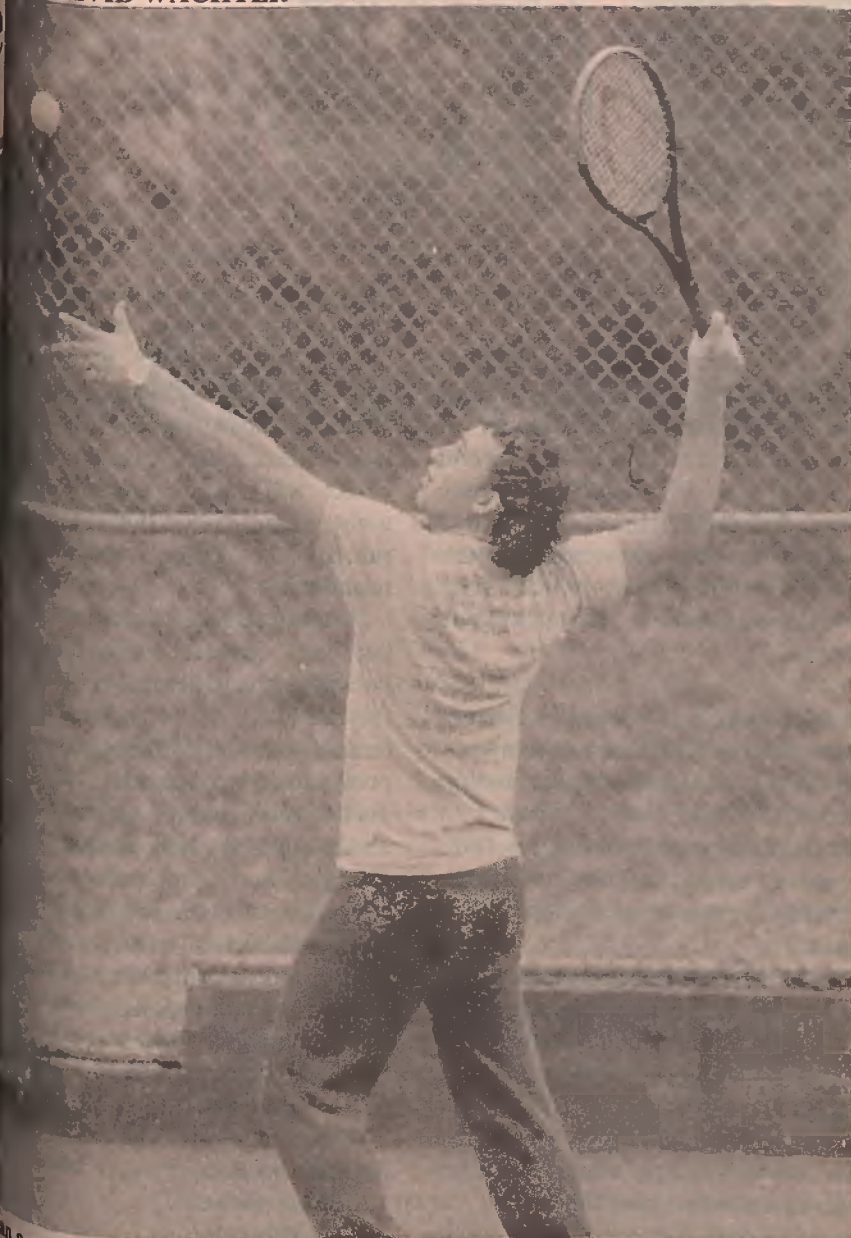


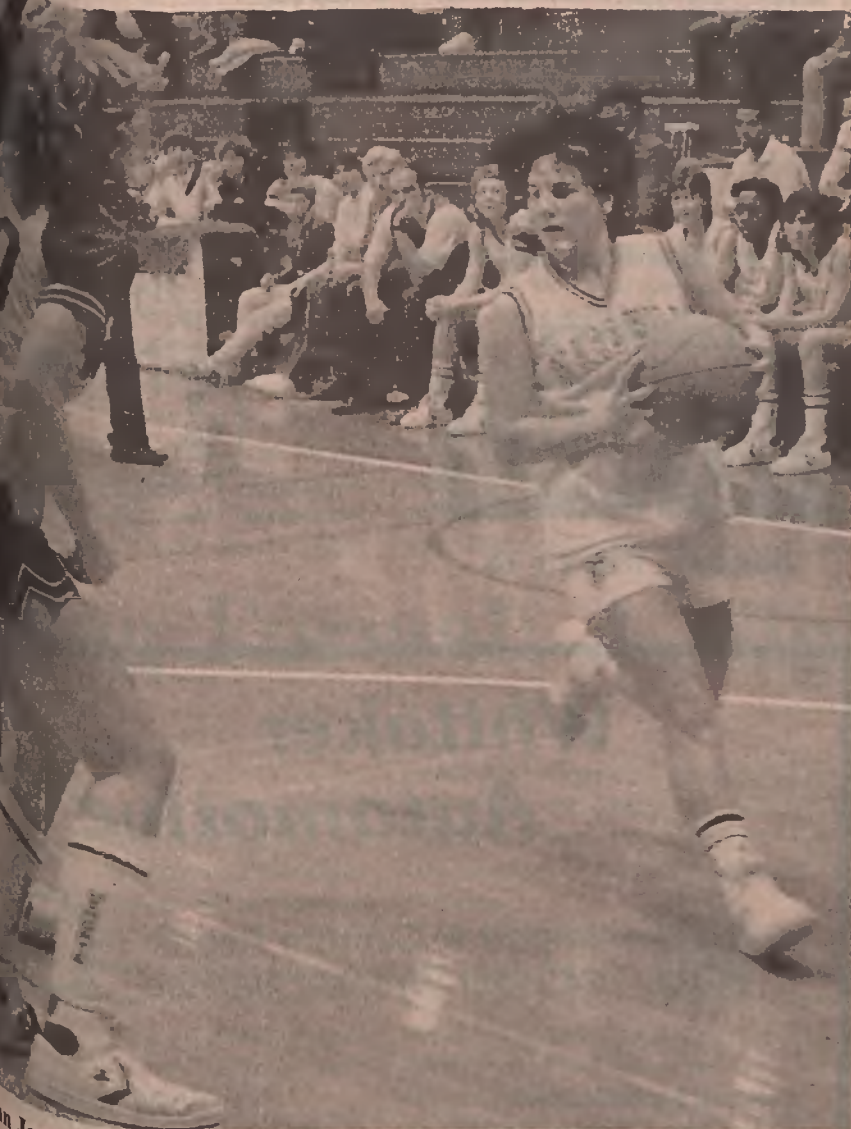
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...a week before their first match, tennis team member Lee Hoffman practices the finer points of his serve.



Ann Josephson rounds the corner enroute for two points in the Lady Lions' match over Wingate on February 20th.

Men's and Women's Tennis Seasons Start

By DENISE GROH

The Mars Hill Women's Tennis Team, coached by Dr. Virginia Hart, began their Spring Season with a two win, two loss record from the Fall Season. They also took second place in the Meredith Eastern collegiate Tournament in September.

This year's team has a great deal of depth, according to Coach Hart. The team of four strong returners, Cary and Connie Stillman, Cynthia Hill, and Bunny Cardwell are complimented by six new players, Carla Hatfield, Beverly Kirby, Karen Eikeland, Lana Barnes, Melinda Myers, and Kathryn Yarbrough. The Lady Lions traveled to Hendersonville for a practice Match against East Tennessee State on Saturday, March 3 before hosting their first season match on March 7 against Catawba.

Coach Hart has great faith in her girls and stresses that one player is in no way more important than another. Dr. Hart feels that all ten players will be instrumental in their quest to win as many of their 15 matches as possible. Good Luck, Lady Lions!

LADY LION'S SPRING TENNIS SCHEDULE

MARCH:

10	S	Elon	Away	11:00
12	M	Davidson	Home	3:00
14	W	Gardner-Webb	Away	5:00
16	F	High Point	Away	3:00
17	S	Guilford	Home	2:00
20	T	UNC-Charlotte	Away	3:00
