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Teacher Honored For 32 Years In The Classroom

Doris H. Harris, a veteran educator in the state's public school system, was honored Sunday with a surprise reception at the Jimmy Dillahunt Office Complex in New Bern.

Serving as hostesses were members of Iota Sigma Zeta chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc.

Mrs. Harris retired Aug. 1 from New Bern Senior High School after 32 consecutive years of teaching in the public schools of

North Carolina. The last 20 years were spent in the New Bern-Craven County Schools.

Several people praised Mrs. Harris for her many years of "dedicated and outstanding service to education and the community." The program, similar to "This Is Your Life," was narrated by Pat Gavin, a college classmate of Mrs. Harris. Others paying tribute to Mrs. Harris were: co-workers from New Bern High School, Betty McKay; former co-

worker at West Street/F.R. Danyus School, Bernard Pickens; Cove City community, Janie B. Dillahunt; Fort Barnwell community, Sudie S. Way; family members, Helen H. Hargett and Frances Harris; friends, Jennifer Kilpatrick and Maggie Blow.

Leaton G. Harris, Mrs. Harris' son and a freshman at West Craven High School, read a special tribute to his mother from his sister Nicole Harris, a student at the University of North Carolina

at Chapel Hill. In his closing remarks, he called her "the world's greatest mom."

Rosetta Lewis presented the honoree an engraved plaque on behalf of the sorority. She welcomed Mrs. Harris to the Retirement Club and the 26th day of every month. (This is payday for state retirees.)

Mrs. Hargett, sister of Mrs. Harris, presented her a money purse from her nine brothers and sisters. The recollections from fami-

ly and friends were affectionate, emotional and, at times, hilarious.

Also appearing on the program were Mrs. Elizabeth Covington, soloist, and Mrs. Gladys Brown, chaplain.

Robbie's Rib House was the caterer and Mrs. Way baked the retirement cake.

The Christian Education Department of Bryant Chapel

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Mrs. Doris Harris

Festival Features Balloons

NEW BERN — Imagine all the color and enormous scale of a hot air balloon. Imagine a mass of them moored to one site, dancing a graceful ballet as pilots skillfully adjust their altitude with the summer.

Now imagine one of those balloons with your name on it — and thousands watching. You've got a glimmer of the spectacle a balloon ballet will create in New Bern on Oct. 14 — and the excitement of being involved.

The ballet will take place in Lawson Creek Park beginning at 5:30 p.m. as a major event of New Bern's three-day Chrysanthemum Festival. The rain date is Oct. 15, at the same hour.

The balloon is a dramatic medium that can reach a wide audience, hence its popularity as a means of creating public awareness of a sponsoring company or individual. Beyond immediate, on-the-spot recognition, there is the bonus of press coverage when the balloon is part of a community event such as the Chrysanthemum Festival.

The festival is being sponsored by Swiss Bear, the downtown New Bern revitalization corporation, in cooperation with the Tryon Palace Restoration Complex. Robert Bosch Power Tool Co. is underwriting organizational work of the balloon ballet, and invites other businesses and individuals to join in making it a tremendous success.

A \$500 full scholarship or a \$250 co-sponsorship insures name identification on a balloon and in the program of the Chrysanthemum Festival. Also, sponsors will experience the thrill of riding the basket of a buoyant balloon, and at the VIP reception will have the opportunity to meet pilots of participating craft from several states.

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Thirty to 40 balloons expected at Chrysanthemum Festival

Shrimpers Discover No Battle

Proposed Ban Is Opposed By Marine Fisheries Head

Angry commercial fishermen packed the Beaufort County Superior Courtroom last week prepared to combat a proposed ban of trawling and haul netting in local waters, including the Neuse River, but they found they had nothing to fight.

The fishermen had learned that a report was to be presented to the Board of Commissioners proposing such a ban and they turned out in force to show their disapproval.

But the commissioners said they had no jurisdiction to act on the report and the director of the N.C. Division of Marine Fisheries told the shrimpers that he opposed such a ban.

The commissioners had set aside time to hear from Wilton Smith, one of three Beaufort County men who wrote the report, and the large turnout forced the meeting to be moved from the meeting room to a courtroom. Commissioners Chairman Ledrue Buck said the meeting was not intended to be a public hearing on the proposal.

Smith presented his report, which says that shrimping has caused declines in fish populations and recommends a ban on haul netting and trawling in local rivers and sounds, and said it "expresses the concerns of a lot of people."

He said he and his co-authors were not scientists and had researched and written the report out of concern for the area. He

said their concerns were shared by many recreational fishermen, boaters and people who make their living from pound nets and crab pots in the sounds and rivers.

