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As the lazy days of summer drew to close, we saw that the beginning of the academic year lay on the horizon. So we bid a fond farewell to our friends from home, our parents, and family and begin the trek to the mountains of southwest Virginia, to a little town called Blacksburg and a university called Virginia Tech.

For some of us, it was our first time away from home, for others it will have become routine. But no matter what the situation, none of us quite knew what lay in store for us in the school year. A nervous tension filled the air as we caught a glimpse of the campus as we drove by it. What would our classes be like? Will I have to drop a
At the International Street Fair students get the opportunity to sample foods from many different cultures.

Students try their best to defeat the strength of the bungie cord in the "bungie run" during VTU's Winterfest.

The pillar of sacrifice towers over visitors to the War Memorial. Each of the eight pillars that comprise the monument represented those qualities that the university hoped to inspire in students.
Rollerbladers are a common sight around campus. Students found rollerblading to be a great form of exercise and entertainment.
class? What about my roommate, will he or she be as nice as they sounded on the phone or will I be one of those horror stories I’ve heard about? Will I graduate on time? Will I have enough money to make it through the semester? Will I graduate at all?

Life was full of lessons to be learned. Just when we thought we had everything figured out, life was always ready to throw us a screwball. So in these situations we had a choice, we could either give in to the pressures or we could learn from each situation and adapt. And adapt we did.

Virginia Tech’s academic reputation brought us here but that was no guarantee that we would stay. Each new class forced us to find new ways to study. We could choose to either wait impatiently for the class to end or we could make the best of the situation and try to learn something while we were there. Either way, we would get out of class, the only difference would be if we learned something or not.

Besides classes, we learned a lot about ourselves and others as well. Many times these lessons came
about the hard way. We learned our likes and dislikes, things we should take a stand for and things we should stand against—lessons that went beyond the what was taught in the classroom. In our dealings with other people, we learned just how much influence we carried. We had the power to either hurt or encourage, love or despise. Friends were essential; who else could we share our inner most feelings with, share our fears and hopes with? This was not a simple process—sometimes the people we thought were friends were not and vice-versa. But all-in-all, the most important lesson that we learned during this time was who we were as individuals and what that meant. And that was one lesson grow on.
Most students strive to improve academically each year. However, there is a saying that says that all work and no play makes a person dull; there was more to going to college than preparing for the next exam.

Involvement in student life was a must. Some students chose a hobby, others an off-the-wall activity to participate in. The true student learned the balance between academics and social involvement.

When Ross Perot visited Tech, students had a front row seat to the 1996 presidential campaign and became players in the political arena. Another part of student life included attending football games, going to apartment parties, and homecoming.

Student life was not all fun and games, however. Everyone got involved when there was little parking for commuter students, and campus security on campus was a hot topic.

Students make up the university, and college would not be much of a learning experience without the social interaction found in student life. This year was just another year to grow on...

A sunny afternoon is always an invitation for students to take advantage of the volleyball courts on campus. Being well-rounded was an important part of the Virginia Tech experience.
For most students at Tech, moving into the residence halls or an apartment was really the first time they had to live on their own.

Even though most students welcomed a chance to show the world they could survive without their parents, a majority of them admitted that they miss home every once in awhile. Therefore, students decorated or furnished their rooms or their apartments to resemble some sort of home.

Putting the personal touch to a residence hall room or an apartment meant many things to different people. Some students went all out to display their personality.

Although dorm rooms did not offer much space to work with, students found the most inventive ways to create the perfect, comfortable atmosphere. Whether it was painting a loft or hanging posters on the wall, the individuality of the rooms always caught the eye of those passing by an open door. Some students went all out and tacked up matching curtains to go with a matching bed ensemble.

Apartments surrounding the campus were no different than the rooms either. Students used living in an apartment to set-up a little home with all the freedom not included at Mom's house. Due to lack of finances, some apartments were bare, but students always found creative ways to make their apartment a statement.

There was much more freedom in decorating an apartment too. The larger space allowed students to expand their dorm room possessions and collect even more junk. Most apartments were decorated with posters and much of the same things as dorm rooms, but now the students owned their own furniture.

Although students may have wished they had somewhere else to live, besides an apartment or a dorm room, most made the best of the situation by turning their living quarters into a familiar place. Sometimes the best way to cope with college was to make it your home away from home...
Enjoying an off-campus crib, Roberto DeMoraes, a third year Communications Studies student, works at keeping the dishes clean. It was just part of the price of having an apartment.

Part of the on-campus living experience is the friends who drop by randomly to say “Hey!” and to borrow something such as a book! Some people just loved living in the dorms...
Another year of Parking shortages left Tech's students hurrying around campus in their cars looking for the ideal parking spot. Although some students tried to leave early for class to search the commuter lots for empty spaces, only the really early birds caught the lot empty. In fact, most people left cars in the commuter lot all day once they had found a spot.

With the same old debates over the solution to Tech's parking shortage still in the headlines, no real solutions were offered by the university. However, the Student Government Association found a small avenue to alleviate some of the parking tensions. In combination with university officials, the SGA helped provide a new parking opportunity in hopes of cutting down the number of cars driven to campus. A High Occupancy Vehicle lot was opened in the spring semester.

The HOV lot, monitored by parking services officials, provided parking for students driving to campus with two or more people in their cars. The lot behind Wittemore Hall served as the Hall served as the HOV lot because there is only one entrance and one exit to the lot.

Although touted as a method to help alleviate some of the parking problems on campus, the HOV lot wasn't the ideal answer.

Without even being implemented it was less than enthusiastic reviews. Julie Johnson, a sophomore in chemical engineering said "I don't know what they're [SGA and parking services] were thinking. It's hard enough to find a parking spot now. Let alone when they close off a major section....And it's also hard to find someone with the same schedule as you. Even people in your major don't have the same schedules..." This was a more than typical response to the SGA proposal.

For students, faculty, and university officials, the debate was still out the ideal solution.
While returning to your car, you see it! What is it? This orange thing! Oh no! I was just in Owen's for a minute or two at the most... Why has this happened to me, again...? This, for the faint of heart is the $15.00 present that parking services bills you for each time you park in a good spot.

A regularly occurring sight on campus was the full commuter parking lots. “Where oh where do I park? I’m already late for class!! There never any spots even at this hour of the morning! Why can’t I park? Why?! Why!!?”
After defeating UVA in their last home football game, the Hokie fans tore the goal posts down and paraded them down Main Street.
One of the benefits of going to a large school as large as Tech was the large number of students. Nowhere was the number of people more evident than during a home football game. Each game up to 50,000 fans crowded into the stands of Lane stadium to support the Hokies' football team. Whether they are alumnae, students, parents, or faculty, they were all there for the same reason— to have fun and support the players.

Like everything else, fans could and did get out of control. At pregame tailgating, fans tended to drink too much, leading to less than courteous behavior during the games.

This year the Blacksburg police department, after complaints from some fans, decided to more heavily enforce the drinking regulations at football games. This has greatly improved the atmosphere of the football games, making it enjoyable for

Fans go crazy during a home football game. Hokies turned out by the thousands to support the winning football team.

A group of fans celebrates the win as they march in the streets. One of Tech's treasures throughout the years was its supportive fans.
Hokie Tradition

In a stadium packed with alumni, students and fans, Tech displayed its Hokie power and tradition during its Homecoming game, beating the Temple Owls 38-0.

The Hokie football team was at its best and fans cheered as the team fought its best both offensively and defensively. A Hokie fan is never happier than when the football team is at its top game.

The half-time show also followed in the Hokie tradition of greatness, making the long trip to Blacksburg worthwhile for many alumni. The Marching Virginians bolstered the fans’ spirits as the band performed an outstanding show, entertaining the crowd with a different type of Hokie talent.

In addition to the marching band, the Corp of Cadets helped to bring the stadium to its feet by giving the crowd a taste of military tradition at Tech. The cannons firing and cadets storming the field brought spirit to its height.

The cadets cheered the loudest when one of their own was crowned Tech royalty during the half-time show. Cadet Jeff Banks, also a member of Sigma Chi, was named homecoming king. Sherry Turner, a member of Delta Zeta, was crowned homecoming queen.

The 1996 homecoming successfully brought all of Tech’s time-honored traditions to Lane Stadium for all Hokie fans to enjoy.

As part of the Homecoming tradition, members of the Ranger Company of the Corps of Cadets carry the ball on the field.

Homecoming would not be complete without the Hokie Bird present to support the team.
The newly crowned Homecoming king and queen Cadet Jeff Banks from the Corp of Cadets and Sherri Turner from ΔΖ pause for a picture following the ceremony.

The Virginia Tech Marching Band performs during the halftime celebration, leading the Hokies in the traditional "Hokie Pokie."
To some Saint Valentine’s Day has long been a day of love and romance, but to others it was only a day of sorrow and heartache. From boxed chocolates and red roses to broken hearts and disappointment, February 14th meant many different things to many different people. “Valentine’s Day is only good if you have someone to share it with. Otherwise, it just reinforces the fact that you are lonely,” commented Jennifer Stenstrom, a freshman business major.

Marc Molino, a senior majoring in English and psychology, offered a romantic perspective: “Despite all the merchandising and hoopla surrounding Valentine’s Day, it is still nice to have a day out of the year that you can wholly devote to someone you love.”

However, some people could not disagree more. Marissa Basla, a freshman mathematics major, counterpointed, “I believe that Valentine’s Day is too overdone. If lovers are truly in love they should not need a special day to show it. It should be practiced every-day.”

There was one thing between the two sides could be agreed upon; Valentine’s Day merchandising had gotten way out of hand. From its start as a pagan holiday to today’s Valentine’s Day “Sale-A-Brations,” it has become overdone. As early as grade school we are trained to exchange cards and candies on Valentine’s Day.

How many of us remember walking around the classroom placing one card on each person’s desk, hoping that when you returned to your seat someone had left you a candied heart that read “I love U” and not “Cool Dude” or something even worse. Valentine’s Day walked a delicate balance between people, their emotions, and the free market economy.
Valentine's Day brings out a wide variety of emotions. From that first kindergarten party when you were excited to exchange cards with your classmates all the way to your college years when you were lonely and knew it because you only received cards from your parents and a friend if you were lucky.
The comfortable atmosphere of the Blacksburg bars is one of the attractions for many people. Even for those who were not of drinking age, there were attractions such as pool and darts to occupy them.

Friends meet at the bars and drink for a while before moving on to the next bar. For most the bars were the ideal wind-down after a hard week of classes and work.
AND BOOGIE

Once you hit 21-years of age, there’s no more waiting for mom to throw you a party. The legal drinking age prompted many students to throw their own kind of party.

The Blacksburg crawl, now a Tech ritual, challenged students to a coming-of-age night filled with drinking, drinking and more drinking. 21-year-olds found themselves on the streets of Blacksburg running from bar to bar in a quest to drink at least one alcoholic beverage at each drinking establishment in downtown Blacksburg.

Some students made T-shirts to commemorate the event, and still others only walked away with a strong hangover the next day. But, the Blacksburg crawl offered students a chance to let loose and in most cases drink for free on one of the most special days in a person’s life.

When on the crawl, the birthday person, surrounded by friends, was swept from bar to bar and also provided with a safe ride home at the end of the evening. Deciding who has to stay sober and drive was not even difficult. Everyone turned 21 at some point and knew they wanted someone to drive them around in order to do the crawl.

Although the crawl didn’t seem to further promote students’ drinking, most students attempting the crawl planned the event carefully to ensure safety.

After a night crawling on the town, students needed a day of recovery as well. Even though the crawl seemed just like any other night out, it gave students a way to celebrate their birthday and perform a ritual students in Blacksburg have been doing for years and years.

The bars prove to be a place where everyone can go to wind down and drink as much or as little as he or she wants.
“Does my opinion matter?” asked Rebecca Ross a sophomore in Biology. This was usually a resounding question heard not only from college students but also from the entire U.S. population.

Many Virginia Tech students found out that their vote, their opinion, their voice does matter. In fact, it mattered enough that presidential candidate H. Ross Perot, of the newly formed Reform Party, found it beneficial to visit Virginia Tech.

On his visit, candidate Perot spoke to several thousand students and regional residents.

When looking back on the visit by Perot and the 1996 Presidential Election, Dewain Perry, a junior majoring in biochemistry and interdisciplinary studies said, “It's nice to know that political candidates see college students and young adults as a viable political entities.”

Even though the lowest voter turnout was among 18-29 year olds, college students and young Americans still hold a nice block of the vote. And to answer Rebecca Ross’s question; yes, our opinion did matter, at least to one political candidate.

Ross Perot addresses a group of students in the Burrus Auditorium during his campaign. One of the highlights of the election year for the students and faculty at Tech was the appearance of Presidential candidate Ross Perot.
A student registers to vote at one of the many registration booths set-up on campus. This was only one of the many opportunities provided by student organizations on campus.

While in the area, Ross Perot took the time to be on a local television show hosted by Robert Denton, a Communication Studies professor.
Key West, Florida is home of the southern most point in the continental United States. With mild temperatures and warm water it was one of the most popular destinations for student beach seekers.

Outdoors recreation always seems to be a popular alternative to skiing and beach going. Camping outdoors provides one with the chance to commune with nature and oneself without the rush of university life.
These sunseekers have access to renting rafts and buying beverages mere steps from the beach. Modern convenience was crucial to contemporary American life, especially during vacations.

One of the most treasured of all college vacations, spring break, has come to be a time of leisure and fun. It's the week in March, halfway through the semester, that gives a second wind to weary students and new opportunities to wild ones.

Students spring break plans take a variety of forms, from the party seekers of south Florida to the service oriented retreats facilitated by the Newman Community and YMCA. There's always something for everyone to do over the break.

"It was a good spring break," said Adam Wienckowski, a senior in fisheries and wildlife. "I worked and made lots of money. I traveled across the eastern and southern United States refereeing soccer."

Adam got the best of both worlds by vacationing and working.

Erin Domagowski, a senior in Communications English said, "It was awesome! Although I got sun burned. Several friends of mine went to Florida and stayed at my grandma's house. We did all kinds of stuff from Disney World to Venice Beach!" Sarah Lexa, a senior in English and history, had a different perspective. She went on a YMCA alternative spring break. "It was a valuable experience. I met a lot of wonderful people and had a chance to help others and learn about Native American Culture. It's a worthwhile experience for everyone!"

Spring break always provided opportunities for one to grow on.
“Show Me The Money”

Going to college requires more than dedication these days. Lots of students are forced to not only go to school, but find a job as well.

Granted, in a college town such as Blacksburg, Virginia there are lots of jobs to be found, but each job goes very fast. However, each restaurant and business does count on the students for employees.

At the beginning of each semester local businesses and restaurants are flooded with applications from students looking to make a buck. Since student workers are a dime a dozen, businesses have their pick of employees. The lucky student though finds the job of his or her choice.

Some students start looking for jobs early though. When looking for a job for the summer in Blacksburg, many students begin the hunt around spring break time. While businesses may not hire at this time, the first applications turned in always receive higher priority.

Of course though, many students seek employment on campus. The dining halls and offices on-campus all need student workers, as well as the fast food chains located in the student centers. Students have lots of job options.

The library offers a variety of positions to students needing make money. Besides reshelving books, students can work at the information desk, circulation desk or assist those needing help in the library computer lab.
There are numerous opportunities for employment on-campus. Besides office jobs, students can work in the dining facilities, Hardees or Burger King, and the Squires Recreational Center.
PETS DEFINE PEOPLE

College represents a time of freedom for all students. Not only is going away to college a chance to live on your own without your parents, but it is also a time for breaking away from the norm. Students defined their lives in many ways, and some choose to have a pet they could never have living at home with mom and dad.

Pets are an expression of a person and choosing the right pet can make all the difference. Some students wanted pets just because they could never have one before, while others longed for an unconditional friend. Pets provided many things to people. Since college could leave students lonely and in need of some purpose, many choose to fulfill that emptiness by caring for their pet.

Choosing the right pet can be even more important. Residence halls only allowed fish as pets, and many apartment complexes did not allow pets at all. Therefore, students had to make sure their living arrangements allowed for a pet before purchasing one.

Senior Lisa Tabor lived in an apartment, which only allowed aquarium pets. Abiding by this rule, Tabor decided to purchase a guinea pig, which she named Squirrel. However, Squirrel lived with one of Tabor’s friends due to her allergies. Tabor said she took allergy medication before she visited her pet.

“Guinea pigs are cute and they don’t take up a lot of space. Once you meet the pig, you can see its personality. It’s not spastic, it has a nice personality,” Tabor said.

Students purchased pets for all kinds of reasons. Even though Tabor’s allergies prevented her guinea pig from living with her, she still considered Squirrel her pet and friend.

A pet makes a statement about a person. They contribute to an individual’s personality.

Some students looked for pets that departed from the norm, and still others stuck to the good old dog or cat. At Virginia Tech, many different pets found their way into the hearts of students. Besides dogs, cats, birds and fish, students purchased snakes, ferrets, gerbils and frogs.

Tech’s diversity is one of the many aspects of campus that students love, and having a pet only adds to a person’s individuality. Therefore, choosing the right pet can make all the difference. Students wanting to exhibit another side of themselves can purchase an animal of their choice, a pet which will make the perfect friend.

Sophomore Tom Condon (above) displays his love for his pet rodent Otho.

Sophomore Lauren Yeany (right) encourages her ferret Cooter to show his teeth.

Sophomore Jennifer Hitchcock (far right) gives her pet snake Buttercup some loving attention.

Photo opposite page: Dixa.
Recycling. Protecting the ozone. Saving the rain forest. Ending pollution. These were all issues that Ecocycle, a campus environmental group, worked to raise awareness about during Earth Week 1997.

Members of the organization hoped to persuade other Virginia Tech students to better appreciate our natural habitat. A wide variety of activities helped educate students about what was happening to the environment, both locally and around the globe.

Ecocycle sponsored a wide range of informative programs. Lectures, interactive games, and information booths all aimed to get more of the Tech population involved in the cause.

Drawing popular support, the Critical Mass bike rally was an event the club sponsored. Groups of students and community members rode their bikes around the Drillfield in hopes of encouraging more people to bike instead of drive.

Other activities sponsored during Earth Week included a thrift sale, a poetry reading, and an environmentally conscious volleyball tournament.

Ecocycle loved seeing so many Tech students out in support of Earth Week. It takes more than sandals and tie-dyed apparel to protect the environment; it takes action.

Action, however, can only be taken when people become more educated about what is going on in their own eco-system. By participating in Earth Week events, students ensured a safe environment for generations to come.

On April 22, Earth Day, Taking Responsibility for the Earth and Environment (T.R.E.E.) held a protest on campus. During the protest the organization spoke out against the coal stacks on campus, saying the stacks need to be filtered. In addition to the coal stacks, the group also supported the conservation of trees and other earth-saving-related acts. Ecocycle sponsored a thrift sale was held outside the campus bookstore in order to raise money in support of saving the earth. The sale promoted the recycling and reuse of clothing and other household items.
SAFE N-OUND

During football weekends, police officers from Salem, Radford, Blacksburg, Narrows, and the Commonwealth joined the Virginia Tech police in an effort to tighten security and control the large number of people visiting Tech.

With Hokie football's rising popularity, crowds expected a higher level of security during games and on campus.

Police officer Debbi Morgan, a Virginia Tech police officer who was part of the crime prevention unit, said there were usually 30-50 arrests during a football game.

Even though traffic was the main problem with the large number of people in town, Morgan said there were, on average, 10-15 alcohol related arrests on a football weekend night. Although abuse of alcohol could be a problem, crimes caused by alcohol are the main concern of the police. Morgan said these crimes include rape, vandalism, and assault.

These crimes involving alcohol bring another important issue to light. Safety on campus was the main concern of the Virginia Tech police. According to the Tech police, access to dorms and academic buildings were also a safety issue on campus.

In order to prevent unauthorized entry into buildings on campus, which in turn protected students from crimes, the Tech police created the Campus Watch program.

The Campus Watch patrollers, some of whom were students, were the eyes and ears of the police officers. Each patroller helped out the Tech police by checking out anything out of the ordinary. The program sent people out on foot to patrol campus with two-way radios.

Bill Barnett, who has been employed at Tech since 1996, works each night to secure campus and protect students.

During the patrol, the Campus Watch patroller checked to make sure doors were not propped open, escorted people on foot and helped any person in danger. The Tech police said the biggest problem was people propping doors of campus buildings open which allowed access to those who should not be inside campus buildings.

On any given evening, six Campus Watch patrollers walked around campus, concentrating mainly on the dorm areas.

Students concerned about the security of campus and their safety were protected as well. The escort service operated from dusk until dawn and existed to give students rides or escorted walks home. With all of these safety precautions, the Tech police made the campus a safe environment.
Kristina Costa checks the doors one last time in order to ensure the safety of students.

One of the most important jobs at the police station is that of the dispatcher. Diane Worrell, who had worked at Tech for nine years, answered those important emergency phone calls and directed police to crime scenes.
In the sixties, marijuana made its mark along with a huge market of posters, symbols and other items dealing with the hippie movement. These items continued to sell in stores everywhere and are perhaps even more popular than ever.

During the November elections, California and Arizona passed a referendum allowing citizens with certain illnesses to receive marijuana as a medical treatment.

After the decision, both states came under fire for allowing the illegal drug to be prescribed in the medical field.

Supporters of the bill said smoking marijuana would help those suffering from illnesses such as AIDS go through life with less pain and nausea.

Easing the pain of disease continued to be the main argument for using the drug for medical purposes. On the other hand, those who opposed the bill said this step would only lead to trouble for law enforcement later.

By legalizing the drug for medical purposes, states opened themselves up to more medical scams as well as fraudulent doctors. Although access to marijuana would not be given to just anyone, there was a risk of the drug being prescribed to people who would abuse the privilege.

Lawmakers were preparing for trouble with the new bill by placing more restrictions on doctors who prescribe the drug and patients who may receive the drug.

Even though marijuana could be used in some states for medical purposes, the drug was still considered illegal. Some were afraid this new law would send youths the wrong message about marijuana.

Still, the illegal distribution of marijuana remained at the forefront of the war on drugs.

Although illegal, marijuana continues to surface on campuses all over the United States. With the recent laws concerning the medical use of the drug, the debate over whether marijuana should be legal to use remained a hot political topic.
Students protest the university's unfiltered coal boiler

Like a medieval tower that dominates its landscape, the smokestack of Virginia Tech's coal boiler loomed in the distance over the campus. To some, it was a gentle giant giving the gift of electricity, the lifeblood of any polytechnical institute. Others saw it as a snake in a garden, spewing forth venomous black smoke on an unsuspecting populace. Like beauty, a person's perception of the power plant depended on the lens they chose to view it through.

Tech, like many other large universities across the nation, had its own power plant to produce the massive amount of electricity a campus of its size consumed on a daily, even hourly basis. The energy harvested by the power plant fueled all the computers, laboratory equipment, and the night lighting that helped make the campus a safer environment.

Taking advantage of its locale, the plant was powered by coal. Coal–fueled power plants emit high levels of sulfur and other chemicals into the atmosphere. Environmental studies have linked high sulfur emissions to being a factor in causing acid rain. Filtering the smokestacks of coal–burning power plants helps reduce the levels of toxic chemicals released into the atmosphere. However, unbeknownst to most, Virginia Tech's power plant was not filtered.

Many students were alarmed that unchecked levels of chemicals were being emitted into the sky. Members of the group T.R.E.E. organized a protest to attract public attention to the issue. Dressing like smokestacks and wearing gas masks, T.R.E.E. members carried signs and banners with slogans like "Filter the Stack." Though the university made no immediate plans to address the problem, T.R.E.E. and other groups like it remained undaunted in their efforts to make change and tame the sulfur–belching beast once and for all.
The original look of Virginia Tech’s campus drew hundreds of students each year to its academic programs. Each building covered in stone, created a gothic style that was unique to Tech. In fact, the stone used to build Tech’s facilities were known as Hokie Stone.

Hokie Stone, commonly called limestone, came from a quarry which Tech owns in the Highlands. Even though Tech used the Highland quarry, the original stone was located in a quarry where Derring Hall now stands.

Although there was plenty of limestone available for future buildings on campus, the problem that faced Tech was the manpower needed to shape the stones.

Hokie Stone used on campus buildings came in pink, white and blue-black stones.

Each stone had to be fit onto a building like a puzzle piece, and masons had to use each color stone proportionally on the buildings. A dorm may have needed over 1,300 tons of Hokie Stone when it was built.

The newest editions to Tech’s campus were using less and less Hokie Stone. Whether Tech planned to continue this trend or not remained to be seen, but Tech was always known for its signature stone buildings.
In 1997, Tech welcomed several new projects, which would expand the campus greatly. Technology and renovations would continue on campus through 1998.

In addition to the new Engineering building, which would open in 1998, Tech had plans to build new residence halls.

Ed Spencer, assistant vice president for student and dining affairs said the new dorms, which would be built on the Prairie Quad, would replace the residence halls that were being turned into academic buildings on the Upper Quad.

Spencer said the focus of the project was to provide students with "rooms that better fit their needs."

Jane Wright, an architect from the firm Hanburg, Evans, Newill, Vlattus and Co. that was designing the new dorms, said students' needs were an important consideration for the designers.

She said students wanted more suites with equal space in the rooms.

Other student requests included more private bathrooms and kitchens.

Aesthetically, the new dorms would fit into the "collegiate Gothic" mold, as do most other Tech buildings.

The setup would be somewhat parallel to the pedestrian path that currently runs across the Prairie Quad.

The new quad was designed to appear open and spacious.

The new dorms' interiors would have what students wanted.

The buildings would have fitness centers, mail rooms, lounge/classroom areas, laundry facilities and centrally located trash/recycling areas.

The rooms would consist of six- and four-person suites, which would have private bathrooms and two-person bedrooms arranged around a central living space.

All suites would have access to CNS Communications services for student computers and television.

The new dorms were scheduled to be open by the fall of 1998.

Construction is changing the face of Virginia Tech. Facilities already in progress include: a mechanical engineering building located behind McBryde and Randolph halls, an architecture expansion below Cowgill plaza, and a new track and soccer complex behind Rector Field House. The Tech campus was growing to meet the ever increasing demand for space by students and faculty.
Celebrating their recent graduation, two new alumni pop the cork on a bottle of Don Perignon. Graduation was the summation of all effort that the students put in over four, five, and in some cases many more years here at the University.

Presenting the colors for the graduation ceremony, the Color Guard of the Corps of Cadets enters Lane Stadium. The Corps has always held a place of high regard and honor at University ceremonies.
Parents of a graduating senior cheered the accomplishment of their student. For many family members gathered at Lane Stadium this was the first step toward independence. For others it was an end to an era of growth. Graduation was more than just getting out of college it was a moment of great pride for many.

And now an era begins...
and with this step ...
you begin a new era
Nineteen ninety six will certainly be a tough year to top. The economy grew at a robust pace and college graduates found the job market more friendly than in previous years. The music industry saw a flux of fresh, young talent with new styles of music. President Clinton was re-elected as was a Republican-controlled Congress. The people of Israel despaired as peace negotiations fell apart between the Israelis and the Palestinians.

From a student's standpoint, one of the most important issues, tuition, was tipped in favor of the university as Governor George Allen put a two year freeze on in-state tuition. Off-campus students also had to deal with a growing number of commuters and a fixed number of parking spaces. With another year around the corner, this year was just one to grow on.
Election '96

It was a history making election as Democratic president Bill Clinton was re-elected. Franklin Roosevelt, in 1944, was the only other Democrat to accomplish this feat. Clinton came into the election with a huge lead, expected to win. However, both campaigns worked hard to prepare right down to the end. They started beginning their campaigns as early as election rules would permit. With November just around the corner, the Democratic and Republican Parties prepared with National Conventions in the summer. The conventions focused on speeches, the party platform, and of course nominations for presidential candidates. President Bill Clinton accepted the Democratic nomination with a speech promising to balance the budget if re-elected to a second term. He spoke of his accomplishments in the past four years including creating millions of new jobs and strengthening the economy. He vowed to protect medicare and medicaid and avoid cuts in education.

The mood at the Republican National Convention was one of promised unity. Vice Presidential candidate Jack Kemp pledged to expand the Republican Party and reach out to blue-collar workers and minorities. He stated that, "We may not get every vote, but we will speak to every heart."

The major focus of both campaigns was the issue of balancing the federal budget. The issue created controversy as both sides had different ideas of how to accomplish the difficult task.

The Dole campaign never managed to overcome the obstacles that occur when challenging an incumbent president with high approval. Although never expected to be a close campaign, Dole fought hard and held on to the end. In the end, President Bill Clinton was re-elected to a second term in the White House.

Giving a thumbs up and looking confident, Bob Dole and Jack Kemp campaign across the country to gain votes for the election.

MTV's Choose or Loose bus tour visit campuses, registering voters, interviewing candidates and hosting news shows.
Gearing up for the election, President Clinton and Vice-President Gore appear at the Democratic National Convention in August.

**Sound Off**

What do you think Clinton's second term in office will mean for the country?

"With the latest developments, I think he's a bad role model for future politicians."
Greg Abrenio
Sophomore - Accounting

"I think Clinton's presence in office only shows the lack of interest and morals of the country in general."
Debbie Keller
Sophomore - Spanish/Communications
Taking a triumphant leap to the finish line, Olympian Michael Johnson captures the gold. Johnson broke two world records this summer in Atlanta.

Sound Off

Do you think Olympic Park bomb suspect Richard Jewell was treated fairly by investigators?

“No, from what I gathered, they accused him before they had any hard evidence that it was him.”
Leigh Wilson
Senior - HTM

“I don’t think so, they went a little overboard pointing the finger because he was easily available.”
Kacey Tanner
Junior - ECE
GO FOR THE GOLD!!!

The City of Atlanta pulled out all of the stops when the Summer Olympics returned to the United States. Huge new arenas and field houses were built to accommodate athletes, media, and spectators. Technology played a major role as information and scores could be accessed on the Internet.

The U.S. Olympic Team made a great showing in countless events as it broke records and made the country proud. The women’s gymnastic team took the team gold for the first time ever. Kerri Strug played an integral role on the team and became the sweetheart of Atlanta in the process. Her hard work and valiant effort helped win the gold but left her with a sprained ankle that kept her out of the all-around competition.

Michael Johnson ran away with the gold in the men’s 200 and 400 meter sprint. But winning the gold was not enough for Johnson, he also broke his own world record of 19.66 in the 200 meter with a time of 19.32 seconds. In the 400 meter, he set a record time of 43.49 seconds.

The only dark shadow at the Olympics was the Centennial Park bombing. A pipe bomb explosion took one life and injured over a hundred. Security guard Richard Jewel was the FBI’s only suspect and was later cleared of any wrong doing.

Despite the tragic explosion in Centennial Park, the Summer Olympics was an event the U.S. could be proud of as the world came together for two glorious weeks in July.
Disaster Strikes

During the course of the year, several tragedies occurred to cast shadows over the country and the world. On July 17, just minutes after take-off from JFK Airport in New York City, TWA Flight 800 exploded and crashed into the ocean. All 230 people on board perished in this devastating tragedy. Family and friends grieved as months of investigation produced no concrete reason for this senseless crash. Fears of terrorism came immediately to the mind of a country still recovering from the Oklahoma bombing of the previous year. However, authorities could not rule out a mechanical malfunction either as the mystery remained unsolved.

Mother Nature also wreaked havoc and caused destruction throughout the world. Hurricane Hortense raged through the Caribbean demolishing homes and taking lives. Puerto Rico and the Dominican Republic lost sixteen people, hundreds of homes, and 128 million dollars in crops. Heavy rains caused swollen rivers to flood and lethal mudslides. But as tragedies often do, Hortense brought out the best in people. Miguel Rodriguez and Jose Luis de Leon risked their lives to help a family stranded in their home for hours due to overflowing river. They successfully brought the family to safety in a heroic rescue.

Natural disasters occurred here at home as well. Wildfires raged through California during October. The blowing Santa Anna winds impeded firefighter efforts to quench the fires. The National Interagency Fire Center declared this the worst wildfire season in four decades. Over six million acres were claimed as San Diego, LA, and Orange Counties were declared disaster areas.

Miguel Ariel Rodriguez and Jose Luis de Leon risk their lives to save one-year-old Cassandra Gomez. Her family was trapped in their home by flood waters.

Remembering those who lost their lives in the crash of Flight 800, friends and family place memorials on the beach near the water where the plane went down.
Working against the Santa Anna winds, this firefighter struggles to put out the wildfires that burned across southern California in later October.

Sound Off

Do tragedies and disasters bring out the best in people?

“I think there’s a deep sensation for helping your neighbors. It makes people feel good to help strangers in times of tragedy.”

Fito Perez - Senior

“Yeah, I think they do. People usually donate time or money to help people in trouble.”

Danielle Cummins
Sophomore - Biology
Sound Off

Do you think the Yankees were due for a win after almost twenty years without a World Series Trophy?

"The greatest thing about it is for Nostalgia. It's like when the Packers won the Super Bowl, going back to the fifties."
Jason Soules
Sophomore - Physics

"I'm happy it wasn't a southern team. I'm not a big Yankees fan, but I'm glad it wasn't the Braves."
Matthew Bunce
Junior - Biochemistry
Legends in the Making

The Olympics didn't have a monopoly on the sports world this year. Other events occurred to make it a remarkable year for the sports world. It was a year of comebacks and debuts.

The New York Yankees brought the World Series Trophy back to the Bronx for the first time since 1978. After losing Games One and Two at home, Atlanta seemed to have the advantage. However, as baseball great Yogi Bera said, "It ain't over till it's over." The Yanks came back and sealed their victory in Game Six with a 3-2 victory over the defending champions. New York broke two records as they earned their twenty-third title, the most in baseball history. They also became one of only three teams to win it all after losing the first two games at home. The 1986 Mets and the 1985 Royals share this place in history with New York.

Golf player Tiger Woods's overnight success brought a new audience to the sport. The twenty year old inspiration attracted teens to a sport generally dominated by older athletes. Just two months after going pro, Woods was being compared to legend Arnold Palmer. Woods, whose father is white and whose mother is Asian, hoped his success could bring diversity to a game dominated by white players.

With the Olympics, the World Series, and sudden popularity of golf, it truly was a great a year to remember in the world of sports.
Making Headlines

As the year went on, many famous people made headlines, created gossip, and in general, captured our attention. Chicago Bulls basketball player Dennis Rodman received much attention for his antics on and off the court. Well-known for his brightly dyed hair and tattooed body, Rodman shocked his fans at a book signing when he showed up in an elaborate wedding gown. The book signing was to promote his autobiography, Bad As I Wannabe, a New York Times bestseller.

The Kennedys were back in the news, as the World’s Most Eligible Bachelor, John F. Kennedy, Jr. wed Carolyn Bessette. The wedding consisted of a very private ceremony on Cumberland Island, off the coast of Georgia. The affair was kept secret from the media and photographers who have photographed JFK, Jr.'s every move since his life began.

Astronaut Shannon Lucid earned a place in history as she completed the longest space flight of any American and any woman. The 53 year old biochemist walked from the shuttle shaky, but smiling when she finally landed in Florida. The flight was seven weeks late due to mechanical and weather problems. Through it all, Lucid did her job and kept a good attitude about the delays.

Athlete Dennis Rodman high fives Kristen Johnson, star of t.v.'s Third Rock From the Sun. Rodman guest starred on the show about aliens.

Astronaut Shannon Lucid communicates through headphones while on board the Space Shuttle Atlantis. Lucid spent a record 188 days in space.
John Kennedy, Jr. kisses his new bride’s hand as they leave the church. Kennedy wed Carolyn Bessette in a secret wedding ceremony.

Sound Off

Do Dennis Rodman’s antics detract from the sport of basketball?

“No because he’s not just Dennis Rodman the basketball player, he’s Dennis Rodman who is a basketball player.”
Katie Rose Freshman -

“I think he attracts more viewers to the game than if they didn’t have him.”
Aimee Fox Sopomore - HTM

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Hootie and the Blowfish perform live outside Radio City Music Hall at the MTV Video Music Awards in front of thousands of fans.

Sound Off

Does heroin abuse by musicians influence teens to use heroin as well?

"Yeah, probably to a certain extent. They're role models just like other famous people. Teens like to be like their heroes."

Dave Bray
Senior - Biology/Spanish

"Yeah, I think it does have a big influence on teens and whether they abuse drugs or not."

Trevor Dowling
Sophomore - Communications
Music Notes

It was a turbulent year for the music industry. Superstar band *Smashing Pumpkins* faced tragedy and conflict with the death of keyboardist Jonathan Melvoin due to a heroin overdose. Drummer Jimmy Chamberlain's continuing heroin abuse forced the band to fire him so he could seek treatment. Despite the difficulties, the band's popularity rose to new heights. The double album "Mellon Collie and the Infinite Sadness" sold over six million copies throughout the year.

*Hootie and the Blowfish* maintained their popularity with the release of their second album, "Fairweather Johnson." The album's songs included several ballads about relationships. Lead singer Darius Rucker drew from his own experiences in writing "Sad Caper," an upbeat tune with downbeat lyrics. As Rucker himself said, "I was going to write a song about a relationship that worked and I guess I'm never in one so I couldn't do it."

Canadian singer Alanis Morissette hit America with flare. Her debut album "Jagged Little Pill" was the best selling album by a female artist.

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Smashing Pumpkins
Billy Corgan, D'Arca, and James Iha accept the
MTV Video Music Award for Best Video of the Year.

Alanis Morissette sings
one of the songs from her
album, "Jagged Little Pill." Morissette won
four Grammys in
February for her best
selling album.

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A Changing World

A theme of change and hope for the next century dominated the political world through the past year. Russian President Boris Yeltsin promised change and new opportunities as he appealed to the country's youth. His promises included guaranteed jobs, tax breaks for young families, and government help for first time home buyers and entrepreneurs. He challenged young people to vote or risk losing the democracy and reform they fought so hard to obtain. Portraying himself as guardian of the freedom and liberty Yeltsin sponsored, a series of free pop concerts throughout the nation.

In the continuing effort to produce peace in the Middle East, Israeli and Palestinian leaders negotiated endlessly during a peace summit at the White House. Undeterred by bitter differences and disagreements, the two sides refused to give up. Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu summed up the talks by saying they "cemented the principle that the path to peace is through negotiations, not through violence." The Summit ended on a positive note as Netanyahu and Arafat vigorously shook hands, a gesture promising a desire to continue to work together.

Benjamin Netanyahu, Yasser Arafat, King Hussein, and President Clinton leave the White House in a somber mood after negotiations failed to resolve differences.
Russian President Boris Yeltsin gets down and grooves at a free pop concert for Russia's youth. Thousands of young people cheered him on as he danced and laughed.

Sound Off

What is the most important issue in the World today?

"The status of the United Nations is a very important issue today."
Emily Paxton
Freshman - Interior Design

"Family togetherness is important. Divorce is too common today. Having a strong family bond makes you a better person."
Melissa Banasky
Sophomore - Business
For the greeks of Virginia Tech, the 1996-97 school year provided for lots of excitement for all. The university announced the creation of Phase 3 housing on Greek Row, allowing more greeks to move on campus.

Greek organizations continued their fundraising for charities, stressing the "fun" in fundraising. Philanthropic events from ΣΧ's Derby Days to ΔΖ's ΔΖ Classic provided lots of laughs for everyone while raising money for a community charity.

Rush was successful for another year. The sororities and fraternities continued to grow.

Parties weren't absent either. Between the bars and parties around town, greeks were able to keep up greek relations with neighboring greeks.

The year wasn't without incident as rumors of hazing filtered through the community.

All in all, this year proved to be another one to grow on...
MEETING THE GREEKS...

Many people see greeks as spoiled rich kids, only looking for a party. Others saw them as hoodlums and noisy neighbors.

