Blacksburg Beginnings

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(top left) The first university seal and the first of Virginia Tech's five names.
(left) The Glade Coronet Band, today's Highty Tighties, march through Blacksburg in the early 1900's.
(below) The Preston Olin Building when Tech first opened in 1872.
After a huge rainstorm, a rainbow over Blacksburg promises a calm, green spring.

The sun rises above Arnold's to signify the beginning of a new day in Blacksburg.
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Colorful

The natural beauty of the campus offered a colorful backdrop for the college environment. Although Blacksburg was notorious for its unpredictable weather, students and faculty usually were able to use the climatic changes to their advantage.

Warm weather was most popular for working on a tan, tubing on the New River, rappelling in the mountains or even just a game of soccer on the Drill Field. In cooler temperatures, skiing, ice skating, traying, or a good snowball fight were the norm.

The Appalachian mountains offered a variety of possibilities for the nature lover or simply for getting away from an apartment or dorm room. Picnicking at the Cascades or hiking around the mountains were frequent weekend activities when weather and time permitted.

Whatever the choice, students were rarely at a loss for a place to relax, get some fresh air, and ponder the purpose of their existence.

In the hustle and bustle of college life, students rarely stopped to enjoy the changing colors of the autumn season.
Junior Jeff Harris, enjoys a panoramic view atop Dragon's Tooth, a popular place to escape from the pressures of homework.

A lone mushroom sits in the woods of the Appalachian mountains. Being surrounded by a mountain chain provided a multitude of possibilities for recreation.

Cindy Starowicz and friends hold a colorful campaign for Homecoming Queen outside of McBryde.
Crickets, a popular restaurant and bar, was located on Main Street and had a slightly more sophisticated menu for students to choose from.

Blacksburg catered to the university realizing much of its business came from the students. Kinko's was the all-night copy center and the Balcony, located upstairs, was a popular bar.
On the Town

One of the most vivid memories of Virginia Tech was Blacksburg, the small town that became home to over 22,000 students.

For dining, the list of restaurants was endless. To name a few, students could choose from Mexican at Pedro's, Greek at Souvlaki's, Italian at Backstreet's, or a tasty American hero at Arnold's. If socializing over a drink was preferred, The Balcony, Crickets or the Marriott were just a few of the choices.

For entertainment, movies were popular and with the Lyric, the Capri Twin, or the Studio One theater, one could usually keep up with the latest films. A walk down Main Street or Draper Road could find you anywhere from Books, Strings and Things to the Hobby Shop.

Whatever the pleasure, it could usually be found in Blacksburg and the small town, family atmosphere would be missed by many of its temporary residents.
Burruss Hall stands majestically in the early morning sunlight. The building was a source of pride and agitation, housing the administration and the financial aid office, to name a few.
Many mornings broke over campus bathing the limestone facades of Burruss and Newman Library and the brick of Squires Student Center with the golden look of El Dorado, the mythical city. But the gold always faded like the early morning dreams of the slumbering students. The day had begun in Blacksburg. Within these and the other campus buildings would soon take place the free exchange of knowledge and ideas which would bring the light of progress to society and fade the illusory perspective of ignorance and myth.

For all students, beginning in Blacksburg meant an end to the simpler carefree days of youthful bliss when Mom and Dad intervened to solve many problems. Students were on their way to handling the responsibilities of the bigger and more complex world which always surrounded, but was rarely seen. Like the early morning sun, youth cast long shadows of doubt on the world. Curiosity compelled the apprentices to search, but only maturity and a disciplined framework of observation, reason, and occasional leaps of logic, gave them the understanding of what they saw. The university, like the light of the noon sun, may have directly shortened a few of the shadows in their lives, but more importantly gave students the skills to act independently and solve problems on their own.

-Martin S. Dragan
Student Life & Issues

Students encountered many new beginnings when they arrived in Blacksburg for a new school year. This was the first year the university had ever operated under a semester system. As expected, the conversion from quarters to semesters created problems for students trying to complete credit requirements and left many students wondering why the change was even necessary. Others viewed the change as a positive step in aligning Virginia Tech's schedule with other schools'. Most students, however, adopted a 'wait and see' attitude, deciding not to pass judgement on the system until the end of the year.

Blacksburg also offered new beginnings for several senior administrators who filled positions left vacant after a series of resignations last year. David Braine, from Marshall University, became the new athletic director. William McComas, former president of Mississippi State and the University of Toledo, was named the new president. Thomas Goodale, from the University of Denver, was chosen to serve as Vice President of Student Affairs.

Other student issues included the renovations of Squires, which closed the student center and decentralized or eliminated many services. Students also faced the problem of scarce and inadequate parking. Another issue for students was the presidential election. Supporters of both parties were vocal when Democratic Vice Presidential nominee Lloyd Bentsen visited campus. There were times when student life seemed full of problems, issues, and changes, but the friends, fun, and fond memories made spending these days in Blacksburg a great way for students to begin the rest of their lives.

-Joe Guthrie

Making the most of the Blacksburg sun, Gina Stein, Caroline Newstead, and Kathy Fitzgerald try to darken their tan. Sunbathing was a popular pastime, especially after the long and dreary winters.

Blacksburg rains made this common sight as students rushed to and from classes across the Drill Field. The brightly colored umbrellas were students' attempts to brighten an otherwise dreary day.
Climatic Beginnings
Adjusting to Blacksburg weather

Those students coming to college from other towns and states marveled at the weather in the New River Valley. "Every day is an adventure here. It could be snowing one day and sixty degrees the next," said Edna Garrett, a sophomore in economics. Weather changes within a single day were also common. "In the morning it's cold and then two hours later you have to change your clothes. There's no-one outfit you can wear in a day," said David McElvery, a sophomore in hotel and restaurant management. Students joked about the weather in Blacksburg and stretched the facts a little, but an element of truth remained, and students had to adjust.

Freshmen were probably the most surprised. "I'm used to the good weather (warm weather) of the Mediterranean," said freshman architecture student Yaprak Yegin. "My friends are still suntanning in November in Turkey." Students from the south wrote home asking parents to send sweaters and coats before Thanksgiving break. Those without umbrellas had to quickly remedy the situation and those without boots bought them after the first snow.

The winter snowfall offered a host of new troubles. Unlike high school, the university did not have snow days off unless the professor commuted from a fair distance. Icy stairs and walks had to be maneuvered with care and students living off-campus relied on the Blacksburg Transit to take them to class. Some students stopped fighting the weather and took advantage of the situation. Nearby Mountain Lake and Snowshoe resorts provided outdoor lovers with cross-country trails and downhill slopes for their skiing enjoyment. Right on campus, the Duck Pond occasionally froze enough to allow ice skaters to engrave its surface.

With the approach of spring, students lost their cold-weather coats and put sandals on their feet for their walk to class. Those living in the unairconditioned dorms brought their fans out of storage and plugged them in. The lawns or "beaches" surrounding the dorms became populated by tan-seekers and those just hungry to get outside.

Though the weather was often cruel, it was mild too. The full range of meteorological possibilities offered new experiences and students soon learned to take advantage of every day for what it was — there was no other way.

-Angela Bryan

Occasionally the Duck Pond froze over enough to allow ice skaters and hockey players to enjoy the surface. Willow trees and a snow covered ground enhance the beautiful winterscape.
“Every day is an adventure here. It could be snowing one day and sixty degrees the next.”
- Edna Garret
- Sophomore

Rain and drizzle often lasted for days at a time. Sarah Gresham, a freshman in elementary education thought the weather was nice for ducks, but not people.

Mud puddles plagued the campus. After rain and snow travelers had to step carefully.

The sunset on an overcast evening created a beautiful backdrop against the buildings on campus. Blacksburg saw many cloudy days throughout the year.
Looking ominously comical, Oliver Vest, a.k.a. Giant Lizard Invader waits for his poison. The Balcony sponsored a costume contest and many guys and ghouls turned out for the occasion.

Letting a scream of sheer terror, this thrill seeker gets a little more than she can handle. Photographer Mark Nystrom surprises a group of students touring the Phi Sig haunted house.

Posing outside a dorm room, these friends show off their "freedom era" costumes. Trick-or-treating in the dorms started early before the Halloween parties began.

Halloween spirit was not dampened by the loss to UVA nor the stormy weather. Activities on and off campus maintained the traditional evening of spooks and spirits all weekend.

Costumes were creative and fun. The University Theatre Arts department held a costume rental out of the chilly dungeon like Owens basement. Students sorted through disguises ranging from furry ape suits to ballerina tutus and were able to rent them at a reasonable price. The always lovable vampires, witches, French maids and army soldiers made their appearances at the Halloween parties as well as the more trendy characters, such as George Bush, Dan Quayle, Bimbo Coles, and rock stars.

Costume parties were thrown by residence halls, fraternities, and sororities. Newman, Shanks, and Monteith had trick or treating floor to floor.

Halloween
Local band, The Push, played in front of a frightening crowd at the RHF Halloween party. The band played hits by INXS, The Cure, and Berlin for the students to enjoy.
Exotic prints strewn over the room made for a dramatic and unique view of their lifestyle. Lisa Galloway, Polly Boush, and friends felt at ease in the artsy decor.

Posters of sports, beer, and scantily clad women adorned the rooms of many male students. Although the walls carried a silent energy, Julian Sands, a freshman in GASC, had no problems concentrating on his work.

The "feminine room," complete with a Rob Lowe poster, collages of pictures, and pink curtains made a nice place to come home to. Lori Cammie and Angie Wade, both freshmen, enjoyed the atmosphere of their room in Eggleston.

“My desk is so cluttered, I must have too much knowledge.”

-Joe Cochran
-Elec. Engineer
A functional desk was of utmost importance to an engineer's college career. A computer and volumes of sixty dollar textbooks were necessary for freshman Lee Rice to complete his engineering homework.

Decorating and making your room comfortable was a fun part of living on campus. It gave you the chance to express your personality and demonstrate your ability to find clever ways of utilizing space. Although the rooms' decor was as different as the individuals who lived in the residence halls, some common characteristics did exist.

The "feminine room" was usually extensively decorated and complimented with coordinated colors. Numerous posters with subjects such as dance, "Top Gun," cute animals, Garfield, gorgeous men, paintings by Monet, and music groups covered the walls. Pretty curtains gave the room a homey touch and were sometimes complimented by contact paper strips around the window sill. Picture frames and bulletin boards crowded with photographs of girlfriends, sorority sisters, best friends, boyfriends, formals, and football games were also common characteristics of the feminine room.

The "masculine room" in contrast was usually less cluttered and had posters of fast cars, fast airplanes, scantily clad women, sports and rock groups. The room often had a dart board or a nerf-hoop and a very nice stereo system with big speakers. A characteristic furnishing was the large, tacky couch perfect for lounging and entertaining. "We have the Power Lounger, complete with heat and massage, a Sunday paper, and a football game in our room," said Jody Williams, a sophomore in general arts and sciences.

The "sixties room" made use of bright tie-dyed sheets to cover the wall or window. Bizarre posters, abstract photography, and ethnic bedspreads were also characteristic decor. Often one of the roommates slept on a mattress on the floor.

The double computer phenomena was the major characteristic of the "engineers' room." The engineers' room sometimes had the paradoxical prints by Escher and posters of foreign places they planned to visit once they made their money. The unmade bed and a lack of small paperback books on the shelves were also common traits. "You know what they say about the empty desk...my desk is so cluttered, I must have too much knowledge," joked Joe Cochran, a sophomore in electrical engineering.

Stereotypes, though rarely the norm, humorous and helped remember our old friends by calling to mind their tastes and lifestyles.

- Kimberly Wheeler
Marching through the streets of downtown, members of Garnet and Gold proudly display their banner to the onlookers. The banner contest featured in the Homecoming Parade gave organizations a chance to advertise to the community as well as rallying spirit.

Homecoming came and went like the blink of an eye, but for many it was a long week of preparation and work. Candidates had to campaign, reunions had to be organized, banners and floats made, spirit rallied and dates to be found for the dance. When the weekend finally came and all the fun and festivities unleashed, the work became worth it. The work for homecoming had actually been going on for months as student committees organized the soon to come weekend. The Homecoming Queen Selection Committee interviewed and chose ten finalists. Then the finalists, sponsored by groups such as greek societies and the marching band, began vigorous campaigning. Everywhere posters and banners proclaiming catchy colloquialisms and promotions could be seen. Ads adorned the pages of the Collegiate Times and the finalists worked hard talking to students and trying to gain support.

The festivities began Friday night when a huge spirit rally was held outside of Cassell Coliseum. The Tech cheerleaders led the crowd in cheers and spirit songs, while the Highty Tighties and Marching Virginians drummed up spirit by playing rousing versions of Virginia Tech fight songs. After the rally, students and alumni flocked to various pre-Saturday parties. Saturday morning the festivities began in force with the annual Homecoming Parade. Marching bands from all over the area contributed their music to the parade. The floats and banners that had been worked on so hard were unveiled and alumni from all over the country marched along side current band members. The Homecoming Queen candidates drove in fancy cars and the Grand Marshall of the event was the president of the class of 1938.

During the morning, all the individual colleges held open houses for the alumni to come (Continued on page 21)

Tech Defensive End Jimmy Whitten puts pressure on South Carolina quarterback Todd Ellis. The Hokies' Defense intercepted Ellis five times, but the Gamecocks pulled ahead for a 26-24 win.
Lee Anne Cobb, who was sponsored by Delta Gamma and Pi Kappa Alpha, beams after being announced Homecoming Queen by Dr. James McComas. Half-time marked the beginning of Cobb’s year as goodwill ambassador.

The tubas lead the crowd in everyone’s favorite dance — “The Hokie Pokie.” Photos were submitted to the Guinness Book of World Records with hopes of winning a spot for the most number of people doing the Hokie Pokie.

“Even the Gamecock fans were dancing. The stands were practically shaking.”

-Brian Detner
-Baritone

Student Life 19
Students and alumni cheered for the second quarter pass interception which led to a Hokie touchdown. Alumni found themselves cheering even more energetically than when they were students.

Our enamored mascot, the Hokie Bird, sports a more masculine costume for a second season. Todd Clegg, the man behind the beak, was Tech's number one fan.

Tailgates were held in the Wallace commuter lot before the Homecoming game to strike up school spirit as well as to satisfy appetites. Nearly every organization held a tailgate party of some sort.
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(Continued from page 18) to their old classrooms and relive old memories. Tailgate parties began later in the morning. Fraternities and sororities held huge fiestas and alumni partied right alongside the students. On the Drill Field, the Corps of Cadets held their formal Pass-in-Review ceremony and inducted the Class of 1938 into the Old Guard.

When game time came, students and alumni flocked to the stadium in anticipation of seeing the upset of a nationally ranked team. Spirits were soaring by halftime. The Hokie defense had returned two interceptions for touchdowns and held the high-powered offense of the South Carolina Gamecocks to just ten points. The Hokies were winning 21-10 and the stands were rocking for the halftime festivities.

At halftime, the results of the Homecoming float contest were announced. Circle K won the overall award for best float and the Class of 1990 won the award for best incorporation of the theme, "Coming Home in Style." The banner contest results were also announced. Banners including high school marching bands to college organizations participated. The Corps of Cadets won first and third place awards for their Homecoming banners.

Then the Highty Tighties, the Marching Virginians, and their respective alumni bands joined together to deliver a rousing rendition of the VPI alma mater.

Finally, the moment everyone was waiting for, the Homecoming Queen candidates were announced one by one. They walked out in the middle of the field and formed a semi-circle. President James McComas announced that Lee Anne Cobb was the new Homecoming Queen and Candy Huddle, last year's queen, crowned Cobb who was sponsored by Pi Kappa Alpha and Delta Gamma. "In the past, people have complained that the Homecoming Queen disappeared after elections. I don't think that's true. I want to set a precedent by working with high school students who want to come to Tech, alumni, and students already here," said Cobb.

To top off the halftime festivities, the Marching Virginians asked the fans to help them break the world record for the most people doing the Hokie Pokie at one time. The fans were glad to oblige. "It was fun to see so many adults join in on the Hokie Pokie. Even the Gamecock fans were dancing. The stands were practically shaking. It was great," exclaimed Brian Detner, a baritone player in the band.

In the second half of the game, the Hokie defense couldn't hold the powerful South Carolina offense, but the Gamecocks barely escaped Lane Stadium alive, winning by a 26-24 score. After the game, students and alumni quickly forgot the disappointing loss and the fun began again. Many people went to the New Virginains Home Show while many others dressed up to go to the Homecoming Dance, where Black and Blue provided the musical entertainment. Afterwards, students and alumni flocked to parties to spend one more night celebrating before returning home.

-Alex Bergren

The Corps of Cadets stand in formation to induct the Class of 1938 into the Old Guard. The Pass in Review ceremony was held in front of the War Memorial Chapel on the Drill Field.
Eating out had its romantic moments, even at fast food restaurants like Wendy's. Helen Ailswort, a freshman in biology, and Brian Newell, a sophomore in management, found fries and fun preferable to steak and an empty wallet.

When academics claimed too much time away from their sweetheart, some couples compensated by studying together. Cathy Munsterman and Robert Pettit, both sophomores in political science, are able to concentrate on their studies and still enjoy each other's company.

“Our favorite date was a midnight picnic at the Duckpond.”
-Sheri Haley and Bob Carini
A Romantic Beginning

How dating has changed

"So... are you busy Saturday night?"

On the phone, after class, and at parties, the quest for a date remained a constant. A first date might have been the beginning of something special, or the only time in your life that you didn't know what to say. Due to changing social values, the dating custom went through some changes since the years our parents romanced each other. Not only did more people continue on to college, but there were more things to do and more members of the opposite sex to choose from. All of these factors played a role in how our views towards dating changed.

The idea of a girl being "too forward" if she asked a guy out became obsolete. The developing view of equality among men and women in our society made its mark on the social scene. Girls asked guys out and paid or at least went "dutch," most of the time. Guys enjoyed letting girls take the initiative and the treat of letting the girl pick up the check. "The fact that some girl takes interest in me and takes the initiative makes it less intimidating on the first date," admitted Bryce Reeve, a sophomore in electrical engineering.

Compared to the "old days," students dated for longer periods of time before making a long term commitment. The majority waited until after finishing their degrees before committing to marriage, which not only proved to be a smart move financially, but also allowed couples time to develop together. In light of the high divorce rates, time was re-established as the key for testing the longevity of a relationship.

Not only were students dating longer but they were also dating a greater variety and number of people. Dating was not as serious or as structured as before. Male and female "friends" were able to go out for an evening on the town and have a fantastic time without the stresses or risks of romantic involvement. "Since I became a little sister in a fraternity, I go out with guys as friends more. It's more fun because there's no tension," said junior accounting major, Christine Pohida.

Due to rising prices, the old stand-by, "dinner and a movie," often became unreasonably expensive for the college student's limited budget. Ice cream or frozen yogurt shops such as Gillie's and TCBY emerged as the next best alternatives. Plans for dates often became more spontaneous and less structured. Parties, clubs, concerts, basketball games, and the Duckpond were good places to go for fun times. Interactive athletic activities such as raquetball, tennis, and hiking also became popular. Sheri Haley and Bob Carini preferred the more simple pleasures of dating. "Our favorite date was a midnight picnic at the Duckpond."

"Just friends," senior Judi Miller and sophomore Eric Tan play an informal game of tennis. Platonic relationships were popular among students as trends became more liberal.

-Strolls around the Duck Pond remained popular. Paige Game and Scott Schroeder pause to admire the reflections cast on the water.

-"Just friends," senior Judi Miller and sophomore Eric Tan play an informal game of tennis. Platonic relationships were popular among students as trends became more liberal.
Personal Beliefs

Religious organizations provided alternatives for those seeking faith

Students and faculty had many opportunities to pursue their interests in religion. Every major religion and many more obscure ones had organizations on campus. Some, such as the Baptist Student Union, tried to meet all the needs of people professing to be Baptists, providing everything from bible studies to counseling to volleyball. According to Roland Byrd, director of the Union, "The Baptist Student Union was established by the Baptist church to be an extension of the church on college campuses."

Other organizations had more specific goals. The Navigators emphasized relationship-oriented Christian witnessing on a one-to-one basis, while the Episcopalian Canterbury Club placed emphasis on group closeness and unity. The size of the organizations was as varied as their purposes. The Bahai Association, which promoted the beliefs of the Iranian-based Bahai faith, was a small group of ten to twelve members. In contrast, the Campus Crusade for Christ, a Christian evangelical group, was one of the largest on campus. The wide variety of organizations attempted to meet all the needs of the college community.

The different religious organizations held religious services, provided prayer support groups, and held study classes of scripture and various religious faiths. They sponsored programs such as visiting retirement homes, fundraisers and even missionary work locally and abroad. On the lighter side, they held social gatherings and dances, played sports and went on retreats and even hayrides. These activities provided members a chance to relax and have some good clean fun.

Some of the organizations on campus followed structured schedules established by faculty advisors, or by a larger governing body, while others were run by student leaders. The organizations varied in size of active participation from ten to several hundred. Many were affiliated with a specific denomination, while some were non-denominational.

According to Marty Harper, intern at the Baptist Student Union, "Each organization had a specialized ministry on the college campus, with the goal of nurturing students in their faith, and encouraging their personal growth as emerging adults."

-Shiela Van Meter

Reverend Bill King of the Lutheran Student Movement and Father Richard Mooney of the Newman Community present the major beliefs of their faiths in a discussion panel held at the Baptist Student Union. Students had many opportunities to learn about the various religions on campus.

Prime Time with Campus Crusade for Christ was a popular religious activity at Virginia Tech. This weekly meeting was a typical time of fellowship where students participated in song, prayer, and religious instruction.

Angie DeHart paints the "VT" logo on David Rainey's face in preparation for a football game. Zero Quarter, the Baptist Student Union tailgate, was sponsored by the local Baptist churches before any home game.
Roscoe and Boscoe, also known as Rick Dodge and Scott Springer, advertise for the Campus Crusade for Christ fall retreat. Many of the campus organizations sponsored weekend getaways for students.

Religious instruction was a vital part of all the organizations. Here, Tommy Bridges illustrates a point at Prime Time, the Campus Crusade for Christ's weekly meeting.

Inter-faith volleyball was popular among many of the religious organizations on campus. Sports offered an opportunity to promote good relationships between the organizations, and to have fun.

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-Marty Harper
-B.S.A. intern
On a campus of 22,000 students, it was sometimes difficult to maintain a sense of individualism. To stand out among the masses required a conscious effort to be noticed. A variety of means served to express a person's opinions, ideas, and preferences.

Some students took the direct approach — boldly spelling it out to catch others' attentions. Backpacks came to be a common message bulletin. Buttons proclaiming "I Love New York," "The more I drink, the better you look," and "VAJENYATEK" could be viewed crossing the Drill Field between classes. License plates became a popular place for messages and helped students find their cars easier in crowded lots. Names, activities, and school spirit kept weary motorists entertained on any long trip home.

Students also placed pictures and slogans on their dorm room doors to identify themselves to their hallmates and help friends locate their rooms for the first time.

Other methods of getting messages across were more subtle. Differences in clothing, makeup, and hairstyles often suggested alternative beliefs and ideas. "The type of music that I listen to dictates that I wear my hair long," revealed Tim Bonnet, a junior in management.

The influence of music was also seen on student's clothing. Concert T-shirts of groups on tour were seen in abundance, and if you had a Hard Rock Cafe T-shirt, you were someone special. Those students with artistic talent adorned their own jackets with the names of their favorite rock groups.

Traditional clothing styles remained popular as plaid made a big hit on campus while solid black made its sweep through the rebellious ranks. "I've been told that I look good in black, and it makes me feel rebellious but sometimes it comforts me as well," said Kim Nicdao, a sophomore in international studies.

Regardless of the means students chose, whether by button or hairstyle, stickers or clothing, they made their statements and became individuals.

-Angela Bryan

"The type of music that I listen to dictates that I wear my hair long."

-Tim Bonnet

-Junior

On a walk across the Drill Field, a myriad of messages jumped from students' backpacks to catch observers' attentions.

Many students dressed in black as a means of personal expression. Some wore it because it flattered their complexion while others associated it with a certain type of music.
Favorite quotes, comics, and pictures decorated the doors of students' rooms. Angie Wade, a nutrition major, adds a clip from a newspaper article to the collage arrangement on her door.

A stroll through any parking lot found a jungle of personalized license plates. Names, hobbies, fraternity pride, and school spirit leaped from car bumpers.

Obviously a metal fan, Lynn White, a junior in communication studies, waits for her next class outside of McBryde. Creative and artistic students often painted their jean jackets to stand out on campus.
Searching for something good to eat, Lisa Taylor, a senior in economics, tries to decide what she will have for lunch. Moving off campus meant frequent trips to the grocery store and a crash course in the art of food preparation.

After games, before going out, or as a study break, students considered ordering out for pizza as a treat. Most pizza establishments around Blacksburg offered discount coupons and delivered free of charge.
Food For Thought

Blacksburg offered a variety of dining choices

“So what’s for dinner tonight?” That was one of the questions students asked most frequently. To the surprise of many, this was actually a difficult question to answer because of the wide variety of food offered by the Virginia Tech Dining Service and the restaurants in Blacksburg.

For on-campus students, the decision of what to eat was usually limited to whatever the dining halls offered. Even making that choice became more difficult as the dining service began offering a wider variety of meals and opened new “specialty rooms.” The specialty rooms located in Dietrick, Owens, and Shultz offered a specific kind of entree and a special room theme. Students could choose from rooms specializing in chicken, hamburgers, deli sandwiches, or Mexican food, or eat at the other rooms that offered the regular menu of a wide variety of meals.

Even in a fully equipped kitchen, there was seldom time to prepare a full-course meal. Dawn Cothran, a junior in accounting, found cheese sandwiches to be quick, easy, and nutritious.

“The dining service offers fourteen different entrees per meal,” said John Price, assistant manager at Dietrick.

Price also stressed that the dining service is open to student input. “We try to please the student,” he said, “If someone has a legitimate complaint we’ll make any change we can to make the student happy.”

For off-campus students, meals were more of a challenge than a pleasure. Most off-campus students preferred meals that could be prepared quickly and easily while still being inexpensive. Usually, large or extravagant meals were left for special occasions.

Eating out and ordering in were also popular choices. A wide variety of restaurants, from Greek to Chinese to everything in between, offered an occasional relief from everyday food. Ordering pizza often helped to relieve the tension caused by late night studying.

Despite the offerings of food here, most students still looked forward to going home on break for a homemade meal.

-Joe Guthrie
"We try to bring a variety of groups in so we can appeal to a broad base of students."

-Rachel Coghlan

- VTU Pop Concerts

The adventure of the wilderness beckoned many students to the trails of the Jefferson National Forest. First-year students Bill Floyd, an agriculture major, and Doug Shaw, a forestry major, explore the forests near Tech.

The Virginia Tech Union showed movies in McBryde and Animal Science almost every weekend. Students were able to view A Fish Called Wanda for only two dollars a ticket.

30 Cheap Thrills
Known for their low budgets, students found ways to entertain themselves without shelling out a lot of cash. Surprisingly, the small town of Blacksburg offered a variety of fun things to do for free or at a low cost. The diverse activities on campus and the beauty of the surrounding countryside allowed good times for anyone with just a few dollars.

On campus, volunteer organizations such as the Residence Hall Federation and the Virginia Tech Union provide good deals for students looking for entertainment. RHF sponsored programs for those students living on campus. Activities such as hall socials, educational talks, and movie parties were free to anyone interested in attending. The VTU, on the other hand, had a campus-wide approach. They showed popular and progressive films on campus for only two dollars a ticket. VTU was also responsible for bringing big bands, such as The Church, and UB40, here to perform. Rachel Coghlan, a senior majoring in management science, was on the pop concerts committee. "We try to bring a variety of groups in," Coghlan said, "so we can appeal to a broad base of students." On Thursday nights, students enjoyed a variety of comedians, singers, and local bands at the Club TBA held in Owens Banquet Hall. Aimed at students under twenty-one, Club TBA was a cheaper alternative to the bars and clubs downtown, costing only two or three dollars.

Also on campus, the Geology museum in Derring Hall had no admission charge and featured a full size model of a dinosaur, an incredible collection of minerals as well as other interesting exhibits. The Student Activities Gameroom, located in Pritchard Hall allowed students to play billiards, pinball, table-tennis, and video games for a modest price.

Another aspect of Virginia Tech's low-cost attractions lay in the surrounding wilderness. Blacksburg was a few miles from the Jefferson National Forest where one could go hiking, fishing, rock-climbing, and horseback riding. The refreshing Cascades waterfall, located near Pembroke, was also a part of the forest. Students also went tubing during the warmer months on the New River where it cost only two dollars to rent a tube for the whole day.

While some students enjoyed the wildlife of the mountains, others created it at fraternity parties. Usually for a decent price, the doors of the house were opened and the loud music, dancing, and cheap beer made for a great party.

Life at college was spent learning, exploring, planning, and trying new things, and when a bargain was found it was a lot more fun.

-Kimberly Wheeler
For most juniors, it all started on Tuesday, October twenty-ninth in Burruss Auditorium with Ring Premiere, the presentation of the ring collection to the members of the Class of 1989. However, one group of students had been preparing for the festivities for almost a full year. After their election in the fall of 1986, the class officers had begun preparations by selecting the Ring Design Committee. This committee had the immense responsibility of designing the rings and class logo and selecting the class colors. Each of these played an important role in the grand finale, Ring Dance.

Virginia Tech's Ring Dance has always been centered around the fact that each graduating class had the responsibility of completely redesigning the class ring. This allowed the class to incorporate the events and values that were important to them into the design of the ring. The Class of 1989 commemorated the thirty-seven American sailors who lost their lives aboard the USS Stark in April 1987 by showing a Navy sword on the (Continued on page 34)

For one couple, Roy Tokeshi and his date Colleen, the night held a greater significance. Roy produced an engagement ring instead of a class ring, and Colleen accepted.

Juniors and their dates approached the dance under a sabre archway, courtesy of the Gregory Guard, and entered the ballroom through a large replica of the 1989 Virginia Tech class ring.
A magnificent display of fireworks filled the night air for all of Blacksburg to behold. The Blacksburg Fire Department shot off the fireworks over the Drill Field after the dance on Friday night.

Having a great time, Michelle Giboney and Jeff Menges dance the night away. Friday night's dance was a more formal affair; Saturday was semi-formal.

Unwilling to stop, Ann Knutson and Steve Upton keep on swinging even after the band pauses for a break. A DJ was on hand to provide music during intermissions.

"Ring Dance is the backbone of upper-class tradition. But aside from all that, it's just a hell of a lot of fun."

- John Battiston
-Vice Pres. Class 1989
Once bitten by the gambling bug, it was hard to say no to another bet. Lisa Oberhue challenges Lady Luck in a game of Blackjack with her stash of play money.

Ring Dance 1988

(Continued from page 32) The receiving of one's class ring was considered the highlight of a student's career. After the cadets formed their traditional figure, juniors and their dates exchanged rings while the band crooned "Moonlight and VPI."

The class officers also chose a committee to plan the ring dance itself. Cheryl Brown, chairman of the Ring Dance Committee, said, "After all the hard work put into the dance, it was great to see so many people there, all having such a good time. It was definitely worth the effort."

The theme "Rendez-vous on the Riviera" was developed fully in Squires. The Old Dominion Ballroom held the lure of the vivid night life of the casinos in Monaco. Ladies and gentlemen operated game tables like those in the Mediterranean hot spots but no real money was involved. In the Commonwealth Ballroom, the aura was one of romance. The walls portrayed the enchanting castles and quiet cafes of Monaco. The Kings of Swing and the Voltage Brothers provided the music for the dancers on Friday night. Saturday night, the pulsing music of the bands Rock Island and Xenon filled the night air.

Tradition surrounding Ring Dance dictates that the juniors' dates pick up their class rings for them, keeping them hidden until the official exchange ceremony on Friday night. Cadets exchanged their rings in a private ceremony in which they formed a figure eighty-nine on the dance floor. The civilians exchanged their rings to the tune of "Moonlight and VPI."

Since the evening held special meaning for the juniors, the dance was exclusively for the juniors and their dates on Friday night; Saturday was open to anyone with a Virginia Tech class ring.

The vice president of the Class of 1989, John Battiston, summed up the two main sentiments of Ring Dance 1988 by saying, "Ring Dance is the backbone of upper-class tradition. But aside from all that, it's just a hell of a lot of fun!"

-Sheila Van Meter

Fifty-four years after the first pig was released by jealous underclassmen at the junior ring dance, the tradition continues. Frightened by the crowd, Wilbur ran straight to Gale Beran who was immediately captured by his spell.
Star performers at Ring Exchange, the Voltage Brothers rock the casino ballroom to the popular tune of "Casanova." The Voltage Brothers were mainly a rhythm and blues type band.

Skirts ruffled and lapels flapped to the high energy sounds of the Voltage Brothers. Ring design chairman Chris Langley spins his date, Tricia Shanks, on the dance floor.
"They (The Church) were really good and better than I expected."

- Tracy Miller

Under the lights of Burruss auditorium, The Church performs their own style of progressive music. The Virginia Tech Union brought the band to campus in September.

Contoocook Lise performed in front of a crowd at Morgan's in November. The progressive band was brought to Tech from Richmond.
Banded Together
For the love of music

Though students came for an education, the diversity of other interests on campus was immense. There was one matter of personal interest however, that served as a bond between both friends and strangers — the love of music. It provided a common ground for students to discuss and enjoy.

The large number of students from different backgrounds demanded that Blacksburg offer a variety of musical entertainment, and most were not disappointed. A large number of local bands were available to quench a music lover's thirst. Local bars often scheduled bands to play on the weekends. Fraternities hired bands to play at special events, such as Derby Day, and hundreds of people turned out to hear bands play at the quad jams and block parties held in the spring.

One newly formed local band, The Push, had no problem finding an audience. Rock-oriented, the modern band's members, Robyn Weirbach, Mark Ruppert, Chris Waltz, and Phil Stevens, felt they had been well received by the public. The band regularly performed songs by such popular groups as INXS, The Cure, Missing Persons, and Berlin. Commenting on their specialty, Weirbach, the lead vocalist, said, "We are in transition from covers to originals."

Other local bands such as Alias, Drunken Public, and Not Shakespeare remained big hits on campus. Paul Mazzeno, a junior in civil engineering said, "No Comment is my favorite band because they play a lot of classics I like." Louis King, a senior in communication studies professed Schizm to be the best band around. "They are good musicians...their style is very tight," he said.

The Tech campus also saw two phenomenally successful bands in the fall. In September, the Virginia Tech Union sponsored the progressive band The Church. Hundreds of students flocked to Burruss auditorium to hear such bits as "Reptile" and "Under the Milky Way." The VTU solicited The Church because of their availability and a feeling that students would buy tickets to see a band that was "selling hot." Mixed reviews resulted. Tracy Miller, impressed with The Church, commented that "they were really good and better than I expected. While Rich Zicht and Jess Seifring said "they were not entertaining, and we expected more than what they put into their show."

However, the reggae band, UB40, was warmly welcomed by all in October. Also sponsored by VTU, UB40 played to the crowd with their top 40 hit "Red, Red Wine." Students "were standing on their seats and singing along with the band." A member of the VTU Pop Concerts Committee commented that the "crowd was enthralled, into the show, and thrilled to death." Students were impressed with UB40's length of playing time. Karen Steinkamp added that "it was cool to be at a concert and be so close."

Popular music was not the only music flaunted on campus. Jazz, classical, and big band music was openly admired. The Quintessential Brass Repertoire was formed this year with the hopes of being hired to play at private receptions in the Blacksburg area. Students David Welch, Tom Bithell, Brian Whaley, Ed Hall, and Kevin Dunetz began performing in September at a local church and took off from there.

Music tastes changed and band members moved on, but Blacksburg continued to provide the variety of music choices college towns were known for.

-Sheila Fisher and Angela Bryan
"The purpose of the International Club was for foreign and American students to meet and exchange cultures, ideas, and friendship."

-Anne Phelan
-Pres. Int'l. Club

During International Week, the library plaza was the scene of cultural displays and festivities. Here, an Indonesian dancer performs in native costume for an open-air talent show.
Virginia Tech drew international students to Blacksburg

For some people, starting their college education at Virginia Tech meant the beginning of a new way of life — the American way of life, that is. Tech's population boasted a whopping 1,355 international students; and this figure only included those students whose actual home was in another country. A larger number of students were one hundred percent ethnic, yet they were born in the United States.

There were a variety of reasons why students from other countries decided to enroll in Virginia Tech. Third year Architecture student Adrian Rivera commented, "Colleges in the United States are more innovative than those in Spain. The Architecture school here is more flexible; therefore, it is more personal." Suparerk Sooksmarn, an Engineering grad student from Thailand, came on the advice of a friend. "A friend of my father's, who is a professor, transferred to Virginia Tech and said that it would be good for me to come here too," he revealed.

Under the direction of Dr. Labege, Asst. Dean of the Graduate School, Tech held an orientation for international students a week before the arrival of other students. It helped to acquaint them with the way the university was run, and representatives were on hand to issue social security numbers to those who needed them.

For some students, the adjustments to be made were greater than for others. Academic standards in some countries were largely different than those in the United States, and conversions had to be made. Cultural differences also had to be dealt with. Dorm life exposed all students to a cultural extravaganza.

Some students blended in to life at the university with a comparative ease. Tony O'Driscoll, a student from Ireland, took directly to dorm life and became a resident advisor. He also jumped in on the social scene and joined a fraternity. "Fraternities are a lot of fun. They remind me of the pub atmosphere back in Ireland," he said. Other international students tended to stick together and formed their own communities on campus. Any evening, oriental students could be found eating together at several tables in Owens Dining Hall.

There were seventeen national organizations on campus to represent students of different cultures. One such organization was the International Club. "The purpose of the International Club was for foreign and American students to meet and exchange cultures, ideas and friendship," explained Anne Phelan, President of the International Club. Eighty different countries were represented in the meetings, making it one of the largest international organizations on campus.

April ninth through the fifteenth was designated as International Week. The library plaza was the setting for a talent show, where students dressed in native costumes and performed the songs and dances of their country. Every country also set up booths lining the plaza that displayed crafts and other paraphernalia to give Tech students the chance to explore various cultures.

With the large number of international students on campus, the majority coming from India and Korea, most American students knew at least one student from another country. The valuable friendships formed here added flavor to the lives of Tech students, and lasted long after the departure of those who wished to return to their native land.

Israeli students sponsor a luncheon at the Cranwell International Center during International Week. The center housed offices for seventeen national organizations representing students of different cultures.
Ask any overworked junior what he dreams of, and he'll say, "graduation." Ask a senior what she hopes for, and she'll tell you, "a decent job." Graduation meant different things to different people. Whether it was viewed as the end of rigorous studying or the beginning of a bright career, one thing was certain — graduation meant change.

Saturday, May 21, 1988 saw approximately 5,350 seniors achieve the status of alumni. Hundreds of Doctorates and nearly a thousand Masters were presented as well. A warm and breezy morning set the scene for the ceremony in Lane Stadium. Dr. David Roselle, President of the University of Kentucky, delivered the commencement speech. The former Provost of Virginia Tech, Dr. Roselle was chosen for the honor after serving as back-up speaker for several years. He was full of praise for our institution, and spoke of a future committed to excellence.

During the ceremony, some graduates tried to concentrate on the speeches so nothing would be lost to memory. Others were busy saying their goodbyes, trying to see as many people as possible. "It really hit home that out of all my friends and classmates, people that I'd seen everyday for the last several years, I would probably never see most of them again," revealed Colleen Treanor, a graduate of engineering.

Eventually, the crowd dispersed to their respective colleges and for some, the real (Continued on page 43)
Graduates often personalized their mortar boards with messages that reflected their college years. The decorations also allowed parents to pick their sons and daughters out of the crowd.

Kimble "Jay" Reynolds, President of the Class of 1988, delivers a speech to his peers. Reynolds applauded the changes in the university during his college years.

"It really hit home that out of all my friends and classmates, people that I'd seen everyday for the last several years; I would probably never see most of them again."
- Colleen Treanor
- Graduate
Cheers pervaded the crowd as graduates in both the east and west stands of Lane Stadium rallied in a competitive spirit.

Graduates receiving their Doctorates and Masters were presented with their diplomas during the morning ceremony held in Lane Stadium. They were presented with their degrees by Dr. Torgerson, Interim President of Virginia Tech.
Graduation

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meaning of graduation started to sink in. "I was expecting graduation to be full of pomp and circumstance...really traditional, and I was disappointed that it wasn't." Stephanie Holmes, a graduate of Secondary Education, went on to reveal, however, that the individual ceremony of the College of Education was much more meaningful. Indeed, most of the smaller colleges seemed to capture the crowd's attention. Seniors, standing among professors and advisors, relived the past and anticipated the future while waiting for their names to be announced. "I was excited...and relieved. I was sorry to be leaving but eager to go on to bigger and better things," said Heath Covey, graduate of Communication Studies.

For the larger colleges, a totally different atmosphere prevailed. Beach balls were tossed, bubbles were blown, and champagne corks were popped right and left. "We ripped pages out of our commencement books and made paper airplanes to pass the time," admitted Engineering graduate Ron Colangelo. "It wasn't what I expected, but it was a lot of fun."

The air was definitely a festive one, but some felt it more than a bit disrespectful. Quite a few students were uncomfortable that their parents had witnessed the consumption of so much alcohol, while others were upset that more people didn't stay until the end of the ceremony. Such subjects have since come under close scrutiny, and many changes will be apparent at the 1989 graduation. Seating arrangements may be changed to discourage rowdiness and police will definitely be cracking down on the smuggling of alcohol into Lane Stadium. Other ideas are also under consideration. "The Class of 1989 would like to sponsor a party Thursday night to help blow off steam after exams and to give students their chance to celebrate," said Greg Battaglia, President of the Class of 1989.

Regardless of the mood of graduation, whether festive or sober, all graduates felt a tremendous sense of accomplishment when awarded their long-anticipated diploma.

-Angela Bryan

Dodging champagne corks in the stands was definitely a challenge. After four and five years of hard work, the celebration was well deserved.

"It wasn't what I expected, but it was a lot of fun."

-Ron Colangelo

-Graduate
The Balcony, located on College Avenue, was a favorite spot for socializing on Thursday nights. Regulars enjoyed the relaxed atmosphere in the afternoons as well.

"Morgans is my favorite bar because they show a greater variety of bands...and there's a place to sit down."
-Linda Schubert
-Senior
When students were in the mood to unwind after classes or dance the night away—Blacksburg bars set the scene for every mood.

After exams or a particularly tough week, some students sought relaxation with friends outside the academic arena. Local bars such as Ton 80 harbored a laid back atmosphere in which those over 21 years of age could savor an imported beer and throw a game of darts. Regulars at The Cellar crammed into the booths to order pitchers and play drinking games. Those under the drinking age still enjoyed the atmosphere and ate The Cellar’s “killer calzones.”

Some students went out specifically to hear their favorite bands play, which could mean any night of the week. The Phoenix, The Balcony, and especially South Main Cafe, presented bands sometimes three and four times a week. “Morgans is my favorite bar because they show a greater variety of bands... and there’s a place to sit down,” said Linda Schubert, a senior in business. Many other students also professed Morgans to be their favorite place because they not only booked Blacksburg bands, but brought them in from other areas as well. Unfortunately, the popular bar and restaurant went out of business in late November.

Morgans, South Main Cafe, and The Phoenix also attracted large crowds partly due to their yes/no stamp policy allowing those under age to enjoy the atmosphere as well.

When energies were high, The Mariott and The Phoenix were the most popular places to go dancing. Phi Sigma Kappa fraternity sponsored Thursday nights at The Phoenix and students lined up around the block to dance to Top 40 and Progressive tunes. Students also frequented Jacob’s Lounge at the Mariott. Mary Beth Lucas, a senior in marketing admitted, “I go to the Mariott on Thursday night for Taco Hour, stay for Happy Hour, then head for the dance floor.” The place was even more crowded on Saturday nights when students flaunted their expertise in the dance contest with hopes of winning a cash prize.

Dancing and relaxing weren’t the only aims in finding a good bar. There were those who just went out to drink a little, socialize a little, and maybe even do some scoping. The hot pick-up places were the Balcony and The Mariott on Thursdays and the weekends.

For a more mellow evening, Crickets and Maxwells were more subdued places one might go with a date. The variety of atmospheres supplied by the lounges in Blacksburg offered students a place to relax when they needed to, and a place to party when the wanted to.

-Angela Bryan
Early Blacksburg...
the beginnings of a great little town

South Main St., 1912, Blacksburg, VA.

South Main St., 1942, Blacksburg, VA.
Having Parking Problems?

Help is on the Way!

Any student who drove through the Commuter Parking Lot, hitting potholes large enough to swallow a Buick while searching in vain for a parking space within a ten minute walk of class, didn't have to be told that Virginia Tech had a parking problem. But finding answers to the problem wasn't easy.

In 1987, the university hired a consultant to investigate the problem and recommend solutions. The consultants, Chance Management, found that there was a demand for 10,507 parking spaces, but only 9,937 spaces available. They also surveyed students, faculty, and staff to find their priorities and needs. Students said their greatest concerns were for more commuter spaces closer to campus, more short-term parking, and more equality with faculty and staff. The main complaint from faculty was that students who parked in faculty lots weren't being ticketed enough.

The parking problem was further complicated by the Virginia General Assembly which had recently passed legislation to prohibit state funds from being used to improve parking at state universities. Thus, Tech would have to raise its own funds for any proposed changes. Most administrators agreed that, in order to raise these funds, the university would have to charge a fee for parking stickers for students, faculty, and staff. Tech had never charged for stickers in the past, but it was a common practice at most universities. Student Government president David Baker said that students were willing to pay for stickers as long as the proceeds went for parking improvements. Faculty representatives, however, were far less enthusiastic about the plan.

Baker also questioned the validity of the Chance report. Part of the report was based on the assumption that the demand for future parking would remain the same as the current demand. This statement did not take into consideration the increased student enrollment, or the new 65 mph speed limit on rural interstate highways. The higher speed limit encouraged more students to bring cars to campus and to travel more, adding to the needs for parking for the town and the university.

"Parking is my number one priority and I believe it's the greatest concern with students," said Baker. "I think the university has reached a critical time and must address the parking problem."

In the campus parking situation, it was far easier to spot the problem than to fix it. Yet, many students and faculty were encouraged by the fact that the problem was being taken seriously by all groups on campus and that they were working on solutions to this very frustrating problem.

-Athena Booth and Joe Guthrie

Parking on the grass became a tempting idea when there seemed no other solution. Students and faculty alike agreed that changes needed to be made as quickly as possible for improved parking facilities.
Some suggestions given for the parking problems included parking garages in the commuter lots and paving the Drill Field.

Students rebel and make their own parking lot on Prairie Quad. Moving into the dorms was a tiring process and carrying belongings any further than necessary was out of the question.
Republican John Brown campaigns at the Sheraton Red Lion Inn for the House of Representatives. Brown endorsed presidential nominee George Bush in his speech.

