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In Memory of Marcus Ellerbe



Marcus Ellerbe, an Enloe alumnus, was taken to the hospital Monday night, November 5, after experiencing heart trouble.

He passed away four days later of heart failure, complications of an extended illness.

Marcus was nineteen years old, and graduated from Enloe in May 2006.

His brother Alvin and his mother were also Enloe alumni.

Marcus loved the school and its students and teachers. He brightened our halls every day with his smile and eternally positive attitude.

Raleigh, All Dried Up

By SARAH SHAUGHNESSY

Falls Lake is a staggering sight. The water level has receded so much the lake is nothing more than a small puddle in the middle of a dusty, treeless plot of land. Every day on the news Raleigh residents are informed of a new water restriction. At first, we could only water our lawns on specific days of the week; then we were only permitted to water during certain hours of the day.

The restrictions continued until we were barely allowed to pick up a watering can, lest someone call the water police and issue a \$200 fine. It is clear to all who pick up a newspaper or drive past Falls Puddle that Raleigh is experiencing an extreme drought.

Don't be fooled by the recent but scattered rainfall: according to Raleigh water conservation specialist, Ed Buchan, the city has less than one hundred days of usable water left.

"The way the system works," Buchan explains, "surface water from rainfall drains into Falls Lake." About 100 million gallons of lake water are drained each day, and proceed to water treatment plants before they are distributed to the Raleigh community, which includes Garner, Rolesville, Wake Forest, Knightdale, Wendell, and

Zebulon. "But the rain has to fall in the Falls Lake region to make any significant difference."

As far as conserving water, Buchan explains that the city's main strategy has been "to focus on eliminating lawn irrigation. When people obey the restrictions, it saves around 20 million gallons of water per day." When people do not obey restrictions, they can be fined anywhere from \$200 to \$1000.

The average household is expected to use about 250 gallons of water daily, and, according to Buchan, 250 gallons is a relatively high amount. "Most families do not use that much water, and certainly, during a drought, we would hope that they use much less."

The city has also worked with businesses such as local carwashes and Carolina and Raleigh Country Clubs to conserve water. "We certify businesses that reclaim used water," Buchan says, meaning that the businesses recycle their water. "If businesses are not certified, we are required to shut them down."

Recent showers and thunderstorms have helped to replenish the water supply. However, currently, Raleigh is still 9.5 inches below the average, and meteorologists and climatologists predict the statewide drought to last until mid-winter.

So what will happen if the water supply dries up? Buchan admits, "We haven't really gotten to that point as far as general restrictions," but he explains that one possible temporary solution is to exploit the water in Lakes Johnson, Wheeler, and Benson. If the drought continues those water supplies too will dry up.

On the brighter side, individuals can do a lot to help conserve water. Watering less, taking shorter showers, and doing fewer loads of laundry are only a few of the ways Raleigh residents can help mitigate the effects of the drought.

Activity	Everyday Equivalent
Watering the Lawn	20 Kitchen Sinks
15 Minute Shower	2.5 Inflationable Kiddie Pools
Brushing Teeth	5.5 Two-Liter Soda Bottles
Flushing the Toilet	2-4 Jugs of Milk
Washing One Load of Laundry	1/2 a bathtub

Enloe Students Win Science Competition

By BRENNAYELLIN

The Siemens Competition for Math and Science is one of the most prestigious competitions in the United States. This year, Enloe had six semi-finalists, Shriram Alapaty, Ranjan Banerjee, Nikhil Batra, Nabil Enayet, Aniruhd Gowd, Shrea Saha, and three finalists, Vivek Bhattacharya, Hao Lian, and Daniel Vitek.

Teams and individuals submit projects, from which 300 projects are selected to be semi-finalists and 30 teams and 30 individuals are chosen to compete at regional competitions. After regionals, six teams and six individuals are chosen to advance to the national competition in New York City. Regional finalists must present to a panel of judges, display a poster, and give a 12 minute oral presentation.

The judging process is vigorous, with the judges grading on

creativity, field knowledge, comprehensiveness, interpretation, literature review, scientific importance, future work, clarity of expression, presentation, and teamwork for those in teams.

According to senior Vivek Bhattacharya, the team combined physics, biology, and math to tackle a problem in modern society and were surprised that they won because of the large number of great projects. Their project could help create proteins for many specific disciplines of science, from the field of medicine to the field of agriculture. The pay off for all these students' hard work is huge.

The top individual and team receive a \$100,000 scholarship. Besides the scholarship the team gains science knowledge and research skills. Vivek Bhattacharya says winning would be like "icing on the cake."

East Building to Reopen in 2008

By BLAIRE ZACHARY

Driving along Clarendon Crescent, visitors and students alike notice the vibrant West Building and the almost-dead East Building. We wonder what is going on with the deserted building. Since the new building opened last February, the East Building has played host to few classes and no offices. The only classes that currently meet in the East are TV and Audio Production.

The East Building remains a forbidden part of Enloe's campus. Mr. Rice, an Enloe administrator involved in the construction, shed some light on the mysteries shrouding the building. The East Building will re-open in January 2008 for most Physical Education classes, including the renovated East Gym. Also returning to the renovated East Building where Student Services was located are some of Enloe's administrative offices, in-

cluding NCWise, Records, Student Services and the school nurse.

As classroom space becomes available in the East Building, students have begun wondering about the fate of the pods and the potential increase in parking. Mr. Rice confirms that the pods are not a permanent fixture in Enloe's parking lot which "will open up parking in that lot for students." The earliest date the pods would begin to be removed will be in January.

