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SENIORS REFLECT ON EXPERIENCES

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Summing up two years at the North Carolina School of Science and Mathematics proved to be a thought-provoking task for the Class of 1983 when faced with The Stentorian's senior questionnaire. In addition to submitting last will and testaments and college acceptances, seniors also were asked to share their highlights and disappointments of two years at NCSSM as well as words of advice for the rising seniors.

Requests for highlights ad disappointments evoked some strong responses. Predominant on the list of highlights were the people comprising the NCSSM community--students, faculty, staff, etc., while in some cases it was a special someone. Ken Lamm also cited Project Payback and the mentor program as highlights, while Sarah Smith mentioned Fantasticks as one of hers. The academic offerings here were the high point for David Long, and the prom was mentioned by several. Receiving mixed reviews (listed both as highlights and disappointments) were college results, graduation and leaving, community service and the senior year.

Disappointments included the cafeteria hassles, especially with the late opening this year, the limited one-to-one contact with the

administration, lack of time to do things that each individual wanted, stress/pressure, and the absence of Governor Hunt from graduation. Ole Goode probably represents the feeling of many of his classmates. He says the highlight for him has been "meeting some wonderful people"; the disappointment, "saying goodbye to those same wonderful people."

The seniors also shared words of wisdom and advice for next year's seniors. Adrian Lawrence urges people to "take advantage of all opportunities": JoAnn Jasper

"Stick with it and work hard--if you want it bad enough, you can get it." Fred Knops advocates. "Enjoy your year--make the best of it," while "Keep on top of things, especially college related things," are David Kemper's words of advice. Randy Kolb commented, "Work hard but play hard too!", while David White counsels, "Don't get caught." Looking toward next year, David Thomas states, "Don't slack off at the end of the year," while Felicia Washington concerns herself with the rising juniors, saying, "Make the juniors welcome."

School Sponsors Summer Workshops

by Sharon Castellino

When the class of '83 has graduated and the class of '84 departs for summer vacation, life around the NCSSM campus will stop bubbling...but not for long. This summer there will be several summer programs taking place on the campus.

NCSSM is sponsoring Residential Science Summer Camp for the rising seventh and eighth graders of the twelve North Carolina school systems. hundred students will participating during two two-week sessions. Fifty rising eighth graders will be given a chance to participate in the July 5-15 session and fifty rising seventh graders will participate in the July 18-29 session.

The program has been designed to motivate students in science and to improve their problem solving and communication skills. The minimal fee being charged covers the cost of room and board.

Two other workshops designed for elementary secondary school teachers. These programs are presented in cooperation with the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction scholarship assistance and provided by R.J. Reynolds Industries. The workshop sessions will cover a wide range of topics in the life and physical sciences. Courses will also be offered in programming in BASIC and LOGO.

Dr. Cynthia L. Jackson, head of Outreach and Research, is the coordinator for these three programs.