21	W	UNC-Asheville	Home	3:00
22	Th	Lenoir-Rhye	Home	3:00

APRIL:

5	Th	Catawba	Away	3:00
6	F	Wingate	Home	3:00
7	S	Converse Tournament	Away	TBA
10	T	Brevard	Home	3:00
11	W	Carson-Newman	Away	3:00
13	F	UNC-Asheville	Away	3:00
14	S	UNC-Wilmington	Home	10:00
16	M	Lenoir-Rhye	Away	3:00
20-23	W-S	NAIA Tournament	Wilmington	

By KEITH WHITAKER

The Mars Hill Men's Tennis Team opens their season on the road against powerful Western Carolina on March 7.

Fred Dickerson returns as coach and expects a much improved team, led by a strong nucleus of upperclassmen.

The sixteen match season is highlighted by a four team tournament at Gardner-Webb on April 27 and 28. The 1984 tennis schedule for the Lions is as follows:

MARCH:

9	F	Wofford	Away	2:30
15	Th	Lenoir-Rhye	Away	3:00
17	S	Gardner-Webb	Away	1:30
19	M	Lenoir-Rhye	Here	3:00
22	Th	Montreat-Anderson	Away	2:30

APRIL:

5	Th	Gardner-Webb	Here	2:30
7	S	Tusculum	Here	2:30
9	M	Milligan	Away	1:30
11	W	Montreat-Anderson	Here	2:30
12	Th	Tusculum	Away	2:00
16	M	Western Carolina	Here	3:00
17	T	Wofford	Here	3:00
21	S	Banner Elk Tournament	Away	10:00
27-28	F-S	Gardner-Webb Tournament (Wofford, Augusta, Mars Hill, Gardner-Webb)		



Baseball team member Tracy King gets in a little throwing practice, after the team was forced into the gym for practices, as a result of last week's snow. Due to an early press date which coincided with the start of the team's season, complete coverage was unavailable for this issue. Look to the HILLTOP in future issues for complete coverage of the Lions' baseball season.