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## Jeep Fleet Volunteers Services To Community

by Allen Meadows

(Montreat, N.C.)—Winter brought more than the usual snow, ice, and freezing weather to Montreat-Anderson College this year. The "Jeep Fleet" consisting of three College students: Darwin Glassford, Jack Edwards, and Allen McLaurin; the Dean of the College, Dr. C. Larry Wilson; and the Commissioner of Roads for the town, Mr. Andy Andrews, arrived upon the Community scene to fight the adverse elements of winter.

Actually, the "Jeep Fleet" is just an organized way of voluntarily helping people in trouble in the surrounding College community which began back in November with the flooding rains disaster.

Each volunteer, equipped with his own Jeep, checks in periodically on a daily basis at the College bookstore, or "Contact point"; where people in need of transportation service due to higher elevations and severe weather have called in. Other tasks for these "men in jeep" include

picking up medicine and groceries for the elderly and disabled, and remedying any emergency situation that may arise.

One example is an incident in which a recreational class camping out in the wilderness of Western Carolina, ran out of gas in the school van. Temperatures were well below freezing. Luckily, Glassford, who was acting as back-up for the excursion, was available and reached the Rescue Squad on his Jeep CB. The message was relayed to the College and help was soon on its way.

These services rendered by the volunteers are at no charge unless a payment is offered; however, 15 cents a mile for gas is the maximum to be accepted. According to Edwards, their reward comes from the "satisfaction in knowing that the community realizes the College cares about it and its residents." Mr. Andrews, who acts as the coordinator for the group, says his reward comes from seeing the "students' personal satisfaction in helping and

having fun at the same time. There's a little dare-devil in all of them."

Volunteers help volunteers. One resident of Montreat, Mrs. Nancy Talmage, has been doing volunteer work at Highland Farms (a retirement housing facility in nearby Swannanoa), but she has run into transportation difficulties with the arrival of cold weather. McLaurin and the rest of the "Jeep Fleet" have solved her problem.

This voluntary service organization has been commended by the Mayor of Montreat, Mr. John K. Abernethy, and the "Jeep Fleet" will continue to assist people as long as there are needs. Or as Dean Wilson commented, "as long as there is such enthusiasm and interest directed towards 4-wheel drive vehicles, particularly jeeps, from students attending the College." Rumor has it that the School's Admissions Department is adding the "Jeep Fleet" to one of its attractions or reasons for attending Montreat-Anderson College.

## Interim Week Cancelled

by David Teague

In a meeting held December 14, 1977 the faculty decided not to have Interim Week during the 1978-1979 school term.

The motion to cancel Interim Week was made by English professor Don King. His main reason for not wanting to have it next year was the time spent preparing for it. "I think too much time is spent preparing Interim

Week that by the faculty could be better used preparing their courses," said Mr. King. He also stated that the faculty voted last year to have 73 teaching days each semester and with Interim Week there were only 70.

Another reason the faculty voted not to have Interim Week is that next year is a re-accreditation year by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. Every

10 years schools are asked to conduct a self-study and this will mean a considerable amount of extra work for the faculty.

There is still a chance that Interim Week will be scheduled for next year, however, due to student interest in the program. A motion has been accepted by the faculty to reconsider their decision and it will be voted on at the next meeting.

## Cavaliers Avenge Greenville

A highly regarded North Greenville team made a long trip down to the Cavalier's planks January 28, losing 69-62, making it an even longer trip back. North Greenville was ranked third in their conference (the one MAC dropped out of) and had led the nation in scoring for several weeks prior to their MAC encounter. The Cavalier victory marked revenge for a 30-point deficit at the hands of North Greenville, the previous year.

The contest, marred by poor officiating towards both teams, saw the respected coaches leave their seats on several occasions, and the capacity-packed crowd rise in uproar. Willie "6-9" McCray, playing with the flu, opened the scoring for the Cavaliers on a 15-foot jumper and Greenville responded with a basket to even things up. This pattern didn't change throughout the game as both teams juggled with the lead.

The Cavs went on top 16-12 with 12:09 minutes to play on a three point play by McCray; however, North Greenville roared back as the MAC zone defense experienced a momentary lull. The MAC

attack strategy went to more and more passing which opened up Ivan Diggs for a 20-ft. connection and allowed "Bull" Brinkley to can 2 points underneath. Gary Parris followed with a steal and fastbreak layup plus a corner shot to make it 24-20 with 9 minutes remaining.

North Greenville again started shooting holes in the MAC zone defense, and with the score 26-26, Coach Wilhelm called T.O. The Cavaliers decided to "slow things up as much as possible. As much as they'll let us." North Greenville went to a 3-man zone with man-to-man coverage on Freshwater and Parris.

After Ivan Diggs hit his fourth bucket of the first half, North Greenville spread their offense out with 2 minutes remaining only to see MAC go on top 33-32 at the end of the half.

During the first three minutes of the second half both teams traded fast-breaks before MAC slowed the pace behind accurate outside shooting from Parris and muscle plays by Brinkley. MAC again called time-out with 13:50 to go and the score

46-40.

Seconds later Freshwater looked in fine form after turning his ankle on a fast-break at the close of the half, as he stole the ball for the umpteenth time this season! MAC moved out to a 52-48 lead with 8:26 remaining on a tip-in by McCray. The next 5 minutes consisted of "basketbrawl" as the officiating became a bigger spectacle than the basketball game.

MAC called time-out with 1:32 remaining. The Cavs decided to forget about N.G. and returned to the hardwoods to beat the clock. After N.G. called T.O. with 13 seconds left in the final stanza, trailing 67-62, the "Bull" took the in-bound pass for the Cavs and went unmolested down-court to slam-dunk the ball into infinity. North Greenville players stood in awe.

Fans rushed onto the floor to congratulate the team, and both enjoyed what was probably the most memorable experience in Cavalier basketball history.

SCORING: Freshwater 16, McCray 14, Parris 14, Brinkley 12, Diggs 11, and Edwards 2.



Left to Right: Top—Cappi Ricks, Randall Morrison, Dallas McClain, Marcos Lehman, Peggy Howland, Gerald Eller. Bottom—Debbie West, Mirium Russell, Marty Long, Laura Smith, Nancy Chapin, Billy Binkley.