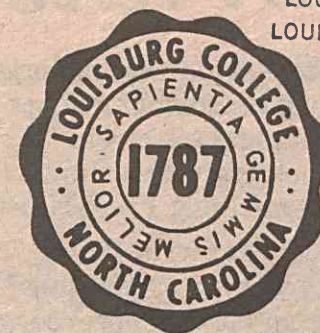


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## Star Spangled Washboard Band Highlights Homecoming Activities

The Star Spangled Washboard Band will highlight an activity-filled Homecoming weekend slated for November 22, 23 and 24.

The concert will be the main attraction in Friday night's entertainment while the opening basketball game of the '74-75 season and a dance in the cafeteria will fill Saturday night's agenda.

Star Spangled Washboard Band, a zany mixture of musical talent and amusing wit, will be in Concert in the College Auditorium at 8:00 p.m. Friday. Although unknown to most, the group has played numerous concerts along the East Coast of the U. S. and has received good reviews from a great number of critics.

The unique sound of the group is built around the elaborate washboard of Greg "Wild Bill" Haymes. A bicycle horn, a finger symbol, wood blocks, and seven bells attached to the washboard allow Haymes to create many varied sounds. The other members of the seven man group play the banjo, bass, cymbals, fiddler, guitar, harmonica, assorted horns, keg, kazoo, spoons, tamborine, and ukulele, just to mention a few. The list is endless.

The group also spices up its act with the addition of sharp, sparkling comedy that adds great variety to the act. The group was so popular in its one-month engagement with Disney World that it was stretched into three months.

Saturday night at 7:30 p.m., the Louisburg College Hurricanes will make their basketball debut for the '74 season. Led by a strong mixture of returning players and freshmen, the 'Canes will encounter Wingate College in their first outing. 1973 Homecoming Queen Connie Maxwell will return to crown this year's queen in halftime festivities.

Following the game, alumni and students are invited to a dance featuring the talents of "Cheese." The dance will be held in the Student Center and is free to LC students and alumni.

Sunday night, the SGA will present its regular Sunday night flick in the College Auditorium. "The Train Robbery" will be shown at 9:00 p.m.

## Dr. Palmer Has Discovered New Technique For Grasses

By DAVID COLEMAN

"No one else has ever used this technique to study grasses," remarked Dr. Patricia Palmer. This was the answer given to me during a recent interview on her study of core samples from African lakes. She was explaining her reasons why the work is so important and interesting.

It all began for her last year when Dr. Dan Livingstone called her over to Duke University. Livingstone is working on a grant, studying the past

vegetation in African lakes. The basis for his work comes from the pollen records left in fossils taken from the bottom of lakes. Identifying the different layers of vegetation and pollen will give an indication of what grew in a particular era. He is exploring what may have grown in the period twenty to fifty thousand years ago, by radio-carbon dating of each sample. Grass pollen is indistinguishable. This means you cannot identify one kind of grass from another by its pollen. Dr. Livingstone needed

someone to identify the grasses by another method in order to get a complete reconstruction of past vegetation.

Dr. Palmer did her Ph.D. dissertation on grasses. By looking at his slides, she could use the epidermal features for identification. This means that by examining physical characteristics of grasses themselves and matching them with modern grasses she could identify them.

The scientists at Duke were  
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### Decision Is Expected Friday

## Roughton May Be Removed From Office

The Administrative Council of Louisburg College declined to make a decision Tuesday afternoon on the question of removing SGA President Bill Roughton from office. Roughton has been declared ineligible to serve on the grounds that he is no longer a full-time student.

Roughton was carrying fourteen hours until being dropped from a three hour class last Thursday. A student must be carrying twelve hours to be considered full-time.

The major question in the debate was the presence of a written rule concerning the full-time status for an SGA officer. Administration officials cited the general rule used for any member of an athletic team, cheerleader, or other school leader as the basis for the accused violation. It was also brought out that the rules had been bent already this semester in allowing Roughton to enter a class late to keep his load above the twelve hour limit.

Roughton cited the lack of a written rule and extenuating circumstances in his academic activities as points in his defense. He stated his feeling that, in light

of his SGA duties, it was often advantageous for him to miss class and make up the work later. He felt that if his grades remained at the level expected of him, he should not be penalized for the cuts.

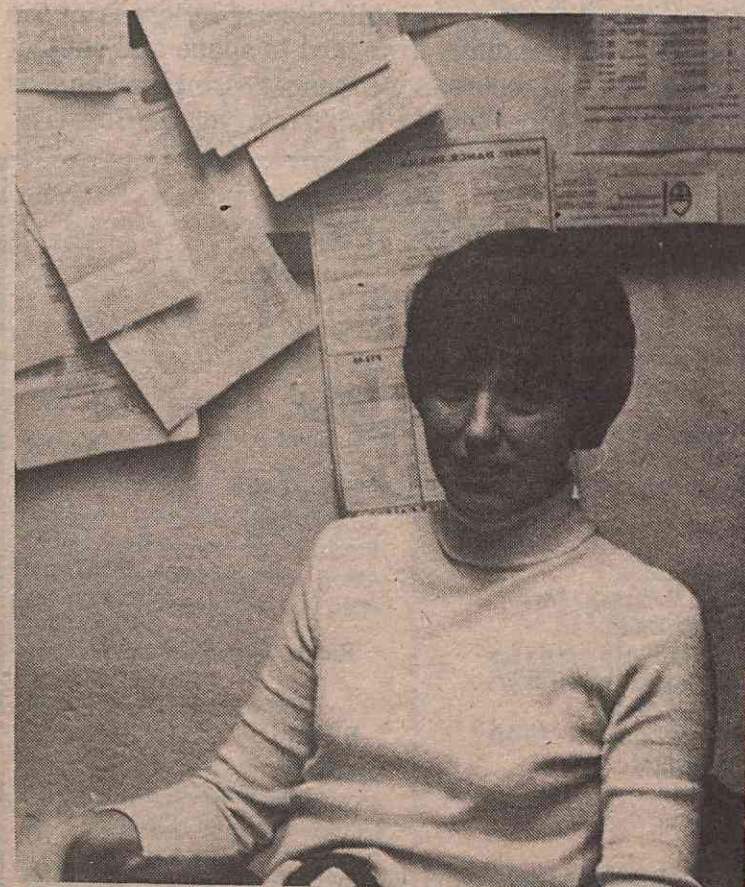
The Administrative Council decided to withhold action until Friday afternoon to give them time to research the rules and get all the facts together. A decision is expected at that time.

## Film Festival Is Scheduled For Tonight

An International Art Films Festival is scheduled for November 20 at 8 p.m. in the College Auditorium. The films will be shown as part of the Louisburg College Cinema Art Series, and Humanities credit will be given. The twelve short films range from three to twenty minutes and are from eight different countries.

"The Daisy" is a Bulgarian

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Dr. Patricia Palmer

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