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Midsummer Night's Dream Enchants Playgoers

Don't miss *Midsummer Night's Dream* by William Shakespeare, scheduled for early February. Thought by many to be Shakespeare's most enchanting play, *Midsummer* takes us on a magical trip where the fairy world and the mortal world collide with hilarious results. Flowers make you fall in love, lovers (Jarrett Roux Horne, Chad Farley, Charity Phalo, and Dionntae Philpot) rebel against arranged marriages and flee into the forest where characters become pawns in the love games of the King and Queen of the fairies (Melvin Dennis, Zanaida Bynum-Roberson).

Bottom (Judson George) leading a group of "rude mechanicals" rehearsing a play for the Royal Wedding of Theseus (Rodriquez Sinkfield) and Hippolyta (Erin Cantrell), become the victims of trickster Puck (Akumba Bynum-Roberson) in one of the plays funniest and most memorable scenes.

Directed by North Atlanta's new drama teacher, Maria Bickley, the location has changed to Brazil, and the fairies to Amazons, but the comic situations are unchanged. "I have always loved this play and I'm enjoying working with these talented students. I decided to set the play in 16th century Brazil so I could use the music and play with the idea of mixing the European and the indigenous people," said Bickley. "I expect it to be great fun for audiences of all ages."

Shows run Feb. 7, 8, 9, 14, 15 and 16. All shows are at 7:30 PM, with the exception of a Saturday matinee at 2:30 PM on Feb. 16. Tickets are \$5.00 for students and seniors, \$7.00 for adults. Contact the Performing Arts Office at 404-355-9378 for more information and for group rates.

Summer Expo Offers Information on Summer Opportunities

North Atlanta students interested in summer opportunities and their parents can attend the Summer Expo 2002 at the Westminster Schools fieldhouse Tuesday, Feb. 5.

Representatives from approximately 90 local, national and international programs will be on hand to help Atlanta area teens and preteens decide on summer activities. Information will be available on travel, arts, wilderness/adventures, sports, academics and volunteer opportunities.

The event will be held from noon-6:30 p.m. It's free and open to the public. Two \$500 door prizes, one each for community teacher and student, will be awarded to be applied to any Summer Expo program. Some scholarships are available.

The Westminster Schools are at 1424 West Paces Ferry Road N.W. For more information, go to www.westminster.net/summerexpo or call 404-609-6327.



Photo by Aletta Weitz

Fairy Queen Zanaida Bynum-Roberson kisses Judson George (Bottom) in Shakespeare's *Midsummer Night's Dream*.

North Atlanta High School PTSA Newsletter

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The *NAHS Newsletter* seeks to inform current and potential NAHS parents, students, teachers and the community-at-large about the school's programs, academic achievements, clubs and extracurricular activities to promote a sense of unity and community involvement.

All news articles are due in the PTSA Newsletter mailbox in the School Office by 3:30 PM of the specified date, and are subject to editing for space, clarity and consistency. With each submission, please include your name, telephone number for any clarification needed, and the basic information on who, what, when, where and why. The *NAHS Newsletter* focuses on the achievements of NAHS students, faculty and staff, including academic and extracurricular activities. Deadlines for the 1999-2000 school year are as follows:

Issue	Deadline
February.....	January 21
March	February 8
April.....	March 8
May.....	April 19

Tours of NAHS

Mrs. Holland will conduct tours of NAHS on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 10:00 AM. All persons interested in touring the building must give Mrs. Holland a 24-hour advanced notice. Mrs. Holland may be phoned at 404-351-0895, ext. 2052, and she will be the only person scheduling.

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North Atlanta Student Honored for Service to BuckheadY

North Atlanta student Taylor Lupton and his family were recognized for their volunteer service to the Carl. E. Sanders Family YMCA in Buckhead.

Taylor and his parents, Joe and Karen, and brother, Ryan, were honored at the Metro Atlanta YMCA's Annual Volunteer Recognition Dinner at the Westin Peachtree Plaza downtown.

