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Kent Gustafson

### Magician lives on campus

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When he is not attempting to perform magic on the basketball court for the Hurricanes, Kent Gustafson, a Raleigh native (better known as Gus), performs magic tricks for his friends.

Gus first became interested in magic in the sixth grade after watching a magic show on television. Soon afterwards he ordered a magical tricks catalog and checked out magic books from the library. As his interest in the hobby grew, Gus began buying his own magic books and presently has a collection of over thirty books. During his sophomore year in high school a magic store opened in Raleigh where Gus learned many of his tricks.

"Anyone interested in magic should go to this store. It has great magicians who can show you how to perform tricks," the campus magician said.

Some of the tricks he has mastered until now are making yellow silk come out of a white handkerchief, sponge ball magic, rope magic and card tricks. Gus felt that his best work was done "close up" before a small number of people. In fact, until last December he hadn't performed in front of a large group of people. His audiences were confined to family and friends, but he entertained needy children at the Christian Life Council's Annual Christmas Party. In March he will perform his magic for a group of cub scouts.

"Magic for me is just a hobby,"
Gus commented. "But I would like to

get to the point where I could be paid for performing for small numbers of people."

Besides practicing his usual assortment of mysterious illusions, Gus works on platform magic and sleight of hand tricks. Presently he does not feel comfortable enough with these tricks to exhibit them to other people. But he wants to perfect his ability to perform the more difficult magic.

A favorite magician of Gus' was the old-timer Cardini whose magic was strictly by sleight of hand. There were no gimmicks involved in his type of magic which Gus said took "hours and hours of practice." Another admired magician was none other than the great Harry Houdini (1874-1926).

## Campus Calendar

MARCH

18 2:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs Keystone, Pa.-Frazier Field

1:00 p.m.-Tennis Match-LC vs Southeastern Community College-LC Courts

2:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs Keystone, Pa.-Frazier Field

20 11:00 a.m.-Chapel - The Reverend Wes Brown, Speaker

22 9:30 a.m.-5:30 p.m.-Bloodmobile on Campus-Multi-Purpose Room

12:30 p.m.-Golf Match - LC, Mt. Olive, Ferrum, Spartanburg-Home

1:00 p.m.-Tennis Match-LC vs Mt. Olive-LC Tennis Courts

2:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs Brookdale, NJ-Frazier Field

8:00 p.m.-Norman Luboff Choir Concert - LC Auditorium

24 1:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs Muhlenburg, PA. (2) - Frazier Field

25 2:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs UNC JV's-Frazier Field

26 1:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs Ferrum (2)-Frazier Field

27 11:00 a.m.-Chapel - The Reverend Arthur Phillips,
Speaker

12:00 p.m.-Golf Match-LC vs Sandhills-Home Match

29 1:00 p.m.-Tennis Match-LC vs. Chowan - LC Tennis Courts

2:00 p.m.-Baseball Game-LC vs University of S. Maine - Frazier Field

30 8:00 p.m.-Annual Folk Festival

31 Alumni Day

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Registration and Refreshments: Old Main Foyer

10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Franklin County and Louisburg College Arts and Crafts Show: Exhibitions, Demonstrations, and Workshops; Arts in the Gallery, and Crafts in the Robbins Library.

11:00 a.m.

Board of Directors of the Louisburg College Alumni Association Meeting: Main Building Conference Room. Luncheon follows in Duke Cafeteria.

11:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Roving Folk Artists on Campus
1:00 p.m.

Doubleheader Baseball Game; Louisburg vs UNC-JV, Russell Frazier Field. 4:00 p.m.

Reunions: Class of '54, Wright Dormitory Lobby; Class of '69, Merritt Hall Lobby with friends from the Classes of '53, '55, '68, '70

4:45 p.m.

Old Fashion Alumni - Faculty Picnic (\$3.25 per person)

8:00 p.m.

Ninth Annual Louisburg College and Franklin County Folk Music and Dance Festival (Finals): College Auditorium (Adults \$3.50; Students \$2.00)

Saturday

2:00 p.m.

Whistling Contest: Front Campus

Sunday

2:00 p.m.

Spring Meeting of the Louisburg College Appalachian Trail and White Water Club, Main Building, Room 111.

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### **NJCAA** Results

Louisburg-95 Prince George-72 Louisburg-68 Amarillo -55 N. Oklahoma-74 Louisburg -73

The Lady Hurricanes were beaten for the first time this season last night by Northern Oklahoma. After defeating their first two foes in the National Junior Collegiate championships. Sam Jones scored 22 points versus Prince George, and 28 against Amarillo. Ann Lawrence scored 22 points and pulled down 20 rebounds against Prince George, while Jill Worley added 14 points.

The Lady Hurricanes are 30-1 and still have some consolation competition ahead of them.

### **Folk Festival**

The ninth annual Folk Music and Dance Festival is scheduled at the College on March 30-31. As in past years, musicians and dancers of state, national and international honors will be performing as guests with local contestants.

Students interested in competing have until March 20 to turn their application forms into the Public Affairs Office located in Main Building. (Forms are available in that office) Students may compete in the following categories: String Bands, Folk Singers, Folk Dancers, Banjo, Guitar, Fiddle, Autoharp, Harmonica, Mandolin, Dulcimer and original instruments. There are first and second awards given in each category and cash

Even if you don't sing, folk dance or play music come and join the festivities during this spring rite. Besides music there will be arts, crafts and antiques on display. Student festival tickets (for both Friday and Saturday nights) are \$3.00, Friday night \$1.50 and Saturday night \$2.00.