The College Connection

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Do you love reminiscing about the "good ole days"? Do you often find yourself starting a sentence with "Back when..."?

Do your family members, especially grandchildren, enjoy pictures of a younger you? Or if you are younger, do you enjoy copying hair or clothing styles from the 1970s or 1980s?

If the answer is "yes," Southeastern Community College has something you will enjoy. SCC's library offers a digitized ver-

sion of SCC yearbooks from 1972 through 1980 and scrapbooks with articles and scenes of the College from 1963-1979. The 1963 edition shows the official groundbreaking for



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SCC on June 29, 1965, a momentous occasion in the history of Columbus County! You will find a link to access these at www.sccnc. edu/library.html.

Taking a trip down "memory lane" is definitely fun. View a young Clarence Ganus, SCC's athletic director/student activities specialist, on Page 79 of the 1977-1978 yearbook. Did you know that Dave Flowers, outreach specialist with SCC's Upward Bound Program, was the Student Government Association president in 1971-1972? He is featured in the yearbook and in the archived SCC scrapbook, on Pages 54 and 65. Want to see a younger Sue Hawks, SCC executive dean of Institutional Advancement? Check out the 1976 yearbook. I'm sure you have some people you would love to find; it's easy due to search boxes.

The scrapbooks begin with SCC's groundbreaking in 1963 and end with the early months of 1979. Each has more than 100 searchable pages of articles to download and print. We are now in the process of scanning other years which will be available to you. An interesting article I found from an April 1965 News Reporter article tells "... unique and new concept in nursing education will be instituted at SCC and Southeastern General Hospital in Lumberton in September of 1966 when the college moves into its permanent home midway between Whiteville and Chadbourn.

... This is only the third such program to be developed in the state, so far, the other two being at Piedmont Community College in Charlotte and at Wilmington College," Dr. Land declared. Thus began the impressive Nursing Program here at SCC.

You can even share an article, or picture, via email, Facebook, etc. Perhaps you're interested in our Miss SCC Pageants. Note the former Barbara Evans, Miss SCC 1979, on Page 144 of the July-December 1979 scrapbook.

Perhaps you'd enjoy seeing Kellie Lewis, Miss SCC 1978; she is now employed at the Forestry Museum. She appears in an article on Page 65 of the 1978 scrapbook. Margie Flowers, wife of Dave Flowers, appears as runner-up in the 1976-77 Miss SCC Pageant on Page 238 of the '75-76 scrapbook. We were fortunate to digitize the SCC yearbooks and scrapbooks in collaboration with DigitalNC, the online home for materials from the North Carolina Digital Heritage Center. Visit at http://www.digitalnc.org/. We are very pleased to say we were one of the first community colleges to be represented here.

So view the yearbooks and scrapbooks through Southeastern's website or visit the SCC Library and utilize our HelpCenter staff to find pictures and information for pleasure or research! You may also email us at helpcenter@ sccnc.edu or call 642-7141, ext. 358.

Remember, as Marcus Tullius Cicero said, "Memory is the treasury and guardian of all things"; so enjoy!