



What Are ASHS Students Thankful For? See Inside

School Board Members Elected



On Tuesday, November 8, the people of Albemarle elected two new members to serve on the Albemarle City School Board. Markham "Mark" Mabry received a great number of votes in the seven-way race for two positions on the Albemarle Board of Education in Tuesday's voting. Mabry received 1,176 votes. Mr. Mabry, who lives at 634 Yadkin Street, is married to Chris Mabry. He is a graduate of Wake Forest University and is currently employed by Bear Insurance Service as a property and casualty agent.

Mrs. Jeanette Napier was also

elected on the Albemarle School Board with 814 votes. Wife of ASH teacher Jimmy Napier, Mrs. Napier is a graduate of Morgan Business College and has 27 years of banking experience working with First National and First Union. She is also a member of the Lioness Club and is a former treasurer of the Stanly County Unit of the American Cancer Society.

The new members of the School Board will begin their terms in December. The term will extend over a period of six years. Congratulations to both Mr. Mabry and Mrs. Napier and good luck!



A Day For Giving Thanks

By CRISTI WILLIAMS

In the United States a day is set aside each year as Thanksgiving Day. People celebrate this day with feasting and prayer for the blessings they have received throughout the year. The first Thanksgiving Day took place in Plymouth, Massachusetts. The purpose was to thank God for a plentiful harvest. Women spent many days preparing for the feast. Indians brought wild turkeys, which are still a traditional part of Thanksgiving today. In 1939 President Franklin D. Roosevelt declared the fourth Thursday of November as Thanksgiving Day, a legal federal holiday.

Today Thanksgiving is usually a family day, celebrated with big dinners and joyous reunions. To most people, the mention of Thanksgiving brings memories of Grandma's kitchen crowded with lots of good things to eat. People tend to forget that Thanksgiving is also a time for serious thinking, church services, and prayer.

ASHS Students Win Math Contest



Mike Adams, Kevin Britt, Steven Snider, and Todd Dominik won first place in the 1A-2A Division of the annual Pfeiffer College High School Mathematics Contest Saturday, November 19. The ASHS squad competed with teams from North Stanly, East Rowan, Mt. Pleasant, Charlotte Latin, and Mooresville High Schools. The first place victory carries with it a \$2000 scholarship (\$500 per year for four years) for a student at Pfeiffer. Adams also captured the first place individual award in the division, earning him a spot in the state mathematics contest next year.

MOONBEAMS

By CHAD BARBEE

The Student Optimist for November is Jill Burgess.

The Student Lion for November is David Christy.

The Student Rotarian for November is Susan Bramlett.

The McDonald's Student of the Month is Steve Rankin.

Thanksgiving holidays will be from November 24-November 27.

Christmas holidays will be from December 17-January 1.

Congratulations to Mrs. Carter's homeroom for winning the magazine sale!

Seniors Defeat Juniors In Powder Puff

By LEE ANN SIDES

Powder Puff, the annual clash between the junior girls and the senior girls, took place on Thursday, November 3.

The seniors took control early in the game as Amanda Bowers completed a touchdown pass to Lasonya Clark. The extra point conversion that followed was good, and the seniors led 8-0. The juniors, unable to score, were forced to hand the ball back over to the seniors. Lasonya Clark scored another touchdown for the seniors, and Amanda Bowers charged across the line for the extra points, making the score 16-0. The juniors again made an unsuccessful attempt to score. When the seniors regained possession of the ball, Amanda Bowers completed another touchdown pass to Lasonya Clark. The score at half was 22-0.

The second half revealed a much stronger junior defense. The seniors were able to score only once in the second half. Lasonya Clark scored her fourth touchdown of the game, and upon completion of the extra point conversion, the seniors held a dominating lead of 30-0.

With about three minutes left to play, junior quarterback, Joy Miller, completed a short touchdown pass to Maria Ridenhour, while Amy Herlocker lay in pain

on the sidelines. The juniors gained the extra points, making the score 30 to 8. As the seconds ticked away, neither class was able to score, and the Class of '84 was again victorious.

The homecoming festivities at half time included many lovely young "ladies". The homecoming court consisted of Miss Alvin Currie, Miss David Tucker, Miss Jay Howard, and Miss David Christy, who seemed to be the chief cheerleader. The highlight of the evening was the crowning of the homecoming queen, Miss Tony Russell, a very lovely blond dressed in pink.

Congratulations, girls!

Club Corner

FHA

The FHA/Her Organization held its district meeting at Wingate College on Thursday, October 20 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Laney Hall. Six students from ASHS attended: Monica Britt, Sarah Pegues, Michelle Pankey, Sabrina Eury, Dexter Townsend, and Donna Puckett.

