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## Clubs Motivate Members

Since school opened in August various clubs at Senior High have been meeting regularly to elect officers and to plan activities for the school year. Many of these organizations have planned field trips, and most club members are anticipating more outings during the new year.

The National Honor Society conducted its first meeting in early October to plan for the fall tapping. The Honor Society planned the tapping ceremony, sponsored by Mrs. Susan Hathcock, and on October 19, eleven seniors were inducted. Future activities include two Honor Roll teas and a spring tapping ceremony.

The Science Club has been meeting regularly under the supervision of Mr. Chuck Smith and president Bill Baxter. Guest speakers such as Dr. Stephenson and Dr. Riemann of Pfeiffer College have presented programs for the meetings. A visit to the North Carolina Planetarium in Chapel Hill November 14 has been the highlight of their year so far.

The VICA Club members met

October 24 at the Western Steer Steak House to install officers who are, Paula Sides, president; Dudley Speights, vice-president; secretary, Janet Brown; Melinda Gantt and Mark Thompson, co-treasurers. Dick Koontz was speaker and commented on the responsibilities of each officer.

Ms. Barbara Ward sponsors the History Club. This group has been meeting on Wednesdays and has had a different program each week. History club meetings are not limited to members only, but are open to any student. Those who attend will receive extra credit in their own history classes.

November 7 was a big day for the members of the DECA Club. Along with club sponsor, Mrs. Sybil Brown, the group attended a District Leadership Conference to elect district officers.

The Media Club is sponsored by Mrs. Charlene McKeithen and Laurie Rogers serves as president. The club, consisting of 23 members has been meeting regularly and attended the 30th Annual District Conference at Wingate College on December 1.



Henry Farmer, Bill Baxter, Melissa McKeithen, and Mark Burris were nominated for various scholarships. Gary Burris was absent when photo was taken.

## Five Compete For Scholarships

At the beginning of this year, three students, Bill Baxter, Gary Burris, and Henry Farmer were chosen as John Motley Morehead Nominees. This scholarship is to UNC-Chapel Hill and is valued at \$3,000.00 per year.

Bill Baxter is President of the Science Club, Vice-President of the National Honor Society and a member of the History Club. He has served two years as drum major for the marching band as well as being a member of Modern Music Masters. In October, he was Student Lion and is presently a photographer for the *Crossroads*. "It is really quite an honor," Commented Bill, "and I hope I can get it."

Gary Burris is a member of the National Honor Society, attended SPEC, and is former President of the History Club. Gary was also

Student Rotarian for the month of November. "I feel honored having been nominated," said Gary, "and I am looking forward to the competition."

Henry Farmer, chaplain of the National Honor Society, is also a member of Modern Music Masters, Senior Choir, History Club and the Science Club. He has attended Boys State and is a player on the tennis team. "I feel very privileged to have received this honor," commented Henry.

Mark Burris and Melissa McKeithen were appointed from Senior High for the Edward Crossland Stuart Scholarship which is to Davidson College. This scholarship is valued at \$5,193.00 per year.

Mark Burris is a member of the National Honor Society, History Club, and Science Club. He is

active in the school as a Student Council Representative, and attended SPEC. "I am happy to have received such an honor," commented Mark, "I'm sure it will be an exciting experience."

Melissa McKeithen is a member of the National Honor Society, Science Club, and Committee of 28. She is Secretary of the Senior Class, feature editor of *The Full Moon* and attended SPEC. Melissa is on the Rifle Squad of the marching band, scorekeeper for the varsity basketball team and track statistician. "I am honored that I was nominated for this scholarship," commented Melissa.

November 12, the Stanly County Morehead Committee interviewed the selected students and chose two to continue on to district interviews in Salisbury.



Renee Cooper and Cheryl Freeman reign as Homecoming Queens.

## Innovations Mark Homecoming

All over America there has been a recent outbreak of "disco mania". In keeping with this trend the Homecoming committee chose "Disco Fever" as the homecoming theme. Homecoming week included a door contest with Mr. Taylor's home-room winning first place. Wednesday morning, November 1, a ballot containing the names of the thirteen senior sponsors was given to each senior. They were told to vote for two girls (one black, one white). In the afternoon the student body had its first chance to see the new stadium, when a special pep rally was held there. November 3, the Bulldogs met Sun Valley in the new stadium. At halftime the thirty-six sponsors were escorted onto the field. The escorts were Ricky Brown, David Davis, Ronnie Freeman, and Mike Parker. The marching band provided the music which included "Peg" and

"Rubber Band Man".

Seniors Renee Cooper and Cheryl Freeman were crowned Homecoming Queens by Mr. Whitley. They each received a tiara and a floral arrangement of red roses. Each sponsor received a corsage.

Renee sponsored Jeff Deese. She is the varsity chief cheerleader, a member of NHS, the Monogram Club, and the Media Club. She is also a teacher's aide at East Albemarle Elementary School.

Cheryl sponsored Artis Sellers. She is a member of the Monogram Club and Senior Council. She has been a varsity cheerleader and played softball and volleyball last year. She plans to participate in softball again this year.

After the game a dance was held in the cafeteria. Night Shift Fever provided music for the dance.

## Youth Invade Senate

Pam Cox has been selected as one of the 16 state finalists for the U. S. Senate Youth Program that will take place in Washington, D. C., the week of February 3.

One requirement for this program is that the student hold an elective school office. Pam holds the office of Vice-President of the Student Council. On October 25 the Division of Human Relations and Student Affairs in Raleigh contacted Pam and informed her that she had been chosen as one of the 16 state finalists. The next day she went to Raleigh for an interview in front of a panel of five judges. This panel will select two students out of the 16 to attend the program on the basis of the interview and a two-page letter submitted with the application. Pam will be notified sometime in December by one of the N. C. Senators if she is chosen as one of the delegates.

The program will take place the week of February 3-10 in Washington, D. C. It will provide the students an internship of the government, especially in the United States Senate. Among the activities are briefings concerning the Department of Defense, Department of State, Depart-



Pam Cox is very active in Student Council.

ment of Justice and the Supreme Court and meetings with various government leaders. Also the students will take the place of their respective Senators for a day. In addition to a trip to Washington, D. C., the delegates will be entitled to receive a \$1,000 William Randolph Hearst Foundation College Scholarship.

## Moonbeams

Scholars Merit Commendation National Merit Letters of Commendation have been awarded to Shelby Austin, Bill Baxter, Mark Burris, and Henry Farmer. This was based on each student's outstanding performance on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test which was administered to high school juniors in October 1977.

See You Next Year

The Christmas season is approaching once again. This means Christmas vacation is also nearing. December 20 through January 1 are the dates of this year's Christmas vacation for teachers and students.

Out To Lunch

Gary Burris was the student Rotarian for November. Jeff Efirid served as Student Lion.

Money, Money, Money

Seniors applying for financial aid should fill out the F.A.F. (Financial Aid Form). This form can be obtained from Mrs. Smith's office. It cannot be sent in before January 1, 1979.

We Goofed!

The Full Moon would like to extend its apologies to Tamara Sehorn for not including her in the last issue of the paper in the "Students Horse Around" article. Tamara has received many awards in a variety of horse shows.