

Band & Staff is a place apart. Dana Lunsford, senior, reflects: "We live as a family, a family of friends. We live together, eat together, and go to school together. It's something special to me, something you see nowhere else. It's an unusual place because we all share something in common, the ability to play a musical instrument."

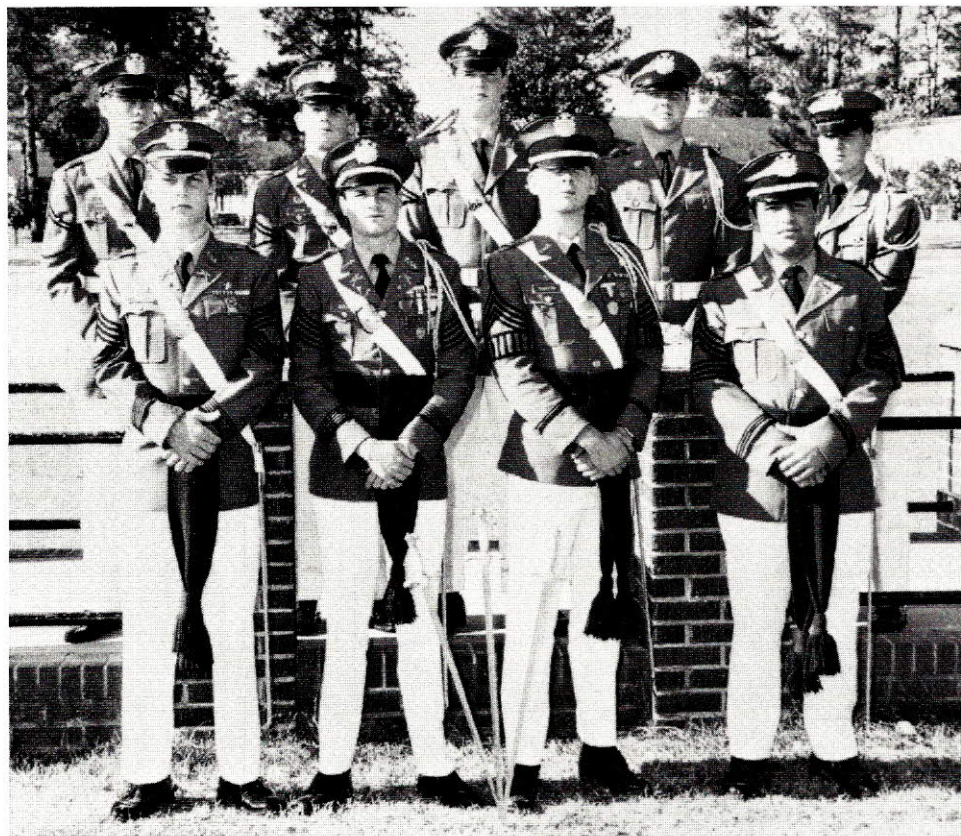
"'Q-land' is located on the southeast end of the campus, just seconds away from the phones and the bus to town, but only a whisper from where the commandant sits in his office," advises Mike McCoy. "It houses talented cadets and holds good fellowship." Damon Saunders says, "I think of my room as my castle. Band is luxurious because it has beautiful carpet and spacious bathrooms with a spotlight on each mirror which makes everyone feel like a star."

On the Staff side, Battalion Commander Will Rice observes: "Without the battalion staff the corps would be in chaos. Staff is always willing to have their fun and games, but when it is time to do their assigned tasks, they perform them seriously and with eagerness." David Stepp, Adjutant clarifies: "We live in the band barracks and try to uphold the traditions of the band. We stay laid back, but when we work, we try our hardest and hope to serve all well. Staff is composed of the finest." Andres Valdano describes staff members as, "The few, the proud."



Bare-chested Gregg Marlatt encourages Clay White, Beau Markolf, Chris Witherspoon, Greg Schwartz, Matt Davenport, and Perkins Gantt to get it altogether.

Band and Staff



Battalion Staff: Bill Perdue, Color Guard CO; David Stepp, Adjutant; Mike Boiter, Cannon Detail CO; Will Rice, Battalion CO; Andres Valdano, Admin NCO; Jay Thurston, Ops Officer; John O'Neil, Armorer; Julio De La Guardia, Supply Officer; Tracy Sanders, Mess NCO. Absent is Supply NCO Todd Ramella.



Band Company Staff: Front: MSgt Garmon, Lt. Gibson, 1Sgt McCoy. Back: Lt. Denton, Adviser Capt. Clamp, Company CO Lunsford.