effort,” she said, “We made dramatic changes to take the hassle out.”

Although a student might have been able to get his money more quickly, that didn’t necessarily mean there was enough to go around. Despite a slight increase in federal aid and a rather large increase in state aid, more students and higher tuition took their toll. “We’re actually funding less of the total need,” said Creamer. “And there are possible significant changes for 1985-87,” she added. The federal government threatened again, as it had previously, to cut federal aid across the board. For 1985-86, Tech awarded $36 million in aid. $20 million of that came from the federal government. “State money is growing, as Reagan intended,” said Creamer. “But we don’t want to be subject to a federal government’s whim. Most proactive institutions are developing other resources,” such as private contributions, she added.

In spite of the fact that political processes prevent dramatic changes, Creamer said that some significant changes would occur. Some changes would affect the student very little, others a great deal.

One change that had a direct impact on students was the Pell Grant Electronic Distribution System. Virginia Tech was one of 30 universities given access to this system, which permitted daily, direct communication with the federal government about financial aid awards, and made “a minimum of six to eight weeks difference” in when the awards were received, said Creamer.

Tech also led Virginia with Guaranteed Student Loans. “We have a 10 to 12 week turnaround now,” said Creamer, which was a vast improvement over previous years.

Automation continued, Creamer said; “We may even eliminate applications.” The sweeping changes here began when Director Richard Stillwagon took over Financial Aid in 1983. “He’s very active federally,” said Creamer. “Financial aid is part of a very political process. Talking with people and spending time in Washington can make a big difference.” Mr. Stillwagon’s leadership allowed Virginia Tech to forge ahead in financial aid.

Said Creamer, “You would be hard pressed to find an institution working as smoothly.” — Mark Munson
Work-study students pick up their bi-monthly checks at the cashier's window on second floor Burruss Hall.

Although there are many forms of financial aid available to students, loans and grants are not always enough to provide a full quarter's tuition.
Diversity of student body belies "cow school" image

Although students complained of the customary annoyances, Tech's overall morale and attitude were better than before. Student attitudes were the focus of much attention and concern after the home basketball game against Memphis State, where Hokie fans littered the court with spirit paraphernalia distributed by WXLK FM radio station every time the referees made a bad call. President Lavery appointed a committee to examine the behavior of fans at games, and the committee relied heavily on advice from the psychology department in producing a 37 page report titled "Fan Behavior and Applied Behavior Analysis: Innovative Methods for Behavior Change." The committee's report recommended the establishment of a code of conduct for Tech fans, which stressed good sportsmanship and stated that visiting teams, fans, and officials are guests and should be treated with the respect due any guest. In addition, a sportsmanship creed was implemented, and flashed on the scoreboard at every game, but one basketball fan, Heath Covey, a sophomore in communications studies, said, "the only people that read it are the band. I don't know if fan behavior was such a problem to begin with."

Fading ticket sales were once again a problem for organizations working to break even on their shows. Empty seats were a common sight at many performances, as students struggled with lack of money and many were unable to attend the diverse and numerous productions. "I just don’t think people have money to spend," said Sue McVoy, manager of the Squires Student Center Ticket Office. Others in the ticket office felt that students didn’t always take the time to find out what was available. Class loads limited many students' available time and prevented them from supporting the presentations.

This diversity in programming helped to dispel myths that had existed for years about Tech's academic and cultural emphasis. Many students from other schools continued to perceive Tech as a place for hicks and cows, and as being essentially devoid of all culturally uplifting experiences. But a university which could support over 350 officially recognized student organizations and maintain high academic standards was not solely a school for farmers.

Tech's diversity also spread to the research arena, where over 600 privately funded research programs were underway. Tech led the nation in private schools, and also received some $30 million in government research support.

With such a wide variety of programs and students, it was nearly impossible to describe the way students felt in a nutshell. "The student body is so diverse; you can’t really sum up the attitude of Tech students in one sentence," said Todd Dale, a senior majoring in psychology and management and student member to the Board of Visitors.

— Mark C. Munson
Once thought of as a "cow school," Tech's credibility is somewhat better. Excellent research programs and a large university setting provide opportunities that aren't available at small agricultural schools.

A lack of activity at the Squires Student Center Ticket Office illustrates a problem faced every year. Low ticket sales to campus events were blamed on shortage of funds and students' ignorance of upcoming programs.

Burruss Hall symbolizes everything that is Tech, and its stately appearance reflected administrator's positive attitudes towards the students.
CROSSING THE DRILLFIELD AT NIGHT used to be a frightening experience, particularly for the female students who found themselves alone as they began their long trek. The safety of the campus, including such areas as the drillfield and the Duck Pond at night, were issues of concern for students and administrators as Tech continued to change with the times.

Each individual was responsible to an extent for their personal safety. Many precautionary measures were taken by the Virginia Tech Police and the Office of Housing and Residence Life to ensure the safety of on-campus activity and living. The extensive on-campus lighting system, the Virginia Tech Police Escort Service, an incoming telephone network service, the Residence Hall Fire Alarm System, and the Security Monitor System aided the university in creating a safe, yet pleasant environment.

The newly instituted campus lighting system, installed during the summer of 1985, incorporated two major changes: a change from mercury vapor lights to brighter sodium lights on the outdoor lampposts campus wide, and an increase in the total number of lampposts on campus, specifically the addition of lamps on the drillfield. The lightings' primary purpose was to prevent any type of assaults from occurring.

According to Mike Meredith of the Virginia Tech Police, some minor assaults occurred in 1984, but no forcible rapes were reported, while Virginia Commonwealth University reported three rapes and the University of Virginia reported one.

Meredith reported that assaults were relatively uncommon in this area, mostly due to the familial attitude of the student body. A large deterrent, he stated, was that the most recent reported rape case in 1982 resulted in the assaulter being imprisoned for life plus 145 years.

Junior Elizabeth Flynn commented that, "I felt safer walking across campus at night. The lights on the drillfield illuminated the entire core of campus, making my frightened journey from Eggleston to McBryde much easier and more pleasant."

Nevertheless, isolated areas such as Smithfield Road, the "Cage," and the Duck Pond remained prime targets for rapists. There were plans for those danger zones to be lighted.

In conjunction with the C&P Telephone Network, a 32-phone network of payphones with a 911 access number to the Blacksburg Police Department was to be installed campus wide. It was hoped that these additions would make the campus safer.

Another safety measure provided for students was the Tech Police Escort Service. By dialing 961-6411, one could have a police escort to anywhere on campus at any time. This service, however, was used by only a small percentage of the students, most of whom were female.

In the residence halls, prior to the 1985 year, fire alarm systems were installed. During that year, the system was a novelty to the residents, and therefore was susceptible to pranksters. The system dispatched immediately to the Blacksburg Fire Department, which cost Tech approximately $40,000. To save this wasted money, Tech notified the fire department only when fires were actually sighted.

The Security Monitor system was a strong contributor to the safety of the residents in female and co-ed residence halls. From midnight on weekdays and 2 am on weekends until seven o'clock the next morning, students were required to show identification to the security monitor who, in turn, checked the name against a master list of residents for that hall.

In single-sex dorms, members of the opposite gender were registered as guests under a resident's name and were requested to remain in the 24-hour visitation lounge during the restricted hours.

Missy McRae, a security monitor, claimed that, "I felt more at ease knowing that I was protecting students from many potential harms. I checked to make sure that doors and windows were properly secured. I even got a chance to do some homework. Though the hours were very tough to keep, I kept doing it because I knew that it was for everyone's benefit, including mine."

Looking at what the police and the administration were doing to make the campus more secure, one could feel relatively safe. By using common sense, however, one could have easily avoided any of the threats that may have lurked on campus.

—Jamie Solak
This once foreboding walk towards Slusher Tower is now a safer, less fearsome path for those walking alone at night. New lights on the drillfield bring peace of mind to those who have to cross the drillfield after working late at computer terminals.

In addition to ensuring the safety of everyone on campus, Tech Police also aid motorists. Here, Officer Radcliffe assists a student who is locked out of his car.

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"You’re always thinking about the dangers of the night, in so many little places like behind Owens and on the Gym stairs, but you’re going to keep on walking because you know where you’re going and because those lights are there."

Kate Rakowski
Sophomore
Animal Science
Nancy Stabler and Martha Brownrigg, Kappa Alpha Theta sisters, celebrate the end of sorority rush by cheering as they find out who has pledged their sorority. Most found Greek organizations a pleasant activity, and not a lifestyle which pitted them against non-Greek students.
Conflcit? What conflict? There's a problem? Although the Greek and independent lifestyles were both represented on campus, there did not seem to be any discord present between the two groups. "The Greeks and independents are two unique lifestyles but they are not against each other," said Liz Buckner, the president of the Panhellenic Council, "everyone realizes it is just a group one joins." The general consensus seemed to be that sororities and fraternities were simply other organizations in which one could be involved.

There were many theories as to why there may not have been opposition present between the two groups. The one most often stated was the small percentage of Greeks on campus. "There isn't a very large number of sororities and fraternities in comparison to the size of the school's population, so there are a limited number of Greeks," said Lynn Overstreet, a charter member of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

The lack of housing for Greeks also discouraged the seclusion that most campuses experience. The Greeks lived interspersed with independents and other Greeks, thus each group was more informed about the other's lifestyle. Many independents felt this played an important role in the compatibility of Greeks and non-Greeks.

One independent, Sharon Browder, thought the general attitude of good old southern hospitality on campus was the reason that the groups were so friendly towards each other. She felt that the Greeks made a sincere effort to accommodate all those who wanted to be involved and did not feel there was any resentment between the groups.

The Hokies were unique in their compatibility between Greeks and independents, and were proud of their open-mindedness towards varying lifestyles.

— Jennifer Van Allen

Not everyone felt the absence of a conflict. "I think people like to cut down that which they are not a part of."

Glenn Ng
Junior
Materials Engineering
More Healing Power

At a rate of nearly 400 patients per day, the Student Health Services worked to speed lines to a rate of nearly 400 patients per day, the Student Health Services worked to speed lines to nurse ill students back to health as efficiently as possible. The health services, located in Henderson Hall, comprised of 45 full-time and 12 part-time staff members, all occupying the first two floors of Henderson Hall. Between students, staff, and the amount of room available for them, time and space became priceless items. The staff worked quickly to diagnose and prescribe treatments for the student’s various illnesses. Students, in turn, were patient in the process, but became frustrated when occasion their illnesses were either misdiagnosed or overlooked. Time and space, as well as staffing, were preludes to efficiency, and neither was readily available in Henderson Hall.

Dr. Charles W. Schiffert, director of the Student Health Services, headed the staff of physicians (2 of them gynecologists), lab-technicians, pharmacists, X-ray technicians, registered nurses, hospital attendants, and secretaries and receptionists. The primary objective of the Student Health Services was to keep the students healthy, vigorous, and active while in residence here. Thus, bearing in mind the space and staffing limitations, some changes were made to attain this goal.

The renovation of the first floor reception area provided more space for patients and receptionists alike. The staff had more room to work and store student health records. Students utilizing the clinic for the first time had no problem finding the reception area—they walked straight into it.

The removal of twelve inpatient beds from the complex constituted another important change. This drastic switch dampened the effectiveness of curing bed ridden students by cramping their space and forcing them to shorten their stay to a two day average. The two day average presented problems for those patients with ailments such as mononucleosis and upper respiratory infections which could not be cured by a two day stay in the Student Health Services.

Health services added a more supportive Nurses Clinic to treat minor illnesses, respiratory infections, and handle suture removal. Dr. Robert Rice was also stationed in the Nurse’s Clinic for students who needed to see a doctor. The clinic relieved some of the pressure on the medical doctor staff and was seen as a key to overall quality and efficiency in the health service’s operation. JoAnn Underwood, Health Education Nurse, played a role in changing the student body’s view of the infirmary. Her primary responsibility was to inform students of certain health conditions and ways to prevent them. She wrote many articles for the Collegiate Times, aiming to inform students of the service and care provided for them, as well as basic self-cure techniques. She addressed such topics as nutrition and depression, but her forte was in the contraception department. With the Board of Visitors approval for the dispensation of oral contraceptives in the early 1970’s, Underwood sought to uphold the conditions of approval by making students aware of the advantages and disadvantages of contraceptives. As a result of Underwood’s role, the students began to view the infirmary as an all-around health service, as opposed to a sickness clinic. Even with student and staff cooperation, the time and space problem was not easily solved. Dr. Schiffert reported that “with the addition of

a new physician to the staff, the space was slowly becoming smaller and the facilities less adequate. A new facility, with more space and better equipment, was necessary to meet the needs of the students sufficiently.” Students responded supportively to this idea. Molly O’Neill, a sophomore Biology major, stated, “I think that the infirmary and its staff were too small for the number of patients they see each day. I found it extremely appalling to wait for a doctor for an hour, when he only spends two minutes diagnosing my problem. A solution to this problem was that of building a new facility that has more doctors, nurses, and beds. It was worth it to me.”

Improvement of the facilities of the Student Health Services slowly came to pass. However, a new complex and larger staff was the ideal solution to the incessant problem of such limited time and space.

—Jamie Solak
Lab technician Ann Shaw prepares some samples for testing. Most regular testing is included in the Student Health fee.

Registered Nurse Janet Cox looks over some patients' files and discusses them with her attendant, John Orraco.

Student Health Services pharmacist Emil Skibinski hands a prescription to Laralee Henderson, a freshman in general engineering. The cost of all pharmaceuticals stocked in Student Health Services is included in the quarterly Student Health fee.
A look back at the year’s events provides students with an interesting overview of the concerns they and their peers had.

Fire alarms in dormitories. The new central systems installed in dormitories posed some problems for both administrators and dorm residents. The Blacksburg Fire Department responded to 578 fire alarms in residence halls during the academic year, and only three were actual fires. The total cost to Tech was over $40,000. Several changes were implemented to lower the incidence of fire alarms, including removal of redundant pull stations, installation of smoke detectors less sensitive to dust, and a policy that dictated that the Blacksburg Fire Department would not respond if resident advisers knew for certain that an alarm was false. In addition, the Housing Office cracked down on persons deliberately causing false alarms, instituting a minimum sanction of suspension for the first offense.

SGA Constitutional Revisions. The Student Government Association proposed a revised version of its constitution that would have required representatives to have higher quality credit averages to run for office. The change would have raised the minimum from 2.0 to 2.25 for senators and from 2.25 to 2.4 for the four executive officers. The new constitution, without the provisions for higher grades, was passed by the Senate in March.

Virginia Tech University? The Faculty Senate made a recommendation to President Lavery that a committee be formed to investigate what they termed Tech’s on-going identity crisis. A proposal to use one official name, “Virginia Tech University” in lieu of “Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University,” “Virginia Tech,” and “VPI” all three of which were used interchangeably, met with opposition and was never implemented.

Cuts in Athletic Programs. A lack of playing fields caused the elimination of co-recreational softball teams. Five softball fields were lost when the drill field was closed to softball play. In addition, the aquatics program was nearly cut when its director failed to receive tenure, but requests from all corners of the university community prompted support for continuation of the program.

Leader in Research. Annual research expenditures increased to nearly $50 million, encompassing more than 600 projects supported by sponsors from the private sector. Tech has the largest percentage of private sector research funding for public colleges and universities across the nation.

Slusher Tower Searched. Over 300 rooms in Slusher continued on page 70.
Blacksburg began to beautify its downtown district this summer. Main Street was widened and lined with better sidewalks, and trees were added along the street. More attractive street lamps were included in the renovations, as were brick crosswalks. Although the end result was a more attractive downtown, a delay in the start of construction inconvenienced students and town residents alike well into the fall quarter.
Lucretia Cavan, a graduate intern with the Virginia Tech Union, was instrumental in the formation of the AIDS Education Committee. The committee sponsored an AIDS Educational Forum on March 1, in McBryde 100. The event featured AIDS specialists and victims.

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Tower were searched by resident advisers in an attempt to find two pieces of luggage missing from a storage room in the dorm. Although the luggage was not found, a flurry of publicity about the tactics used in conducting the search caused the Office of Housing and Residence Life to give some explanations to the public for their reasons for conducting the search.

SGA Elections. In an election marred by complaints from candidates about a shortage of ballots, Walt Williams was elected SGA president. Lisa Brockmeier, Running on the "Radical Independent" ticket, was elected vice-president. Tom White, Williams' running mate, filed a complaint with the Credentials and Elections Committee of the SGA after learning that the poll at Schultz dining hall had no ballots for a period of about 15 minutes. White, a Corps of Cadets member, felt that the lack of ballots had cost him the vice-president spot, as all cadets eat in Schultz dining hall and would have been unable to vote as they left following dinner. The complaint was later dismissed by the committee, on the grounds that all candidates were equally affected by the incident. Brockmeier later resigned, after confronting more work than she had anticipated, and also due to apprehension about being split from her running mate Greg Greer. Dan Mahony, president pro-tem, was chosen acting vice-president by the senate, and served the entire term, as the SGA constitution made no provisions for procedures in the event of the resignation of the vice-president.

Students Get Town Vote. A U.S. District Court judge prohibited the Montgomery County registrar from discriminating against Tech students who considered themselves residents of the community and wished to vote in the community.

CSA Task Force. Sweeping changes in the structure of the Commission on Student Affairs proposed to be reconsidered, including a change in the task force's statement of purpose. The task force's proposal was controversial in many respects. Student membership would have been reduced on the Commission itself, and the current student representatives from the Media Board and the Student Budget Board would have been replaced by administrators. In addition, the student editors and general manager on the Media Board would have held a six to seven minority on their own board. The task force was given until the end of winter quarters to complete their revisions. However, by February only three meetings had been called by Chairman Landrum Cross. The first meeting was held behind closed doors at an appallingly late date in November.

New ID Cards. Students received new, permanent ID cards at the beginning of fall quarter 1985. The new cards had a magnetic strip which was to be used for many new conveniences, including the continued on page 72
Student Health Services nurse Jo Ann Underwood looks over material during a meeting of the AIDS Educational Committee. Underwood is Tech's resident "Dr. Ruth," advising students on methods of contraception.

Virginia Tech Union president Sarah Pride and Student Media Board vice-chairman Kasey Miller look over a resolution as Student Government Association acting vice-president Dan Mahony speaks to the Commission on Student Affairs regarding visitation in dormitories. Pride and Miller were also members of the CSA Task Force which was reconvened in the fall after the previous Task Force failed to produce acceptable results.
Football Coach Bil Dooley tells his team what to do during a fall game. Dooley attracted a great deal of attention when his decision to forgo an opportunity to play number one ranked Oklahoma was publicized. Dooley’s dual roles as Athletic Director and Head Football Coach were seen as a conflict of interest. The game with Oklahoma would have brought $250,000 to Tech’s Athletic Association, which is currently in the red.

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continued from page 70 possibility of alternate meal plans and entry into athletic events by simply passing the card through a computerized reader.

**Testing prohibited.** The University Council prohibited teachers from giving tests during the last three days of the quarter.

**24-Hour Visitation.** On-Campus students in single sex dorms were polled to determine support for 24-hour visitation on weekends. Over 75 percent of the residents in every dorm voted in favor of the 24-hour visitation option. The option was later extended to three dormitories only, causing an outcry from student leaders who felt that students were not being fairly represented. Resolutions passed by the SGA and RHF and accepted by the CSA called for the extension of the option to all of the residence halls, but administrators felt that such a sweeping change was not wise at the time. All but two of the residence halls were scheduled to have 24-hour visitation on weekends beginning next year.

**Foxridge Balcony Collapses.** During a homecoming party at 11,600 Foxridge Apartments, the third floor balcony of the apartment crashed to the ground, destroying the balcony below it and injuring nine people as it fell. The owners of the apartment complex, Snyder-Hunt Corp., claimed that the balcony was loaded beyond capacity and the students involved should have been aware of the limits of the structure. Foxridge policies and regulations had never mentioned a weight limit for the balconies before the incident. One of the students injured sued Snyder-Hunt Corp. and Gregory and Rogers, the architectural firm that approved the balcony plans, for $1.75 million. The outcome of the suit was not decided by year’s end.

**Machine Gun Lost.** An M60 machine gun slipped out of a truck on the way to a Corps of Cadets target practice and was never recovered.

**SGA Voter Turnout Low.** The new ID cards were blamed for a low voter turnout in fall quarter SGA elections. The magnetic strip on the back made it necessary for students to vote at a location central to their college, in order to have their name crossed off on a computer printout of all students in that college.

**BOV Member Votes.** The student member of the Board of Visitors was allowed to vote on matters brought before the board and was allowed to be present in executive sessions for the first time.

Nine students were injured when a third floor balcony at Foxridge collapsed.

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Kimble Reynolds, president of the Class of 1988, enjoys a rare relaxing moment in his office in Squires Student Center. Reynolds was also president of the Black Student Alliance, having been elected during his freshman year.

Senator Strom Thurmond spoke to the university community during the Virginia gubernatorial race. Senator John Warner was also present for the Republican rally. Wyatt Durrette, the Republican candidate for governor, was defeated by Gerald Baliles, the candidate running on the Democrat ticket.
 Sophomores Elect Officers. Kimble Reynolds was elected president of the Class of 1988 with what election officials termed a pleasing voter turnout. Kim Silverthorne was elected vice-president. Officials were happy with the turnout of 1,025 voters following a previous showing of only 1,295 students of the entire student body voting in the SGA elections. Reynolds culminated two years of campaigning with his victory, realizing a goal he set for himself as a senior in high school.

AIDS Committee. An AIDS Educational Committee was formed to educate students about the disease. The committee was proposed by Lucretia Cavin, an intern in the Virginia Tech Union who was inspired by reading of similar committees on the West Coast. Members included the Director of Housing and Residence and Life, Dr. Edward Spencer, and Mark Weber, the president of Tech's gay student organization, Lambda horizon, as well as Student Health Services nurse JoAnn Underwood.

Dooley Resolution. SGA Treasurer Scott Klein proposed a resolution asking for the resignation of William Dooley as Athletic Director, after he declined an offer to play Oklahoma, the top team in the nation, for a guaranteed $250,000 with travel and lodging for the football team paid for by Oklahoma. The resolution never made it to the floor of the senate and instead, an open forum was held, where students were free to speak their concerns. The forum was capped by a speech by Tech quarterback Todd Greenwood. The senate resolved that the SGA president would present a list of the concerns to President Lavery.

New Agriculture Degree. A new Agricultural technology program was approved for a three-year experimental run, to begin as early as fall 1987. The two year degree will be offered by the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences, and approximately 100 students will be admitted to the program each year.

Campaign For Excellence. The $50 million goal for the Campaign for Excellence was surpassed, by $6.2 million, one year ahead of the goal set for its completion. The campaign was to continue through December 1986, its scheduled completion date, in order to meet the requirements administrators had not foreseen when the campaign was kicked off.

Squires Expansion. Squires Student Center was slated for expansion, with a space increase of about 24 percent, or 24,300 square feet. Construction is to begin in fall 1987 and be completed in August 1989.
Roanoke Has Worst Flooding in Decades

The Roanoke River flooded on November 4 after five straight days of rain. The 6.61 inches during that day pushed the river to its highest ever crest of 23 feet. In the photo above, Eleanor Witt is pulled from the raging waters of Mason Creek in Salem. At left, the Maury River runs through downtown Buena Vista on November 5. Floods caused millions of dollars of damage and left hundreds homeless. Many whose homes remained had to throw away nearly all of their belongings due to water damage. Tech students aided in the post-flood cleanup by shoveling mud out of victims homes.

The space shuttle "Challenger" exploded 90 seconds after liftoff on January 28, killing all seven crew members. NASA immediately suspended all shuttle launches indefinitely, and a panel was established to investigate the cause of the explosion. Its origin, though not immediately known, was widely speculated to have centered around the right side booster rocket. Many engineers later claimed that temperatures that morning were too low to safely launch the shuttle.
Four Palestinian terrorists hijacked the Italian cruise liner Achille Lauro while on a Mediterranean cruise. Before releasing the ship the terrorists killed one American and threw his body overboard. The Egyptians, who took custody of the hijackers after the ship was released, agreed to return the hijackers to the PLO. American jets intercepted the flight carrying the hijackers and forced it to land in Italy, where the hijackers will stand trial.

Mexico City suffered a series of devastating earthquakes in September. Thousands died in the metropolitan area. Few of the 18 million inhabitants escaped the effects of the first quake, which measured 8.1 on the Richter scale, or the second, which measured 7.5.

Rock Hudson succumbed to the AIDS virus in late 1985 at the age of 59. His death drove home the necessity of further research to find a cure for the disease. Previous to Hudson's death, many Americans had allowed themselves to forget the serious nature of the problem facing the nation.
Middle East terrorists gripped the world once again as innocent people were held hostage or even killed. After the hijacking of a TWA airliner and the cruise ship Achille Lauro, Americans began to avoid travel in the Middle East. But following the year end slaughter of people waiting at airline ticket counters in Rome and Vienna, few could feel safe overseas. Perhaps the greatest terror was injected into Americans when Libyan leader Qadaffi, who deemed the airport attacks a “heroic effort”, threatened to send hit squads to the streets of the United States.

Fear of flying was a major factor in the vacation plans of many, as air travel suffered its most disaster-ridden year ever. Some 2,000 persons were killed in aircraft accidents, including the United States’ “youth ambassador” to the Soviet Union, Samantha Smith, and singer Ricky Nelson and his band while on their way to a New Year’s Eve performance.

The heads of state of the world’s two most powerful nations met for the first summit meeting in six years. Talks were held on nuclear arms control, regional disputes such as Afghanistan, and human rights. Reagan and Gorbachev spent much of their time meeting with no one but interpreters present, and were able only to decide on future meetings, one in each nation in within the next two years.

A volcano eruption in the nation of Columbia smothered the town of Armero in mud, killing some 25,000 persons, and Mexico City suffered two powerful earthquakes in two days that left 7,000 dead and nearly every inhabitant of blue-collar neighborhoods homeless.

Acquired Immune Deficiency Syndrome (AIDS) attracted still more attention when it claimed movie star Rock Hudson. Controversy arose over admitting children with AIDS into public schools.

Attention also focused on African famine, highlighted by the Live Aid concert for famine relief.

South Africa continued to dominate the news with reports of rioting almost daily, as blacks protested the apartheid laws that have suppressed them for years. Violence spread outward from black neighborhoods to white areas, and the Western world began to scrutinize its investments in South Africa. However, judgments were hindered when the nation imposed a media black-Out, which denied reporters a chance to broadcast the increasing violence.

The war in the Middle East continued with hardly a break. A Moslem man hugs his son moments after surviving a car bomb explosion outside a restaurant in West Beirut. Another man hurries them away from the carnage as cars burn in the rubble-strewn street.
A Battle of Wallets
Candidates from Virginia's most expensive gubernatorial campaign pay a visit to Tech

Although Tech students have propagated a tradition of voter apathy, as demonstrated by less than ten percent voting in the Student Government Association Senate race during Fall '85, neither Virginia gubernatorial candidate missed the opportunity of speaking on campus during the final weeks of the election campaign.

Successful democratic candidate Gerald Baliles and his republican contestant Wyatt Durrette spoke about the student and educational roles in agriculture and the political system respectively.

The 1985 gubernatorial race appeared to have been more of a monetary and popularity contest than one that weighed individual issues. Successive debates soporifically resembled each other, characterized by glib answers to anticipated questions and enlivened only by specious recriminations and counter-accusations. The campaign became historically notable when more than $10 million were spent by both parties combined, making it by far Virginia's costliest gubernatorial campaign.

The Residence Hall Federation and Virginia Tech Union originally attempted to promote a live, televised debate between the two candidates. Unlike the other debates, this was to have permitted spontaneous questions from the audience, in an effort to detail specific campaign issues. When the candidates failed to agree to an open debate, the RHF and VTU offered to co-sponsor events where each candidate would individually speak on campus.

Durrette responded to the invitation, and spoke from the portico of Alumni Hall to some 300 onlookers. With him were Sen. John Warner (R. - Va.) and Senate leader Strom Thurmond (R. - S.C.), a 1948 presidential candidate. Thurmond gave a powerful speech on states' rights and voting across party lines.

Focusing on topics of research and cooperation between industry, academia and government, Durrette said Virginia Tech played an important part in state economic development especially in its new Technology Park initiative. "You are a major star in Virginia's higher education crown," he said, adding that Tech had the first materials science research institute in the nation.

Baliles arrived on the Tech campus one week before the election date, and spoke of his plans for agricultural research that would begin "translating ideas born in laboratories to practices in the fields." Gov. Chuck Robb also was present for the event, and stressed a relationship between education and economic development to the audience of about 150 students and faculty.

Productivity can be improved through education, Baliles said, and a link should be established between education and transportation. Education is the building block for economic growth, and transportation involves the moving of goods and ideas developed through the academic system, he said.

Because Baliles previously had canceled his speaking engagement with the RHF and VTU, and rescheduled his visit through the university's public affairs office, the RHF and VTU did not sponsor the democratic event.

Both candidates showed up on campus about 45 minutes after scheduled, which could have been partially responsible for what student leaders termed as "poor turnout."

"I was somewhat surprised at the crowd size," said Jeff Mitchell, RHF president. "This was to get students more aware of what's going on around them."

- Scott Courtney
Senators Strom Thurmond and John Warner (below) speak with Wyatt Durrette (left) at Alumni Hall during Durrette's campaign for the governor's office. Attendance at the Durrette rally was higher than that at Baliles' appearance but Baliles was the eventual victor.
GET OUT OF TOWN!

Blacksburg laws force some groups to consider housing their members away from town zoning restrictions

As the student population at Virginia Tech began greatly expanding in the 1970's, the town of Blacksburg passed zoning laws that made it almost impossible for high-occupancy structures such as Greek housing to be built in the more populated parts of town. But, the same regulations prohibited high-occupancy houses in the outlying areas of town zoned for limited residential use, effectively zoning all future Greek housing out of the city. Therefore, as fraternity and sorority membership grew and the organizations began looking for larger houses, they were forced to apply for special zoning permits or build outside of Blacksburg.

Sigma Chi fraternity purchased 35 acres of land in 1983 on the far side of Route 460 for $73,000. During the summer of 1985, they proposed rezoning the land to permit the construction of a large fraternity house, with the approval of the Blacksburg Planning Commission. However, the Town Council unanimously rejected their proposal in order to set a precedent against similar action by student organizations in the future.

"The town doesn't feel they're ready to provide any housing," Tom Hutton, president of Sigma Chi's Eta Lambda House Corporation, said. "They've made it impossible for any fraternity to obtain a house in Blacksburg."

Bill West, Blacksburg director of planning, said the regulations to permit Greek housing in town "have a set of minimum standards...which most existing houses wouldn't be able to meet." The houses only are permitted because of a grandfather clause in the zoning laws.

This year, Tech had 43 Greek social organizations, comprising 13.2 percent of the undergraduate student population. "Membership climbed steadily during the past several years," said Mike Strickland, Inter-Fraternity Council president.

There were 21 Greek houses in town, but "few if any have a house they were really happy with," basically because there were not enough rooms to house many of their members, said Ed Spencer, director of Housing and Residence Life.

"They (Town Council) were just not going to allow any new Greek housing," added Spencer.

This left Greek organizations with three options:

- Renting a house on Tech property, over which the town of Blacksburg has no jurisdiction. Two fraternities and one sorority rented 36-person capacity houses on the university campus, but were required to submit to university dormitory regulations. The organizations were required to pay a $10,000 fee per academic year, in addition to individual dorm fees paid by their residents. Tech will build eight more Greek housing units on campus, which will open in the fall of 1989, Spencer said.

- Building a house on property leased from the university. Sigma Chi, in addition to several other fraternities, attempted to lease land from Tech in 1971 to build their own house. Before a formal proposal was submitted, however, Tech administrators told the fraternities that they did not want to lease the land.

- Building a house outside of the town limits. Only one fraternity is now located outside Blacksburg; many felt the houses would then be too far from the university to serve their organizations.

The Student Government Association submitted a proposal through Tech's governing system to form a joint student, administration and town committee to study the issue of Greek housing. William Van Dresser, Vice-President for Administration and Operations, said he anticipated a committee similar to the one suggested by the commission would be formed after the Virginia Tech/Blacksburg Liaison Committee had discussed it. "The mayor was fully appreciative of the concern about student housing in town, said Van Dresser. "The town officials were sensitive to this."

— Scott Courtney
Residence Hall Federation president Jeff Mitchell reviews his notes during a CSA meeting. Mitchell supported the SGA proposal for a joint student, administration, and town council to discuss recent group housing concerns.

Phi Kappa Sigma fraternity rents this house from the university. Currently, only three organizations have on-campus group housing, but more construction is slated.
Modifications in Cadet lifestyles help to bring the Corps of Cadets one step closer to the future.

Once again, rumors started flying as to the stability of the Corps of Cadets at Virginia Tech, although authorities denied any changes in the immediate future of the Corps.

The Corps was started along with the university in 1872. Originally, Tech was established as a military school. Civilian students were not allowed to enroll until 1964. Until that time, the Corps had numbered strength. However, between 1964 and 1977, cadet enrollment dropped considerably, and bottomed-out in 1977 with 325 cadets enrolled.

About this time, the first rumors that the Corps was going to be disbanded surfaced. The Vietnam war was in its primary and critical stages, and "anti-war" was the new nationwide cry. The Corps was suddenly in an antagonistic position.

The move to dissemble was eventually dropped. In 1978, enrollment once again started on the upswing. Currently, roughly 680-690 students, or about three percent of the student body, are enrolled in the Tech Corps of Cadets.

Some say that the Corps will no longer exist because it has not lived up to standards. Regimental Comander Cadet Colonel Derek Jeffries stated that, "maybe the Cadet system has not lived up to the standards of some, but what institution has lived up to everyone's standards? Even West Point has not done so."

Jeffries also added that the incident involving the label 'Cadet' is vastly blown out of proportion. He noted that people realize that a few bad apples do not ruin the orchard. Commandant of Cadets Lt. General Howard M. Lane agreed. "Clearly, one or two does not represent the barrel," said Lane.

Although many feel that the strict discipline required of Corps members prevented newcomers from entering the system, Jeffries felt that the professionalism and demanding atmosphere of the Corps actually encouraged some to join. Many escaped the constant harassment and teasing from others and joined with people who helped and supported each other. "Professionalism is the key here. It's always better to have help than hindrance," said Jeffries.

Overall, Jeffries felt that the Corps would be a stable entity in the future, as it had been in the past. "Only if someone in a high place had a sudden notion to dissipate the Corps would there be any problems," he stated.

On the other hand, Gen. Lane believed that the Corps would fall without modernization. Even this year, the Corps was modified. For example, for the first time, upperclass cadets were allowed to have lofts. Also, cadets could ride bicycles to class, and were permitted to remove their hats and carry backpacks. Although to the average civilian student these changes may have seemed trivial, they were major steps in updating the Corps. "If this trend continues, the Corps should have no problem with survival," said Gen. Lane.

This year, the Corps was a sign of unity. Cadets gained more freedom while still retaining their individuality and discipline. With the aid of their own modernization efforts, they anticipated being around for a while.

— Rob Richter
The First Battalion Staff watches the Founder's Day activities from the front row of the Corps of Cadets. Scenes such as this are a part of a Tech tradition that authorities assert is here to stay.

Dave Noon and Joe Wileman of Company H stand at rapt attention along with the rest of the Corps of Cadets, as Founder's Day ceremonies begin.
Duck Pond renovation is planned

Although the Duck Pond was a pleasant place to relax, students were also concerned about its appearance.

According to Ben Johnson, a Landscape Architect with the University Planning Office, plans for cleaning up the Duck Pond were set in motion. "There's a genuine concern and interest in repairing the Duck Pond," said Johnson. "It's always been important for social activities, both for the residents of the town and students."

The status of the Duck Pond became an issue of greater urgency in January of 1985, when some oil from Blacksburg was spilled into its waters. Water from Blacksburg flows in a stream under the drillfield into the Duck Pond. The pond acts as a siltation trap for the water that comes from the town, and because of this structural function it also trapped the oil spill. "Because of the silt the Duck Pond traps, it needs to be cleaned periodically," said Johnson. "It hasn't been cleaned for 15 years, when the islands were created," he added.

Johnson explained that the plans called for the structural and recreational properties of the pond to be retained. In addition, Johnson hoped that the recreational facilities could be enhanced. The real stumbling block for completion of the plans was money. Johnson said, "An estimate for dredging was $75,000. That's with no recreational improvements or reservoir improvements. Those will make it much higher."

"The Duck Pond was not renovated this year. But Johnson expressed hope that it could be done next year. "Forays have been made to the state for money," he said. It was just a matter of getting funding released.

Most student feelings were summed up in a comment made by Political Science junior Natalie Temple. "I liked it the way it was. The setup was really nice. It just needed to be cleaned up."

— Mark Munson
Although the Duck Pond is a very pretty spot, oil slicks on the water can detract somewhat from the escape many seek.

Ducks and cans coexist in a polluted environment. Not all of the Duck Pond's problems are caused by slir flowing into it from Blacksburg.

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"I think they should clean it up. It's pretty sludgy looking. It could be a nice place to go when you want to get away from classes or just take a walk."

Sandi Smith
Junior
Marketing Education
RIGHTS OF PASSAGE

VTU's exclusive rights to large shows protect students.

There was nothing more exciting than crowding into a packed concert hall with some of your friends to hear one of your favorite groups. Each year the Virginia Tech Union (VTU) brought major entertainers to Burruss Hall and Cassell Coliseum, and for them this has become an exclusive right.

For the VTU exclusive rights meant that they were the only organization on campus that could bring major entertainers to Cassell and Burruss and present outdoor concerts when admission was charged.

Sarah Pride, president of the VTU, a fourth year student in accounting information systems, said "the basis for these rights was that the VTU is the only organization on campus that had the financial backing to handle this type of entertainment. Any other organization might go under with a loss on a show, and without this financial backing the university would have to make up this loss."

Several other factors helped the VTU gain their exclusive rights. They had a budget of approximately one-quarter of a million dollars to allow for financial backing, but they also possessed trained expertise. The organization had three paid staff advisers to work with the students and to negotiate contracts because of the many legalities involved. The student members were trained in such things as the physical set-up for a show, how to work with people in the arts, and crowd control.

In the past there were other groups that wished to present a major entertainer, but the issue became an administrative matter, not a student issue, and the VTU was granted exclusive rights.

Mary Thoreen was the program director for the VTU. "If many different groups were allowed to bring in this type of major entertainment, they would compete for a group and bid the contract price up. This in the end would cause a higher ticket price for the student. In this case, competition is not the best for the consumer," said Thoreen.

The VTU was a professional programming organization. The only purpose of this group was to program for the campus, putting the students interest's first.

Exclusive rights helped the VTU establish a good relationship with other organizations on campus, and major entertainers as well, which made it easier to bring performers to the university. Sarah Pride stated, "You have to view this as best for the student, for example, the low ticket price, good entertainment, and no legalities. The VTU protects the student."

Exclusive rights did not mean, however, that other groups could not bring entertainment to Tech. Any organization could sponsor events at Squires Student Center with the approval of the Director of Student Activities, Dr. D. David Ostroth. An organization also had the choice of asking the VTU to co-sponsor an event. In this instance a group could bring a major entertainer to Burruss or Cassell by working with the VTU.

As a whole, the VTU's exclusive rights protected the students and gave them that certain type of education they could never get in a classroom.

— Susan Thurston

The progressive jazz group Shadowfax played to a near capacity crowd in Squires Student Center November 6. The event was sponsored by the VTU.
Ramone's lead singer Joey Ramone belts out the lyrics during the Ramones concert in Burruss Auditorium last spring. A small, wildly enthusiastic crowd attended the concert.

Charles Fisher, violinist for Shadowfax, concentrates during a solo. After a dearth of popular concerts, the VTU has begun bringing smaller groups such as Shadowfax to campus.
The Text of Time

Changes in policy and society affect the way we learn

In the midst of a hectic class schedule, changes in the academic system were sometimes hard to notice. But changes were in store for the students. With a scheduled return to semesters, Virginia Tech followed the national trend away from quarter systems. Also, the humanities were revived with a decision to add a more extensive liberal art score to the engineering curriculum.

While engineers were becoming more aware of humanities, others in the University were learning to deal with computers. Along with others, communication studies students learned typesetting and finance majors used electronic spreadsheets.

As always, labwork was still a means for gaining hands-on experience, and the Opscan machine was the easiest way to grade tests.

Designing a fine education was not easy — but then again, neither was getting a degree.
Unfortunately, school was not a nine to five job. After a laborious day in the classroom, most students spent an equally strenuous night working on their next day's assignment. "Homework was nothing but trivial problems which have no conceivable benefit," said Bill Unverferth, a junior in computer science. His opinion represented much of the student body's negative feelings about homework.

"The education system taught people to be afraid of homework," said Pepper Trietley, reading and study skills specialist for the University Counseling Services. "There was no forum to make mistakes; homework was usually graded, so by the time one got to college homework has its deadly reputation."

Perhaps homework had such a bad rap because it required the time students would have rather used leisurely. Watching TV, visiting friends and partying were often substituted with a boring night at the desk.

But homework should not have had to be all that bad. The people who did not hate it and weren't afraid of it most likely knew the meaning of time management.

Trietley suggested that students abide by a few rules to make time management and homework more bearable.

"Find a place that you always associate with studying," she said. Characteristically, the best places were ones where there were no TV's, telephones and stereos. "People felt like they had a better time studying with music because they are not as restless. In reality, they were not as focused and concentrated," Trietley explained.

Studying intensely in blocks of 45 minutes to an hour were best, taking a 10-15 minute
study break afterwards.

Trietley said procrastination was another big problem.

"It is a very inefficient way to study. For the effort exerted, you usually don't get an equivalent return," she said. She stressed time management, motivation and goal setting as the only cures.

"We see people with a 3.8 QCA to people flunking out," Trietley added. She said that no one should feel embarrassed about coming in, but for those who were, racks in the front hall provided some helpful information.

— Chet Childress

Using some free time, this student reviews her notes. Because many people substituted study time for different activities, they had to find other times to work.

More Than Just Books

Newman Library had more to offer than just a study area, 1.5 million books and 20,000 periodical titles.

Special Collections offered historical books and papers. The third floor held the largest map collection in Virginia.

A restricted Special Services provided the blind and partially sighted with a machine that read books, an audio calculator and personal computer.

Movies both educational and popular, were available at the Media Center. The Virginia Tech Library System (VTLS), a computer card catalog, made looking up information easier.

Paul Gherman, the new library director since June, said to expect Newman to become more computerized.

Students and faculty will soon be able to call VTLS from their own PC's," he explained. Only a decade away students may be able to call up electronic journals and do research without leaving their room.

— Chet Childress

Newman Library is one of only 118 Associate Research libraries in North America.
Preparing for the Governor's appearance, the Regimental Band marches on College Avenue. Band members continued to uphold the traditional characteristics associated with the Corps of Cadets.

Naval ROTC cadets sail the "Esprit De Corps" on the Chesapeake during spring break. Cadets not only learned navigational instruction in class, but also practiced them on these trips.
WAR GAMES?

Cadets Electing the ROTC Program Find the Military to be More Than Just Guns

Ready, aim, fire ... 

When students opted for a life in the Corps of Cadets, many decided to participate in the Reserve Officers' Training Corps (ROTC) program. Although cadets weren't forced to be active in ROTC, the benefits reaped from the program convinced most members to participate.

Each division in ROTC, army, navy/marine and air force, offered classes in their respective divisions pertaining to the history and background information of that military branch. Although the first few courses introduced a cadet to the history of a particular military division, others offered combat education.

While cadets in Army ROTC studied land navigation, first-aid and how to throw hand grenades, the Navy/Marine ROTC's practiced sailing in Norfolk. Air Force ROTC cadets kept busy with general knowledge of piloting, navigation and missile launches and those with an allocation from the Air Force worked in the Flight Instruction Program at the Tech Airport.

Putting all this knowledge to the test occurred when ROTC's went to summer camps, mandatory to those who chose to served in the military. All branches of summer camps emphasized the "hands on" approach as Navy Lt. Jerry Davis put it. Army, Navy/Marines and Air Force ROTC's trained in things they couldn't do during school such as an open sea cruise for Navy ROTC, or firing tank gun artillery for those in the Army.

Although trained in different fields, all ROTC's shared a common denominator: honor, pride and leadership.

"At field training, the Air Force evaluates cadets among their peers," said Major James McEvoy. "We want to see if they are dynamic leaders, one who can be expected to hold up under stress."

And while all the training history and leadership were "educational," the military had a practical side: placing cadets in jobs after graduation. Many ROTC's, after the summer training and other professional courses, entered the military as commissioned officers.

"We want to tell cadets all of what the three branches of the army offer," said Army Major Richard Payne, "and to give them basic skills to enter any branch."

— Carol Clinedinst
Using an oscilloscope in his industrial electronics lab, Doug Butler works on his operational amplification lab.

These physics lab students receive help from their graduate teaching assistant on the velocity and acceleration lab. Students set up an air track to test carts in a frictionless environment.
Students Apply Book Knowledge During Labs, Putting Theory Into Practice

The shuffling of papers, the barely audible snoring of a student and the shifting students indicated the general restlessness in McBryde 100 when a professor tried lecturing on an “interesting experiment.”

But changing the environment from one where the student takes a passive role in learning to an active one changed attitudes. Laboratory classes offered that switch. By participating rather than watching, students from freshmen to seniors, felt like they were learning principles their professors taught; they put theory into practice.

“Having the actual experience of doing experiments gives me a better understanding of chemistry,” said Gene Morris, a freshman in GASc, explaining why lab helped him.

Another aspect with which labs helped was acclimating future professionals to the equipment and jargon necessary for the job. Who would know clock pulses were to digital circuits as J-K flipflops were to resistors and transistors unless he worked in electrical engineering labs.

Labs, not only specifically benefiting the majors, also helped students in related fields. Computer science sophomore, Craig Bosworth, said, “This EE class has shown me implementation on a down-to-earth basis. I know what I want the computer to do, but seeing it from the EE’s point of view, I know things just aren’t that easy.”

Typically, the majors thought to necessitate lab sessions were the technical and natural science fields. However, this was not true. Rather than hovering over a fetal pig with a scalpel, some students applied book knowledge on stage, with children and in the water. People working in theatre and drama child development and swim classes had to take what they heard or read and use it in specific situations. Lab, being a relative term, could expand to encompass any circumstance where one had to draw on previous learning and apply it.

But perhaps one of the best reasons for having a lab was so students could interpret and apply an otherwise passive lecture. They were given the opportunity to do something constructive and often times fun.

Morris added about chemistry lab: “Where else can I get credit for playing a mad scientist?”

— Chet Childress

Children are the focal point for child development lab students as they apply book work to a real life situation.
As Engineering Fundamentals professors worked on the computer at the front of the class, the information was simultaneously displayed on student terminals throughout the class.

At the "Mac-L" lab, Kim Hardy waits for a print-out of her "sort subroutine" program. Apple donated two Macintosh labs equipped with computers and printers for all CS students.
GOING STRONG

Clicks from keyboards echoed not only in the halls of Randolph and McBryde, but also in the dorm as well because of a computer requirement for certain students. Following the footsteps of the College of Engineering, the computer science department required incoming freshmen to purchase Apple MacIntosh-Lisa personal computers and although no decision had been reached, the College of Business was also considering requiring their students to purchase a computer. With the computer mandatory for several departments, the ratio of micro-computers to students became greater than that of any university.

The College of Engineering, the first large engineering school to require pc's, made those students entering in or after the fall of 1984 to purchase machines from IBM.

"We began to use the microcomputer to get out of the dark ages," said engineering professor W.G. Devens. Instead of using punch cards through the main frame, the students could work on an assignment taught in BASIC or FORTRAN languages at his desk. Engineering majors also learned word processing techniques in a specially offered English class.

The computer science department decided to require their new students to own a Apple MacIntosh-L. Basis for the decision came from two areas: "We needed a computer that operates on the UNIX system and also a company that would meet our financial requirements," explained Patty Foutz, assistant to the department head. Because of the large requirements placed on CS majors, the computer was upgraded from 512 kilobytes of memory to 1024K. "Apple's offer of a $7000 hard and software package for under $3000 was attractive. Also Apple donated two Mac-L labs to the department," said Foutz.

Requiring students to own a computer alleviated the access problem often faced in the past.

"Not only will it help, already some of the problem has been eliminated," Foutz said. "Now students have 100% access to a computer."

With PC Requirements

The college of Business began the process of deciding whether to establish a computer requirement. Although business students needed a class in FORTRAN to complete graduation requirements, no bids to companies or requirements had been made.

In other departments students came in contact with computers by fulfilling a core requirement, using a word processor or just playing games. Computers touched on most every major field and a working knowledge of computers was helpful when entering the work force. The growing mandate of owning personal computers not only provided an educational convience to the students, but emphasized the growth of personal computers in daily life.

—Lesley Capito

Working with a "sum notation" project on his IBM PC, Neal Beasley, a freshman engineering student, edits out a "bug" in his program. "Owning a personal computer will be like owning a typewriter in the near future," said Patty Foutz, a CS instructor.
New Requirements Recognize Need For Broader Education

Changes in society and our educational system, in particular, brought a concern about the de-emphasized importance of humanities in college curriculums. The push had been toward the technical subjects with an apparent disregard for the arts and humanities. However, Tech recently noticed an increase in the number of liberal arts majors. In explaining the trend, Henry Bauer, Dean of Arts and Sciences, expressed his opinion that "the most important part of our education is the liberal arts and not the job training classes."

Originally, universities were established to provide students with a broad education. However, during the 1960's new attitudes concerning education emerged from the social revolution and all but the most skill-related topics were abandoned. As attitudes changed once more, the more comprehensive education was reinstated and the system restructured following the old trend to a streamlined education. Bauer maintained that "the desire to learn, think and the ability of self-expression are the basics of a solid education, something that history and reading can deliver more than math or science."

To ensure that every graduate was well-versed in all areas, the university established the basic core curriculum. This included specifications for required courses in the humanities, social sciences, natural sciences and math beginning with the Class of 1989. Although this rarely changed course loads, the minimum requirements forced students to cross the bounds of their college and complete sequences in other areas. Thus, science majors interpreted literature while English students performed chemistry experiments.

Due to the technical nature of many majors, some considered the core curriculum to be wasteful, monopolizing hours that could be applied to a more relevant class. Freshman Sarah Whitlock said "sometimes I felt that it was a loss of time to fill clusters of unrelated classes when I could have been working on my fields of interest and engineering major." Still, the university-wide requirements attempted to help produce more rounded graduates.

In addition to the subjects prescribed by the university, the individual schools formulated their own requirements, in order to meet more specific needs. Basically, the core curriculum, which varied even from department to department, enabled students to explore a broader field of information while earning graduation credits.

Bauer said, "experience and human understanding were the most meaningful and lasting elements of an education." The university encouraged students to expand their horizons with the basic core curriculum and the emphasis on more liberal arts. However, despite all the requirements, Dean Bauer stressed, "education really depends on the individual."

—Elizabeth Reynolds

Frenchhorn players, Ram Cabell, Carrie Cuppie, and Kristi Benton, concentrate on their music during Wind Ensemble practice. Nearly 75% of the University ensemble were engineers; these students crossed into other curricula to apply their special talents and receive credit simultaneously.
University Sets Core

For the first time, the university implemented a core curriculum requirement for all freshmen and transfer students entering in or after the 1985 fall quarter.

