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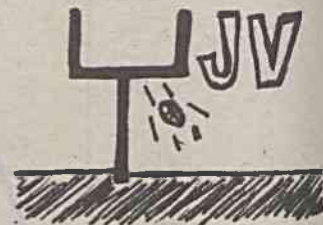
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SPORTS SHORTS

by Jeff Nahrgang

Bulldogs on Victory Bone

The 1994 Albemarle football team remains undefeated with a memorable 41-6 win over arch rival North Stanly, another satisfying victory over West Montgomery 28-7 and a miraculous last second win over Salisbury 26-20. The Dogs are playing well as a team and continuing to dominate their opponents. The Bulldogs are averaging 32 points a game and giving up just 7. With their win over North Stanly, the Bulldogs clinched the Stanly County Cup. This trophy is awarded to the best team in the county, which this year is your own Albemarle Football team. Albemarle has outscored South Stanly, North Stanly and West Stanly with a combined score of 119-20. The Bulldogs move to 8-0 over all and 4-0 in the Yadkin Valley Conference, making them 10th in the state and number 13 in the "Sweet Sixteen". Tory Rushing reached 1,000 yards rushing against North Stanly when he scored on a 66 yard run. The offensive line's experience and strength is evident. They are moving opponents out of the way so backs Tory Rushing and Brico Flake are able to gain massive yards. The defense is playing equally as well by stopping opponents to an average of 7 points a game. The Bulldogs are playing well as a team. They are continuing to dominate opponents with their explosive offense and their defense is keeping opponents out of scoring position. The Bulldogs are starting to gain back the respect of the community and their opponents. The team is receiving some support in the papers and is getting ranked in the polls. Not having the respect that the football team deserves makes the team work even harder. The team works together on and off the field. There is a real sense of love for the football family at Albemarle that has never been present here before. Congratulations to the players for starting a new Albemarle football tradition. Special thanks goes out to all of the coaches for their hard work and dedication in rebuilding the program.

AAU: Best of the Best

by April Bailey

Over the summer and during sports seasons there are some Albemarle High School athletes who try out for a league of excelling players. These AAU (Amateur Athletic Union) teams travel across North Carolina and throughout the United States, depending upon how the team comes along in its tournaments and area games. Some of these athletes include Tory Rushing, Sherman Smith, Jamie Simmons, Brico Flake, and Alvis James.

Alvis James plays on the Salisbury/Rowan team, Sherman Smith on the Concord team, Jamie Simmons on the Salisbury/Rowan team, Tory Rushing on the Salisbury/Rowan team, and Brico Flake on the Salisbury/Rowan (16 & under) team. Benefits of this activity are that more college scouts look at them, and they are recognized all over North Carolina and even some other states. The guys travel to Tennessee, Oklahoma, and New Orleans. Within North Carolina they travel to Raleigh and Kings Mountain. Also, they travel back and forth to locations of practice according to the team they play on. Along with their many games, the teams have received such awards as going to the state semi-finals and others have gotten the recognition as the second team in the nation. I asked some of the guys their favorite things about this team. Alvis said that he enjoyed traveling and meeting new people in which he shared common interests. Sherman just likes

staying in the hotel rooms, "playing games." (What kind of games, Mr. Smith?) Brico also likes meeting new people, learning from players, getting advice from other coaches, and most of all, getting away from Albemarle. (Who wouldn't?)

In their spare time these exceptional players perform all over the state and country. If you happen to hear of a game, go and check it out. You might find that it's worth your while to try out for this elite team.



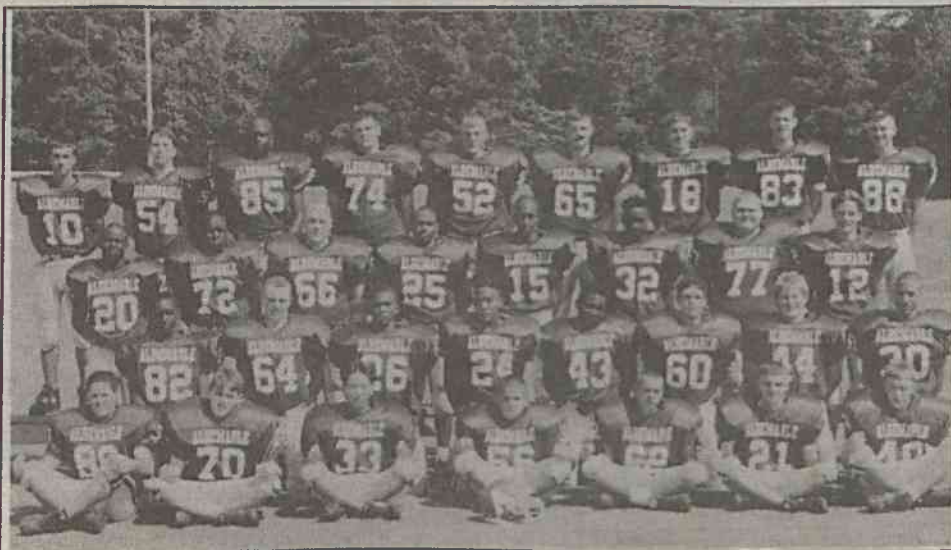
Alvis, Sherman, Brico, and Jamie are members of AAU teams.

Young Dogs on the Rise

by Jill Story

The J.V. football team, defeated South Stanly, East Montgomery, West Davidson, West Stanly, North Stanly. They only have two losses on the year to Salisbury and West Montgomery. This gives them a record of 5-2. The team has a well-balanced attack, led by its awesome offense. Their running and passing game is considered to be one of the most lethal ones in the conference. The offense is led by Jonathan Dry and Desmond Green. Jonathan Dry has posted outstanding numbers in their four victories, with over five hundred yards in offense. Along with this powerful offense, they also have a dominating defense.

With many key defensive players returning from last years team, they have terrorized their opponents. This defense is led by Kinkine Ewing and Rusty "Stump" Story, both having an average of 5 tackles per game. Not only has this defense held its opponents to only forty points on the season, but they have also forced around five turnovers a game. Gary Weiker, head coach of the team, has been extremely pleased with their play. Coach Weiker states, "This team has made great progress over the season". Come out and support your J.V. team and be astonished by their amazing plays.



1994 J.V. Football Team.

Trophies: Memories From the Past and the Present

by J.P. Furr

Our high school has many objects representative of our success. Some objects which stand out the most are the trophies found in our trophy cases. These trophies take up over half the gym lobby. These trophies supply a sense of glory and victory throughout our school. Trophies can be classified in certain groups. After much research, I have discovered a plethora of trophies throughout our trophy cases. Below I have classified each of this trophies. Please do not become angered by any of my classifications.

-Newest trophy- 1994 Stanly Cup trophy in football.

- Oldest trophy- 1935 SGAA Champions in basketball.

-One of a kind trophy- 2nd place trophy in the 1992 North Stanly Turf War in soccer.

- Most unique looking trophy- Champion of the Southern Piedmont Conference in 1951 for baseball.

- Largest trophy- South Piedmont Conference Champions in 1980-81 in basketball.

- Smallest trophy- Stanly County Relays Champion in 1953 in track.

- Most important trophy- 1957 W.N.C.H.S.A.A Champion in football. Defeated Marion 54 to 6.

- Meaningless trophy- Winner of the 1938 Albemarle Field Day Events.


These trophies represent many of the schools memories from the past and the present. Stop by the gym lobby and take and look!



Happy Halloween!

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