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## Walking in a Winter Wonderland

By LAMAR CHANCE

What's that music? Is that Bing Crosby singing "White Christmas"? Yes, Christmas is not too far, and even though Christmas Day is nearly a month away, Stanly County will begin the celebration of the holiday season with a parade. The 1986 Stanly County Christmas Parade will be held on Monday, December 1, at 4:30 in the afternoon.

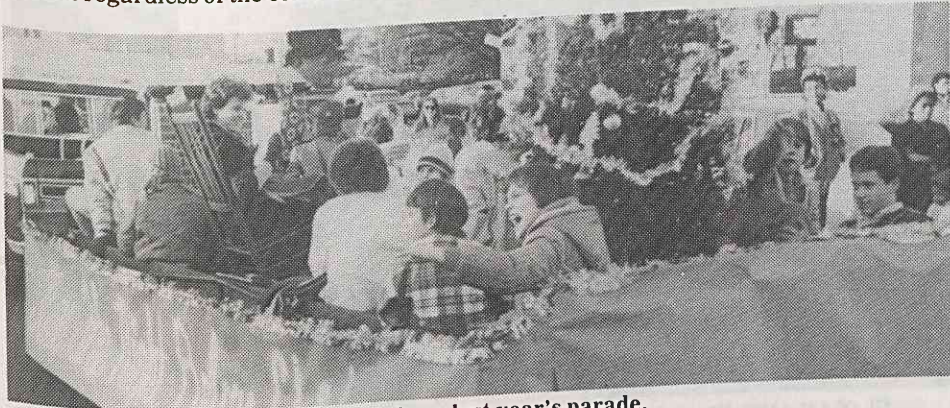
The main attraction of the parade every year is the variety of floats. With the floats made by a manufacturing company, the merchants in Albemarle and the rest of Stanly County will buy a spot on the one of their choice. The entry fee of each float is fifty dollars.

Other entries in the parade are drill teams, the Montgomery County Marching Band, junior high cheerleaders, and even Chopper Nine with a couple of the channel's news personalities. Climaxing the parade will be Santa Claus, if the weather permits him to leave the North Pole. There will be several entries each from West Stanly, North Stanly, South Stanly, and Albemarle.

The parade officials have limited each school to only five entries and a float. The entries from Albemarle High School include the Homecoming queens, Tera Taylor and Erinn Tyson, Mr. and Ms. DECA, Mr. and Ms. VICA, Mr. and Ms. FHA, and Mr. and Ms. FBLA. With no plans for the float, Mrs. Brown asks that any club officials interested in riding on the float to contact her. Like the county high schools, the varsity and junior varsity cheerleaders and the Bulldog Marching Band will be present in the parade.

The parade will originate at the Stanly County YMCA and will move south along First Street toward Home Savings and Loan. The Christmas extravaganza will then turn in front of the bank and travel north on Second Street.

Similar to years past, the parade will probably be held under rainy and cold conditions. The parade however, is set and will go as schedule no matter what the weather may be. But regardless of the conditions, it will be a great time of joy and fellowship.



Scenes from last year's parade.

## Hello Ms. Harvey, Goodbye Ms. Talbert

By DAVID BAUCOM

Linda Harvey has replaced Mrs. Ellis as the new Spanish teacher here at ASHS. She began teaching a week after Mrs. Ellis left to care for her newborn child in October. Ms. Harvey now teaches Spanish classes 1-4 and is the sponsor for the Spanish Club and the Spanish Honor Society.

Though Ms. Harvey has lived in Stanly County for four years, she is a native of California and Arizona. She attended the University of California and Miami University. Her current interests are reading, cartooning, and various forms of art. She also has an elk hound named Buffy.

Ms. Harvey says that she likes our school a lot. "The student body is very friendly and you have a good faculty," she says. "I hope to be with the school for a long time and see the clubs grow."



Ms. Harvey guides Spanish III students through verb conjugations.

Mrs. Gina Talbert, teacher in the Albemarle City Schools for nine years, said good-bye to ASHS on Friday, November 7, and moved her compasses, calculators, and rulers to East Rowan High School. Since Mrs. Talbert only lives two miles from East Rowan High School, her new job will eliminate her long drive each day and allow her more time with her family. At ERHS, Mrs. Talbert will teach trigonometry, geometry, and business math.

Mrs. Talbert has been an active supporter of all programs at ASHS. During her years at Senior High, she has, at various times, coached varsity basketball, softball, and tennis, as well as serving as cheerleading sponsor. For the past two years she has served as senior class sponsor.

Commenting on her stay in Albemarle, Mrs. Talbert noted, "Albemarle Senior High has an excellent reputation in academics, athletics, and all activities. I hope everyone strives to keep up this tradition." We wish her much happiness and success in her new job. Keep in touch, Mrs. T!



Ms. Talbert instructs Geometry students.

## In Memory

### When I Must Leave You

When I must leave you  
for a little while,  
Please do not grieve  
and shed wild tears,  
And hug your sorrow to you  
through the years,  
But start out bravely  
with a gallant smile;  
And for my sake  
live on and do  
Feeding not on loneliness  
or empty days  
But reaching out  
in comfort.



SARAH JANE THOMAS  
11-12-67/11-5-86



JENNIFER DIANE NEY  
11-10-67/11-9-86

## Does the Future Hold Saturday ISS?

By RICH SCRIMGEOUR

A major dilemma has struck at ASHS. The problem of constant tardies is increasing "sentences" to the barn. Although these days spent in the barn are a punishment for lateness, the time missed from class is extremely detrimental to the learning experience. Notes copied from someone else are never as complete as hearing class discussion and lecture.

When sent to the barn, a person stays all day. He does his daily assignments, is not allowed to talk, and is placed in a type of study carrol. When the student goes to lunch, he sits by himself and faces the wall. Because of increasing numbers of students in ISS, this obviously is not the solution. Why not some other form of punishment? For example, when a person has accumulated five or more tardies, instead of the barn, why not a Saturday morning detention? The person would be required to report to the school from 8:00 a.m to 12:00 p.m. He would have to clean up the school area performing such tasks as picking up trash, emptying trash cans, cleaning desks or boards, or other helpful activities.

A Saturday morning spent at the school would make students think twice about lounging in the halls and would certainly be a more appropriate sentence than one day in the barn during instructional time.

## Meet the Office Aides

By BETH NEEL

This month it's time to meet the office aides. These seven young men and women are valuable assets to the operation of our school office. You may have seen them sitting at their little desk or maybe knocking on classroom doors getting students for Mr. Morgan and Ms. Lippard.

During first period Julie Harwood helps the office secretaries get the day going. Second period Jim Cummings makes his rounds around the school delivering the absentee sheets. Lisa Morgan steps in for third period to sort the mail. Lunch brings in Jimmy Hays and Linsie Lambert to update our schoolfront sign and do whatever else is needed. Fifth and sixth periods, the afternoon office aides, Tonya Springer and David Hunt, help wind things down for the day's end.

Whether you've seen them or not, they're there helping keep office procedures running smoothly.



Julie Harwood makes copies of absentee list.

## Moonbeams

By TERRI PENNINGTON

- November 26, 27 — Thanksgiving Holidays
- December 1 — Stanly County Christmas Parade
- December 6 — Achievement test for Seniors to be given at Concord High
- December 17 — Seniors will be going to Eastgate Cinemas to see the film presentation of "Macbeth."