



Mr. Hawkins installs the new Student Council officers as Congressman Earl Ruth, installation speaker, looks on.

The Boosters Club would like to thank the Nehi Bottling Company and Beam Distributing Company for their donations of drinks for the football team. Students served cold drinks to the players in the student lounge following the North Stanly and Davie County games.

College Preview Stimulates

College Day 1970-71 arrived Tuesday, September 22. Approximately 75-80 representatives from four-year and junior colleges, nursing schools, various business and technical institutes, and branches of the armed services participated. Seniors monopolized the gym from 9:00 a.m.-10:15. Following a thirty minute coffee break for the delegates, the juniors talked with representatives until 12:00. National Honor Society and the guidance department sponsored the event. Members of the Honor Society and Senior Class officers served as hosts and hostesses.

Moonbeams

CHEERLEADERS MEET

Five varsity cheerleaders, accompanied by Mrs. Morgan, adviser, attended a cheerleading clinic August 21, in Statesville. Approximately eight different schools participated, with the Statesville cheerleading squad serving as hostess.

PICTURES SNAPPED

Monday, August 24, the Class of 1971 posed for school pictures for the final time. Senior boys dressed in coats and ties. The girls chose between red, royal blue, and gold drapes for their attire.

LION AND ROTARIAN

David Carpenter is the first Student Lion for the 1970-71 school year. Shep Russell is the initial Student Rotarian. Mr. Hawkins accompanies each student club member, chosen by the Honors Committee, to weekly lunch meetings for a month. The honoree represents ASHS by communicating with the members.

Staff Starts Off

Several members of the Crossroads staff attended the Annual Conference held July 29-31 at Appalachian State University. Donna Smith and Sue Ellen Beal attended sessions studying business management. Carolyn Nance, Susan Chandler, Gary London, and Missy Campbell studied layout techniques, and Harold Overcash attended photography classes. Mrs. Thomason attended advisory meetings.

Three hundred students from North Carolina, Virginia, South Carolina, Tennessee, and Georgia gathered for the conference. They met with editors and business managers to exchange ideas and yearbooks.

Missy Campbell rated second place for her layout, winning the prize of five dollars.

Classroom activities include lectures and study periods.

No activity was scheduled for nights, so the group was free to meet others attending the conference.

Three Take Nominations

David Carpenter, Steve Blalock, and Doug Pinkston are nominees for the 1970 John Motley Morehead Scholarship.

These boys are in competition with 2300 others. Only 116 scholarships will be awarded. The basis of selection are scholastic ability and attainments, qualities of manhood, truthfulness, courage, devotion to duty, sympathy, kindness, unselfishness, and fellowship, good moral character, and physical vigor.

1969 was a record setting year for the Morehead Foundation, which is headquartered at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

The 1970 freshman class at Carolina includes 87 Morehead Scholars with 41 participating in the freshman honors program. This large number includes 69 students from North Carolina, four from England, and 14 from other states.

The local committee selects two nominees to represent Stanly County. Then the district committee selects six nominees from the district. The finals will be at Chapel Hill.

All nominations must be in by October 15, and the final decisions will be announced February 1, 1971.

S. C. Ready To Act

"Support your student government, be interested, and encourage your student leaders," emphasized Dr. Earl Ruth, Eighth District Congressman, during the Student Council Installation Assembly, Friday, September 8, third period.

The assembly opened with a processional of homeroom representatives, student council officers, and class officers.

Shep Russell, student council president announced the theme for this year: Student Involvement. He also explained student council as a "student organization, composed of students elected by students to represent them, to speak for them, and to work for the welfare of the school."

Russell also hopes the student council will develop school spirit, student morals, and pride in the school, provide a means for expressing student opinion, promote the welfare of the school, teach leadership and followership, and furnish an opportunity for citizenship training.

The council will sponsor several service projects this year and publish a student directory. Jeff Gaskin, student council

vice president, gave devotions and led the student body in the Pledge of Allegiance and National Anthem.

Warren Hawkins, principal, administered the oath of office to student council officers; Shep Russell, president, Jeff Gaskin, vice president, Susan Blalock, secretary, and Carolyn Hill, treasurer.

Russell then installed homeroom representatives and Junior and Senior Class officers.

Senior Class officers installed were David Carpenter, president, Ann Howell, vice president, Janis Holder, secretary, and Sue Ellen Beal, treasurer.

