

THE YELLOW JACKET



VOLUME 63, ISSUE 2 BARTOW HIGH SCHOOL 1270 S. BROADWAY BARTOW, FL (863)534-7400 NOVEMBER 2009 PAGE 1

BHS Presents: "The Curious Savage"

BY MEGAN WILLIAMSON

The performing Arts Department of Bartow High School presents *The Curious Savage*, a comedy based in the 1950's at a "sanatorium". The story is about old widowed women, Mrs. Ethel P. Savage, who was left ten million dollars by her husband who just passed away. To realize her dreams, she tries to fulfill others by giving them free money. Her step-children are not too happy about this considering they want the money themselves. As a result, they decide since she is clearly demented, she should be committed to a sanatorium.

While there she meets some interesting characters who have their own problems: There's Florence, who is convinced that her doll is her son and has a serious case of the measles. Then there is Hannibal, a former statistician who went insane after being replaced by the calculator. The

fan's favorite comes next, Fairy May, comic relief and a sad commentary rolled

who from lack of attention over the years turned into a pathological liar. Jeffrey was in a plane crash and believes that the side of his face is disfigured because of it. Last of the "Cloisters" is Mrs. Paddy; she never speaks unless she is screaming about what she hates. Her character is portrayed as



Above: During afternoon rehearsal for their upcoming performances, Cathy Lee and Lawrence Lagera practice a dialogue, while Randy Penird sits at the piano.

into one. Dr. Emmett and Miss Wilhelmi-

na are the staff in the play and they come across as funny as the guests!

"There really is no lead character in this play. Ethel is more of a central character in that everything revolves around her, but all in all it is an ensemble production," stated the director of the play, Mr. Corey Poole.

Bartow High School Theatre Arts Department will be presenting *The Curious Savage* on stage this Friday, November 6th and Saturday, November 7th, with show times starting at 7:00 pm and Box Office opening at 6:00 pm. The production will conclude with a Sunday performance at 2:30 pm and Box Office opening at 1:30 pm.

Ticket prices is \$8.00 for all seats and advance purchase tickets are available if you call 863-534-7400, ext 2600 between 9am and 1pm through Friday. Tickets can also be reserved by emailing the director at corey.poole@polk-fl.net.

Socialization Made Easier

BY ANDREA YOUNG

Before the beginning of winter break, there are some expected changes to the way that students are able to socialize with each other on campus. There are five new tables that are to be placed around campus, with a majority of them put in the courtyard. These new tables are to the benefit of the students. According to Mr. Jimmy Giles, who is supervising the construction of these tables, the new seating areas will "allow the students

more places to be able to sit, socialize, and do homework in between, before, and after school and also to enjoy their lunches."

When asked how she felt about the new tables, Bartow High School Junior Quinteise Douglas said that the new tables are going to benefit her because she will have a chance to actually "sit down" when engaged in conversation with friends in the courtyard.

Continued: See Socialization page 2

Attention Community Members:

BHS Yearbook Ads go on sale next week for businesses, classmate friendship ads and seniors.

These ads help to reduce the rising costs of the Echo Yearbook for students while supporting BHS/IB/SA academics. Student representatives will be contacting local businesses or you may contact the yearbook sponsor Ms. Janell Marmon at janell.marmon@polk-fl.net