

# Class Of 1973

Graduation will be here soon, and with the departure from RMSH of so many good friends who have experienced the same feelings -- begin "Super Sophs, putting on a Junior-Senior and the many relationships which will last for lifetimes.

The Class of 1973 has left its mark on RMSH; its progressiveness and leadership in the SRA, its role in athletics, and its various personalities which make dull days a little easier to take.

Now with Sheepskin almost in hand, we must lead on -- in the school of life, holding on to our old ties and grasping new ones at college or work; wherever, we must strive to become life's student, always willing to progress, developing new interests and friends, remembering that our real education and its roots started here at RMSH - as members of the Class of 1973.

## It's Your Future

This is the last straw. Time and time again a "well meaning" student has come before his peers to arouse or enlighten students and administration. But one certain young man has decided that he is the savior of youth, a prophet for his disciples. He has gone too far.

When one gives a political speech he must take into consideration his political and moral views. The speech given by the student was certainly political but was it moral. He told the students at RMSH exactly what they wanted to hear. (political) But did he tell them the intire truth. (Moral). The truth is that "I am your prophet and you are my disciple" attitude is terrible reasoning for a class officer. In our democracy, the elected officers follow the wishes of the majority not the majority follow the wishes of the officers. It would be easy to crucify the individual but we must attempt to understand him and try to persuade him to look towards the true "Prophet" of peace, love, understanding and brotherhood.

## New Members Inducted

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Juniors inducted are as follows: Dean Barnes, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Barnes; Mary Thane Barnes, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph K. Barnes; Jeff Collins, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Collins, Jr.; Walter Cooper, son of Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Cooper; Jean Dare, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. M. Hardee; Allison Davenport, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Davenport; Karen Gay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mack L. Gay, Jr.; Wilton Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. Carlyle Gay; Melanie Goff, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David C. Goff; Debbie Hardey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Harvey; Pamela James, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. A. James, Jr.; Donna Lynn Joyner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Joyner; Wadye Morton, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Felix Morton; Paula Murrill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Murrill; Laura Nobles, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert

Nobles, Chip Pearsall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry S. Pearsall; Randy Perry, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Perry; Renee Pullen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Pullen; Bill Roebuck, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Roebuck; David Sasser, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. G. Sasser; Georgetta Sharman, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Sharman; Susan Sullivan, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Sullivan; Gordon Vestal, son of Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Vestal, Jr.; Routh Thorp, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Lewis Thorp; and Jimmy Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Weeks.

The oath of office was administered by the president. After the induction ceremony, a luncheon was held at the Carleton House Restaurant, under the direction of Mrs. Elizabeth Hardy and Mrs. Sue Hayowrth, advisors of the NHS Chapter of RMSH. Jerry Parker entertained the guests and members with his singing and guitar.

## Honor Roll Completed

\*These are the names that were left off the honor roll list last edition of the GRYPHON.

Tenth Grade "A" Honor Roll - Susan Mooring  
Tenth Grade "B" Honor Roll - Bryant Aldridge, Cathy Allen, Michael Alston, Phyllis Eason, Sonya Gurganus, Wanda Henderson, Frank Incoe, Doris Joyner, Sue Ellen Joyner, Denise Renee Odom, Mildred Diane Nelms, Alvan Nelson, Kim Nelson, Mary Parrish, Anne Ramsey, Walter Ricks, Lisa Roberson, David Shearin, Ruth

Thompson, Susan Whitley.  
Eleventh Grade "A" Honor Roll - Ginny Bass, Randy Perry.  
Eleventh Grade "B" Honor Roll - Vicki Barnes, Jean Dare, Karen Gay, Michael Hopkins, Renee Pullen, Donna Williams.  
Twelfth Grade "A" Honor Roll - Joan Hayes, Kay O'Neal, Mary Alice Whitaker.  
Twelfth Grade "B" Honor Roll - Vickie Alford, Diane Dancy, Grace Dortch, Pery Ezzell, Ken Fisher, Vicki Lynch, Susan Mayo, Deborah Ruffin, Gwen Taylor, Lelia Watson.