In order to receive a diploma, all students, beginning with the class of 1989, must complete specified credit hours and sequences in various subjects, especially those associated with a liberal arts education. Requirements included:

- 12 hours in English (depending on ability)
- 9 hours in Mathematics
- 9 hours in Humanities
- 9 hours in Social Science
- 12 hours in Natural Science

Despite the opposition and adjustment problems, the core curriculum guide maintained the purpose of the new requirements: "To provide a continuous experience in intellectual development."

— Elizabeth Reynolds

"What is religion?" Dr. Patrick Simpson asks his Modern World class. Studying works like Bertrand Russell's Why I am Not a Christian in LASe classes prevented an undergraduate degree from becoming job training.
Pencil scarred with bite marks, crumpled paper and unorganized notes: the scene of preparing for a test sometimes looked like a hurricane had hit a room. "The anxiety and dread felt by many students did not need to occur," said Barbara Pendergrass, a reading and study skills specialist for the University Counseling Service.

"There was a three step procedure to follow when studying for exams," she said. The first step, getting ready, involved organizing notes, knowing the type of exam and asking the professor what the test covered. Secondly, one needed to make a plan of studying. "Get a graphic view of what your time looked like and break down the material you need to study," Pendergrass added. The third step, sometimes the hardest, was "begin to study." To make it easier, Pendergrass suggested: "Begin by going over material that was least familiar, which was not necessarily the oldest material. When anxiety mounts, the material became more difficult to understand so it was better to get the hard things out of the way first."

Also, studying should vary according to the type of exam. For a multiple choice, fill-in-the-blank or true/false exam, the best way to study was to grasp main ideas and correlate them with the text. "Flashcards were helpful, but don't use too many. They should help you understand the materials you didn't get the second time around," Pendergrass said.

Studying for essay exams took the procedure of multiple choice exams one step further. "Use the same system, but try to relate main ideas to each other; look for relationships," she said. Pendergrass also said studying with friends and guessing what the essay questions might be was helpful.

For computational exams, like math, notes still maintained their importance, although many students did not pay much attention to them. "Go back and work the problems through, don't just look at them," Pendergrass said. Self-testing or simulated tests helped students practice and perhaps avoid things that cause careless mistakes.

Studying in Squires' lounge provides Soriano and Bill Connor an anxious-free study environment.

"As a general rule, stop at least one hour before the test so you don't forget the material and interfere with what you already know," Pendergrass said. But she also added to stop studying if over anxiety sets in.

"If you feel anxious, do not persist with the material and agonize over it. Do back away from it and do something relaxing for a while."

— Chet Childress

Using the blue book for his economics exam, Greg Clark answers a question on supply and demand. Unlike multiple choice exams, essay tests required students to find relationships between information.
Where Opscans Go

Next to a social security number, a #2 pencil was probably the most important possession of a college student. Only with this pencil could he fill out the opscan form, a vital sheet of paper to not only teachers, but students as well. About 3000 opscan tests were given yearly, not to mention the SGA and homecoming queen election ballots, and faculty evaluations that required use of the page of circles.

But what happened to these opscans once they left the students' hands?

Dr. Robert Frary, assistant director of research and measurements for LRC made sure everything ran properly on the optical scanner in Derring Hall. He, along with one graduate student, program analyst and clerk, handled the nearly one million sheets processed each year. Along with processing students' opscans, Frary and his team processed research data not only for resident professors, but also for Roanoke County and city schools and VMI.

The scanner could process 36,000 sheets an hour, with an effective rate half of that. In addition to grading the scanner provided professors statistical information on class response and probability of cheating.

— Chet Childress

This research assistant prepares the optical scanner to grade a set of opscan tests. Of the nearly one million papers processed by the scanner, 3000 were tests.
"What do I want to do?" and "Where do I want to work?" were salient questions for new graduates ready to face the "working-world." Some students agonized over these questions, while others anticipated employment because of the assistance received from University Placement Services.

The Placement Service aided students from every field of study in various ways. First, it offered students a research facility where important job information could easily be located. Second, the service provided facilities for on-campus interviewing by approximately 600 employers, and third, placement offered a qualified staff who took an interest in helping students recognize goals and achieve them.

A percentage of students from each college registered with placement, ranging from Inter-disciplinary — 1% to Engineering — 41% in 1983-84. Many undergraduates didn't understand what placement was all about; however, after going to the office and registering, they realized placement purpose: to aide students in recognizing themselves and their career goals for the future.

Katherine R. Von Dolen, Assistant Director/Research and Information Systems, summed up what placement meant to students by saying, "There was something for everybody here." She also said that if students from individual colleges felt that something was specifically needed, "Placement more than welcomed suggestions, and if our budgets allowed us, we will accommodate."

Students, in general, found the University Placement Service extremely helpful. Through its assistance, students acquired a better comprehension of their future careers by receiving valuable information and training. — Carol Clinedinst
Students wait in the placement lobby for their interviews with company representatives. Although placement was known for on-campus interviewing, it offered much more. A research center and a trained staff was available to advise students on future careers.

Number of Students Registering With Placement by College

(information based on 1983-84 statistics)

- Business 26%
- Engineering 41%
- Arts & Sciences 18%
- Agriculture 5%
- Human Resources 2%
- Education 6%
- Architecture 1%
- Interdisciplinary 1%
"Excellence is that which exceeds our expectations," said Vice President of Development and University Relations Charles Forbes is in charge of the Campaign for Excellence.

Two supporters of the Campaign for Excellence proudly display the campaign banner. Supporters include faculty, staff, and alumni.
Still Campaigning: Working Together to Bring About Academic Ideals

To most Tech students, the Campaign for Excellence stirred vague memories of a Virginia Tech magazine cover; pictures of grey-haired, elegantly suited men, their faces illuminated by sparklers at some ceremony; and articles in the Collegiate Times mentioning a fellowship awarded, a scholarship granted, an endowment created.

Most students never realized the machinery behind these brief mentions — an organization of top university administrators, faculty, staff, and alumni volunteers that was the Campaign for Excellence.

The Campaign began in August 1984, after the fund raising program was carefully conceptualized and organized, and a hefty “nucleus fund” of $23 million was raised. In January 1986, Charles Forbes, Vice-President of Development and University Relations, reported that the original goal was surpassed a year ahead of schedule and that a new goal of $75 million was optimistically set.

Forbes discussed several factors that made the campaign successful, including the realization that private funding, in addition to public subsidies, must be solicited if an academic institution was to truly excell. To facilitate this, enthusiastic, “key, outstanding” alumni volunteers were well organized and trained.

Alumni involvement provided subtle as well as direct publicity for the Campaign. Graduates employed in many different positions at various strata within organizations contributed to wide-spread corporate consciousness of the campaign. A “snowballing” effect resulted — once corporations became acquainted with the energetic alumni conducting the Campaign and observed other companies giving to the cause, they too became contributors.

Enthusiasm for the Campaign was shared by faculty members and university staff, who, along with the students, were the primary recipients of the Campaign’s benefits. In January 1986, the staff members of the food service and physical plant became the first to fulfill their Campaign fund raising quota.

The Campaign had been extremely successful in its financial endeavors. However, allocation of the funding posed concerns for Forbes, other administrators, faculty and ultimately the students. Technical and engineering graduates tended to be more affluent alumni. Some like Cliff Garvin, chief executive officer of Exxon and vice chairman of the Campaign, occupied powerful leadership position in their corporations. Thus, the bulk of contributions were directed toward improving technical facilities and sponsoring fellowships and professorships in this area. Unfortunately, funding was less abundant for other colleges.

However, alumni from all fields demonstrated their interest in participating in the Campaign. "There are a lot of people helping the University in a meaningful way," said Forbes. He stressed that the Campaign was simply "a means to an end" and that work, wisdom and wealth were equally vital to the success of the Campaign. when kick-off receptions were held across Virginia. Forbes was excited to see alumni from all fields seeking leadership positions in the Campaign. Forbes reported a 17% alumni participation and he was confident that alumni involvement would eventually rank near the top in the nation.

"Alumni are proud of the university and appreciate the quality of education they received here," Forbes said. These motivations prompted alumni to contribute to the university — to give back some of what they received and make a good thing even better — to make it excellent.

— Amy Lowenstein
College of Education Battles Teacher Flight

An epidemic continued to spread across the nation. A very low percentage of college graduates entered the teaching profession. Although the problem was already bad, a serious teacher shortage was predicted by 1990. In order to help alleviate this problem, the College of Education tried to do some recruiting by lowering tuition to current teachers.

"We reduced tuition 50% to in-service teachers and offered more scholarships this year than ever before," said Robert M. Smith, dean of education. "Tech was concerned about supporting teachers."

With the demand for teachers high and the supply low, many school districts in America recruited educators from other countries and even people without education degrees.

"Anyone unprepared for teaching should not be admitted to the classroom," he said, referring to California's decision to hire non-education majors to fill empty seats behind teachers' desks.

Although some school districts lowered their requirements for teachers, the education college did not lower its admittance standards. In fact, the college was experiencing an academic boost.

"This year our students' SAT scores rose the most, compared with all the other students in the university," Smith said.

The problems of low prestige, unfavorable media coverage and poor pay plagued the education field. The fact that graduates could find better salaries in math, science, and industrial arts-related fields was the reason for the exodus of teachers from the classroom.

"Sixty percent of teachers in Virginia hold two jobs," Smith added which exemplified the money problem even more. Smith thought salary increases and scholarships would help encourage potential education majors to this occupation.

Also, women who have typically constituted the majority of teachers, find entering these fields easier than in the past.

The College of Education was the largest in the state of Virginia and had the greatest number of graduates, too. Smith refuted last years' reference by Radford University's dean of education, Dr. Alan Wheeler, that Virginia colleges should segregate majors by school and that Radford should get education.

"He (Wheeler) mispoke. We had the largest education faculty in Virginia. We offered a fine program here. We were the best," Smith boasted.

"Education majors were going out into an excellent profession. This university supported them and the public supported them, too."

— Chet Childress

In his class, "Teaching in the Secondary School", Dr. D.B. Fleming lectures on a technique for teaching social studies in a high school environment. Upper-division education classes had low enrollments due to the lack of interest in teaching careers.
As Dean of Education, Dr. Robert Smith was responsible for the college's interpretation of the State's policies.

Music man David Hodges, prepares the lesson for his chorus class at Blacksburg Middle School. While fulfilling his student teaching requirement for graduation, Hodges also performed with the New Virginians.
Filling out his Opscan for winter quarter, Scott Hudson checks the time table for the correct index number. Hudson, like many students, found that the course evaluation booklet did not evaluate classes that he wanted to take.

Evaluating her Children's Literature course, Jennifer Steger answers a questionnaire prepared by the English Department. Contrary to popular belief, students' evaluation results were not included in the course evaluation booklet.
The New SGA Course Evaluation Booklet Helped Remedy Student Registration Headaches

Registration and opscan deadlines were a big headache, but the SGA spelled relief for many by reviving the Course Evaluation booklet.

For the first time since 1976, an evaluation guide was printed for students. Julie Sina, SGA adviser, and Rob Bennett, editor of the booklet, stressed that the book was not designed to be a teacher evaluation but a course evaluation. "There was no way we have the resources to evaluate the instructors, and that was not our purpose," stated Sina.

For the spring booklet, Bennett took a wide variety of classes from the timetable and assigned them to the senators to evaluate.

Bennett added that the book's purpose was for students to learn how much time and work were involved for a particular class.

Not all students found the booklet helpful. Jennifer Steger remarked, "I thumbed through it to find teachers I had previously had, but I never used it to help with my classes."

The fall/winter booklet evaluated 123 classes. "I couldn't use the booklet because it didn't include any of the classes I needed," said Kim Harris, a sophomore in communications. Because of complaints like Harris', Bennett had new ideas for the spring booklet, which was to include 500 class evaluations.

The SGA was not the only one with a voice in these evaluations. The course instructor was also given evaluation forms in which he/she could note prerequisites, summary of the course, and any additional comments.

The staff added the new position of advertising editor, filled by Valerie Becker, to improve the booklet. "Because of the booklet's expansion and publishing more copies, we need to have more funds to make sure we don't have to charge for it," Becker stated.

With added people and more preparation, the booklet was able to shed light on courses where students were previously in the dark.

—Janet Williams
Foreign language ability is not only necessary for keeping up with instruction at universities abroad, it's important for keeping up with the social scene as well. Here is the April edition of the arts and leisure program from Braunschweig, Germany.

Tech students studying at Giessen and Marburg, Germany through the Study Abroad program study just a short distance from this majestic Gothic cathedral in Limburg.
Study Abroad students opt to study far from home

It is ironic that the man responsible for supervision of students' study abroad in glamorous and exotic locations was tucked away in a small, inconspicuous-looking office in Price Hall.

He was Arnold Schuetz, study abroad adviser to students at the university. While working at the U.S. Foreign Service Office in Frankfurt, West Germany, Schuetz responded to an advertisement for a position in the International Programs Office at Virginia Tech. He accepted the position, which included collaborating on project proposals for Third World countries with the College of Agriculture, as well as advising duties. Mr. Schuetz was also instrumental in creating the International Student Exchange Program (ISEP) at the university, which allowed students to study abroad for a year, and a student from a foreign country to take that student's place here or at other ISEP host universities.

The program had extensive possibilities, over 70 overseas universities in 30 countries participated, and students who wished to study abroad had a variety of educational and environmental choices to choose from.

"I tried to put students in countries where English is not spoken," said Schuetz. He felt that conversing and receiving instruction in a foreign language was one of the most valuable learning experiences of studying abroad. To ensure that academic credit transferred back to Tech when students returned, study abroad candidates reviewed host universities' catalogs on microfiche and certified course descriptions with the registrar's office.

This year, students in diverse fields of study, ranging from architecture to chemical engineering to international studies, were hosted in France, U.K., Germany, Mexico, Costa Rica and Malta. Previously, students had studied in Poland, India, Scandinavia and Nepal. Usually, about 10 applicants from Virginia Tech went abroad, and 10 were hosted here through ISEP.

Because of the extensive opportunities for study abroad at Tech, Mr. Schuetz found advising an extremely time intensive endeavor. However, his apparent pride in the program was reflected in the success of the students involved at their foreign destinations. Some students stay abroad for more than one year, attaining advanced degrees at host universities. He often received postcards from his advisees, and found them to be generally more confident, independent, and self-assured when they returned to Tech.

They learned that despite cultural and language barriers, they could cope in a new, strange environment. Mr. Schuetz also observed marked intellectual growth of study abroad students: their eyes have been opened to different political and educational institutions; their ears opened to a new language and their hearts have been opened to new friends they meet while submerging themselves in a new and different culture.

— Amy Lowenstein.
TOUGHENING UP

Increased competition creates higher admission standards

"Overall, it is much harder to get into Virginia Tech today than twenty years ago, mainly because the competition is tougher," said Glen Valentine, Assistant Director of Admissions.

Prospective students faced more rigorous standards of admission each year. The Class of 1989 had the largest number of applications in the university's history, numbering over 13,000. While the national mean score dropped, Tech's SAT average of 1106 for the class of 1989 broke another school record. Additionally, high school class ranks increased among students, as virtually everyone placed in the top 20% of their class. "The number of applications and competition is rising, consequently we can be more selective and, in turn, the caliber of Tech students increases," noted Valentine.

However, academics proved to be only one factor in the recent stringent competition for admission. "Through a special recruitment programs, a greater number of applications may be received and admissions can choose a higher quality student body," explained Valentine. The Admissions Office also sent mass mailings to high school seniors and made personal visits to high schools to raise the recognition of the university and encourage more applications.

Finances were also a major factor in the growing standards and number of applications at Tech. Funded by the state and national governments, the university was able to keep tuition expenses at a minimum. Valentine said, "The kids from New Jersey can attend on out-of-state tuition rates for less money than in-state at their state university."

As the offspring from the baby boom grow older, the number of high school graduates was predicted to drop off. However, according to Valentine, the college's admission standards were not expected to decrease. Valentine explained that "a greater percentage of people are attending college these days and with innovative recruitment, Tech should maintain its enrollment and high standards."

— Elizabeth Reynolds
Receiving information about Virginia Tech, Sonya Turner talks with a guidance counselor in the admissions office. Perspective students were able to discuss their academic records and ask questions with a counselor.

How Tech Stacks Up

Setting a precedent with the highest SAT average of any college at Tech, the average student entering the College of Engineering received a 1210 on the test, while the University as a whole averaged 1106. With only 25% of the students chosen from out-of-state, there was a great competitiveness for the few openings. This resulted in an out-of-state average SAT score of 1132, while the in-state score was 1080.

Consequently, Tech possessed a medium range score in comparison to other large universities in Virginia. The leader, the University of Virginia, maintained an average of 1210 with the College of William and Mary following closely with 1200. However, Virginia Tech placed above James Madison and Virginia Commonwealth with scores of 1035 and 912 respectively.

With the steady increase of scores at Tech due to more competition, Glen Valentine, Assistant Director of Admissions, expected the SAT scores of the University to become closer to those of the higher ranking Virginia colleges.

Elizabeth Reynolds

SAT Scores Across Virginia

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Entering Students' Grades 113
Limited Space and Shortage of Faculty force Seven Curricula to be Restricted

Every student was familiar with lines, but waiting in line to get a major?! Because of high demand and limited space, seven academic majors were restricted: the colleges of Architecture, Business, Education, and Engineering and the departments of Communication Studies, Computer Science, and Geological Sciences.

The College of Business had the problem of increasing student enrollment with a constant number of faculty. Norrine Spencer, director of undergraduate advising, stressed the fact that "educational goals would not be compromised in the selection of doctoral faculty."

The Computer Science Department also needed to be restricted because of a small faculty; "We have 20 instructors to 700 majors," stated Patty Foulitz, assistant to the department head. Limited equipment was another factor. The terminals could not handle any more students than already used by the mainframe system.

Cowgill presented a space problem for perspective architecture majors. Gene Egger, assistant dean, said, "even though the College of Architecture is bigger than most others, the space problem is the bottom line." Of 800 freshmen applications, only 150 positions were available. Cowgill was designed for 600 people with permanent work stations.

Other colleges and departments faced similar problems.

With planned additions to existing buildings and the Campaign for Excellence to bring in more professors, departments hoped to be able to open their doors to all interested students. But for the time being, it was lines, lines, lines.

— Janet Williams

Communication studies student, J.D. Newman, types a story for his newswriting class. Communication studies became a restricted major due to a high student enrollment, low faculty ratio.
The LRC enables faculty to provide students with an optimal education

While most students were oblivious to the Learning Resource Center (LRC) and its functions, a majority of the faculty were well aware of the services it offered. According to Director Stanley Huffman, the role of the LRC was “to provide services in the fields of audiovisual, instructional television, research and measurement and instructional development.”

In addition to the responsibility for the upkeep of the screens in each classroom, the audiovisual department supplied and maintained all the audiovisual aids of the school including projectors, tape recorders and overheads. To promote stimulating methods of teaching, the LRC's film library contained over 2500 films that served as an alternate means of instruction for professors. The audiovisual services also developed film and created graphics for faculty members to apply towards research and classes. The Instructional Television Unit was vital in the production of television shows and visual tapes to further the amount of information available to students and allow more efficient teaching.

Processing over 500,000 Opscans per year, the Department of Research and Measurement handled every machine readable form from multiple choice tests and teacher evaluations to registration forms. With each graded set of tests, the LRC provided the teacher with a complete analysis of the grades and difficulty of the exam. Many professors also took advantage of the seminars on testing procedures conducted by the Research and Measurement Department. These sessions advised professors on the types of questions to ask in order to formulate a fairer and more comprehensive evaluation for students.

Completing requests, a technician in the LRC photo lab processes pictures for various faculty members. Professors sent film used in research and course work to the lab for development.

Working closely with Research and Measurement, the Instructional Development Series counseled faculty on instructional strategies and the latest teaching techniques including the use of computers and video tapes to keep a consistent level of teaching throughout the university.

Although largely unnoticed, the LRC indirectly affected the student body. The use of computerized answer sheets through the department enabled students of large classes to receive their graded exams quickly. Lectures and the availability of innovative equipment also increased with the interaction between the LRC and faculty members. Professors utilized the vast services provided by the Learning Resources Center and then passed the benefits to the students' education.

— Elizabeth Reynolds
Emphasizing a point, Allan Mandelstamm uses an overhead projector to jot down some important lecture notes. LRC provided and maintained audio and visual equipment for professors' use in the classroom.

Television Teaching

In order to accommodate the large number of students taking Principles of Economics, the College of Business in cooperation with the LRC developed a system of video taping.

A video camera recorded one live class taught by Allan Mandelstamm. Later in the day, the program was rebroadcast from Whittemore; approximately 1500 students took notes from the video taped lectures shown in various locations around campus.

This new concept in education was thought to increase the efficiency and quality of the instruction. Professor Mandelstamm noted, "It is an effective means of teaching large sections of a course and hopefully its use will be more widespread in the future."

— Elizabeth Reynolds

Economic students take notes from one of Allan Mandelstamm's video-taped lectures. Television teaching was a technique that effectively dealt with courses with very large enrollments.
A newcomer on campus could approximate his location just by looking at who was wearing what where.

A business suit meant he was probably near Pamplin. New wave? Maybe he was close to the art building or Williams. A flannel shirt and a John Deere cap — he was at Animal Sciences.

What a person wore often indicated his major. Although there was no rigid guidelines to follow, the suit and tie look generally belonged to a business major, the new wave fashion to a characteristic “artsy” major and the Southwestern Virginian look often denoted an agriculture major.

“People want to be part of a group, conform to the group norms,” said Mary Ann Zentner, clothing and textiles associate professor, explaining why people dressed the way they did. “They want to emulate a group because they belong to it or would like to belong,” she added.

Don’t expect many changes in the typical student dress: jeans and a button-down or tee-shirt. This look, not only comfortable and accepted in general, showed the conservative attitude of this region.

Many new looks that did appear on campus were brought here with students from northern Virginia. These looks, influenced by television, movies and music stars were not always accepted because of finances.

Although Zentner admitted that today’s college student has more “discretionary money” to spend on apparel, money was still a major factor in determining collegiate fashion trends.

If students wanted to try out different styles and had the money to do so, the time to do it was during their college years.

“Young people should experiment. Once they’re in a job their clothing will be regimented,” Zentner said.

However one dressed they were making a statement about themselves: “I am what I wear!”

— Chet Childress

Displaying the most popular student attire, Graham Summerson feels comfortable in his jeans and tee-shirt. A senior in civil engineering, Summerson felt his major influenced his dress. “Civil engineering is a more relaxed major than other engineering.” Summerson realized once he graduated his jeans would be traded in for a suit and tie.
Breaking all the "dress code" rules, Leslie King, a marketing major, dressed new wave instead of conforming to the conservative fashion of the business world. "My major has no influence on how I dress," she said. More of an influence was her newly formed, unnamed band where she had to convey and image. King did get away with dressing new wave in the business world when she worked as an accountant at the U.S. Mint this summer. "I don't think it mattered how I dressed because I was only summer help."

As an Alpha Kappa Psi pledge, Tom Hytry found it helpful to get a head start on his "business world" attire. Hytry, a senior in management science, noted, "I'm learning what looks good together." AKY's requirement of dressing up for classes proved to be a practical way to get prepared for a nine to five job.

Wearing "country-looking" apparel, Teresa Helton studies in front of Animal Sciences. This housing management major enjoyed dressing casually which sometimes meant donning a typically western outfit. She knew that once in her aspired job in real estate she would have to turn in her plaid shirts, jeans and boots for business attire. "My clothes will be geared toward the business world."
Graduate Students' Work Goes Beyond Their Classroom Studies

For most students sixteen years of reading, writing, and arithmetic were quite enough, but a special breed of students existed who wished to further their education. These graduate students endured additional years of school to receive advanced degrees in 13 fields.

Approximately 3,000 graduate students attended the University with about one-half being on the assistantship plan. Four basic types of assistantships were available: research, teaching, project, and graduate. Teaching and graduate assistants supported the academic program directly and received money internally from the University. These assistants graded papers and assumed other responsibilities designated by their assigned instructors. In addition, students participating in these two assistantships were expected to keep office hours so undergraduates needing study aid could discuss assignments.

Research and project assistants, on the other hand, performed different tasks. Basically, these graduates worked with professors and other researchers in various academic areas. They also received a stipend for their work; however, the financing was external to Tech.

The different assistantships varied in several ways, but each shared one thing in common. Though graduates were kept busy with teaching, grading papers, doing research and helping undergraduates, they also maintained study loads of six to 12 hours of graduate coursework. Celene DeFrancia, a chemistry GTA said that "social life is minimal."

Graduate students were an exceptional group of people. Although they kept extremely busy with graduate work and assistantships, with little or no social life, they succeeded in reaching their goal — gaining an advanced degree.

— Carol Clinedinst

Making the Business World One Giant Classroom

To most people, education meant sitting in a classroom, slaving over a book. But many students opted for another type of learning through the Cooperative Education Program.

The co-op office placed students in jobs where they observed and worked on skills learned in class. But, unlike a lab situation, these students worked for major businesses and corporations. Because of tough competition, not everyone got a co-op job. Requirements such as being at least a sophomore and having a certain QCA further limited candidates.

The rewards were great for those students who participated. Not only did they receive valuable training, but many were also paid. One important long-term benefit was getting a foot in the door for employment after graduation. Since the co-op program recommended staying with the same company for the duration of one's co-op period, many companies hired their co-op students for full-time employment after graduation.

— Chet Childress
CLOSEUPS

New Two Year Ag Degree

"A land-grant tradition" was Provost David Roselle's appropriate description of the new agriculture degree program. The new two-year ag-degree proposition was designed to concentrate on practical agriculture education.

After two years, a student would receive an associate degree in agriculture technology or agri-business. The first year of the program was designed to include forty-eight credit hours in basic courses. The second year students would concentrate on gaining practical experience in their specialty.

The program proposal stated, "the agriculture technology curriculum will combine classroom instruction and hands-on laboratory instruction at the college farms and field experiment stations."

The program was initially run on a trial basis for three years, after which an evaluation was expected. Students in ag-tech were not permitted to transfer into the four year degree program or apply their credit towards another degree.

This new program provided an alternative to a bachelor's degree on attending an out-of-state school. Currently, most Virginia students chose North Carolina State's ag-tech program. However, with the introduction of Tech's program, which should be implemented in 1987, Virginia students were able to remain in-state and still earn degrees.

— Elizabeth Reynolds

Using landscape design skills, Ed Hall prunes geraniums in the Washington Street greenhouse. By promoting the new two-year agriculture degree, college officials hoped to attract students who might attend N.C. State for ag-tech or ag-business degrees.

Business College Gets More Space and Professorship

Perhaps the most exciting thing that happened at the College of Business during 1985-1986 was the commencement of construction on the 55,600-square foot annex to Pamplin Hall. The annex significantly expanded educational and administrative facilities while consolidating the bulk of the college’s personnel under one roof. This achievement, the culmination of intensive fund raising efforts, was accompanied by creation of endowed professorships, scholarships, and other academic development. The C&P Professorship, provided by Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, was awarded to Laurence J. Moore, professor of management science. Expanded use of personal computers in business applications was but one more testimonial to the College of Business' dedication to preparing students for the business needs of the future.

— Amy Lowenstein
Computer Engineer Degree

Take computer science and add a little bit of electrical engineering and what do you have? Computer engineering. Living in such a computer-oriented world, many might have taken for granted that a computer engineering degree existed here. But it didn’t, and Dr. James Armstrong worked to see that Tech would have one.

“We are waiting for the State Council to approve it,” Armstrong said. If approved the computer engineering program would be the first in Virginia and one of only about 40 in the nation.

“The computer engineering program will be similar to the electrical engineering program; computer engineering will just specialize in computer software and hardware,” Armstrong said. The CS department was cooperating with the program, agreeing to teach the software part of the major. However, since it is an engineering major, the computer engineering program will use the IBM pc, not the Apple-Macintosh.

Armstrong hoped to have the program ready for next fall with about 50 people for the first class.

— Chet Childress

A&S: Back to the Basics

Due to the renewed interest toward liberal arts as students are “getting back to the basics,” the College of Arts and Sciences experienced an onslaught of new students.

In addition to the increased student interest, the new university core curriculum initiated changes within the college. The curriculum required every student to complete several sequences within the College of Arts and Sciences. This created a larger number of students taking arts and sciences courses and consequently, virtually every department expanded.

The administration of the College of Arts and Sciences changed hands too. Dean Henry Bauer resigned from his position in March to pursue teaching and research in chemistry.

Despite the installation of the basic core curriculum and the introduction of a new dean, the College of Arts and Sciences kept all its basic policies in tact.

— Elizabeth Reynolds

Vet-Med College Expands With Phase III Project

Although it was inconspicuously tucked away on the periphery of campus, the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine burgeoned very conspicuously with the construction of the Phase III project. Under Dean Peter Eyre, the $8 million, 66,000-square foot project progressed well and provided expansion of the teaching hospital; instructional and support space, including communications center, commons area, library and media unity; radiology, anesthesiology and trauma facilities; a new pharmacy; and a hospital reception area.

The college was founded in 1974 after the General Assembly authorized its creation and in 1978 established its regional association with Maryland. The college’s first class graduated in 1984. Phase III was to be completed in spring 1986.

— Amy Lowenstein
University Dean Retires After 26 Years

After nearly 26 years of service, James W. Dean retired as university dean. Since his arrival in 1959, he worked to form the counseling center and Placement services as separate entities, a nationally-recognized interactive program for retired faculty and staff, and saw the university grow from about 5,300 students to over 22,000.

"Dean’s position was phased out when he retired," said Donna Bishop who worked with him for the last ten years. The position of university dean was created specifically to develop specialized programs like the community leadership program to better university-community relations.

"He loved his job. He enjoyed the students and university life," Bishop said.

— Chet Childress

Planned Additions Help Alleviate Space Problem

"The largest space deficits in the state" and "in the face of really tremendous space deficits" were descriptions by Warren Kark, University Architect, concerning the shortage of space.

This problem clearly presented itself in parking, congested hallways and crowded classrooms. Laboratories and computer terminals were combined and placed in every available space.

In order to alleviate this serious problem, Tech received $50 million to utilize on long-term construction. After bids were made for construction and final plans drawn, building began to expand the university.

The majority of renovations took place in Squires, the veterinary school, and connections between existing structures. Business and chemistry buildings were constructed by Pamplin and Davidson Halls, respectively. Improvements were also slated for the Duck Pond and commute parking lots.

After completion of the whole plan, the university should adequately accommodate all students and generally be more visually appealing.

— Elizabeth Reynolds

Phase III construction of the Vet-Med College, which will be completed in spring of 1986, will include radiology, anesthesiology and trauma facilities. (Below) A cardboard model of campus, displayed in Newman Library, showed where additions would be made.

‘Change and Innovation’

Dean Robert Smith of the College of Education was optimistic in the face of a phenomenal year of growth and expansion for the college. With undergraduate enrollment of 900, 2500 graduate students, the establishment of a new microcomputer lab, new programs in special education, health education (with a focus on "wellness"), and physical rehabilitation made 1985-1986 a very progressive year, filled with change and innovation. Smith applauded the new force of faculty, "first rate in a number of fields," that had come to the college recently. With the wheels set in motion, the College was occupied with adjusting programs for the semester conversion, participating in its nationally ranked intramural sports program, organizing a summer computer camp that drew enrollments of 200 kids and participating in a faculty exchange program with Great Britain.

— Amy Lowenstein
Museum Is a Link to Past

Did you know that dinosaurs lived in Derrick? Well, a plaster-cast model did at least. Other fossils and mineral exhibits were also housed in the Geology Museum.

Curator Susan Erikson said that while most of the exhibits were permanent, some occasionally changed. "Educational, seasonal and new acquisition displays change every few weeks," she said. Most of the displays were gifts to the museum made by professor's or students' findings. "Some of the exhibits were worthless in value, but precious in terms of research," Erikson said. And vice versa.

The museum worked on a small budget but managed to do "quite a lot" on the money it had. A full-time graduate student assisted Erikson in the museum which opened its doors to approximately 24,000 people last year.

Anyone could visit the museum which was open 9am to 4pm on weekdays at 2062 Derrick Hall.

Human Resources Emphasizes Looking Toward Future

The College of Human Resources experienced an increase in enrollment as a result of improvement and emphasis on human resource issues. Associate dean, Roberta Minish said "since 1983 when I came here, enrollment has increased from 700 to 863 students."

Minish considered the change the college had experienced since her arrival. She was involved with recruiting for the college and promoting the various option in human resources.

The majority of departments required independent study and practicum experience. Minish said this specialization gave graduates an advantage in the business world. An option in hotel, restaurant and institutional management was developed two years ago and had become popular.

Looking toward the future, the college's departments addressed changes in curriculum due to technical and environmental changes. The need for specialists in housing, nutrition, clothing and human development guaranteed the college will continue to evolve with the times.

College of Architecture Goes International

Throughout 1985 and 1986, the College of Architecture and Urban Studies was busy adding programs to improve their departments.

In November, Dean Charles W. Steger and Associate Dean Frederick Krimgold signed an exchange agreement with Tongji University in Shanghai, People's Republic of China. The agreement included the exchange of graduate students and professors in architecture, landscape architecture and planning programs. It also encouraged cooperative research. "Agreements of this kind bring richness and diversity to our program offerings and expand our network of contacts to exchange ideas on emerging issues in the profession," Dean Steger said. The exchange of students and faculty was expected to begin in the spring.

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John Wade, an architecture professor commented, "I think that if students in the design professions don't learn to use computers, they won't know what is going on in a few years from now. They won't be able to deal with the business world."

Students who were taught with computer aided design and drafting-system training earned an average of $5,000 more than those not having this training.

Chet Childress

Food preparation lab student, Sharon Rosen Bakes her "Floating Island Custar."

Janet Williams
University President William E. Lavery wasn’t an administrator who sat in his office isolated from 22,000 students.

"I work with the SGA and Interfraternity and Panhellenic councils," he said, "but just as important are the informal contacts. I try to get feedback about what students think about Tech."

This included such informal contacts as RHT-sponsored dinners with students in the

Provost David Roselle was proud of the fact that this year, the university admitted "the largest and most qualified freshmen and graduate students in the university’s history." He also noted the growth in research and teaching: advances in "academic space, equipment and curricula" were made.

Roselle liked working with students. He advised the Class of 1986 and helped with the

Vice-President of Administration, William Van Dresser, touched the lives of students through his position. Under his control were such things as the physical plant, bus system, fan behavior and parking.

Van Dresser addressed the parking problem. He said, "In the next years we’ll have no increase in parking. In the planning stages, however, was a parking deck near Squires."

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dining halls and talks with them in dorm lounges.

In the future, Lavery didn’t expect the student size to grow any larger. But he recognized the space problem and how the new construction was just one way to make this institution better.

— Chet Childress

Commission of Undergraduate Studies and worked with the student-run Honor System.

Roselle said: "This university is on an attractive slope and is getting better."

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In addition to touching students lives indirectly, Van Dresser said his work as sponsor of the Class of 1985 and other student organizations made his job more interesting.

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For crowds or for fun — athletes strive to win

Some arose at the break of dawn to run or swim, while others practiced for hours in the afternoon. Either way, the training involved with being an athlete was hard work.

The pleasure of victory was shared by all Hokie fans when a superb team effort ended the unblemished 20 game winning streak of Memphis State’s basketball team. Unfortunately, the victories of the club sports such as rugby and field hockey never brought much notice.

Many students got the chance to be stars on the intramural fields by playing football, softball, or waterpolo for a dorm or organization team. Others wanted to play, but the crunch for space restricted the number of softball teams to register.

Despite criticisms, the sports program provided an outlet for students’ energies as well as being a noticeable part of the University’s identity.
Students Compete JUST FOR THE FUN OF IT!

The Intramural Program began inauspiciously 65 years ago as a three sport offering. The program had evolved to provide students with an opportunity for participation in more than 150 activities.

The initial sports, basketball, football, and track, consisted of an eight team program. Since then, Intramurals have undergone an enormous increase in athletic competition. Activities ranged from outmaneuvering opponents in flag football to strenuous muscle toning in aerobics. All shared one main goal; “to provide recreation, and leisure in the spirit of having fun,” according to Director of Intramural-Recreational Services, Charles Espinosa.

Espinosa stated the program has reached its “highest plateau due to the fact that Tech’s enrollment had soared from 12,000 (1970) to over 21,000 (1985). Espinosa planned to augment the program with other special areas such as mini marathons and fitness programs.

Students reacted positively when asked about the intramural program. Mary Margaret Koball, a senior in math education, participated in basketball, flag football and softball. She stated that she enjoyed the program because it allowed her to “get together with my friends, and just go out and play,” (Unconcerned by the health improvement implications of the program, Koball stated, “exercise was a joke, I participated because it was fun.”)

The fun was almost ruined though for the 1985 Softball season. Confusion surrounded the scheduling of the games because the drillfield was deemed “off limits” to Co-Rec activities. Unfortunately, more than 50 teams dropped out because of problems that arose due to scheduling. Three hundred teams did persevere and play, however, with over 4530 students who participated.

— Ronald Dennis
Playing softball works as a good break from the books. Tommy Savage pitched for the Vawter Virgins, one of the teams that recovered from the “field mix-up.”

During a double play attempt, Steve Northcott turns to throw out the runner at first, after a toss from the shortstop assured the first out. Northcott played for the Allied Forces.

While covering second base, Albo Craft races back to his position when the pitcher attempts a “pitch off” play. This time the runner was safe.

Getting away from work and having fun, baseman Albo Craft and the runner Butch Jones get tangled up in a play at second base. Jones was safe with a stolen base.
Intramural Football and Volleyball Provide

A CHANGE OF PACE

It was a typical Blacksburg afternoon... cold, gray, and windy; perfect weather for football, or so twelve teams on the drill field thought. It was getting dark and it looked like rain, but those scampering figures never seemed to notice. They were too wrapped up in their event at hand, flag football.

The flag football program was one of the most popular intramural programs at Tech. It involved 2,572 participants that made up 167 teams. The teams consisted of fraternities, sororities, graduate students, co-recreational enthusiasts and faculty members.

One of the teams at play was the "Dog People," previously named "Dog Men," before they allowed women to join their ranks. Gary Look, a sophomore, commented on how enjoyable the games were. Kathy Gaulding chimed in just as she was to take Mary Spieth's place on the field. Spieth, also a sophomore, was a rookie to the intramural sports.

Later that evening, more students got together in a warmer place to play their hearts out. This time, it was the gym that held the excitement. At 7:00, room 141 was filled with enthusiastic players ready to battle it out.

All at once, the teams sided up and the whistle blew. The first ball was served, and that night of volleyball began.

Nights such as that began several times for 2,131 participants of the volleyball intramural program. Individuals, sororities, and fraternities made up 165 teams. Volleys, services and hits ended around 11:00 each night.

— Terri Wright

Playing quarterback for the "Freds", Scott Cronin attempts to release the ball before he is "tackled." Due to a late Indian summer, flag footballers enjoyed an extended season.

Sister of Pi Beta Phi, Cathy Carosino serves to her opponents, Delta Delta Delta. Carosino was a senior majoring in building construction.

130 Sports
Trying to run with the ball, Paul Stewart is “tackled” by Charles Jones. The successful football program allowed over 2,000 participants to take a break from the books.

Looking for an open receiver, a Barringer Hall teammate runs just outside his tackler’s reach. The flag football program allowed the fun of the game without the injuries.
If You Enjoy Competing In Sports, Then
JOIN THE CLUB

The Extramural Sports Club Assoc. became a functional organization in September of 1970 under the title of Intramural Recreational Services. This year, the association has added three new clubs, thus expanding to fourteen distinct clubs providing instruction and competition for students. Competition is scheduled with other universities and colleges within a 300-350 mile radius.

ARCHERY
Many people think bows and arrows went out with the Wild West, but some people still enjoy archery as a sport. Some of these people are members of the Archery Club.

The club had no set number of members and there were no membership requirements, but members needed to have access to their own equipment. Every week, a group of members traveled to Christiansburg to practice at the Armory.

Archery was a sport that had received recognition and as dedicated fans' interest increased, more people became members and experienced practice for themselves.

BOWLING
Designed to promote men's and women's interest in the sport, the Bowling Club began its season with registration and an organizational meeting during the fall. Membership was open to anyone with an interest, regardless of average. During weekly matches at the Squires' alleys, 60-90 members participated for fun, recreation and trophies.

Of these members, tryouts were held to pick the top twelve men and women bowlers. They formed the traveling team and with financial support from the school, competed against team in the Southern Intercollegiate Bowling Conference.

FENCING
The historic sport of fencing began at Tech in 1973, and this year, with financial aid from the school, twenty active members competed against other schools such as JMU, VMI, Mary Baldwin, and Hollins, while also competing in individual tournaments amongst themselves.

The members of the club met several times a week for instruction and practice in foil, sabre, and epee fencing. All equipment was supplied, therefore, anyone interested could tryout.

FIELD HOCKEY
The Field Hockey Club had an outstanding season finishing 10-3. The only losses were to Longwood, Eastern Kentucky, and Appalachian State.

Since only four team members graduated, next year's season looks promising. Graduates are Laura Vye, Janet Shipley, Dee Boyesen, and Jeannie Appich. However, the team will miss the depth Appich, the leading scorer, and Shipley provided the past seasons. Also noted for play was junior goalie Jackie Porta.

Although a new comer to the Archery Club, freshman Reginald Reid demonstrates much concentration during his weekly practice.

Practicing the historic sport, these two fencers lunge forth with their foils drawn.
Treasurer of the Karate Club, Christine Eiss, helps a newcomer tie her beginner white belt.

Valentine

Instructor Shapiro, a black belt under Ed Hampton, watches as Nancy Simmons punches Dwight Strickler.

Valentine

Veteran Andy Schiefer performs a V-sit on the parallel bars. Andy has been in the Gymnastics Club for four years.

Burcham

Orange belt Denise Lewis checks on fellow member, Jon Garfinkel after she flipped him during practice.
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The club was open to any undergraduate female student. Practices were scheduled throughout the year.

GYMNASTICS
The Gymnastics Club, headed by president Karen Efird and faculty advisor Dr. Joe Franchina, consisted of 80-90 members. Of those members, three stood out in Efird’s mind: Suzi Shay, Andy Schiefer, and Jim Lupi. The team competed against such teams as UVa, William and Mary, and Radford. Last winter, the team did quite well. The men’s team went to the state meet and placed third. Although the women’s did not qualify for the finals, they were undefeated for the regular season.

The team’s season began in January and ended with state finals in March. During spring, they had a “fun” meet with Clemson.

KARATE
Using the American Institute of Karate style, the club emphasized conditioning, self-confidence, coordination, and self-defense.

Meeting twice a week in the dance room of the gym, the 35 member club promoted development of the individual’s own abilities. As a team and individually, players represented Tech at matches and tournaments.

LACROSSE
As a member of the United States Intercollegiate Lacrosse Association, the Tech Lacrosse Club competed under NCAA regulation. The team played a tough schedule between colleges such as Washington and Lee, Roanoke, Duke, and North Carolina State.

Membership was open to any male undergraduate student, regardless of experience. Informal practices began early in the fall with daily practices held just after the first of the year.

ORIENTEERING
Orienteering is an outdoor sport in which a person uses a compass and a map to find his way through a course by locating certain points that are marked on the map. Orienteering can be a leisurely or competitive sport and there are courses of different levels of difficulty, ranging from white, the easiest, to blue, the hardest. The Tech Orienteering Club even had what it called a free-for-all or black level course on which it had points located in strange places, such as tree tops and underwater.

The Orienteering Club was a small club averaging seven members. They attended away meets in W.Va., Ohio, New York, and Alabama. Other activities included setting up course to help train the VT Search and Rescue and the Corps of Cadets.

RACQUETBALL
The newest sports club on campus was the Virginia Tech Collegiate Racquet Club. This group began through one student’s desire to tie together others who shared an interest in tennis and racquetball. Founder and President Charles R. Craig III, a third year student in International continued on page 136
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Studies, explained, "We're an athletic and social club, like an interest group." One advantage of the VTCRC was that a player didn't have to be good to become a member. During its first few months of existence, the club accumulated fifty members of all abilities, from beginner to advanced. Craig remarked, "We wanted to attract all levels. No one is too bad for us." Vice President Scott Ottinger coordinated play between members and helped to set up pyramid rankings whereby everyone held a place on the pyramid, not just the best. When asked where the club's future lies, Craig replied, "We'd like to create chapters nationally and/or arrange intercollegiate play, but we don't want to sacrifice stability to expand. Founding the club was a start. Hopefully, I'll never see the finish."

RUGBY
Beginning in the spring of 1985, Virginia Tech had two rugby teams. The women's team regrouped with 35 members. The women rugger's played teams such as William and Mary, West Virginia, UVA, Maryland, and Clemson.

Last spring, the team played on The Mall in Washington D.C. in the Cherry Blossom Tournament and hoped to finish this season in the same fashion as last year. The men's team, headed by Danny Daus, did quite well the past few seasons. The team, which had 45-50 members, played during the fall and spring.

In the fall, the team was undefeated and therefore, went to the state championship. Since the team won, they were invited to compete in the East Coast Championships in the spring.

The spring season consisted of tournaments and individual games, building up to the National Finals.

WOMEN'S SOCCER
"Hopefully this time next year we'll be a varsity sport," said Robert Drake, the women's soccer coach. Drake submitted a petition requesting varsity status and now awaits the University's decision. Women's soccer has been a club sport for eight years.

Drake reported, "The season went well considering last year nine starters graduated and this year's lineup consisted of eight freshmen." The club ended with a 7-6-4 season. Captains were senior Christine Butler and junior Dianna Smith. Outstanding players were Smith and freshmen Jenny Ross and Sharon Coleman.

Since Butler is the sole senior, expectations are high for next season. The club will also have a tough schedule, including playing against five nationally ranked teams. Drake said, "next year's goal is regional ranking."

VOLLEYBALL
Bumps, smashes, spikes and thrashes. No, it's not slam dancing at your favorite bar, it's the Hokie's Volleyball Club. Like most other sports clubs, membership ranged from undergraduates to graduate students to faculty, including faculty advisor Randy Marchany. In order to prepare for tournament play in the U.S. Volleyball Association, the club practiced three days a week, drilling such basic skills as bumping and serving, and played practice matches among themselves. Funding for the club came from the extramural department, which provided enough money for competitive play throughout Maryland and Virginia. Winter was the season for these tournaments, which had two obvious disadvantages.

First, according to Marchany, "we were hamp­pered by sickness, so our matches weren't as successful as we'd hoped." Second, snow sometimes made traveling difficult or impossible, and many matches were cancelled. Although these conditions interfered with the '86 season, Marchany was encouraged by the fact that club membership increased since '85. This meant that volleyball is becoming more than just Frankie and Annette's favorite beach game.

WATERSKI
Waterskiing is a sport enjoyed by many people. At nearby Claytor Lake, waterskiers are a very common sight during the spring and summer months.

The Waterski Club was one of the most popular clubs on campus, however, because of insurance requirements, club membership was limited to one hundred people. There were no membership requirements, but members were financially responsible to sell twenty raffle tickets per quarter in order to retain memberships and pay yearly dues.

The club had weekly meetings or happy hours at local bars. During the fall and winter quarters they gave two large parties. During the spring quarter, members of the club spent a weekend at Smith Mt. Lake. A representative of Master Craft also conducted a ski school.

When warm weather arrived, the members kept busy by skiing five or six times a week. The club bought a new boat each year, and furnished its own equipment.

WEIGHTLIFTING
As the most popular sport club on campus, the Weightlifting Club boasted the largest membership. Many members participated in either weightlifting, powerlifting or body building.

Officers and sponsors provided programs for those interested in bettering themselves in various sports, and offered instruction for beginners.

- Kara Clemenz
- Kelly Falconer
- Marie Sacco
- Lynn White
- Terri Wright

Transfer student, Javier Vietti is tackled from behind by his opponent. As a native from Argentina, Vietti lived in McLean, Va.
Vice president Scott Ottinger practices during one of the weekly Racquetball Club meetings.

Due to his interest in the sport, Charles Craig formed the new Racquetball Club. He held the office of presidency.
Said business manager for athletics, Don Perry, "Everyone borrows money for capital improvements. It would be nice to generate money from TV, bowls, and NCAA tournaments to cover the capital expenditures."

"Our weakness may be that we tried to develop too fast, and we've gotten ourselves in a bit of financial trouble because we did too much building. . . . I think we have suffered a little in the credibility department," quoted Dr. James Robertson, president of the athletics board.
More Than Just Big Business

They first began as fun, competitive attractions; however, college athletics have grown into a big and complex business. Virginia Tech's "business" was no exception. Unfortunately, according to articles written by Jack Bogaczyk of The Roanoke Times, Tech's "business" had run into a snag. Despite setting a football attendance record of 35,579 per game, receipts from the Independence Bowl, and a first-round basketball game in the NCAA Tournament, the Hokies had their biggest financial loss last year of $331,007.

Adding to these financial problems were attempts to use the operating budget to pay for capital expenditures. The Hokies' expansion and lights for Lane Stadium, the annexation of Jamerson Athletic Center to Cassell Coliseum, and the relocation of the baseball field, all of which cost $1,054,055, led to borrowing from the VPI Local Fund.

This huge price tag led to much concern and speculation; therefore, on September 1st, the athletic board was given financial control of athletics. The 15-member board assumed more responsibility for shaping policy and financial direction for the Hokies. The board, which doubled as the Tech athletics council under NCAA guidelines, helped to account for every penny spent. Likewise, they balanced the budget every year as the Board of Visitors requested.

According to James "Bud" Robertson, president of the athletic board and faculty chairman for athletics, "The misconception is that the athletic association has money coming out its ears. Maybe that will change now that people know we borrowed money." He feels Tech was in financial trouble due to low game attendances, lack of TV broadcasts and promised alumni pledges that were never fulfilled.

On the other hand, Don Perry, business manager for athletics was quoted as saying, "I don't think we've ever had a serious financial problem, but when you borrow money, you give that impression."

Tech President, William Lavery said, "My general reaction was that as costs escalated, we have not been able to add programs like we would have liked to. But our budget has gone from $2 million to $5 million, and as long as we can live within our means, I don't consider us to be in trouble."

The only hope for getting out of this deficit, Robertson speculated, would be to raise money from outside funding. He hoped no programs or people would be cut in order to save money.

Another problem the athletic department was experiencing deals with public relations. "Public relations is one area in which we really need to jack up our efforts," said Robertson.

"Our biggest weakness, I think, is in communications," said Dr. Margaret "Peg" Driscoll, one of the senior faculty members of the Tech Athletic Association's board of directors.

"I think our lack of communication caused a lot of mistrust and unrest. It's not that they [the administration and faculty] just think we were doing things wrong in athletics. We were not doing anything wrong. The university community just doesn't know what we were doing," quoted Robertson.

"... it has to start on campus. Your campus should be your power base. Before you can go outside, you've got to make the campus aware."

Driscoll commented that the athletic department "certainly should be communicating with the rest of the university. After all, without the university there can't be athletics."

— Terri Wright

Athletic director and head football coach, Bill Dooley has made over $1.05 million in capital improvements since obtaining his position eight years ago.