Senator Jack Kemp endorses John Brown’s campaign for congress. Jack Kemp ran earlier for the Republican presidential nomination but lost to Vice President George Bush.
Who would be the right choice?

The presidential election added an extra dimension to student issues. Tech students, like people throughout the nation, could support either Republican George Bush or Democrat Michael Dukakis for the most powerful office in the world. While some students took a great interest in the campaign, many others were unconcerned with its outcome, reflecting the attitude of the nation as a whole.

The College Republicans and Young Democrats became increasingly active as the November election approached. Both groups distributed information and campaigned for their candidate so that students could make an educated decision on who to vote for. "The vote for president will hopefully be made with some thought," said College Republican Scott Bezjak. Young Democrat John Carter agreed that an informed voter was an important element in the election. "The decision between Dukakis/Bentsen and Bush/Quayle should reflect more than just 20 second sound bytes."

The Young Democrats received a big boost when Democratic Vice Presidential nominee Lloyd Bentsen spoke at a rally on campus. State Democratic leaders, including Governor Gerald Baliles, attended the rally in the CEC. Unfortunately for the Democrats, many vocal Republicans also attended.

Although the Bentsen rally created an afternoon of political frenzy, there was little else about the campaign that sparked much student interest. Many students, like millions of other Americans, found neither Bush nor Dukakis to be a particularly appealing candidate.

Students showed even less enthusiasm in the elections for U.S. Senate and House of Representatives. Since most students are from other parts of the state or from out of state, they felt unattached to these elections.

Another campaign was closer to home. State Senator Danny Bird, a Virginia Tech alumnus and Democratic candidate for governor, headquartered his campaign in downtown Blacksburg to show his close ties to the university. Although the gubernatorial election is not until November 1989, Bird has been actively campaigning since before the 1988 elections.

When all the votes were counted, George Bush was declared the presidential winner, Chuck Robb had captured the Senate seat, and Rick Boucher had retained his office in the House. The elections of 1988 determined who would lead the nation for years to come. Some students treated it as a serious issue, but to many the races and the candidates were simply uninteresting.

Joe Guthrie
Upon arriving at Tech this year, students and faculty alike were greeted with a new $31 million communications system. The new system offered many services including improved video, data, and telephone communication networks.

The video system brought cable television to all the residence halls. Cable channels included programs specializing in news, foreign languages, entertainment, and education. There was also a channel devoted to televising lectures from large classes, such as Principles of Economics and General Chemistry.

The data service connected privately owned computers to the more extensive university mainframe computers through the phones in the dorm rooms. It also had a library data base and local networks. This service was especially beneficial to engineering, business, and computer science majors who were required to own a personal computer. University administrators said they hoped that the service could be even further expanded in the future so that students could register for classes from their rooms.

Of the three new services provided, the new phone system proved to be the most controversial. All dorm rooms were equipped with a new phone hookup and a special phone. The service included call waiting, call transferring, separate phone bills for each roommate, and the computer hookup. For an added fee, the phone also provided an answering machine service. Many students, however, complained about the system, especially for long distance calls. Some students did not receive long distance service until several weeks into fall semester. Others complained about the limited number of service lines available for calls at night. Still others felt that the long codes required to make a long distance call were too complicated.

"Some things about the new phone system are annoying. Like all the numbers you have to memorize, and the obnoxious sound the ringer makes," said senior Gale Beran. "But it is cheaper than the old system." The university administration estimated that the new service would cut costs from 1/3 to 1/4 the regular cost per minute on long distance calls.

According to Erv Blythe, the director of Communications Network Services, a "help center" was set up to handle complaints and to answer any questions students had concerning the system. Blythe said he felt the center had been "extremely helpful with Tech's problems."

There were both positive and negative sides to the new system. It was a big change for the entire campus, but adjustment to change would be necessary as Virginia Tech strived to remain on the cutting edge of new technology.

-Athena Booth and Joe Guthrie
Conversation about computers was no longer just among computer science majors. The changes in the residence halls and all over campus resulted in an increased awareness of the need for computer literacy.

Mike Draper found a way to communicate on the highly controversial phone system. Some students found them to complicated to use.
Welcome Aboard

Ride in style, ride the BT

Beginning their services in April 1983, Blacksburg Transit (BT) provided the community with efficient public transportation. The first buses operated under Blacksburg Transit were considered REAL buses by all BT drivers. Without power steering, hardly any heat nor air conditioning, and no two-way radios to communicate with the garage, these buses were something less than admirable. The newer 1987 model coaches were very sophisticated with working two-way radios, air, heat, digital signs, and practically 90 degree turning capabilities.

Of all BT riders, 95% were students, averaging between 9,000 and 10,000 riders per day and totaling about 1.5 million per year. Even though the number of riderships seemed to be rather abundant, more people could have commuted by bus instead of car to help alleviate the tremendous parking problems in the Blacksburg community. BT’s were the most economical form of transportation for students who only had to show their Tech ID’s to ride the bus.

Blacksburg Transit also provided shuttle services back and forth to greek houses and extended Friday and Saturday night services until 2:00 a.m. to ensure fewer people would drink and drive. Organizations could also charter buses to destinations within 50 miles of Blacksburg. Most common were greek organizations chartering buses to Roanoke and Radford for formals.

Another sub-service of Blacksburg Transit was Para-Transit. This service was provided to transport the handicapped anywhere in the community. The new Para-Transit van, bought in 1988, was capable of lifting wheelchairs, and safely strapping in both the chair and the passenger. Without the service many handicapped people would have found it very difficult to get around.

-Gene Morris

Blacksburg Transit has provided transportation for Tech students and Blacksburg residents since April 1983. As both Tech and Blacksburg have grown, BT has kept up with the demanding needs of its riders.
You can catch a BT just about anywhere on campus. Many students found it much easier and safer to take the bus to classes as parking spaces seemed to grow more and more difficult to find.

A mini-BT? No, it's a Para-Transit, designed to transport the handicapped to and from their destinations. To accommodate Para-Transit riders more safely, this van was bought to replace an older van that was in constant need of repair.

BT's were a pleasure to ride with clean, spacious coaches and courteous drivers. At peak hours of the day most buses stayed full, especially on weekends when a bus could pack 100 or more riders.
New Laws...New Changes
How Speeding and Gambling Became Legal in Virginia

Two very important changes took place in Virginia's laws in 1988. One, was the raising of the speed limit to 65 mph on rural interstate highways. The second, change was the approval of a state-sponsored gambling in a lottery and through pari-mutual betting.

The increase in the speed limit was a big change in some parts of Virginia. On February 3, 1988, the House of Delegates voted that certain portions of interstates, the relatively rural ones, could post a 65 mph speed limit for vehicles other than trucks. The State Senate had no dissenting opinion, so the bill became law and went into effect on July 1.

Students found this increase in speed much to their advantage because they didn’t need to spend as much time traveling to and from Blacksburg. Although opponents of the speed limit increase argued that it would increase highway accidents and deaths, there was no such increase in 1988.

The lottery and pari-mutual gambling issues were far more controversial than the speed limit law. In fact, the General Assembly did not pass either provision. Instead, they allowed Virginians to vote on them directly through statewide referendums. The lottery passed in 1987, and became effective this year. Pari-mutual betting was approved in November 1988. Both referendums were defeated in the western parts of the state, including Montgomery County, but passed by large margins in the more heavily populated parts of the state from Northern Virginia to Tidewater.

Proponents of both provisions said they would increase state revenues without raising taxes. Pari-mutual supporters also argued that legalized gambling on horses would be a great boost to the state's declining horse industry. Opponents variously argued that the gambling would hurt the poorer citizens who were more likely to gamble when they could not afford to; that it would invite organized crime into the state and that neither form of gambling would raise much money for the treasury.

Unlike other state lotteries that have one grand prize, the Virginia lottery gave out many smaller prizes. Winners could receive from $2 to $10,000 for their $1 ticket.

The lottery was popular with students, and others, in Blacksburg. Local retailers who sold lottery tickets reported unexpectedly high sales of them since the first game began on September 20, 1988. In fact, one Blacksburg 7-11 store reported selling over 250 tickets in only 20 minutes during the first day. Senior Nick Bock was one lucky winner who defied the 60,000 to 1 odds and won $5,000 in the lottery in September. Bock said he would use the money to buy a new stereo system. For good or ill, the recent changes demonstrated the great effect that changes in the Virginia law could have on students.

Cars enjoyed the increase in speed on rural highways while trucks remain at 55 mph so as not to tear up the roads.
Students wasted no time going to local stores and trying their luck at the pick-three lottery tickets.

Nick Bock, a 5th year senior, was one of the lucky lottery winners. Winning the highest possible amount of $5,000, Bock wasted no time in deciding what to do with the money; first on his list of priorities was a new stereo.

The up-coming lottery was anticipated by many. Signs such as this were posted at many convenient stores and attracted a large number of participants.
Cadet Stephen Richardson, Drum Major of the Hairy Knights, practices spinning his baton. Tradition has it that the band received its name from the extraordinary skill of one of the original drum majors.
Military Traditions...

and revisions for the Corps

Virginia Tech was founded as an agricultural and mechanical college with a full-time military corps. The university retained much of the tradition and ideals established in 1872 through the continued existence of the Corps of Cadets. This year's Corps had a membership of 560 cadets, out of approximately 24,000 students. Being a cadet in a university with a civilian majority wasn't always easy. Cadet Kathy Newell stated, "Most civilian students don't really have a good idea of what cadets do. There are a lot of stereotypes and misconceptions about us."

Each freshman cadet was taught school history in order to have a better idea of what Tech was founded for. The university motto embodied all that the Corps stood for: "Ut Prosim" — "That I May Serve." Whether it was helping unload and deliver computers or ushering guests into Burruss for Founder's Day, cadets served the university in many, many ways.

As one of the most visible groups on campus, cadets were often subjects of comment and controversy, discussion and dissertation. Joe Guthrie, a senior in agricultural economics, stated "I'm not a member of the Corps because it doesn't fit my career goals, but I strongly support the Corps because they have given Tech some great traditions like Ring Dance, for example. They are still a vital part of Tech." But sophomore Michelle Kern felt that, "people have definite opinions toward the cadets. Some people don't want to give them a chance — they're cadets and that's all they need to know, while others are impressed by the uniform and military status."

Whatever opinions students held of cadets, one fact that could be agreed upon was that they were a highly visible group because of their lifestyle, and the actions of a few were always associated with the group as a whole, particularly issues which put the group in a bad light. "Corps-bashing is too easy. I would not join the Corps, but I think it shouldn't be discouraged" said senior Scot Hoffman.

Sparking much of the controversy about the Corps were several incidents resulting in the arrests of ten cadets. The first incident involved nine cadets pulling junior Cadet Stephan Woodberry from his room and taking him to the Duck Pond to shave his hair. The prank got out of hand and Woodberry received minor injuries.

The second incident concerned a sophomore cadet who became intoxicated and was shot entering a private residence in Blacksburg. Both incidents affected the Corps in many ways mostly forcing cadets to take a closer look at their organization and the image they, as members, were presenting.

Corps Public Affairs Officer Christie Szabo commented, "The job certainly has become challenging this year. I've got my work cut out for me in trying to show the side of the Corps people don't know about. I'd like to see us revive more of the traditions previously associated with the Corps and help provide a better understanding to the university community of what we're all about."

In an effort to accomplish higher visibility, the Corps participated in numerous events ranging from the Athletic Association's Window Painting Contest to the Highty Tighties providing up-beat music for all the Pep Rallies preceding the football games. Initiating its own good publicity, the Corps supported Echo Company's 24-hour vigil at the Pylons above the War Memorial Chapel in honor of Veteran's Day. In all, the year was educational for both cadets and civilians alike. The future of the Corps depended on its being able to adapt to the changing attitudes of the university and still retain its autonomy.

-Gene Morris

Corps of Cadets around 1880-89, Lane Hall located on right as it still stands today with West end of Campus, or what is today known as the Drill Field, in background.
Sexual assault and rape were of great concern to students this year. Rumors that these violent crimes were occurring on campus persisted throughout fall semester. When a student reported that she had been raped in the commuter parking lot, the issue took the campus by storm. The Campus Police said that hers was the only case of rape or sexual assault that had been reported to them in over a year. However, later that same week another student went on a local news broadcast to say that she had reported to the police that she had been attacked in her dorm room only weeks before. Police said that the complaint had been listed as an assault, not a sexual assault, even though she reported that a male intruder had attacked her in her bed and allegedly tried to rape her.

These crimes, and rumors of other similar attacks, electrified the campus community. Student leaders raised their concerns that the police were failing to adequately protect the students. They argued that police were too concerned with parking enforcement and not emphasizing protection enough. Police said that they did not have sufficient funding to patrol the entire campus thoroughly at night.

"It's just a matter of priorities," said Student Government (SGA) President Dave Baker. "If they have enough money to hire those auxiliary police guys to hand out tickets, then they could use that money to increase patrols at night."

The administration took almost immediate action, with the backing of the SGA, to increase campus safety. Dr. Tom Goodale, Vice President for Student Affairs, coordinated the "development of a comprehensive program to ensure that we have the safest and most secure campus possible." As part of this program, Goodale's office worked for greater coordination between the administration, the campus police, and town police; and took steps to improved campus lighting. The SGA sponsored a "Night Walk," in which administrators, the police chief, and students toured the campus at night to find which areas were inadequately lighted.

In a closely related matter, Bob Hall spoke to students about date rape. Hall, the president and founder of Learning to Live with Conflict, Inc., spoke to about 200 students in Burruss Hall on how to deal with "the silent struggle" of sexual aggression and dating. Hall said that 80 percent of college women have experienced rape or attempted rape from an acquaintance. Hall urged universities to better inform students about the dangers of date rape and how women could protect themselves, or seek help if a rape does occur.

Though universities did have responsibility for the protection of their students, students also needed to know how to protect themselves. There has been a strong interest by the administration in doing the best that we can to make improvements to prevent assaults" said Dr. Charlotte Davis, Associate Director for Student Activities. "Blacksburg is a small town with a very pastoral setting, so people think that big city crimes don't happen here. The fact is that they do and people have to be aware of that."

- Athena Booth and Joe Guthrie

Bob Hall uses a student to illustrate persuasive techniques used on women by some men. Using volunteers from the audience was very effective.
Hal Hall pointed out his views on bad egos and what students could do to protect themselves. Lectures such as his were a popular and unparalleled way to educate students.

Serious Stuff
Around the World
and Home Again
A law going into effect in January could cause thirty-one Soviet businesses to be shut down. Unless these companies showed a profit, the new law, a part of Gorbachev’s reconstruction plan, would enable the government to close down non-profit companies.

Letters headed to and from Britain were stopped during the beginning of September because of a postal strike. The Post Office asked overseas offices to hold all mail addressed to Britain until further notice.

Teachers went on strike in Illinois, Pennsylvania, Michigan, and Louisiana this fall. The strike affected approximately 42,000 students. Some strikers rejected pay raises and disputed over bargains in order to try and hold out for their demands.

The marketing of a new smokeless cigarette began this fall. They were called Premier and produced no odor and only small amounts of smoke. They were said to contain fewer hazardous byproducts but, some people claimed that the taste left much to be desired.
In September, a letter was sent to Bush stating that if he didn't drop out of the campaign for president, he would be killed. David Russell was arrested for the threat. Russell said that he was able to come within fifty yards of Bush with a loaded gun during a rally.

In Reagan's farewell speech to the United Nations, he stated that drastic cuts in nuclear arms may be possible in the next term. Reagan also expressed his hope for world peace.

President Corazon Aquino claimed in October that Ferdinand Marcos would be charged with crimes he's said to have committed during his twenty years in office. In 1986 he fled to Hawaii but if charged, he would be allowed to return to the Philippines to answer questions.

The Center for Disease Control predicted that in 1992 over 300,000 people would be diagnosed as having AIDS and, 236,000 of those cases would be fatal. It was estimated that as many as 3,000,000 people were infected with the virus. New legislation was passed that allowing for more testing, research, and care for AIDS patients.
Norwegian actress, author, and UNICEF Goodwill Ambassador, Liv Ullman visited campus and spoke on her work with UNICEF to alleviate world hunger. Ullman, best known for her films with director Ingmar Bergman and her best-selling autobiography, *Changing*, has turned her attention in recent years to UNICEF. UNICEF was the United Nations organization dedicated to improving the lives of children in underdeveloped countries.

"40,000 children die every day, without an earthquake, without a flood. These are the silent deaths, silent catastrophies that we do not see in the headlines," said Ullman.

Ullman's work with UNICEF has included visits to impoverished nations around the globe. She then shares her experiences with audiences in developed countries to implore them to help solve the world hunger problem.

Her speech left a lasting impression on the people in the audience. Ullman heightened awareness of the problem of malnourishment of children around the world and what can be done to relieve their suffering.

-Joe Guthrie

On Homecoming weekend, when everyone else was anxiously awaiting the results of the prestigious Homecoming Queen contest, 15 of the most unusual faces on campus wondered which of them would be named the Ugliest Man on Campus (UMOC). Famous ugly men like The Siamese Manbeast, SGA president Dave Baker, The Flaming Barracuda, President James McComas, Ugamug, and Chemistry professor Dr. John Glanville, joined forces with Alpha Phi Omega (APO) National Service fraternity to raise money for Camp Easter Seals. APO, which has sponsored the contest for over 40 years, prominently displayed pictures of the candidates all over campus. People then voted for the ugly man of their choice as many times as they wanted, at a penny per vote. All the proceeds went to a fund that helped disabled children attend summer camp. After all the mud was slung and all the money was counted, Ugamug took his (its?) rightful place as our ugliest man. According to Amrit Sekhorn, who chaired the UMOC committee for APO, the contest raised over $500. When asked what it was like to be in charge of finding Tech's ugliest man, Sekhorn replied "Well, it's a dirty job, but somebody has to do it."

-Joe Guthrie
Students for a Free Society, a newly founded organization, was very active in many events on campus that increased awareness of the plight of homeless people in America. Some of their activities included a camp-out on the Drill Field, a candlelight vigil at the War Memorial Chapel, and distributing handbills and other information about the problem of the homeless. The group also participated in a fast in support of David Hayden and Mitch Snyder, advocates for the rights of homeless people. These men fasted at the Capitol Building to protest Congress' inaction on legislation regarding the homeless. The group hoped that by making more people aware of the situation, more work would be done to find solutions to this nationwide problem.

-Athena Booth
The scenery was a little different with fences, trailors and tractors dotting the campus. Instead of the pylons being the focal point on the Mall, construction sites dominated the view. McBryde Hall had work done on two sides. Construction for new pipes tore up one sidewalk and provided an alcove for a workman to take a sunny break. A safer sidewalk was constructed on the hill toward McBryde to alleviate the dangers often encountered in the icy weather.

In addition, new buildings were finished while still more were under way. Perhaps the most extensive construction site was around Squires Student Center. The once impressive view looking down the Mall toward the Pylons became blocked by chain-link fences, large signs and trailers. The construction caused numerous complications. The Blacksburg Transit was forced to move its routes and take over parking spaces between Brodie Hall and the Drill Field. Also, outbound traffic on the Mall had to find another way to get onto Main Street which further aggravated the parking situation by taking away yet more spaces.

Though the construction inconvenienced many, the long term effects were anticipated to enhance the aesthetics of the campus and make students, faculty and staff even prouder of their beautiful home away from home.
Fan behavior during football games worsened causing an increase in the number of arrests and people being removed from the stadium. A committee was formed to study the reasons for increased drinking and rowdy behavior. The only action taken before the end of the season was to raise the number of police patrolling the stands. This brought resentment from many students and turned the situation into a game. Suggestions were made to use styrofoam cups and crushed ice to prevent ice and cup throwing at other fans and the opposing team.

Groups like the Corps of Cadets continued their traditions of showing much spirit at the game through cheering and passing members of the regiment, and occasionally the Hokie Bird, up the stands. An improved sound system was in the plans for the future so fans could better hear the commentary on the game. The cheerleaders tried something new by using a microphone for one of them to lead the cheers but many students resented hearing the cheerleader over the announcer.
Alpha Phi Omega, a service fraternity, sponsored bloodmobiles in Owens banquet hall many times each year. The whole process took under an hour, and when it was all over everybody got soda and doughnuts. Here Lisa Currin, a sophomore in Animal Science, took some time off from class to donate blood.

"I'm not going to give blood because I don't want to get AIDS!" Many students used this as a reason for not giving blood. Many people mistakenly believed that they could get AIDS while giving blood. All of the needles used by the Red Cross were first sterilized and used only once. AIDS was transmitted by having sex with an infected person or by sharing needles with an infected person.

The AIDS virus attacked the immune system of the infected person and was fatal. As of date, there was no cure for the disease, but research continued extensively. Giving blood was safe and the Red Cross even tested all blood for the AIDS virus and disposed of any infected blood received.

-Jamie Stanek
In response to the AIDS epidemic, the ever-increasing threat from venereal diseases, and the need for safe sex, the university administration approved the sale of condoms in the vending machines in residence halls. The condoms were available in early November. Tech joined several universities throughout the state and the nation that have approved similar sales of prophylactics this year.

Although the sale of contraceptives has stirred controversy for years, the condom distribution on campus created surprisingly little public response. Most students regarded the new policy as a necessary measure to combat the serious problems of sexually transmitted diseases (STD) and unwanted pregnancies. Earlier in the year, Surgeon General C. Everett Koop recommended abstinence and the use of condoms as the most effective methods of preventing the spread of AIDS.

"There’s little we can do to prevent students from having sex. So we need to do whatever is necessary to make sure they are protected," said Dr. Edward Spencer, Director of Housing and Residence Life. Spencer said the decision to sell condoms in the dorms was made by a consensus opinion of his office and a student advisory board.

"A year ago the students were split on the idea. This year they all agreed to it," said Spencer. "The threat of AIDS changed a lot of minds," said Spencer.

-Joe Guthrie
On August 28, 1988, Leander B. Dietrick died. Dietrick arrived at Tech in 1923 to teach horticulture and was elected as dean of the College of Agriculture in 1952. He held the position for ten years. Dietrick was the last living member who could recall the founders of Tech. His death was a great loss to Blacksburg and the university and the closing of another chapter in Tech's history.

Knollwood. No other word sparked as much discussion or controversy among fraternities. Knollwood was the name of a proposed housing development on Ramble Road that would provide houses for 10 greek organizations. The project would create an off-campus fraternity row, something that has been missing from greek life. Greek leaders had to spend over a year getting the area rezoned and approved for development. Then the idea was jeopardized because not enough fraternities could afford to buy a house, which cost $200,000 to over $600,000 depending on size. Rick Dudek, president of the Interfraternity Council, blamed the high cost on the site of the development. "We can only build on 10 of the 28 acres, so we're paying for 18 acres that we'll never use."

The Knollwood project faced termination several times, only to be resurrected by extended deadlines for fraternities to buy a house. Most greek leaders believed that a fraternity row would have to be postponed. As Pi Kappa Alpha Secretary Bill Tyrrell said, "Our greek system is so young that we don't have enough alumni to support such a large project yet."

-Joe Guthrie
Aerial view of the Virginia Tech campus between 1960-64.

Downtown Blacksburg between 1940-1950.
III Law + Order (Domestic) IV Image

IV Economy, Taxes

V Depiction of Opponent
Academics

Every year brings new beginnings to academics but this year saw more changes than usual, due to the conversion from quarters to semesters. The changes in class scheduling and credit requirements affected both students and faculty as there were 15 rather than 10 weeks in a grading period. The Student Government Association (SGA) proposed that professors be required to provide a significant portion of the student's grade before the drop date. However, the Commission on Undergraduate Studies denied this request as a violation of academic freedom. This year was also a time for reflection upon past achievements. The College of Arts and Sciences marked its 25th anniversary with many special events and celebrations. Among these were Chalk Talks presented by several distinguished professors including Pulitzer Prize winner Nikki Giovanni. Virginia Tech hosted a new contest called "Academic Challenge" for high school students. The contest drew students from eight of the top high schools in the state to campus. It pitted a panel of students from one school against another in an academic tournament. The first graduates of the two year Agriculture Technology program completed their Associate Degrees. Agriculture Technology is Tech's only associate program and gives students a broad working knowledge of agriculture. The new Pamplin Hall addition was dedicated in the fall and construction continued on other academic buildings as the university worked to solve its severe space shortage. A search committee sought a new chief academic administrator to fill the post of provost which had been vacant since David Roselle left in 1986 to become the president of the University of Kentucky. As changes began to grow more and more necessary, Tech adapted to continue and expand on its tradition of academic excellence.

Taking advantage of the last sunlight of summer, Erin O'neill studies biology. When the monotony of studying inside began to dampen spirits, students escaped outdoors.

Tasked with defining what Machiavelli's tactics would be in a campaign for the presidency, Professor Linda Plaut makes a point to her humanities Renaissance class. Humanities classes broke up the monotony of straight lectures by allowing students to break into groups and have heated discussions with each other and the teacher.
In 1973, the Virginia General Assembly appointed a Veterinary Medical School Commission to study the possibility of building a veterinary medicine school. The proposal was approved, and the following year planning for the school began. Dr. Richard B. Talbot was appointed dean. In 1980, the Commonwealth of Virginia signed an agreement with the State of Maryland to create the Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine. Four years later, the first 62 Doctors of Veterinary Medicine graduated from the school. In 1985, Peter Eyre became dean.

Most facilities of the Vet School were located on the Virginia Tech campus, however, the school served both Tech and the University of Maryland. Each class included 80 students, 50 from Virginia and 30 from Maryland. There were 16 additional students enrolled in the graduate program.

Blood donors aren't always human, as shown by Misty, a greyhound. Vicki Vaughn, an Animal Care Technician, screen tests for a bio-research interactive program video by the Communications Department's Learning Resources Center.

Most students entered the program following completion of undergraduate work. Students enrolled in the veterinary curriculum concentrated on a body systems approach. This allowed students to develop clinical problem-solving skills and adapt a professional code of behavior. Students also studied food, animal medicine and practiced public food experiments.

During the first year of study at the Vet School, students studied structure and function of body systems. The following year, courses concerned disease, pharmacology, and toxicology. During a student's third year, the courses were centered around the diagnosis of various diseases. There was also an orientation of surgical practices and surgical procedures.

During the fourth year, Vet School students worked with professionals for nine months. Several clerkships are completed in various areas of veterinary medicine. Students often intern over summer breaks as well. Bill Tyrrell, a freshman in the Vet School, was a junior at Tech, but was received early admission into the Vet School due to ample credit hours and Advanced Placement credits. "I plan to intern at the National Institute of Health this summer," he said. Tyrrell found the work at the school challenging but enjoyable.

The Virginia-Maryland Regional College of Veterinary Medicine did more than just teach. When the college was chartered, several goals were listed. Some of these were to enhance animal health and welfare through the provision of advanced veterinary medical and surgical services, and to develop and conduct basic and applied veterinary and biomedical research. Both of these missions were being carried out through various aspects of the school.

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-Beth Stewart

However, animals owned by clients living outside the 35-mile radius had to be referred to the school by a local veterinarian. Animals were seen first by a senior vet student, whose work was then checked by a faculty member.

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At the Veterinary Teaching Hospital, Moe Richards, a fourth-year vet student, auscultates Elsa, a black labrador retriever. The auscultation determined whether Elsa's heart and lungs were in proper condition.

Brice, a deer, was attacked by a dog and had to be admitted into the Veterinary Teaching Hospital. Brice's leg was injured so severely that it required amputation. Surgeon intern Dr. Eric Dubbin, surgeon Dr. Walker, and senior student Mark Hanks perform the surgery.
The labs in Cowgill Hall often resembled a cluttered mess but beneath it all lay the various projects that architecture students worked on throughout the year.

The view beyond the windows of Cowgill Hall sometimes proved to be a distraction to architecture students.
Four hour labs became a

Necessary Evil

There was no such thing as an undedicated architect. It took five years to obtain an undergraduate degree in the field. These five years covered three levels of study, including one semester of off-campus study. Determination was a must for young architects.

The first three semesters of college covered Foundation Studies — an exploration of design. Design Lab was a six-hour course, and many freshmen were taken by surprise by the great amount of work it required. "I must spend 40 hours a week just studying Architecture," said freshman Jay Woodburn.

Architecture I, the next three semesters, discussed design methods and taught architecture majors computer-aided design (CAD) to enhance their understanding.

The first semester of the third year was spent in extended off-campus study. Students could choose among various places to work for the semester, where they gained experience that assisted them with career decisions.

During the last three semesters of undergraduate studies, Architecture II, students studied design in depth and refined their programs of study to tailor their goals. A thesis was prepared during the fifth year.

Four groups of facilities comprised the College of Architecture and Urban Studies. Cowgill Hall and the Architecture Annex, located on-campus, contained offices, studio space, a library, a CAD laboratory, workshops, and photographic facilities.

Just off-campus was the Environmental Systems Lab, which consisted of five buildings. Several rarities existed here, including an experimental solar building and a low-speed wind tunnel.

Another facility, the Washington-Alexandria Center, was located in Alexandria, Va. Architecture students could enroll here for one year. The Center brought students together with the professional community of Washington, D.C.

After five years of study, a student's determination was the only thing needed to proceed onto graduate studies, or enter the professional work force.

-Sophomore architecture students Mandy Nichols and Dinna Magno spent many long hours in lab completing various assignments. Architecture students were responsible for keeping up with their work.

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Being a freshman was difficult enough the first time around. There were new places to go, new things to do, and new people to meet, along with having to adjust to the rigors of college academia. However, some students went through these rituals twice as a result of transferring to a new college. In the past academic year, approximately half of the transfer applicants were accepted.

In order to transfer from another institution, one must have completed requirements equivalent to those necessary for freshman entry. Additionally, the transfer student must have had a grade point average of at least 2.0 and must have been in good standing at all colleges and universities attended.

Where did transfer students come from? Transfer students came from a variety of backgrounds, ranging from other four-year institutions to local community colleges. Community colleges provided a sound education but often did not offer the depth of studies that some students desired. Kris Fern, a sophomore transfer from New River Community College in Dublin, wished to earn a four-year degree in Finance. This sparked his interest in transferring to a school that could offer him the background he needed for his chosen major. The same held true for Sue Suddarth, a second-semester sophomore transfer from Northern Virginia Community College. "I wanted a higher education than what I could get from a community college, and I'd heard of Tech's good education program," she said.

On the other hand, Missy Piccola, now a senior, transferred from Winthrop College, a four-year college located in Winthrop, South Carolina. She did this as a means of experiencing the diversity available at a larger university. Piccola felt that there "was a lack of things to do" at her old school. Piccola became involved in the Virginia Tech Union (VTU) and was Vice-President of the organization in her senior year.

Fern, Suddarth, and Piccola all noted the lack of personal attention they received while in class, but said they appreciated the fact that professors offered office hours and were usually more than willing to assist if there were problems. "The professors have open-door policies. There is always a way to get help," stated Fern.

What problems did transfer students face, other than adjusting to classes? Housing was a major concern. Suddarth applied for on-campus housing but did not receive any. "I had to make a special trip (from Falls Church, her hometown) to find off-campus housing." Fern, too, applied and was rejected, although for him this was not as critical a problem since his family resides in Blacksburg.

On the positive side, transfers had a distinct advantage over freshmen—they already had college experience. As a result of this, the adjustment to Tech wasn't as difficult. As a whole, what impressions did these students get of Tech? "The people here are really friendly," said Suddarth. "It's been easy to get study partners and to make friends." Piccola echoed this: "I'm closer to people here than I was to people at my old school. That's why I stayed here."

-Beth Stewart
The transfer student system began at Virginia Tech in 1966 when the university began accepting students from local community colleges. Soon after, the system expanded to include colleges and universities across the state and elsewhere. Many students began transferring to Tech with applications peaking in 1981. The decline since 1981 is shown in the following graph, depicting the amount of transfer students who applied versus the number accepted in the last nine years.

Students exit the Blacksburg Transit at the Foxridge apartment complex. Transfer students often had problems finding on-campus housing, and worked with the Housing and Residence Life Office to find a home.

Rookies

There were many first year teachers on Virginia Tech's faculty this year. These teachers were either graduate student teachers, first year teachers or faculty hired from other universities. For Susan Green, the latter was the case. She came here from the University of Washington and taught English and Humanities classes. These new teachers brought new teaching methods and ideas to the university. Susan Green said, "Virginia Tech appealed to me because it offered the opportunity to develop new ideas."

Susan Green, a new professor, teaches her Renaissance class. Green expressed the need to adjust to the campus layout, referring especially to the Drill field.
Fun, the opportunity to learn something different and the chance to relax could all be found in the free electives students enjoyed taking. Although the university set specific guidelines for the core curriculum and required classes for majors, there were a few class hours left entirely for students to choose. Most chose to take free electives in classes that featured a favorite hobby or sport but whatever discipline, students were able to pursue their own interests.

Health and Physical Education classes were the most popular free electives. Aerobics and weightlifting allowed students to work out and get in shape, whereas Advanced Lifesaving and Water Safety Instruction taught important skills such as CPR and first aid that could be used for life. Senior Christie Szabo took aquatic aerobics and aerobic dance because "I have fun while improving my heart and learning about the dangers of too much cholesterol!" There were also classes that taught a specific sport like golf or raquetball.

Other students preferred to use their free elective hours to pursue a favorite interest. Fine arts, such as drama and drawing, or industrial arts, such as masonry or glassblowing were also popular. The opportunity to produce something with one's own hands was cherished by students in majors like philosophy where usually intangible concepts were brought home rather than glassblown swans.

Human awareness courses were also offered. For the first time, a sign language course was offered for a small fee and the response was great. Human sexuality and marriage courses taught about interpersonal relationships, the dangers of infidelity, AIDS, and other relevant topics. No matter what the subject, the escape from the everyday grind of required courses was both informative, interesting and fun!

-David Alex Bergren
Jennifer Anderson does "tummy crunches" in her Aerobic Dance class. Students took classes like these to work out and get in shape.

David Kramer shows students one glassblowing technique. Classes like these helped to increase industrial skills.
A lot of students would have liked to trade places with their professors in order to give them a "taste of their own medicine." Four hundred and twenty graduate teaching assistants (GTA's) had that opportunity this year, juggling course loads, teaching classes and labs, directing small group discussions, and grading papers for professors.

A GTA was usually employed for a full academic year and was required to carry at least nine hours. If the quality credit average fell below 3.0, the GTA's employment could have been terminated.

The GTA was responsible for several classes each week. For example, a GTA assigned to the freshman biology program taught about three labs each week.

David A. Stetler, a biology professor, felt that GTA's were especially valuable in teaching freshmen. "Freshmen can identify with the GTA because of their age. Freshmen are hesitant to go up to a professor with a problem. The GTA appears more accessible." Stetler continued by saying that "the GTA is the contact that the freshman has with the university."

Many GTA's began teaching upon completion of their graduate courses. The work involved with teaching classes served as valuable training and experience. There was also an informal training program to address possible problems GTA's encounter with classes, students, or lab experiments. Professors taught the graduate students their "tricks of the trade," while also encouraging them to develop their own style.

It has been said that the best teacher is experience. When GTA's stepped in front of a class, they assumed the role of professor, which meant they had to impart their knowledge to the students. Course preparation was the most important asset. Stetler notes, "When you're standing in front of 400 or so students and you're not prepared, you know it right away." The training sessions assisted the GTA's by teaching them to assume the role of professor.

GTA's took their work seriously even though they were combining research, classes, and teaching. "We have received very few complaints about our graduate students. I can't say enough about them," said Stetler.

-Beth Stewart

Sandy Hall houses the graduate student offices where graduates get their problems solved and schedules processed.
A concerned student accepts help from Lenore Carman, a graduate teaching assistant in chemistry. Commonly known as TA's, the assistants had to fulfill a certain number of hours teaching undergraduate laboratories.

Shun Luo helps a student prepare a Biology experiment. Undergraduates often enjoyed working with graduate students so close to their own age.
Theater Arts
Entertainment For The Masses

They gave us entertainment and thrilled us with brilliant stage sets, enthralling stories, wonderful music, and best of all, great acting. But behind the shows and the entertainment was a lot of work. The theater arts students put in long hours of work to prepare for the plays and shows they put on. "We go through nearly two months of preparation for a five day show," said Lorri Moore, a Theater Arts student.

What kind of work went into these plays? Why did it take so much time? First, auditions had to be held. The producer and director screened students and then cast roles for the play. It was a complicated task because it was often difficult to find people who were right for the parts. Once the parts were cast, actors had to memorize lines and informal rehearsals had to be held. Then, artists and designers had to build stage sets. Costumes had to be made by hand. This required the diligent work of clothes designers and seamstresses. Makeup artists had to be found. Then dress rehearsals were held in full make-up and costume. Finally the show came. And as soon as the final show was performed, the work started all over on the next production.

One wondered why these dedicated people went through all that work for such a brief performance. "It's actually a lot of fun. It provides me with a way to express myself and when all the work is done I have a great sense of fulfillment," explained Moore. For most of these students, it was their goal to become actors or actresses and someday, maybe, to become famous.

Already this fall the Theater Arts students performed Thornton Wilder's play Our Town. Production began in early September and the play was finally performed in mid-October at the brand new Playhouse 460. Work had already begun on their next production, A Christmas Carol.

Many students used the opportunity to perform on stage as a way to build confidence. Some even went on to pursue careers in theater and acting.

- David Alex Bergren
The VTU staged productions like "The Music Man." By hiring troupes not associated with Tech theater arts students were able to view professional methods of acting and improve their own skills.

Lorri Moore, a theater arts student, studies a play for her drama class. Moore dedicated hours of hard work to memorize her lines for each production.

The Performing Arts building was where all the work and preparation for productions took place. It also served as a hangout for all performance students.
Pamplin Students Got Down To Business

Wall Street brokers; Madison Avenue advertisers; real estate magnates; Malcolm Forbes; Donald Trump. Where did they come from? Where did they get their start? They began at business schools across the country like the R.B. Pamplin College of Business.

The Pamplin College of Business was one of the ten best in the country according to the U.S. Department of Education. That was a high accolade but well-deserved. With roots dating back to 1890, the school was firmly established in 1961 with the help of a $10 million endowment from the R.B. Pamplin Corporation. When the endowment was established, school had fewer than 900 students. Since then, it has more than tripled in size to nearly 3600 students. The college offered 18 different degrees including doctoral and master's degrees in a variety of majors ranging from accounting and economics to various management fields. All were aimed at one thing: teaching students how to be successful in American business. Sophomore Robert Dant summed up many students' feelings when he said, "I feel that the business courses here at Tech will help me in achieving my future goal of owning my own business."

Concentration played an important role in the success of sophomore business students Stacy Avent and Jonathan Shockey. The personal computers in Accounting class were part of the business accounting curriculum.

The new Pamplin atrium connected the old and new parts of the business school. The renovations and additions provided more space for faculty offices and classrooms.

In addition to the coursework, the business school provided three honor societies to recognize academic achievement: Beta Alpha Psi, for accounting, Beta Gamma Sigma, for business and Omicron Delta Epsilon, for economics. There were also three coed fraternities and ten curricular organizations. These groups sponsored programs on career planning and opportunities such as the annual Business Horizons, where major companies came and spoke with students about what they wanted to do after graduation. They also displayed research and spoke to students about the future of business.

The addition and renovations to Pamplin Hall were finished after two years of work, adding 56,000 square feet of space for faculty offices and classrooms. The addition helped to relieve some of the space deficit caused by the increased enrollment in the college. R.B. Pamplin was present in the fall for the rededication ceremony of the new Pamplin Hall.

The business school taught students how to succeed in a frantic and demanding field. It took them through the basics and then beyond into the complicated strategies and ideologies they would face in the business world.

-David Alex Bergren
Business Horizons, a festival of business opportunities, was held in the fall. Student Barbara Ouellette converses with a spokesperson from Consolidated Coal Company about a summer internship.

R.B. Pamplin cuts the ribbon at the re-dedication ceremony of the new Pamplin Hall in the fall. The R.B. Pamplin College of Business completed many renovations after two years of construction.

Taking time out from his busy schedule, Dean Richard E. Sorenson poses for a picture. Dean Sorenson was responsible for presiding over the business school faculty and making sure the school ran smoothly.
As one of the largest colleges in the university, the College of Engineering was also the most selective in the students it accepted. The college used its selectivity to the excellent reputation it had gained nationally as a leader in academics and research.

For high school seniors, it was a difficult task to get into the College of Engineering. The school was swamped with applications, receiving five times more than it could accept. Of the students that were accepted, the average score on the S.A.T. was over 1220 and all were in the top ten percent of their classes.

Once in school, they were hit with a demanding core curriculum. All students had to take English, Calculus (usually five hour), General Chemistry, and Engineering Fundamentals.

Thomas Chatfield, a freshman engineer, said, "EF teaches basic engineering skills such as problem solving. It doesn't focus on any one department but gives you a solid background for any field." At the end of the year, each freshman decided which of the 10 departments of engineering they preferred to enter. However, much of their choice depended on how well they did during the year. Students needed to average anywhere from a 2.0 for mining and agricultural engineering to a 3.0 for electrical and aerospace and ocean engineering.

Engineering students faced grueling schedules and had to be extremely dedicated to their studies. After the freshman year, the curriculum only became more difficult. Bailey Cross, another engineering student, said, "It's hard to combine all the studying required by engineering with too many extracurricular activities. As an engineer, you have to keep your priorities straight."

Although there was little time for extracurricular activities, many engineering students had the opportunity to join Tau Beta Pi, an engineering fraternity. Also, those students who did exceptionally well could join Eta Kappa Nu, the engineering honor society. The Student Engineering Council was also open for student participation. The council set up various projects and activities for engineering students, the largest being the annual Engineering Expo.

The eighth annual Expo took place in the War Memorial Gym. The Expo was an opportunity for students to see what specific discipline in engineering they were interested in, and gave them a chance to talk with representatives of major companies. This allowed them to get an idea of where they might want to go after graduation. Also on display were new technological innovations and the results of various research projects.

For seniors wondering where they were going to go after they graduated, the university provided a placement service that assisted students in their search for gainful employment. On the other hand, many seniors opted instead to go to graduate school where they could study to become professors or to further expand their knowledge of engineering.

By graduation, the engineering students had come a long way. Whether it was for agricultural or industrial engineering, the foundation was set for these students to learn how to shape our future.

-David Alex Bergren
Doris McLeod of Tau Beta Pi, the engineering fraternity, spoke with curious participants at the annual Engineering Expo.

Delco Electronics set up an information booth at the Expo. Engineering students explored the various career opportunities at their leisure.
"Reflecting On Silver, Reaching for Gold", the College of Arts and Sciences celebrated its 25th anniversary this past year. While paying tribute to its growth and accomplishments in the 25 years since it became a unit within the university, the college also began its look forward, toward the next 25 years and even more growth and success.

Many of the departments that now make up the college existed long before they were pulled together into a unit—some since the university itself began in 1872. Courses such as chemistry, languages, English, geology, history, military sciences, philosophy, mathematics, art, biology and physics—now offered in the College of Arts and Sciences—were among the first taught at the Virginia Agricultural and Mechanical College, as Tech was known then. But 25 years ago, the College of Arts and Sciences was formed.

To mark its anniversary, the college commissioned a special anniversary painting, "Campus Panorama 1988," by Tech artist Victor Huggins and an anniversary seal designed by Helen Graeff, instructor in humanities, assisted by Creed Taylor, graphic designer with Educational Communications.

The college anniversary activities got off to a successful start with Chalk Talks, a series of informal presentations on topics ranging from Antarctica research to women's studies to puppetry to the Presidential campaign. Held on the mornings of home football games, Chalk Talks gave the college an opportunity to let the public know about some of its research and programs.

The college served as co-host in October of the Graduate Research Symposium. Speaker James I. Robertson, C.P. Miles Professor of History, gave a humorous look at what we expect in a President and what we actually got.

The college also served as host for the first Virginia Tech High School Academic Challenge, held in October and won by McLean High School. It was the first statewide academic contest in Virginia.

The college's first endowed professor, Hans-Dieter A.R. Klingemann, presented the C.C. Garvin Lecture December 1. His topic was "Current Democratic Values in West Germany."

The anniversary activities culminated March 27-April 1 with the Arts and Sciences 25th Anniversary Celebration Week. Student musical groups put on a musical extravaganza March 30, and March 31 was Festival Day, which included displays, performances, demonstrations, an auction, a twilight reception, and musical treats.

A black-tie gala topped off the anniversary celebration April 1, concluding the reminiscences about the college's past and providing a formal look toward the future of the College of Arts and Sciences, which teaches core curriculum courses to all Tech undergraduates.

"Our goal for the future," said Dean Herman K. Doswald, "is to gain national prominence and recognition for all of our programs in the college and to provide an education of the highest quality for all of our students."

-Sally Harris
In 1968, the Drill Field was without the familiar sidewalks and fences of today. Students were forced to walk through puddles in order to reach their classes.

This 1954 classroom scene shows Tech students performing the same tasks as now. The clothing styles have changed, but there will always be papers to be written.
The Lyric Theater became a place for both past times and class times. The school leased the downtown theater to accommodate large classes.

The Squires Student Center stood empty, waiting for renovations to begin. Once the center of student activities, the building will be reopened in 1991.
Any college student understood the scarcity of money. Sometimes such luxuries as dining out and going to movies had to be put on hold. Yet some students were able to visit the Lyric Theater several times a week.

The Lyric Theater was one of several buildings leased by the university to obtain more space. Classes were held in the theater during the day. The large seating capacity was a bonus however, the distance from some parts of the campus was not. "It's a long walk to the Lyric from AJ, especially at 8 o'clock Monday morning, but it wakes me up and sometimes I get to see what movies are coming out," said freshman Amy Calvert.

The Armory, located in downtown Blacksburg, was also leased. The Armory contained an art museum and also held art and art history classes. The Pack Building, located on Price's Fork Road, housed engineering, graduate and development offices. There were two other buildings leased for the graduate program on Washington Street and Draper Road.

The university was expanding into the town of Blacksburg; yet within the college's bounds great changes were occurring too. Several buildings were renovated. One of these, Squires Student Center, officially closed in the spring of 1988. The center housed ballrooms, offices, a gameroom, and an auditorium, among other things. The center was closed for improvements and was scheduled to reopen in January of 1991. The gameroom was relocated on the first floor of Pritchard Hall, offices were moved to other buildings, and dances were held in the coliseum and elsewhere. The need for more space was felt more strongly than ever before.

It was hard to miss the crowding across the campus throughout the school year. "This space crunch has gotten into almost every publication this year," said Dr. Ford of University Facilities.

-Beth Stewart

The Pack Building stood on a street corner just off campus. The building housed various development offices.
It’s been said that all things must change and nothing goes on forever. However, this wasn’t to say that all change was easy, or quick. Over 100 years passed during the history of Tech when the school relied on the quarter system to get through each academic year. 1988 marked the beginning of a new era — the conversion to semesters.

No person at Tech escaped notice of the change. Students and faculty alike were affected by the conversion, as classes and schedules had to be adjusted accordingly. Even the incoming freshmen took notice. Although they had no previous coursework under the quarter system, they were sometimes confused by professors referring to quarters and even handing out syllabi designed for the quarter system.

