



TYRONE MOOKE (L) AND JAMES CARTER ...With trophy size stripped bass

James Carter Lands

22 Pound Stripped Bass

James "Junior" Carter, 39, of 1333 Condon Street, invested \$10.13 in a net to catch shad ("Shiners") minnows behind Cowan Ford Dam for use as bait and the investment brought the avid fisherman - of 17 years experience - his greatest prize last Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. while fishing from his 16-foot Duracraft boat on Lake Norman off highway 73.

Carter landed a 22-pound stripped bass, about 3 feet long, after a 45 minute tussle and this mile-stone in his fishing career was witnessed by his fishing buddy Lewis Jeter, also a devout angler.

Carter, a Fort Lift operator at the A&P Warehouse, where he has worked for the past 13 years, says he works from 5:00 p.m. until 1:30 a.m. 4 nights a week and on Friday from 6:00 p.m. until 2:30 a.m. and "goes fishing every chance I get, morning, noon, or night."

Carter used 10 pound test line on a Diawa 2500-C reel baited with a 3-inch shad minnow to catch his trophy stripped bass which he says is "the largest I have ever caught". He says he has hooked some as big as ones before but has never been able to land them.

McCrorey YMCA Kicks-Off

1976 Membership Drive

The national basketball championship will take place in Charlotte if the McCrorey Branch YMCA has its way.

Jim Hannah, branch executive, announced recently that the 34th annual Membership Enrollment Campaign, which gets under way April 30, at 7:30 p.m., will take the form of two leagues battling for the national basketball championship.

Thomas M. Martin will serve as president of the NBA and the Rev. Robert Walton will serve as president of the ABA. Six teams in each enrollment league will compete with each other to sign up a projected 2,500 members by June 17. Of this number, according to Hannah, two-thirds will be membership renewals and one third will be new members.

In the NBA membership league, Matthew Shute will coach the New York Knicks. T. J. Anderson is over the Boston Celtics. Robert Raye has the Buffalo Braves. Raymond Rorie heads the Atlanta

Hawks. The Detroit Pistons will be led by Hazel Ellis. Mose Loftin will coach the Philadelphia Warriors.

In the ABA membership league, Mrs. Edna Johnson will coach the Denver Nuggets. Ruben McKissick is over the New York Nets. Mayo Cunningham has the Kentucky Colonels. Mrs. Catherine Williams heads the St. Louis Spirits. The Virginia Squire will be led by John Blackwell. Dr. Rufus Pettis will coach the Indiana Pacers.

Co-chairing the enrollment campaign will be Marvin Rorie and Othar Davidson. Zoel S. Hargrave Jr. is serving as commissioner of the championship.

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In North Carolina

Death Penalty Favored By 62 Percent

By Kathy White
Special to the Post

CHAPEL HILL - Three out of five North Carolinians favor the death penalty according to a telephone survey conducted March 23-26 by the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill School of Journalism.

As the Supreme Court began its broad-scale review of capital punishment laws Tuesday, a majority of North Carolinians expressed little sympathy for the state's 106 inmates on death row.

When 676 adults across the state were asked, "What do you think about capital punishment?", 62 percent said they supported the penalty. Less than one out of four said they opposed it. Another 6 percent were undecided and 7 percent gave no answer.

The question on capital punishment was included in a statewide postelection poll conducted by the UNC School of Journalism.

Proponents repeated arguments that capital punishment is an important deterrent to crime.

"I don't like it, but it's necessary until we get some laws on the books to keep people in jail," said a furniture plant manager from Davidson County.

Opponents frequently replied that they thought the death penalty should be replaced with life sentences. "We need punishment, but not capital," said a housewife-farmer from Columbus County.

Another opponent said he saw the death penalty as a control for certain segments of the population--the poor white, the black and the Puerto Rican, in particular. He called it genocide.

One woman opponent in her sixties, simply replied:

"My son is on death row."

Both supporters and opponents used quotations from the Bible as a source of moral justification for their views. "The Bible says, 'Thou shalt not kill,' but if a person kills another, he should then be killed," said a retired phone operator from Franklin County.

A female professor at East Carolina University used the same Old Testament reference to infer that the state should not violate the commandment.

Several trends were apparent from the survey data:

--Supporters were found more often among whites than blacks and among males than females.

--Opponents were more likely to be city dwellers than rural

residents, and under 30 years old.

--Proponents were found equally among all educational levels, but respondents with some college were more likely to oppose capital punishment than those without college.

--Also, housewives and students favored capital punishment less often than did people from all other occupations.

The Supreme Court's ruling, expected sometime before the court recesses in June, will determine the fate of an estimated 460 persons currently on death rows in 31 states across the country. North Carolina has more inmates facing

death sentences than any other state.

UNC obtained its survey sample through a process called random digit dialing which permits interviewers to reach

unlisted telephones and new installations. The 23 percent of North Carolina households without phones, of course, are excluded. The survey therefore slightly underrepresents blacks, people in rural areas and individuals of low education and income.

According to statistics, results of a survey of this size are accurate with 4 percent at least 95 percent of the time.

Freeway Projects To Be Aired

The North Carolina Department of Transportation has scheduled a combined Corridor and Design public hearing on the Independence Freeway projects for May 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Board Room of the Education Center.

The alternate corridors and associated designs will be presented to the public for comments, questions and statements. In addition, right-of-way requirements and procedures and relocation assistance will be explained. The

draft Environmental Impact Statement and maps showing the alternate designs are now on display in the Office of the Transportation Planning Coordinator on third floor of City Hall, 600 E. Trade Street.

Subject to court approval, construction on the section between Kenilworth Avenue and Brookshire Boulevard could begin in about a year. The section between Kenilworth Avenue and Interstate 77 has right-of-way acquisition funded for late 1977.

Camp For Diabetic Kids Receiving Applications

Plans are now under way and applications are being accepted for the ninth annual session of Carolinas' Camp For Diabetic Children to be held June 20th thru July 3rd at Eagle's Nest Camp, Pisgah Forest, N. C.

Carolinas' Camp For Diabetic Children is sponsored by the South Carolina Diabetes Association. A medical staff of about 15 people headed by Dr. Hulda Wohlmann of the Medical University of South Carolina with additional professionals from the University of South Carolina School of Nursing will be at the Camp during the entire period to teach and instruct the children in the care and control of their diabetes.

The camping program which included swimming, hiking, softball, arts and crafts, horseback riding, tennis, golf, nature study, gymnastics and dancing will be under the guidance of Dr. Alex Waite of Brevard, and director Bob Hassal of Clearwater, Florida.

The cost for the two week camping period is \$250.00 per camper. Any individual or group interested in sending and/or sponsoring a camper is

invited to write the South Carolina Diabetes Association, P. O. Box 6562, Greenville, SC, 29606, or call 803-235-3395, for further information.

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