The school's hopes for the "new-East Building" are high, with other additions such as tennis courts and a softball field. "This building is receiving a great deal of new items. Just as in the three-story building that opened in January, there are going to be kinks to work out. We appreciate everyone having patience as we work them out," says Mr. Rice. All the construction should be completed by fall 2009.

Congratulations to 2007 North Carolina State Honors Chorus and Honors Orchestra Participants

Chorus Participants included Andrew Way, Nick Devito, Ian Harwood, Mara Howard-Williams, Amy Kemp, James Marlowe, Logan Sutton, and Suzanne Ziko.

Orchestra Participants included Betty Anderson, Phil Condrey, Carlie Huberman, Jacob Hwang, Nick Johnson, Richard Lan, Julie Ma, Kirsten Raley, Indu Ramesh, Wesley Shang, Lucas Wollenzien, Sabu Yamamoto, and Alice Yen.

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Taking Time to Live Life

BY HELEN JOHNSTON

There is a fine tradition in Europe: between the final year of high school and the first year of university, almost all students take a gap year. This opportunity allows students to spend a year traveling, volunteering, and generally gaining world experience before returning to the drudgery of school.

Though gap years are not common in America, I personally know a few students who have opted to defer admission to college to take a year for themselves, but it is a rare occurrence. When I suggested to my friends that I was interested in taking a year off, they responded incredulously: "you would never do that! You are too set in your ways to venture out into the 'real world'."

I began to think about this assessment. Why wouldn't I want to pursue this opportunity? What would stop me from having such an awesome experience?

I believe it is the American mentality, the relentless drive in pursuit of the American Dream that is to blame for this attitude. As Americans, we always strive to improve, succeed, move faster, gain more prestige, and make new discoveries. This mentality may be a very strong motivator, but how has it dampened our dreams?

We are a society that never stops going. Frank Sinatra once called New York City the "city that never sleeps." Americans never stop for a rest, a break, a moment for personal fulfillment. We rush to complete high school, to enter college, to get a job and to start a family. But at the end of the day, what have we accomplished? A long life of stress and unrewarding tasks.

As students approach the end of high school, they prepare to enter the real world of jobs and responsibilities. Before diving in head first, I believe that it is necessary to seize the opportunity to take a step back from mundane everyday life and put things in perspective, as well as to gain knowledge about the world beyond the small walls of your home, school, or city.

Spend a year not just raising money and writing letters for African refugees from the library of a university, but going to Africa, taking the opportunity to experience the world while helping others. Take a trip to Europe to see the works of art displayed at the Louvre. Find a passion and explore it.

Use this opportunity at the cusp of adulthood to have a life-changing experience. Even if you cannot take the whole year, at least take a moment to find what truly matters to you, and pursue your dreams to the fullest.

BY DREW SCIALDONE

Cell phones, cameras, and mp3 players seem to be essential items in the lives of all teens today. But are your pockets really big enough to hold so many bulky products? Why bother with the inconvenience when you can have all three in one 4.8-ounce device?

Apple's newest technological innovation, the iPhone, meets these needs. Basic features like a fantastic 2.0 mega-pixel camera and an amazing sound experience guarantee satisfaction in every iPod. But when Apple throws easy-to-use and completely touchable phone features into the mix, it makes for an easily accessible and fun to use phone. Now after the \$200 price drop, the all-in-one advanced features outweigh the price.

Not only is the iPhone an amazing music and video player, but it is also one of today's best PDA's. The calendar, notes, and calculator are all conveniently placed on the home screen. All you have to do is touch the screen. With the full "QWERTY" keyboard displayed on a touch-screen, typing is a breeze. You can keep your notes organized in titled categories, and the calendar will send you an

alert with every approaching due date.

There is a weather feature that updates the forecast from Yahoo every time you use it. The temperature and weather for the current day through up to five days in advance are displayed with just the touch of a button right on the screen. The world clocks shows the time a large city anywhere in the world, so you know the exact time all the time. As an aspect of the internet feature, Google Maps uses the wireless internet to provide instant driving directions right on the road. If you use the satellite feature, you can zoom all the way into a specific place. I can see anywhere. I can give an address

and see it with specific and noticeable detail.

After having a Microsoft Zune for a year and being soundly disappointed, I can honestly tell you that iTunes is untouchable. The features and compatibility blow away the competition—the new ringtones are the most advanced and user-friendly ever. iTunes allows you to choose any part of the song and listen to it for up to 30 seconds.

Apple continues to work on updates to make the iPhone a more consumer-happy product. The recently added wi-fi iTunes store allows you full access to the music library from a WLAN connection, there is virtually no stopping the

advances in technological successes of the iPhone. New web applications take advantage of the EDGE and wi-fi Internet with websites and game sites formatted specifically for iPhone Internet, including Facebook.

Apple has never disappointed with their smart and always advancing products, but now they have conquered with a remarkable touch screen and easy to use keyboard, very impressive PDA features (ironically, I typed this article on my iPhone) and a beautifully configured iPod. Now all I have to do is press a button and it's emailed to my Yahoo account. Pretty cool, huh?



PHOTO COURTESY OF KATIE MCNEIRNEY

Vandalized Vehicles: Looting on Locke Lane

BY KATY KOESY

It was supposed to be a bright and beautiful day. It was the first early release we were going to have in over a year, and it was a Friday. Seems perfect, right? Thursday night, I went to bed excited. That's right, I actually went to bed looking forward to going to school the next day. I had no idea just how terrible my "perfect day" was going to be.