Seniors were the most concerned about the change. With graduation looming in the near future, the pressure was on to fulfill all the requirements. Some highly specialized classes and optional electives were eliminated from the course offerings. This caused disappointment for students intending to take a certain class before graduating. The responsibility of choosing which classes were to be eliminated fell to the faculty and staff.

Under the quarter system, classes were ten weeks in length. This prevented boredom in the classroom, but did not allow much time to raise poor grades. After the change to semesters, a class lasted for 16 weeks, which alleviated some pressure. However, the great amount of material covered in a class meant that more information would be required for an exam. “I wish teachers would give more tests,” said junior Ed Nelson.

The Registrar’s Office was often a busy place, especially since the change to semesters occurred. Graduation Analyst Barbara Simpson assists a senior with understanding the requirements for graduation.

In past years, students started classes weeks later than this year’s first day of classes, which was August 24. Previously this allowed summer break to stretch farther into the year but required that students were in school through part of June. In 1989, Tech let out for the summer on May 4, which was approximately the same date as most other colleges. Summer jobs were more easily accessible and friends were free to see each other at about the same time. For better or worse, the new era of a semester system at Tech had begun.

-Beth Stewart
Nearly hidden behind rows of books, junior Ginny Bird takes advantage of the quiet of the library to catch up on her marketing studies.

The microfilm section of the library provides a place for animal science major Theresa Roller to work on her term paper.
A new year with a new administration brought a new look. Dr. James McComas took over the helm after President William Lavery stepped down. He came presenting a new look and a fresh start to a university that needed both.

President McComas listed many goals that most presidents would find difficult to meet. But McComas had a lot of determination and the will to do the job. One of his main concerns was to have interaction with students, both graduate and undergraduate. "I hope to get to every residence hall and spend as much time with the undergraduate students as possible. I want to make it difficult for a student to graduate without having met me — if they want to," said McComas, according to the Virginia Tech Spectrum. He went on to say, "Obviously, if 22,000 students decided to come, it wouldn't work, but I want to see you as much as I can, and if you invite me to your functions, I'll try to attend."

McComas was very supportive of the graduate program calling it "another great strength." He wanted to work with the program and continue its excellent reputation. "The diverse and outstanding students are attracted by good programs. The broad range of graduate programs give us the critical mass to get things done," said McComas.

He said another of his goals was to continue the high quality of the faculty. "You can't attract good students without good faculty," McComas said. "We have a great faculty and can continue to be selective — should and must."

Some of his other, less pressing goals, were to improve the library and to beautify the campus. "We have a very good library, but it needs additional resources. Great universities have great libraries," he said. He added that, "With additional work the campus can be truly beautiful."

When President McComas inherited the throne, he also inherited its problems. Student organizations frustrated by the past administration jumped at the chance that the new administration represented. Presented with the problems of faculty evaluations, on-campus meals, and most of all, parking, McComas addressed each problem individually. First, citing the advantages of the parking situation, he pointed out that parking here was free, and that transportation service is provided, but he also admitted that some improvement may be needed. As for meals, he already had a committee formed to review food in the dining halls.

"I want to see if we can offer more variety and more things you like." McComas also stated that he would like to see faculty evaluations, "for the professors to use to improve."

McComas brought new hope and opportunities for improvement. Unsolved problems were finally addressed. McComas worked hard to accomplish his overall goal of making Virginia Tech a nationally known and reputable university. "Those who have been at other institutions and know how they struggle realize this university is truly blessed," said McComas.

- David Alex Bergren
President James McComas refers to the library in his office. McComas stressed the importance of a well-maintained library to help faculty, staff and both graduate and undergraduate students.
Robert Litschart, a department head in management, rests after running the steep slope of Lane Stadium. After football season the stadium provided a place to get away from it all and relax.

Headlights cutting through the night cast light into the gloomy array of headstones at the Stonegate cemetery.
Canadian astronaut James van Hoften revels in the lonely freedom of the endless vacuum of space.

An awe-inspiring white pine stands alone in all its majesty on a beautiful mid-summer's day.

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Blacksburg takes on a new look at night, through the lens of a camera. People disappear and cars are transformed into streaks of red and yellow.
Lights from passing cars, street lamps and the setting sun add to the collage of colors on the Virginia Tech Pylons. Such a scene made the chapel a favorite stop for evening strollers and couples.

The new South Recreation field lights cast an eerie glow in the night sky around Slusher Tower. Though they might have caused an inconvenience to some Slusher residents, they allowed students to play intramural sports well after dark.

Tech's skyline is silhouetted against the waning moments of a Blacksburg sunset. Blacksburg is famous for the beauty of its evening skies.
Sports

The year dawned bright for Hokie athletics. At the beginning of his first year in Blacksburg, athletic director David Braine saw several teams continue their winning ways, while other teams strove for improvement. The young football team, under second year coach Frank Beamer, played well against a very difficult schedule that included four Top Ten teams. The team was led by freshman quarterback Will Furrer and a backfield composed of underclassmen. In his first year as head coach, Frankie Allen guided the men's basketball team to several impressive victories on their way to a surprising 19-10 record. However, the team could not participate in postseason tournaments because they were on probation for NCAA rules violations. This year, Bimbo Coles and the Hurryin' Hokies worked to improve upon that record. Coles was Virginia Tech's first Olympian and first Olympic medal winner when he won a bronze medal as a member of the American men's basketball team at Seoul. The youthful women's basketball team was led by Stephanie Green, the only returning starter from last year's team. Tech Park became the new home of the always powerful Hammerin' Hokies baseball team. The men's and women's soccer teams both started the season with impressive victories. The cross country team tried to match last year’s team which ran away with fourth place in the NCAA, the highest any team has finished in any sport. In a sports controversy, walk-on senior wrestler Steele McGonegal refused to submit to a mandatory drug test. McGonegal protested the NCAA's testing policy because he felt it was a violation of his constitutional rights. With new facilities, a new director, new coaches, and teams led by underclassmen, this was definitely a year of new beginnings in sports that promised an even brighter future.
Head Coach: Frank Beamer

Coaching Staff

Billy Hite
Michael Clark
Steve Marshall
Ricky Bustle
Larry Creekmore
Tommy Groom
Keith Jones
Bud Foster
Duke Stager

1988-1989 FOOTBALL TEAM

CB:  David Andrews
LB:  Tim Bailey
DB:  Ken Barefoot
FB:  Malcolm Blacken

OG:  Tim Bohnett
FLK:  Sandy Bowen
C:  Rich Brown

PB:  Todd Brown
DE:  Bryan Campbell
DT:  Eugene Chung

ILB:  Bo Cothran
SE:  Greg Daniels
TE:  Ernie Davis

DB:  Jeff Doty
DB:  Danny Eddy
C:  Rich Fox

PK:  Will Furrer
ILB:  Bobby Goodwin
DB:  Steve Graseel

DB:  Todd Grantham
ILB:  Gray Hagi
FB:  Tom Hall

OLB:  Chris Henderson
OLB:  Scott Hill
OLB:  Scott Hummel

P:  Kenny Jefferson
DB:  Jon Jeffries
OLB:  Baird Kilpatrick

DB:  Chris Kinzer
TE:  George McDowell
DT:  Steve Mitchell

DB:  Horacio Moronta
DE:  Taror Page
OT:  Larry Peery

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VT OPPONENTS 1988-1989

Clemson Tigers
East Carolina Pirates
Southern Mississippi Golden Eagles
Syracuse Orangemen
West Virginia Mountaineers
South Carolina Gamecocks
Cincinnati Bearcats
Virginia Cavaliers
Louisville Cardinals
Florida State Seminoles
James Madison Dukes

106 Football
George Pickering of the Highty Tighties plays the bass drum to celebrate a Hokie touchdown.

Jon Jeffries breaks through to score a touchdown. Jeffries has continued to make his mark at tailback despite recurring injuries.

Will Furrer calls signals under the pressure of an oncoming blitz. Inexperience did not hinder Furrer, who took advantage of the blitz, from an exceptional season.

Defensive Tackle, Scott Hill, takes a shot at ECU quarterback Travis Hunter. Hill was a team leader in total tackles and quarterback sacks.

Number 66, Scott Hill, attempts to distract the kicker as Roger Brown dives for the ball. Tech consistently blocked kicks against its opponents.
Why did Virginia Tech lose in its season opener against Clemson? In football, the name of the game was experience and Clemson was holding all the cards. The Tigers took advantage of this and handed the Hokies their third-worst opening day loss ever.

Tech ventured to Death Valley with one starting senior and a redshirt freshman, Will Furrer. They were greeted by Clemson's 18 starting seniors, including senior quarterback Rodney Williams, and a Citrus Bowl victory over Penn State. Clemson also boasted one of the best secondaries in the nation.

This quality and experience gave Clemson the ability to wear down its opponent offensively and defensively. Clemson possessed a big, strong, fast team where every player had the experience to do the job his position required. Tech, although much bigger, stronger, and faster than ever, lacked experience and depth at many key positions, such as quarterback. Will Furrer started at quarterback in Death Valley without having ever played in a Division 1 varsity football game. Furrer was as cool in his debut as could be expected. Coach Beamer said, "He played with poise. Will gives us real hope for the future." On his way out of Memorial Stadium, one Clemson fan said, "That Furrer is going to hurt us someday. He's good." Hokies hoped that the Tiger fan would be right.

-Vicki Heilig and Brad Fields

**TEAM STATISTICS**

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Head Coach Frank Beamer, looks on as 4th ranked Clemson defeats Tech 40-7. Coach Beamer began his second season as head coach.
Quarterback Will Furrer sits alone on the Virginia Tech bench as the defense attempts to regain control of the ball. Furrer maintained his poise against the relentless Clemson defense.

QB Will Furrer is swamped by Clemson defenders for 1 of 7 sacks by the Tigers. Furrer performed exceptionally despite Clemson being his first Division 1 game.
Last year's 19-10 season record was just one of the many surprises that accompanied new head coach Frankie Allen. In his second season, Coach Allen hoped to continue the winning magic, both on the court and in the classroom.

Despite the losses of key leaders Roy Brow and Tim Anderson, the team looked forward to a strong season. Bimbo Coles returned after helping the US Olympic Basketball team bring home the bronze medal. This gave him the experience he needed to assume the leadership of the Hurryin' Hokies. Wally Lancaster was also expected to be a team leader. During the preseason, Lancaster was ranked by the Sport- ing News as the 4th best shooting guard in the nation. He was also named to the 2nd All Metro Conference team. Other key players were Antony Moses, Greg Brink, Eric Sanders, and David Herbster. With all this talent, the Hokies looked forward to a strong season on the court.

Traditionally, academics were not stressed with athletes. When Coach Allen became Tech's head basketball coach he brought with him a desire to change this. Allen said, "Our first victories must come in the classrooms." He started a campaign to make changes in the academic life of athletes by creating a new Basketball Academic Advisor position.

The new Basketball Academic Advisor was Kimble J. Reynolds. His main job was to monitor the Basketball teams academic progress. He required the players to attend study hall for an hour and a half each night. Kimble said, "My position allows the players to get the personalized attention they need." He also traveled with the team, and encouraged them to study on the road trips.

The opening games proved to be a measure of the success of all these changes. Home games filled Cassell Coliseum with enthusiastic fans. The James Madison (JMU) game sold out as the Hokies swept the Dukes in a 103-84 win. The Alabama win in the last two seconds of the game didn't dampen Hokie spirits too much as the season continued with more sold out games. The Hurryin' Hokies faced a season of surprises and challenges.

-Vicki Heilig
### 1988-1989 Season Opponents

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Head Coach Frankie Allen, signals in the offense. Allen, like football Coach Frank Beamer, is in his second year at Tech.
Virginia Tech's First Olympian

112 Coles
A dream for most people, was a poster of a Lamborghini on the wall or a photo of the earth taken from the moon. For Vernell “Bimbo” Coles, a dream was a starting position on the 1988 Olympic Basketball Team. This dream became reality for Tech’s first Olympian.

A native of Lewisburg, West Virginia, Coles excelled in sports for as long as most people could remember. He got his start early in basketball and football and played both through high school. His successes included being West Virginia’s Player of the Year for basketball his junior year of high school as well as being an All-State football player. He was recruited primarily by the University of West Virginia and Virginia Tech for football and basketball. Fortunately, his heart lay in basketball and Virginia Tech was the winner.

Bimbo was one of 93 players who accepted an invitation to tryout for twelve openings on John Thompson’s Olympic team. After extensive training at the Olympic Center in Colorado Springs, the group was cut to 20. This group traveled to Washington, D.C. where the final selections were made. Of these players, 15 were chosen to participate in six games against the NBA All-Stars. All six games were won by the Olympic team. Bimbo’s steals and tight defense caught Coach Thompson’s eye, and helped to secure his position on the Olympic team.

“The U.S. Olympic team went to Seoul to do one thing-bring home the gold medal, and we didn’t do it.” This was Coles comment in reference to the team’s performance. Despite the fact that the U.S. team beat the Australian team 78-49, and received the bronze medal, Bimbo was not pleased. Although Bimbo was not happy with the outcome of the Olympics, Virginia Tech and the people of Blacksburg were very proud of their first Olympian.

-Vicki Heilig and Brad Fields
"Accept no limits." That was the philosophy of weightlifting coach extraordinaire Mike Gentry.

Gentry emblazoned this ideal into the hearts and minds of the Virginia Tech football players. "He's a motivator," said linebacker Jock Jones, "you want to lift for him because you respect him and his program." Defensive end Todd Brown, whose recovery from a car wreck was speeded by Gentry's program, echoed those sentiments, "He's hard but he's fair. The main thing is that you respect the man."

Gentry and his program deserved respect. Since Gentry, himself a two-time Virginia powerlifting champion, became a part of Frank Beamer's coaching staff, the increase in intensity and physical play has been obvious. "Our program is designed to help our athletes build their overall strength and endurance while helping them develop self discipline," said Gentry, "We want to be known as one of the most physical teams in the nation." The Hokies' excellent defensive performances against powerful West Virginia and South Carolina showed that the plan is working.

Every player on the team participated in Gentry's scientific weightlifting program, which concentrated on four lifts.

"Bench press and back squat build upper body strength. Hang clean and push press develop explosive output," said Gentry. Lifting was based on percentages, with the athlete starting at a certain percent of their maximum ability and working until they reached and surpassed that maximum. It was a highly disciplined regimen that worked largely because of Gentry's enormous ability to motivate the players.

"He won't give you what you can't do, but he will push you," said Jones, "and he makes you want to win."

The ability to win came from the confidence that Gentry and his program gave the players. As Brown said, "You see yourself getting bigger and you're not intimidated by anybody."

The players and coaching staff see enormous potential in next year's team, due in no small part to Gentry. "We are very fortunate to have Mike running our strength and conditioning program," said Beamer.

The Hokies are hopeful that Gentry's program will build not only strength, but also confidence and an ability to win. As Jones said, "It all works because you respect the coach."

-Joe Guthrie

Randy Cockrell completes one of many squats in his lifting program. Randy started the 1988-89 season at inside linebacker.

Al Chambless, a defensive end for Tech, easily puts a set of bar dips to rest. Sweat Blood, seen in the background is one of many motivational sayings Coach Gentry has given his athletes.
Football Weight Room Records

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Bicycling, a sport previously held to be European, has become overwhelmingly popular in the United States and Virginia Tech has not been immune to the cycling craze. High-tech bicycles and long training rides replaced dime store bikes and Sunday strolls. With the formation of the United States Cycling Federation (USCF), Americans not only had high-tech bikes to ride but also a place to race on national and international levels. The success of Americans in Olympic cycling and the emergence of many professional riders in Europe, fueled the fire to begin collegiate cycling as a sport.

Though Tech has had a cycling club since 1896, the club only began racing competitively since 1987. From its origins as a four-man group of Sunday strollers, it has become an experienced racing machine of seventeen riders. They fund their own activities since the university did not consider cycling a revenue sport.

In order to race, a bicycle and a little "know-how" were the necessary ingredients. "Maintenance is the key to keeping your bike running smoothly," said Todd Roberts. Roberts had recently purchased a Tommasi SLX racing frame. When asked why couldn't he have purchased a lesser quality bike, Todd responded, "It (Tommasi SLX) one of the lightest and strongest frames available for racing! I'm in a sport where quality of equipment can really make the difference so why not go with the best." The equipment to ride and maintain bicycles can run into the thousands of dollars, not to mention race fees and transportation. Racing on the collegiate level was divided into three categories which determined the ability of the riders. Collegiate A was the most competitive group while Collegiate B was just as competitive but less experienced. Collegiate C consisted of first year riders eager to learn the sport. Unlike the USCF category system, collegiate riders moved up from C to A when they felt they were capable whereas the progression from category 4 to category 1 in the USCF was based on points acquired in races.

The Tech team has performed well at races since its formation. Recently at a race in Virginia Beach, Virginia, Scott Mearns took second place in an A group race. James Murray powered his way to a group B win and Todd Roberts outran the pack to win a group C race. Other wins included Eric Kramer, who placed in the top fifteen at the Eastern Collegiate Cycling Federation Championship at Cornell University in Ithaca, New York. Tech also was represented in the Mid-Atlantic Cycling Conference created solely to include Tech in collegiate competition. A trip was planned for May so the team could participate for the first time in the Collegiate Championships in Colorado Springs.
Team President Joe Hood leads the pack during a training race. All categories of riders ride in the 20 lap criterium training race.

Mike Kisska still manages a smile after a flat tire in a training race. Team vehicles usually wait on the roadside with spares for such mishaps.

Erik Kramer takes his turn in front. Kramer placed in the top 15 at the Eastern Collegiate Cycling Championships in Ithaca, N.Y.
The 1988 Soccer team had a great season. Their record (11-9-0) took them to the 1988 Metro Conference Championship where Tech was defeated in the first round, but not without a battle.

Part of their success was attributed to forward, Ray Crittenden. As the first scholarship player, Crittenden broke the season record of fifteen goals scored. Fans filled the stands to see him. "His speed, acceleration, leaping ability and toughness make him a threat every time he gets near the ball," said Coach Cheynet. "He constantly creates opportunities for his teammates because he always has at least two defenders on him. He does things now that normally take one or two years to develop," Cheynet continued. In addition to being a soccer player, Crittenden was also a varsity basketball player for Coach Allen. His speed and leaping ability made him an asset at the guard position where he falls behind Olympian "Bimbo" Coles and Senior Quinton Nottingham. "Very few athletes have the ability to play two varsity sports in college, and we're very proud of Ray," says Coach Cheynet.

Although the Hokies lost their season opener against thirteenth ranked North Carolina State, they came back to win the home opener against Appalachian State and began a string of victories at home. Leading Tech on the field were Crittenden with fifteen goals and four assists and Tom Albertson with ten goals and four assists. As goal keeper, Geoff Pope finished the season with eighty-six saves and five shutouts, having only twenty-three goals scored on him.

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Fullback John Dumbleton shows that soccer isn’t always a gentleman’s sport as he holds of the Roanoke College defender. Tech beat the Roanoke Maroons 3-0.
Ray Crittenden, Tech's first scholarship soccer player, passes a UNC defender to score 1 of his 2 goals in the game. Crittenden has broken Tech's single season scoring record.

Two Appalachian State forwards battle Tech fullback John Dumbleton for possession of the ball claiming a 2-1 Hokie win.

Fullback Brian Boland prepares to clear the ball out of Hokie territory in a game against the University of North Carolina, Greensboro. Tech won the game, 2-0.
The women's volleyball team faced a difficult year. The Lady Hokies' schedule included national powerhouses such as New Mexico, Wyoming, Cincinnati, South Carolina, and Florida State. Yet, coach John Pierce was optimistic about the team in the pre-season. "The past couple of seasons, we probably should have done better and didn't because of injuries and things," he said. "Things appear to be going very well for us right now."

The team looked promising at the beginning of the year. They had five returning seniors, a talented group of freshmen, former basketball standout Michelle Bain, and junior Elizabeth Wilson forming the nucleus of the team.

The ladies showed flashes of brilliant play, but were too inconsistent to win against their tougher opponents. They finished with a disappointing 11-22 record, and sixth place in the Metro Conference. The brightest spot on the team was Wilson, who was selected to the All-Metro Conference team.

Although they lost five players to graduation, the lady Hokies hoped to rebuild next year, with Wilson returning and with more experienced players.

-Joe Guthrie
Kelli Craven, 10, Karen Crawford, 14, and Sue Sadler, 12, team up to block a Florida State spike. Despite an outstanding effort, the Tech women's team had an unsuccessful season.
Hockey player, (10), takes the puck away from a University of Tennessee defender. Despite being on club status, Tech plays and defeats most university teams.

Jim Hutton, (6), takes a check from a Maryland wing as goalkeeper, (31), Rick Kelley looks on. Virginia Tech and Maryland were the favorites in their division.
Playing hockey in the South. It sounded about as likely as sunbathing on the beaches of Hudson Bay, but Virginia Tech did have a hockey team. In fact, they've been playing for five years, and have been steadily improving every year. Although the NCAA recognized hockey as an intercollegiate varsity sport, the Hokie team played on the club level. This was a step below Division III. The Hokies played in the Southern Collegiate Hockey Association against other universities in Virginia and surrounding states.

"I'd love to see us move up to Division III," said Hockey Club Treasurer and player Dave Cole. "We have the ability to do it, it's probably just a matter of time before we do."

Even at the club level, the action was furious and the teams were very competitive. "It's probably the fastest sport on earth and it takes great physical ability to play well," said Cole. "It's also a very emotional game, especially when the fans get into it."

Cole said that fan support is improving, but because the team has to play at the LancerLot ice rink near Roanoke it was difficult to generate student interest in the games. Cole cited plans to charter a bus to the games and more advertisement to increase support.

Practicing and playing away from campus created a great deal of difficulty for the team. "It takes a lot of dedication to play," said Brian Fletcher, Hockey Club Vice President, "It takes about an hour to get there, then we practice at least twice a week for a couple hours, then we have games on most weekends." Because they received only limited financial support from the athletic department, the team had to provide its own transportation. Cole said that team members were willing to make these sacrifices because they love the sport.

Fletcher said most members of the 'A' team have been playing hockey for most of their lives. Some learned to play at indoor rinks in Northern Virginia while others learned on frozen lakes like Fletcher did in the Finger Lakes area of New York. For less advanced players, the club also included a 'B' team. Both teams were coached by Pete Sullivan, who was a member of the team until he graduated last year.

Fletcher probably summed up the team's feelings when he said, "I've played a lot of sports and hockey is the best. It's action-packed and requires both great teamwork and individual performances." For these men, there was nothing quite like hard-hitting Hokie hockey.

Joe Guthrie
For the swimming and diving teams, success required hours of conditioning, training, and practicing. "It takes some natural talent to be a good swimmer, but it also takes a lot of work," said women's swim team captain Margearet Soulen. Soulen's efforts earned her a place in the NCAA regional meet in the backstroke. She said that the team members work out in the weight room several times a week, do a great deal of abdominal exercises, and swim three mornings and five afternoons per week. This work has made the H'Okies one of the top teams in the state and the region.

Soulen said she anticipated even more improvement in the future. "This is definitely an up year for us. We've recruited about twice as many freshmen as we ever had before on both the men's and the women's teams."

Soulen also saw an improvement in support, from the administration and especially from fans. "The stands around the pool have been full for some of our home meets, and having more fans is definitely a big plus for us," said freshman swimmer Diana Gross. Gross continued, "It's really great how many people come out to watch us."

The diving team, although much smaller than the swimming team, was no less dedicated to their sport. Freshman Kelly Ivy, said that good dives were the result of hours of physical conditioning and endless repetition of the dive. "We lift weights, work on the trampoline, do some other exercises and then dive for a couple hours a day. With only three of us on the team, you get in a lot of dives in two hours." Ivy and freshman Kelly McKay comprise the women's team, while senior Mark Dalhman is the sole male diver.

Both the swimming and diving teams were coached by Wayne Norris and his assistant coach, Neil Brophy. Diana Gross emphasized the coaches' importance. "The coaches help us a lot on our technique, and for us sprinters, good technique is everything." By the end of the season, the hours of work and practice had led to another successful year for the Hokies.

-Joe Guthrie
Mike Burke, second from left, and Todd Sturgeon were dead even at the start with UVA. Early morning and afternoon practices contributed to the strength of the swimming team.

Lila Vanlandingham takes the lead against UVA. A good start was the key to a short or intermediate distance race.
A catcher tags out his opponent in the softball finals during fall semester. Softball was one of the more popular intramural sports during the fall semester.
Virginia Tech continued to offer every imaginable sport whether as a club or intramural activity. Everything from archery to scuba diving could be done competitively for points and awards or for fun.

With the addition of lights to the south recreational fields, night football and softball became a favorite pastime of weekend warriors. Co-ed, all male and female teams chalked up to do battle for a spot in the finals and a trophy to display in their fraternity or sorority house or just for the bragging rights until the following year. Indoor soccer, bicycling, and running, as well as spelunking and water skiing, were also offered during the fall.

During the winter, the War Memorial Gym became the stage for would-be superstars. Basketball, volleyball, raquetball, water polo, gymnastics, and aerobics were just a few options offered for students to get in shape for the summer.

Most intramural events were officiated by students who supervised play and tally results to determine final standings. All events were coordinated with the Intramural and Club Sports office located on the second floor of War Memorial Gym.

Intramurals were one of the most enjoyable and well-planned events on the campus and were taken advantage of by many students.

-Edward Fields
A runner rounds the warm-up track in preparation for her race. The large banked indoor track and straightaways were surrounded by a flat cement one sixth mile track for warm-ups.
Coach Russ Whitenack, began to rebuild his track teams this year with the loss of national superstar Tony Williams. "We lost a lot of talent and experience last year but we have a lot of young talent to build on," said Whitenack. Coach Whitenack has been building a middle and long distance track team since the destruction of his outdoor track by the athletic administration. "I was promised an outdoor facility, which has yet to materialize, but it should soon. When it does, we will begin to bring sprinters into the school, but until then we don't have the facilities to properly train them and it's just not fair to that type of athlete," commented Whitenack.

Football players from the skilled positions filled lots in the 55 meter sprints and the 200 meter sprint. "Damien Russell (a freshman free-safety for Tech) ran the 55 and placed in his heat... but he's not there yet," said Coach Billy Hardee. Hardee coached wide receivers and defensive backs and hoped to have them in top form for future seasons of football and track. "They've got me running the 55 meter hurdles which will help my speed and give me a little practice jumping receivers," said Jock Jones who played outside linebacker. "I think they should run track. But most players show up in my office senior year and are worried about their 40 meter times for scouts. I can make anyone faster, but I need time," said Whitenack who welcomed the football athletes.

A George Mason runner leads the pack around a lap of the one mile race in Rector Field House. The indoor track was 200 meters long, banked on the corners and surfaced with material similar to that of an outdoor track.
Who returned to school for summer double session practice, running, diets, more running and passing out after practice in preparation for the big game day? Not just the football team, but the women's field hockey club. "We return early every year for double session, practice two hours a day during the fall semester and play two games a week during the season," said Julie Otto, team president, played fullback for the exceptional but often overlooked team. Field hockey, similar to hockey and soccer, was a very fast-paced 11 person per team game. Played on a 100-yard field, there were goals at each end like soccer, but sticks were used to move the ball as opposed to kicking.

In 1983, Tech dropped it's already lacking women's varsity program another notch by eliminating varsity field hockey. "They determined, by a poll of high school students, that field hockey was unpopular among athletes," said Otto. Despite this claim, Tech boasted a 25 person plus squad of talented field hockey players. Praised constantly by coaches of neighboring schools for their organization and exceptional level of play, their 10-4 season record reflected their ability. Schools played included Georgetown, American University and Randolph Macon Women's College. "We're not even looking for scholarships, just some support like a paid coach and some help scheduling games and finding referees," said Otto. Tech was still far behind in its support of women's athletics however, the university scheduled to reinstate 3 women's club sports to varsity, division 1 level in the near future.

-Edward Fields

Kim Chism, takes a shot upfiled against RMWC. Chism was one of 25 hardworking club athletes who helped prove that women's fields hockey should be reinstated as a varsity sport.

Stephanie Chong, 15, stops the ball as Sue Occiano, 20, prepares to take a penalty corner shot. Chong scored on this shot contributing to the 2-1 victory over RMWC.
Suzanne Strine, 2, attempts to put the ball past one of Randolph Macon's goalkeepers. Randolph Macon was one of 14 schools that agreed to fit Tech into their schedule during the regular season.
Virginia Tech’s all time winningest women’s tennis coach, Anne Jones, began her fifth season with nine returning players and one newcomer. Among her returning players was Laurie Shiflet. Shiflet stepped into the number one seated position on the team to fill in for an injured Maria Lochiatto. Shiflet, a sophomore from Virginia Beach, led the team in doubles with her partner, Lochiatto. Also returning was Danelle Chambers who placed second at The Old Dominion Tournament last year. Suzy Jobe and Leslie Seward, ranked fifth in the nation in doubles, would also be returning. Melissa Mason, Sally Ballard, Sharon Gaylon, Peri Golden and Molly Rush also returned to round out and strengthen a strong team for Coach Jones. Melanie Ford began her first year as a member of the Lady Hokies tennis squad.

Assisting Coach Jones, was Mike Brady and Suzanne Gutch, both were Tech graduates. Brady, coaching the junior varsity women’s team, received an engineering degree from Tech and was working on a masters in material engineering. Gutch, was a four year starter and leader for the Lady Hokies tennis team and received her bachelors degree in sports management from Tech in 1987.

-Brad Fields
### 1988 WOMEN'S TENNIS TEAM

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Laurie Shiflet completes one of many serves to her teammates in practice. Shiflet was considered an excellent doubles as well as singles player.

Sally Ballard returns a serve to a teammate. Ballard was ranked fourth on the team as a sophomore.
Speed, agility, flexibility and determination are a few attributes necessary to be a good wrestler according to Head Coach Jerry Cheynet. "You gotta have heart to wrestle, and all my wrestlers do. That's what makes them good," said Cheynet. Coach Cheynet, who also coached the men's soccer team, believed in working his wrestlers very hard. This was seen in his practices, which may have included running, plyometrics and wrestling technique sessions. "The workouts are exhausting," said Baird Kilpatrick, who lost 10 pounds to wrestle for Coach Cheynet. Baird, a former Tech offensive lineman, recently switched to Tech's wrestling squad to wrestle heavyweight division.

"To have good wrestlers, you gotta be able to teach them, and Coach Haselrig can get out there on the mat with them and teach them how to use technique," said Cheynet. Ken Haselrig, who wrestled for Clarion University, was second in the nation in 1987 in his weight class. "He is an asset to the team, the wrestlers look up to him and he works hard to help them," said Cheynet.

"We do well, because we enjoy the sport, and the coach gives us a chance to do well," said Steele McGonegal. "We're not a power house wrestling school like some I could name, but we work hard and make it to the finals every year," said Bo Odea. Excellent coaching, hard work and good attitudes made Tech's wrestling team successful.
A wrestler stands up from a sit out after a restart of the match. Technique taught on the mat by Asst. Coach Heslig, gave Tech wrestlers added experience in these situations.

A JMU wrestler, unsuccessfully attempts to sit out against a quicker Tech athlete. Quickness could make the difference in the 3rd period when fatigue set in.
Carroll Dale, an All-Pro tight-end for the Super Bowl winning Green Bay Packers, set the precedent for wide receivers at Virginia Tech. His exceptional skill as well as leadership abilities made him an asset on and off the field.

Defensive End and Tackle, Tom Beasley, was an All-American player at Tech. His career included playing on two Super Bowl winning Pittsburgh Steelers teams. Beasley was known for his aggressive hard hitting play.

Don Strock, who led the Miami Dolphins to a Super Bowl title, wrote the record book for Virginia Tech quarterbacks. Strock was traded to the Cleveland Browns in 1980 as a backup quarterback and offensive assistant.
The Outland Trophy, All American status, and a first round draft selection were just a few of the accomplishments of Bruce Smith. Bruce was a two-time Pro-Bowl selection as defensive end for the Buffalo Bills.

Franklin Stubbs, a first baseman for Virginia Tech went on to play first base for the LA Dodgers. Stubbs started for the Dodgers in their 1988 World Series winning performance.

Billy Hardee played defensive back for the USFL Baltimore Stars and in the Canadian Football League. Hardee also spent some time with the Denver Broncos. He is presently coaching wide receivers and defensive backs for Tech.

Del Curry, Tech's first basketball All-American, went on to play forward for the Utah Jazz. In 1988, Curry transferred to a newly formed club, the Charlotte Hornets, and started at forward. Curry's jersey was retired in this ceremony with Tech President William Lavery.
Robert Brown was an All-American athlete for the Hokies. He went on to play several successful seasons with the Green Bay Packers.

Steve Johnson, a 6'6" tight end from Alabama, exceeded the norms for a tight end at Tech. His exceptional catching ability, speed, size and strength won him a position on the New England Patriots offensive squad.

To be the best at your sport was the dream of every athlete. Inevitably, the best floated to the top, bringing pride not only to themselves but to other athletes, coaches and to their fellow students. They also provided inspiration to those who would follow in their footsteps. Tech's rich tradition of successful athletes in all sports was visible in the Tech Hall of Fame and on the walls of Cassell Coliseum.

All-Americans brought a unique kind of pride to any school. They acknowledged that hard work, although it may not have led to a professional contract, had its rewards. Track athletes like Maggie Lasaga and Tony Williams, football players from Frank Loria to Chris Kinzer, baseball players Trey McCoy and Jimmy Stewart, all contributed to the continuing tradition of Tech's success in athletics.

Athletes wouldn't get anywhere without the support of their families, peers and most of all, the coaches and trainers. The outstanding dedication of people such as veteran trainer Ed Mottley, coaches like C.P. Miles and countless others, has provided an environment rich with resources for those who desire to be at the top of the sport.

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Mike Johnson, most often known for his fiercely intense playing style, was a threat to an offense, setting records in season tackles. Johnson was picked up as linebacker by the Cleveland Browns and continued to lead the way in tackles.
their sport. Virginia Tech has gone out of its way to recognize these people as well as those few athletes who do truly reach the top of their sport, with the Virginia Tech Hall of Fame.

Professional athletes were a very rare breed. Their talent and intense desire to push further in their sport often led to a professional contract or a chance to represent the United States or another country in national or Olympic competition. Roy Brow, former Tech basketball player, represented St. Croix of the Virgin Islands. Bimbo Coles represented Tech on the bronze medal winning Olympic basketball team of 1988. Tony Williams placed in the top 20 at the national cross country championships in 1987. Don Strock led the Miami Dolphins to a Super Bowl title as quarterback. Carroll Collins found his niche as a PGA golfer. All these athletes and many others, who form the ranks of professional and nationally competitive athletes all contributed to the great history of Tech.

-Edward Fields

Dallas Cowboy draft choice, Jesse Penn, was a key part of the Tech defense. His speed was his greatest asset in the Cowboy defensive scheme. Penn was injured during the 1987 season and may not return to the NFL.

Defensive end and linebacker Victor Jones, was also a prominent figure in the 1986 upset of N.C. State in the Peach Bowl. Jones was signed on by the Tampa Bay Buccaneers but placed on injured reserve during the 1988-89 season.
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28 Mike Nicholson, Asst. Coach

Graduate Assistants: Jimmy Foit
                  Jay Phillips
                  Tim Bowers

Shaun Thomas, a redshirt freshman, takes a few practice swings before batting in the opening tournament. Thomas played in the outfield.

Tom Morris tags out a Montgomery runner attempting to steal second. Montgomery was one of many to lose to Tech in its opening tournament. Morris was a returning junior at first base.
Alan El-Amin (left) and Randy Berlin (right) congratulate each other on their scored runs. El-Amin was a returning senior outfielder and Berlin was a returning junior infielder.
The Lady Hokies basketball team faced an uphill struggle right from the start of the season. The team lost six players from the 1987-88 team that finished 12-16. They also played a difficult schedule. Six of their first eight games were on the road, including games against national powers Old Dominion, Syracuse, and Virginia.

Although there were many new faces on the team, some things had not changed. One major aspect was Coach Carol Alfano and her hard-nosed style of play. Coach Alfano returned for her eleventh year as head coach, and again preached her philosophy of tough, aggressive basketball to her youthful club. She was optimistic about the team. "It will be a rebuilding year for us," she said during the preseason. "But we will challenge and fight people to the end and by tournament time we may pull some surprises."

Indeed, the ladies didn't need much time to pull some surprises. They took both Syracuse and Virginia to the wire before losing by two points to each.

The Lady Hokies owed much of their success to forward Stephanie Green, the lone returning starter from last year's team. A pair of junior college transfers, Sandi Michel and Jeni Garber formed a solid backcourt, while forward Missy Sallade and center Amy Byrne contributed with quality play in the front court.

"My main interest is in the effort we give," said Alfano. "Youngness and inexperience hurt, but I'm pleased because there's no selfishness and we played as a team."

-Joe Guthrie
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**Head Coach:** Carol Alfano (Morris Harvey College '71)

**Record at Tech:** 139-141 (10 years)

**Career Record:** 153-147 (11 years)

**Assistants:** Noreen Brennan-Pecsok, Bonnie Henrickson, Beth Dunkenberger

Dana Walvius, 55, puts up a shot over a pack of George Washington players. Walvius, a 6'2" center from Woodbridge, Virginia, was a starter for Coach Alfano.
Athletes were used to pleading with referees, but wrestler Steele McGonegal had to plead his case to a judge.

McGonegal, a senior in communication studies and a walk-on wrestler, was forced to seek a court injunction to be allowed to wrestle after he refused to sign mandatory drug testing forms. Both the university and the NCAA required all athletes to sign a form saying that they consented to random drug testing. Any athlete who did not sign was not permitted to practice or compete in intercollegiate athletics. McGonegal refused to sign because he felt the drug screening was a violation of his constitutional rights.

"To drug test, they must have probable cause, and being on an athletic team is not probable cause," McGonegal said. "In the United States, you are innocent until proven guilty. You should not be looked upon as guilty and then have to prove your innocence."

Because he had not signed the required forms, McGonegal was denied access to the athletic facilities and was not allowed to practice or compete with the team. In reaction, he hired a lawyer and filed for a temporary injunction in Montgomery County Circuit Court. The injunction would have allowed McGonegal the same treatment as other athletes while the validity of the forms was being decided.

In court, McGonegal agreed to sign an amended version of the university's drug testing form. The amended form allowed him to use the athletic facilities and practice with the team as long as he participated in drug education and counseling programs. It did not require him to submit to a urinalysis and therefore did not give him permission to compete in the NCAA meets. So McGonegal continued his court battle.

Two weeks later, in mid-November, circuit court judge Kenneth Devore denied McGonegal the injunction that would have allowed him to compete. After that ruling, McGonegal reluctantly agreed to sign the NCAA form he had protested for over a month. The form allowed the NCAA to select him for random drug testing, but also allowed him to withdraw consent at any time. Withdrawing consent, however, most likely would have created another legal contest. That situation never arose because McGonegal was never selected for a urinalysis.

Throughout the entire affair, McGonegal maintained that he was not opposed to drug testing, but to the NCAA's policy. "I would have volunteered for a test, but when they said I had to sign the form, that's when I decided not to support their policy," he said.

McGonegal also stressed that he did not use drugs and that he had nothing to hide. "I have never taken drugs, I don’t take drugs. I never will take drugs," he said. "Anyone who knows me knows that I don’t."

Much to his chagrin, the NCAA wouldn’t take his word for it.

Steele McGonegal took NCAA policy to court in his protest of signing forms for drug testing as a prerequisite to competition. McGonegal was allowed to compete after a modified format of the forms was agreed upon and signed.
On December 18, 1988 former Virginia Tech pitcher Greg Ferguson died and his promising young athletic career ended almost before it began.

Ferguson was injured in a two-car automobile accident near his hometown of Bassett, Virginia on December 7. He was treated at Memorial Hospital of Martinsville and Henry County. After several days in the hospital, his doctors allowed him to return home, certain that he was on his way to a full recovery. Shortly after returning home, however, he collapsed in his living room. He was rushed back to the hospital, but he died soon after arriving.

The circumstances surrounding the car accident have not been fully explained. Apparently Ferguson was driving on Route 58 when a car attempted to pass him and the bumpers of the two cars became locked together. Both cars flipped, leaving Ferguson trapped in his car. One of the occupants of the other car was killed, another suffered serious back injuries, while the driver received only minor cuts and bruises. There was some speculation that the driver of the other car had been drinking, but no charges were filed.

Ferguson had been one of Tech's premier pitchers over the past three seasons. After his junior year, he was offered a professional contract by the Oakland Athletics organization. He opted not to return this year for his senior season and spent the summer pitching in the minor leagues in Oregon for one of the A's farm teams. The franchise honored him by sending Alfredo Griffin's jersey and a pair of Reggie Jackson's pants for him to be buried in.

"Growing up as an opponent and a teammate of Fergy, I can say from experience that he was a class act on and off the field," said Collegiate Times Sports Editor Jeff Motley. "He never complained to the umpires. As an opponent he was tough, but after the game he would be the first to shake your hand and say 'nice game'.”

Motley added that many knowledgeable people around Martinsville considered Ferguson to be one of the most talented players to come from that area. Ferguson was rated on a par with their most famous baseball product, Detroit Tiger all-star Lou Whitaker. Yet because of the tragic accident, no one will ever know how good Ferguson could have become.

"I know I speak for more people than just myself when I say that I will miss him," said Motley. "As a classmate, teammate and opponent I will miss Greg. But most of all as a friend I will miss Fergy."

-Joe Guthrie
What happens when a hooker with two props form a scrum? A good game of rugby happens, of course. Rugby, similar to football and soccer, was quite popular in Britain. Although often overshadowed by football in the U.S., rugby was played throughout the nation by teams like the men's and women's Virginia Tech Rugby Clubs.

Although rugby had a reputation for being the sport of Neanderthals, it was in fact a game of complex and sophisticated tactics and strategies. It used finesse, strength, and endurance. And, despite the appearance of the game to the untrained eye, there were even rules. The object, as in football, was to run, pass, and kick a ball down a large field past the opposition and score a goal.

“It's a lot of fun, especially if you like contact sports,” said Rugby Club member Jeff Gulock, “There's also a great social aspect to the game. Most people are good sports, and there's a tradition that the home team throws a party after the game.”

“Rugby is great because you can join the collegiate team with no prior experience and it's a fun contact sport,” said rugby player Tom Daniel.

These reasons helped account for the growing popularity of the sport. Like soccer, rugby's popularity had soared in the past 20 years. There were over 100,000 men and women rugby players (ruggers) in the U.S. who played in collegiate and amateur clubs. The sport was especially popular on the East and West Coasts.

As the sport has grown, the Tech rugby teams have not only managed to remain competitive, but have thrived. The Tech ruggers have brought home the coveted Ed Lee Trophy as Virginia collegiate champions five of the past six years. In addition to playing Virginia colleges, Tech also competed on the regional level against such rugby powers Navy and Maryland. Although the teams competed on an intercollegiate level, the NCAA recognized rugby only as a club sport.

Club sport or not, the ruggers appreciated fan support. “Rugby hasn't caught on like football because people find it hard to understand,” said Gulock, “but once they see a couple of games and get to know the rules they really start to like it.”

-Joseph Guthrie
Charlie Sloan, middle, fights for position during a lineout with the help of teammates Steve Chanfrau, left, and Doug Kay, right. A lineout is a method of getting the ball back in play after it has gone out of bounds.

Javier Vietti turns a Navy player towards teammate Steve Chanfrau in order to strip the ball and move it out of Tech territory. Tackling a player or stripping the ball are two of many methods of changing ball possession in rugby.

Number 2, Chris Graffie attempts to block a Navy kick. Kicking is a method to get the ball out of your own territory in rugby much like in football.
The Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets was more than fulfilling a mandatory obligation of participation for ROTC students. The State Legislature set up a Corps of Cadets to train technically skilled officers for the military profession. It was a requirement to be a Land Grant college. For more than 110 years the Corps turned out officers who have proven patriotism and dedication to the freedom of the United States, yet it was the belief of many members of the Corps, and of students at large in the university, that the Corps served no useful function.

Unrealized by most was that the Corps offered the most important function to a civilized modern society, it taught cadets how to live together in close proximity day in and day out and work together toward common goals under adverse conditions. When a cadet received a diploma and walked into the larger world of the business of the military, he was head and shoulders ahead of his peers. He had learned to organize his own aspirations and fit them with the goals of others. Gone was much of the indecision and irresponsibility of youth, and left in its place was a prepared young man or woman ready to accept the challenges of their chosen profession.

Looking beyond the troubles of the cadet corps, most cadets realized remaining a part of the Corps of Cadets meant having friends who could be counted on to help with difficult classes. Friends who recognized and helped celebrate successes, and friends to get advice from or share the burden of a failure. This was really what kept most cadets in the Corps when nothing else could. The true fraternity that existed in the Corps created lifelong friendships that transcended the doubt of the present. The bonds of these friendships were what kept the Corps going in the predominantly anti-military atmosphere of the 70's and are what would fuel the desire to keep the Corps alive and growing stronger in the future.

-Martin Dragan
Virginia Tech
Attention To Detail — It's The
To a cadet, the words “Attention to Detail” brought bad memories. As a New Cadet, they were the words heard when that one small item they had missed in a rush was noticed in an inspection. A small item, yes, but learning to pay attention to detail in the Corps could save a military life in the future.

The details. They were the little things that didn’t seem so important in themselves but were so important to the big picture. In the military, the smallest detail could destroy an operation. As future officers, cadets needed to learn to be aware of the details that would become increasingly important in their military careers. The details. The brass that wasn’t shined when you were sure no one would notice — but everyone did. The lint that you hadn’t seen but the cadre had managed to find. So many details. If you missed them on yourself or your buds, you were wrong, and in a serious situation, if you were wrong, you were dead. They seemed so trivial, yet they were so important and you had to learn to always look for them...to always pay attention to detail.

-Melissa Huston
A Learning Time for All
Cadre Week

Cadre Week was the week before classes utilized for the training of New Cadets, to make them comfortable enough with cadet lifestyle to be able to fit in when the rest of their units returned. "Cadre" meant "teacher," and for a week the cadre worked diligently to train the freshmen to be cadets.

"The cadre had to take this group of strangers and turn them from civilians into cadets. They had to unite this group into a company and have them perform as a team. The cadre had a hard job ahead of them," stated former Bravo company commander Andrew Burr.

Doug Feiring, a junior in the Highty Tighties remembered his cadre week two years ago, "It was tougher...The toughest part was maintaining my professionalism and enthusiasm when I was as exhausted as the freshmen." More responsibility meant the difference between being told what to do and deciding what was to be done.

Being a freshman had its own unique set of difficulties. The constant activity and effort to please demanding upperclassmen staved off homesickness for a while, but at the same time added its own flavor to what was already a stressful situation. Many had never lived in a military environment, and few were accustomed to suppressing their individual expressions.

To the upperclassmen the New Cadets were like children — they needed to be taught to walk (march), taught to dress (wear the uniform), put to bed and woken up in the morning — activities that gave the upperclassmen less sleep than the New Cadets.