University President, William Lavery believed the quantity, quality, diversity, and variety among universities in Virginia had an impact on athletic tradition and growth.
Injuries Weaken Tracksters; 3RD IN METRO

Twenty-four Hokie tracksters won third place at the Metro Conference Championship meet held at Florida State last May. For the ninth consecutive year, Florida State claimed the title and the Cincinnati Bearcats finished second.

Junior, Tony Williams was the Hokie stand-out, winning both the 5,000 and 10,000 meters. A surprise performance came from Tom Mehr who only trained ten days before the season began. Mehr won discus and placed third in shot put. Other outstanding Metro Championship performers were: Phil Saunders, 1st place in the triple jump; Chris Campbell, 2nd place in 10,000 meters; Ricky Butter, 3rd place in hammer; Todd Giszack, 5th place in the steeple chase; and Jeff Phillips, 5th place in 15,000 meters.

Coach Russ Whitenack anticipated a second place finish, but injuries weakened the Hokies. Whitenack also reported that since almost everyone participated in two events to earn the most possible team points, they found it difficult to concentrate on their forte and to perform at their best ability.

Hokies began training in October and continued throughout the academic year. Team members reported that the lack of outdoor facilities was a training disadvantage, especially for field and short distance events. Coach Whitenack said, “We usually practiced at the local high school or inside Tech’s field house. Away meets didn’t pose a disadvantage because spring weather in Blacksburg was inconsistent. However, this arrangement prevented practicing relay exchanges until the day of the race.”

A special highlight of the season was runner Tony Williams’ trip to the National Sports Festival where he placed second in the half marathon. Williams also distinguished himself by winning his event at junior nationals. Tony said, “training was rigorous and challenging. I typically ran 80-90 miles a week even during Blacksburg’s coldest months.”

—Kelly Falconer

Leading the pack, Tony Williams and his teammate, Chris Campbell dominate the field throughout the 10,000 meters event. Williams was victorious in this event and Campbell placed second.

Putting all of his strength into his discus throw, Tom Mehr surprised everyone with his performance. Mehr also placed third in the shot put.

After finishing first in the triple jump event, Phil Saunders talks with a reporter from the Collegiate Times. Teammate Tommy Johnson continues to watch the tournament.

Metro Track Tournament 141
Reaching for her service ball, Erika Rapport shows the strong form that has made her number one in Tech. This senior from Pittsburgh improved her game through weightlifting and conditioning exercises.

Sixth ranked Krista Guglielmi emphasizes her back hand during an afternoon practice. Guglielmi transferred from Radford to play with the Lady Netters.
High Hopes Produce STRONG NETTERS

Practicing and playing all year didn't seem to tire the Women's Tennis team or keep them from having a winning season. With an overall record of 18-16 for the year, a 13-9 record for the spring of 1985, they finished fourth in the Metro Conference Tournament. The team held high expectations for another successful season for the fall.

Except for Ana and Maria Garcia-Tunon, sisters from Aviles, Spain who remained in Spain this year, all of the members of the squad returned from last year. "Even with the loss of two of the top six players, we shouldn't be any weaker this season," said head coach Ann Jones, who returned for her second season with the lady netters.

Four of the top players of last year returned and were back on top again. Erika Rapport led off as the number one seed for a second consecutive season. Number two was Ann Howard, the only player from Virginia. She moved up from the number three spot which was taken over by Maria Lochiatto. Suzanne Gutch filled the number four position. Winding up the top six seeds were Danelle Chambers, a freshman from Florida and Christa Gugliemi, a transfer junior from Radford University.

After having three coaches within the last four years, head coach Ann Jones, who graduated from Va. Tech, hoped to stay with the team. She said, "The program needs consistency." Along with remaining the head coach, she hoped to start up a new Junior Varsity team, which would play area schools and the players would have a chance to "challenge" the varsity members to possibly advance to play on the varsity team.

Along with stressing athletics, Ann Jones also stressed academics. The Women's Tennis team had the highest overall QCA of all the women's sports teams last year. — Kara Clemenz

Using her natural athletic talents, Suzanne Gutch returns a practice volley. As a standout, Gutch had the ability to get any shot and ran down anything to get a point.

1985 WOMEN'S TENNIS
13 Wins 9 Losses

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Women's Tennis 143
With Loss of Four, HOKIES LOSE TOO

Two tall thin bodies, with rackets in hand, stood at opposite ends of a net-divided clay court. With each forehand, backhand, and overhead smash, the ball exchanged sides with drilling speed. The two had been practicing for almost three hours, running each other from side to side across the court. They pushed themselves in preparation for the next day's match. They were Charlie Petrusky and David Wolfe, two number one players on Tech's Men's Tennis team.

The 1985 season did not go as planned for the team, specifically due to the loss of 4 of the top 6 players the year before. They finished with a 11-14 record. Unfortunately, the Hokies had their first losing season ever. Despite the team disappointment, several members performed very well individually. Team captain Scott Sherman, a Senior, was a strong competitor in singles with David Wolfe and joined with Wolfe to achieve the number one doubles position with a record of 16-6.

Freshman engineer John Wooldridge was a fantastic recruit for the lineup, considering his experience as Delaware State Champion as a high school senior. Paul Calhoun, also a Freshman, won the state championship in Vermont his senior year and proved to be a tremendous asset to the team.

With 2 of the top 6 players gone from the 1985 season, members of the 1986 team hoped to motivate themselves for a winning year. Charlie Petrusky, a Junior majoring in Marketing, returned as the new number one player.

The advantage of the '85-'86 team, Petrusky commented, over the '84-'85 is the fact that "no one is a senior." With such a young team and talented newcomers, Wolfe hoped "the new people will strengthen the team, and get us back on track." As far as goals for the new season, Petrusky and Coach Joe Collins agreed — "to improve last year's record."

—Marie Sacco

Making strides toward a good future, Mike Tielemann practices on his backhand. Although not a full member of the team at the beginning of the season, his efforts proved worthwhile.

Veteran player, Phil Payne emphasizes consistency during practice. That one problem was the only thing that kept him from becoming a great player.
Putting his all behind his return, Monty Stafford, originally from Richmond, begins his first year with Tech. As one of the few starting freshman, Stafford worked to strengthen his backhand and improve his overall performance.

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| Richmond | 3 | 5 | William & Mary | 6 | 3 |
| Penn State | 3 | 6 | Appalachian State | 6 | 3 |
| West Virginia | 1 | 5 | Washington & Lee | 4 | 5 |
| VMI | 9 | 0 | Old Dominion | 6 | 3 |
| Duke | 6 | 0 | Hampden Sydney | 8 | 1 |
| Davidson | 3 | 6 | Radford | 6 | 3 |
| Citadel | 7 | 2 |

Keeping his eyes on the ball, Peter Shapiro concentrates on his volley shots during an afternoon practice. This native of Florida was a new addition to the Hokie Netters.
Tech Baseball continues . . .

"ON THE UP"

Catch it! Baseball fever. The sport has come a long way since 1977 when assistant coach Chip Smith first played for the Hokies and, he added, "it's still on the up."

"On the up" it was and got consistently better for Tech each year. In 1984, they capped a 41-17 record by finishing third in the Metro Conference Tournament. During the '85 season, the team achieved a fantastic 50-16 record and hit a collective total of 125 homeruns.

Two strong opponents in the Metro Conference were Florida State and South Carolina, both of whom were beaten by the Hokies on their home fields. Most impressively, Tech was the only team in the league that defeated Florida State. They demonstrated the ability to play strongly against the big names, but to the dis-continental on 149

With agonizing force, David Potts pitches a curveball to a UVA player. Potts was drafted in the fourth round by Atlanta in June '84.

From his third base coaching position, Chuck Hartman encourages his players at the plate. Hartman, who has been with the Hokies since 1979, always emphasized the ability to hustle.
Away at UVA, shortstop Brian Henderson covers second base in a double play attempt. Henderson started at his position after a terrific junior college career at Spartanburg Methodist.

Quickly returning to first on a pick off attempt, Brian Henderson later scored to help the Hokies defeat VMI 13-3. With his outstanding quickness and speed, Brian was one of the Hokie's top base-stealing threats.
Displaying a cocky expression, second baseman Greg Mance tags his opponent out. The Hokies continued this success against Louisville by defeating them in 4 of 5 games.

With grace like a butterfly, Greg Mance attempts a safe slide to home plate. Despite this failure to score, Mance proved to be a consistent hitter throughout the year.
Tech Baseball Continues . . .

"ON THE UP"

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appointment of the players, were not selected to play in the regionals.

Despite the loss of several key players, including pitcher Bean Stringfellow, left-fielder Perry Agee, third baseman Billy Plante, out-fielder Shaun Sullivan, and shortstop Brian Henderson, the '86 team hoped to keep a winning tradition.

With experienced players and talented freshmen recruits, Coach Chuck Hartman was looking toward another fine season. Pitching seemed to be the "name of the game." According to Hartman, freshman recruit Greg Ferguson had the "best curveball I've seen," and most of the returning pitchers, David Potts, Rodney Brooks, and Kyle Groome, who were out last season with injuries, returned this year to keep the pitching staff strong.

Other members of the team that deserved recognition were: First baseman George Canale, who toured to Venezuela with the USA team last summer, shortstop Mike Tally, Greg Mance, who had been a consistent second baseman, and freshman third baseman Trey McCoy, who Hartman said had a 30 homerun potential. "Good players make a good team," commented Smith, "regardless of coaching."

The combination of experience, strong freshman recruits, and conscientious coaches made Tech the team to beat in Virginia.

—Marie Sacco

As the conductor brings them to a writhing crescendo, a play is made at home plate in favor of the Hokies. As seen by Joe Salisbury's actions, encouragement for team members is not always verbal.
Individual Performances Kept Hokies Alive as the Season Was TURNED OVER

Times changed drastically for the football team. Losing an entire secondary line of starters to graduation, and losing a grand total of 22 starters overall, left major gaps that had to be filled by less experienced players. Hopes of a bowl bid were shattered early on and even the valiant efforts at the end of the season could not produce one. Lack of experience and costly mistakes made the season a long one as the Hokies were unable to get all of their separate units operating at the same time.

The opener against the Cincinnati Bearcats set the tone for most of the season. Although the Bearcats' defense was ranked the nation's worst in 1984, their 1985 squad caused the Hokies to turnover the ball five times. Cincinnati rolled to a 31-14 win by capitalizing on costly turnovers. The very first night game in two years, turned out to be a nightmare as the University of Richmond handed the team their second consecutive loss. Richmond covered 465 yards to Tech's 286.

Spider quarterback Bob Bleier had total command of the field and completed 20 of 26 passes. Despite the outstanding performances by linebackers Jamel Agemy and Paul Nelson, who each had 19 tackles, mistakes were too plentiful. A one yard punt by David Cox, coupled with an interception and two incompletions, helped the Spiders make history by being the first Richmond team to defeat the Hokies in Blacksburg since 1950.

Defensive tackle Joe Turner summed it up when he said, "Last week it was mental errors, this week, we just didn't want it bad enough."

The team pulled together to face the Clemson Tigers. continued on page 153

After a disappointing afternoon of playing in the rain, Mark Cox awaits further instructions from Coach Dooley. Although the Hokies were defeated in Florida, Cox's overall performance was a highlight of the game.

Tailback Eddie Hunter leads a host of Tribesman downfield. Hunter ran for 159 yards in the Hokies' 40-10 win over William & Mary.
Sophomore Eddie Hunter picks up yardage and a Clemson tackler during Clemson's first visit to Blacksburg since 1979. The Tigers hung on to win the game 20-17.

Linebacker Lawrence White moves in to help stop a William & Mary tailback. White, a sophomore from Blackstone, VA, was rated the seventh best linebacker recruit in 1984.
Individual Performances Kept Hokies Alive as the Season Was TURNED OVER

Tailback Eddie Hunter rushed for 119 yards and the defense held the Tigers to minus two yards rushing. Statistically, the teams matched, but once again turnovers cost Tech the chance to pull off an upset.

The final mistake, and the one that cost the game, was on the part of the referees. With the game tied at 17-17, Clemson attempted a game winning field goal that was deflected and fell short. With no time left on the clock, fans and players began celebrating. The celebration was short-lived when a referee charged the team with a "roughing the passer" penalty. Clemson kicked again, and was successful. 20-17 was the final score.

Now 0-3, the squad sought it's first win against Syracuse and finally found it. Tailback Maurice Williams, a consistent power player for the team, was the leading rusher in the first win with 51 yards. Todd Greenwood's dive into the end zone and an excellent kicking game by Tom Taricani helped secure a victory.

Defensive highlights were provided by the linebackers. Jamel Agemy, who led the team with eight tackles, had a key interception that lead to a successful scoring drive for the squad. Paul Nelson, Horacio Moronta, and Rainer Coleman helped introduce the Orangemen to the home turf with seven tackles each.

The remainder of the season continued to see-saw as the Hokie's lost to West Virginia, but regrouped in time to defeat arch-rival Virginia.

After going into the locker room scoreless in the first half, the squad exploded onto the field in the second half and held UVA scoreless for the remainder of the game.

The victory was largely due to the performance of the offensive line. Kent Thomas, Scott Cruise, Stuart Plank, Mark Johnson and Tom Mehr laid over 1,240 pounds of flesh on the line and allowed tailbacks Maurice Williams and Eddie Hunter to run for 324 yards. Desmar Becton also came through on key plays in the wingback position.

Individual performances were all that kept the Hokies alive during the '85 football campaign. The 35-18 rout by then second-ranked Florida put a damper on the team as a whole, but not defensive back Eric Hayes who had an excellent day on the field, or for Mark Cox who rushed for 22 yards and passed for 76.

The team had no difficulty winning the last two home games. Defeating Memphis State 31-10 and Louisville 41-17 was a high note for some, but a low note for senior center Mark Johnson.

Johnson thought the wins were "just too easy."

Senior Eric Hayes thought the wins left the team with a positive feeling about the season.

"During the second half of the season we turned ourselves around," said Hayes. "We could have sat around pointing fingers at each other, but we pulled together."

"I think we made a pretty good comeback after an 0-3 start, and at least gave ourselves a chance at having a winning season."

— Zandra Cooper

1985 FOOTBALL
6 Wins 5 Losses

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Senior Ray Fitts lunges for an interception amidst two Florida players and defensive back Alan Harris. Fitts, the only returning member of the secondary with experience, was called on to provide leadership in his role as a cornerback.
Seniors Lead The Hokies As They

“ROCK THE CHARTS”

Once again the Hurryin' Hokies logged over 20 wins for the season in their quest for another NCAA Tournament bid. Only this year, the team clinched their spot in the tournament very early by being consistently ranked in the top twenty polls throughout the year. The squad played a tough schedule filled with nationally ranked competition and held their ground against most.

Head Coach Charles Moir, who was ranked as one of the top 25 winningest basketball coaches in the nation, began his tenth year.

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In their victory over Southern Mississippi, The Hokies defended their national ranking. Guard, George Caesar covers his man as he breaks for the rim.
Laying up for two points, George Caesar watches as his ball goes in for the score. Caesar, a freshman, shared the position of guard.

As the Hokies beat Southern Mississippi, the ball boys watch as Dell Curry goes up for the lay-up.

Dribbling down the court, Johnny Fort keeps an eye on his opponents. As a freshman, Fort split the task of guard.

Stretching for his shot, George Caesar reaches just beyond the groping arms of the South Carolina players. The Hokies pulled this one out of their hats with a score of 71-69.
In a tight game with Cincinnati, Bobby Beecher attempts to block his opponent’s shot. Tech lost that game 104-107.

Charging down court, All-American guard Dell Curry concentrates on where he is carrying the ball. Curry ended his year with the Hokies by leaving his mark, breaking the all-time scoring record.
Seniors Lead The Hokies As They

“ROCK THE CHARTS”

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at the helm with four returning seniors who provided the experience and leadership necessary for the Hokies to remain competitive.

Forwards Keith Colbert and Bobby Beecher teamed up with All-American guard Dell Curry to put on the trio's finest performance since they first entered on the court in the fall of 1981.

Junior college transfer Dave Burgess won the center spot, while freshman George Caesar and Johnny Fort split time at the other guard position.

The squad's hope for the season rested on 6 foot 5 Curry, who averaged over 20 points per game. Curry topped the all time career scoring list with over 2,150 career points. He also lead the Metro Conference in scoring. His perimeter shooting heralded him the title of All-American and pro scouts labeled him a sure first round NBA draft pick. Coach Moir said it best when he said, "Dell is playing the best ball of his career."

When the Hokies hit Hawaii for their first game of the season, Curry hit an amazing 12 of 13 shots during the first half of a game against then second-ranked Michigan. Curry's 38 points were not enough to hold off the Wolverines, who won the game in the final seconds 66-67. Tech's shining star put forth many stellar performances against the likes of VCU where he was 14 of 18 from the field, and Cincinnati where he scored a career high 41 points.

Colbert, best known for his rebounding abilities, added a new scoring touch to his repertoire. One of his finest performances came against arch-rival Virginia. In the squad's 84-66 rout over the Cavaliers, Colbert scored 19 points and had ten rebounds. His slam dunk late in the first half sparked a team turnaround and the Wahoos never recovered.

Beecher was moved from the center position he occupied last season and made all the difference in his game. "I love being at forward," Beecher said. "I play better when I can move around a lot."

He moved around quite a bit on the court, scoring and rebounding in double figures. Beecher's improved play drew several pro scouts to home basketball games to see what the new and improved version had to offer.

Burgess continued to throw his 6 foot 8 frame across the lane to stop the flow of traffic in the middle. Burgess held Michigan's All-American center to only eight points and UVa's Olden Polynice to 13. He was a key figure in the team's 12 game winning streak before the winter jinx set in.

Suffering losses to Miami of Ohio in a Christmas tournament and later it appeared that the January jinx had struck again. The squad dropped from 16th to twentieth in the polls but struggled to hold on. Coach Moir continued to look to his bench for the right combination to help ease the burden.

Phil Williams and Tim Anderson added depth to the forward spot, Williams with his last second clutch free throws and Anderson with his aggressive style and eagerness to play.

Williams proved to be deadly at the charity stripe and saved the day in the game against West Virginia. He had seven points and seven rebounds in 15 minutes of play, and converted four of six foul shots in the final.

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Seniors Lead The Hokies As They

"ROCK THE CHARTS"

continued from page 157 three minutes. Another clutch performance came in the 71-69 South Carolina win where he converted two free throws with three seconds left in the game. Coach Moir called upon Williams frequently as his number one sixth man.

Roy Brow, the 6 foot 11 center was sluggish getting started but the sleeping giant awakened in time to be a formidable shot blocker and later found a shooting touch. Brow eventually replaced Burgess at center, but his stardom was short-lived.

Four and a half minutes into the home game against Southern Mississippi, Brow fell over the back of an SMU player. The fall left Brow with a fractured wrist and a bruised lower back, and he was out of action for the next four weeks.

Brow had played his career best offensively before the injury and was leading the team with 26 blocked shots.

The squad experienced several ups and downs during the winter months, but overcame their problems by playing with intensity and determination, as they prepared for post-season play. "It's a whole different atmosphere this year," said senior Colbert. "We're taking basketball a lot more serious now." Their ranking and advancement in the NCAA Tournament proved just how serious they were.

— Zandra Cooper

Senior Keith Colbert lays up a ball during the Southern Mississippi game. He felt the team took the game more seriously this season, maybe that is the reason for the national ranking.

During a time out, Coach Charles Moir gives out some of his experienced advice. Coach Moir is ranked among the winningest coaches.
Reaching for the basket, Keith Colbert tries to force the ball away from his opponents and into the net. First year forward, Bobby Beecher stands by for assistance.

Standing behind the Hokies, sophomore Dennis Quinn watches the game. This Tech enthusiast had been seen at many sporting events.

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With Top Scheduling, Young Golfers

TEE OFF FOR THE TOP

"It was the best year we've had in quite a long time," said Jay Hardwick, coach of the Virginia Tech golf team, talking about the 1984-1985 season. The Hokies had a fantastic year. Out of the thirteen times they teed-up they finished in the top ten eleven times and finished third or better eight times. In the pre-season, the Hokies were picked to be fifth in the Metro Conference. They put that statement in the hole by finishing second behind Florida State.

With captain Jake Allison, the Hokies number one player, how could they go wrong? Allison finished first team all-state, along with Mike Matthews. He also made first team academic all-American, and was honored at the NCAA championship in Greenslefe, Florida. He was 1 of 20 in the nation who was honored.

Allison and Matthews were not the only outstanding players on the team. Mark Teachey, this year's captain, was runner-up in the Metro Conference championship and made the all-metro team, and made the 2nd team all-state.

Jeff Haley made the 2nd team all-state.

The team as a whole was also superb. In the Southern Inter-collegiate Tournament, also known as "the Masters of College Golf," where 15 of the 20 competing teams go on to the NCAA championships, Virginia Tech finished 7th. This was their best finish ever in the college "Masters" tournament with the Hokies finishing 68 shots better than in 1984 with the same team. The Hokies finished first in the Virginia State Intercollegiate Championship where Jake Allison set a competitive course record in his first round and finished in first place.

The team consisted of returning seniors Mark Teachey and Doug Corby, and Miller Baber, a transfer sophomore from UVA. Rounding out the top 6 sharing equal time are sophomores Mike Wing, Peter Nadanyi and freshman redshirt Tim Cone. "We're deeper and a lot younger, that's what makes us stronger," explained Coach Hardwick.

The Hargrove B. Davis-Campbell Invitational Tournament was the first out-of-state tournament the Hokies had won. Going into the final round, the Hokies were in fourth place and seven shots behind the leader. The Hokies came back strongly and won the tournament by five shots. At the ODU-SeaScape Invitational, Mark Teachey was the individual medalist.

The Hokies participated in the Doral Park-Miami Collegiate Invitational in February. They were 1 of 20 teams in the nation to be asked and were honored to compete. "We hope to win every time we tee up," said Coach Hardwick. With one of the top schedules in the country, the Hokies put that statement on the tee and went for it all this year.

— Kara Clemenz

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With the stance of a professional Peter Nadanyi puts for a long shot. This sophomore from McLean, VA played a great short game and excellent course management.

With deep concentration, Mark Teachey judges his next putt from afar. Teachey, the captain of the team, proved to be a tremendous asset for Virginia Tech.
Observing the slope of the green, Mike Agee contemplates his next putt. Agee was a new recruit for Tech last fall.

Discussing their next hole, Miller Baber and Tim Cone enjoy a time out from a vigorous practice. The Hokies practiced everyday and played almost every weekend during their season.
Three year veteran, Jennifer Ryan sits steadily on her trusted mount, Sean McPhilomy, who is a rookie to the squad. Only after many practices and much confidence could this stunt be done.
CHEERLEADING:
More Than Meets the Eye

What involved lifting weights, tumbling, gymnastics and a lot of practice? Cheerleading of course! Although not seen as a real sport, cheerleading used many of the same skills as better known sports. For example: in weightlifting, you lifted to increase your strength and to tone up your muscles. The same went for cheerleading.

Another example was gymnastics, where stunts, dance routines and tumbling all go hand in hand. Here too, cheerleading was related. Along with promoting school spirit and smiling a lot, the Hokie cheerleaders flipped, flopped, stacked and threw one another, all for the fan's benefit. Cheerleaders led the flow of enthusiasm for the team and thus transferred that feeling of enthusiasm to their fans. And, as if all of that were not enough, the Tech cheerleaders had to keep that same enthusiastic perception throughout their daily activities including public appearances and special functions, while maintaining a high QCA. That's why it took a special person to be a cheerleader and to cheer the Hokies to victory.

—Terri Wright

Getting carried away, at half-time, the Hokie mascot rides on a caravan of cheerleaders to his proper place on the field.

This Tech victory seems to be in the bag as well as the mascot. Two fans decided to trap a Hokie.

Promoting school spirit early, the Hokie mascot sits with friends outside Squires Student Center. The mascot was an additional asset for the cheerleading program.
Using her height to her advantage, Julie Neely blocks her opponent’s spike attempt. The Lady Hokies beat Liberty University three games to one.

To return the ball to the opponent’s side, freshman Terri Majkowicz sets up a volley. This all-state performer provided needed strength at the net.

Using her jumping abilities, sophomore Sonya Adams spikes a ball back to her opponent. This strong server was a defensive wizard for the team.
“Everything that could go wrong, did . . . ”

LET DOWN

Under the direction of Coach John Pierce and his assistant, Randy Marchany, the Lady Hokies tried out a swing offense modeled after the style used by the Men’s National Team in the 1984 Olympics. This offensive system allowed the hitters to be one on one or one on zero with the blockers. Coach Pierce said the swing offense “worked better than we would have believed . . . a great system.”

The team was young and in-experienced. Much needed leadership was provided by seniors Penny Atkinson and Carol Streeter, who were solid all around players, and sophomore Sonya Adams, whom Coach Pierce called “the heart of the team.

The team was plagued by injuries, and Coach Pierce said, “everything that could possibly go wrong did go wrong.” However, the Lady Hokies played two fine matches at the University of Virginia Classic. They beat the Lady Cavaliers, avenging an early season loss, and went on to defeat V.C.U., ending a 30 match winning streak.

— Lynn White

1985 VOLLEYBALL
15 Wins 9 Losses

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Backing up her teammate, Terri Majkowski reaches as Penny Atkinson returns a volley. Both Lady Hokies were powerful hitters and blockers.
Soccer Team Captures A Second Metro Title
CHAMPIONS AGAIN

Quality not quantity players characterized the 1985 soccer team," reported halfback Jeff Rush. The Hokies ended their season 10-7-1 and met all their pre-season goals. Season highlights included clinching their second consecutive Metro tournament title and being ranked ninth in the region.

Coach Jerry Cheynet stated, "Our three pre-season goals were to have a winning season, repeat as Metro champs, and be ranked in the region. Since we met all three goals and only three players graduated, we expect an even stronger team next year."

Even though no scholarships were available to soccer players, Coach Cheynet hoped to recruit more players of freshman Mason Fawzi's caliber. Fawzi was a high school All-American.

Outstanding Metro tournament players included sophomore Scott Bondurant, senior David Koury, sophomore Andy Frank, and junior Jeff Rush. Bondurant played fullback and was the tournament's Most Valuable Player. Koury and Frank, both forwards, were also named to the all tourney team. Rush, a halfback, was the second highest scorer behind Koury, but was top in assists. Coach Cheynet commented, "Jeff was injured during the season and the line really missed him. He was like our team's Dell Curry; heavily relied on to keep fellow players confident."

Team try-outs started in mid-September, with the first game played at month's end. Rush elaborated, "I believe we started out slow because other teams had already played at least four games."

— Kelly Falconer

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Goalkeeper Stewart Beason executes a save. This senior from North Carolina, was one of the finest goalkeepers in Tech's history. "Stewart is just a very steady, consistent player," said Cheynet.
HARD WORK PAID OFF

Hokies Challenged Tough Teams

Coach Russ Whitenack described the 1985-1986 women’s track team as “hard working with a lot of talent.” “Overall, this should be the best women’s team since the track team started three years ago,” Whitenack stated.

Last season, Tech graduated key runner Linda King. However, talents such as NCAA tournament qualifiers Cheryl Tuosto and Roxann Polo returned this year. Tuosto and Lori McKee, both seniors concentrated on middle distances, while also strengthening Tech in the 880 meter and 1500 meter runs.

Sophomore Cindy Ross was a potential candidate for the NCAA tournament in both individual and team events. Ross set records in 55, 300, and 400 meter runs and in the 100 and 200 meter outdoor runs.

“We have a respectable team,” stated Coach Whitenack. He scheduled the Hokies against some of the harder teams in and out of Tech’s district. Tech’s competition included teams such as NC State, last year’s national champions; Tennessee, Alabama, Virginia, Clemson, and UNC. Tech’s district consisted of schools from Maryland south to Florida and as far west as Louisiana. Whitenack preferred that the members “run a personal best, set school records and lose against highly competitive teams than win against non-competitive teams.”

Since the team was very young, Whitenack hoped that “by the end of this season, all records would be broken.”

The cross country team, won its sixth straight state championship. And, in the first year of the Metro Conference Invitational, Tech came out on top. Coach Whitenack stated that the Metro Tournament provided tougher competition than the state tournament.

Even after losing two-time All-American Linda King, Janice Osswald and Lori McKee, the team managed to remain strong. Returning runners Cheryl Tuosto, Melinda Jones, Cindy Guenzel, Maggie Lasaga, and Cherie Alexander provided experience and tested talent while freshman Nancy Klumb and Gwynn Roller provided to be assets.

“These are girls who prove that hard work pays off,” stated Whitenack. He continued by explaining the team was one of the most dominant in the area and that the lady Hokies were a challenge for most teams. “They are on the soundest footing ever,” he added, “and the Lady Hokies will again prove to be a challenge next year.”

Facing tough competition, Tech placed ninth in the NCAA District/Regional Tournament behind such teams as NC State, UNC, Alabama, Clemson, and Kentucky. Unfortunately, the lady Hokies did not qualify for the NCAA Championship.

— Kara Clemenz

1985-86 WOMEN’S TRACK
Competed In:
Cross Country:
UVA Invitational
Furman Invitational
Virginia State Invitational
South Carolina Invitational
Metro Invitational
NCAA District/Regional
NCAA Championship
Indoor:
Coca-Cola H.S. Invitational
University of Tennessee
Eastman Invitational
Bud Light
Eleven West/Civitan H.S. Inv.
CMT Relays
Metro Invitational
NCAA Championship
Outdoor:
Dominic’s Relays
Duke-Carolina
Colonial Relays
Dogwood Relays
Appalachian State Invitational
Penn Relays
Marshall
Metro Invitational
Gatorade
NCAA Championship

During the meet in which Tennessee forfeited, Brenda Meredith and Sandy Nichols race against themselves for first place. As first year hurdlers, they proved to be an added asset for the Lady Hokies.
First year trackster, Cary Outland, is examined by Coach Whitenack and Assistant Coach David Reed for shin splints. Outland, a freshman, sprinted in the 55 meter run.

Leading the pack, Maggie Lasaga circles the track with teammate Roxann Polo at her heels. Lasaga returned as a sprinter and Polo ran distances ranging from 5000 meters up.
DESpite the Odds

Tracksters Captured Championship

"Nobody from last year's team was on this year's team," commented sophomore runner Tom Harding. The loss of senior Mark Stickley, 1985 All-American, and the ineligibility of five red shirted runners, both contributed to the prediction of an unfavorable seasonal outcome. Yet, despite the odds, the cross-country team did much better than expected by winning the Metro Championship and finishing second in the state competitions. Another astonishing feat, which was a first in Tech history, was accomplished by the cross-country runners at the Louisville Tournament, where both the men and women's team captured the championship.

Leading the pack were the top seven distance runners: Roy Mascaline, Pete Schultz, Howard Nippert, Dan Foran, Chris Campbell, Bill Pore, and John Litchard; all of which "had phenomenal seasons," commented Coach Whitenack.

Assisting Coach Whitenack was world class race walker Todd Scully, who directed practice. Practice for both cross-country and indoor track consisted of two daily running sessions and an intense Sunday morning twenty mile excursion through the rural hills of Virginia.

A follow-up of cross-country was indoor track. During this time, distance runners built up strength; outdoor sprinters developed speed; and others participated in interval work-outs such as pole vault, long jump, high jump, hurdles, and relay.

"On the whole this past year's track season was a strong rebuilding year, and next year should be even better," predicted Harding.

— Joy Goode

Senior Michael Cooper warms up for his event during the meet against Tennessee. Because sprinting takes such quick responses, warm-ups were very important.

During practice, highjumper Robert Hopper perfects his Fosberry Flop style. This is the same technique used by many jumpers in the Olympics.

1985-86 MEN'S TRACK

Competed In:

Cross Country:
- UVA Invitational
- Furman Invitational
- Virginia State Invitational
- South Carolina Invitational
- Metro Invitational
- NCAA District/Regional
- NCAA Championship

Indoor:
- Coca-Cola H.S. Invitational
- University of Tennessee Eastman Invitational
- Bud Light
- Eleven West/Civitan H.S. Inv.
- CMT Relays
- NCAA Championship

Outdoor:
- Domino's Relays
- Duke-Carolina Colonial Relays
- Dogwood Relays
- Appalachian State Invitational
- Penn Relays
- Marshall
- NCAA Championship

Men's Track 171
Swimming is a sport enjoyed by people of all ages. Many people swim for fun or to get exercise, but twenty-four Lady H₂Okies swim to win.

Under the leadership of Coach Richard Bader, the team had a very successful season, defeating teams from Fairmont State and James Madison University. The Lady H₂Okies also finished third in the Clemson Invitational.

Two very important swimmers were the team captains, seniors, Linda Krumwiede and Lisa Brundage. Krumwiede qualified for the NCAA championships two years in the 50, 100, and 200 meter freestyle. She also held team records in the 50 and 100 meter fly, and was on three record holding relay teams.

Sophomore Carolyn Anderson and Junior Julie Myers also majoredly contributed to the team. Anderson, who swam the 200, 500, and 1000 meter freestyle, the 400 meter individual medley and the 200 meter fly, was mentally tough and accepted a leadership role. Myers, a 100 and 200 meter backstroker, qualified for the NCAA championships on two relay teams.

The underclassmen also had a "really good squad," according to the coach. Margaret Soulen, a freshman, held team records in the 200 and 400 meter I.M. and the 100 and 200 meter backstroke. She had "a great attitude" and was "a real asset," continued Bader.

The team lost Cheryl Haddon, a distance swimmer from Richmond. Haddon suffered an injury during the summer that caused the end of her swimming career. She had qualified for Senior Nationals while in high school and Coach Bader believed she would have been able to set school records.

Another new Lady H₂Okie was Pam Maxwell, a sophomore transfer from Clemson. A sprinter, she qualified for the NCAA championships on relay teams.

Outstanding swimming was not all the Lady H₂Okies had to be proud of this year. They could also be proud of their academic standing. At the end of the fall quarter, the team had an average QCA of over 2.8. Krumwiede had a QCA of 3.4 and Myers had a 3.89, the highest QCA of any female athlete at Tech.

Despite the loss of a big recruit, the Lady H₂Okies had a very successful season. All of the team members had a very good year, in both the pool and the classrooms.

— Lynn White
Demonstrating her extended form, veteran diver Jane Dunlevy somersaults off the board.

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Racing against Maryland, Linda Krumweide thrusts her body through the water. She held team records in the 50 and 100 meter fly.

Cutting through the water, Dunlevy ends her dive with a pike entrance, trying not to make a large splash.
The Hokie swimmers were as much a chemical unit as the water in which they swam. This strength and unity enabled the team to defeat opponents this season who had never been beaten by Tech. Aside from athletic excellence, the 18 swimmers demonstrated academic merit, with a combined QCA of 2.7. Coach Richard Bader believed in the importance of setting academic goals, just like goals in swimming. Another advantage for the team was its youth. Following the '86 season, only two members graduated, and those remaining planned to propel the Hokies to further success.

This season was the last year of competition for Jim Hauschild, whose best races were the 200 yd. backstroke and 200 yd. Individual Medley, and Matt Eick, a 200 yd. and 500 yd. freestylist. As one of the squad's captains, Eick was highly respected by his teammates for his performances in and out of the water. He had the discipline needed to handle a swimmer's rigorous schedule and maintain a 3.9 QCA. The other captains, Hauschild and Mike Sommerlad, were also influential leaders.

A mutual relationship existed between the older and younger members of the team. While the upperclassmen possessed leadership and maturity, the younger swimmers pushed their teammates to swim faster races. As Coach Bader added, "It's a combination made up by good chemistry." The upperclassmen also included juniors Dan Duncan, Bob Gilbert, Bob Hudson, and Dave Koconis, who encompassed the majority of the sprinters on the team. Through hard work and dedication, these swimmers made sprinting the Hokie's strong point this season.

The freshman recruits this year were the best in the history of the team. Three of them qualified for the Senior Nationals, which accepted only the top 50 swimmers nationwide in each event. Chris Turman set two school records, in the 200 yd. and 400 yd. I.M., and was a candidate for the NCAA. Todd Sturgeon, from the Mission Viejo Natadores, set a team record in the first event in which he competed at Tech. He held records in the 1000 yd. and 1650 yd. freestyle, and was another candidate for the NCAA. The third qualifier for the Senior Nationals was Bob Kellely, who, like Turman, swam with the Sports Festival Team, a national team comprised of the best swimmers from each region of the country. He too had a good chance to enter the NCAA. Considering that never before in Tech's history had a male swimmer made the NCAA, three qualifiers was a remarkable feat.

Like many other coaches, Bader believed that his team was made by its members. The coach set up guidelines, but performance came from within the athlete. "A coach can only do so much, but it's up to the kid. They have dreams, of being better athletes and making the Olympic team." Regarding the squad's overall performance, unity and a positive attitude were key factors. These elements were crucial in victories over West Virginia and the University of South Carolina, two teams who the Hokies had never beaten. A challenging opponent did not intimidate the swimmers because, win or lose, each meet was a learning experience. "They may beat us in points in the water, but we can win in several ways to help build a positive attitude." This self-confidence Bader spoke of contributed to the team's success, even a little more so than Bader himself imagined.

— Marie Sacco
First year diver, Scot Klugel extends his body as he plunges into the water. Although a new comer to the H20kies, this was his fifth academic year.

Veteran swimmer, Andy Pulsifer backstrokes in the meet against Maryland. As a sophomore, he qualified for Nationals in December.

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In the Marriott-Converse Christmas Classic, junior Joyce Waddy grabs a rebound against Charleston. She was one of the top defensive players on the team.

Jumping with all of her might, Renee Dennis puts up an outside shot against Clemson. Tech lost this game by the heart-breaking score of 73-72.
FAMILY UNITY
Helped to Surpass Previous Records

With the loss of four key seniors, including Robin Lee, the all time career scoring leader, the Lady Hokies had their work cut out for them. Last year the team broke the school's scoring record with an average of 78.3 points per game. They also had one of the strongest schedules in the nation, playing eight out of forty teams that went on to play in post season tournaments. This year's opposition proved to be just as difficult, as they competed against such teams as North Carolina, Clemson, Virginia and Old Dominion, the defending national champions.

Four of last year's top five scorers returned, led by Susan Walvis and Renee Dennis. These two teammates surpassed the old school record of points per season last year with Dennis scoring an average of 14.2 points per game and Walvis making 14 points per game. Angie Kelly, Maureen Donovan and Suzanne Mott completed the starting line up with Joyce Waddy as the sixth woman on the team.

"We're a family and we believe in ourselves," commented Renee Dennis. This attitude led the team to a win over the defending NCAA champs ODU and helped them come back from a sixteen point deficit to defeat Southern Mississippi by eleven. These two wins proved to be the highlight of the season.

— Susan Astin
YOUTH & SPIRIT

Formed A Competitive Unit

Youth was a dominant element for the Virginia Tech wrestling team this year with only four of the ten weight classes occupied from last season. However, young teams are well known for their enthusiastic spirit and the Hokie squad was no exception.

Coach Jerry Cheynet applauded their ability to work together as a unit. His hopes, at the beginning of the season, were to have a more competitive team and for the more experienced wrestlers to excel with plans to attend nationals.

One such experienced wrestler was Rob Fair, a returning senior who wrestled in the 167-pound weight class. Fair was headed for the nationals last season when a knee injury kept him home.

Ed Obendorfer, co-captain with Fair, was a junior and will be wrestling another season with the Hokies. Obendorfer obtained valuable experience while wrestling with Athletes in Action in Europe last summer.

Mike Vinter, 190-pound weight class and Sean Jones, 126-pound weight class, also returned. However, Jones injured his knee in pre-season practice, and was unable to participate in the matches.

Coach Cheynet's hopes for the future lay with the scholarship program. No scholarships for wrestling were offered this year, thus seriously limiting the recruitment of talented high school seniors. This turned, led to many walk-on wrestlers filling the remaining weight classes.

— Renna Ayers

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Struggling with his opponent, Rob Fliheid tries to reverse his position. This is Rob's second season with the Hokies.

Concentrating on keeping his shoulder off of the mat, Mike Vinter strains for the match.
Ski Club Officers worked several years to establish a competitive ski team. Finally, last year the school recognized it as a sport. Sophomore Tony Flake characterized the team as "more dedicated and organized than in the past." He added, "competition was harder. We also need more campers recruitment and publicity."

Also, last year the team was inducted into the National Collegiate Skiing Association (NSCA). The team competed regionally in the Southwest Collegiate Skiing Conference (SCSC). SCSC teams included UVA, JMU, NC State, Georgetown, and UNC.

Senior Karen Pest, Ski Club secretary and the top female skier, said, "the team's philosophy was 'ski to live, party to die.'" The team supported this motto; however, they found time in between practice and competition to rest and relax.

Pest added, "Our team goals were to attend regionals, place first or second, and then attend nationals." Regionals were held in Tussy, PA and nationals in Killington, VT.

Despite warm weather, practice was conducted year long. Upon returning in September, team members attended various dryland workshops. Human slaloms, running and stopping, turning, running hills, and upper body motion and position were discussed and practiced. Members also lifted weights twice a week and took ten mile bike rides three times a week.

In January, snow practice began. A typical week consisted of skiing on Sunday, Monday, and Wednesday, a meeting and videos on Tuesday, traveling on Thursday, and racing on Fridays.

The ski team's funds were generated by various means. As a recognized school sport, the budget board granted $2,000. Also, the team relied on two local ski shops for complimentary clothing. The remaining costs were deducted from their own budget.

— Kelly Falconer
Blasting through a flush, Warren Boling tucks to gain momentum. During his past time hours, this senior worked at Back Country, a ski shop in town.

1985-86 SKI TEAM

Team Efforts:
Giant Slalom at Beech Mtn. 6th 3rd
Giant Slalom at Wintergreen 2nd 2nd
Slalom at Winterplace 4th 2nd
Slalom at Beech Mtn. 5th 2nd

Individual Efforts:
Regionals: Susan Hayward 4th, 8th
Karen Pest 14th, 9th
Conference: Thomas Bornemann 7th
Karen Pest 3rd
Susan Hayward 6th

Ski Team captain, Tom Bornemann races through the gates at the slalom at Winterplace. As a senior in business, Tom devotes his time off the mountain to Alpha Kappa Psi.
Some Fans Become Overzealous and Forget PRIORITIES IN SPORTS

You know sometimes I wonder about some fan's priorities. I'm talking about sports fans. Mind you, I'm thankfully not talking about all, but just a few overzealous ones who truly deserve the term "fanatic." (The derivation of the word "fan.")

One has to wonder about the intellect of these patrons at sporting events, for instance:

ITEM: Clemson defeated the University of Virginia 55-0 earlier this year (1984) in Charlottesville, Va. and some UVa fans proceeded to jump on some Clemson fans' campers and tried to destroy them. The incident is under investigation by UVa athletic officials.

ITEM: Last year (1983) in Charlottesville, Va., Virginia Tech defeated its archrival UVa. 48-0 and the Tech fans proceeded to tear down the goal posts at Scott Stadium. Of course, fights ensued as was the case earlier this year (1984) when UVa fans tried to return the favor following a 26-23 UVa victory at Lane Stadium in Blacksburg, Va.

ITEM: Virginia Military Institute cadets, men of supposed discipline in a military school, ran across Lane Stadium in Blacksburg, Va. and attacked a Virginia Tech cheerleader as he paraded a banner around the stadium floor following a Tech touchdown. A fight between VMI cadets, campus police, cheerleaders, and Tech cadets erupted.

In case you were beginning to think these "fanatic" incidents only occur at or after football games, let me remind you of Detroit’s "celebration" immediately after the Tigers won the World Series. The mob set fire to a police car and overturned several other cars in the grandstand area of Tiger Stadium. A taxi cab was still burning three hours after the completion of the fifth and deciding game. "Ridiculous" and "deplorable" are the only words I can find to describe the listed items and I'm sure it is not a complete list of fan violence after, before, or during sporting events.

Why can't fans show the class of the teams they root for? For example, the World Champion Tigers led their division in the American League (1984) from day one and went on to win it all. In my estimations, that's a difficult feat, but through it all I don't think a fan could find a classier manager than Sparky Anderson. Nor could you find classier teams and coaches than Georgia's Vince Dooley or UVa's George Welsh.

In some foreign countries they have moats around their soccer fields to discourage fans from attacking the players and officials. Despite this, there have been cases in Latin America where angry fans have actually killed officials who ruled against their teams. Must we, Americans demean ourselves to that level, too?

Sure, it's okay and downright expected for fans to root for "their" teams because competition is involved, but can't we leave "business at the office" win, lost, or draw. We don't need the before mentioned violence in our streets after all, aren't they just games.

Play to win and root for your favorites to win, but if your team doesn't; what's wrong with acting as if they did? Or better yet, act as if they didn't.

(Re-printed with the permission of The Seneca Journal-Tribune, Seneca, South Carolina 29079.) — Buddy Wright
After traveling to Charlottesville for the big game of the season, these devoted Hokies celebrate the victory by counting down the time with the clock. Tech beat UVa 28-10.

During the fourth quarter of the Homecoming Game, fans divert their attention from the run away Tech victory by forming a chain with plastic cups. Hundreds of other fans donated their cups for the cause as well.
Organizations provided an extra outlet to learn from the German club to Block and Bridle, organizations provided students with a chance to pursue interests outside of their classes.

Organizations took many forms — corps, greek, service, academic, and religious to name a few.

Corps groups fostered an interest and pride in military traditions while greek groups strengthened the friendships between their members. Both types of groups provided experience in leadership and organization.

Many organizations enhanced academic disciplines by sponsoring speakers or plant trips. These groups often helped their members meet people of similar interest outside the University.

The variety was almost unlimited — media, exercise, and show business. Organizations could provide something for anyone who wanted to get involved.
The Virginia Tech Corp of Cadets continue its long tradition of service to the University and the Armed Forces of the United States.

The Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets has been a long standing and popular tradition with the University since its founding over a hundred years ago. The Corps has grown along with the University and comprise over six hundred cadets, most of whom were involved in one of the Reserve Officers Training Corps either with the Army, Navy, Air Force or Marines.

“We may come from all different branches of service but we are all here to strive for the best education possible in the hope we may put our skills to work in our country’s Armed Forces,” commented Cadet Major Thomas White.

With the addition of the Naval R.O.T.C. department in recent years, many cadets took advantage of the Marine R.O.T.C. program. “I am very proud to be a part of the Marine option cadets, it is a tough program but all of us who participate are hardworking and dedicated to becoming Marine Corps Officers. I think that ‘We are the Few, the Proud, the Marines’ sums it all up!” said Alan F. Williams, president of the Semper Fidelis Society.

Although the cadets were involved jointly in the Corps, many found time to be active in clubs and organizations in and out of the Corps. The German Club, the Society of American Military Engineers and numerous fraternities were but a few of the organizations that cadets were involved in. “We will continue to be actively involved in both the University and the Corps because we are dedicated to producing quality officers for our country” concluded Derek Jeffries, Regimental Commander.

— Steven T. Ragelis

Second Battalion’s India Company proudly displays their Homecoming Parade banner after the ceremonies on the Drill Field.

Freshman New Cadets experience some rigorous physical training during Initiation Night.

186 Corps
Freshman New Cadets practice their marching skills under the watchful gaze of their First Sergeant, as the First Battalion Commander looks on.

Vinh Phan, F-Company's Executive Officer, gets tossed by members of F-Troop during a home football game.

India Company New Cadets are made to keep the unit area clean and polished.

Randy Mabry catches the action of F-Company working on the Military Ball Display.

India Company New Cadets are made to keep the unit area clean and polished.
A change in leadership puts new spirit into Alpha Company as it strives for military and civilian excellence.

Due to changes in administration, Alpha Company had undergone many changes including a new attitude. With a renewed spirit for the pursuit of excellence in academics and drill, the company had reinstilled the meaning of Ut Prosim, that I may serve, in the company. Alpha Company’s consistently high academic achievements have led the Corps for the past two years. “We had always received good grades from our hard work, and with a renewed sense of motivation we will continue to earn excellent grades,” said Alpha Company cadet Paul Farrier. While it has maintained its individualism it has also been able to span the gap between the civilian population and the Corps of Cadet through social projects along with spirited involvement in many groups and clubs in the university. “Alpha Company exemplifies the proud tradition of the Corps and we will continue to be first in the Corps and give one hundred percent in everything we do” exclaimed Alpha Company commander Rob Bartholomew.

— Don Manthey

We always worked for solid academic progress to compliment a strong sense of motivation. We strived to develop quality people to assume important responsibilities in their active careers. Rob Bartholomew

Alpha Company Commander

Don Manthey

Alpha Company Commander
Alpha Company members assemble in their unit area in Brodie dormitory prior to a hard night at the books during evening call to quarters.
Bravo Company members clown around on Upper Quad prior to the homecoming formation after which the entire Corps will march in the parade down Main Street.

Bravo Company has provided much of the successful leadership the Corps has come to respect and it gives a promise to develop many more gifted men and women.

"Bravo, known throughout the Corps as the fraternal company, has gained its strength through the years by stressing togetherness, teamwork and unity," said Company Commander Kathy Burr.

Bravo Company was noted for its provision of leadership to the Corps. Bravo provided the Regimental Commander, Regimental Intelligence Officer, and Regimental Operations Officer, along with the First Battalion Operations and Supply Officer. Also, the Executive Committee chairman is a member of Bravo Company.

Bravo Company was not limited to a military lifestyle. "The members of B Company firmly believed that sports and recreation were essential to a healthy, complete college experience, as well as fostering teamwork and unity," said Kathleen S. Burr.

Bravo Company was known to the Corps as the fraternal company since it had gained its strength through the years by stressing togetherness, teamwork and unity.

"Bravo had become famous for its parties and get togethers. The closeness, and companionship between the members of Bravo, along with many civilians and Corps alumni went to show that B Company works, and works together," said Neil P. Kegley.

Said Mike Schwab, "Through this dedication to the Corps, the University, and the town of Blacksburg, it can be seen that B Company was excelling as Tech's military elite." — Mike Weaver
Charlie Corps' strict professionalism and discipline have gained them the prestige of being one of the toughest units in First Battalion.

Cadet Captain Bill Kyle, C Company Commander, said of his unit, "Charlie Company had a proud history of military discipline and excellence. Numerous awards attested to this fact. As the University and Corps changed, so has C Company, but we continued to strive in maintaining our high standards." New Cadet Terrance Mack commented, "Charlie Company taught me unity. The company stressed unity and it took more than one person to get through the new cadet system. It took the whole group working as a team." New Cadet Mack added, "C Company also taught discipline and pride in the unit. You had to be able to take an order and carry it out correctly along with having to have pride in yourself and the unit."

Cadet Corporal Mark Parson said of Charlie Company, "We continued to strive for professionalism, both in our appearance and our performance."

Concluded Cadet 1st Lt. Tom Ryan, C Company Executive Officer, "The Charlie Company motto 'Semper Primus,' always first, was a direct reflection of the goals and attitudes of each member of the unit. It was because of these goals and attitudes that Charlie Company remained the proud and disciplined unit it is today."

Several members of Charlie Company form a Sabre Arch in front of the chapel to honor two other Charlie Company members, Frank and Ursel Huber at their wedding.
Charlie Corps upperclassmen Kathy Matt, Laura Garza and Kelly Whealen are caught relaxing before attending an evening formation on Upper Quad.