I should have known from the moment I pulled up to Locke Lane at 7:15 for a spot that felt like it was about a mile's walk from school that it was going to be a bad day. But no, I wouldn't let my half day be ruined just because I was running late, so the day passed. I've always

heard the neighborhood around Enloe was a little rough, but having never experienced any of the violence of criminal activity first hand, I always pushed the accusations aside and continued to believe Enloe was safe. Even after hearing a first account of a classmate who was robbed on Bertie Road, I still refused to believe that my property was in any danger. After all, the streets are just a few hundred yards from the school campus. What could go wrong?

But for all my naive objections that Enloe is "not in the projects," I am now sad to say that all I have heard about the streets surrounding the school is true: people are so desperate for any sort of cash

that they are willing to smash in the window of a 1998 Honda Civic with a rock, steal an iPod hidden in the glove compartment, and just walk away from the incident without any remorse for their actions. It's disgusting. The overall lack of security of property in the streets surrounding the school is overwhelming, especially now as someone who has had their car broken into right outside the school.

Surely, one of the five Wake County security officials could spend 10 to 15 minutes every hour circling the school grounds to make sure all activity off campus won't negatively affect those on campus. And if this is not feasible, maybe the mere presence of a sheriff's car

parked along Bertie Road or Locke Lane would be enough to ward off potential theft in the area.

If anything, the frequent physical violence that has been occurring recently as students walk off campus and to their cars should warrant the increase of student security by decreasing student's need to trek off campus. This is not to suggest the administration's need to limit juniors and seniors to remaining on campus during lunch, but, perhaps, with an increase in availability of student parking closer to the actual school, there would be less opportunity for theft and robbery to occur.

Protecting Your Car

Top Ten Most Stolen Cars in North Carolina

1. 1994 Honda Accord
2. 1995 Honda Civic
3. 1996 Jeep Cherokee/
Grand Cherokee
4. 1996 Dodge Caravan
5. 1998 Ford Explorer
6. 1991 Toyota Camry
7. 1997 Ford Taurus
8. 1997 Ford F150 Series
9. 1996 Chevrolet Cavalier
10. 1990 Chevrolet Full
Size C/ K 1500 Pickup

What to Look for in a Security System

- Motion sensors let you leave the top down or the windows open. They are also good for protecting the cargo areas in vans and trucks. The sensors will sound the alarm if someone invades your space.
- Glass-break sensors sound the alarm when they "hear" a window breaking. This protects you from the thief who believes he can bypass your alarm by not opening the door.
- Driver's side priority unlock lets you open your door without unlocking the others. You can get in your vehicle without letting your guard down. Remote outputs allow you to expand the alarm's capabilities by adding features like a remote starter or window controls. Most alarms come with at least one remote output.

Generation Perfection

BY JESSICA BODFORD

We are the generation of perfectionists—of students plagued with visions of the flawless, abstract qualities of immortality. From Barbies and GI Joes to the models of Vogue and Men's Fitness, the standards to which we have fallen to comparing ourselves have reached a startling point. In these past years, eating disorders have become almost common; roughly one out of every twenty teenagers is diagnosed with some form of abnormal eating or exercising habits.

Our parent generation—the Baby Boomers—grew and developed through world crises such as war, civil rights, and radical demonstrations against the government as a whole only decades ago. In a time of long hair, student strikes, and drug experimentation, school and studies were not quite the center of their daily lives as they are

today. GPAs, SATs, and class rank did not arouse as much worry as, say, the absence of happiness, friendship, and peace.

It is no surprise, therefore, that our parents would encourage us to pursue academic achievement. As a result, our generation has been correctly titled Generation Perfection. We persevere through extreme and dangerous means to achieve what our parents and guardians have outlined for us. The urge to improve oneself is not to be reprimanded, but the crushing need to be in control of diet, grades, and college applications is—ultimately—a fruitless attempt at perfection.

Coyoteloki returned to an Enloe last September. His motive was to alert students that we have lost ourselves in the overwhelming rush of all we wish to see in ourselves. By doing so, we are setting aside our necessities

for a gentle adolescence of contentment, self-pride, and everlasting sunshine.

Although the hope of bringing an end to these reckless tendencies seems pathetically slim, stepping forward to fight against its pressure as an imperfect child with esteem and comfort in who they are will suffice, for now.

We are not immortal; we, like all other humans, must one day meet our end. There is no point in living one's life as a robot not able to see the beauty in life and its simplicity. Behind every mirror dwell the echoes of past generations, which want nothing more than to see in us everything they never were. The stability between academics and life as a whole begins in the capability to see oneself as flawed individual—and then smile, laugh, and turn away from that fogged, dim reflection.

Too Hot to Handle

BY HELEN JOHNSTON

When I watched Al Gore's *An Inconvenient Truth*, and I cried. I could not even bring myself to see Leo DiCaprio's *The Eleventh Hour* because I knew I would be too upset by the environmental atrocities presented. The issue of global warming is something that applies to each and every person on this planet, because we are all stuck on this sinking ship together.

Critics of global warming will say that the Earth has been heating up for thousands of years, and that the recent CO2 increase is simply a natural phenomenon. I agree that the Earth's temperature has been increasing for a long time, but since the Industrial Revolution and the introduction of large scale consumption of fossil fuels and coal, the rate of this increase has sped up.