To summarize, Jeff Carpenter, also of Bravo Company, stated, "Being on cadre is like being a babysitter. You are up before the kids and in bed a lot later. But you get to tell them what to do all day." Remembering what followership was and practicing the leadership skills taught to them, the cadre helped to begin the New Cadets' entry into the Corps of Cadets.

-Katherine Newell and Melissa Huston

Alpha Company Cadre take a break from the rigorous training of New Cadets during Cadre Week. Everyone underwent the stress of long hours and constant activity during the busiest training period of the freshmen's time in the Corps.
There is an aloofness that surrounded the title "Regimental Staff." Behind all the rank and ceremony were six unique individuals who made a bold attempt to break that curtain, and moved to improve the image of the Corps of Cadets inside the University. Through all the work though, they still found time to relax and keep the tension low.

Regimental Staff was led by Matt Myer, a gung-ho Army Airborne Ranger. His executive officer was the eager Shahraam "Ron" Plaseied. The adjudant (S-1) was Tim Murphy, a mild mannered but efficient officer. The public affairs officer, or "miscellaneous officer," was the ever-busy Christie Szabo. The operations officer was the regimental hobbit Matt Loughney. And last but not least, the supply and finance officer was the always-helpful trekkie, Claude Rollins.

There was much to Regimental Staff that many people inside and outside of the Corps never knew about. "A lot of it the Corps doesn't see," Ron Plaseied said. "Things pop up all of the sudden that have to be taken care of quickly and efficiently." In addition to responsibilities to the Corps, members of the Regimental Staff served as liaisons with University officials, students, and ROTC detachments, and as members of organizations, societies, committees, and social organizations.

"It's great having a room to yourself." One of the privileges of being on "Regi" Staff, this seemed to be one of the unifying elements of their respective positions. But even with separate rooms, the hallway they all live on served to unite them. "It's not a lot different than being in a [regular] unit, except that your unit consists of only six people," Claude Rollins said. They relied on each other to do their jobs, but they also relied on each other to help relieve the tension. They livened up the hall with water fights, pranks, joking about each others seriousness, and generally "picking on Christie." There was "a lot of comic relief" Christie commented. Through it all though they stuck together and had a lot of fun too. Things were not always easy at the top, but Regi Staff never forgot that they were a team.

-Paul Mazzeno
The wheelcover was perhaps the most distinctive part of the cadet uniform. The brass on the front and sides had to be shined daily, and the gold chinstrap meant the owner was a senior. Special exhibiting groups, such as the drill team, color guard, and band were authorized to wear white wheelcovers while performing.

Highty Tighty juniors Chuck Hongell and Ziggy Hill walk behind Brodie Hall on their way to band practice. Upperclassmen were allowed to wear the Corps sweater—maroon for the band and dark blue for the regular line units. "Grey bag" shirts were worn in the winter months, whereas in the spring and summer white shirts were authorized.
Thirty minutes until formation. My shoes. Where are my shoes? There they are, in the closer. What a mess! Where is the shoe polish? These are not so hard to shine with a base coat, but still, there goes five minutes. Don’t forget to shine the tongue or put edge dressing on the soles.

O.K. Now, where is my wheel cover? That stupid round, blue hat! Another mess. Where does all this lint come from, and how does my brass get so nasty? Off come the side buttons and the grommet brass worn on the front to be shined along with the belt buckle. Put everything back on and don’t forget to make sure the wind strap is facing the right way and the side buttons are upright.

If I was a guy I’d shave and make sure my haircut is regulation, but since I am a girl I just pin my hair up. Now for the actual uniform. A clean, white shirt. Oh no! Where is my nametag? Did I turn it into the laundry? There it is. Make sure it is on the right side and straight. T-shirt, black socks, pants, shoes. Now for the shirt tuck. How do you explain the shirt tuck to the outside world? Just imagine going through strange, uncomfortable contortions in an effort to make sure your shirt sticks to your body. Run out the pleats to the side. Make sure the zipper is zipped. Definitely make sure the zipper is zipped! The freshmen sure would laugh at that. Line up the edge of the shirt with the fly of the pants and the center of the buckle (called the gig line). Check for strings, lint, wrinkles. Delint the cover — that darn hat!

Now, what outer gear are we wearing? There! I hear the bugle — ugh! Two single notes played means the Officer of the Day has decided that it’s wet enough for us all to wear our raincoats and plastic covers on our hats. Last time I saw anybody wear that thing was at Halloween formation as part of their costume. Ugh! Looks just like a shower cap. At least the bugler didn’t sound three notes, meaning we have to wear overcoats — all those buttons take forever to shine, and if it’s THAT cold...

Make sure the wind and chin straps are in order. Oh no! Now where are my keys and I.D.? Thank goodness. They’re in my pocket. Good to go! Quick, out the room, lock the door, and down the hall I go.

Oops. I forgot my cover.

-Melissa Huston
Life as an upperclassman was very different from that of a New Cadet. After a year of being led by the nose you found yourself free of the burden called "being a freshmen". You were suddenly free to plan your own schedule and activities — to make yourself do your duties instead of having someone tell you to do them. "You have a lot more freedom and responsibility," Ray Mottley said. It was true that the years following your life as a New Cadet were very different. As an upperclassman you could fraternize. You were allowed freedom in the dorms. You didn’t have to prove your class unity to anyone, because you did that when you were recognized by the upperclassmen. "It’s a totally different world. You look down instead of up," Rich Owens of Charlie company said.

Becoming an upperclassman meant you were no longer the bottom rung on the ladder. "You take on more responsibilities." said Mike Clark of Echo company. It’s a lot more work because you’ve got to worry about the freshmen. Their training, their uniforms, their grades," said Kiki Clos of Kilo company. Each year your class took on more responsibilities and duties. As sophomores, they assisted the juniors in their responsibilities. As juniors they trained the New Cadets, monitored their scholastics, gave help and advice, and protected them from the dangers of the freshmen academic year. As seniors you ran the show. You made sure upperclassmen did their jobs, the New Cadets were being well-trained, the units were represented well, and then stepped back to watch how smoothly it ran.

Being an upperclassman wasn’t just all work. Since you knew the ropes you had more time to explore what the University had to offer. You learned what you could do to expand your education and experiences. You learned what it really was like to be a student at Virginia Tech and to take part in the college lifestyle. As Ginger Hiemenz said in reference to the upperclassman lifestyle, "It’s a lot more work and a lot more fun."

-Paul Mazzeno and Katherine Newell

India Company cadre teach their New Cadets the basics. Freshmen had much to learn from demanding teachers, but upperclassmen had to be constantly aware that their every move would be watched and imitated. Often the conduct and reactions were more closely observed than the drill and ceremony.
Life as a New Cadet Leaves Lasting Memories

Life as a New Cadet was very different from anything most of the freshmen had ever experienced before arriving in the Corps. It was often difficult, sometimes trying, but occasionally even a little fun. But most of all it was a learning experience, probably the hardest thing most of the New Cadets had ever been through before and, therefore, quite an accomplishment.

To the New Cadets, the rules and regulations put upon them often seemed foolish, but for every rule there was always a reason. There was always a learning objective or some other reasonable purpose for the rule involved. For example, on Sunday through Thursday evenings from 7 to 11 PM, the New Cadets were required to be in their rooms studying. To do anything else during this time required permission from an upperclassman and it had to be something important. Although it seemed unfair that the upperclassmen told the freshmen when to study, this rule gave the freshmen at least four hours of uninterrupted study time and taught them academic discipline as well.

During training, the New Cadets had three people that they relied on the most. First was their squad leader. Although this was the person who often enforced the rules, the squad leader was also responsible for the morale and welfare of the New Cadets in their charge. The second person a New Cadet could rely on was their upperclassman sponsor. This was an upperclassman who befriended the New Cadet and acted as a sort of “friend in a high place.” Most important to the New Cadets were their “buds,” or fellow classmates. Their first and most important source of support were the people who were experiencing the same things they were. At least one of their buds knew the answer to most of their questions after having to face a similar situation.

During New Cadet training, there was a lot to be taught in a short amount of time, and once classes started, grades were top priority. This made time management of utmost importance, but it was nothing the freshmen couldn’t learn. Life as a New Cadet may have become difficult at times, but the experience was unique and the benefits were lifelong.

-Melissa Huston

Bravo Company freshman Christian Harshberger opts for an alternate touch of style instead of the usual New Cadet haircut; freshmen were required to keep their hair to a uniform quarter inch all around, but could later let their hair grow to the more standard military style of three inches of length, tapered sides, and “nothing on the ears.”

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Alpha Company sophomores Mark Morgano, Ryan Ingram, Mark Stillwagon and Bob Petit let down their hair and have some fun during a home football game. The Corps sat in its own 40-yard-line section during home games — all the better to cheer the Hokie team and keep an eye on the actions of the competition.

The band plays and the cheerleaders beam enthusiasm as these freshmen partake of Homecoming Pep Rally festivities. Mike Revoir, Susan Chong, Lauren Connelly, Roger Conner and Christian Harshberger are New Cadets from two different companies — even though they trained together in their respective units, all the freshmen Corps-wide were buds, and fast friendships were formed when it was time for socializing.
Your buds are with you for life

For All You Do...

As New Cadets, we were bound together as a class and taken through the same experiences, trials, and tribulations. Through it all, we clung together for support; physically, mentally, and spiritually. That is what the system was designed for.

We were soon taught that we could no longer survive as individuals. We would all have to help each other. The stronger of us helped to carry the rest. Our varied talents worked together. We were taught that individuals are "heroes" and in the real world heroes cannot stand alone. Even heroes need someone to catch them when they fall. When we started to care about each other we worked as a team.

Working together creates unity, which brings the pride — that taught us what it means to have respect and genuine care for our equals, our buds. Buds are friends for life. We cannot lose them. They are in our hearts forever. And if our paths go separate ways, as would often be the case, when they someday cross we will still feel that different kind of bond that developed while we were together.

-Paul Mazzeno and Melissa Huston

Upperclassmen have fun at rallies, too. Highty Tighties Doug Feiring and Bob Lowerre let their true personalities show during a break from playing for the crowd.

A Hokie touchdown means it's time to sing "Tech Triumph", the school anthem. Brave juniors Melissa Huston, Mike Williams, and Renea Spitzer backed by Charlie seniors Michelle Allen Brown and Debbie Dickson carry out the main activity of the Corps at home football games — being loud and spirited.
The air was clean and crisp as the cadets filed out of the dorms and took their places on the infamous VT. The morning was quiet, often chilly, but usually freezing. The silence was broken by the sounds of units forming up and taking report. The still of the morning gave people the feeling of being the only ones alive. The bugle pierced the fog with first call, signaling the units to fall in. Battalion Staff took command of their companies. Tapping in unison, Regimental Staff marched out to the center of the quad, brought the units to present arms, and signaled for the flag to be raised.

Morning formation. At times it seemed foolish, and it was always hard to get up at 0600 ("O-six-hundred! What does the 'O' stand for? Oh my God, it's early!"), but it got you out of bed before noon and gave you a chance to get an early breakfast. It continued the military tradition of signaling the start of a new day with the flag being raised and reveille being sounded. Formations also gave upperclassmen a chance to practice commanding and marching a unit, and underclassmen a lot of practice just marching.

Mandatory regimental formations were Tuesday and Thursday mornings so as not to interfere with the R.O.T.C.'s morning physical training programs. Individual battalion formations were held on Monday and Wednesday or Tuesday and Thursday. Special formations, meant in celebration or remembrance, were usually mandatory for all cadets. For very special occasions, the Corps formed on the Drill Field for a pass-in-review or retreat ceremony.

Formations were a patriotic tradition to pay respect to the flag, the symbol of our country and our freedom. Formations, though time-consuming, were a part of the cadet military way of life that started the day, honored an occasion, and boosted morale by bringing cadets together.

-Melissa Huston and Katherine Newell
At 0610, in the VTCC Guard Room, Cadet Sergeant Rob McDaniel gathered his sentinels for guard duty. His tour started the previous day at 1630 with the evening formation. He thinks about 1630 today when he is relieved, but then turns his attention to the New Cadets’ uniforms. After inspection he gives the list of duties to the Corporal of the Guard to hand out. Cadet Corporal Frank Williams posts his Brodie Hall guards by sending them to their assigned patrol areas. Then he marches his Rasche guards away.

“Detail halt.” The corporal stops his guards in front of Rasche Hall and falls them inside. “Mr. Smith you have fourth and fifth floor, Ms. Jones you have second and third, Mr. Edwards you have first, and Mr. Callaway you have the standing post.” Mr. Callaway frowns and curses under his breath.

McDaniel sits down at the desk and takes incoming phone calls. “What’s the uniform of the day?” seems to be the only question on all the callers’ minds. It’s a little cold so the Officer of the Day, also known as OD, authorizes windbreakers for formation. The OD and Officer of the Guard, also known as the OG, leave to watch the Regiment form up.

Ms. Jones watches over third floor, searching for intruders. Mr. Smith warms his hands while he watches reville from one of the windows. Mr. Callaway prays the corporal comes to relieve him soon so he can stop standing at parade rest in the lobby. Williams returns to the guard room wondering why they don’t ever serve the guards coffee, especially at this hour of the morning.

At 0655 McDaniel sends Williams to relieve the sentinels and march them to break fast. The OD finishes reviewing the companies passing on their way to the morning meal and rushes inside Shultz Dining Hall to join them. The OG files the hungry cadets down the stairs to the waiting servers then falls in after them as well. Morning guard duties are completed.

Reminding himself to check that the various guard orderly duties he has assigned to freshmen get done during the day, Cadet Sergeant McDaniel retires from his post and falls into his rack (also known as a bed), tired from an already long day’s work.

— Paul Mazzeno
Front row: Tom McGrath, John Allen, Shelley Caywood; Second row: Collin Smith, Scott Schroeder, Skip Adams, Shawn Silverman, Susan Szczesniak, Tim McCann; Third row: Robert Stillman, Philip Kodros, Bill Pugh, Soo Kim, Albert Benson, Gary Schropp; Fourth row: Travis Smith, Mark Stillwagon, Jeffrey Martin, Ryan Ingram, Linda Adams; Fifth row: Thomas Nguyen, William Van Wart, John Kuban, Jason Canfield, Mark Morgan; Sixth row: Christopher Schwartz, John Reinersten, Timothy Bower, Jeffero Turner, Robert Pettit; Seventh row: Julian Phifer, Michael Yoder, Kathryn Fetch, Scott Tschetter; Eighth row: Jennifer Schiffer, Brian McRoberts, Paul Keyes, Noel Smart, John Tolg, Lee Rice

Front row: Michael Robinson, Mike Williams, Timothy Geisler; Second row: Scott Simon, Ed Garun, Natalie Schubert, Andrew Burr, Michael Broaddus; Third row: Katherine Newell, Jeff Carpenter, John Prohaska, Dave Bailey, Cathy Possehl, Renee Spitzer; Fourth row: Melissa Houston, Rick Stacy, Ryan Jones, Marc Holma, Phil Reid; Fifth row: Kim Nicado, Lee English, Brian Kim, Charles Callis, Scott Moll, David Lawson; Sixth row: Todd Turfler, Andy Figos, Preston Coombs Jr., Craig Tippins, Kevin Knudson; Seventh row: Kevin McFadden, Kevin Williams, Kevin Shouff, Clifford Shearer, Roger Connor, Susan Van Doren; Eighth row: Michael Revoir, Christian Harshberger, David Frackelton, Adam Zakra, Yong Pak, Christopher Cox.
The Alpha Company motto: "Unity, Pride, and Self-discipline" was ingrained in every member. From the time a freshman cadet arrived to the time that same person graduated, he was always striving to uphold this belief.

Alpha Company members took pride in everything they did, whether it was for the unit, the Corps, or community. An example, was when they went to a local church and built a playground. They strove to do things that were meaningful as well as fun, and took pride in whatever they did.

Members of Alpha worked together as a family. Senior Skip Adams concluded, "When freshman first come to Alpha, they are individuals, but in time they begin to work together to enter the Alpha family."

-Soo H. Kim, Thomas T. Nguyen, and John H. Reinertsen

Alpha upperclassmen take "Brodie Beach" by storm. Company members take pride in their unity and ability to get the job done..."Alpha Company: First and Foremost—we've been breeding them that way since the Civil War."

What made Bravo Company unique? Was it the Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy of Company B? No. We didn't even have a bugle boy, let alone one who did the boogie woogie. Sophomore Lee English, when asked what makes Bravo Company unique, replied "Me," to which everyone else replied, "Yeah, right."

So, what was it? Diversity. Different people, but each proud to be part of the unit—a company with character. Though we were bound together by the company, we were all individuals, with different interests, aspirations, and priorities.

Our self-made nickname, "BAD Co.", was not meant to proclaim a state of apathy, but to show our pride in another aspect of our uniqueness. Like all companies, first came academics, but following close by was character development. We each participated in extracurricular activities ranging from the yearbook to fraternities to service organizations to various special interests.

 Bravo Company junior Renea Spitzer and Delta senior Renee Woo play with Bravo's place marker before a retreat ceremony on the drill field. Markers were used to position companies for the ceremonies, held after every home football game.

The Corps and the company provided a forum for communication and brotherhood. Best stated by our Company commander, Mike Robinson, "The company actively encourages members to seek their own interests outside the unit and the Corps."

Although much individualism was stressed within the Company, the actual ties between the members were strong, and did not end with graduation and commissioning. Bravo Company had perhaps the strongest alumni group in the Corps. Greg Patchell, former company commander, published a Bravo newsletter in an attempt to keep strong contacts amongst alumni. At homecoming, over 75 current members and alumni came together for a company dinner, and to exchange stories about "the old Corps." Junior Renea Spitzer summarized it best: "Strong alumni ties make Bravo Company unique."

It was the combination of the company's diversity, tempered by the fellowship instilled as New Cadets that bound us through officership; that helped our company maintain its uniqueness.

-Preston E. Cobbs, Melissa Huston, and Kevin P. Knudson

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Charlie

"Charlie works as one...yet within our unity there is room for the individual to excel and demonstrate leadership," George Holmes stated. Charlie was a family, binding together many individual talents to make one strong force. "We are bonded by our past — we are linked to the future — we are a chain," Chris Almont explained.

Since its beginning in 1970, Charlie Company had received the Corps' highest annual honor — the Beverly S. Parrish Award — six times. "The most notorious tradition occurred in 1973, when Charlie Company broke away from VTCC to form Charlie Corps." The Charlie Company shield contained two tears symbolizing the grief of the break and the happiness of the reunion.

We often felt what Charlie Company was all about. It was about working with each other. It was about strengthening our minds, our bodies, and our leadership qualities. It was about a rite of passage.

— Ginger L. Hiemenz

Delta Company began in 1970 with the union of Company L, "Ye Olde Country Club", and Company M, "Big Mike". Though members came from many different backgrounds, they all strived together to get the best possible education while using opportunities in the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets to become leaders in the future. Delta Company was a unit, rich in tradition, that consistently displayed a deep sense of unity among its members and pride in the Corps, its history, achievements and ideals.

Delta Company's traditions ranged from the serious to the absurd. During Pumpkin Wars, the upperclassmen bought a large pumpkin, painted its face and added a body. This became Cadet General Great Pumpkin, who sat in the hall and had to be spoken up to by name and saluted by all freshmen. The job of the freshmen was to steal and hide the pumpkin so that they would not have to speak up to him. The only rule was that it could not be taken out of the company area — a tradition which often resulted in a wrestling match between freshmen and upperclassmen.

Years ago when the University was all-Corps, Delta Company's forbearers initiated a tradition still carried out by present-day Delta. The freshmen decided to spoil the juniors' Ring Dance by releasing a baby pig during the festivities; the tradition of the "Pig Hop" remained a part of Delta activity, not to mention an annual corps tradition.

Determination, excellence, leadership, teamwork and accomplishment were the basis of the ideals and "Spirit of Delta". Delta has always strived for the unity and professionalism needed to efficiently run a diverse unit active in both the University and the Corps. Pride, honor, and comradeship have bound the members of Delta and kept the "Spirit of Delta" alive.

— Anne E. Choffel

Delta upperclassmen Andrew Wallen and Bob Osborne utilize an empty room in their company area for exercise space. Delta prided itself in the areas of drill and academics as well as athletics, and many of its members took advantage of the "Delta weight room". D Company cadets also held some of the topmost positions in the ROTC detachments and Corps organizations.
The members of Battalion Staff were quite unique. Not only did they lead almost two hundred and seventy people, they had various other responsibilities in the University. Members took their job very seriously but they also felt that there was a time and place to have fun. "Bat Staff" as they were commonly nicknamed had always been competitive between the two battalions, but only with the intent to produce the best performance from both units.

-Shawn Silverman
India Company, one of the two newest companies added to the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, had come a long way since its re-commissioning in 1985. The original I Company had been disbanded in 1927; in 1985 the Corps recognized the need for two new companies and established India in First Battalion and Kilo in the Second. Tim Mantz, the first company commander, earned Company Commander of the Year award — quite an achievement for a company just getting on its feet. This year was the first year that India Company “originals”, freshmen that entered in 1985, reached top leadership positions. In past years the company policy was a compilation of policies from all over the Corps — this year was the first time India Company had a policy it could call entirely its own. Company Commander Daniel Nabors said, “It was exciting to know that we were the first people to have a real India Company policy.”

India Company had three primary goals for all members. Number one was academics, and, as a company, India proved itself very capable in that area. Second was discipline, something both freshmen and upperclassmen needed for success academically and militarily. Last, but not least, was self-improvement. India cadets were constantly reminded that actions speak louder than words and that cadets must maintain very high standards. “This company had come a long way in establishing policies and training methods, and in continuing Corps-wide tradition for every member’s benefit,” said Daniel Nabors, who also described the company as “close-knit”. India prides itself on its unity and brotherhood. “We’re a pretty tight group,” added Dave Rollins. India Company was not just another company in the Corps — it was a way of life and one of which we have been proud.

–Michael S. Frutsche

Battalion Commander Steven Hughes is passed up the stands by New Cadets at a football game. Officers of battalion or regimental rank were often passed; sometimes shoes and socks were lost to the hands of the rowdy freshmen. New Cadets were responsible for leading the Corps section in cheering at home football games and were sometimes rewarded privileges on the basis of the amount of spirit shown — a chance for the New Cadets to release the tension of tough schedules during the week.
"You gotta love it," said senior Curtis Anderson.

E Company, E-Frat, the "fraternity within the Corps", was best described by super senior Dave Seaver. "E-Frat is a group of different people at Virginia Tech with a high level of pride in themselves, a dedication to the Corps, and a commitment to their future." The dedication and commitment felt by all members of E-Frat was expressed in everything they undertook, from Corps reviews to community service projects. Earlier in the year, Echo company took first place among the ten line units in the Corps for marching proficiency during a Pass-in-Review.

The commitment of the members of E-Frat was best revealed when they held a 24-hour silent vigil at the Pylons, with two cadets posted every hour from 12 midnight on November 11th to 12 midnight on November 12th, in honor of Veterans' Day. With the Hump' em Bird as their mascot, E-Frat had a strong tradition of excellence, but at the same time a reputation as a company that liked to have fun. Freshman Deborah Robinson said, "The Corps has given me a chance to make a lot of close friends, friends that I can count on for anything."

E-Frat proudly marches off Upper Quad to join the rest of the Corps on the Drill Field for a Pass-in-Review practice, which was often scheduled during ROTC lab time. Pass-in-Review ceremonies, where the entire Corps was presented to the reviewing party as they marched by, were often held for visiting dignitaries or on other special occasions.

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"You gotta love it. If you don't, then you're not doing it right," said Anderson. -Mary Boyt and Ray Mottley

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Foxtrot

Foxtrot Company, or F Troop, was considered by its members to be a special unit in the Corps because of its tight, family-like unity within and between its classes. This closeness drove each and every member to perform at their best, and to develop leadership skills useful in the pursuit of civilian and military careers by following the F-Troop motto, "Praebate Exemplium" — "setting the example".

F-Troopers could be distinguished from cadets from other companies by the company pins they wore, sporting the company colors. The red stood for the Skipper Crew — the group that tended to the cannon, traditionally from F-Troop — and the gold stood for the "Gold Cord" award, presented annually to the best company. They received the pin as freshmen after being initiated. Initiation was a long and arduous process of physical and mental exertion designed to prove their acceptability — to the upperclassmen, to each other, and to themselves. Said company First Sergeant Eric Dorminey about receiving the pin as a freshman, "I felt as if I'd finally been accepted, and all the work since I'd arrived at Tech was starting to pay off."

F-Troop liked to get together for many activities, including regular athletics, parties, and community service projects. "We work hard, play hard, and strive for professionalism," said senior Andre Sellers. Whatever the task, they did it as a team.

- Max Marble and Katherine Newell

The Skipper Crew prepares to fire while the band plays "The Star-Spangled Banner" during a retreat formation on the Drill Field. F-Troop traditionally was in charge of manning and maintaining "The Skipper" in years past, but now any member of the Corps could be eligible to be interviewed for a position.

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G Executive Officer: David A. Burgess


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G Company Commander: Randy L. Lugent

H Company Commander: David A. Faircloth

H Executive Officer: William L. Hendrickson
Excellence was what G Company constantly strove for in the many years since it was formed from N and O batteries. This desire to move ahead and succeed led G Company to become a strong unit in many aspects.

John Dandeneau, a fifth-year senior in the unit, said, "G Company is unique in that we recognize the fine line between academics and military life. We do not overstress the military aspects of cadet life, but we delicately balance it with scholastics so it enhances, not detracts, from our performance."

Academics and drill were only part of the cadet college experience, reminded sophomore Greg Newkirk. "To get the most out of your four years, participation in a diversity of activities is a must." Golf members participated in intramural sports, fraternities, student government, and various clubs to expand on their experiences.

Although they were considered the most important pieces of the cadet college puzzle, scholastics and military drill were not the only concerns of G Company. Golf planned several social functions throughout the year. Friendships were important to each member, and unit participation in activities proved throughout the years that Golf Company was proud to operate as a unit.

-Milton Bartley

"The Hotel" was a unified group of motivated individuals made diverse through involvement in University clubs and organizations. Hotel boasted members in the Greek system, the Campus Hokie Club, the Student Alumni Association, Circle K, VTCC organizations and various cadet and civilian honor societies. For H Company, participation in campus life was key, but was not restricted to student activities — Hotel also excelled in the Reserve Officer Training Corps.

Hotel cadets successfully completed Army Airborne School, Navy Scuba School and the Navy's Basic Underwater Demolition School (BUDS). In addition, the Army and the Air Force each recognized an H Company cadet as best all around at the USA's Camp All American and the USAF's Summer Field Training in the summer of 1988. H Company cadets also participated in cultural exchanges with foreign nations and had cadets on summer cruises in the Mediterranean and the Far East. Hotel Company was making a difference, but despite such involvement remained a high speed group of young men and women whose touchstones were brotherhood and tradition.

Tradition was the bedrock of "The Hotel". From H Squadron to H Company, we brought the "five points of pride": PRIDE in one's class, PRIDE in the uniform, PRIDE in the company, PRIDE in the Corps and PRIDE in oneself. All were important tenets shared by Hotel members and Alumni alike.

H Company traditions abounded. Hotel supported the varsity football team each year by sponsoring the "Flaming VT". All 13 feet of the "VT" were uniquely Hotel; it was our way of encouraging school spirit and supporting VT Tech athletics through another Hotel Company tradition.

The Hotel Company philosophy was that in order to be the best, pride and confidence are necessarily part of everything one does. Our philosophy was manifest in Hotel's dedication to academic excellence and strict adherence to the highest military standards and regimental regulations.

-R. Douglas Greer
In 1883, the Glade Cornet Band was formed. From a group of only twelve people, the band grew into the present day Highty Tighties, over 80 strong. The band has built many traditions in its 105 years of excellence.

The most significant event in Highty Tighty history led to one of its most significant traditions. In 1936, President Franklin D. Roosevelt presented the band with a white citation cord for the band’s attempted service in the Spanish-American War. When the cord was presented by Mrs. Roosevelt, she accidentally placed it on backwards, and since then it has always been worn that way.

The Highty Tighties were best known for precision marching. As well as being the retired champions of the inaugural parade, having won it three times consecutively, the band also marched in three Macy’s Thanksgiving Day Parades in the past decade. This year, they marched in the Macy’s Christmas Parade in Atlanta, Georgia.

The training a freshman received remained with them for years, as could be seen by the strong alumni support for the band. The Highty Tighty Alumni Association supported the band in many ways. They provided the band with scholarships, instruments, and money for road trips. Without them, the Highty Tighties would not be able to be as active.

Through the combination of traditions, alumni support, and freshmen spirit, the Highty Tighties planned on maintaining their reputation of excellence for many years to come.

- John Robinson and Derris Banks

Bob Lowerre and George Pickering watch over a chain-gang of Highty Tighties having fun at Halloween formation. By postponing band practice for the first time in four years, the band was able to attend this special formation. Stick or Treat followed that evening, where upperclassmen did tricks to receive candy from the freshmen.

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**Kilo**

Formerly known by its old-style letter name as King Company, present day Kilo Company has led a long and proud life. After being disbanded in response to the decrease in cadet enrollment caused by the furor over the Vietnam War, the new Kilo Company was formed in 1985 following a gradual increase in student interest in the Corps.

Kilo was a company where individuality was stressed within the unit, partly due to the influence of the officer who was the company advisor the first year of its reformation— influence that carried through to successive classes. “We like the fact that everyone is different and isn’t pressured to conform—we’re respected for our individuality, but we all take the Corps seriously and perform to high standards,” said sophomore Matt Sieber.

Now that K company had reestablished itself, it continued to live up to high standards. Previous consecutive wins of The Beverly S. Parrish, Jr. Award, also known as “Gold Cord,” won the group the nickname of “Golden Kilo.” “We’ve always set high standards—but one of our goals is to have a good time together,” said commander James F. Rodriguez.

-Chris Massey and Katherine Newell

James Rodriguez and Jack Woodzell smile down on their company as Kilo files into Shultz Dining Hall. Cadets eat together at their “company” table, for unity.

-John Robinson and Derris Banks

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Band Commander: Robert C. Lowerre

Band Executive Officer: George H. Pickering

K Company Commander: James F. Rodriguez

K Executive Officer: Jackie W. Woodzell


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Muddy Boots are a testament to a rough weekend in the field. Whether it was with their ROTC unit or just with friends, cadets often ventured into the wilderness around Tech. Dirt covered clothing and worn down boots often filled the dorms after a particularly rigorous adventure.

Mark Morgano, John Smith and fellow buds take a break from studying to play around. It was always easy to find buds to goof off with instead of attending to the drudgery of academics. Whether it was a search for food or a wrestling match, a change of pace and someone to have it with was always welcome.
No matter how exotic, nor how mellow, our lives would become, the halcyon days of leisure spackled with frantic spots of energy — our days here — would always remain with us...our futures may be more exciting, but never as fresh. These were meant to be the most diverse of our learning years; whether we blew through campus in a whirlwind frenzy or floated along like the clouds over the towers of Burruss, the time was well spent.

Amidst the fog of occurrences and happenings that cloud our memories of these, the most varied of times, it is the simplest details that mean the most. Philosophical dialects and universal revelations that mold our college psyches become forever a part of our constitutions, but it is the details of the heart that emerge to elicit the utmost of poignancies.

The details. The time spent laying on the floor with friends doing absolutely nothing useful...the dirty combat boots you wish somebody would get out of the shower...the lilting tones of the bugler at formation as warm breath clouds the cold air...spirit missions to prove your class to the rest of your company. Calculus and chemistry, grammar and ground soil might be forgotten if not used, but the time spent just living can never be replaced.

-Katherine S. Newell

The freshmen class of Echo Company proclaims its unity by flipping seats in the bleachers across the stadium from where the Corps sits at football games. Time spent in the Corps section was always full of activity, even when the game itself wasn’t very exciting.
Beginning as a freshman at a university this size often overwhelmed even the most confident of students. Luckily, the Blacksburg area provided the setting for numerous organizations to offer a haven for a wide variety of interests. Between 400 clubs and a growing greek system, the choices seemed limitless if you had the time, energy, and often the needed grades, to join one of these organizations.

The Appalachian mountains boasted ideal locations for rappelling, caving, rock-climbing or even simply exploring plants in the Biology Club. If you preferred to stay indoors, the Chess Club or Intramural Basketball was available to exercise the mind or the body.

Academic organizations, like the many engineering societies, were available so students could combine their major with an extracurricular activity. In addition, there were many honorary organizations to recognize student leadership scholarship and service. The key to membership in almost any organization, greek or otherwise, was a minimum QCA, usually, at least a 2.0. Without a sufficient grade point average, most organizations couldn't trust that you could afford to devote enough time to their interests and still stay in school. Some thought the rules were harsh but beginning on the wrong foot often meant leaving Blacksburg before you were supposed to.
Foozball tables were popular at many of the fraternity houses. Here, Dave Huckaby, Ed McGoughlin, John Fury and Matt Krotz, enjoy a game while socializing with prospective members during Fall Rush.

Open houses were held by sororities before formal rush. These parties introduced the rushees to the greek system in general, and to members of the sorority. These Kappa Delta sisters enjoy meeting rushees at their "lawn party" held in the fall.
Blacksburg Beginnings generate the Ties that Bind

Distance seemed irrelevant as alumni of greek organizations returned to their alma mater and relived past social events with present day members. These reunions provided proof of the everlasting friendship and brotherhood of fraternities and sororities.

Homecoming provided fun for all, as greeks united their school spirit to cheer for the football team. Tailgates and formal parties were held in honor of alumni, as they met active members and pledges who would determine the future of their greek organizations.

The greek system at Virginia Tech, though relatively young, has steadily improved over the years. Craig Booth, a Sigma Chi brother and IFC publications chairman explained, "The development of the greek system has been slow, but it has also been fighting great odds, both internal and external. Overall, I would say that as the credibility of the greek system increases in the eyes of the school, the administration, and the town of Blacksburg, our future looks pretty good."

Greeks stressed scholarship and continued education to their members. Individuals from an array of different majors helped each other study, gave emotional support, and worked together to obtain a high QCA for their organization and themselves. Top students were recognized with awards and scholarship dinners. Whether graduate school or immediate careers lay ahead, greeks were sure to succeed with a solid background of discipline and time management. Another advantage for greeks was often a job connection or interview through a former member, strengthening ties to Blacksburg even after college.

Each fraternity or sorority was run by a group of individuals who dedicated countless hours to organizing events and group activities. These members obtained public relations knowledge along with vast leadership experience that would further their future careers. Other members joined committees and held an active part in their organization.

Community service was a dominant part of greek life. Charitable events filled the social calendars of greeks, as they participated in the Greek Decathalon, Derby Day, Fratman's Classic and many more Greek Week events. Each fraternity and sorority donated their proceeds to their organization's national philanthropy. Each pledge class took on a service project, which ranged from canned food drives, to visits of local nursing homes. These projects and events provided fun and fitness for the groups, built stronger bonds of brotherhood and sisterhood, and of course, benefited a good cause.

Greeks tried hard to overcome the image that they were "cliques" and "socialites." An integral part of the university, greeks provided spirit and motivation (continued on page 181)
Greek unity was stressed from the beginning of the Greek system. These fraternity brothers from 1972 socialized between class on the Drill Field, which is a familiar scene even today.

Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity held their annual Balloon Derby in front of Henderson Hall. The balloons were released at the UVA football game and proceeds were donated to the United Cerebral Palsy Foundation. Here, brothers Chris Langley, Thomas Wilson, and Harvey Bryan have fun while selling balloons.

Pledging was the most memorable time in a greek's life. It was a time when future members unified and learned of brotherhood and loyalty. Here Steve Frederick and Eddie Kim of Sigma Chi fraternity discuss upcoming pledge activities.
Ties that Bind

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for other students. Greeks supported the Hokies at football and basketball games in block ticket form. They also participated in Homecoming festivities, parades, and pep rallies. It seemed as if greeks were everywhere: studying in the library, eating in the dining halls, playing football on the Drill Field and mingling at social events. Well-rounded individuals that tried to get the most out of their college years, most felt that being active was a definite advantage.

The intense rivalry of the greek system at many schools seemed minimal here. "Rush at most colleges is more competitive and pressured than at Tech," Katie Lanter of Delta Delta Delta stated, "the greek system here is nice because there isn't a lot of rivalry between the different organizations." Many non-greeks attended fraternity and sorority functions such as parties and formals, which further united the greek system with the entire university.

Overall, the greek system seemed upward bound. Fraternities and sororities devoted much time to the development and growth of their individual chapters. Greater interaction and unity between greeks was stressed by the IFC and PHC councils. "Being greek is much more than one would expect," explained Kyle Hendricks of Phi Sigma Kappa,"at first you think it will be basically partying, but then you realize that the most important aspect of greek life is brotherhood." This sentiment was shared by all as greeks remained tied to their organizations and Blacksburg long after graduation.

-Melissa J. Klusdahl

Fraternity rush was an exciting time for individuals experiencing rush for the first time. These rushees sign in at the Phi Delta Theta rush in Lee Hall. These meetings gave the brothers a chance to check out prospective members and vice versa.
Renovations and decorations meant good Greek Housekeeping

Home away from home.

Many college students could relate to this familiar phrase, but for greeks it held a special meaning. A greek house helped fraternities and sororities show social spirit and pride in their organization. Greeks worked diligently beside their brothers and sisters to make their house a home for themselves and returning alumni.

Greek houses, complete with their organization’s letters displayed prominently out front, were not difficult to recognize. Trophies and awards from intramural sports, philanthropy events and scholastic achievements were evident in every greek household. Composite photos of both active and alumni members garnished the walls. These items allowed members to leave their mark, and further bind themselves to their brothers and sisters, and to Blacksburg.

Only three greek organizations benefited from on-campus housing, which caused most fraternities and sororities to rent or buy their own residences. Most of these structures were extremely old and required extensive renovations. The Phi Sigma Kappa house, built in 1910, turned into a showcase after much hard work and dedication by the brothers. “We’ve been renovating for two years now and have spent over five-thousand dollars,” explained Dave Delozier of Phi Sigma Kappa, “but it has definitely been worth the effort.”

Despite the many similarities in Greek houses, each fraternity and sorority creatively added personal touches to their houses. Many groups owned foosball tables and dart boards for members and guests to enjoy. Decks were added to houses to alleviate crowding during social events. Fraternities and sororities also added decorations to show their greek unity. The Delta Gamma sorority, for example, artistically used anchors, one of their symbols, for added decor. Leigh Ann Wilson of Delta Gamma exclaimed, “Decorating our house brings the sisters closer together, and we have so much fun! Christmas is especially nice, there is always something going on, and the house looks great.”

Overall, greek houses provided a place for brothers, sisters, and friends to gather, study and live. The houses truly made fraternities and sororities feel like a family. For greeks, there really was a home away from home.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl
Location of the Kappa Delta house proved to be a major asset to the sorority. On the edge of campus, sisters were close to campus and most extracurricular activities.

Greek Houses gave fraternities and sororities an opportunity to show the individuality and style of their organizations. Tau Kappa Epsilon challenged the idea of a traditional fraternity house by remodeling a barn. "The barn" served as their home as well as a popular party site.

An important element in any greek house is the chapter room. Visitors to the Kappa Delta sorority house found themselves in an atmosphere of elegance.
Facing many obstacles, greeks discovered New Rush Tactics

“We try our best to educate rushees, especially since many of them are freshmen. First, we inform them about the greek system overall, next, we let them know what they can expect of our fraternity and pledging,” said Vic Mills, a brother of Kappa Sigma fraternity. This view was shared by many fraternities and sororities as they faced the challenges of a new rush system.

Since the greek system is an integral part of the university, the change to semesters naturally had an impact on rush. In previous years, fraternities held open houses and rushes for two weeks during each quarter. During this time, the brothers had a chance to introduce themselves and their fraternity to prospective members. The fraternities then held closed rush, an invitation-only event, “Closed Rush is when the brothers narrow down the prospective members.”

Sororities conducted rush differently from the fraternities. Sorority rush was a formal event held after Christmas. After registration, each person was placed in a rush group with whom they attended all rush functions. A Rho Chi, an active member of a sorority, was assigned to each group and served as a guide as well as answered questions proposed by nervous rushees. To retain a non-biased attitude, the Rho Chi’s sorority was kept secret, and they were not allowed to wear greek letters or associate with their sorority. As the week came to a close, prospective members and sisters alike felt overwhelmed by all of the activity.

“Open Houses give girls an idea of what rush is about before they enter formal rush. We usually have one Open House in the fall and one in the spring.”

Faced with obstacles of semester changes, freshmen rushees, and the countless hours involved in a successful rush, brothers and sisters bound together and overcame any problems with surprising ease. Educating the prospective members became top priority as freshmen were allowed to pledge fall semester, for the first time. As they learned from their mistakes, and improved on previous ones, fraternities and sororities left behind a strengthened Rush system that would benefit Virginia Tech greek organizations in the future.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

Brothers Eric Miller, Craig Booth and Joe Mazza represented Sigma Chi fraternity at Rush Fair held in the fall. The Rush Fair was held on the Prairie Quad in an attempt to reach more non-greeks.
Rush parties gave prospective rushees a chance to talk with brothers and little sisters on a more personal basis. Cheryl Womer, Jenny Hobenbergen, Rhonda Profft, Dan Duncan, and John Naguschak enjoy socializing at a Triangle fall rush party.

Fraternities and sororities found that high visibility on campus improved chances of a more successful rush. Here, Omega Psi Phi sisters perform their traditional "Step Show" to onlookers.
Delta Zeta held its annual fundraiser, Fratman’s Classic, on October 15, 1988. Fratman’s Classic involved the competition between fraternity pledge classes in various field events. This was Delta Zeta’s second year sponsoring Fratman’s Classic. “It was a great success, especially since it was only our second year,” said sister Kristen Cumberland.

Delta Zeta adopted the idea of Fratman’s Classic from another Delta Zeta chapter. In essence, it was a national philanthropy project for the sorority. The proceeds went to Gallaudet University for the speech and hearing impaired in Washington, D.C. This year they raised approximately $500.00. This was a considerable increase from the previous year. The funds were raised through a $35.00 entry fee, tee-shirt revenues and concessions.

Planning and preparations for Fratman’s Classic began in the spring of 1988. The committees consisted of Games, Advertising, Coaches, Invitations, Refreshments, and Security. Cathy Beach, the chairman of Fratman’s Classic, advised the committees to hold weekly meetings in order to meet the required deadlines.

Seventeen fraternity pledge classes participated in field events. Kent Gaines, a Kappa Sigma pledge, said “The thing I enjoyed most was the competitiveness among the pledge classes.” The events included a potato sack race, a Chinese wheelbarrow race, an egg toss, an obstacle course, a football toss, a clothes exchange, a pie-eating contest, and a tug of war. The majority of events included four pledges from each fraternity, with a few events including the coaches. With the exception of the tug of war, there was a six place point system awarded for each event.

Delta Zeta awarded the winning pledge class, Tau Kappa Epsilon, with $100.00 and a trophy. Phi Sigma Kappa received $50.00 for second place, and the spirit award was presented to Kappa Delta Rho. The Tau Kappa Epsilon pledge educator, Randy Kulp said, “It was a great time for the pledges. It definitely built their pledge class unity and of course it was for a good cause.”

“This day would not have been a success without the efforts of each sister in Delta Zeta. I am confident that next year’s Fratman’s Classic will prove to be even more successful than this year’s,” stated Delta Zeta’s President, Michele Gavlak.

-Delta Zeta’s President, Michele Gavlak

-Delta Zeta’s Egg-Toss event left even the most skilled athlete with egg on their face. Losing the events often held more laughs than winning as Coach Christine Turtle and her team Phi Sigma Kappa found out.

-Determined to represent Tau Kappa Epsilon to the best of their ability, these two pledges overcame many obstacles of the Chinese Wheelbarrow race to win their heat.
One of the most amusing events of Fraternity Classic was the Clothes Exchange: Foot Day, or Sigma Nu, races to the finish line attired in women's bedroom slippers, a large pair of boxer shorts, and a necktie draped across all of the承担camped group cooperation allowing the pledges to unity.
"Greek Week is a welcome back party that picks up the spirit of all greeks!" exclaimed Lorri Child, a Kappa Delta sorority sister.

As tradition dictates, one week of the year was set aside for Greek Week, a time when greeks got together for a good time at parties and friendly competitions. The Greek Week events were designed to bring both the greek and Tech communities closer together and promote cooperation among the greek organizations. Child also felt that "the best thing about Greek Week is that it promotes Greek life among both greeks and non-greeks as well as giving incoming students their first real taste of greek life."

In 1987 Greek Week was moved to the fall with limited success. However, when the new Greek Weekend was introduced in the spring the pair of events was considered successful. After the greek weekend last year the Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council (PHC) worked hard to build a new tradition that was born from the old spring greek week tradition and to put this year's event in a class by itself.

The events of the week commenced when Phi Mu sponsored Greek Sing on Sunday, the opening day of Greek Week, and finished with Delta Delta Delta's Greek Decathalon and the closing party at Tau Kappa Epsilon.

The majority of the events were hosted by individual organizations but all greeks were welcome to participate. The IFC and PHC sponsored the ever-popular Greek god and goddess contest at the Balcony, a popular local bar. Also on everybody's list of favorite events was the Phi Sigma Kappa canoe race on the duck pond, in which some teams accidentally took a swim.

During the week there were many sporting events for the enjoyment of the greek athletes. Lambda Chi Alpha's Tug-of-war, Sigma Phi Epsilon's volleyball tournament, and Delta Kappa Epsilon's horseshoe tournament offered enjoyment during the week.

By the end of the week everybody agreed that Greek Week had been a success and they looked forward to the spring and Greek Weekend when the fun in Blacksburg could begin again.

- Andrew Scott
Sigma Chi formed its version of Cheers during the Phi Mu Greek Sing. Sigma Chi won the men’s competition and Phi Sigma Kappa placed second.

In the Delta Kappa Epsilon Horseshoe tournament, brother Colin Masterton throws attempted to score a ringer.
Hokie pride and greek spirit
Combined to form unique Greek Expressions

Whether it was fashion, hairstyles, musical preference or choice of extracurricular activities — students of various ages and majors found ways to express their attitudes on campus. One popular way for greeks was to wear their letters on sweatshirts and backpack buttons to show pride in their greek affiliation.

The hard work of rush and pledge periods finally paid off as new members were given the privilege of wearing their organizations letters. This further united the members as they became a more vital part of their fraternity or sorority.

Free publicity was often an advantage, as masses of greeks on campus could hardly be missed. They served as "walking billboards" for potential rushees and other interested onlookers. A successful rush often depended on student awareness of the organization.

All greeks were encouraged by their individual chapters and the IFC/PHC councils to display their greek letters and become more visible on campus. This gave the greek system a boost as they were seen at the library, in classes, working on service projects and of course, at social events. Many fraternities and sororities organized a "letter day" and "pin day" for members to reinforce the bonds of brother and sisterhood.

Greek letters and school spirit seemed to coincide as greeks attended football games and other sporting events in their greek attire and cheered on the Hokies.