While the greeks below seemed suspicious, it was all for a good cause. AF's annual jail-and-bail helped raise money for local charities. The greek member in question, with the help of the Blacksburg Police Department, was "arrested" and put into a make-shift jail until he/she could raise the money to get out. Cellular phones were provided for the people to call friends and have them make donations for the worthy call.

Traditions last forever. For the greeks, traditions were what kept them running. Each sorority and fraternity had secret rituals and ceremonies along as part of the ongoing history. Formal, informal, new and old traditions made each greek organization different. A common tradition among sororities was for each big sister to make a pillow and pass it down to her little sister.
During the rush registration meeting, sorority sisters performed skits to give potential rushees a taste of what Greek life consists. This skit demonstrated the usefulness of a Rho Chi. Rho Chi's were counted on to help pledges during the rush process. They filled the rushees in on everything from the proper clothing to wear for a party to the benefits of living in a sorority house. However, the rushees could not ask them which sorority they belonged to, for their identity was to remain anonymous.
RUSHING TO REACH THE GOAL

Whether informal or formal, rush gave students a chance to learn more about various sororities and fraternities.

For sororities, formal rushing enabled women to learn about all of the different sororities. Sisters performed skits to teach rushees about the uniqueness of their sorority. They also held nightly socials to allow the rushees and sisters to get to know each other. On the other hand, informal rush benefited women who already knew which greek organization they wanted to pledge. The rushee only rushed the sorority of her choice and spent more time getting to know the girls who hopefully will become their sisters.

Similarly, fraternities held rush parties at the beginning of each semester for brothers to get to know the rushees better. Rush gave men the chance to ask questions and learn more about certain fraternities. Once brothers became familiar with the rushees better, they made bids on those they wanted to pledge. If accepted, men usually pledged a full semester before being inducted into the fraternity.

Although time consuming, sororities and fraternities also had many benefits. "Rushing helped me meet more people and made the school seem much smaller," said one pledge from Chi Omega.

Fraternity members rushed for similar reasons. "I rushed to get the most out of my college experience and to meet new people," Alex Daniels said.

Whether rushing a fraternity or a sorority, both served to bring students together and to strengthen friendships among all. Along with the memories, the friendships were eternal.

Part of rush ceremonies included making unique nametags. Not only did these nametags allow others to learn your name, but they enabled rushees to show their personality. The women used items ranging from soda cans to miniature Etch-a-Sketches. Creating a nametag was a fun way for them to use their creativity to make a statement and stand-out.
Finding innovative ways to occupy their time was a priority of greeks at Virginia Tech. Sorority sisters prepared for big sister revelation. A long week of clues left little sisters anxious to find the identity of their big sisters. The little sisters followed the string to the location of their big sisters. Other greeks pretended to be locked up for the day to raise money for charity.
Flowers and handcuffs, what a perfect combination. Pledges of ΧΩ take time out of a busy day at the beginning of traditions week. The entire week was to tell the soon-to-be sisters about the history that they would be a part of. A fraternity brother donates his time, and has a little fun in the process for a worthy cause. The money he raised during ΑΦ'a Jail-and-Bail went to a local charity.
Chartered at Tech
1969
Philanthropy
Heart Projects/Alpha Phi Foundation
Mascot
Phi Bear
Colors
Silver and Bordeaux
"Union hand in hand."

Chartered at Tech
1990
Philanthropy
Ronald McDonald House
Mascot
Alphie the Lion
Colors
Azure Blue and White
“We live for each other.”


Whether it calls for doing the limbo, slurping jello with a straw, or playing air guitar to Old Time Rock-N-Roll, sorority sisters are willing to lend a helping hand. Through community service programs or designated philanthropies, Greek organizations helped make the lives of others better.
Chartered at Tech
1971
Philanthropy
Gallaudet University for the Hearing and Speech Impaired Mascot Turtle Colors Rose and Nile Green "A friend is someone who knows you as your are."

At their annual car wash, ΔΓ sisters wash vehicles from around the region. Profits from the car wash went towards a charitable organization.
It is not what you do, but how you do it that counts. Many Greeks took this saying to heart. Whether chugging a cold glass of milk in the AEP Olympics or playing the ukulele at ΣΧ's Derby Days, sorority sisters and fraternity brothers tried to do everything with style.
Chartered at Tech 1983

Philanthropy
Court Appointed Special Advocates
Mascot
Kite Cat, Twin Stars
Colors
Black and Gold

"Here you are not only a friend, you are befriended."

Chartered at Tech 1978
Philanthropy
Richmond Children's Hospital
Mascot
Woodstock Teddy Bear and the Nautilus Shell
Colors
Green and White

"Let us strive for that which is honorable, beautiful and highest."

Kappa Delta
1996

At ΣX's Derby Days, sorority sisters compete in a wide variety of games and activities to see who’s "the best." When it came to having a good time, Virginia Tech sororities knew how to party hard. Social activities were a main reason people joined greek organizations.
Chartered at Tech
1961
Philanthropy
Arrow and School of
Mascot
Arrows and Angels
Colors
“Wine and Silver Blue
“Other loves may come
and go, but Zeta Love
is for a lifetime.”


Chartered at Tech
1972
Philanthropy
Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation
Colors
Turquoise Blue and Steel Gray

Chartered at Tech
May 12, 1975

Philanthropy
Children's Cancer Research and Scholarship

Colors
Green & Gold

"To make better men."

Chartered at Tech
September 23, 1995

Philanthropy
Canine Companion for Independence

Colors
Stone & Cardinal Red

"The cause is hidden, but the result is known.


80 Greeks
Anyone who says being in a fraternity is nothing but drinking and partying could not be farther from the truth. Aside from the normal stresses related to classes, greek men participated in intramural athletics, community service, and philanthropy projects. Overall, fraternity brothers worked hard at being active and involved students here at Virginia Tech.
82 Greeks

Boys will be boys! These fraternity guys are living it up by making the most of their college lives. Bachelor auctions, Harvest Havoc, and Fraternity kickball are just a few of the many activities that make brotherhood fun.
Chartered at Tech 1989
Philanthropy
Habitat for Humanity
Colors
Old Gold and Sapphire Blue
"No secrets held here."

Chartered at Tech March 5, 1995
Colors
Green and White
"Building the whole man."

Jones, M. Keyes, R. Boyle, S. Mungo.

Wakott, J. Klatsky, C. McSorley, S. Fowler, G. Torriem, J. Fries.

Φ, ΔX, ΔY, FH 83
Derby Day skits gave greek members an opportunity to show off all sides of their personalities. The skits were performed at the ΣΚ House.
The skits during Derby Days allowed greek members a chance to work together and get to know each other better.

In addition to performing skits in the evening, Derby Days participants engaged in a campus-wide scavenger hunt during daylight hours.

Derby Days were held all weekend by sororities in order to raise money for their philanthropy. They were an extremely successful weekend of fun.
With the aim of raising money toward a good cause, fraternities held a bachelor auction at Arnold's. Greek brothers entertained the bidders in a variety of ways ranging from costumes to crazy dancing, trying to raise bids as high as possible.

Chartered at Tech 1971
Philanthropy P.U.S.H.
(People Understanding the Severely Handicapped)
"Strong enough to care."

FIJI and ΠΚΦ 87
Kickball was one of the various events sororities organized to raise money for their philanthropies. The kickball games were put on by KAΘ. Coaches were assigned to each team to support and cheer participants on.
Chartered at Tech
November 20, 1995

Philanthropy
Big Brothers and Big Sisters
Colors
Purple, Black, and White
"TDF"

Chartered at Tech
April 25, 1970

Philanthropy
American Heart Association
Colors
Purple and Red
"Weekends start on the hill"

Members of various fraternities and sororities came together for Derby Days. Greeks had an excellent time, whether they participated or simply watched. The different events/skits let students really show off their talents. Among the favorites was funky dances such as 70's or street style.

Started at Tech Spring of '96
Philanthropy Big Brothers and Sisters of Christiansburg
Colors Navy and White

At the ΦΚΣ house, brothers spent time with children from the community. Each fraternity volunteered their time towards community service throughout the area.
Chartered at Tech
April 6, 1972
Philanthropy
Match for Dimes
Habitat for Humanity
Colors
Azure Blue and Silver
"For all the right reasons"

Chartered at Tech
1994
Philanthropy
National Arthritis Foundation
Colors
Gold and Blue
"Great to be a Zeel."

Front Row: M. Mai, H. Aldridge, J. Boudett, R. Settle, T. Shoehan, T. MacPhail, R. Brown, D.
Owens, J. Woughtel, J. Chepman; Back Row: D. Moore, M. Stine, J. Harrington, M. Faret, R.

Back Row: R. Allen, A. Townsend, E. Johnson, C. Kaufhold, P. Schwartz, J. DeVault, M.
Betheccino.

94 Greeks
Variety is the spice of life when it comes to Greek life. Members' entertainment consisted of outdoor recreation as well as indoor events. Greeks had a wild time whether they were jumping in potato sacks or simply playing a game of baseball.
The Miss Egyptian Goddess Pageant is a popular activity that the Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity participates in each year. The brothers come together with sororities and take part in a series of events designed to show off their talents.
A sorority is a place where girls come together in sisterhood. They all share a great deal of love for each of their sisters. In a sorority the members did a lot of activities together. One of these activities is a pillow exchange for all of the new sisters. They also receive Big Sisters to help them as they work their way through their college career. The sisters are following their strings to reach the jackpot at the end, their Big Sis. Philanthropies also played a large role in the bonding process. Raising money through fun events got some participants frustrated.
THE TIES THAT BIND

People who joined a Greek organization had more in common with their fraternity brothers or sorority sisters than wearing sweat-shirts with the same Greek letters stitched on the front of them. These organizations were a way to meet and get to know fellow students. More often than not, these casual contacts led to lasting friendships.

Members of a sorority became familiar with their Greek sisters in a variety of ways. For example, Chi Omega held a retreat in both the fall and the spring semesters that allowed sisters to bond in a peaceful, relaxed setting away from the hustle and bustle of school. Each woman who pledged Kappa Delta was assigned a “big sister” who helped the pledge make the transition into Greek life. This relationship often grew into a deep friendship that could last even beyond graduation.

Fraternities also provided many opportunities for its members to get to know one another better. The members of Phi Sigma Kappa went on a camping trip that provided the framework that allowed brothers and pledges to familiarize themselves with each other. Many friendships were forged between brothers while going through the initiation process as pledges.

Participation in any group invariably led to friendships, and joining a Greek organization was no exception to this rule. The bonding that occurred between Greek organization members was a positive benefit of joining the group.
Sororities and fraternities came together to participate in Derby Days. The skits and stunts performed allowed students to socialize with new people, making new friends in the process. Like packed sardines, crowds of people crammed together in Arnold's to watch the bachelor auction. The men and women who attended the event laughed and cheered as the bachelors "strutted their stuff" for the audience.

The AΓP Olympics, also known as Harvest Havoc, was a popular greek event. The variety of events that members participated in were competitive and fun. Teamwork was necessary for each event. The tug-of-war proved to be much tougher than these guys bargained for. Joining a sorority was a great way to meet new people. These women took part in rush ceremonies in hopes of making new friends.

Lasting Friendships 101
One constantly recurring theme within the Corps of Cadets was the proper development of a cadet as they matured from their first year initiations to the time they became senior officers with the possibility of continuing their careers in the U.S. Armed services. Not only must cadets grow physically, they must also develop academically and learn leadership skills.

Many people recognized the cadets around campus by their uniforms and occasional drill practice on the Drillfield. Cadets participated in all forms of campus life, just as the rest of the student body did. Additionally, they provided service to the school and the surrounding community throughout their time at Virginia Tech.
The new cadet system at the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets begins with Cadre Week. New cadets arrived a week before classes began for their introduction to the corps. They learned the basics of VTCC cadet life: protocol, drill, PT, the honor code, study skills, etc. Selected upper-class cadets were their cadre or trainers.

Cadre Week was an intense week, both physically and mentally for the new cadets and their cadre. Starting at 0530, new cadets were given their wake up call, traditionally starting with the song, “Welcome to the Jungle.” Physical training was followed by activities that included drill, athletics, study skills, and VTCC protocol. The difficulty level increased every day, going nonstop from wake up to lights out. At night cadets learned about the proper wearing of the uniforms and how to shine shoes and brass. Cadets were expected to remember the skills and lessons that were taught during Cadre Week.

Highlights for the new cadets included rappelling off the 40 ft. ranger rappelling tower and becoming orientated on the marine obstacle course. These two events were a much needed relief after a tough week.

Cadre Week officially ended after a tough room and uniform inspection and a pass and review on the Drillfield.

“Cadre week will make you feel bigger and smaller than you’re ever felt before.”

-Cadet Private Dave Gifford

A cadre member shows freshmen how to tie a swiss seat used to repel. Repelling off the tower was a favorite activity for all involved.
New cadets perform a pass and review for the first time, lead by the cadre members that trained them. Drill was only one of the many things new cadets learned through the week.

New cadet Sonne stretches before starting her 0530 run. Cadre led stretching and other PT to all the new cadets.

Starting off right, this freshman gets his hair shorn to the regulation for new cadets. Giving up long hair was only one privilege students gave up to become new cadets.
CADET SPIRIT

Cadets show everyone their Hokie pride

The Corps of Cadets has always made their presence known at university events. Two of the more popular events are Tech football games and pep rallies.

At pep rallies, the Highty Tighties came and performed for the spirited crowd. The corps band was known as the pep rally band because they were always willing to come support their school at this event playing their heart out for the Hokie faithful. Cadets came out to the pep rallies to support Tech. They were seen running and supporting the pep rally, and providing the entertainment such as the flaming VT.

At each of Tech’s home football games, the Cadets made their presence known—from the march at the beginning of the game to halftime shows and pass-and-reviews at the end of the game in support of students, teachers, fans, and alumni. These took place on the field. Afterwards cadets got up in the stands, where they went crazy. The Highty Tighties constantly played Tech Triumph and other fight songs, while other cadets did push-ups for each touchdown Tech scored. The Corps of Cadets were always waiting to come out and support their school. Football games and pep rallies were just two types of events that allowed cadets to show their school spirit.

“Pep rallies are always fun, because it gives the HT’s the chance to get out and pump up the crowd for the upcoming game.”

-Cadet Corporal Clyde Harris

Taking a break, the Highty Tighties enjoy the pep rally. The cadet band performed regularly during fall pep rallies.
Playing hard to promote Hokie spirit, these band cadets give it all they have.

The Corps of Cadets form up to begin their pass and review after the Rutgers football game. The tradition of performing "pass and reviews" dates back to when the school was originally founded.

Pushing for another Hokie touchdown, sophomore Joel Castenda shows his spirit. Cadets loved to show off their school pride.
TRADITIONS

Keeping the Memories Alive

The Corps of Cadets had some traditions that could be traced back to its beginnings at Virginia Tech and others that began only a few decades ago. No matter their age, all of them were well loved by cadets.

A tradition that followed Halloween was Shadow Day, succeeded soon after by Turnabout Day. On Shadow Day, freshmen chose an upperclassman to follow around in order to learn how each cadet contributed to the Corps. Freshman wore the rank of that upperclassmen for the entire day. That night, all upperclassmen became freshmen while the freshmen retained the complete power of the rank they held earlier. The real upperclassmen proceeded to show the real freshmen how they saw them by imitating their behavior. It enlightened freshmen as to how the upperclassmen viewed them.

Other traditions included pumpkin hunts, Turn Morning (where second semester freshmen were officially recognized by the Corps as sophomores), fashion shows, holiday hall decorating, company initiation, and for Band Company, Cord Night. Each tradition bound cadets closer to the Corps, their company, and their friends.

"The Flaming VT is something unique to Hotel Co. that distinguishes the Corps’ involvement in tradition and university functions."

Cadet Private Brian Anderson

The flaming VT is a tradition held by Hotel Company. It was burned each year during the homecoming pep rally.
Running through the rope bridge, this freshman tries to complete it without falling off. This was just one of the many stations freshman have to complete on Turn Morning.

Bonding together, sophomores Will Battaile and Lou Pochet dress to “impress” during Halloween formation. Halloween formation was a time for the cadets to let loose and get creative.

Getting his revenge, this freshman takes great joy in throwing a pie at this upper-classmen.
Hang Tough

Cadets strive to be the best

The 1996-1997 leadership of the cadet regiment instituted many new ideas to enhance the Corps physical training this past year. Every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday cadets woke up before the sun rose and went out into the cold to test their physical abilities by participating in either ROTC training or exercising with the Corps own instructors.

One of the other tests that challenged a cadet was the obstacle course, which was built last year. It challenged cadets to exceed both mentally and physically through determination and the desire to finish. The course was carefully used under the strict guidance of the Tactical Applications Company (TAC).

Cadets also strove to achieve goals physically as a group. An intercompany Ironman competition allowed the cadets to team up in their respective companies and compete against others in events such as push-ups, sit-ups, a one and one-half mile run, as well as the obstacle course. The winners of the Ironman competition earned bragging rights for an entire year. The competition generated company pride and was a lot of fun.

As a whole the Corps always strove to go above and beyond to test themselves physically and they knew how to have fun doing it at the same time.

"The fastest cadets set the pace, and everyone else just has to keep up. It's tough, but in the end it's worth it both physically and mentally."

-Cadet Corporal Kevin Joyce

After a regimental run, second battalion performs motivational push-ups to show their endurance.
Pushing hard to finish the obstacle course, sophomore Don Burke struggles with the bar event. The obstacle course was a new way for the Corps to test the physical fitness of cadets.

Sophomores Andy Dougherty and William Batallie carry the homecoming football during the 100 mile Hokie Run. The run was one of the traditions of the Ranger company.

Hotel Company freshmen use their motivation to swarm their company commander Mark Himes.
TRAINING TIME

Preparing for a Future Military Career

AIR FORCE ROTC
Virginia Tech was the proud home of the United States Air Force ROTC detachment 875. The detachment was founded in 1970 and has since developed into an excellent program for training young men and women. The focus of the Air Force ROTC program was to develop the values of integrity, excellence, and service before self within its participants.

NAVY ROTC
The Virginia Tech Naval ROTC Battalion prepared college students for their futures as commissioned officers in the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps. There were many organizations that allowed midshipmen to be involved in the battalion, the university, and the community. These included the Blue and Gold Society, the Surface Society, Semper Fidelis, Raiders Platoon, NSPT, the Navy Sailing Team, and the Color Guard.

ARMY ROTC
Army ROTC’s main mission was to train young men and women how to be future leaders in both the Army and civilian environments. Every semester, Army cadets enrolled in a military science class dedicated to teaching the 16 leadership traits and their application to the day-to-day activities of the Army. Though it was a challenge, Army cadets hoped to use their knowledge to lead the Army into the future.

"Going through Air Force ROTC has been a very enlightening and enjoyable experience."

Cadet 1st Lt.
Eric Castro

Army cadet R.C. Chao eats an MRE (meal ready to eat) and talks on the radio while relaxing during an Army field exercise at Jefferson National Forest.
Taking a well deserved break, junior John Strange gets ready to chow down at Air Force training camp. An important part of the camp included a three day survival training exercise where cadets were dropped off in the woods for days with only a couple of MREs to eat.

Waiting patiently for clearance to fly, Amy Karabinos takes a glance around the runway. During Air Force summer camp, some participants got the chance to fly actual fighter jets in combat simulations.

Before his submarine submerges into the sea, junior Joe Knudson takes time to enjoy the view topside.
GOOD TIMES, GOOD MEMORIES

(Top left) A quartet of cadet majors sing at the annual Military Brawl. Seniors Greg Lowe, Mike Rush, Tim Foster, and Frank Rich created a soothing harmony to entertain the audience. Many cadets put together singing and dancing acts to perform as entertainment for the event each year.

(Bottom left) Captain Joy escorts his wife through a sword detail at the Navy/Marine Corps 221st Birthday Ball. The Blue and Gold Society sponsored and organized the event this fall. Guest speaker, Chief Warrant Officer Ret. Julius Gostel, gave a presentation on the bombing of Pearl Harbor.

(Top right) Delta Company cadets perform their Military Brawl skit based on the movie Star Wars.

(Bottom right) Many of the Army officers were forced to drink from the grog at the 1997 Army Dining In.

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Cadet Tom Dono and his date enjoy cutting the rug at the Military Ball tradition­ally held in February. Cadets danced the night away to a variety of music ranging from big band to pop rock. The Color Guard posted the colors to begin the evening and, during the dance, the Gregory Guard performed a special routine for the cadets and their guests. A fireworks display followed by Silver Taps concluded the evening.

Elvis pays a visit to two sleepy cadets during a Military Brawl skit. The skits were a chance to let the cadets poke fun at the year’s mishaps. Military Brawl has been a long lasting tradition and was part of the Gold Cord competition.
The 1996-1997 Regimental Staff was made up of some of the top cadets within the Corps and was charged with the duty of planning and implementing standard policies for the Corps. Each officer on the Regimental Staff was in charge of a different aspect of the overall mission set by the commander. This year’s regiment was commanded by Cadet Colonel Leith Ames. He was directly assisted by the Regimental Executive Officer, Cadet Lt. Colonel Catherine Wattendorf. The rest of the staff included: Cadet Major Dennis McGugan (Administration), Cadet Major Stan Ward (Public Affairs), Cadet Major Mike Rush (Operations), Cadet Major Tim Donoghue (Supply and Finance), Cadet Major Chris Baker (Scholastics), and Cadet Sergeant Major Josh Snyder.

First Battalion followed the leadership of Cadet Lt. Colonel Travis Howell. He and his staff led the cadets of Alpha, Bravo, Charlie and Delta companies. The First Battalion was located in Brodie Hall and was overseen by Deputy Commandant of Cadets, Colonel Wesley Fox, recipient of the Congressional Medal of Honor.

Second Battalion was led by Cadet Lt. Colonel Carrie Bell and her battalion staff. Their job was to ensure the smooth operation of the battalion which consisted of Echo, Foxtrot, Golf, and Hotel companies. Second Battalion was located in Rasche Hall and was overseen by Deputy Commandant of Cadets, F. Edward Schwabe.

Both battalions participated in a variety of events throughout the year to show their high levels of motivation and performance. Such events as battalion athletics and inter-company competitions allowed the cadets to relax and have fun together.
2nd BATTALION STAFF

Trying to show who is boss, senior Mark Harris tries to put junior Phil Forbes in his place. Cadets were always playing around with each other, especially right before major events where they have to be stiff and solemn.

Thanking 1996 presidential candidate Ross Perot, senior Leith Ames presents him with several gifts. During Perot's visit to Virginia Tech, he talked with the Corps on leadership.

Junior Jeff Galloway and sophomore Kara Gittes cause trouble for freshmen on Turnabout Day. Freshmen got to trade places with upperclassmen for a day to learn their positions.
The oldest and foremost company of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets was Alpha Company. Its origins date back to the founding of the university and Corps in 1872. The motto of Alpha Company contained the three qualities that signified what Alpha prided itself in upholding: unity, pride, and self-discipline.

The unity of Alpha members was unmatched and could be seen in the devotion its members had to each other and to the community. Pride in the country, the university, and the company was deeply instilled into the hearts of Alpha Company. Finally, self-discipline was a must both as students and as cadets in the Corps. Each member of the company found it his or her responsibility to pass on these traits to the upcoming classes. Based upon these important traits, Alpha Company built into its foundation three accomplished goals: academics, military proficiency, and fun.

Playing hero, sophomore Larry Loman sweeps Joe Maxon off his feet. Cadets found clowning around with buds to be a great stress reliever.

Still Kickin’ A*S
Bravo Company was one of the two infantry companies in the Corps of Cadets when V.M.A.C. first opened its doors in 1872. Bravo Company's members and alumni have proudly served in every American conflict since the Spanish-American War.

For over a century the spirit of "Bad Company" has evolved into a multi-faceted company composed of a diverse group of people who were very active in all aspects of college life.

Following its tradition of excellence, Bravo Company received the Beverly S. Parrish, Jr. award for the most outstanding infantry company in the Corps of Cadets last year. With the Corps of Cadets increasing in numbers, Bravo grew stronger with each passing year. Again in contention to be awarded the most outstanding infantry company award, Bravo Company made the 1996-1997 academic year even better than the last.

Freshmen David Heintjes and Josh Quesenberry clean the halls one Friday night. This was a weekly ritual for freshmen.
Charlie

Charlie Company was founded in 1970, and had a strong sense of tradition and achievement. Known for its sense of independence and the strong com­raderie of its members, Charlie Company also accumulated an impres­sive list of honors.

The Kohler Cup Award and battalion citations were awarded to Charlie Company. Charlie was also awarded the Beverly S. Parish Gold Cord Award for best overall company.

With the reorganization of the Corps, many things changed for Charlie Company. Many new members joined, and old members moved on to bigger and better things. Though several Charlie Corps traditions faded, a new Charlie Company emerged with its own va­lues and goals. With a strong leadership and an eager following, the new Charlie Company hoped to carry on the tradition that began Charlie Corps.

Two freshmen work on decorating hallway trash cans. Company trash cans are painted each year by the new freshman to show company spirit.

Semper Primus

CHARLIE

Delta Company was formed in 1970 due to the downsizing of the Corps of Cadets. Members of the Delta Company were known throughout the Corps as “Delta Dawgs” because of the spirit and determination that pulled Delta through many tough times.

The Corps of Cadets was about leadership training and Delta dedicated itself to producing the best leaders in the Corps. This year’s Regimental Commander, Honor Court Chief Justice, and Color Guard Commander were all former members of Delta Company.

This year the members of Delta Company lead the Corps in setting the standard, no matter the task. Each person pushed themselves and the rest of the company to excel in academics and leadership, and to live the “Spirit of Delta.”

Providing a bit of incentive, sophomore Andy Betz helps Ted Magner do chin-ups.
With the reorganization of the Corps in 1970, the men of Alpha and Bravo Squadron united to form Echo Squadron. Echo has become a combination of these two spirited units, from which many traditions had begun. The most prominent is the Sam A. Carson Award which went to the most outstanding freshman. It was a way for Echo to remember its past and present history, while honoring its fallen comrades. Company E also held a twenty-four hour vigil on Veteran’s Day above the chapel to pay respects to those who were in battle and who are still missing in action.

The motto for Echo Company was “Unity and Pride”, and every member learned to take pride in himself or herself, the Company, the Corps, and the Country. Through its enduring traditions and devotion to “Unity and Pride”, Echo Company was well distinguished among the Corps of Cadets.

Unity and Pride

Cadet William Marshall holds the Echo Company guidon as the freshmen all grab it at the same time.

The history and traditions of Foxtrot Company began in 1902 when it was first organized. Despite changes in the Corps throughout the years, “F-Troop”, as it was called by its members, still carried many of its same traditions.

Its mascot, the Pink Panther, was both a spirited cartoon character and a type of diamond representing strength. F-Troop’s unit colors, red and gold, were also symbolic. Red stood for the regimental cannon, known as the Skipper, which was founded by F-Troop and was still fired at Tech’s home football games. Gold represented the Beverly S. Parish gold cord, which was awarded annually to the most outstanding company. The members of F-Troop also followed the motto, “Probate Exemplium”, Latin for “setting the example.”
Golf

The 1996-1997 Golf Company, under the command of Cadet Major Rottenborn, was a company with an identity. Their strong source of pride and tradition made them unique from any other company in the Corps of Cadets. Golf Company set the standard when on the job, but knew when to have fun. They exhibited a true sense of what pride was within a company.

Traditions that started in the company in the years past made Golf Company what it was this year, and that was what made Golf different. The motto of Golf Company, "Non Concedo", meaning: "We do not give in.", expressed exactly what Golf stood for. When a task needed to be done Golf Company charged ahead and never quits. With much diversity and change in the Corps of Cadets, some traditions were set aside, but Golf Company always stayed the same and strived for excellence.

Under the direction of Cadet Irv Gandy, Cadet Jason Berry shows his buds how to bust a move.

Non Concedo

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HOTEL


Pride Now, Tradition Always, Hotel Forever

Since its founding in 1922, The Hotel was one of the most unique and outstanding companies in the VTCC. From its early days as the company filled with misfits, ruffians, and jocks of the corps, Hotel evolved into a dynamic force on campus.

Through the Five Points of Pride; pride in yourself, your class, your uniform, the Corps, and

Cadet John Nelson pauses for a moment as Hotel upperclassmen prepare the freshmen for Company Initiation.
This year the Regimental Band of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets truly excelled in all aspects of cadet and student life. The Highty-Tighties were selected to participate in Bill Clinton's Presidential Inaugural parade in Washington D.C. this past February. This was the tenth performance by the band in the inaugural parade. The band was also the retired champion of the event. The band performed in the Richmond Christmas parade, the Homecoming parade, and the Savannah St. Patrick's Day parade as well. The Highty-Tighties performed at all of the home football games and at several Corps of Cadet functions such as the Variety Show and the Military Ball.

The Highty-Tighties practiced long hours to achieve their level of excellence, whether it be parade practice on Preston Avenue or field show practice on the Shultz plain. Under the command of Cadet Major Gregory Lowe and Cadet First Lieutenant John Kilareski, the drum major, the band was an integral part of the Corps of Cadets. Besides being active as a band the Highty-Tighties performed in many of the Corps' events. Such activities as Corps initiation and Eager Squad gave the band members a chance to show their Corps spirit and initiative.

Deeds Not Words

Cadets Andrew Warren, Matt Cordani, Dave Steinbach, Ben Bayless, and Dave Reese are all decked out for Halloween.
BAND


Cadet Heather Cleveland pretends to be dead in the Band hallway. There was always time for cadets to have a little fun.

Sophomore Cadet Katie Anderson submitted this carved pumpkin in the Halloween contest at Shultz.
Semper Fi

Semper Fidelis Society was a university organization whose purpose was to build camaraderie among past, present, and future Marines. Semper Fidelis taught future Marines how to act like officers and what it was like to be a Marine. Semper Fi also prided itself on its service to the community by participating in volunteer programs such as Toy for Tots. Along with volunteer work, Semper fi worked hard to generate income in order to sponsor events such as the Marine Corps birthday and Mess night.

ROC

The Recruiting Outstanding Cadets’s organization was started this year, in an effort to increase the quality within and the public awareness of the Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets. It was also founded under a desire to preserve the spirit to this institution. This last year, activities included participating in an EXPO in Northern Virginia, showcasing in the open houses for prospective students, training done by RSVP and Col. Schwabe.

SAME

Virginia Tech’s post of the national Society of Military American Engineers provided engineers of all types a chance to share in their interest in the military application of engineering. The society had members from nine engineering disciplines and, for the first time, both cadets and non-cadets. The society served the school by offering tutoring service to fellow engineers and also bringing several speakers to address engineers.
Posing for a quick shot, Brian Storm, Christopher Chown and Tom Teal enjoy Navy Marnie Corps Ball. Sempi Fi Society helped coordinate the ball so that it could be the best that it could have been.

Cadets bring down the American flag one sunny afternoon. Flag detail was done by all cadets in the corps throughout the year.

The Corps of Cadets line up for a pass and review to celebrate Parents Weekend. Cadets got to show their espirit de corps in events such as these.
Arnold Air Society


The Arnold Air Society was an Air Force ROTC honorary society. The Robert E. Fémoyer Squadron promoted service to the community, to the Air Force ROTC, and to Virginia Tech. This year the society helped plan the Air Force Dining Out, participated in the Adopt-a-Highway program, and visited the Roanoke Veteran's Hospital. The society also provided cadets an opportunity to learn more about the United States Air Force. This year the Arnold Air Society celebrated its 50th anniversary at Virginia Tech.

AUSA


The Virginia Tech chapter of the Association of the United States Army (AUSA) was composed of cadets who believed that a strong, modern, professional Army was essential to our national defense. The association provided supplementary training for its members in many necessary skills required for superior military performance. It also sought to promote fellowship, fun, and education among cadets of the Army ROTC New River battalion by sponsoring and organizing service projects and social events.

Navy Sailing

The objective of the Navy Sailing Team was to train freshmen cadets in the art of sailing. Although there were about twenty people on the team about 90 freshmen participated in the training program. The team practiced for three months in the fall and two months in the spring on Claytor Lake in Montgomery County. The Navy Sailing Team also participated in regattas and picnics. They competed against five other schools in sailing races.
Laying a wreath at the Rock, Arnold Air Society and Gregory Guard members pay their respects to all the soldiers who have died in military service for America. Arnold Air Society members held a 24 hour vigil every Veterans Day to remember those who died.

Midshipman Dennis McGugan prepares to take off in an EA-6B Prowler off of the U.S.S. George Washington, which was supporting UN forces from Bosnia in the Adriatic Sea.

Captain Hadeen prepares to take a drink from the grog while senior Leith Ames looks on. The grog, a mixture of various ingredients, was an important tradition in the Corps of Cadets.
Members of the National Eagle Scout Association spent one weekend white water rafting down the New River Gorge. NESA members were always willing to spend time standing at attention, junior Susan Hunt awaits the signal to fire the Skipper Crew's ceremonial cannon. The cannon was fired at many university events.
Conrad Cavalry

Eagle Scout Association

The ESA was a campus organization composed of both cadets and civilians who were Eagle Scouts. The organization was registered with the Boy Scouts of America and was known as Explorer Post 777 of the Blue Ridge Council.

Its main goal was to promote scouting and its ideals throughout the university and community. The ESA members frequently performed service projects and enjoyed outdoor activities.

Skipper Crew

Skipper Crew was one of the most visible cadet organizations on campus. Since the founding of the school, the artillery unit has been a symbol of honor, tradition, and military gallantry. Maintenance of the ceremonial cannon was entrusted to the honor detail of cadets. The skipper crew performed in such functions as formal retreats, Military Weekend, and home football games.

Conrad Cavalry

The Conrad Cavalry was organized in 1972 and was one of the few military cavalry units in the United States. The purpose of the cavalry was to represent the Corps in parades and horse shows across the state. The unit was named in honor of Thomas Nelson Conrad, an expert horseman and third president of Virginia Tech.

Color Guard

The Virginia Tech Corps of Cadets Color Guard served the Corps and the University by presenting the world's greatest and strongest symbol of freedom, our nation's colors. The Color Guard presented the nation's colors at all home games, military dinners and functions. The Guard traveled everywhere from The Congressional Medal of Honor Grove to the Sugar Bowl to represent Tech at special events.
Scabbard and Blade

The National Society of Scabbard and Blade was founded in 1903. In 1938, the Society came to Virginia Tech and was established with Company L, 7th Regiment. Scabbard and Blade was an honorary military society that was open to seniors in ROTC. Its primary purpose was to raise the standard of military education in colleges and universities in the United States. The society also educated students and the community about the United States Armed Forces.

Sash and Sabre

Sash and Sabre Honor Society was established at Virginia Tech in 1962 for cadets who were "cadet only;" cadets who were not enrolled in any ROTC program. The society was established to unite outstanding "cadet only" cadets; to prepare those cadets as educated men and women to take an active part in today's society; to provide for those men and women an incentive that will be beneficial to the University, Corps of Cadets, and themselves.

The Gregory Guard was formed from Company E-15 of the National Society of Pershing Rifles. The unit was named in honor of Sergent Earle D. Gregory, VPI class of 1923 and the first Virginian to receive the Congressional Medal of Honor. The Gregory Guard represented the Corps and Virginia Tech by performing precision rifle drill in various events throughout the country such as parades, drill competitions, and organizational functions.

Gregory Guard

Waiting for the signal, members of the Gregory Guard prepared to give a 21 gun salute in honor of Veteran's Day. Gregory Guard performed at many military and university functions.

Senior Rob Lyman speaks about Scabbard and Blade to the new organization members. Scabbard and Blade was an honor society for ROTC cadets.

Wondering where to start, sophomore Andrew Betz takes a break from the Sash and Sabre tap. Sash and Sabre was a leadership society for those cadets not enrolled in an ROTC program.
NSPT
First Row: N. Brown, J. DeForest, S. Harley, D. Burke, I. Gandy;
Not Pictured: C. Ives, J. Davis.

Ranger
First Row: C. Abraham, M. Pascarella, H. Johnson, L. Ames, C.
Lape, P. Gray, M. Higgins; Second Row: J. Maxon, E. Long, J.
McConnell, D. Joyce, C. Hughes, M. Diehl.

Practicing for Ranger Challenge, cadets work on their rope bridge technique. The VT team placed second in the competition.

Throwing himself over an obstacle, sophomore Chris Neal looks on to see what is coming next. The obstacle course was the project of TAC.
NSPT

The Navy Seal Preparatory Team was a group of highly motivated men who wished to prepare for a career in Naval Special Warfare or Marine Force Recon. The team's specific mission was to train for Basic Underwater Demolition/SEAL (BUD/S), a six month program conducted at Coronado, California. The team prepared for this grueling training session through exhausting physical and mental training, swimming, and running. The NSPT program at VT was one of only three in the nation, including the U.S. Naval Academy. They operated by the motto, "The only easy day was yesterday."

Rangers

In the tradition of the U.S. Army Rangers, the VTCC Ranger Company was composed of the most motivated cadets. Its primary mission was to train cadets in the skills required of a soldier. Technical and tactical proficiency, physical fitness, and academic excellence were crucial elements of a true Ranger. Membership in the Ranger Company was challenging and demanding but rewarding. The honor of wearing the black beret made one feel pride and satisfaction as part of a unit whose guiding philosophy was "To Learn, To Fight, To Win." Rangers lead the way!

Raiders

The Raiders Platoon at Virginia Tech was a program designed to equip Marine Corps option midshipmen with the necessary skills and leadership qualities to prepare them for OCS (Officer Candidate School) and eventual commissioning in the United States Marine Corps. Training included rigorous physical training, a fall and spring FTX (field training exercise) and a weekly Raiders class where midshipmen learned the basic leadership skills needed to succeed at OCS as well as in the Marine Corps.
On April 24th, the Corps of Cadets celebrated their annual Change of Command. The class of '97 relinquished command to the new leaders of the class of '98. Regimental commander for the 1996-1997 academic year, Cadet Colonel Leith Ames, handed over command to 1997-1998 commander Phil Forbes. After the formal command change, the new leadership led the Corps in a pass-and-review to honor the reviewing party and graduating seniors. The 1996-1997 regimental staff led the Corps through many changes in regulations and policies. The changes were rough, but the cadet leaders pulled the Corps through. Some of the changes included eleven formations a week, tougher restrictions on upperclassmen, a scramble for rising juniors, and new policies concerning freshmen. These changes adapted over the academic school year to accommodate the busy life of a cadet. 1997-1998 commander, Phil Forbes and his executive officer, Sharon Pinder, plan to continue with the changes from the 1996-1997 academic year while adopting other policies to make the 1997-1998 school year unique.

"Being a Company Commander was a great learning experience for me. It is going to help a lot out in the field as an Army officer."

Cadet Major Mark Himes

Next year's regimental staff, stands at parade rest while waiting for the pass and review to take place.
The Color Guard presents the colors during the pass-and-review. The presenting of colors was a time honored tradition.

The Highty Tighties strut their stuff during the change of command. The regimental band performed at the Presidential parade this year making alumni and cadets very proud.

Second Battalion Staff led by Cadet Carrie Bell, waits patiently for the change of command to take place. Cadet Bell led Second Battalion through many activities that allowed all the cadets to let loose and have fun.
To walk across the drillfield at midday was to realize how easy it could be to get lost among the thousands of students gathered here at Virginia Tech. Student organizations provided a much needed lifeline to students who would otherwise drown in this sea of variety by drawing together people who shared common interests. A glance at the list of Tech student organizations would show just how diverse these common interests were. There seemed to be a club for everything—from honor societies to service fraternities, cultural groups to religious groups—chances were if you had a special interest there was a group that shared it.

