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Female Power Arrives at AHS

by Shannon Homesley

The 1994-95 school year has brought the Albemarle High School faculty a new first: its first woman principal. Mrs. Miriam Evans assumed the principalship of AHS on July 1, 1994.

After working with the faculty and students of AHS for three months, Mrs. Evans feels that the atmosphere here is wonderful and very comfortable. Everyone, staff and students, has approached her with a friendly and cooperative attitude.



Mrs. Miriam Evans

Mrs. Evans came to work at Albemarle with her brain already churning. Her new ideas and various changes have caught the eye of all AHS pupils and teachers. Mrs. Evans believes strongly in academic achievement and most of her changes are based on students academic progress. She has faith in all those who try hard and do their best.

Mrs. Evans is a graduate of Appalachian State University with a degree in Elementary Education. She has taught grades fourth, fifth, and sixth. Mrs. Evans went back to school at UNCC and received her Administration Degree and EDS. She then proceeded to assumed the office of principal at many different schools around North Carolina. She has been a principal at all three levels for seven years. Mrs. Evans is originally from Ansonville, North Carolina. However, she was born at the old Stanly County Hospital. Her husband is employed at Morgan Motor Company. She has one son who is presently attending Stanly Community College.

Mrs. Evans greatly appreciates the warm welcome from faculty, students, and parents. She says, "I feel that there is a lot of support in the community for the academic success of students."

Winds of Change

by Eloise Odom

Change has come to AHS. Good or bad, helpful or fretful, the 1994-95 school year changes are finally kicking in after a long, grueling month of school. Our new principal, Mrs. Evans, is hoping the new changes will bring about positive results. So far, the results have been good.

Some of the many changes at Albemarle are no more lockouts, 2:55 P.M. dismissal from school, after school tutoring, no eating lunch outside, and the clearing out of students from school grounds by 3:00 P.M. (except for students in tutoring classrooms).

In place of lockouts which sent students late for their classes to a timeout room, late arrivals send students to one hour's worth of detention after school. This new method keeps students from getting behind in classes that they would normally miss due to lockouts. It also keeps students from trying to be late for class so they can goof off in a timeout room.

The 2:55 P.M. dismissal from school grants students the long awaited dream of getting out of school early (even if it's only 5 minutes early). It even helps "soap" fans get home in time for their favorite 3:00 P.M. shows.

After school tutoring gives students the advantage of getting extra help everyday. Since athletic practices cannot start until 3:30 P.M., athletes are able to have a place to study and get any needed help until practice time.

The winds of change at AHS are really giving the school a whole new outlook. If you need help in a class, go to the after school tutoring. If you don't want to spend one more long hour stuck in a classroom, DON'T BE LATE! As far as old rules go, girls, watch out for the short shorts patrol!

The following are some quotes from students about the new changes:

- Annette Boysworth-"We ought to be allowed to eat lunch outside instead of just in the crowded lunchroom."
- Gary Her-"I don't notice any of the changes."
- Heather Freshly-"I don't like the fact that we have to be off school grounds by 3:00."
- Ellen Bursleson-"I'd rather have 5 more minutes of lunch than get out of school 5 minutes early."
- Jennifer Holbrook and Katie Mabry-"It's a prison now!"
- Beth Hathcock-"I'm learning to sprint to lunch to avoid standing in line."
- Kelley Morehead-"I hate the dress code. If I wanted to look like a nun, I would've gone to a convent!"
- Laura Beth Whitley-"I like lunch because they let you have as much ketchup as you want."
- Steven Anderson-"Third lunch is TOO BIG!!!"
- Grant Hopkins-"The gardens of vegetables are not allowed enough time to sleep!"

Welcome New Teachers

by Johnny Caudle

If you're wondering who those new faces are that teach us what we need to know every day, then let me introduce you to the new teachers of AHS.

Algebra/Civics- Mr. Randall Fike is a graduate of Marshall University and enjoys playing tennis, writing, drawing, and is currently on a Pink Floyd and Pearl Jam kick.

Home Economics- Mrs. Jan Powell graduated from California Polytechnic State University and enjoys easy listening and contemporary christian music. Her hobbies include crafts, making flags, and sewing.

Computers/Accounting- Mrs. Patty Ramsey is a ASU graduate and would have gotten a job greeting people when they came in the door at Wal-Mart if she hadn't chosen to become a teacher. Mrs. Ramsey enjoys easy listening music and spends much of her time with her children.

Self-Contained Education- Ms. Lisa Ewers re-

ceived degrees from Pfeiffer College and UNC-Charlotte. Ms. Ewers is a nature lover who can carry a tune. She enjoys hiking and singing, as well as tennis.

Chemistry- Mr. Bill Yeskie graduated from Indiana University and is a golf junkie who listens to oldies music. Mr. Yeskie's hobbies include golf travel, and his idea of a perfect day is being in the final group on the final day of a golf tournament and shooting 65.

English- Mr. Gerry Neal was an undergraduate at WCU and a graduate of UNCC. In his spare time, Mr. Neal enjoys reading, writing, baseball cards, and sports like baseball and football.

Spanish I- Mrs. Shana West graduated from UNC-Greensboro and would have probably been a speech therapist or a psychologist if her mom hadn't encouraged her to become a teacher. Mrs. West enjoys reading, gardening, walking, and baseball.



Ms. Ewers, Mr. Fike, Mrs. Powell, Mr. Yeskie, and Mrs. West join the AHS faculty. Not present for picture: Mr. Neal, Mrs. Ramsey

Students Open for Suggestions:

Student Advisory Council Works for School Improvement

by Shannon Homesley

Although AHS is a very good school, it is always open for improvements. One organization was established to allow students to describe how they feel and try to improve our school in any way possible.

The Student Advisory Council is a committee made up of several students who meet monthly to discuss new plans for Albemarle High School. This year's council consists of nine students, Kevin Carter, Lilly Cupino, Marcus Ingram, Mondarius Henry, Eric Lowder, Allison Hudson, Travis Gaster, Antonio Dennis, and Misty Rummag. So far, the Student Advisory Council has met once to discuss what was to be expected of them. At any future meetings, they will bring up the thoughts and wishes of students. Through these nine people, you can express your feelings about AHS. They will meet again on October 16. If you have any suggestions on ways to improve our school, please talk to one of the members.



The AHS Student Advisory Council