Sophomores Ken Martin, Won Lee, Mark Parsons and Andre Wormely are smothered in cream by the Charlie Company Class of 1989 in the showers in Brodie dormitory.

Winning the Corps Eager Squad Competition for the second straight year was only the start of Delta Company’s many successful activities and projects.

Combining superior marching and drill technique along with strong academic and athletic excellence, Delta Company once again earned top honors in the Corps. Winning the Corps Eager Squad Competition for the second straight year was only the beginning of another successful year for the company. “The company leadership had a strong diversity of leadership excellence which afforded an opportunity for the freshman class to receive the best training possible” said John Harmon, Delta Company Commander.

“The outstanding reputation the company had looked really good to the freshman class and gave them something to strive for” commented Robert Murphy, Delta Company First Sergeant. The freshman class upheld this reputation by winning the drill competition during Cadre Week. They also received high marks on other areas of new cadet instruction.

“Be it athletics, Service projects or company traditions such as the ‘VMI Run’ or releasing the pig at the Ring Dance, Delta Company possessed a special closeness which bonded everyone together and motivated the company to do its best.” said John Harmon.

With unit members holding leadership positions within the Corps organizations such as the Gregory Guard and Ranger Company, as well as University organizations, Delta Company continued its drive to produce well rounded individuals. Concluded Gary Obermeyer, Delta Company, Executive Officer, “no matter what this company did it did it in order to be the best and that drive is what makes Delta the force in the Corps.”

— J.F. McCarthy

Delta Company members march with the entire Corps in the annual Homecoming Day Pass In Review ceremonies held on the drillfield.

Delta Company new cadets pose in costume with the Great General Pumpkin prior to the Halloween formation held on the “VT” of upper quad.

New cadet Darrin Haller walks to his Summary Executive Court Meeting under the direction of upperclassmen George Honeycutt, Karen Abernathy and Eric Glenn.

Gary Obermeyer clowns around by making new cadets salute the Great General Pumpkin which is seated in a prominent location in the unit area.
Under the leadership of upperclassmen from the four companies of First Battalion India Company struggles to rebuild its heritage as a superior unit.

After fifteen years of inactivity, India Company was reestablished. Due to its years of dormancy, India Company was faced with the difficult task of rebuilding the traditions so deeply established in the older companies. India Company, under the leadership of upperclassmen from the four companies of First Battalion, set out in its first year to create the foundations of a new tradition of excellence. Academics was a major concern of the cadets in India. An atmosphere of learning was promoted for the purpose of learning time management. The upperclassmen helped the freshmen with all facets of scholastics, including counseling, scheduling, and any specific problems.

Upperclassmen who left their own companies to form India were encouraged to put their past behind them and work together to form a new, individual company. India Company did not consist of wandering elements from A, B, C, and D; it was an entirely separate unit, which emphasized different challenges than the old companies. Besides academics, returning upperclassmen were asked to get involved in university as well as Corp organizations, and provided the incoming freshman with examples of academic, social, and military leadership.

The next step of the rebuilding process was to create new traditions to build upon in years to come. This task was given to the freshmen, since they were the first class to start out in the new I Corp. India quickly established themselves as the "pacesetter" of the Corps, and had many firsts to their credit. They were the first to make spirit sails and belts for Tech's football games. When Tech played its first home game, I Company freshmen carried the VT flag for the first touchdown. India Company was the first this year to paint the "rat path," the gravel path to the rear of Shultz.

India Company was back, and it intended to remain. The members of I Company was proud to have had a hand in the formation of a new company, and strove for preservation of the new tradition of excellence and service.

Captain Lane, I Company's advisor, said, "the Company spirit was very much alive. I was very happy to be a member of I Company and relished being its advisor."

— H. Himmler
India Company's unit crest in which the laurel wreath symbolizes excellence, the large star for India Company, crossed sabres symbolize unity, the dagger strength, 1927 the year I-Company was established, four other stars for the other units of First Battalion and the lamps for the years 1970-1985 when there was no I-Company in the Corps.

Precision marching and spirited performances earned the Highty-Tighties the applause of a new governor and the release of their 1986 March album.

The Highty-Tighties began their year with another full schedule of football games as well as parades. The band's field shows emphasized a trend toward a more modern performance as well as exciting moments such as the band's thunderous ending to the "1812 Overture" which featured the firing of a live cannon. The Highty-Tighties shows were received with inspiring approval, particularly from the student body.

Despite the activities of the football games, the highlight of fall quarter for all bandsmen was the Gimbel's Thanksgiving Parade in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. The Band endured miserable weather to put on one of their best performances of the year. The long trip produced many joyous memories that each Highty-Tighty will carry with him forever.

Following the usual Christmas parades in the Blacksburg area, the band returned from Christmas Break to perform in the Inaugural Parade of Gov. Baliles as Tech's representative. The Highty-Tighties display of precision marching earned them the applause of the new governor and the onlooking crowd. The busy winter quarter continued with a performance at the Conservative Political Action Conference in Washington, D.C. for President Ronald Reagan. Once again, the President enjoyed the spirited songs of the band which he has had perform personally for him since 1983. Lastly, the winter quarter featured the completion of the Highty-Tighty March Album which was released during 1986.

Early in fall quarter, the Highty-Tighties received an invitation from the Coca-Colo Bottling Company to compete for the opportunity to appear in the Coca-Cola Centennial celebration. Mr. Wallace Easter, the band's director, submitted the appropriate paperwork and videotapes, and at the end of the quarter, the Highty-Tighties received the good news: the regimental band had been chosen as one of six bands to appear in the Coca-Cola extravaganza. The bandsmen, with fresh determination, worked diligently to make the parade the best of the year. Finally, in Atlanta, Georgia, they showed the spectators that "There is only one way to do things," as Drum Major Dale McBane said, "the Highty-Tighty way!"

— L. Dean Worley

Lisa Williams
Company Commander

Mark Kreuser
Executive Officer
The Highty-Tighties show that they have other interests besides music as they display their special way of “picking up” women.

Ralph Bradley, affectionately known as the “Luv Machine”, scores again in a bowling tournament against fellow cadets.

The Highty-Tighties perform on the War Memorial Chapel prior to the Corps of Cadets Homecoming Pass in Review Ceremonies held on the drill field.
Echo Company is well known for being quite a dynamic unit of Second Battalion, and its pool parties, "Hump" parties and softball triumphs are by no means static.

“When you said E, you’ve said it all,” was the title of Echo Company’s theme song and it was heard by all who happen to reside in Rasche Hall as it echoed off the shower walls. Echo Company was known for being quite a dynamic unit of Second Battalion.

Echo Company, or E-Frat, participated in various intramural sports such as flag football, basketball and softball. “E-Frat remained in first place for two years in the Corps softball tournament,” commented Jim Godek. “The teamwork and brotherhood that kept us close and allowed us to show our strong spirit in this very competitive academic environment.

Jeff Moss
Company Commander

It was the fun times, along with the teamwork and brotherhood that kept us close and allowed us to show our strong spirit in this very competitive environment,” concluded E-Company Commander Jeff Moss.

— Patience Connelley and Jim Godek

Members of Echo Company relax while on a unit outing to Cascades, a local favorite picnic spot for many students and non students alike.
Echo Company commander Jeff Moss gets his newly earned rank painted on his posterior with Cadet Enamel by members of E-Frat, the Corps trade name for Echo Company.

Company Parties, Unit Athletics and Class outings helped keep Foxtrot Company members busy with University and Corps activities.

Foxtrot Company, called "F-Troop" by its members, continued a long tradition of academic and military excellence. F Company took pride in its long and distinguished record of providing capable young men and women for important military and civilian occupations," stated Gary Boward, F-Company Commander.

F-Company, formed in 1970, adopted the Latin Phrase, "Praebate Exemplium", as the company motto. "We like 'Setting the Example' as our motto because that is what we do best!" quipped Marty Beidleman, F-Company member at large.

Widespread unity and Espirit de Corps among the unit members helped in relieving some of the pressure of college and military life. Company parties along with unit athletics were some of F-Troops' favorite outings.

In addition many F-Troop cadets also participate in Corps and Campus functions. Among these were the Conrad Calvary, Gregory Guad, Association of the United States Army, Ranger Company and the German Club. As Vinh Phan, F-Company Executive Officer, concluded, "With continued unity and proper military excellence, F-Troop will strive to be the best unit and 'Go for the Gold.'"

- Mike Weaver

Cadet Martin B. Beidleman, F-Troop's B.C.O.C.

"Setting the Example was our motto because that was what we did the best since we were the best, and I was proud to be a member of F-Troop."

Skipper Crew Commander Bill Saric rides ahead of the Corps cannon in the Homecoming Parade down Main Street.
Trey Collins and Eddie Ortega strut their stuff as F-Troop's entry into the Air Band competition held at After Sundown, a popular musical hangout.

Golf Company seeks to achieve military excellence while participating in all facets of college life and leisure.

"We built the pride and unity that made us Golf company." This statement by Ed Baron reflected the combined goals of G Company. Going beyond achieving military excellence, the members of Golf Company were encouraged to participate in all facets of university life.

In the past four years Golf became one of the most outstanding units of the Corps of Cadets. This was a result of all of the cadets in the company taking pride in their performance, and training to correct the weak areas. Golf's training was designed to give everyone the chance to teach and excel. The training also promoted comradery and competition within the company.

Although Dwayne Baxter put it best when saying, "In G Company we kept in mind that our education will last a lifetime not just the four years we spent here at Tech."

Dwayne Baxter
Company Commander

In G-Company we kept in mind that our education will last a lifetime not just the four years we spent here at Tech."

— Daniel Ortega

Ed Baron
Company Commander

Ken Hyatt
Executive Officer
G-Company sponsored Poindexter Q. Hosehorn as one of the contestants in the Ugly Man On Campus Contest, he raised over three hundred and forty dollars for the Easter Seals Campaign.


Golf company members fool around in their Halloween garb in the unit area while others prepare for the festivities at the Halloween Formation.
Some members of Hotel Company celebrate their night out on the town at a roller skating party sponsored by their unit.
Continued involvement in unit and university activities helps Hotel Company to develop well-rounded individuals in a strict environment.

One of the things that set H Company apart from the others was that they were the bearers of the Flaming VT. In a true show of Hokie spirit, H Company carried the kerosine soaked crossed V at the head of home game pep rallies.

The pride that stemmed from their pep rally duties carried over into H Company’s everyday functions. Unit commander Clai Ellett commented, “Unit members were encouraged to participate in University groups and events as well as Corps organizations.” They were also expected to maintain their high grade points and uniform standards.

Company Commander Ellett also commented on the motivation of H Company’s freshmen class. “I was proud to say I was their Company Commander.” Executive officer Joe Wileman added, “As a unit we have worked together, celebrated together, and strived to be the best we possibly can.”

― G. Patton
Organizing a new unit gives Kilo Company leaders a big challenge to overcome in the face of a tough academic year.

The VTCC welcomed two new companies to their ranks this year. One of the Corps' new editions was Kilo Company. Kilo Company was formerly known as "The Golden K." This name came from their success in winning the annual Gold Cord two times in the past five years. The feelings of the returning upperclassmen was best summed up by Cadet Color Sergeant Steve Smith:

"It was the challenge of starting a new unit that appealed since it was not a common occurrence. I also liked the idea that I could help some of the new cadets adapt and grow in the system so they could achieve the very best in everything.

Steve Smith
Color Sergeant Kilo Company"

"It was the challenge of starting a new company that appealed to me. At first, this feeling was not shared by some of the newer arrivals to the "kilo elite." During his cadre week visit to the barbershop, freshman Ralph E. Goodmin stated he "felt like a sheep." But as the days went by these freshmen became motivated hardworking members of the kilo unit. Academic excellence was one of the main motivating forces for Kilo Company. "Good cadets don't help the unity unless they're around for the next quarter," was the feeling of Company Commander Jeff Morse.

Regiment kilo hoped to follow in the footsteps of "the golden K of days gone by."

— Brady McTigue

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Jeff Morse
Company Commander

Hesham Oubari
Executive Officer
Mike Lougney, Brendon Slater, and Joel Bernard got all dressed up in order to participate in the Corps annual Halloween Formation.

Cindy Hsu and Lisa Carien perform for the members of First Battalion as the other units prepare for the opening of the Halloween Formation on the "VT".

Precision playing by the Highty Tighties kept the Corps in step as they marched to the drillfield.

Members of the Corps Regimental Staff, Rod Goins, Dave Wiersma, John Smith, and Scott Muessig watch the Corps review parade past.
Dedication, perseverance along with a drive for perfection went into making Homecoming a memorable occasion for the Corps of Cadets and the University.

The corps participation in the annual Homecoming parade down mainstreet added the necessary pageantry to complete the occasion.

Kept in step by the company commanders, each unit was in top form while marching in full dress uniform. The corps was lead by the regimental commander, Derek Jeffries.

Bravo Company Cadet Paul Eskridge stands at attention with his unit in the Corps evening retreat on the drillfield.

There was plenty to look forward to even at the completion of the parade for the festivities were only beginning. The corps assembled on the drillfield for the pass in review ceremonies, overseen by the commandant of cadets, General Howard Lane.

The precision playing by the Highty Tighties kept all the cadets in step as the music boomed out over the drillfield. In the review each company in its respective battalion marched before the commandant for inspection. After all the units were reviewed, the corps was again brought to attention. When the ceremony was completed, all anxiously awaited the kickoff of the football game against William and Mary.

— Evets T. Smith

First Battalion Commander Trey Collins awaits orders at the review ceremony along with his staff members, Steve Russillo and Karl Mize.
Effective organization and operation of the Corps of Cadets require quite a few good people dedicated to the difficult task at hand and willing to go the extra distance in search of high ideals.

Comprised of over six hundred cadets, the Corps of Cadets required a highly organized chain of command in order to keep things running smoothly. The Corps Regiment included two battalions which are each subdivided into five units or companies.

Cadets officers had to work closely to conduct administrative affairs quickly and efficiently. The Regimental Commander, a cadet colonel, is the highest ranking cadet officer and is in charge of the Corps. The Regimental Executive Officer was his second in command and was responsible for the day to day activities of the Corps. Each battalion was run by a Battalion Commander, both of whom work with the Regimental XO. Each Battalion Commander then had to work with the Company Commanders who comprise the battalion. "We work together as a responsive unit so we can maintain a good dialog between cadet officers. We work to help the Corps be a tight military unit," commented Rod Goins, Regimental Executive Officer.

In order to assist in Corps affairs, the Regimental Commander also has a regular and a special staff. These cadet officers served in vital positions of the Corps command in order that it not only be militarily effective but also academically achieving. With so many dedicated people the Corps continues to be one of Virginia Tech's proudest traditions.

— Jim E. O'Connor

Honor Court Members. Karen Cook, Randy Mabry, Duane Bredvick, Mike Coleco, Rudy Braza.
Derek Jeffries
Regimental Commander

Rod Goins
Executive Officer

Regimental Staff. Derek Jeffries, Rod Goins, Dave Wiersma, Tom White, Scott Muessig, Jon Smith.
Corps

Joe Leary, a junior military science student, listens along with his classmates to a demonstration given by his instructor during Army R.O.T.C. drill.

The Corps Color Guard practices its precision maneuvers in full dress "A" prior to their superb performance in the Homecoming Parade down Main Street.

Highly-Tighty junior Ralph Bradley displays musical prowess by bugling during the Corps daily morning formation held on the "VT".

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Rigourous practice and strict adherence to traditional discipline continues to make drill practice and military ceremony an integral part of the Corps of Cadets.

Even though the Corps of Cadets had undergone many changes in the year, many of the traditional activities were still in full force. In fact, relaxation of the corps strict discipline concerning fraternization among the classes caused much of the former strictness to be transformed into comraderie and friendship.

These new relationships, however, did not change the traditional roles of upperclassmen and freshmen when it came to drill and ceremony.

When it came to practice, few units could match the demanding drill practice the Highty-Tighties went through to achieve the high standards of marching and playing required to keep them in top shape.

There was no mistake who was in charge as the drum major whistled out commands for the next maneuver. Freshmen were there to be Highty-Tighty percussion section members listen for commands whistled to them by the Band’s Drum Major during an afternoon practice session.

Instructed in proper drill procedure, regardless of the changes in corps policy, Ceremony had long played a part in the Highty-Tighties background and continued since they were known for their precision marching and playing capacities.

The band’s participation was very important in the annual parades and other corps’ activities. The loss of some stringent rules and regulations had been made up in the thorough exercise of drill session discipline. Traditional roles hardly changed as long as drill practice remained an integral part of the ROTC experience.

Much of the conventional training of new cadets continued as it had in the past with different ROTC instructors conducting drill ceremonies for the members. Frequently noncommissioned upperclassmen students were required to lead their units through difficult drill formations under the watchful guidance of the commissioned instructors.

Constructive relationships between the drill instructor and cadet had been a long tradition with the corps, and it continued to be since it had proven its worth over the years.

No matter what the rules said or how they said it, drill and ceremony would always be an integral part of the corps.

— Evets T. Smith

Junior military science student Brian Kurtz gives a lecture to his classmates on Army ordinance during the bi-weekly R.O.T.C. drill sessions.
A spectacular array of events and activities marked the annual Military Weekend sponsored by the Corps of Cadets, thus providing the VTCC with its most popular traditional celebration.

Military Ball Weekend was the most popular of the cadet activities. The festivities started on Friday evening the Fourteenth of February with the annual Military Brawl and Variety Show. Following these casual activities, Saturday night provided a different atmosphere. Starting early in the evening, cadets and their dates celebrated the crowning of the Military Ball Queen. In addition to the coronation, the Gregory Guard put on a show with the exhibition of their superb precision rifle techniques.

At the conclusion of the festivities, the ball culminated in a spectacular firework display sponsored by the VTCC Sash and Sabre Club. The fireworks were located on the drillfield so all of the university could witness the colorful display. "We put on a terrific ceremony by working together; it makes you feel real good when you see all the people enjoying themselves" said Kevin Dye, Sash and Sabre member. As the last of the fireworks faded the sound of "Silver Taps" drifted over the drillfield; another Military Weekend came to a close.

Fireworks explode over the drillfield in a dazzling display of colors and sparks as the crowd roars with approval despite the thick snow and cold weather.
Karl Jenkinson in his show costume plays guitar to the
tune of his fellow band members as they perform for the
rowdy audience at the annual Variety Show.

Francesca Wist in proper regalia switches her music as
her fellow band members perform their skit at the Variety
Show sponsored by the Corps of Cadets.

Platoon leader Second Lieutenant Dan Bluntzer of Echo
Company and his date Maureen Hurley, a Political Science
major, enjoy the ambiance of the festive occasion.

Corps of Cadets Alumnus Jim Rooney and his date
Nanelle Lerro, a junior in accounting, pound out a few
steps to the beat of the music at the ball in Squires Student
Center.
Fall Rush Kickoff starts the recruiting activities.

Preparations for the Fall Rush Kickoff were finalized more than a month before the event took place. The events for the day were jointly sponsored by the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils.

The day of events officially began at noon, but started much earlier for the council members who helped prepare for the Band Day concerts by arriving on the prairie quad bright and early to aid in the set up of equipment. The five bands that played included a local band, The Noise Boys. The groups drew a steady crowd of listeners up to the very end of the show.

Greeks were everywhere, making it obvious that the event was sponsored by fraternities and sororities. They took advantage of the rush kick-off by sporting their Greek letters and chatting between themselves and with prospective rushees.

The day ended with "Casino Night" in Squires. Participants were given a certain amount of play money at the door which they were to use to play the various games such as Blackjack, Beat the Dealer, Roulette, and many others. The games were run by Greeks who met at Squires early to learn the "gambling" techniques. "I feel just like one of those Las Vegas dealers," said Delta Gamma junior Debbie Middleton, "It’s fun!"

The object of the day was to give the on campus freshmen a chance to meet Greeks and learn a little about the upcoming rush. "I’m really happy with the way things are going," said IFC President Mike Strickland, "It’s great to see our work finally pay off."

Mike Strickland, IFC President

Casino Night gave Delta Gamma sister Debbie Middleton a chance to utilize her dealing skills. She was one of the many Greeks who showed up early to learn how to work the games.

Zeta Tau Alpha Pledge trainer Kelly Cook takes advantage of the Rush Kickoff to meet possible pledges.

Tau Delta brothers William Atwood, Todd Delahanty and Stephen Reamy take time out to discuss fraternity business while the Noise Boys play in the background.

— Gerald Hampton
Coordinating activities for Greeks, The IFC and PHC are regarded as Leaders of the Pack

The IFC/PHC office in Squires was always busy during the day, and sometimes late into the evenings. The executive committee members were diligently coordinating the activities and events for the Greeks that they were elected to serve. The Greeks on campus constituted nearly fifteen percent of the 22,000 students, making them the largest group on campus.

The importance of the Interfraternity and Panhellenic Councils was noted by their joint seats on the Commission on Student Affairs. The Panhellenic Council sponsored the formal Winter Rush with the theme "Go Greek... you'll love it!". More than 700 women registered and went through the formal rush procedures.

Although rush was their major project, the PHC sponsored many others including a daily fitness program for sorority women which included aerobics, swimming, and running, they stated, "The impact of our programs was much bigger when the two groups worked together."

Liz Buckner, Panhellenic President also sponsored a lecture by Julie White, a nationally recognized speaker on women's assertiveness.

The year began for the Interfraternity Council in the early part of spring quarter, and the exec members were eager to set their plans in motion.

The main objectives of the IFC were to improve relations between Greeks and the town, and to make the Greek system stronger internally. "We accomplished so much because our exec got along so well together." said Scott Swortzel, IFC Secretary.

The two groups were proud of the working relationship that they shared. They jointly sponsored the Go Greek Weekend, the Need A Ride program which provided students with rides home from parties as an alternative to drunk driving, and the Fall Rush Kick-Off. Said PHC President Liz Buckner, "the impact of our programs was so much bigger when the two groups worked together."

— Gerald Hampton
IFC and PHC exec. officers Scott Werbel and Liz Buckner take a moment to relax and enjoy the bands at the Rush Kickoff. The event took nearly two months to plan.

Interfraternity Council.


Interfraternity Council Executive Committee: President, Mike Strickland, Vice-President of the Interior, Robert Luthy, Vice-President of the Exterior, Scott Werbel, Secretary, Scott Swortzel, Treasurer, Tom Janoski, Rush, Gerald Hampton; Social, Craig Donato; Town/University Relations, Craig Naha; Scholarship, Jamie Farver; Athletics, Bruce Heterick; Special Projects, Bob Lewis; RAFT, Joe Coppola, Publications, Luis Villavicencio, Alumni, Ed Carson; Minority Relations, Dwayne Proctor; Housing, Scott Kline; Publicity, Charlie Hogan.

At the weekly President's Council meeting, fraternity members get a chance to talk to exec members Tom Janoski, Mike Strickland and Scott Swortzel. During these meetings, the exec brings the fraternities up to date on current Greek issues and policies.
The last leg of Go Greek Weekend gave all a chance to dress up and conceal hidden charms.

The Greek Masquerade Ball served as the final event of the IFC-PHC sponsored Greek Weekend. The ball, held on the second of November in Squires Student Center's Commonwealth Ballrooms, was open to all students who appeared in a costume.

There were bag ladies, parking meters, Christmas trees and many other creative costumes which were also sported by faculty members as well.

"We didn't get the turnout that we expected, but everyone that came out had a great time," said Craig Donato, a Theta Chi who also served as IFC Social Chairman. "Yeah," agreed Zeta Tau Alpha Lynn Salowe "everyone was dancing and having a ball!"

"Everyone that came out had a great time."

Craig Donato, Theta Chi

The weekend began with the early morning tailgate party in the Animal Science Building parking lot, followed by the Tech football game against Memphis State.

The WUVT deejays, who provided the music for the event, played a variety of tunes that was pleasing to everyone. "I thought the music was great, but no matter what they played, I was out on the dance floor!" exclaimed IFC President Mike Strickland.

The IFC and PHC were not sure whether they would attempt to plan another Greek Ball, but, said PHC President Liz Buckner, "we sure had a great time at this one."

Gerald Hampton

Although you can tell who they are in their costumes, Steve Kepley, Martha Brownrigg, and Robin Medlin take time to marvel at some of the other costumes.

Half the fun of the masquerade ball was having people wonder who's behind the costumes. In this case, parking meter Scott Kimbley and his date Elizabeth Singer dance amid the many stares.
Senior Class President Charles Tarlton and IFC President Mike Strickland get into the spirit of things in their respective costumes.
It doesn't stop at the gate, it goes on.

It all started at the tailgate party. VT's both old and new, were painted on faces while 'American Pie' blared from the car stereos. Even before kickoff, the avid Greek Tech fans were promoting that Hokie Spirit. Pregame partying leads to "people around (us) getting spirited, too," according to Phi Sigma Kappa Little Sister Lynn Barlow. Enthusiasm was contagious and didn’t stop at the front gate.

Maroon and orange were the colors on the field, but there was a wider spectrum in the stands. From the green and yellow of Lambda Chi Alpha to the pink and green of Delta Zeta, Greeks were as much a part of Lane Stadium as ever. Val Hensley, immediate past president of Delta Upsilon felt that "Greek sectioning was great!" Each social fraternity and sorority sat together.

"If there was a spot in the Guinness Book of Records for spirit, Tech would have it!" said Phi Delta Theta Gerald Hampton. No one knew why or who started it, but when the rest of the fans noticed the snake of Hokie cups moving up the stadium, they went wild. The chain started at the bottom of the stadium and extended to the very top.

"It's not the Greeks are dumber or smarter than any other fan; they're just nuttier." summed up Sigma Chi Scott Klein.

— Kerianne Daly
During "Greek Day" at the home football game against Memphis State, the varsity cheerleaders wore shirts representing some of the fraternities on campus. These cheerleaders sport the letters of Theta Chi and Pi Lambda Phi.

The home football games gave Greeks like Zeta Tau Alphas Kim Edwards and Michelle Peterson a chance to show their Hokie Spirit while enjoying each other's company.
Members of the Phi Kappa Sigma-Delta Gamma team, Drew Holtzman and Allison Mercker, take part in the "Tubing on Land" competition. Their team won the decathlon with a time of 25.3862 minutes.

Delta Delta Delta


Officers: President, Susan Turdera; Vice-President, Ann Dahlgren; Rush, Peggy Fox; Pledge, Hobie Kolb; Chaplain, Mary Keville; Recording Secretary, Jennifer Schmidt.

Awards and Activities: Derby Day, Panhellenic Most Improved Chapter, Greek Decathlon, sponsor of 1985 Homecoming Queen.

Philanthropies: Cancer Research, Delta Delta Delta Scholarship.

Number of Members: 90

After a great deal of though and preparation, all is ready.

The participants are on their mark, so let the games begin.

"Welcome, Welcome, Welcome . . . Tri Delta is proud to present the first annual Greek Decathalon," read the first page of the brochure explaining the rules of the Greek sponsored event.

"It started out as a tiny idea . . . I can't believe its actually happening," said Deborah Linz, a senior in management science and a sister of Tri Delta.

"I wanted to do something that involved both fraternities and sororities, that would enhance relations among these organizations, and help raise money for our philanthropy," Linz said.

Each participating organization paid $50 to Tri Delta. There were eight teams, each with 17 males and 17 females, with only two teams competing simultaneously.

A bicycle race started off the race. "Tubing on Land" was the most awkward event for the participants. It was a relay involving a male and female from each team, with four innertubes placed on each person.

"Handle with Care" proved interesting, as one was supported by the interlocking hands of two men. While the threesome raced the girl had to keep from laughing, hold a spoon in her mouth, and an egg on the end of the spoon. The event was finished when the egg was cracked into a frying pan.

"Neck to Neck" was a tedious event where ten people stood in a line and proceeded to pass an orange from the crook of one neck to the person next to them. Razor stubble and slippery shirts were the main obstacles in this game.

Other games included "Hop'n the Sack", "Leap Frog/Double Tumble", "Swing n' Stuff", and "Put Your Best Feet Forward."

The Phi Kappa Sigma-Delta Gamma team won the decathalon with a time of 25.3862 minutes. Both were presented with a check for $200 to give to their respective charities: the American Cancer Society and Aid to the Blind.

The Sigma-ChiKappa Alpha Theta team came in a close second with a time of 26.5287 minutes, while the Alpha Tau Omega-Phi Mu duo placed third with a time of 26.5407 minutes.

The sixteen participating Greek organizations had fun while sharpening their olympic skills and the Children's Cancer Research American Cancer Society and Aid to the Blind each received a healthy sum of money as a result.

The decathlon may become the start of a tradition.

"We have already sent the idea to Nationals and we're pushing for it to become nation-wide," said Linz.

- Mary Beth Elinsky

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Delta Gamma

Officers: President, Kristen Weiniker; VP Chapter Relations, Mary Beth Roberts; VP Pledge Education, Debbie Taylor; VP Scholarship, Carla Valvo; Treasurer, Sharon Gilkeson.

Number of Members: 54

Awards and Activities: 1st Place-Greek Decathalon, 2nd Place in National Anchor Splash Fundraising, Order of Omega Leadership Award, Philanthropies: Sight Conservation, Aid to the Blind, Grants and Loans.
Delta Upsilon

President: Jim Niebanck; Vice-President, Mike Brandland; Secretary, Steve Smith; Treasurer, Ed Lawrence; Chapter Relations, Ho Chang; Rush, Rob Robertory.

Number of Members: 65

Delta Zeta

President, Kal Bagamane; Vice-President Rush, Ginger Hubble; Vice-President Pledges, Karen Johnson; Vice-President Treasury, Bonnie Burggraff.

Number of Members: 75

Pi Beta Phi

Awards and Activities: 1985 IFC Soccer Champions, University Water Polo Champions, Anchor Splash, Canned Food Drive.

Philanthropies: House and Ear Institution, Gallaudet College.
Homecoming Weekend is usually a very busy time with pep rallies and parties, but Greeks give it an added touch.

“Everyone looks forward to Homecoming Weekend,” exclaimed Panhellenic President Liz Buckner. “It’s one of the few times during the year when we dedicate a full weekend to getting together and having a good time.”

Homecoming had always been an important social weekend for the Greeks, and the festivities started early.

Greek alumni arrived in town as early as Friday afternoon to join their active brothers or sisters in the happy hours and other partying. Later, during the night, a few fraternities such as Phi Delta Theta, Sigma Phi Epsilon and Theta Chi held private functions at their houses to welcome their alumni, introduce them to new brothers, and to let them become reacquainted with other alumni who they hadn’t seen in a while.

On Saturday morning, Greeks participated in various activities. Delta Upsilon sponsored one of a few tailgate parties where brothers and guests consumed a wealth of food and other refreshments. “The tailgate was great!” recanted Delta Upsilon Paul Klik, “there was plenty of food and drink, and it was the perfect atmosphere to get us into the right spirit for the game.”

Other fraternities had pregame parties at their houses, and then headed for the football game afterwards. Such was the case with Phi Sigma Kappa.

“You never forget a homecoming weekend, because it’s such a great time.”

Liz Buckner, Panhellenic President

Many people held tailgate parties before the football games, where drinks and sometimes food are provided.

Outgoing Homecoming queen Robin Johnson, who is a Delta Gamma, relinquishes her crown to the new queen, Tri Delta Peggy Fox. 

Sigma Kappa.

One highlight of the football game was when Delta Gamma Robin Johnson relinquished her crown to fellow Greek Peggy Fox who is a Tri Delt.

It wasn’t hard to notice Greeks at the football game. Each organization was able to obtain group seating, and one was always able to hear the fraternity or sorority songs and cheers ringing through the crowd.

Many Greeks didn’t attend the homecoming dance held in Squires because they usually sponsored a private event with their organization.

Sunday, the end of the homecoming weekend, was reserved for resting, recuperating, and reflecting on the events of the past two days. “You never forget a homecoming weekend, because it’s such a great time,” added Buckner.

— Gerald Hampton
Living in houses gives Greeks a sense of unity.

House pitality

Fraternities and sororities at Tech were very diverse and so were the houses in which they lived.

They varied from the newly built on-campus houses where most members of Pi Kappa Alpha, Phi Kappa Sigma, and Zeta Tau Alpha lived, to the sprawling ranch style house that Theta Chi owned.

Most of the houses tended to be older, such as those of Delta Gamma, Kappa Delta, Sigma Phi Epsilon, Beta Theta Pi, as well as many others.

Craig Drescher of Sigma Phi Epsilon and Bruce Heterick of Beta Theta Pi were two Greeks that really enjoyed living in their respective fraternity houses.

Craig enjoyed his house because "it gave me a great chance to revel in the wholesome activities of the fraternity," while Bruce stated "Living in the Sorority house was late night talks, lots of laughs, and a team effort with endless rewards."

Lee Busey, Delta Gamma

that, "it was interesting. It was the central focus of the fraternity, where all the action was."

Fraternity and sorority houses differed in that fraternities had parties while sororities generally did not. However, both fraternities and sororities did use their houses as a meeting place.

Lee Busey of Delta Gamma enjoyed in-house life and said: "Living in the sorority house was late night talks, lots of laughs, and a team effort with endless rewards."

For the majority, in-house living was very special to them and the benefits were above and beyond what they expected.

— Ed Carson

The Kappa Delta house is next to Burger King along the edge of upper Quad. This location, almost considered on-campus, gave the sisters easy access to the campus and town.
Located on South Main Street across from the Blacksburg Middle School is the Phi Sigma Kappa house. Of the thirty-three brothers, only eight are fortunate enough to live at the house.

The Zeta Tau Alpha house is one of three houses located on campus. Built by Tech, these houses are larger and more modern than most other Greek residences.
Greeks had fun doing many things, but when work had to be done, it was strictly business.

When most people mentioned 'fraternity' the first thoughts that usually came to mind were of partying and having fun. To many, it may have seemed that way, but you had to be a Greek to know that it wasn't quite true.

Fraternities and sororities were businesses. They had expenses, liabilities, balance sheets, income statements and bills just as any other financial institution would have had.

Quarterly dues were the main source of income for chapters. Dues for fraternities ranged from $90 to $120 a quarter. Sorority dues were close to the same. The money from the dues was used for a variety of things from paying rent to paying for open parties.

"It's great to have parties and things like that, but if our fraternity isn't financially successful, we won't be able to do anything."

Scott Swortzel, Sigma Alpha Epsilon

"Our fraternity handled more than $50,000 in business transactions last year," said a brother in one of the off campus fraternities.

It is the responsibility of each fraternity and sorority treasurer to make sure that the financial books are balanced. Many national headquarters require their chapters to submit a monthly copy of the financial statement. At the end of spring quarter, each group turned their books over to the university accountant.

"It's great to have parties and things like that, but if our fraternity isn't financially sound, we won't be able to do anything," said Scott Swortzel, a brother of Sigma Alpha Epsilon.

Each chapter held a weekly meeting, and that was where most of the business was conducted. Most meetings were held in Squires on Sunday and Monday nights, while others took place at the fraternity or sorority house.

The weekly meetings were one of the only times during the week that the brothers and sisters could exchange messages and other important information. "If anyone happened to miss a meeting, they would have no idea what we were doing for the rest of the week," said Kappa Alpha Theta Melissa Wiles, "we really do cover a lot of important things."

A great deal of the coordination was left to the executive officers of the chapter. It was up to them to relay important facts, and to coordinate the actions of from fifteen to 115 people.

"We do have our work cut out for us, and if anything ever goes wrong, we're the people that everyone comes to," said Kappa Sigma past president Glenn Atkinson.

"Fraternities and sororities had a great deal of responsibilities, and I'm sure all Greeks know that all too well," said Delta Zeta President Kal Bagamane.

— Gerald Hampton

Officers: President, Deana Clayborne; 1st Vice-President, Kay Cook; 2nd Vice-President, Carol Irvine; Recording Secretary, Julie Hoag. Colonized: Spring 1984, Installed: November 16, 1985.


Number of Members: 56
Before people can be true Greeks, they must first be pledges.

It isn't quite the real thing, but it's the first step

Uniqueness was something in which each fraternity and sorority took pride. Every group was different from the other in certain ways, but the one common element was the pledge period.

Everyone who wanted to become a Greek had to start out by being a pledge, or associate. However, the purpose of the pledge period varied from group to group.

Much of what pledges did and learned was kept secret from everyone but the people in the organization, though all Greeks attempted to instill a true sense of friendship and belonging in their pledges. "It's important for us to make sure that our pledges know that they are making a life commitment, and we want them to feel like they're going to really belong to Delta Gamma," said Robin Johnson.

Pledge periods ranged anywhere from six to seventeen weeks. In that time, the pledges were required to take in a vast amount of information including history of the national organization, the local chapter, and some of the secret rites and rituals that must be performed. "One interesting part about being a pledge is the secrecy that is involved." The things that we learn are unique to us, and no one else can know what they are unless they pledge also," said Alpha Tau Omega pledge Mike East.

It was very easy to distinguish pledges on campus. Some fraternities and sororities permitted their pledges to wear letters. However, most wore pledge pins, and carried books or paddles which distinctly showed the organization to which they were pledging.

Kappa Delta Amy Bocock summed up her feelings about pledging when she said "I'll never forget the time when I was a pledge. I learned so much and met so many people." — Gerald Hampton
Omega Psi Phi


Officers: Basileus, Milton L. Anderson; Vice Basileus, Edward R. Green III; Keeper of Records and Seal, Timothy A. Richardson; Keeper of Finance, Michael C. Smith.

Number of Members: 11 brothers, 15 pearls.


Squires is a popular place for pledges to meet with members of their group. Lambda Chi brothers Wes Owens (left) and Mark Loving (right) spend some time helping pledge Edward Davis learn the information provided in his pledge book.
Greeks look forward to when they can say

*It's hour time*

6:45 — Buzzzz. Siam! It was time to get up for class. At least, I thought, it was Friday. TGIF! I had finally reached that long awaited day, but I was paying my price for it. Last nights little excursion to Top of the Stairs, Beta night, had left its affect in the form of a headache. But, I figured that all I had to do was to suffer through four hours of class, take a small nap, and be ready for happy hour at five. No big deal, right? Wrong!

8:00 — Norris Hall. The professor walked in precisely at 8:00, as usual, and proceeded to give his lecture in every sophomore engineer's favorite class: Mechanics of Deformable bodies.

That one hour, with trying to comprehend "We come out for a good time, start the weekend off well, and build up our image as Greeks." Brian Adams, Phi Delta Theta his lecture while trying to recuperate, was killing me.

9:30 — Holden Hall. It was the middle of the class in Material Science, and the professor had just finished his usual routine of making rude comments about his wife, although we all knew that they weren't true.

Finally, the effects of last night wore off. It may have been rough, but it was worth it.

Top of the Stairs, on Thursday nights, holds happy hour which is sponsored by Beta Theta Pi Fraternity. As usual, the place was packed. I just stood around, drank a couple of beers, and eyed the ladies walking around. No better way to enjoy a break from studying.

4:30 pm — Dorm room. Time to head for Dietrick Dining Hall to catch a quick bite before hitting happy hour. One always needed something in the stomach before the Phi Delta Theta happy hour at Jacobs Lantern in the Marriott. Even though they offered barbecued ribs and chicken every Friday, the time and the lines between servings were just too long.

5:15 — Jacobs Lantern. Although it was only fifteen minutes into the happy hour, a crowd was already established. The atmosphere, by far, was exciting with everyone eager to start off the weekend with a good time. At about 6:30 or so, the food was cleared away and the dancing began. Before I knew it, the time was spent, and my money supply had dwindled considerably.

Halfway through the Phi Delt Happy Hour at the Marriott, the dance floor is usually packed. Phi Dels Jack Martin, Mike Stevens, and Natalie Mason watch the action on the dance floor.

8:10 — Top of the Stairs. Phi Delta Theta happy hour had come to an end, and Alpha Tau Omega and Theta Chi's had just begun. Although the crowd wasn't the same, the beer was fine and I had a good time anyway.

After it was all over and my wallet was empty, I had proceeded to "come out for a good time, start the weekend off well, and all the while help the Greeks with what they sought to do — raise money and become more noticed on campus." as said by Brian Adams, a Phi Delt, in his explanation of why Greeks had happy hours.

— Dennis Quinn
Andy Jones, a Phi Delt brother, takes his place at the entrance of Jacob's Lantern to count the number of patrons. Fraternities receive a certain amount of money for each guest that attends their happy hour.

Phi Kappa Sigma sponsored happy hours at the Marriott on Thursdays. These Hokie fans are celebrating the Tech victory over Louisville in the last home game of the year. Happy hour began right after the game.
Whether at a varsity sport event or during an intramural game, Greeks were just sportin' about.

Athletics were very important to many Greeks, and it showed by their participation in the intramural program.

In the fall, students always saw fraternity and sorority members crowding the drillfield in the afternoons for their football games. Other fall sports included team volleyball and individual sports like badminton.

There was also a special division in which male and female team members could lay known as the Co-Rec division. Co-Rec teams gave fraternity little sisters a chance to participate in sporting events along with their fraternities. "It makes little sisters feel more active when we take part in the football, volleyball, and softball games, and it's really great if we have a winning team," said Pi Kappa Alpha little sister Debbie Middleton.

The IFC and PHC sponsored and coordinated different playoffs than the university, so, in essence, a Greek team could win two championships.

Scott Werbel, Pi Kappa Alpha

"I think that they're a definite plus for good fraternity and sorority relations."

"I've met a lot of other Greeks through intramurals," said Pi Kappa Alpha brother Scott Werbel, "so I think that they are a definite plus for good fraternity and sorority relations."

— Gerald Hampton

During the Phi Delta Theta volleyball game, against Phi Sigma Kappa, brother Adam Snell uses his serving form to score another point. Phi Delts won 2 games to 1.
Phi Kappa Psi brother Richard String prepares to slam the volleyball during their game against Zeta Psi. Being tall certainly has its advantages in the game.

Phi Kappa Sigma. Front Row: Luis Villavicencio, Wendy Pacheco, Lee Ann Logie, Sue Watts, Brook Brookshire, Netha Chowdhury, Mike Jones, Darryl Michel, Kim Sable, Charlie Hogan. Second Row: Mark Lucas, Tony Simon, Donna Tavaro, Shetton Clough, Norman Adkins, Al Kelly, Rob Brown, Drew Holtzman, Mike Short, Kevin Kratting, Maureen Hart, John Britt, Kim Tibbetts. Third Row: James White, James Richey, David Crane, Erin Novack, Martha Morecock, Jim David, Gerard Laurain. Officers: President, Tim Kelly; 1st Vice-President, Mike Cole; 2nd Vice-President, John Wells; Treasurer, Tony Simon; Steve Walton; Social Chair, Tom Leschnek. Secretary, Gerard Laurain.

Number of Members: 54 brothers, 15 little sisters

Philanthropies: Muscular Dystrophy Association, American Cancer Society, IFC Canned Food Drive.

Activities and Awards: National Outstanding Chapter Award, Community Service Award, Intramural sports.

Spring brings on intramural softball season, and Pi Kappa Alpha Ricky Sterling takes advantage of his position as third baseman to catch his opponent in his attempt to steal a base.
Phi Mu


Officers: President, Tracie Mander; Vice-President, Aimee Scott; Rush; Abbi Uttje; Pledge Director, Eileen Welfensdau, Recording Secretary, Barbara Young; Corresponding Secretary, Kathy Shearer.

Number of Members: 53

Phi Sigma Kappa


Officers: President, Jim Hennenlotter; Vice-President, Clark Sandquist; Treasurer, Andrew Erickson; Secretary, Mark Render, Inductor, Gary Carter. Sentinel, Todd Allen.


Activities and Awards: IPC Leadership Award, National recognition for chapter reorganization, Haunted House, United Way.

Philanthropies: American Neurological Society.

Awards and Activities: Order of Omega Sisterhood Award, Derby Day, Spirit Award, Supperdance.

Philanthropies: Project Hope, Toy drive for Heritage Hall, Spring party for retirement home.

Number of Members: 50

Delta Gammas Cathy Campbell and Betsy Sellers, who are acting as timekeepers during the competitions, watch as the competitors near the other end of the pool.
The Delta Gammas start the contest and games of Anchor Splash with a yell of Anchors aweigh

For the past eleven years, Delta Gamma has held an annual event called “Anchor Splash” to raise money for their philanthropy, Sight Conservation and aid for the Blind.

Anchor Week was from February 17 to 22, and the actual Anchor Splash was conducted on Saturday, February 22.

Throughout the week, twenty-three fraternities were actively involved in a kiss card competition, in which fraternity brothers approached a Delta Gamma and she gave them a card in exchange for a kiss, a scavenger hunt, the 4th annual Mr. Anchor Splash Beauty Contest, and the Anchor Splash swimming contests.

The fraternities competed on a point basis, receiving a certain amount of points for each event, as well as for the amount of money they raised or donated (known as “Sink the Anchor”).

Sororities joined in on the fun by participating in the scavenger hunt on Wednesday of the week. Three representatives from each fraternity, and one of the two Delta Gamma coaches who supported the fraternity throughout the week participated. They gathered at the Delta Gamma house only to be let loose as the clock struck 3 pm. on a wild goose chase to find anything from Pi Beta Phi winter pledge class tee-shirts, to Phi Mu stuffed lions.

Laura King, of Zeta Tau Alpha, commented “All sorts of good looking guys were knocking on my door asking me for one of my letter sweatsuits — I had great fun!”

Delta Upsilon returned to the sorority house first with all of their sorority paraphernalia, and we were declared the winners.

Mr. Anchor Splash, a male beauty contest, was a fun, but intense source of competition between fraternity men. Based on a bathing suit, 3 piece suit, and a talent competition, the event made for a “fun, interesting evening for Greeks and non Greeks alike,” said Delta Gamma Sue Doyle.

Sean Robertson of Pi Kappa Alpha was the winner of the event, followed by Mike continued on page 242

The six swimmers in this particular heat of the “Sailor in the Hat” competition await the starting whistle with anticipation. The object was for the swimmer not to lose his hat while swimming.
Fuchsman, of Phi Delta Theta, who placed second.

The actual Anchor Splash, which began at 1 pm as scheduled, was held in the War Memorial Gym in front of an excited and enthusiastic crowd. All 23 of the fraternities competed in six events: the Individual Medley, the Medley Relay, Two Men in the Tub, Save the Mermaid, and two surprise events, including a blindfolded one length dash, and a Sailor Hat Swim.

At the end of Anchor Splash, while the competitors were toweling off and taking a breather, the winners were announced.

Sigma Chi, for the second year in a row, were the Anchor Splash Champions. Pi Kappa Alpha came in second, and Sigma Alpha Epsilon, third.

The Eleventh Annual Anchor Splash was the most successful ever, raising nearly $6,500.

“IT was a week full of fun and Greek friendships, all for a good cause,” summed up Delta Gamma Marybeth Roberts.

— Natalie Mason
Penny Davidson and Lillie Holton hold on for dear life during the "Save the Mermaid" competition in which the swimmers rescue the "mermaids" and swim them to the opposite end of the pool.

Throughout the year, Anchor Splash tee-shirts are worn by Greeks to remind them and others of the upcoming event.

These mermaids try to help their rescuers in their attempt to get to the other side of the pool. The feat is not as easy as it looks.

The object of the blindfolded 1 length dash was to test the coordination of the swimmers. They had to use their instincts to get to the opposite end of the pool without swimming out of bounds.
On or off campus, Greeks could always be seen wearing their letters. They showed pride in being

Ordinary clothes changed instantly when a few Greek letters were applied. Sweats became statements of Greek bonds and letters like ZTA or TKE were added; hats were worn like badges of honor; buttons not only decorated a backpack, but also proclaimed a Greek’s loyalty and friendship.

Appearing with more abundance than Corps uniforms, Greek wear ranged from hats to socks, and from sweats to sunglasses.

The most popular items were the jersey, mainly worn for sports events like intramurals, and the sweatshirt, an all-essential item particularly convenient for a last-minute dash to an early class after a night of partying.

Wade Kennedy, of Sigma Phi Epsilon, represented DJR, the supplier of most of the Greek wear at Tech. “I’m proud of my letters, so I wear them daily,” Kennedy exclaimed, “Wearing them shows everyone that I’m a part of Sigma Phi Epsilon.”

Lee Busey of Delta Gamma echoed Kennedy’s sentiments. “I like to wear my letters because I can represent my sorority on campus,” she stated.

Whether with formal pins or lettered sweats, Greeks wore their support for their fraternity or sorority around town and campus whenever they could so that everyone else could see that they were proud to be Greek.

— Ed Carson

Events like the Fall Rush Kickoff gives Lambda Chi Alpha brothers Nick Turk, Greg Johnson, David Scott, and Steve McClaskey a chance to advertise their fraternity by wearing their lettered jerseys and hats.

Zeta Tau Alpha Lynn Salowe shows the popularity of wearing fraternity and sorority buttons on backpacks where they can easily be seen by anyone.
Lettered knit shirts, like the one worn by IFC Secretary and Sigma Alpha Epsilon Scott Swortzel, are popular among fraternity men because they are very comfortable.

Pi Lambda Phi


Officers: President, Chip Hicks; Vice-President, Larry Whalen; Treasurer, Tom Shoup; Pledgemaster, Chuck Pocher; Secretary, Larry Simmerson; Social Chairman, Ken O'Malley.

Number of Members: 40

Sigma Alpha Epsilon


Officers: Archon, Eric Lundberg; Deputy Archon, Scott Swortzel; Treasurer, Paul Moore; Deputy Treasurer, Mike Flanagan; Herald, Dave Munkle; Recorder, Scott Pomeroy; Correspondent, Matt Dabbe.

Number of Members: 51


Awards and Activities: Celebration of chapter tenth anniversary, October 1985; football, volleyball playoffs, fall 1985; third in academics among fraternities.

Philanthropies: Christmas Store, Virginia Mountain Housing Authority.
Sigma Chi

Officers: President, Troy Forehand; Vice-President, John Burlingame; Pledge Trainer, Mike Cadden; Treasurer, Brian Donovan; Rush Chairman, Larry Rogers; Secretary, Kevin Wood.

Number of Members: 93.

Activities and Awards: Winner of Anchor Splash, Peterson Significant Chapter Awards, Derby Day, Legion of Honor Scholarship Chapter.

Philanthropies: Wallace Village for Children, Multiple Sclerosis Chapter of southwest Virginia, Ronald McDonald House of Roanoke.

Sigma Kappa

Officers: President, Laura Rose; Vice-President, Sharon Ortlieb; Pledge Trainer, Kathleen Underhill; Membership, Anne Tewey; Treasurer, Ginger Edwards; Secretary, Kristy Jensen.

Number of Members: 63.

Activities and Awards: 90-100% Initiation Award, Men of Tech calendar.

Philanthropies: Gerontology - Alzheimer's Disease Foundation.

After contributing his share to the Kappa Delta Skate-a-thon, Tony Tappan of Alpha Tau Omega wearily takes off his skates.

After seeing how long the line has grown, Phi Delta Theta Kevin Peacock and Scott Acey of Tau Kappa Epsilon show their jubilation being the first to show up at the roller rink.

Content with sitting on the side for a while, Kappa Delta's Millie Forster takes a rest after a rough time on the floor representing her sorority at the skate-a-thon.
Charity was the purpose, but fun was on the minds of everyone as they became High Rollers.