According to the YMCA, the Luptons have been part of the Sanders/BuckheadY family for almost two years. They participate in Teen Leaders Club, Children's Education Center and nursery, tennis, soccer, swimming, Children's First preschool and the Partner with Youth Campaign.

They were previously active at the Cobb County YMCA in Y-Indian Guides, Beep baseball and adaptive track and field.



The Lupton Family

International Baccalaureate an Entree to College

Dr. Douglas Frutiger, director of the International Studies Office, often receives calls from people wanting to know what colleges accept North Atlanta's International Baccalaureate graduates. In response, he says that the graduates of the International Studies program have a remarkable record of acceptance at a wide range of colleges and universities. Last year's class was no exception.

Here are the 48 students who completed the International Baccalaureate diploma program last June and the college they are currently attending:

Kennedy Adams, DePauw; Jose Alvarado, Southern Polytechnical; Jalia Armstrong, Emory; Aisha Allen-Atchison, Temple; Lindsey Battle, Salem College; Carli Blomquist, Emory; Kira Brannon, Georgia State; Denise Chavous, Temple; Matthew Conway, Embry-Riddle; Carolyn Crockett, University of Georgia; Joseph Crumbley, Georgia Perimeter College; Thomas Cuffie, Washington University; Katherine Dahl, Davidson College; Hongnhung Dang, Georgia State University; Minh-Nguyet Dang, Georgia State University; Binta Edwards, Xavier University; Christopher Fierer, Virginia Polytechnic University; Julia Hires, Georgia State; Anthony Jordan, University of Pennsylvania; Brandi Jordan, Vanderbilt; Kelli Jordan, Hampton; Jean Keenan, Miami of Ohio; Claire Anna Kimsey, Yale; Veronica Manchel, Miami; Sara Mayeux, Princeton; Khushbakht Mazhar, Georgia State; Jennifer McCurdy, Georgia State; Nadia Mohamed, Emory; Hamid Reza Nadimi, Emory; Khue Nguyen, Georgia State; Phuc Nguyen, DeVry Institute; Ashley Plank, University of Southern California; Sivram Prasad, American University; Curtis Preston, Emory-at-Oxford; Hanh Quach, Georgia State; Alana Reeves, Georgia Southern; DyMisha Rivera, Chicago State University; Sheena Roper, Unknown; Mesita Simms, Xavier; Michael Smith, Middle Georgia College; Benjamin Spears, George Washington; Christie Spence, Spelman; An Tran, University of Georgia; Truc Vo, Georgia State; Bich Vu, Georgia State; Dasef Weems, Furman; Brett Weiland, University of Georgia; Elizabeth Young, Haverford College.

North Atlanta Cited in "Get Out the Vote Campaign"

North Atlanta placed third in the Buckhead Coalition's "Get Out the Vote Campaign," in which \$2,000 was awarded to local students for helping increase participation in the Atlanta city election.

To increase voter turnout, the coalition gave prizes of \$1,000, \$750 and \$250 to be used by the students in the schools that produced the highest enrollment percentage of post-election official "I Voted" stickers.

Out of 12,315 students in 17 public and private schools, 58% participated, as verified by principals. A larger percentage of the community voted than before, so the contest was considered successful.

Finishing first was Warren T. Jackson Elementary, a city of Atlanta school. Second was Pace Academy, a private school.

Important Dates for 2002

January

- 16 Financial Aid Workshop (FAFSA) Lecture Hall 7-8:00 PM
- 17 Monthly PTSA Meeting Media Center 7:00 PM**
- 29 Great Decisions Discussion Series: "Why Do They Hate Us? The Roots of Terrorism" 7:30-9:00 PM

February

- 5 Summer Expo 2002 Westminster Schools Fieldhouse Noon-6:30 PM
- 5 Great Decisions Discussion Series: Korean Security Issues 7:30-9:00 PM
- 7 College Fair Lecture Hall 6-8:00 PM
- 7-9 *Midsummer Night's Dream* Shaw Theater 7:30 PM (2:30 PM Feb. 16 also)
- 12 Great Decisions Discussion Series: Middle East Peace Process 7:30-9:00 PM
- 19 Great Decisions Discussion Series: Colombia and Drug Trafficking 7:30-9:00 PM
- 26 Great Decisions Discussion Series: South Asia: Focus on India 7:30-9:00 PM
- 5 Great Decisions Discussion Series: AIDS in Africa 7:30-9:00 PM
- 12 Great Decisions Discussion Series: Russia Re-examined 7:30-9:00 PM
- 19 Great Decisions Discussion Series: Energy and the Environment 7:30-9:00 PM
- 21 **Monthly PTSA Meeting Media Center 7:00 PM**