Student organizations did more than just gather people with similar interests, they mobilized these people for action. Many student groups were active in not only campus life but also the Blacksburg community at large by sponsoring speakers, arranging cultural festivals, and organizing blood drives. Their impact could be felt far and wide.

To be an active participant in your education meant knowing that learning did not end when class was over. Interacting with people who shared similar interests encouraged positive action and that was one lesson to grow on.
SGA Strives to Voice Student Concerns on Campus and in the Community

The executive branch of the SGA was comprised of four elected officials and many appointed ones. President Jay Hulings, Vice President Lisa Furjanic, Secretary Caroline Clifford, Treasurer Christopher Forstner, and members of the SGA House and Senate represented the student body and its needs throughout the year.

This year's SGA provided open forums for students to express their views. Members also created a pool of student advisors for the University Judicial System, making the system more reflective of the student body.

With the help of a SGA database, students were able to research their professors, their yearly grade distribution, and any awards they received through the Academy of Teaching Excellence.

Prior to local, congressional, and presidential elections, SGA members actively sought out students and helped them register to vote. Booths were positioned across campus and inside many student buildings. Registration for non-Virginian residents was made easy with out-of-state registration materials and absentee ballots.

The SGA also fought to improve student parking as the number of student lots decreased while the price of parking tickets rose. Both on-campus students and commuting off-campus students were affected as SGA searched for a solution to provide more adequate student parking facilities. One solution was to create an HOV parking lot.

The SGA regulated the way athletic tickets were obtained, making this system safer, easier, and less time consuming.

The issue of student safety—a major concern of the student body—was addressed across campus, including inside campus buildings. SGA worked to improve overall campus security, and to improve security at such places as the University Bookstore. Coin return lockers replaced open cubby holes where backpacks and personal items were formerly stashed—and frequently stolen.

Attending to an issue that affected all members of the Blacksburg community, SGA worked to improve relations between the students and the town.

The Student Government Association filled another year with programs and events that clearly defined the student voice to the administration.
During SGA elections in March, candidates talk to interested students about their campaign ticket and their ideas for the upcoming academic year. Candidates spoke at a SGA debate and at several organization meetings in their attempts to win votes.

SGA House of Representatives


SGA Executive Council

First Row: C. Clifford, J. Hulings, C. Forstner, L. Furjanic;
One-third of the Thomas Chapin Trio, musician Mario Pavone plucks his bass while in performance. VTU sponsored events that everyone could enjoy.

Electrifying the crowd as they strum their guitars, popular recording artist Dave Matthews and Tim Reynolds put on an acoustic show on stage. Tickets to the VTU show sold out in a few short hours as over 3,000 students flocked to see the concert.

Stop, in the name of love! Members of the Virginia Tech Union Lively Arts Committee strike a pose with singer Mary Wilson of The Supremes. The Lively Arts Committee made sure to invite a broad range of performers to appeal to the diverse interests of the campus community.
Having Fun Yet?

The Virginia Tech Union brings Excitement and Entertainment to Blacksburg

If you found yourself just sitting in your dorm doing homework all day then you were not taking advantage of all the exciting things the Virginia Tech Union had to offer. The Virginia Tech Union was a programming organization that organized many activities and functions held at Virginia Tech. In order to provide variety, the club was split into eight separate committees: speakers and issues, concerts, alternative sounds, films, house and hospitality, lively arts, festivals and special events.

If a student wanted to get involved with an active organization, VTU membership was open to all Virginia Tech students. The group was responsible for a wide variety of activities including the following: events such as Winterfest and the Homecoming dance; concerts featuring Dave Matthews, A Tribe Called Quest, The Chapman Trio, and The Make Up; Broadway plays such as “Grease” and “The Who’s Tommy,” entertainers including Chris Rock and Andy Richter; and films like “Independence Day,” “Trainspotting,” and “The Rock.” The Virginia Tech Union also sponsored an abortion debate between Sarah Weddington and Phyllis Schlafly that forced students to examine their own stance on the issue.

It was pretty hard to escape the influence of the Virginia Tech Union. Flyers and posters could be seen on every bulletin board in sight inviting people to put aside their work and have a good time. Who had ever heard of a Virginia Tech student not knowing the meaning of fun? The VTU was able to bring new and interesting experiences to Tech because it was by the students, of the students, and for the students!

Stand up comedian Chris Rock performs in front of over a thousand people in Burruss Auditorium. VTU brought many entertainers to the Virginia Tech campus much to the delight of students and faculty alike.

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Printed Media Records the Wonders of Tech Life With the Typed Word

With so much going on in and around campus, how could a person keep up with it all? Not to fear, members of the Collegiate Times, The Bugle, and Silhouette worked hard to keep students up to date on current events.

On Tuesdays and Fridays students across the campus could be found reading Virginia Tech's only student newspaper, the Collegiate Times. Established in 1903, the CT has been nationally recognized by numerous organizations for excellence in journalism.

The student literary magazine, the Silhouette, began publication in 1978. Comprised of student poetry, artwork, and photography, the magazine was originally run by the English department until it became an independent entity. The Silhouette was published once a year until 1989 when it became bi-annual. Through working on the magazine, staff members gained experience in layout design and production.

A third student publication was The Bugle, the yearbook of Virginia Tech. The Bugle was Virginia Tech's oldest student media organization. It strove to provide staff members with leadership and organization skills, to broaden the characteristics of student life, and to act as a source of information about campus events. When asked what a student gets out of participating in student media, The Bugle managing editor Eric Goodwin, a fourth year architecture student, said, "One gains the pleasure out of knowing that your work is going to be seen and read by thousands of people for years to come."

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--Eric Goodwin

The student literary magazine, the Silhouette, began publication in 1978. Comprised of student poetry, artwork, and photography, the magazine was originally run by the English department until it became an independent entity. The Silhouette was published once a year until 1989 when it became bi-annual. Through working on the magazine, staff members gained experience in layout design and production.

A third student publication was The Bugle, the yearbook of Virginia Tech. The Bugle was Virginia Tech's oldest student media organization. It strove to provide staff members with leadership and organization skills, to broaden the characteristics of student life, and to act as a source of information about campus events. When asked what a student gets out of participating in student media, The Bugle managing editor Eric Goodwin, a fourth year architecture student, said, "One gains the pleasure out of knowing that your work is going to be seen and read by thousands of people for years to come."
Collegiate Times staff members Tara Tuckwiller, news editor, and John Hanusek, sports production assistant, work in the CT office. Computer dexterity was one of the many skills students acquired while participating in student media.

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Senior Richard Gebken, a staff member for The Bugle as well as a Student Publications Photo Staff member, processes film in preparation of developing pictures for the yearbook. Although the work could be demanding, students gained personal satisfaction from working on student media.
Visual/Audio Media Depicts Tech Life With the Wonders of Technology

Print media was not the only way to keep up with campus events. VTTV, WUVT, and the Student Publications Photo Staff worked hard to provide students with up to date coverage of campus life by taking advantage of the airwaves, radiowaves, and photography to keep the Tech community informed.

VTTV was Virginia Tech’s television station. Founded in 1988, their goal was to allow students the opportunity to experience running a television station and working with the latest in television technology. The station broadcasted a variety of programs focusing on issues such as sports, campus news, music videos, and even featured student-made films.

WUVT, Virginia Tech’s student radio station, first aired in 1948. WUVT broadcasted twenty-four hours a day, seven days a week. It provided Tech students with a variety of music, news, sports, and public announcements. The goal of WUVT was to provide students with the opportunity to learn the use of audio technology.

SPPS, the Student Publications Photo Staff, provided the opportunity for students to learn all aspects of photography. Photos taken by SPPS were used in the Collegiate Times and The Bugle. "SPPS allows students to gain hands-on experience and use today’s [photo] technology," remarked SPPS director Alicia Chang, a senior in communications studies. SPPS members Brandon Andre, Joe Foley, and Dan Kim were selected as winners in the Virginia Press Association’s 1995-1996 photography competition.

Joe Foley, a junior in aerospace engineering, takes pictures at the New River Valley racetrack. Photo assignments took SPPS members all around the region.

Joe Foley  Chang

VTTV
Always seeking to increase his accessibility to students, Virginia Tech President Paul Torgersen shares a laugh with biochemistry sophomore Kingsley Weaver, host for WUVT's "Tech Talk." The radio station went to great lengths to entertain Tech students.
The YMCA and Circle K Continue Their Long Tradition of Service to Blacksburg

The YMCA has been an integral part of community and campus service for one hundred and twenty years. This year they had twenty-two student run programs ranging from Alternative Spring Break to Ecocycle. The Native American program sponsored speaker Dr. Terry Wilson who related his experiences as a person of multi-cultural descent.

"The YMCA Student Programs create a bridge between Virginia Tech and the local community and provides students with the opportunity to gain leadership skills."

—Barbara Holcomb

supervisor Barbara Holcomb. One thousand students contributed their time to various YMCA programs.

Additionally, the YMCA ran a Thrift Shop on South Main that provided a valuable service to the community by selling clothing and household items at low cost.

The YMCA Craft Fair successfully shared the richness of local talent with the community and raised funds for the organization. Folk music played in the background as Tech students and Blacksburg residents viewed and bought many craft items ranging from glassblowing and quilts to jewelry and paintings.

Another service organization, Circle K, celebrated its fortieth anniversary this year. "The goal of the organization is to serve the community and the Virginia Tech campus while meeting new people," according to president Heather Kelly.

The club sponsored a Halloween Penny carnival for children in the Blacksburg community. Members also spent time with residents of the Heritage House nursing home. In the spring the club held a "Bounce for Breast Cancer" fundraiser.

A YMCA volunteer plays with a participant in the Shawnee After School Program. Students planned activities for children at the Shawnee Apartments every week. The program was just one way YMCA members spent time with children in the Blacksburg community.
The community started Christmas shopping early in November. The YMCA Craft Fair gave crowd-goers many options from which to choose including handmade sweaters and dolls to hand carved figurines. Local craftsmakers displayed their wares while local artists drew portrait sketches. A good time was had by all.

YMCA

Circle K
A Red Cross volunteer tries to ease a student’s natural anxieties by explaining that giving blood requires only one small pinch with the needle. Reclining in lawn chairs and eating and drinking free concessions also helped make the process as painless as possible.
The Gift that Saves

Alpha Phi Omega Offers Students and Community the Chance to Help Save Lives.

Do you have an hour to spare between classes and don't mind spending your time sitting back and eating free food? If you can handle a couple of small pricks thrown in there, then make your way down to one of three annual blood drives on campus. Alpha Phi Omega service fraternity sponsored the Bloodmobile in conjunction with the local Red Cross chapter.

According to blood drive chair Maria Kafantarlis, "The Bloodmobile comes close to quota at every drive." Students were very supportive and many of the donors were "repeats." After waiting 50-60 days many students returned to give blood again.

Additionally, the event enjoyed wide community support. Local businesses such as Papa John’s, Sara Lee Doughnuts, and Harris Teeter supported the Bloodmobile by donating food. Red Cross volunteers tried to make the process a quick, painless, and efficient one.

The first sample prick was taken from the ear lobe which was less sensitive to pain. Donors only had to endure one prick of the needle, a small price to pay to save a life. Each unit of blood was divided into several components that had different medical uses. One donation could save several lives.

Blood types 0+ and 0- were not as common as other types and were usually in high demand. When asked why a person should donate blood, the student consensus was that "its for a good cause, and it doesn't cost anything." So if you were over 17 years old, weighed at least 110 pounds, and in good health, you were invited to add your contribution to the Red Cross Blood Bank.

Alpha Phi Omega offered many other services to the campus and community. The club participated in SHARE, a program in which any member of the community could purchase $65 worth of produce for $13.50 and two hours of community service. Members volunteered at Heritage Hall nursing home and the Humane Society shelter. They also set the stage for the VTU Lively Arts Series, unloading the scenery and equipment for every event. At the end of every semester, Alpha Phi Omega sponsored a book exchange to buy back students' textbooks. The co-ed fraternity offered students many ways to serve the local community.

"Students are very supportive of the Bloodmobile; they see its a good cause and costs them nothing. We come close to quota at every drive."

—Maria Kafantarlis
With a young child in tow, a German Club mem-
ber gets into the spirit of things and prepares to
do the hula-hoop dance. Both the children and
members of the German Club got a kick out of
community service.

Bringing a smile to the face of a youngster, a
member of the German Club dresses up as Santa
Claus as part of a Christmas party for local chil-
dren. The annual event was sponsored by both
the German Club and Chi Delta Alpha.
Get Involved in the Community—Organizations Offer Service Opportunities

Sprechen Sie Deutsch? That’s great if you do, but that’s not what the German Club was about! This service organization was the second oldest on campus, dating back 104 years. This non-greek fraternity was originally established as a dance club but over time, “the club’s mission has matured towards leadership through service of fellowship,” explained Robby Moser, president of the German Club.

Approximately eighty-five members and over 3,000 active alumni worked to initiate service projects to better Virginia Tech's campus and the Blacksburg community. Activities included selling programs at football, basketball, and baseball games, sponsoring the Midwinter’s Dance, and working for Habitat for Humanity. The German club also hosted its annual Gold Rush which allowed sororities to raise money and compete in field events for their favorite philanthropies. This year, they raised over four thousand dollars to aid such causes as the American Heart Association, the blind, and the fight against illiteracy.

Along these same lines of service, Chi Delta Alpha was a non-greek sorority dedicated to providing the community with helpful ideas and hard work. The group was the oldest women's organization at Virginia Tech and celebrated its 30th anniversary this year. April 5th marked “Service Day” where members ventured out into the Blacksburg community offering to help paint and clean homes as well as other helpful deeds.

Both the German Club and Chi Delta Alpha enjoyed a long tradition of service to the Blacksburg community and to the Virginia Tech campus.

German Club members participated in a variety of service projects around the area such as this trash pick up. Too bad some college kids did not heed this lesson and were as diligent about cleaning their dorm rooms!
The Society of Indian Americans (SIA) began its sixth year as an international organization. The club boasted about 50 members.

The major goal of the SIA was to bring together all the Indian Americans on Tech's campus through promoting cultural awareness and by hosting social and cultural activities.

"The SIA is effective in bringing together Indian Americans at Tech (by means of) cultural awareness."

—Shilpa Bhimani

November 16th marked the Indian observance of Diwali (the Festival of Lights). In cooperation with the Indian Student Association (ISA), SIA co-sponsored a Diwali show which included a one act skit and a fashion show. During the course of the year, ISA also performed shows featuring traditional Indian dances and displaying Indian costumes for the entire Virginia Tech community to enjoy.

The Asian American Student Union (AASU) held its culture night and SIA performed Indian dances and had a fashion show. This marked the first year SIA joined with AASU in hopes of further bringing cultural awareness to the campus.

Even though membership in the SIA showed growth, there was still much to strive for. According to SIA secretary Shilpa Bhimani, "The SIA is effective in bringing together Indian Americans at Tech (by means of) cultural awareness. Still there is room for improvement; we need to reach out to those who have not attended the meetings and those Indians on campus who have no idea of our organization. By marketing ourselves more, we can have more students join."
These young children, portraying the role of royalty, cheerfully perform in the Festival of Lights celebration as an audience watches on. The Diwali performance was enjoyed by everyone young and old.
MAC, the Class of 1998, and the Black Female Coalition Share with the Campus

Groups serve the important purpose of bringing people who share a common cause together. Groups such as the Minority Architecture Coalition, the Class of 1998, and the Black Female Coalition go one step further—they bring a small collection of individuals together for the purpose of sharing their collective talents with the multitude.

Assembling a small collection of individuals for the purpose of sharing their collective talents with the community

By all accounts, architecture was one of the most challenging majors that Virginia Tech had to offer with a high drop-out rate to prove it. An important aim of the Minority Architecture Coalition was to support and encourage minority students to continue their academic pursuit of architecture and related disciplines. The group met and critiqued each other's work, offering constructive feedback. Representatives of MAC attended the National Organization of Minority Architects annual conference in the fall and in the spring, members of the group had their work on display in the Black Cultural Center.

The Class of 1998 had the daunting task of bringing together the thousands of students that would graduate in 1998. The group was charged with the responsibility of designing a class ring collection for their peers. Named after Tech alumnus Henry J. Dekker, the group presented the collection at the Ring Premier. The collection of popularly-elected officers and appointed committee heads also worked to organize the Ring Dance, a ritual at Virginia Tech.

The Black Female Coalition was formed to encourage and enlighten others about the plight of women in general and the Black woman in particular. In February, the group sponsored a number of special "Herstory" programs that highlighted the Black woman's contribution to education, athletics, and social science.

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Black Female Coalition member Riham Khoury gives her undivided attention as a student shares her point of view at a lunchtime discussion held in the Black Cultural Center.

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Class of 1998

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Each year, the Black Student Alliance sponsored many programs that highlighted the cultural and social backgrounds and educational achievements of African-Americans. The purpose of the club was to enhance understanding among all students regardless of race or creed. In the fall, Shirley Chisom and Tech professor Nikki Giovanni shared their insights before packed audiences.

During Black History Month, BSA sponsored many events including speakers, exhibits, concerts, and festivals. This year, several concerts featured African-American music. In an Eubonics debate, BSA confronted a current issue causing racial tension. Blacksburg High School students benefited from several BSA programs. Tech Summit, a spin-off of BET's Teen Summit, an entertainment/talk show, provided a forum for the discussion of "Rape Race and Reality: Different Effects Music Has In Society."

"The Shock mentoring program in which Tech students tutor high school students one-on-one has steadily grown; students can now gain academic credit for participating," said Community Service Committee Chairperson Shalawn Langhorne.

Every year, the Black Student Alliance planned the pep rally that kicked off Homecoming Week. This year, the pep rally gave individual students and organizations a chance to perform vocal and dance acts. The BSA offered a constant and diverse calendar of activities that promoted cultural understanding.
Thrilling the crowd with her soulful voice, Dawn Blair sings at the BSA sponsored Homecoming pep rally. The event featured performances from local bands *Harmony* and *Backbone* as well as songs from the Virginia Tech Gospel Choir. The pep rally also included a number of dance acts.

Black Student Alliance


Korean Student Organization


Filipino American Student Association

Spining to the music, this flamenco dancer delights the crowd. The Circulo Hispanico brought Spanish dance to the campus of Virginia Tech.

Circulo Hispanico

Council of International Student Organizations
First Row: N. Wang, K. Kanwar; Second Row: M. Grafe, A. Andersen, P. Simanjuntak.

International Undergraduate Association
Bridging the Boundaries

CISO, IUA, and the Circulo Hispanico Bring Culture to the Campus

With an established reputation as a world-class research university, Virginia Tech attracted students from around the globe. As if adapting to new people and a new culture was not difficult enough, international students had to cope with the added burden of academic studies. Organizations such as the International Undergraduate Association, the Circulo Hispanico, and the Council of International Student Organizations helped international students adjust to American culture while providing an opportunity for these students to share their native cultures with Americans.

From Zambia to Sri Lanka, over thirty countries are represented in the membership of the International Undergraduate Association. In the broadest sense, part of the IUA's mission was to help non-international students understand more about global topics. But more importantly, the IUA served as a networking tool for international students. IUA member Margarita Chiriboga, a third-year student in architecture, explained, "[Without the IUA] you wouldn't necessarily meet these people from all around the world... you get to learn about a culture one person at a time. Plus, it helps international students feel like they are not alone; that there are others who are going through the same adjustment [to American culture]."

The Circulo Hispanico proved that one did not have to speak Spanish to enjoy its cultural richness. The mission of the club was to share the cultures of Spanish-speaking nations with those at Tech. In addition to offering lessons in Spanish dancing and hosting parties, the club sponsored a needy child in the country of Colombia.

The Council of International Student Organizations was comprised of representatives from several of the international groups on campus. Since these clubs had similar goals, CISO provided an opportunity for students to share ideas. CISO played a large part in coordinating International Week, held annually during the first week in April. The International Street Fair, the event that kicked off the week, featured food, music, and crafted goods from many of the cultures that make up the student body at Virginia Tech. Additionally, CISO sponsored several speakers during the year.

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—Margarita Chiriboga

Dr. Ivan Van Sertima, a professor of African Studies at Rutgers University, speaks on the myths that plague modern society on the contributions that Africans have made to science. Groups like CISO brought such speakers to Tech.
The Campus Crusade for Christ movement began on college campuses about thirty years ago and has continued to spread across the world ever since.

"Campus Crusade gave me an opportunity to grow in my relationship with God and learn what it means to be a Christian on campus."

—Stephen Lackey

John Winters, the president of Tech's Campus Crusade, described the movement as a way to, “ensure that college students hear the claims and truths of Christ in a way that is relevant to them.”

One of Campus Crusade's events this year was to host speaker Steve Sawyer. Mr. Sawyer spoke to about 1000 students about what it was like to live with AIDS. Doctors were not optimistic about Mr. Sawyer's chances of survival; they only gave him six months to live. A year and a half after their predictions were proved wrong, he shared how his experiences since that time had changed him.

In addition to inspirational speakers, Campus Crusade changed and benefited students' lives at Virginia Tech in a wide variety of ways. According to Jeff Bean, a recent graduate of Virginia Tech, Campus Crusade helped him become a Christian: “I came in as an intellectual Christian; I knew everything but had not accepted Christ as my personal savior.” Stephen Lackey exclaimed, “Campus Crusade gave me an opportunity to grow in my relationship with God and to learn what it means to be a Christian on campus.”

Jill Spnanza summed up Campus Crusade in three words, “It is awesome!”
These members of Campus Crusade for Christ huddle together as they stare in amazement during the organization's fall retreat. Religious groups brought together people who shared similar interests and were an excellent way to meet other students while taking an active role in campus life.

**Baptist Student Union**

**Lutheran Student Movement**

**Baha'i Association**
Intervarsity Christian Fellowship Creates Leaders Through Fellowship

Since its beginnings in the 1940s, Intervarsity Christian Fellowship has tried to spread the gospel of Jesus Christ across the university and community and develop disciples within it.

"I've benefited most from discipleship relationships, fellowship with other Christians on campus, and leadership training."

-Mark Stawart

IVCF was interdenominational, its members attended many different local churches. Yet, each week members gathered together for a large worship group. The ninety members also meet weekly for small group Bible studies that highlighted discipleship training. Each small group was taught by two leaders. Every summer, these leaders attended camps for leadership training.

This year, the organization focused on leadership and discipleship development. They have felt led to concentrate on building better relationships with God. IVCF also built better communication and relationships with other Christian organizations on campus, such as Campus Crusade and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. They hoped to become more outreach-oriented by emphasizing evangelism. Mark Stawart, president of IVCF, said he has, "benefited most from discipleship relationships, fellowship with Christians on campus, and leadership training" in his three years as a member. Through fellowship with each other and God, IVCF members are learning how to be good leaders and disciples.

With great care, IVCF members diligently wash a car. The club used the money raised during this fundraiser to support the various events they sponsor during the academic year.
Collegiate 4H Club of Virginia Tech

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Denise Kane sells communication studies sweatshirts to raise funds for the Society of Professional Journalists and Women in Communications. By combining their distinct professional networks, the organizations were able to engage speakers from many areas of communications.

Society of Professional Journalists

Women In Communications
First Row: K. Thomas, A. Newell, M. Rowe; Back Row: M.B. Oliver, K. Young, N. Paolini, N. Hider.

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Women In Communications and the Public Relations Student Society of America offered opportunities for students to gain training in the communications field.

Students could gain practical experience in communications professions through the various communications clubs at Tech. These clubs worked closely with each other and the communications department to promote fundraising and special events.

Women in Communications (WIC) was an organization dedicated to advancing the role of women in the communications field. This year the WIC chapter held professional development workshops on such topics as desktop publishing, graphic design, homepage design, and electronic editing. Additionally, members learned about local internship opportunities.

A major goal of Women In Communications was to create contacts with professionals. The organization helped its members develop networking skills. "I've learned how to form professional relationships with prospective employers and the importance of keeping good contacts," WIC member Kay Young said. "By interacting with professionals, I will be much more comfortable when I enter the working field."

Professionals shared their experiences in the communications job field and what it took to succeed.

Speakers also gave their perspectives on controversial topics such as the portrayal of women in the media.

WIC, in conjunction with the Public Relations Student Society of America (PRSSA), hosted the Communications Connections conference in the spring. The Conference was an effective way for students to gather information about careers in the communications field.

PRSSA had a thriving chapter at Tech. This year the chapter won the Dr. F. H. Teahan Award recognizing it as the most outstanding student chapter in the nation.

"The main goal of PRSSA," according to president Amy McEwan, "is to prepare members for careers in public relations by giving them experience and education in the field." The club regularly held workshops in public relations and html. Members also gained practical experience by running the club's public relations firm.

While gaining valuable experience, members also contributed to the community. PRSSA coordinated media relations for the local Special Olympics and publicity for the AIDS Walk on World AIDS Day.

"PRSSA offers hands-on experience in everything going on in communications from writing and layout design to new media technology," according to member Nicole Hider. "It also provides the opportunity to network with professionals and meet people in classes that share your interests."

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The Science Organizations aid the community and the environment through their love of the outdoors.

Science clubs, like the Geology Club of Virginia Tech, rocked. Clubs devoted to the study of science displayed an interest in fields that "rule" the universe. Organizations such as the Biology Club, Geophysical Society, Environmental Science, and Forestry Club were among the popular science clubs on campus.

Throughout the year, members participated in a variety of activities and had the chance to attend interesting lectures, aid in community service projects, and much more.

Paul Bunyan would have made a perfect candidate for the Forestry Club. You didn't need a blue ox to join, only an interest in having a good time and enjoying the outdoors. A school affiliated, social organization, the Forestry Club knew how to have a wild time in the woods.

New members joined at the beginning of each semester and participated in a secret initiation process. Once in the club, members organized community activities such as Adopt-A-Tree for the U.S. Forest Service. They also cleaned lots and helped preserve hiking trails.

The club generated funds from the sale of Christmas trees, firewood, and seedlings. The proceeds went to fund forestry competitions that the club participated in regularly. Members in the Forestry Club competed in activities such as cross and bow cut sawing, log burling, log rolling, tree chopping, and pole filling as well as forestry trivia and photography.

The Forestry Club worked hard all year getting ready for the Conclave, a national competition between forestry related clubs whereby participants face off against each other in a variety of events. The Conclave was also an opportunity for students to meet industry representatives and make new contacts for the future. The Forestry Club "wood" be a great experience for anyone interested in nature and having a good time!

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Robert Frost

"Some say the world will end in fire/
Some say in ice.
From what I've tasted of desire/ I hold with those who favor fire."

—Robert Frost

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This biology student prepares a petri dish to be examined later on with the help of a high powered microscope. The Biology Club helped increase student involvement in the biology department. The club was involved in projects such as student tutoring, Save-Our-Stream, and organized various tours and guest speakers.

This member of the Forestry Club prepares to take a final whack at an already badly beaten pine tree. Tree chopping was an event the Forestry Club competed in against other clubs from across the country.

Forestry Club members Goldielocks Yeager and Jon Halloran brave the cold wind to sell Christmas trees on Main Street.
Modern living can get mechanical and mindnumbing. If we were not careful, we could find ourselves slaves to routine. Imagination allows us to escape the monotony of everyday life. Two campus groups who were not afraid to take these flights of fancy included The Rocky Horror Picture Show Fan Club and the Science Fiction and Fantasy Club.

Imagination was the key to unlock the treasures The Rocky Horror Picture Show Club and the Science Fiction and Fantasy Club had to offer to their members. With the reopening of the Lyric Theater in 1996, the club was able to put on performances there and raise over $2000 toward its continued renovation—approximately 1200 people took part in the “rituals” that surrounded this film cult following. The group also took part in the Take Back the Night Rally.

The Science Fiction and Fantasy Club, formed in 1982, was a club which was open not only to Tech students but also to Blacksburg residents. They held art shows, auctions, costume parades and game competitions, sharing their love of science fiction and fantasy with the entire community.

The club’s major annual event was Technicon, a science fiction gaming convention, held in March. This year marked the 14th anniversary of Technicon. The Science Fiction and Fantasy Club also had game days and gathered together to watch sci-fi favorites like the syndicated TV show, Babylon 5.
The Rocky Horror Picture Show has become a cult favorite. Enthusiasts dress like various characters in the movie and spoof film scenes while the movie plays in the background.
The SCA and the VT Technical Jugglers Push the Limits of the Body and Balance

The Society for Creative Anachronism was a historical society composed of people all around the globe who shared an interest in the Middle Ages. Members researched their lineage and the customs of the day and simulated what life was like in the 14th and 15th centuries. The 1992 Known World Handbook, the reference book SCA members used, stated, "Authenticity is encouraged insofar as modern views on health and safety permit, and our members put our research into practice by constructing replica artifacts, practicing historical arts and crafts, learning to fight with a sword and shield. But more than just research, the [SCA] also attempted to embody the ideals of the medieval romances: chivalry, courtesy, honor, and graciousness." The Society for Creative Anachronism furthered their knowledge by performing instructional demonstrations and engaging in swordfighting simulations.

Jugglers had a place to show off their talents and socialize with other jugglers as members of the VT Technical Jugglers. The group performed public shows for local boy scout troupes and birthday parties. Every year, the VT Technical Jugglers hosted a juggling convention here at Tech.

This year's show consisted of a public performance in Haymarket Theatre and entertainment by a professional juggler. "About seventy-five people travelled from the Carolinas, Atlanta, Maryland, and D.C. to attend," according to Paolo Scardina, president of the organization. The club also travelled to other conventions and shows in places such as Chapel Hill and Northern Virginia. Performing in street shows in D.C. provided an opportunity for club members to show off their skills. In all, the club focused on having fun, meeting fellow jugglers, and of course juggling.
Swordfighting was a part of life for medieval noblemen. These two members of the Society for Creative Anachronism simulate a confrontation on the grassy plain of the Drillfield.

Jeff Bobish, a member of the VT Technical Jugglers, gains balance on his unicycle before attempting to juggle.

VTTJ members Bill Connelly, Micah England, and Jeff Bobish execute a difficult juggling routine, demonstrating their skills.
Over the course of four years, Virginia Tech's athletic programs have done a near 180 degree turn for the better. With dominating play, the Hokies won their second consecutive Big East football championship. The men's and women's indoor and outdoor track and field teams swept the Atlantic 10 championships as did the men's and women's tennis teams. Not to be left out of the championship fever, the baseball team won the A-10 championship and advanced to the second round of the NCAA regional tournament, the first Hokie team to do so in over thirty years.

The athletic program experienced its fair share of growing pains, however. A rash of criminal assault charges were filed against a number of football players, and many of them found their way to court. After a disappointing season, longtime women's basketball coach Carol Alfano was forced to prematurely retire when her contract was not renewed. And men's basketball coach Bill Foster retired after successfully rebuilding the program.

William & Mary players could only look on as the Hokies fight to regain possession of the basketball. The Hokies were not afraid to sacrifice their bodies for the sake of the team.
Virginia Tech tailback Marcus Parker (#34) rushes past a University of Virginia defender. The Hokies racked up 413 yards in their 26-9 win against the Cavaliers.

As Waverly Jackson (#98) looks on, linebacker Brandon Semones (#21) takes down Nebraska Quarterback Scott Frost. Virginia Tech lost the Orange Bowl 41-21.

Cornelius White (#4) breaks into the end zone after a 6 yard pass to end the second quarter against West Virginia University. White's TD was on the way to the 31-14 win.
the beast of the Big East...

Football

As the Virginia Tech Hokies took the field in their first game of the season against Akron in Ohio, no one quite knew what to expect. The team was ranked in the top twenty-five, but had lost several key players from the previous years Sugar Bowl and Big East Conference championship team. Hokie fans had reason to be anxious about the upcoming season as Virginia Tech barely squeezed by the Zips, 21-18. During the game, Tech's star tailback Ken Oxendine was injured, but true freshman Shyronc Stith took over, scoring two touchdowns for the Hokies and rushing for 119 yards.

In their very next game, the Hokies showed their fans that they had nothing to be worried about as they hammered Boston College 45-7. With Oxendine still out, Stith continued to play well, as both he and Brian Edmonds scored two touchdowns a piece. Virginia Tech drove against the Eagles for a net total of 456 yards. With the win against Boston College, the Hokies broke a school record for the longest winning streak, clinching 12 straight games.

In the first home game of the season, Virginia Tech ran by Rutgers 30-14 with 516 total yards, increasing its streak to 13 games, the longest in the nation at that time. Virginia Tech's luck would not hold out, though, as they travelled to Syracuse to face the Orange in the Carrier Dome. With Oxendine back, the first quarter ended with Tech in the lead 14-7, but Syracuse scored 17 unanswered points in the second quarter and went on to win the game 52-21.

With only one loss, the team aspired to finish the rest of the season undefeated before shutting out Temple 38-0 at home. The Hokies also easily defeated Pittsburgh (34-17), the University of Southwestern Louisiana (47-16), and East Carolina University (35-14) before travelling to Miami to face the ranked Hurricanes in a Big East battle.

Perhaps the biggest game of the regular season, the contest with Miami had Tech fans concerned as the Hokies had never beaten Miami in Miami. The teams ended the first half with the score tied at 7, but Virginia Tech scored late in the third quarter to lead 14-7. In the final minutes of the game, Miami was looking to win the game with a touchdown and a two point conversion, but free safety Keion Carpenter intercepted a Miami pass in the end zone and returned it 100 yards for a touchdown, clinching Virginia Tech's 21-7 win.

The Hokies also beat their Big East rival West Virginia, defeating them 31-14, before taking on the in-state rival University of Virginia in Blacksburg. The Cavaliers scored first and were leading 9-7 at half time. The Tech defense then kicked in and held the Wahoos to 0 points in the second half as the Hokies tore up the Cavaliers 26-9, as well as both goal post after the game. The Hokies finished the regular season with a record of 10-1.

With a school record for the most wins in a regular season, the Hokies finished their schedule in a three way tie for the Big East championship. Having won 20 of their last 21 games, and being ranked nationally in the top 10, the Hokies were the highest ranked team in the Big East. Because of their near perfect season, the Hokies were invited to play the defending national champion Nebraska Cornhuskers in the Orange Bowl on New Year's Eve.

The Orange Bowl began well for the Hokies as Marcus Parker scored the first touchdown in the game with 3:14 remaining in the first quarter. As the second quarter progressed, it became obvious that Nebraska was as good as they were supposed to be as they scored 17 points during the second quarter. The Hokies refused to be taken advantage of, however, as Virginia Tech's Shawn Scales caught a six yard touchdown pass with only 19 seconds remaining in the first half to send the teams to the locker rooms with Virginia Tech down only by three points at the break.

The Cornhuskers were the first to score in the third quarter when Damon Benning ran 33 yards for the touchdown. Virginia Tech would answer with 4:58 left in the third when Cornelius White scored off of a 33 yard pass from Hokie quarterback Jim Druckenmiller. However, that would be the last score for the Hokies as Nebraska dominated the fourth quarter and scored another 17 unanswered points to finish the game. The 41-21 loss to Nebraska in the Orange Bowl dropped the Hokies to an overall record

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Junior tailback Ken Oxendine (#28) leaps into the end zone as he scores Virginia Tech's first touchdown against the Miami Hurricanes. The Hokies beat the Hurricanes 21-7 on their way to becoming Big East co-champions and Orange Bowl contenders.

As the Virginia Tech Hokies took the field in their first game of the season against Akron in Ohio, no one quite knew what to expect. The team was ranked in the top twenty-five, but had lost several key players from the previous years Sugar Bowl and Big East Conference championship team. Hokie fans had reason to be anxious about the upcoming season as Virginia Tech barely squeezed by the Zips, 21-18. During the game, Tech's star tailback Ken Oxendine was injured, but true freshman Shyrone Stith took over, scoring two touchdowns for the Hokies and rushing for 119 yards.

In their very next game, the Hokies showed their fans that they had nothing to be worried about as they hammered Boston College 45-7. With Oxendine still out, Stith continued to play well, as both he and Brian Edmonds scored two touchdowns a piece. Virginia Tech drove against the Eagles for a net total of 456 yards. With the win against Boston College, the Hokies broke a school record for the longest winning streak, 180.

University of Virginia running back Tiki Barber is stopped as he meets Cornell Brown (#58) and a wall of Virginia Tech defenders. The Hokies won the Commonwealth Cup as they demolished the Virginia Cavaliers in Blacksburg, 26-9.
Tail back Ken Oxendine (#28) leaps over teammate Jay Hagood (#71) as he breaks free from the Nebraska Cornhusker defenders in the Orange Bowl. Oxendine had a total of 210 yards as the Hokies lost to the Huskers 41-21 on New Years Eve.

Hokie Sophomore Pierson Prioleau (#20) takes a flying leap at a Miami Hurricane running back during Tech's win over the 'Canes. The Hokie defense held the Miami Hurricanes to only one touchdown during their first ever win in Miami.
the beast of the east . . .

FOOTBALL

Danny Edwards (#30) dodges a tackle to gain yardage against Southwestern Louisiana. The Hokies won 47-16.
Virginia Tech quarterback Jim Druckenmiller (#16) shows off his running back skills against Southwestern Louisiana. Druckenmiller rushed for 43 yards during the game.

With teammate Antonio Banks (#9) looking on, cornerback Loren Johnson (#12) practices his flying skills as he breaks up a Southwestern Louisiana pass. The Hokies intercepted two passes against USL.

Senior cornerback Antonio Banks (#9) high-steps down the field after intercepting a Ragin' Cajun pass. The Hokies crushed the University of Southwestern Louisiana 47-16.
It was an exciting year for the Hokie wrestlers. The team got off to a strong start with a conference win against Campbell University and North Carolina State.

Senior John Dattalo received a ninth place national ranking after a twelve match winning streak. In January, Tech took a fourth place finish at the annual Virginia State Wrestling Meet in Charlottesville. Dattalo and freshman Mike Mercado won first place in their respective weight classes and helped Tech to their ranking.

The season meant a new head coach for the team. Keith Mourlam lead the team through a strong season and managed some accomplishments of his own. He was named Associate Freestyle Wrestling Coach for the Pan American Games in May to be held in San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Winning competitions and nationally ranked players brought pride to the wrestling team and the school during the season.

A Virginia Military Institute wrestler holds on for dear life as a Tech mat man attempts an escape. An escape was worth one point in a wrestling match.
A member of the Tech wrestling team fights to take down a Keydet from VMI. Wrestling requires skill and determination.

In the match against VMI, a Hokie grappler wrestles with his opponent. The Hokies lost to VMI 15-25.
The 1996-97 season was one of sadness as the Hokies said goodbye to five seniors as well as head coach Bill Foster.

Two years had passed since the Hokies won the NIT championship, but the dream of returning to post season play kept the team poised. This dream, however, failed to be realized as the 1996-97 season was to be known as a year for rebuilding. After losing four of the five starters from the 1995-96 season to graduation, the men’s basketball team was carried on the shoulders of Hokie star Ace Custis. Fellow seniors David and Jim Jackson, Troy Manns, and Keefe Matthews also played an important role in supporting and leading the team. Not only was this the final season for the five seniors, but also for head coach Bill Foster, who took a then weak Hokie basketball program and turned it 180 degrees in the opposite direction.

The team began the regular season in Hawaii as they participated in the Big Island Invitational tournament. Although they only won one of the three games played in the tournament, the team returned home and won three games in a row, before losing to Georgia in the newly renovated Cassell Coliseum. The Hokies finished off 1996 losing to West Virginia and posting a mediocre record of 4-4.

The New Year began well for the Hokies as they beat St. Bonaventure at home, but as the Hokies hit the road, the team lost their next two games. The Hokies returned to the Cassell and beat William & Mary, 71-46. In the next two games, the Hokies also beat Atlantic 10 rival Massachusetts as well as Georgia Southern University. After losing to Rhode Island, the team won five of their next seven games, losing only to St. Joseph’s and #2 ranked Wake Forest, closing out the month of
January with a 10-9 record.

