



Morehead nominees pictured above are front row (l-r) Gerald Costen, Doug Butler, Johnny Dinan, Bruce Alexander, William Farmer. Second row (l-r) Sidney Nelson, David Jordan, Hal Barnes, David Goodsell, John Surles. (Photo by Kilbrew)

## Ten Students Selected In Award Competition

The 1972-73 nominees for the John Motley Morehead Scholarship award were recently selected as a result of their high school achievements. Those nominated are Bruce Alexander, Hal Barnes, Doug Butler, Gerald Costen, Johnny Dinan, William Farmer, David Goodsell, David Jordan, Sidney Nelson and John Surles.

The Morehead Scholarship is an award for outstanding merit for undergraduate study at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. The scholarship is valued at \$2250 a year, renewable for four years.

To be eligible for the Morehead Scholarship, a student must be a current graduate of one of the schools on the list of schools eligible for the award. He must meet the admission requirements of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. He must also be unmarried.

Morehead scholars must exhibit scholastic ability and physical vigor as shown by participation in competitive sports. They must show a "moral force of character and capacities to take on interest in schoolmates." They must participate in extracurricular activities.

The RMSH nominees for this award were recommended from an RMSH Nominating Committee to a County Selection Committee. The County Selection Committee recommends those whom they judge qualified to their District Selection Committee. The District Selection Committee recommends its choices to the Central Selection Committee of the John Motley Morehead Foundation. The nominees of this committee are given personal interviews with the Central Committee at Chapel Hill.

## Sophomores Face New Experiences At RMSH Students

The first official school day, approximately 602 enthusiastic, over-joyed Sophomores invaded RMSH, with the hope to be the great class of '75.

As Sophomores entered RMSH, their new educational institution, they were confronted with many new experiences, hopefully explained in Junior High years. Some apparent changes would be optional study halls, and many money making projects. It is especially important to the Sophomore class to make most of its money the first year. Sophomores build their funds by selling magazines, and operating the concession stands at all hometown basketball games. All money will be used toward graduation, Junior - Senior, and many other extra-curricular activities.

In years to come, RMSH graduates will look back upon high school years with nostalgic memories.

## Trick Or Treaters Warned Of Tricks

Comes Halloween, October 31, and the young will be out trick-or-treating.

Every child be warned not to eat the goodies he has collected until mom or dad looks them over. Some of the "sick ones" in our society have been substituting laxatives for chocolates, pills for candy, even razor blades for gift items. Yes, the sadists combine tricks with treats. Your readers must combine warnings with inspections.

## Magazine Campaign Successful

The magazine campaign for 1972-73 was kicked off by an assembly highlighted by a speech given by Mayor Minges. The expected goal was \$10,000. This goal was not reached however, the Gryphons did collect \$9696.02. The sophomores came in first with a total of

\$3976.87, the seniors came in second place with a total of \$3010.84, and the juniors had a total of \$2708.29.

Several prizes were given away for the best sales results. A prize of \$7.50 was given to the highest salesman in each class. Mini posters were given

to people who sold only one subscription. Posters were given away to other high salesman. The highest salesman from each day in the homeroom were entered into a drawing. The names were drawn and the winners received a carry-all bag, a blanket, and a giant color blow-up of the winners favorite picture. Lynn Carter won a large stuffed poodle for being the high salesman on Thursday October 5. The top salesmen for the overall campaign were: Seniors: Lynn Carter and Joe Bottoms. Juniors: Richard McLean and Bill Mebane. Sophomores: Jeff Dinan and Wanda Spikes.

The sponsors of the campaign were Mrs. White who handled all the money and Miss Kitchen.

## '72 Graduate Receives Award: 4-Year College Scholarship

Mary R. Barr, a 1972 graduate of Rocky Mount Senior High School, is one of five students chosen to receive a four-year college scholarship sponsored by R. J. Reynolds Industries, Inc., for journalism majors.

Mary, who graduated in the top 5 percent of her high school class worked as business manager and feature writer for the Gryphon. Mary is now attending classes as a freshman in the School of Journalism at the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill. In addition to being an honor graduate, Mary was a member of the National Honor Society, the Student Drug Task Force, the Mayor's Committee on Drug Abuse, and served as secretary of her junior and senior classes

at Rocky Mount Senior High School.

Mary's parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Barr, live at 618 Pennsylvania Ave., Rocky Mount, N. C.

The scholarship that will provide Mary \$2,400 in financial aid during her four-year college career is part of a \$50,000 scholarship program sponsored by Reynolds Industries through the National Newspaper Publishers Association (NNPA) Scholarship Foundation. The total program will provide scholarships to five Black students each year for the next three years, bringing to 20 the total number of scholarships granted by 1975.

In announcing the scholarship program earlier this year, Marshall Bass, manager of personnel development for Reynolds Industries, told the NNPA national convention in Miami, Florida, "We hope the program will make a significant contribution to the needs of Black journalism and help strengthen the already influential Black media of this country."

The program is administered by the NNPA Scholarship Foundation in conjunction with the National Scholarship Service and Fund for Negro Students (NSSFNS). This year the NNPA foundation chose Miss Barr and the four other scholarship winners from almost 100 applications received from around the country. The Gryphon staff would like to congratulate her on this fine scholarship.



Mary Barr, winner of R. J. Reynolds scholarship for journalism majors.

## Homecoming Festivities Featured; Contribute To Student Enthusiasm

RMSH held its annual Homecoming parade which was a Mini-Parade this year in the high school gym, Friday, October 7.

Each year, the Service Club sponsors the parade, giving the winning float an award. This

year's winner was assembled by the D.E. Club. They were awarded five dollars for their hard work to make the parade worthwhile. The judges, who had a hard time deciding were Mr. Joe Warner and Mr. Sa-

muel Gray, Director of Human Relations. At the conclusion of the parade, the J.V., and Varsity cheerleaders led the student body and faculty in singing the school's victory songs, which contributed greatly that night to the enthusiasm the Gryphon fans felt.

Friday night, rain threatened the game, but the eager fans did not let a few drops hinder their support behind the team.

The Homecoming Sweetheart Finalists were Theresa Vivo, Gloria Carney, Jo Coyners, Deborah Bullock, Jo Dorsett and the winners of the long awaited announcement were Theresa Vivo and Gloria Carney, who were awarded yellow carnations.

Homecoming success was also due to the fact that the Gryphons overran Durham Hillside with a score of 23 to 14, to make our record stand at 6 and 0.



Homecoming Queen finalists are (l-r) Jo Conyers, Teresa Vivo, Jo Dorsett, Carol Reid, Deborah Bulluck. Absent from picture is Gloria Carney. (Photo by Kilbrew.)