Greeks of alumni status continued to display and wear their greek memorabilia long after graduation. Overall, each member of a fraternity or sorority felt closer to their brothers and sisters and they represented and set the reputation of their organization. A members greek letters always served as a reminder of the permanent ties to brotherhood and Blacksburg.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

Letters were worn at parties, bid celebrations, athletic events and just for "everyday wear." Lillian Checchio and Kim Korpics of Delta Delta Delta sorority, wear their letters and give the Delta symbol to show their greek unity and school spirit.

Greeks could be recognized everywhere by their lettered sweatshirts, jackets, and hats. Easy to spot at sports activities, greeks acquired block tickets in order to more effectively support the Hokies and show their school spirit. These Pi Kappa Alpha brothers enjoy socializing at a home football game.
Greeks felt close to Tech and their organizations even after graduation. Phi Mu sorority alumnus, Kelly Turner, found a chance to wear her letters and spend time with friends, when she returned for the UVA game.

Each fraternity and sorority had a banner that displayed their letters and chapter name. These Pi Beta Phi sisters on their way to Derby Day celebration, proudly carry their banner across campus.
Intramurals provide greeks with good times and Spirited Competition

Throughout the year, fraternities competed with each other. They competed for the wildest parties, for top pledge prospects and for the highest overall QCA. But nothing was more competitive between Greek organizations than intramural sports. "The games with fraternities have become big rivalries," said Tony O'Driscoll of Sigma Alpha Epsilon, "Everybody goes all out when playing an arch-rival!"

Intramural sports were something fraternities valued highly. To some they were a way to gauge athletic ability and vie for coveted bragging rights. To others, they were simply a way to get out and meet other fraternities in the spirit of friendly competition. Either way, they held significant place in interfraternity relations. "I really enjoy intramural sports because it gives me the chance to see how our fraternity can compete with the other guys out there," Sigma Nu brother Chuck Fall explained, "but if we lose, it's no big deal."

The intramural games began with softball, played in the fall for the first time. Flag football followed in the winter, along with basketball. Soccer came close behind in the spring. Intramural games also strengthened the threads of Virginia Tech's greek system. After each sport ended its regular season, the Inter-Fraternity Council (IFC), held a special tournament exclusively for fraternities. It was here that fraternities would often bet a keg or two on the outcome of the game. This relaxed atmosphere gave greeks an opportunity to socialize in the name of good sportsmanship.

Although they did not play for college teams, win medals or attract attention from most of the campus, these students represented their fraternities to the best of their ability, made new friends, and shared laughter and great times with their brothers to remember for a lifetime.

-Jeff Motley and Charles Mason

A Kappa Sigma player makes a play during a greek intramural softball game. Kappa Sigma has been a long-standing power in softball and all intramural sports. These games gave greeks a chance to show off their athletic talents and socialize with other organizations.
Phi Delta Theta

Front Row: Gashley Reid, Liz Brown, Patrick O'Neil, Dante Mascio, Jay Maros, Eric Henson, Mark Hodge, Bryan Norwood, Nicholas Bock, Cathy Gray
Second Row: Jim Payne, Francis Riggins, David Black, Sachin Doshi, Bernie Garrett, Todd Daniel, Glen Kiesar, Noem Cole, Tyler McFarland, Brett Stewart, Marie Daniel
Third Row: Jeff Wood, Walker Grabree, Eric Tam, Mike Stevens, Jason Gones, Tal Ambrose, Scott Dorey, Eric Doimar, James Boyhall, Lein Randall, Dennis Quane
Fourth Row: John Kelly, Robbie Robinson, Dan Bates, Scott Wall, David Webster, Will Jones

Officers: President Jay Maros, Vice President Eric Henson, Secretary Mark Hodge, Pledge Master Doug Kay, Social Bryan Norwood, Treasurer Nick Bock, Warden Pat O'Neil

No. of Members: 37

Tau Kappa Epsilon

Front Row: Garland Faist, Jonathan Burton, Dale Harris, Kevin Anderson, Chuck Baker, Craig Kolasch, John Peterson, Ken Jackson, Scott Emmons
Second Row: Antonio Coleman, Stephanie Price, Burton Baker, Andy Bramon, Unknown, Michael Jones, Scott Averd, Hillary Frohlin, Ken Poniszewski, Kent Konradsen
Third Row: Eric Freund, Mark Bryant, Rick Wue, Paul Mingdon, Mark Callahan, Jeff Kier, Mike Kamiensky, Brendan Callahan, Jonathan Ward, Christopher Roti, Mark Humford, Doug Hohe, Patrick Capristy
Fourth Row: Randy Kulip, Ken Biele, Mark Windsor, David Monovan, Rob Harris, Unknown, Unknown, Unknown, Adam Mack, Dave Pollberg, Unknown, Joseph Barca, Michael Preble

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For Greeks, anytime is the right Time to Party

Kappa Sigma and Phi Delta Theta humped on Wednesday. Kappa Sigma thumped on Thursday. Tau Kappa Epsilon continued their 'Saturday night tradition' and Delta Kappa Epsilon had their 'Midnight Madness.' These, along with numerous other Greek social events, made virtually any time the right time for a good time with the Greeks. Weekdays, weekends, afternoons, nights, and well into the morning, fraternities fraternized, sororities socialized, and everyone had a good time at Greek parties.

The places for these parties were as numerous as the times. While many boogied at the Balcony, others juked at Jake's, Jacob's Lantern that is, at the Marriott. Pi Kappa Phi and Kappa Alpha had their Happy Hours at Bogen's. Crickett's and Phoenix were also popular sites for Greek parties. But of course most of the action happened at the Greek houses, which were rocked to their foundations.

Of course each fraternity was convinced that it partied the hardest, but many students didn't seem to mind whose party it was, as long as there was a party. As Jacquie Neville, a Delta Gamma sister, said, "We (Delta Gamma) have interests in many fraternities, we love them all."

Greek parties, happy hours, and other social events provided a much needed release from classes, studying, and every-day pressures, so it's not surprising that they happened nearly everyday. Perhaps the Greek social life was summed up best by Sigma Nu brother Tom Coleman who said, "Maybe the night time is the right time, but we don't mind the afternoon either."

Joel Guthrie
Delta Delta Delta
Front Row: Stephanie Mabry, Sue Nemirov, Pam Herbsterith, Kim Korpi, Jenna Gunten, Cindy Starowicz.
Second Row: Karen Cronin, Theda Stremker, Wendy Whitemore, Renea Williams, Theresa Burke, Hillary Froehle.
Third Row: Muson Press, Tracy Smith, Christine DeLeo, Chris Erey, Cindy Bennett, Kathy Kostowski, Nicolee Tobert, Amanda Briscoe.
Fourth Row: Christie Jones, Laura Milbaur, Dawn Corvran, Kim Smith, Angela Braun, Mary Beth Miller, Nancy Keasing, Kelly Spear.
Fifth Row: Torri Morris, Christine Deusch, Diane Ribble, Mary Eckert, Cheryl Bardenose, Genevra Beck, Stephanie Gage, Mory Dercle.
Officers: President Tracy Smith, Vice President Lillian Chechio, Pledge Trainer Jamie Lette, Chaplain Moira Burke, Recording Secretary Pam Herbsterith, Alumna Advisor Karen Cronin.
No. of Members: 93
Activities: Tri-Delt Greek Decathlon, Intramurals, Retreats, Formals.
Philanthropy: Children’s Cancer Research and Scholarship.

Pi Beta Phi
Officers: President Holly Means, Vice President for Morale Stephanie Yurochko, Vice President for Socials Kelly Fisher, Social Chairman Jennifer Vantine, Recreation Secretary Ellen Rainer.
No. of Members: 109
Activities: Arrow Open Golf Tournament, participate in Greek Week, Greek Sing and Greek Decathlon. Highest Cumulative GPA Award.
Philanthropy: Arrowmont-School for the Crafts, Gatlinburg, TN.

Greeks 195
Coming Home in Style was the theme for Homecoming 1988. The weekend was another great opportunity for greek society to unite, celebrate and reminisce. Kappa Alpha Theta sister Tracy Tate explained, "sisterhood really starts to shine through, and you make so many new friends from working with other greek organizations."

Greek preparation for the big event began early Friday afternoon as different fraternities and sororities drove their Homecoming Queen candidates around the Drill Field in an attempt to convince students to support their candidates.

At the same time, greeks prepared floats and banners to display in the Homecoming parade and at the football game on Saturday. Alumni from the various greek societies began arriving in Blacksburg anxious to visit with old brothers and sisters and meet with new ones.

The Homecoming Fest began Friday night on Cassell Hill and kicked off the big weekend. The different sororities and fraternities contributed by setting up and running booths amid the many activities going on around them. In addition, they got together for happy hours and private parties on Friday to prepare for the next day's events. On Saturday morning, tailgates and other pre-game parties were a must before heading to the Homecoming game. At the game, alumni, pledges, and current members sat together in large groups and cheered for the football team.

Halftime was another major event for greek society. They waited anxiously for the alumni and current members of the Marching Virginians and Highty Tighties to form on the football field and prepare for the crowning of the Homecoming Queen. Delta Gamma sorority and Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity cheered as their candidate, Lee Ann Cobb took the crown.

After the game, the fraternities and sororities gathered yet again to celebrate. The week's parties were special because they gave returning alumni the opportunity to see how their organizations have changed over the years. As Shawn O'Dowd of Tau Kappa Epsilon put it, "It's great to show your old friends that the new guys can do it just as well or better. It could be getting jobs done for the organization, partying up a storm, or just getting the pretty girls out to the parties."

All in all, the weekend was a chance for old and new friends alike to get together and show their Hokie spirit.

-Mary Ruth Rzeszut
BETA THETA PI

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Officers: President Craig Shepps, Exec. Vice President John Vanderzon, Treasurer Doug Nocerino, Recording Secretary Bruce Oehler, Social Chairman Brian Lubin, Pledge Educator David Dimillo, Athletic Chairman Paul Romer.

No. of Members: 50

Activities: Homecoming Banquet, Miami Triad Party, Parents Weekend, Alumni Softball Tournament, Spring Formals.


SIGMA CHI


No. of Members: 81

Activities and Philanthropy: Derby Day, for various charities.

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Greeks 197
When building a family, there’s No Place Like Home

Despite the many styles of accommodations available in the Tech area, no other living arrangements in Blacksburg compared to living in a greek house. This style of living offered the residents of the greek houses many distinct advantages over both the other members of their chapter and the Tech population as a whole. Greeks who lived in their chapter house got the opportunity to live with the people who would be their lifelong friends, in an environment which allowed those friendships to grow, prosper, and strengthen.

Residents accepted house responsibilities, sharing in the cooking duties and cleaning chores, which helped both the individual greek and the organization grow. To help with some of these responsibilities, some fraternities and sororities had a meal plan in which the brothers or sisters took turns cooking, cutting down on both food cost and time spent in the kitchen. The people who lived in the houses also had the advantage of being constantly in touch with everything that took place in and around the organization. Sigma Phi Epsilon brother Scott Jolly said “living in the house keeps you informed of the activities of the fraternity and in the center of the action.”

Living in a greek house has often been described as one continuous social event since there was always something going on. Triangle brother Chris Galitz said he liked living in the house because “there was always a social activity of some sort going on, and if there wasn’t we could make something happen.”

However, some inconveniences came with living in the chapter home. Since a part of all large gatherings of people, especially parties, is lots of noise, there were times when the only thing that could be done was party and have a good time. While this may sound great, it could interfere with some important work that just had to be completed.

Despite these few inconveniences, the rewards of living in a greek house far outweighed the costs, and most of not all, fraternities and sororities recognized this fact. Some organizations required their members to live in their house as a means of sharing an experience which could be obtained nowhere else in Blacksburg.

-Andrew Scott

Enjoying the special offering of the house, Triangle’s Tom Cox relaxes with a game of pool.
Chi Omega

Delta Zeta

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Officers: President Michele Gavlak, Vice-President Rush Jackie Mooney, Vice President Pledges Ann Knutson, Treasurer Holly Lavalle, Recording Secretary Janine Solinsky, House Chairman Sheila Flynn, Correspondence Secretary Mary Malone, Advisor Charlotte Davis.

No. of Members: 89

Activities and Awards: Outstanding Activities Program, Outstanding Delta Zeta, Panhellenic Council Athletic Award, Canned Food Drive- 1st place, retreats, Dance for Heart, intramurals.

Philanthropy: Gallaudet College for the Hearing Impaired.

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Greek Houses 199
Pledging — A growing experience that creates Lifelong Relationships

Rush parties, bids, pledge pins, paddles, pledge books, big brothers and sisters — all of these combined to form the once-in-a-lifetime experience of pledging a sorority or fraternity. Pledging was a memorable time in a student's life, when one learned about the history and traditions of the organization that they would belong to forever.

Highly visible on campus, new members were easy to spot as they sported their brand new name tags and pledge pins. After weeks of rushing and meeting hundreds of people, having found "the organization" was a large accomplishment. Suddenly in the spotlight, these chosen few were showered with congratulations from friends and family, then hurled into the fast pace of the official pledge period. For the next two to three months, these pledges were the center of attention, as they represented the future of their organization.

Along with library hours required by many sororities and fraternities, pledges discovered the need for time management, as their schedules remained booked for weeks on end.

Another important part of pledging involved relationships between pledges and their big brothers or sisters. An initiated member of the organization, a big brother or sister served many purposes. Leigh Ann Wilson of Delta Gamma explained that "a big sister can show a pledge what the sorority is all about." Whether the need was for emotional support, academic help, or timely advice, big brothers and sisters built relationships that lasted far beyond college years.

Sororities and fraternities stressed from the beginning that their organizations were not just social cliques, they were service-oriented, vital parts of the community. Each pledge class worked diligently on their service project, and learned responsibility, dedication, and maturity. The pledge class then donated funds from their projects to their organization's philanthropy, and became more familiar with the inner functions of their fraternity or sorority.

Pledge retreats gave the new members an opportunity to relax and get personal with each other and their group. Individuals shared secrets, laughed together and celebrated their new found greek life. Members came back close together, as retreats unified pledge class after pledge class.

Pledging was a growing experience valued by each member and providing memories for life. Strengthened by knowledge, brotherhood, and friendship, these newly initiated members became essential parts of their organization and faced the challenges of educating future pledges.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl
Kappa Kappa Gamma


Officers: President Susie Gronlund, 1st Vice President Kathy Kersten, 2nd Vice President Maggie Abl, Public Relations Julie Kim, Secretary Karen Sobrito, Pledge Chairman Linda Alischbach, Registrar DareLee Lane, Rush Chairman Marisa Desiderio, Philanthropy Chairman Susan MacDowell, Social Chairman Jackie Lenzi.

No. of Members: 141

Phi Mu


Officers: President Sharon Cornwell, Vice President Darlene Malik, Recording Secretary Beth Yager, Treasurer Ruth Cooper, Panhellenic Representative Brenda Ippolito, Rush Chairman Andrea Kohl, Correspondence Secretary Anne Villarreal, Public Relations Christie Beggs, Phi Director Rhonda Samples.

No. of Members: 45

Activities: Phi Mu Greek Sing, Participate in Derby Day, Pumpkin Lighting, Christmas Tree Lighting, and Greek Decathlon.

Philanthropy: Project Hope

 Greeks 201
Service and Scholarship kept greeks at the Top of the Class

The word "Greek" often seemed to be synonymous with "party". A communications major, Tim Spizzirri said, "I was going to join a fraternity, but I was afraid that my grades would suffer."

This view was disputed by many greeks who felt they were constantly stereotyped, and that their "party image" was far from the truth. Though often known only for their social functions, they were career-oriented organizations that stressed academics as well as community service.

Most greek organizations required library hours both for pledges and active members. This tactic encouraged greek students to maintain regular study habits. Access to collections of old exams, quizzes, and homework assignments called "koofer files" benefited many students. Members that were further along in their college career often tutored and shared their experience with younger members. All of these combined to promote greek scholarship.

Perhaps the most stringent requirement for all greek organizations was a minimum QCA for all members. Without having met these standards, brothers and sisters were not considered active members, and were excluded from many greek activities.

Time management proved to be indispensable in order to balance a full schedule of fraternity and sorority events, classes, and other extracurricular activities.

Overall, scholarship in greek organizations was emphasized far more than most people realized. Greek academics were summed up best by Angela Bryan of Delta Delta Delta, who said, "Some people mistake greek life as being purely social, but scholarship and service among members is highly encouraged."

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

Susan MacDowell, a junior in aerospace engineering, takes a moment to study outside of Patton Hall. Many greeks found their schedules completely full for weeks on end, while they balanced social activities as well as academics.

Officers: President Michelle Frantz, Vice President Lisa Mays, Secretary Theresa Lanier, Treasurer Karen Marshall, Asst. Treasurer Donna Reveille, Jennifer Menask, Membership Andrea Patterson, Editor

No. of Members: 94
Philanthropy: Local: Radford Women's Resource Center, National: Richmond Children's Hospital.


Greeks 203
Contrary to the belief that greeks were "closed" cliques that only socialized with their own brothers and sisters, many greeks found themselves best friends, and even under the same roof with members of other organizations. Living together in harmony, these individuals crossed the barriers that alienated people in other greek communities across the nation. On a campus where rivalry was not a large factor among greek society, greek interactions were highly encouraged by the IFC, PhC, and each fraternity and sorority.

Most of these unusual situations stemmed from dorm friendships. Friends went through rush together, but considering the variety of groups available, it was not surprising that friends often joined different fraternities and sororities. Those who rushed earlier faced the dilemma of remaining non-biased during the rush periods. "I was careful not to influence my roommates when they were going through rush," said Akemi Martin of Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority, "because everyone finds their own place to fit in."

Often traditions, fund-raising ideas, and group activities were shared among companions which benefited each group. These people learned to be more open-minded and gained a new perspective towards other greek organizations. Benefits included a more diverse social life for all as friends attended each others social activities and functions. With added exposure to other fraternities and sororities, the possibilities of meeting new people were endless. These common bonds of friendship often made campus-wide greeks activities more fun and much easier to organize.

By crossing the traditional barriers of friendship, these individuals strengthened the entire greek community. Shared knowledge, fun and memories, left each individual to make an impact on their own fraternity or sorority and possibly others.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

Enjoying an evening together at home, Kappa Kappa Gamma, Akemi Martin, Zeta Phi little sister Asha Cheriahundum, Tri-Delt Angela Bryan, and Kappa Alpha Theta Lisa Taylor, watch a movie together. The four were roommates and remained close friends even after joining different sororities.
Sigma Nu


No. of Members: 50


Philanthropy: Cystic Fibrosis.

Pi Kappa Alpha

Officers: President Matt Mandgroc, Vice President Ken Abel, Treasurer David Berringer, Secretary Alan Singletary, Vice President for Rush Pat Eaton, Sergeant at Arms Jim Budd, Pledge Master Robert Lewis.

No. of Members: 106

Activities and Awards: Largest Fraternity on Campus, First in Leadership and Community Service, National Chapter Excellence Award, Most members in Student Government and Student Alumni Associates.

Philanthropy: MDA
Sigma Nu recovers quickly from the Social Blues

"HUMP Thursdays with Sigma Nu!" "Sigma Nu because who goes to Friday classes anyway?" Heard often on campus, Sigma Nu fraternity was known for their ever-popular Thursday night Hump Parties. These parties rocked their house to its foundations and were a release from the monotony of the week.

Unfortunately, their "party hearty" attitude was destroyed when their nationals imposed a risk reduction policy on all Sigma Nu chapters nationwide. The strict policy was implemented in the interests of safety, in order to reduce the risk of injury on fraternity property. It also lessened the chances of lawsuits against the organization. The adjustment to this new system severely shook the morale of the brothers who were used to the twelve-keg parties.

The new rules allowed no alcohol to be purchased out of chapter funds, and the parties were strictly "bring your own" and "invitation only," to limit the attendance at the functions. Throughout these controversial times, the Theta Xi chapter remained socially strong and maintained a standard for future Sigma Nu's to strive for.

Both diversity and unity defined the fraternity as each member contributed their own unique trait to the organization. Made up of athletes, honor students and a few party animals, this group of individuals soon merged together to form the strong brotherhood they would possess for a lifetime. The chapter continued the drive towards leadership, excellence, and campus involvement. At the realization that all fraternities must eventually abide by a similar policy, Sigma Nu boasted optimism, "Thursday nights are controversial, but we have a head start in the adjustment process over other fraternities," explained Sigma Nu brother Bill Bryson.

After a rough start on the year, faced with empty parties and a serious case of social blues, the brothers united and came out on top. Thanks to a little social side-stepping and a lot of advertising, Sigma Nu's once again became the life of the party as they humped with the campus Thursday after Thursday. With their woes far behind them, the Sigma Nu chapter once again became a dominant force in the greek community.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

Sigma Nu fraternity faced a series of problems after their nationals implemented an "invitation-only, bring your own" policy towards all parties. Officers Chuck Mason, Jeff Tibbetts, and Sean O'Connor, discuss possible advertisement solutions to combat the situation.

The Sigma Nu basement faced temporary emptiness after their nationals enforced a strict risk reduction policy. Fortunately, after a little social side-stepping and creative advertising, Sigma Nu once again hosted Thursday night Hump Parties.

206 Social Blues
Kappa Alpha Theta


Officers: President Carolyn Croy, Vice President Susan Solanksi, Vice President Pledge Therese Fox, Vice President Finance Kendra Donovan, Rush Chairman Ginger Dyke, Social Chairman Kim Grimes, Panhellenic Representative Eileen Tully, Housing Chairman Suzanne Price, Recording Secretary Celeste Williams, Fraternity Educator Tina Mills, Scholarship Chairman Laura Hartford, Chaplain Jennifer Hoff, Marshal Lynn Hopkins.

No. of Members: 80

Awards: Most Improved Chapter, Most Alumnae Support, Service Certificate, Number One in Scholarship.

Activities: Car Wash, Grand Convention, Carnival, Haunted House, Homecoming Candidate, Formals, Intramurals.

Philanthropy: The Institute of Logopedics.

Phi Sigma Kappa


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Greeks 207
Greek organizations left their mark on campus whether following old traditions or beginning new ones. Leadership, knowledge, and brotherhood defined the fraternities and sororities as they worked towards the expansion of the Greek system.
The Interfraternity Council (IFC) and Panhellenic Council (PhC) continued the tradition of uniting greek organizations. A common ground for all fraternities and sororities, each was given equal representation. These councils were both directed by executive boards, which consisted of dedicated greek students, who were not only involved with their individual chapters, but also spent extensive hours towards improving the Greek System.

The IFC/PhC councils sponsored many activities during the year, including the ever popular Greek Week. Each organization purchased t-shirts for its members and formed teams to compete in the variety of events. Jeff Tibbetts, President of Sigma Nu, commented, "The IFC/PhC sponsored Greek Week is very unifying for all of the fraternities and sororities. Of course, it's competitive, but social events help ease the competitiveness and bring Greeks together."

The Panhellenic Council spent much time on formal sorority rush which was changed this year to coincide with the semester system. Committees were formed and each sorority worked diligently in preparation for a successful rush. Panhellenic Council was guided by President Maureen Hurley as they governed the sororities and even considered the addition of a new sorority.

The Interfraternity Council had a busy year, encouraging growth among the individual fraternities. Presidents Council effectively gave the president of each organization time to exchange ideas on fraternity management, risk management and dealt with problems facing the Greeks on campus.

A major issue concerning the governing councils was the Knollwood Housing Project which often seemed uncertain. Greeks, already confronted with a housing shortage, opted for privately owned or on-campus group houses.

Overall, the year was productive and left each fraternity and sorority with a sense of unification and group participation. With the possible addition of new fraternities and sororities, growth and improvement of the Greek System seemed inevitable.

-Melissa J. Kluksdahl

The Interfraternity Council (IFC) worked diligently throughout the year to improve the greek system. At a weekly meeting, John Doyle and Bryan Timsley listen as Dave Capwell makes a comment on the Knollwood Project.
First Row: Chris Tully - Sec, John Doyle - Vice Pres. Interior, Richard Dudek - Pres, Dave Capwell - Vice Pres. Exterior, Clay Garst - Texas


Greeks 211
From Beginning to End

Beleaguered Buglers Bond Together

An inherited double-digit deficit accrued over three years, a new representative from our publishing company, and a returning staff of two made for rough beginnings on the BUGLE's production. Adjusting to the new semester system also caused some confusion as the staff realized that they only had until January to cover the school year and the remainder of 1989 would be covered in next year's book. "It was rough having to get started quicker without time to get settled. We had to jump right in!" said Angela Bryan, Student Life section editor and the only returning staff member. Bryan went on to say that the staff had to be careful about keeping on top of things by continuing to make photo assignments and writing down events for next year's book.

Another new concept this year was the creation of dual positions for the majority of the staff. Editor-in-chief Christie Szabo, in an effort to relieve the pressure of one person being solely responsible for an entire section, arranged the staff to have co-section editors in nine out of the eleven sections. "I think if the responsibility was all mine I'd feel totally overwhelmed," said Michael Fritz who shared the Service section with Michelle Kern. Even the managing editor's position was a shared one and sophomore Chuck Todd and freshman Alex Bergren gratefully accepted the idea.

Bergren was just one of many freshmen on the staff this year. In order to prevent losing staff members to graduation as happened this year, Szabo and Business manager Gale Beran sent postcards to freshmen who worked on their high school yearbooks and offered them a chance to join an organization before they even got here. The response was great and the positions quickly filled. "It's really great meeting so many people, especially as a freshman," said service editor Fritz. Szabo commented that she hopes many of them return so there will be some continuity on the staff.

Attracting enough staff to help the section editors wasn't always easy. Often friends were recruited at the last minute to help write copy or draw a layout. Joe Guthrie, vice president of Omicron Delta Kappa, happened to have lunch with the Editor and the Business Manager one day and a few nights later found himself writing copy at 3 a.m. on a deadline night. "So are all yearbook people naturally nocturnal, or what's the deal?" asked Guthrie.

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Kathy Shields, Special Interest Editor tells Alex Bergren, Academics and Managing Editor, the status of her pages that were due. Balancing deadlines with schoolwork was an exhausting and frustrating part of working on the staff.

Bugle Staff. First Row: Vickie Heilig, Classes Editor; Michelle Kern, Features Editor; Beth Cox, Class Editor; Laura Boyer, Divisions/Closing Editor; Karen Hall, Class Editor; Athena Borch, Issues Editor. Second Row: Joe Guthrie, Emergency Copy Writer; Clarie Stuck, Editor-in-Chief; Gale Beran, Business Manager; Gene Moore, Issues Editor; Kathy Newell, Corps Editor; Ron Calemano, Computer Consultant; Melissa Kishkash, Corps Editor; Kathy Shields, Special Interest Editor. Third Row: Gilbert Jones, Associate Photo Editor; Michael Pett, Issues Editor; Sarah Grescham, Class Editor; Chelle McGlothlin, Class Editor; Beth Stewart, Academic Editor; Alex Bergren, Academics and Managing Editor; Angela Bryson, Student Life Editor. Not pictured: Brad Fields, Sports Editor; Chuck Todd, Managing Editor; Susan Webb, Senators Editor; Jodie Agastone, Ads/Inbox Editor.
Late nights at the office became more bearable as the staff got to know each other. Social events such as E.T. Night, potluck dinners, Christmas parties and an Office-Rearranging Party made for fun times when deadlines were completed. A late-night quote board was erected for those brilliant revelations made at 4 a.m. and provided numerous laughs when re-read the following day.

On the business side of the organization, Beran had her work cut out for her. Under normal operating conditions the Business Manager had a budget for three secretaries, but to cut down on expenses Beran asked for volunteers and was happily surprised to receive six interested people. Feeling in despair about their financial woes, Szabo and Beran jokingly termed their administration “The Frugal BUGLE" as they attempted to cut back in as many areas as possible. “Inheriting a large debt was really trying at times but we managed,” said Beran, “the worst part was that I didn’t even have the pleasure of spending the money.”

Many hours were spent brainstorming ideas to generate more student interest and consequently more revenue. One of the more popular ideas was to use two pages near the end of the book for students to buy words and write messages to friends to be preserved forever. In addition, as ads were sold, local businesses were asked to donate a free dinner for two or something of comparable value. Then ads were placed in the Collegiate Times telling students to buy their yearbook that week and have a chance at winning one of the donated prizes. The Marketing Club led by Leah Moldowan, was also helpful in selling ads and promoting the book.

As production came to an end and there was finally some time for reflection on the year, Szabo, Beran and the rest of the staff, were unavailable for comment due to sheer exhaustion.

—Christie Szabo
Graduate student, Ron Colangelo turns around to listen to another grievance about the computer. Colangelo worked as the computer consultant and received the brunt of complaints when files mysteriously disappeared.

Michael Fritz ponders re-arranging his service spread. Fritz was one of many freshmen who gained yearbook experience practically overnight.
Linda Schubert typed in her story for the upcoming edition of the CT wearing a heavy sweater and gloves. The CT office was extremely cold in the winter months due to the draft from its many windows. Staff members showed their dedication by keeping up with the deadlines and applying layers of clothes to fight off the cold.

Scott Ripley investigates a lead for a news story. As News Editor, Ripley spent many hours on the phone getting the facts straight.
It took an editorial staff of nearly fifty, over one hundred writers and more than one thousand man-hours of work to produce two editions of the Collegiate Times each week. Add to that the fact that everyone who worked at CT was a full-time student. Sprinkle in a few dozen five a.m. deadlines and a tempermental typesetting machine, and you've got dedication — pure, unadulterated dedication.

The Collegiate Times gave Virginia Tech students a large variety of subjects to read about during the year, including reactions to the controversial Martin Scorcese film, The Last Temptation of Christ; profiles of new President James D. McComas; and up-to-date coverage of Tech basketball star Bimbo Coles' action in the 1988 Seoul Olympics.

The staff members, who dedicated a large part of their college life, as well as a large part of their Q.C.A.'s, to the CT have no regrets about spending so much time in the CT newsroom.

Jeff Motley, sports editor, said, "Working at the CT gives you a chance to cover events and work shoulder-to-shoulder with professionals in your field, like TV crews and national media. Maybe it will get me somewhere when I get out of school.”

News editor Rob Ritcher said he does not necessarily plan to go into journalism after graduation. "The truth of the matter is, I work at the CT because I love the people, I love the work, and I'm an idiot. That combination makes me want to stay here until five o'clock in the morning.”

Larry Bingham, managing editor, said, "Working at the CT has been more challenging and rewarding than any class I've taken at Tech. It also taught me that college is a social education, which is just as important as an academic education."

Linda Schubert, editor of the Affairs Section, said her reason for persevering with the Collegiate Times was that, "it's nice to see your name in print. Besides, where else can you get this involved in something having known nothing about it at the start; you come away knowing everything.”

The CT underwent a lot of cosmetic as well as substantive changes during the 1988-89 year. The flag shrunk and gained a thin, grey shadow, and the folio was rearranged to achieve true aesthetic balance.

The Collegiate Times also added some new regular columns, such as "Off The Wire," "Greek Peek" and "Robbus Maximus," to give Tech students a larger breadth of

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topics to choose from. And, of course, "The Punk Next Door" continued to shock the campus into laughter with his off-the-wall commentaries.

"Basically what I did was treat with irreverence, and a little old-fashioned vulgarity, any and all subjects that were taken seriously by any and all students, faculty or staff," "Punk" Louis King said.

However, the Collegiate Times, as well as all other campus media organizations, sustained some unwanted changes to its business department when former-President William E. Lavery declared that beginning in 1988, the media were to be accountable to the university's purchasing and payroll departments. Because the university's systems tend to be much slower than a for-profit organization, like the CT, the changeover from in-house payroll and purchasing created some serious paperwork backlogs.

Tiffany Ashburn, the CT business manager, spent everyday wrestling with speed purchase-order forms. "Speed" was a misnomer, though.

"The purchasing system was slow and not adaptable to a business of this size," Ashburn said. "It was a lot of unneeded paperwork."

In all, the 1988-89 year at the Collegiate Times was an enormously rewarding one, both professionally and personally. The staff went beyond pragmatics and became a close-knit group of friends, which provided an environment where a nationally acclaimed college newspaper could develop and grow.

-Scot Hoffman

Assistant features editor, Shelley Dannebaker asks a last-minute question before researching her article. Dannebaker often wrote series articles such as the history of Tech presidents and the restoration of historic homes in Blacksburg.
Staff members Yvonne Gorman and Greg Ritter are shown here pasting out the page. This was the last step before sending it off to the printer where a picture would be taken of it, thus, producing a new edition of the CT.

Deciding on a cartoon for the next edition of the CT Andy Pollick shuffles through the many entries. Anyone with a good cartoon was allowed to submit it to the CT for publication.
What did it take to be a photographer? It took the will to spend long hours on a Saturday night in a smelly, dark, hollow room where you can't see two feet in front of you and the ability to dodge a 275-pound linebacker, repel 120 feet into a dark cave or push through an obstinate member of the local law enforcement community. Not to mention the patience to deal with last-minute assignments and the perfectionist attitude of the photo editor, and finally the stamina to endure the numbing cold of a December football game. But most importantly, someone with the intelligence to push a button.

Many people enjoy photography but never think of having photos published, and what would a newspaper or magazine be without photos? The photo staff was set up so that anyone who wanted to commit a little bit of time could become a good photographer and get pictures published in the Collegiate Times and Bugle. Plus, the editors taught anyone who joined the staff how to develop and print black and white photographs. Anyone could turn in a feature picture, that showed something in a different light, captured an unusual event or showed what was going on at a certain time (like a snow shot on the first snow). The staff members spent as much or as little time as they wanted in the lab. Those who spent the most time were rewarded with the better assignments at concerts and football and basketball games. Assignments ranged from taking pictures of street signs to taking pictures of Rangers in full battle gear participating in war games.

The editors spent an average of thirty hours a week in the lab helping members of the staff and doing their own work. Photo Editor Darren Beyer revealed, “It was a big commitment, but there were a lot of rewards. When I saw an issue of the CT that had good photos in it, I felt really good because I knew that I was a part of those pictures”.

-Michelle Kern

There is nothing Photo Editor Darren Beyer wouldn't do for a good shot. While trying to acquire a new perspective of the fountain in front of Squires his arm got lost in the water.
Showing off his talent, Associate Photo Editor Robert Dant takes a unique photo. This photo was taken in the darkroom — where the photo staff spent the majority of their spare time.

Laughing to himself, Scot Turey finds humor in the copy he is editing. Many staff members enjoyed reading the material submitted by the student body.

Poetry Editor Clare Nielson works diligently on the art work for the Silhouette. Putting the literary magazine together took many long hours of hard work but when it was finished all were pleased to have been a part of it.
With the publication of the '88 edition of the *Silhouette*, Virginia Tech's literary magazine celebrated its twelfth year of publication. Because the magazine's format allowed it to deal only with the work of graduates and those currently attending the university, the *Silhouette* provided both students and alumni with a chance to see their original art, fiction, poetry, and photography in print.

The year proved to be a very exciting and hectic season for the *Silhouette*, for they expanded both the size and the circulation of the publication. For the past eleven years, the magazine appeared annually; however, this year the industrious staff at the *Silhouette* put together two issues, the first printed soon after Thanksgiving and the second completed late this Spring.

In addition to the extra issue, the literary magazine greatly increased its size and content. Obvious changes included color covers, which previously printed only in black and white, and a change in size, from the former 6" by 9" to the current 7" by 10". Although only 264 pages were budgeted, they put together two 280 page issues. On top of all of these enhancements, the *Silhouette* increased circulation from 750 to an ambitious 1000.

With their extra work and bold plans, the staff at the *Silhouette* attempted to both heighten student interest in the publication and increase readership. Commenting on the magazine's goal of increasing artistic awareness on the campus, production manager Richard Inge said, "I really believe that there are a lot of people out there doing excellent work and it should be recognized and published."

-Michael Fritz
A wise man once said, “College radio is darn near the most fun a human being can have with an electrical appliance.” With this thought in mind, WUVT has been operating for forty-one years. As always, the station’s programming was representative of the diverse musical interests on campus. Among others, the station featured reggae, blues, jazz, dance, classic rock, and progressive music, thus WUVT was a favorite alternative to the conformist, homogenized formats of the other area stations.

In addition to the musical variety offered by the station, news was also an important aspect of the programming. WUVT maintained a larger news reporting and sports staff than any of the other local broadcasters. Not only did they continue the proud tradition of reporting on athletics and other areas of interest on the campus, but the people at WUVT insured that their coverage would be the best in the area through the size and skill of the staff.

The staff of WUVT was very proud to be operating one of the only radio stations in the country entirely student owned and operated. Of the nearly 200 staff members, every one was a student volunteer. Operating funds for the station were raised in a variety of ways. Due to WUVT’s longevity, it was widely respected by local merchants thus underwriting by these businesses served as one portion of the financial basis. Money was also acquired through advertising and donations from the private sector, along with T-shirt sales, WUVT night at the Marriot, and the bi-annual Radiothon. The Radiothon was a week long event in which requests were played in response to pledges made to the station.

This year WUVT became firmly established in their new offices, a comforting accomplishment after last year’s move due to the closing of Squires Student Center. New acquisitions and opportunities
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FM disc jockey Willie Sullivan prepares another record for airplay. WUVT was careful to choose music to accommodate interests on campus and maintain enthusiastic student support of the station.
On a late night shift, AM disc jockey Hollis Gardner adjusts the needle on a second turntable. Using two turntables enabled jocks to make smooth transitions into new songs. WUVT was able to operate 24 hours a day due to the dedicated staff members who were willing to put in the extra hours.

Public relations director Howard Pertuziello takes phone calls as he goes over a stack of paperwork. Making the students aware of WUVT's existence sometimes proved to be a difficult job on a campus of 22,000 students.

Business manager Kristin Reed and Office Manager Sandy McGuire take a moment out of their busy schedules to socialize. Because of the importance of advertising to the independent station, keeping ads in order was an important job occupying much of their time.

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Musical Interests

(Continued from page 224) brought about changes in the operation of the station. A new computer and more advanced equipment improved WUVT's ability to do live remotes, thus improving coverage of sports and other events on campus. One major change which gave the station increased access to the students was the broadcasting of the AM signal on the new cable system.

Enjoying its independent status, WUVT continued to be successful as Tech's radio station. Much of its success was attributed to the variety of interests served by the diverse programming and the resulting enthusiastic student support.

-George Bready and Michael Fritz

Historian Kevin Webb gets ready to give Station Manager George Bready a kiss. Comraderie among staff members made the long hours at the station more bearable.

Where did students go when the campus seemed dull, the pressure built, or they just needed some fun? Many turned to the Virginia Tech Union (VTU) for great entertainment. The VTU, the largest programming organization on campus, strove each year to bring a diverse selection of quality entertainment to students, faculty, and the entire Blacksburg community. The goal of its members was to improve the social, cultural, educational and recreational opportunities that existed at Virginia Tech. This was accomplished by the hard work of eight committees, their chairpersons, and the executive officers. VTU President Trisha Evans expressed that it, "puts a lot of strain on your freedom but in the end it is worth it because you learn how to program". Although pleasing everyone was more than just difficult, VTU members did their best.

The Club committee was formed this year with a new twist on the old Now and Then Music committee. The committee started the first non-alcoholic nightclub in Blacksburg, calling itself Club TBA with an act approximately every other Thursday. They booked acts from local bands to experienced folk artists, comedians, and blues singers. They also produced Open Mike Night where would-be entertainers got their shot in the spotlight.

Also off to a fabulous year was the Concert committee starting with jazz wizard Stanley Jordan. Amid speculation about the lack of concert facilities available, the committee did some strong research and finished off with such popular bands as The Church, UB40, and Little Feat. Members planned the shows, set up equipment, and then worked security for each concert.

The Films committee had a very busy season providing up to three movies every weekend. Choices ranged from blockbusters to horror movies, foreign films, concerts, and classics. They worked hard to bring us the magic of the big screen at reasonable prices.

On the cultural side, the Lively Arts and Lectures committee brought the glamour of Broadway to Blacksburg with Neil Simon's Broadway Bound and the musical hit 42nd Street. Other lively arts included the successful Paillard Chamber Orchestra, the Albert McNeal Jubilee Singers, and the National Theater of the Deaf. A last minute entry into the season was Frula!, a colorful Yugoslavian dance troupe. All of these exciting shows were offered to students at a new, incredibly low price designed to make this kind of entertainment more accessible to students.

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At the opposite end of the spectrum was the Recreation committee who provided a unique degree of challenge and competition. These events included the Endurothon, a grueling race involving 10K of running and 5K of biking. This group also sponsored ACUI tournaments involving such sports as billiards and table tennis, and sent some winners on to regionals in Tennessee. They also proposed an Aerobathon for dance enthusiasts.

The grab-bag of the VTU committees was Special Events. Members began with the New Student Mixer, introducing freshmen and transfer students to the fun social scene at Tech. Continuing the tradition of Homecoming Dance, attended by over 500 couples for a night of fun and romance, the committee also worked on a variety of events from comedians to hypnotists to casino nights. With the creative freedom of this committee, you could expect almost anything.

The final two committees, House and Hospitality and Pro Art, were the internal support to the VTU, though they too did their share of programming. The House and Hospitality Committee did the ushering, catering, and crowd control for various events. They also ran programs such as films in the amphitheater. The Pro Art committee published a monthly calendar of campus events and painted banners for all the other committees. They also sponsored a student art sale and such artists as Denny Dent.

Fun remained the major part of the Virginia Tech Union as this organization created more and more events aimed at students. The union enjoyed a fantastic year of programming and planning for the future.

-Michelle Kern

Program Council. First Row: Andrea Thompson, Secretary/Treasurer; Joanne Wroten, Cochairperson; Shannon Howley, Club Chairperson. Second Row: Patricia Evans, President; Terri Shutes, Assistant to Vice President; Gary Outland, Recreation Chairperson; Christine Miller, Pro Art Chairperson. Third Row: Robbi Allmon, Film Chairperson; Bill Whelihan, House and Hospitality Chairperson; Tim Fitzgerald, Special Events Chairperson; Bryan Porter, Literary Arts/Lectures Chairperson.
Lively Arts Committee. Front Row: Bryan Porter, Chairman; Second Row: Amy Cheng, Carol Fulton, Third Row: Rhonda Germond, Jennifer Grant.

Exciting

Life on Campus Was the Goal of RHF

On a Sunday in mid-August, the Residence Hall Federation (RHF) gradually trickled into Blacksburg and the once-partying town appeared deserted and ghostlike in the absence of students. With our vacations cut short by the switch to semesters, we left the Resident Advisor’s (RA) behind and headed for Camp Fincastle trying to stretch the summer for all its worth. Those next three days were packed full of volleyball, swimming, ping-pong, fishing, canoeing, hiking, dancing, campfires, marshmallow fights, and bonding. And despite our busy schedule, we managed to squeeze in a bit of training to start the year off right. Returning from camp, exhausted from our relaxing vacation, we were left with one day to gather up hundreds of Good Stuff boxes, blotters, and coupon notebooks, decorate bulletin boards, plan hall socials, buy refreshments, decorate the halls, paint our ban­ners, and we were still expected to be up Saturday at 6:00 a.m. with smiles on our faces and kind words for the irate parents demanding to see the maid. Some halls withstood the torture better than others and best check-in in a female hall was in Johnson, best check-in in a male hall was in Major Williams, and best check-in in a co-ed hall was in Lee. Without the help of our RA staff, all of this could never have been accomplished.

The closing of Squires put a damper on campus life and forced the RHF to relocate to Eggleston. On Monday morning, after settling into our own rooms, we were excited to see the new facilities. The blood surged through our veins as we contemplated the five flights of stairs to the very peak of Eggleston Hall. Breathless, we opened the door for the first time and viewed the cubicle they called an office. Being taller than it was wide, it appeared better suited for a closet, so in an attempt to avoid claustrophobia, we returned to our rooms (believe it or not).

Homecoming was a big success, and the RHF was the only organization to enter both a float and a banner in the parade along with a booth at Homecoming Fest. Although waking up at 6:30 a.m. to be in parade formation was not our idea of a party, it was all worth it as we proudly rode down Main Street in our 1938 black convertible limousine with a chrome gobbler as a hood ornament.

With the end of Homecoming activities, the RHF prepared for its trip to Florida for SAACURH (South Atlantic Affiliate of College and University Halls). 23 members boarded a charter bus with 21 members from Radford for a fourteen hour trip southward to warmer weather. The highlight of the weekend was Virginia Tech’s win of the “Best Display” category.

Movies on Halloween were scheduled for the amphitheatre, but, in typical Blacksburg fashion, rain struck and fears of showing movies in McBryde 100 immediately plagued the minds of the Student Affairs administrators. The executive board was paralyzed by visions of a completely trashed lecture hall, but finally a decision was reached and hordes of students piled into McBryde for the show. For those people, McBryde took on a whole new light.

The RHF attempted to make life on campus a little more exciting for students in a number of ways. RHF Hump Night at the Marriott was the biggest event of the year with over 400 people packed into the Marriott for a midweek night of dancing and partying. Free sandwiches, snacks, and cocktails attracted the large crowd. Life was made more enjoyable by the new sand volleyball courts, cable television in rooms, and the immensely complicated digital phones. Overall, the year was a successful one, and members looked forward to next year’s challenges.

-Greg Rahal


The Student Government Association (SGA) was the only group that represented all of the undergraduate students on the campus. All students were eligible for membership. Of the fifty senators that comprised the SGA, all were elected in the spring by their academic colleges and served as representatives in the group’s dealings with the university. Their goal was, through their team effort, to provide for the students the changes that they requested to improve the university environment.

Members of the SGA sat on many university committees in an attempt to improve the campus for they felt that involvement was the key to success. The most notable committees in which members of the group participated were the Commission on Student Affairs and the University Council. In addition to these activities, they also worked with such diverse areas as academics, dining hall food, and Blacksburg Transit transportation. This year’s most important projects included parking, the Virginia Tech Alliance, Student Legal Services, and the Hokie Camp freshmen orientation project.

-Dave Baker and Michael Fritz
The Commission on Student Affairs responded to the needs and concerns of students. CSA was an advisory board to the University Council, the top legislative body in the university. It recommended policies and guidelines to University Council and worked to improve all aspects of student life.

To make sure that all students were represented in this process, CSA was composed of the leaders of the major groups on campus including Student Government (SGA), the Class System, the Corps, the Virginia Tech Union (VTU), the Residence Hall Federation (RHF), the Budget Board, the Media Board, the Greek system, and the Black Organizations Council (BOC). Also serving on CSA were a graduate student and seven faculty members, including the Vice President of Student Affairs who chaired the commission.

CSA underwent many changes this year including a new Vice President for Student Affairs. Tom Goodale brought a new style of leadership to the commission. Student leaders said they found Goodale more approachable and more responsive to student needs than his predecessor, Sandra Sullivan, had been. Sullivan resigned last year after she implemented a controversial X-rated film screening process without CSA approval.

BOC President Walter Lundy, who has served on CSA for the past three years said, “There’s definitely a better working relationship between student leaders and the administration this year, especially with the Vice President for Student Affairs. But because of that, student leaders aren’t as aggressive as they used to be. They’re a lot more willing to go along with what the administration proposes.”