Smith's comments and those of other speakers were often interrupted by outbursts from the audience. One fisherman launched into a tirade against almost every official at the meeting.

William T. Hogarth, director of the Division of Marine Fisheries, said his agency had received a copy of the report in February and planned to have a response from the N.C. Marine Fisheries Commissions at its Sept. 14 and 15 meeting in Manteo.

He said the division was "totally opposed to a ban on shrimp-trawling," and he hoped the division's view was shared by the Marine Fisheries Commission, which will make the final decision on the proposal.

He said it had not been established that trawling was causing the damage to the fish populations that the report indicated it had.

He said a proposal to ban trawling as a solution to fish population problems was "one that I would never recommend as long as I am director."

Hogarth also said that any action on the matter by the county commissioners would be invalid under state law, that it was the

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Bears Shut Down Eagles

West Craven Falls To New Bern, 21-0

By MIKE VOSS
Editor

New Bern's Bears sloshed over a rainy field Friday night to more than double West Craven's offensive output to claim a 21-0 non-conference win over the rival Eagles.

Robert Henderson paved the way with two touchdowns for the Bears and Shunard Brown added another touchdown on 21 carries and 131 yards rushing. The Bears finished with 196 yards total offense.

Playing in a steady rain, the Eagles could not get untracked on either side of the ball. West Craven, which scored over 20 points in each of its first two

games, was held to just 76 total yards on offense.

Sophomore running sensation Lee Becton was held to 28 yards on 11 carries after averaging 233 after the first two games.

The Eagles were unable to penetrate past the 31-yard line of the Bears and picked up only two first downs.

New Bern picked up 11 first downs and enjoyed good field position most of the night in taking advantage of Eagle problems with the punting game.

New Bern's first score came with 9:24 left in the second quarter, with Brown going 10 yards

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West Craven fan braves rain after game

Vanceboro Man Is Injured When Car Runs Into Train

A Vanceboro man was hurt last Thursday when the car he was driving ran into a train.

A report filed by Trooper Joseph T. Hofmann of the N.C. Highway Patrol identified the injured man as Alton Earl Corey, 52. He was taken to Beaufort County Hospital, where his condition was listed as satisfactory Friday, a hospital spokesman said.

The report said that Corey was driving a 1975 Cadillac east on rural pavement 1476 in the Wil-

mar community about 8 miles from Chocowinity when the accident occurred. It was just inside Craven County.

The report said that as the train entered the intersection about 9 a.m., Corey was unable to stop his car and the car struck the train broadside.

Hofmann charged Corey with driving while impaired and failure to yield. The train, a Norfolk-Southern operated by Joe Marvin Plavec, 44, of Knightdale, suffered \$300 damage. The car suffered \$2,500 damage.

Baptist Pastor Says Hope Lies In S.B.A.

By MICHAEL ADAMS
Special to the
West Craven Highlights

The pastor of a large, moderate Baptist church in Charlotte said Monday that programs cut by fundamentalists could be saved.

The Rev. Henry Crouch, pastor of Providence Baptist Church, said in an interview that the moderate Southern Baptist Alliance would fund programs that the fundamentalist-controlled convention considered unworthy. Crouch was in eastern North Carolina visiting his son-in-law, the Rev. Keithen Tucker of First Baptist Church in Washington.

Crouch was a founder and the first president of the Southern Baptist Alliance, which was formed in February of 1987. The alliance held a convocation in Nashville, Tenn., last week at which members resolved to fund moderate causes.

He said the group was formed not as a political foe of fundamentalists, but as a group concerned with furthering causes moderates find important.

Fundamentalists currently control the 14.7 million member convention — and the cooperative fund to which member churches contribute. The cooperative fund is used to pay for Baptist seminaries, presses, missionaries and other programs.

Crouch said that the fundamentalists have been cutting the funding of some groups and programs — programs that benefit women who wish to be-

come ministers as well as medical, social or political mission programs — and spent money on programs agreeing with their theological perspective.

The principal difference between moderates and fundamentalists in the Baptist church is that the fundamentalists believe the Bible is without error, while moderates say there is room for interpretation.

Crouch said the alliance offers the churches another outlet for their money, one that is a supporter of women ministers and broader-based mission programs. He said that churches can join the group by a vote of members or by supporting it with contributions.

At the convocation in Tennessee, SBA members decided to pay for the publication of Folio, a magazine for Baptist women, to fund the construction of five houses under the auspices of the Habitat for Humanity program and to pay the salary of a female associate pastor in Louisville, Ky., who was rejected by the convention's home mission board. Crouch said.

He also said the alliance had not yet agreed to pay the salaries of five other pastors rejected by the board, but would probably do so.

The alliance also approved the trial use of new literature for Sunday schools. Crouch said the material being printed by the

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