



## Registration To Begin April 1st

On April 1, the registration period will begin for Albemarle High students. During this three week period, all freshmen, sophomores and juniors will receive their materials and select rigorous courses for another academic year.

This year students should be aware of the courses they choose because of the rising prominence of the North Carolina Scholars Program. The North Carolina Scholars Program is one in which the student is recognized for taking a well-rounded curriculum. This recognition is in the form of a special seal that will be placed on the student's diploma.

To be in this honored group a student must complete four English units, three social studies units, one vocational education unit, three or four mathematics units, three science units, one arts education unit, one health and physical education unit, two foreign language units, and three or four electives.



Mrs. Smith explains the N.C. Scholars program to several students.

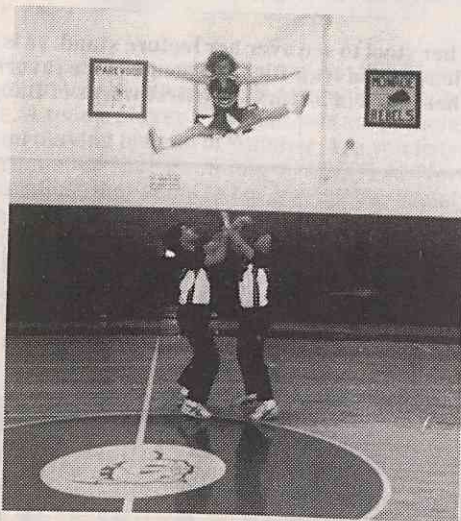
## Cheering For The Top

On March 14, twelve Albemarle High cheerleaders will travel to Fayetteville Methodist College to compete in their first state competition.

There are ten young ladies and two distinguished men on this squad. They are Tera Taylor, Mariel Baucom, Cindy Brewer, Sonya Starnes, Leslie Swanner, Blair Johnson, Mary Kay Page, Polly Ann Russell, Stephanie Beard, Suzie Britt, Mike McGowen, and Jamie "Shimdog" Kimrey.

Like the sports teams the cheerleading squads will be separated into 1A, 2A, 3A, and 4A divisions. The competition will also be separated into co-ed and all-female cheerleading teams. After all the squads perform, a panel of judges will then place them in a top ten ranking.

The Albemarle High School student body would like to wish these hard-working students the best of luck, and that no matter where they place, they are still number one to us!

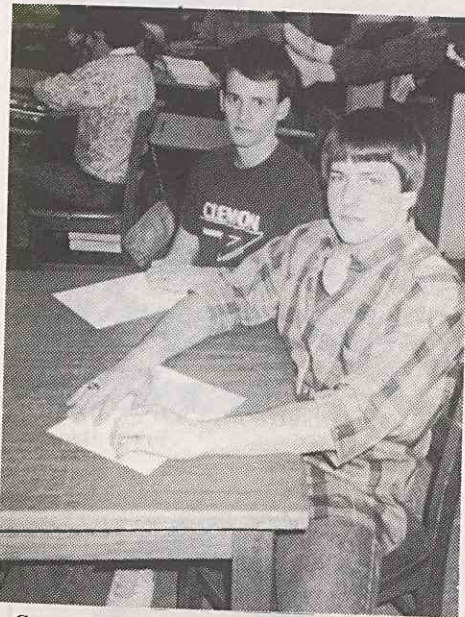


Mike McGowen, Jamie Kimrey, and Mary K. Page show off one of the many spectacular stunts.

## Seniors Make Final Preparations

After many months of ordering, voting, and waiting on decisions the senior class has finally made a few choices towards their graduation. Many seniors remember the excitement of that October day when they finally got to order their own caps and gowns, along with their graduation announcements. These materials should be returning by mid-March. Towards the end of March, seniors will have their class picture made in their cap and gown. Seniors also voted on their class song which is "Maybe Someday We'll Meet Again." Class T-shirts will also be ordered towards the end of February. The names of the entire senior class will be printed on the front of each shirt.

With all this commotion and confusion how do these seniors keep their mind on school? Could it be that approaching long awaited day of June?



Greg Harwood and Keith Byrum enlist in Mrs. Hathcock's journalistic army.

