



4.0 Students Lashondra Jones, Jessica Dye, and Kenneth Doucet

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others to do well also.

Spotlight on the Volleyball Team

by Reynard Eaglin, Jr.

The Hurricane Volleyball team has plans for this year's competition. According to Coach Linda Haynes, "The players are dedicated." Ms. Haynes said, "As Coach I hope to instill good sportsmanship, build and develop self discipline, and skills that will carry over for a lifetime." The team has aspirations of winning more games and establishing a name for themselves.

All Academic Assembly

Friday, Oct. 13, was a lucky day for some students at North Central High School. An Academic Assembly was given to honor those students who had attained a 3.0 average and above. Each student was honored with a certificate and those students having a 4.0 were given a trophy. Principal Raymond Duplechain spoke to the assembly of students and parents, giving encouragement to all to try hard and excel in all courses. He expressed his hope that many more students would be honored at future assemblies of this type. Guest speakers Dr. Charles Bryant, Mr. Clifton Lemelle, Ms. Lottie Beebe, and Rev. Dale Fontenot encouraged students to excel academically.

Entertainment was provided by Joseph Doucette on saxophone, Wilson Doomes on trumpet, and Reginald Jackson on trumpet. A drawing was held for those honorees (seated up front) to win cash (up to \$25) and gift certificates. The lucky winners were handed envelopes by Principal Raymond Duplechain and cheered by the student body. Mr. Duplechain hopes that this activity will focus attention on those students who do well academically, encouraging them and

NCHS Cheerleaders In Full Effect by Reynard Eaglin, Jr.

The Cheerleaders get things "hype" at the game and pep-rallies, so the least I could do is give them "props" in the Hurricane Press. According to the sponsor of the 1995-1996 cheerleaders, "The stride, the pride, and the dedication put forward by these young ladies makes them stand out from those of the past," stated Ms. Mary J. Bowie. These ladies with the guidance of Ms. Bowie plan to gain the respect that North Central deserves. "When people speak of NCHS- it will be in a positive manner and not a negative one," said Ms. Bowie.



Volleyball team members Chriissy Ponthieux, Kasey Dupre, Mandy Johnson, and Marcelina Tanner pose for QuickCam.



Cheerleaders Cordese Shaw, Howanda Offord, Heidi Soileau, Neica Harrington, Sharonda Randall, and Mildred Curette pop in for a QuickPic with NCHS Cheerleader Coach Mary J. Bowie.

O.J. Simpson—Reactions to the Verdict

by Lit L'

Sharonda Randall thought that people were making it into a racial issue, but the jury found O.J. innocent.

Karen Nevills said that she knew they were going to find him guilty, but she was surprised.

Claire O'Reilly said that O.J. was innocent any way you looked at it.

Kassandra Harrison thought that justice was served.

Mrs. Young is glad he is out, and that he didn't commit the murders. She didn't feel he was guilty.

Jessice Dye said that O.J. needs to be careful with his actions in the future.

Lashondra Jones felt that the verdict of this trial proved that it was fair.

After months and months of hard work, Shemika Vaughn feels that Johnnie Cochran is a miracle worker. O.J. should be very thankful of Mr. Cochran.

Club News

by Byrd Adams

FHA Elects New Officers

FHA has elected their official 1995-96 club officers. They are President- Karen Nevills, Vice President- Tasheta Thomas, Secretary- Latoya Smith, Historian- Raven Lazard, Parliamentarian- Daphanie Duplechain, Reporter- Kimberly Fontenot, Songleader- Brian Bush, and Treasurer- Sharonda Randall. Other members include Bridget Thomas, Amanda Jones, Jessica Ryder, and Shawanda Collins. Besides just electing officers, FHA has also planned a Halloween party for October 31. The members are now preparing to participate in the Parish Star Events held December 6.

FHA Gears Up For Star Events

Active students participation is the goal of the Star Events. Star Events are activities sponsored by Future Homemakers of America which enable members to demonstrate proficiency and achievement in chapter projects, leadership skills, and occupational preparation at the local, parish, district, state, and national levels. They are designed as learning experiences to enhance students' self- concepts; and provide another means of meeting both FHA and HERO members' needs. This year FHA students from North Central will host the Star Events here. Students from Northwest, Beau Chene, and Port Barre are to participate in this contest, also. North Central will be participating in the following competitions: Energy

Education, Job Application and Interview Event, and the Golden Yam Contest. The FHA students will be competing in both the Junior and Senior Division.