The Virginia Tech men's basketball team won the first three games in February before losing six of their next seven games to conclude the regular season, including a heartbreaking 58-57 defeat by the University of Virginia. The Hokies finished the regular season and headed into the Atlantic 10 tournament with an overall record of 14-15 (7-9 in the A-10).

Virginia Tech defeated Fordham in the first round of the tournament, but lost to Rhode Island in the second round to finish the season with a record of 15-16.

With the loss to Rhode Island in the Atlantic 10 tournament, an era at Virginia Tech drew to a close. Not only did the fans say good bye to five seniors, including star Ace Custis whose jersey was retired at the end of the season, but also to head coach Bill Foster. Coach Bill Foster, who announced his retirement at the beginning of the season, was an icon at Virginia Tech. Foster, who recorded over 100 wins at Tech and over 500 wins altogether, helped lead the Hokies to an NIT national title as well as an appearance in the NCAA tournament. Under his leadership, the Hokies posted a school record for the most number of wins in a season (25 in 1994-95), and earned a top ten ranking in the national polls. Foster was responsible for turning the program around and developing the prominent team that Virginia Tech boasts today.

The Virginia Tech Hokies will be forever indebted to head coach Bill Foster.

Sophomore Alvaro Tor (#52) attempts a reverse lay-up in a crowd of Dayton Flyers. Tor was expected to become a key player for the Hokies.
Ace Custis (#20) towers over the crowd as he rebounds the basketball in the game against Coastal Carolina. Custis was the top rebounder for the Hokies.

Ace Custis performs a slam dunk over a Georgia Southern player in front of a home crowd. The Hokies crushed the Eagles 76-41.
Hokie forward Ace Custis gets blocked as he attempts to dunk the ball over a Georgia Bulldog in Cassell Coliseum. The Virginia Tech Hokies lost to the Bulldogs 60-57.

Senior Techman David Jackson (#4) flies through two opponents in an attempt to rebound the basketball. Jackson played both guard and forward positions.

Senior Keefe Matthews (#24) takes the ball to the hole during the Atlantic 10 tournament game against Fordham. The Hokies beat Fordham 56-53 in the first round of the tournament.

Senior Jim Jackson (#3) attempts to rescue the basketball from going out of bounds. Jackson frequently made spectacular saves.
Hammering the competition . . .

BASEBALL

Sporting one of the youngest rosters in recent Hokie baseball history, the 1997 men’s baseball team hoped to use their youthfulness to their advantage and post a winning record for the season. The Hammerin’ Hokies would have a tough time doing this, however, as experience wasn’t on their side.

The first game of the season gave the Hokies hope, as they lived up to their nickname and hammered North Carolina A&T, 10-0. The team also won their next game against Campbell, but that would be the Hokies last taste of victory for a while. The Techmen went on to win only one of their next nine games to begin the season with a disappointing record of 3-9. As the season progressed, the Hokies began winning games and went on a nine game winning streak in late March and a eight game streak in May. Tech had a number of convincing wins during the course of the season, including a 21-4 victory over Radford and a 10-9 victory over George Washington, which the Hokies won by scoring two runs in the ninth inning.

Despite their shaky start, the Hokies proved tough to beat in postseason play. The Hokies defeated Massachusetts 13-8 to win the A-10 championships. The victory advanced the team into the NCAA Regional Championships. The team then faced the number 2 seeded Southern California and won 3-2. It was the program’s first regional victory since 1969. By the end of May, the Hokies posted a record of 34-27.
A member of the Virginia Tech Hammerin’ Hokies baseball team swings at the ball in the game against Howard. The Hokies defeated Howard in Blacksburg, 19-4 and 10-5.

Junior Ryan Brittle (#25) is congratulated by teammate Kevin Kurilla (#29) as he picks up a run against Howard. Kurilla, along with teammates Matt Griswold, Randy Martin, and Denny Wagner were named to the Atlantic 10 All-Tournament team. Hokie Barry Gauch was named tournament MVP.

Hokie pitcher John Hand (#18) winds up to pitch the ball during a baseball game. Hand was a key factor in several Hokie victories.
Junior John Thomas (#3) is thrown out as he is too late sliding into base. Thomas was one of the pitchers for the Hokies.

A member of the Tech baseball team safely slides into second base during a game at English Field. The Hokies played 21 games at home in 1997.
A baseball team member makes contact with the ball to get on base against Howard University. The Hokies relied heavily on their offense as the season progressed.

Sophomore Chad Foutz (#4) slides into second base during a game at English Field. Foutz played third baseman for the Hammerin' Hokies.
As the Virginia Tech volleyball team began only their second season in the Atlantic-10, they hoped to improve their fourth place standing in the conference. The team hoped to build on their record and prove themselves a true powerhouse in the A-10.

The volleyball team began the 1996 season at home as they hosted the Virginia Tech tournament. The Hokies lost the first match of the tournament to Georgetown, but beat American University before losing to North Carolina 3-1. The Hokies also beat William and Mary and began the season with an even 2-2 record.

After the Virginia Tech tournament, the team traveled to South Carolina where they participated in the Clemson Tournament. At Clemson, the team lost two out of three games, beating only Appalachian State. From there, the volleyball team traveled to Wright State to compete in the third tournament of the season. Then Hokies lost only one game out of three as they defeated Wright State 3-1, and Morehead State 3-2. The Hokies began the season with three tournaments and only wins.

Virginia Tech began it’s Atlantic 10 season at Fordham University, where the team won 3-2. The win improved the Hokies record to 6-5. From there, the volleyball team played three A-10 games in a row. The Hokies beat La Salle, but lost to Temple, before taking on the defending Atlantic 10 conference champion George Washington. The Hokies won the match 3-0, improving their record to 8-6.

The Hokies then took on rival Radford University and beat them at Radford, before losing six of their next seven games. The losing streak would end, however, as the volleyball team would win its next four games, all against Atlantic 10 opponents.

With a record of 14-12, the Hokies hoped to finish the season strong. This would not happen, however, as the women’s volleyball team dropped all but one of their last six regular season games. The volleyball team finished the regular season with a record of 15-17 overall and 9-11 in the A-10 with a fifth place ranking in the conference.
Junior Co-captain Laura Hanner (#4) attempts a set against American University. Hanner recorded 622 assists for the season.

Hokie middle blocker Corrie Bundy (#21) bumps the ball to a teammate in the game against UVA. The Hokies lost 3-0.

Junior middle blocker Megan Barnes (#11) attempts a kill in the win against American University. Barnes had 204 kills for the Hokies in 1996.
Senior Kristin Drummond (#15) lunges for the ball against La Salle. The Hokies crushed La Salle three sets to none.

Redshirt-Sophomore Meredith Braine spikes the ball over the net during a game. Braine was a valuable asset to the Hokie volleyball team.
Freshman setter Britton Julian (#16) sets the ball to redshirt freshman Erika Kuhn (#7) against the University of Virginia. Julian attempted 21 sets during the game.

Freshman Rachel Julian (#17) bumps the ball to a teammate against the University of Virginia. The Cavaliers beat Virginia Tech 15-10, 15-2, 15-6.

Senior right side hitter Kristen Drummond (#15) attempts a kill in a match against La Salle University. Tech beat La Salle 15-2, 15-3, and 15-1.

Redshirt freshman middle blocker Erika Kuhn (#7) attempts a kill against a LaSalle blocker. Kuhn had four kills during the game.
Reneé Maitland scores against Xavier. Maitland was named the most improved player for the Hokies for the 1996-97 season.

Kelly Drinka (#32) is fouled by a Virginia Cavalier as she attempts to score a bucket. The Hokies lost to 10th ranked UVA 41-90.

Freshman Kim Seaver (#25) shoots a basket over two Xavier defenders. Seaver, who set a freshman record for the most points in a season, was named the Hokies best offensive player. Seaver was also named to the Atlantic 10 All-Rookie team.
Not since the 1978-79 season has the Virginia Tech women's basketball team won less than ten games. The Hokies came close to breaking this record in the 1996-97 season, but won their tenth game in the Atlantic 10 tournament to finish the season with an overall record of 10-21 (4-12 A-10). The Hokies' twenty-one losses was the most suffered by a team in school history. This record was not unexpected, however, as injuries plagued the roster and the Hokies' star player, All-Conference selection Michelle Hollister, was forced to leave the team. While the season may not have gone well for the Hokies, things began to pick up at the end as the Hokies advanced to the quarterfinal round of the Atlantic 10 tournament, where they lost to La Salle.

The Virginia Tech women's basketball team started the regular season on a high note, beating UNC Greensboro, 89-86, in a game in which the lead changed sixteen times. The good luck would soon end, however, as the team lost to both Michigan and Pittsburgh on the road. The team won the next game against Houston, but lost the following three games including a one point loss to Radford in Cassell Coliseum. Tech snapped the three game losing streak at the Diamond Club Classic tournament in Blacksburg, where they downed both Cornell and Loyola (MD). The team also took the next game with a one point win over Iowa, to post a record of 5-5.

The month of January was not kind to the Hokies as the squad won only two of the nine games they played during the month. The Hokies lost to the Rhode Island Rams to start the month of February, but halted their five game losing streak when the team held off Fordham, beating them with only :03 remaining in the game. The Lady Hokies went on to lose to the tenth ranked Virginia Cavaliers and to St. Bonaventure.

Towards the end of the regular season, the Lady Hokies stepped up play and defeated the University of Dayton in the Cassell. The team lost the next two games but finished the year strong, beating Duquesne, 70-62. The Hokies lost, however, in the final game of the regular season, falling to La Salle.

In the first round of the Atlantic 10 tournament, the Hokies were matched up with the St. Bonaventure Bonnies. The Hokies went into the game hoping for a win, but secretly anticipating a loss. The team had nothing to fear as they came out of the game with a 83-78 win. In the quarterfinal round of the tournament, Virginia Tech was matched with La Salle. La Salle proved to be too much for the Hokies, handing them a 66-81 loss.

Despite the poor season which the Hokies showed in 1996-97, the team played well considering the adversities which they were forced to overcome. The losing record failed to meet the standards of the athletic department, however, as head coach Carol Alfano's contract with the school was not renewed at the end of the season. Alfano had been coach for the women's basketball team at Virginia Tech since the 1978-79 season and had posted a record of 284 wins and 262 losses with the Hokies. In addition, Coach Alfano led the team to a Metro Conference tournament championship in 1994 and a Metro Conference regular season championship in 1995. Alfano also coached in two NCAA tournaments with the Hokies. Coach Alfano will be missed by the Virginia Tech women's basketball team.
With her eyes on the basket, Renee Maitland (#15) tries to get past her opponent from St. Joseph's.

Shooting from near the sideline, sophomore Katie O'Connor fakes out her opponents.
Trying to beat out her opponent one of the lady Hokies jumps to gain control of the ball.

Surrounded by her opponents, sophomore Kelly Drinka aims at the basket to obtain another two points.
Under new direction...

Striving to attain the Atlantic 10 championship, the swimming and diving team had a difficult task ahead. With a new, first-time coach, Chris Hansen, the team was able to achieve many of their goals.

While many of the returning swimmers and divers did not know what to expect with a new coach, in the end they were pleased with the leadership that Hansen provided. The team started the season with a win over Old Dominion which followed with a loss to the University of South Carolina. However they came back strong to several more victories before the end of the season. The swimmers were able to step up to the level of the nationally ranked competition at the Nike Cup East. Both the men and women had several swimmers that qualified for the final round events. The women were able to finish fifth while the men finished twelfth.

The team was held together by their new coach as well as their captains who cheered their teammates to victory.

Looking towards the water, sophomore Jackie Davoud holds her pike position. Davoud was the Atlantic 10 Champion as well as the school's record holder.
Breaking waves, Karen Gerrior heads for the wall during the breaststroke leg of the 200 individual medley. Gerrior, a freshman from Canada was able to add some points to the score against the University of South Carolina.

On the third leg of the 200 individual medley, sophomore Andy Marshall looks to the end of the pool in efforts to conserve his energy for the freestyle leg of the medley.
Clubbing the competition . . .

Led by head coach Jay Hardwick, the defending Atlantic 10 champions Virginia Tech men's golf team began working early in order to prepare for a challenging year of golf. The nine members of the team began play in early September at the Kiawah Island Intercollegiate Tournament in South Carolina where the team finished ninth out of eighteen teams. From there, the team traveled to face in-state rival University of Virginia for the Keswick Club/Cavalier Classic. In Charlottesville, the team finished one spot higher finishing eighth out of fourteen teams. The Hokies next tournament was in Rhode Island where the golf team took sixth place at the Adams Cup of Newport. Sixteen teams participated in the tournament. The team finished up the fall season at Duke University for the Duke Golf Classic. In the tournament the Hokies took ninth place out of fifteen teams.

After a long winter, the Hokies started off the spring season looking a little rusty as they finished seventeenth out of nineteen teams at the Mercedes-Benz Collegiate Tournament in Jacksonville, Florida. They would perform a little better at the Matlock Collegiate tournament, finishing thirteenth out of eighteen teams. Despite the slow start to the spring season, things began to click for the Hokies towards the end of March. In the Pepsi/Bradford Classic held in Greenville, NC, the Hokies tied for second place out of the twenty four teams who participated in the tournament. The team continued to do well as they finished fifth at the Furman Intercollegiate tournament. Virginia Tech finished the season in Augusta, Georgia where they competed in the Cleveland Golf/Augusta Invitational.

A member of the Virginia Tech men's golf team drives a ball down the course during a tournament. The golf team travelled to thirteen different tournaments during the 1996-97 season.
As he prepares to drive the ball, a member of the golf team peers toward the hole. The nine members of the team travelled all over the east coast participating in tournaments.
Freshman Brandi Smith soars into the air while competing in the long jump event at the VT Invitational. Smith's personal best in the long jump was a leap of 5.57 meters.

Hokie long jumper Melvin Harris stretches for extra distance as he competes in an indoor track meet. Harris’ personal best at long jump was a leap of 6.84m.

A member of the women’s indoor track team leaps hurdles at the VT Track Invitational in February. It was a great year for the Virginia Tech track program as both the men’s and women’s teams won the Atlantic 10 indoor and outdoor track and field championships.
The 1996-1997 track season was a successful one for both the men’s and women’s indoor and outdoor track teams. All four teams competed in and won Atlantic 10 conference championships.

The men's and women's indoor teams both travelled to Kingston, Rhode Island to participated in the A-10 indoor championships. In addition to winning top team honors, the men's and women's teams earned a number of individual accolates—the women had 7 individual champions while the men had five. Katie Ollendick, who made the NCAA provisional qualifying mark in the high jump, was named A-10 Performer of the Year. Rashida Dodson was named Atlantic 10 Rookie of the Year. Dodson also broke two school records during the tournament in the 55 meter and 200 meter sprints with her times of 7.11 seconds and 25.43 seconds respectively. Both the men’s and the women’s coaches, Lori Taylor and Russ Whitenack, were named A-10 Coach of the Year.

Both outdoor teams also won the A-10 championships. At the outdoor tournament, Katie Ollendick set a school record in the high jump, leaping 1.78m (5'10''). Paula Allen qualified for the NCAA tournament in the shot-put with a throw of 14.71m (48'3.25'').

Both men's and women's indoor and outdoor team had excellent 1997 seasons and will continue to be a strong force in the Atlantic 10 conference for many years to come.

Katie Ollendick flies over the high jump bar at the Virginia Tech Invitational. Ollendick was named the A-10 Performer of the Year and set a school record in the high jump.
Leading the pack of Hokie runners is All-Atlantic 10 runner Tracey Shea. Shea was one of the returning seniors that helped lead the team to a successful season.

Pushing their limits, the men’s team heads towards the finish line. The men’s team had a lot to live up to after coming in second at the Atlantic 10 Championships in 1995.
The Virginia Tech cross country teams opened the season strong and kept pushing forward. Heading into the season with All-District III runners Jay Hawthorne and George Probst, the men’s team placed eighth in NCAA District III Championships. Five runners scored in the top 100 and Nicholas Aliwell captured the meet’s individual title.

The women’s team took off with Jennifer Conner and Mandy Workman leading the pack. Finishing second at the Eastern Kentucky Invitational, the team moved on to the NCAA Division Pre-National meet, where 40 of the nation’s finest teams were featured.

Both teams excelled in the Atlantic 10 Championship: the men seized first place and the women captured fifth. Freshman Van Arnold took first place with a time of 25:51.5, earning the Most Outstanding Rookie honor. Stephanie Ingersoll came in seventh at 18:55.1.

All contributed to a dynamic season, and to Coach Taylor’s goal: “a national powerhouse Cross Country team.”

Freshman, Van Arnold keeps his pace as he gets away from the pack. Arnold earned the Most Outstanding Rookie award at the Atlantic 10 Championships.
Coming off their first year in the Atlantic 10 Conference, the Virginia Tech men's soccer team hoped to increase their standing in the conference. In 1996, the team finished fourth place in the A-10 conference with an overall record of 8-10-2. Tech's three top scorers returned to the team as well as eight starters.

The Hokie soccer team began their season at home with a win against Radford to regain the New River Rock, a large rock taken from the New River which is given to the winner of the annual competition between the two schools. After winning their season opener, the team dropped their next two games before winning against Vanderbilt, 2-1. The Hokies won only three of their next seven games. The wins came against Winthrop, Virginia Military Institute, and Massachusetts. With a losing record of 5-6, the team went on a seven game winning streak which would last through the end of October. The winning streak increased the Hokies record to 12-6, an all-time record for the school for the most wins in a season. In the last game of the regular season, however, the men's soccer team fell to George Washington, breaking the winning streak. The Hokies finished the regular season with a record of 7-4 in the Atlantic 10 and an overall record of 12-7.

The team traveled to the Atlantic 10 Conference tournament where they were seeded fourth. In the first game of the tournament, the Hokies played the top seeded Rhode Island Rams and were defeated 3-1. Senior defender Chris Chladek was named to the All-Conference first team as well as the All-Tournament team, while forward Brian MacFarlane and midfielder Cory Turner were named to the All-Conference second team.
Senior Cory Turner (#13) runs the ball downfield against UMass. Turner helped lead the team to the A-10 tournament.

Junior Brian MacFarlane fights to score a goal in a game against Massachusetts. The Hokies won the game 3-1.

Mid-fielder Cory Turner fights for control of the ball during a win against the University of Massachusetts. The team beat UMass at home on their way to a record setting 12-7 season.
A member of the Virginia Tech women's soccer team runs toward the goal in the game against UNC Greensboro. The Hokies lost the game 1-0.

Monica Maxwell (#21) out-runs a Spartan from UNC-Greensboro during their October game. Maxwell was a junior defender for the Hokies.

Freshman Aimee Stonack (#8) runs downfield as she attempts to avoid a UNC Greensboro player. Stonack was one of ten freshman players on the Tech soccer team.
Coming off of a losing 1995 season in which the Virginia Tech women’s soccer team won only three games, the Hokies had no place to go but up. Tech returned 24 players from the 1995 season, however they lost two of their top scorers. Although they faced a tough schedule, with the team’s experience, the Hokies were optimistic going into the 1996 season.

The women’s soccer team played well their first game, downing Radford 3-0. The team tied their second game but lost their next two contests. With a winning record of 3-2-1, the Hokies headed into their biggest game of the season against eleventh ranked UVA. The soccer team dropped the match 1-0.

The rest of the season was difficult for the Hokies as they faced three ranked teams as well as a tough Atlantic 10 schedule. Despite the tough schedule, the Hokies went on to beat Duquesne, East Carolina, Temple, La Salle, High Point, and St. Bonaventure.

In only their fourth season of existence, the women’s soccer team attained a record of 9-9-1. In their second season in the Atlantic 10, the Virginia Tech women’s soccer team has already made a name for themselves in the conference.
The cheerleaders prepare to rally the crowd during a TV time out. The cheerleaders kept the fans rowdy for the next play.

The Virginia Tech Hokie Bird uses the "Scream Machine" to excite the crowd during a basketball game. The Hokie Bird was the 1996 national mascot champion.

During a time out, a member of the Virginia Tech Cheerleading squad performs in front of the crowd at a home football game. The cheerleaders worked hard in order to support the Hokies.
While not as publicized as Virginia Tech's top twenty-five football and basketball teams, varsity cheerleaders were nevertheless an important part of the athletic program. The Hokie cheer program consisted of three squads and the Hokie Bird. The orange squad was made up mostly of freshman and performed at all home football games as well as at women's basketball games. The Maroon, or varsity squad was made up of upperclassmen and performs at all football games as well as at men's basketball games. The White squad was the competition squad and competed in all national competitions.

1996 was a good year for Virginia Tech's cheerleaders. The Hokies travelled to the National Cheerleading Association National Collegiate Cheer and Dance Championships competition in Daytona Beach, Florida. The squad placed fourth overall, the highest ranking that a Hokie cheerleading team has ever achieved. The Virginia Tech Hokie Bird was also named the 1996 national mascot champion at the same competition.

With a burst of energy, the cheerleaders do flips to show their stuff. The cheerleaders proved they were one of the best during the national conference this year.
Six members of the Virginia Tech lacrosse team celebrate a victory. The Hokies finished the regular season with a record of 3-11.

Freshman Erin Curran (#13) attempts to prevent the opposing team from scoring on the Hokies.

Senior midfielder Heather Dent (#24) attempts to score a goal against University of Maryland-Baltimore County. The Hokies beat UMBC 10-9.

Freshman Courtney Hubbard (#11) protects the ball from an opponent as she runs down the field. Hubbard played midfield for the Hokies.
The Virginia Tech lacrosse team hoped to continue its drive toward success in 1997. In only its third year of existence, the team hoped to build on its 1996 record of 7-6. Along with ten returning members of the 1996 squad, the Hokies welcomed thirteen newcomers to the team.

The Hokies began their season facing Drexel, whom they defeated convincingly 10-6. The team newcomers looked strong as freshman Courtney Hubbard scored three goals off the bench in the second half. The team's success would not hold out, however, as they lost their next game to Hofstra, 5-8. The team played and lost its first game at home against Vanderbilt, but won the next game at Ohio State, 8-5.

With a 2-2 record, the Hokies seemed to be off to a sound start but their luck would soon run out. The Hokies entered a losing streak which would last for the rest of the season. The team lost nine of their last eleven games. All of the losses were not unexpected, however, as the Hokies' schedule included several ranked opponents, including #2 ranked University of Virginia who defeated the Hokies 18-2. The Hokies' losses also included two overtime games against Hofstra and George Mason. The Hokies finished the season on a high note, defeating the University of Maryland-Baltimore County and snapping a five game losing streak.

Despite a losing record of 4-11, the Virginia Tech women's lacrosse team played hard all season long. As the team roster included thirteen freshman, the team will no doubt improve tremendously in the future.
Women’s Tennis

The Virginia Tech women’s tennis team began the season with one goal in mind: to win the Atlantic 10 championships for a second year in a row. With every player returning from the previous year’s A-10 Championship squad, the goal seemed easily in reach.

The season began for the women’s tennis team at home as they hosted the Virginia Tech Invitational. The tournament featured several nationally ranked teams including Tennessee (#14), South Carolina (#17), and Princeton. The Hokies (#44) began their season in style as they won a majority of the matches played in the tournament.

The Virginia Tech Invitational foreshadowed things to come. The Hokies jumped into their schedule winning almost every game they played. Among their victories, the Hokies defeated such teams as in-state rival University of Virginia and nationally ranked Kentucky. Midway through the season, however, Tech’s second and final loss came to regional rival Richmond. The loss dropped the Hokies to a record of 6-2. The Hokies remained undefeated for the rest of the season.

 Ranked 41st in the nation, the Hokies entered the Atlantic 10 tournament with hopes of winning it. The Hokies won three matches in two days, defeating Duquesne, Xavier, and George Washington to win their second consecutive A-10 title. The women's tennis team posted a record of 21-2 and set a new school record for the most wins in a single season and finished the season ranked 36th nationally.

Men’s Tennis

The Virginia Tech men’s tennis team’s 1997 season was one which will not be forgotten. The team finished its best season in school history with its second consecutive Atlantic 10 championship trophy, a top 25 national ranking, and an impressive 11-0 record at home. The men’s tennis team finished the Atlantic 10 tournament with an overall record of 19-4.

The squad boasted several key players on its roster in 1997. Oliver Mayo, the 1996 A-10 Most Outstanding Performer, and Aaron Marchetti, the 1996 A-10 Most Outstanding Rookie Performer, were returners. Mayo began the season ranked the 24th best player in the nation.

On their way to a 19-4 record, the Hokies had several key wins and beat several nationally ranked teams. In the first victory of the season, Tech beat 27th ranked Tennessee. Following the victory over Tennessee, the Hokies hosted the Virginia Tech Invitational and won all five matches they played. The Hokies also defeated Boise State, the number two team in the country, as well as the University of Virginia, ranked 15th at the time.

Tech entered the Atlantic 10 tournament seeded first in the conference. The Hokies showed why they were the top-ranked team as they easily cruised their way to victory, defeating Temple 5-0 in the final round. Aaron Marchetti received the A-10 Most Outstanding Player Award for the tournament. The men’s tennis team came off of the Atlantic 10 tournament ranked twenty-third in the nation.
Right-handed sophomore Dana Mrozek returns the ball to her opponent during a match. The women's team racked up a record of 21-2.

Junior Marek Pfeil, a member of the Hokie men's tennis team, returns a serve. Pfeil was voted to the 1996 GTE Academic All-American first team.

Freshman Kimberly Burnop keeps her eyes focused on the tennis ball as she returns a volley. The women's tennis team finished the season ranked 36th in the nation.
Right handed sophomore Aaron Marchetti sends the ball over the net in a recent tennis match. Marchetti began the 1996-97 tennis season ranked the 75th in the nation.

A member of the Virginia Tech men's tennis team stretches to serve the ball in a tennis match against Duquesne University. The serve was one of the most important aspects in the game of tennis.
Senior Jennifer Lampert serves the ball to her opponent during a match in Blacksburg. Lampert, who is from Naples, Florida, was the most experienced player on the 1996-97 squad.

A member of the Virginia Tech women's tennis team runs after a ball, hoping to save it from bouncing out of bounds. Every member of the previous years team returned for the 1996-97 season.

Vanessa Pardro, a sophomore from Aix-en-Provence, France, prepares to return a serve to her opponent. Pardo was the highest ranked Hokie on the Virginia Tech women's tennis team.

Senior Oliver Mayo prepares to return the ball to his opponent. Mayo was ranked 24th in the nation in pre-season polls and was the team captain for the Hokies.
Jennifer McKibben (#8) clutches her fist in anticipation of making an out. McKibben had the second highest batting average (.365) on the team.

Hokie pitcher Allison Weist (#14) pitches as Michelle Meadows (#11) looks on. Meadows played shortstop for the Hokies.

A Hokie softball team member swings at the softball in an attempt to score during a game at the South Recreational Fields at Virginia Tech. The 1997 season was only the softball team's second as a varsity sport.
In only their second season as a varsity sport, the Virginia Tech women’s softball team hoped to build on their 16-32 inaugural season record. The Hokies attempted to do this with eleven returning members as well as seven Hokie newcomers.

The Hokie softball team began their season in Charlotte, North Carolina as they took on the University of North Carolina-Charlotte. The Hokies defeated UNCC in the first game of the double header, 12-3, but was shut out in the second game 9-0. From UNCC, the Hokies travelled to Fort Myers, Florida to participate in the Florida tournament. The Hokies played ten teams in the tournament and beat six of them to start the season with a winning record of 7-5.

The women’s softball team continued to play solidly for the rest of the season and finished the regular season with a record of 23-27.

Despite their losing record, the Virginia Tech softball team had lots of talent on their roster. Several players on the team received honors—junior catcher Jennifer McKibben and freshman shortstop Michelle Meadows were named members of the Atlantic 10 All-Conference team.

The Virginia Tech women’s softball team showed much improvement in 1997 over their first year as a varsity sport at Virginia Tech. As the team continues to grow and recruit better players, the squad will continue to improve. As they are only in their second season of play as a varsity sport, the future of Virginia Tech Hokie softball is indeed bright.
Many people who entered Virginia Tech participated in some kind of extracurricular athletic activity before their acceptance into college. Those that were devoted to their sport continued their involvement by joining one of the many club sports organizations at Tech. Prior experience was not a prerequisite for most of these clubs. For those willing to delve into something new, there was sure to be a club sport organization out there for them to join.

There was more to gain from club sports than one might think. Participation in a club sport meant being in top physical condition in order to perform to the best of your capabilities. The experts all agreed that exercise was a vital part of living a healthy, balanced life. Additionally, in joining a club sport, the participant learned the importance of teamwork. This cooperation on the playing field often led to lasting friendships off of it. Club sports also provided an outlet to vent frustrations.

Being a well-rounded student meant more than just building the mind, it also meant building the body. Taking part in a club sport was great exercise, a good stress reliever, and an excellent way to meet people and that’s one to grow on.

Taking advantage of the sunny weather, the Women’s Lacrosse Club practiced on Cochrane Field. Club sports teams competed against other clubs from around the country.
Labeled the roughest sport on two feet, rugby merges the endurance of soccer with the physical contact of football for a truly unruly combination. The Virginia Tech Men's Rugby Club has made of habit out of dominating opponents with their bonecrushing style of play.

In its 25 years here at Tech, the club has amassed numerous awards. The Men's Rugby Club has won 8 out of 15 collegiate union championships including back to back state championships in 1993, 1994, and 1995. For students who liked their sports rugged and tough, rugby fit the bill. 

(bottom) Staring for the goal line, this player makes his move for a score. Rugby players needed not only strength and speed but also courage and heart. (right) Intimidation plays a large part in Rugby. Unlike American football, rugby players wore no padding to protect them from the dangers of the game.
The forward lines of both teams crowd together to take control of the scrum.

These two players briefly discuss their game plan. Strategy was often more important than strength in rugby.
(right) These fencing club members use foils for their duel. Aside from foils, fencers also utilized épées and sabres.

Fencing Club

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"Fencing is the civilized way to kill someone," explained Fencing Club president and English major Mary Daniels. Although no blood was shed in its modern incarnation, the sport nonetheless demanded a high degree of precision and discipline from its participants.

The Virginia Tech Fencing Club was well respected for their skills at wielding the foil, epee, and sabre. The men's team defended their title as Virginia Cup Champions for the second year in a row while the women's team proved that females could successfully compete in this "gentlemen's sport." In fencing, victory did not go to the stronger person but to the wiser individual. As Daniel said, "You can't expect to out muscle an opponent, fencing is a game of finesse. The quicker and smarter person usually wins."

(left) Standing in a defensive position, this fencing club member uses an épée to block any unwanted attacks. The épée was one of three weapons used in fencing. (above) The fencing club carefully checks its equipment before each practice. Regular maintenance of equipment played a large part in fencing safety.
Gymnasts appeared to perform their routines with grace and ease. Do not be deceived though, these athletes put hours of practice and a great deal of concentration into every acrobatic twist and turn. "Gymnastics is a demanding sport," Gymnastics Club president Bridget Hall explained. A senior double majoring in political science and history, Hall also stressed that although people compete in individual events, gymnastics was a team sport. One of the club's highlights included their performance at the Miami Cup. Both the men's and women's teams took third place thanks to strong performances by team leaders Scott Clingan and Eileen Irwin.

(below) This athlete performs her routine for the balance beam. The gymnastics club showcased amazing feats of balance, flexibility, and concentration.

(left) The gymnasts practice their routines until the point of total exhaustion. Extensive practice yielded their rewards at team competitions.
(above) Gymnasts defy the laws of physics with their spins, turns, and jumps. They often risked bodily harm for their amazing stunts.

(left) An iron cross maneuver takes both strength and concentration. The gymnasts practiced five times a week to maintain their level of physical conditioning.
(right) Corey Liddle catches air off of a bowl ramp. Private ramps were practically the only place members could lawfully skate.

Skateboarding Club
Front Row: Mark Reif, Jake Snyder, Keith Karch, Vinny Rinehart, Chuck Le, Nathan Iott, Patrick Cranston, Ben Young; Row Two: Kevin Cannon, Caine Kaar, John Burgos, Paolo Scarding, Johnathan Ryan, Greg Neate, Chuck Biscuits.
The skateboarding club continued to express themselves through their skateboarding expertise.

Since their start in 1994, the skateboarders have struggled for the right to skate in various areas on campus and around Blacksburg.

Despite restrictions, members of the skateboarding club could still be seen practicing their ability around the Virginia Tech campus throughout the year.

(bottom middle) Caine Kaar practices a turn on a ramp built in a private backyard.

(bottom right) Chuck Le practices a jump in the parking lot when empty.
Members of the Virginia Tech Women's Rugby Team were known for their intense competitiveness. Although rugby is often viewed as a men's sport, the women proved that they were as aggressive as the men could be. Seizing the state championship in both 1995 and 1996 catapulted the team into the national ranking. Being ranked sixth in the nation, the women proved that hard work and dedication paid off.

(bottom left) Cathy Bentley carries the ball down the field attempting to score against UVA.

(bottom middle) Shannon Witte jumps, assisted by her teammates, to gain possession of the ball.
Members of Tech's rugby team prepare to start a match against UMBC.

Women's Rugby

Front Row: Sue Tzong, Christal Miller, Amanda Young, Emily Allen, Beverly Norton, Sarah Teague, Amy Porter, Cynthia Stowell, Meghann Gili;
Row Two: Angie Catlet, Kathie Ruckert, Elisa Foltz, Rachel Price, Shannon Wilte, Kristen Drosch, Sonya Bechtel, Isabel Armengol, Melanie Dun Moodie.
Paintball Club


(right) Brian Cox lays down cover fire while his teammates move the flag up the field.
Whether for an avid sportsman or just a weekend warrior, paintball was the perfect activity for releasing the anxieties of college life. Participating in both recreational and tournament play, the Paintball Club helped promote a sport in which 68 caliber paint pellets are fired at speeds up to 300 fps. Members enjoyed the variety of playing at both indoor and outdoor facilities. The only requirement for club membership was honesty and an interest in the sport.

(left) Assuming a key position on the playing field, Rob Schneider waits for the opposing team to move into his sights.

(below) It is unlikely that the players on the receiving end of Heather Hill's chrome marker have similar smiles.
Due to the game's quick pace and simple rules, ultimate frisbee was one of the fastest growing recreational sports on campus. The object of the game was to move the frisbee from one end of the field to the opposite goal without carrying or dropping the frisbee.

This sport stood unique to others as players made their own foul calls and no referees were needed.

Club members practiced several times a week on the drillfield.

*(below)* The ultimate frisbee club practiced several times a week on the drillfield perfecting strategy and having a good time.

*(right)* This ultimate frisbee player makes a long stretch while standing at his point of reception to make the next pass.
(left) Making a leaping grab, this ultimate frisbee player attempts to keep the frisbee from hitting the ground. Contact with the ground was an immediate turnover to the other team.

(above) One of the keys to winning ultimate frisbee is defense. Game rules governed how close opponents could guard a player in possession of the frisbee, so strategy was very important.
Crew Club


(right) Starting practice as early as six in the morning, the crew team was often up before sun-
The Virginia Tech crew club competed against both Division I and II schools. Other than their rivalry with William and Mary, the crew club also rowed against teams from both the Big East and the A-10.

One of the keys to the club's race time success was attributed to their demanding workout schedule. Aside from the many hours of physical training on and around the Tech campus, the Virginia Tech crew club practiced their rowing skills at nearby Claytor Lake.

*left* The crew club lines up against four other teams at the beginning of a regatta.  
*below* To prepare for their regattas, the crew team practiced at least five days a week.
Bringing excitement and love for the game, the women's club lacrosse team has continued to grow over the years.

Members practiced twice a week during the fall and two hours a day five times a week during the spring.

The club played teams along the east coast including Bridgewater, North Carolina State and Hollins College.

(below) Goalie Kristie Lenahan makes a left-side stick save during one of the club's practices on Cochrane field. The club practiced five days a week during the spring semester.

(right) During a club scrimmage, Shannon Lenahan cradles the ball past the tenacious defense of Tamara Hayes and Carrie Petcovic. While practices were very demanding, they were also rewarding.
Women's Lacrosse


Tamara Hayes makes a spectacular grab during the team's five star point practice drill.
Returning the puck to center pool, these team members plan out their strategy to tie the game back up.

Keeping goggles clean and snorkels unclogged was not the only problem that faced the underwater hockey players, participants had to remember not to breath through their nose.
The scuba club in its 30th year at Virginia Tech worked hard at promoting diving, diving safety, diver education, as well as the awareness and conservation of the water environment. Club programs included organized diving trips and underwater hockey games.

The club sponsored many diving outings both in the New River area and other more exciting locations, like the Carolina coast and Florida. The club also sponsored a trip over spring break to the Caribbean.

Members of the scuba club enjoyed not only playing hockey but also benefiting from the fitness it provided.

Equipped with only goggles, snorkel, and small hand paddles, the players battled to be underwater champions.
The High Techs were well known for their dance routines and their dedication to Virginia Tech athletics. They performed at all men’s and women’s basketball games, football games, pep rallies, and many other athletic events.

Being a High Tech was a major commitment. Members maintained a rigorous training schedule so they could perform well and keep the crowd alive. Fans looked forward to their award-winning routines.

*below* To add even more spice to their routines, members choreographed a dance that included a change in clothes.

*right* As one of their trademark maneuvers, the high techs perform a Russian in perfect synchronization.
The High Techs defied the laws of gravity with their high jumps.

Despite the long hours of practice, the High Tech squad knew everything was worth it from the applause at the end of their routine.
(above) Snowboarding team members take advantage of those slopes that offer pipes, jumps, and other "park" features. These allowed them the full force of extreme boarding.

(right) The snowboarding team risked life and limb on their amazing feats of flight.
The snowboarding club continued to express themselves through their snowboarding expertise.

Becoming an evermore popular activity, snowboarding sparked the interest of many students at Tech. An off-branch of the ski club, the snowboarders took life to its limits. They offered several opportunities for members and students to take advantage of slopes all over the East Coast and Canada.

*(left) Snowboarders loved to show off their freestyle techniques and let it all hang out on the way down the slopes.*

*(below) The biggest fear on the slopes was not wiping out in the snow, but rather wiping out into a ski lift pole.*
The Skydive Orange Club provided lessons, equipment and licensing for the members of the skydiving club. Training began with ground lessons and a series of jumps. At that point members chose one of two courses, the Static Line Jump or the Accelerated Free Fall. The Static Line Jump started with a jump at 3500 feet and reached up to 10,000 feet while the AFF involved jumping 10,000 feet right.

(bottom middle) Skydivers carried an additional reserve parachute in case their original parachute failed during the jump.

(bottom left) During the freefall part of their fall, members join hands to form a pattern in the sky.
To gain confidence in the sport, members performed various maneuvers under instructor supervision.

Members were not only able to enjoy the thrill of jumping but were also able to make new friends.
During one of the semifinal matches of the spring season, TSP forward Joel Allen tries to beat En Fuego midfielder John Reynolds defender Eric Nuckols to the ball.

United Soccer Club Carolina Cup Team

Front Row: Craig McAdams, Victor Collazo-Perez, Nino Ripepi, Johnny McAfee IV, Ken Howe, Sean Moore; Row Two: Coach Bruno McCartney, Harry Hogan, Sears Young, Jay Dietrich, Adam Wienckowski, Travis Eschenmann, Brad Tyndall, Corey Clements, Matt Turner, D.J. Curnow, Pat McAdams.
Offering competitive, organized, club soccer to the non-varsity soccer player, the United Soccer Club operates seasons in both the fall and spring semesters through the Blacksburg United Soccer League.

The United Soccer Club extended its programs this year to include games against other college club teams. Their extramural team defeated four ACC teams on their way to winning the 1997 Carolina Cup.