Sports Schedules Wrestling

January

- 5 @ Columbia 9:00 AM
- 9 vs. Blessed Trinity/Westlake 5:30 PM
- 11 @ Westminster (Pepperell) 5:30 PM
- 15 @ Chamblee (Cedar Grove, Norcross) 5:30 PM
- 18 @ Chattahoochee Tournament 5:00 PM
- 19 @ Chattahoochee Tournament 9:00 AM
- 22 @ Westlake 5:30 PM
- 26 @ Area Duals (Marist) 9:00 AM
- 29 vs. Riverdale 5:30 PM

February

- 1 @ Area Tournament (Tucker) 5:30 PM
- 2 @ Area Tournament (Tucker) 9:00 AM
- 8-9 @ State tournament (Rome) TBA
- 16 @ State duals

Basketball Schedule

January

- 4 vs. Washington *Spirit Game* 5:30 PM
- 8 @ South Atlanta 5:30 PM
- 11 @ St. Pius X 5:30 PM
- 12 @ McNair 2:30 PM
- 15 vs. North Springs** 6:00 PM
- 22 @ Mays 5:30 PM
- 25 @ Marist 5:30 PM
- 26 @ Dunwoody *Sutton Night* 2:30 PM
- 29 @ Washington 5:30 PM

February

- 1 vs. South Atlanta** *Senior Game* 5:30 PM

**** Boys Play First**

Boys Soccer Sets Ambitious Goals *(continued from p. 7)*

two goals in 2001; Zack Kennedy, senior, fullback, three-year letterman; Sam Lahasky, senior, co-captain, attacking mid, returning from ACL injury that caused him to miss 2001 season.

Angel Najera, junior, forward/left mid, three goals in 2001; Carlos Palma, junior, defensive mid, five goals in 2001, team "most improved"; Jose Penalzoza, senior, co-captain, forward, eight goals in 2001, team "best forward"; Oliver Shaw, sophomore, left/right wing, team "JV MVP" award, three goals; Neyser Silva, senior, defensive mid/forward, three goals in 2001; Adnan Tikvesa, junior, left fullback, three-year starter on varsity; Cameron Wolfe, junior, goalkeeper, 6-6 record, 1.92 goals against average two shutouts.

Sports Schedules

Girls Soccer

Varsity

February

18, 20, 21,22 APS Tournament TBA
 28 vs. Columbus 4:30 PM

March

1 @ North Springs 5:00 PM
 6 vs. Riverwood 5:00 PM
 7 vs. Dunwoody 5:00 PM
 15 @ Mays 4:30 PM
 16 @ Blessed Trinity TBA
 18 @ St. Pius 5:30 PM
 23 @ Marist 1:00 PM
 30 @ Lakeside/Evans, Augusta 3:00 PM

April

4 vs. Tucker 5:00 PM
 16 vs. South Atlanta 4:30 PM
 17 @ Holy Innocents 4:30 PM
 19, 23, 26 Region Tournament TBA

May

1,7, 11, 15, 18 State Tournament

Junior Varsity

February

27 vs. Dunwoody 4:30 PM

March

5 @ North Springs 5:00 PM
 19 @ Grady 4:30 PM
 23 @ Marist 11:00 AM
 27 vs. St. Pius 4:00 PM
 30 @ Lakeside/Evans, Augusta 1:00 PM