FBLA

District 5 FBLA Contest is going to be held at Opelousas High School on February 4, 1996. Whoever qualifies will compete in the state competition in Alexandria later in April. Besides just focusing on the competition, they are also planning to take a trip, but haven't decided where.

Talent Search

Talent Search members have representatives come out to speak to them once a month to prepare seniors to go college. On Senior Day the seniors will take a trip to visit USL.

4-H

4-H members will have monthly meetings each month. They hope to have a livestock show and also have Achievement Day in the spring for their end of the year activity.

BETA

BETA members are now doing service projects. They are raising money to buy a copy machine for the NCHS faculty use. They are also planning to take a trip later on in the year.

FFA

FFA members are planning a basketball game between the teachers and seniors. They are having a green house sale, and have already had a contest this year. They are also planning to have two more later in the summer. They will have a Leadership Conference later also.

Senior Day

On Thursday of Homecoming Week, Seniors at NCHS were surprised to hear over the intercom that they would not have to come to school on Friday. Principal Raymond Duplechain announced that there would be an Open House for seniors and their parents on Friday, Spirit Day. The reason for the activity, according to Mr. Duplechain, was that our seniors had conducted themselves admirably so far this year. A reception was held in the school library, and hors d'oeuvres were served along with a large cake and a fruit punch. Congratulations to our seniors!. Thanks to those who attended together with their parents, and thanks to all who made this activity possible.

Homecoming 1995



Marcie and Daphanie. How Cute! Homecoming Court Cuties!



Queen Raven!



Work it Joe! But please not on the court!



Bone Thugs -N-Harmony (Yeah Right)



Sexy Felix, what a physique! All the boys were looking at your hairy bossoms.



NCHS Outlaws. Peach Pit Martha and Long Tall Sally Rideau.

Homecoming Week

by Reynard Eaglin, Jr.

As you can see from the pictures Homecoming week was "hype". Monday was Dress Up Day and I must say we were looking pretty smooth. Switch Day was a trip as always. Western Day was pretty western. Thursday was our first Costume Day. After school there was a parade for the homecoming court. Friday (Spirit Day) there was a pep rally that helped the Hurricanes defeat the Bobcats.

Congratulations !

Bad Gals of NCHS. Sweet Qweet and Heartbreak Howanda.



Micheal & Mervin



The Players



John Rideau



Jessica Dye



Reynard Eaglin ,Jr.

Frightful Faces

Halloween Story

by Shemika Vaughn & Lit' L

If you don't know by now, today is Halloween, the day that evil lurks and the devil rolls in his red caddy. This is the time when he pays surprise visits to try and kidnap innocent kids. He is like a thief in the night searching for little kids with candy to satisfy his sweet tooth. Just so happens that there are two devils on the prowl tonight. Unfortunately one happens to be the father of a little boy named Reynard Eaglin. That night Mr. Eaglin appeared to be as authentic as he possibly could in his devil costume. So while taking his little boy trick-or-treating, Mr. Eaglin and his son approached a house ahead for some goodies. While Reynard proceeded to get some candy, Mr. Eaglin remained at the edge of the road waiting for him. Suddenly a strange red car that appeared to be the devil's, rolled up behind him and the devil said in a cold, deep voice, "I am not to be duplicated!!!!" Mr. Eaglin laughed in a calm voice, accepting the phrase as if it was only a joke. Without notice he was quickly snatched out of sight and was stuffed into the trunk of the red car. And the devil rolled away with a sneaky grin. Poor Reynard was left crying after returning to the road to find that his father had disappeared in such a short time. He had no one to turn to. His tears poured out like water from a faucet. One of those tears leaked and was discovered by a talking troll named Mufasa. This troll had been very helpful to him by showing Reynard Satan's secret hide out. Not only did this troll talk, he also had a series of magical powers that could just about give anything in the world. With great luck Reynard found his father in a cage that was securely locked by Satan. The only bad thing was that Satan had cast a spell on Mr. Eaglin, and he was transformed into a turtle, an ugly one at that!!!! There was only one way he would ever return back to his old self again. Reynard had to steal Satan's love and joy, his candy. Reynard searched everywhere for his supply of candy when suddenly he saw a hollow stone in a corner which was filled with candy. He ate some of the candy and threw the rest in a nearby river. The troll appeared on the scene only to find that Reynard was doing the right thing. Then unexpectedly the devil came out of nowhere and saw him throwing away all of his goods and was very upset. However, he had no heart to punish Reynard because, after witnessing the destroying of all his goods, his energy had evaporated. And after all Mr. Eaglin was set free. This was a Halloween night to remember!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Thoughts About the Search on October 10, 1995

by Brandi Vaughn

This was not called for, because there has never been any gun-related crimes at our school. (Chris Washington)