Others might think, "So what if the Earth is heating up? I won't be here when this becomes a serious problem, and for right now, let's just crank up the A/C." The problem with this rationale is that global warming already presents a serious problem. In some parts of the Arctic, polar bears leave the ice to fish, but when they try to return, the ice has melted. These bears cannot find land, and they drown.

As human beings, we have a moral responsibility to care for the world and take care of all the life that inhabits it. We have abused our position of responsibility by exploiting the Earth's natural resources for personal, immediate gain without protecting the environment or preserving the world for the future.

The damage that we have done is, to some extent repairable. If we cease to use fossil fuels for energy and instead turn to renewable energy sources such as wind, water, and solar energy, we could give the earth a chance to rejuvenate itself.

Each and every person can reduce their own carbon footprint by being more conscientious. Turn off the lights when you leave the room. Recycle plastic water bottles, newspapers, and old test papers instead of throwing them away.

Find a friend to drive you to school instead of driving separately (this will also help the parking situation!). If you can, walk or ride a bike. Plant a tree to help reduce CO2 levels in the atmosphere.

To borrow the words of John Lennon, we need to "come together, right now" over the issue of global warming. It is not too late to make a change. If we act now, we can preserve this beautiful, blue planet for generations to come.

Does Enloe Really Celebrate Diversity?

BY KATY KOESY

Enloe has been prided on being a diverse community, and, really how could it not be? All one has to do is look around to see that there is some empirical truth to the statement. With students of all different racial, religious, and cultural backgrounds constantly interfacing in the classroom and during extracurricular activities, the school teems with a multiplicity of viewpoints. Or so it would seem.

I truly hate to bring up the overly discussed question of "diversity" and the role it plays at Enloe, but in an establishment that so emphatically boasts pursuing academic excellence while promoting the idea of a diverse education, determining what is "diversity?" is extremely relevant. Certainly, Enloe

may appear diverse to the outside world, but under the surface, there is clear evidence to support that such diversity exists only in theory, but not in practice.

Think about it for a minute. When you walk into the West Gym Lobby in the morning, what do you see? A lot of kids, milling around, some desperately cramming for their first period math quiz or others laughing and joking, enjoying a few moments with friends? Of course. This is typical for every high school. But take a closer look and think about what you really see. No one wants to really admit it, but it is segregation.

That's right. The same obstacle our country has been fighting to overcome for decades is still being faced in high schools today. However, I argue that the situation

for today's students is imperatively worse due to the fact that we, by our own deliberate actions, choose to isolate ourselves from other races, religions, and cultures to avoid placing ourselves in uncomfortable situations.

This rift is natural, a situational process in which we gravitate towards a comfortable environment. Think of your classes. Go down the rows and identify the race of each person in your class. Based on the course level of the class, there is an obvious trend. In the AP and honors level classes, Caucasian, East Asian, and Asian students dominate the scene, while far too few African American and Hispanic students participate in the program. But even in these courses, students are reluctant to socialize across racial or cultural

groups. In fact, in these competitive environments, the cultural barriers in the classroom can become even more pronounced.

It's disappointing how much we've let our society become wrapped up in the self-segregation phenomenon. However, students who are ridiculed, teased, or insulted for pursuing an education atypical for someone of their race are a reality here at Enloe. Some of these students are shunned by others of their own race while feeling like outsiders in an environment that is radically different from what

is "normal" in their home community. They become subconsciously uncomfortable and unintentionally close themselves off from opportunities, due to a fear of the judgment of their peers.

Diversity, as it stands here at Enloe, should be tolerance of all peoples' pursuits of academic, personal, and social excellence. I find that, sadly, with homogenous classrooms and the subconscious self division among students, "diversity" is no longer an ambiguous goal in a shade of gray. It is clearly a black and white issue.

Lunchtime Blues

BY NATHANIEL JEYAKARAN

In the past few weeks, the school has forced some students to abandon their traditional lunch period hangouts on the breezeway nine separate times. When asked why the drastic change in lunchtime policies was occurring during the first of these forced migrations, staff told students that it was an experiment to determine how lunchtime litter contributes to the trash that mars our otherwise beautiful campus. Despite their complaints and arguments, disgruntled students had no choice but to acquiesce to the insistent staff members.

Quiet resentment and plain exasperation, already common among teenage students and aggravated by the events of Spirit Week and the following restrictions, have flared up to a new level as a result of these new policies. Though having to eat in a different spot may not seem like a huge trouble to you, I, among many students, feel it is one of the last freedoms we retain at school.

For me and other rule-abiding students, this newest assault on our already limited liberties seems doubly unjust. How can the school

