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A Salute to Outstanding Seniors By Meonne Blalock

The annual Academic Awards Banquet to honor outstanding seniors will be held on May 23 at Central United Methodist Chuch at 7:00 P.M. Thirty-four seniors will be honored, along with their parents. Faculty and members of the business and professional community will lend their support to the banquet, and a large number is expected to attend this memorable occassion. All guests will be entertained by the honorees and served a meal by the top 20 students in the junior class. At this special time, any senior who is a member of the National Honor Society, a North Carolina Scholar, and/or a recipient of the Presidential Academic Fitness Award will be honored. Each student will be recognized for their achievements with a special plaque and gifts. The students will then entertain the special guests with a reflection of their past school years.



A special congratulations to these students who have achieved outstanding academic records.

Students being honored are Shelly Austin, Jack Baldwin, Chris Barnes, Sandy Bean, Michael Blagg, Meonne Blalock, Jonathan Bowers, Pate. Butler, Jennifer Cook, K.im Cranford, C.ynthia Crisco, ReginaCrowell, Mesheka Cunningham, Bill Donnally, Keely Francis, Mike Furr, Susan Grantier, Michael Hamilton, Tiffany Hamilton, Jennifer Jones, Rachel Kendall, Camille Kluttz, Ami Laton, Lori Maiden, Kevin Muse, Marsh Riggins, Marcille Smith, Chris Smithing, Ward Surratt, Jennifer Swanner, Frances Thompson, Heather Thompson, Julie VanOrsdel, and Jennifer Waddell.

Congratulations to these outstanding students from the class of 1991! They have all maintained at least a "B" average while taking a rigorous schedule of courses!

Dance the Night Away! By Rachel Kendall

Tomorrow night's the night! All the past months of planning, purchasing, and plotting will culminate in the magical mystery of Prom '91 - May 4, 1991 - 8:00 PM- Agri-Civic Center! The theme of 1991 prom is "Twilight of Today; Dawnings of Tomorrow" with entertainment to be provided by the L.A. Light Show.

The highlight of prom will be the crowning of this year's king and queen. A new element in prom royalty will be that the voting will take place at the prom. Only those who attend will be voting on king and queen of the festivities. This event has taken hours of planning and preparation by the junior class, and a fun and exciting night is promised for all. Prom '91 will be a night to remember!



Ms. Pollard and junior class officers Kristi Johnson and Leah Hill make yet another decision!

Congratulations for a Job Well Done! By Mesheka Davis

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AHS has been recognized as having one of the finest bands around, and to prove this point look at the number of awards displayed in a twelve foot trophy case in the foyer of the band room. There were many hard and long practices endured, but little did the students know that the big pay-off would come not only with trophies but a well respected reputation also.

Starting in early October, the band traveled to Ledford, competing against many larger schools. The band was able to score an excellent rating; they also took second place Drum Major & Auxiliary. With high hopes and spirits the band traveled the next weekend to Northwest Guildford where they would receive a rating of Superior and bring home six trophies. But the most outstanding achievement by the band this year was taking home the Grand Champion Trophy during Festival in Williamsburg, Virginia.

Mr. Hedrick was proud to take such a well behaved group and he comments by saying "The band this year was young and inexperienced, but despite all, they exceeded all their expectations and achieved great success. I am very proud of them and what they accomplished. We had a great year!" Mr. Hedrick was also awarded the Award of Distinction for having such a fine bunch of students.

The Albemarle High School Band has represented our school in a very dignified way. Congratulatations for a job well done.



The band students celebrate after winning Festival in Williamsburg, Virginia, a great finale to their very successful year!

Reassembling for the Last Time at Least for Ten Years. By Rachel Kendall

As graduation draws near, project graduation enters into the minds of the 1991 graduating class. The night of graduation is an exciting, zealous, and very hectic night. May 31, the seniors will be preparing themselves for the ceremony as well as for their week vacation at the beach. Before seniors start off for the beach, they join together one last time as a class at project graduation. Here seniors can join in various activities without the concern of being on the

streets driving late at night.



Project Graduation will be held at the Stahly County Senior Center. The festivities will start at 10:00 p.m. and will end at 2:00 a.m. The night will open with a distribution of t-shirts with the theme "A journey ends; a new one begins." At this time the festivities will begin. The activities will consist of volleyball, basketball,football, frisbee and a dunking booth. Indoor activities include dancing, eating, door prizes, and video games. This is a very special evening for seniors and a pre- registered guest of their choice. Project Graduation will give seniors a chance to celebrate their thirteen years together - and to anticipute when they come back together for their 10 year reunion.

their 10 great years!

From the Cafeteria Staff It has been a pleasure to serve you this year. We hope you have a nice summer. Best wishes for success to the seniors, and to the underclassmen, we look forward to seeing you next year.

BADD Results Revealed! By Meonne Blalock

Just recently a survey consisting of alcohol and drug related questions sponsored by the BADD Chub was given to the students at AHS. The following results may surprise you! -About 27% of AHS students have used some type of drug while 69% said they have not. -Approximately 72% have drunk an alcoholic beverage, but 20% have not. -Surprisingly 23% have driven after drinking, while 73% claim that they have not. -57% admitted they have been a passenger in a car while the driver was DWI, but 37% have not experienced such a thrill.

-64% admit that drug/alcohol USE is a problem at AHS, while 24% do not agree. -Check this percentage out! 42% believe that drug/alcohol ABUSE is a problem at AHS, while 42% believe that it is not.

- 8% of AHS parents ABUSE alcohol, while 80% do not.

-4% of AHS parents ABUSE drugs, while 86% do not.

So, how did your answers compare? Were you surprised by what the students thought? Hopefully, we will all think about the consequences of substance abuse and seek help if necessary!