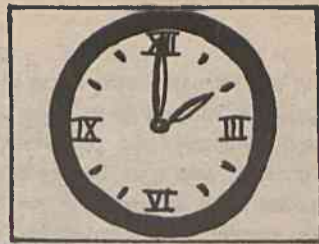


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## City, County Schools to Merge; Two New High Schools to Be Built

**North Stanly, Albemarle will be combined to make one large high school; 93-94 last year for AHS.**

By Christy Hendrick

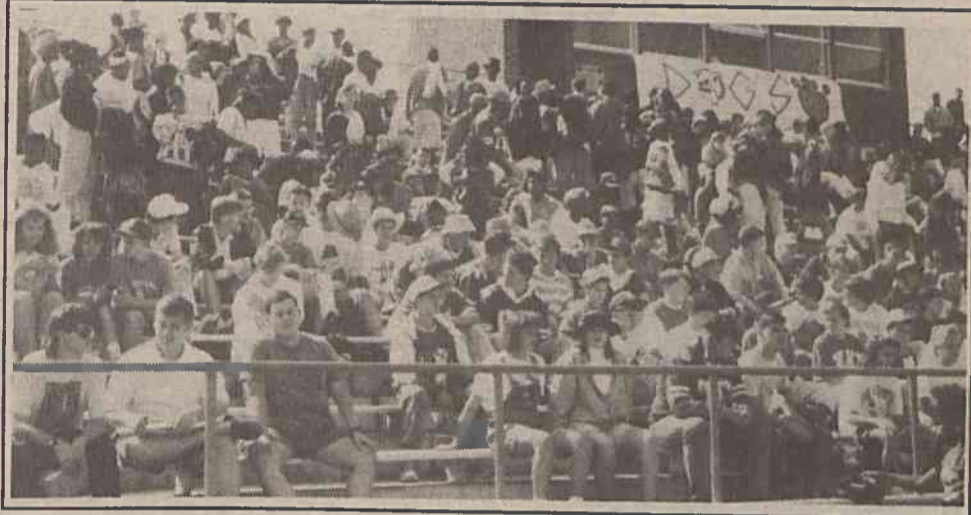
The Albemarle City School Board in conjunction with the Stanly County School Board has decided to merge and create two high schools out of the four now in existence. North Stanly High School and Albemarle High School will join first, followed by West Stanly High School joining with South Stanly High School. Construction on the new schools will begin as soon as the merger takes place on July 1, 1993.

Instead of building middle schools for the county, two new high schools will be built and the current high schools will become middle schools.

Next year's class of '94 will be the last senior class graduating from each individual school.

The 1994-1995 school year will begin in the newly constructed "mega-high".

While talking to a local board member about the issue, he commented that Albemarle and North Stanly should get along great despite the strong rivalries in the past. "Now their hostilities can be taken out on other schools instead of each other. In fact, we are considering calling the new school "Felicity Fountains High School" to indicate the peace and harmony we hope will exist at this new 1500 student high school." New school colors and a new mascot will have to be chosen. A contest will be held later to decide this important issue. The Albemarle track and stadium will continue to be used for the new school.



After next year, there will be no more gatherings of "AHS" students.

## Hollywood Star to Visit AHS

By Tina Lee



Natasha met Dudley Moore in London.

On April 30th, the AHS students will attend an assembly at two o'clock. The AHS faculty along with Natasha Byrd, have been working diligently on bringing Dudley Moore to Albemarle High School. Natasha met Mr. Moore while touring London in 1990 and they have kept in touch ever since.

Dudley Moore is an actor and comedian. He has starred in several award winning movies including *Arthur*, *Micky and Maude*, *Santa Claus the Movie*, and *Arthur 2 on the Rocks*, just to name a few. He will talk to students about how to break into show business; he will also tell them how he has made himself a millionaire without much education. He believes that education is not always the answer to being successful.

To prepare for Dudley Moore's appearance at AHS, each English class will view a one of his famous movies. AHS looks forward to hosting one of Hollywood's famous actor's, Dudley Moore.

## Rise and Shine: School to Begin at 7:15.

By Leslie Morgan

Starting April 5, 1993, school hours will become 7:15-2:00. This change will allow ev-



Rshonda and Latwanya try to beat the bell!

eryone to take advantage of daylight savings time. It will also allow the spring sports to avoid missing most of their classes.

With school starting at 7:15 it will be hard for some people to get up this early. This means that a lot of people will come in 1st period late. Now, if you have five tardies you either have your parents to come up here and talk to Mr. Taylor (if its your first offense) or you get sent to the barn. Starting April 5th the people who are tardy will have to come to school on Saturday. Depending on how many times you are tardy depends on how long you have to stay at school on Saturday. Ms. Ward will still be the teacher of this Saturday School. You will have to do work for the class that you were tardy in. This Saturday school is also for people who are absent. Instead of having to come after school and make up the work you miss, you will have to come on Saturday and make it up.

I think people will like getting out of school an hour early, but will they like getting up an hour early? This year is just a trial run for this, but if it works well they will continue doing it in the coming years.

## BEWARE OF BAD BREATH

By Natasha Byrd

When students look ahead and picture this year's prom, what word leaps into their minds? PARTY!!! The night is full of many memories, but if their plan involves a little hard core partying, they may want to reconsider. As students enter the Agri Civic Center on May 15, they will not only be greeted by the festive decorations. A warm smile of one of Albemarle's finest police officers will welcome them with a breathalyzer machine.

A mandatory breathalyzer test will be given to all students and their dates. Students refusing to take the test will be prohibited from entering the prom. Also, refusal to take the test will enact an in-school suspension stay of three days. For several years, the number of intoxicated students at the prom has grown enormously. The Albemarle High School faculty is no longer going to endure the horrible scenes caused by intoxicated students. If students are planning to fool the breathalyzer, they can think again. Any students who take the test and show any signs of

alcohol will be arrested on the spot. The school will also set in motion their own punishment. These students will immediately be expelled from school for the rest of the year. Though the measures may seem too extreme, Albemarle High School's faculty feels this is the only solution to keeping students safe.



Christy gets ready for a different kind of prom.

## GET IN LINE AND WIN \$50.00

By Wendy Smoak

You've seen it on the movies, you've heard it on the radio, and now it can happen to you at your own AHS cafeteria. You will no longer be jealous because you weren't the 10th caller or the 1000th customer. Today, every 20th student with a full lunch tray during 1st, 2nd, and 3rd lunch will win \$50 and an AHS t-shirt. I promise, no strings attached.

The purpose behind this is that the cafeteria workers would like to show its appreciation to the students of AHS. Recently some of our cafeteria ladies visited some other high school cafeterias in the area.

They said these other students were "rude, vulgar, immature, and demanding." The students did not clean off their tables when they were finished, loud belches echoed throughout the cafeteria, and they complained that the service was slow and the food was not edible.

After experiencing such a horror, our AHS cafeteria workers were so thankful our students don't behave in such a manner they wanted to show their appreciation. After much thought they came up with the idea of the \$50 prize for every 20th student. So, good luck and enjoy lunch!