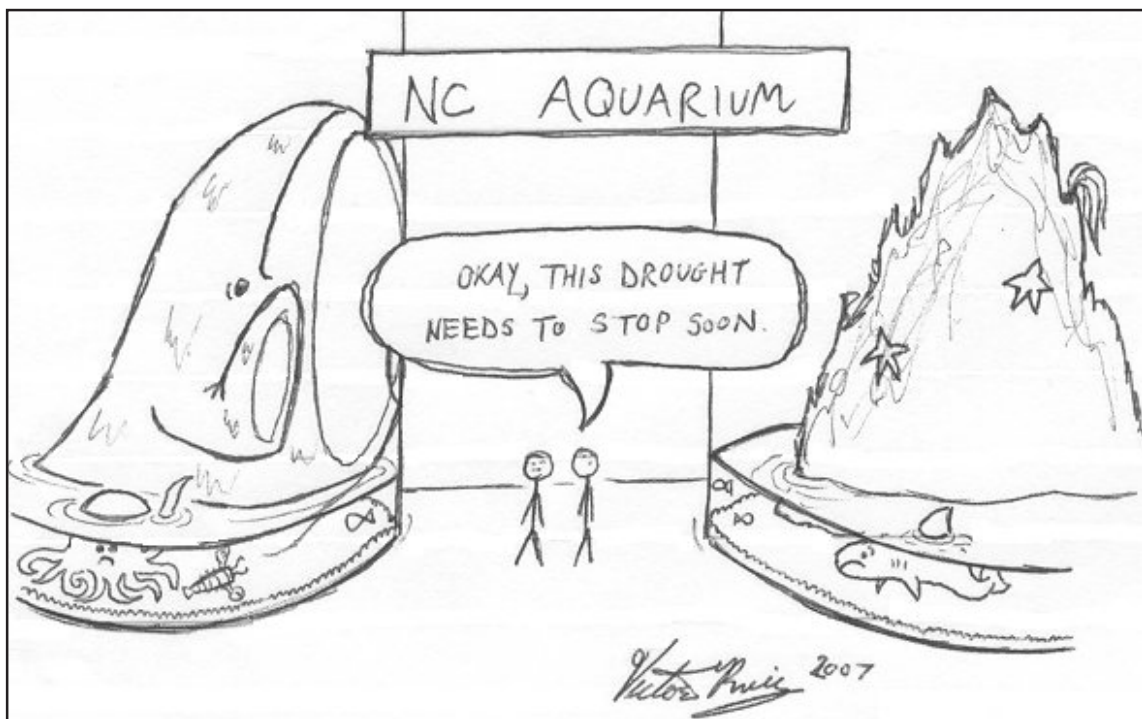
blindly punish innocent children without even making an attempt to find the real perpetrators? Despite the illogic of the rules, the school's decision to repeat the forced migration not once but eight times makes it fairly clear that the school intends to continue along this course until some change occurs, for better or for worse. Not only is this not the optimal choice, but the basic injustice of it makes it quite a bad one from the view of the students. Obviously, punishing innocents would not be tolerated from a public governmental body and is only tolerated in schools because students have no way to resist.

The school cannot expect teenagers to respect and obey rules they see as unfair and pointlessly restrictive any more than it can expect students to act perfectly without any constraints at all. The key to this situation and to this kind of government in general is, quite simply, compromise.

The school must either ease the new restrictions, put more effort into discriminating between the guilty and the innocent, or accept the results of growing discontent and dissatisfaction among students.

Drawing on the News

BY VICTOR RIVERA



Have an opinion on something? The Eagle's Eye welcomes guest submissions, both written and drawn. If you are interested, contact Mrs. Baldwin in room 2616.

Artist Spotlight: Julian Hester

BY BRANDY WEATHERSPOON

Since he was in fifth grade, acting has been a passion for senior Julian Hester. Involved in a multitude of activities, Julian is part of Enloe's Actors Ensemble, the choir at his church, president of Drama Club, and takes private voice lessons.

With so much going on, one would think it'd be hard to find any free time. But when he does get some down-time, he enjoys playing guitar here, watching movies, and spending time with his family and friends.

What led Julian into acting was his fascination of people, and why they do the things they do. This curiosity drew him into theater where he discovered that he felt the most alive on stage. From then on, he has never turned back.

Julian shares that, "Recently,

I went back to my elementary school to perform a children's show for the kids there with Actors Ensemble. I remembered the very first time I was ever on stage in second grade for an American Patriotism skit my class did. I remembered being on top of the world. When I performed for the kids, I think I made them feel on top of the world just like I did at that time. It gives me a fuzzy feeling."

After high school, Julian hopes to major in theater and become a professional actor. Though Julian has been trained mostly in theatre, he doesn't want to dedicate his future solely to that. "Acting is such a volatile profession; it would be foolish for me to condemn myself to one medium of acting." So far, he's looking at DePaul and Carnegie Mellon.



PHOTO BY WILL SARRATT

Whenever Julian is on stage, he always dedicates his acting to someone that means a lot to him. Comic icons and actors that inspire him include Buster Keaton, Martin Short, Tony Perkins, Marlon Brando, Christian Bale, and his role model Jerry Lewis.

Explaining that Jerry Lewis was a breakthrough in comedy and performing (he proved that audiences are laughing at themselves when they laugh during a performance), Julian remarks that he is "truly genius."

Speaking of laughing, Julian shares with The Eagle's Eye an embarrassing moment on stage. "One time I was supposed to be carrying a gun around on stage trying to get it fixed by a character in the play that was able to fix it. A

few lines earlier though, however, somebody accidentally threw the gun such that it shattered on the stage. Rather than walking around with the gun, I had to shovel it into a bag and walk around with it like it was my lunch. Instead of threatening someone with a gun, I had to shake a bag filled with shards of plastic gun at them."

Aside from acting, Julian has accomplished the personal goal of being comfortable with himself. Whether it be discovering who he is, or his actions around others, it's all important to him.

"I have allowed myself to be myself to the best of my ability. All in all, I have tried to hone my craft as much as I can while holding those dear to me near me. I hope to continue doing the latter while excelling and pursuing the former."

It is easy to see that with everything he does, he shines.