Trisha Evans, President of VTU said, “I think CSA has been effective in bringing student concerns to the administration, but a lot of times they don’t get through University Council so there’s no action taken.”

CSA devoted a great deal of time to addressing the parking problem, and did succeed in getting more parking spaces for students. CSA also proposed ways to improve class registration and ways to maintain all student services that were affected by the closing of Squires. There was a CSA proposal to start a “Hokie Camp” to help incoming freshmen learn about Tech and its traditions.

Media Board left CSA at the end of the year. Media Board proposed the change because it wanted to be more autonomous from the university. Scot Hoffman, editor of the Collegiate Times and vice chair of Media Board said, “I think it’s a good idea. Really, the media should just report the news, not make legislative decisions.”

In spite of all the changes, CSA’s mission remained the same: to serve the students and ensure they had a voice in the university.

-Joe Guthrie
The Student Media Board was a "cooperative organization in which all student organizations are members, joined together for mutual support and to share common concerns," explained Dr. Charlotte Davis, Media Board chair and Associate Director of Student Activities. The Media Board was composed of the editors, general manager, business managers, and faculty advisors of the Bugle, the Collegiate Times, the Student Publications Photo Lab, the Silhouette, and WUVT-AM and FM.

The Media Board was responsible for budget approvals for each organization, cash reimbursements for the staffs, monitoring the progress of each organization, and providing support and assistance whenever a problem arose. However, the editors and managers still retained the ultimate responsibility for their respective organizations.

The biggest issue Media Board faced this year was the proposal to make the board an autonomous student organization separate from the Commission on Student Affairs. The proposal passed CSA in early November, then went to University Council for approval. Media Board presented this proposal to CSA because the board members felt they could be freer from university control if they were not on CSA. Scot Hoffman, Collegiate Times editor and Media Board Vice Chair, added that many people on Media Board and on CSA felt that there was no reason for a media organization to be a part of a legislative body. Hoffman said he felt there would be little effect on the material in the student media as a result of this change. "We (the CT) won't change what we print if we're on CSA or not. The biggest effect for us will probably be in how we get funds and financing."

The Media Board was responsive to the needs of its members. "The Media Board was tremendously supportive of The Bugle in helping to relieve our financial troubles which have accumulated over three years," said Christie Szabo, Bugle editor. Media Board also approved new equipment for the Collegiate Times and the photo lab and sent several student editors to a conference in Atlanta.

By supporting all the forms of student media, the Media Board provided a service not only to its members, but to everyone in the university.

-Michelle Kern and Joe Guthrie
Participating in the candle ceremony are Shelly Woychi, Simi Lynch, and Sharlene Marin. This is a traditional event that new members take part in during the Circle K inductions.

Pinning a new member at the Circle K Inductions is Chris Lawrence, the club president. This year's ceremony was held at the Marriott where a good time was had by all!
Circle K International was the world's largest collegiate service organization, with over 12,000 members on 600 campuses, in seven countries. Virginia Tech's chapter of Circle K has placed in the top two in International with total club achievement since 1983. Tech's chapter was established in 1956 and has been an integral part of Virginia Tech ever since.

This year, Virginia Tech Circle K membership was the largest ever in its 32 year history with 125 members, and was invited to a banquet with the President and Mrs. Reagan. The banquet was to honor Kiwanis and Circle K International for their outstanding support in Mrs. Reagan's, "Just say no" to drugs campaign.

Circle K, sponsored by Kiwanis International and part of the "K-Family" which includes Kiwanis, Circle K, Key Club, and Builders Club, was dedicated to serving the community and helping others.

Tech's Circle K was a group of caring people that enjoyed doing service work for their campus and community. They had over 11,000 hours of service last year along with hundreds of projects to help the campus and community. Circle K ran all the elections on campus, held a carnival for the Blacksburg children at Halloween, a dinner for underprivileged families, and a host of other projects. John Sharpe, Projects Vice President, said that he enjoyed being a member of Circle K because, "everyone in the club is a friend. By working on service projects you become very close — there is a feeling of togetherness."

Circle K promoted service, leadership and fun. Although it was a service organization, it had many leadership workshops, and socials. Circle K encouraged its members to become leaders and take charge of projects. It also had numerous socials throughout the year such as seasonal parties (Christmas, Halloween, Valentine's Day) to their own Fantasy Island Party and a weekly to the "Cellar".

To sum it all up in a phrase...Caring people who insisted on having a good time — Circle K!

-Chris Lawrence

Circle K Front Row: James Reed, Kimberly Myers, Laurie Duff, Karen Richards, Stephanie Villa, Minly Carter, Kathleen Fitzgerald, Jill Deaton, Kay Coleman, Jeananne Lowry, Rhonda Brown, Cathy Clark, PR Chairman; Cindy Padgett, Tracey Banchman, Bonita Fireh, Shariene Mate, Amy Campbell, Robin Carlson, P. Family Chairman; Paige Amin, Michelle Robinson. Second Row: Jenny Lewis, Peggy Clark, Cathy Thomas, Teresa Schoofer, Kelli Chingang, Susan Kim, Sharon Dunn, Kelly Kurtz, Kim Gardinell, Sandy Down, Sherry Freeman, Jeff Bullo, Jessica Milis, Karen Capodocia, Kristina Coluzzi, Vickie Costopoulos, Jennifer Snellings, Pia Satarinas, Tabitha Davis, Laura Jo Whittington. Third Row: Mary Ortko, Sara McKee, Candace Soudelie, Carrie Grimm, John Helper, Melanie Nunberg, Fundraising Committee: Vinita Chhabra, John Fiorani, Kristina Harris, Debbie Scorsier, Sean Rade, Sara Lynn, Laurie Cunston, Doug Gladstone, Marilyn Machia, Jennifer Holt, Linda Welch, Jill Morrisian, Shelly Woytk, Brenda Harris, Financial Committee. Fourth Row: Michael Jaffers, Deanna Dunne, Eve Dinning, John Dempewolf, George L., Brian McCain, Mel Tall, Pam Griffith, Cherri Lefler, Ted Knoll, Chris Lawrence, President; Kelly Mars, Eric Miller, Renee Braudrick, Mark Hard, Terence Kurtz, Membership Committee; Bonnie Kran, Knowledge Committee. Fifth Row: Al Crawford, Andrea Stallings, Corresponding Secretary; Scott Boudley, Angela Lui, Dana Brown, Social Committee; Erik Sodeberg, Kevin Kousoun, John Sharpe, Project Vice President; Glenn Howe, Bill Wood, Pete Palermo, Treasurer; Chris McGee, Glen Andrews, Mark Hintsman, Melanie Krech, Mark Hinman, Melanie Krech, Sherry Gingerich.

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SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP?
Aren't you interested?
What exactly is a

SPECIAL-adj. 1. of a distinct or particular kind 2. different from what is ordinary or usual 3. having a particular person 4. having a particular function or purpose.

INTEREST GROUPS-n. a group of people drawn or acting together because of a common interest, concern, or purpose.


Did you ever wonder how you were going to meet people when you first left for college? Did you think it would be hard to find friends?

At a school with approximately 23,000 students, these are just a few questions that crossed the minds of incoming freshmen, transfer students and even a few upperclassmen. Luckily, there were Special Interest Groups to help them find people with similar interests.

The clubs, groups, and organizations were for almost every kind of interest or hobby one might have. Some specialized in music, languages, or community work while others emphasized certain fields of study or military involvement.

Being at a big school didn't mean that it was impossible to meet people that had a lot in common with you. Special Interest Groups united people who might never have met otherwise.
The New Virginians are a Special Interest Group that express their unique talents by singing in various shows throughout the year. One of these was the New Virginians' Homeshow in April, 1988.

Gentlemanly, Earnestness, Reputation, and Responsibility, Manhood, Aim, and Name

The German Club, formed in 1892, was the second oldest organization on campus, and owed its name to the German Waltz. The letters in “G-E-R-M-A-N” stood for Gentlemanly, Earnestness, Reputation and Responsibility, Manhood, Aim, and Name, and represented “pillars of strength” for which every German Club man strove.

The club continued its service to the university by assisting the Virginia Tech Union with their productions, selling programs at football and basketball games, overseeing the field events during indoor track meets, and participating in Chi Delta Alpha Service day.

Also, within the community, the club provided manpower for the Special Olympics, Brush Mountain and YMCA Crafts Fairs, organized a Christmas party for underprivileged children in Shawsville, and performed yardwork and odd jobs for less fortunate and elderly citizens.

Members considered it important to be active in other areas besides service. The German Club was represented all over campus in the Student Government Association, membership in honorary fraternities, the Honor System and many other organizations.

German Club members came from both the Corps of Cadets and the civilian population. Additionally, members were active in individual and team athletics on all levels.

The highlight of the year for the club was sponsoring the annual Mid-Winter’s Dance in February. The theme of the 1988 dance was “A Night at the Hop” and the dance was held in Squires for the last year before the building closed for renovations. The dance was a success and the planning began early for the 1989 event almost as soon as the favors were cleaned up.

-Dave Fritz

"A Night at the Hop," was the theme for the 1988 Mid-Winter's Dance. German Club alumnus Mark Hurley, sat this dance out with his date and some friends and relaxed while listening to the Kings of Swing.

The German Club serves the community through many service projects. Sometimes members learned new skills like house painting.
German Club. First Row: Alan Shaw (Sr. Exec. Commitee), Stephen Upton (V.P. Membership), Scott Stanley (Exec. V.P.), Scott Sengrey (President), Shawn Pinto (Leader), Billy Donavant (Alumni Secretary); Second Row: Chris Pope (Jr. Exec. Committee, David Fritz (Historian), David Beason (Soph. Exec. Committee), Jeffrey Geise (Treasurer), James Rodriguez (Secretary), Peter Fest (V.P. Facilities); Third Row: James Wans II, Pablo Hernandez, Keith Lucas, Stephen Hughes, Henry Hess, Donald Monroe Jr., Rock Hurley, Sand Watts; Fourth Row: Marc Holms, Tom Messner, Chris Eades, Mike Shelter, John Padgett, Scott Anglin; Fifth Row: Lanny Hansell, Charles Hobbs, Chris Fortune, James Shaffer, Byron Koon, Tim Burton; Sixth Row: Richard Park, John Adams, Ron Plantz, David Volkmenger, Chris Batch; Tim Murphy, Dwayne Divers, David Page; Seventh Row: Stephen RHudy, Dett Rades, Robert Robert, David Readybough, Phil Koh.

During Spring Privates the German Club members and their dates play volleyball at the German Club Manor. Owning their own land made scheduling activities less complicated.
The Southern Colonels, formed in 1933, made the "Big Band" music of that era their hallmark. The band consisted entirely of members of the Corps of Cadets and was directed by Mr. Wallace Easter. Practices, often at six A.M., prepared the group for the various "gigs" they performed throughout the year. Performances ranged from banquets for alumni, university and state dignitaries, to a laid back gig at the Military Brawl during the Corps' Military Ball weekend. Most band members agreed that all their hard work was worth the effort when they got to watch the alumni dancing up a storm to the sounds of their music. "Boy, I wish our generation could dance like they do. I wonder what kind of music they will be playing at our reunions?!," said Christie Szabo, four year member of the SC's. Another enjoyable feature for both band members and alumni was the opportunity to share stories, past and present, of the University and the Corps. "Playing in the SC's has been really fun. Most students don't like having their Friday and Saturday nights taken up but I really don't mind the chance to hear about the 'good ol' days," said sophomore Tarrell Reis.

-Greg F. Thompson

Southern Colonels have an early morning practice in the new Shultz music room. The diverse activities of the cadets often made 6 a.m. a rough but necessary hour for them to go over music.
Mortar Board was the National Honor Society for college seniors. Its members were selected on the basis of their outstanding scholastic records, leadership ability and dedication to service to the college and community. Membership carried with it the responsibilities of active participation and continuation of Mortar Board’s reputation and ideals.

Virginia Tech’s chapter of Mortar Board was established 10 years ago, but Mortar Board’s roots extended back to 1915. That year two women who were involved in separate honor societies at different universities met and discovered that their organizations shared similar goals and ideals. They decided to join their societies into one - Mortar Board. Since that chance meeting, over 200 chapters have been founded nationwide.

Since Mortar Board was composed entirely of seniors, its membership changed completely every year. Approximately 30 of the top students in the university were invited to join the organization in the spring of their junior year. Students were chosen from all areas of study and from a wide variety of backgrounds, but all had excellent academic and extracurricular records.

Each year the new members were free to choose the projects they wanted to conduct, but some activities had become traditions. Each spring, Mortar Board held a tuition raffle to raise money for an endowment fund. The fund, accumulating for several years, was designed to provide an annual academic scholarship. Mortar Board also worked with the university’s Commencement Speaker Search Committee, helped promote the SGA elections, worked on the S.H.A.R.E. project with Alpha Phi Omega, and participated in Chi Delta Alpha’s Service Day. The board also provided a tutoring service and held several social events. These activities made Tech’s chapter one of the top 10 in the nation.

“Mortar Board is much more than just an honor society to add to your resume,” said Joe Guthrie. “It’s a very active group that does a lot for the university and the community. It’s a lot of fun, too.”

-Kim Clark
"Welcome to Lane Stadium and Virginia Tech Football! Ladies and Gentlemen, under the field direction of Robert Craig and Tim Silk, 330 strong, The Spirit of Tech!"

Thus marked the 1988 Lane Stadium debut of Virginia Tech's All University Band, The Marching Virginians. Since the establishment of The Marching Virginians fifteen years ago, Virginia Tech fans have come to rely upon the band as the generator of Hokie spirit as well as executors of dazzling pageantry, massive sound, and excellence in every aspect of performance. The Marching Virginians are of their reputation, and especially proud to be known as The Spirit of Tech!

Under the guidance of an eight member student administration, three graduate assistants, and a full-time director and arranger, The Marching Virginians have thrilled hundreds of thousands of fans in stadiums throughout the Southeast.

Professor David M. McKee, in his third year as Director, led the band's daily two hour rehearsals and choreographed the Marching Virginian's unique drill to produce a new and exciting show for every Lane Stadium performance. Each show was a blend of the pageantry of Big Ten bands, stylistic elements from drum corps, percussion drill, and the showband characteristics and traditions unique to The Marching Virginians.

Virtually every note played during the 1988 season came from the pen of Dr. James R. Sochinski, Director of University Bands and The Marching Virginians' full time arranger. The band's original charts of pop hits, showtunes, and classics aroused and amplified the spirit of Hokie fans and players. The band's quality and dedication won the admiration of Tech fans, parents, and alumni.

The Marching Virginians did more than just play during the season. As the "Spirit of Tech," the band assisted with Band Day at the East Carolina football game, bringing over 1200 high school musicians to Lane Stadium for a special halftime performance. During Homecoming Week, the band was busy with pep rallies, halftime preparations, and parades. The band sponsored its first candidate for Homecoming Queen, Ms. Katie Ziemer. During halftime of the Homecoming football game, The Marching Virginians Tuba Section — weighing over 4000 pounds and still growing — landed Virginia Tech a spot in the Guinness Book of World record by sponsoring the World's Largest Hokie Pokie! Marching Virginian spirit went on the road and found its way to Death Valley, where the band taught 82,000 Clemson fans to do Da Butt!

The band's season began one week before the start of classes in August and ended in late November. After the close of the marching season, members had the opportunity to perform in the Metro Pep Band, the University Symphony Band, and other performing ensembles.

The Marching Virginians were a close knit group of dedicated performers and friends, there existed a family atmosphere within the group. The band members' mutual interest in music and friendship resulted in spirited performances throughout the year.

-David Mullins

The Marching Virginians, a 330 member band, stoked the fires of Hokie spirit.
The drumline goes into a solo from the theme from Superman. They set the cadence to keep the band's rhythm in perfect synchronization.

The Flag Corps performs a thrilling routine for the fans at the JMU game. They added color and excitement to band performances.

Mellophone player Sarah Jackson joins the band in a spirit spot from the stands of Clemson's Death Valley.

The Marching Virginians spark fan spirit for the Hokie's contest against the Cavaliers. John Walton played his saxophone during the pregame show for the sold out UVA game in Lane Stadium.
The FMDS wants to be DRESSED FOR SUCCESS

The Fashion Merchandising and Design Society helped its members become prepared for the fashion industry by presenting professionals to the members at general meetings. Previous topics have included visual merchandising, advertising, owning and managing a specialty store or chain of stores, fashion trends of the upcoming seasons, and fashion writing and editing. Along with professional advice, members also learned from other students' experiences in Clothing and Textiles. The Society served the elderly of the Blacksburg community yearly in special projects and sponsored The Outstanding Alumni Award for Clothing and Textile Students.

Special activities included an organizational fashion show, a Christmas celebration, and a spring picnic. The Christmas celebration consisted of a sit down dinner for the members at the Terrace View Clubhouse.

FMDS had 60 members this year. Membership was offered to all students enrolled in the Clothing and Textiles department of the College of Human Resources.

-Dana Slingerland and Brenda Sprouse

FMDS. Front Row: Neala Miller, Barbara Densmore (Advisor), Carolyn Moore (Advisor), Brenda Sprouse (Treasurer), Tammy Gibson (Secretary), Theresa Tidwell-Need (V.P.-Publicity), Debbie Kennelly (V.P.-Programs), Dana Slingerland (President). Second Row: Karen Davidson, Nicole White, Elizabeth Bogdan, Becky Buckler, Anna Whidow, Anne Brown, Blythe Shin. Back Row: Amy Damron, Karen Leichtweis, Tracy Arrington, Julie Huddleston, Laurel Senglaub.
Advancing their practical skills

The Association of the United States Army was a national organization composed of officers and soldiers of the regular and reserve components of the Army, with leaders in government, industry, science, education, and interested civilians who generally believed that a strong mobile army was essential to our defense.

The purposes of AUSA were to contribute its full resources and capabilities to advance military skills, to acquire information about the Army in the defense of our nation and assist in generating public interest in the Army and providing information about all of its components.

The VPI Company of AUSA was formed in 1958 with juniors and seniors who showed a sincere interest in supporting the role of the U.S. Army and in military training. In 1966 AUSA initiated the founding of the VPI&SU Ranger Company. The company has since won eight national awards including the award for the most active company, and best program for improving members' military qualifications — twice.

The AUSA Company was active in a variety of ways. Cadet Captain Shelley Caywood and several other AUSA members attended the annual national conference in Washington, D.C. Also, AUSA participated in community service projects such as visits to the Veterans Administration Hospital, UNICEF, and selling POW/MIA bracelets to show support in recovering servicemen from Vietnam.

In addition, there were several social outings held for AUSA members such as banquets with the Radford chapter, picnics, and the annual Army Dinning-In. AUSA also helped members to develop and improve their military skills by recruiting and helping plan FTX's.

To have been eligible for membership in the VPI company, a cadet must have been enrolled in Army ROTC and achieved a QCA of 2.0 for the previous term. Company dues also covered a subscription to AUSA news and Army Magazine.

-Bob Pettit
The Highty Tighties were a BUSY BUNCH

For the 89 members of the Regimental Band, the Highty T tighties, the year was filled with excitement and anticipation of upcoming performances.

Preparation for performances included daily practices usually lasting two hours and sectionals held at 6 a.m. to ensure all music was memorized and to improve tone quality. Sophomore bandsmen Jonathan Shockey stressed the importance of knowing the music thoroughly. "It's worth it when you have to watch the drum major's baton because you can't hear his whistle above the cheers of the crowd," said Shockey.

The band had a hectic schedule performing at five home football games and one away game in Louisville, Kentucky. As part of the Homecoming celebration, the band marched in the Homecoming Parade. During the game, the Highty Tighty Alumni Band marched with the current Highty T tighties for part of the halftime show.

The Band traveled to various cities along the East Coast to perform in parades and other special events. They marched in the Azelia Festival Parade in Norfolk, Virginia and the Cherry Blossom Parade in Washington, D.C. The Highty T tighties proudly accepted an invitation to the annual Macy's Christmas Day Parade in Atlanta, Georgia and anxiously awaited the invitation to the Presidential Inaugural Parade. The Highty T tighties were also proud to receive an invitation to march in the Bastille Day celebration in Paris, France. The band was recommended by the coordinator for the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City where the band had marched the year before.

Throughout the year the Highty T tighties carried on the tradition of precision military marching through their participation in local, state, and national activities. The close-knit group gained much experience in time management but mostly the bandsmen remembered the fun they had rather than the time practicing took. The fraternal environment provided support for its members when it was needed.

-Kristen Cooke
The Highty Tighties attended the Conservative Convention in Washington, D.C. six years in a row. Butch Kenney and Mark Underwood experience their first time playing for President Reagan.

Members of the Highty Tighties march onto the field in front of Shultz to practice for the football game halftime show. Many hours were spent here each week perfecting each show for one of their performances.

Sheryl Scrivener and Gwen Betry watch carefully for the cue to begin playing for President Reagan at the Conservative Political Action Conference in February of 1988.
Delta Sigma Pi was unique from other fraternities in that it was composed exclusively of male and female business, economics and hotel and restaurant management majors. It was also both a social and professional organization.

Socially, Delta Sigma Pi had many theme parties, happy hours and cookouts. The members participated in intramural sports such as volleyball and basketball. During the year they sponsored trips to Myrtle Beach, NC and Snowshoe, WV.

Professionally, members heard presentations by various corporations and local businesses. These corporations and businesses gave them tips on interviewing and career advice. Delta Sigma Pi hosted several wine and cheese parties for the College of Business faculty in order to meet and talk with past, present, and future teachers. Members considered inviting them to become faculty brothers.

Delta Sigma Pi hosted several fundraising events. These included car washes, and community service projects, such as food drives.

The most important event was the annual Rose Dance.
The Student Engineers' Council was a group of engineers working towards improving the College of Engineering. The council's membership included representatives from the professional and honorary engineering societies on campus, as well as more than 6,000 other engineering students. Each year they sponsored several social and educational activities for the students in the College of Engineering.

One activity sponsored by the council was EXPO '88. It was the ninth annual engineering exposition held at Virginia Tech. EXPO '88 featured company information, display booths, and a program of technical presentations. It also offered students an opportunity to interact with over ninety firms and government agencies. The exposition lasted for two days and in addition to the educational sessions, there was a wine and cheese party for the company representatives. There was also an After-EXPO party for all the students involved.

In addition to EXPO '88, the council organized Engineer's Week, which included activities such as the egg-drop contest and a luncheon for selected faculty and students. The council organized a student/faculty talent show as a part of the week's activities.

Superstars was a day of competition in volleyball, softball, and tug of war for teams from the engineering societies. The Student Engineers Council organized a picnic lunch for the teams at a small fee. The Torgerson Award, a $1,000 scholarship, was given to a junior engineering student who showed exceptional leadership abilities.

A computer hotline was set up by the Student Engineers Council to answer any questions that freshmen had about the computer they were required to purchase.

-Mary Beth Woods


Engineers Week consisted of activities planned by various engineering societies that the Student Engineers Council coordinates. One of the societies organized the "Eggnationals."
Plant sales are held in the spring and fall. Beth Cornett explained some transplanting techniques to prospective customers while Wendi Rockefeller watered the exhibits.

The Virginia Tech Horticulture Club began in 1922 as a part of the Virginia State Horticulture Society. Their goal then, as now, was to provide an opportunity for interested students to gain exposure in the horticultural field, acquire new knowledge and obtain valuable skills.

This year the club’s main emphasis was on the preservation of the plant material located on campus. Heavy construction equipment used during the remodeling of the President’s house and the installation of the new computer lines had caused severe damage to some of the oldest White Oaks at Virginia Tech. At other places around campus improper maintenance of the plant material had also taken its toll.

The Horticulture Club felt it was their responsibility to bring these mistreatments to the attention of the faculty and students. "If action is not taken soon, Virginia Tech will lose some of nature’s most beautiful works of art. Some of the specimens endangered are several hundred years old. There is no way that they can ever be replaced," explained Horticulture Club President Harry Gleason. Not only was the club trying to change university policy but they were also having to combat the elements. "During the past year a number of trees have been hit by lightning and severely damaged," added Gleason.

"We are hoping to raise money to purchase lightning rods for some of the taller trees to prevent any more damage."

Several fund-raising projects were undertaken by the Horticulture Club. In the early fall, the students picked apples from the Horticulture Farm, sold pumpkins for Halloween, and provided corsages for Governor’s Day. Their most popular activity was the annual spring bedding plant sale. This provided the members with an excellent opportunity to gain practical experience not only in growing the plants but also in marketing and sales. "This year we were able to grow a lot of our plants in our own greenhouse, so you could really follow the whole operations from beginning to end. Plus it provided an excellent opportunity for community exposure," said club Historian Beth Cornett.

Several social activities were also scheduled. One of the basic things the club tried to provide was the opportunity for good relations between students and faculty. A fall banquet was co-hosted by the faculty for all horticulture students. "Even though the weather was bad we had an excellent time," remarked Chris Wiseman. Along with the traditional Halloween party a Christmas party for underprivileged children and a spring banquet was planned. The Horticulture Club also planned to enter a design in the Southern Spring Show. "The club had previously won two consecutive years at the show and I feel it will be an excellent learning experience and also there will be the potential for job offers," said Dr. Alan McDaniel, former club advisor.

-Susie Billings
The Gregory Guard

HONOR

The Gregory Guard Honorary Military Society and Precision Rifle Drill Team, was formed from Company E-15 of the National Society of Pershing Rifles in April of 1963. The unit was named in honor of Sergeant Earle D. Gregory, who graduated from Virginia Tech in 1923. He was the first native Virginian to be awarded the Congressional Medal of Honor.

During 1988, the Gregory Guard won first place in the international Azalea Festival Grand Parade in Norfolk, VA, the Shenandoah Apple Blossom Festival in Winchester, VA, and the Annual Mountain State Apple Harvest in Martinsburg, West Virginia. They also performed several 21-gun salutes, saber arches and a silent drill routine at the Military Ball.

The Gregory Guard consisted of young men and women showing qualities of outstanding leadership, a mixture of humility and pride, genuine admiration and concern for the Corps of Cadets, good academic standing, and a willingness to help preserve and encourage the ideals of the military profession. The Guard was run by cadet officers who were elected by fellow members. Freshmen were eligible chance to be chosen in the spring, and again in the winter of their sophomore year. In the winter of the junior year members retired to make room for the incoming initiates. The retirees were then referred to as old guard and in their senior year they moved on to the ancient guard.

Discipline, valor, precision, and honor were all exemplified by the Gregory Guard. Continuing the ideals and traditions of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets, this team of outstanding individuals tried to be role models for their peers.

-Mary E. Denniston

The process of changing command for incoming officers includes the ceremonial handing of the saber. The Guard of '89 Commander, Scott Sangrey, yields his position to the Guard of '90 Commander, George Forbes.
The New Virginians performed in concert halls from Boston, Massachusetts to Nashville, Tennessee during the 1988-89 season. They created a new show that included recent hits such as “Yes” and “Dirty Dancing” and old time greats like “Dancing In The Streets.” One of their medleys recognized the Beatles and some of their best known love songs. The New Virginians also performed “On My Own” from the Broadway musical “Les Misérables.” The close of the show included a medley that celebrated Irving Berlin’s 100th birthday.

The season was very exciting for The New Virginians. Not only did they receive new costumes, but their technical crew designed a new set. The costumes, designed by Denise Allen and George Sarofeen, consisted of sequined black shirts, black pants with a silver belt for the men, and one of four brightly colored miniskirts for the women. The performers were very pleased with the costumes and thought they looked great. The new set was designed by the New Virginians Technical Crew. It was based on a concept of interlocking hexagons that presented the performers on three levels so that the audience could have a better view. As with the new costumes, the performers were very happy with their new set and their entire new look.

September 16 was a very special day for everyone involved with the New Virginians. They were invited to perform at Wheaton Industries 100th birthday celebration, in Millville, New Jersey. They wrote some original songs for the celebration as well as performing songs already in their repertoire. Former President Gerald Ford, the guest speaker, and many other senators and congressmen were among the 6000 guests that the New Virginians played for.

The New Virginians had 80 members, including the performers, the band, the public relations staff and the technicians. They played five shows at Virginia Tech. The shows were to celebrate events such as Homecoming, Christmas, and Graduation. The group also held a celebration for themselves - a Formal Dinner Dance in the spring at Mountain Lake.

-Mary Beth Woods

Jeff Warner and Amy Hubof vocalize their enthusiasm to It’s A Great Country. Irving Berlin’s America was performed by the New Virginians in honor of his 100th birthday.

256 New Virginians
The National Society of Black Engineers (NSBE) began in April 1975 at the first annual national conference, held at Purdue University. The Virginia Tech chapter of NSBE was chartered in January of 1982. Since then, the chapter’s membership has grown to include nearly sixty members.

Each year NSBE sanctioned certain major projects and programs. These projects carried over into each new year and became the goals for the society. Some goals were to publish a resume book concerning the society, to operate a tutorial program, to maintain an old test (koofer) file, to sponsor workshops and technical seminars on academic survival skills, and to sponsor engineering forums. Other yearly goals included the presentation of an annual Black History Month program, sponsorship of high school outreach programs, holding of an annual Spring Awards Banquet, and attendance at regional and national conferences.

In 1988-89, NSBE began several new programs including community service projects. One such program involved collecting and buying toys and then donating them to the Toys for Tots program. Another new project was the mentorship of elementary school students, which involved young engineers working with children who had early ambitions to be engineers.

The NSBE was an organization dedicated to developing intensive programs in order to advance black engineering, computer science and physical science students in academics, as well as in the professional industry.

-David Alex Bergren
The A.S.C.E. Student Chapter relocated a 96 year-old Pratt Truss Bridge which is presently located on route 821 near Ellers, VA. The A.S.C.E. gained much practical experience in undertaking projects such as this.

The A.S.C.E. finished in the top 10 at the National Concrete Canoe Competition 1988. The members pictured are Dan Tobrias, Todd Rowman, John Saunders, Dr. Weyers, Abigail Dumas, Cari Vitacelli, Priscilla Presley and Barbara Raymont.

The A.S.C.E.'s spring picnic was held mid-April at Dr. Clough's. The picnic was always a great time as the engineers let loose after being cooped up all winter.
The American Society of Civil Engineers was a professional organization which tried to broaden students’ class learning with hands on experience gained through field trips, guest speakers and other activities.

The building and racing of a concrete canoe was an annual event for the ASCE. The 1988 canoe, named VTKA, made it to the national competition at Michigan State. The VTKA team consisted of Barbara Raymond, Cari Vitacelli, John Saunders and Todd Bowman. VTKA weighed 120 pounds and was the lightest at the national race. The 1989 canoe was under construction through late December and was finished by spring for the regional competition at UVA.

Some of the field trips for the ASCE were to Carolina Steel and to the Blacksburg Waste Water Treatment plant. They also planned to visit the construction site by Cowgill Hall and Norris Hall.

Guest speakers were scheduled twice each month. These perspective employers talked about what their company does and hoped to interest members in obtaining jobs with them after college.

Technical paper competitions sponsored by different companies offered cash awards to winners. Topics for the papers related to the civil engineering field.

A new project for the ASCE was the steel bridge competition team. Their task was to build a 30 foot long foot bridge that could hold the most weight with the least amount of steel. This competition was also held at UVA.

Social events brought the ASCE’s 170 members together in order to provide more than just professional ties. They participated in intramural softball and volleyball as well as happy hours and a spring picnic. At the beginning of each school year the Fall Icebreaker attempted to get new civil engineering students involved in the ASCE.

The ASCE also had their annual spring banquet at which they officially installed their new officers. The 1988-89 officers replaced were: John Saunders (President), Timothy Wagner (Vice President-Programs), Lisa Childress (Vice President-Projects), Cari Vitacelli (Secretary of Publicity), Debbie Bonney (Secretary of Recording), Kevin Tingley (Treasurer) and John Secreti (SEC Representative). The American Society of Civil Engineers began in 1852 and established a chapter at Tech in 1922.

-Kathy Shields

The concrete canoe was tested in the gym pool to see if it floated. Mike Rogers and Lee Kellam piloted the boat on this momentous occasion.
Kermit Melvin aims his gun at the 25 meter target. Army cadets became well-versed in firing arms, including M16 rifles.

Army cadet Mark McClain made his first of many descents down the 40 foot rappelling tower. Rangers had to practice and perfect many combat skills to be qualified and competent field experts.

Army cadet Arthur Robertson leads the pack of 150 runners at the Mid-Atlantic Ranger Challenge Competition. Virginia Tech's Ranger Challenge A Team took first out of 29 teams. Tech's B Team placed eleventh.
Army ROTC saluted the College of Arts and Sciences on its 25th anniversary. Its theme, "Reflecting on Silver, Reaching for Gold," has been our mission in ROTC since Army ROTC began at this university in 1917. Using the Corps of Cadets and their silver shield, emblazoned with the university motto "Ut Prosim," as the foundation for basic leadership training, students were trained to "Reach for Gold"—the gold bar of a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army.

Army ROTC was normally a four year elective course taken in conjunction with the other courses required for a bachelor's degree. Students, though, could enter into the Army ROTC program as late as the beginning of their junior year in college or at the start of their graduate program. Training in Army ROTC focused on providing hands-on leadership and management experience to students. Upon graduation, the new second lieutenant could serve on active duty in the Army for three years or longer, or could continue with a civilian career and serve as an officer in a Reserve or National Guard unit. Whatever career path was chosen, a lieutenant was usually put in the position of platoon leader, and was responsible for the health, welfare and training of forty to fifty people and thousands of dollars worth of equipment. An officer was a leader, manager and supervisor. As such, he or she would plan schedules, counsel and rate subordinates, supervise maintenance and supply activities, and perform quality control operations.

The Army ROTC Ranger Challenge team took first place in the 1988-89 Mid-Atlantic Ranger Challenge competition between 28 other teams from Army ROTC units in Virginia, Maryland, Delaware and the District of Columbia. Virginia Tech sent two teams; each team consisted of nine Army cadets. The teams competed in seven events over a two day period: Army Physical Fitness Test (push-ups, sit-ups, and a two mile run), orienteering, rifle marksmanship, construction of a one-rope bridge, timed assembly of the M16 rifle and M60 machine gun, a hand grenade assault course, and a 10,000 meter road march with rucksack. As the first place team, Virginia Tech represented the Mid-Atlantic area in the East Coast Ranger Challenge Finals in April 1989 at Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

"Reaching for Gold" was especially appropriate this year since the Ranger Challenge Team was training to take the gold first place trophy at the April competition and 27 Virginia Tech 1989 graduates pinned on the gold bars in May.

-Jane Maliszewski
What comes to mind when you think of the Tech Trompers—Virginia Tech’s square-dancing club? If you said lifelong friendships and bundles of good, clean fun, you were right. The Tech Trompers have been producing both since 1972. They started a new class of lessons every fall, and everyone from undergrads, graduate students, faculty, and community members was welcome. By the time each class graduated from lessons in the spring, its members were equipped with the ability to go to square-dances all over the country.

They hosted two dances every year, Fall Festival and Spring Fling. In addition, they visited other square-dancing clubs in the area, including those in Blacksburg, Radford, and Roanoke. Every year they also attended regional festivals. In the fall, the festival was held in Richmond, and in the spring they went to Washington, D.C. and Winston-Salem, N.C.

Their performances were mere reflections of the good times they had every Sunday at their regular meetings. Also, the friendships and enjoyment extended to other days of the week. A few of the fun-loving group’s social events included various holiday parties and yogurt runs.

The Tech Trompers square-danced and round-danced while establishing lasting friendships and having lots of fun. Trompers was not just a "college" activity either. Some of their closest friends were alumni Trompers of all ages. The Tech Trompers was more than just an organization—it was a family.

-Marie Malinchak
The Student Alumni Associates was the student branch of the Virginia Tech Alumni Association. The "SAA" provided assistance to the Alumni Association by generating support for the educational programs of Virginia Tech and promoting the University's image to potential students and alumni.

The SAA had an active membership of over 100 students. Each semester, the SAA holds a membership drive for outstanding Tech students to represent the school.

Some of the SAA's activities that were directed toward the alumni included hosting Alumni Reunions and Alumni Chapter Trips, holding the Alumni Loyalty Fund Phonathon, and having the Alumni Mentor Program. Other programs were daily campus tours, senior nights, and student recruitment.

The SAA also had several social functions each year, which include a banquet and a picnic. For the first time, the SAA had an active role in hosting the Inauguration of Virginia Tech's new President and assisting with the 25th Anniversary Celebration of the College of Arts and Sciences.

-Katherine Bankhead
The Arnold Air Society

The Arnold Air Society was a United States Air Force affiliated service and social organization for AFROTC cadets. The Society was formed in April of 1948. The Society was named in honor of General Henry H. "Hap" Arnold, the Air Force's first five star general. Their squadron was named in honor of Robert E. Femoyer, Virginia Tech class of 1944. He received a Medal of Honor for his selfless and heroic actions while he endured much pain in order to successfully navigate his bomber to safety after it had been hit by the Germans during World War II. AAS tried to produce cadets who would follow in the fine footsteps of these officers.

The Femoyer squadron did many activities for the community and the national Society. Their national project was to help underprivileged children. Each year their squadron hosts a Christmas party for some of the underprivileged children of Blacksburg. "I can't think of anything more rewarding than the smile of a child I helped bring joy to," said AAS member Terri Saunders. The event took place in early December to avoid study conflicts for exams, yet the children seemed to enjoy it all the more since it made Christmas seem to last longer.

Their squadron also did things for the Society such as hosting a Bi-Area Conclave in Roanoke. The Conclave was a general business meeting that included squadrons from 12 schools along the eastern seaboard. Planning for the conclave began last spring and ended with a very successful weekend, November 18th through the 20th. "A lot of people put a lot of time and energy into the conclave. I am really happy with the results," said Conclave Chairman, John Dandeneau. Dandeneau suggested the project to the squadron and worked closely with many members to ensure a fun and productive weekend.

Another big event for the squadron was the annual Air Force Dining In held in the spring. This was a formal dinner with the purpose being to teach cadets proper military etiquette. If a cadet failed to follow the rules of the mess or proper etiquette then he or she was sent to the Grog bowl. There, the cadet had to drink a cup full of a concoction consisting of vinegar and coffee grounds. The night provided an opportunity for the cadets to interact with each other and officers in a casual atmosphere.

In the spring, the Arnold Air Society also assisted with the local Special Olympics. They had the opportunity to meet members of the community and to help a good cause. Everyone involved, whether in charge of an event or just waiting at the finish line to give a hug, enjoyed being able to help these outstanding athletes. "The first time I ever helped with the Special Olympics was with squadron. The kids were great and the other volunteers were really helpful," said AAS member Kevin McMahon. Arnold Air Society offered a lot to the community, supported the military and helped teach the values of a military officer.

- Carol Chavez
Lambda Horizons
Support, Friends, Counseling

Originally formed about 12 years ago by a handful of Tech students, Lambda Horizons has since grown to be one of the largest gay and lesbian student organizations in the state. Their average attendance at meetings was over 40 and their active membership steadily increased.

Lambda Horizons offered three main services to the campus community. First, L-H operated as a support group for those within the organization who felt out of touch with the campus environment. L-H provided vital emotional and intellectual support for those struggling to accept their sexuality. L-H recognized that "coming out" is a personal decision each individual must make for him/herself.

Secondly, a major concern of L-H was the education of the Tech community. Interested members were called on to address student groups in various human sexual development courses, as well as speak to other special interest organizations. The group believed that education was the key to understanding and acceptance, and as an organization they took great pride in enlightening the Tech community.

Thirdly, like most student organizations on campus, L-H coordinated a number of social activities for its members. Many of these included movie showings, camping trips, weekend excursions and some of the best holiday parties in Blacksburg.

One of L-H's more vital, and popular links with the community was the group's 24-hour hotline, better known as the Lambda Line. The Line was monitored daily by a rotating staff of counselors who handled about 30 calls a week. One staff member commented, "A lot of the calls we get are from people just wanting to know more about our organization, and we regularly mail out information packages specifically designed for new members. This service is occasionally abused; however, the overwhelming majority of callers express a true interest."

L-H was among the first to co-sponsor the state's first Gay and Lesbian Student Conference in Charlottesville. The conference was conceived in an effort to unite and mobilize the gay student communities throughout Virginia. Students discussed ways of increasing campus visibility and proposed varying programs that could affect political change at the state level to benefit all proponents of human and civil rights.

-members of Lambda Horizons
When they told their friends that they were spending the summer in Great Britain with the Study Abroad Program, they were green with envy. They could appreciate their feelings, having experienced the same envy one year earlier towards friends who took the trip. Now it was their turn. They would be spending two months overseas studying Shakespeare, the Victorian Era, and Romanticism. Studying some of the great works of English literature at their source. "I had extremely high expectations for the trip, and I’m happy to say that I wasn’t disappointed in the least," commented Stephen D. Thomaidis. Study Abroad leader Professor James J. Owen has been leading Hokies in full capacity groups to the U.K. for years. The repeated support for Professor Owen’s program reflected its quality and educational quality.

The group spent four weeks studying in England and two weeks studying in Scotland. At each location they lived with British host families. This gave them the opportunity to truly experience the British culture. Most of the families chosen have been hosting Tech students for years and made them feel right at home.

Their classwork was supplemented with numerous related field trips and free time. Some of the field trips included trips into London to see Shakespeare plays, a trip to Canterbury, a trip to Stonehenge, and many more. During their free time, they tried to squeeze in some extra sightseeing and of course an occasional trip to the pubs!

At the conclusion of their formal six-week study period, they were given the opportunity to spend two weeks on their own traveling throughout Europe. Approximately 40 Hokies were spread out all over the European continent having the time of their lives. At the end of the two weeks, they regrouped in London to exchange stories and head for home.

Many Study Abroad students will remember their summer in Europe as an incredible experience they may never have again. They learned more, saw more, and did more than they ever thought possible. Heidi C. Engel expressed her feelings best by saying, "I still think about the trip and can’t believe all that really happened to me."
Sacrificing Heidi Engel to the stone brings excitement to Steve Thomaidis' and Mark Lee's visit to Stonehenge.

On the way home, the Study Abroad group had many exciting sights and adventures to discuss. While reminiscing about their vacations and studies they also anticipated being back in the United States.

The first castle the group visited was Holyrood Castle in Scotland. Michelle Flietz, Heidi Applin, Theresa Tatlow-Neral, and Heidi Engel enjoyed the view from one of the towers.
The Black Organizations Council (BOC) of Va. Tech served as the umbrella organization for the black community. As the parent organization, the Black Organizations Council's main purpose was to unite the black community and its many diverse organizations. Other purposes were to serve as the direct political voice of the black community; to collect and disseminate any information that would have educated or assisted the community; to protect and individually promote the member organizations; to constantly seek the ideas and opinions of all members of the black community; and to encourage and groom future black student leaders.

Organizational goals were to unite the black faculty and students; to bring the black graduate students into the mainstream; to take a vested interest in the education and socialization of the black athletes; and to make the community more aware of the purpose and capabilities of the Black Organizations Council. Various projects included putting together a black student organizations pamphlet, co-sponsoring a black freshmen orientation, holding a public forum, participating in a black student leader's workshop at William and Mary, putting out for free a calendar of events of each organization, sending a student to a South Africa seminar in Washington, D.C., and working with other organizations to get the Black Entertainment Network available to off-campus students.

The Black Organizations Council was a unique organization. Comprised of the presidents of all the black organizations, BOC also contained both a female and a male member-at-large. All black students were members BOC via the members-at-large or through membership of an organization. Ms. Deborah Parsons served as the faculty advisor to BOC.

-Walter Lundy

BOC Officers. First row: Deanna Altman (Vice Chairperson), Kim Taylor (Recording Secretary), Deirdre Whitehurst (Female Member-at-large) Second row: Paula Waddle (Corresponding Secretary), Walter C. Lucas, Jr. (Chairperson), Dennis Woodard (Male Member-at-large), Lonnie Johns (Historian), Randi Lucas (Treasurer) Not shown: Darrell Roberts (Parliamentarian).
Black Organizations Council. First row: Joyce Chaffers, Adrian Holmes, Not Known, Randy Lucas, Leviahi Whitehurst, Not Known, David Sullivan
Second row: Kim Tuland, Deanna Altman, Keith Jordan, Lonnie Johns, Robert Smith, Paula Waddell, Dennis Woodard, Patrick Jones, Nadine Teppin
Third row: Walter C. Landy, Jr., Not Known, Not Known, Not Known, Marlene Corbin, Anthony Jones

BOC Greek Representation. First row: Carmen Johnson (Delta Sigma Theta), Nadine Teppin (Sigma Gamma Rho), Teena Jones (Delta Sigma Theta)
Second row: Kim Tuland (Delta Sigma Theta), Vicky Foster (Alpha Kappa Alpha), Patrick Jones (Kappa Alpha Psi), Paula Waddell (Alpha Kappa Alpha), Darrell Roberts (Omega Psi Phi), Robert Smith (Omega Psi Phi), Sherron Brooks (Delta Sigma Theta), Mark Eisenhow (Kappa Alpha Psi), Rashonda Clay (Sigma Gamma), Anthony Jones (Phi Beta Sigma), Reggie Horne (Phi Beta Sigma) Not shown: Alpha Phi Alpha, Zeta Phi Beta

BOC Organizational Leaders. First row: Adrian Holmes (National Society of Black Engineers), Joyce Chaffers (Delta Sigma Theta), Paula Waddell (Alpha Kappa Alpha), Keith Jordan (Black Student Alliance), Walter C. Landy, Jr (Black Organizations Council) Second row: Anthony Jones (Phi Beta Sigma), Robert Smith (Omega Psi Phi), Nadine Teppin (Sigma Gamma Rho), Marlene Corbin (Zeta Phi Beta), Patrick Jones (Kappa Alpha Psi), David Sullivan (Alpha Phi Alpha) Not shown: Gordon Rowe (NAACP), Sarah Winters (Gospel Experience.)
leadership for a new generation

Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) was the National Leadership Honor Society. The Alpha Omicron Circle of ODK at Virginia Tech was one of the most active honor societies on campus. Among other activities, the circle sponsored several awards and scholarships, hosted the ODK Province Convention, and held a weekly student leader discussion group.

ODK was founded in 1914 at Washington and Lee University in the tradition of the idealism and leadership of George Washington and Robert E. Lee. The organization was established to bring together all leaders in various areas of college activities. Virginia Tech's chapter, called a circle, was founded in 1933.

ODK recognized outstanding leadership not only by extending membership to campus leaders, but also through awards, scholarships, and special recognitions. For example, the Paul Derring Scholarship was awarded to the one outstanding sophomore who best exemplified the ideals of leadership and scholarship. The Frank P. Loria Award, named after a Tech football All-American who was killed in a tragic plane crash, was given to a student athlete who excelled in leadership, academics, and athletics. The G. Burke Johnston award was given to an outstanding faculty member. The Alfred C. Payne Award was presented to a campus leader who performed exemplary service to the university and surrounding community.