This was not cool, and they shouldn't have done it. (Derrick Robinson)

It was cool in a way to keep guns and drugs out of our school. (Colandra Charles)

This was unnecessary, and very inconvenient. (Tasheta Thomas)

It was unfair to the students, because the teachers were not checked. (Lashondra Pierre)
It was unnecessary, and it was not something that would have taken place at Eunice or Port Barre High, so why was it being done at a predominantly black school. (Ruby Holden)
It was exploitation and invasion of privacy. (Franchesca Gordon)
It was very cruel and was done without a search warrant. (Angela LaBrie)
It's an injustice to the students to search things above the law without a warrant according to the 6th amendment. (Johnathan Rideau)
I think that it is stupid because all the metal detector does is detect metal and I don't think that they would bring a gun to get suspended for the year. (Garrett Schexnayder)

Red Ribbon Awareness Week

by Byrd Adams

Red Ribbon Awareness Week was held the week of October 22-28. This year the logo was changed to symbolize an idea that goes much deeper than what we can see on the surface. The theme for this year was "Celebrate Life :Share the Ribbon." In order to celebrate life, we must join together as a whole. The earth, sky, and water are all interrelated, and to celebrate one, we must celebrate all. America's drug problem also goes much deeper than we see on the surface. Violence, gangs, depression, teenage pregnancy, abuse, and drug use are all interrelated and equally responsible for the dangers that face our country's children. So wear your Red Ribbon with pride and know that you are celebrating life..... every bit of it.

SAPE Takes An Active Role in Red Ribbon Week

by Byrd Adams

This year the SAPE' club played an active role in Red Ribbon Week. Some club members volunteered to go to Washington Elementary and spend half a day with the students. They were invited to help educate the students about Red Ribbon Week and SAPE'. They explained what Red Ribbon Week is, why it is held, and how it was started. They also explained to them the purpose of the SAPE' club. They took time out with the students from grades 1-4. Each grade level was taught a cheer about drugs to perform for a special talent show at the end. Members who participated in this activity were Mervin Cane, Marcus Blueitt, Lashondra Pierre, Ieshia Doucet, Byrd Adams, Fredrick Jenkins, Kosha Edwards, Theardis Tieul, Rheadacia Thomas, Brandi Vaughns, Micheal Dixon, Kasey Dupre, Chara St. Romain, Tasheta Thomas, and Reynard Eaglin.

HOROSCOPES

Looking Into The Future With Lit 'L

ARIES- (MARCH 21-APRIL 19) A positive remark will be said towards you , but be like "Monica" (Don't take it personal) Accept the remark and flaunt it .



TAURUS-(APRIL 20- MAY 20) You could so easily lose the ability to be compassionate, simply because your own emotional life is in turmoil. Helping others cope with their problems will help you make light of your own problems.

GEMINI-(MAY 21-JUNE 20) You are sure to benefit from efforts you've made in the past. But don't let your unexpected good fortune blind you to the fact that the working pattern of your life needs attention. Carry on the way you are and you will have the energy to enjoy the fruits of your labor.

CANCER-(JUNE 21-JULY 22) You don't have to play second fiddle to anyone. You are as talented as the rest of them. But there are also times when you're too eager to prove your worth which leaves you vulnerable to those who would like nothing better than to see you fail.

LEO-(JULY 23-AUGUST 22) You should no longer be tormented by feelings of self-doubt. You have the right to be different. But what you now need to learn is that you can't hope to change the world alone, nor do you have to. There are plenty of others who think and feel as you do.

VIRGO-(AUGUST 23- OCTOBER 22) If your boy/girl relationship is not working for you, take the benefit of the doubt and be single again!!REMEMBER not all relationships are meant to work out.