Let Us Give Thanks for Tofu

BY BRENNAYELLIN

It's too soon to have visions of sugar plums dancing in your head, but it is the perfect time to replace sugar plums with a Thanksgiving feast. Soon kitchens will be filled with chefs, family, and food. The air will be filled with the delightful aroma of a turkey cooking in the oven. Or will it? Thanksgiving feasts are starting to be revolutionized due to the increase in vegetarians. Being a vegetarian adds a spin to Thanksgiving and requires a creative mind.

Vegetarians face challenges regarding what they can eat since most holiday meals revolve around meat. Varna Sharma, a freshman and vegetarian, says difficulties arise when she attends "parties over the break and there is nothing I can eat."

Other than the obvious lack of turkey on Thanksgiving and the

remaining leftovers, some Thanksgiving traditions die along with being a vegetarian. There healthy rivalry over the drumstick and no wishing over the wishbone.

However, being a vegetarian at Thanksgiving does have its advantages. The great Thanksgiving sides like cranberry sauce, biscuits, casseroles and mashed potatoes become the main meal for some vegetarians.

If sides don't appeal to you, many substitutes are available for the main course. There are turkey substitutes, like tofurkey, or vegetarians can tap into their imaginations to create a unique Thanksgiving feast.

Vegetarians can use Thanksgiving as an excuse to make their favorite main dish and stuff themselves full of it. This approach will work for some vegetarians, who never liked turkey to begin with. Lindsay Scheckelhoff, a fresh-

man and vegetarian, says, "I never liked turkey. I smothered the turkey with ketchup to get rid of the yucky flavor."

Still not satisfied with sides and substitute "turkey"? Have no fear, Thanksgiving desserts are as good, if not better, than the actual feast. Less of the main meal means more room for desserts. How many more pieces of pumpkin, chocolate, or pecan pie do you think it's possible to eat without having previously gobbled down turkey?

Resisting a turkey may be a bit of a challenge but being vegan is even more daunting. Vegans abolish butter, milk, eggs, and even honey from their diet. There goes most of the sides. Vegans will have to think of Thanksgiving as a huge vegan meal instead of turkey surrounded by animal product sides. One vegan, Samantha Snedeker, a freshman, isn't worried about celebrating Thanksgiving. "This is

my first Thanksgiving being a vegan and I'm excited to try some new foods." she says. Vegans can have tofu, pasta, vegetables, fruits, beans, and any other of their favorite foods. Desserts aren't as big a challenge to vegans as some expect. There is an abundance of

vegan recipes. Also there are egg and butter substitutes that work just as well as regular butter and eggs.

No matter what diet or lifestyle, Thanksgiving is still a great holiday filled with a wonderful feast.



PHOTO BY BRENNAYELLIN

Brain Teaser: Sudoku

Up for a challenge? Race your friends to finish this Sudoku.

Fill in the grid so that every row, every column, and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 through 9.

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	9							7
5	7		1	9	2	6		

Top Ten Things You Didn't Know About Enloe

10. In 1963, Enloe held a career day every week.
9. Enloe was number one in football in 1973.
8. In 1962, the Enloe Magazine Committee declared "Eagles are the King of Birds" as the school motto.
7. Principal George Kahdy christened the football field "the Eagle's Nest" in 1961, and it was mostly paid for by Pepsi Cola.
6. William G. Enloe, the Raleigh mayor for whom the school was named, said he didn't deserve the honor and asked it to be rechristened Longview High.
5. In 1962, an Enloe store was established in the corner of the student lounge, and opened before school at 8:15.
4. When the east building was first built, it had bomb shelters (now bricked up) in case of nuclear attacks.
3. Kimberly Poole, a five-year-old girl, was chosen as the mascot of the senior class of 1964.
2. In the early sixties prom was held in the student lounge, which had a ping pong table and was redecorated according to the season.
1. In 1962, Wake County's school buses were the largest transportation system in the state. The drivers consisted only of students, who were paid \$27.50 per month.

Scenes from Variety Show



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Indian dancer Sadana Rangaro shows off her talent, in an act titled Captain Bhangra Fusion at this year's Variety Show.

Across the Imagination

BY NICOLE BROSAN

Across the Universe is truly a unique experience. I've never seen a movie whose entire plot was focused solely on Beatle's songs, but surprisingly I enjoyed this musical- and for me, that's saying something. To be honest, at first I wasn't sure what to expect. The concept is as fascinating and trippy as it is visually appealing. Everything, from the names of the characters, to the colorful sets are completely submerged in the work of the "Fab Four."

The story follows Jude, (Jeff Sturgess) a young man from Liverpool, England (yeah I know, it isn't subtle) who goes to America in search of his father. On the way, he meets up with the rebellious Max (Joe Anderson) and his sheltered sister, Lucy (Evan Rachel

Wood). Immersed in the explosive counterculture of the 1960's, the story manages to cover everything that the sixties are known for: the Vietnam War, the tensions between race-relations, and the growing radical movement, and even spotlights the up and coming musicians of the time without making it worn down or clichéd.

Half way through, this movie gets pretty crazy. At times it almost feels like it's trying to be weird for the sake of weird. The scenes with the songs "I Am the Walrus" and "The Benefit of Mr. Kite" seem like one random, hallucinogenic trip. But what it lacks in orthodoxy, it makes up for with pure originality.

Any fan of the Beatles' songs will find this movie completely enjoyable, and most likely will have the songs stuck in their head for weeks to come.

