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## Wanna Buy a Paper Airplane?

by Wilson Beaver

Recently twenty sophomores and juniors participated in an economic program sponsored by the Stanly County Chamber of Commerce and the 4-H Club. The one-day program called Economics in Action focused on the economy of Stanly County and how to run a successful business. Students from all four high schools were able to tour two businesses in the county and take part in running a paper airplane manufacturing business. The tours showed how Stanly County is surviving through vast changes of technology and science.

Students enjoyed the tours and especially had fun creating and running their own businesses. An economics professor, Dr. Robert Usry, helped run the pretend governmental economy regulator. He provided a brief lecture on economics and supervised the production of paper airplanes by the student companies. The object of the activity was to manufacture as many planes as possible according to certain guidelines, including a budget of \$1700. For a company airplane to pass inspection, the plane had to fly a least ten feet and earn a high grade on the proper manufacturing of the plane. The company then would be paid a price pertaining to the accuracy of production. The highest-scoring company manufactured thirteen planes, twelve of which were able to fly. The group tripled their profit with an ending score of \$5400.

The Economics in Action program is beneficial to students who want to own a business. The future of the economy is in the hands of students like the ones who participated in this program.



These sophomores and juniors attended the Economics in Action program for a hands-on experience in economics.

## DECA Wins Honors in State Competition

by Kelly Rakes

The Albemarle High School DECA club has taken honors in the State Competition by winning numerous recognitions at the State DECA Conference in Winston-Salem. In the individual events Kristin Bursleson, Ayana Carpenter, and Marci Tucker won Proficiency awards in Food Marketing at the associate level. Stephanie Burris won a Proficiency Award in Retail Merchandising at the associate level. Each student also earned Competency Certificates on the Free Enterprise Economics Test. Mr. Hollis and the DECA members enjoyed the trip. Stephanie Burris said, "It was very exciting meeting all the different people. One of the great things was hearing your name and school being recognized in front of 2000 people. I have learned to have confidence and work for first place. The conference really paid off and was well worth my time." Marci Tucker also enjoyed herself and said, "It was a great experience meeting all the different people and competing in the various contests. I had a good time." Congratulations to those winning DECA members!



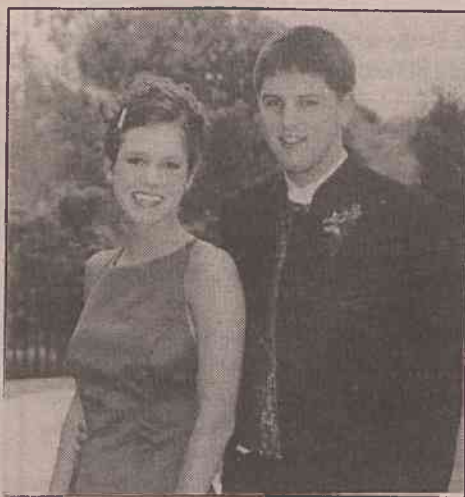
Mr. Hollis and DECA members enjoy the historic sights of Winston-Salem.

## Three Juniors to Attend Governor's School

Three AHS juniors will be spending their summer enjoying the new opportunities and freedom of Governor's School. Brandon Cooke, selected in drama, and Ellen Oettinger, selected in math, will be attending Governor's School East in Laurinburg. Erin Doby, selected in choral music, will attend Governor's School West in Winston-Salem. Congratulations to these three students.

## Seniors "Star" at the Prom

by Allison Hudson



Katherine Garrison and Jamie Kennedy pose before leaving for the prom.

April 26, 1997 was definitely "A Night of Stars." With this year's prom theme of "Hollywood", students got caught up in the lights, camera, and action of it all. Entrance to the Agri-Civic Center was adorned by an elegant red carpet upon which the students made their big debut. Beth Hathcock said, "The junior class really went all out to make us (seniors) feel like stars." The junior class worked for weeks in preparation for this year's prom. The inside of the Agri-Civic Center was lavishly decorated with purple, gold, and black eye-catchers. Students danced the night away to music by the L.A. Light Show. Following the traditional Hollywood tradition, many students showed up to the prom in stylish limos. This year's prom was a night of glitz and glamour that will not be soon forgotten.

## Welcome Gilbert Dodford!

by Allison Hudson

Friday morning April 24, AHS students were greeted by Gilbert Dodford Goat, who was given to the senior class by Greg Nahrgang and Associates. Gilbert was calmly minding his business as students walked up to the building to begin their daily routine. However, he did not handle his status as a celebrity very well and began "trembling and crying" in the words of one observer. After Mrs. Allen issued an ultimatum of a five minute period for the perpetrator to come forward, Greg decided that missing a few minutes of physics was in his best interest and explained his recent purchase of the goat. Gilbert was treated with every kindness and was removed to the nearby house of Jamie Kennedy, where he dined on luxurious backyard grass for the rest of the day. He now resides at the Dustin Lisk residence, where he is enjoying peace and contentment as an honorary member of the Class of '97.



Meet Gilbert Dodford, honorary member of the Class of '97.

## Spanish National Honor Society Induction Scheduled

by Kelly Rakes

Students who excel with an A average in their first and second years of Spanish will be inducted into the Spanish National Honor Society on Tuesday, May 6 at 6:30 P.M. at Rosebriar. Mrs. Harvey and the current Spanish Honor Society members Heather Freshly, Katherine Garrison, Beth Hathcock, Jennifer Ingram, Connie Edwards, Katie Mabry, and Mike Bryan are planning arrangements for the initiation and meal for

the parents, family members, and the new 1997-98 inductees: Jennifer Byrd, Matthew Lefler, Emily Nance, Michael Dennis, Brandon Cooke, Jonathan Dry, Erin Mauldin, Stacy Sinclair, Ber Yang, Christina Maguylo, Greg Nahrgang, Jason Smith, Teresa Torres, Wesley Burris, Jennifer Holbrook, and Michael Payne. All of these students have performed excellently in Spanish and found a special admiration for the language.



New inductees of Spanish National Honor Society.