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registration drive.

It's very important for each of us as citizens of the United States to exercise and use our freedom to have the safe liberty to vote. Unfortunately, many still do not exercise the privilege. Sometimes, even with the best intentions we may get busy or sidetracked with daily responsibilities and forget the basic right of every American.



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Congratulations to all students (and public citizens) who took the time to register and exercise their individual rights. Every vote can make a difference in our society and in this way each voice can be heard. A total of 56 new voters are now registered for future elections and each should be very proud that each time they cast their vote their voices will be heard.

Our own county proved in the voting that was held on November 4th of this year just how important each vote counts. The results from the recent elections were so close for the seat of North Wilkesboro's town commissioner that a recount was requested. There was only a two vote difference for the seat. That should prove to all the nay-sayers who don't vote because "my single vote won't make any difference" that a single vote does make a difference...a BIG difference, especially to the candidates!

Entertainment Reviews



By Angel Steele

A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline

Patsy Cline is a name that only few people still recall. As for me, I knew of her, but did not realize what an impact she had made with her music. On October 24, Student Support Services took a student group to "A Closer Walk with Patsy Cline." The Barn Dinner Theatre in Greensboro, North Carolina presented this fascinating play. It was directed by Eric Traynor. The play was set when Patsy's career had started taking off. The production followed Patsy through her life. It started from the time that she begged to sing on a local radio station in Virginia when she was fourteen years of age and then followed through her first and second marriages. Although the play had many interesting facts about her private life and her career, it was centered mainly on her music. Patsy (played by Lisa Dames) was an enthusiastic person who loved to sing country and gospel songs. Dames, who portrayed Patsy Cline brilliantly, sang many of Patsy's original songs. The songs included: Your Cheatin' Heart, Gotta Lotta Rhythm, Stop, Look and Listen, Closer Walk, Leavin' On Your Mind, Blue Moon, She's Got You, Patsy Cline's signature song, Crazy, and many others. The stage in the theater included a live band that actually played these memorable songs while Patsy (L. Dames) sang. At the conclusion of the play, the audience learns that Patsy had been killed in a plane crash when her plane went down in Tennessee. Although this put a morose mood in the air, the play continued with Patsy singing Closer Walk while wearing an all white garment. This brightened up the play and allowed the audience to remember Patsy as the play had portrayed her, a feisty girl whose only dream was to sing at The Grand Ole Opry House (which she did eventually do). This play opened my eyes to who Patsy Cline really was and it introduced me to her music. It allowed me to see into her personality, her life, and also her career. This play showed me that Patsy Cline was, and still is, a legend in country music.

An Introduction to Bluegrass

What comes to mind when one says, "bluegrass"? People think many different things. Some think of banjos and fiddles, others think about Merlefest, but just what is it? Bluegrass is a type of folk music found in the United States. Bluegrass artists are musicians that write music

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