



Sara Hall stirs the pep rally crowd with the Spirit Can as gridsters relax before the night's battle.

Spirit Of '69 Soars

We are finally a real student body. We have broken the tradition of griping about lack of school spirit; instead we concentrate our efforts on producing the image of a great school.

Just where did all this new enthusiasm and vigor come from? What or who is responsible for the boost of our school pride?

Our cheerleaders are due much credit for the change. Having more pep themselves this year, they have worked to produce new and different ways for the student body to support our football team.

They invented the ASHS Spirit Can (slightly resembling a garbage can painted blue) to rouse the competition between class cheering sections at pep rallies and ball games. The cheerleading squad is planning more and better pep rallies and bonfires; they are wallpapering the school with pep posters and huge victory signs.

Giving a great amount of time to practice and drills, our marching band and majorettes add entertainment and a sense of unity to pep rallies and football games. They, too, have given strength to lift ASHS to the heights of our new enthusiasm.

We would be nowhere without the football team itself. Starting the new season under the guidance of a new coach, Mr. Hughie Lewis, our team possesses the physical strength and skill to send us to the top.

If in the past our football players have appeared remote and unaffected by the cheering and yelling, the case is entirely different this year. They have let us know that our vigorous support is appreciated and needed to spur them on to their victories.

Last, though surely not least of the initiators of this record breaking spirit, are you and I—the ordinary students of ASHS.

We are the ones who collect and stack the hundreds of boxes for bonfires and then cheer as we watch them burn to ashes. We are the ones who drive our cars in the caravan; we join proudly in singing "Hail to the Varsity." It is we who wave the blue and white shakers and stomp our feet and yell, "All the way, all the way..."

We are finally a real student body.

—Patricia Ray

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FBLA Features Gift-Of-The-Month

Club members of FBLA plan to conduct many projects during the year. Their initial project is already underway.

Each month teachers are given a Gift-of-the-Month which was made during an FBLA workshop during the summer. The teachers' first gift was a folder used for keeping papers.

Each morning the FBLA wishes a "Happy Birthday" to those students who have birthdays during the school year. This year, like last, the FBLA will set up and decorate a Christmas tree for the cafeteria. The club will also design a float for the annual Christmas parade.

Other projects include making new covers for the school's typewriters and updating "The Chronicle," a book compiled and published by last year's Typing II class.

The FBLA has programs planned for the nine school months,

the first being the installation of officers and orientation of new members.

In December it is the club's hope to conduct a Christmas Dance; and in January, a field trip to Charlotte.

In May, the students will participate in FBLA Day. On this day, each student chooses the business he wishes to work in and works in that business establishment.

Each student must have at least a "C" average in all subjects before participating in FBLA Day.

Study Halls Simmer Down

A new innovation in the school this year is the hiring of Mrs. Grace Brown to supervise study hall six periods a day.

This enables almost every teacher in the school to have a free period each day in preparation for classes.

Mrs. Brown stated that she is enjoying her work and has not had any acute disciplinary problems, although some disagreements frequently arise concerning a student's failure to bring permits to leave class.

When asked to comment on the new addition to the ASHS teaching staff Mr. Hawkins stated, "The expense of hiring Mrs. Brown is well worth the improvement in teaching that this should bring."

Since there is someone in the study hall room at all times, the administration feels that this is an advantage within itself.

Former Students Reap Rewards

Randy Burton, Class of '67, has been selected as athletic publicity director at David Lipscomb College of Nashville, Tennessee.

While attending ASHS, Randy acted as photographer and promotion manager for *The Full Moon*. Basketball and football were among his other interests.

Jane E. Lowder, Class of 1968, has been named 1968 Outstanding Teenager of North Carolina by the Outstanding Americans Foundation. She was presented the trophy by Governor Dan K. Moore.

Jane took an active part in student government at ASHS and served as editorial editor for *The Full Moon*. She is attending the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

Follow These Leaders

Remember these names: Teresa Wagoner, Roy Trivette, Ronny Garber, Linda Carpenter, Terry Morgan, Doug Moose, Lu Turbyfill, Libby Adams, Gail Harrington, Tony Oettinger.

Alice Parks, Harry Baltes, Beth White, Susan Lowder, David Plyler, Neesie Huneycutt, Connie Hamilton, Brinn Knotts, Douglas Pinkston, Paul Wolf.

Johnny Jones, Kay Randall, Sheila Russell, Marilyn Massey, Eric Mabry, Patsy Davis, Ernie Whitley, Karen Moose, Jesse Owens, Margaret Anderson, Susan Wolf, Betsy Harrington, Carolyn Hill, and Jill Anderson.