FIND A JOB THAT SATISFIES AND COUNTS; IT'S NOT HOW YOU WILL MAKE A LIVING, IT IS ALSO HOW YOU WILL MAKE A LIFE.



## Around The Campus

—by William & Ray

Finally! The last issue of THE GRYPHON!! Our ninth issue- it has been trying at times; I admit, but the experience is well worth it. To our advisor, Mrs. Williams, whose patience has grown thin issue by issue but never once broken, a hearty thank you from William and me; as well as the rest of the staff.

Thanks should also be expressed to the Administration for engineering perhaps the smoothest year in the history of RMSH. A "tip of the hat" also goes to Miss Kitchen, Mrs. Tweedy, and Mr. Hutchission whose advise and guidance have kept our problems to a minimum.

The Hi-Noc-Ar has out-done itself with this year's book. Also the D.E., I.C.T. and VICA programs for RMSH have all brought the school many honors of which we may all be proud.

Another highlight of the year was the RMSH Band, who have to be the best sound in Rocky Mount Kay Kyser.

The choral department has also had its high notes this year. Their januts of the Mixed Chorus, Boys' Chorus, Girls' Chorus and Modernaires have been greeted by all their listeners most graciously.

RMSH can also take pride in its drama department. The department made itself known throughout the city school system as well as throughout the state.

For RMSH sports, this has been a year to remember. Two division champions in wrestling and baseball, in addition to high finishes in other sports both conference and state - wide are a tribute to player, coaches and manager, not to mention fans.

Spirit at Senior High has been greatly motivated by our high-leaping cheerleaders, who all deserve commendation for their efforts, determination, and dedication.

Finally, William and I would like to the THE GRYPHON staff especially the seniors who will be splitting up -- their maturity and good humor has made this

year a little easier -- so to Jan, Theresa, Sue, Pam, Lynne, Beverly, Mona, Kent, William, and Cameron, thanks for making journalism a little more enjoyable.

To our rising senior staff, we just hope Debbie can keep her staff in line and we wish them all the luck possible.

## GRYPHON Staff Journeys To Telegram, WCEC, WRAL

The Gryphon Staff started its travels later in the year, but better late than never.

The class of eighteen students and their advisor Mrs. Margaret Williams took Wednesday afternoon, April 25, and toured the facilities of The Rocky Mount Evening and Sunday Telegram. Vernon Sechrist, editor of the paper, showed the class many interesting activities that go on at a newspaper office.

Later that day, they went to Radio Stations WCEC and WFMA. Joe Warner, program director, explained the life and times of radio.

The staff left at 8:45 on May 3 for a day long trip to Raleigh

## LETTERS to the EDITOR

Letter to the Editor

Being a new student this past fall, I have compared RMSH to the schools I have attended in the past. RMSH students should be very proud of their privileges they have here. Very few schools allow their students to leave the campus for lunch. We have an open dress code, which some schools don't. The students are supplied with a paved parking lot, while the faculty has to find a park elsewhere. We are blessed with lots of assemblies, many more than most schools.

No group can live in harmony without rules of behavior. Imagine this, or any other school, with no rules or a school completely governed by students. Utter chaos would be the only result.

I will always be proud to say I graduated from RMSH, and I find it hard to believe that some students express disgust with this school and its administration. This school has an outstanding faculty and I am ashamed of students who degrade them.

Sometimes, actions of students, bring about unpopular regulations. I feel that we are treated as we act. We are not treated as cattle, though at times we should be; during some assemblies we sound like a herd of cattle.

The majority of the students of RMSH know we are #1, and the actions of this majority show this. Join us!

Thank you,  
Ronnie Asborne

to observe the journalistic styles of the Raleigh Times and the New & Observer and also TV Station WRAL. The class had an hour long tour at the newspaper office where they observed the methods of compiling a paper and the way the paper is printed. Also, information about newspaper photography was presented to the class.

After the newspaper tour, the staff went to Cameron Village where they ate lunch at the K&W Cafeteria and afterwards shopped for a few minutes.

Following this, the staff went to WRAL and observed TV journalism methods.

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