(bottom middle) Arsenal defender Sean Gomez III kicks the ball away from the oncoming TSP player Jim Marques.

(bottom right) Souvlaki Bootknocker's Midfielder Ian Elliott clears the ball as the Rowdies' D.J. Wyckoff looks on.
The Water Polo Club was a co-ed club sport and encouraged anyone interested to join. The team practiced three nights a week and swam two additional nights. As part of the Southeastern Collegiate Conference, the team traveled around the country to several tournaments throughout the year. Past tournaments were held at the University of Tennessee, the University of Texas, Florida State University and James Madison.

(right) Trying to get the ball from the opponent, Mark Hennasy works on his offense during a practice.

Water Polo Club
Mark Gutierrez, Shawn Defran, Josh Reyner, Brent Misc, Mark Hennasy, Megan Mann, Peter Pavic

Water Polo Club
The Bowling Club was designed for members to have fun but to be able to compete at the same time. The more experienced and skilled bowlers traveled throughout the country to various tournaments. Those members traveled to NC State, Morehead State, Ohio State and to many others. For the last two years, they advanced to post season competition. The Bowling Club also sponsored a bowling league for anyone who was interested for all skill levels.

Concentration was one of the key elements to a good game for the members of the bowling club.

Bowling Club members competed in the ACUI National Bowling Championships, April 18th and 19th.
Faculty members at large colleges such as Virginia Tech not only had the facilities to teach students, but they had the materials and resources to develop themselves as well. This development allowed them to help students grow and mature academically. The faculty also grew as they explored activities outside of their academic careers. As you read through this section, take special note of the pages which discuss faculty members who not only excelled at their academic pursuits and teaching, but also took the time to explore interests that helped them develop their own lives.

With great enthusiasm, members of the Audubon Quartet go to their next performance.
President Torgersen

After teaching engineering for thirty years and serving as the Dean of Engineering for twenty of those years, Dr. Paul Torgersen was appointed President of Virginia Tech in 1994. As the President, he spent many hours traveling, speaking with legislators, state officials, alumni and various civic groups about Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University and higher education in general.

Some of the issues Dr. Torgersen was concerned with included working to curtail the collegiate drinking problem and to secure additional funding for the university. President Torgersen worked hard to make Virginia Tech the best university in the nation.

Provost Meszaros

Prior to becoming the Senior Vice President and Provost, Dr. Peggy Meszaros was the Dean of the College of Human Resources and a professor of Family and Child Development. As the Provost, her motto was “Administration is to serve,” which she had painted on the wall in her office.

Dr. Meszaros said that the role of the Provost is to be responsible for research, outreach, and instruction, all of which were functions of a president of 10 to 15 years ago. Since students were her primary concern, informal programs have been set up in the dorms so that the students concerns and opinions could be expressed directly to her.
The Audubon Quartet, which was formed in 1974, became Virginia Tech’s Quartet-in-Residence in 1981. The members included David Ehrlich (violin), David Salness (violin), Doris Lederer (viola) and Clyde Shaw (cello). The members of the Audubon Quartet officially became associate professors at Virginia Tech on November 1, 1996. Until that time, the members held a visiting professor status even though the Audubon Quartet was Virginia Tech’s quartet-in-residence.

The Quartet made several special appearances such as at the White House for President Carter in honor of the Evian Competition prize in 1977, for the BBC in London and on CBS Sunday Morning. In addition to these events, they were the first American quartet ever to visit the People’s Republic of China in 1981. Concerts have been conducted in almost all of the counties in Europe, South America, the Middle East and in Asia.

Many of the pieces that the group performed were written specifically for them and they are preparing a work for an upcoming World Premiere. In addition to these pieces the Quartet performed classical works by such composers as Mozart, Beethoven, and Haydn, as well as several twentieth century works. The group planned to continue releasing CD’s and recording music. Their concerts served to provide outreach, generate profile for the university and are arranged years in advance.

Along with touring, the Quartet conducted seminars for young American quartets during the last ten days of May at Virginia Tech. Mr. Shaw viewed music performance as a type of human bonding which expresses individuality and creativity while demanding incredible discipline. “Music as an art form, mirrors life,” said Mr. Shaw.

As well as performing concerts, the Audubon Quartet had competed in several major competitions such as the International String Quartet Competition held in Portsmouth, England. At this particular competition, they became the first American string quartet to win first prize in an International string quartet competition. This, along with several other awards, helped the Quartet to receive international recognition and worldwide acclamation.

Audubon Quartet members David Ehrlich, David Salness, Doris Lederer, and Thomas Shaw take a moment to pose for a publicity picture. This quartet was in existence for twenty-two years and toured Europe as well as performed in American and English International competitions.
After finishing her undergraduate studies in 1986, at Virginia Tech, Mary Beth Oliver continued her education at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, where she wrote her dissertation on horror film research. The research consisted of questionnaires, surveys and physiological responses while viewing the films, which were manipulated for the tests. After returning to Tech as a professor, Dr. Oliver continued her research on horror films, as well as several other types of films.

Her goals for researching horror films were to discover why people found these films entertaining and why they chose to watch them. From her study of some students here at Tech, she discovered that they quickly became desensitized to violence. In order to obtain the total effects of her research, Dr. Oliver hoped to one day re-test the students used for her dissertation to see what effect, if any, that her study had on how they now view these films.

In addition to the study of horrors, Dr. Oliver worked with the childhood development lab to discover the emotional responses of a group of four-year-olds as they viewed such films as "The Lion King", "E.T.", "Dumbo" and "Bambi". During the showing of each of the films, the children's facial expressions were video-taped for later analysis.

Besides films, Dr. Oliver worked on analyzing how people remember or identify a criminal suspect that was shown on a newscast. From this research, she hoped to find out if suspects are remembered by their racial group and/or by the individual person and how this contributes to racial stereotyping.

Dr. Oliver was also a member of the cyber-school team, where she had the opportunity to teach a completely on-line class during the summer. For this class, there was no face-to-face communication, since the lecture notes, exercises and exams are all on-line. The exams had an imposed time limit which was monitored by the server, when the student signed on with their name and password. This type of class enabled students to have jobs or internships and did not force them to be physically located in Blacksburg.

During her career, Dr. Oliver has won several teaching awards. While at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, she won the Graduate Student teaching award and while here at Tech, she has received the Certificate of Teaching Excellence from the College of Arts and Sciences. Also, Dr. Oliver was awarded the Alumni Teaching Award, which is given to only two people per year.
Avid model airplane builder and flyer, Barry Katz, stands by his Fokker bi-plane. This plane is modeled after a real WWI bi-plane.

Barry Katz, a University Studies advisor and avid model airplane builder and flyer, worked with students who had not declared a major or were not accepted into the major of their choice. The interesting thing about Mr. Katz was that he never took any high school classes or college courses related to his hobby. In fact, he majored in Music Education, from which he played with the New River Valley Orchestra for several years.

Mr. Katz started out with model airplanes by helping his older brother when he was five years old. Since then, he has always had an interest in model airplanes especially in radio-controlled planes. He ended up building his first plane two years after he graduated from college.

Mr. Katz has twenty-five to thirty planes stored in his basement. As he has built them, he has crashed some, sold some, and kept the others. He has built at least one model airplane every year, sometimes two or three. Mr. Katz liked to build one-quarter scale planes, which were quite large, requiring weed-eater or lawn motor engines to fly them.

Ironically, Mr. Katz does not like to fly. He is in fact, a nervous flyer on commercial planes. However, he liked to build the models and fly them, showing his love for planes.

Mr. Katz did not start out as a University Studies advisor. He was first a marketing instructor at Virginia Tech, in which he advised a few students. He discovered that he liked advising those students and solving their academic problems. Eventually, many people liked his advising, and many more came to see him for advise. He quit teaching for a few years to take some time off, and decided to come back as a University Studies advisor because he like advising so much.

Barry Katz shows off his Der Jager bi-plane with Elmo as the pilot. Mr. Katz frequently put "Muppets" characters, such as Elmo, Kermit the Frog and Miss Piggy in his planes, because kids loved seeing their favorite characters "flying" the planes.

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While Rob't Edmunds strums his cello, Charles Bostian plays along on the hammered dulcimer. The hammered dulcimer was unique to this group, because of their rarity. The group also plays with two at a time, which is also rare to find in folk music.

Marya Katz and Jack webster sing along at the YMCA Craft Fair. Marya is a special asset to "Simple Gifts of the Blue Ridge" because she composes many songs specifically for the group.

Members of "Simple Gifts of the Blue Ridge, Charles Bostian, Jack Webster, Rob't Edmunds and Marya Katz perform at many craft fairs, festivals and dances.
Imagine your teacher in a folk band. How about an electrical engineering teacher? Dr. Charles Bostian and Dr. Jack Webster did exactly that. They were in a folk band, along with Rob't Edmunds and Marya Katz, called "Simple Gifts of the Blue Ridge."

Rob't and Marya were both faculty of Montgomery County schools, and Jack and Charles were Virginia Tech Faculty. Since 1979 the group had been around entertaining many people at various craft fairs, contra dances and other festivals.

"Simple Gifts" did not always have the same band members. At their start, there were only three members, only one of which has stayed with the band throughout its life, Dr. Bostian. Throughout their history, they produced four tapes and their latest CD entitled, "Mountain Mists," which was featured in "CD Expressions" magazine, and was also their first national production.

There were many unique aspects to this group. For example, the are "not in it for the money." According to Dr. Bostian and Dr. Webster, playing in the group is purely a hobby which gives them satisfaction just by rehearsing as a group. Another unique aspect of "Simple Gifts" was that they play with two hammered dulcimers, which was rare in folk music. Bostian and Webster also said that hammered dulcimers were rare by themselves. Marya Katz was also a great asset to the band because she wrote many pieces of music by herself for the group.

Both Dr. Bostian and Dr. Webster said that they get satisfaction out of watching their students mature and develop mentally. Both also enjoyed the student-teacher interaction, which each finds rewarding.

No future plans existed for the group. Dr. Bostian and Dr. Webster said they would like to play at larger festivals in the future. However, they were pleased with the current popularity of the group, and do not have a desire to become "big hits."
Several faculty at Virginia Tech were involved with outside activities such as Wallace Easter, Jay Krown, and Allen Bachelder, who form the Brass Trio. The Trio was formed under the name of BEaP, with the B for Dr. Bachelder, the E for Mr. Easter, and the P for Harry Price, who were the original members. Dr. Bachelder and Mr. Easter had been members for twelve to fifteen years and were joined by Mr. Krown in 1994, so they changed the Trio's name to the Brass Dominion Lite. Mr. Easter played the french horn, Dr. Bachelder, the trumpet and Mr. Krown, the trombone and piano.

Concerts were given at least twice a year as a Trio while the individual members performed separately throughout the year. They participated in such groups as the Roanoke Symphony, the Lynchburg Symphony, the Opera Roanoke, the Southwest Virginia Chamber Winds, the New River Valley Chamber Winds, as well as several others. Also in order to help the community children to get interested and more familiar with music and the instruments, the Trio visited the Montgomery County elementary schools to perform one hour concerts at each.

Each of the members taught in the music department and enjoyed the one-on-one direct contact with the students. They viewed teaching as a learning experience for both the students and professors. Dr. Balchelder thought of college as an advanced point of view of the arts and that his research is performing. Prior to the Trio, Mr. Easter performed with the President's Marine Band during President Nixon's second term and Mr. Krown was the assistant conductor for the Marching Virginians.

The Brass Dominion Lite was anticipating the completion of the editing process for their first recording and hoped for it to be released. As for the future of the trio, they hoped to expand their concerts from regional to nationwide as well as hopes of a European tour.

Dr. Balchelder cautiously scans the music sheet as he plays his trumpet. He was a member of the Brass Trio for twelve years and thought of college as a "community of learning," not just teachers and students.
Jay Krown, Allen Bachelder and Wallace Easter, of the Brass Trio, take time to pose for a group shot after a private rehearsal. They participated in many area groups such as the Roanoke Symphony, the Lynchburg Symphony, the New River Valley Chamber Winds and many others.

Dr. Easter makes playing the french horn look easy with his graceful style. He played with the President's Marine Band while Nixon was in office, as well as other groups and symphonies.
A horticulture student spreads mulch for a future flower bed. Students gained hands-on experience in the Virginia Tech gardens that helped them to get a job when they graduated.

A finished scene from the Virginia Tech garden shows the tremendous effort put forth by the horticulture students.
Dr. Robert Lyons decided to teach at the college level because of his love for horticulture and botany. He had previously taught Indoor Plants for thirteen years before turning it over to one of his colleagues. In addition to serving as the director of the Virginia Tech Horticulture Gardens, Dr. Lyons is teaching Herbaceous Plant Materials, a creative aesthetic elective on the elements of photographic composition, and a Public Garden Maintenance class. As well as being a professor, Dr. Lyons was also a professional photographer focusing primarily on horticulture and had a CD with approximately 1500 photographs, with a second volume possibly in the works.

The Horticulture Gardens were founded in 1983 by three faculty and the department head, who had the idea of developing an area of test flower beds, located on the current garden site. The mission of the gardens is for it to be a student lab and to be used with the Public Garden Maintenance class, where they learn about maintenance, management, and administration of the Gardens. The Gardens were designed in a special study by nine landscape horticulture students and they remained essentially unchanged over the years with the exceptions of several additions, such as a water garden, a deck and a walkway, all of which were built by students. Since the gardens were not directly supported by Virginia Tech, they relied on approximately $3,000 - $5,000 a year from private funds. Dr. Lyons said that the students have formed a sense of allegiance to the gardens and return to find that "special" tree that they planted, while here at Tech to see how it had grown.

Dr. Lyons also coordinates the annual plant giveaway, which is held the third Friday in September. The giveaway serves two purposes: 1) to basically clean out the area and 2) to help with public relations. Since these giveaways have proved to be so successful, several other universities have copied the idea. Recently the weatherman from WDBJ in Roanoke has started the giveaway and televised it during the weather segment of the evening news. This has helped to increase public awareness, and now hundreds of people come each year to visit the gardens and often return for the giveaway.
Dr. Mark Sanders, professor of graphic communications, helps Matthew Camotte, Jr. with a multi-media problem.

Dr. Mark Stegeman, an economics professor, teaches students different ways of analyzing cost. The double overhead was all too familiar for most students.
Dr. Wat Hopkins, a communications professor, teaches the difficult communications law class.
There were many reasons people chose to attend Virginia Tech. For some it was the small town/college flavor that Blacksburg had to offer, for others it was Tech's competitive athletic programs. But by in large, the thing that attracted most people to the university was its academic programs. With its seven colleges, Virginia Tech offered a wealth of educational opportunities.

One could always find Virginia Tech academic programs at or near the top in national rankings. Whether your major was architecture, agriculture, business, or engineering you could rest easy in the knowledge that you were getting a good, solid education. Virginia Tech also led the way in incorporating technology into the classroom making extensive and innovative use of the internet as an educational tool. The 1996-1997 academic year was a period of growth for the university as the school completed or started construction on numerous academic buildings around the campus.

Lessons learned in the classrooms and research labs went beyond fulfilling curriculum requirements, they added to our general knowledge and challenged our curiosity. In short, they gave students one to grow on.

Putting the information gathered through lectures to practical use, Alexa Feeney, a sophomore majoring in forestry and outdoor recreation, and Giny Eaton, a freshman in forestry and wildlife, attempt to identify a tree. Virginia Tech had one of the strongest forestry and wildlife programs in the country.
The College of Engineering at Virginia Tech was one of the best schools for engineering study in the country. Bachelor of Science degrees were offered in the fields of aerospace, biological systems, chemistry, civil, computer, electrical, engineering science and mechanics, industrial and systems, materials science and engineering, mechanical, mining and minerals, and ocean.

In 1994, the engineering department placed eighth out of 300 schools for engineering in the United States in awarding bachelor's degrees.

There were many academic and extracurricular opportunities offered to engineering students. These opportunities included scholarships, competitions, honor societies and clubs. A new mechanical engineering building was constructed to provide more classroom and lab space.
Computers are an integral part of the engineering education both in the classroom and out. In the engineering fundamentals class, the professors utilized the computer to illustrate vital engineering programs such as Fortran 90, TK Solver, and Autocad.
The fast-paced world of mechanical engineering came to life through the student involvement programs offered in the mechanical engineering department. The five vehicle teams included under this program were technically diverse, however, all focused on learning through doing and were open to students in any major. The Hybrid Electric Vehicle Team (HEVT) designed and built hybrid electric and alternative-fueled vehicles. Last year the team submitted a proposal to participate in The Future Car Challenge. This competition consisted of converting an existing Ford Taurus, Chevrolet Lumina, or Dodge Intrepid into a more fuel-efficient, lower emissions automobile that still exhibited the same performance level. The team's proposal was one of twelve selected from a pool of nearly forty and the team successfully converted a 1996 Chevrolet Lumina receiving first place. The FCC was a two-year event, so the HEVT hoped to improve upon their existing design for the 1997 Challenge. The Mini Baja Team was the oldest member of the car teams. Each year the team designed and built a new car for competition, focusing on resolving the problems which occurred with the previous car. The Autonomous Navigation Robotics Project produced two robotic vehicles each year whose goal is to circumnavigate an outdoor obstacle course. Students from Mechanical, Electrical, and Computer Engineering along with students from the Computer Science and Math departments worked on the vehicles each year. Vehicles named “Christine” and “IVAN” are being constructed for competition this summer at Oakland University. The car teams gave students in mechanical engineering a key opportunity to gain valuable hands-on experience that was noted both in industry and the academic community.

"By working on the solar car team, you get to apply in-class principles to real world problems. Also, you get to see the things you design come to life."

—David Dart
On a warm day, students on the mechanical engineering solar car team take a joy ride in their prize vehicle, the Solaray IV. The car teams relied on corporate sponsorship along with the support of the college of engineering to fund the project.

Under the hood of the future car, two members of the Hybrid Electric car team fine tune the modified engine while wearing the HEVT logo t-shirt. While working on the car, students developed a sense of family and learned that teamwork is essential to success.
One of Virginia Tech's most comprehensive areas of study, the College of Arts and Sciences offered an impressive array of majors. Students could study the fine arts: Art and Art History, Theater Arts, and Music; the mathematical sciences: Mathematics, Statistics, and Computer Science; the natural sciences: Biology, Chemistry, Biochemistry, Geological Sciences, and Physics; the social sciences: Economics, History, Geography, Psychology, Sociology, Political Science, and International Studies; and the humanities: Communication Studies, English, French, German, Spanish, Religion, Philosophy, and Liberal Arts and Sciences, which included concentrations in Black Studies, Chinese, Classics, Greek, Humanities, Italian, Japanese, Latin, Portuguese, Russian, and Women's Studies.
Comparing results, three students discuss a chemistry experiment. Labs provided hands-on experience to reinforce the principles taught and discussed in the classroom.

Concentrating on his technique, a student completes an experiment for a biology lab. All Tech students were required to take science courses and corresponding labs as part of the university's core curriculum.
Arts and Sciences is one of the most versatile majors offered to Tech students. The areas of study encompass a wide variety of disciplines and cater to many interests. Lu-Anne Searles, a senior English and Spanish double major intended to use her degree to teach high-school English and Spanish. "I have really enjoyed my studies in American and Spanish literature. Despite its reputation as a technical school, I have been really impressed with the Arts and Sciences program."

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---Anne Searles

Students who were more interested in the technical aspects of the program were hardly disappointed either. Eric Bishop, a junior computer science major, said, "The courses in my department have been really challenging. Although I've focused my studies on computer science, the other courses I've taken within the College of Arts and Sciences have been interesting and worthwhile as well." The diversity of the program allowed students to explore their areas of specialty and gain new interests as well.

Price House on Stanger Street housed the Women's Center which provided services and programs for women. Women's Studies was a popular concentration within the college.

Preparing for a monologue, a theater arts student gets into character. Introduction to theatre was a popular course within the performing arts curriculum.
Biochemistry Club

Food Science Club
Front Row: E. Chunglo, T. Loane; Second Row: E. Habtemariam, B. Green, T. Gingerich.

Alpha Phi Mu
As one gazed upon the cavernous pit that was once Cowgill Plaza, one was reminded that building could be a messy and complicated process. The College of Architecture and Urban Studies (CAUS) prepared students to engage in this process by offering a broad range of educational opportunities. The college was composed of six departments-architecture, building construction, industrial design, landscape architecture, public administration and public affairs—all unified in the goal of "engaging students in the processes and professional standards of design and management of the human environment."

With construction of the 40,000 square foot addition to Cowgill Hall underway and opportunities to study abroad, CAUS curriculum allowed students to pursue a liberal education within a stable framework.
Burning the midnight oil, an architecture student perfects her assignment. Many students spent long hours and late nights in Cowgill finishing design projects.

Third year student Mark Ebbe asks fellow third year student Bill Whithers his opinion on his project. Peers critiques were common for architecture majors.
For students in the halls of Cowgill, Burruss, and the Architecture Annex, architecture was more than an academic major — it was a way of life. The study of architecture demanded discipline and diligence for those who endeavored to practice it. Students often spent all night in the studio working on drawings and models. LaKeisha Henderson, a third-year architecture student, said it was necessary to put in extra time on architecture work because, "You have to develop your ideas and come up with ways to demonstrate them so others can understand them."

The architecture studio provided an ideal environment for students to learn about their craft. It not only gave students a place to work but it also allowed students to interact with their peers. "[One of the strengths of studio] is all the people you meet. It gives you a sense of belonging... you know that no matter what difficulties you are having there are others who are going through similar experiences. Also it is a great source of constructive criticism," said first-year architecture student Damian Hamlin.

Learning from one's peers was one of the ways architecture differed from other academic studies. On the whole, students didn't mind all the hours logged in at their studios. "I enjoy what I do and [working late nights] is all a part of the learning process," said Henderson.

Learning architecture is analogous to learning a language but instead of speaking with nouns and verbs, architects must speak with walls and columns. And the more time invested the greater the reward.

Listening to music as he completes a sketch, third-year student Robert Williams brings the amenities of home to work with him.
There were several organizations around campus which sought to give voice to particular points of view. Two clubs which made stands on various issues were the Young Democrats and the Multicultural Awareness Programs.

The Young Democrats were a group of students who supported the Democratic party and their ideals and principles. Their philosophy was that the best way to improve government was to get involved in the political process. Membership was open to anyone who wanted to go beyond being a spectator in the political arena. The Young Democrats activities included active involvement in local, state, and federal Democratic campaigns. They were also involved in voter registration, attended regional and political conventions, and supported non-profit organizations.

The Multicultural Awareness Programs was an organization with three aims: to spread diversity and multiculturalism around the campus, to provide educational and social programs which upheld the mission of the Multicultural Center, and to provide volunteer services for programs within the Center. "The best way to learn from and about people from a different background than your own is to engage in a dialogue with them, which is what MAPs tries to do," said Charlene Simmons, a senior majoring in history and communications. MAPs has grown from a off-shoot of the Office of Student Affairs to an independent student organization. Even though this was a year of reorganizing for MAPS, more general programs, such as speak-out forums, were produced in 1997 than any other year.

Congressman Rick Boucher proudly poses with Young Democrat members Jeni Kirk and Rhya Marohn at the Clinton/Gore Inaugural Reception at the Watergate Hotel. The Young Democrats were active volunteers in local, state and national Democratic campaigns.
An important goal of the Multicultural Awareness Programs was to get students to communicate, regardless of their cultural differences. Tech students Erin Graham, Tekisha Everette, and Dorian Crocker share their viewpoints at a MAPs-sponsored speak-out forum about Black and White fraternities and sororities.
The Department of Marketing was on a mission to please—please students and consumers. With a strong, nationally ranked program, the department was dedicated to pleasing the needs of students. Marketing was a major within the Pamplin College of Business. Students in marketing learned to make products appealing to customers. This goal was achieved through the acquisition, organization, and interpretation of buyers consuming patterns.

A marketing education was rooted in research. As a result of the complicated data needed to make production decisions, the computer was utilized in all aspects of marketing education.

In recent years, the Department of Marketing has received repeated critical acclaim. It was ranked 17th in number of publications produced during the 1990-1995 period. This prestigious rating reaffirmed the college's commitment to ongoing research. The department was also ranked fourth in terms of service on editorial boards of the main marketing journals.

Due to the increased demand for employees in the global business world, international marketing became a popular concentration. This option combined the fundamentals of business with the global knowledge of international studies thus expanding U.S. business interests to foreign lands.

By producing top-notch marketing professionals both the prices and distribution of products (in theory) will be improved thus leaving consumers happily satisfied.

Dedicated to improving marketing in the modern global and domestic commerce world, the Department of Marketing became a standout in business education.
Marketing is a research based business field. This student examined a mock consumer data in order to produce a good that appeals to public taste and trends.

Focusing intently, this student makes use of a spreadsheet program. Data management was a valuable and important skill in the marketing curriculum.
Within the College of Human Resources and Education, the hospitality and tourism management (HTM) major prepared students for careers in one of the nation’s fastest growing industries. A wide variety of employment opportunities existed within the field for HTM majors while they were undergraduates as well as after graduation. Students learned how to manage hotels, motels, restaurants, private clubs, contract food service companies, convention bureaus, travel and tourism organizations, theme parks, resorts, and corporations.

While at Tech, HTM majors gained hands-on experience through internships. An excellent opportunity was available right on campus: the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center. Located on Otey Street near Squires Student Center, Donaldson Brown boasted 100 rooms, ten conference rooms, and two dining rooms that sat 100 people.

About 75 HTM students worked at Donaldson Brown. There were three major departments in which students were employed: hotel front desk, conference services, and dining room services.

Michelle Stump, a senior in HTM, waitressed in Donaldson Brown’s dining area.

"Working at Donaldson Brown offers a really convenient opportunity to gain experience in the field and to work with other HTM students. The work I do here is totally applicable to my future goals."

-Michelle Stump

These students wait to be served at the Donaldson Brown Hotel and Conference Center. Those students who purchased a meal plan were entitled to eat one meal a semester at Donaldson Brown.
The College of Human Resources and Education offered majors in clothing and textiles; family and child development; hospitality and tourism management; housing, interior design, and resource management; human nutrition, foods, and exercise; and education. The education program encompassed six majors: business education; family and consumer sciences education; marketing education; technology education; vocational, industrial, and health occupations education; as well as the traditional education major preparing students to become kindergarten, elementary, middle, or secondary teachers. All majors in this college had connections to valuable professional experiences. For example, prospective teachers worked in classrooms as student teachers and HTM majors could intern at a variety of businesses.

Children get a big kick out of playtime. Early childhood education senior Kate Gentry had her hands full with these feisty kids as a bewildered parent looks on. Sarah McNett, a sophomore in early childhood education, reads to two children at the daycare center in Wallace Hall. The daycare facility not only gave Tech staff a convenient place to drop off their kids but also served as a learning laboratory for students.
The College of Agriculture and Life Sciences offered majors in agriculture and agricultural education; agricultural technology; animal and poultry sciences; biochemistry; biological systems engineering; crop and soil environmental sciences; dairy science; environmental science; food science and technology; and horticulture.

Students who wished to prepare for medical, dental, pharmacy, or veterinary school gained a solid foundation through their undergraduate studies in the College of Agriculture and Life Sciences.

Students had access to excellent resources: over 200 teaching and small research laboratories, a turf grass research center, horticulture gardens, over 3000 acres of land, and a variety of livestock including beef and dairy cattle, sheep, swine, and poultry.
Students in animal and poultry science can choose an emphasis in equine studies. Riding lessons were often a popular class among horse loving students.

Watering away the winter blues, Troy Hensley, a senior in horticulture, develops seedlings in the greenhouse. Plant research was an important aspect of agriculture.

American Society of Agricultural Engineering
Got milk? The beverage America depended on for food, drink, and health had become a fashionable trend in the '90s. With an endless series of hilarious commercial and stunning starlets promoting this cold white commodity, it appeared that milk was an invention of humans. However, the dairy science department knew better. They knew cows inside and out.

With the industrialization of civilization, the modern dairy farm has become a realm of computers, milking machines, and genetic manipulation. The dairy science program adapted to these changes and created a curriculum that appealed to students interested in managing their own farms and those involved with improving milk quality and production.

Through the production business management option, students prepared for the booming world of agri-business, combining dairy production with high finance. Another popular option was the science/biotechnology/pre-veterinary choice, allowing students to attend vet school or improve milk quality through the physiology and biochemistry of lactation.

The department provided 600 acres of land and 500 head of dairy animals for hands-on training. These farm lands were not only filled with grazing cattle but also contained barns, a silo, and various state-of-the-art dairy equipment.

This dedication to research and development has paid off. The Dairy Science Club was recognized as among the best in the U.S. eight times and placed second twice in the past ten years at annual competitions.

The dedication of the Department of Dairy Science to improving the quality of milk insured people will want to drink milk indefinitely.
Cow #623 stands by the fence that encloses the dairy science research center. The cattle were numbered so that researchers could keep accurate records of their health and growth.

After a long day of work, an agriculture student leads a horse back to the stables. The great expanse of land at Virginia Tech's disposal helped the agriculture program be among the nation's best.
Improving and protecting the environment has become an integral part of everyday life in the 20th century. The key factor to a successful environment is healthy and abundant natural resources. Students in the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources dedicated themselves to managing and responsibly utilizing renewable natural resources. The science-based, nationally ranked program is divided into three separate options, Fisheries and Wildlife Sciences, Forestry, and Wood Science and Forest Products. By focusing on the relationship between human contact and environmental impact, students learned to control the delicate balance between nature and civilization. Students in the College of Forestry and Wildlife Resources protected our nation’s most valuable treasures, and thus are Tech’s guardians of the environment.
A student carefully examines the leaves of a rhododendron plant. The surrounding forests and woodlands of Blacksburg provided an ideal environment for those people interested in learning about forestry and wildlife.
Talk to the Animals

Animals: cute, fuzzy, fast, sleek, wet, scaly, and vital. Animals are an integral aspect of our environment, however as industrial expansion increases and habitat is destroyed their lives are placed in jeopardy. In order to protect nature’s pride and joy, students of Wildlife Management dedicated their time to research. Through understanding all aspects of an animal’s biology and habitat, they hoped to attain the knowledge to maintain the species in this ever changing world.

One of the most successful and renowned research endeavors of the Wildlife Management Department was the study of the black bear. The Black Bear Reproductive Physiology and Natural Regulation study was headed by Dr. Michael R. Vaughan, a professor of Wildlife Management. The goal of this research was to discover detailed knowledge of reproductive physiology and the role of the reproductive strategy in the regulation of bear population. To achieve this information, female black bears were brought into captivity. Their body fat was monitored and once pregnant an ultra-sound was used to monitor fetal development. After birth, the cub growth was monitored closely.

By directly involving themselves in wildlife research, undergraduates gained an invaluable educational experience. Daly Sheldon, a freshman Wildlife Science major, explained,

"Working with these bears has been absolutely amazing. Not only have I been able to satisfy my own curiosity with these wild animals but I've been able to see the whole process involved in animal research."

-Daly Sheldon

"Working with these bears has been absolutely amazing. Not only have I been able to satisfy my own curiosity with these wild animals but I've been able to see the whole process involved in animal research. It has not only strengthened my desire to go into this field but also helped me realize all the work that it will require."
Taking a measurement, a student collects data for her forestry class. The college of forestry and wildlife offered a variety of courses in dendrology.
Study Groups

Students Find Enhanced Academic Performance When Studying Together

The homework was endless, the tests were murder, the teacher's voice was more effective than any dose of Nyctol what was a student to do? The answer was simple... turn to the left, turn to the right, meet some classmates and form a study group. Small groups of students could be found congregated in the library, in Squires, in G.B.J., even on the drillfield helping one another study. In studying together, students found a win-win situation. If the student was weaker in a specific subject they had an opportunity to ask questions and receive explanations from more proficient students. However, if a student was excellent in a subject they gained the supreme understanding that can only be found in teaching the concept to someone else. Professors and students alike realized the benefits of group study as weekly study sessions improved grades and encouraged classroom participation.

Although study groups aided students in developing academic skills, this student prefers to study alone on the second floor of Squires. The student centers provided an opportunity to catch up on homework between classes.
Working together to study for a humanities midterm, Sini Downing, a junior in Communications, shares her notes with a classmate. Students often relied on one another for study materials.

Comparing notes on technical drawing, Sam Brown, a junior in Electrical Engineering and Mark Debruycker, a sophomore in Electrical Engineering, take advantage of the atrium in Hancock Hall.
Lab Action

Students Gain Hands-On Experience Through Laboratory Classes

The general purpose of labs was to parallel, apply, and enhance the information learned in lectures. Adam Ours, a sophomore in Electrical Engineering stated, "All of last semester I was learning concepts and theorems, but I didn't know why I needed to know them. Now that I am in Electronic Networks lab, I can physically apply what I have already learned."

In contrast, there were some majors where the laboratory is the main focus of their college career and lecture classes only enhance the lab. Laura Bellis, a sophomore architecture major, commented, "Lab isn't just another class for me, it is the most important and most time consuming class."

Labs provided experience and insight into a career. Jenn Petko, a sophomore Early Childhood Education major, added, "Working in the lab school will hopefully better qualify me for a job someday."

Laughing away in the greenhouse, these horticulture majors discuss the day's events while planting houseplants. Majors in the College of Agriculture benefited greatly from the diverse laboratory courses offered.
Carefully selecting a negative to develop, senior Mark Ashley works in his Graphics Communications class. The theory and techniques of photography were a focus of the class.

Making careful observations, this student describes plant samples in his biology lab. Laboratories were used to reinforce concepts discussed in the lectures.
Perhaps the most memorable thing about attending a university like Virginia Tech was the people that we encountered. Many first year students came to Blacksburg knowing, at best, two to five people. Within a month, that number quadrupled and many of us found ourselves on a first name basis with everyone on our hall, eating in the dining halls with friends and friends of friends. These people became our classmates and study companions, girlfriends and boyfriends, friends and enemies. We laughed with them, shared secrets, fought, and even cried with them. Above it all, though, they were our peers.

With a student population of over 24,000, we met and saw people who came from all the corners of the globe, even some from our own hometowns. With all of this variety, the one thing we all had in common was that which brought us to this little town in the hills and valleys of southwest Virginia; Virginia Tech. Whether we liked each other or not, in the end we were all Hokies and that was all that mattered. And that was one lesson to grow on.
What was your most embarrassing experience while at Virginia Tech?

Margie Long

“My first day of General Chemistry. I fell asleep and the professor stepped on a pile of explosive chemicals and I shot straight out of my seat in front of hundreds in McBryde 100.”

Ginger Pouling

“Falling asleep in Psychology class and falling into the aisle of McBryde 100.”
What's the most important thing that you have learned while at Virginia Tech?

Allison Grablowsky

“I learned how to read the [Blacksburg Transit] bus schedule and how to explain it to others.”

Krista Welter

“My social security number.”
**What will you miss most about Blacksburg or Virginia Tech?**

**Patrick Hare**

"Walking across the Drillfield at 2:15 in the morning on a Wednesday and not feeling alone because in the distance someone else is too."

**Mitzi Frank**

"Everything."
After a long week of classes, seniors felt the need to unwind during the weekends. Downtown Blacksburg, with its high concentration of bars, was a hot spot for students to socialize on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights.
Do you feel that you have changed in any way while at Virginia Tech?

Jessica Smothers

"Definitely, I am more relaxed about life, but more focused on my goals. I know what I want out of life and I am working at [achieving] it."

What would you have done different, if anything, while at Virginia Tech?

James Kraus

"I would not have dated a girl [who lived] on the same hall as me!"
What was your most memorable experience while at Virginia Tech?

Nathan Osborne

“My most memorable experience was being on ESPN during the West Virginia football game with my chest painted.”

Stephanie Wilkowski

“My most memorable experience was when I went backpacking throughout Europe with one of my sorority sisters and running into fellow Hokies!”
What's your most memorable experience while at Virginia Tech?

Brittany Craig

"One of my most memorable times at Tech was during the ice storms freshman year. Picture it—forty women sharing one bathroom in AJ with no running water or electricity...enough said."

Charles Gillian

"My most memorable experience was when I was on the field at Louisville when we [the VT baseball team] won the Metro Conference tournament and earned VT's first NCAA regional birth."
Matthew Gross, Blacksburg, VA, Civil Engineering
Karen Guenther, Oconomowoc, Wisconsin, Biology
Ricardo Guiter, Kenbridge, VA, Marketing
Nathan Gunser, Williamsburg, VA, Mining Engineering
Arnum Gupta, Midlothian, VA, Management
Michael Gardaf, Virginia Beach, VA, Chemistry
Jason Gusler, Blind, VA, Chemistry and Psychology

Benjamin Guthrie, Richmond, VA, Biology & Chemistry
Timothy Guthrie, Boones Mill, VA, Civil Engineering
Blake Guzman, Falls Church, VA, Biology
Peyton Gwin, Manassas, VA, Psychology
Julia Habibi, Christiansburg, VA, Psychology
Scott Habibi, Christiansburg, VA, History and Education Curriculum and Instruction
Amanda Hagy, Olney, MD, Hospitality and Tourism Management

Adam Hall, Dublin, VA, Mechanical Engineering
Christopher Hall, Hasbrouck Heights, NJ, Mathematics
Rebecca Hall, Radford, VA, Animal Science
Erik Hallman, Reston, VA, Electrical Engineering
Courtney Hamby, Columbia, SC, Forest Resource Management
Andrea Hamman, Springfield, VA, Sociology
Byron Hanley, Cockeysville, MD, Computer Science

Thomas Hanks, Williamsburg, VA, Biology
Erika Hansen, Manassas, VA, History
Ben Harding, Burke, VA, Hospitality and Tourism Management
J. Patrick Hart, Newport News, VA, Marketing Management
Eric Hargis, Harrisburg, PA, Aerospace Engineering
Lewis Harman, Bedford, VA, Sociology
Chelsea Harmon, Galax, VA, Family and Child Development

Rebecca Harrill, Roanoke, VA, Sociology & Psychology
Rhonda Harrell, Roanoke, VA, Biology
Gentry Harrington, Springfield, VA, Marketing
Janera Harris, Westfield, NC, Biology
Sonya Harris, Charlotte, VA, Economics
Karen Harrison, Powhatan, VA, Animal Science
Tom Harsanyi, Potomac, MD, Finance

David Hartrell, Sterling, VA, Communication Studies
Reza Hashimi, Great Falls, VA, Accounting
Nasrul Haque, Franklin, VA, Mathematics
Thu-Thai Havr, Richmond, VA, Management Science
Amy Hawkins, Stafford, VA, English
Kenneth Hayes, Fairfax, VA, Mechanical Engineering
Lesley Headley, Kilmarnock, VA, Music Education

Betsy Hedrick, Dayton, VA, Accounting
Jennifer Henderson, Yorktown, VA, Communication Studies
Tammy Henderson, Baltimore, MD, Forestry and Wildlife
James Hendley, Catonsville, MD, Computer Engineering
Tricia Henneman, Hanahan, SC, Civil Engineering
Krista Hennessey, Fairfax, VA, English
Benjamin Henning, Vienna, VA, Finance

Ryan Henry, Millersville, MD, Engineering Science and Mechanics
Steven Herron, Mine Run, VA, Finance and Accounting
Michelle Herrera, Fairfax, VA, Psychology
Jason Hess, Newport News, VA, Electrical Engineering
Nicole Hester, Annandale, VA, Hospitality and Tourism Management
Christina Hey, Blacksburg, VA, Geography
Curtis Hickman, Chesapeake, VA, Environmental Science
Who said geometry had no practical use? This Tech student lines up his shot in hopes of sinking a ball in the corner pocket. With tables in every bar, patrons would sometimes wait half an hour before getting a table.
What's your most memorable experience while at Virginia Tech?