Halo 3: Finally Finishing the Fight

BY NATE JEYAKARAN

Beginning with the first game, Halo: Combat Evolve, the Halo series of first person shooter (FPS) games has enjoyed unprecedented success and popularity. The series is the story of a science fiction-based war between humans and hostile aliens, taking place across both far away planets and Earth itself.

The compelling storyline of campaign mode and the simple, yet effective, versatile multiplayer mode of the Halo series have combined to make it one of the most well known games of all time.

The original Halo was met with

almost universal success, becoming representative of not only the Xbox gaming console, but also an entire generation of young gamers. Though Halo 2 was the subject of some complaints that it failed to go far enough beyond its predecessor, its popularity belied that argument. Halo 3, released on September 25 of this year, ended the anticipation created by the cliffhanger ending of Halo 2's single player campaign.

Though complaints continued and its success was debated, Halo 3 set a new record for highest profit on opening day, proving critics of the game incorrect. The few detracting factors cited by reviewing

companies were almost all centered on the single player campaign.

I felt the new campaign provided suitable closure compared to the sudden ending of Halo 2, but proved somewhat short and shallow when compared to its predecessors. For example, the first two games each took roughly a week of casual play for my brother and I, but Halo 3 lasted only a weekend.

Though the story was flowing and comprehensive, the comparatively low amount of filler content left me feeling the game was somewhat rushed and unsatisfying. Despite my disappointment with the storyline, I felt the gameplay continued the grand tradition

of the last two games.

Of course, as with most FPS games, the single player is overshadowed by the online multiplayer component of the game, due to the infinite variability of maps, players, and luck.

The Xbox Live multiplayer has made the console possibly the most successful station of its generation, and the Halo series is the crowning jewel of the Xbox. Halo 3's multiplayer successfully brings out the best of its predecessors, while adding brand new vehicles, equipment, weapons, and maps, preventing the gameplay from stagnating.

In addition to the new content

introduced with the game, the new features of included video creation ability, map editing, and file sharing, allow for the exchange of newly created videos and maps.

The multiplayer uses a complex rating and matchmaking system to ensure the best possible gameplay experience for Xbox Live users, with matches between evenly skilled players and rewards for the winners.

Its clearly successful release day figures, strong reviews, and engaging and varied gameplay in both the campaign and multiplayer, make Halo 3 a worthwhile game to play. Halo 3 is truly a masterful heir to the success of this game series.

We Have A Lot To Be Thankful For

BY HELEN JOHNSTON

Close your eyes and imagine five straight days without school. Add to that picture delicious food, crazy relatives and prime TV watching, and you've got a pretty good idea of what the average American does during the fourth week of November.

Thanksgiving is definitely one of America's favorite holidays. Truly, no one who lives in this country of opportunity can possi-

bly find a reason not to celebrate Thanksgiving - it encompasses so much of our national spirit.

Going back to the very deepest roots of civilization, at the end of the harvest, a feast is held. This custom is widespread all over the world and is almost an innate human activity. Not to mention, the Thanksgiving tradition in this country is held over from the Mayflower days, and erasing the effect of over 350 years of history.

Americans throw themselves

into the celebration of this harvest festival with far too much vigor and enthusiasm than needed for these basic historical excuses. The more contemporary reasons, however, hold their basis in these early traditions.

Thanksgiving is basically the biggest excuse to eat the biggest meal possible. After all, its patriotic! Between the turkey, stuffing, cranberry sauce, vegetables, rolls, pies, and any other special traditional food you might eat, there is no way you will stay within your two thousand calorie limit for the day.

Thanksgiving weekend is the best weekend of the year for sitting glued to the TV. Along with the traditional favorite of the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, there are also football games, James Bond marathons, and usually a Charlie Brown Special or two.

The most important reason that Americans love Thanksgiving is that it gives us an opportunity to see our families and take a step back and realize what we have to be thankful for: the pie currently baking in the oven.



PHOTO BY HELEN JOHNSTON

Fun at the Fair



PHOTO BY BLAIRE ZACHARY

A spectacular fireworks show was just one of the many sights at this year's fair.

Cap-7 Fall Recap

BY BRANDY WEATHERSPOON

Volleyball

The Enloe Volleyball team made quite an impression this year. With their constant practice and team bonding, the team pulled out an 18-3 record, winning their regular season. Also, for the first time since 1974, they won the conference tournament. This year, the team made it to the state playoffs, though they lost in the first round.

Men's Soccer

Ending up 4th in the conference, the men's soccer team's record for the regular season was 7-9-5, 5-6-1 in the conference. The team made it to the state play-offs for the first time in four years. Coach Kraft remarks that seniors Zane Tharakan and James Carpenter were a couple of the teams outstanding players.

Football

With a final record of 4-7, and a Cap-7 record of 1-5, the team tied for sixth place. Out of the four games they won, three were conference games. For the first time in five years, they won senior night and homecoming. Despite not making playoffs, Coach Clark comments the team has improved and he "can't wait for the 2008 season". Also, congratulations to the JV team- first place conference champions!

Women's Golf

The girls started off with a

bang, winning their first match, but from there on, their record declined. Finishing fifth in the rest of their matches, the team encountered some struggles but together pulled through what they could. Senior Hannah Konitshek qualified for States with a score of 91-92=183 during the state competition.

Women's Tennis

Women's Tennis excelled more often than not this season, finishing with a 10-5 record. Standout Freshman Lori Wang played number one for the team, was 13 - 1 in the conference, runner up in the Cap 7 and Regional tournaments, and later played in the State tournament where she won her first round and finished in the top 8.