Kappa Delta Sorority, along with other fraternities, sororities and friends skated to raise money for the Richmond Children’s Home on January 31.

Skating started around midnight at the Dominion Skating Center in Christiansburg. However, a line had already formed outside the rink by eleven-thirty. In fact, the turnout was so strong that the rink actually ran out of rental skates, much to the dismay of many who attended.

Phi Delta Theta brother Mark Allard exclaimed, “Fortunately, my friends and I got here early and only had to wait about ten minutes for our skates. There are a lot of people here, I can’t believe the turnout!”

For many, it was obvious that they hadn’t skated in a while. “I was a little tentative at first since I haven’t been on skates for a long time,” said skater Dan Goodsite.

“I had the best time, even though I was on the floor more than my skates.”

Anne Smith, Kappa Delta

but I managed to stay off the floor for the most part. I’ve just got to learn how to stop though,” said skater Dan Goodsite.

Sigma Chi had the strongest turnout of any fraternity, with Phi Delta Theta and Pi Kappa Alpha close behind. Scott Werbel of Pi Kappa Alpha explained, “We tried to get as many of our brothers out as possible. We thought it would be a good time and it’s all for a good cause.”

“Overall, we were pleased with the support from the other fraternities and sororities. I had the best time, even though I was on the floor more than my skates were!” said Kappa Delta Anne Smith.

By night’s end, several hundred dollars was raised for the Richmond Children’s Hospital.

— Tim Gipson
When asked to aid more than 1000 families with canned food goods, The IFC said

"We can do it!"

Under the guidance of the Interfraternity Council, fraternities and sororities contributed more than 8,500 pounds of canned food to help brighten the holidays for some New River Valley families.

The donations went to the Christmas Store, a non-profit organization which provided relief to area people in various ways not just food. Traditionally the sole provider of canned foods, the IFC faced the task of getting enough food for almost 1000 families. Their solution was to sponsor a canned food drive, soliciting the goods from fraternities and sororities.

During the two-week campaign, the sorority presidents were "kidnapped" one evening by the IFC and held for a canned food ransom. All of the abducted presidents agreed to be taken, and the proceeds from this one event helped the cause dramatically.

While the media from various newspapers "It shows how much of a contribution Greeks want to make to this community."

M.A. Guerrant, Greek Affairs Intern

and radio stations gathered on a cold and rainy December fifth to see the collection and to interview participants, groups brought their bundles to be weighed-in.

Sigma Phi Epsilon donated an astounding 3,078 pounds and won the first place prize for fraternities. Kappa Alpha also received a plague for donating the most pounds per brother.

Delta Zeta won first prize for sororities with Tri Delta coming in second.

"I think it's fantastic!" said M. A. Guerrant, Greek Affairs Intern, "It just shows how much of a contribution Greeks want to make to this community."

With the record-breaking amount of donations, IFC Vice-President of the Exterior Scott Werbel shared many Greeks' sentiments when he concluded "The IFC expects the canned food drive to continue to be an annual event, and we hope the trend for increased donations continues."

— Gerald Hampton
Sigma Nu Jamie Farver busies himself with emptying a donation box which was placed in Squires. Many people, including students, faculty and university personnel donated cans to the boxes.

Sig Nu 

Canned Food Drive

Contributors to the IFC Canned Food Drive brought their cans to the check-in station in front of Squires. Here, IFC Secretary Scott Swortzel takes yet another bag.

Tau Delta


Officers: President, William Atwood; Vice-President, Todd Delahanty; Secretary, Todd Erickson; Treasurer, Thom List; Pledge Trainer, Steve Reamy; Social Chairman, Chang Lyu.

Number of Members: 15

Activities: IFC Canned Food Drive

Philanthropies: Christmas Store
Brotherhood, Sisterhood, Good Times, and Lifelong friendships were just a few words that relayed what students liked most about being Greek.

"Uniquely Greek" read the sorority rush slogan. What made it unique? "With more than 22,000 students here, I was looking for someplace to belong, and I found that place in my sorority," said Delta Gamma Marybeth Roberts, "There's always something going on."

Through their respective organizations, Greeks were able to meet and socialize not only with themselves, but with other Greeks as well. Fraternities frequently had parties, happy hours, tailgates and other social activities with each other and with sororities which were instrumental in improving relations among Greeks.

"Many think that we center around partying but that's not the case," said Sigma Nu brother Jamie Farver. Fraternity and sorority members had numerous meetings, appointments, athletic events, and service projects that took up a great deal of time.

Although parties weren't the only activities that Greeks sponsored, they were the most visible seen by independent students. "Our parties and happy hours brought a lot of people out to our house, and the parties were a good way for people to meet our brothers and learn a little about how our fraternity works," said former Phi Delta Theta President Charlie Kilpatrick. Theta Chi Craig Donato summed up how he feels about being Greek when he said: "you have to be Greek to realize that it's a lifelong commitment."

— Gerald Hampton
Parties and happy hours, like this one at the Marriott, gave Greeks such as Phi Delta Theta Rob Pfleghardt and little sister Wendy Wantling a chance to socialize.
Many fraternities enjoy the privilege of occupying a house in the town of Blacksburg, like this one belonging to Phi Sigma Kappa. Many other Greek organizations aren’t so lucky.
In this year of change, Greeks left their marks inside and out.

Greeks took many steps to solicit change not only within the Greek system itself, but in the university and town, also.

The IFC sponsored voter registration drive was intended to make the town of Blacksburg aware that the students had a voice and were prepared to use it. Scott Klein, a major contributor to the campaign, commented “I was impressed with the total student turnout. It shows how much of a concern we have for the university and town.” Klein, a Sigma Chi, also spearheaded a controversial resolution requesting the resignation of athletic director Bill Dooley after a decision by Dooley to turn down an offer for the Hokie football team to play Oklahoma.

Housing was a big issue with fraternities and sororities facing the loss of their houses. The town ordinances which complicated the process of attaining fraternity and sorority houses prompted the IFC, PHC, RHF, and the SGA to attempt to form a committee with town council members to look at the problems Greeks are facing, and to try to come to an agreement on the matter.

With the implementation of dry fraternity rushes and the raising of the legal drinking age, fraternities were forced to change the structure of their rushes and parties. “Many of our freshmen and sophomores rushes are geared toward the other aspects of fraternity life, and they’re really working out well,” said Lambda Chi Alpha brother Charlie Knight.

Tech’s fraternities and sororities have contributed more than 300,000 dollars to charities, both nationally and locally. Events such as the Delta Gamma Anchor Splash, and the Beta Theta Pi Betathon have traditionally been major fundraisers. Many other fraternities donated the proceeds from their licensed parties to charities such as the MDA, also. “We (Greeks) are making our mark in the university and the town,” said Sigma Nu Jamie Farver, “and we are going to continue to strive to be the best.”

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Zeta Tau Alpha

Officers: President, Stacey Berry; Vice-Presidents, Elizabeth Applebee, Kelly Cook; Secretary, Kathryn Hagler; Treasurer, Donna Feagans; Historian, Peggy Watson.

Numbers of Members: 114

Awards and Activities: Crown Chapter, Bowl for Kids Sake, Financial Excellence Award, President’s Award — Homecoming Philanthropies: Association for Retarded Citizens, Big Brothers-Sig Sisters, MDA.
Long Hours Proved Worthwhile For the Bugle Staff When Their Work Was Nationally Recognized

Producing an enormous book like the Bugle was no easy task. Producing over 500 pages in just four months made the mission doubly rough. But that was exactly what twenty people did up in 318 Squires Student Center.

The staff started the year by attending a workshop/seminar with copy expert Nancy Patterson and yearbook expert Col. Charles Savedge. Through the Saturday morning, staffers learned the finer aspects of producing a yearbook.

"The Bugle, I think, is a very unique book," stated Editor Kasey Miller, "in that the section editors are allowed to create their own design styles. Not many yearbooks allowed that freedom, but I think it was important because it should be the duty of a yearbook staff to ignore all previous years and start a completely new ideas. Anybody can copy an excellent book, but does that make their book excellent?"

As the months wore on the staff got used to the missing blackboard, which was taken away during the summer and adjusted to people dropping off the staff.

Nancy Stabler and Beth Walley, the Copy Editors, started the year off with seven helpers, but by the final deadline in March they were reading everything by themselves.

Managing Editor Lynn Salowe explained many section editors' feelings about the amount of work: "Even if you did manage to get all your homework finished, it seemed like you would never finish what had to be done here."

She also added that the final product was a complement to the section editors, who often times did all the work by themselves.

Running the office daily from one to five, Business Manager Bruce Bird handled the financial affairs of the book. "I started the year by trying to emphasize book sales. We sent out mailers to everybody even remotely connected with the university, but we didn't get the response I had hoped for."

But not to be dismayed, Bruce and his staff worked even harder to sell the most books any year had seen.

In the middle of November, the office had a heat wave. The heating for it went overboard and the temperature reached the hundreds.

"It was hard to stay calm and patient when I felt so uncomfortable," Greeks Editor Gerald Hampton said, "I used to bring up a change of clothes to help me adjust to the heat."

The 1984 and 1985 Bugles won top national awards from both the American... continued on page 256
The final word on any matter comes from Editor in Chief Kasey Miller. She spends long hours approving layout and copy style and proofing finished work.

As deadline rolls around, Managing Editor Lynn Salowe works with section editors to make sure all photo assignments and copy are turned in on time, in addition to getting everyone used to working on the computer.

Getting to know Greeks is what Gerald Hampton, Greeks Editor, does as he works on his section. He was responsible for twenty-nine sororities and fraternities getting into print.

Yearbooks are his life. Col. Charles Savage tours the country giving seminars and workshops on yearbook style. He attended the Bugle's first workshop, giving invaluable advice.
Although her responsibilities as Service Organizations Editor take up most of her time, Angela Ridgway finds a few minutes during her office hours to study for a test.

All the fun things of Tech are included in Student Life Editor Lynn Browder's pages. Her section has the most color and is one of the most weighted sections when the book is judged in competition.

Burdens . . .

Collegiate Press and the Columbia Scholastic Press Association, which helped the staff stay with the job despite the heat.

"I don't think I ever saw a more dedicated group of people work toward a common goal," Miller said, "When the going got tough, they still stuck with it."

Student Life Editor Lynn Browder, who was an organizations editor last year, said she had stayed with the book because it was fun and rewarding when she finally saw her work in print. "I don't think I really could give up this place. Even with all the burdens, I still love it!"

she exclaimed.

To update the book, Miller and Salowe decided to add a mini-magazine to the Issues section and completely change the Academics section to include only features.

These new jobs fell on Mark Munson and Chet Childress.

Munson said he was excited about doing the first mini-magazine. "I had seen others in other yearbooks and knew that it would have been an asset to the Bugle." Starting over the summer, Munson worked on his style to allow the amount of coverage he wanted.

Intriguing organizations get coverage from Special Interest Organizations Editor Heath Covey. Working closely with him is one of his top staff members Susie Billings.
Scheduling secretaries to work in the office is one of the duties of Office Manager Lynn Hawkins. She also keeps track of supplies needed to keep the office running smoothly.

Procrastination of students leads to long lines each year when it's time for portraits. The majority of students showed up on the last Friday that the photographer was available. Sandy McPherson of Yearbook Associates handled an amazing one hundred shots an hour.

A change in the academics section was a challenge for Academics Editor Chey Childress. He came up with ideas on graphics and related features to add some spice to the section.
WANTED:
MARK MUNSON

FOR IMITATING A HUMAN BEING

"Ostracize the Issues Editor" was a campaign that brought unity to the staff. In jest, Issues Editor Mark Munson was the subject of such remarks as "Don't throw it away. Throw it at Mark." He swore revenge against the whole staff in a psychopathic letter hung on the office wall, but the staff got the last word.
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At 6 a.m. Friday, as cadets line up in The Mall for their early morning drills, Collegiate Times Editor John Branscome hurries out of Squires Student Center carrying the completed edition of the day's paper to the printer. After countless hours of soliciting advertisements, reporting, editing and laying out the paper, another deadline is met, another paper finished.

In its 82nd year of operation, the Collegiate Times, dubbed the CT, remained completely student run, and was ranked as one of the best college papers in the nation. Last year's paper won the Silver Crown Award from the Columbia Scholarship Press Association, taking 964 out of a possible 1,000 points in the nationwide contest.

Branscome said he was primarily concerned with the overall administration and outcome of the paper.

"I see us as the watchdog of the university community," Branscome said, "with our first priority being to present an objective account of campus events."

Throughout the year, the CT presented informative articles addressing student concerns. For example, following a third floor balcony collapse at the Foxridge Apartments during homecoming weekend, in which nine people were injured, the paper asked...
After receiving completed articles and the necessary photographs, News Editor Vonda Paige designs the front page of the CT two days before the deadline.

Assistant Features Editor Ronnie Siddique enters her story on the play Greater Tuna into the typesetter. The new system, installed in August, was completely owned by the CT.
Handling a budget of over a quarter of a million dollars keeps Business Manager Jeanne Christian in her office over thirty hours a week.

Lynn Nystrom, Adviser, is the CT's link to the university. She and Editor-in-Chief John Branscome discuss details for the next media board meeting.

whether the designers of the apartments had cut corners to save money on balcony construction. However, this opinion was only expressed after several hours of investigating by CT reporters.

Sara Beiro, CT Editorials Editor, said each editorial begins in a meeting with the paper's administration.

"We try in our editorial board to pick a topic or issue that we all feel strongly about, and one that can bring change on campus," Beiro said.

"All of our editorials were designed to be a reflection of the student's thoughts, not to shape them. There's a difference between trying to shape versus trying to influence someone's opinion."

Branscome said the paper did not try to initiate conflict. "We didn't look for conflict, but if there was one we covered it," he said.

An increase in staff and the desire for a better paper prompted the editors to ask for more office space. When leases were distributed, Squires Student Center agreed to move the CT to the old Coffeehouse.

The transfer not only provided more room for the writers but also put them in the same office with the production staff, which eliminated time wasted going back and forth to the previously separated offices.

Kathleen Riley became the paper's Managing Editor, taking a position that had not existed for the previous three years. Because the offices moved, Riley was needed to help in the purchases of carpeting and equipment. Also, the CT purchased a new typesetting system, which initially caused extended deadlines as writers learned to use the new machines.

"We felt it (the position of managing editor) was really needed this year," continued on page 265
Editorials Editor Sara Beiro and Sports Editor Dave Johnson scan the latest Pigskin Experts column in the production room. Beiro had the lead early on, but Johnson came out on top.

In addition to putting out a quality paper, John also sits on the media board. Back in his office, he discusses the details of the latest meeting with staff members.

The Observations page, featuring Letters to the Editor, CT Editorials, and Commentaries, is one of the few forms for students to voice their opinions on recent issues. Sara Beiro, Editorials Editor, works at the light table to have section completed by deadline.
especially with the new computer system," Riley said. She was present on every deadline to edit copy, proof layouts and help write the editorials.

The CT had a circulation of 13,000 papers published twice a week, Business Manager Jeanne Christian said. It was estimated to have in excess of 30,000 readers.

The business staff worked with an operating budget of one-quarter of a million dollars, earning money through display and classified advertising, Christian said. In addition, they offered a campus resume typesetting service and had about 500 paid subscriptions of the paper. Any revenue generated through advertising or typesetting went to the Virginia Tech Student Media Board, from which it was distributed to other Tech media organizations.

Unlike the writers, business staff members received either commissions, salary, or hourly wages. However, at the end of the academic year, news room financial awards were presented to members of the sports, features, editorials and news staffs.

Faculty advisor Lynn Nystrom was present at the Tuesday afternoon staff meetings and the weekly media board meetings. "She provided a knowledge of the ways the university works, ways that we might not have been aware of," Branscome said.

"There is a certain comradrie here, and we're always striving to be professional," he said. "But we've got to remember that we are students."

— Scott Courtney
Every Wednesday night, WUVT sponsored Wave Night at the Marriott lounge. David Rapavi plays progressive music from the Marriott's and WUVT's record collection.

WUVT. Front row: Mary Margaret Koball, Tracy McLoone, Kathleen Eaton, Martin Roche. Brady McFige, Mike Blay. Back row: Mike Short, Ron Tiggen, Lee Purcell, Peggy Fox, Dave Everett.
WUVT never slept. When the lights went out across the campus and most students were putting themselves to bed, the student radio station woke up. Not that it had been sleeping all day — it was just that during the wee hours of the night, fun things began to happen. That was because it was open format time; time for some of the most interesting music on the airwaves. In the middle of the night, you could hear everything from Bach to John Coltrane to Industrial Noise a la Einsturzende Neubauten.

Unlike most student organizations, WUVT was a year-round business. Every aspect from ad sales to engineering was controlled by approximately 200 students.

A visit to the station's offices on the third floor of Squires Student Center probably gave one a picture of the fun that went on without showing the more serious side.

There was hard work involved in running the radio station. You didn't see the behind the scenes work: people pounding the pavement selling ads, getting underwriting grants, gathering news, and engineers crawling around fixing faulty equipment.

"WUVT was an unique experience in that it blended quality professionalism with a hell of a lot of fun," said Martin Roche, a senior in urban studies and general manager of WUVT. "The people in the upper levels of the station management often took continued on page 268
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WUVT more seriously than school.”

Running a radio station was an educational experience in itself. Engineering, business, and communications students, and others who took an interest in college radio benefited from the hands-on training involved. The station’s volunteers came from all majors and this diversity was what made WUVT so intriguing.

“Given a group of 200 people, there were going to be some differences in opinion, but for the most part, everyone worked well together,” Roche said.

One common goal that united everyone at WUVT was a commitment of offering alternatives to the community.

“WUVT provided an alternative to what is available in other student organizations and other radio stations,” Roche said. “Musically, we tried to provide something for everyone but naturally, sometimes we missed our mark.”

Indeed, the station had been criticized for staying away from the mainstream pop music which most students listened to. Some critics suggested that since WUVT was a student organization, it should cater to the interest of the majority of the students.

Peggy Fox, a senior in communications studies and the public relations director for WUVT, said it was unlikely the station would change its format.

“There was no way we were going to compete with top-40 stations,” Fox said. “We couldn’t if we tried, and we liked to think that we were providing something different. We had an educational license from the FCC, and we felt that we were educating people about music, as well as..."

WUVT’s $40,000 budget was handled by Mary-Margaret Kobell, Business Manager. Part of her responsibilities was to make sure the station operated at a profit.

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Production Director Mike Blaw kept the production studio working. He made sure advertisements and announcements were on tape besides having two shows of his own.

Play by play reports of the baseball games were broadcasted by WUVT and announced by Sports Director Mike Short. As head of sports, Short also kept listeners informed about major sporting events year round.

Music Director Brady McTigue kept in touch with approximately one hundred record companies, making sure WUVT had copies of latest releases. He also compiled weekly playlists to send to the companies and other radio stations.
... Into the Night

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Happy hour at Top of the Stairs was also one of WUVT's weekly events. Secretary Julie Brethegan looks at the menu to pass the time waiting in the long line for beer.

teaching students how to run a radio station.”

In addition to offering a musical alternative, WUVT provided news, sports, and public services to the community. Among these services were “Pet Pick-Up,” a forum through which people could locate lost pets or their owners; “Rides and Riders” for people who were going mobile; and public service announcements, which were available for the use of non-profit organizations.

For broadcasting students, doing news at WUVT was a good way to gain essential experience.

“Working on the news staff gave me the chance to put what I learned in class to practical use,” Mary Beth Oliver, a senior in communications studies said. “The experience is necessary in this field because unless you have done news broadcasting before, it would be difficult to get a job in the industry.”

In the past, the news staff had relied on an Associated Press machine for a good part of its news. This year, however, the station had to turn off the machine because of the expense involved in maintaining the service. Thus, the news staff did more actual reporting to prepare their broadcasts.

News director Hodie Kotb, a senior in communications studies, said the absence of the AP machine had a positive effect on the station’s news coverage, despite the extra work involved.

“It helped the staff members improve their reporting skills and gave them more extensive training,” Kotb said. “We focused more on local reporting and campus related news, although I think it was important that there be a national news source for our listeners.”

Sound like WUVT was on the ball? Yes, but wait, there was more. Along with After Sundown, Morgans, and the South Main Cafe, WUVT tried to provide live music as often possible.

“It was important to bring in out-of-town bands, especially if they had current releases being played on the air,” said Kathleen Eaton, WUVT remotes director and a junior in English. “It promoted the station as well as the band and filled a void in the local music scene.”

The station also tried to promote shows involving local bands whenever possible.

The educational aspect of college radio was important but it certainly was not everything. Some students valued the fun of WUVT more than anything else.

“Ever since I was a little girl, I wanted to be a dj,” testifies Adriana Cordero, a senior in communications. “WUVT gave me my chance.”

— Lisa Brockmeier

Up to $8,000 was raised from local businesses underwriting the shows. FM Fundraising Director Lee Purcell was responsible for getting enough grants for FM to stay on the air.
Happy hour was a major source of WUVT's revenue. Executive Secretary Tracy McLoone and Mary-Margaret Koball collect the fifty-cent cover charge.

The majority of the news was reported by WUVT's news staff because they no longer had a direct line to Associated Press. News Director Hodie Kotb made sure stories were covered and reported on the air.
In addition to being Associate Photo Editor for the Bugle, Steve Kubik was also an intern with the University Photo Lab.
The Moment
With the Snap of a Shutter,
The Photo Staff Makes Memories

A photograph captures the moment like words never can. When you see a picture, you can almost feel the mood in it. You can feel the excitement of graduation, or the disappointment of losing the big game. Whatever the moment, you can see it and almost feel it. If you were lucky enough to be there, seeing the picture brings back the memory more vividly than words. If you missed it, the picture makes you wish you had been there even more.

Looking back at photographs he’s taken, Photo Editor Scott Hamilton says, “Even if it’s a good shot that I like, I always see things that I could have done to improve it.”

This power that photographs seem to possess is the result of photographers with experience. “Anybody who knows how to use a camera can take a good picture,” said Photo Editor Scott Hamilton. “but by being on the staff, you get experience and learn how to take better pictures. That’s basically what photography is about — how much experience you have.”

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Photo Staff
Experience comes not only from snapping the shutter, but from the many hours spent in the lab. Staff members worked long hours for the Collegiate Times, Bugle, and Campus Quarterly. This kept them busy and in the lab up to thirty hours per week. "The darkroom becomes your home after a while," said Chris McKenney.

Working for the three student publications allowed members to attend many campus events. "You get to know the campus very well. I went to events that I never would have thought of going to and I really enjoyed them," said Photo Lab Manager Ruth Babylon.

Most of the staff enjoyed going to the sporting events. "We got the best seats in the house," said Chad Valentine. "But," added Associate Photo Editor Steve Kubik, "we worked hard for them. It isn't too fun sitting on the floor during the whole basketball game. You don't really even get to watch the game," Valentine said.

Another first year photographer Chris McKenney, who plans to leave Tech next year, learned professional techniques that he could take to his new school, VCU.

His first year on the staff, Chad Valentine finds the standards higher than the ones in high school. "They're pickier here, but pickier in a good way," he said.

Staff members especially enjoyed the opportunity to travel to attend away basketball and football games.

The staff made several road trips in addition to the sporting events. They went to Nashville, Lexington, Cincinnati, and attended a photojournalism seminar in Atlanta. Here they went to workshops given by professionals in the field. This was important for some of the staff since Tech does not offer a photojournalism program. "I consider being on the staff part of my major," said Kubik who is a journalism major but would like to be in photojournalism. Because the staff was small, they got to know each other well and worked closely together. Hamilton said that there were only eight photographers that could be depended on. "Everyone worked together and put their ideas in so everybody got better," McKenney said, Hamilton added "The people I worked with are the ones that make it so much fun."

— Angela Ridgway
As Photo Lab Manager, Ruth Babylon has the responsibility of making sure the lab is set up for deadlines for all publications. This meant weekly cleaning and changing chemicals and being available in cases of emergency.

As part of a display for his apartment, Associate Photo Editor for the Collegiate Times John Burcham and his roommates posed individually in front of this old bus in the same attire to see if people could guess who was whom.
After fall production, Editor Mike Lay looks over the finished edition of Campus Quarterly.

His job as managing editor requires Michael Creamer to keep track of all the articles for the Campus Quarterly.

The Campus Quarterly Staff. Front Row: Gary Wood, Elliot Altman, Michelle Downs, Jill Beckman, David Jones. Back Row: Beth Stahovec, Ashley Engelstad, Anna Van West, Mike Lay, Michael Creamer.

The Campus Quarterly gives a magazine style look at COLLEGE LIFE.

The Campus Quarterly, or CQ for short, was continually adapting its format due to staff changes yet the body of the magazine remained the same. The CQ continued its mission begun in the fall of 1978, to convey a complete and unified picture of college life. According to Editor Michael Lay, the magazine provided its readers with "several intriguing departments, compared different aspects of college life as well as the people that work behind the scenes to give Tech its unique character."

The CQ regularly featured entertainment, short subjects, faces around campus, and humor. The CQ also included lengthy feature stories that required extensive information gathering. Unfortunately, the CQ experienced problems with limited staffing. Editors often found themselves doing a lot of legwork themselves.

Production of the magazine began with staff assignments made at the beginning of the year. Each individual issue began with the featured stories which were based upon student suggestions and assigned to the staffs. The writers submitted their copy to the story editor while photograph and graphic art assignments were made. The actual physical production of the magazine involved layout of art elements and typeset copy. The editors reviewed "blue lines" and gave final approval for printing.

Advertising and the revenue it created were crucial for the magazine's financial support and also occupied a large portion of the staff's time. Subscriptions and a grant approved by the Student Media Board also helped allow the magazine to cover production expenses. The magazine was distributed to students for free to read and enjoy.

— Michael Creamer
For the ninth consecutive year, Silhouette printed the best student work in the literary, graphic, and photographic arts. For the first time, reviews of work by faculty members were published. Also for the first time, freshmen were given a better chance to have their work published. The best freshman personal narrative among those submitted was selected and included in the magazine.

The on-going goal of the magazine for the past several years had been to raise its visibility in the university community. A new approach was taken towards that goal this year. Silhouette co-sponsored several programs with the Virginia Tech Union by providing advertising for the shows. In return, the VTU allowed Silhouette to set up a table at the door to sell subscriptions, and also gave Silhouette equal billing in the printed advertising. Among the artists cosponsored by Silhouette were Shadowfax, Gene Cotton, and Jill Holly.

Surmounting a small budget was one of the difficulties faced by Silhouette. The English department provided assistance through the use of the faculty advisers’ offices. Susan Morehouse and Eric Nelson, the advisers, graciously allowed back issues of Silhouette and new manuscripts to clutter their offices. On its limited budget, Silhouette could not afford the quarterly rent charge for even the smallest offices in Squires Student Center and still remain in existence.

Publication was also made possible by a large donation from the University Bookstore, and the generous donations of Silhouette patrons. Thanks to a niche in the university community that the magazine filled, and a very dedicated, volunteer staff, Silhouette was able to remain totally self-supporting and still put out a quality product.

— Mark Munson

Gathering funds is a major job of Business Manager Tracey Steinberg. Without the contributions of patrons and sponsors, the magazine would not be able to publish.

Selecting articles for publication is one of the first steps in production for the Silhouette. Editor Mark Munson reviews a fiction article submitted by a junior.
Scott Hamilton, Photography Editor, proposed a travel request for photographers to attend the 1985 Atlanta Seminar on Photojournalism. Michael Lay makes his decision before the vote is taken.

Martin Roche, General Manager of WUVT, reads Michael Lay's application for Editor of Campus Quarterly. The position became open when Patricia Collins resigned in November.


In the Public Eye

The Media Board gave vital backing to nationally recognized communicators

Handling funds of over a quarter of a million dollars, the Media Board backed up the publications and radio station, giving not only financial security, but also moral support for decisions made.

Composed of Chairwoman Charlotte Davis, the editors, the general manager, the photography editor, the business managers, and the faculty advisers of the Collegiate Times, the Campus Quarterly, the Bugle, the Silhouette, and WUVT, and a representative from the SGA, the eighteen members quickly overcame their inexperience of Media Board policies and were running smoothly by mid-November.

Silhouette Editor Mark Munson noted that the current set-up of the board was "the most effective method to balance the media, despite the university's attempts to change the make up of it."

Incorporating was suggested and inquiries were made to determine if that solution would work. The other alternative was university control, with the possibility that the student members would lose the majority vote on their own board.

"Having a media board run and controlled by the students gave us the chance to exercise true freedom of speech," Bugle Editor Kasey Miller concluded, "and it's something I hope will never stop."

— Angela Ridgway
Representatives from many organizations gave CSA the necessary student input to make decisions.

Tech’s Commission on Student Affairs was the only one of the six commissions in the university governance system on which the students held a majority of votes. Of the twenty commission members, thirteen were students, three were faculty, three were administrators, and one was an academic dean.

All of the commissions reported to the University Council, which then made recommendations to President Lavery. The president was, on paper, the only policy maker in the university. Every committee, every commission, and the council were just advisory bodies, although the president rarely rejected the council’s advice. Final authority on all matters, however, rested with the Board of Visitors.

The Commission of Student Affairs was supposed to “study, formulate, and recommend to the University Council policies and procedures in the general area of student affairs and to encourage student participation in the development of an environment conductive to the intellectual, physical, and social development of students,” according to the Constitution of the University Council.

The commission was responsible for revising the Pylon, the student handbook containing the regulations and policies governing most aspects of student life.

“Areas of consideration include: ... study conditions, student organizations, military affairs, social life, employment, placement, guidance, and other matters affecting student moral,” the constitution stated.

Only one policy recommendation was passed by the commission during the 1984-85 year: it suggested that instructors be prohibited from giving examinations during the last five class days. The council, however, extended an existing ban on testing during the last two class days to the last five class days.

“I’m disappointed that the CSA wasn’t more effective in instituting policy. I didn’t understand why it couldn’t have a larger role in governing the university,” Kasey Miller, Media Board Vice Chairwoman, said.

“Dr. Sullivan (Commission Chairwoman and Vice President for Student Affairs) had too much influence over some students on the commission,” she added.

The commission had three subcommittees — the Student Budget Board, the Student Media Board, and the Student Constitutional Affairs Board — through which it carried out its routine business.

The Budget Board divided up a share of the student fees — a total of $360,000 last spring — among recognized student organizations. The Media Board governed the major student publications and the radio station, electing the editors and managers of each media organization. The Constitutional Affairs Board extended university recognition to new student organizations and approved constitutional changes to be made by existing organizations.

— Greg Greer

Michael Strickland, President of Interfraternity Council, reviews the polls for visitation rights gathered by the Office of Housing and Residence Life. The decision was made to allow option three visitation to all on campus housing that wanted it.
The Car Bash fund raiser for cancer was held in the spring. Sledge hammer swings were sold and $60 raised for the fund. Ken Himes takes a swing after he and Dana Browne give the wreck a push.

Thorwald Herbert hands a passerby pamphlets on seatbelt safety and the dangers of drinking and driving during Circle K's "Don't let your car be your coffin" campaign.

"Buckle Up For Safety" was an annual event held by Circle K to keep students aware of automobile safety. Wanda Turington and Ann Miller keep the pamphlets from being blown away by the wind.
Circle K has the necessary manpower and dedication

In its thirtieth year, Virginia Tech Circle K continued to declare its commitment of service to the campus and community. As an extension of Blacksburg Kiwanis, Circle K was a coed service organization that consisted of ordinary people whose enthusiasm and hard work resulted in successful projects and lasting friendships.

In the 1985-1986 year, Circle K members supported their peers through campus-wide service projects. SGA elections were run by the club to ensure impartiality at the polls. Circle K's concern for student welfare was demonstrated by its promotion of the Psychology Department's "Buckle Up for Safety Sweepstakes," which encouraged seatbelt usage among faculty and students. Circle K members also showed their enthusiasm for campus activities by painting the faces of spirited Hokie fans at home football games and by bringing home the award for the best Homecoming float in the Student Organization Division.

Circle K's commitment was not restricted to serving only the campus. Over a period of six years, the club restored and beautified Christiansburg's historic Craig Cemetery. When a catastrophic flood struck the New River Valley in the fall, Circle K consolidated its resources and, in forty-eight hours, raised $150 and collected two carloads of canned goods and clothing for the victims. Yet, the club had just as much success with its traditional projects, such as the Halloween Penny Carnival, Child Safety Day, and helping honorary member James Reed, a muscular dystrophy patient, and making a donation to the Christian Children's Fund. Circle K also did its share of world service through its support of the Cystic Fibrosis Bowl for Breath.

This year, Circle K grew in size, strength, and dedication as it strove toward its goal of one hundred members. The experience of the old members and the fresh ideas of the new combined in the organization of the 1986 Capital District Convention in Roanoke. This convention, hosted by Virginia Tech Circle K, was the largest in the district's twenty-seven year history, with over four hundred K-family participants from Virginia, Maryland, Washington D.C., and Delaware. The convention marked the end of another unforgettable year in which "enthusiasm and dedication was unparalleled to the past four years I've been here," said President Paul Brown.

— Kathy Boylan
The SGA works to make changes for the students

To represent students in the governance of the university remained the purpose of the Student Government Association. The SGA had six standing committees to achieve this goal: Academics Affairs, Communications, Legislative Affairs, Off-Campus Affairs, Student Life, and Credentials and Elections. It also supported the Student Health Advisory Commission, the Virginia Tech Tenants’ Union, and the Student Legal Services office.

Besides the constant barrage of parking proposals, course evaluations, and constitution re-writes, a new era of action was started to get changes done that students demanded.

The Committee on Student Life made progress with their proposals; additional purpose housing, with less restrictions from the administration, 24-hour library service during exams, Alcohol Awareness, and reevaluations of dining halls were either studied or enacted.

However, the most important plan from action was to organize a meeting of representatives from all campus groups in order to better publicize opportunities available, to develop a more accurate awareness of possibilities, to open a better channel for communication, and to discuss and evaluate each group’s strengths and weaknesses.

New directions were taken by the Off-Campus Affairs Committee, as well as the Academic Affairs Committee.

Off-Campus sent a representative to the Blacksburg Town Council meetings as a liaison between the students and the town. They presented the idea of student discount cards to the town board, which allowed a discount for students at participating establishments.

Academics Affairs had its hands full trying to work the present quarterly system into the newly proposed semester system. They also stressed the importance of a foreign educator’s ability to speak and communicate clearly in English, which was a repeated problem for many majors, especially math and engineering.

An ad-hoc committee of Legislative Affairs was the Virginia Student Association (VASA), in which every student in Virginia was a member.

Its main purpose was to lobby Virginia’s General Assembly for students’ interests.

Some lobbying efforts were made about election laws and financial aid. Local lobbying efforts were utilized to deal with direct campus issues, such as parking.

A final example of action by the SGA was the passing of a resolution for a change in visitation policy in response to a poll conducted by the Office of Housing and Residence Life in which every dorm overwhelmingly voted for Option III. In conjunction with the Residence Hall Federation, SGA posed a similar resolution to the Commission of Student Affairs.

After much discussion, CSA adopted the recommendation that “the Office of Housing and Residence Life convert the halls . . . polled to 24-hour visitation and still respect the right of the minority of students who prefer a different option.”

Because this was a students’ fight, the SGA stood up for the issue and did what they were elected to; they got results.

But the battle continued. SGA struggled to erase the sluggish aura that had surrounded them from previous years and, in the process, managed to give benefits to students.

— Kerrianne Daly

Vice President Dan Mahony discusses projects and resolutions affecting the students at a Senate meeting.
The Honor System helped keep honesty at Tech

While the pledge of honor on a test was familiar to all students, the system behind the pledge was a mystery to many students. Both students and faculty were able to submit reports of cheating or plagiarism to the Honor System for investigation. When a violation report was received in the Honor System Office, the case was assigned to an Associate Justice in the college in which the student was enrolled.

The accused student was informed by mail that he/she was turned into the Honor System. The student was able to contact the Associate Justice assigned to the case to ask any questions.

A student investigator was assigned to each case. The investigator's job was to interview all parties in the case, gathering evidence (i.e., seating charts, test papers, etc.) and facts relevant to the case. After the investigation was completed, an Investigative Board Meeting was called to discuss the case and decide whether or not there was enough evidence to hold a Judicial Panel Hearing.

If it was found that there was enough evidence to warrant a Judicial Panel Hearing, the accused student was notified by the Associate Justice. The student received a copy of the Investigative Board Report and a Statement of Charges.

The main objective of the Judicial Panel Hearing was to determine whether the evidence presented was adequate to establish guilt within reason. The accused student had the right to be represented by anyone connected with the University community (faculty members, staff members, or students). The student could also have witnesses present at the hearing.

If the Judicial Panel determined that the accused student was not guilty, all evidence and facts gathered about the case were destroyed.

If the Judicial Panel determined that the student had the right to appeal the decision if he felt his rights were violated or he had new evidence to present.

After all appeals were settled, the case proceeded to the Provost, who made a final decision and imposed a sanction.

— Lynn Salowe
The Ugly Man On Campus contest raised money to benefit Camp Easter Seals. Anthony McGhee and Mary Jean Cash man the UMOC board in front of the library, one of many.

Don't you hate Christmas commercials before Thanksgiving? Brothers of APO did and had a party to protest them. Mark Romano, Carol Seeley and Joe Ostrowski opened gifts exchanged at the party.
With increased membership and activities, APO brothers proved that service

Must Be Fun

Some things never change — penny-pinching students always look for bargains. At the beginning of each quarter, students went to Squires Student Center looking for used textbooks to avoid inflated bookstore prices. This was possible because Alpha Phi Omega, the nation’s largest service fraternity, offered a book exchange where one could buy and sell used textbooks.

Based on the principles of scouting, APO emphasized leadership, friendship, and service. Each member contributed thirty hours of service per quarter through participation in many sponsored activities. At least two events were held weekly which resulted in over 11,000 hours of service being contributed last year.

Service was a multidimensional tenet of the group, including service to the nation, community, campus, and members.

The group sponsored the annual Ugly Man On Campus contest which raised $1,215 for Camp Easter Seals. APO also participated in the Spring Hunger Hike which was a six kilometer hike taken through “parts of Blacksburg you never knew existed,” said participant Lee Hirata. Pledges taken by APO accounted for 77 percent of the total funds raised.

To serve the community, APO participated in the Self Help and Resource Exchange, or SHARE, distribution in Pulaski County. “The government bought food in bulk. Chicken, vegetables, or whatever they could get at a good price,” said President Michael Scanlon. Every third Saturday of the month, members distributed the food to the needy.

Other activities geared toward the community included quarterly Red Cross Bloodmobiles and tutoring sessions for Blacksburg Middle School students. Members worked with a student on a one to one basis or in groups. “We sent someone good in chemistry if a student needed help in that area,” Scanlon said, “or a member good in an area like science went to a study period so students could ask questions.”

In addition to the book exchange, APO served the campus with chapel sits. After 5 p.m., APO members monitored the War Memorial Chapel and kept it open for group and individual use until 10 p.m. This service saved the extra expense of paying a caretaker to work late hours and allowed chapel use past the regular hours.

Members had their fun also. They had a “We Hate Christmas Commercials Before Thanksgiving” party. Members exchanged gifts, sang Christmas carols and watched “Santa Claus Conquers the Martians.” They decorated a tree and “we had mistletoe, of course!” Hirata said. After all the Christmas festivities, it turned into a regular party.

Even with a large membership of over 100 brothers, APO still managed to have a good time. As Hirata put it, “service could really be fun!”

— Angela Ridgway
RHF Helps Make It a Little More Bearable

Solving the two-fold problem of programming and policy making, the Residence Hall Federation (RHF) started its work before classes began. Dorm representatives and the executives of RHF were on campus one week before the other students arrived to completely prepare for the many planned activities.

Dorm students were treated with Good Stuff boxes filled with sample sizes of products and opportunities to rent refrigerators and to buy lofts. Projects like this helped make dorm life a little more friendly and much more like home life.

RHF also started a New Friends Program in which the upperclassmen helped the continued on page 289

Festival on the Field was co-sponsored by RHF and SGA and was held each spring. Glenn Carlyle throws a balloon to Sarina TaiWin as she prepares to throw one back in the water balloon toss.

Programs Committee held a scavenger hunt in the fall. Members had to collect items such as old student IDs, menus, and pizza boxes. Pam Yaw brings her items to be counted.

Special Project Chairperson Jackie McGowan gets a kick out of covering Program Committee Chairperson Suzie Russell with whip cream in the pie throwing event at the Festival.

Jugglers roamed the field in between events. Mike Riener skillfully juggles five bean bags.

A pizza box and other items are tallied to see how many points they came up with for the scavenger hunt.
Socializing to enhance school spirit was also an aspect of Partners in Pride. Pam Herbstreith, Vice-Chairwoman of Monteith Hall, Mary Gallihan, Hall Representative, and Sandy Sisk, Programs Representative take advantage of the reception to discuss future plans.

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freshmen make the adjustment to college life less traumatic. They also sponsored movie nights between brother and sister dorms, and an aerobics program. The RHF of Slusher Tower charged five dollars for their aerobics program hoping to purchase a microwave oven for their kitchen. In addition the RHF also loaned, for a small fee, vacuum cleaners and kitchen equipment to the dorm residents.

A new event was sponsored by RHF to meet the changing times at Tech. Spirit Quarter '86: Partners in Pride was created to instill in Tech students a sense of pride in the university, its mascot and colors, and its athletic program.

During the quarter, on campus students competed against each other for points in various activities. They were divided into groups according to their residence hall. Some of the activities included a lounge painting contest, a blood drive, an aluminum can drive, intramurals, an airband contest, and a logo design competition. Each student who participated received a discount card that could be used at participating area merchants.

The main objective of Spirit Quarter '86: Partners in Pride was to increase school spirit. RHF sponsored and successfully administered the variety of activities it did because, according to President Jeff Mitchell, "This year started out with a large number of active members and filled positions and I think the projects we've been able to do are a direct reflection of the people in the organization and their enthusiasm."

- Lisa Rakestraw
The Classes of 1986 and 1987 Work For

CHANGES

Ring design, Ring Premier, Ring Dance, class dues — all were part of the traditions of Tech. To continue these traditions, class officers and committee members worked throughout the year.

Ring design started winter quarter sophomore when students chose a ring company. Once ring designs were finalized, display rings were made and shown at Ring Premier. Ring Dance celebrated the long awaited event. It was held two nights and different bands played each night. The Class of 1986 had Count Basie play as the featured band.

The Class of 1986 and the Class of 1987 both followed traditions but each in their own way. Both classes made some changes which made their activities unique.

The Class of 1986 tried to keep both ring prices and class dues low. Ring Committee members took on more responsibility, thus cutting the cost of the ring company's services and, ultimately the cost of the rings themselves.

John Ryder, Class Treasurer, was the first to cut class dues for many years. "Dues had been going up every year. I cut them hoping to entice people to pay and it seemed to work," he said.

Charles Tarlton, Class President, was not pleased with the results of some of the changes that took place while he was president. "Class functions were being absorbed by the Vice-President of Student Affairs. The advisers were taking more responsibilities and making decisions that students should make," he said.

Another change that Tarlton had mixed emotions about was the writing of a constitution for the classes. The class previously had not been required to have an official document like other organizations did. The class was seen as a recognized organization without one. Tarlton felt being required to have a written constitution took some of the tradition out of the class as an organization. He did feel that it was a safeguard though, to have a set of written rules to fall back on in case of question.

The Class of 1987 made a few changes of their own. The Ring Committee made more designs available and for the first time put "Virginia Tech" on the signet rings instead of the traditional "Virginia Polytechnic Institute." The class also designed two rings with no graduation year indicated on them. These were for students in a five year program or who did not know exactly when they would graduate.

As times were getting more computerized, so was the Class of 1987. They purchased a portable computer to keep files more efficiently. The computer was set up wherever class dues were collected. It was even used for happy hours to allow class members who paid dues to be admitted free.

The class officers added and changed things throughout the year hoping to make things better. Vice President Anne Dahlgreen said, "We revamped election committee rules that didn't work for our class in hopes to make things go smoother for other classes following us."

The themes of both classes, "Once In a Lifetime" (1986) and "Together We're Better" (1987) conveyed the thoughts of the class members. Ryder gave his thought when he said "By working together, the class council has tried to provide students with some memories and mementos that only happen once in a lifetime at Tech."

Deciding which class ring fits your personality can be time consuming. This junior checks out the dinner rings to see if that style is best for her.
Ring orders start after Ring Premier and continue throughout the senior year. Chris Sessoms looks over the selection of men’s rings while Ring Committee Chairman Sam Lionberger shows him the price list.

The Class of 1987 chose Balfour as their ring company. Bernadette Light looks over contracts with a Balfour representative after the final decision for the rings has been made.
Although small in size, Chi Delta Alpha served together with

Common Goals

Dedication and sisterhood were the goals of Chi Delta Alpha. The service sorority was formed at this campus in 1967 with the idea of service to the school and community in mind. The organization was a small but dedicated group of students with diverse interests but common goals.

One of the several projects the sorority participated in was the third annual service day. Chi Delta Alpha was joined by other organizations to provide services to residents in the area including gardening and carpentry. In conjunction with the YWCA, some sisters "adopted" grandparents through the Grand-Sharing Project; others did gardening for citizens. The sorority also worked with local nursing homes to bring companionship to confined senior citizens. Chi Delta Alpha initiated a new 4-H group called the Shawnee Leprachauns, helped with the Hunger Hike, and donated the profits from their raffle profits to the Women's Resource Center in Radford. They also worked to improve the holiday season for the less fortunate in the community by organizing a campus wide collection of clothes, toys, and money for the Christmas Store in Christiansburg.

In the winter and spring, Chi Delta Alpha members volunteered at the Special Olympics where the sisters spent the day bringing the fun of sports to mentally handicapped children. President, Tracey Reymore explained how Chi Delta Alpha was unique "because of our small size, we were able to deal one-on-one with members of the community."

Aside from service projects, Chi Delta Alpha was also a social organization. The Homecoming tailgate party, the Thanksgiving dinner, and other such reunions were important for the sisterhood and unity of the group. Reymore summed up the group's activities saying, "it was the most rewarding experience to be able to help people and to make others smile. I have learned so much about myself and about communicating with others as a sister of Chi Delta Alpha."

--- Florence Novi

As part of her Chi Delta Alpha pledge project, Tracey Stickley decorates the recreation room of Heritage Hall Nursing Home for Thanksgiving.

Decorating was not the only part of the Heritage Hall service project. Reorganizing the nursing home's books keeps Naomi Homan very busy.
As times changed, students changed. "Alumni liked to see students of today and talked with them about the changes. They liked to see what new students are like and the differences between the new students and themselves," said Coleman Rector, Membership Chairman of the Student Alumni Associates (SAA). The SAA, and affiliate of the Alumni Association, kept students, past and present, close to the university during the changing times.

The SAA was composed of two member classifications: the general members and the ambassadors. There were around 250 general members who composed the auxiliary manpower of the organization. The ambassadors, who consisted of sixty-five students, were the most actively involved members. The only requirements were that the student maintain a 2.0 QCA and have completed forty-five credit hours.

"The SAA acted as university hosts at official functions," explained President Ken Krisco. The organization kept students visible to the alumni.

Members hosted reunions, worked as receptionists at the Donaldson Brown Hotel during the reunions, and guided daily and special campus tours. In addition to these duties, members also spoke to their hometown high schools to encourage juniors and seniors to come to Tech.

An event that helped bring the alumni in touch with the university was the annual Phone-A-Thon. One week, SAA members phoned alumni from all over the country to solicit funds. "If you call a past student who hasn't been back for four or five years and put him on the mailing list, he becomes an avid alumni," said Rector.

The main function of the SAA in the eyes of the Alumni Association was to help out wherever needed and to promote the university to students and alumni, thus forming the major link in tying the past and the present together.

— Jeff Wong
In their Broadway Series, the Lively Arts Committee brought three to four musicals and plays to campus. Diana Bert, female lead in They're Playing Our Song, sang to capacity crowds in late November.

Lively Arts Committee provided entertainment for Tech students and the Blacksburg community through plays, concerts, and dance performances. Tonya Knox and Marcy Wright help decide what event will be scheduled next.


The Executive Committee heard proposals for events from committee chairmen. Vice President Tracey Dent reads her statements concerning the latest reports.
VTU Gives Professional Experience In

SHOWBIZ

The Virginia Tech Union (VTU) was the place to get professional show-biz experience at Tech. "It's a very professional organization," said President Sarah Pride. "It's a difficult business — show business," she said, but by working for VTU, members got a lot of contact in the professional world. Members met people through VTU that they normally would not have a chance to meet. Through these connections, some students got job offers as performers, program directors, and agents.

Meeting these people was good experience and sometimes not so good. An example of a good one was Eartha Kitt. "After her performance, she talked with us about her life and asked us about ours," said Pride. "We got to hear first hand things you would normally read in a book or magazine. Experiences like that make it all worth while."

Another experience that was not as good was with the band Black Uhuru. They specified in their contract that they wanted fresh fish and imported beer. "Blacksburg is limited in both seafood and expensive beer so it was a chore," Program Coordinator Liz Brownell said.

Executive Committee. Front Row: Tracey Dent, Vice President; Kim Russell, Treasurer. Back Row: Jim Townsend, Program Coordinator; Liz Brownell, Program Coordinator.
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Washington, Jr., 38 Special and the Ramones. The Special Events Committee sponsored a wide variety of entertainment such as the annual Freshman Mixer, Homecoming Dance, Casino Night and brought in entertainers and speakers. The newly established Lectures Committee introduced itself with top name speakers such as Atlanta Mayor Andrew Young, syndicated columnist James Kilpatrick and television star Larry ("Frank Burns") Linville from M.A.S.H. The Travel Committee offered opportunities to various glorious getaways' weekends, day trips and out-of-town concerts. Promotions Committee members participated in advertising, fund raising and developing special promotional pieces for the VTU's A.C.U.T. Indoor Games Tournaments, the VT Endurothon, and VTU Volleyball Tournament represent but a few of the activities sponsored by the Recreation Committee. Squires Student Center's dining area came alive with 'One Night Stand' performances by both nationally known recording artists and local talent sponsored by the Now and Then Music Committee. According to Pride, this had been a better year for VTU. "It was a more cohesive body working together. A more united union you could say," she said. "The morale was better. Not that it was bad last year, but it was better this year. The people were very professional and good to work with. I liked to see a committee member work hard and become a chairman. It's good to see people progress and reach their potential of what they really want to do."

— Angela Ridgway

Creating budgets from a quarter of a million dollars required over three months of planning for all staffs. Treasurer Kim Russell and Lively Arts Chairman Tim John prepare their requests for the Student Budget Board.

The Recreation Committee brought the thrill of victory and fun of competition to students. Cliff Soon, Robert Hanson, and Amy Meyer engage in a friendly but competitive game of Bridge.

Pool was played in the Indoor Games Tournament held in February. Tim Boyd studies the table to decide his next move.
Study Abroad is more than classes, it's

History in its Place

When the average students thinks of Studying Shakespeare, the Victorian Era or Romanticism, he probably cringes at the idea of hundreds of pages of text to read. But, what if he could study these great works at their source, in Jolly Old England? Well, that's exactly what 40 Tech students spent their summer doing. As members of the Study Abroad program, students had the chance to live and learn in the same locales that inspired many of history's great writers.

