

Brown and Boyle Advance in Morehead Scholarship Competition

By ADRIENNE SOYER

The Morehead Nominees from AHS for the 1988-89 school year are Palmer Brown, Elizabeth Boyle, and Keith Byrum. These students, chosen by the honors committee, represent highest achievement in academics, leadership, extra-curricular activities, and participation in athletics.

These three AHS seniors competed in first-round interviews with nominees from the county high schools on October 23, after completing an extensive application form including several essay questions. Palmer and Elizabeth were chosen as the two representatives from Stanly County to advance to second-round regional interviews at Pinehurst on December 1.

This prestigious scholarship is funded by the family of John Motley Morehead. More-

head Scholars attend UNC-Chapel Hill and the scholarship pays for tuition, books, room, board, and summer internship for four years.



Keith Byrum Is One of Three AHS Nominees for the Morehead Scholarship.



Elizabeth Boyle Is One of Two Stanly County Nominees.



Palmer Brown Is Advancing to Regional Competition in Pinehurst on December 1.

AHS BAND IS VICTORIOUS IN MARCHING COMPETITIONS

By KENDALL HOMESLEY

The AHS band is on the roll again this year. As in previous years they have a full schedule consisting of contests, concerts, auditions for honor bands, and parades.

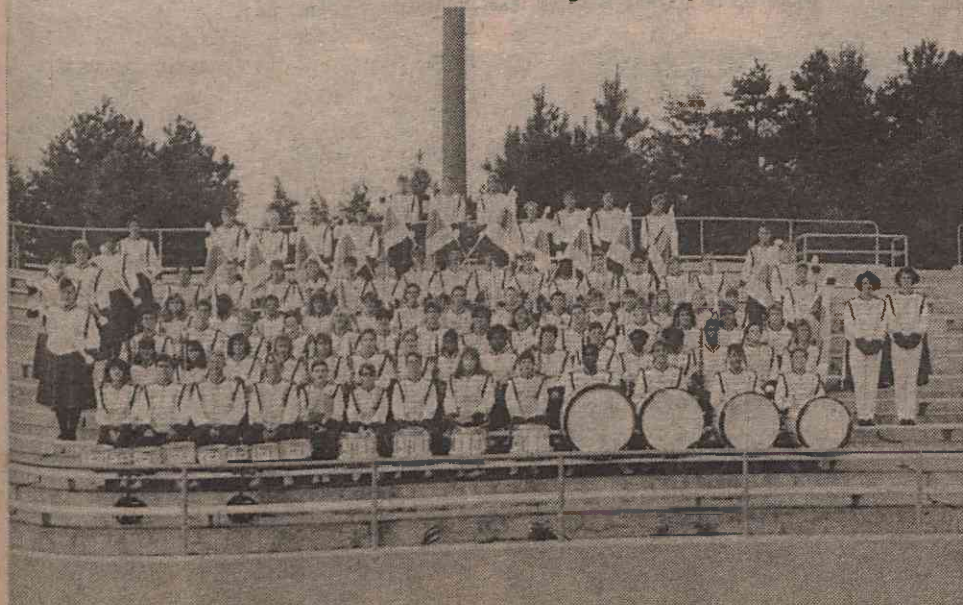
With the marching season full of contests, the band members are expected to be dedicated and willing to surrender their Saturdays to a full day of top-notch band performances. Classified as one of these top-notch bands is our own AHS band, rated superior. In the traditional Albemarle Showcase of Bands, the band under the leadership of Mr. Tim Hedrick, received a superior rating. Once again in the Central Carolina Marching Spectacular, Albemarle was rated superior and received a third place standing in their class. To continue their "superior" season the band competed in the Trinity Marching Festival and upheld their reputation by placing third in the contest, and for the third time this year, received a superior rating. The band also won several other distinguishing honors at

this competition. The outstanding drum majors, Tonya Brooks and Anne Joines, won first place in their class while three other specialty units, the rifle squad, the flag squad, and the drum section, placed second. To finish their marching season the band will travel to Newton-Conover to march and also compete in the Southeastern Classic Marching Band Contest.