Women's Cross Country

The women's cross country team placed 13th in the regular season, and 4th in the conference. The ladies had a balanced season with wins and losses. Coach Mangum mentions names Sarah Hennis and Cayla Echols as outstanding runners throughout the season.

Men's Cross Country

Coming out first place in the conference and second in the state and regional championships, the men's cross country team is on fire. Leaving his competitors in the dust, Sophomore Nick Graw was the conference champion as well as the state and regional runner up.

When One Swim Lane Closes, Another One Opens

BY SARAH SHAUGHNESSY

Coach Vickie Peoples recent resignation as coach of the Enloe swim team elicited a response of surprise and disappointment from all who know and love her, but the team's new coach, Vicki Minikus is just as dedicated, motivating, and supported as the swim team's beloved "Mama Eagle."

Peoples says by far, the best thing about coaching has been her "relationship with the athletes. I always tell my kids the highlight of my day is 2:45 when I go to practice."

After coaching swimming for 25 years, Peoples retired due to family obligations. "My father was pretty sick and I didn't want to have to miss any meets if I had to go visit him unexpectedly," she explains.

Coach Peoples leaves behind something of a swimming legacy. The team has won a combined total of 27 Conference Championships. The men's team has won 9 State Championships and was ranked 6th nationally by Swimming World Magazine. The women's team was state runner-up and ranked 16th in the nation. And, for the last 12 years, the entire team has been ranked in the top 25 of all the high school teams in the nation.

Minikus has been involved with swimming for most of her life and has every intention of keeping the legacy going. Like Vickie Peoples, she was a high school

swimmer and a gymnast. Then she was "a USA official for USA Swimming and then became a national official. I was also an NCHSAA official for 8 years," she explains. She became involved with Enloe swimming when her two children, Amanda and Matt, joined the team.

After assisting Peoples last year, she took over as head coach this year. "Coach Peoples and I are a lot alike," Minikus says. "She believes that this team is all about the swimmers and divers and so do I. We both sincerely care about them as individuals, and we both care about creating a successful team."

As for the team's tradition of excellence, Minikus believes,

"Enloe has become a powerhouse in swimming because of the dedication and commitment to excellence by Vickie Peoples and all the swimmers and divers of the past. The team itself is successful because of their enthusiasm, pride, and the will to never give up when things get a little tough." She says her plans for this year are to continue promoting that commitment, team spirit, and good sportsmanship.

"I have no intention of changing the basic foundations of the team," she says. "This program is successful because of the high expectations that Coach Peoples established. I don't think you change something that works so well."

PHOTO BY SARAH SHAUGHNESSY



New coach Minikus continues the Enloe swim dynasty started by coach Peoples.

Senior Spotlights



Amir Webb
Men's Basketball

Awards received: Team Captain: 12. Letterman jacket: 11, 12.

Favorite sports memory: My favorite sports memory was shooting the game winning free throw in a Cap-7 match up last year.

Song that pumps you up: Anything by Jay-Z

Inspiring quote: "Leave everything on the court." - Unknown

Role model: My parents are my role models. They are always there to help me out when I need them the most.

Plans for next year: Right now, I plan on attending a four year university on some sort of sports scholarship.



Melissa Kepke
Gymnastics

Awards received: Letter: 9, 10, 11, 12. North Carolina State Champion: 11. 5th in State Meet: 9, 10. Captain: 10, 11, 12. Coaches Award: 10. MVP: 11.

Most embarrassing moment: At one meet, I fell on the beam, was hanging upside down, and had to climb like monkey to get back on.

Pre-game ritual: Making up our routines for the upcoming meets on the spot.

Role Model: Jesus Christ

Other Interests: Track and Field, FCA, celery sticks, dance parties, boys

Plans for next year: College: somewhere... anywhere.



Albert Cooper
Wrestling

Awards received: Letter: 10, 11, 12. MVP: 11. Regional qualifier: 11.

Favorite sports memory: Coming back from having my nose broke in the first period, then pinning Broughton in the second.

Pre-game ritual: Make weight and think about what I will do in that match, as well as try to stay calm.

Inspiring quote: "If you have to tell people who are you are, you aren't." -Unknown.

Favorite Coach: Coach Dudley.

Other interests: Camping, plants, the outdoors, hanging out with my girlfriend Emma.

Plans for next year: Attend NCSU for Horticulture.



Morgan Stanton
Women's Basketball

Awards received: Letter: 9, 10, 11, 12. Captain: 10, 11. MVP: 10. All-conference team: 10, 11, Gatorade player of the year: 10.

Favorite sports memory: When we beat Broughton in my 10th grade year. Shala Hodjes hit the game winning shot.

Pre-game ritual: Eating two Granny Smith Apples.

Favorite Coach: Mr. Murhpy (my middle school basketball coach at Carnage) was my first coach and taught me the fundamentals.

Other interests: piano (I've been playing for 13 years), track and field, and reading.

Plans for next year: Morgan State University in Baltimore to major in mass communications.



Michelle Dettloff
Women's Swimming

Awards received: Letter: 9, 10, 11, 12. MVP: 9, 11.

Favorite sports memory: My favorite sports memory is of the practice session before the holidays where we always have relays, games, and synchronized swimming.

Song that pumps you up: "Badd" by Mike Jones.

Favorite Coach: The former Enloe swimming coach Vicki Peoples.

Other interests: Senior swimmer Tracy Brader.

Plans for next year: Either attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill or North Carolina State University to major in business.