The Virginia Tech circle of ODK also promoted leadership by sponsoring the ODK Roundtable, a discussion group for student leaders. The Roundtable met every week and provided an informal setting where leaders of the major groups on campus could meet to discuss ideas and exchange information on their activities. "Roundtable is very useful," said Student Government Vice President Brad Morris. "When I went to a student government conference last fall a lot of the leaders from other colleges said they were trying to set up weekly meetings of student leaders so they would know what all the groups were doing. I told them that we've had that for years at Tech with ODK Roundtable."

ODK also heightened awareness of leadership by having guest speakers at the circle's meetings including, President McComas, and Pulitzer Prize Winner Nikki Giovanni.

ODK President Greg Battaglia, advisor Tom Tillar, and treasurer Leslie Arrington socialize after an ODK meeting. As one of the most active honor societies on campus, ODK held several meetings and social gatherings every semester.

ODK Roundtable members gave the leaders of all the major student groups a chance to discuss ideas and coordinate plans in their usual informal setting, Bogan's restaurant.

Pulitzer Prize winning poet and English professor, Nikki Giovanni addresses the members of ODK. Many campus leaders, such as Giovanni, President of the University Dr. McComas, and Vice President of Student Affairs Dr. Goodale spoke about leadership at ODK meetings.
What were Special Interest Groups? Those who were involved with these “special” organizations would tell you that to completely understand you had to be a part of one.

Being a member of a Special Interest Organization meant attending meetings or practices, as well as various social events. This unification came from fields of study, including engineering, fashion, and business; military involvement including drill and rifle, to social and service; common hobbies such as music, dancing, and horticulture; and simply the desire to be a leader, to provide service, or to become involved. Many people’s reasons consisted of a combination of these desires.

No matter the reason behind their decision, those individuals who were a part of a Special Interest Organization gained friendships and experiences that could never be replaced. Being a part of an organization toned down Tech’s enormity and provided its members with a release from the monotony of classes and schoolwork. There was always a group for everyone, all you had to do was to find it. The opportunities were endless and so were the friendships!

The members of BOC meet to discuss the year’s agenda. Some of their activities included BOC leadership workshops, BOC Basketball Tournament, and formulating the Black Graduate Student Association.

The American Society of Civil Engineers plays intramural softball. Participating in various social activities allowed members to make friendships as well as form professional ties.
With 22,000 people on campus, students had ample opportunity to feel like "just another number." However, as time passed people met whether in class, dorms, or parties, and lasting friendships grew.

Being new to Blacksburg and on your own provided the perfect chance to accept new responsibility, experience new environments, and broaden horizons. Sometimes this meant making mistakes and learning from them as students were forced to make important decisions and set priorities.

Freshmen heard the seniors counting down the days until graduation and wondered if they would someday do the same. Seniors slowly began to realize their days were numbered and the four, or sometimes five years they thought would never end were actually about to do just that. The attention span waned as the end drew near and suddenly friendships and fun seemed even more important than before.

Freshmen were just beginning to adjust to college life while sophomores and juniors looked forward to their increased status. Seniors were glad to pass on responsibilities of positions in organizations to the rising classes and spend time looking for a job. The warmer weather distracted students and faculty alike after a cold, bitter winter. It seemed classes were a distraction to the cabin fever everyone wanted to release at the New River rather than McBryde.

When May finally arrived the campus community changed once again releasing the graduates and preparing for the entering freshmen. But not one of the classes from freshman to senior would disagree that their Blacksburg beginning had created lasting friendships and memories to be cherished forever.

-Sheila Fisher

During a mattress war between Pritchard and O'Shag, many students made a pile of old mattresses. Pritchard declared itself to be the winner after acquiring the most mattresses.

Claver Bickman and Steve Rave try to fly a parachute on the Drill Field. The Drill Field was versatile enough for just about any sport or hobby.
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Garfield paraphernalia was popular as a humorous gift for varied occasions. Limited student budgets made gift buying a trying experience.
Psychology major Amy Wallich poses for her senior portrait in Cassell Coliseum. Brodie Hall was another location used to shoot the upperclassmen.

Alexander, Sandra J. Reston, VA
FCD
Althouse, Daniel J. Lewiston, NY
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Altizer, Troy J. Fredericksburg, VA
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Ames, Dawn M. Alexandria, VA
FIN

Amidon, Benjamin S. Winston-Salem, NC
BION
Amor, Alan C. Leesburg, VA
CE
Amos, Mike Blacksburg, VA
BC
Anderson, Bennett B. Burke, VA
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Anderson, Stuart L. Shenandoah, VA
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Andrews, Karen Y.
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Anneski, Tony
ACCT
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The Burruss Hall doors and the sunlight combine to create picturesque shadows in the vestibule of the administration building.
George Simmons, (center) professor of biology works with colleagues in the Antarctic where they do research in lakes permanently covered with 10-12 feet of ice.
The Indoor Plants class studies vegetable propagation in the greenhouses. The course was popular with more than just horticulture majors.
The trees around campus were especially resplendent in the autumn. A walk towards upper quad provided a beautiful view of one the many beautiful trees.
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Blankenship, Melissa  
FST  
Blanton, John  
EE  
Bliss, Susan M.  
ART  

Bloch, Gregory S.  
ME  
Bohl, Sean L.  
IEOR  
Bond, Andrew E.  
CS  
Bond, Pettis J.  
CE  

Bonner, Melanie J.  
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Eero Kilkson enjoys a scenic late afternoon ride. Bike riding around Blacksburg was healthy and relaxing.
One of the many frustrating issues for both students and faculty was the lack of adequate parking. Gradual improvements were planned for the next few years.
Trisha Evans, president of the Virginia Tech Union (VTU), had to make a big adjustment to adapt to her high-profile job. "I'm usually a quiet person," she said. "VTU has forced me to be more vocal. It's really brought me out a lot."

Evans, an industrial engineering (IEOR) major from Poquoson, was responsible for bringing concerts, movies, shows, and other art and entertainment events to campus through the VTU. It was a difficult and often frustrating task. Because of the closing of Squires, VTU had to relocate many events that were usually held there. This made scheduling more difficult for Evans and the VTU staff. Another complication was the VTU's inability to schedule big-name rock concerts on campus. The most logical location, Cassell Coliseum, did not allow for hanging speakers from the ceiling.

Evans said there were many successes as well. "This job has been a lot tougher than I thought it would be, but I think I'm finally getting the hang of it." VTU brought five Broadway plays, six performances in the Lively Arts Series, weekend movies, a UB40 concert, and other events to campus. They also provided two bands and two comedians for President McComas' inauguration celebration. New innovations included Club TBA at Owens Dining Hall.

In addition to VTU, Evans was a member of the Commission on Student Affairs, ODK Roundtable Student Leaders Group, and Who's Who Among College Students. "Being a student leader has been great. I really enjoy meeting people and finding out what they think."

Evans said that her experiences in VTU would help her in her career. "It's taught me about time management and organization. I've become more broadminded, and most importantly it's also made me closer to many of my friends."

-Joe Guthrie
Students pack the dance floor at the Phoenix. The local restaurant and bar had a yes/no policy allowing students under 21 to enjoy an night out on the town.

Brogden, Elizabeth M. Virginia Beach, VA
CT
Brogley, Mark E. Warrenton, VA
ME
Broglio, Denise J. Bowie, MD
GEOP
Brooks, Michelle Winston Salem, NC
IEOR

Brown, Eric L. Annandale, VA
IEOR
Brown, Joseph S. Ferrum, VA
ESM
Brown, Laura M. Culpeper, VA
FW
Brown, Lisa G. Pulaski, VA
CHE

Brown, Stephanie C. Fairfax, VA
ME
Brown, Timothy R. Bridgewater, NJ
ACCT
Browning, Kimberly Charlottesville, VA
ACCT
Brumback, Kenneth L. Fredericksburg, VA
ME

Classes 285
Dave Gump wrestles a James Madison University opponent. Gump was a middle weight, weighing in at 158 pounds.
Baseball in the new field was an exciting beginning for the team this year.
The Corps Halloween Formation was an event anticipated by many cadets. The variety of costumes amused civilians and cadets alike.

Campbell, Edmund H. Charlottesville, VA
FOR
Campbell, Kelly A. Ft. Leavenworth, KS
FW
Capito, Lesley C. Salem, VA
CPE
Carden II, Edward G. Hampton, VA
MT

Carpenter, Amy J. Derwood, MD
SPAN
Carpenter, Mary S. Parkersburg, WV
ME
Carr, Lori E. Roanoke, VA
FCD
Carroll, Eva M. Blacksburg, VA
TA

Carroll IV, John F. Richmond, VA
ME
Carter, John B. Newsoms, VA
PAD
Carter, Phillip W. Warsaw, VA
AOE
Carter, Sheila L. Blacksburg, VA
ENGL
Regimental Executive Officer Sharaam Ron Plaseied viewed his college career as the best possible experience for his career in the Navy. "The Corps has taught me discipline, honesty, responsibility and brotherhood," he said. "Upon graduation, I plan to utilize these hard-earned attributes in what will hopefully be a successful Navy career." Plaseied, an industrial engineering major from Vienna, Virginia, would be commissioned as an ensign upon graduation.

"The Navy really is an adventure," he said. "I have served on temporary active duty during the summer in Italy, France, Spain, and Israel."

In addition to his post on the regimental staff, Plaseied was a member of Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society, participated in the Institute of Industrial Engineers, represented the Corps on ODK Roundtable Student Leaders Group, and was active in German Club.

"I have learned a lot about service in the German Club," he said. "To me the most rewarding aspect of the German Club is the Christmas party we put on for underprivileged children."

In the Corps, Plaseied was a member of Scabbard and Blade, a military honor society. He was in Blue and Gold, a Navy service and social organization. He was also a member of the Color Guard, one of the highest positions a junior could hold.

"The Naval ROTC has trained me for the past four years to serve my country and to be a leader in the Corps," he said. "I only wish that every student at Virginia Tech could realize the advantages of being a member of the Corps."

Plaseied stressed the importance of both Corps and civilian activities. "There's so much to do here, and I have tried to take advantage of all the opportunities Tech has to offer," he explained. "Because of that, being a student here has been the most rewarding experience of my life."
Students enjoyed the scenic beauty of Blacksburg almost everyday. Many caught a glimpse of this tree surrounded by the majestic clouds as they walked towards Owens Dining Hall.
Childress, Lisa A. Clintwood, VA
Chindgren, Tina M. Reston, VA
Chrickenberger, Andy Bethlehem, PA
Christiano, Michael P. Liverpool, NY
Chung, Phung M. Richmond, VA
Chung, Xuong M. Richmond, VA
Cikins, Dean F. Alexandria, VA
Clark, Kimberly A. Blacksburg, VA
Clarke, Michael T. Roanoke, VA
Clawson, Nadine C. Chambersburg, PA
Clayton, Stephen C. Troutville, VA
Clem, Allen W. Gordonsville, VA
Clem, Amy E. Towson, MD
Clements, Sandra R. Farmville, VA
Clinedinst, Carol A. Mt. Jackson, VA
Cockey, Diana L. Centreville, VA
Cole, Sandra L. Mt. Holly, NJ
Cole, Sarah L. Catonsville, MD
Colom, Angela M. Springfield, VA
Coley, Susan L. Newport News, VA

Classes 291
Friendships were renewed as students returned for fall semester. This couple shares a hug after a long summer break.
Necessary construction often proved to be a hinderance and an eyesore for students. The site by the War Memorial Gym was just one of many ongoing projects.
Two students enjoy a sunny day as they cross the drill field.

Daly, Linda R.
MKTG

Dandeneau, John J.
MSCI

Dandridge, David A.
ME

Dando, Julia C.
ALS

Baldwin, MD
Falls Church, VA
Westernport, MD
Cherry Hill, NJ

Daniel, Joel C.
GEOL/ECON
Ashland, VA

Daniel, Thomas
ME
Blacksburg, VA

Daniel, Thomas E.
ME
Rockville, MD

Daniels, Melinda M.
ME
Norton, VA

Dannhart, Walter
ME
Bristol, VA

DaSilva, Maria L.
ME
Wilmington, DE

Daves, Steve
BC
Roanoke, VA

Davis, Duane T.
CS
Beckley, WV

Classes 295
Omega Psi Phi shows off one of its "steps" in a show held during greek week. Other black greek organizations performed their "steps" as well, as a preview for the step show competition held later in the fall.

Davis, Kenneth A. Manassas, VA
MGMT

Davis, Kerstin E Woodbridge, VA
FCD

Davis, Laura Q. Virginia Beach, VA
ME

Davis, Peter W. St. Mary's City, MD
FPR

Dawson III, George Amherst, VA
AOE

Day, James Norfolk, VA
FIN

Deal, Steven E. Chesapeake, VA
HIST

Deanes, Jr., William L. Virginia Beach, VA
FSCI

Dellers, Nancy N. Blacksburg, VA
MGT

Delomo III, John L. Ft. Washington, MD
CS

DeLozier, Jeanine A. Scotia, NY
ECON

DeProspero, Elizabeth Fairfax, VA
FCD

296 Seniors
I've found that you can be successful if you put everything you've learned into action," said Walter Lundy, president of the Black Organizations Council (BOC). During the past three years, Lundy has been one of the most active and visible leaders on campus, and has been successful in many of his efforts to serve the students of Virginia Tech.

Lundy centered his energies on BOC. He was vice-chair for one year and served as president for the past two years. Holding those offices made him a member of the Commission on Student Affairs for the past three years. During that time he was also the BOC representative to the ODK Roundtable Student Leaders Group.

Yet, Lundy's interests have stretched beyond BOC. He served as a senator in the Student Government Association (SGA), chaired the SGA Student Life Committee, worked as a Resident Advisor (RA), and coached a champion intramural softball teams.

"The Student Life Committee was very successful this year," he said. "We made sure that student services such as check cashing weren't lost when Squires closed. We also helped set up a charter bus shuttle to the New River Mall."

Lundy also had reason to be proud of the softball team that bears his name, the Wally Gators. "We've been a top ten team in intramurals for the past four years, and we won the championship in 1988."

"Being an RA was of the greatest experiences," Lundy said of his two years in Pritchard. "There were 75 guys on the hall, but there was a real closeness. It was like a family."

Lundy applied to graduate school in political science at Tech. "I'm really looking forward to continuing my education here. I think this is a great school. I just hope that I've helped to make it a little better."

-Joe Guthrie
Celebrating the seasonal change, this banner flown by the engineering graduates welcomed the scenic beauty of the Appalachians.
Dorsey IV, Edward V. Owings, MD
Douglas, Jewel L. Westmoreland, VA
Dove, Ricky E. Blacksburg, VA
Downs, Lisa C. Hopatcong, NJ
Dragan, Tanya J. Richmond, VA
Draper, Devon K. Crozier, VA
Dressler, SueAnn Blacksburg, VA
Drinkwater, Lisa A. Stephens City, VA
Driver, James S. Broadway, VA
Duckett, Tanya D. Greenbelt, MD
Durette, Jamieson G. Hampton, VA
Dutcher, Andrew C. Baltimore, MD
Dye, Deborah A. Grafton, VA
Eades III, Herbert H. Richmond, VA
Eberle, Thomas J. West Chester, PA
Edmondson, Cheryl J. Dunwoody, GA
Edwards, Eric Brian Springfield, VA
Edwards, Joseph E. Sumpter, SC
Edwards, Kelly S. Smithfield, VA
Edwards, W. Scott Parkersburg, WV

Classes 299
After a long hard season, the Hokies put their helmets to rest after the final game against James Madison University. The team ended on a positive note by defeating JMU 27-6.
Will Furrer gets sacked for the first time in his college career by the strong Clemson defense. Clemson went on to win the game 40-7.

Eugenis, Brian J.  
ME  
Evans, Patricia L.  
IEOR  
Eye, Teresa D.  
IEOR  
Fahnestock, John D.  
AE  

Sain, Rachel L.  
LASC  
Fairbank, Julie A.  
BIO  
Faircloth, David A.  
HIST  
Falthzik, Eric D.  
ACCT  

Fanning, Amy L.  
ME  
Fannon, Jennifer C.  
ANSC/DASC  
Farkas, Michael A.  
AOE  
Farls, Christian C.  
IEOR  

Williamsburg, VA  
Poquoson, VA  
Harrisonburg, VA  
Elkridge, MD  
Alexandria, VA  
Vienna, VA  
Springfield, VA  
Silver Spring, MD  
Bryn Mawr, PA  
Pennington Gap, VA  
Woodbridge, VA  
Latrobe, PA

Classes 301
As president of the Interfraternity Council (IFC), Rick Dudek served as the representative from the fraternities to the university and to Blacksburg. Dudek, an electrical engineering major from Vienna, Virginia, said that being IFC president was a difficult and challenging task, but it was also rewarding.

Dudek's biggest concern was the Knollwood Project, a proposed Fraternity Row on Ramble Road. After working most of last year to have the area rezoned and develop the house plans, IFC looked forward to start building houses this year. However, the final costs for the houses prevented most fraternities from purchasing one and the project stalled.

Despite that setback, Dudek remained optimistic that a fraternity row will be built eventually. "Right now our fraternity system is very young," he said. "In another five years or so they will have more alumni and more support and will be able to afford a new house"

With over 2,000 fraternity brothers in IFC, Dudek's constituency was one of the largest and most diverse group in the university. In addition to his duties as IFC president, Dudek was active in several activities. He was a brother in Kappa Sigma, and a member of Omicron Delta Kappa and Tau Beta Pi honor societies. As IFC president, he was also on the Commission on Student Affairs, ODK Roundtable, and Order of Omega. His future plans included working for an engineering firm.

-Joe Guthrie
Members of Phi Delta Thetas man a table during fraternity Rush Week in early September. Prospective students were able to stop by and learn more about the organization.

Fetters, Mindy S.  
ACCT  
Fredericksburg, VA

Fields, Sarah E.  
FCD  
Williamsburg, VA

Files, Kathleen A.  
FIN  
Lancaster, PA

Fisher III, Donald R.  
ACCT/AIS  
Virginia Beach, VA

Fithian, Jeff E.  
IEOR  
Allentown, PA

Fitzpatrick, Shawn M.  
CS  
Alexandria, VA

Flake, Anthony W.  
ME  
Potomac, MD

Fleitz, Michelle M.  
ART  
Vienna, VA

Flowers, Robin C.  
ELED  
Sutherland, VA

Flynn, James  
PSYC  
Reston, VA

Foley, Eileen M.  
ACCT  
Rochester, NY

Foran, Daniel  
ACCT  
Claymont, DE

Classes 303
Fowler, Mark D. ENGL
Fowler, Terence ME
Freeman, Jennifer L. BIOL
Freeman, Thomas J. AOE

Fripp, Jon B. CE
Fudge, Michael L. AOE
Fulton, Brian K. UA/SOC
Funk, Frederick L. IEOR

Funk, Stephen R. IEOR
Furey, Deborah A. AOE
Furr, Carolyn D. ACCT
Gagnon, Donna ANSC

Galbreath, James B. SCED
Gales, Samantha L. CHEM
Galloway, Tracy J. MKTG
Ganino, John G. EE

Ganun, Edward G. FIN
Gardner, Mark W. FIN
Garner, John S. ME
Garnett, James R. MGMT

Bluefield, WV
Blacksburg, VA
Millersville, MD
Springfield, VA

Williamsburg, VA
Ellicott City, MD
Newport News, VA
Newtown Sq, PA

Vienna, VA
Vienna, VA
Fairfax, VA
Chesapeake, VA

Ridgeway, VA
Beckley, WV
Severna Park, MD
Dale City, VA

Mt. Vernon, VA
Fredericksburg, VA
Blacksburg, VA
Daleville, VA

304 Seniors
Kenny Slusser enjoys a relaxing afternoon fishing at the Duck Pond. Slusser was a resident of Blacksburg.
Gibbs

Gibbs, Tracy L.          Bassett, VA
ACCT
Gibson, Mark C.          Annandale, VA
BIOL
Gibson, Michael P.       Williamsburg, VA
ARCH
Gilbert, Margaret E.     Wise, VA
PSCI

Gill, Cynthia B.         Fredericksburg, VA
HIDM
Gillikin Jr., Edward J.  Highland Sprgs, VA
ARCH
Gillis, Steven T.        Burke, VA
MKTG
Giovannetti, Anthony     Richmond, VA
CHE

Glasgow, Michael B.      Johnsonville, TN
CHEM
Glenn, Eric              Catharpin, VA
TED
Glick, Jeff S.           Roanoke, VA
MKTG
Goad, Danny H.           Christiansburg, VA
ME

The Virginia Tech Rescue Squad proved to be an indispensable volunteer organization on such a large campus. Squad member Kevin Westley aids a student hit by a car near Cassell Coliseum.
Videos were often made to aid students in the bioresearch interactive program. Communications major Elaine Ratcliff and Animal Care Technician Vicki Vaughn made a videotape with blood donor, Misty the greyhound.

Godwin, Karen S.  
ANSC  
Gonzalez, Sandra C.  
MATE  
Goodrich, Ashley K.  
GEOL  
Goodwin, Mary Ann  
DASC  

Newport News, VA  
El Salvador  
Fairwiew, PA  
Gordonsville, VA  

Gordon, Ann Marie  
SOC  
Gorenc, Andrew J.  
IEOR  
Gorey, Robert S.  
ENGL  
Goslin, Melinda J.  
MSCI  

Springfield, VA  
Charleston, WV  
Midlothian, VA  
Radford, VA  

Gotiingco, Gener G.  
ME  
Gottuk, Daniel T.  
ME  
Grable, James R.  
ME  
Graham, Scott D.  
HIST  

Wheaton, MD  
Rumson, NJ  
Roanoke, VA  
Charleston, WV  

Classes 307
“I really love RHF because I enjoy planning events, doing programming, and things like that. Back home I was always the one who threw the parties,” said Residence Hall Federation (RHF) president Greg Rahal.

Rahal’s extroverted personality and affinity for social events defied the stereotypes often associated with his major, aerospace engineering. Rahal, who was from Vienna, Virginia, first got involved in RHF in Barringer Hall. He was vice-chair and later president of the hall. During that time, Barringer was voted Most Spirited Hall and Hall of the Year. The next step for Rahal was president of the entire RHF.

“I’ve really enjoyed being RHF president, but the job does have its drawbacks,” Rahal said. “It seems I spend all my time doing managerial chores and that takes me away from planning events, which is what I really like to do.”

As president of RHF, Rahal was also a member of the Commission on Student Affairs and RHF’s representative on the ODK Roundtable Student Leaders Group. His other activities included singing in the Wesley Singers Choir of the Wesley Foundation. He was also an Eagle scout, and an active leader in a Boy Scout troop in Blacksburg.

After graduation, Rahal planned a cross country trip with several friends through 27 states. His long-term plans were still undecided, but he said he wanted to work in a Christian missions group.

“I’d like to work with Compassion International. They’re a group that helps to give children in poor countries a better life than they would otherwise have. I’m sponsoring a boy in Colombia through Compassion International right now. He’s a really great kid, and I’d like to do more work for kids like him.”

-Joe Guthrie
An endless flow of students crossed the Drill Field daily on the way to classes and dorm rooms. The long trek often gave students a chance to enjoy the weather and catch up with friends.

Grunau, Martin H.
ME

Guaring, Andrew J.
ME

Gumm, Jenna L.
COMM

Guthrie, Joseph W.
AGEC

Guynn, Wayne
PSYC

Haefer, Heather L.
ELED

Hairston, Antoinette
MGT

Hairston, Pamela J.
MSCI

Hale, Christopher
ME

Hale, Gregory D.
IFOR

Hale, Steven E.
MKED

Hale, Stewart M.
ACCT

Gerlingen, W. Ger.
Richmond, VA
Richmond, VA
Dublin, VA

Blacksburg, VA
Reston, VA
Martinsville, VA
Martinsville, VA

Meadowview, VA
Castlewood, VA
Roanoke, VA
Tabb, VA
Animals were treated with a great deal of care at the veterinary college. Diane Zuckerman treats a one-day old piglet suffering from hypothermia at the college's neonatal unit.
Jeff Fisher, an English major, takes his own temperature at the Student Health Services new self-care cold clinic. The clinic was created to allow doctors more time to treat more serious ailments.
Steve Wilson works on his rappelling technique with the Caving Club. Students found all sorts of places on campus to fit their needs.
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Hobbs, Shean J.  
AGSC  
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Hoffman, Scot R.  
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Hogan, Neal J.  
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Hogan, Robert L.  
AOE  
Hogue, Stephen L.  
FIN

Holdaway, James S.  
IEOR  
Holdsworth, Julie L.  
ART  
Hollada, Katherine M.  
FIN  
Hollis Jr., Micheal S.  
CS

Holmes, Adrianne D.  
IEOR  
Holmes, Shannon D.  
HRIM  
Holmquest, Jennifer  
ESM  
Holston, Patricia A.  
HIDM

Hopf, Kurtis H.  
AOE  
Hopper, Robert H.  
ME  
Hornbaker, Thomas E.  
BC  
Horne, Reginald K.  
IEOR

Marietta, OH  
Bristol, VA  
Richmond, VA  
Woodbridge, VA

Oakton, VA.  
Centreville, VA  
Sutton, WV  
Westminster, MD

Independence, VA  
Reston, VA  
Selbyville, DE  
Richmond, VA

Alexandria, VA  
Newport News, VA  
Ringoess, NJ  
Alexandria, VA

Marion, OH  
Crownsville, MD  
Pittsburgh, VA  
Stokes, NC

314 Seniors
A Major Williams resident lights the fire to symbolize the start of the Dorm Olympics. The Residence Hall Federation sponsored many programs to increase unity amongst the halls.
Hughes, Lizzie M.  
LASC  
Hughes, Stephen A.  
FIN  
HuiCheng, Amy T.  
IEOR  
Hummer III, Robert  
BIOC/PSYC

Hughes, Lizzie M.  
LASC  
Hughes, Stephen A.  
FIN  
HuiCheng, Amy T.  
IEOR  
Hummer III, Robert  
BIOC/PSYC

Hundley, Karen L.  
MKTG/COMM  
Hunter, Patricia E.  
LASC  
Hyman, Kim  
PSYC  
Isenhour, Elizabeth A.  
FIN

A silhouette of the Skipper in the Harding Cemetery makes a solemn scene.
Members of the Gregory Guard line up on the War Memorial Chapel. Gregory Guard was a precision drill and rifle that performed in parades and official ceremonies.
Cindy Epard, a 3-year animal science major, uses an inflated rubber glove to represent cow utters. Her invention was clever enough to be awarded third prize in the Dairy Club's Dairy Princess Contest.
Jones, Mark  
AOE  
Falmouth, VA

Jones, Samantha J.  
CHEM  
Talladega, AL

Jones, Stephanie M.  
IEOR  
Annandale, VA

Jones, Terri D.  
IEOR  
Norfolk, VA

Jones, Valerie A.  
PSYC  
Clarksville, VA

Jones, Wendy M.  
MATE  
Princeton, WV

Jordan, J. David  
ME  
Norfolk, VA

Jordan, Thomas L.  
ME  
Poquoson, VA

Joy, Denise M.  
CS  
Centreville, VA

Justen, Katherine M.  
CE  
Vienna, VA

Kang, Kellie H.  
IEOR  
Baltimore, MD

Karpert, Christopher  
ME  
Great Falls, VA

Karmondy, Timothy J.  
EE  
Staten Island, NY

Karnes, Mark O.  
BC  
Bedford, VA

Karr, Scott P.  
ME  
Sykesville, MD

Keating, Nancy L.  
BION  
Kingsville, MD

Keay, Deborah A.  
IEOR  
Falls Church, VA

Keeling, John E.  
ENGL  
Annandale, VA

Keeley, Suzanne L.  
HRIM  
N. Caldwell, NJ

Keenan, Timothy P.  
HIST  
Manassas, VA
Many organizations attended "Tent Action," a demonstration on the Drill Field for the homeless. The participants hoped to increase awareness of the escalating nationwide problem.

Kellam, G. Chris
CE
Kelly, Heather
CE
Kennedy, Brian
BC
Kennedy, Susan Ann
MKTG

Hampton, VA
Miller Place, NY
Rocky Gap, VA
Blacksburg, VA

Kenyon, Brian E.
ME
Kepler, Kevin M.
IEOR
Kercher, Laurie Dee
ENGL
Keys, Randy
BC

Blacksburg, VA
Columbia, SC
Falls Church, VA
Richmond, VA

Kidd, William E.
AE
Kiely, Aaron Barry
EE
Kilcomons, Diane S.
ACCT
Kile, Andrea L.
CS/MATH

Lutherville, MD
Laytonsville, MD
East Brunswick, NJ
Rockville, MD

320 Seniors
Sandy Wiland

Sandy Wiland entered Virginia Tech in the fall of 1985 as a biochemistry major intent on becoming an engineer. Switching to early childhood education was not just a natural shift.

"Beginning my second summer as a counselor for physically and mentally handicapped children, I realized what kind of work would make me happy," she said.

Wiland was a counselor for three years at Camp Honeybbee, a summer camp in northern Maryland, before being promoted to Camp Director. Getting in the thick of things was not against Wiland's nature. During her senior year, she spent about 25 hours a week student teaching at Price's Fork Elementary School, and she took 18 hours of classes all year long.

As if that wasn't enough, Wiland was also president of the Virginia Tech Association for Early Childhood Education.

"Why do I make my life a living hell?" she said. "I'm happier when I'm busier. It gives me a feeling of satisfaction to be helpful and active that way."

She also belonged to the National Association for the Education of Young Children and served as a volunteer for the Virginia Special Olympics. She worked in the nursery at the Blacksburg Christian Church and was a typist for the Collegiate Times.

What did she do with her spare time? "Sleep. No, really I like to be with my friends and I like to have fun and to relax and get rid of the tension of my busy schedule."

"My biggest goal is to get my graduate degree in special education so that I can teach special needs children in a self-contained classroom," she said. "But I would also like to do some teaching in the public school setting."

Wiland planned to attend graduate school and study special education at the University of Maryland following graduation.

-Rob Richter, Jr.
Pamela Cosner and Shadow, enjoy a warm December afternoon. Many students enjoyed having pets as non-judgemental companions.
A squirrel enjoys a tasty nut while perched in a tree near the War Memorial Gym.

Kumar

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Kuper, Jill Elizabeth  
ARCH  
Bridgewater, NJ
Kurtze, Christopher J.  
PSCI  
Blacksburg, VA
Kutsch, Nicholas W.  
IEOR  
Frederick, MD
Kwiatkowski, Michael  
ME  
Virginia Beach, VA

Kwon, Christopher  
IEOR  
Baltimore, MD
Labin, Scot E.  
ME  
Chester, VA
Lackey, Jeffrey M.  
ME  
Collinsville, VA
Lail, Anita R.  
LAR  
Newport News, VA

Lane, Dare L.  
HORT  
Norfolk, VA
Lane, George D.  
BC  
Ridgewood, NJ
Langley, Chris C.  
ECON  
Lynchburg, VA
LaPore, Dominic  
PSCI  
Glen Rock, PA

Larsen, Karen M.  
EDMA  
McLean, VA
Laske, Bryan J.  
ARCH  
Columbia, MD
Lavalle, Holly A.  
MSCI  
Alexandria, VA
Layman, Michael S.  
MKTG  
Dayton, VA

Lazar, Scot M.  
ME  
Greenville, SC
Lechowich, Ellen J.  
MKED  
Blacksburg, VA
Lee, David K.  
TED  
Vienna, VA
Lee, James S.  
MATH  
Hampton, VA
A lone bicycle parked in front of Seitz Hall waits for its owner to return from class. In fair weather, students often opted to ride to school in the great outdoors.
Levine, Phillip
COMM
Levine, Ruth K.
ACCT
Lewis, James C.
MKTG
Lewis, Melissa A.
FCD

Fairfax, VA
Springfield, VA
Roanoke, VA
Woodbridge, VA

Lewis, Robert M.
BC
Leyers, Scott W.
ME
Light, Ronald K.
ME
Linkous, Robert W.
FW

Newport News, VA
Midlothian, VA
Bassett, VA
Chester, VA

Ellen Raisner runs for touchdown in a Pi Beta Phi football game on the Drill Field. Greeks frequently competed against each other in sports.
Litchford, Candace A.  
ARCH
Livermon, Brian K.  
FIN
Livesay, Joseph T.  
ELED
Llaneras, Martha M.  
FST

Lloreda, Rodrigo  
IEOR
Locke, Rita E.  
ANSC
Locklear, Timothy E.  
EE
Lohoff, David A.  
IEOR

Long, Deborah  
IEOR
Long, William J.  
PHED
Lo Presti, Michael A.  
ME
Lore, Susan E.  
MATH

Loria, Vickie L.  
PSYC
Loughney, Matthew  
PSCI/HIST
Loughran, Courtney A.  
FIN
Louko, Michael, S.  
MSCI

Louque III, Donald J.  
MKTG
Loving, Roy E.  
FW
Lowerre, Robert C.  
PSCI
Loyd, Brenda K.  
HIST/PSCI

Madison Hts., VA
Suffolk, VA
Woodstock, VA
Blacksburg, VA

Cali, CA
Arlington, VA
Fallston, MD
Freehold, NJ

Chantrilly, VA
South Boston, VA
Sterling, VA
Bridgeton, NJ

Raleigh, NC
Buckhannon, WV
Monroeville, PA
Fancy Gap, VA

Collinsville, VA
New Canton, VA
Vienna, VA
Richmond, VA
"Wally for three!"

That exclamation was shouted repeatedly as Tech fans cheered for senior scoring sensation Wally Lancaster. Lancaster, the human howitzer, made the three point shot look like a layup and turned three-point-land into Wallyland. His picture-perfect shooting form and ability to get open for a long jumper made him one of the top scorers in Tech basketball history and a nationally known terror for the opposition. The Sporting News rated him the fourth best shooting guard in the nation. They also named Lancaster, Bimbo Coles, and Quinton Nottingham as the second best backcourt in the NCAA.

Lancaster’s proficiency from three point range made him an NCAA recordholder. He is tied for the best three point shooting percentage in a single game, a perfect 7-for-7. He holds another record for scoring a three-pointer in the most consecutive games.

Lancaster’s collegiate career, however, wasn’t always so rosy. A native of Lanham, Maryland, Lancaster spent his freshman year at the University of Maryland. After a year, he decided to transfer because he felt he wasn’t getting enough playing time. After arriving at Tech, Lancaster suffered through the investigation of the basketball team that led to the resignation of coach Charlie Moir and an NCAA probation.

His luck improved during the 1987-88 season, when he and Vernell (Bimbo) Coles led Tech to a 19-10 record under new coach Frankie Allen. The duo were the top two scorers in the Metro Conference.

Lancaster said he hoped his success over the past two seasons would make him a top pick in the NBA draft.

In any case, Lancaster would be proud of a very successful college career - a career that began on the bench in Maryland and ended in the record books in Wallyland.

-Joe Guthrie
The Hokie cross country team runs in its first home meet in several years. The team tried out Kipps Farm in back of Foxridge as a location for future home meets.
Students relax in Owens banquet room after donating a pint of blood. Alpha Phi Omega frequently sponsored blood donations as service projects.
Paul Gobble works with Kathy Blake in an observation exercise for the Introduction to Acting class. The blindfolded person experiences the world of the blind and describes the environment to the trusted leader.
Matt, Paula R.  
MGT  
Matteson, Beth  
IEOR  
Mauney, Daniel  
IEOR  
Maxey, Heidi T.  
AGEC  
Vienna, VA  
Virginia Beach, VA  
Richmond, VA  
Chatham, VA  

May, Erik R.  
ME  
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LASC  
Mayes, Travis W.  
ME  
Mays, Kelly E.  
PSYC  
Gaithersburg, MD  
King George, VA  
Dublin, VA  
Charlottesville, VA  

Mays, Lisa K.  
MKTG  
McCann, Timothy  
PSCI/HIST  
McCarraher, Cynthia  
CS  
McCready, Olevia A.  
FOR  
Lynchburg, VA  
Chesapeake, VA  
Coatesville, PA  
Oyster, VA  

McDonnell, Brian F.  
ME  
McEachorn, Terrance  
MKTG  
McElheney, Kristi M.  
LASC  
McGhee, Samuel H.  
ME  
Cherry Hill, NJ  
Rockville, MD  
Dry Fork, VA  
Roanoke, VA  

McGonegal, Steele E.  
COMM  
McGowan, Linda M.  
CE  
McGrath, Thomas M.  
MSCI  
McHenry, James S.  
MSCI  
King George, VA  
Sterling, VA  
Whsp Pines, NC  
Fairfax, VA  

332 Seniors
Two students trudge through the snow across the Drill Field barely noticing the beautiful sun above Slusher dormitory.
Detective Sergeant Brotherton talks to O'Shaughnessey residents about drugs. All the drug paraphernalia was collected on campus.
Two young democrats campaign for their presidential candidate. In November, it was determined that George Bush was the winner.
The band "Schism" performs at the Barger Fest in Blacksburg. Local bands were often hired around town and some went on to play regionally.

Molen, Kevin A. Aiken, SC
CHE
Montaner, Elsa E. Edgewater, MD
HNF
Moon, H. Scott Reisterstown, MD
IEOR
Moore Jr., Donald W. Downingtown, PA
ME

Moore, George B. Plainsboro, NJ
SOC
Moore, Keith D. South Hill, VA
CHEM
Moore, Lisa M. Big Stone Gap, VA
MGT
Moosha Jr., W. Grant Virginia Beach, VA
FIN

Moran, Jammie L. Alexandria, VA
MKTG
Morgan, Jeanne D. Madison, NJ
MKTG
Morgan, Rita M. Petersburg, VA
FIN
Moritz, Lisa A. Newport News, VA
ARCH

336 Seniors
Louis King attended college for eight years. Finally, though, his school career has come to an end. "If everything goes as planned I will graduate in May and then we'll see what happens from there."

Louis came to Tech from a high school in Santiago, Chile, and remained for four years before taking a year off in order to "find myself" and make money so he could continue his education. When he finally returned, he chose a major in communication studies and joined the *Collegiate Times* staff.

About two years ago, Louis joined a band called "Spanish Flytrap." They played for a short while before personal differences forced the band to break up. "They were the greatest band that never was. They were very talented people." Louis then joined another band in which he played guitar and sang a bit. After much discussion, the fledgling band came up with the name "Martin Roach," named after an old stage manager at the Tech radio station WUVT. "Martin Roach" played elements of hard core to classic rock to progressive style.

He started on the *CT* staff in 1985 working on production. Later on, he started writing and eventually joined the features staff. Finally, he was given the opportunity to write his own humor column, the result being "The Punk Next Door." "The name was a spur of the moment thing. I thought about it for a minute and 'Punk Next Door' came into my head. People come up to me and say they read my article. It makes me feel good when people pay attention to my work."

Louis left with a little bit of advice gained from his long experience. "I've been here for eight years but it took me four years to get really involved. The last four years have been my most productive. If you find you want to do something, don't sit around and talk about it, get up and do it. No one else will do it for you."

-David Alex Bergren

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Joan Casparo enjoys an upside flight in the arms of Tom Diuffre. Warm weather and the openness of the Drill Field made for fun memories.
Neal Jr., John H. Roanoke, VA
Ce
Neiman, Gregory S. Glen Allen, VA COMM
Nelson, Kristina L. Dewitt, VA FCD
Nguon, Issaravong Richmond, VA CS
Nguyen, Hai D. Springfield, VA ME/PHYS
Nguyen, Hai T. Falls Church, VA AOE
Nguyen, Hai V. Richmond, VA EE
Nguyen, Mai-Huong Richmond, VA EE
Nguyen, Paul Hampton, VA EE
Nhan, Elbert Arlington, VA EE
Nicholakos, Sotirios Blacksburg, VA BC
Nielsen, Clare W. Dayton, VA ENGL
Nilsson, Kenneth C. Clinton Corners, NY ME
Nimmo, Jennifer R. Newport News, VA EDSS
Niner, Fred J. Arlington, VA ACCT
Nocon, Emmalinda C. Alexandria, VA MKTG
Noll, J. Michael Marion, VA ME
Northey, Paul J. Newport News, VA CE
Norwood, Susan L. Alexandria, VA MKTG
Nugent, Elizabeth M. Seaford, DE ART

Classes 339
A dark rainy night on Interstate 81 was not a fun experience. Many students had fender benders on the highway when returning to Tech.
A parent waits for his child by the truck that took them from New Jersey to Virginia. Many out-of-state students depended on their parents for transportation to and from Tech.
Art student Lina Sabban dedicated a sculpture to Tech's International Club and the Cranwell International Center. Lina Sabban, a senior in art, held her first exhibition Nov. 4. The display included paintings, poetry and a sculpture, which would be shown outside the building. The center's program director, Darlene Grega, said the sculpture was only the second piece of artwork to be approved for placement outside a university building.

"The sculpture symbolizes growth in different perspectives," Sabban said. "People will see it from different angles.

"It has beauty, but there are a lot of cracks in it," she said. "We do have things wrong with us, but even those wrong things are beautiful."

Sabban was born in Lebanon in 1962, and lived there until about six years ago.

"My exhibit is called 'Lebanon and Me'," Sabban said. "It portrays the struggle of a female growing up in a war. I want people to really know that the Lebanese do go through a daily struggle. I saw how people want the war to end," she said. "In the beginning they were willing to stand and resist, but not anymore. This exhibit is not just for me, it is for each individual Lebanese person as they go through their daily struggle."

Sabban's parents live in Lebanon, and she visited regularly.

"Every day, I am worried about my parents," she said. "I see reports of new bombings, and I recognize the places they are showing. We are all worried about our families."

Sabban said she had no formal art training in high school, but art was a natural way for her to express how she feels.

"The paintings are part of my feelings," she said. "For me, I want to do art not to see how beautiful it is, but to capture the feelings of the Lebanese people and myself."

"When people look at my art, maybe they will think and question what is going on in Lebanon," she said.

-From the Collegiate Times
Pretty imprints are left on the sidewalk in front of Owens Dining Hall. Autumn brought much beauty to the campus.

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The Marching Virginians Flag Corps practices their routine one more time before the exhibition in Vinton, Virginia.
Highty Tighty freshmen Ken Stark and John Beilman play with their radio control sportscar outside of Rasche Hall. When the band wasn't practicing upperclassmen also enjoyed the hobby.
The hill near the Mall provides a nighttime view of a wet deserted Main Street.
Rigopoulos

Kathy Shields, Crystal McAnenely, and Melissa Klusdahl pose in Dietrick lobby as staff pictures were taken for the Bugle.

Rigopoulos, Dwayne
EE

Riina, Joseph F.
CS

Rippley, Jacqueline
LASC

Rivera, Pedro J.
IEOR

Bassett, VA

Wanaque, NJ

Oakton, VA

San Juan, PR

Riviere, Cameron N.
AE

Roach, John N.
IEOR

Robbins, Richard K.
ME

Roberts, Darrell J.
ME

Glen Mills, PA

Martinsville, VA

Broadrun, VA

Petersburg, VA

Roberts, David W.
AE

Roberts III, James J.
FIN

Robertson, Chris
ME

Robertson, Diana R.
CHE

Worton, MD

Kenbridge, VA

Nora, VA

Richmond, VA
Joe Guthrie showed that it was possible, although not always easy, to be active in many extracurricular activities and still be a top student academically.

Guthrie, an agricultural economics major, held several leadership positions. He was president of the Ag Econ Club, vice president of the Block and Bridle Club, a senator in the Student Government Association, vice president of Omicron Delta Kappa National Leadership Honor Society, a writer for the Bugle, chairman of the ODK Roundtable Student Leader Group, and served as student representative to several committees in the College of Agriculture. He was also a member of Mortar Board and Phi Kappa Phi honor societies. At the same time, his nearly perfect QCA of a 3.98 ranked him as one of the top ten students in a class of over 4,000. He was also nationally recognized for outstanding undergraduate research in agricultural economics.

Guthrie, who was raised on a large dairy and beef cattle farm in nearby Pulaski County, said he hoped his performance would help overthrow some of the stereotypes of rural southwest Virginia. "Too many people have a negative attitude toward farmers and toward people from Appalachia. Well, I'm one of those southwest Virginia farm kids and I don't think I fit that country bumpkin image."

He said that activities are an important part of the collegiate experience. "Of course you have to make good grades, but you often learn more from being involved in other things," he said, "I mean, you can take all the management classes you want, but if you want to really learn how to run something, try running a couple of clubs. Now that's an education."

"Getting into a wide variety of groups is also good because you get something unique out of each one."

Guthrie's future plans were still undecided, although he hoped to study applied economics at a leading graduate school overseas.
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Dr. Goodale, Vice President for Student Affairs, chuckles with the audience at the Student Leaders Banquet honoring the inauguration of university president James D. McComas.
When schedules were running tight and it seemed impossible to be everywhere at once, many students probably fantasized about having a double. The closest people usually came however, was having a twin.

Jill and Joy Adams are identical twins. The Adams sisters agreed there were problems of comparisons however, they did not see themselves as opposites. "We're different in our own ways," Jill said. But, both said they possess the same underlying personalities.

"We're both loud, and more alike than I'd care to admit," Jill said.

The Adams sisters agreed that the need to establish an identity of their own was important to them as twins, but they did make conscious efforts to differentiate themselves. Joy said, "I don't do things to be purposefully different."

The sisters agreed there was less comparison and competition in college life than in pre-college life. Still, Joy said, "People know us as 'the twins.'"

Because they are twins, Joy said, their parents have gone out of their way to treat them exactly alike. Jill said if Joy were to receive money for something that she needed, she would get the same amount whether she needed it or not. Their parents went so far as to dress them exactly alike until they were 13 or 14 years old, they said.

Being twins provided experiences most would never have. "We once had a babysitter," Joy said, "that put us in separate rooms, and then pinched my arm until it turned black and blue, then went and asked Jill if she felt anything on her arm." Apparently, Joy said, the babysitter was trying to test whether or not all twins felt another's pain.

Despite the inherent problems, Jill appeared to enjoy being a twin, and, if given the choice between being a twin and a typical sister, she said she would "still be a twin. You meet more people that way."

-From the Collegiate Times
The pool table on third floor O'Shaughnessy provided hours of fun when a good study break was needed. The symmetrical break of the set proved to be a successful game.

