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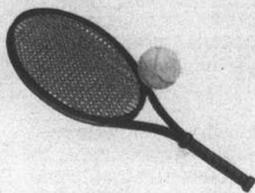
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MOTHER'S DAY

A mother's love passed down

Single working mother finds same values as her mom

BY EARLINE WHITE
Staff Writer

In kindergarten Jennifer Harris made her mother, Ruby, tissue paper flowers for Mother's Day.

On the way home it began to rain. She cried as she handed the wilted flowers to her mother.

Years later, after her mother had passed from a tragic car accident, Jennifer found the flowers stashed alongside nearly everything she had ever given her.

"I had no idea she kept it — I don't even remember what it was... My mother was the matriarch of our family. She was a rock. She had a lot to do with the mother I am today," Harris said, a single, mother of two, has

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From top, Jennifer Harris and her children Jasmyn and Christopher Harris said,

Holmes and Perquimans students staked their claims on a 2007 Chevy Aveo. But only one could drive away with the prize.



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Daniel Eaves of Perquimans County High School, winner of the new car, is congratulated by Stewart Deacon with Edenton Motors and Perquimans County High School Principal James Bunch. Holmes student Cherelle Brown hopes and prays for luck, before the drawing.

Student rides in style

BY EARLINE WHITE
Staff Writer

Two hundred high school students stood in the rain Friday morning hoping that it would be a day they'd never forget.

They were waiting to hear the name of the junior or senior who would receive a 2007 Chevrolet Aveo, donated by Edenton Motors, for getting good grades this past year.

Project KEYS, a collaboration

between Communities in Schools and Edenton Motors, was the first ever of its kind and was responsible for the largest donation made by a business in recent years.

As groups were eliminated by last names, school and finally by sex, the remaining students cheered, hugged and screamed.

When Daniel Eaves' name was called he seemed dumbstruck. He walked slowly up to the front of the line and with a Cheshire grin slowly emerging, took the keys in

hand.

Eaves, a senior at Perquimans County High, is planning to attend ECSU in the fall.

He admitted that when he woke up that morning he hadn't put any thought into actually winning the car.

"I have to call my mom," he said.

Eaves will be given the car officially at the Perquimans Senior awards day ceremony on May 16.

OLF PROPOSAL

Navy may examine other sites

BY SEAN JACKSON
Staff Writer

The Navy's top official says he might consider alternate locations to the three proposed jet airfield sites in northeast North Carolina.

But a local official says it's a sign that the preferred site in nearby Washington County may have lost some of its luster.

"I see this as further information that the Navy's quest for Washington County is in trouble," Edenton Town Manager Anne-Marie Knighton said.

Navy Secretary Donald Winter announced recently that information about other potential sites — as is three are in this area, including the top choice in Washington County — would be accepted. Navy spokesman Ted Brown said that move could open the door for the outlying landing field [OLF] to be built somewhere other than northeast North Carolina.

"The Navy will consider input about sites that would meet our siting requirement," Brown said.

Brown cautioned that a final decision is still pending.

"It's important to consider where we are in the process," he said. "There has been no decision yet."

A final decision by Navy Secretary



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Local named N.C.'s teacher of the year

James Bell, CMS English teacher hailed as top state educator

BY SEAN JACKSON
Staff Writer

James Bell's homeroom students at Chowan Middle School say they aren't surprised he won the state's top teacher award last week.

Huddled around the eighth-grade English teacher yesterday morning, the students

were chatting with Bell about assignments, schedules, movies and, yes, even the late Tupac Shakur.

All the while, a pair of female CMS students aired the day's announcements from a TV screen in the front of the room.

"Are you guys listening to the news? Bell asked as students grabbed their seats to

start the morning. "No!" the students chuckled in unison.

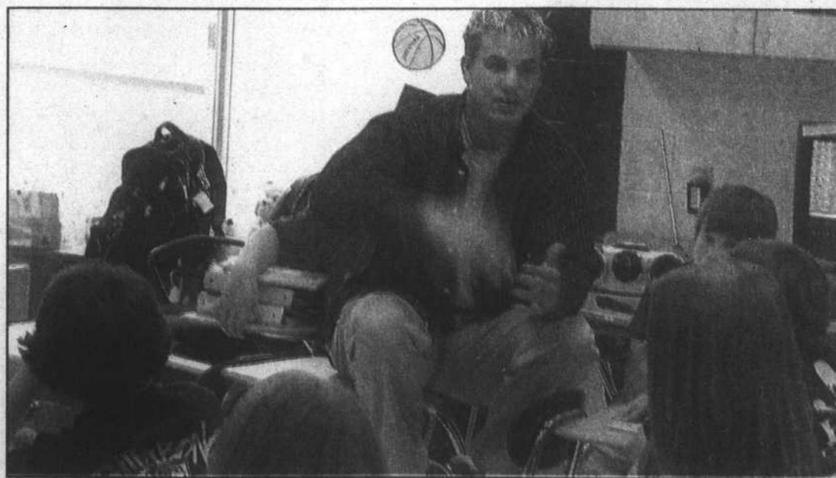
Within seconds, Bell had moved on to questioning Arenia Roulac as to whether or not she plans to finish the book she was reading. Precious accelerated reader points are at stake, Bell pointed out.

"I am," Roulac said. "I want to meet my AR goal."

Bell was named the state's Teacher of the Year for 2007/08 in Cary last Tuesday.

He had already been named the district and region's top teacher.

He received cash, a high-tech interactive Smart Board for his classroom, and a brand-new Pontiac G6. Bell traded in his own



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Bell talks with his homeroom class about visitors coming to the school today.

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