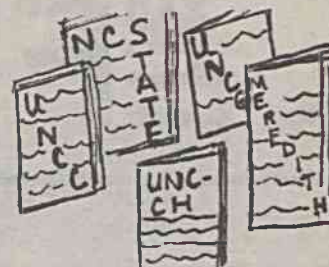




Features

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What's the Frequency, AHS?

By Marcus Ingram

Can you say spirit? Can you say pride? What about perpetual motivation? or undying dedication? All this and more can be expressed in three words-Albemarle Bulldog's football! Without a doubt, our undefeated regular season Bulldogs, Stanly Cup, and YVC Champions have sparked school-wide unity at AHS. The decisive victory over county rival North Stanly, 41-6, and spine-tingling 4th quarter and overtime decisions such as with Salisbury and North Rowan respectively have bridged the gap between AHS merely being a school and being able to say that we are a 600+ member happy family where everyone contributes something different. Our success lies in the fact that we superbly personify "TEAM" (Together Everyone Achieves More). Congratulations to the infinite power go out to the AHS football coaches, supporters and players. You cannot be commended enough for such a spectacular job rendered this season. As the banner says, 'Ain't no stoppin' us now!"

"A few thousand years ago, the Chinese said 1994 would be the Year of the Dog. Good call."



Turkey, Dressing, and What?!

by Eloise Odom

Thanksgiving Day is rolling around the corner again and with it comes a day of gorged stomachs, Tums, Roloids, and that green sprouting stuff your mom makes every year that no one touches. Many look forward to this day of showing your thanks and filling up on a variety of food while you're at it. Others just try to make it through the meal and hope there will be a vacant toilet afterwards. AHS is full of students who eat very . . . different Thanksgiving meals. The majority of AHS students eat the usual turkey, dressing, and cranberry sauce while others are brave and go for the unusual foods such as ratatouille and sushi. Here are some student favorites:

- Jennifer Burris-"Turkey, mashed potatoes, turkey, stuffing, turkey, gravy... did I mention turkey?"
- David Messenger-"R.C. Cola and a Moon Pie"
- Annette Boysworth-"One Thanksgiving I only ate desserts... 3 layer chocolate cake, cheese-cake, brownies, cookies, apple pie, and pumpkin pie."
- Kelly Broyles, and Connie Edwards-"Road kill with mushroom gravy on top."
- Christine Pool-"When my Grandmother fixes sweet potatoe supreme."
- Stephanie Cooper-"One Thanksgiving I ate some stuffing that my grandmother made and for the next two days I was sick."
- Thomas Taylor-"When my parents combined my birthday with Thanksgiving dinner. Cake and turkey are nasty together!"
- Jodee Sluik-"My birthday fell on Thanksgiving one year so when my grandma brought out the turkey it had candles stuck all over it."
- Ashley Efir-"Once my aunt picked up a pork shoulder instead of a turkey."

Dance of the Sugarplum Fairy?

by Kellie Palmer

This month's features spotlight focuses on a student here at AHS. Emily Nance, a freshman, will appear in the *Nutcracker* ballet in December in Charlotte. Since she's been about six years old, Emily's goal has been to appear in the *Nutcracker*. Well, this year she has reached her goal. Emily has studied dance for nine years with Lynn Caveliro at Dance Arts Studio in Albemarle and participated in numerous competitions. Thus, practice and rehearsals will be nothing new. Emily auditioned along with twenty other girls and was required to perform several different ballet techniques for the director and choreographer. She received the part of a soldier as well as a Babushka doll. Emily is very excited to be appearing in the ballet, "I did not really care what part I got as long as I made it." Emily will be appearing with the North Carolina Dance Theater and will be practicing every Saturday and Sunday until Christmas. The *Nutcracker* will be performed eleven times on various dates at the Blumenthal Performing Arts Center in Charlotte.



Vogue Emily, Vogue!

Sophomore Next Olympic Swimmer

by Jennifer Lowder

Football, basketball, tennis, and cross country are just some of the sports that are going on now; and that many of us take a great interest in. But not one particular student here at AHS. His name is David Efir, and he is very interested in swimming. Yes, for some of you who don't

know it, swimming is a sport.

David is a sophomore here at AHS, and has been swimming since he was in the 4th grade. David swims for the Stanly County swim team (YMCA). He has participated in many meets. Some of the meets he has been to were here in Albemarle, Statesville, Martinsville, VA, Asheville, and a few others he can't remember. David said he has probably been to about 15-20 meets in his whole life. The events he swims in are 50 meters (2 laps) freestyle, 100 meters (4 laps) breaststroke, 100 meters freestyle, and Individual Medley (2 of each stroke). Some of his best times have been 27 seconds, 50 meter freestroke.

David said he has placed in a lot of events, but it's mostly due to the fact that there aren't many people his age still swimming. He usually swims 1-1.5 miles when he practices. I asked David if this would be something that he would want to do when he went to college and he said, "If I'm good enough."



David takes a break.

The Fear of Seniors... College Applications?

by Eloise Odom

Preschool, elementary school, middle school, and three years of high school, you name it, they've done it. Yes, the class of 1995 has almost made it to the top. What they do after they walk across the stage and receive their long awaited diploma is another issue. Some seniors will finally be introduced into the world of work while others will be packing up for college. Before AHS's seniors go to college, they must first get accepted. This is the long, grueling part

that most seniors despise. SAT scores, GPAs, and class rankings must be at their peak. Then comes the dreaded college application. This is applications take up too much time. Jennifer Burris says, "College applications are a pain in the @?x!, but hey- I'd do anything to get out of Albemarle!" David Messenger thinks they are forms filled out in order to receive an official admittance denied. For you freshmen out there, aren't you glad you have a few more years to go?

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