April

1 vs. Riverwood 5:00 PM

Boys Soccer

Varsity

February

18-23 APS Tournament (3 Matches) TBA
 25 South Cobb 7:30 PM

March

1 @ North Springs 7:00 PM
 8 vs. Dunwoody 5:00 PM
 12 @ Stone Mountain 7:00 PM
 15 @ Washington 4:30 PM
 16 @ Blessed Trinity 4:00 PM
 18 @ St. Pius 7:00 PM
 23 @ Marist 3:00 PM
 28 vs. Clarkston 5:00 PM

April

2 vs. Southside 4:30 PM
 5 vs. Tucker 5:00 PM
 17 vs. South Atlanta 5:00 PM
 19 Region Quarterfinals TBA
 23 Region Semi-Finals TBA
 26 Region Finals TBA

Junior Varsity

February

25 @ South Cobb 5:30 PM
 27 @ Dunwoody 5:00 PM

March

5 @ North Springs 7:00 PM
 9 @ North Springs 9th Grade 12Noon
 14 @ Grady 5:00 PM
 16 @ Blessed Trinity 12:30 PM
 23 @ Marist 11:00 PM
 27 vs. St. Pius 5:30 PM
 29 @ Tri-Cities 5:30 PM

April

3 vs. Grady 5:00 PM

Be sure to check the website at
<http://www.northatlantahigh.org>
 for the most current information and schedules

Partnering with Georgia Tech

The Center for International Business Education and Research (CIBER), a program of the DuPree College of Management at the Georgia Institute of Technology, has awarded North Atlanta High School's International Studies Program \$1,500.

Dr. Douglas Frutiger, coordinator of the International Studies Program, commented that CIBER has been a supporter of the program for many years, last helping the International Business program organize last spring's Super Exchange.

In this case the money is earmarked for curricular development in the International Business component of the International Studies Program. Through this grant Dr. Frutiger plans to begin the process of building the interdisciplinary connections between the business components and the English, mathematics, foreign language, history and science components of an international business student's academic program.

By building a more interdisciplinary program, Dr. Frutiger expects to provide International Business students with a stronger college preparatory program emphasizing that what is learned in one discipline area of the program should be effectively reinforced in each of the other discipline areas.

Dr. Frutiger said that the ultimate goal of the curriculum process, of course, is to develop an International Business Program that will be recognized by major business colleges and receive some type of advanced placement status when our students are accepted into one of those colleges. It is toward this end that Georgia Tech's DuPree College of Management is interested in investing in North Atlanta's International Business program.

NAHS Football Coach Expects Bright Future

North Atlanta Warriors football coach Mike Walker expects better things for the future after his young team finished the 2001 season with a thrilling 27-21 overtime victory over Stone Mountain.

The Warriors, with two victories in their last four games, finished the season at 2-8. They also beat North Springs 17-6.

"Winning the Stone Mountain game was very encouraging because of the enthusiasm and dedication in practice the week before the last game by many of the younger players," Coach Walker said.

"They all talked about winning the last game for a fresh start in 2002. We were so young in so many positions this year, it was hard to cram the kind of experience needed into the young players to be competitive in such a short time.

"But in the process, these kids learned what it takes to be a winner. They witnessed first hand what was needed to play in this league. Dedication and desire along with strength is the key."

Coach Walker said the top players for the 2001 football season were, seniors: Isaac Newkirk, Andre Williams, Julian Rabun, Donald Walls; juniors: Marcus George, Daniel Hardy, Louis Smith; sophomores: Larry Mackey, Luke Mayeux; freshmen: Darius Morris, Richard Riley.

The brightest spot was Newkirk rushing for more than 400 yards on 85 carries and five touchdowns while leading the defense with 109 tackles and two interceptions.

Coach Walker said that in building for next year, he is looking for better participation in weight training.

"The weight room needs some work and we are raising funds to make the necessary repairs," he said. "But, the real problem was getting the kids in the weight room. Parent support in this case would help.

"Since the season's end, we are getting good numbers reporting to the weight room. The future is bright for the Warriors football program with so many young and talented players returning."

Coach Walker cited the success of the junior varsity team, which outscored opponents 100 to 22 in the last three games.

He urged parents of the football players to allow them to attend to attend weight training after school from 3:30 until 5 p.m., every day but Fridays. He said tutoring is offered on Thursdays.

