

# The FULL MOON



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## Homecoming '93

By Michele Smith

Although the 1993 football season has come to a close, special moments will be remembered forever. October 22 was by far one of the most memorable games of the year. School spirit and the thrill of winning were not the only feelings floating around the Bulldog stadium. It was the 1993 Homecoming and anticipation of the half time events filled the air.

As the band set the mood by softly playing "A Whole New World" the sponsors were escorted onto the field. Each girl was hoping to be crowned Queen or Court as everyone impatiently waited for the moment to arrive. First to be announced were the Junior Court members - Carmen Land and Tanya Gramling. Next, the Senior Court members were announced - Crissy Smith and Mary Jo Austin. Finally the 1993 Homecoming Queens were recognized - Carla Cauble and Kari Andrews. "I went blank, I couldn't believe it!" stated Kari. "It took me a second before I realized that I got it," said Carla. "I was looking around for the winner before I realized that it was me!" Both Kari and Carla agree that they had no idea that they would be crowned Albemarle High School's 1993 Homecoming Queens. Congratulations to Kari and Carla and their court!



Congratulations to the 1993 Homecoming queens and court!

## Invasion of the Flies

By L. Cox, K. Palmer, H. Smith, and S. Homesley

Flies have invaded AHS. All Biology II classes are doing many different experiments with fruit flies. Under the supervision of mad scientist Doyle Shaw, students are persistently studying the behavior and customs of flies. Not only are the students crossing the flies to produce new generations, but they also have to mate them, give them penicillin, make medium (food), put them to sleep, and separate the males from the females. Everyone has a different assortment of flies. They must keep journals of the flies every day. Also, they have to get up at outrageous hours to let adult flies out of the vials. With all of this work, all biology students can think about is flies. Good luck to Mr. Shaw's classes. May your grades be good!



Jeff, Will, and Mr. Shaw work on Biology II experiments.

## Band Is "Superior"



During their marching season, the AHS band traveled to three contests. At every contest, they received an overall rating of superior. The band also earned fifteen trophies. In the percussion category, they received one first and one second place trophy. The drum majors also received one first and one second place trophy. The horn line earned two first place trophies. The colorguard received one first and three second place awards. The Albemarle Marching Band will be participating in the Christmas parade on November 29.

## ACS Say Goodbye to Two Board Members

By Shannon Homesley

In addition to Ron Swanner and Mark Mabry, who were spotlighted in the October *Full Moon*, the Albemarle City Schools are saying goodbye to two other school board members.

Mr. Rick Russell was a board member for eight years. He believes that some accomplishments made while he was on the board were the installation of air conditioning, window projects in the schools, and the before school breakfast program. Mr. Russell explains that the good point of being on the board was knowing that he as a board member helped a child or staff member realize his or her capabilities by providing the best resources available to reach their goal. The bad point was having to make hard decisions that

did not always please each person involved. Mr. Russell has really enjoyed working with his fellow board members and the superior staff in the Albemarle City School System.

Mr. Pete Clark was a member of the school board for six years. The good points for Mr. Clark were doing things for students and working with other members. The bad point was not being able to get enough money to start projects for the improvement of our schools. Mr. Clark emphasizes the fact that he enjoyed every minute of helping students.

These two members will be missed but many thanks are given to both for their faithful contributions to the Albemarle City Schools.

## Welcome Mr. Blalock

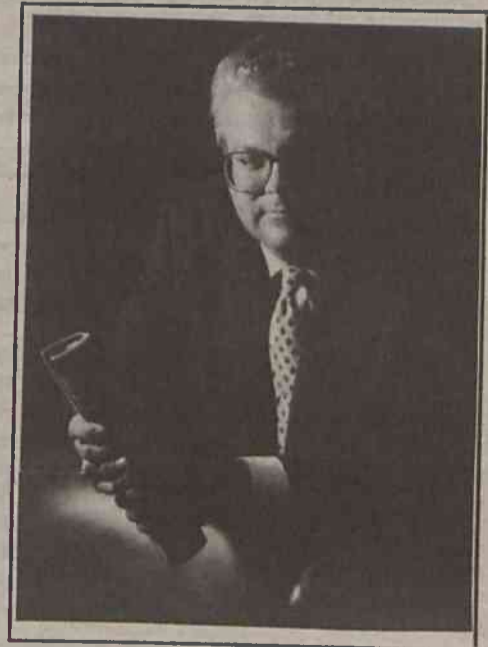
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The citizens of Albemarle have elected a new member to the ACS School Board. He is Mr. Steven Blalock, who graduated from Albemarle High School, finished undergraduate work at Duke University, and completed law school at UNC-Chapel Hill. One interesting fact about Mr. Blalock is that he worked at the ABC television company in Washington, D.C. before he attended law school. Yes, guys and girls, that is the channel that you watch Monday Night Football and General Hospital on. While Mr. Blalock was employed there, he worked on the Watergate issue.

Mr. Blalock believes there are four things important for the school board. First, they should focus on what is best for students. Second, the board should do an extra good job of keeping the public informed. Third, he would like to participate in making plans for the future. Finally, he believes the board should push for academic excellence. Not only would Mr. Blalock like to raise average test scores, but he would also like to raise the top test scores.

Mr. Blalock lives in Albemarle with his family. His wife, Linda, is a nurse practitioner, and his son, Thomas is eight years old and a second grader at East Albemarle Elementary. Mr. Blalock

would like for students to feel that they can contact the school board if they want to without being scared. Mr. Blalock feels that your ideas are important so he hopes to visit schools and be available for students.



Mr. Steven Blalock