LIBRA-(SEPTEMBER 23- OCTOBER 22) You are having a big test this week so don't cram your gram, cause you will fool around and get crumbled. (FAIL)



SCORPIO-(OCTOBER 23-NOVEMBER 21) This month you are going to face an issue that will effect you in a difficult way. Don't be depressed or out of wax, handle up on your business in a mature, adult way.



SAGGITARIUS-(NOVEMBER 22- DECEMBER 21) Having a crush on someone is alright. Being able to tell that person is the scariest part. Go up to that person and give your true feelings, because today you are in luck, they will accept what you will offer. (SMILE)

CAPRICORN-(DECEMBER 22-JANUARY 19) Your hardest subject is going to get easier for you this month. Take the advantage of trying to make Honor Roll because you got the wisdom to do it. Be confident in yourself, and anything is possible.

AQUARIUS-(JANUARY 20-FEBRUARY 18) Acting your shoe size and not your age can be an idiotic move when approaching the opposite sex. Be yourself and the one and only you. You'll get better results.



PISCES-(FEBRUARY 19-MARCH 20) This may be your lucky day on your big exam. So don't fear, smartness is here.

Promised success is guaranteed!!!!!!!



Check out the next issue of Hurricane Press

Shot Outs

by Byrd Adams

What's up Temesha here and I would like to give a shot-out to Ronnie Rene', my lil brother Tyrone#14,Shemeka,her baby, and my girls Byrd and Brandi.

What's up my name is Chris and I would like to give a shot-out to Gee and my girls Vicki, Kristy, and my cuz Suzy.

What's up my name is Mashundra and I would like to give a shot-out to all my niggaz in Lawtell and Washington.

What's up my name is Claudette and I want to give a shot-out to my boy, he know who he is.

What's up Derrick here giving a shot-out to all my boys, Heath, Marcus, Jacob,Mervin, Michael,Fredrick, Felix, Chad, Nathan, Chris, and Johnathan.

What's up my name is John and I would like to give a shot-out to NCHS Canes, and all my niggaz.

What's up my name is Kenneth and I would like to give a shot-out to that whole Bolden Posse, my girl Byrd,my nigga packing all that stuff Tyrone, the rest of the boyz and especially Big Duck, Marlo, and April T.

What's up Tyrone here and I would like to give a shot-out to my girl Byrd and the Mamou football game, the Bolden Posse Arrowheads, my niggaz from the NCHS Football team, my homies and my most closest boys Aaron, Chris, Pat, Kenneth and Stanley, whose fighting over Marlo.

What's up, your girl Byrd here and I would like to give a shot-out to the football team, especially my baby Marcus, and also to my girls Natalie, Mashundra, Claudette, Dana, Brandi, and Bridget.

What's up my name is Eric, and I would like to give a shot-out to my girls Byrd and Brandi, Cheese, Michael, Billy, Tony the Wild Dog, and SSP(M.C. Bliss.Kahlil,M.C. Menace).

What's up my name is Keno and I would like to give a shot-out to the Senior Class of '96.

What's up Vickie here and I want to give shot-outs to K-Ci, KiKi, Punky, Brandi,and Marlo B*K*A Lil Freak.

What's up Dominique here giving a shot-out to all them fools in Washington, and my main man SurKnight.

To my baby Boo who is #58 on the football team. Stay sweet and I love you. Lit' L.

It's me again that tall, smooth, educated, and talented brother and the following are worthy of props: Ruby, Gerren, Patricia, Lit L, Brandi, Byrd-N- Marcus and the Cheerleaders (Looking Good), and anybody else I forgot. Later ! R.E.J. C/0 '97.

It's me B.V. and I would like to give a shot out to Kenny, and my girls from Melville keep it tight.

What's up my name is Danielle and I would like to give a shot-out to my baby Nicholas; I love you.

What's up my name is April and I would like to give a shot-out to my girls Robin, Racquel, Nasthelle, April Martin, and Deonica from April Veal B*K*A* Popcorn.

What's up my name is Robin and I would like to give a shot-out to my boy Joe Sam , and all my girls in Palmetto.

What's up my name is Nasthelle and I would like to give a shot-out to a couple of my girls Danielle, April, Dekendra, and Brandi; also to my boyz Paul and Nick. Ya'll in the house.