Installed as Junior Class leaders were Brian Garber, president, Kathy Frye, vice president, Lynn Chivington, secretary, and Joy Early, treasurer.

Taking the representative pledge were Ricky Carpenter, Gail Harrington, Gary London, Susan Lowder, David Mauney, Keith Nash, Martha Owens, Doug Pinkston, Linda Almond, Duke Furr, Brenda Gay, Jimmy Hahn, William Hill, Tony Morton, Reid Squires, Donald Waddell, Cathy Cheatham, Carol Fitzgerald, Jimmy Hesley, Roger Morton,

Sandra Pollard, Jackie Smart, Lew Smith, and Becky Still.

Also installed were Carolyn Nance, Crossroads editor, and Libby Adams, Full Moon editor, honorary council members.

Black representatives and Sophomore Class officers had not been elected at this time.

The student body then took the Pledge of Loyalty.

Russell introduced Pihka Leppanen from Riihimaki, Finland, an AFS exchange student now living in Albemarle.

Russell then introduced the speaker, Dr. Earl Ruth. Ruth is presently serving as congressman from the eighth district.

Dr. Ruth stressed that education is more than just what happens in the classroom and noted the importance of attitude, character, decisions and friends during the high school years.

Ruth also named the high school students of today as the leaders of tomorrow.

The students led by Jackie Holt and Chris Smart, marshals, recessed from the auditorium. Teresa Phillips played the organ for the processional, recessional and the National Anthem.

AFS Student Takes The Spotlight

Among the new faces at ASHS this year is one very special, smiling face. This is the face of Sirpa Maaria Leppanen, known as Pihka.

Pihka is the foreign exchange student who is making her home in Albemarle this year. She flew to Charlotte Thursday, August 27, where her American family welcomed her to America and North Carolina.

Pihka is eighteen years old, 5'7" tall and has long brown hair and brown eyes.

Pihka's home is in Riihimaki, Finland. Her parents are Oiva and Rauni Leppanen; and, she has one brother and two sisters.

Living with the Gene Drys at 613 Brown Avenue, Pihka is quite happy with her new American family. She loves having two brothers, Benton, a college senior, and Mark, an eighth grader.

Pihka and Susan Dry, her American sister, are already quite fond of each other.

Pihka amazes everyone with her knowledge of four languages. She not only speaks Finnish and Swedish, the two dialects of her country; but, she also speaks German and English. By taking French I this year, she hopes to add this language to her collection.

After trying to tackle Algebra III, Pihka learned that our math is so different from the math she is accustomed to that she will not try to complete a math course here. Instead, she will have a study hall. Pihka is happy about this decision because it will give her more time to read more about America.

As a senior, Pihka also takes English IV, U.S. History, Varsity Singers, and American Problems.

Pihka is an honorary member of the National Honor Society and she is a member of the Boosters Club. She hopes to become familiar with other organizations

Full Moon Rises

In addition to being selected for the Medalist Award, The Full Moon has received further honors from the Columbia Scholastic Press Association.

Susan Squires, art staff member, placed third in competition with an editorial cartoon designed for the December issue of the paper.

The cartoon, showing a tenement alleyway with discarded Christmas ornaments, portrays the superficiality of Christmas.

Also, The Board of Judges selected The Full Moon and eight other publications from among 1,719 entries for "All-Columbian"

honors in advertising during the 1969-70 school year.

As stated by CSPA, "The purpose of this rating is to encourage work in selected fields and to call attention to commendable effort within the publications themselves."

Mrs. Nancy Gamewell, advisor, stated, "All members of last year's staff worked hard; all deserve credit, but the art and business staffs deserve special recognition: Maris Efird, art editor, assisted by Brad Spear and Susan Squires; Roy Trivette, business manager; and Paul Wolf, advertising manager."

According to Libby Adams, this year's editor, "We are very happy about this honor; but it presents a serious challenge for this year's staff."

of the school as she becomes more accustomed to America.

Pihka enjoys music very much. She loves to sing, dance, and play the piano.

She is very eager to become a part of ASHS and looks forward to her year here. Pihka expressed these desires in her introduction to the student body Friday,

August 28, during the opening assembly.

Because she still has two years of school left when she returns to her native country, Pihka hopes to learn the most she can about America rather than putting the emphasis on her studies entirely.

We are all very happy to welcome a new friend.



Pihka Leppanen, new foreign exchange student from Finland, captures her audience with a warm, friendly smile.