Jeff Camosci

“Nothing will top rushing Scott Stadium last year as the Hokies shocked UVA, 36-29.”

Paul Yaffe

“My most memorable experience was winning best chapter in the nation for PRSSA (Public Relations Student Society of America).”
Top of the Stairs was a popular haunt for many students. Located mere steps from campus, the bar featured live bands and a large patio that allowed patrons to enjoy the outdoors.
What is your favorite place to go in order to get away from the stress of classes?

Erin Kennedy

"My favorite place to go to get away from stress is the War Memorial overlooking the Drillfield."

Patrick Pfeil

"My bed."
Sometimes students went to bars just for a change of scenery. This student appears to be lost in his thoughts while sitting at the bar at Sharkey's.
Have you ever done anything that you would classify as "typically freshmen" during any year besides your freshmen year?

Stacey Duggins

"I am guilty of looking both ways before crossing the Drillfield."

What will you miss most about Blacksburg or Virginia Tech?

Christine Andrews

"I will miss the Hokie spirit, and I will especially miss the football games in Lane Stadium."
Do you feel that you have changed in any way while at Virginia Tech?

Michael Peters

"I believe that I have learned a lot, both about myself and the world around me. Tech taught me a great deal in my four years here."

Christine Geier

"I look at everyone and smile when walking across the Drillfield instead of looking at my shoes."
What will you miss about Blacksburg or Virginia Tech?

**Amy McEwan**

“I will miss the university atmosphere. I’ll miss the opportunity to get to know so many different people. This campus is beautiful, I’ll miss being a part of it.”

Looking back, what was one thing that you wished you had known before you came to Virginia Tech?

**Joel Smith**

“What in the world a ‘Hokie’ was.”
Graduate Students

Denise Wood, Midlothian, VA, Psychology & Family and Child Development
Floyd Wood, Baltimore, MD, Electrical Engineering
Tracy Wright, Burke, VA, Marketing
Keith Wurst, Levittown, PA, Communication Studies
Paul Yaffe, Lynchburg, VA, Communication Studies

David Yvonishon, Falls Church, VA, Aerospace Engineering
Heather Yott, Macungie, PA, Biochemistry
Katherine Young, Midlothian, VA, Political Science
Robert Young, Richmond, VA, Management Science
Suzanne Young, Glen Allen, VA, Psychology

Andrew Zapanta, Harrisonburg, VA, Accounting
Kerrianne Zdimal, Vienna, VA, Environmental Science
Greg Zesinger, Burke, VA, Marketing
Amanda Ziehm, Woodbine, MD, Biochemistry
James Zoller, Ellicott City, MD, Marketing

John Burcin, Martinsville, VA, Geography
David Howard, Bowieville, MD, Mechanical Engineering
Kalpana Kanwar, Blacksburg, VA, Environmental Design
Aleta Lawson, Blacksburg, VA, Family and Child Development

Gary Markle, Blacksburg, VA, Civil Engineering
Sonal Mitra, Blacksburg, VA, Agricultural and Applied Economics
Rachha Rai, Blacksburg, VA, Landscape Architecture
Timothy Rice, Virginia Beach, VA, Physical Education

Christine Spada, Falls Church, VA, Civil Engineering
Andrea Towne, Virginia Beach, VA, Vocational Technical Education
Erik Aaby, Fallston, MD, 1
Tawab Abawi, Annandale, VA, 1
Scott Abbott, McLean, VA, 1
Benjamin Abbott, Harrison, AR, 1
Jareer Abdul-Baqi, Dhahran, Saudi Arabia, 1
Patrick Abernathy, Virginia, VA, 2

William Alplanalp, Cokesville, MD, 1
Clara Abraham, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Lilah Abulhasan, Haymarket, VA, 1
Vanessa Acebal-Knowles, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Ivan Acosta, Coral Springs, FL, 3
David Adams, Harrisonburg, PA, 1

Jessica Adams, Annapolis, MD, 1
Rachel Adams, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Samuel Adams, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Christopher Adkins, Bassett, VA, 1
Heather Adkins, Troutville, VA, 1
Robert Agarwal, Falls Church, VA, 1

Abraham Agee, Roanoke, VA, 1
Robert Agnew, Conneautville, PA, 1
Matthew Aguerra, Newport News, VA, 1
Elia Ahmadian, Fairfax, VA, 1
Paul Ahmed, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Joseph Akers, Chester, VA, 1

Jason Akridge, Hampton, VA, 3
Jered Albair, Hampden, ME, 1
Michael Albritton, Madison Heights, VA, 2
Adam Alderman, Spencerville, VA, 1
Frederick Aldrich, Tacoma, WA, 1
Brian Alexander, Wytheville, VA, 1

Lance Alexander, Matthews, NC, 1
Matthew Alexander, Covington, VA, 1
Kelli Alger, Poquoson, VA, 1
Frankie Ali, Jamsville, MD, 1
Beth Alliff, Salem, VA, 1
Courtney Allamong, Williamsburg, VA, 1

Brian Allen, Myersville, MD, 1
Christopher Allen, Chester, VA, 1
Emily Allen, Bedford, VA, 1
Jason Allen, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jeremy Allen, Greenboro, NC, 1
Julie Allen, Fredericksburg, VA, 1

Justin Allen, Glen Burnie, MD, 1
Kathryn Allen, Lake Ridge, VA, 2
Robert Allen, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Robert Allen, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Allison Alley, Cloverdale, VA, 1
Dawn Allman, Hampton, VA, 1

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These students go clothes shopping at the Greenhouse, a store located on College Avenue. Downtown Blacksburg offered students clothing merchants, bars and specialty stores that made it the heart of the community.

Mary Altizer, Richmond, VA, 1
Yuki Amano, Roanoke, VA, 1
Jennifer Amaral, Great Falls, VA, 1
Ernest Ambrose, Richmond, VA, 1
Robyn Amick, McMurray, PA, 1
David Amoriell, Mount Airy, MD, 1

Clifford Anders, Huntingdon, PA, 2
Brian K. Anderson, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Brian M. Anderson, Timonium, MD, 1
Carl Anderson, Arlington, VA, 1
Chris Anderson, Herndon, VA, 1
Jared Anderson, Gladys, VA, 1

Jason Anderson, Ijamsville, MD, 1
Joseph Anderson, Gaithersburg, MD, 2
Katherine Anderson, Martinsville, VA, 2
Kyle Anderson, Wilmington, DE, 1
Lori Anderson, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Eric Anderton, Springfield, VA, 1

Iris Andino, Union, NJ, 1
Julie Anglim, Herndon, VA, 1
Alberto Angulo, Arlington, VA, 1
Katina Apelt, Norfolk, VA, 1
Chris Applegate, Burke, VA, 1
Keith Apton, Great Falls, VA, 1
Barton Archer, Disputanta, VA, 1
James Archer, Salem, VA, 1
Lisa Archer, Roanoke, VA, 1
Brian Arena, Fairport, NY, 1
Kathryn Arkus, Trenton, NJ, 1
Carissa Armstrong, Morgantown, WV, 1

Troy Arnold, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Daniel Arthur, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Jeffrey Ashby, Danville, VA, 1
Adam Ashley, Gaitersburg, MD, 1
Chanda Ashley, Lovingston, VA, 1
Danny Ashwell, Forest, VA, 1

Philip Ateto, Severn, MD, 1
Dara Athens, Ocean, NJ, 1
Adam Atkins, Burke, VA, 1
Danny Atkinson, Johnstown, PA, 1
Osa Atoe, Lorton, VA, 1
Shaun Aunchman, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Michael Ausherman, Germantown, MD, 1
Joseph Auth, Germantown, MD, 1
John Ayers, Montpelier, VA, 1
Shawn Ayotte, Augusta, ME, 1
Daniel Bacher, Lancaster, PA, 1
Christopher Bagley, Victoria, VA, 1

James Bailes, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jason Bailey, Salem, VA, 1
Karen Bailey, Powhatan, VA, 1
Terry Bailey, Yorktown, VA, 1
Lou-Ann Baines, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Becky Baird, Springfield, VA, 1

Sarah Baird, Richmond, VA, 1
Frank Baker, Salisbury, MD, 1
Jeffrey Baker, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Julie J. Baker, Springfield, VA, 3
Julie M. Baker, Hampstead, MD, 1
Paul Baker, Abingdon, VA, 1

Richard Baker, Baltimore, MD, 1
Tim Baker, Fischersville, VA, 1
Eric Baldueza, Springfield, VA, 1
Heather Baldwin, Frederick, MD, 1
John Baldwin, Chester, VA, 1
Justin Bales, Mattituck, NY, 1

Jaime Ball, Milford, VA, 1
Kevin Ball, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Michael Ballak, Bellmawr, NJ, 1
Brian Ballard, Narrows, VA, 2
Jacqueline Balzer, Roanoke, VA, 1
James Bamba, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Marty Bane, South Boston, VA, 1
Brian Banks, Salisbury, MD, 1
Christopher Banks, Fairfax, VA, 3
Michael Bannat, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Thomas Bannon, Harrisburg, VA, 1
Kirin Barbout, Danville, VA, 1
Dennis Barefoot, Monroe, NC, 1
Gina Barefoot, Midlothian, VA, 1
Autumn Barfield, Sterling, VA, 1
Brandon Barg, Stafford, VA, 1
Joey Barg, McSherrystown, PA, 2
Timothy Barkley, Hampton, VA, 1
Lisa Barkovic, Springfield, VA, 1
Matthew Barkow, Bumpass, VA, 1
Richard Barnes, Roanoke, VA, 1
Robin Barnes, Price George, VA, 1
Emily Barnett, Springfield, VA, 1
Robert Barnett, Roanoke, VA, 1
David Barnhart, Boones Mill, VA, 1
William Barnhart, Falls Church, VA, 1
Matt Baros, Catonsville, MD, 1
Robert Barrowcliff, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Christopher Barszcz, Flemington, NJ, 1
Matthew Bartolacci, Fishersville, VA, 1
Raymond Bartolacci, Easton, PA, 1
Jamie Bashore, Hershey, PA, 1
Jennifer Baskin, Clifton, VA, 1
Marissa Basla, Montclair, VA, 1
Carolyn Bassett, Kennett Square, PA, 1
Kristen Batson, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Eric Battison, Vancouver, VA, 1
Scott Battle, Oak Ridge, TN, 1
Leigh Batts, Fairfax, VA, 1
Stephanie Bauer, Midlothian, VA, 1
Elizabeth Baum, Skokie, IL, 1
John Baum, Herndon, VA, 1
Ryan Bautz, Ellicott City, MD, 1
David Baxter, Wheaton, MD, 1
Alexander Bayden, Centreville, VA, 1
Benjam, Bayles, North Granby, CT, 2
Mark Bayly, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Marcus Beale, Ill, Madison Heights, VA, 1
Eustacia Bean, Ithica, NY, 2
James Bean, Fairfax, VA, 1
Benjamin Beard, Richmond, VA, 1
Johnathan Beard, Newport News, VA, 2
Daniel Beasley, Radford, VA, 1
Jeff Beasley, Springfield, VA, 1

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Kerri Beasley, Gate City, VA, 2
Andrew Beatty, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Carrie Beaver, Reisterstown, MD, 1
Richard Beaver, Richmond, VA, 1
Sonya Bechtel, Bristol, TN, 1
Caitlin Beck, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

Bethany Beckerink, North Clymer, NY, 1
Lauralyn Beckley, Yorktown, VA, 3
Rosa Bedia, Roanoke, VA, 1
John Bedson, Ashburn, VA, 1
Alan Behling, Danbury, CT, 1
Michael Behnke, Parkersburg, WV, 1

Corbin Behnken, Newport News, VA, 1
Jeffrey Behnmer, Yorktown, VA, 1
Michael Bell, Bensalem, PA, 1
David Belman, Bel Air, MD, 1
Carolina Beltran, Fairfax, VA, 1
Derrick Bender, Java, VA, 1

Michael Bender, Mission Viejo, CA, 2
Ken Benedict, Baltimore, MD, 1
Jason Bender, Richmond, VA, 1
John Bennett, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jonna Bennett, Conowingo, MD, 1
Joshua Bennett, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Sean Bennington, Roanoke, VA, 1
Daniel Bershe, Halesite, NY, 2
Ryan Benson, Mechanicsburg, PA, 1
Dana Benton, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Melissa Bentzen, Newark, DE, 1
Lauren Beote, Wilmington, DE, 1

William Beran, Covington, VA, 1
Christopher Berger, Riva, MD, 1
Elizabeth Bergeron, Lutherville, MD, 1
Candace Berle, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Courtney Bern, Roanoke, VA, 1
Cecile Bernabe, Great Falls, VA, 1

Laura Bernardi, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Sean Bernhardt, Hockessin, DE, 1
Serena Bernstein, Springfield, VA, 1
Amita Berry, Parkersburg, WV, 1
Erin Berry, Bridgewater, NJ, 1
John Berry, Newport News, VA, 1

Michael Berry, Great Falls, VA, 1
Patrick Berry, Bluefield, VA, 1
Ian Bertmaring, Rock Hill, SC, 1
Michelle Bertram, Winchester, VA, 1
Tracie Bertsch, Wetford, PA, 1
Charles Besancon, III, Charlottesville, VA, 2

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There is more to the Virginia Tech experience than just going to class. A first stop for many students was downtown Blacksburg, mere steps from campus.

Nicole Best, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Bryan Bettnick, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
David Betz, Spring Grove, PA, 2
Adam Bezila, Glastonbury, CT, 1
Raymond Biasi, Yorktown, VA, 2
Adam Bickford, Winston-Salem, NC, 1
Kristie Bierman, Virginia Beach, VA, 2
Bryan Biggs, Middletown, MD, 1
Nathan Biggs, Stuart, VA, 1
Kimberly Bilyk, Lansdale, PA, 1
Ronald Bingham, Salem, VA, 1
Jeremy Bishop, Roanoke, VA, 1
Colin Bissell, Lexington, VA, 2
Lamont Bivens, Marlton, NJ, 3
David Bivins, Richmond, VA, 1
Richard Bixby, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Brian Bixon, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Robert Black, Falls Church, VA, 1
Robert Black, Glassboro, NJ, 1
Stacy Blackwell, Portsmouth, VA, 1
Scott Blair, Oakton, VA, 3
Taylor Blair, Norfolk, VA, 1
Kevin Blake, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Lashawn Blake, Landover, MD, 1
Elizabeth Blanchard, Richmond, VA, 1
Eldon Blanche, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Scott Bland, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Benjamin Blankenship, Tazewell, VA, 2
Russell Blasco, Scottdale, PA, 1
Bradford Blevins, Midlothian, VA, 2

Kendra Blevins, Pembroke, VA, 1
Shelley Blevins, Vinton, VA, 1
Brian Bliss, Beavercreek, OH, 1
Jennifer Block, Elkton, MD, 1
David Bloom, Springfield, VA, 1
Eric Bloomer, Blacksburg, VA, 2

John Blue, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Stephen Blumenbaum, Narragansett, RI, 2
Andrea Bobik, Mt. Laurel, NJ, 1
Alayna Boegel, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Chris Boehl, Sterling, VA, 1
Alayna Boegel, Gillette, WY, 1

Stephanie Bogdanovic, Great Falls, VA, 1
Chris Bogdevic, Reston, VA, 1
John Boggs, Carmano, WV, 2
Laura Bogunia, Roanoke, VA, 1
Jay Bolin, McLean, VA, 1
Johnathan Boiling, Chesapeake, VA, 3

William Bolsover, Sandwich, MA, 1
Kent Bolster, Sylvania, OH, 2
Vincent Bonchich, Woodbury Heights, NJ, 2
Josh Bondurant, Ridgeway, VA, 1
Brian Bonner, Richmond, VA, 1
Brad Booth, Vienna, VA, 1

John Booth, Wirtz, VA, 1
Michael Booth, Clarksburg, WV, 1
Kelly Booze, Troutville, VA, 1
Carrie Bornholdt, Paoli, PA, 1
Drew Bornovies, Springfield, VA, 1
Lucas Boselli, Huntington, WV, 1

Willie Bost, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
James Boston, Chaddsford, PA, 1
Stephanie Boteler, Gladys, VA, 1
Russ Boughner, Flemington, NJ, 1
Ryan Bourne, Bluefield, VA, 1
Forest Bowen, Winchester, VA, 1

Lindsay Bowen, Springfield, VA, 1
Shannon Bowles, Salem, VA, 2
Tarah Bowles, Beckley, WV, 1
Jason Bowling, Washington, WV, 1
Amy Bowman, Rocky Mount, VA, 1
Kevin Bowman, Lovettsville, VA, 1

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Students could not live on dining hall food alone. Pizza delivery restraints such as Express-O Pizza met students' needs for hot pizza regardless of the time of day.

William Bowman, Beckley, WV, 1  
Edward Bowser, Hampton, VA, 1  
John Boyd, Floyd, VA, 1  
Marvin Boyd, Midlothian, VA, 1  
Susan Boyd, Edgewater, MD, 1  
Amber Boyles, Suffolk, VA, 1  

Robert Bozarth, Richmond, VA, 1  
Katie Bradford, Manassas, VA, 1  
Andrew Bradick, McLean, VA, 1  
Janel Bradley, Pipersville, PA, 1  
Jason Bradley, Springfield, VA, 1  
Tina Bradley, Newport News, VA, 2  

Melinda Braid, Yorktown, VA, 1  
Valerie Brammer, Columbia, MD, 1  
Robert Brandt, Milton, DE, 1  
Jennifer Brannon, Harrisonburg, VA, 1  
Erik Branson, Wytheville, VA, 1  
Ross Brantner, II, Everett, PA, 2  

Chad Bratton, Boones Hill, VA, 1  
Keith Bray, Danville, VA, 1  
Shawn Breck, Greenville, DE, 1  
Rhett Breeden, Powhatan, VA, 1  
Christopher Brewer, Fairfax, VA, 1  
Nicholas Brewer, Chesapeake, VA, 1
David Brewster, Springfield, VA, 1
Ryan Brewster, Newport News, VA, 1
Garrett Bricker, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Jennifer Bridges, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Onike Bright, Columbia, MD, 1
Josh Brinkman, North Potomac, MD, 1

Laura Brinsfield, Waldorf, MD, 1
Sam Bristol, Annandale, VA, 1
Mark Brobowski, Fairfax, VA, 1
Andrew Brogna, Cascade, VA, 1
David Brooks, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Jason Brooks, Rocky Mount, VA, 1

Richard Brooks, Dallas, TX, 1
Timothy Brooks, Hampton, VA, 2
Calvin Brown, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Constance Brown, Newport News, VA, 1
David Brown, Fairmont, WV, 1
David Brown, Pasadena, MD, 1

Edward Brown, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Joel Brown, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Madison Brown, Newport News, VA, 1
Melissa Brown, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Michael Brown, Richmond, VA, 1
Michael Brown, New Orleans, LA, 1

Michael Brown, King George, VA, 1
Nathaniel Brown, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Peter Brown, East Berlin, PA, 1
Peter Brown, Warrenston, VA, 1
Rachel Brown, Lessburg, VA, 1
Shelley Brown, Bristol, VA, 1

Kristen Brownfield, Burke, VA, 1
Marjorie Browning, Davidsonville, MD, 1
William Browning, Goochland, VA, 1
Ami Brumm, Hayes, VA, 1
Tiffany Brunetti, Bridgeport, WV, 2
Allen Brunson, Matthews, NC, 1

James Brunson, Jr., Leesburg, VA, 1
Erin Brunst, Severna Park, MD, 1
Amy Brush, Flemington, NJ, 1
Amanda Bryan, Columbia, MD, 1
Jennifer Bubka, East Hampton, NY, 1
Sara Bublitz, Falls Church, VA, 1

Brenton Buchanan, Richmond, VA, 1
Jason Buchanan, Kenbridge, VA, 1
Patricia Buchanan, Stephens’s City, VA, 1
Scott Buchanan, Rockbridge, VA, 1
Craig Bucher, Sherwood, AR, 1
Lisa Buco, Mississauga, ON, 1
Patrick Budronis, Bellmore, NY, 1
Geoffrey Buescher, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Beth Bukoski, Alexandria, VA, 1
Brian Buley, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Amanda Bundex, Clayton, DE, 1
Susan Bunson, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

Noah Bunyard, Waynesboro, VA, 2
David Buono, Aliquippa, PA, 1
Kevin Buracker, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
Bradley Burcher, Newport News, VA, 1
Kimberly Burckle, Wichita, KS, 1
David Burger, Lancaster, PA, 1

Melanie Burgess, Falls Church, VA, 1
Donald Burke, Columbus, OH, 2
Karana Burke, Richmond, VA, 1
David Burkett, Marion, VA, 2
Stephanie Burks, Herndon, VA, 1
Amanda Burman, Montvale, NJ, 1

Sarah Burnette, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Aaron Burnley, Hopewell, VA, 1
Kimberly Burnop, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Robert Burns, Charlottesville, VA, 1
Laura Burnworth, Confluence, PA, 1
Stephanie Burpee, Fairfax, VA, 1

Shahan Burrell, Buchanan, VA, 1
Paul Burton, Beloit, VA, 1
Dan Bush, Whippany, NJ, 1
Ronald Bushar, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Clay Buttemere, Stone Mountain, GA, 1
Kathryn Buzzard, Waynesboro, VA, 1

Andrea Bymside, Lynch Station, VA, 1
Brian Cade, Hampton, VA, 1
Brooks Cahall, Camden, DE, 1
Ryan Cahoon, Prince George, VA, 1
Bryan Cain, Vienna, VA, 1
Phillip Caine, Bel Air, MD, 1

Charles Calhoun, Centreville, VA, 1
Meghan Callahan, Greensboro, NC, 1
Yu Feng Calvert, Danville, VA, 3
Michelle Calvin, King George, VA, 1
Misty Cameron, Johnston, PA, 1
Catherine Cameron, Abingdon, VA, 1

Clarissa Campbell, Pulaski, VA, 1
Jason Campbell, Amherst, VA, 1
Kelli Campbell, Manasquan, NJ, 1
Bill Candler, Roanoke, VA, 1
Jason Cannata, Midlothian, VA, 1
Christopher Cantrell, Franklin, TN, 1
Thai Cao, Falls Church, VA, 1
Karen Capen, Bel Air, MD, 1
Stephen Cappel, Fairfax, VA, 1
Rexford Card, Gloucester, VA, 1
Stuart Card, Centreville, VA, 1
Ryan Carey, Williamsburg, VA, 1

Timothy Carluhi, Northport, NY, 1
Joseph Carleo, Matthews, NC, 1
Chris Carlozi, Reston, VA, 1
Eric Carlson, Fallston, MD, 1
Drew Carlyle, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Jason Caron, East Longmeadow, MA, 1

Suzun Carpenter, East Bank, WV, 1
Valerie Carpenter, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
William Carroll, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Brian Carter, Farmville, VA, 1
Terri Carter, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Thomas Casale, Springfield, VA, 1

Richard Case, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Colleen Casey, Reston, VA, 1
Katherine Casey, Ridgefield, CT, 1
Sheldon Cash, Raphine, VA, 2
Fess Cassels, Springfield, VA, 1
Joel Castaneda, Oxon Hill, MD, 2

Emily Castillo, Norfolk, VA, 1
Ronald Castle, Rochester, NY, 1
Miguel Castro, Roanoke, VA, 1
David Catalano, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Kimberly Catano, Yorktown, VA, 1
Connie Catterson, Easton, CT, 1

Barry Catts, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Benjamin Caithorn, Richmond, VA, 1
Cynthia Cavan, Burke, VA, 1
Kathleen Cazin, Martinsburg, VA, 1
Amanda Celko, Middlesex, NJ, 1
Keisha Century, New Castle, DE, 1

Matthew Chadourne, Salem, NJ, 1
Thomas Chaffe, Midlothian, VA, 1
Matt Chamberlain, Marion, VA, 1
Devona Chambers, Portsmouth, VA, 1
Misty Chambers, Savannah, NY, 1
Rory Chambers, Gloucester, VA, 1

Henry Chan, Dumfries, VA, 1
Kevin Chan, Fairfax, VA, 1
Alison Chandler, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Kara Chandler, Roanoke, VA, 1
Scott Chaney, Jarrettsville, MD, 3
Anita Chang, Richmond, VA, 1

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Christopher Cobcar, Springfield, VA, 1  
Valerie Coburn, Fishersville, VA, 1  
Allyson Cochran, Roanoke, VA, 1  
Stephanie Coffman, Roanoke, VA, 1  
Cara Colbert, Harrisonburg, VA, 1  
Amy Cole, Roanoke, VA, 1  

Andrea Cole, Alexandria, VA, 1  
Khalid Cole, Weirton, WV, 1  
Bryan Coleman, Danville, VA, 1  
David Coleman, Oakton, VA, 1  
Emily Coleman, Manheim, PA, 1  
Cheryl Colgan, Burke, VA, 1  

Kimberly Collini, Bel Air, MD, 1  
Craig Collins, Virginia Beach, VA, 1  
Donna Collins, Hillsville, VA, 1  
Justin Collins, Alexandria, VA, 1  
Michelle Collins, Huntly, VA, 1  
Timothy Collins, Brick, NJ, 1  

Amanda Colquitt, Madison Heights, VA, 1  
Brantley Combs, Lorton, VA, 1  
Janelle Combs, Virginia Beach, VA, 2  
Johnathan Combs, Chilhowie, VA, 1  
Christian Comeau, Pine Bush, NY, 3  
Rebecca Comer, Covington, VA, 1  

Teresa Conde, Springfield, VA, 1  
Jennifer Cone, Parkersburg, WV, 2  
Chad Conklin, Alexandria, VA, 1  
Lance Conley, Carlisle, PA, 1  
Thomas Conlon, Poolesville, MD, 1  
Eric Connelly, Fredericksburg, VA, 1  

Noah Conner, Dublin, VA, 1  
Matthew Conner, Colfax, NC, 1  
Abbie Conroy, Farmingham, MA, 1  
Mark Conover, Great Falls, VA, 1  
Hunter Conrad, Scottsville, VA, 1  
Arwen Consaul, Norfolk, VA, 3  

Jason Constant, Kennett Square, PA, 1  
Janet Convery, Solon, OH, 1  
Barbara Cook, Richmond, VA, 1  
Jennifer Cook, Portsmouth, VA, 1  
Robert Cook, Yorktown, VA, 1  
Michael Cooley, Virginia Beach, VA, 1  

Robert Cooling, Washington, WV, 1  
Kevin Coon, Sterling, VA, 1  
John Cooney, Falls Church, VA, 1  
Erin Cooper, Annandale, VA, 1  
Jennifer Cooper, Manassas, VA, 1  
William Cope, Logan, WV, 1
Elizabeth Copeland, Aylett, VA, 1
Sarah Copeland, Durham, NC, 1
Rachel Copp, Centerville, VA, 1
Dustin Corbin, Stuarts Draft, VA, 1
Lucas Corey, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Thomas Correia, Midland, VA, 1

Jeremy Corso, Virginia Beach, VA, 3
Joseph Corson, Woodbine, NJ, 1
Brian Cortez, Norfolk, VA, 1
Karen Cosby, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Amy Costello, Medford, NJ, 3
Robyn Cottelli, Newton, NJ, 1

Janalee Cottr, Herndon, VA, 1
Eric Cottrell, Cape Charles, VA, 1
John Coulter, III, Fort Monroe, VA, 1
Earle Cournoyer, Richmond, VA, 1
Elizabeth Cowardin, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Thomas Cowherd, Winter Park, FL, 1

Aaron Cox, King George, VA, 1
Boni Cox, Galax, VA, 1
William Cox, Urbanna, VA, 3
Christina Cragg, Lorton, VA, 1
Jesse Craig, Burlington, VT, 1
Mason Craig, Smyrna, DE, 1

Tasha Craig, Fort Eustis, VA, 1
Kevin Cramer, Middletown, VA, 1
Andrew Crawford, Williamsburg, VA, 1
James Crawford, Beckley, WV, 1
Jeremy Crawford, Roanoke, VA, 1
Patrick Crawford, Fairfax Station, VA, 1

Tatum Crawford, Fairfax, VA, 1
Benjamin Crawley, Maryville, TN, 1
James Creel, Arlington, VA, 1
Adam Crepeau, Woonsocket, RI, 1
Eric Cres, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Lauren Cregler, Springfield, VA, 1

Benjamin Cripps, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Jeannette Crispin, Richmond, VA, 1
Johnathan Crittenden, Great Falls, VA, 2
Chandra Crockett, Wytheville, VA, 1
Jason Cromer, Goose Creek, SC, 1
Allison Crompton, Gaithersburg, MD, 1

Dennis Cronin, Alexandria, VA, 1
Chad Cronise, Roanoke, VA, 1
Darren Crosier, Staunton, VA, 1
Kimberly Crouse, Honaker, VA, 1
Jennifer Crow, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Helina Crowder, Winchester, VA, 1
Kelly Crowder, Roanoke, VA, 1
Scott Crowder, Richmond, VA, 1
Kenneth Crown, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Stacie Crumpacker, Roanoke, VA, 1
James Crumpler, Smithfield, VA, 1
Adam Cruz, Acovile, WV, 1

Leonard Cusay, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Melissa Cuccaro, Oceanport, NJ, 1
Sara Culpepper, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Maureen Cummings, McLean, VA, 2
Nicholas Cummings, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Jacqueline Cundiff, Vinton, VA, 2

Virginia Cunningham, Charlottesville, VA, 1
Nathan Curfiss, Camp Lejeune, NC, 1
Erin Curran, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Cory Curtin, Seaville, NJ, 1
Erin Curtis, Great Falls, VA, 1
Clay Cutts, Richmond, VA, 3

Nicholas D’Angelo, Brick, NJ, 1
Steven D’Angelo, Kennett Square, PA, 1
Mark D’Souza, Yorktown, VA, 1
Kristen Daboub, Slidell, LA, 1
Derek Daczewitz, Woosville, VA, 2
Mathew Daggett, Durham, NC, 1

Mike Daggitt, Reston, VA, 1
Eric Dalquist, St. Charles, IL, 1
Kimberly Dail, Hampton, VA, 1
Christopher Daily, Manassas, VA, 1
Kristen Dallager, Yigo, Guam, 1
Joseph Daly, Williamsburg, VA, 1

Courtney Daniel, Columbia, MD, 1
Jennifer Daniel, Lynchburg, VA, 2
Kelly Daniel, Prince George, VA, 1
Heather Daniels, Spotsylvania, VA, 1
Paul Daniels, Pittsburg, PA, 2
Kati Danna, Burke, VA, 1

William Dannely, Independence, VA, 1
Julie Darsbury, Newtown, PA, 1
Matthew Danzi, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
David Dariez, Aylett, VA, 1
Bobby Dassan, Charlottsville, VA, 1
Jeffrey Davenport, Lynchburg, VA, 1

Leah Davenport, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Diana David, Blue Point, NY, 1
Tanya Davidson, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Bethany Davis, Bayville, NY, 1
Christie Davis, Glade Spring, VA, 1
Emmanuel Davis, Wise, VA, 1

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Gretchen Davis, Bristol, VA, 1
Holly Davis, Richmond, VA, 2
Kevin Davis, Roanoke, VA, 3
Sarah Davis, Troutville, VA, 1
Scott Davis, Darlington, MD, 1
Steven Davis, Richmond, VA, 1

Tim Davis, Detroit, MI, 1
Tracy Davis, Galax, VA, 1
William Davis, Madison, VA, 1
Jason Davison, Roanoke, VA, 1
Christa Dawn, Gloucester, VA, 1
Sue Dawson, Oakland, NJ, 1

Dennis Day, Centerville, VA, 1
Stephanie De Fino, Laurel, MD, 1
Hans De Groot, Lincoln, VA, 1
Catherine De Guzman, Rockville, MD, 1
Jennifer De La Cour, Burke, VA, 1
Raymond De Leon, Fredericksburg, MD, 1

Roberto De Morales, Alexandria, VA, 3
Thomas Dean, Philomont, VA, 1
Jeremy DeBauhe, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Michael DeBusk, Glade Spring, VA, 1
Michael DeCuypere, Hampton, VA, 1
Kristin Dedekind, Fairfax Station, VA, 1

Thomas Deegan, Newport News, VA, 1
Leslie DeFrank, Charlottesville, VA, 1
Catherine Degruy, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Kristen DeHaven, Stephens City, VA, 1
Jason Dela Cerna, Stafford, VA, 1
Laura Delo, Saegertown, PA, 1

Nicole Dennison, Irvine, CA, 1
Laura Denny, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Tina Denson, Franklin, VA, 1
Chris Dent, Southampton, NJ, 1
Benjamin DeRigge, Alexandria, VA, 1
Steven Derrick, Alpharetta, GA, 1

Casey Deskins, Pikeville, KY, 1
Jason Desmarais, Atlanta, GA, 1
Lisa Devine, Manassas, VA, 1
Dennis Devlin, Laurel Springs, NJ, 1
Kelly Deweese, Vinton, VA, 1
Peter Deweese, Fairfax, VA, 1

Le Ann Dewell, Petersburg, VA, 3
John Dewey, New Freedom, PA, 1
Todd Dezan, Front Royal, VA, 3
Sartaj Dhami, Chantilly, VA, 1
Scott Dicke, Fairfax, VA, 1
Joe Dickenson, Galax, VA, 1

Crowder-Dickenson 353
Dickenson

Vaughan Dickenson, Saint Thomas, VA, 1
Brett Dickerson, Manassas, VA, 1
Tommy Dickerson, Charleston, WV, 1
Bill Dickhans, Sewickley, PA, 1
James Diem, Eastville, VA, 1
James Dietrich, Harrisburg, VA, 1
Nicholisa Dietsch, Leesburg, VA, 1
Erika Digel, Columbus, OH, 1
Jason Diggins, Manassas, VA, 1
Nick Dillon, Appomattox, VA, 1
Christopher Din, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Robert Dinkins, Somerset, KY, 1

Anthony Dinunzio, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Stephen Dion Jr, Zephyrhills, FL, 1
Vance Dippold, La Plata, MD, 1
Lawrence Dirienzo, Oakhurst, NJ, 1
Todd Disney, Reisterstown, MD, 1
David Dittman, Naples, FL, 1

Wendi Doak, Danville, VA, 1
Thomas Doan, Ridgeway, VA, 1
Noah Dobbins, Herndon, VA, 1
Peter Dobrzanski, Jacksonville, FL, 1
Brian Dodson, Vinton, VA, 1
Christopher Doering, Valatie, NY, 1

Andrew Doherty, Dublin, OH, 2
Tracey Doleheite, Dallas, TX, 1
Jenny Doll, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Sarah Doman, Rockville, MD, 1
Jessie Domn, Falls Church, VA, 1
Sean Donaghay, Saunderton, PA, 1

William Donaldson, Stafford, VA, 1
David Donnelly, Abingdon, VA, 1
Thomas Dono, Huntington Station, NY, 2
David Donofrio, Frederica, DE, 1
Kamala Dooley, Richmond, VA, 1
Samantha Dooley, North Andover, MA, 1

Jessica Dorman, Covington, VA, 1
William Dorosin, Fairfax, VA, 1
James Dougherty, Midlothian, VA, 1
Sean Dougherty, Wilmington, DE, 1
Charles Douros, Carlisle, PA, 1
Colin Dove, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Kimberley Dowdy, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Michael Dowdy, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Meghan Dowling, Bassett, VA, 1
Edward Downing, Winchester, VA, 1
Edward Downs, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Jeremy Downs, Herndon, VA, 1
Filling his cup with ice, this student prepares to eat a meal at Owens Food Court. On-campus dining halls offered a variety of food choices to meet the demands of a diverse student body.

