

# THE GRYPHON



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## Journalism Seniors Inducted Into Quill and Scroll Society

Three RMSH seniors, **Debbie Harvey, Myra Fisher, and Maxine Joyner**, staff members of **THE GRYPHON**, have been inducted into **Quill and Scroll**, the International Honor Society for high school journalists.

Quill and Scroll is an organization designed to encourage and reward individual student achievement in journalism, creative writing and other such related fields. The Society takes an active part in raising the standards of school publications and in directing the course of student journalism. A school is granted admission into Quill and Scroll

after submission of a newspaper which is considered of sufficient merit by the Society.

### DEBBIE HARVEY

The hard working editor of **THE GRYPHON** is Debbie Harvey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Harvey of 3516 Woodlawn Road. This NHS member has the demanding job of being editor, a task which she performs very well. Her duties include supervision of all work done by the staff, the writing of editorials - in other words, she runs the whole show. Aside from her duties to the paper, Debbie finds time to be vice-president of the Service Club, a member of the President's Cabinet and serves on the Drug Task Force. She will attend UNC at Greensboro where she will major in political science and plan for a career in law.

### MYRA FISHER

One of the busiest officers of the **GRPHYON** staff is the devoted advertising manager, Myra Fisher. Myra, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fisher of 2709 Amherst Road, is in charge of laying out all ads in the paper. As advertising is what pays the bills for **THE GRYPHON**, Myra's work is indispensable. Myra is also very active outside of the paper, as she is treasurer of the Service Club, a member of Youth of Easter Seals, and a SRA representative. Her plans for the future include attending UNC at Greensboro to study nursing.

### MAXINE JOYNER

The business manager for **THE GRYPHON** is Maxine Joyner. Maxine handles all business concerning the paper, such as handling money and correspondence. Without her, the paper would probably go bankrupt and all contacts would end. Maxine, who plans to attend Piedmont Bible College to major in Christian education, is active in the Pro-Teen Club. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Joyner of 919 Bellevue Avenue.

To be eligible for membership in the society a student first has to meet several requirements. He must be a senior member, be ranked in the upper third of

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Quill & Scroll members Maxine Joyner, Myra Fisher, and Debbie Harvey. (Photo by Killebrew)

## Little Symphony Gives Annual Performance

The North Carolina Symphony presented its annual Little Symphony Concert for the Rocky Mount city school and county school elementary students at the Rocky Mount Senior High auditorium January 16 and 17.

Wednesday, January 16, the city elementary students were divided into different groups in order to hear the presentation, one group coming at 10:15 A.M. and the second group coming later at 1:30 P.M. The following day the county elementary students attended the Symphony, with the Edgecombe schools coming at 11 A.M. and the Nash schools coming at

1:30 P.M.

For several weeks prior to the concert, the students had been studying the music compositions that were to be played. They also learned a special number so they could sing along with the orchestra. The Little Symphony was directed by Mr. Benjamin Swalin.

The North Carolina Concert will return to RMSH's auditorium later in February featuring the Full Symphony. Thursday, February 21, they will perform for the general public. At 8:15 P.M. Friday, February 22, a performance will be given at 10:15 for the Rocky Mount Junior High Schools.



Senior Officers are (left to right) Foretta Grant, Lee Blackmon, Lynn Cavanaugh, and Althea Bailey. (Photo by Killebrew)

## New Officers Elected For Second Semester

The New Officers for the Senior class for second semester are President Foretta Grant, Vice-President Lee Blackmon, Secretary Lynn Cavanaugh, and Treasurer Althea Bailey. The campaign speeches were held January 4, 1974 in the auditorium.

Foretta Grant was Vice-President of the Junior class last year, and attended Mars Hill Leadership School last summer. She is presently serving as secretary of the Rocky Mount All American 4-H Club.

Lee Blackmon was a homeroom officer in the ninth grade and homeroom president in the eleventh grade. He is in the National Honor Society and the Masquers. Lee has a keen interest in all phases of school life, and although he has not held a class office before, he feels qualified to do so.

Lynn Cavanaugh was secretary of her homeroom in

the tenth grade, served as an office assistant one semester last year and is presently serving as an SRA representative. She is interested in working for the Senior class and the school.

Althea Bailey has served as homeroom secretary and treasurer, local parliamentarian of DECA, Rhoer Club treasurer (1971-1972) and president (1973-1974), and the recording secretary of the Bethelite Society.

Elections were held January 5, 1974. Run-off elections for the offices of President and Vice-President were held January 8.

Nothing causes a more interesting argument as much as two ignorant people who believe they are discussing the same subject.

Temper improves the less it is used.

## Students Awarded Scholarships From Clemson and Peace College

### JIMMY WEEKS

Jimmy Weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. James L. Weeks of 1636 Lafayette Avenue accepted a football scholarship from Clemson University at Clemson, S. C., December 16, 1973.

Jimmy played defensive and offensive tackle on RMSH's Gryphon football team this past season and helped lead the team to the Conference playoffs. The first week of December, he represented RMSH in the North Carolina, N. C.

Jimmy's reaction to the Clemson football scholarship was, "I was thrilled and excited that they offered me a scholarship, and I knew right away that Clemson was where I wanted to go." Jimmy's potential in football has been noticed by several colleges other than Clemson. He has had scholarship offers from N. C. State, the University of Virginia, and ECU. When asked why he decided on Clemson as his choice, Jimmy replied, "I like the people and coaches there; also I like the

atmosphere of the college."

Jimmy will major in the College of Science and Natural Arts. His hope in the future in playing football at Clemson is, "I just hope I get a chance to play a lot."

### KITTIE MCGEE

Katherine Kornegay McGee, "Kittie", daughter of Mr. and Mrs. T. N. McGee, Jr.

of 1401 Pine Haven Drive, accepted a Peace College Honor Scholarship for 1974-75 at Raleigh, N. C., November 18, 1973.

Kittie won the scholarship in recognition of her outstanding academic ability. She is a member of the National Honor Society; and she has been actively involved in such school activities as the

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Scholarships recipients are Kittie McGee and Jimmy Weeks. (Photo by Killebrew)