The Future Homemakers of America is for students enrolled in Home Economics courses. Their activities and programs place emphasis on homemaking, family life education, and consumer management combined with preparation for careers in these areas.

The goal of the organization is to help youth assume their roles in society through Home Economics Education in the areas of personal growth, family life, vocational preparations, and community involvement.

ICT-VICA

The ICT-VICA Club is currently involved in their fund raising project for the year — selling M&M brand candy.

Contestants for the Mr. and Miss VICA competition were Taffy Lowder, dental assistant with Dr. Bowen; Teresa Myers, nursing assistant at Stanly Memorial Hospital; Vanessa Scott, nursing assistant at Stanly Memorial Hospital; Ricky Hathcock, tire maintenance at Southside Tire and Recapping; Joe Lambeth, machine maintenance at Jefferies.

Mrs. Myra Lippard, assistant principal, conducted an interview based on selected criteria of the students' knowledge of VICA, their job training, and personal qualities. Mrs. Lippard said "All the contestants were highly qualified. It was hard to pick just one."

Joe Lambeth and Teresa Myers were chosen Mr. and Miss VICA.

Student Council

This year's magazine sale ended Friday, November 4. The total value of the magazines sold came to \$4,000. This gives the school a little over \$1,000 to pay for student activities. The magazine sale was not as successful as last year's, which came to around \$6,000 as the total value. The decrease in sales this year was probably due to the fact that the Stanly County schools had already completed their sales. The top selling homeroom was Mrs. Carter. The top salesman will be released at a later date. Next year the school is considering a different kind of fund-raising project. Suggestions can be made by anyone to Mr. Blalock.

Taking A Trip Through Time

By SUSAN BRAMLETT

TIME: 6:00 a.m. Monday, Oct. 24, 1983

PLACE: Parking lot at Albemarle Senior High School

DESTINATION: Biltmore House and Gardens, Asheville, N.C.

Seventy-six students and two teachers drowsily awaited the departure of the two charter buses that were to transport them to a place of the past. Departure time — 6:15 a.m. — arrived, but due to two sleepyheads (yes, you, Doug and Sonya!) the buses didn't begin the three and a half hour ride until 6:30.

The buses pulled into Biltmore Village a little before 11:00 a.m. Mrs. Hampton and Mrs. Martin obtained the tickets and the buses started down the winding road that goes through three and a half miles of forests and meadows. Once through the iron gates and stone pillars, the front of the Biltmore House was in full view.

To prepare the students for what they were going to see, Mrs. Hampton gave the French classes background information during French Club the week before.

George Washington Vanderbilt purchased 125,000 acres of land in the Asheville, N.C. area. He commissioned two of America's most

famous designers to help plan his estate. Richard Morris Hunt, the first American to receive an architectural degree from the Ecole des Beaux Arts in Paris, designed the house after chateaux of the sixteenth century, known as the Francois I style. The Biltmore House is fashioned after the French Chateaux of Chambord, Chenonceaux, and Blois.

Frederick Law Olmstead was chosen to lay out the gardens and parks on Vanderbilt's estate. He set up a Farm Department, a Forestry Department, and a Landscape Department.

Mr. Vanderbilt formally opened the House in 1895. He derived the name Biltmore from "Bildt", the name of the Dutch town from which the family's forebears came and "more", an old English word meaning rolling, upland country.

Vanderbilt's daughter Cornelia and her husband John Francis Amherst Cecil lived in the House until 1930 when they opened the Biltmore House and Gardens to the public. Following Mr. Vanderbilt's death in 1914, much of the Estate was deeded to the U. S. Government for Pisgah National Forest, while some was sold for the Blue Ridge Parkway.

The students were able to tour

the main floor and some of the upstairs bedrooms. The bathrooms seemed primitive compared to the rest of the house, but at the time the house was built, inside plumbing and facilities were a luxury. The recently opened downstairs showed the contrast in the way of life between the family and guests and the servants. The plush, elaborately decorated family bedrooms were very different from the plain, closet-sized servants' rooms.

The gardens were very well planned and cultivated. The roses were in full bloom and the other brightly colored flowers were breathtaking. The large greenhouses contained many plants of all shapes and sizes. Going through the greenhouses was like walking through a tropical rain forest.

The students met back at the Irage Rampe Douce which gives access to bridle paths and glades. Although the group wasn't able to stay at the Biltmore House for a long time, they got a glimpse of how wealthy aristocracy lived during the late 1800's and early 1900's.

P. S. Rodney, I did some investigative research and I found out that the peacock just didn't want you and Dave in the picture!