Mike Doyle, Flemington, NJ, 1
Amanda Drake, Newsoms, VA, 2
Chris Drake, Newsoms, VA, 2
Gretchen Dress, Vinton, VA, 1
Jeremiah Driscoll, Culpeper, VA, 3
Sharon Driscoll, Tewksbury, MA, 1

Shawn Driscoll, Carmel, NY, 1
Erin Driscoll, Annandale, VA, 1
John Drolet, Mount Holly, NC, 1
Melissa Druga, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Jennifer Drye, Vienna, VA, 1
Deanna Du Plessis, Glen Allen, VA, 3

Jennifer Duberstein, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Bryce Dublin, San Antonio, TX, 1
Todd Dubois, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Christian Dubose, Birmingham, MI, 1
David Dudik, Fairfax, VA, 1
Nicole Dudley, Charlottesville, VA, 1

Stacey Dugent, Midlothian, VA, 1
Clark Dugger, Montpelier, VA, 1
Carrie Duke, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Sokchhan Dum, Arlington, VA, 1
Torrey Dunbar, Narrows, VA, 1
Crystal Duncan, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Donald Duncan, Spruce Pine, NC, 1
Leigh Duncan, Timberlake, NC, 1
Jennifer Dunham, Burke, VA, 2
Bryan Dunn, Manassas, VA, 1
Matthew Durocher, Carrollton, VA, 1
Daniel Dussia, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Bryan Dusza, Monrovia, MD, 1
Ansley Dutt, Yorktown, VA, 1
Mary Catherine Dvoroznak, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Jason Dye, Richmond, VA, 1
Lisa Dye, Roanoke, VA, 2
Benjamin Dyer, Huntington, WV, 1

Greg Dynia, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Erin Earnest, Bethesda, MD, 1
Michael Easter, Jetersville, VA, 1
Jessica Eavers, Baldwin, MD, 1
Jonathan Ebbert, Bassett, VA, 1
Jason Ebersole, Maryville, MD, 1

Julie Ecker, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Timmy Eckersley, Stephens City, VA, 2
Marybeth Eckley, Beckley, WV, 1
Valerie Eddy, Centreville, VA, 1
William Edmonds, Newport News, VA, 1
Ansley Edwards, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Dorothy Edwards, Colonial Heights, VA, 1
Jason Edwards, Fairfax, VA, 3
Kenneth Edwards, Bumpass, VA, 1
Trina Edwards, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jonathan Egan, Bethel, PA, 1
Kerry Egan, Springfield, VA, 1

Laura Eichenlaub, Erie, PA, 1
Marshall Eichfeld, Saint Leonard, MD, 1
Denise Eickmeyer, Ocean, NJ, 1
Michael Eiermann, Port Jeff, NY, 1
Jonathan Eiland, Arlington, VA, 1
Brian Einsla, Chalfont, PA, 1

Troy Eisenberger, Cly, PA, 1
Neil Eistruger, Baltimore, MD, 1
Neely Elleson, Greenville, SC, 1
Ian Elliott, Sterling, VA, 1
Brian Ellis, Picatinny Arsenal, NJ, 1
Duane Ellis, Richmond, VA, 3

Gina Ellis, Bristol, VA, 1
Rebecca Ellis, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Kamran Emdadi, Reston, VA, 1
Rachael Emery, Laurel Hill, NC, 1
John England, Chester, VA, 1
Joseph England, Glencoe, VA, 1

356 Individuals
Devon Felder, Columbia, MD, 1
Jonathan Fell, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Vincent Fenerty, Springfield, VA, 1
Joshua Fern, Floyd, VA, 2
David Ferguson, Alton, VA, 1
David Ferrero, Roanoke, VA, 1

Eric Fiedler, Sterling, VA, 1
Jason Field, Midlothian, VA, 1
Matthew Fields, Chantilly, VA, 2
Stephen Fields, Great Falls, VA, 2
Stacey Figg, Herndon, VA, 1
Jennifer Finberg, Burke, VA, 1

Laura Finn, Derwood, MD, 1
John Fischer, Tilton, NY, 1
Paul Fischer, Fredericksburg, VA, 2
A. Bennett Fisher, Annandale, VA, 1
Benjamin Fisher, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Curtis Fisher, Avondale, PA, 1

James Fisher, Hatfield, PA, 1
Kimberely Fisher, Virginia Beach, VA, 2
Todd Fisher, Middletown, RI, 1
Vanessa Fisher, Bristol, VA, 1
Nigat Fisheha, Springfield, VA, 1
Janet Fitch, Lakewood, CO, 1

Heather Fitzgerald, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Sean Fitzgerald, Occoquan, VA, 1
James Fitzpatrick, Wappinger Falls, NY, 1
Megan Fitzpatrick, Springfield, VA, 1
Thomas Fitzsimmons, Hinton, WV, 1
Emily Flagel, Herndon, VA, 1

Lara Flanagan, Poquoson, VA, 1
Amy Fleischer, Springfield, VA, 1
Adrien Fleming, Centreville, VA, 1
Christine Fleming, Centreville, VA, 1
Paul Fleming, Suffolk, VA, 1
Lisa Fletcher, Chester, VA, 1

Robert Fletcher, Charleston, WV, 1
Laura Flowers, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Kevin Floyd, South Boston, VA, 1
David Foelsch, Herndon, VA, 1
James Fogarty, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Kevin Fogarty, Columbia, MD, 1

Michael Fogarty, Greensboro, NC, 3
Joshua Folb, Winchester, VA, 1
Travis Folden, Belle, WV, 1
Kevin Foley, Herndon, VA, 1
Ami Folsom, Faber, VA, 1
Dreag Foltz, Exmore, VA, 1

358 Individuals
Jennifer Fong, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Paul Forner, Beaver Falls, PA, 1
Bret Forbes, Suffolk, VA, 1
Phillip Forbes, Virginia Beach, VA, 3
Amy Ford, Burke, VA, 1
Stephen Forre, Bealsville, MD, 1
Jamie Forrest, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Shana Forrester, Burke, VA, 1
Raymond Forte, III, Kenilworth, NJ, 1
Richard Foste, Blacksburg, VA, 2
David Foster, Midlothian, VA, 1
Edwin Foster, Dundas, VA, 1
Ryan Foster, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Simon Foster, Roanoke, VA, 1
Adam Fotta, Morgantown, WV, 1
John Foulke, Arlington, VA, 1
Amy Fouts, Hendersville, TN, 1
Jeffrey Fowler, Radford, VA, 1
Austin Fox, Orange, VA, 1
Carlton Fox, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Gregory Fox, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Jared Fox, Beckley, WV, 1
Jason Fox, Newport News, VA, 1
Kelsey Fox, Roanoke, VA, 1
Owen Fox, Plano, TX, 1
Mike Fradette, Montclair, VA, 1
Wendy Fralich, Landisville, PA 1
Bert France, Warsaw, VA, 1
James France, Penhook, VA, 1
Rebecca France, Edinburg, VA, 1
Gerald Francis, Beverly Hills, FL, 1
Christy Franco, Fairfax, VA, 1
David Frandano, Reston, VA, 1
Chris Frank, Falls Church, VA, 1
David Frank, Columbia, MD, 1
Scott Frank, Holliday Park, PA, 1
Deana Franklin, Hampton, VA, 3
Todd Franklin, York County, VA, 1
Paul Frantz, Fries, VA, 1
Emily Frawley, Midlothian, VA, 1
Eric Frazier, Hillsville, VA, 1
Melanie Frazier, Abingdon, VA, 2
Laura Freeman, Austinville, VA, 1
Drew Frevert, Wall, NJ, 1
Jordan Friel, Casanova, VA, 1
James Fries, Winchester, NY, 1
Josh Frommer, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jay Frost, Roanoke, VA, 1
Felder-Frost 359
John Frost, Parkersburg, WV, 1
Rebekah Frye, Stephens City, VA, 1
William Frye, Marion, VA, 2
Leo Fthenos, Fairfax, VA, 1
Aaron Fuchs, Burke, VA, 1
Brian Funk, Vienna, VA, 1

Emily Funk, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Stephen Funk, Speedwell, VA, 1
Vanessa Funk, Watchung, NJ, 1
Holly Funkhouser, Toms River, NJ, 2
Gregory Furlong, West Chester, PA, 1
Manuela Furlow, Springfield, VA, 1

Joseph Fusaro, Jr., Greenlaw, NY, 1
John Fussell, Richmond, VA, 2
Stefano Gagliano, Suffern, NY, 2
Ryan Gagnier, Roanoke, VA, 1
Anthony Galarza, Prince George, VA, 1
Elizabeth Galdo, Great Falls, VA, 1

William Galiczynski, Newton, PA, 1
Kerri Gallagher, Lizella, GA, 2
Jeffrey Galloway, Charleston, WV, 3
Melissa Gamallo, Springfield, VA, 1
Catherine Gambino, Yardley, PA, 1
Gregory Gamble, Newport News, VA, 1

Carlos Gamez, Annandale, VA, 2
Brian Gannon, Fairfax, VA, 1
Kylie Garbee, Forest, VA, 1
Samuel Garber, Stephens City, VA, 2
Michael Garda, Lebanon, NJ, 1
Bill Gardner, Westminster, MD, 2

Matthew Gardner, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Melissa Garner, Alpharetta, GA, 1
Jennifer Garnett, Mocksvile, NC, 1
Stephen Garnett, Cherry Hill, NJ, 2
Leroy Garrison, Roanoke, VA, 1
Charles Gartrell, Conway, SC, 1

Stephanie Gassner, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Rebecca Gassler, Ashburn, VA, 1
Nicole Gattunton, Reston, VA, 2
Joey Gates, Westerville, OH, 1
Johnathan Gates, Sutton, VA, 2
Celeste Gauthreaux, Burke, VA, 1

Meredith Gavian, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Graham Gaya, Fairfax, VA, 1
Richard Gebken, Columbia, MD, 3
Katherine Gee, Great Falls, VA, 1
Edward Gehl, Vernon, NJ, 1
Edwin Geimeier, Wilmington, DE, 1

360 Individuals
Rachel Geillis, Richmond, VA, 1
Brendon Genther, West Chester, PA, 1
Christopher George, Herndon, VA, 1
Craig George, Woodstock, VA, 1
George Gettys, Yorktown, VA, 1
Brian Gianfagna, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Jason Gibbs, Richmond, VA, 1
Tim Gibney, Bristol, TN, 1
Chris Gibson, Suffolk, VA, 1
Darcie Gibson, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Jeremy Gibson, Burke, VA, 1
David Gifford, Tabernacle, NJ, 1

Dana Gilbert, Madison Heights, VA, 1
David Gilbert, Venetia, PA, 1
Stephanie Gilder, Richmond, VA, 1
Denise Gillam, Stafford, VA, 1
Nicholas Gillenwater, Columbus, OH, 1
Cheryl Gilliam, Mechanicsville, VA, 1

Rob Gillions, Warsaw, VA, 1
Peter Gimbel, Vienna, VA, 1
Brandon Ging, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Larry Ging, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Leslie Giri, Chantilly, VA, 1
Kara Gittes, Annapolis, MD, 2

Matthew Giuliano, Ellington, CT, 1
Jennifer Giunta, Hudson, OH, 1
Daniel Gladden, Haymarket, VA, 2
Matt Glaize, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Erin Glebel, Darnestown, MD, 1
Christopher Glenn, Hampton, VA, 1

Greg Glover, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Rebecca Glover, Abingdon, VA, 1
Sam Glover, Burke, VA, 1
Joseph Gluba, Sumter, SC, 1
Michelle Gneiting, Piscataway, NJ, 1
Lori Goad, Bassett, VA, 1

Elizabeth Goddard, Richmond, VA, 1
Michael Godwin, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Adam Goff, Hurricane, WV, 1
Jason Goff, Rocky Mount, VA, 1
Maury Gogolski, Potomac, MD, 1
Allison Goin, Appomattox, VA, 1

Corrine Goldman, Rockville, MD, 1
Raymond Gombar, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Mark Gombo, Burke, VA, 1
Andre Gomez, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Ascencion Gomez, III, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Shayna Gonsky, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Arturo Gonzalez, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Mike Good, Front Royal, VA, 2
Stephan Goodman, Midlothian, VA, 1
Eric Goodwin, Columbia, MD, 4
Josh Goodwin, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Matthew Goodyear, Atlanta, GA, 1

Christopher Gorbett, Forest, VA, 1
Danya Gordon, Trenton, NJ, 1
Jennifer Gore, Charlottesville, VA, 2
Joshua Gormer, Myersville, MD, 1
Zac Gorrell, Burke, VA, 1
Jessica Gosnell, Randalstown, MD, 1

Joseph Gossman, Reston, VA, 1
Erin Gottschalk, Edgewater, MD, 1
John Gozzi, Midlothian, VA, 1
Jordan Gozzi, Midlothian, VA, 1
Bryan Grace, Hambur, NY, 1
Timothy Graham, Freehold, NJ, 1

Heather Gramenz, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Richard Granger, Woodbridge, VA, 1
David Graser, Fairport, NY, 1
Anthony Grasso, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Christopher Grasso, Americus, GA, 1
Charles Graves, Hurt, VA, 1

Jennifer Graves, Fairfax, VA, 1
Reed Graves, Waynesboro, VA, 1
Charity Gravitt, South Boston, VA, 1
Matthew Gray, Frederick, MD, 2
Peter Gray, Upper Marlboro, MD, 3
Aaron Green, Farmville, VA, 1

Ben Green, Farmville, VA, 1
Beth Green, Walnutport, PA, 1
Kenneth Greene, Parksley, VA, 1
Sharon Greene, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Jared Greenhill, Annandale, VA, 1
Adam Greenley, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Ashley Greenstreet, Lewisburg, WV, 1
Nathaniel Greer, Chalfont, PA, 1
Thomas Greer, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
David Gresock, Richmond, VA, 1
Stephen Gress, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Sortzi Gretchen, Edinburg, VA, 1

James Griffenhagen, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Kimberly Griger, Pleasant Hills, PA, 1
Matthew Grimes, Newport News, VA, 1
Katie Grimsley, Bealeton, VA, 1
Jason Grizzanti, Warwick, NY, 1
Jennifer Grogan, Spencer, VA, 2

362 Individuals
Showing picture–perfect form, this student aims for a bullseye on the dartboard. In addition to being a popular game in local bars, darts was an excellent stress reliever. It was not unheard of for players to project stressful images upon the dartboard in their mind's eye.
Daniel Gutierrez, Fairfax, VA, 1
Keith Gutowski, Wilmington, DE, 1
Emily Guyer, Bowie, MD, 1
Stephanie Gwitt, Erie, PA, 1
Nicholas Gyma, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Carolyn Haag, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Christine Haake, Fairfax, VA, 1
Jennifer Haas, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Michael Haberman, Oxon Hill, MD, 1
Laura Hackerson, Vienna, VA, 1
Robert Hagel, Manassas, VA, 1
Mary Stuart Haile, Tappahannock, VA, 1

Kimberly Haines, Virginia Beach, 1
Danielle Hairston, Fieldale, VA, 1
Rami Hajj, Vienna, VA, 1
Heath Hale, Poquoson, VA, 1
Katie Hale, Okeechobee, NC, 1
Wendy Hale, Orange, VA, 1

Camden Hall, Richmond, VA, 1
Debbie Hall, Sterling, VA, 2
Eric Hall, High Bridge, NJ, 1
George Hall, Hampton, VA, 1
Jeff Hall, Franklin, VA, 3
Marion Hall, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Roland Hall, Fancy Gap, VA, 3
Niklas Hallberg, Richmond, VA, 1
Suzanne Hallberg, Little Falls, NJ, 1
Michael Halbman, Springfield, VA, 1
Jeremie Halvorson, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Nathan Hambler, Gainesville, GA, 1

Joshua Hambrick, Tazewell, FL, 1
Jennifer Hamilton, Roanoke, VA, 1
Nathaniel Hamilton, Puquingcimill, VA, 1
Damian Hamlin, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Florence Hamlin, Baltimore, MD, 1
Justin Hamm, Ashland, VA, 1

Elizabeth Hammond, Chester, VA, 1
Brandi Han, Fairfax, VA, 1
Eric Hancock, Roanoke, VA, 3
Alan Handler, Falls Church, VA, 1
Wesley Handy, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Mason Haneline, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Joshua Haney, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Meredith Hammon, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Melissa Hansen, Centreville, VA, 1
Adrienne Harwick, Sterling, VA, 1
Janelle Harden, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
Sharyn Harden, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Stephanie Hayes, Yorktown, VA, 1
Tamara Hayes, Alexandria, VA, 1
Courtney Haymore, Dry Fork, VA, 1
Christina Haynes, Timonium, MD, 1
Maggie Haynes, Berlin, MD, 1
Frederic Hayoz, Reston, VA, 1

David Hays, Front Royal, VA, 1
Guerin Hays, Annandale, VA, 1
Matthew Hayton, Colorado Springs, CO, 2
Peter Hazlinsky, Woodbine, MD, 1
Steve Hearn, Haymarket, VA, 1
Jason Heathwole, Dumfries, VA, 1

Todd Hehl, Jarrettsville, MD, 1
Mark Heily, Great Falls, VA, 1
Jason Heinbeck, Anderson, SC, 1
David Heinjes, Cedar Grove, NJ, 1
Michelle Heiss, Tabernacle, NJ, 2
Nadeem Heller, Hudson, NY, 1

Ami Helmstetter, Hackettsstown, NJ, 1
Felipe H elo, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Julia Hemme, Duxbury, MA, 1
Lori Hendricks, Virginia Beach, VA, 2
Earl Heng, Annandale, VA, 1
Daniel Henke, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

Shelley Henkell, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Michael Hennessy, Riverside, PA, 1
Alvin Henson, Baltimore, MD, 1
Cari Henson, Fairfax, VA, 1
Scott Hepburn, Chesapeake, VA, 1
David Herbst, Blacksburg, VA, 3

Robert Herchenrider, Roanoke, VA, 1
Dawn Herlot, Vienna, Va, 1
Jody Herrington, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Ryan Hess, Harrisburg, PA, 1
Theodore Hessing, Babylon, NY, 1
Tim Hester, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Jeff Heward, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Dara Hewat, Fallston, MD, 1
Lindsey Hewitt, Wayne, PA, 1
Christopher Hibshman, Narvon, PA, 1
Abigail Hickman, Springfield, VA, 1
Craig Higginbotham, Lynchburg, VA, 1

Zachary Higginbotham, Spotsylvania, VA, 1
Erin Higgins, Lexington, VA, 1
Michael Higgins, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Nathan Higgins, Manassas, VA, 1
James High, Herndon, VA, 1
Kimberly High, Chesapeake, VA, 2

366 Individuals
Bradley Hill, Little Rock, AR, 1
Lesley Hill, Stephens City, VA, 1
Rachelle Hill, Sterling, VA, 1
Erica Hinkle, Davis, WV, 1
Mark Hinkle, Danville, VA, 1
Sean Hislop, Gaithersburg, MD, 1

Andrew Hite, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Cynthia Hlasney, Pittstown, NJ, 1
Carey Hobbs, Gate City, VA, 1
Eugene Hockenberry, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Tracie Hodge, Covington, KY, 2
William Hodge, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Courtney Hodges, Roanoke, VA, 1
Norman Hodges, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Elisabeth Hodgson, Huntington, WV, 1
Brandye Hodnett, Chatham, VA, 1
Christine Hoffman, Vienna, VA, 2
Sean Hoffman, Blauvelt, NY, 3

Jennifer Hoffmeier, Burke, VA, 1
Jamie Holmer, Falls Church, VA, 1
Erin Holden, Daleville, VA, 1
Ann Holder, Montpelier, VA, 1
Jason Holder, Madison Heights, VA, 1
Noel Holl, Bridgewater, VA, 1

Clark Holland, Forest, VA, 2
Jennifer Holland, Franklin, VA, 1
Debi Hollingsworth, Herndon, VA, 1
Clinton Holloway, Jarratt, VA, 1
Grant Holly, Bel Air, MD, 1
Jeffrey Holmes, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Nathan Holmes, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Kristen Holmquist, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Michelle Holt, Newport News, VA, 1
Audrey Hollyfield, Big Stone Gap, VA, 1
Jennifer Honeycutt, Blue Ridge, VA, 1
Melissa Hooper, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Mitchel Hoopes, Winchester, VA, 1
Mark Hoover, Steubenville, OH, 1
Michael Hoover, Spotsylvania, VA, 1
Aundre Hopkins, Glen Allen, VA, 1
Kevin Hopkins, Howell, NJ, 1
Andrea Horn, Arlington, VA, 1

Johnathan Horn, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Robert Hornbaker, Berryville, VA, 1
Ann Marie Horner, Centreville, VA, 1
Ian Horner, Lebanon, PA, 1
Stephen Horney, Waynesboro, VA, 1
Donald Horsley, Virginia Beach, VA, 2
Scott Horwath, Alexandria, VA, 1
Keith Hoskinson, Gladstone, NJ, 1
John Hospodar, Blacksburg, VA, 1
John Housein, Springfield, VA, 1
Kimberly Housman, Wirtz, VA, 1
Lisa Hour, Chester Springs, PA, 1

Jerry Howard, Sandston, VA, 1
Andrea Howdyshell, Salem, VA, 1
Matthew Howse, Annapolis, MD, 1
Tso-Fang Hsu, Wilmington, DE, 1
Elizabeth Huband, Richmond, VA, 1
Amanda Hubbard, Roanoke, VA, 1

Gregory Hubbard, Midlothian, VA, 1
Ken Hubbard, Jr, Richmond, VA, 1
Michelle Huff, Pulaski, VA, 1
Summer Huff, Lebanon, VA, 1
Michele Huffner, Swoope, VA, 1
Christina Huffman, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Elizabeth Huffman, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
Michael Huffman, Blacksburg, VA, 3
John Huggins, Parkersburg, WV, 1
Julie Huggins, Midlothian, VA, 1
Anthony Hughes, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Brad Hughes, Martinsville, VA, 1

Christopher Hughes, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Mary Hughes, Lynchburg, VA, 1
William Hughes, Rockville, MD, 1
Marie Huitt, Cape May, NJ, 1
Robbie Hull, New Providence, NJ, 1
Courtney Hundley, Portsmouth, VA, 1

Brett Hunnicutt, Moseley, VA, 1
Evan Hunt, Alexandria, VA, 1
Reid Hunt, Richmond, VA, 1
Steven Hunt, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Susan Hunt, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Charles Hunter, Lexington, VA, 1

Jack Hunter, Belleville, IL, 1
Jason Hunter, Fairfax, VA, 1
Katherine Hunter, Orange, VA, 1
Michael Hunter, Lutherville, MD, 1
David Hurley, Fairfax, VA, 3
Paul Hurley, West Point, VA, 1

John Hurlocker, Dumfries, VA, 1
Zach Hurst, Salem, VA, 1
Lauren Hurt, Great Falls, MT, 1
Kerry Huston, Fairfax, VA, 1
Christine Hutchison, Salem, VA, 1
Kimberly Hutchison, Annandale, VA, 1
Clifford Hutt, Montross, VA, 1
Stacy Hutton, Mahalapex, NJ, 1
Eric Huynh, Richmond, VA, 1
Ronald Hwang, Fairfax, VA, 1
James Hyle, Raleigh, NC, 1
Amy Hylton, Spencer, VA, 1

Leonard Ignatowski, Vienna, VA, 2
Coman Iabili, Herndon, VA, 1
Michael Imranyi, Jamesburg, NJ, 1
Jill Infante, Rockville, MD, 1
Caren Innis, Collegeville, PA, 1
Laura Intrabartola, Hampton, NJ, 1

Nuliana Inyana, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Brian Irvine, Lexington, VA, 2
Suzanne Isralow, Hauppauge, NY, 1
Elizabeth Ita, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Mikhail Itskovich, Richmond, VA, 1
Azadeh Izadi, Falls Church, VA, 1

Matthew Jackson, Clifton, VA, 1
Joy Jacob, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Lori Jacobs, Tampa, FL, 1
Robert Jacobsen, Burke, VA, 1
Eric Jacobson, Vienna, VA, 1
Jonathan Jacobson, Fairfax Station, VA, 1

Marisa Jakobsen, Fleetwood, PA, 1
Christopher Jalbert, Rowley, MA, 1
Jennifer James, Orangeburg, SC, 1
Sherina James, Falls Church, VA, 1
Stephanie James, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Jamaal Jamison, Rocky Mount, VA, 1

Grant Jancsics, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Jason Jarrell, Richmond, VA, 1
Ryan Jarrett, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Roderick Jaurigue, Lorton, VA, 1
Steve Jeannot, New York, NY, 1
Michael Jedrey, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Allen Jeffries, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Erik Jellum, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
Nathan Jellum, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
Rikki Jennell, Pearisburg, VA, 2
Bret Jennings, Gladys, VA, 1
Jeff Jensen, Medford, NJ, 1

Douglas Jerimiah, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Kristina Jimmo, Jetersville, VA, 1
Marc Johannsen, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Christian Johnson, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Clifton Johnson, Blacksburg, VA, 1
David Johnson, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Horwath-Johnson 369
Jennifer Johnson, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Joseph Johnson, Kingsport, TN, 1
Lou Johnson, Fort Blackmore, VA, 3
Marc Johnson, Elizabethown, TN, 1
Maya Johnson, Mechanicsville, MD, 1
Michael Johnson, Clifton, Va, 1

Monique Johnson, McLean, VA, 1
Paula Johnson, Clifton, VA, 1
Rebecca Johnson, Yorktown, VA, 1
Sara Johnson, Bel Air, MD, 1
Stuart Johnson, Columbia, SC, 1
Taisha Johnson, Norfolk, VA, 1

Tina Johnson, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Benjamin Johnston, Narrows, VA, 1
Cady Johnston, Fairfax, VA, 1
Eric Johnston, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Nick Johnston, Manassas, VA, 1
Shannon Jonas, Max Meadows, VA, 1

Amy Jones, Cherry Hill, NJ, 1
Angela Jones, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Brent Jones, Raleigh, NC, 1
Devon Jones, Emporia, VA, 1
Jessica Jones, Newport News, VA, 1
Kelley Jones, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Lauren Jones, Floyd, VA, 1
Luke Jones, New Castle, DE, 1
Marcus Jones, Poquoson, VA, 1
Norma Jones, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Terry Jones, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Tracy Jones, Roanoke, VA, 1

William Jones, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Chad Jordan, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Jennifer Jordan, Gloucester, VA, 1
Patrick Jordan, Herndon, VA, 1
Timothy Jordan, Alexandria, VA, 1
Amy Joyce, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Jason Joyce, Boca Raton, FL, 1
Kevin Joyce, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Michelle Joyce, Springfield, VA, 1
Larry Joyner, Franklin, VA, 1
Stefanie Judas, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Timothy Judkins, Suffolk, VA, 1

Shane Juhl, Emerald Isle, NC, 1
Britton Julian, Camden, SC, 1
Rachel Julian, Camden, SC, 1
William Junda, Manasquan, NJ, 1
Simon Juska, Roxboro, NC, 1
Amy Kababinos, Blacksburg, VA, 3
After students had a chance to settle in to their living arrangements, the time came to go to classes. Crossing the Drillfield became a daily ritual for thousands of students.
Jason Kaviani, Sticklerville, NJ, 1
Patricia Kaylor, Clifton, VA, 1
Alan Keane, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
James Keane, Clifton, VA, 1
Maegan Keane, North Potomac, MD, 1
Tennille Keatts, South Boston, VA, 2

Benjamin Keddie, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Robert Keu, Reston, VA, 1
Johnathan Keeedy, Winchester, VA, 2
Stacey Keeler, Gallatin, TN, 1
Rachel Keeler, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Lindsay Keenan, Winchester, VA, 1

William Keene, Franklin, VA, 1
Christina Keefas, McLean, VA, 1
Keith Kelling, Bernardsville, NJ, 1
Ryan Keilty, Sugarland, TX, 1
Eric Keith, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Jason Kell, Berkeley Springs, WV, 1

Brian Keller, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Douglas Kelley, Montgomery, AL, 1
Arthur Kelley, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Earnst Kelly, Falls Church, VA, 1
Ian Kelly, Springfield, VA, 1
Kevin Kelly, Columbia, SC, 1

Mark Kelpe, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Valerie Kelton, Staunton Draft, VA, 1
Melissa Kendall, Yorktown, VA, 1
Dorothy Kennedy, Roanoke, VA, 1
John Kennedy, Clemson, SC, 1
Jonathan Kennedy, Richmond, VA, 1

Ronan Kennedy, Pittsford, NY, 1
Tracey Kenney, Herndon, VA, 1
Ashley Kent, Newport News, VA, 2
Kip Kenyon, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Dorothea Kerber, Dillwyn, VA, 1
Tina Kerr, Eggleston, VA, 1

Sara Kersten, Pittsburgh, VA, 1
Christopher Kesler, New Holland, PA, 1
Steve Kessmann, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Kristy Keyer, Annandale, VA, 2
Benjamin Keys, Manassas, VA, 1
Victoria Keyser, Callao, VA, 1

Michael Kheir, Vienna, VA, 1
Elizabeth Khraibani, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
Amy Kidd, Hampton, VA, 1
Jason Kidd, Broadway, VA, 1
Laura Kidd, Vienna, VA, 1
Kelly Kieff, Camp Hill, PA, 1
Jason Kilgore, Gate City, VA, 1
Jennifer Kilinski, Smithfield, VA, 1
DoHoon Kim, Gate City, NY, 1
Jeannie Kim, McLean, VA, 1
JiHae Kim, Burke, VA, 1
John Kim, Fredericksburg, VA, 1

Sohee Kim, Vienna, VA, 1
Song Kim, Poquoson, VA, 1
Xochi Kim, Herndon, VA, 1
Sara-Beth Kimbrell, Stephen's City, VA, 1
Brian King, Allison Park, PA, 1
Camie King, Fairfax, VA, 1

Jonathan King, Annapolis, MD, 1
Joshua King, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Timothy King, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Karl Kingry, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Matthew Kingsley, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Devin Kirk, Middletown, NJ, 1

Amanda Kirpitch, Succasuananna, NJ, 1
Kiri Kirschner, Boyertown, PA, 1
Florence Kittelman, Arlington, VA, 1
Matthew Klara, Rome, NY, 1
Brian Kling, Hamilton, VA, 1
Kara Klink, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Lauren Knezovich, Lititz, PA, 1
Vicki Knights, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Kristin Knude, Serena Park, MD, 1
Joseph Knudson, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Mark Koch, Port Tobacco, MD, 1
Paul Koch, Berkeley Heights, MD, 1

Anil Kochhar, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Beth Kocur, Herndon, VA, 1
John Koehler, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Layna Koenigpf, Sterling, VA, 1
Kevin Koeppen, Brookfield, CT, 1
Kathleen Koetz, Vienna, VA, 1

Barbara Kolacki, Alexandria, VA, 3
Jason Koller, Fleetwood, PA, 1
Ashley Konetski, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Chris Kopeck, Hershey, PA, 1
Charles Korrell, Frederick, MD, 1
Stephen Korching, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Michael Kostyk, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Anne Kottman, Clifton, VA, 1
Kevin Kozlowski, Bel Air, MD, 1
Steven Kozlowski, Princeton Jct, NJ, 1
Shilching Kraft, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Brian Krause, Shrewsbury, PA, 1
Nicholas Krechting, Arlington, VA, 1
Jacob Kress, Richmond, VA, 1
Sara Kretzer, Richmond, VA, 1
Sanjay Krishnan, Middletown, MD, 1
Kyrstin Krist, Raleigh, NC, 1
Douglas Kroll, Blacksburg, VA, 1

David Kruckvich, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Richard Krumenacker, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Julie Krusch, Manassas, VA, 1
Eric Krakowski, Reisterstown, MD, 1
Jason Kulenguski, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Amit Kulkarni, Great Falls, VA, 1

Walter Kulzy, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Steven Kunitz, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Kathryn Kurre, Bristol, TN, 1
Katherine Kyman, Richmond, VA, 1
Jason Kypros, Norfolk, VA, 1
Brian L'Heureux, Plymouth, MA, 1

Zina La Budde, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Wayne La May, Salem, VA, 1
Jeffrey Labroque, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Marcelle Lacy, Centreville, VA, 2
Ernie Lagimoniere, Huntington, MD, 2
Nicole Lam, Nokesville, VA, 1

Nathan Lamb, Springfield, VA, 1
Ashley Lamborn, Kennett Square, PA, 1
Jeremy Lamm, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Jaclyn Lance, Burke, VA, 1
Ryan Land, Norfolk, VA, 1
Nathan Lander, Fairfax, VA, 1

Eric Landquist, Rutland, MA, 1
Brandyn Landroche, Goffstown, NH, 1
Andrew Landrys, Burke, VA, 1
James Lane, Ridgeway, VA, 1
Karen Lane, Dallas, TX, 1
Steven Lang, Constantia, NY, 1

Courtney Langdon, Greensboro, NC, 1
Amy Langley, Vienna, VA, 1
Kevin Lantz, Alexandria, VA, 1
Frankie Large, Midlothian, VA, 1
Chris Larsen, Severna Park, MD, 1
Peter Larson, Burke, VA, 1

Carrie Latalladi, Manassas, VA, 1
Octavio Latino, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Chun Lau, Centreville, VA, 1
Amy Laughter, Dale City, VA, 1
Christian Laughlin, Blacksburg, VA, 1
James Laurence, Haverton, PA, 1

374 Individuals
Karl Lautenschlager, Alexandria, VA, 1
Scott Lauver, Suffolk, VA, 1
Cynthia Lavery, Shrewsburg, PA, 1
David Law, Kinnelon, NJ, 1
Akinyemi Lawani, Ibadan, Nigeria, 1
Elizabeth Lawrence, Trenton, NJ, 1

Josh Lawrence, Waynesboro, VA, 1
Nicholas Lawrence, Arlington, VT, 1
Melissa Lawrey, Collinsville, VA, 1
Matthew Lawry, Richmond, VA, 1
Jason Lawson, Portsmouth, VA, 1
Lee Lawson, Roanoke, VA, 1

Matthew Lawson, Big Pool, MD, 1
Scott Lawson, Greensboro, NC, 1
John Lawzetta, Winchester, VA, 1
Abigail Laxa, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Matt Laylock, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Mark Layman, Leesburg, VA, 1

Michael Layne, Tallahassee, FL, 1
Stephanie Layne, Glasgow, VA, 1
Minh Nguyet Le, Alexandria, VA, 1
Quoc Le, Springfield, VA, 1
Andrew Leach, Staunton, VA, 3
Jay Leach, Springfield, VA, 1

Matthew Learm, Gainesville, VA, 1
Susan Learm, Medford, NJ, 1
Alden Lee, Burke, VA, 1
James Lee, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Joo-Back Lee, Annandale, VA, 1
Joyce Lee, Oakton, VA, 1

Michael Lee, Suffolk, VA, 1
Michelle Lee, West Orange, NJ, 1
Simon Lee, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Tae Lee, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Te Lee, Fairfax, VA, 1
Stephanie Leedom, Springfield, VA, 1

Holly Lefcourt, Falls Church, VA, 1
Chad Leigh, Wilmington, DE, 1
Kathryn Leighter, Keswick, VA, 1
Adam Leking, Springfield, VA, 1
Chad Lemons, Stephens City, VA, 1
Nicole Lemons, Herndon, VA, 1

Lauren Lending, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Jessica, Leonard, Abingdon, VA, 1
Michael Leonard, Arnold, MD, 1
Marie-Anne Leongson, McLean, VA, 1
Jonathan Lepisto, Jenison, MI, 1
Charles Lepple, Alexandria, VA, 1

Krechting–Lepple 375
Brian Lesesky, Charlotte, NC, 1
Alison Leslie, Crewe, VA, 1
Thomas Leslie, Berkeley Springs, WV, 1
Adam Lessey, Columbia, MD, 1
Andrew Lessner, Hunt Valley, MD, 1
Beth Letchford, Flemington, NJ, 1

Shannon LeTellier, Richmond, VA, 1
Valerie Lett, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Anna Leung, Stephens City, VA, 1
Christopher Levesque, McLean, VA, 1
Matt Levi, Fairfax, VA, 1
Leslie Lewendowski, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

Lisa Lewendowski, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Davidson Lewis, Norfolk, VA, 1
Jeremia Lewis, Alexandria, VA, 1
Jessica Lewis, Alexandria, VA, 1
Laura Lewis, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Michael Lewis, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Shelley Lewis, Midlothian, VA, 1
Sarah Leyrer, Mountainside, NJ, 1
Karen Li, McLean, VA, 1
Drew Lichtenberger, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Timothy Liebert, Rochester, NY, 1
Kurt Light, Oakton, VA, 1

Hardy Lim, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Walter Lin, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Scott Lindberg, Bloomington, MN, 1
Daniel Lindner, Manhasset, NY, 1
Alicia Lindsey, Springfield, VA, 1
Wallace Lindsey, King George, VA, 1

William Lindsey, Brevard, NC, 1
Dawn Lindstrom, Middletown, MD, 3
Jefferson Lines, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Andrew Linn, Springfield, VA, 1
Scott Lippert, Philadelphia, PA, 1
Raymond Liptop, Fredericksburg, VA, 1

Brian Liswell, Stevensville, MD, 1
Carla Lockwood, Yorktown, VA, 1
Jeffrey Lofquist, Easton, MD, 1
David Logan, Port Charlotte, FL, 1
Rolf Loken, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Jessica Lombardo, West Friendship, MD, 1

Victor Long, Thornton, PA, 1
Kevin Longo, Manassas, VA, 1
Grant Loomis, Irvington, VA, 1
Rebecca Lord, West Chester, PA, 1
Jesper Lorentzen, Sterling, VA, 1
William Lorenz, Winchester, VA, 1

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Phillip Lorenzon, Chalfont, PA, 1
Todd Loritsch, Salem, VA, 1
Michael Losi, Reston, VA, 1
Carrie Lotts, Greenville, VA, 1
Susan Lough, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Wae Lenny Louie, Fairfax, VA, 2

Michael Loula, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Jared Love, Wyoming, DE, 1
Alicia Loving, Roundrock, TX
Benjamin Loving, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Melissa Loving, Beckley, WV, 1
Robert Loving, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Sheila Loving, Dunnsville, VA, 1
Tifani Lowe, Charleston, WV, 1
Tonia Lowe, Palmyra, PA, 1
Travis Lowe, Cedar Bluff, VA, 1
Lawrence Lowman, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Rebecca Lubow, Chantilly, VA, 1

Edward Lucas, Gaithersburg, MD, 1
Perry Lucas, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Seth Lucey, Cameron, WV, 1
Kelly Luckhaus, Boonton, NJ, 1
Lorraine Lucy, Richmond, VA, 1
Elizabeth Luensman, Germantown, MD, 1

Allison Luffman, Springfield, VA, 1
Kyra Lukomski, Falls Church, VA, 1
Renea Lunde, Middlothan, VA, 1
Aimee Lundstrom, Bowie, MD, 1
Cynthia Lundstrom, Salem, VA, 1
Nancy Lunson, Centreville, VA, 1

Jeff Lushbaugh, Oak Ridge, TN, 1
Meredith Luttner, Annandale, VA, 1
Andrew Luttrell, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Kimberly Luz, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Vinh Ly, Centreville, VA, 1
Rita Lynch, LaCross, VA, 1

Bryan Lyon, Chesapeake, VA, 2
Kathleen Lyons, Rockville, MD, 1
Travis Mabry, Centreville, VA, 1
Heather MacDonald, Kingsport, TN, 1
Monica Mace, Palmsprings, FL, 1
Olivia Machado, Newport News, VA, 1

Christopher Machut, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Sarah Mackie, Elkton, MD, 1
Thomas MacPhail, Chesapeake, VA, 3
Jennifer Madagan, Stephens City, VA, 1
Michael Madden, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Ann Maddox, Appomattox, VA, 1

Lesesky-Maddox 377
Edgar Maddry, Montpelier, VA, 1
Bryan Maestri, Manassas, VA, 1
Barry Maggard, Richlands, VA, 3
Edward Maggio, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Michael Magill, Clifton, VA, 1
Brian Magner, Burke, VA, 1

Terrance Magner, Burke, VA, 2
Sarah Magpantay, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Chris Maguigan, Basye, VA, 1
Arthur Mahaney, Kenbridge, VA, 1
Kelly Maher, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Sarah Mahmood, Vienna, VA, 1

Jason Maimone, Peabody, MA, 1
Sonya Majors, Durham, NC, 1
Lisa Malicane, Herndon, VA, 3
Mark Malick, Great Falls, VA, 1
Melissa Malkman, Richmond, VA, 1
Kimberly Mallard, Tampa, FL, 1

Joshua Malone, Charlottesville, VA, 1
Mike Maloney, Burke, VA, 1
Joel Mandelkorn, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Megan Manfredi, Alexandria, VA, 1
Joe Maniscalco, Melville, VA, 1
Kendra Manning, Greenville, SC, 1

Michael Manos, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Nathan Mansfield, Norfolk, VA, 2
Agil Mansuri, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
Suni Mantyla, Arlington, VA, 2
Kimberly Marcelliano, Branchburg, NJ, 1
Amber Marchant, Richmond, VA, 1

Monica Marek, Yorktown, VA, 1
Jennifer Margopoulos, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
Cliff Marini, Manahawkin, NJ, 1
Thomas Markell, Alexandria, VA, 1
Angela Markey, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Peter Markham, Charleston, WV, 1

James Marlow, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Leah Marlow, Great Falls, VA, 1
Maria Marotta, Hopewell Jct., NY, 1
Alex Marshall, Indiana, PA, 1
Claiborne, Marshall, Roanoke, VA, 1
Jason Marshall, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Juliet Marshall, Gaithersburg, MD, 1
Eric Marth, LaPlata, MD, 1
Christopher Martin, Norfolk, VA, 1
Curtis Martin, Thaxton, VA, 1
John Martin, Richmond, VA, 1
Katherine Martin, Alexandria, VA, 1

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Using a little elbow grease, this student muscles a wooden panel in position to complete his bookcase. Things such as lofts, bookcases, and shelves helped students to maximize the limited space of dorm rooms.

