Class of 1987 History

With appreciation to the Class Editorial Committee, has it really been 20 years already? On second thought, has it only been 20 years?

First off, we now recognize that we graduated before the Class of 2010 was born.

At our Convocation, we were cautioned by new president Jim Powell to “Look to your left, look to your right. One of the three of you will not graduate.”

At freshman orientation, Playfair was all the rage... but you had to be there.

We experienced a mild earthquake in the spring of our freshman year.

For some reason, the College Administration thought it would be a good idea to initiate a process that lead to withdrawing recognition of the Greek system.

We closed our first year ended with a campus-wide salmonella outbreak.

Nevertheless, we pressed forward as F&M’s Bicentennial Class.

We remember many things from our days at Nevonia:

Pay Phones & Calling Cards

Breakdancing

Re-establishing the Student Congress after nearly 15 years of dormancy.

Actually needing a key to get into a residence hall.

The Common Ground

Using MAC computers and learning that a mouse was not something to set a trap for.

Stealing trays from the dining Hall to slide down the hill in Buchanan Park.

Being entertained by The Hooters, Joe Piscopo, Yakov Smirnov, The B-52s, Ella Fitzgerald, Wynton Marsalis and political humorist Mark Russell. Back then, The Grateful Dead weren’t.

The advent of music videos, and entertainers like Madonna / Duran Duran / Michael Jackson / Billy Joel / Genesis
Wearing Painter’s Hats / Izod / adidas / 3–dot sweaters / Topsiders / Preppie / Duck Shoes / Jams / leggings

Typewriters, not laptops

Park City Mall

Watching the sun set at The Pinnacle

Ending every year with The Last Hurrah

Two Cousins / Famous Pizza / Domino’s – in 30-minutes or less

The Bicentennial Ball

WFNM – actually using records

The installation of the Geodesic Kinetic Sculpture

Stahr Hall becoming Stager

A social system that revolved around fraternity parties... Around the World, Pig Roast, Blue Whales, Quarters Night

Having difficulty impressing our friends at other schools by saying our squash team dominated.

The Challenger disaster during our junior year.

Attempting to change the College’s official mascot to the Fighting Amish.

Patronizing Isaacs / Marketfair / Hildy’s / Dispensing Co. / and, of course, Hildy’s

The Mets and Giants fans among us being rewarded with World Championships during our senior year.

Wearing T-shirts with President Powell’s likeness on them and the words “Fumbuster”

Withdrawing cash from the ATM at Turkey Hill -- in increments of $5.

We remember our classmates Marty Los & Urszula Greer, who left us before we graduated – Rest In Peace

We met a young administrator, who remains young to this day and who touched our hearts. Thank you, David Stameshkin.
Since then, many of us have accomplished many great things. Our Class has produced a nationally-renowned symphony conductor and a former president of the F&M Alumni Board – Scott Scheele

Looking through our class roster now, we're proud that within our ranks there are so many who have become successful professionals, parents and community leaders.

As the years go by, we remember more and more what a privilege it was to enjoy this magnificent educational playground. Thank you, F&M, for the opportunity.