Students spent six weeks in England studying, during which time they lived with British host families or in the dormitories at Oxford University. This gave the participants the chance to see how British families really live. As student Nina Barger said, "Staying with my host family was one of the highlights of my trip." Students mixed class work with free time and related field trips. Such things as the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament, The Royal Agricultural Show, evenings at the theatre, trips to London, and the ever-popular "pubbing" gave students an enjoyable break.

One of the highlights of the group's trip to Scotland was a visit to Loch Ness. Anne Dodds, Patricia Thraves, and Linda Bowley enjoy the beautiful view, although none reported sighting the famed Loch Ness Monster.

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At “The Needles”, a rock formation on the Isle of Wright, members Ann Dodds, Patricia Dreisbach, Lisa Knight, Shelor Owen, James Hoggard, and Amy Fanning enjoy the view across the English Channel.

The Banquet Room in the Pavilion at Brighton, seaside palace of George IV while he was Prince Regent. The Pavilion was modeled after India’s Taj Mahal.

The trip to London would not have been complete without a visit to the famous Tower Bridge. Sue Caruvana, Patricia Dreisbach, Annette Debo, and Ann Dodds visit this impressive sight where Sir Walter Raleigh was held prisoner for 15 years.

Professor James Owen, group leader, gives the travelers some historical background outside Newstead Abbey, home of Lord Byron. Just inside the entrance is a statue Byron had dedicated to his beloved dog.
Group members take a boat tour of Portsmouth Harbor. They had the chance to see most of the Royal Navy, including the entire fleet of aircraft carriers, one of which is seen at the right.

A trip to the Scottish Moors gave students Peter Gaiser, Cheryl Oslund, JoAnn Rossi, James Hoggard, and Catherine Lamey a chance to visit the memorial to Britain's World War II commandos. The memorial is located on the site of the commando training ground near Fort William.

Students gather outside the gates to Lord Byron's home in the Lake District of England. This area was home to many of the English Romantic poets such as Byron and Colridge.
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"One of the most rewarding aspects of the trip was living and working with other students who had varying backgrounds and interests," commented student Patricia Dreisbach. A wide range of group activities gave students the chance to learn more about each other's interests and lifestyles. Among the trips taken by the students were excursions to Canterbury, The Isle of Wight, and the White Cliffs of Dover. In Scotland, the group journeyed to St. Andrews Golf Course, where the opening scenes of "Chariots of Fire" were filmed. They also toured several of Scotland's national art galleries as well as the famed Loch Ness, although none of the members reported sighting the infamous monster. As group leader Prof. James Owen told the group, "most people back in the States would give their eye teeth to see what you are seeing. But you're here, so enjoy it now."

Everywhere the students turned they saw history. They learned not only by reading, but also by hands-on observation of some of the most historic places in the world. As student Amy Stevens said, "We learned about the British not only through books and lectures, but also through personal experience."

At the conclusion of their six-week formal study period, the students had the chance to spend two weeks traveling in Europe on their own. While some remained in the British Isles, most ventured to such places as France, Germany, Switzerland and Italy. After their two weeks of travel, the students regrouped in London for the trip home. Although physically the same as when they left, the students were not unchanged after their adventure. As Prof. Owen said, "the increase in self-reliance, assurance, and maturity among the students as the trip progressed was amazing."

Study Abroad was an experience that none of the 40 students who participated will ever forget. They discovered a new culture, made lasting friendships, broadened their horizons and came home with not only the mere facts of their studies, but also with a taste of the inspiration behind those facts.

— Heath E. Covey
— Deborah Carol Billings

Groups member Lauren Araps, Nina Barger, and Peter Gaiser combat the major obstacle of the trip, rain, while visiting Edinburgh. The spire in the background is the memorial to Sir Walter Scott.
Reaching Out

AED, Garnet and Gold active in group and community

Alpha Epsilon Delta, the pre-medical, pre-dental, and pre-veterinary student honor society gave members a chance to be active both within their chosen professional field as well as throughout the community.

During the year, the organization provided members with application information to professional schools, along with up-to-date data on medical careers. As part of this program to aid members in gaining entrance to medical schools, the society held practice interviews and gave practice admissions tests.

The organization met bimonthly and held a party each quarter. One weekend during the spring, the group ventured to West Virginia State Park in Watoga for a picnic.

Members of Alpha Epsilon Delta visited the elderly residents of Heritage Hall, and took some of them out to dinner, the Duck Pond, or for ice cream.

The members of Garnet and Gold, an honorary society open only to women of junior standing, were also very active throughout the community as well as within their organization.

The members were required to maintain a minimum QCA of 3.4 and be in the top 35% of their class. Although active membership lasted only for the junior year, the ladies stayed active in the community by performing many service projects.

Throughout the year, Garnet and Gold members held monthly bingo games and visited with the residents of Heritage Hall.

They sold Thanksgiving “unbanquet” tickets for which no actual banquet was held. Instead, the ticket proceeds were donated to UNICEF famine relief funds. Members also collected food, toys, and clothing for the flood victims of Roanoke during Fall quarter.

During the Christmas season, the women helped prepare the Christmas tree by sorting through clothing, and stocking the shelves. Members decorated the Christmas tree at Heritage Hall, while visiting with its residents.

Striving for academic excellence and community service were common goals for both Alpha Epsilon Delta and Garnet and Gold.

— Kirsten Giboney
By using industrial experience, AICHE creates

The Formula For Success

The American Institute of Chemical Engineers continued to promote the field of chemical engineering on campus through the student chapter of the national organization. The club held meetings twice each month with speakers from industry, and held various seminars.

Aside from campus activities, members competed at the South East Regional Conference at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana during the weekend of April 4-5. While at the conference, members attended seminars and submitted technical papers related to their field.

The club also participated in Engineering Week competitions and Society Feud, a take-off on the game show Family Feud in which different engineering societies participated together. They also took part in Engineering Superstars in which the society competed against one another in volleyball and softball matches. Members also enjoyed ski trips to Winter Place and parties held by other members.

Members also planned trips to visit various industries and corporations such as DuPont in Wilmington, North Carolina and Union Carbide and Celanese in Charleston, West Virginia.

Membership was not limited to chemical engineering majors and members were accepted each quarter.

— April Wood

Alma Rodarte, a chemical engineering graduate student, works with state-of-the-art equipment in the Sebba lab to see the microscopic view of "aphrons" on the Television screen.

“Service is a bizarre form of entertainment, but we enjoy it,” said Joe Wileman, the President of the newly formed National Eagle Scout Association (NESA). These men became cub scouts around the age of seven, and since that time they have offered their services to the community. Some of their activities included restoration of a camp hurt by flooding, sponsorship for a scout derby, hiking and selling buttons.

The Corps of Cadets Chapter of NESA was established during the Spring of 1985; they were a part of the Blue Ridge Mountain Scout Council which covered Montgomery and other surrounding counties.

The destructive flood of 1985 badly damaged Powatan, “the largest council operated scout reservation in the nation.” The scouts, founded by the Blue Ridge Council, did major renovation to the camp as their fall service project. For their winter service project, the Scouts sponsored a Klondike Derby in Powatan. Each Boy Scout troop built a sled to race. Each sled was manned by a patrol which consisted of eight boys. The patrols competed against each other to receive a prize.

As an outing, the chapter hiked some of the 120 miles of trails at Camp Powatan. “The more people, the more spare time … the more fun we have,” explained a member of Tech’s NESA.

Joe Wileman explained, “there were proportionally more Eagle Scouts in the Corp of Cadets than in the civilian student population. Two percent of all the scouts achieved the rank of Eagle Scout. We recognized the scout who exhibited what we feel was the true definition of an Eagle Scout with a $200 scholarship.

“The main purpose of scouting,” said Wileman, “was to go out and have fun.”

— Jennifer Hadley
"Body Conscious." A growing interest in physical conditioning prompted over 1000 students to join the Weightlifting Club.

Both beginners and elite bodybuilders and powerlifters worked out with the club. About 30-40 members competed in state and national meets. "We have some of the best elite lifters in the nation," said Jim Stein, president of the club.

The Weightlifting Club sponsored bodybuilding and powerlifting meets on campus such as the State Powerlifting Meet and the Tech Bodybuilding Meet. Meets were also held within different divisions of the club. The club covered most of the expenses of members competing off campus.

The appearance of the weight room changed with the purchase of some new equipment. The club aimed to upgrade the weight room by purchasing Nautilus equipment, and more benches and inclines. They had hopes of expanding their limited facility area.

One key to the club's success was, as Stein said, "there's something for everyone in the club."

— April Wood

Proving that even top-line equipment still requires human effort, this weight lifter strains on the leg machine. Weightlifting Club funds made it possible for Tech to have a first class weightroom.

No Pain — No Gain. A club member does his curls despite the strain.

A weight lifter concentrates to finish her repetitions which tone her biceps.
In response to the group's limited recognition, and to recent concern over fan behavior, the Virginia Tech Inspiration Company changed its name and its constitution.

The group renamed itself simply, the Spirit Club, and altered its constitution to include articles on appropriate fan behavior and sportsmanship.

The Spirit Club's main objectives were to increase its recognition and membership, and to channel fan behavior in a more positive direction. "We hope to set a good example for other Tech students," said Spirit Club vice-president, Pam Metcalf. The club planned to attend most of the home basketball games where they worked to discourage profanity and the throwing of assorted fruits and vegetables (and paper airplanes), which some Tech fans occasionally used to defend their team against "bad" referee calls.

The Spirit Club, instead, distributed hats and shakers and encouraged fan participation in school chants, cheering and clapping to show support for the team. Attending away basketball games was somewhat more difficult. Due to the high cost of renting a bus and buying tickets, the club planned to attend only the major away games, James Madison, University of Virginia, Virginia Military Institute, and the Metro Conference Tournaments at Louisville, Ky.

"We want to bring together those students that are truly interested in Tech athletics; that way we can take more road trips," said president Eric Arland.

"There's economy as well as security in numbers. In a crowd of opposition, it helps to have a group of Tech fans sitting together and cheering to help their team," said Arland. The Spirit Club, with its supportive members, hoped to insure applaudable fan behavior at both home and away basketball games.

— Kirsten Giboney

Becky Burnett shrieks as North Carolina A & T captures the ball from Tech.
Cheering the Hokies on at their home court are Spirit Club members Maria Allen, John Kerr, and Eric Arland. Tech defeated North Carolina A & T at the home game.

The nation's number one chapter of Alpha Kappa Psi was Tech's Beta Xi chapter, having set an unprecedented record of winning the Efficiency Award for 37 years in a row. To achieve this award, the fraternity excelled in the areas of service, professionalism and social functions.

Alpha Kappa Psi served both the university as well as the community. By helping organize Business Horizons, a business exposition open to all students, giving wine and cheese parties to promote student-faculty relationships, and aiding the college of Business in handing out oscars, the members provided invaluable services to the University. As busy as the members were, they never neglected their responsibilities to the community. Their major service activities included sponsoring fundraisers for charitable organizations, such as the American Heart Association, and working with local clean-up activities. With every activity undertaken the members demonstrated the utmost professionalism and integrity, two of the main ideals of Alpha Kappa Psi.

Alpha Kappa Psi, while being a professional business fraternity, had much to offer to its members socially. The fraternity held theme parties every quarter, dinner dances, and a happy hour every Friday throughout the year. Alpha Kappa Psi offered the best of both worlds to its members. It gave practical business experience while providing excellent social opportunities. Angie Barksdale, president of the fraternity, adeptly summed up the feelings shared by the members, "It's a professional fraternity... and a whole lot more."

— Deborah Carol Billings

Pamplin Hall, home of the College of Business, was also a focal point for Alpha Kappa Psi. Members Nancy Edwards and Lynn Hawkins leave after a long day of classes.
Gaining membership into Scabbard and Blade was an opportunity for cadets to share their leadership ability while providing a service to the Corps as a whole. The national honorary military society strived to unite the Army, Navy, and Air Force departments at Tech, as well as to encourage public awareness of military concerns. The society's membership was selective; a Cadet was required to be a senior or rising senior with officer standing in either Army, Navy, or Air Force ROTC. Leadership ability and scholastic achievement were also stressed. Candidates for membership in Scabbard and Blade participated in a week-long initiation period, where they wore white gloves and carried sabres to class. They also learned and recited the constitution of the society and its history, which dates back to its founding at the University of Wisconsin in 1907.

Scabbard and Blade continued to provide service to the Corps in their traditional sponsoring of the well-known Military Weekend — including the Corps Variety Show, Military Brawl and Military Ball. Cadets from other institutions, such as Texas A & M and the United States Military Academy at West Point, were invited to participate. During the Ball, the society presented an Outstanding Junior Award to a Cadet, who then accepted membership into the group.

In the Spring, Scabbard and Blade threw a party for the Corps senior class as a "final fling" before graduation. They also chose an Outstanding Sophomore during the Spring, and presented the recipient with a sabre for his leadership and involvement both in and out of the Corps.

Scabbard and Blade gave cadet officers a chance to combine their leadership ability for a common goal. Commander Trey Collins expressed that, "I believe that Scabbard and Blade has served, and will continue to serve, as an organization which unites cadets here at Virginia Tech with each other and the surrounding community, both near and far."

― Sue Furlong

John Smith and Al Flick double-check the Military Ball invitations before they are sent out.

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Kathy Burt, Chairwoman of Military Weekend, outlines the annual event. The theme this year was "Silver Taps."
Harmony in Diversity

Marching Virginians reflect musical collage

"The Marching Virginians reflected the diversity of the Tech student body. This diversity was demonstrated through the remarkable variety of individual backgrounds and academic pursuits with representatives from all seven colleges," said Marching Virginians president Kieran Gifford.

Competition was vigorous, yet the band had to limit membership to 330 musicians. Two-thirds of the band were native Virginians, with incoming freshmen composing over one-third of the membership.

The Marching Virginians "thrilled hundreds of thousands of fans this season in stadiums throughout the Southeast and on network TV broadcasts." The band rehearsed two hours daily, enabling them to perform a different show for every home football game. Each show was a blend of "the pageantry of the Big Ten bands, stylistic elements of the drum corps, precision drill, and the Marching Virginians own trademarks and traditions," adding up to a unique show band style.

The band's music aroused and amplified the spirit of Tech students at home football games. The band's quality and dedication won the admiration of not only Tech fans, parents, and alumni, but also the Barnhouse publishing company. The company chose the Marching Virginians for the recording of a demonstration disc. The disc was included in the company's 1985 marching band catalog, which was distributed to every school band in the United States. The Marching Virginians received immense praise from various published reviews of this disc.

Other events included three exhibition performances at Woodbridge, Charlottesville, and Vinton; Marching Virginians Maroon Day; the World's Largest Hokie Pokie; Spirit of America; and pep rallies.

The band's season began one week before school started, and ended mid-November. After the close of the marching season, "members had the opportunity to perform in either the Metro Pep Band, University Symphony Band, or other performing ensembles," explained Gifford.

The Marching Virginians were a closely knit group of dedicated musicians and friends. "There exists a family atmosphere within the group," added Gifford. The band members' mutual interest in music and friendships resulted in spirited performances throughout the year.

Kirsten Giboney

Taking a deep breath, freshman Carmen Greiner, one of sixty trumpet players, prepares to continue playing the song "Caravan."

Practicing for precision

Motivation through dedication

Brimming with anticipation
"Neutron Dance" is being performed by drummers Jim Davis, Mike Sparrer, and the percussion co-section leader Chris Cole. The drummers are "playing quads" which consists of four different interconnecting drums.

Xylophone player Bert Scott taps out the notes of Aretha Franklin's song "Push." Although not a prominent instrument, the xylophone adds one of the many subtle touches of the Marching Virginian's performance.

Equipped with talent and instrument  Topped with a splash of pageantry  Gathered for Glory
Kappa Kappa Psi supported music as the BACKBONE OF THE BANDS

"Kappa Kappa Psi wasn’t just a fraternity," said president Kurt Holdereid. "We were a social, service, and honorary fraternity.

Some of the services the brothers provided for the university bands, which include the Marching Virginians, the Symphony Band, the Wind Ensemble, and the Pep Band, involved the construction of bleacher podiums, the preparation of lunches for the Marching Virginians on road trips, and the set-ups for their rehearsals.

In addition to providing services to the university bands, the fraternity also sponsored social events on campus. Band Parent’s Day was held on November 9th and included a pre-game tailgate party and a post-game reception for the more than 700 parents and band members.

The fraternity also sponsored “Friday in the Park,” a music fest held in the spring one day at the Duck Pond. During the winter they also sponsored skiing trips to nearby slopes.

Kappa Kappa Psi was an honorary fraternity because the brothers were members of university bands. This common bond helped to promote great friendships among the brothers and further their interest in music.

Kappa Kappa Psi’s members hoped to promote more interest in their fraternity and to become more visible on campus. Since the fraternity’s formation in 1974, its membership has tripled to over 20, and its officers saw Kappa Kappa Psi becoming a leading fraternity on campus.

April Wood

During Marching Virginians practice, Chris Cole, a student in Computer science, concentrates on the drum line for "Axel F." Cole, one of the rank captains for percussion, was responsible for teaching new music to twenty-eight other drummers.

Preparing munchies for a meeting was one way Mary Roger, Brenda Sayles, and DuWayne Bredvik got to know each other. Two members were chosen to cook dinner each month for the Fellowship.


Active in Faith

Canterbury builds religious programs

An open house cookout kicked off the year for the Canterbury Fellowship. Throughout the year, the Fellowship performed various forms of Christian work. Through their devotion, members worked to increase faith and community welfare.

Every Tuesday, they hosted a Canterbury service and dinner. Two members of the fellowship cooked dinner for a group of 15 to 20 people, which included members and non-members.

The first Tuesday of each month was Speak Out Night. The Fellowship invited a guest speaker to address a current topic of interest and how it related to the attendants as Christians.

The Fellowship held Bible Study the second Tuesday of each month, using a text that presented the view of the scriptures from the Third World perspective. A minister working in the Third World wrote the text with the purpose of opening the minds of readers to the interpretations of others.

Throughout the year, the Fellowship aided in the project SHARE by helping with the bagging and distribution of supplies.

The group arranged receptions quarterly with the Christ Episcopal Church, its major supporter. Receptions promoted the togetherness between the two groups. The Fellowship took weekend retreats quarterly, focusing on spiritual growth and friendship. The group ended each month with an evening of fun: a movie, popcorn, drinks and fellowship.

The Canterbury Fellowship strived to strengthen Christianity within its members and to better the community.

— Kirsten Giboney

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"By doing service projects together, a lot of strong bonds grew between our sisters," reflected Marie Bayone, president of Tau Beta Sigma. The Zeta Omicron chapter of Tau Beta Sigma, the national honorary band sorority, brought sisters closer together this year through regular activities, social involvements, and service.

Many activities of Tau Beta Sigma reflected their support of the University's bands. For example, in the early fall, Tau Beta Sigma helped out the Marching Virginians by assisting in registration at Band Camp. The sorority's close association with the Marching Virginians continued into the fall with their participation in the 3rd annual Marching Virginian "AMIS" program. This program, based on the French translation of "amis" meaning friend, successfully paired freshman band members with an upperclassman musician. The Marching Virginian "AMIS" program provided the new band member with a big brother or sister from whom they could seek advice and companionship.

The second annual Band Parents Weekend was another successful project of Tau Beta Sigma. Nearly two-thirds of the band members parents attended the function. Dr. Lavery was a guest speaker at the reception held for the parents in the Rector Field House. In order to raise money for this event, Tau Beta Sigma sold Football mums to the visiting parents. Bake sales also helped in the sorority's fund raising efforts.

The sorority also sponsored individual band member awards for the Regimental Band, the Highty Tighties. This was a new idea from both the Highty Tighties and Tau Beta Sigma sisters. Tau Beta Sigma stitched the Highty Tighties first band banner back when both organizations were founded.

Tau Beta Sigma went outside of the University to sponsor national Tau Beta Sigma activities within the province.

Tau Beta Sigma sponsored the outstanding Band Member Awards given to middle school students in the New River Valley area. Sister's presented eighth graders with awards recognizing outstanding achievement in band.

A new chapter at James Madison University provided another opportunity for the Zeta Omicron chapter to serve the national sorority. The sisters gave advice to the new chapter about organizing with nationals and formatting a constitution.

Marie Bayone commented, "sharing these experiences with one another has helped us build a better relationship." — Katy Bell
Proud Tradition

AUSA unities military and civilians

The Virginia Tech chapter of the Association of the United States Army continued to grow in both size and activity this year. Commander Gary Boward proudly expressed that the AUSA "represents the whole Army and its people". The organization's purpose was to advance the security of the U.S. by generating public interest in the Army and providing information about all of its components — the Active Army, the National Guard, and the Army Reserve.

The Tech chapter was open to both Army ROTC students and those with "corps-only" status who were not affiliated with the ROTC program. To become a member, a cadet went through a week-long period of orientation, during which he was educated about the organization's history. At the end of the week, the perspective candidates, known as "boots," were tested on the information, and, upon successful completion of the exam, were initiated into the unit in a service held at the Memorial Chapel.

The AUSA sponsored a very special project. In an effort to honor Tech alumni killed in the Vietnam War, they presented a Vietnam War Memorial Plaque to General Howard M. Lane, Commandant of Cadets. The group requested contributions from the various corps organizations. Members traveled to the Vietnam Memorial in Washington, D.C., and spent many long hours researching information on Tech alumni who were killed in action. For their efforts, the Tech chapter was the recipient of an AUSA National Award, one of only ten awards given nationally.

In addition, the unit assisted the Army ROTC department in their recruiting campaign. They sponsored guest speakers, including Colonel Silvasy from Fort Bragg, North Carolina, who served with the 82nd airborne division in Grenada. The Colonel's lecture was titled, "The Invasion of Grenada," and resulted in one of the largest turnouts for a speaker ever.

The AUSA also held a "Dining-In", a formal military dinner, to coincide with the Army's 210th birthday. Their guest speaker at this event was Lt. General Moore, currently the highest military ranking Tech graduate. The company also attended the National AUSA convention in Washington, D.C. during October. The three-day event brought members together to discuss and review the Army's newest equipment.

Boward said, "The AUSA will continue to provide leadership in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets and the Army. The Tech company consists of some of the most motivated leaders in the Corps — a tradition that both the Army and the Corps are proud of."

— Sue Furlong

AUSA: Renee Wex, Jon Smith, Gary Boward, Sheila Byerly, Kathy Burr.
The Agriculture Education Society was a small but growing group at Tech. Throughout the year, it was involved in numerous large-scale events in which numerous National group participated. Among them was the Future Farmers of America, one of the largest agriculture organizations for youths.

This year's activities began when the fifth annual FFA Leadership Conference was held here in September. According to the Publicity Chairman, Kim Lineburg, "it was the largest and most successful so far with 650 FFA members and guests participating." During the conference, AES members, who were aided by the Virginia Association FFA officers, taught classes such as FFA history and public relations for the non-farmer. These classes provided the opportunity for AES members to experience teaching. Lineburg declared, "It was an incredible amount of work, but everyone who participated benefited greatly . . . especially the kids in junior high and high school."

The AES Society also sponsored a program to recognize the most Outstanding 1st Year Agriculture Education Teacher in Virginia. The teacher was flown down, all expenses paid, for the ceremony in which the winner received a certificate which recognized first year teaching achievements. Approximately 98% of these teachers had graduated from Tech.

The important event of the year, however, was the FFA-AES Leadership Conference. The Conference was established 50 years ago at Tech and was called the FFA of Virginia. It is now held in Kansas City, Missouri. This event also was the most profitable; last year they made $1000. The Virginia Tech representatives enjoyed the privilege of annually sitting at the founder's table.

Throughout the year, the cub was involved in numerous other programs. They were quite active in intramural sports. "We're not bad, although we've never won a major tournament. We do our best in volleyball," Lineburg claimed. Hot dog and plant sales provided funds to keep the groups viable. They also sponsored the State School Scrapbook Contest where each Virginia school's scrapbook was judged.

The contributions of the Agriculture Education Society to Tech, the State of Virginia, and the Nation are truly admirable. Their goals did not change as they strove to continue to be as successful in their endeavors, and to have a lot of fun!

— Jennifer Hadley
A Moo-ving Experience

Dairy Club brings industry to students

The Dairy Science Club was one of the largest clubs on campus with 120 members, although few people realized it. That could change, however, after a full year of events combining social educational, and fundraising activities. Club members established high goals for themselves. The group worked to plan their annual cheese sale and strive for recognition as the outstanding student chapter of the American Dairy Science Association.

The Club's large size was increased with the acceptance of a pledge class of 25. The pledge period served as an introduction for pledges to members and club procedures. Pledges were required to get every member's signature on a plaque and to perform one skit for the club. To mark the end of the pledge period, the entire club celebrated with a hayride and cookout.

The group attempted to raise profits from their annual cheese sale, the Dairy Club's major fundraising project. Each member was required to sell a 651 pound quota of cheese and beefsticks. The club's goal was to gross $40,000 in sales. The proceeds supported the club's participation in the "Little All American Dairy Show" its three day spring trip to statewide dairy farms.

The Dairy Princess Contest, one of the student club, was held during fall quarter.

As part of their initiation, five members of the Dairy Club's fall pledge class performed a skit for current members. Dairy Club inducted a class of 25 during fall quarter.

The New Virginians were an assembly of Tech students who had a keen interest in music, dance and friendships. "We're like a sorority or fraternity or any other student organization. We have specific goals to achieve, but we also take time to party," said New Virginians' Manager Karen Geisinger.

These students typically had previous experience from high school choirs, drama clubs, or talent shows. Some even had experience at professional theme parks, such as Busch Gardens.

The academic pursuits of the members ranged from Engineering to Architecture, and Human Nutrition to Business. Only one of the 32 members was a music education major.

The primary auditions for the New Virginians were held a few days after the April Homeshow, although arranged auditions were possible throughout the year. The New Virginians' first performances were the Freshman shows, two days before fall quarter classes began. During the year, the group performed throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia, as well as West Virginia, Maryland, Georgia, and Florida.

They performed approximately 22 shows for such events as the opening act for comedian Red Skelton at the Washington, D.C. Sheraton, the Annual Easter Egg Roll on the White House lawn, various corporate conventions, and high school assemblies.

The corporate convention shows were important because they provided "experience and exposure in a professional atmosphere," Geisinger said.

"We work more as ambassadors for Tech than performers specifically for the Tech campus. We get much more publicity and recognition off campus as opposed to on. Not a lot of students are familiar with the New Virginians because we are usually on the road."

Since they were a self-supporting organization with extensive bills to cover, publicity was very important. "The image we portray, the way we dress and act while on the road, is very important because people see us as a reflection of the school," said Geisinger.

"As a member, you gain confidence, maturity, a great sense of responsibility, and various other qualities that will be assets after graduation. I feel this experience is just as important as anything I could learn from a book," concluded Geisinger.

— Kirsten Giboney

Dressed in appropriate, festive attire, Kim Colantuoni and Randy Griffits sing out "Showboat Medley ... Rockabye Your Baby."
At the October Homecoming Show, Lynda Nader and Bruce Miller present "Broadway Memories."

"Reach Out And Touch," sings Toni Mitchell. Pouring heart and soul is a New Virginian's tradition.

Soloist Bruce Miller performs at one of the twenty-two on-the-road shows. The Virginians often received performance invitations for various corporate conventions.

Andre Garner gets into the groove while performing "The Heat Is On."
Poultry Club strives to gain exposure

"Basically our goal is to give members exposure to the poultry industry. We have a good association with the industry, which helps in getting jobs," said Poultry Club President Neal Martin. These jobs included positions with hatcheries, feed companies, and such known companies as Holly Farms and Perdue. The club gained exposure and also had a lot of fun during the year.

Though open to anyone, most of the thirty members of the club were Poultry Science majors. "Other people don't know much about us. They think, 'Oh, y'all play with baby chicks,'" said Martin. This was a misconception. Actually, the club participated in trips, competitions, service projects, fundraisers, and social events.

During the summer the club helped the AgriTech Association host a chicken barbecue for 1500 members of the Agriculture Industry in Virginia. Then in September, the club went to the State Fair in Richmond to barbecue chicken again — several thousand pounds of it! The club also planned to attend the Southeastern Poultry and Egg Association in Atlanta, an event covering all aspects of the industry, and allowing seniors to interview with various companies. "Atlanta is a really good chance to make contacts. We get to know them and they get to know us, so when we interview for jobs later on, we've usually already met the interviewer," said Martin.

Steve Goad, a member of the Va. Tech Poultry Judging team, inspects a chicken for quality at the Southeastern Competition. Sponsored by the Poultry Club, the judging team competed against teams from thirteen other universities.

In May, the club planned to attend the Virginia Poultry Association Poultry Festival in Harrisonburg. The festival included a parade, banquets, business meetings, and competitions between companies. Other activities during the year included a winter social, giving turkeys to the Montgomery County Christmas Store, and awarding scholarships.

Another aspect of the club was their sponsoring of a four-member poultry judging team. Each year the team competes against teams from thirteen other universities across the country. They judge live birds on the basis of shape, conformation, and health in order to pick out defects, dress birds — those ready to eat — to see that they've been prepared properly, and eggs for quality. The team came into the year as champions of the National Competition, and looked forward to adding more to the trophies in the Poultry Club Room.

While these activities took a lot of time and planning in order to gain exposure and make job contacts, the Poultry Club never neglected to have fun with their activities. As Martin stated, "Almost anything we do, even when cleaning the barbecue racks, we try to have fun."

— Nancie Craig
The Horticulture Club's annual Halloween Party gave members an opportunity to socialize away from the academic scene. Club members Theresa Creel, Gary Hegner and Elaine Sykes enjoy festivities of the event.

Growing in Experience

Horticulture Club practices job skills

Being the winner of the Southern Living Spring Show two years in a row might not sound impressive at first. But if you consider that most of the approximately twenty landscape designs entered each year are professional and the fact that the winner the past two years has been the Virginia Tech Horticulture Club, the accomplishment is definitely remarkable. "It's your first shot at doing something you want to do for the rest of your life, so if you succeed, it really means something. You know you're doing it right," said Horticulture Club Historian Ruth Babylon.

Although the show was a big activity, the 35 members of the Horticulture Club had many other projects throughout the year. The group met twice a month and planned service projects, fundraisers, field trips, and social events.

The club's fundraisers included selling Homecoming mums and apple cider. "We do everything from collecting the apples, to pressing them, to selling the cider," said club president Kim Harner. They also sponsored foliage plant sales, and their annual spring bedding plant sale, which included the selling of bedding plants, vegetables, herbs, perennials, and foliage plants. The sales gave members valuable experience in sales and dealing with the public.

Service projects were another aspect of the club. The Horticulture Club was in charge of providing the mums for Governor's Day. "We also made benches and planters for Saunders Hall to improve our horticulture building," said Harner. "We also try to plan service projects for the community. We usually have a Christmas party for the underprivileged children," she added.

These projects involved a lot of time and effort on the part of the club members, yet they did not neglect the club's main purpose. Harner commented, "We try to give club members exposure in the horticulture field through our activities, and educate them by having guest speakers at the meeting." The Southern Spring Show was one such event in which the club gained exposure and publicity.

Members also attended a convention of the American Society for Horticulture Science in Florida, to hear the presentation of research papers, as well as the Nurseryman's Convention where various companies and products were presented.

All of these activities provided valuable experience and allowed members to meet people in the business and make important job contacts for managerial positions in nurseries, greenhouses, botanical gardens, orchards and fruit companies, landscape designers, extension agents, and researchers with the horticulture research firms.

The Horticulture Club also had a Halloween party, and planned a ski trip in order to include others within the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

The social activities built a good rapport between the members and the faculty. "The students working along with the advisors and getting along with each other is what really makes the club successful," Harner said.

— Nancie Craig
Aiming High

AMES promotes Marketing Education

Most students spending a weekend at Virginia Beach in April were out soaking up the sun; members of the Association of Marketing Education Students (AMES) did something more challenging. The Society conducted a workshop at the State Leadership Conference related to the conference theme, "Marketing Education in the Year 2000." "It's a really big event because it helps you understand what's going on in marketing education. You hear ideas brought up and you get to put them to work," said AMES President Paul Corbin.

The State Leadership Conference was just one of the several experience building events in which AMES members participated. "One of the goals of AMES is to help train future teachers. It's co-curricular so you apply what you learn in class. It really increases your experience," said Corbin.

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Another important activity AMES members were involved in was Fall Rally, a program held each year for high school marketing students. AMES hosted two rallies, one at Tech for local area students and one at Salem High School for Roanoke area students. They presented various workshops and a slideshow, and promoted the Marketing Education Program. "That's another part of the goal of AMES — to update and promote the Marketing Education Program at Tech. We recently changed our name from DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America) to AMES to correspond to the change in the overall program name from Cooperative Marketing Education to Marketing Education. We have the number one program of its type in the country. We're really proud of that and we try to promote it," said Corbin.

Other AMES activities included Intro Socials, where members explained more about the program to the Introductory Marketing Education class each quarter. AMES also hosted an Annual Fall Banquet at the Sheraton Red Lion Inn, an event in which the seniors and faculty were recognized and new Officers installed.

The club held various fundraisers, as well as social activities. "We try to have some social activities too, like going out together after meetings, having happy hours, or a picnic and volleyball in the spring. That's one of the most fun aspects of AMES because it gets everyone together, "you really get to know the people you meet in AMES," said Corbin.

Dr. Betty Heath prepares to recognize seniors at the Marketing Education Fall Banquet, while incoming AMES president Paul Corbin looks on. The banquet, sponsored by AMES, was held in order to present awards, install new officers, and socialize, as well as to recognize seniors and faculty.

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The Administrative Management Society (AMS) worked to close the gap between the professional world and the classroom," said Jeff Morse, president of AMS. The club aided its members in three areas: career identification, selection of a major, and social expansion. Members learned about the various aspects of the business world while also having a good time. AMS had a Management/Student Program in which a member spent a day with an executive in order to learn about his/her job and to gain exposure to that line of work.

Some of the meetings included leadership workshops, seminars, and guest speakers. Every other meeting was held at places like Top of the Stairs, Bogen's, or at a member's apartment for a happy hour.

AMS also sponsored a ski trip in February and in May they had their annual Spring banquet. They had intramural teams competing in basketball and water polo.

The club accepted members year long. "We have a very high member turnout for the meetings, about 80%," said Morse.

Each college chapter had a link with a professional Senior Chapter. The two chapters held meetings together as well as club dinners, lectures, and banquets.

The members of AMS received many benefits, learning about business careers, receiving information on business systems and procedures, and just as importantly, having fun!

— April Wood

"Administrative Management Society gave Business opportunities"
The Gamma Beta Phi Society continued to exhibit its motto, "Progress through Education." The honor and service organization derived its name from the initial letters of the three Greek words for education, life, and friendship, signifying that education and friendship are the basis of a full and happy life.

The society originated from the high school Beta club. Its three objectives were recognizing and encouraging individual excellence in education, developing leadership ability and character in its members, and improving education through service projects.

To become a member, one must have completed at least twelve college credit hours, and have a scholastic ranking within the top fifteen percent of his class. Once inducted into the society, a member must maintain a GPA of at least 3.0 and remain in the top twenty-five percent of his class. In addition, he must accumulate a certain number of points per quarter by participating in service projects. This year, Gamma Beta Phi inducted approximately 200 new members, bringing their total number of active members to 500.

The society sponsored a wide variety of service projects throughout the year. Members tutored local high school students during study periods, as well as monitoring and being available to answer any questions the students might have had. The group also made many visits to the residents of the Heritage Hall nursing home.

This year, Gamma Beta Phi held the first Montgomery County Clean-up Project. They traveled to Brush Mountain and spent the day clearing out a garbage dump site. The society hoped to make the Clean-up an annual project.

For the first time in the chapter's four-year existence at Tech, it hosted the state convention of Gamma Beta Phi. Because they were the only chartered chapter in Virginia, the Tech chapter was considered a satellite organization of the North Carolina region. Delegates from twelve North Carolina colleges attended the state convention at the Sheraton Red Lion Inn. For three days, members attended seminars and speaker functions on such topics as leadership ability and successful fundraising. A dance and party were also held at the Blacksburg Sheraton which gave members a chance to meet on a social as well as academic level. The society also hoped to charter other chapters at various colleges in Virginia.

"This year," President Allen Orsini said, "Gamma Beta Phi tried to expand to reach all members of the community through service projects and activities."

— Sue Furlong
A Home Away From Home

Wesley Foundation provides fellowship

By definition, the Wesley Foundation was the campus ministry program of the United Methodist Church at Virginia Tech. The group itself extended far beyond that definition. Although funded by the United Methodist Church, the program consisted of an active student fellowship involving many different denominations. President Ricky Lemis felt that, "Many denominations within our group promoted new and exciting ideas, even a controversy or two, but that helped us grow and mature in Christ.”

Active on the Tech campus for over forty years, the Foundation sponsored a wide variety of activities. Members attended fellowship meetings on Sunday nights, and gathered for Bible Study on Thursday nights. The Wesley Foundation was also the home of the Wesley Singers, a non-auditioning musical outreach group. The Singers conducted Sunday services at the Blacksburg United Methodist Church and other local churches. Each spring, they held a musical production, traveling to another area for a week of nightly performances. In the past, the Wesley Singers have toured New York and Florida.

The Wesley Foundation also sponsored the Graduate Student Fellowship, which held monthly social activities such as pot-luck dinners and Trivial Pursuit Parties; Helping Hand — an outreach program of peer counseling for new students; and the Ethnic Minority Program, which worked with black and international groups on campus and in the community.

In addition, the group held various community service projects. Each week, members drove elderly residents of the Heritage Hall nursing home to attend Sunday worship service. They held their annual Christmas party for underprivileged children in the Blacksburg area. The members also traveled to the Redbird Mission in Beverly, Kentucky, where they painted picnic tables, cut brush, and contributed Campbell Soup labels to help the depressed area.

The Wesley Foundation center itself was public. Rooms were available for rent to university and campus activities and organizations. The Wesley Foundation combined fellowship, fun, and community service. Publicity co-chairman Teresa Swihart said, "The Wesley Foundation is not just a building; for students, it is a home away from home.”

—Sue Furlong

"Our main goal for this year was to encourage minority groups to be more involved in campus organizations and activities," said Black Organizations Council president, Lisa Carter.

The BOC acted as a governing body for its fifteen affiliated organizations which included: Alpha Kappa Alpha; Alpha Phi Alpha; African Student Association; Black Student Alliance; Delta Sigma Theta; Gospel Experience; Kappa Alpha Psi; National Association for the Advancement of Colored People; National Society of Black Engineers; Omega Psi Phi; Phi Beta Sigma; Sigma Gamma Rho; and Zeta Phi Beta.

The Black Organization Council promoted its organizations to the student body for memberships, and to the faculty for support. In turn, each organization recruited interested students. Through increased memberships, the BOC strengthened.

The BOC worked to increase minority student interest in campus activities. Each quarter, it published a calendar of planned activities, which included social events and fund-raisers. The main social event and fund-raiser of the year was the BOC semi-formal dance which was open to all students.

BOC week was held October 14-20, "to inform students about BOC and its organizations," said Carter. Displays were placed in each dining hall to provide students with information.

During this week, the Black Student Alliance sponsored a presentation by Geoffrey Holder, who had been named the "Uncola Man" for his 7-Up commercials. Holder's "Instant Theatre" was an impromptu presentation consisting of childhood experiences, humorous skits, and comparisons between American culture and cultures throughout the world.

February was Black History Month, during which several programs were organized and guest speakers were invited to culture students with Black history. Musical entertainment of the blues and jazz, poets, artists and a Black art exhibit provided culture enlightenment for everyone.

Each organization kept busy throughout the year with their individual social activities and
fundraisers. These affairs were coordinated with the BOC, and reflected the mottos and goals of the organizations.

Sigma Gamma Rho (SGR) was the smallest of the four Black sororities. "We are the youngest Black Greek organization on campus. Our chapter was founded on April 20, 1985," explained SGR president, Sophia Redd. The organization consisted of four members. Their main goal for the year was to increase the awareness of the new organization, to strengthen the established group, and to increase membership.

The sorority's motto was "Greater Service, Greater Progress." Nationally, Sigma Gamma Rho employed several projects to better the community. Project Reassurance involved working with the March of Dimes in their effort to decrease birth defects. Vocational Guidance Workshop Centers were supported to educate illiterate adults, and teach vocational skills. Alcohol and Drug Abuse Drop in Centers were operated throughout the nation, although there was not one locally.

During Winter Quarter, Sigma Gamma Rho presented "Storytime" at the Blacksburg Library. The sisters entertained the local children by reading to them. At Christmas, they visited nursing homes, and the children's ward at the hospital.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority was the first nationally established sorority for Black women. "As members, we strive to exemplify our motto: By merit and culture through high scholastic achievement and continued interaction with the Blacksburg community and fellow organizations on campus," said AKA vice-president, Janice Brickhouse.

The organization's ten members worked to promote unity and friendship among college members. The sorority's activities included a Christmas party for Blacksburg Middle School's learning disabled, various academic...continued on page 328
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workshops, and collaboration on parties with other Greek organizations.

**Delta Sigma Theta (DST)** a public service sorority, worked to continue to uphold its criterion of scholarship and service, through their various activities and fund-raisers. The main goal was "to enlighten students by introducing them to something new, something they wouldn't normally get from academics"; said DST president, Michele Holmes. This something was awareness of social welfare and cultural enrichment.

Each quarter, the sorority held a tea for women interested in membership. Education Sorority Workshops were organized throughout the year, and concentrated on topics varying from academics to beauty. During Spring Quarter, the organization invited employers from area businesses to give tips on interviewing and the employer evaluation process.

Working with **Omega Psi Phi**, Delta Sigma Theta held a semi-formal Valentine’s Ball which was open to all students.

The sorority sponsored a Peddle-A-Thon for the American Cancer Society. Each of the 21 members, took turns peddling a stationary bike. Money was donated by passersby, and literature on cancer was distributed.

During Black History Month, Delta Sigma Theta and the Black Student Alliance organized a gospel concert composed of members from local churches. Money raised from the concert was donated to the First Baptist Church to help with their renovations.

"First of all, servants of all, we shall transcend all" was the motto of the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. This organization consisted of eleven members working toward increased membership and continued service.

Fall Quarter, the fraternity sponsored a voter registration drive. Working with the Inter-Fraternity Council, Alpha Phi Alpha coordinated a food drive for the Christmas Shop, where needy families could obtain food and gifts.

During Winter Quarter, the fraternity sponsored a hypertension clinic, and a sickle cell anemia clinic, the hypertension clinic was set up in the dining halls. Tech rescue squad members monitored students for high blood pressure. The sickle cell anemia clinic was held in Henderson Hall.

In January, Alpha Phi Alpha led a memorial service for Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., in the chapel.

At the closing of Alpha Kappa Alpha’s block show, Janice Brickhouse maintains her finale pose.

**National Society of Black Engineers**. Front row: Rhonda St. John, Shinu Ablerto, President; Marlene Corbin, Secretary; Marshall Johnson, Jr., 1st Vice President; Kim Hall, Recording Secretary. Robin Bermon, Publicity Chairman. Second row: Lashawn Gregg, 2nd Vice President; Michael Smith, Paul Matheny; Todd Cameron, Whitney Smith, Rod Delacoe, Russell Rendong; Allicie Bates, Whitney Gross, Treasurer. Back row: Aaron Walker, Earl Wright, Robert Petito, Frederick Johnson, Marshall Johnson, Jr., Eric Petito.
Articulating characteristics of their organization, Delta Sigma Theta performs a black show. Members keep in step while expressing ideas about the group's objectives.

In the spring, Alpha Phi Alpha invited all to participate in their Black and Gold Banquet and Ball.

"We strive to advance the Black engineer or computer scientist in the academic environment and in the profession," said National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) president, Sheryl Alsten.

Chartered in January of 1982, the NSBE has achieved a membership of over sixty students. Through their work and dedication, the NSBE was named the 1984 Virginia Tech Outstanding Black Organization.

These students worked together to encourage the participation of Blacks and other ethnic minorities in the fields of engineering and computer science.

This goal was achieved through major projects which included: participation in the Engineering Exposition, sponsorship in the annual Engineering Forum and Job Fair, compiling and distribution of a resume booklet, operation of a tutoring program and a test file, a Study Buddy Program, and various socials such as the annual Spring Banquet.

Throughout the year all of the organizations participated in evening Blockshows. These were individual organizational performances. The members performed chants about their organization while keeping in step with a designated beat.

Through individuals and collaborated social events and fund-raisers, the BOC promoted minority student interest in its organizations and campus activities.

— Kirsten Giboney

Lisa Carter listens intently to the comments and considerations presented during a meeting. As BOC president, she was responsible for all groups' coordinations and productivity.
Wordweavers use performance to bring Life to Literature

Who better could bring alive Winnie the Pooh or a stuffed dog named "Fletcher" than the Wordweavers Performance Ensemble when they performed children's stories at a local elementary school? Who better could tie poems, literature and non-fiction together to explain "insanity" or take an audience back to a coffee house of the Beat Generation than the Wordweavers?

The Wordweavers originated in 1977 and performed smaller, more intimate performances than one might be accustomed to seeing on stage. "When we perform something, it's not a reading," Mary Lou Entzminger, faculty advisor for the ensemble, said. "The performers memorize the material and internalize it. The narrator of the story is what the audience sees and hears. The students don't exist anymore, they try to become the speaker of the poem or story.

In addition to children's stories, the ensemble presented seasonal programs, women's poetry programs and era programs such as "Aperitifs With the Wordweavers" which was performed in a 1950's coffee house atmosphere of the Beat Generation. This spring's performance on insanity, was written by communications major, Annette Wannamaker who said the show reflected the type of program that she preferred.

"The students chose a reading to fit a theme and fit everything together with it," Wannamaker said. Since the membership of the group was maintained at 10-15, it was easier to get to know the other members and to work together. "We end up socializing when we should be working," said John Robinson, a Junior in communications. With the members' major being not only communications but elementary education, business, micro-biology, architecture, and even industrial arts, the importance of being able to work together was a big factor. As Keith McIlenney said, "We're a group of friends that enjoy performing together."

Auditions for the Wordweavers were held twice a year and were open to all students. Though the Verbal Art as a Performance class was not required, it was a good idea to take it before tackling any major performances in the group, Entzminger felt.

— Sandra Ely

The Wordweavers add a little twist to their rehearsal for the 'fight for civil rights' segment of "Power to the People." a look into the 1960's problems and joys.

Wordweavers Geoff Gainer and Annette Wannamaker pretend to get high during a production about the drug culture of the 1960's.
4-H promotes

Helping and Having Fun

“It’s going out and being volunteer leaders in the community,” said 4-H president Karen Knight. “The real emphasis is on developing leadership and being a volunteer on campus and in the community.”

One of the biggest services projects 4-H’ers were involved in was the “Keep Virginia Tech Beautiful” program. “We want to get involved in the town and university, so we’re working on programs such as a campus clean-up that other groups can be a part of too,” said Knight. The club also used the “Keeping Virginia Tech Beautiful” slogan as the theme of their float for the Virginia Tech Homecoming Parade. Although it was the first time the club entered a float, it won honorable mention in the parade float competition for campus beautification.

Other service activities 4-H’ers were involved in included a Santa Claus calling program for young children, assisting at state 4-H Day, and running a club in the spring for prospective veterinary medicine students.

Though service activities were the most emphasized by Tech 4-H’ers, club members also attended the National 4-H Conference to hear guest speakers and share fundraising and service ideas. In addition, they held an international night in order to get involved in collegiate-4-H international programs, such as the “International Four-H Youth Exchange.”

The Virginia Tech 4-H clubs, though stressing service activities, also participated in several social activities such as Christmas carolling in the Blacksburg Christmas Parade, going on a ski trip in January, planning a weekend getaway in the spring, and holiday socials at Halloween and Christmas. “We liked to have a lot of social activities because as a collegiate 4-H club, we all had different backgrounds and were less formal and competitive than younger 4-H groups. Social activities helped bring us together,” said Knight.
— Nancie Craig

Virginia Tech 4-H’ers Terri Kilmer and Mark Newbill enjoy skiing in Boone, North Carolina. The weekend ski trip was sponsored by the Appalachian State University 4-H Club.

Tech 4-H advisor Irene Leach and club president Karen Knight accept a second place award for the club’s campus beautification program. The “Keeping Virginia Tech Beautiful” campaign was sponsored by the statewide “Keep Virginia Beautiful” program, directed by Earl J. Shiflet.
Help is on the Way

Virginia Tech Rescue is always ready to lend a helping hand

"It's alright to mess around, but when you step on that ambulance, and turn the lights on, it's strictly business," Jeff Obenschain, president of the Virginia Tech Rescue Squad, said. But before a crew member could step on that ambulance, he or she had to be willing to separate business from play.

"When you get that call, you totally change," said Mary Romero, a Senior crew member. You have one main goal — to keep that person alive." Whether the four-person crew on call for "crew night" was enjoying a "crew dinner," eating ice cream, or playing frisbee by the duck pond, when a call came in they were ready. "There are always people (in the crew hall) to say 'hey' I'll go take the call," Romero said. "That shows a lot of dedication."

But the change in attitude started way before that call. As a new member to the squad, a student went through a probation period of at least four months of learning radio numbers, how to take vital signs, the basic operation of the ambulance and just getting to know the other members.

Then there was the question: "Do you know your ABC's?" or should that be "Do you know the Airway Breathing Circulation?" "That's the most important thing to know on a call," Romero said. "CPR is something you always need, no matter what."

Once the "probate" got past CPR and Advanced First Aid, he or she could tackle the several levels of advancement: Emergency Medical Technician (EMT) of Ambulance, Shock Trauma, or Cardiac; Team Leader; Officer in Charge; and defensive driver.

"Pretty much anyone who shows any interest is given a probation period," Obenschain said. "The only thing we're worried about is having a proportional ratio between the trained and untrained." Of the 72 crew members, 34 were active EMT's, which meant they were able to administer basic life support, certain drugs, or use life-saving equipment depending on their particular level of training.

The squad answered approximately 650 calls a year on campus and, because of a "Mutual Aid Agreement," it also answered calls that the Blacksburg Rescue Squad was unable to answer. "We have an in-house crew — it's hard for a town rescue squad to do that," Obenschain said.

The volunteer rescue squad staff donated many hours of their time to keep the life-saving service running. As Myron Kiltz, a Junior crew member, said, "(A lot of people) are surprised to learn that we're volunteers — and students on top of that."

— Sandra Ely

Scott Thompson and Ann Jennings administer treatment during one of the crew's many calls for sprains and breaks at the War Memorial Gym.
Squires expands to meet growing student needs

There were over 100 approved student organizations on the Tech campus, anything from the Forestry Club to the American Marketing Association. With all these differing groups, each with its own goals, needs, and ideas, it would seem almost impossible to find one thread that tied them together. But, there was one very strong and enduring thread on the campus: Squires Student Center.

Squires was the hub of activity for most of the organizations on campus. It provided both meeting rooms and lounge areas for many organizations so that they could carry on daily business. Additionally, the SGA, Honor System, RHF, and the student media had permanent offices on the third floor.

“Having the office here is very convenient. Being located in Squires facilitates communication between the members of the student media,” commented Michael Lay, editor of the Campus Quarterly.