Kelli Martin, Fredericksburg, VA, 2
Michael Martin, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Petie Martin, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Rebecca Martin, Wilmington, DE, 3
Sara Martin, Richmond, VA, 1
Shelley Martin, Hershey, PA, 1

Stacy Martin, Wytheville, VA, 3
Alfredo Martinez, Alexandria, VA, 1
Will Mason, Keysville, VA, 1
Samir Masri, Princeton, WV, 1
Muna Massaquio, Freetown, Sierra Leone, 1
Kathryn Massari, Rochester, NY, 1

Cambrey Massey, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Allison Masters, Stafford, VA, 1
Amanda Masters, Stafford, VA, 1
Jennifer Mastin, Richmond, VA, 1
Mark Mastrandrea, Sparta, NJ, 1
Rose Mateo, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Mark Materka, McLean, VA, 1
Amy Mathena, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Courtney Mathias, Mt. Crawford, VA, 1
Barbara Mauk, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Joseph Mason, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Paula May, Collinsville, VA, 3
Kristen Milan-Williams, Jensen Beach, FL, 1
Greg Milas, Rockville, MD, 1
Gregory Milas, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Mary Miles, Richmond, VA, 1
Suzanne Miles, Elkview, WV, 1
Katie Milesnick, Manassas, VA, 1

Amanda Miller, Springfield, VA, 1
Andrew Miller, Dublin, VA, 1
Brian Miller, Philotown, VA, 1
Bridgette Miller, Stony Creek, VA, 1
Christian Miller, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Eileen Miller, Broomall, PA, 1

Emily Miller, Springfield, VA, 1
Evan Miller, Harrisonburg, VA, 1
Gary Miller, Fairfax Station, VA, 3
Gwendolyn Miller, Orange, VA, 1
Katherine Miller, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Kestra Miller, Richmond, VA, 1

Nicole Miller, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Paula Miller, Lebanon, NJ, 1
Sandra Miller, Springfield, VA, 1
Staige Miller, Front Royal, VA, 1
Erika Millson, Nokesville, VA, 1
Crystal Mills, Keswick, VA, 1

Nathan Milts, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Jae Min, Centerville, VA, 1
Rebecca Minarik, Westfield, NJ, 1
Brad Minnick, Walton, NY, 1
Rebekah Mino, Manlius, NY, 1
Marshall Minor, Hopewell, VA, 1

Whitney Minter, Yorktown, VA, 1
Jason Minton, Greer, SC, 1
Cynthia Miranda, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Daniel Misko, Chesterfield, VA, 1
John Misleh, Vienna, VA, 1
Kenya Mitchell, Pamplin, VA, 1

Eric Mitchem, Bluefield, VA, 1
Keith Mitro, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Jamaal Mize, Beckley, WV, 1
Michael Mize, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Ken Mobley, Franklin, TN, 1
Cassandra Mock, Richmond, VA, 1

Katherine Moe, Springfield, VA, 1
Erin Moeckl, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Brandy Monroe, Bethel Park, PA, 1
Mark Monessns, Whitestone, VA, 1
Murphy Mongeon, Alexandria, VA, 1
Randal Monroe, Gladys, VA, 2
Spencer Monroe, Midlothian, VA, 1
Tony Monroe, Gladys, VA, 2
Tim Monteith, Pulaski, VA, 1
Scott Montgomery, Stephens City, VA, 3
Daniel Montore, Lincoln University, PA, 1
Derek Moody, Midlothian, VA, 1

Elizabeth Moody, Orange, VA, 1
Gregory Moody, Richmond, VA, 1
William Moon, Chardon, OH, 1
Casey Moore, La Plata, MD, 3
Jaime Moore, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
James Moore, Easley, SC, 1

Magen Moore, Colonial Heights, VA, 1
Michael Moore, Halifax, VA, 1
Shawn Moore, Richmond, VA, 1
David Mooreroft, Mercerville, NJ, 1
Maby Morales, Alexandria, VA, 1
Christina Moramarco, Lavallette, NJ, 1

Heather Morehead, Annapolis, MD, 1
Carrie Morgan, Suffolk, VA, 1
Dennis Morgan, Bayville, NJ, 1
Jason Morgan, Troy, VA, 1
Justin Morgan, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Virginia Morgan, Pulaski, VA, 1

Bradley Morio, Hershey, PA, 1
Julie Moritz, Newport News, VA, 1
Sean Morris, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Cathryn Morris, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Chris Morris, Getzville, NY, 1
James Morrison, Bel Air, MD, 1

John Morrison, Roanoke, VA, 1
Robert Morrone, Dale City, VA, 3
Jarad Morton, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Mark Morton, Charlotte C.H., VA, 1
Adriane Moser, Millersville, PA, 1
Eric Mosher, Manasquan, NJ, 1

Joel Mosher, Manasquan, NJ, 1
Karen Most, Tampa, FL, 1
Dana Mousel, Salem, VA, 1
Daniel Moss, Sewickley, PA, 1
Serena Mui, Midlothian, VA, 1
Katherine Mulholland, Lewiston, ME, 1

Lisa Muller, Orange, VA, 1
Stephanie Muller, Huntington Station, NY, 1
Shawn Mulligan, Covington, VA, 1
Travis Mullins, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Craig Munyon, Wrennah, NJ, 1
Eric Murphy, Fairfax, VA, 1

Milan-Williams-Murphy 383
Jennifer Murphy, Springfield, VA, 1
Kathleen Murphy, Radford, VA, 1
Mary Murphy, Hampton, VA, 1
Patrick Murphy, Gloucester, VA, 1
William Murphy, Millington, NJ, 1
Kim Murray, White Marsh, MD, 1

Chadwick Myers, Haymarket, VA, 1
Chris Myers, Burke, VA, 1
Greg Myers, Mountaintop, PA, 1
Kelly Myers, Windsor, MD, 1
Michael Myers, Milford, DE, 1
Timothy Myers, Monkton, MD, 1

Salaima Nacuva, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Lars Nadig, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Pete Nadolny, Poquoson, VA, 1
Dana Nagle, Glenmore, PA, 1
Laura Nakovich, Herndon, VA, 1
James Nanney, Smithfield, VA, 1

Matthew Nardone, Severna Park, MD, 1
Roya Nassirizadeh, Great Falls, VA, 1
Lenneth Naugle, Salem, VA, 1
Jim Naylor, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Randy Neagle, Richmond, VA, 1
Christopher Neal, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Matt Nealon, Springfield, VA, 1
Greg Neate, Roanoke, VA, 1
Roman Nebelski, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Kathy Neer, Richmond, VA, 1
David Nelson, Annandale, VA, 1
John Nelson, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Robert Nelson, Wexford, PA, 1
Emily Nemeth, Herndon, VA, 1
Joshua Nemeth, Northampton, PA, 1
Mukul Nerurkar, Arlington, VA, 1
Mark Nestel, Intralantic, FL, 1
Michael Nettelhorst, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Heather Neville, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Matthew New, Orange Park, FL, 1
Joel Newberry, Smyrna, DE, 1
Thomas Newbill, Atlanta, GA, 1
Brian Newman, Wytheville, VA, 1
Gary Newman, New Fairfield, CT, 1

Matrese Newman, Fairfax, VA, 1
Mvser Ngai, Falls Church, VA, 1
Huy Nguyen, Annandale, VA, 2
Khoi Nguyen, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Phuong Nguyen, Richmond, VA, 1
Vinh Nguyen, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Sarah Nichols, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Kimberly Nicholson, Roanoke, VA, 1
Anne Nielsen, Rockville, MD, 1
Jessica Nieman, Danville, VA, 1
Julie Nickiforos, Richmond, VA, 1
Chris Nina, Forest Hill, MD, 1

Charles Niner, Arlington, VA, 1
John Noe, Madison, CT, 1
Michael Noe, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Michael Noel, Blacksburg, VA, 1
William Noellert, Arlington, VA, 1
Diane Noerpel, Lovettsville, VA, 1

Kenneth Noonan, Mathews, VA, 1
Jon Noram, Jersey Shore, PA, 1
Jeffrey Nordan, Bethesda, MD, 1
Jacob Nordman, Montclair, VA, 1
George Noren, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Jayson Norman, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Douglas Norris, Roanoke, VA, 1
Roger Norris, Falls Church, VA, 1
Phillip Northam, Carrollton, VA, 1
John Norton, Gloucester, VA, 1
Karen Norton, Norfolk, VA, 1
Michael Notaro, Falls Church, VA, 1

Adam Nowak, Pittstown, NJ, 1
Lindsey Nuckols, Crozier, VA, 1
Amy Nugent, Seaford, DE, 3
Matthew Nutt, Easley, SC, 1
Kenneth O'Brien, Hanover, PA, 1
Sean O'Brien, Oakton, VA, 2

Amy O'Connell, Lexington, VA, 2
Brian O'Connell, Summit, NJ, 1
Scott O'Connell, Lancaster, PA, 1
Tammetha O'Dom, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Christopher O'Dwyer, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Keith O'Haloran, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Justin O'Hare, Vienna, VA, 1
Jamie O'Keefe, Alexandria, VA, 1
Brian O'Quinn, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Elizabeth Oborn, Fairfax, VA, 3
Kristen Obrien, Burke, VA, 1
Megan Obrist, Baldwinsville, NY, 1

Darin Odyoyo, Columbia, MD, 1
Aaron Offenbacher, Urbanna, VA, 1
Michael Okonek, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Grant Olbeter, Arlington, VA, 1
Sarah Oleszyci, Annandale, VA, 2
Theodore Olin, Rochester, NY, 1
Michael Oliver, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Katie Ollendick, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Danny Omes, Reston, VA, 1
Jennifer Olsen, Morristown, NJ, 1
Andrew Olson, Boone, NC, 1
Dave Olson, East Berlin, PA, 1

Melissa Olson, Manassas Park, VA, 1
William Omerod, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Andrew Orzechowski, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Brent Orwig, Mount Joy, PA, 1
Britt Osborne, Radford, VA, 1
David Osborne, Hollywood, MD, 1

Matt Osborne, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Wypkjen Osinga, Oswego, NY, 1
John Otey, Roanoke, VA, 1
Shannon Otto, Midlothian, VA, 1
Jeremiah Owen, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Jeffery Pace, Boca Raton, FL, 1

Damien Pack, Great Falls, VA, 1
Marielle Packard, Richmond, VA, 1
Kristin Paczkowski, Plainsboro, NJ, 1
Whitney Padden, Richmond, VA, 1
James Paffenroth, Pine Island, NY, 1
Larry Pagehill, Dublin, VA, 1

Brian Painter, Hixson, TN, 1
Carey Painter, Midlothian, VA, 1
Jeffrey Pallies, Deptford, NJ, 1
Deborah Palmer, Rocky Mount, VA, 1
Melody Palmer, Herndon, VA, 1
Stephen Palmer, Poquoson, VA, 1

George Palmere, Powhatan, VA, 1
Kristan Pam, Madison, AL, 1
Melissa Panara, Rome, NY, 1
Michele Panko, Coatesville, PA, 1
Travis Papenfus, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Lisa Pappamastasias, King of Prussia, PA, 2

Shaun Papperman, Cape Max Ct. Hse., NJ, 1
Freddie Paras, Falls Church, VA, 1
Christine Parcell, Danville, VA, 1
Leigh Parcia, Tranquility, NJ, 1
Hyun-Joo Park, Alexandria, VA, 1
Ann Parker, Blackstone, VA, 1

Jennifer Parker, Bedford, VA, 1
Robert Parker, Annadale, VA, 1
Ryan Parker, Amherst, MA, 1
Michelle Parkington, Herndon, VA, 1
Jason Parks, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Brian Parris, Goodview, VA, 1
Surrounded by boxes and crates, this student waits for a dolly outside of his dorm. Moving in could be a chore for on-campus students.

Erin Parrish, Alexandria, VA, 1
Kara Parrish, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Lawrence Pasquale, Ellwood City, PA, 1
Micheal Passero, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Wendi Passwaters, Round Rock, TX, 1
Erika Pastorek, Earlysville, VA, 1

Erika Mae Pastrana, Fairfax, VA, 1
Amit Patel, Lorton, VA, 1
Kristen Paterson, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Prema Patil, McLean, VA, 1
Edward Patrick, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Eric Patterson, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Joshua Patterson, Winfield, MD, 1
Matt Patterson, Elkton, VA, 1
Michael Pauley, Daleville, VA, 1
Robert Pauley, Daleville, VA, 1
Brett Paulin, Gainesville, VA, 1
Steven Paulovich, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Matt Payne, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Joseph Payne, Jr, Edgewood, MD, 1
Christopher Pearl, Barnet, VT, 1
Jonathan Pearson, Springfield, MA, 1
Michelle Pearson, Asburn, VA, 1
Kristian Pedersen, Monassas, VA, 1
Peery

William Peery, Beckley, WV, 1
Michael Pelaia, Gaithersburg, MD, 1
Marcy Pell, Princeton, WV, 1
David Pelletier, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Mark Penalosa, Vienna, VA, 1
Maria Penas, Bluefield, WV, 1

Carrie Pendleton, Annandale, VA, 1
Justin Penella, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Ryan Penley, Yorktown, VA, 1
Alison Pepper, Chantilly, VA, 2
Matt Peppers, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Edith Perea, Falls Church, VA, 1

Jane Perez, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Suzanne Perilli, Summersville, WV, 1
Anna Perkins, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Lenard Perkins, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Nicole Perron-Gentil, Springfield, VA, 1
Matthew Perron, Chesapeake, VA, 1

Michael Perrotti, Martinsville, NJ, 1
Kimberly Perry, Johnstown, PA, 1
Garlanda Peterson, Richmond, VA, 1
Laura Peterson, Springfield, VA, 1
Robert Peterson, Fairfax, VA, 1
Sarah Petet, Prince George, VA, 1

Brian Petrotta, Fairport, NY, 1
Henrik Pettersson, McLean, VA, 2
Johanna Petty, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Kimberli Petway, Fredricksburg, VA, 1
Michael Pfeil, Blacksburg, VA, 1
John Phares, Washington, D.C., 2

Douglas Phelan, Falls Church, VA, 1
Sean Phelan, Waldorf, MD, 1
Andrea Phelps, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Richard Phelps, Salem, VA, 3
Robert Phelps, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Amber Phillips, Vienna, WV, 1

Curtis Phillips, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Janet Phillips, Burke, VA, 2
Jarrod Phillips, McMurray, PA, 1
Lisa Phillips, Oakton, VA, 1
Lisa Phillips, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Michael Phillips, Norfolk, VA, 1

Rebecca Phillips, Norfolk, VA, 1
Jennifer Piccitti, Wilmington, DE, 1
James Piehl, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Seth Pilote, Newport, RI, 1
Richard Pinson, Stuart, VA, 1
Justin Pinckney, Danville, VA, 1
John Pinner, Suffolk, VA, 1
Henry Pitera, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Matthew Pinschke, Wexford, PA, 1
Sherlynn Placido, Newport News, VA, 1
Anne Plakosh, Downingtown, PA, 1
Mindy Plass, Salem, VA, 1

Gretchen Plaster, Richlands, VA, 2
Shelley Platne, Sykesville, MD, 1
Christina Plouffe, Clifton, VA, 1
Louis Pochet, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Brenda Podgurski, Yorktown, VA, 2
Bryce Poland, Severna Park, MD, 3

Byron Poland, Wilmington, DE, 1
Ryan Polatty, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Margaret Polifko, Mason Neck, VA, 1
Andrew Pollard, Richmond, VA, 1
Laura Pollard, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Robert Pond, Portsmouth, VA, 1

Christopher Pontier, Andrews AFB, MD, 1
Danielle Poole, Fairfax, VA, 1
David Pope, Fairfax, VA, 1
Jessica Pope, Capron, VA, 1
Vasil Popov, Alexandria, VA, 1
Blake Porter, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Jennifer Porter, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Scott Porter, McLean, VA, 1
Terry Porterfield, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Anne Portlock, Orange, VA, 1
Christopher Potter, Haddonfield, VA, 1
Jessica Potts, Purcellville, VA, 1

Allison Powell, Carrollton, VA, 1
Erik Powell, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Jason Powell, Damascus, MD, 1
Monica Powell, Chester, VA, 1
Benjamin Powers, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Jonathan Powers, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Tracy Powers, Allenwood, NJ, 1
James Poyner, Juliustown, NJ, 3
Mark Pranke, Grapevine, TX, 2
Shannon Pray, Manassas, VA, 1
Gretchen Prem, Cincinnati, OH, 1
Rebecca Presgraves, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Christal Presley, Honaker, VA, 1
Devon Preston, Blacksburg, VA, 2
Calvin Price, Baltimore, MD, 1
Chris Price, Newport News, VA, 2
James Price, Keedysville, MD, 1
Marcela Price, Falls Church, VA, 1
Individuals
Margaret Rapp, Aiken, SC, 1
William Rawlings, Roanoke, VA, 1
Zachary Ray, Winfield, WV, 1
Angela Reagan, Reno, NV, 2
Steve Reagan, Centreville, VA, 1
Denise Reaver, Taneytown, MD, 1

John Reba, Laredo, TX, 1
Jesse Redd, Franklin, VA, 1
Danielle Redfield, Glassboro, NJ, 1
Ellis Redford, Richmond, VA, 1
Ashley Redman, Leesburg, VA, 1
Jennifer Reece, Chesterfield, VA, 1

Jessica Reed, Glen Allen, VA, 1
Matthew Reed, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Vanessa Reed, Hurricane, WV, 1
Sonja Reed, Elyton, VA, 1
Jennifer Reedy, Independence, VA, 1
Todd Reedy, Anderson, SC, 1

Jessica Reel, Bristol, VA, 1
Adrienne Reese, Chantilly, VA, 1
David Reese, Gainesville, GA, 2
Nathan Reeves, Silver Spring, MD, 1
Robert Regan, Smithtown, NY, 1
Rhett Register, Jacksonville, FL, 1

Antonio Regojo, McLean, VA, 1
Christopher Reid, Stephenson, VA, 1
Gilian Reid, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Sara Reid, Roanoke, VA, 1
Michael Reidy, Waldorf, MD, 1
Mark Reif, Winchester, VA, 1

Damie Reilly, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Michael Reilly, Summerville, SC, 1
Elizabeth Reinhard, Fairfax, VA, 1
Randy Reiss, Mears, VA, 1
Rick Reisser, Herndon, VA, 1
James Reiter, Petersburg, VA, 3

Raymond Renfrow, Wrightsville Beach, NC, 1
Claudia Rente, Arlington, VA, 1
Julie Rentz, New Castle, PA, 1
Brian Repass, Wytheville, VA, 1
Gretchen Reppa, Audubon, PA, 1
Edgar Restrepo, Etters, PA, 1

Chandler Reubush, Williamsburg, VA, 1
Eric Reuter, Gloucester, VA, 1
Matt Revell, Dumfries, VA, 1
Latisha Reynolds, Abingdon, VA, 1
Lucas Reynolds, Richmond, VA, 1
Mark Reynolds, Newport News, VA, 1

Priddy-Reynolds 391
Aimee Rhodes, Newport News, VA, 3
Bradley Rhodes, Waynesboro, VA, 1
Jeremy Rhodes, Hickory, NC, 1
Gregory Rice, Honey Brook, PA, 1
Jeffrey Rice, Newport News, VA, 3
Mark Rice, Matthews, NC, 1

Amanda Rich, Virginia Beach, VA, 2
Darrin Richards, Luray, VA, 2
David Richards, Roanoke, VA, 1
Christopher Richardson, Baltimore, MD, 1
David Richardson, King George, VA, 2
David Richardson, Williamsburg, VA, 1

Damien Richburg, Irvington, NJ, 1
Amy Richter, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Stephen Riddick, Carrollton, VA, 1
Michael Ridley, Herndon, VA, 1
Angela Riedel, Norfolk, VA, 1
Jaclyn Riedel, Columbia, MD, 1

Louis Rieder, Elkton, MD, 1
William Riley, Blue Ridge, VA, 1
Rankin Ring, Wytheville, VA, 1
Jason Ringeman, Kernersville, NC, 1
Jason Rios, McLean, VA, 1
Bobbie Ritter, Edgewater, MD, 1

Bruce Ritter, Winchester, VA, 1
Alejandro Rivera, Guanajuato, Spain, 3
Tivon Rivers, Sterling, VA, 2
Sabrina Rizzo, Fort Washington, MD, 2
Michael Roark, Burke, VA, 1
Elizabeth Robbins, Alexandria, VA, 1

Jessica Robbins, Roanoke, VA, 1
James Robertello, Port Murray, NJ, 1
James Roberts, Fairfax, VA, 1
Kori Roberts, Roanoke, VA, 1
Matthew Roberts, Chatham, VA, 1
Adam Robertson, Springfield, VA, 1

Angelique Robertson, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Stuart Robertson, Charlottesville, VA, 1
Greg Robinett, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Andrew Robinson, Meriden, CT, 1
Blair Robinson, Newark, DE, 1
Brian Robinson, Richmond, VA, 1

Brian Robinson, Sterling, VA, 1
Jennifer Robinson, Keysville, VA, 1
Lloyd Robinson, Farmville, VA, 2
Sarah Robinson, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Andrea Roch, Flanders, NJ, 1
Rebecca Roche, Bloomsbury, NJ, 1

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Jason Rockelein, Greensboro, NC, 1
Warren Rodgers, Crizt, VA, 1
Kevin Rodriguez, Round Hill, VA, 1
Cynthia Rogers, Topping, VA, 1
Janet Rogers, Hampton, VA, 1
Nick Rogers, Laplata, MD, 1
Paul Rogers, Baltimore, MD, 1
Stephanie Rogers, Arlington, VA, 1
Sarah Rogers, Richmond, VA, 1
Amy Rohrbaugh, Leesburg, VA, 1
Nicholas Rojewski, Middletown, MD, 1
Hana Rollins, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Rebecca Rolston, Yorktown, VA, 1
Bridget Ronan, Manassas, VA, 1
Peter Rorick, Bel Air, MD, 1
Floraine Munoz Rosario, Mangilao, Guam, 3
Adam Rose, Charleston, WV, 1
Meredith Rosenbaum, Abingdon, VA, 1
Kelly Rosenstock, Richmond, VA, 1
Omid Roshan-Afshar, Springfield, VA, 1
Jontae Ross, Chantilly, VA, 1
Robin Rosmanith, Yorktown, VA, 1
Kelly Roszak, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Herbert Routtree, Manassas, VA,
Jennifer Rowe, Churchville, VA, 2
Jeremy Rowe, Stanston, VA, 1
Matthew Rowe, Eldersburg, MD, 1
Patrick Rowe, Allentown, PA, 1
Rob Rowland, Manassas, VA, 1
Lindy Royce, Fairfax, VA, 1
Michael Royce, Falls Church, VA, 1
Erin Ruby, Fair Haven, NJ, 1
Sarah Rudd, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Brandi Rudolph, Stephens City, VA, 3
Michael Ruggieri, III, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Mary Rummel, Leesburg, VA, 2
Kristen Runge, Stuart, VA, 1
David Runkle, Raphine, VA, 1
Alexandra Runyon, Vinton, VA, 1
Edward Runyon, Fayetteville, WV, 3
Jason Rushing, Vienna, VA, 1
Heather Rusk, Arlington, VA, 1
Barret Russ, Madison Heights, VA, 1
Brent Russell, Tabernacle, NJ, 1
Daniel Russell, Kingston, TN, 2
James Russell, Galax, VA, 1
Casey Rust, New Providence, NJ, 1
Charles Ryan, Winchester, VA, 1
Heidi Ellen Ryan, Wilmington, DE, 1
Mel Sabale, Blacksburg, VA, 3
James Sabatini, Richmond, VA, 1
Michael Sabet, Falls Church, VA, 1
Burt Sacherski, Hollis, NH, 1
Greg Sachsel, New Providence, NJ, 1

Cheree Sager, Cumberland, MD, 1
Kimberly Sager, Woodbridge, VA, 2
Nicholas Said, Martinsburg, WV, 1
Brian Salamone, New Egypt, NJ, 1
Brian Salamone, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Christine Salvadore, Herndon, VA, 2

Summit Sampat, Columbia, MD, 1
Eric Sampson, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Elizabeth San Pedro, Alexandria, VA, 1
Andrew Sanchez, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Christine Sanchez, Fairfax, VA, 1
Michelle Sanchez, Nashua, NH, 1

Jennifer Sandonato, Lewiston, NY, 1
Charles Sanford, Newport News, VA, 1
Ana Santiago, Blacksburg, VA, 3
William Santury, Montclair, VA, 1
Rimjhim Sarkar, Roanoke, VA, 1
Noel Sarmiento, Virginia Beach, VA, 1

Srilakshmi Sathanoori, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Brandy Saul, Hampton, VA, 2
Kristan Saunders, Suffolk, VA, 3
Christopher Saunders, Martinsville, VA, 1
Linda Saunders, Salem, VA, 3
Carol Savage, Woodbridge, VA, 1

Lindsey Savage, Midlothian, VA, 1
Pamela Savage, Getzville, NY, 1
Vincent Savaglio, Herndon, VA, 1
Scott Sayegh, New York, NY, 1
Jessica Scanlon, Canterbury, NH, 1
Michael Schaefer, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

Cara Schantz, Mclean, VA, 1
Clayton Scheib, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Crystal Scherr, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Jessie Scherrington, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Nicole Schertz, Reston, VA, 1
Jessica Scherz, Reston, VA, 1

Robert Schiele, Richmond, VA, 1
Kathryn Schuldnecht, Cross Junction, VA, 1
Zac Schindler, Hochessin, DE, 1
William Schleicher, Forest, VA, 1
Iain Schlenkermann, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Adam Schultz, Falls Church, VA, 3

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A conglomeration of stores, restaurants, businesses, and bars, Main Street was a center of activity for Virginia Tech students.

Kelly Schultz, Burke, VA, 1
William Schmid, Abington, VA, 1
Ben Schmidt, Staunton, VA, 1
Daniel Schmidt, Great Meadows, NJ, 1
Frank Schmitt, Scotia, NY, 1
Jon Schmitt, Salem, VA, 1

David Schmoyer, Fredericksburg, VA, 2
Justin Schneiderman, Clifton, VA, 1
Kristen Schonder, Newmarket, England, 1
Cris Schoonover, Moneta, VA, 1
Daniel Schoonover, Yorktown, VA, 1
Bradford Schreiber, Union Bridge, MD, 1

Ellen Schroeder, Alpharetta, GA, 1
Josh Schulhoff, Richmond, VA, 1
Laura Schuilen, Fairfax, VA, 1
Cerise Schultz, Fairfax Station, VA, 2
Peggy Schulz, Succasunna, NJ, 1
James Schville, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Michael Scollick, Rockville, MD, 1
Jessica Scotko, Haddonfield, NJ, 1
Cara Scott, Midland, Va, 1
Jonathan Scott, Leesburg, VA, 1
Laura Scott, Lyndhurst, VA, 1
Meghan Scott, Amagansett, NY, 1

Ryan–Scott 395
Christina Scovel, Washington, DC, 1
Shelley Scruggs, Gretna, VA, 1
Kim Scupien, Colonial Heights, VA, 1
Brian Seams, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Charles Searfass, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Michael Seckman, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Kevin Secret, Stafford, VA, 1
Bryan Seipp, Lebanonville, MD, 1
Kenneth Sellers, Poquoson, VA, 1
Michael Semmens, Colorado Springs, CO, 1
Matthew Sensabaugh, Ruckersville, VA, 3
Erik Severson, Atlanta, GA, 1

Brian Seward, Hampton, VA, 1
Jonathan Seward, Elberon, VA, 1
Budd Shaffer, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Girir Shah, Manassas, VA, 1
Kelly Shamberger, Homer City, PA, 1
Katherine Shanifi-Farahani, Mclean, VA, 1

Courtney Shankles, Yorktown, VA, 1
Nichole Shankosky, Clifton, VA, 1
Atul Sharma, Falls Church, VA, 1
Kiran Sharma, Falls Church, VA, 1
Sanjiv Sharma, Fairfax Station, VA, 1
Emily Sharp, Naples, FL, 1

Keary Shaub, Richmond, VA, 1
Steven Shauberger, Blacksburg, VA, 3
David Shaulis, Manassas, VA, 1
Eva Shaw, Ellicott City, MD, 1
Gordon Shaw, Alexandria, VA, 3
James Shea, Blacksburg, VA, 1

David Sheehan, Chantilly, VA, 1
Timothy Sheehan, Elberon, NJ, 2
Dennis Sheets, Staunton, VA, 1
Grayson Sheets, Vinton, VA, 1
Daly Sheldon, Annandale, VA, 1
Eric Shell, Bassett, VA, 1

Charles Shelor, St. Stephens Church, VA, 1
Nicole Shepard, Wheaton, MD, 1
Alison Shepherd, Lorton, VA, 1
Brian Shepley, Annandale, VA, 1
Scott Sheppard, Long Valley, NJ, 1
Anne Sherkey, Machipongo, VA, 1

Paula Sherr, Gaithersburg, MD, 1
Michael Shields, Fairfax, VA, 2
Jason Shiflett, Grottoes, VA, 1
Aimee Shinault, Chesapeake, VA, 2
Corinne Shingler, Montclair, VA, 1
Daniel Shiple, Davidsonville, MD, 1
Daniel Shipman, Stafford, VA, 1
David Shirey, Arlington, VA, 1
Justin Shirk, Ephrata, PA, 1
Breann Shirkey, Beckley, WV, 1
William Shockley, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Bryan Shoemaker, Fairfax, VA, 1

Matt Sholley, Richmond, VA, 1
Andrew Shott, Bluefield, VA, 1
Frank Shreve, Buckhannon, WV, 1
Andrea Shriner, Sykesville, MD, 1
Susan Shultz, Blacksburg, VA, 3
Charlene Shupp, Tunkhannock, PA, 2

Adam Shute, Pittsburgh, PA, 1
Daniel Sibert, Damascus, MD, 1
Samuel Sieg, Mineral, VA, 1
Kevin Siegel, Sterling, VA, 1
Joseph Siegenthaler, Reston, VA, 1
Michael Sierakowski, Manchester, CT, 1

Christie Simmers, Verona, VA, 1
Gary Simmons, Jr., Crewe, VA, 1
Robbie Simms, Fredericksburg, VA, 1
Eric Simon, Moreland Hills, OH, 1
Mark Simons, Clarksburg, WV, 1
Rebecca Simonton, Barboursville, VA, 1

Amy Simpson, Eagle Rock, VA, 2
Bobby Simpson, Roanoke, VA, 1
Ryan Simpson, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Bryant Sims, Richmond, VA, 1
Elizabeth Sincavge, Herndon, VA, 1
Patrick Singletary, Blacksburg, VA, 2

Ryan Sirolli, York, PA, 1
Jordan Sisson, Fairfax, VA, 1
Erik Skaeer, Vienna, VA, 1
Mary Skalecki, Fairfax, VA, 1
Sarah Skelly, White Marsh, VA, 1
Claude Skelton, Blacksburg, VA, 1

Nicholas Skibo, West Chester, PA, 1
Jason Skinner, Alexandria, VA, 1
Neil Skoczynski, Telford, PA, 1
Alyssa Slobcy, Easton, PA, 1
Woodrow Slate, Newport News, VA, 1
Kent Slater, Stirling, NJ, 1

Lori Slater, Stirling, NJ, 1
Heather Slattery, Lynbrook, NY, 3
Jeremy Slayton, Danville, VA, 1
Jiun Slew, Fort Mill, SC, 1
Brian Slingerland, Syracuse, NY, 1
Phyllis Slotnick, Hightstown, NJ, 1
Sloviniski

Martin Slovinsky, Yorktown, VA, 1
Michael Slusher, Salem, VA, 1
Brian Sluyter, Burke, VA, 1
January Slyh, Great Lakes, IL, 1
John Small, Richmond, VA, 1
Amy Smarr, Springfield, VA, 1

Jason Smart, Wheaton, MD, 1
Helen Smartt, Christiansburg, VA, 1
Brent Smiley, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Baylan Smith, Mechanicsville, VA, 1
Brian Smith, Fernandina Beach, FL, 2
Derek Smith, Midlothian, VA, 1

Eileen Smith, Spotsylvania, VA, 1
Jacqueline Smith, Winchester, VA, 1
James Smith, Clifton Forge, VA, 1
James Smith, Pembroke, VA, 1
Jamie Smith, Richmond, VA, 1
Jason Smith, Ashland, VA, 1

Jason Smith, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Jason Smith, Troy, NY, 1
Jeffrey Smith, Reston, VA, 2
Jennifer Smith, Richmond, VA, 1
Jennifer Smith, Millersville, MD, 1
Jessica Smith, Whitepost, VA, 1

Jonathan Smith, Bristol, VA, 1
Justin Smith, Lititz, PA, 1
Kristie Smith, Forest, VA, 1
Laura Smith, Warrenton, VA, 2
Mary Smith, Vienna, VA, 1
Mary-Ryland Smith, Dry Fork, VA, 1

Matthew Smith, Charleston, WV, 1
Matthew Smith, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Natalie Smith, Chesapeake, VA, 1
Nicole Smith, Dublin, VA, 1
Robert Smith, King of Prussia, PA, 1
Robert Smith, Scottsburg, VA, 1

Timothy Smith, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Tina Smith, Blacksburg, VA, 1
Travis Smith, Big Stone Gap, VA, 1
Valerie Smith, Bridgeport, CT, 1
Jessica Smoldt, Colorado Springs, CO, 1
Jeff Snow, New Castle, VA, 1

Joshua Snyder, Carlisle, PA, 3
Daniel Sobotka, Fairfax, VA, 1
Benjamin Sobotka, Glen Arm, MD, 1
Christine Solga, Poquoson, VA, 1
Galen Solomon, Virginia Beach, VA, 1
Brian Soly, Weelsburg, WV, 1

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Michael Stephens, Chesterfield, VA, 1
Jason Stengler, Danville, VA, 2
Adrienne Stevens, Mosely, VA, 1
Clinton Stevens, Bedford, VA, 1
Craig Stevens, Onancock, VA, 1
Elizabeth Stevens, Alexandria, VA, 1

Jeremy Stevens, Waynesboro, VA, 1
Roger Stevens, Blackburg, VA, 1
Ross Stevens, Newport News, VA, 1
Courtney Stevenson, Midlothian, VA, 1
Deborah Sticha, Columbia, MD, 1
Heather Stinespring, Danville, VA, 1

Brandon Stinnett, Lynchburg, VA, 1
Ann Stockwell, Herndon, VA, 1
Aimee Stonack, Allewood, NJ, 1
Jennifer Stone, Fairfax, VA, 1
Richard Stone, Suffolk, VA, 1
Tiffany Stone, Cedar Knolls, NJ, 1

Katherine Stout, Annandale, VA, 1
Molly Stout, Mt. Pleasant, SC, 2
Jennifer Stover, Prosperity, WV, 1
Gregory Stowell, Wycombe, PA, 2
Jonathan Strange, Centreville, VA, 3
Joseph Strassberger, Haymarket, VA, 3

David Strebel, Delaville, VA, 1
Jesse Street, Sterling, VA, 1
Rebecca Streets, Newark, DE, 1
Sarah Stricker, Charleston, WV, 1
Nicky Strock, Roanoke, VA, 1
Judson Strom, Whitehall, MT, 2

Amanda Strott, Burke, VA, 1
Jeff Strottman, Milford, OH, 1
Michael Stroud, Severna Park, MD, 1
Mary Stroupe, Midlothian, VA, 1
Ann Strube, Fairfax, VA, 1
Danton Stuart, Severna Park, MD, 1

Kyle Stuebs, Champaign, IL, 1
John Sturtz, Lincoln, NE, 1
David Suda, Arlington, VA, 1
Allison Suggs, Roanoke, VA, 1
David Suh, Woodbridge, VA, 1
Amy Sullivan, Pittsburgh, PA, 1

David Sullivan, Norton, MA, 1
Edmund Sullivan, Alexandria, VA, 2
James Sullivan, Leesburg, VA, 1
Kimberly Sullivan, Pittsburgh, PA, 3
Christopher Sumner, Pulaski, VA, 2
Xi-Long Sun, Manassas, VA, 1

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Final Thoughts
from Adam Wienckowski

It has been quite an interesting four years here at Virginia Tech for me. I must admit, it is amazing how involved I became in The Bugle when I originally had no intention of joining the staff my freshman year. My story will rest in history!

Let me first thank my "big sister," Jen (Dye) Smith, for getting me to run for business manager back in 1994. I really enjoyed working with you during my first three years at Tech, and have enjoyed our friendship that still continues. Even though you weren't here this year, your advice and guidance have been a tremendous help!

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Now, I would like to thank Kristin for producing and editing a great 1997 Bugle. I have heard a lot of nice comments about this year's book, and I am anxious to see it in August. I think you have started us back on the right track to becoming an award winning book. I hope it will be as historic as its volume number! Sorry that we had such a rough start. I am glad that is all behind us now. Thanks for putting your confidence in me, that I would be a great business manager no matter what. I really appreciate that.

To my successor, Rob -- best of luck next year. You have a lot of ideas to make The Bugle a big seller. Be very cautious and think everything through before you implement these ideas. If you do, sales will be awesome.

To Eric, the next Editor in Chief -- you probably won't need any luck with next year's book. You already have the ability to produce an excellent book without the extra luck. Be sure to devote enough time to both classes and The Bugle so that you succeed in both. This may mean cutting back on Madden!! Be sure to enjoy next year no matter what though! Anyway, I am confident that you will produce a Bugle that is a great start to the next 100 volumes! Thanks for being a great roommate the past two years.

I must not neglect my soccer associates. Let me first salute my Arsenal teammates for being a part of the team. Even without practice, we were one of the best. Never forget the orange jerseys!!

I also want to congratulate and thank my teammates on our Carolina Cup championship team. We kicked ACC butt by beating Duke, UNC, N.C. State and Georgia Tech. We proved we can compete with anybody!

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I wish the best of luck to the Educational Media Corporation (formerly the Student Media Board). Good luck in the future.

To Mom and Dad, thanks for everything that has gotten me this far. I love you.

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Every year holds the promise of something new and extraordinary and this year was no exception. Just when I thought I knew everything there was to know I find out I did not know half of what I thought I did! I have learned that it is not so much what happens to a person that is important it is their reaction to those events that says a lot about a person. Everything is a learning experience.

First I would like to thank God for getting me through this far. Whenever work piled up and I never thought I could make it, so how everything got done. And I know it was not because of anything I had done but rather someone from above smiling on me.

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It takes a team to produce a book like this, and I would like to personally thank every person that contributed in any way toward making this book. It is a job that goes unrecognized by most people and it requires a large commitment of time and energy. There is no immediate gratification, only the knowledge that ten or twenty years from now, when people look through this book, they will see all the work that has been invested and will appreciate it.

To Kristin, I know you had a lot to deal with this year, but I think you did an admirable job as editor-in-chief. I enjoyed working with you (you and I make an awesome design team!) and wish you all the best in the future.

To Adam, once again, you did a fine job as business manager. You have always been committed to The Bugle and it shows. I have enjoyed working with you and being your roommate for the past two years (has it been that long?). Best wishes in the future.

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Like the editors before me, I have encountered many surprises and difficulties while producing this book. All troubles aside, it was a great year. Of course I learned a lot, but I also had the opportunity to work with many great individuals who made my year complete.

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It's sad to see the year ending. Yeah! No more deadlines!!

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I wish everyone lots of luck in the future where ever you'll be.

-Kristin D. van Wolkenten
Editor-in-chief, 1997 Bugle
A TIME to grow on

What a year!! Packed full of experiences and events which would only help us, the students at Virginia Tech, to grow as individuals, both in careers and personal lives. Classes and professors tested our knowledge of various subjects. Some classes proved to be a breeze while others caused us to tear our hair out simply trying to understand the principles and materials. Those who failed would hopefully be back next year to try again. Others moved on to find out what the future brings. For the seniors who toiled to get through the four or more grueling years of college, a diploma was the reward. For
This chilly senior huddles for warmth on graduation day in May. Temperatures dropped to a autumn-like 45 degrees.

With the monitor casting a soft glow, this student works at her computer terminal. Virginia Tech was known for its innovative use of modern technology.

Standing proudly above other campus buildings, Burruss Hall was where nearly all administrative offices were located.
These students light up cigars in celebration of graduation. Despite the sadness at having to leave Tech, seniors looked forward to new challenges.
the others another year lies ahead.

Football games this year came with a little change from the past. Heightened security caused many fans to calm down and enjoy the game a little more, while the Hokies led the school to another bowl game. The football players had some experiences of their own. Tech finally created a set of behavioral guidelines for Hokie athletic team members to abide by after several instances in the beginning of the year.

Students had the unique opportunity to participate in the 1996 Presidential elections. Ross Perot, one of the candidates, took time to rally the Hokies when he visited campus before the election.

When Virginia Tech decided to increase the number of freshmen admitted to the university last spring, it created a few problems. It had not increased the amount of available on-campus housing. Students hoping to return to the dorms for a second year were forced off campus for the next year. Off-campus hous-
ing could not support the number of students; therefore, many students were forced to live as far away as Roanoke and commute each day. Commuter parking lots could not accommodate the massive numbers of commuters. Students often could not find parking places.

With the campus in perpetual construction, students looked forward to using the newly built engineering building while saying goodbye to the fondly used prairie quad where more dorms were to be built.

Like everything in life, the students at Virginia Tech learned and moved on to see what the future would bring. The time at Tech was an experience to grow on.

The time at Tech was just an experience to grow on.