"We are looking forward to a great 2002 season, but we need your help. If you would like to help with project weight room, please contact Coach Walker."

North Atlanta Supports Enduring Freedom

When North Atlanta found out that two of its finest were sent to assist with the war on terrorism, reactions ranged anywhere from shock to concern.

The surprise began when Mr. Kinsey, NA's vice-principal, was sent unannounced to Fort McClellan in Anniston, Alabama to train Army Reserves and soldiers in the field of chemical and biological detection. Kinsey has been a professional in this area for the twenty-four years he has served in the Army and the Reserves. Though Kinsey's absence from work was only for two weeks, the atmosphere of the school was noticeably less cheery during that time. When asked if he would be returning to train anytime soon, Mr. Kinsey responded that "there's a possibility," but that for the time being he's here for the long run.



Assistant principal Larry Kinsey serves in the Army Reserves.

As for Mr. Greenaway, the freshman counselor, it seems that his absence has a different time span and reason. As part of the Navy, he has been deployed to the Persian Gulf and will likely be staying for one to two years. While Mr. Greenaway is serving, Mr. Harry Austin, a former high school counselor, has been called to fill the position. Ms. Bryant conveyed that she is "saddened by [Mr. Greenaway's absence]" but that he "has a responsibility and [she] wants him to serve his country."

Mr. Kinsey commented that he "feels very honored to be serving the country, as well as North Atlanta."

Mr. Denine, a literature teacher, is another staff member who serves as part of the Navy Reserves, but has not heard of any necessity for assistance at the present time. He comments that if he were called to aid that he would have to depart immediately. The fact that the war has hit so close to home is a terrifying thought, but hopefully we can find some peace in knowing that our own heroes are helping to battle the evil.

If anyone would like to communicate with Mr. Greenaway, his e-mail address is: greenaway91@hotmail.com

North Atlanta Boys Soccer Sets Ambitious Goals

North Atlanta's boys soccer team has set ambitious goals for the 2002 season, according to coach Todd Massar.

Massar, no longer teaching at North Atlanta, will be the community coach this year. The head coach will be Greg Avison, last year's assistant. The junior varsity coach will be John Brown.

The Warriors want to win the Atlanta Public Schools championship for the second straight year, win 10 matches, finish in the top two of the 5-A subregion and qualify for the state tournament, according to Massar.

The Warriors possess a strong base for accomplishing these goals, boasting 15 returning lettermen, seven juniors, five seniors and three sophomores. The squad, which won the 2001 APS championship and ranked as high as No. 7 in Atlanta, has seven returning starters.

Here are members of the Warriors and their accomplishments last year: Roman Alvarado, senior, co-captain, left-mid/defense; Mohamed Aynab, sophomore, center mid, nine goals, team best midfielder; Besim Berkolli, junior, right mid, two-year letterman; Matt Dawkins, junior, co-captain, forward/ fullback, team "most versatile" award.

Also, Will Holland, junior, center fullback, 2000 and 2001 defensive MVP; Nikola Jankovic, sophomore, forward,

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International Studies Center to Sponsor Great Decisions 2002 Discussion Series

The North Atlanta High Center for International Studies, in conjunction with the Georgia Council for International Visitors, will conduct a discussion series on international issues, opening with, "Why Do They Hate Us, The Roots of Terrorism."

The Great Decisions 2002 series begins Tuesday, Jan. 29 at North Atlanta. The series will take place every Tuesday from 7:30 to 9:00 p.m. Here are the other topics in the series:

Week 2: Korean Security Issues

Week 3: Middle East Peace Process

Week 4: Colombia and Drug Trafficking

Week 5: South Asia: Focus on India

Week 6: AIDS in Africa

Week 7: Russia Re-examined

Week 8: Energy and the Environment

North Atlanta students and their parents are encouraged to attend. You may register either with Dr. Frutiger at (404) 351-7789 or with the GCIV representative, Rosalie Fitzpatrick at (770) 393-9571. A book, "Great Decisions 2002," which provides background information on each of the discussion topics is available from Ms. Fitzpatrick.

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