Along with all the time and hard work of preparing for marching contests, come the endless laps around the track to practice for the upcoming Albemarle Christmas Parade on November 28. Then on December 15, after diligent preparation, the band will present a Christmas concert in the AHS auditorium at 7:30.

For those outstanding band members who just can't get enough, try-outs for the South Central District All-State Band will be held in early January. So give it your best shot!

As for the rest of the AHS student body, let's support our band 100% and take advantage of their performances.



The 1988-89 Bulldog Band Is Having A Successful Year.

AHS VARSITY CHEERLEADERS TO COMPETE IN NATIONALS

By PALMER BROWN

Have you ever thought about what it takes to be a cheerleader? Well here at AHS, where cheerleading is big-time, it takes energy, determination, flexibility, and a willingness to give up lots of time for practice.

After winning the 2A State Cheerleading Championship last year, the cheerleaders have set their sights higher: the nationals. The squad is planning to go to Dallas, Texas on December 27 to compete in the national cheerleading championships.

In order to qualify for the nationals, teams must either win the Award of Excellence at one of the cheerleading camps or receive a regional trophy. Our cheerleaders won the Award of Excellence this past summer at Peace College and as a result, are eligible to compete in the nationals.

The team is now busy selling ads to the Miss Stanly County Pageant

and visiting businesses around town in an effort raising money. The cost of the trip is expected to run in excess of \$4,000. While raising money, the team is practicing diligently in their spare time. They often practice all afternoon on Saturdays perfecting their routine which is begin designed by a former Appalachian State cheerleader.

The cheerleaders have already won the Stanly County Cheerleading Competition at YMCA.

As you can see, the cheerleaders have been very busy lately. They should be congratulated on their past achievements as well as for promoting school spirit and cheering for our athletic teams. They do a great job which is often overlooked, but by going to the nationals, they are receiving some well-deserved recognition.



Cheerleaders Show Off Their State-Winning Smiles.

CHRISTMAS PARADE SCHEDULED FOR NOVEMBER 28

By SUZIE BRITT

What is loud, colorful, seasonal and annual? What else but the Stanly County Christmas Parade! This year's parade date is set for the Monday after Thanksgiving, November 28. This yearly event sets the mood in Stanly County for the coming holiday, with all the smiling faces passing on good cheer to everyone. Benny Parsons, popular NASCAR driver who is retiring this year, will be the grand marshal for Albemarle's Christmas Parade. Mr. Parsons is not the only famous face that will be at the parade. Miss North Carolina will be riding through the streets of Albemarle showing everyone her winning smile. Also the channel 9 news anchors will touch down in Chopper Nine, and of course, 'Old Saint Nick' will be making his yearly appearance to wish everyone a Merry Christmas. Other businesses and individuals, along with school clubs, and queens will be in the parade. Representing Albemarle High School will be the 1988 Homecoming Queens, Mary K. Page and Subrena Burnette, along with the Albemarle Marching Band, the Varsity and J.V. cheerleaders and the various clubs such as FBLA, FHA, DECA, VICA, and Jr. Civitans. Once again the parade will begin and end at the YMCA pavillion at 4:30. The parade will continue southward until it turns left on South Street. Then the procession will turn left on Second Street and continue through the square, finally ending at the R.L. Holbrook Pavilion. The parade will usher in the holiday season for Stanly County.

Having Typing Problems?

By SUZIE BRITT

A new business is now being set up in Albemarle to serve you. Yes, it seems this business could turn out to be very helpful to students, especially to students who type like a hen pecking at seeds. Caldwell and Associates is in the business of preparing typed documents such as flyers, letterheads, resumes, and most important, term papers. Their business is located at 115 N. 6th St. Their slogan is "Where the writing word says it all." If you have any questions or would like to know more about their service, call 982-5442.

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