## Need A Dress?

Girls, have you been wondering what you are going to wear to the prom this year? Are you wondering what to do or how to modernize last year's dress? Boomerangs of Albemarle may have the answer for you. If you bring in last year's dress, Boomerangs will sell it for you. In return you will receive fifty percent of the selling price which will go towards a new dress. Only high quality, freshly cleaned, in-style dresses will be accepted. The staff of Boomerangs, Mary Coyle or Laurie Cochran, will be glad to help you in any way possible and invite you to come and just browse around.



Are you planning to sign up for either the annual or journalism staff? Well, if you happen to be a rising senior already on the staff, it will be the same process as last year, but the new rising seniors and juniors will go through a tougher selective process. New requirements have been set up, allowing these two integral staffs of the school to receive the best students possible.

For both staffs, the requirements are the same. A student must have at least a B average and an English teacher's recommendation, needed by both rising junior and seniors. The difference for next year's newcomers, however, is that they must write a paragraph stating the reasons for wanting to be on either staff. This short essay will be judged not only for the student's reasons, but also for his writing ability.

Mrs. Susan Hathcock is the journalism advisor, and Mariel Baucom will be next year's editor-in-chief. With only five returning juniors, Mrs. Hathcock expects a number of new recruits to help the newspaper next year. Mrs. Kay Dennis will serve as the advisor of the *Crossroads* staff. With the new requirements, Mrs. Dennis stated, "We are looking for dependable and reliable students to be on our staffs, and Mrs. Hathcock and I believe that the standards will help us find these types of students."

## Moonbeams

March 10

Bill Gouge, artist-in-residence at Stanly Technical College, will play some piano tunes in an assembly program.

March 16

Deadline for Summer Ventures

March 20 & 21

All-County Band practice will be held from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. at either North Stanly or Albemarle High.

March 22

The All-County Band concert will be at 3:00 in the Albemarle auditorium. There will be no admission charged.

March 27

Deadline for registering for SAT on May 22

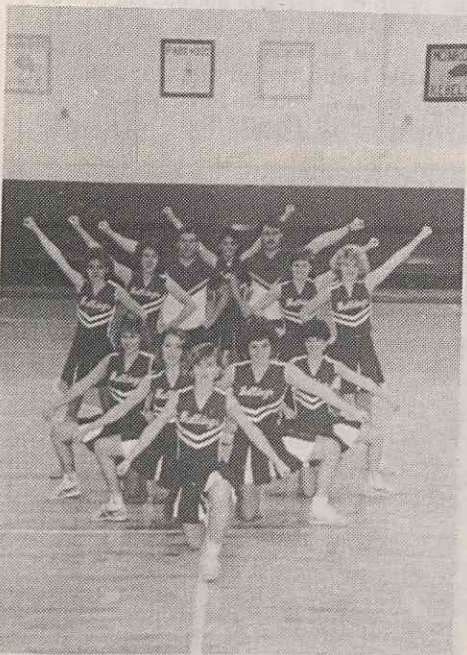
March 30 - April 2

The California Achievement Test (CAT) will be given to ninth graders.

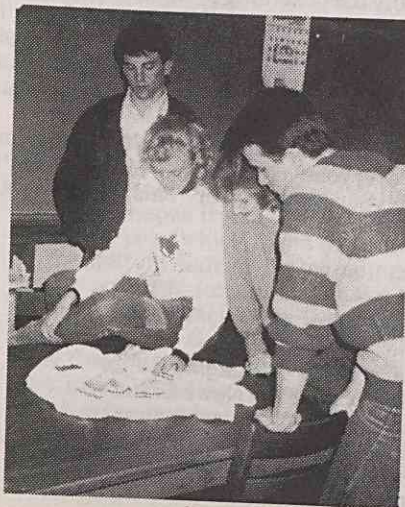
## Welcome Addition

Our school has shown us much improvement from years past and much of the credit is to our school system. New windows grace the outside while new ceiling fans cool the inside. And finishing touches are now being made by the Student Council. Its contribution to our ever changing school is new floor mats for the main entrance to our building. These mats will replace the old safari brown ones that have taken the moisture from countless feet.

The committee assigned to obtain the mats is headed by our Student Council president, Charles Grigg. He will decide whether to decorate the mats with our school seal or to add the traditional bulldog. Whatever the choice, surely it can only add more beauty to the greatest school in all Stanly County: Albemarle Senior High.



The cheerleaders are all smiles for the upcoming competition.



Heather Brooks, Michael Snyder, Ben Jolly, and Mary Susan Frick decide on the appropriate shirt for the seniors.