These are the names of our Student Council representatives for the 1968-69 school year. Under the direction of Miss Gaye Holshouser, they will make up the student body's government for the year ahead.

If you have any new ideas, old gripes, or whatever, discuss them with a Student Council member. Remember, they are here to serve us, and they can act on our ideas. So, speak up, good or bad.

—Patsy Davis

Friday the 13th Falls Early

Friday the 13th came early this year for Mrs. Judy Flowers and Ellen Lane.

Mrs. Flowers, teacher of special education, was absent from school September 9, caring for her ailing son. She came to school briefly, though, to deliver some lesson plans to her substitute teacher.

Leaving her son in the car, Mrs. Flowers returned to her parking space and found neither.

After searching the parking lot, she found her car clinging to the fender of John Blackwell's car — nearly 200 feet from her original parking space.

The same day, Ellen Lane found her car in an unexpected place. Her car, too, had rolled and hit a fellow student's car. Susie Burris' car was the victim this time.

Coming Up

Oct. 3—World's Finest Chocolate arrives.

Oct. 4—N. C. E. A. District Teachers Meeting. (Schools Closed)

Oct. 22—P.S.A.T.

Freeman, Plyler Receive Morehead Nominations

Billy Freeman and David Plyler will compete for the \$2,000 John Motley Morehead Scholarship for study at the University of North Carolina.

Both Billy and David are active in many phases of school life.

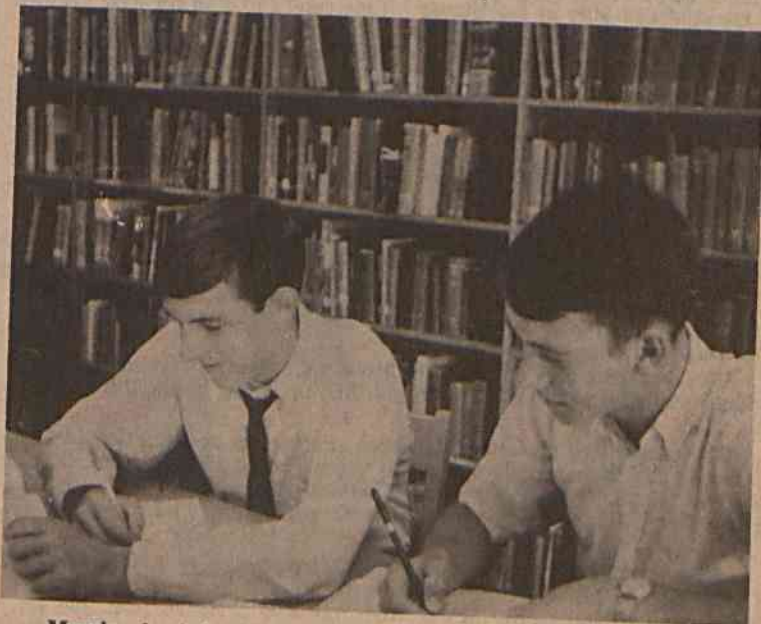
Billy served on the Student Council his sophomore and junior years. A member of the Monogram Club, Boosters Club, National Honor Society, and Modern Music Masters Society, he has played basketball and tennis. He studied in Scotland this summer as a member of the American Institute for Foreign Study. He is serving as assistant business manager of the *Crossroads* this year

and will be captain of the tennis team next spring.

A member of the Boosters Club, Monogram Club, National Honor Society, and the *Crossroads* staff, David Plyler has participated in basketball and golf. He was a delegate to Boys' State this summer, and is currently serving as President of the Senior Class.

Nominees are chosen on the basis of character, leadership and scholastic ability, extracurricular attainments, and physical vigor.

Each annual grant is sufficient to pay the recipient's tuition, board, room, laundry, books, and all student fees. Also included in the grant is \$450.00 for incidentals.



Morehead scholarship nominees, Billy Freeman and David Plyler, cram for knowledge, understanding, and acceptance.

Merritt Drives Class Forward

Driver's education is now being offered during fourth period.

Students taking this seven-week course were selected from study halls. Coach Bill Merritt is instructing.

Students will also have the opportunity to fulfill their driving requirements during after-school hours.

The certificate for passing will be the only grade given. Coach Merritt does not hesitate to fail a bad driver. He cautions, "There is more to driving than aiming the car on the road."

Coach Merritt believes the course tends to eliminate the development of bad driving habits and cultivate high safety values.

Journalists Collect Bottles

The *Full Moon* staff raised approximately \$200 on its bottle drive Saturday, September 14.

"Bottle scavengers" scoured the community. Some crews went from door to door; others waited at the school for donations.

The rest of the staff stayed on the school tennis courts sorting and stacking bottles.

Some of the proceeds will help finance the publications banquet next spring.