Originally called the Student Activities Building, Squires was built in 1937 at a cost of $224,750. The name was changed to Squires Hall in 1949 in honor of John H. Squires, class of 1905, who had donated $10,000 toward construction of the building.

Originally, Squires housed meeting rooms, offices, and the college shop, which housed a "soda fountain" and which eventually became the bookstore.

Squires was closed for renovation in 1966, and did not reopen until 1969. The renovations, which cost $3,500,000, were finished during the winter of 1970. Rather than remove the old building and start over, the architects decided to perform a four sided addition.

Thus, the Squires of 1986 encases the Squires of 1937. It is possible to see the openings for windows of the old building in many locations around the modern structure.

As part of the renovation project, two large ballrooms were added as well as a 512 seat theatre, and recreation facilities for the students.

As the year ended, Squires planned further changes. The plans called for the addition of a new wing to allow more organizations the chance to have their offices in Squires, as well as upgrading the existing facilities.

— Heath E. Covey

Squires as it was in 1938. The staircase leads up to the current second floor. The stairs were removed in the reconstruction, but the archways remain.
German Club succeeds through Strength and Support

The German Club had a full year as a service and social organization for the University and the Blackburg community. The club performed many services including helping the Virginia Tech Union with their productions, selling programs at football and basketball games, overseeing the field events at track meets in the Rector Field House, and helping with the clean-up efforts after the November floods in Roanoke.

The club also hosted the annual Midwinters Dance on February 7th and 8th. The event, whose theme this year was “Nightclubbin’ 86,” was held in the ballrooms in Squires. On Friday night, the Tommy Dorsey Orchestra and Look What Landed provided the music for the more formal of the two evenings. Then, on Saturday, the Catalinas and Speidel Goodrich and Lillie played for the more casual night.

The German Club, which was formed in 1892, is the second oldest organization on campus, and owes its name to the German Waltz. The letters in “German” represent “pillars of strength” for club members: Gentleman, Earnestness, Reputation and Responsibility, Manhood, Aim, Name.

In order to become a member of the club, a current member of the club or an alumnus must make a recommendation. Prospective members were entitled to the same rights, privileges, and responsibilities of the club as regular members except for attendance at regular business meetings. Prospectives undergo an 8-week orientation period before they become regular members.

Members consider it important to be active in other areas in addition to service. The German Club is represented all over campus in everything from the SGA to the Honor System. German Club members come from both the corps of Cadets and the civilian population. Additionally members were active in athletics on all levels.

Club President Stewart Beason summed up the club’s year by saying, “We were able to do a lot of things for the University and community. We really appreciate all the support we received from the university and alumni.”

— April Wood

Students go “Nightclub'in’” to the beach sounds of the Catalinas at the annual Midwinters Dance.

Members spent numerous hours preparing the decorations at midwinters, such as this 12 ft. lighted cake.

The Catalinas add a different flare to beach music with help from a trombonist.

Club member Mark Hurley sells basketball programs in Cassell Coliseum. This was just one of the many services the club provided.

Sarah Blose and Charles Long enjoy a slow dance at Midwinters '86.
Southern Colonels Bring Big Band to Blacksburg

"It's all about playing fun music. It gives us a chance to be more relaxed and informal," said Southern Colonels President Ralph Bradley. The Southern Colonels, a spin-off from the Highty-Tighties was a jazz ensemble composed of 21 musicians and 4 singers, all members of the Corps. They were directed by Wallace Easter, who also directed the Highty-Tighties.

Established in the early 1930's, the group was characterized by the "Big Band" sound of the mid-1900's. "We have been adding a little bit of contemporary music lately though; pop tunes and that type of thing," said Bradley. The band usually played 6 to 7 major performances per year including playing for the Military Ball Variety Show, dinner/dance occasions, conventions, and alumni functions. Though centered in Blacksburg, the Southern Colonels did travel, and they have played in Roanoke and in Washington, D.C. for the National Students Convention. "We're trying to expand and become more established and more well known outside of the Blacksburg/Roanoke area. We'd like to be able to travel to more places like Washington to gain exposure and publicity," said Bradley. "Whether it's one of our big performances or a smaller one, we always enjoy playing ... It's a lot of fun because it gives us a chance to play something other than marches and half time shows. It lets us be ourselves and have fun," said Bradley.

— Nancie Craig

Southern Colonels drummer Tony Rector performs at Military Brawl. He is dressed to keep the band's Toga theme known.
Service Specialists

Conrad Cavalry and SAME apply skills to promote personal and group achievement

Personal and professional attributes characterized corps-related organizations. Two such organizations were the Conrad Cavalry and the Society of American Military Engineers.

The Conrad Cavalry represented the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets by performing in local parades and competing in horse shows both individually and as a drill team.

The Conrad Cavalry members rode horses belonging to Rich Hill Training Center near Radford. To cover the cost of their riding lessons, they helped out at local horse shows and sold concessions. This year, The Conrad Cavalry also participated in the Homecoming parade. Members were encouraged to ride in horse shows, competing at various levels related to their riding ability.

Commander Ursel Weeks said that, "The Conrad Cavalry allows Corps members to express their riding ability both as a hobby and as a representation of the Corps. Through our fundraising, we give members a chance to ride who otherwise might not be able to afford it.”

Another organization that combined personal skills with military ideals was the Society of American Military Engineers. Many fraternity pledges carry a wooden paddle with them during the final weeks of their pledge period. S.A.M.E. pledges carried a castle that they designed and built — the only student post in the nation to do so.

The society dedicated itself to developing relations and understanding between civilian and military engineers and to recognizing outstanding engineering students in the Corps of Cadets.

S.A.M.E. worked closely with the Student Engineers Council and participated in the SEC’s EXPO showcase of technology. In addition, they sponsored a new event during the SEC’s annual Engineers Week Winter quarter: a catapult launch on the drillfield.

The society sponsored speakers from the engineering profession, including an engineer from the Radford Arsenal and various military officers who graduated from Tech. In the spring, they participated in the Engineering Superstars — a day of competitive events such as softball and tug-of-war.

S.A.M.E. also sponsored corps-related activities, such as the painting of Corps organizational shields to be hung in the lobby of Rashe Hall.

Treasurer Darrell Mottley summed up the society by saying, “The S.A.M.E. builds leadership qualities and speaking abilities that are needed in the military. In addition, it is an opportunity to deal with many kinds of people. In the engineering profession, civilian and military personnel work right alongside each other.”

— Sue Furlong


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Rangers continue to Work Hard, Play Hard

The Ranger Company continued to give cadets military training in a field environment on the small unit level. Rangers spent many hours learning small unit tactics based on the Army's Ranger doctrine. Each year a commissioned Army officer trained the Rangers in various field tactics.

To become initiated in the Rangers, a cadet must pass four stages. First, he was required to have a minimum QCA of 2.0 and be a member of the corps. The second criteria involved a physical fitness test based on Army standards. The third phase lasted one week during which time the cadets underwent physical and mental stress. Sixty-five percent of the cadets dropped out during the third week. The fourth phase involved strenuous training in the use of small arms, marksmanship, communications, combat, demolitions, and raids. After all phases were completed a cadet would receive his black beret.

During the summer, over 50% of the Rangers enrolled in various schools offered by Army, including Jefferson National Forest, Fort Pickett, and other forts in Virginia. During these exercises, the cadets were trained in the use of helicopters, explosives, weapons, and land maneuvers.

The Ranger Company had between 25 and 30 members and held initiation spring and fall quarter. They also held a rappeling clinic each quarter.

The members' motto was "learn, fight, and win" and the members took pride in their motivation and loyalty. "We're a very tight group that likes to test ourselves. We work hard, and play hard," said Lou Kozak, Commanding Officer of Ranger Co.

Members were also involved in other campus activities such as Gregory Guard, fraternities, and the German Club. Thirty percent of the members were DMS- Distinguished Military Students; however, each member was distinguished in his dedication to loyalty and motivation.

— April Wood

Ranger Dave Hand places a demo charge at the base of a tree during field exercises; these exercises gave practical training in military tactics.

Members of the Ranger Company rest after a strenuous training exercise. Although training was demanding, the Rangers found time for a little relaxation.
Captain Russell K. Jackson, Ranger Company Advisor, aids in preparing explosive charges for a demolition exercise.

The Gregory Guard shows Precision in Action

"The Gregory Guard is composed of cadets who dedicate themselves to the positive attitude of the corps, trying to present it in the best way possible," said Dave Dargan, Commander of Gregory Guard.

To become a member, a cadet had to be nominated by a current member and participate in intensive interviews with all of the members. Only about one-half of the prospects are selected for further consideration. Leadership and grades (a minimum QCA of 2.25) are reviewed before prospects become candidates.

During Candidates Week the prospective members devoted long hours to learning rifle drills. Initiate Week then followed during which the initiates had to fulfill a series of requirements including wearing white gloves, carrying their rifles at all times, sitting at attention during meals, and improving their marching skills. The final obstacle to membership was the "grand finale," an 8 mile run wearing packs filled with bricks while carrying a rifle. Although the initiation process was long and difficult, the cadets took pride in their achievement.

The Guard was involved in many activities including the Azalea Festival Parade in Norfolk, the Apple Blossom Parade in Winchester, and the Preakness Parade in Baltimore. They also attended the Rifle Competition at LeHigh University. On-campus activities included a Homecoming Show, and a 21-gun Salute for the class of '35. They also performed with the Regimental Band, the Hightie-Tighties, during halftime at the Memphis State game Nov. 2.

Guard members took great pride in their organizations while trying to stress humility at all times. Dargan summed up the Gregory Guard by saying "We are first and foremost an honorary military society, then a rifle drill team." The hard work and dedication of every member was evident at each performance.

— April Wood

After long hours of practice, Dave Fritz, a sophomore in engineering, was ready to perform intricate maneuvers with the Gregory Guard during halftime at the Memphis State game.
Sash and Sabre, the cadet organization designed for corps-only cadets, provided its members with a social outlet while promoting the Corps of Cadets by adding color to the Blacksburg sky with their fireworks displays. Their efforts were seen at the Military Ball where the evening culminated with a spectacular display coordinated by the members.

Sash and Sabre’s purpose was to give non-ROTC cadets a social organization on campus. Their goals were to increase membership and show civilians that the Corps is not just an organization designed to enforce discipline.

New members went through a rigorous initiation process. "We take pride in initiation," said Jay Price. For one week the initiates had to carry a plaque bearing their coat of arms. During the second week, the new members could be seen carrying their sabres around campus.

Prospective members were also required to do a service project or help with a fundraiser. Each new member also hiked 10 miles to the New River to conclude their initiation.

Sash and Sabre’s success can best be explained through their Preamble: "Believing that it is essential to benefit and assist the Va. Tech Corps of Cadets in any way possible; we "Cadet Only" cadets of this institution do form this Society and adopt this Constitution in order to unite under common interest outstanding "Cadet Only" cadets during their college career; to prepare ourselves as educated men and women to take a more active part in today’s society and to provide an incentive for "Cadet Only" cadets that will be beneficial to the school, the Corps of Cadets, and ourselves.”

— April Wood
The Faces of Our World

A variety of interests and lifestyles gave a unique culture

With the abundance of students living in Blacksburg, freshmen sometimes felt that they would never see the same face twice. But with time, the number of familiar smiles grew until the campus seemed to become almost small—almost.

The lifestyles, activities, and ideas of the population had as many varieties as there were students. Some students opted to concentrate completely on academics, while others took full advantage of the social events on campus.

With eight colleges, close to 75 departments, over 300 recognized student organizations, and 20 residence halls, the University provided the opportunity to grow and develop in almost any manner.

Over 20,000 individuals made up the University community; each person’s unique character contributed to the diverse culture of the campus.
It gets the best of us

Senioritis The art of being unresponsive.

While underclassmen worked diligently on their daily assignments, seniors often had a different view of their personal responsibilities.

Many seniors felt mentally exhausted and were unable to concentrate long enough to complete their schoolwork. Annette Wannamaker, a senior in communications studies, said senioritis is "when eight hours of sleep is more important than class because you don't care anymore."

Others were more concerned about graduating than sleep. Nancy Stabler, a senior in clothing and textiles, felt that senioritis was a little more all-consuming than the mere desire to sleep. "It's the overwhelming realization that you're going to get out of here and the desire to ignore everything that stands in your way."

Other students were afraid that it was all too much like a dream to really be happening. Senior year had seemed too far away to be a reality. "It's like holding your breath," said Lynn Salowe, a senior in mechanical engineering. "You have the fear that someone is going to come up and tell you that you can't graduate."

Liz Buckner said, "You could really care less about everything but the sun, lotsa beer, and getting the hell out of Blacksburg." Buckner, a communications studies major, added it was almost natural for many seniors to take a carefree attitude since they had already lined up a job.

Sheryl Love, a senior in communications studies, summed it all up with her statement that "Senioritis is not wanting to go to classes, worrying about finding a job, and sleeping all weekend because you're so exhausted from everything else you do."

— Mark Munson

Abel, John Vincent
Psychology

Abercrombie, Lisa Anne
Home Economics Education

Abemathy, Douglas T.
Civil Engineering

Ackerman, Robert W.
Geology/Geography/Engineering

Adams, Claudia J.
Accounting

Adams, Kelly Marie
Spanish Education

Adams, S. Lynne
Psychology

Adler, Amy Eve
Communication

Ainslie, Walter E.
Mechanical Engineering

Alden, Beth
Animal Science
Allen, Morgan W.
Computer Science

Allgood, Dottie Eugene
Electrical Engineering

Almirall, Robert
Civil Engineering

Aiston, Sheryl D.
Materials Engineering

Altizer, Lance R.
Mechanical Engineering

Anders, Randall T.
Marketing

Anderson, Kristen N.
Accounting

Anderson, Sandy
Finance

Andrysick, Joy C.
Dietetics

Antolini, Michelle A.
Accounting

Applebee, Elizabeth
Marketing Education

Archer, Amy L.
Management Science

Arlund, Eric E.
Animal Science/Biology

Arkins, Deborah L.
Statistics

Armstrong, Lisa A.
Liberal Arts/Sciences

Seniors 345
Arnold, Philip D.
Agricultural Engineering

Artim, Julie
Aerospace Engineering

Asai, Thomas
Liberal Arts/Science

Austin, Ellen Paige
Elementary Education

Babylon, Ruth Gretchen
Landscape Design

Badger, Linda A.
Elementary Education

Bagamane, Kalpana N.
Industrial Engineering

Baker, Keith D.
Chemistry

Baker, Sybil
Communication Studies

Balderson, David
Agricultural Education

Banejee, Kakali
Mathematics

Banks, Lori Leann
Management Science

Barnard, Sterling Wright
Production/Operations Mgt.

Barnes, Charles J. Jr.
Math

Baron, Edward
Mechanical Engineering

346 People
Barrett, Pamela
English
Barry, Liane J.
Community Health
Batzel, John David
Management Science

Baumann, Joan
Mathematics
Beason, T. Stewart
Architecture
Beck, Todd
Animal Science

Becker, Keith F.
Computer Science
Beckner, Barry W.
Mathematics
Beebe, John W.
Geography

Beecy, Christine
Community Health
Behneman, Madalyn
Accounting
Behnke, David Robert
Finance

Belcher, R.
Materials Engineering
Bellingham, Kristin L.
Communications
Bender, Jennifer
Industrial Engineering

Seniors 347
Benefield, Ann
Human Nutrition and Foods

Bennett, Debbie
Political Science

Bentley, Lynn
Finance

Bernard, David
John
Biology

Bernero, David
Electrical Engineering

Bernstein, Celeste
Z.
Spanish

Berradapur, Monica
Electrical Engineering

Berry, Stacy
Elementary Education

Berryman, Patrick
M.
Finance

Bird, Bruce C.
Accounting

Bishop, John
Wesley
Music Education

Black, Louise F.
Exercise Science

Black, Melvin E.
Industrial Engineering

Blackburn, Anita
Communications

Blackwell, Mary
Alice
Communications
After joining the Society of Women Engineers, Jean Skomorucha realized that the small organization had potential for influence that wasn't being manifested. During her presidency in 1985, Jean tried to bring the society into the prominence she thought it deserved.

From this experience, she obtained invaluable leadership qualities, in addition to her high QCA, that allowed her to be inducted into Omicron Delta Kappa.

Jean's best experience was honoring the College of Engineering dean, Paul E. Torgersen, with other engineering students at the centennial celebration of the college this fall with a $20,000 endowment scholarship.

"It was exciting because he was so supportive and worked with the students so closely," Jean said, "It was also gratifying to know that when I leave Tech students will still benefit from that action."

— Kasey A. Miller
Bowman, W. Delane
Math/Education Option

Boysen, Dee
Communication/Psychology

Bracco, Lisa
Electrical

Bradford, Janet Lynn
Economics

Braford, Brad
Finance

Brandanriz, Bernadelle
Management Science

Brandariz, Anthony J.
Management Science

Brandt, Andrea Shea
Management Science

Brandt, Kirk L.
Electrical Engineering

Branner, Jim L. Jr.
Mechanical Engineering

Bray, R. Brent
Geology

Braza, Rudy M.
Electrical Engineering
Dell Curry

He began his athletic career at Tech four years ago, after graduating from high school in Grottoes, Virginia. Amazingly, Dell Curry played both varsity basketball and varsity baseball for the university, earning recognition in both.

On the mound Curry pitched his way into the view of professional scouts like those of the Texas Rangers.

However, it was his position of a guard that made him renowned. His success began by breaking Tech's top scoring record while threatening the top scoring record of the Metro Conference.

He continued by being named a finalist for the John Woodman Award for the top collegiate player of the year.

Lastly, Curry's chances for a top draft pick into the NBA heightened, possibly extending his athletic career past college.

His performance made it easy for his family and his hometown fan club to be proud of him and continue their undying support.

— Terri Wright
Brown, Amy Ogrady
  Clothing and Textiles
Brown, Karen M.
  Math
Brown, Paul C.
  Mechanical Engineering

Brown, Sharon B.
  Art Education
Brownrigg, Martha J.
  Statistics
Bruce, Jackie
  Computer Science

Bruchman, Bradley
  Civil Engineering
Bryant, Suzanne Elise
  Communications/English
Buckenheimer, Amy S.
  Chemical Engineering

Buckner, Elizabeth M.
  Communications
Bui, Lan Anh
  Electrical Engineering
Buonomo, Maria
  Electrical Engineering

Burgess, James W.
  Business Mgmt.
Burke, Colleen S.
  Biochemistry
Burke, Michael Shea
  Horticulture

352 People
Burkholder, William B.
Management Science
Burnett, Douglas D.
Management Science
Burnett, Jeannine
Marketing Education

Burr, Kathleen S.
Interior Design
Bush, Patricia N.
Elementary Education
Butler, Mark McKinley
Electrical Engineering

Butz, Jennifer Lynne
Public Relations/Marketing
Byer, Vicki L.
Mathematics
Byerley, Sheila
Marketing Management

Cadden, Allen W.
Civil Engineering
Calabro, Robert J.
Industrial Engineering
Camm, Melody Luretha
Communications

Campbell, Michael L.
Electrical Engineering
Campion, Gwenn G.
Industrial Engineering
Camponeschi, Mark J.
Eng. Mechanics Science
students, the experience of owning a car occurred before college. However, for many others the event wasn’t experienced until after securing the first job after graduation.

After this day came and went, former students, now alumni, were concerned with insurance, life and auto, instead of Thursday’s exam; overtime at work kept them awake instead of studying and/or drinking.

But those worries were replaced with concerns about usually more expensive bills, keeping a job, and possibly getting used to a new place to live.

For some, these concerns were also in addition to plans and obligations to a serious relationship. Wedding plans or living arrangements made dating less casual.

Just as freshmen learned how to budget their money, graduating seniors learned that entrance into the real world meant more obligations and, yes, even more learning.

— Kasey A. Miller

A bicyclist pedals to a morning class on the path by the Duck Pond.

354 People
Cason, Thomas J. Jr.
Management/Finance

Cattell, Thomas J.
Finance/Management

Caughey, Susan D.
Architecture

Caughrman, Mary
Psychology

Cautili, Beth Ann
Management

Chaney, Dewayne
Business Management

Chapman, Michael A.
Mechanical Engineering

Chase, Joe
Computer Science

Childress, Elizabeth
Animal Science

Childs, Barbara
Elementary Education

Chin, Monica
Biology

Cho, Jean Chinmyong
Accounting

Cho, Michelle
Aerospace/Ocean Engineering

Cho, Philip N.
Mechanical Engineering

Christian, Jeanne M.
Accounting/Acct. Inf. Systems
Christman, Christine D.
Civil Engineering

Clark, Hayley A.
Hospitality Managerners

Clark, Kendell H.
Electrical Engineering

Clark, Perry
Communications

Clarke, Barbara E.
Business Management

Clayborne, Deana L.
Biology

Cleckner, Christine E.
Biology

Clendenon, Anne
Biochemistry

Clevinger, Gary S. Jr.
Electrical Engineering

Clifton, Jennifer
Chemistry

Cochran, Ann E.
Interior Design

Cocker, Elizabeth
Mathematics

Cody, William B.
Mathematics

Colahan, Eleanor M.
Biology

Colantuoni, Kim Theresa
Mathematics

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Coming to Tech because of friends and for no other reason, Andrew McLean soon found other reasons for belonging to this university.

An agriculture economics major, Andrew first got involved in the Block and Bridle club when he was a freshman and eventually became the co-chairman for sales.

By far, however, as President and Social Chairman of Alpha Gamma Rho, Andrew gained most of his experience in leadership. In holding this position, he worked at least fifteen hours a week, maintaining a house with forty members and handling a budget of $80,000. He credited the fraternity with making him active in the university.

Through the Agriculture Club Council, Andrew was involved in the career forum for agriculture majors. At this event he made a number of connections with people who could help him secure jobs after graduation.

From this active participation, Andrew met prominent people who ran the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences and proved that involvement can lead to greater rewards.

— Kasey A. Miller
Cook, Karen Lee
Management
Cook, Stephen A.
Geography
Cooper, Michael S.
Finance

Copeland, Lynn N.
English/Spanish
Coppda, Joseph
Chemistry
Corbitt, Yvette Marie
Marketing/Management

Coryell, Richard K.
Mechanical Engineering
Cosby, Jason Enston
Architecture/Urban Studies
Cote, Frederic
Graduate Student

Courtney, Mark N.
Management Science
Covington, B. Scot
Animal Science
Coyne, Kathleen
Political Science

Craddock, Victor
Dwain
Management Science
Craighead, Laura M.
Computer Science
Crain, John Stephen
Agronomy
Des Wilson

or most, Ring Premiere was the first opportunity to see the designs of the 1986 ring committee. But for Des Wilson, the process began almost a year before.

The first task Des and the ring committee faced was choosing a company to produce the 1986 ring collection. "The committee had a tough time choosing," recalled Des. "All three companies we spoke to had something different to offer. We chose Josten's because we felt so enthusiastic after their presentation."

As chairman of the ring committee, Des coordinated the work of Josten's artists and the 10 member committee. "Working with Josten's was an experience and a challenge," Des said. "I'd never done anything like designing rings before. It's a lot more complex than it seems."

Des, a brother of Phi Kappa Sigma, majored in Industrial Engineering and Operations research.

— Lynn Salowe
like a light at the end of a tunnel, the last registration opscan signified the beginning of the end. The end of a college career that began nervously with freshman prerequisites and ended triumphantly with the upper level requirements and perhaps a free elective or two.

Not everyone weighted the importance of the last opscan equally, but for some it was a rite of passage. Joan Heath, an industrial engineering and operations research major from Wilmington, Delaware, filled her last opscan out and photocopied it. She planned to send it to her former roommate who had framed hers the year before. Explained Heath, "it was a good way to celebrate the fact that I was really going to graduate. Now if I only had a job..."

— Nancy Stabler

Shadowed by pipes from Tom's Creek Road construction, Mike Powel walks his dog across from stone gate.
Danby, Caroline R.
Computer Science
Dance, Mario E.
Biochem/Nutrition
Daniel, Ann Marie
Biochemistry

Daniel, Rhonda Gale
Marketing/Sociology
Daniels, Janelle L.
Mathematics
Daugherty, Sylvia
Mechanical Engineering

Davis, Brian W.
Mechanical Engineering
Davis, Christine
Psychology
Davis, Jennifer E.
Accounting

Davis, Katherine E.
Accounting
Davis, Lisa Ann
Architecture
Day, Susan M.
Industrial Engineering

Dean, Eric Robert
Aerospace/Ocean Engineering
Debo, Annette
Accounting
Dee, David D.
Civil Engineering
Dietrich, John A.
Chemistry/Political Science

Dines, Diana
Elementary Education

Disisto, Ellen
Computer Science

Dixon, Leslie Ann
Family/Child Development

Dobes, John E.
Mechanical Engineering

Doelling, Leslie D.
Biochemistry

Doherty, James
Architecture

Dollard, Lynne
Civil Engineering

Dollberg, Douglas
Chemical Engineering

Donald, Charlene J.
Elementary Education

Donaldson, Donald
Mining Engineering

Donlon, Jennifer
Mathematics Education

Donnelly, Daniel
Chemical Engineering

Donovan, Donna
Engineering Science/Mathematics

Dorr, Anton R.
Aerospace/Ocean Engineering
Michael Riemer

high QCA and being involved in activities don't mix. Many people believed this to be a true statement, but just as many have proven it wrong. Michael Riemer, a senior in Civil Engineering, was among those who showed that students could excel academically and still have time for things other than books, papers, and tests. His 3.93 QCA, as of the end of fall quarter, made him the number one undergraduate in the department.

Proving to be an exception to the rule, he was involved in the Virginia Tech Juggling Club and the VTU Recreation Committee, and was the two time university champion in backgammon.

Riemer was a four year member of the Juggling Club, serving as coach for two years and President for one. He said he taught himself to juggle three balls at age 12 "and then stopped until [he] came to Tech." He attended a meeting of the club during fall quarter of his freshman year and was "captivated by the club." Riemer now juggles FIVE balls, three clubs, and THREE bowling balls, and can pass seven clubs while standing back to back with another juggler.

Michael Riemer was one of many people who proved that there was more to college than just classes. But being involved in campus activities as well as academic pursuits, Riemer was able to obtain a good education both academically and socially.

— Heath E. Covey
Eltman, Mark A.
Chemical Engineering

Elder, Gerald Fisher
Mechanical Engineering

Eldred, Lloyd B.
Aerospace Engineering

Ellet, Clay
Political Science

Elmer, Gus
Electrical Engineering

Elstob, Michael V.
Biochemistry

Elswick, Carlene M.
Political Science

Emmer, Mary P.
Marketing

Endman, George R. II
Industrial Engineering

Engle, Anna
Accounting

Epling, Michael W.
Mechanical Engineering

Epperson, Dan K.
Mechanical Engineering

Eskridge, Paul C.
Finance

Etheridge, Susan
Management Science

Evans, Amy S.
English
Flax, Amy  
Electrical Engineering  

Fleming, Linda  
Accounting  

Fletcher, Matthew  
John  
Mechanical Engineering  

Fletcher, Neil L.  
Management Science  

Flick, Albert C.  
International Studies/Spanish  

Fluetsch, Ellen  
Louise  
Comparative Arts  

Forrest, Julie  
Food service  

Foster, Susan  
Elizabeth  
International Studies  

Fouik, Deborah  
Ferrer  
Elementary Education  

Fox, Patricia  
Management Science  

Francis, Mike  
Accounting  

Freebert, Karen  
Interior Design  

Freeman, Adam  
Communications  

Fromwiller, Teresa  
A.  
Geography/History  

Fulcher, Barry D.  
Forestry/Wildlife  

368 People
Our Past

or most seniors, June fourteenth could not have arrived soon enough. Over 4,000 students participated in the celebration that day: the commencement exercises. They have changed drastically since their beginning when VPI&SU was the Virginia Agriculture and Mechanical College.

On Sunday, July 6, 1873, commencement began and lasted four days. However, there were no graduates at this occurrence because of the new age of the college.

August 1875 graduated twelve male Virginians. They received graduation certificates, not degrees. Not until 1883 were graduates awarded degrees.

The exercises were held in Burrus Hall until 1950, when the 1,440 graduates and their guests overcrowded the auditorium. In that year, Miles Stadium, located where O'Shaughnessy, Lee, and Pritchard Halls now stand, was used for the ceremonies.

However, in 1958, another change was enacted. Dual graduation ceremonies were held because of rain. Part of the class graduated in the morning and the rest graduated in the afternoon.

1971 brought the changes that made the exercise much more similar to what Tech had in 1986 when there was individual services for the colleges.

From very humble beginnings over a hundred of years ago, commencement exercises have changed with the graduates and the times, but they still meant the same thing: congratulations.

— Kasey A. Miller

Fuller, Becky
Mathematics

Funkhouser, Charles C.
Mechanical Engineering

Furey, Kathleen
Management Science

Furlong, Susan
Marketing

Galen, Steven William
Marketing Management

Gallo, Patricia Marie
Marketing Management

Galway, Frederick
Mathematics

Gant, Betsy
Management

Gantt, Robert A.
Economics/Political Science

Education major Tracey Doyle caps off her four years with the help of champagne and friends.
n electrical engineering major with a 3.93 QCA, Dave Everett has worked hard to keep his academic record extremely high. However, Dave realized that there was "more at Tech than just taking classes and I wanted something to do."

He joined the bowling club his freshman year. In his sophomore year he also joined the Astronomy Club and began working on various committees of the Honor System, in his junior year he became Chairman of the Investigative Board.

Upon entering his senior year, Dave still found time for Chief Engineer of the radio station, WUVT, where he handled the intricacies of an old, but still surviving system.

Dave came to Tech because of a scholarship, but soon realized that the people here were much more friendlier than at the other school he considered, Penn State.

Summing up his activities, Dave said, "there's just too much going on here for people to not get involved."

— Kasey A. Miller
Gestwick, Truda
Building Construction

Gibson, Anne
Spanish Education

Gibson, Clarke W.
Civil Engineering

Gifford, Kieran
Accounting

Gikerson, Sharon
Communications

Gill, Debra J.
Home Economics Education

Gilliam, Thomas A.
Industrial Engineering

Gilmore, Robert L. Jr.
History

Glasgow, Diane C.
Electrical Engineering

Gleogger, Joan
Marketing

Godsey, Greg
Agricultural Economics

Goins, I. Rodney II
Political Science

Goode, Anne Louise
Mechanical Engineering

Gotthardt, Cheryl Anne
Political Science

Grady, Ellen H.
Biology

Seniors 371
Graham, Robert P. Jr.
Computer Science
Grap, Jeffrey G.
Aerospace Engineering
Graver, Timothy J.
Chemical Engineering

Graves, Brent L.
Building Construction
Green, Steven
Computer Science
Greenwood, Mark
Electrical Engineering

Greenwood, Todd
Civil Engineering
Gregal, Mary Chi
Biology/Chemistry
Gregory, Susan F.
Industrial Engineering

Grey, David B.
Electrical Engineering
Grenwis, R.
Electrical Engineering
Grignol, Lisa
Accounting

Guthrie, Jean
Dairy Science
Guy, Stephen
Finance
Habermann, William W
Accounting
Hacala, Charles E.
Computer Science

Hackmann, Stacey
Finance

Haff, Katherine
Communication Studies

Hairston, Anne
Forestry

Hale, Brett
Elementary Education

Hall, Diana
Computer Science

Hall, Kimler M.
Computer Science

Hall, Robyn M.
Family/Child Development

Hall, Roderick Ashley
Finance

Halstead, Evans
Communications

Hamlet, Annettee
Accounting

Hammond, Paula Elizabeth
Management

Han, Soyup
Accounting

Handorf, Mary S.
Biology

Hanzlik, Nancy L.
Horticulture

Seniors 373
Harouff, Paul A.  
Electrical Engineering

Harrell, John Michael  
Political Science

Harris, Sarah Lee  
Computer Science

Harrison, Peter N.  
Aerospace Engineering

Harvey, Larry  
Accounting

Harvill, Matt  
Electrical Engineering

Harvin, Marke E.  
Finance

Hash, Robert Lynn  
Marketing

Hass, Carl Matthew  
Forestry

Hatcher, Stephen S.  
Chemical Engineering

Hawksley, Linda Ann  
Biology

Haymond, J. Gregory  
Mechanical Engineering
Lisa Carter

o the opinion that getting involved meant dropping academics to a lower priority, Lisa Carter said her grades actually improved: “I didn’t procrastinate because I didn’t have time.”

During her sophomore year, the finance major joined the Pearl Court of Omega Psi Phi. Soon after, the position of secretary of the Black Organizations Council (BOC) became vacant. Spotting Lisa’s dedication and energetic drive, members approached her to fill it. She ran and won.

She joined the Black Student Alliance, and her interest grew.

As a freshman, she didn’t realize everything that happened at Tech. This was the motivating factor that took Lisa to president of BOC during her senior year. She made it a point to reach this class to increase their awareness.

Immersed in university governance and her organization, Lisa felt that even with the pressure and commitment, she would “encourage people to get involved because it gives you an advantage over people who aren’t.”

— Kasey A. Miller
Mike put more time and dedication into the Greek System than Interfraternity Council President Michael Strickland, and he witnessed firsthand the improvements and advances individual fraternities and the IFC made.

However, Mike saw the most noticeable improvement being "increased interaction between individual fraternities and between fraternities and the town and university, and as a result, we experienced a greater sense of pride in the greek system."

Mike saw his greatest accomplishment to be instilling a greater sense of unity among fraternities. "This was so important for a young system such as ours," said Mike. "Though each of our groups were very different, we all worked toward the same direction."

Along with his IFC duties, Mike shared a seat on the Commission for Student Affairs and remained a faithful and active brother of Sigma Nu Fraternity.

On being Greek, Mike commented, "It's an experience which should be had by all. The benefits are incomparable-Brotherhood, friendship, family and a home away from home. I know I'm a better and more polished individual because of my fraternity, and because of my experience as a Greek."

— Gerald Hampton
Finding A Job

hat will you be when you grow up? This favorite question of younger years turned into a reality as graduation drew near.

The choice seemed obvious for the engineers. After studying engineering for four or more years, very few decided on a non-technical career. But the question still remained — “what kind of job do I want?” Research, manufacturing, sales and marketing were all available to science and engineering students. “Enough opportunities exist at Placement to confuse any student,” said Liz Dyer, senior in mechanical engineering. “I’ve talked with a number of companies. It’s hard to know what to do.”

For other students interested in careers outside engineering and business, the search for a job was much more painstaking. Steve Kubik, a senior in communication studies, sent over one hundred resumes to newspapers across the country in order to find a job as a photographer. “I’ve gotten from 20 to 30 letters back from papers,” said Kubik. “A few ask to see some of my work, but most just say they don’t have any openings. A lot will depend on luck or knowing the right people.”

Looking for a job was a time consuming and often fatiguing task. But the rewards available could make the search worthwhile. Said Dyer, “The woman who showed me around during my plant trip took me to her apartment. I realized that a nice place like this would be mine next year. Amazing!”

— Lynn Salowe

Burrus Hall stands in the background of the Performing Arts Building, where two students wait for their next class.
Holborow, Jeanne
Management
Holland, Scott D.
Aerospace Engineering
Holliday, Kathryn Jean
Hotel/Rest/Inst. Management

Holmes, Michelle
Communications
Holton, Lili
Marketing
Hopper, J.E. Hill
Biochemistry

Holmes, Beth
Biology
Hosmer, Betty T.
Political Science
Houseknecht, Karen L.
Animal Science/Dairy Science

Houston, Daniel C.
Accounting
Hudgins, Hazel E.
Clothing/Textiles
Hudson, Craven
Forestry

Hudson, James F. Jr.
Mechanical Engineering
Hudson, Michael D.
Agriculture Economics
Hufman, Mark
Civil Engineering

Seniors 379
Hull, Nicole Karol
English/Communications

Humeniuk, Jeanne
Electrical Engineering

Hundley, Bruce A. Jr.
Electrical Engineering

Hundley, Jane Lee
Finance

Hunt, Cynthia Anne
Management

Hunt, Richard K.
Electrical Engineering

Hunter, Monica Y.
Electrical Engineering

Hutchinson, Mark
Agriculture Economics

Hutton, Robert E.
Accounting

Hyatt, Kenneth J.
Aerospace Engineering

Hyland, Kathy
Biochemistry

Hylton, A. Regan
Marketing Management

Hytry, Tom
Management Science

Ibarra, Pearl Marie
Economics

Ikenberry, Steve
Civil Engineering
Inccoden, Jill
Izzo, Donna Marie
Electrical Engineering
Jackson, Douglas W.
Building Construction

Jacocks, Milton Leconte
Aerospace Engineering
James, Mary-Elizabeth
Spanish Education
James, Thomas J.
Communications/Political Science

Jamison, Alan
Electrical Engineering
Jarrett, Heather
Marketing
Jeffries, Derek A.
Architecture

Jeweler, James Michael
Psychology
Joe, Stanley Ken
Industrial Engineering
Johnson, Arthur K.
Industrial Arts Education

Johnson, David A.
Engineering
Johnson, Deborah
Architecture
Johnson, Karen
Education Mathematics

Seniors 381
Johnson, Rebekah Robin
Psychology/Child Development
Johnson, Richard A.
Electrical Engineering
Johnson, Virginia M.
Finance

Johnston, Suzanne
Biology
Jolin, Jo Ann
Architecture
Jones, Angela B.
Finance

Jones, Angela L.
Interior Design
Jones, Carmen M.
Elementary Education
Jones, Cynthia Ann
Political Science

Jones, Denise Lynn
Geology
Jones, Timothy P.
Industrial Engineering
Jones, William A.
Electrical Engineering

Jordan, Patricia
Communications/Psychology
Joseph, Anne-Marie
Civil Engineering
Joy, Gwendolyn R.
Hotel Rest./Inst. Management
Suzanne Krause

Ithough she still worried about homework, reports, and final exams, Suzanne Krause had responsibilities unusual to most students. While learning her own lessons, Suzanne was the teacher for a class of fourth graders. As a student teacher, she determined the lesson plans and instructed a class at Critzer School in Pulaski County. "I love kids," said Suzanne, "I looked into a couple other majors when I came to school, but teaching is the only thing I could be happy with."

In addition to teaching, Suzanne was the secretary of the Student Education Association (SEA). Through SEA, Suzanne got involved with Camp Jaycees as well as the Special Olympics. "Working with the handicapped kids at both activities is really rewarding. Not many people are willing to help them. The kids get so excited — it's great to watch their successes."

Suzanne also participated through the SEA with "Story Time" at the Montgomery County Library. After graduation, she hoped to teach second or third grade. "Someday I'd love to work for the government and teach in American schools in Germany. So long as I get to work with kids, I'll be happy."

— Annabell Villegas
Kelly, Kathleen Anne  
Education  
Kemp, Catherine L.  
Accounting  
Kemp, Russell S.  
Engineering  
Science/Mechanics  

Kennedy, John D.  
Mechanical Engineering  
Kephart, Julie A.  
Architecture  
Kersey, Debra M.  
Marketing  

Keys, Gary S. II  
Aerospace Engineering  
Keys, Michael David  
Management  
Keyser, Anita Lynne  
Communications  

Khonsary, Yasmine  
International Studies  
Kim, Dave  
Industrial Engineering  
Kim, Jeong Tae  
Political Science  

King, Gloria Kaye  
Architecture  
King, Joseph M.  
Management Science  
King, Laura K.  
Biology  

384 People
King, Melissa Joan
Political Science

Kinn, Dorothy M.
Computer Science

Kipps, Janey
Day Care Administration

Kirby, Phillip Jerome Jr.
Accounting

Kirkland, Kathy Jo
Political Science

Kistler, Per E.
Electrical Engineering

Kitchen, Robin L.
Accounting

Kith, Sokhom
Electrical Engineering

Klosky, Stephen M.
Finance

Knapp, Gretchen Ann
Chemical Engineering

Knauth, Kevin S.
Forestry/Wildlife

Knight, Karen L.
Home Economics Education

Knowles, Greg
Electrical Engineering

Knudson, M. Lance
Business Management

Koball, Mary-Margaret
Math Education

Seniors 385
Kolc, Debra A.
Electrical Engineering

Korlko, Kerry A.
Mechanical Engineering

Koumas, Haria
Biochemistry

Koury, David A.
Accounting

Kowalski, Sandra
Industrial Engineering

Kraehenbeuhl, David M.
Chemical Engineering

Kraus, Lawrence J.
Electrical Engineering

Krause, Merrielle
Electrical Engineering

Krause, Suzanne M.
Elementary Education

Krebs, David H. Jr.
Architecture

Kreuser, Marc E.
History

Kronlage, Lynne
Finance

Krumniede, Linda
Chemical Engineering

Kubic, Christopher M.
Electrical Engineering

Kubik, Steven
Communications
The Elusive Credit

Trying to determine how many classes to take each quarter was in part a function of departmental and university requirements, but managing free electives was the student's responsibility.

Concern about keeping the number of hours straight and correct was probably of greatest concern to a graduating senior.

Fear of the elusive credit slipping by loomed in the back of the minds of all those waiting receipt of their graduation analysis.

Seniors graduating in June were encouraged to fill out an application for the degree in fall quarter to avoid just such an occurrence during spring quarter.

When the analysis came back, seniors could review them with their advisers to check for any discrepancies in the university's and student's calculations.

Lynn Salowe, a mechanical engineering major, tried to avoid this fear through careful planning, but it still came.

"Every couple of quarters I would check what requirements I still needed to fulfill," she explained, "usually I'd figure something wrong and think I'd have to take twenty-three credits the spring quarter of my senior year."

— Nancy Stabler

The first heavy snowfall didn't occur until well into January, but the sun took most away the next week. For the short time it was here, the snow made Tech a winter wonderland.
As a college senior, Dave Yarnall has already had a short medical career. During his junior year of high school, Yarnall joined a rescue squad. "I wanted to see how I would react being around sick people." After coming to Tech, he eagerly began working for the Virginia Tech Rescue Squad after "learning of its excellent training program and opportunities for quick advancement."

Yarnall quickly became an Emergency Medical Cardiac Technician. As an EMT he was authorized to start IV's, administer drugs on physician orders, interpret EKG's, and perform advanced airway techniques. However, he yearned to do more for the squad. In 1984, Yarnall became Training Lieutenant and in 1985 earned the office of President. "I had to oversee our $17000 budget and work a lot with university officials. I feel that, if nothing else, my experience has been valuable in learning about the administration and financing for the Squad," he said.

Yarnall was also actively involved in all other aspects of college life. He was a German Club member, a Resident Adviser in Barringer for two years, president of the Biology Club, member of the Student Health Advisory Committee, and a member of four honorary societies. He also received the honor of being named to "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges."

After five years of intense involvement in rescue squads, Yarnall planned to continue his medical pursuits at the Penn State Medical School.

— Beth Walley
Locke, Francine M.
Biochemistry

Loney, Kevin Michael
Mechanical Engineering

Long, Kevin Michael
Civil Engineering

Long, Monica
Apparel Design

Long, Philip
Mechanical Engineering

Long, Thomas Payne
Landscape Architecture

Longmire, Yadon
Industrial Engineering

Lopez-Silvero, Al
Microbiology

Lovelace, Teresa A.
Animal Science/Biology

Lucas, Mark S.
Marketing

Ludgiczak, Amy
Communications

Lukens, Beth Anne
Management Science

Luper, Charlie
Accounting

Luther, Susan
Finance

Lutz, Teresa K.
Home Economics Education

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Truda Gestwick

Truda Gestwick did not have a car, but she always had somewhere she had to go and always managed to get there. "There are only twenty-four hours in a day and sometimes I wish there were just two more so I could accomplish everything."

She was involved with the Muscular Dystrophy Association Super Dance, the Panhellenic Council, and an active member in Zeta Tau Alpha.

Gestwick also found time to be a little sister for Theta Chi. "The sorority (ZTA) launched me into activities," Truda said. She pledged when she was a freshman and was publicity chairman her junior year and membership chairman her senior year.

"I always got one-hundred percent support from the chapter whenever I did anything," she said.

Gestwick received the most satisfaction from her work with the MDA Superdance. "Twenty-four hours of fun is a measly price to pay to help kids with muscular dystrophy."

She danced her freshman year, was on the student involvement committee her sophomore year, the registration committee her junior year, and was publicity chairman her senior year.

"Organizing the superdance was fun and the people I worked with were really great. I feel like I really helped the cause."

Gestwick hoped to find a job as a project engineer for a construction or consulting firm and eventually hoped to get a Master of Business Administration.

— Beverly Pierce
o say Martin Roche was out of the ordinary was the least to say about this Urban Affairs major.

A brother of Zeta Psi since his freshman year, he was Rush Chairman in 1984, Social Chairman in half of 1984 and half of 1985, Acting Treasurer summer quarters in 1985, Secretary in 1985, and President in 1986.

But don’t let those offices fool you, Martin was anything but the “typical” fraternity man.

In his sophomore year, Martin got involved with WUVT, the student radio station, as a disc jockey on the AM station. In an unusually short time, three weeks, he was moved up to FM, where he had his own show.

During the first half of 1985 he served as AM Program Director and as FM Program Director the last half. In 1986 Martin became the General Manager, the highest position of WUVT.

From this involvement, he became active in university governance, serving on two committees, Omicron Delta Kappa Roundtable, and the media board.

Martin explained these contrasts in interests was largely “to do with that myself and Zeta Psi weren’t the stereotyped Greek image.” Simply, as he put it, he didn’t let himself fall into the closed minded attitudes prevalent in both organizations. Martin saw both as a chance to further himself and a chance to help them.

For Zeta Psi, Martin worked to rebuild and alter the internal structure to make it run more efficiently and to make it work better in the Greek community.

For WUVT Martin legitimized it in the university community and established financial stability not seen in the last year.

Martin credited his ability and dedication to these words: “Never take yourself or the institution too seriously.” — Kasey A. Miller
McCabe, Kimberly A.
Mathematics Education
McCann, Julia
Management
McCartney, Kelly A.
Liberal Arts/Science

McClenahan, Meg
Fashion Merchandising
McCullough, Joyce Kathleen
Accounting
McCue, Krista L.
Clothing/Textiles

McClanahan, A.
Uberal Arts/Science
McClure, Joyce Kathleen
Accounting
McCullough, B. Curtis
Civil Engineering
McDonald, John Alexander
Management Science
McDonald, Michaela C.
Animal Science

McGuire, Betty Jo
Accounting
McKinley, Bruce
Electrical Engineering
McLean, Andrew L.
Agriculture Economics

McLendon, Jo Anne
Family/Child Development
McNabb, Tracy L.
Political Science
McPartland, Marcia
Civil Engineering

Seniors 395
Miller, Gaynell G.
Accounting

Miller, Joseph L.
Chemistry

Miller, Keith
Economics

Miller, Maria
Management

Miller, Randy
Accounting

Miller, Sara E.
Accounting

Misra, Bhaba R.
Computer Science

Mitchell, Jeffery K.
Accounting

Mitchell, Suzanne Lee
Family/Child Development

Mize, Karl Edward
Mechanical Engineering

Moessner, Phillip M.
Civil Engineering

Mongold, Gregg
Electrical Engineering

Montague, Sharon L.
Elementary Education

Montgomery, Elizabeth
Consumer Studies

Montgomery, Michael Derek
Liberal Arts

Seniors 397
Morgan, Wendell Alan
Mechanical Engineering

Morris, Maria
Mechanical Engineering

Morse, Jeffrey E.
Business Management

Morse, Jeffrey E.
Business Management

Moss, Jeffrey A.
Civil Engineering

Moss, Jeffrey A.
Civil Engineering

Mountford, C. Forrist
Electrical Engineering

Moxley, Gary L.
Computer Science

Mueller, Janice Maria
Chemical Engineering

Muessig, Scott K.
Political Science

Mullen, Hillary
Sociology

Mullins, Karen H.
Management Science
Charles Tarlton

Charles Tarlton started his involvement in the Black Student Alliance (BSA) during his freshman year in 1983. In 1984, he continued his membership with the BSA. In that year a friend persuaded him to run for the class presidency and he won during his sophomore year. It was a term that would last through 1986.

In addition to planning class ring designs and Ring Dance, two momentous events in their own right, Charles sat on many committees, including University Council, during his two-year reign within the university governance system.

Although he admitted that Tech can be a little backwards and to conservative at times, Charles still enjoyed the university because “All of my ties are here — my friends, my good times — and here they will stay.”

Charles conceded that Tech did drive him crazy sometimes, but he explained he handled it by “being a rebel. The bad days happened and you just had to learn to deal with them and not be afraid to admit something was wrong.”

After a successful Ring Dance and graduation not too far in the future, Charles believed that his position was definitely worth it, and added: “I didn’t let it turn into a job and not get all the benefits from all of the experiences.”

— Kasey A. Miller
Newberger, James E.
Engineering Science/Mechanics
Newbill, Virginia
Communications
Newcomb, Carl C.
Management Science

Newland, J. Lee
Civil Engineering
Ngan, Yi-Pheng
Electrical Engineering
Nguyen, Phong Hua
Mechanical Engineering
Nguyen, Quoc The
Electrical Engineering
Nichols, William B.
Mechanical Engineering
Nied, Maria
Architecture
Nimershiem, Matthew E.
Mechanical Engineering
Noel, Christopher J.
History
Noel, Jammie Louise
Psychology

Norris, Katherine J.
Political Science
Norris, Linda
Industrial Engineering
Norton Mike
Electrical Engineering
Staying Longer

affectionately referred to as the “five-year plan,” some graduates of the Class of 1986 took a greater number of days to complete their degrees than the traditional four years. With the exception of architecture and co-op students, as entering freshman most had planned to spend only twelve quarters here.

Things do not always go according to plan however, a change of major — or two, and failing a class offered only once a year made it easy for even the most time-conscious student to fall behind.

Extra time here was not necessarily a negative thing. By spending an extra year students were able to alleviate academic pressures by taking lighter loads, and discovering new people and organizations that otherwise would have gone unnoticed.

Anne Firesheets, an industrial engineering and operations research major, entered Tech six years ago and spent almost four in mechanical engineering before switching majors. She was challenged to make new friends and adjust to watching others graduate before her. She found motivation to continue particularly difficult after her fifth summer, but aside from feeling older she said she did not regret her decision. She said, “At graduation I’ll have the satisfaction of knowing that I did it! After so long and so many trials — I’ll have made it.”

— Nancy Stabler

Construction workers put the finishing touches on Whittemore Hall, completed in late October.

Seniors 401
O'Hanlan, Linda
Dietetics

Ohlsen, Elizabeth
Tracy
Elementary Education

O'Malley, Kenneth
John
Aerospace Engineering

O'Neill, Brian
Civil Engineering

O'Neill, Shirley
Elementary Education

O'Neill, Michael D.
Electrical Engineering

Opdyke, Carol Ann
Elementary Education

Ortega, Eduardo
Political Science

Ortlieb, Sharon Ann
Marketing / Sociology

Oshel, Glenn Richard
Mechanical Engineering

Ostrowski, Joseph C.
Mechanical Engineering

Oswalt, Jeffrey A.
Management

Otto, Charles J.
Animal Science

Oubari, Hesham D.
Engineering Science and mechanics

Ousley, Lori J.
Animal Science

402 People
Overstreet, Mikki
Marketing Education

Ozment, Kimberly L.
Marketing

Pagans, Barry K.
Electrical Engineering

Page, Janet M.
Human Nutrition/Food Chemistry

Pahno, Anna Maria
Political Science

Paige, Vonda L.
Communications

Palatine, Judith D.
Management Science

Palmes, Kathleen
Physical Education

Pandozzi, Marianne N.
Architecture

Paradine, Elizabeth A.
Architecture

Paretti, Marie C.
Chemical Engineering

Park, James R.
Geology

Parker, Cynthia
Housing

Parker, Jeffrey
Finance

Parrish, Deborah
Hidm.-Ext./Education

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senior in chemical engineering, Linda Krumweide has been swimming competitively since she was twelve years old.