Schroeder, William M.  
ARCH  
Fairfax, VA

Schropp, Gary D.  
MSCI  
Ft. Washington, MD

Schubert, Linda J.  
ACCT  
Springfield, VA

Schubert, Natalie T.  
HLED  
Vienna, VA

Schuler, Paul J.  
CE  
Mahwah, NJ

Schulze, Ronald C.  
EE  
Clifton, VA

Schutte, Teri R.  
MKTG/MGT  
Springfield, VA

Schutz, Steven G.  
CE  
New Kent, VA

Scirratta, Mark J.  
ME  
Waldorf, MD

Sciutti, John W.  
LASC  
Fairfax, VA

Scott, Emily A.  
ME  
Lexington, VA

Scott, John C.  
AOE  
Havertown, PA

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Sealock, Scott A.
EE
Seaver, David C.
ME
Seeger Jr., James J.
CS
Seiden, Laurence E.
FIN/ECON

Front Royal, VA
Annandale, VA
Bedford, VA
Cockeysville, MD

Serlin, Lynette A.
FW
Sevebeck, Eric W.
CHE
Shafer, James M.
PE
Shahriary, Shirin
FIN

Blacksburg, VA
Blacksburg, VA
Natural Bridge, VA
Sterling, VA

Shank, Julia M.
FCD
Shaver, Wesley D.
VI
Shaw, Alan H.
AE
Shaw, Catherine E.
ACCT

Roanoke, VA
Blacksburg, VA
Williamsburg, VA
Alexandria, VA

Sheaffer, Paul E.
ME
Sheffield, Edwin C.
CPE
Sheldon, Randall L.
CS
Shepheard, William L.
MSCI

Fairfax Station, VA
Glade Spring, VA
Reisterstown, MD
Virginia Beach, VA

Sherman, Terri L.
FIN
Shivel IV, Glen L.
ME
Shoemaker, Tracy L.
MKTG
Show, Mark A.
TA

Alexandria, VA
Richmond, VA
Midlothian, VA
Fredericksburg, VA

354 Seniors
A deer stops to listen for intruders in the Jefferson National Forest. Students didn't have to travel far to enjoy the beauty of Blacksburg.
Simpson, Annette
ELED

Sinsabaugh, Wendy D.
FCD

Sizemore, Troy N.
COMM

Skeens, Leslie A.
ME

Woodbridge, VA
Richmond, VA
Covington, VA
Ashland, KY

Slavin, Michael L.
PSYC/HIST

Slingerland, Dana S.
CT

Smith, Brian L.
ME

Willis, VA
Woodstock, VA
Annandale, VA
Fairfax, VA

Smith, Carolyn R.
MKTG

Smith, Collin B.
CE

Smith, Dana
CE

Smith, David L.
MGT

Lovettsville, VA
Virginia Beach, VA
Troutville, VA
Blacksburg, VA

Freshmen Chris Cox and Billy Hanson give each other a high five on the way to dinner from Pritchard Hall. Many friendships were formed the first year in the residence halls.
The Hokie Bird escorts a young Hokie fan into the middle of the court in Cassell Coliseum to accept his prize.

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Phi Delta Theta holds a meeting in Lee Hall during fall fraternity Rush. Information was given to possible initiates so they could choose which fraternity to pledge.

Sowers, James A.  MGT
Speegle Jr., James W.  ME
Spire, Samuel G.  EE
Spoenlein, Jody L.  HNF

Sowers, VA
Yorktown, VA
Dandridge, TN
Cherry Hill, NJ

Spurling III, Robert  CHE
Stafford, Charles  PSCI
Stanco Jr., Richard F.  Ielor
Standley, Michael L.  ARCH

Decatur, AL
Blacksburg, VA
Bridgewater, NJ
Norfolk, VA

Stanko, Scott A.  AOE
Stanley, Donald W.  ME
Steele, Elizabeth M.  FIN
Steinbaum, Douglas  EE

Medford, NJ
Roanoke, VA
Roanoke, VA
Alexandria, VA

358 Seniors
Always looking on the bright side of things is a popular saying, but Lee Anne Cobb really took it to heart. On Saturday, Oct. 8, she was named Virginia Tech's official ambassador, the 1988 Homecoming Queen, and planned to emphasize the positive in her upcoming duties.

Cobb was originally from Westlake Village, Ca., and majored in hotel restaurant institute management. She said she came to Tech for the program in her major. "I knew what I wanted, so I looked at five different universities that offered the program, and visited the campuses," Cobb said. "Tech was the last place I visited, and I absolutely loved the people, the administration (for the human resources department) and the program."

When her name was announced, she said she felt excited, not only for herself, but also for all the people who worked to help her get elected. "There was a lot of hard work by other people, and I was excited for everyone - the look on my dad's face was the best reward," she said.

Cobb was sponsored by Delta Gamma Sorority and Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity. Cobb was sent to interview with the university-sponsored committee last spring.

"It was just like a job interview, and the panel consisted of faculty and community members," she said. "They chose the final 10 candidates."

"It works better as a university-run contest," Cobb said. "In past years, when anyone could run, it turned into a real beauty contest. There were posters all over campus with girls in bikinis and stuff like that. Now there is a much greater emphasis on academic achievement and community."

Cobb said she planned to act as liaison between three sects: future students, present students and alumni.

"In my eyes, I would like to be a representative for everyone," she said. "I want to help in recruiting students, and emphasize the development, growth and positive aspects of the university. I think the job of homecoming queen wraps up everything I've done, and culminates it into one job," she said.

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ACCT
Alexandria, VA

Templin, Kim
ME
Rockaway, NJ

Terray, Beth A.
EE
Virginia Beach, VA

Teter Jr., John E.
ME
Arlington, VA

Thomas, Christina M.
FCD
Falls Church, VA

Thomas, P. Keith
ACCT
Coeburn, VA

Thomas, Lori A.
COMM
Blacksburg, VA

Thomas, N. Carl
LAR/HORT
Upperville, VA

Dr. Lickliter's Advanced Developmental Psychology class is full on test day. The small rooms were mostly a problem when exams were administered and mysterious students suddenly appeared.
A geometrical view from underneath Lane Stadium. Occasionally students enjoyed climbing around on these cement levels.
The steam tunnels that run underneath the university made for fun and dangerous adventures for many students who liked to risk exploring them.

Tobey, Christopher  
CS

Tolefon, Craig E.  
ME

Totten, Karen L.  
FCD

Townes, Bryan L.  
ARCH

Tracey, Sean  
ME

Tran, MyDung T.  
CS

Tran, Tho V.  
EE

Trehub, Eric M.  
ECON

Trigili, Michael J.  
ACCT

Tse, Nathan Y.  
CE

Tudor, Mary R.  
PSCI

Tudor, Thomas R.  
MKTG

Blacksburg, VA  
Gloucester, VA

Roanoke, VA  
Hopewell, VA

Oakton, VA  
Alexandria, VA

Annandale, VA  
Dover, NH

Shresbury, NJ  
Olney, MD

Warrenton, VA  
Warrenton, VA

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Greg Battaglia

Greg Battaglia, president of the Class of 1989, was one of the busiest people on campus. In addition to working for the class, Battaglia was also president of Omicron Delta Kappa (ODK) National Leadership Honor Society, a member of the Commission on Student Affairs, a member of University Council, a member of the ODK Roundtable Student Leaders Group, and served on several other committees. Battaglia, an architecture major from Virginia Beach, also worked as an assistant to the university architects.

Battaglia said that the class' successful Ring Dance was his proudest accomplishment. "The class officers worked really hard on Ring Dance, we got a lot of support, and we really pulled it off," he said. "Our class gift, a gazebo at the Duck Pond, is also a big project. We think it will be one of the biggest and best class gifts ever."

"Ring design was a very difficult, but worthwhile project as well," he said. "We are the only university in the country that completely redesigns the class rings every year. It takes a lot of work, but when you finish you have a unique ring. One that no other class has ever had."

Because architecture is a five year program, Battaglia would not be able to graduate with the class he led for three years. Also, due to that additional year, his future plans were not firmly set, but he knew that he wanted to work for a top architectural firm.

Battaglia looked back fondly on his role as class president. "All these activities have been very rewarding for me, and hopefully I've made a contribution to the class and to the university."

-Joe Guthrie
Playing musical chairs proved to be a worthy cause. Kappa Kappa Gamma, Alpha Pi Omega and several other organizations sponsored the competition to raise money for the American Cancer Society.
Venables

Venables, Kurt E.
EE
Veneziano, Sandra R.
MGT
Venuto, James J.
ME
Verbano, Mary B.
MKTG

Vernon, Donna S.
ACCT
Vest, Oliver J.
LASC
Vichich, Robert P.
ME
Villareale, Anne M.
MKTG/MGT

Virtue, Laura A.
IS
Voigt, Ronald M.
FIN/MKTG
Voivoda, Jeffrey M.
MSCI
Voytek, Peter
CHE

Vymetalik, Dan
AE
Wade, Gregory M.
PSCI
Wagner, Stephen E.
ARCH
Waldon, Samuel J.
ECON

Walker, Charles E.
CE
Walker, Sherry L.
CS
Wall, Daniel L.
HIDM
Wall, Tamara L.
HIDM

Poquoson, VA
Wytheville, VA
Norfolk, VA
Centreville, VA
Marion, VA
Clintwood, VA
Lenoir City, TN
Ft. Washington, MD
West Newburg, MA
York, PA
Sterling, VA
Great Falls, VA
Blacksburg, VA
Shortts Gap, VA
Fredericksburg, VA
Harrisburg, PA
Macungie, PA
Vestal, NY
Colonial Hts., VA
Washington, D.C.

366 Seniors
The first snow of December turns Blacksburg into a winter wonderland. This lone pine's beauty is enhanced by nature's white blanket.
Senior aerospace engineering major Darren Beyer takes a break from his studies to go skiing at Snow Shoe ski resort. Photographer Robert Dant prints this shot in its negative form for an interesting contrast of black and white.
Students enjoy the change of weather and the opportunity to relieve cabin fever by starting a snowball fight. Unfortunately the snow didn't last long due to rain.

Welch, Charles
CE
Welch, Chris R.
CE
Wells, James E.
ME
Wellington, Wayne Z.
HRIM

Welsh, Mark G.
AOE
Wemmer, Lauren C.
BIOL
West, Craig M.
MSCI
West, Kim E.
ELED

Westerman, Russell J.
CE
White, Karen E.
HIDM
White, William T.
AGEC
Whitesell, Terry W.
IEOR

Chesapeake, VA
Chesterfield, VA
Seaford, VA
Hopewell, VA
Belair, MD
Front Royal, VA
Baltimore, MD
Chester, VA
Fallston, MD
Vienna, VA
Phenix, VA
Culpeper, VA
Tiffany Ashburn, Debbie Falls, and Darren Beyer review the minutes of the last Media Board meeting. The Media Board was comprised of WUVT, the CT, the Bugle, the Silhouette, and the Photo Staff.

Whittaker, Mark E.  
MGT  
Naperville, IL

Wichelt, Vicki L.  
MSCI  
Manassas, VA

Wiland, Sandra K.  
PCD  
Hampstead, MD

Wiley, Jennifer S.  
AOE  
Baltimore, MD

Wilkerson, Michael G.  
PE  
Halifax, VA

Wilkinson, Mark J.  
BIOL  
Medford, NJ

Wilkinson, Wendy  
ME  
Hurt, VA

Williams, Arthur  
ME  
Salem, VA

Williams, John C.  
LASC  
Radford, VA

Williams, Laura A.  
FCD  
Rocky Mt., VA

Williams, Robert  
CE  
Alexandria, VA

Williams, Scott C.  
BC  
Reston, VA

370 Seniors
For the past four years, Rob Richter, Jr., a communications studies major, led a busy but accomplished college life. His credentials included a place with the Who's Who Among American Universities and Colleges and a post on the Presidential Inaugural Committee in November 1988. He was also a Student Host for the Virginia Tech Academic Challenge which involved showing excellent high school students around the campus and answering their questions about the university.

In addition to his other achievements, he served as an SGA Senator since May of 1988. "I was 'recruited' to run for the SGA by super-senator Phil Nolan. I love the organization. At first, I thought the SGA didn't do diddly-squat, but I found that they do. And what they don't get done it's not for lack of trying," said Richter.

Richter, said he was most proud of his involvement with The Collegiate Times, the campus newspaper. "As far as the CT goes, right now only my fiance is more important to me. That sounds horrible but the people are great. I can't stay away. I tried once, but this magnet effect pulled me back."

Richter began on the CT in October of 1987 as a staff writer and by February 1988 he began to write his popular humor column, "Robbus Maximus." In April he became News Editor and in November he took over as Public Affairs Manager. The job as Public Affairs was not an easy one, involving many hours of work and dedication. "I do what I do because I love it. If that means that I survive for a while on four hours of sleep a night, so be it. It's just that I can't keep my nose in my own business."

Remarking on his popular column he said, "I like writing my so-called humor column because it gives me a chance to make people happy. I try to mix politics with sarcasm. A.A. Buchwald I'm not, and I like it that way."

-David Alex Bergren
One of the most anticipated days in a student's college career, graduation. The celebrations began in the stadium and continued long into the night.
Workman, Katrina E. HIST
Wright, Kay F. FIN
Wright, Kenneth W. STAT
Wu, Ivan M. CE

Wyman, Andrew D. OE
Xicohtencatil, Javier FIN
Yates, Kimberly S. FCD
Yeaton, Robert B. ME

Young, Craig S. CE
Yu, John EE
Yurochko, Stephanie PHED
Zaborowski, Beth A. EDPE

Zaker, Kristin Marie EE
Zaluk, Beverly HRIM
Zemitis, W. Scott ME
Zeoli, Kathryn A. CE

Ziemer, Katherine TBS/CE
Zimmerman, Lisa D. HRIM
Zirner, Ricky C. IEOR

Seaford, DE
Victoria, VA
Portsmouth, VA
Richmond, VA
Bristol, TN
Arlington, VA
Moseley, VA
Wilmington, DE
Doran, VA
Fairfax, VA
Fairfax, VA
Vienna, VA
Potomac, MD
Leonardo, NJ
Burke, VA
Dublin, VA
Front Royal, VA
Covington, VA
Leverkusen, W. Ger.

Classes 373
Crossing the Drill Field was often dreaded on dreary, wet days yet the large expanse of land was a unifying factor on the campus of 22,000 students.
Alexander, Bryan R.  Norfolk, IL  
Allen, John J.  New York, NY  
Alsop, Richard B.  Sterling, VA  
Angell, Carol L.  Richmond, VA  
Austin, David G.  Amherst, VA

Baxter, Michael K.  Suitland, MD  
Bayne, Walter D.  Aylett, VA  
Betty, Guenevere L.  Great Falls, VA  
Bonar, Brian J.  Dumfries, VA  
Bond, Paula L.  Piney River, VA

Bradicich, Stephan L.  Rockville, MD  
Braza, Lamberto M.  Newpt. News, VA  
Browder, Corey A.  Colonial Hts., VA  
Brown, Gary W.  Eastville, VA  
Broyles, William A.  Chesapeake, VA

Bunker, Timothy F.  Springfield, VA  
Burger, John E.  Blacksburg, VA  
Burt, Heather L.  Ridgecrest, CA  
Burton, Angelia M.  Monroe, VA  
Caldwell, Brian S.  Springfield, VA

Campo, Keith C.  Alexandria, VA  
Carder, Bobby P.  Dallas, TX  
Carpenter, Danielle L.  Mechanics, VA  
Carpenter, Jeffrey D.  W. Caldwell, NJ  
Carter, Thomas W.  Greensboro, MD

Casterline, Jennifer L.  Blacksburg, VA  
Chambers, Craig C.  Buckingham, VA  
Chavez, Carol S.  Alexandria, VA  
Clark, Douglas K.  Hampton, VA  
Clos, Kristen E.  Lar Ju Mambeau, WI

376 Juniors
A tray-eye view of lunch at Owens' Far Side dining room. Many improvements were made to increase the variety of foods available for students.
Asbestos removal from Pritchard Hall made numerous students uneasy about their health. This photo was taken from the window of a student’s room.
The construction of the kiosk in between Squires and the library caused much controversy. Many students objected to the broken view of College Avenue.
Birds gather on top of the War Memorial Gym on a typical cloudy Blacksburg day.
Jones
Jones, Ryan S.
Kent, Peter G.
Khalichi, Peyman
Kim Jr., Soo

Oakton, VA
Newport News, VA
Leavenworth, KS
Blacksburg, VA
Annandale, VA

Kinkead, Kevin B.
Koelsch, Philip C.
Kramer, Dave G.
LaCroix, Norman
Larkin, Patrick S.

Annandale, VA
Virginia Beach, VA
Crofton, MD
Riva, MD
Hampton, VA

Leaf, James D.
Lewis, Mary E.
Liberti, Angela M.
Lockhufe, Amy L.
Long Jr., John H.

Pt. Salines, MD
Timonium, MD
Richmond, VA
Richmond, VA
Herndon, VA

Lopus, Nancy L.
Luffman, Mechelle
Lutz, Caren V.
Maier, Lynn A.
Malebranche, Philipe

Essex Fells, NJ
Sparta, NC
Mt. Jackson, VA
Bethlehem, PA
Burke, VA

Martin, Michael L.
Mason, Melissa M.
Mattes, William J.
Mayhew, C. Haynie
Mazzeno, William P.

Mt. Airy, NC
Richmond, VA
Mr. Sinai, NY
Falls Church, VA
Annapolis, MD

McCloy, Bruce E.
McFatter, Sherri L.
McGrady, Lori P.
McGrath III, James
McLeod, Jeffrey

Midlothian, VA
Franklin, VA
Carroll Co., VA
Rochester, NY
Fredericksburg, VA
Students campaign for the next Homecoming Queen outside of Owens dining hall. Ten candidates worked for several weeks to get their names remembered for the vote in early October.

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The Balcony was home to many fraternity and sorority parties. Skits were popular on the stage where Pi Kappa Alpha had their permanent sign.
Pugh, William
Pulling, Eric M.
Pusey, Elizabeth F.
Reid, Phil
Richardson, Rachel

Summersville, WV
Fallston, MD
Blacksburg, VA
Anchorage, AK
Fairfax Stn., VA

Robertson, Brian
Rockecharlie, Thomas
Rodenfels, William J.
Ryan III, Gerald E.
Scarfe III, Stephen C.

New York, NY
Rockville, VA
Herndon, VA
Dale City, VA
Dayton, MD

Schwarz, Maria L.
Scrivener, Sheryl J.
Sellers, Charles L.
Settle, James
Shannon, Donald G.

Westminster, MD
Chester, VA
Martinsville, VA
Roanoke, VA
Warminster, PA

Shetler, Michael L.
Smith, Gregory J.
Smith, Lane H.
Smith Jr., Robert P.
Smith, Travis R.

Copley, OH
Clifton, VA
Richmond, VA
Chesterfield, VA
Greenville, MS

Southall, Christine
Sowers, Mark E.
Sperat Jr., Mark T.
Spitzer, Carol A.
Strahle, Robert

Columbia, MD
Waverly, VA
Douglasville, PA
Newcastle, VA
West Windsor, NJ

Thompson, Alisa L.
Tilley, Christopher D.
Turner, Kevin J.
Utt, Don A.
Vess, Douglas A.

Hampton, VA
Blacksburg, VA
Great Falls, VA
Cana, VA
Franklin, VA

384 Juniors
Maria Bothwell, a junior in industrial engineering, and Meg Malone, a junior in humanities, enjoy the fall weather on the park bench on College Avenue. The renovation of Main Street and College Avenue allowed students, faculty and town members to people-watch on several strategically placed benches.
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386 Sophomores
The sun sets behind Dietrick Dining Hall. Next to the Air Force Academy, Dietrick served more people than any cafeteria in the country.
A popular pastime at football games was linking Hokie cups into a chain through the stands. To these Hokies, the action in the stands was more interesting than the action on the field against West Virginia.
An interesting picture of a fern in the woods. The surrounding Blacksburg countryside allowed students to escape from homework to enjoy the outdoors and not go very far from home.
Members of the Society for Creative Anachronism practice without their gear. The group enjoyed reenacting the Renaissance battles complete with chain mail and swords.
Mewshaw, Lee H.  Columbia, SC
Meyer, Anna P.  Virginia Beach, VA
Miescier, Melanie  Vienna, VA
Milby, Brian  Richmond, VA
Miller, John L.  Culpepper, VA

Mock, Anita A.  Cleveland, VA
Moore, Meredith D.  Fredericksburg, VA
Morgano, Mark  Baldwinsville, NY
Morrison, Christopher  Fenwick, WV
Mortenson, Chris  Baltimore, MD

Moser, Melanie R.  Goldsboro, VA
Mounts, Amy L.  Blacksburg, VA
Moyer, Catherine E.  Richmond, VA
Munsterman, Cathy S.  Lynchburg, VA
Murphy, Cheryl A.  Bristol, VA

Murray, Colleen R.  Culpeper, VA
Myers, Kimberly M.  Lynchburg, VA
Newkirk, Gregory R.  Alleghany Co., VA
Nguyen, Thomas T.  Annandale, VA
Nhan, Alison  Arlington, VA

Niedao, Kimberly C. Virginia Beach, VA
Noel, Roger S.  Daleville, VA
Norman, Kevin  Fort Washington, MD
Norris, William C.  Wakefield, VA
O'Brien, Dennis P.  Dale City, VA

O'Steen, Cynthia D.  Seaford, VA
Oakes, Kevin C.  New Orleans, LA
Oden, Coretta  Norfolk, VA
Owen, John T.  Lynchburg, VA
Owens, Desmond J.  Gloucester, VA

394 Sophomores
Eating homework was an enjoyable pastime for this cat. Having a pet made apartment life more enjoyable for lonely students.
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*The frost on the creek warms up at daybreak. Goose and Strubles were two creeks that ran underneath the Drill Field.*
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Taylor, Brian K. New Castle, DE
Taylor, Michael H. Petersburg, WV

Teepe, Charlene P. Virginia Beach, VA
Thorne, Alice M. Waynesboro, VA
Throckmorton, Angie S. Boston, VA
Tippins, Craig J. Alexandria, VA
Todd, Charles G. Richmond, VA

Tucker, Sterling K. Dublin, VA
Turler, Todd J. Pella, IA
Turner, Jefferson E. Petersburg, VA
Turrochy, Rod E. Richmond, VA
Underwood, Mark E. Roanoke, VA

Van Wart, William Lanoka Harbor, NJ
Vaughn, Verle S. Christiansburg, VA
Veillard, Marilou Alexandria, VA
Vitale, Micaela Reston, VA
Waldo, Carolyn D. Bristol, VA

Walters, Robert C. Woodbridge, VA
Wangler, John A. Waynesboro, VA
Weekley, Kevin S. Mt. Crawford, VA
Westendorff, Veronica Blacksburg, VA
Westley, Kevin D. Chantilly, VA

Wheeler, Kimberly Alexandria, VA
Whelihan, William Great Falls, VA
White, Anne-Marie Virginia Beach, VA
White, Percy H. Chase City, VA
Williams, Elizabeth Portsmouth, VA

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Zutavern

Williams, Gregory Newport News, VA
Wilson, Alice V. Chesapeake, VA
Wimer, Cheryl R. Staunton, VA
Wimmer, Christopher Steilacoom, WA
Wiseman, Barry Stuarts Draft, VA

Woo, Han S. Lutherville, MD
Woods, Mary Beth Vienna, VA
Yarbrough, Lanier San Francisco, CA
Zutavern, Angela M. LaPlata, MD

The money-grab at the Missouri basketball game in January netted this man $100.
Abbott, John C. Franktown, VA
Ackerman, Rebecca Annandale, VA
Aigner, Tom E. Mechanicsville, VA
Alford, Scott R. Woodbridge, VA
Allen, Jennifer L. Charleston, WV

Allen, Laura A. Alexandria, VA
Altizer, Jay A. Floyd, VA
Anderson Jr., Larry B. Gretna, VA
Aquino, Chris Oyster Bay, NY
Ashraf, Kaveh Dunellen, NJ

Baines, Melanie Newport News, VA
Baird, Barry W. Roanoke, VA
Balios, Alexander Flemington, NJ
Barcomb, Julie A. Richmond, VA
Barnes, Jennifer L. Cheriton, VA

Barton, Karen E. Virginia Beach, VA
Baskette, Kathryn Chesapeake, VA
Beardsley, Elizabeth Williamsburg, VA
Beaumont, Amanda Fredericksburg, MD
Beilman III, J. Peter Annapolis, MD

Bender, Charles B. Gettysburg, PA
Benedict II, John Mt. Sidney, VA
Bergren, David A. Virginia Beach, VA
Betty, Michael T. Cockeysville, MD
Betzner, Mary E. Fairfax, VA

Bexton, Wakefield Urbana, VA
Bird, Peter R. Laurel, MD
Black, Sara T. Chantilly, VA
Blankenship, Amy Chesapeake, VA
Blankenship, Jan L. Monroe, VA

400 Freshmen
Autumn leaves form an interesting pattern in the fountain near Newman Library. In warmer weather the fountain was often filled with soap bubbles from mysterious laundry detergent.
Sisters of Delta Zeta perform their skit at the Phi Mu Greek Sing. Sororities and fraternities enjoyed performing for each other and usually all shared a good laugh.
English professor Herb West enjoys the music of the band Locomotive at the annual Barger Fest in Blacksburg. The event was attended by students and faculty alike.
Chylak

Chylak, Christine A. Springfield, VA
Coburn, Heather L. Eastville, VA
Cole, Lori E. Penn Laird, VA
Collins, Darrell Bassett, VA
Collins, Giovanna M. Amherst, VA

Combs, Amy C. Tazewell, VA
Condoros, Steven M. Charleston, WV
Connelly, Brian Alexandria, VA
Connor, Roger D. Baton Rouge, LA
Coogan, Tricia L. Staunton, VA

Cooley, Lauren E. Randolph, NJ
Cooper, Charles E. Ridgeway, VA
Cox, Christopher Alexandria, VA
Craun, Angela G. Mt. Crawford, VA
Crittenden, David Blacksburg, VA

Alpha Company cadets take time out for a study break. Cadet evening quiet hours were from 7 p.m. to 11 p.m. and breaks were usually needed during the intense study time.
Sophomore business major Yvette Boor gets a head start on her studies during the first week of classes. The study lounges in AJ provided a quiet atmosphere for students.
Gibson, Jamie S.  Vienna, VA
Gilbert, Andrew B.  Vienna, VA
Gill, Phil L.  S. Boston, VA
Glagola, Michael A.  Richmond, VA
Gomes, Charlene E.  Vienna, VA

Gorski, Paul J.  Hampton, VA
Gouyer, Anthony J.  Church Road, VA
Grady, Suzanne P.  Staunton, VA
Grasmeder, Charles J.  Col. Beach, VA
Grayson, John W.  Gambrills, MD

Green, Jason J.  Fredericksburg, VA
Gresham, Sarah R  Dumfries, VA
Guard, Kimberly K.  Chesapeake, VA
Guy, Frank W.  Annandale, VA
Hachtel, Tawney L.  Middletown, MD

Before the university drained and cleaned the Duck Pond, many parts were filled with large deposits of algae. After the work was completed the pond was stocked with new fish.

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Kaupert, Michael A.  
Keck, Lori L.  
Keefer, Gabrielle A.  
Kelly, Timothy W.  
Kendrick II, Stephen  

Dumfries, VA  
Warrenton, VA  
Shaken Hts., OH  
Dryden, VA  
Ridgeway, VA  

Kent, Eleanor H.  
Kerr, Robert A.  
Kerry, Steven T.  
Key, James C.  
Keyes, Paul R.  

Hurt, VA  
Vienna, VA  
Lisbon, MD  
Pittsburgh, PA  
Ellicott City, MD  

Keys, Curtis B.  
King, Cheryl A.  
King, Fredrick K.  
Kinn, Julie A.  
Kish, Shellye L.  

Baldwin, MD  
Tabb, VA  
Bristol, VA  
Uppersaddle, NJ  
Burke, VA  

Freshman chemistry major Shawn Dressman enjoys a softball catch on a Thursday afternoon. The Drill Field provided a wide open space for a variety of activities.
Kissell

Kissell, Jeffrey R.
Knoll, Meredith A.
Koch, William S.
Kropp, Derek L.
La Falce, Jessica D.

Wilmingon, DE
Flemington, NJ
Centreville, VA
Freeport, VA
Setauket, NY

Lambdin, Kelly E.
Lanham, Michael J.
Lease, Tamara L.
Lee, James
Lee, Jio A.

Herndon, VA
Vir. Beach, VA
Blue Ridge, VA
Centreville, VA
Portsmouth, VA

Lenchner, Lauren B.
Lewis Jr., Ronald E.
Libeau, Chris M.
Light, Jodie E.
Lion, Stephanie J.

Pittsburgh, PA
Richmond, VA
Vienna, VA
Laurel, MD
Richmond, VA

The winter weather allowed this beautiful full moon to cast a beautiful scene behind the tree.

412 Freshmen
A mass of milkweed seeds take flight in a soft breeze making an interesting impression of buzzing insects.

Lisle, Brian C. Fairfax, VA
Littlefield, Tina R. Monrovia, MD
Lock, Joseph G. Dumfries, VA
Lord, Charles Schweinfurt, Ger.
Lovdenback, Scott H. Potsdam, NY

Lu, Stacy M. Catlett, VA
Lyon, Christopher J. Poquoson, VA
Lyons, John D. Radford, VA
Mahfouz, Ahmed Salmiya, Kuwait
Mahon, Kristi E. St. Charles, WV

Maino, James J. E. Northport, NY
Mank, Christen M. Portsmouth, VA
Manning, Donald C. Claremont, NH
Marable, George F. DeWitt, VA
Marchetti, John W. Rockville, CT
### Marks

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Students stop to listen to the possibilities in naval research and development at the annual Engineering Expo held in the War Memorial Gym.
McMillan, Laurie A. Portland, CT
McMinn, Christopher Sterling, VA
McQuail, Sarah R. Richmond, VA
McQuarrie, Catherine Franklin, VA
McRoberts, Bryan S. Sterling, VA

Merritt, Bryan Jupiter, FL
Michadick, Steven C. Spotsylvania, VA
Michaels, Anthony L. Richmond, VA
Michell, Richard A. Woodbridge, VA
Middleton, John F. Great Falls, VA

Milgrim, Chris A. Wytheville, VA
Miller III, Charles E. Leesburg, VA
Miller, Daniel A. Oxon Hill, MD
Miller, Jennifer C. Toppa, MD
Mink, Vickie J. Great Falls, VA

Moe, Michelle L. Herndon, VA
Moeller, Herman J. Rockville, MD
Mondor, Patrick E. Arnold, MD
Montgomery, Melissa Vir. Beach, VA
Mooney, Kevin E. Richmond, VA

Moore, Thomas St. Mary's, WV
Moore, Vernon B. Springfield, VA
Morath, Scott M. Fredericksburg, VA
Moreland, Stephanie Dothan, AL
Morgan, Robert S. Oakton, VA

Morrell, Melanie L. Newmarket, NH
Morris, Jeffrey T. Reston, VA
Morris, Sydney H. Williamsburg, VA
Moser, Kelli L. Virginia Beach, VA
Murphy, James L. Highland, MD
Nauer

Nauer, Cindy L.  Stephens City, VA
Neradka, Lisa A.  Rockville, MD
Nolen, Christopher R.  Floyd, VA
Nordberg Jr., Victor  Vineland, NJ
Novakoski, Meredith  Npt. News, VA

Oberdorf, Corrie A.  Rockville, MD
O’Brien, Kara A.  Dayton, VA
O’Dell, Michael S.  Richmond, VA
Okimoto, David  Ft. Huachua, AZ
Olgers, Katherine  Sutherland, VA

Orr, Jeremy R.  Slate Hill, NY
Paldao, Diego G.  Vienna, VA
Pak, Yong H.  Fairfax, VA
park, Hyung I.  Wheaton, MD
Parr, Kevin D.  Atlanta, GA

Pate, Nicole R.  Hopewell, VA
Paulette, Susan G.  Millchran, VA
Pauley, Elizabeth M.  W. Chester, PA
Paup, Jennifer L.  Vienna, VA
Penn, Cheryl Y.  Manassas, VA

Perdue, Clinton L.  Warrenton, VA
Perkins, James A.  Grundy, VA
Perkinson, Tara L.  Richmond, VA
Perrini, Stefani N.  Sterling, VA
Perry, Christine E.  Alexandria, VA

Pflaging, Eric  Owings Mills, MD
Phifer, Julian D.  Raleigh, NC
Pickert, Mark D.  Mt. Airy, MD
Pitt, Michele S.  Woodbridge, VA
Pitzer, Keith D.  Fredericksburg, VA

416 Freshmen
Music entertains the crowd at the annual Barger Fest held on Barger Street. The party was an opportunity for an weekend outdoors with music, food, fun, and friends.
Living in the dorms could get monotonous so these students decided to make a pool out of their shower facilities. Making the pool took awhile but the fun was usually worth it.
Stephenson, Jill L.  Smithfield, VA
Stevens, Robert S.  Vinton, VA
Stewart, Elizabeth J.  Christiansburg, VA
Stewart, Geoffrey T.  Raleigh, NC
Stites, Brandon E.  Midlothian, VA

Stocker, Dennis B.  Macungie, PA
Stockner, Terry L.  Front Royal, VA
Stulc, Edwin P.  Hopewell, VA
Sullivan, Christopher  Morristown, NJ
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Junior Sean O'Conner browses through the classes section of the 1988 Bugle looking for familiar faces.
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The Hokie Bird applauds in the dirt for his team. The lovable mascot brought many smiles at all the events he attended.

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Yu, Marc Y. Woodbridge, VA
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Local businesses changed faces once again. The popular bar and restaurant, Morgan’s went out of business in November. By December, the owner of nearby Ton 80 opened Buddy’s in its place. In January, the Studio II closed down and rumors flew that the Lyric would soon follow. Luckily, the addition of the simplex at the New River Valley Mall helped relieve the burden from the VTU and the Capri Twin. Kinko’s moved into the space where the Emporium used to be and the Emporium replaced Silk Stocking next door to Partyrama.

A Kentucky Fried Chicken opened up near Kroger’s as well as I Can’t Believe It’s Yogurt. Krogers renovated and expanded to house a Dominion Banking Center. The changes increased as the town of Blacksburg continued to develop and grow to accommodate its growing, changing population. But the little town where many students began would always be recognizable as the home away from home that brought comfort and relaxation.
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I see skies of blue and clouds of white, the bright blessed day, the dark sacred night, and I think to myself, what a wonderful world.

The colors of the rainbow, so pretty in the sky, are also on the faces of people going by. I see friends shaking hands, saying how do you do. They're really saying, I love you.

I hear babies crying, I watch them grow. They'll learn much more and I'll never know. And I think to myself, what a wonderful world. Yes, I think to myself, what a wonderful world. -Louis Armstrong
PERSONALS

LJO • 4 years here at Virginia Tech.
I thought we'd never make it.
**Congratulations** 2U & Ken - GSB

Virginia Tech - A great place to suck face
Ripley — Dare to be shallow. You too, Houston! Newell.

DS-Go banana, go
Mary- thanx for being there in 88-89
Tom- watch out for killer squirrels.
PK - Friends are better than buds K.

**Good Luck SMB members**

Amazon Women read **COSMO**... and they're worth it.

To my froody friends RC CD BH. Dude!

Congratulations, **PAUL**. Now it's time to show the world what you've got. Go for it! Thanks for the special years we've shared and the promise of many more to come. You'll always be #1 in my heart.

- Luv U, Lani

A personal word from Chuckles:

To **Lamont**- Thanks! Best friends always stick together. To **FNTAHJS**, you have made life bearable, and I will never forget it!
To the crew, long since disbanded, I think of you always, and hope we will be together again.
To **DMC** and **SJ**- you have my sincere wishes for a future together- you deserve it all!

**SANDY**
Thank you for a wonderful four years of college. You made my life complete. I suppose I'm ready to set a date now.
I love you.
Rob

**CTers**- Thanks for the **FUN** Robbus

Andrew M. Arnette,
You are my warm memories of yesterday, my joy today, my hope for tomorrow, and you are always my love.
- Kimberley

**HT89! Good Luck in the Future and Keep in Touch!**!!!

The light is attained-don't get sunburnt! Happy memories of Va Tech. **HT + Good Luck All -Christie, Gale, Nadine, Lori, Michelle — Steph** HT 88.5

I can't thank everyone enuf! Mark N. Stephanie, Gilbert, Karen, Vicki, Janal, Beth C., Chuck, Melissa, Gale, Dr. C..... What do we do now? Hope you like it! CLSD

Martin, I'm yours, Love, your wife and best friend - CLSD

We're outta here on a golden chariot, Bugle luv, 4ever HT89 GSB

**Bimbos**- It's been fun! Love, Angie.

Mom, Dad, Grandma and Grandpa, Aunt Cynthia, Uncle Pete, Caroline, Viv, Steph, Vic, Victoria, Viv, Ed, Danny, Andrew, and Christie- I Love You!

Mr. and Mrs. Dragan- Thank you for such a **wonderful** husband-! CL(S)(D)

**Dawn**, You are a **wonderful** person!
Thanks for the **wonderful** times! Dan

**Mom and Dad** - Your encouragement and support got me through four years here. Thanks for my education!

- Love your Tech kid - GSB

Vicster- Ahoy matey! Well, what can I say but “thanks.” First of all, thanks for driving me all across the eastern half of the U.S. (I still love you even though you left me stranded at Ohio State); Second, thanks for waking me up every morning; and Third, and most importantly, thanks for the memories, particularly New Year's in OC! Anyway, you're the best girl across the hall a person could ask for and I'm really looking forward to Hokie, Pokie, and (HOLY COW!), off-campus living! Love, Malcolm Jamal. P.S. So did this light the corners of your mind, or what?!

So what are their names, anyway?!!!

He, he, he! Ho, ho, ho! OHH Vicki you are SOO funny!

H.S: Do they make JUNGLE BARS in OZLAND? I hope they have a touch-a-scent, soda cans and RUTH! OY!
G.C.

**GOOBCHILD**: Guess who lives in N.U.F.'s 3rd floor lounge?!? Good Lord!

CLD & MSD - I hope our friendship lasts forever - I love you both - ME

Christie & Gale: Can you look back & say "that wasn't so bad" yet? Sorry for all the hassles, but I'm glad we worked through some of them together. Stay in touch.- "Dr. Charlotte"

Hey Delta Zetas! What a **FANTASTIC** year! Yea football champs! Can't wait for all your convention awards in Williamsburg. I love being a part of your sisterhood.

Love in the flame

Love, Charlotte Davis

**G**- May our friendship continue to grow forever-C

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The light at the end of the tunnel draws near as the monster prepares to hibernate for the summer. Though he will awaken again, I rejoice in knowing I will be long gone and I only hope I have left adequate weapons for my successor to fight a more efficient and less aggravating battle.

I ponder whether a colophon has ever been written in daylight hours. I pray that all the not-so-secret desires for the office to meet with some natural disaster will go unheard. As we near the end of a tortuous year, I am excited at the prospect of seeing the hours of frustration, tears, friendships, and junk food, culminate in the monster we call the Bugle. The experience has been tremendous and the thank you's I need and want to make seem infinite. Should I miss anyone, I can only beg forgiveness and understanding for my exhausted brain.

I begin with Gale. You have struck by me when I didn't even want to be around myself. You sacrificed more than I could have ever expected, and most of all, you were always there when I needed a hug. I didn't think we could become closer but I guess sharing the best and worst ten months of your life can do that!

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Kathy S., no more 2 a.m. phone calls asking where the German Club copy went or telling you your whole disk was erased. Thank you for your patience and late nights. You did a great job and the personals look super too!

Jodie, thanks for relieving the pressure for two wonderful sections that gave her headaches the entire time? Your adaptability to crises was incredible and you almost never complained. Thank you so much for being someone I could count on.

Beth, Susan, Karen, Chelle, Sarah, Mary Beth: thank you for working on such a high pressured section. I hope you take your experience and develop it in other sections of the book next year.

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Joe, what do I say to my new friend who always seemed to stop by when we were desperate for copy, or an errand, or a... The list goes on, as you well know, but so do the thank you's for your contributions to the book and my sanity!

Gale, we can go to sleep now!

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New Faces

Blacksburg became the new home for several key people in the university community recently. Dr. James D. McComas arrived in September to take the helm as university President. A few weeks later, Dr. Thomas Goodale was named Vice President for Student Affairs. The Athletic Department welcomed Bill Roth as the new "Voice of the Hokies." In addition, David Braine, Frankie Allen, and Frank Beamer each entered their second year in their roles in athletics.

James McComas was no stranger to the President's office. Before becoming Tech's thirteenth president, McComas served as President of the University of Toledo. Prior to that, he was President of Mississippi State University. McComas, a native of Pritchard, West Virginia held degrees from West Virginia University and Ohio State. Pete White, rector of the Board of Visitors, said, "I am confident that Jim is the person who can lead this university into a new era of excellence."

Tom Goodale's mettle was tested under fire early in his tenure with the university. In his first month as Vice President for Student Affairs he had to handle two crises involving the Corps of Cadets. Soon after those events, he had to formulate changes in university policy to prevent assaults after two coeds reported being sexually attacked on campus. Despite these problems, Goodale still took time to meet students and listen to the complaints and suggestions for the university. He also wrote a weekly column in the Collegiate Times which kept students informed on administrative policies which affected them. Goodale's obvious concern for students quickly made him quite popular among them.

The Athletic Department also became populated with several new faces. Most recently, Bill Roth joined the staff as the play-by-play announcer. Roth replaced the popular Jeff Charles who left to take a similar position at East Carolina. David Braine became Athletic Director after Dutch Baughman resigned amid the 1986 NCAA investigation into the basketball program. Braine had been Athletic Director at Marshall University.

Second year head football coach Frank Beamer was no stranger to Blacksburg. Beamer, a native of nearby Carroll County, was star football player for the Hokies in the 1960's. He was the head coach at Murray State in Kentucky before coming to Tech.

All of these men lent a new breath of fresh air to the university and were committed to improving the university and the positions they held.

-Joe Guthrie
Frank Beamer was no stranger to Blacksburg. The second year head football coach played for the Hokies in the 1960's.

Dr. McComas began his duties as the thirteenth president of Virginia Tech in September and was inaugurated in early December. Originally from Pritchard, West Virginia, McComas wasn't far from his hometown and alma mater.
Space Crunch

Delays, cost overruns, and relocation of student services created problems in the renovation of Squires Student Center, but the improvements to the building may make all the frustration and expense worthwhile. According to Dr. David Ostroth, Director of Student Activities, plans called for almost total renovation of much of the present structure and construction of an additional 70,000 square feet onto the student center. Ostroth said the renovated Squires will contain a new ballroom, an enlarged art gallery, a copy center, a convenience store, and a bank. Also, 43 percent more student office space, three new large student meeting rooms, two fast food restaurants, and many other features would be available.

Although the original schedule called for renovation to begin early in 1988, a series of delays put off construction until the summer. The project was expected to last until January 1991 and cost $13.7 million. The Board of Visitors was forced to vote for an increase in student fees to pay for the unexpectedly high renovation costs. The most frustrating problem for students, however, was the decentralization and elimination of student services created when Squires closed.

Most of the services were relocated to other places on campus. The Bugle and Collegiate Times offices were moved to a lounge at Dietrick Dining Hall while the WUVT radio station was relocated off campus. All other student group offices and Student Activities staff offices were moved to remodeled dorm rooms in East Eggleston. Several pool tables and video games were moved to a lounge in Pritchard while some pool tables and pianos were relocated into other dorms. Outdoor recreation equipment was available through a center at the South Recreation Fields. Rooms in McBryde were made available for student meetings. Plans for posting student information and hanging posters were also established.

There were also some new resources made available due to the closing of Squires. In order to support outdoor student programs, the university purchased a truck to move equipment and installed heavy-duty electrical services on the Drill Field. The university also purchased a large tent for student groups to rent.

Many students reacted negatively to the closing of Squires. In addition to the problems created by the lack of space, they complained that they were paying for services they would never enjoy. However, Virginia Tech Union President Trisha Evans said that the problems were minimal. “The Student Activities staff are really working their hardest to make the transition as easy as possible” Evans said. She added that attendance at VTU events had not declined, even though they could not be held in Squires.

The administration was sensitive to the controversy that the closing created. Vice President of Student Affairs Tom Goodale said he is concerned about the lack of space, especially lounge space, and said he wants to create more lounge space in residence halls to compensate. Dr. Ostroth said that every effort was made to make the move out of Squires as easy on students as possible and that the administration worked to ensure that all services were continued. According to Ostroth, although today’s students will have to cope without a student center, Virginia Tech will have a much improved facility in the near future.

-Joseph Guthrie
Walter Lundy steals the microphone from Ninette Sadusky as Student Government Association's Vice President Brad Morris and President Dave Baker listen to the gripes of students in front of Dietrick Hall.

The new law changing the speed limit to 65 mph affected many students who seized the opportunity to go home more often. The increase of cars on campus also added to the parking problem.

With more cars than parking spaces, parking lots received maximum use and caused students maximum frustration. Consequently, many tickets are collected daily.

Polly Boush surveys the abandoned Squires Student Center. The building is scheduled to re-open in 1991.
Autumn Endings

With autumn came many different changes as Tech underwent a series of new beginnings. The cold weather gave warning of the long winter ahead and the Duck Pond was no longer a warm refuge for wildlife.

Students could be seen donning more clothes as they trudged to class and the storms promising future snows began rolling across the Blacksburg skies. The leaves began turning and the beautiful oranges and reds of fall scattered across the ground. The birds began seeking refuge from the cold and the squirrels began their preparations for a long winter’s sleep.

Construction on the Squires Student Center began, promising a much improved haven for student activities. Work on Pamplin Hall and around Cowgill and McBryde was completed, relieving some of the space shortage and providing easier access to the buildings.

A new administration offered hope for changes and improvements with the inauguration of President James McComas. While autumn warned of the cold and the end of warm activities, it also signified many new beginnings that kept the future bright.

-David Alex Bergren

A colorful hot air balloon floats into the sky above Williams Hall. The balloon added to the festive spirit of the autumn season.

Two students walk to class on a brisk fall morning. As temperatures dropped, leisurely strolls across the Drill Field gave way to mad dashes.
The Corps of Cadets salutes the American Flag as it is raised during evening formation. These formations signified the end of the working day and when the weather got too cold, the end of formal retreat ceremonies.

A lone runner crosses the bridge over the Duck Pond. As the weather turned cooler, runners could be seen donning warmer clothes, such as stretch pants and sweat shirts.

Two swans grace the waters of the Duck Pond. Days of relaxing and enjoying the animals ended as people and wildlife sought warmer refuge.
The bustling town of Blacksburg was just beginning to grow in the early 1940's. Today, with the help of a growing university, Blacksburg is a small but well-remembered town.

The Skipper Crew stands on the cannon, the Skipper anticipating another score at the South Carolina game. Members of the Skipper Crew cautiously but proudly announced each Tech triumph by firing the cannon.
Memories

The American Flag stands tall and proud on a clear night above Harding Cemetery. Beautiful nights like these combined to make symbols of America and Blacksburg.

The boys of Pritchard Hall get down and dirty in a rousing game of mud football after a storm. Blacksburg weather was appreciated on days like this.

The Hokie Bird lays down to get a ground level view of the action on the field. The game against James Madison was just one of the many times the mascot provided great laughs for the fans and undying spirit throughout the year.

A sheep pauses to smile for the camera in his efforts to reach the other side of the fence. Nature and animals made up part of the essence and beauty of Blacksburg.
Beginning as an agricultural and mechanical college with less than twenty students, the polytechnic institute and state university has grown and brought many changes to the small town of Blacksburg. For some, it was the late nights on the town that would be remembered. For others, it was the late nights spent studying. However, this adorable heffer, found in the valley hidden in the southwest Appalachians, was one of the memorable features that would always be associated with the diverse educational experience available from Blacksburg and Virginia Tech.