Throughout her college career, Krumweide swam for the Tech swim team, during which time she won numerous medals, qualified for NCAA competition, and was presented the Frank Loria Award.

A Pittsburgh native, Krumweide attended Tech because of the reputation of the College of Engineering, the well-balanced swimming program, and the beautiful campus.

Now that her swimming days are over, she planned on becoming a development engineer and later obtain an MBA.

— Jonathan Zakary
Pedersen, Judith
Accounting

Peet, Tracy Rae
Elementary Education

Pelletier, Elise Y.
Elementary Education

Pemberton, Amy
Health Education

Perdue, Sherry R.
Industrial Engineering

Perkins, Chet
Physics/Computer Science

Perrin, Mary Patricia
Mechanical Engineering

Perry, Lynne Marie
Science Education

Pest, Karen A. E.
Physical Education

Peters, Gary R.
Accounting

Peterso, Susan E.
Marketing Education

Peterson, Pamela Lynn
Human Nutrition/Foods

Phan, Vinh T.
Management

Phillips, Steve
Management Science

Phipps, David Lawrence
Computer Science
Pickering, Nancy  
marketing

Popelka, Steven W.  
Electrical Engineering

Poquis, Lisa Marie  
Elementary Education

Porter, Michael R.  
Engineering Science
and Mechanics

Powell, Stephanie  
Rose

Computer Science

Powers, Annie Leavelle  
Biology

Powers, Randy  
Electrical Engineering

Powers, Robert Bruce  
Aerospace Engineering

Pratt, Pauline Margret  
Management Science

Presley, Elizabeth  
Civil Engineering

Price, Kelly  
Dietetics

Pritchett, Julie  
Communications

Puerling, Julie A.  
Electrical Engineering

Pugh, David Allen  
Architecture

Pullen, Phillip D.  
Civil Engineering
Since the beginning of her freshman year, Sara Beiro opted to give much of her time to the newspaper, the Collegiate Times.

Initially a staff writer, then assistant features editor, Beiro devoted over thirty hours a week during the week organizing and designing the editorials section as editorials editor, the position she held her senior year.

At times, Sara was often the victim of criticism, due to the controversial issues covered in her section. But not letting those problems influence her, she remained determined to present all sides of all issues.

A bright and energetic person with a major in finance and an English minor, Beiro was also an ambassador of the Student Alumni Association and a charter member of Kappa Kappa Gamma.

After graduation, Beiro looked forward to a job in banking for a year and then would attend law school.

— Jonathan Zakary
Rauscher, Richard
C.
Theatre Arts

Read, Holly S.
Mechanical Engineering

Reamy, Stephen
Mathematics

Reardon, Maria
Chemistry

Reaves, Gregory
Math

Reckling, Christopher T.
Communications/History

Redd, Sophia
Urban Affairs

Redder, Timothy D.
Political Science

Redecki, Jeanne
Management Science

Reed, David A.
Political Science

Reguero, Julia
Family/Child Development

Rehg, James Matthew
Electrical Engineering

Reller, Susan R.
Industrial Engineering

Rentz, Richard Edwin
Biology

Rettew, David A.
Industrial Engineering
Because even the best made plans may go astray, seniors were required to attend a group exit interview. The interviews were conducted by the placement service and attempted to confirm fulfillment of requirements for graduation.

Seniors were checked through the Registrar's office for completion of course requirements. They were encouraged to turn their ID's through the library and gym terminals for any outstanding fines that would hold up receipt of their diplomas.

Details of the graduation ceremonies were discussed and all were reminded to buy their gowns early. Reservations for out of town guests were impossible to get in town after September, so those who forgot this detail were advised to look in Roanoke.

Next, when seniors assumed they had filled out their last opscans they were given a questionnaire pertaining to their job search efforts and future plans. A brief introduction to the services offered by the placement office followed. Then a bit more relieved and satisfied that graduation was soon to be a reality they left to complete their college careers.

— Nancy Stabler

Although not completed in time for the fall quarter, the renovation of Burrus Hall auditorium was finished in time for the December concert.
diverse and exciting university, Tech offered its students numerous activities and organizations in which to become involved.

Over the last several years Jeff Mitchell has done exactly that.

A vibrant, industrious person, Mitchell was an ambassador for the Student Alumni Association and a brother of Sigma Chi, where he was secretary for two years.

He was also devoted to the Residence Hall Federation (RHF). Initially chairman and eventually president, Mitchell was instrumental in obtaining much needed and desired changes such as on-campus coed housing.

In addition to these responsibilities, Mitchell sat on the Board of Directors of the athletic association and was in charge of coordinating the state Sigma Chi conference.

Although majoring in accounting, Mitchell was always interested and active in politics and planned to be a Governor's Fellow during the summer after graduation.

When that was completed, he hoped to continue in politics and attend law school.

— Jonathan Zakary
Rowan, Cynthia Ann
Elementary Education
Rowell, Debra
Communications
Royse, J. Andrew Jr.
Civil Engineering

Ruleman, Robin N.
Aerospace Engineering
Rusinak, Richard J.
Architecture
Rusnak, Christine
Management/Marketing

Russell, Elaine
Clothing Textiles
Russell, Kay Ann
Industrial Engineering
Rutledge, Michael
Computer Science

Ryan, Peter Michael
Chemistry
Ryan, Stephen Joseph
Electrical Engineering
Ryan, Thomas W.
Mechanical Engineering

Safritt, Stephen M.
Civil Engineering
Sakell, Evelyn
Marketing
Salowe, Lynn M.
Mechanical Engineering
Sanders, Kathryn  
Computer Science
Sandquist, Clark E.  
Industrial Engineering
Sandstedt, Lauren H.  
Biology

Saric, Bill  
Education Major
Sarkady, Kenneth A.  
Electrical Engineering
Saunders, Robert E.  
Agricultural Engineering

Savage, Robyn Julie  
Electrical Engineering
Scanlon, Michael F.  
Engineering Science and Mechanics
Scheller, Lori Ann  
Mathematics

Scheraldi, Susan F.  
Mathematics
Schliemann, Ute G.  
Finance
Schmidt, Gretchen L.  
Political Science

Schnider, Cheryl A.  
Clothing/Textiles/Fashion
Schooley, Michael William  
Civil Engineering
Schroeder, Anris  
Finance

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felt the need to get involved," said Nancy Stabler, a senior in clothing and textiles, from Wilmington, Delaware.

Get involved she did; she began four years ago as an out of state student not knowing anyone. After becoming a charter member of Kappa Alpha Theta, she became interested in taking more communications and English courses. Stabler also turned some of this energy to writing for the Bugle, first in the academics section and then as copy editor.

"Writing for the academics section was fascinating because even as a sophomore I was interviewing college deans and other university officials and getting a first-hand look at what was going on in Burrus," she explained.

Also as a sophomore, Stabler won an internship as an aide to a United States Senator for the following summer.

It gave her the opportunity to meet and talk with people in all branches of the government, as well as "get a view of leadership on a grand scale."

After her junior year, she worked for Du Pont in the Marketing Communications Department. She said she appreciated the technical writing experience it gave her and enjoyed working in public relations.

Stabler was most excited about her involvement with the Student Alumni Association (SAA).

"It was fascinating to talk to people who have been through the university and have seen it change; it gives you a sense of history."

As a senior, Stabler chaired the annual SAA Phone-a-Thon that raised over $100,000 for the university. She said "it felt good to give something back to a school that has given me so much."

— S. Lynn Browder
Senchal, Julianne
Horticulture

Senger, Brenda K.
Recreation

Sensabaugh, Ella May
Elementary Education

Sessoms, Rachel Montague
English/Political Science

Severud, Esther
History

Sexton, Donnie O.
Building Construction

Sexton, Ronald O.
Architecture

Shanks, Linda Anne
Finance

Sharp, Carolyn Sue
Computer Science

Shea, Maryann
Economics/Spanish

Shearer, Kathleen R.
Management Science

Sheppard, Barbie
Biology

Sherzey, Susan P.
Geography

Shim, Hyun-Young
Statistics

Shinpaugh, Kevin A.
Aerospace Engineering

Seniors 415
Shipley, Janet L.
Electrical Engineering

Shockey, Deneeh
Finance

Shortt, Vicki Dee
Human Resources

Showalter, Buddy
Agricultural Engineering

Shumaker, Gregory L.
Mechanical Engineering

Shupe, Marcia
Communications

Simmons, Kenneth
Landscape Architecture

Simon, Anthony
Management Science

Singh, Nav
Architecture

Sirota, Stuart M.
Geography

Skomorucha, Jean
Chemical Engineering

Slade, Michael
Aerospace Engineering

Slagle, James Hugh
Computer Science

Slayton, Sheila R.
Human Nutrition Foods

Sleeper, Mark
Electrical Engineering
The word alumni conjured up visions of Golden Hokies having a good time at football games or reminiscent graduates donating money. But, in actuality there were over 90,000 Tech alumni worldwide as diverse as the university itself.

For the graduating senior alumni status was something anxiously anticipated if not fully understood. During exit interviews seniors were asked for their permanent addresses and any organizations they were affiliated with. This information was used so that they could receive copies of the alumni association's magazine, The Techgram, and so they could be contacted for future reunions.

Dr. Buddy Russell, Executive Vice President of the alumni association, emphasized the alumni association's new emphasis on involving young alumni. A credit program was established to help graduating seniors receive credit cards. He stated, "the alumni association supports the university as a whole, we are a service organization." The Class of 1986 alumni can look forward to a lifetime association with the university and commitment to Tech.

— Nancy Stabler
Smith, Mary Beth  
Accounting

Smith, Michele  
Management Science

Smith, Stephen C.  
Mathematics

Smith, Troy A.  
Finance

Smith, Wanda T.  
Computer Science

Smith, Wenn  
Accounting

Snead, Jerry M.  
Civil Engineering

Snider, Susan E.  
Animal Science

Soares, Earlos Eduardo  
Aerospace Engineering

Sofet, Merrie  
Civil Engineering

Soler, Joseph Anthony  
Mechanical Engineering

Soriano, James  
Electrical Engineering

Sorrells, Tamyra  
Management Science/Marketing

Southerly, Cynthia Sue  
Fashion Merchandising

Spangler, Davie  
Electrical Engineering
Interest Without the Pressure of Grades

They were there, hidden among the listings in the timetable and just ready to be picked by the graduating senior — courses to fulfill free electives. Free electives were not specifically required to complete one's degree but were chosen merely to improve one's mind or to give it a break.

Seniors preoccupied with graduation and having a minimum QCA of 2.5 had the opportunity to take their free electives P/F. Popular options included classes in marriage, human sexuality, glass blowing, German art songs, household appliances and golf.

Beside the chance to explore a subject of interest without the pressure of QCA damage free electives gave a senior a chance to relax and enjoy a different aspect of Tech.

— Nancy Stabler

Courtney Williams enjoys the fall foliage more than the Homecoming Parade in Blacksburg.
Stroup, Heidi K.
Marketing/Management
Stuby, Richard G. Jr.
Electrical Engineering
Subrato, Deb
Microbiology/Biochemistry

Sullivan, Carmen Vanessa
Management/Business
Sullivan, Dan
Finance
Summerson, Graham H.
Civil Engineering

Susan, Leslie
Business Education
Sutliff, William
Civil Engineering
Sutter, Denise Lynn
Hotel/Rest./Inst. Management

Sweeny, Carmel G.
Psychology
Sweers, Julie B.
Accounting
Swift, Jeffrey M.
Electrical Engineering

Sykes, Angela
Animal Science
Symons, Jan M.
Communications
Tarlton, Charles W.
Industrial Engineering
Taylor, Brett S.
Sociology
Taylor, Deborah Anne
Art
Taylor, Eric A.
Political Science

Taylor, Scott M.
Chemical Engineering
Terhune, Amy J.
Marketing
Thacker, William A. Jr.
Civil Engineering

Thayer, Steven T.
Mechanical Engineering
Thomas, Kenneth P.
Chemical Engineering
Thomas, Sylvia E.
Interior Design

Thompson, Kristin A.
Mechanical Engineering
Thompson, Wanda Y.
Finance
Thorn, Daniel A.
Mechanical Engineering

Thornton, Walter Preston
Animal Science
Thrasher, Randolph Lee
Building Construction
Thraves, Tricia
English
y being a non-scholarship Army ROTC cadet, Shelia Byerly exemplified a trait not seen at Tech every day; she was unique. Signing up to be a cadet in August before her freshman year, Shelia admitted it was a late minute decision; but it was one of her last. In her sophomore year, Shelia ran for Cadet Member-at-Large for the class of 1986. This eventually led to her involvement in the Ring Design Committee, the Ring Dance Committee, The Student Constitutional Affairs Board, and the Commission on Student Affairs.

Shelia was in the Bravo Campany in the corps. This company had other members involved in non-military activities which encouraged such participation from her. Shelia visited Tech before applying and fell in love with the area, the campus, and the people. But from her varied groups and duties, she came to "appreciate Tech a lot more, and I'm glad I came here."

— Kasey A. Miller
Trainor, Gerald
Electrical Engineering

Tram, Tran Ngoc
Industrial Engineering

Trebour, James G.
Marketing

Trebel, James Frederick
Materials Engineering

Trimble, Kent D.
Civil Engineering

Trischman, Charles Steven
Mechanical Engineering

Tucker, Andrew
Political Science

Tucker, Diane V.
Civil Engineering

Tucker, Michael R.
Civil Engineering

Tum Suden, Carl J.
Civil Engineering

Turner, Heather A.
Industrial Engineering

Turner, Robert S.
Management Science

Turner, Vanessa
Computer Science

Tymann, John T. Jr.
Electrical Engineering

Urban, Alan C.
Animal Science
Urban, Michele M.
Mechanical Engineering

Varela, Victor D.
Computer Science

Vaughn, Victor G.
Electrical Engineering

Vaught, Donna Rae
Psychology

Venverloh, Jeffrey J.
Electrical Engr.

Vernon, Diane
Art

Vick, Marjorie Aileen
Political Science

Vinson, Jamyce Kenova
Accounting

Vochinsky, Lynn A.
Chemical Engineering

Von Schmidt-Pauli, Karl
Biology

Wagner, David S.
Social Studies Education

Wagner, Jeff
Agricultural Economics

Walbeck, Patricia S.
Family/Child Development.

Walker, David W.
Geology

Walker, Suzanne
Marketing
Walter, Karen L.
Forestry/Wildlife

Walther, Mark
Finance

Wang, Ming J.
Civil Engineering

Warren, Joseph O.
Mathematics

Wasel, John Robert
Mechanical Engineering

Washington, Marvin
Political Science

Watkins, Karen Lee
Community Health

Watson, Charles L.
Biology

Watson, David B.
Aerospace Engineering

Watson, Melody L.
Art Education

Watts, Dixie Leigh
Agricultural Economics

Weaver, Don
Civil Engineering

Weaver, Julie
Elementary Education

Webb, Tracy Renee
Industrial Engineering

Webb, C. Lynn
Interior Design
n his freshman year, Tim Nix tried out for Tech's cheerleading squad "just for the heck of it."

Ever since then he has been leading the Hokie fans in cheering on Tech's athletic teams.

He found cheerleading to be both a challenge and lots of fun as the cheerleaders participated in Metro Conference and national cheerleading competitions.

On top of lifting weights three times a week and devoting five hours a week for practice, Nix has been an ambassador for the Student Alumni Association for the past three years and has a double major in international studies and French.

Nix's post graduation plans were to land a job in the Foreign Service or the Import/Export Departments of the government.

Nix also wanted to eventually get a masters degree.

— Jonathan Zakary
While others were busy planning what to do Saturday night, Pat Weddle, a senior in clothing and textiles, was busy planning her wedding to Karl Rony, a senior in chemical engineering. The two set the date for a week after her graduation and the planning preoccupied much of her Senior year.

Invitations had to be addressed, fittings attended to and tuxedos and flowers ordered, but more than that it meant committing to another person and altering one's plans to compensate for theirs.

While many graduating seniors faced uncertainty as to where they were going and how they were going to get there, those who were engaged at least knew with whom they would share these decisions.

Finding time to spend together and budgeting money were concerns for couples preparing for the future. Weddle also commented that preoccupation with wedding plans was something she tried to avoid even though it was difficult.

"I've been concerned with scheduling my time to allow for studying, work and Karl, but it's easy to start thinking about our wedding and honeymoon plans when I need to concentrate on other things."

Planning a wedding was a good excuse to daydream, but the future for most was not complete without graduation. So far engaged seniors, academic requirements and career planning had their place with romance.

— Nancy Stabler
Wiles, Steven J.
Forestry

Wilkerson, Donald N.
Industrial Engineering

Willey, Carla Rae
Business Education

Williams, Alan F.
Political Science

Williams, Andre Scott
Civil Engineering

Williams, Lynne M.
Finance

Wilson, David
Electrical Engineering

Wilson, Jennifer Mairi
Chemistry

Wilson, Rachele L.
Political Science

Wilson, Suzanne
Chemistry

Wilt, Stephen H.
Architecture

Wince, Beth
Math/Computer Science

Wingo, Sheryl Ann
Marketing Management

Winkel, Paul Patton
Psychology/Art

Winn, Tiffany
History
Wood, James P.  
Geography

Wood, Kristal  
Management

Wood, Ronald G.  
Mechanical Engineering

Wood, Shunter  
Forestry

Wood, Susan M.  
Accounting

Woodson, Judy D.  
Animal Science

Wooldridge, Lisa D.  
Accounting

Wornom, Susan Marie  
Communications

Woynicz, Richard  
Electrical Engineering

Wright, Amy Lynn  
Computer Science

Wright, Beverly J.  
Marketing Management

Wright, Bobby  
Accounting

Wright, Brenda  
Finance

Wright, Debra L.  
Computer Science

Wright, Howard L. III  
Geology
Once an advisor to Nixon, Allan B. Mandelstamm found himself in a controversy involving his teaching habits. He was required to remain silent while a committee investigated the charge of use of sexist comments in the classroom.
Young, Catherine
Dawn
Management Science

Young, Elizabeth A.
Animal Science

Young, Jeffrey L.
Chemical Engineering

Young, Todd
William
Electrical Engineering

Zaccaria, Michael A.
Mechanical Engineering

Zadnik, Rudy
Mechanical Engineering
Greg Greer

Once boring night in
February, this author had an animated discus­
sion with Greg Greer at the Ton 80 Club. Greer
was a senior in electrical engineering and
served as News Editor of the Collegiate Times.
Greer gained notariety last spring when he ran
and lost the presidency for the Student Govern­
ment Association. Some excerpts from the
conversation are as follows:

Bugle: Do you know why you're here?
Greer: Because we're drinking buddies. And I
goat I'm somewhat of a notable
person.

Bugle: Screwball?
Greer: Yeah. I hate being on this side of the

Bugle: Well, what have you done that's
noteworthy?
Greer: Losing the SGA presidential election by
137 votes as the radical independent
on the student power ticket.

Bugle: You don't strike me as the radical type.
Greer: Media hype. We had a rational plan and
it would have worked.

Bugle: Do you like controversy?
Greer: Yes, I love for it; but it doesn't have to be
about me. In fact, I would rather it
wasn't.

Bugle: What's our purpose on this planet?
Greer: I don't know. I want to be a sage when I
grow up, but I'm not one yet.

Bugle: No monasteries in Tibet then?
Greer: No.

Bugle: Could you give me a one word impres­
sion on the following?
Greer: I can't believe they're playing this
music.

Bugle: Dr. Lavery
Greer: Friendly

Bugle: SGA
Greer: Joke

Bugle: student media
Greer: ha, ha, ha — Godlike

Bugle: college life
Greer: turmoil

Bugle: beer
Greer: good

Bugle: women
Greer: (Censored)

Bugle: What's your prediction for the future?
Greer: How far?

Bugle: Be sagely.
Greer: "The forecast is for bad craziness." 
Hunter S. Thompson said that. I also
predict that we're going to have another
Guiness. Now drink.

— interview conducted by Ray McKee

Zamarra, Michelle
Management Science
Zampieio, Mario S.
Civil Engineering
Zattiero, Michele M.
Electrical Engineering

Zeich, Tammy
Agricultural Econ.
Zelazny, Lisa Aline
Family/Child Development
Zimnoch, Rosemary
Marketing

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One of The Super-Students

Bob Grenger

Many Tech students continually expressed their desire to get more involved. However, only a handful managed to find the extra time required to successfully balance classes with a heavy schedule of extracurricular activities. Among these "superstudents" was Bob Grenger, a junior in mechanical engineering.

The starting point of Grenger's involvement was pledging Lambda Chi Alpha fraternity in the winter quarter of his freshman year. From there he became involved in the American Society of Mechanical Engineering and the Superdance special events committee which he has served on for the past two years. Grenger was involved in the SCA, was a Senator for the College of Engineering, and also served on the off-campus affairs, credentials and elections, and constitution review committees. On top of all this, Grenger found the time to play intramurals and be a Sigma Kappa sorority big brother.

Although all of these activities were time consuming, Grenger put his all into every one of them. He spent an average of ten hours a week on all activities combined. However, after graduation, Bob Grenger will not be one of those students who regrets never having been involved.

— Lisa Rakestraw
Lisa Diane Bowen, Clover, VA
Ben S. Bowman, Rocky Mount, VA
Cory B. Boyes, Columbia, MD
Monica Boyd, Seaford, VA
Stephanie Brooks, Norfolk, VA
Lynn Browder, Colonial Heights, VA

Charles William Brown, Blacksburg, VA
Kelt S. Brown, Virginia Beach, VA
Dana Browne, Staunton, VA
David Bryan, Alexandria, VA
Leslie Bryan, Ferrum, VA
Anne Bryant, Elk Creek, VA

Heather S. Bulmer, Oakton, VA
Jon Burgess, Williamsburg, VA
Doug Butler, Huddleston, VA
Michael W. Bynum, Manassas, VA
Christopher Campbell, Jacksonville, FL
Lynn T. Campbell, Richmond, VA

Reid Campbell, Arlington, VA
Jerry Canaan, Fairfax, VA
Joanic D. Canada, Appomattox, VA
Elizabeth Canevan, Charlesville, VA
Kelly Cardwell, Greta, VA
Lisa M. Carr, Martinsville, VA

Dawn Chalmers, Manassas, VA
Y.P. Carole Chang, Blacksburg, VA
Kevin L. Chapple, Baltimore, MD
Chet Childress, Mechanicsville, VA
Dwayne Clarke, Richmond, VA
Rob Clements, Richmond, VA
The most common advice given to incoming freshmen by parents, teachers, and graduates alike is to GET INVOLVED. Kevin Carter listened and hasn’t looked back. A junior animal science major, Kevin’s first interest was Alpha Gamma Rho’s social fraternity where brothers strongly encourage campus involvement. “Getting involved in a club or fraternity offers tremendous opportunities for leadership and AGR has given me the confidence to hold offices in other clubs,” said Carter.

A pre-vet student and president of the pre-vet club, Kevin encouraged club members to take advantage of the opportunities provided by an agricultural college that owns its own cattle, swine, and sheep. With the help of Dr. Beale, members spent long hours working with cattle. After four years working with a veterinarian, Kevin knew the value of large animal experience and wanted to give students from non-rural towns the same opportunity. In conjunction with the VA-MD Regional Veterinary College, Kevin took pre-vet students on an in-depth tour of the college’s Phase I and Phase II facilities during fall quarter.

“Being involved doesn’t mean sacrificing academics,” explained Kevin who maintained a 3.84 QCA and applied to vet school as a junior. “I could have applied as a sophomore, but I didn’t want to miss all the parties.”

— Kellee Kasold
Showing a heifer in the Little International Animal Show aided Carter in large animal experience.
Kathleen Garcia, Vienna, VA
Gary Garrison, Blacksburg, VA
Laura Rebecca Garza, Vienna, VA
Chris Gasper, Alexandria, VA
Donna V. Gatlin, Norfolk, VA
Peter K. Geddes, Fairfax, VA

Jennifer Gee, Arlington, VA
Brett Lorne Geisler, Hillsville, VA
Joe Getardi, Virginia Beach, VA
Maria Gilchrist, Reston, VA
June Gillespie, Ft. Washington, MD
Jennifer Glaza, Fairfax, VA

Natalie Goad, Roanoke, VA
James D. Godke, Virginia Beach, VA
Timothy T. Goetz, Christiansburg, VA
Cecilia N. Gonzalez, Portsmouth, VA
David N. Goodwin Jr., Wytheville, VA
Julia A. Gorrell, Parkersburg, WV

Paula Grabowski, Voorhees, NJ
Amy C. Grigg, Fairville, NY
G.G. Grinnell, Lynchburg, VA
Lou Anne Grove, Radford, VA
Timothy K. Guilliams, Roanoke, VA
Mark V. Hackett, Blacksburg, VA

Gail Haggard, Arlington, VA
William Hairston, Danville, VA
Kate Hall, Newport News, VA
Robert Hall, Dumfries, VA
Jennifer Haisl, Blacksburg, VA
Deborah Hammond, Mornstown, NJ

Gerald M. Hampton, Leesburg, VA
Lynn Hawkins, Fairfax, VA
Robert B. Hayes, Lynchburg, VA
Kim Hedge, Vinton, VA
Christa A. Helms, Fairfax, VA
Teresa Heiton, Cedarbluff, VA

Kristi C. Heltzel, Culpepper, VA
Janine S. Henderson, Fredericksburg, VA
Thomas G. Henkler II, Crestwood, MO
Shelly M. Henry, Chester, NJ
David T. Hill, Cumberland, MD
Dawn Hill, Germantown, MD

Cathy S. Hively, Broadway, VA
Elizabeth Hoffman, Alexandria, VA
Gary C. Hoge, Gulf Stream, FL
Bradley W. Holley, Roanoke, VA
Marilyn E. Holloway, Vinton, VA
Julia Homer, Nitro, WV

Adam A. Honeycutt, Lynchburg, VA
William R. Horn, Bealeton, VA
Debbie L. Hudgens, Danville, VA
Winfred P. Hudkins Jr., Clarksville, VA
Sharon E. Hupp, Lyndhurst, VA
Mariam C. Hurley, Christiansburg, VA

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Bob McNelis, a junior statistics major from Maryland, won’t be remembered as being president of an organization, officer in the Student Government Association, honor society member, football star, or fraternity brother. McNelis came to Blacksburg just to be a student.

Like most students, McNelis changed majors more than once, partied too much once in a while, and had all-nighters during exam week. What makes McNelis special is that, unlike students who chose to get involved in campus politics, he opted for a different way to get to know the campus, its people, and its tradition. “There’s so much to do in Blacksburg alone that I’ve never really even considered joining an organization,” said McNelis who prefers a game of golf or a stroll around the duck pond when not in class.

With more than twenty thousand students, it was easy to get lost in the crowd. Not for McNelis, though, who maintained friendships with students in charge of student organizations. For McNelis, “I’ve seen both sides of the coin, the behind the scenes planning that goes on within a structured club and the general members and students like myself that actually make those plans work.” Besides academics, McNelis was a dedicated Hokie fan, spending sleepless nights waiting in line for elusive basketball tickets. “Getting involved in university organizations is important and necessary for some,” explained McNelis, “but people like me help to keep the Hokie spirit alive.”

— Kellee Kasold
Darrell Gilbert Mottley, Hampton, VA
Junius S. Moyler III, Norfolk, VA
Christine Muller, Cincinnati, OH
Brian Murphy
Deborah J. Myers, Fallston, MD
Teresa A. Myers, Culpepper, VA

Jill M. Neebe, Vestal, NY
Erik L. Nelson, Richmond, VA
Gerald Nelson, Richmond, VA
David Nevins, Vienna, VA
Tammy Newkirk, Harrisonburg, VA
J.D. Newman, Richmond, VA

Myra Newman, Dugspur, VA
Doan-Trang Nguyen, Springfield, VA
Marylind O'Neill, Dumfries, VA
Karen Oakley, South Boston, VA
Jim O'Brien, Wayne, NJ
Andrew Oliver, Alexandria, VA

Susan Oliver, Falls Church, VA
Vickie Oliver, Aberdeen, MD
Lisa Orndorff, Westmont, IL
Allen M. Orsini, Burke, VA
Bruce Outland, Reston, VA
Wendy M. Pacheco, Virginia Beach, VA

Michael Page, Richmond, VA
Anita E. Parker, Blacksburg, VA
Laurie Parks, Great Falls, VA
Lisa Parrish, Blacksburg, VA
Mark Paul, Powhatan, VA
Beth H. Peacock, Reston, VA
Varsity Cheer-Leaders

Starkey and Hayes

"Hokie, Hokie, Hokie High

Tech, Tech, VPI"

We all know the words to this familiar cheer that echoes throughout the football and basketball season. But to varsity football cheerleaders, this was more than just a cheer, it was the creed they lived by. Partners Stephanie Starkey and Robert Hayes dedicated a large part of their college life cheering the Hokies to victory. Starkey, a junior in elementary education, was a high school cheerleader and a Tech J.V. cheerleader last year, prior to being on the varsity squad. Hayes was involved in both the pep and letterman’s club in high school. Both Starkey and Hayes agreed that cheerleading was a great way to get involved, although it took a lot of time and dedication. During the football season, the fourteen member squad practiced two days a week and cheered on the weekends. This schedule increased during the basketball season due to two or three games a week in addition to practices. The Varsity Squad entered a choreographed routine in hopes of being one of eighteen finalists that received an all-expense paid trip to San Diego to compete against other squads.

Lisa Rakestraw
John H. Rosquist, Dectaville, VA
Coco Rowland, Vienna, VA
Carrie Rustad, Strongville, OH
Kathryn Saatman, Rhaca, NY
Leonard Sandberg, Galax, VA
Sharon L. Sanderson, Chesapeake, VA

Leigh Saunders, Suffolk, VA
Lorrie Ann Saville, Blacksburg, VA
Joe Schold, Blacksburg, VA
Karl T. Schuetze, Springfield, VA
Sara K. Schuneman, Vienna, VA
Kathryn Page Scott, Farmville, VA

Sonja J. Sehen, Meadows of Dan, VA
Greg Sheffler, Springfield, VA
Debbie E. Shelor, Radford, VA
James A. Shiflet, Hinton, VA
Ronald Shively, Woodbridge, VA
Penny Shomak, Hopewell, VA

Lina A. Sidell, Great Falls, VA
Marianna Sikkar, Falls Church, VA
Ivette Silva, Sterling, VA
Suzanne Smedley, Bedford, VA
Michael L. Smit, Baltimore, MD
David G. Smith, Hampton, VA

Kristi Smith, Elliston, VA
Mark D. Smith, Clifton, VA
Miriam K. Smith, Boykins, VA
Robert D. Smith Jr., Sykesville, MD
Sandi Smith, Falls Church, VA
Terri Smith, Blacksburg, VA
Jim Kyger

On The Air

venture, turn on the lights
This is it, the night of nights
And oh what heights we'll hit
On with the show, this is it"
— Bugs Bunny Show theme song —

"Sometimes you just don't want to be there," admitted Jim Kyger, a recent transfer student from New York Tech, of his early WUVT early morning show. For some, the show took the place of late night dates and partying. When asked about the amount of people listening during his twelve to two Sunday morning shift Jim, with a grin, replied, "You have an audience — people just getting in from parties who are still rowdy and want to hear some upbeat dancing music." Aside from playing dance tracks, Jim, alias Jim Mc"K", included local announcements, sports talks, and song requests, even a variety of childhood theme songs to introduce his weekly program.

Although new to Va Tech, Jim, a junior electrical engineering major, was far from being new to radio. He spent four months during high school as an intern for station WBNB in Fairfax where he learned the duties of program management, news, and engineering systems. Jim admitted that his style was a cross between his brother, a northern Virginia rock deejay, and the ex-Washington, D.C. deejay Howard Stern. Stern was known for his radical statements on the air. Compared to WBNB in Fairfax, Tech's own WUVT was "less professional but a lot more fun."

— Kellee Kasold
The corp's Bugler, Ralph Bradley, closes the evening with Taps on Upper Quad. The corps lived in half of the dorms in that area.
Franklin Lee Adams, W. Redding, CT
Vera Adams, Virginia Beach, VA
Timothy L. Almond, Pamplin, VA
Carolyn E. Anderson, Springfield, VA
Mark S. Anderson, Gretna, VA
Karen Yvette Andrews, Suffolk, VA

Clark S. Andrs, Chester, VA
Michelle Arbogast, Springfield, VA
Andrew M. Annette, Richmond, VA
Joseph V. Arostegui, Vienna, VA
Melinda P. Aua, Norfolk, VA
Renna D. Ayers, Abingdon, VA

Ann Lee Bailey, Manassas, VA
Jana Bailey, Amherst, VA
Todd Bailey, Harrisonburg, VA
Aubrey Alan Baird, Richmond, VA
Leslie Anne Baker, Martinsville, VA
Claudia J. Banner, Welch, WV

Karen C. Bartaszsch, Rochester, NY
Teresa Barton, Roanoke, VA
John Neil Bates, Roanoke, VA
Pete Batra, Falls Church, VA
Roger Baugh, Abingdon, VA
Beth Bauserman, Winchester, VA

Chip Becker, Falls Church, VA
Mark Beddoes, Lorton, VA
Ronald O. Bell Jr, Prince George, VA
Tom Bell, Blacksburg, VA
Jerry Wayne Bennett Jr, Arlington, VA
John Bennett, Springfield, VA

Joel P. Bernard, Alexandria, VA
Deborah Carol Billings, Salem, VA
Mark D. Billips, Tazewell, VA
Lisa Blackburn, Bluefield, WV
Bryan Bly, Winchester, VA
Kelly M. Bolton, Sayreville, NJ

Mark Boone, Roanoke, VA
Michelle Boucher, Sterling, VA
Rhoda D. Bouma, Kensington, MD
Rodney Dale Bowersox, Waynesboro, VA
Sharon M. Boyles, Alexandria, VA
Bennie Bracken, Newport News, VA

Sharon Lynn Bracken, Norfolk, VA
Amita L. Bragg, Jumping Branch, WV
Jim Bridgeman, Wheaton, MD
Jeffrey T. Bridges, Winchester, VA
Blair H. Brinkley, Chatham, VA
Debbie Brindle, Ellicott City, MD

Gary S. Brooks, Roanoke, VA
Stephanie C. Brown, Fairfax, VA
Kenn Brumback, Fredericksburg, VA
Dan Bryan, Stafford, VA
Hedi Bulmer, Oakton, VA
Steve Bundick
Kimble Reynolds

The Class of 1988 elected Kit Reynolds, a management science major, as class president in an unusually strong voter turnout. Reynolds had been campaigning since his freshman year for the office. President was not a new title to Reynolds who held the office of president for the Black Student Alliance and in high school was president of both his junior class and the Student Government Association.

After the rigors of campaigning, “things just seemed to take off” for Reynolds, who, along with fellow class officers, set class dues and formed committees responsible for ring design, ring premiere, and class issues.

For Reynolds, “the hardest part of being president was disappointing friends and supporters who were not appointed to expected committees.” Encouraged by the class enthusiasm apparent in the larger voter turnout and strong support, Reynolds started a precedent by holding open forums every other month so that members of the Class of 1988 might voice opinions concerning university policy. As for Reynolds, who split his time and energy between his two presidencies, being president of the class of 1988 was a “commitment that I chose and I must perform to fulfill all expectations.”

— Kellee Kasold
Bethany Andrews

Becoming the Promotions Director of WQVT radio station as a sophomore was no small feat, but that was exactly what Bethany Andrews did. When asked what got her there with no previous experience, she responded with one word—"persistence." "The alternative music is what brought me here, but the people are what keep me here."

Bethany’s duties involved publicizing all events sponsored by WQVT, giving away albums, working with promoters to bring bands to Tech, and working with the Business Manager on finances. Her previous work with WQVT included DJ’ing at the Marriott and having her own FM program in which she was FCC certified. When asked what she wanted for the future of WQVT, Bethany had two wishes. First, she wished they had more money to bring bigger name bands here. Secondly, she wanted students to be more open-minded about the station.

— Laurie Wilson

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SUzarine Regentin, Alexandria, VA
Lisa M. Reich, Bluefield, VA
Mary Catherine Reid, Winchester, VA
David Revels, Chesterfield, VA
Sara L. Reynolds, Troutville, VA
Holly Rhode, Richmond, VA
Michael Richards, Amelia, VA
Anita Riggelman, Mt. Crawford, VA
Tanara L. Rinkly, Blacksburg, VA
Carrie A. Rivera, Brick, NJ
Cynthia G. Roach, Arlington, VA
Clay Roberts, Mc Kenney, VA

Lisa M. Roberts, Lynchburg, VA
John P. Robinette, Richmond, NJ
Melissa Yvonne Robinson, Castlewood, VA
Mary Sam Rogers, Richmond, VA
Laurie Anne Rose, Bryans Road, MD
Amy Rosenbluth, Manassas, VA

Judith Rudzieski, Sterling, VA
David A. Russillo, Garrisonville, VA
Sean A. Ryan, Burke, VA
Patricia Salter, Glasgow, KY
Sergio A. Sanchez, Manassas Park, VA
Linda Sandvig, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Deborah L. Sarvey, Richmond, VA
Melody Satterfield, Warrenton, VA
Donna Saunders, Cathersburg, MD
Shari Savage, Virginia Beach, VA
William B. Schmidt, Lynchburg, VA
Katherine A. Schmitt, Laurel, MD

Jean M. Schneider, Va. Beach, VA
Laura Schweitzer, Burke, VA
David A. Scott, Westerville, OH
Walter Seaberg
Walter F. Seaberg III, Falls Church, VA
David C. Seaver, Annandale, VA

Steven P. Sedlmeyer, Manassas, VA
Cordell L. Serobaugh, Rockbridge Baths, VA
Stephanie Shareck, Richmond, VA
Lisa A. Sheffield, Burke, VA
Scott T. Sherron, Falls Church, VA
Pam Shirah, Richmond, VA

Jane C. Shively, Troutville, VA
Rosemary L. Shores, Roanoke, VA
Martha M. Short, Clintwood, VA
Henry E. Shugart, Winston-Salem, NC
Catherine Ann Silberberg, McLean, VA
Catherine L. Simmons, Hampton, VA

Steven Sims, Oakton, VA
Sandy Sisk, Arlington, VA
Jeffrey Allan Sitzlar, Manassas, VA
Miriam F. Sizemore, Richmond, VA
Kevin B. Smith, Waynesboro, VA
Wendy Sue Smith, Lancaster, PA
Gary Brett Snyder, Woodbridge, VA
Paul E. Sobolewski, Riverton, VA
Janet Soong, Vienna, VA

Dawn M. Soriano, Alexandria, VA
Massoura Spady, Battery Park, VA
Tracy Spatig, Hopewell, VA

Kelley Spence, Knoxville, TN
Gregory A. Spickard, Fincastle, VA
Peggy Spitzform, Manassas, VA

Jody Spoenlein, Cherry Hill, NJ
Katherine Staggs, Great Falls, VA
Tamara D. Stephens, Alex, VA

Tracey Stickley, Strasburg, VA
A.J. Stone III, Lewisburg, WV
Angela Stouffer, Manassas, VA

Kurt D. Stricker, Crafton, MD
Stephanne Strickler, Harrisonburg, VA
Jeff Stuart, Galax, VA

Dorothy Sullivan, Rockville, MD
Robby Swain, Newport News, VA
Elaine Sykes, Big Stone Gap, VA

Michael K. Sykes, Woodbridge, VA
Karen L. Taylor, Alexandria, VA
Michael S. Taylor, Broadford, VA

Bill Tempelman, Clinton Corners, NY
Natalie L. Temple, Warrenton, VA
Sharon Thomas, Mowis Plains, NJ

"You get satisfaction in the finished product knowing that you were part of it." That was the reason why sophomore Kathy Durgin belonged to University Choir. Durgin always enjoyed music and singing and participated in her high school choir. This was her first year in Tech's choir because it involved an average of six hours a week in practice alone.

The choir performed quarterly and made an annual recording. The special quality that set it apart from the other music groups at Tech was the inclusion of serious music in its concerts. "The style of our music is different and requires a lot of control."

— Laurie Wilson

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ATICO, "Virginia Tech Inspirational Company," underwent a facelift this year starting with a more explicit name, the Spirit Club. Club officers enunciated a two-fold purpose — getting members to attend athletic events and encouraging other students to support Tech's strong athletic program. This year's officers were Eric Arlund, President; Pam Metcalf, Vice-president; Jeanine Burnet, Treasurer; and Jeff Prince, the Membership Chairman responsible for the increased number of spiriters. "Basically, we're just a lot of people who enjoy Tech Sports and like to get together to party a little bit," said Prince.

For five dollars per year, members received pom poms, a hat, reduced bus fares to games, a screenprinted tee-shirt at a discount price, and the chance to watch away games on a wide-screen T.V. with other members. A big advantage was members alternate waiting in lines for game tickets. "For waiting in line an hour, I got tickets for Richmond, Memphis State, and Louisville," added Prince.

Next year, officers plan to recruit members at the fall pep rally for freshmen and make more use of the VTU travel committee for important games such as the Tech vs UVa rivalry.

— Kellee Kasold
HOTSHOTS, Initial Attack Forest Fire Fighting Team, is the name coined for the first men and women who begin the long process of controlling forest fires. Aimee Lattin, sophomore wildlife major, was proud to be one of the first HOTSHOTS. "We're the first crew on the East coast," said Lattin, "and we've received a lot of support so far from eastern states plagued by forest fires each spring and fall." For project leaders assigned the task of recruiting initial members, the most important qualities needed in applicants are high strength, agility, a willingness to work, and incredible stamina necessary for driving holding lines around critical segments of the fire.

Knowledge and training came hand-in-hand for Lattin who, in addition to spending a total of eighty hours learning about power saws, fire equipment, first aid, and fire lines, passed physical requirements including an eleven minute mile and a half run, twenty-five push ups, and forty-five set ups, all necessary in attaining the physical toughness which might mean survival during an actual fire. "The training is something I'll always have and, of course, it's great to be in shape," said Lattin of her new endurance.

Although this special program was not a glamorous one, the individual sacrifices alone of crew members insured both the safety and surroundings of the eastern communities.

— Kellee Kasold
Decisions

For most freshmen, the decision to attend college was not an easy one. Financial restraints, lengthy applications, and difficult standardized tests were just some of the obstacles facing incoming members of the Class of 1989.

Asked why they chose to attend Tech, most students gave some surprising replies. "I thought I wanted to go to veterinary school and this is the only campus in Virginia with that doctorate program," said Susan Astin, a freshman biochemistry major. Her roommate Lisa Barcomb simply "didn't know where to go." Barcomb, a native of North Carolina "wanted to be different because everyone at home went to (N.C.) State." Other students chose Tech for its attractive campus, low tuition costs, and excellent academic programs. After the decisions were made and the dorms started filling with new occupants, the students realized they had made the right choice — or at least a popular one.

— Kellee Kasold

Completed renovation of Blacksburg's Main Street area was finished in November. The work included new light posts and benches.
J.S. Brown, Ferrum, VA
Margaret Jordan Brown, Suffolk, VA
Roenna Ruby Brown, Portsmouth, VA
Stephanie Lee Brown, Fredericksburg, VA
Susan C. Bryant, Portsmouth, VA
Kimberly Bryson, Torrance, CA
Frances Ann Burgdorf, Hampton, VA
Joyia L. Burke, Gloucester, VA
Mark Alan Butler, Gaithersburg, MD
Scott Caln, Leesburg, VA
Wendy A. Callanan, Vienna, VA
Monique A. Campana, Warrenton, VA
Lisa Campbell, Falls Church, VA
Karen S. Cannaday, Bassett, VA
Lesley C. Capito, Salem, VA
Christopher Carlton, Hampton, VA
Nancy Carpenter, Akron, OH
Eva Marie Carroll, Meherrin, VA
Royal W. Carson III, Lynchburg, VA
Jane E. Cash, Staunton, VA
Angela L. Casteel, Alexandria, VA
Mark R. Champion, Woodbridge, VA
Michelle Charlton, Radford, VA
Tina M. Chindgren, Reston, VA
Amy Chopko, Medford, NJ
Bobby Christian, Falls Church, VA
Felicia A. Ciesko, Lutherville, MD
Jennifer Cioni, Burke, VA
Palma Clay, Montpelier, VA
Stephen C. Clayton, Troutville, VA

McGovern
Chris Turman

Chris Turman, a freshman physical education major, has been involved in competitive swimming for the past twelve years. Turman had already accumulated many awards and honors before coming to Tech. He won the Senior Champ high point award for Virginia, and he also made the Junior Nationals and National Junior Olympics. U.S. Swimming Championships, YMCA Nationals, and National Sports Festival participant are but a few of his credits. He even holds the current YMCA National record.

Actively recruited by many other colleges, Turman chose Virginia Tech because of the scholastic record and its up-and-coming swimming program. This program was similar to the one he swam for at home, and Tech's coach had previously coached him in Roanoke. Turman received a full scholarship for his swimming; and, in return, he is totally devoted to the team. Practices every afternoon and mornings twice a week in addition to weightlifting kept this athlete in shape. Future plans included making the NCAA's which are specifically for college swimmers. Turman hoped to be the first male swimmer in Tech's history to make the NCAA's which require an entrance time of 3:56.6 for the 200 I.M. He considered competing in the Olympics although he would be content just to make the trials. Turman wanted to be nationally known and internationally ranked and was willing to devote the next few years of his life to accomplish this goal. All the years of training have paid off and hopefully will continue to do so.

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About Time

This was a year of advancement for on-campus students. Although many were unaware of its true significance, freshmen were the most affected by the 24-hour weekend visitation policy. "Tech was so far behind (in dorm practices) — it was about time," stated Jennifer Nimo of East Campbell, reflecting the thoughts of many freshmen. "This may even be an incentive for me to stay on campus another year or two," added Dave Bartoe, a freshman resident of Vawter Hall. Although initially upset at not being given the visitation option, freshman Andrea Roberts of Slusher Tower said, "It's okay now that they (Office of Housing and Resident Life) kept their promise about making all the dorms Option III visitation for next year." Basically content with their living environment, freshmen had a month or so of uprising and turmoil over the visitation issue before they settled back into oblivion. — Kerri Daly

Vawter Hall is scheduled to have 24-hour visitation on weekends next year. Located on Lower Quad, Vawter is currently all-male.
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When Kathryn Moore, a freshman engineering major from North Carolina, came to Tech, it marked the beginning of the fourth generation of Moore’s to attend Tech. The campus had changed a great deal over the years. Kathryn’s great-grandfather, Class of 1915, and grandfather, who received a masters in education, remembered the university as the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College at Blacksburg. Yet her father, a 1963 graduate in civil engineering and German Club member, remembered coming as a freshman to an all male college and graduating from a co-ed one. For Kathryn, coming to Tech was the natural choice although the university’s academic reputation was impressive. “It’s a good school and my father wanted me to come here because he is so proud of it,” said Kathryn, a Sigma Kappa sorority sister.

Times have changed since Tech’s beginning, yet Kathryn intended to continue the tradition by encouraging potential students through work in the Student Alumni Association.

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The face of Blacksburg changed as new businesses moved in and established shops moved on. The ashes of Mr. Fooz brought the new Phoenix, and Pedro's Mexican Restaurant moved into the cellar that some remember as Greek's II.

The decor of long-time establishments such as Top of the Stairs and Mish Mish changed to stay fashionable and to fill the expanding needs of students.

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Special thanks go to Kayleen for securing trust in others inside of me. Following you was one of the most difficult things I’ve ever done, but it’s an experience I will always treasure. I am also thankful that your graduation didn’t end our friendship. Few know the stress and pressure this office can give the editor, and I’m glad you were still a phone call away for support.

To Bruce — thanks. After getting off to a rocky start, we made it through with flying colors. Thanks for the rides home and a memorable trip to Dallas.

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Those first few months you realize the waiting was easy —

Adjusting is the Hardest Part

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Every upperclassman remembers those first few days: “Where is Williams Hall?”; “Can exams be as hard as they say?”

Slowly, we all adjusted in one fashion or another; we learned how to study for our classes, or to fail with grace, and to be responsible for our property and actions.

Still, the feelings of those first days linger. Sometimes a situation transports us back to the time when everything was new. As an upperclassman we may discover for the first time that there is a Seitz Hall on campus or that there is no way to get from Health Services to Counseling without going outside, even though they are contained in the same building.

The change is how we deal with uncertainties. As we adjust to our responsibilities we learn to take the unexpected in stride. We are beginning to grow.
The Residence Hall Federation gave campus a rare opportunity to be a kid again with Spring Fling on the drillfield. The event was accompanied by the Student Government Association's Band Day. Both groups dealt with the daily concerns of students.

To study or play? The freezing of the duck pond provided the perfect excuse to study the outdoors rather than books.
nexpensive activities were popular with students on a low budget. Equipment for hiking and camping was available from Squires Student Center to use at the nearby Jefferson National Forest. Squires also loaned skates when the weather stayed cold long enough to freeze the duckpond.

Students pursued other interests through the numerous organizations on campus. Music lovers joined the Meistersingers and the Marching Virginians while science enthusiasts explored the unknown through groups interested in astronomy, biology or robotics.
nce the hurdles of freshman year were overcome, students could settle down to the business of getting an education.

After our basic core requirements were satisfied, we moved on to courses which really interested us. We learned about our major and decided whether to enjoy it or to change it.

Organizations, cultural entertainment and untried recreational activities took our education beyond the academic buildings. We learned to handle new people and to face new problems.

The University was learning too. As the applicant pool for colleges decreased, improvements in facilities, policies, and courses were necessary to please us. We learned that though we were one among many, we had a voice.
The experiences of college will remain in our minds.

In Living Color

Through our years here we have stacked away memories of the experiences that "could only happen in college." We'll realize how our values and priorities changed with the freedom we found away from home.

In years to come we will wonder why we drove to the river for a bonfire at midnight Wednesday when we had a quiz to take Thursday morning.

We'll remember the snowball fights on upper quad, traying at the golf course, and the time we walked for an hour in the rain — just because.

There were the days and nights we waited in the cold for basketball tickets and the miles we drove just to see the Hokies play or to get a tan.

We laughed; we drank; we stayed up all night and slept all day.

We lived.

Spare time was a luxury in the hectic life of college. Classes, homework, and activities kept most students on the run. Still, the ways to spend those precious moments numbered near infinity. Besides the obvious after class chat, there were parties, bike rides and plays to spend the extra hours.
Hokie fans come in all shades of orange and maroon. From the zealous cheers of undergraduates to the financial support of the Golden Hokies, pride for Virginia Tech remained in spite of controversy over the Athletic Association. Students and alumni crowded to football and basketball games; students were willing to wait in line for hours to get seats for the 'big' basketball games.
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The 'real' world awaits graduates

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