

# SPORTS

## Bulldogs hold annual sports banquet

TIMES STAFF REPORT

Thomasville High School held its 51st Annual Athletic Banquet Tuesday evening in the school cafeteria. Athletes were honored for their dedication and achievements in sports throughout the school year.

Winning awards on the evening were: Sharlese Hall, cheerleading; Hector Gonzalez, soccer; William Cook, cross country; De'arius Dow, football back; Tariq Camp, football lineman; Brandon Lucas, player of the night; Mark Green, player of the night; Sharlese Hall, girls tennis; Careena Mock, volleyball; Chasity McCurdy, girls basketball; Justin Keitt, wrestling; Vince Gobble, golf; Sam Everhart, baseball; Dominique Lindsay,



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Winners pose with their trophies on Tuesday at the Thomasville High School Athletic Banquet.

softball; Brandon Lucas, boys track; Ragan Burke, girls track; William Cook, boys tennis; Emily Styers, sportsmanship award; Brandon Lucas, sportsmanship award; Chasity McCurdy, best all around female; De'arius Dow, best all around male. Vince Gobble and Em-

ily Styers were scholar athletes.

Russ Gobble received the president plaque and Colon Starrett was awarded the Doak and George Finch Meritorious Service Award.

Athletes and their families were treated to a meal before the awards ceremony.

## PATTERNS

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day. I assumed Howard was out on the beach just to get a little air.

Since I'd witnessed him catching so many citation drum, I joked and told him he wasn't likely to catch a drum today with these conditions. He gave me a level gaze and said, "I come out here every day and catch a drum before I go home. I'm going to catch one today."

I'm sure Howard was ribbing me a little, but within 15 minutes and on his first cast, he hooked into a citation drum. He landed the fish, released it, packed

up, and left the beach.

OK, so is the science of fishing what gets these guys on fish when no one else is catching anything? I believe it helps, but the main factor is their undying dedication. Serious anglers leave little to chance, they re-spool reels more often, tie better knots, use the best equipment, know where to find the best bait, know how to match conditions to where the fish and what they use. They spend more time researching locations, and finally, they have a highly developed sense of what works.

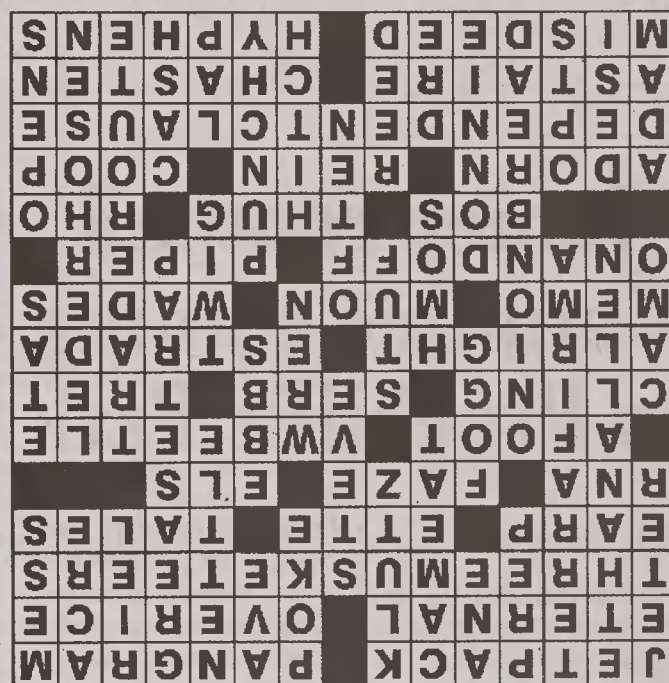
So where does this all leave those of us who approach fishing as a way to pass a little

time or those who take it seriously but don't really apply themselves? I guess we're bound to stumble into an occasional good day from time to time. Maybe on those days when I can't get a bite, I should try a little sausage.

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- 8 Alphabetically complete passage
- 15 Like amaranth flowers, in myth
- 16 Not straight
- 17 *Twenty Years After* predecessor, with *The*
- 19 Fonda, in *My Darling Clementine*
- 20 Lay back?
- 21 They're related
- 22 Stranded carrier
- 23 Rattle
- 24 High lines
- 25 Happening
- 27 Product with the slogan "Think small"
- 32 Remain close
- 33 One celebrating Saint Sava's Day
- 34 Gross-weight deduction
- 35 OK
- 37 Spanish causeway
- 39 Work order
- 40 Unstable particle
- 42 Slogs (through)
- 43 Spotty
- 45 Big name in general aviation
- 46 NBA Atlantic Div. city
- 47 Heavy
- 49 Frat letter
- 51 Deck
- 54 Checking device
- 55 Joint enterprise
- 56 It can't stand alone

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- 2 Fort Ticonderoga capturer
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## POISED

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are Ragsdale stars DeSean Anderson and Ben Fultz. Anderson will play for South Carolina next year - depending on how things go with the major league draft this summer - and Fultz is headed to East Carolina's strong program.

Their decision to patrol the outfield at Finch Field this summer is huge, Shore said.

"One of the tough things is that we're battling showcase and other types of travel ball," the coach explained. "Last year we were able to get a lot of players we weren't able to get in the past, and the quality of players we're able to get back out this year is the same. The more successful you are - the more consistent you are being successful - kids are going to hear about it and want to play for that program."

Shore added that another plus is the support he gets from Thomasville HiToms president Greg Suire, who is always quick to welcome former Post 87 standouts back for the summer college circuit. Ledford's Murray White IV and Trinity's Matt Dillon are two former Legion stars who will play for the Coastal Plain League's HiToms this year.

Post 87 also welcomes back High Point Christian's Kevin Sanders, who played for Guilford Tech in the spring; fourth-year player Cameron Hendrix, who just finished helping Wesleyan Christian Acad-

emy win a state championship; and Ragsdale's Mike Whited, headed to Catawba's diamond next year.

Shore, who coaches Trinity High School, will see other familiar faces coming up from the junior Legion program. That group includes Houston Ison of High Point Central, Aaron Blackman of South Davidson and Justin Morrison of High Point Christian.

Ragsdale will provide a few more new faces in Tyler Southcott and Kyle Morrison, with other HPCA players Taylor Bergsma and Joseph Powell also joining the group. Former Cougar Huston Harrington - now at Greensboro Day - is out this year, along with Southwest Guilford star Cal Sutphin and Ledford's Victor Zecca.

"Like any Legion program, you've got kids from all over who kind of know each other and have heard of each other, but they haven't really played together," said Shore, who will be assisted this season by Trinity softball coach David House - a former East Davidson baseball standout. "We have a good group of guys who can mesh together."

"I feel great about our pitching and I feel like we can be very dominant at the top of the lineup," Shore continued. "We just need to find some key guys to fill into the lineup, and I like that. That creates competition, makes everybody work harder."

With just a little more hard work, perhaps Post 87 can clear that final hurdle into the state tournament.

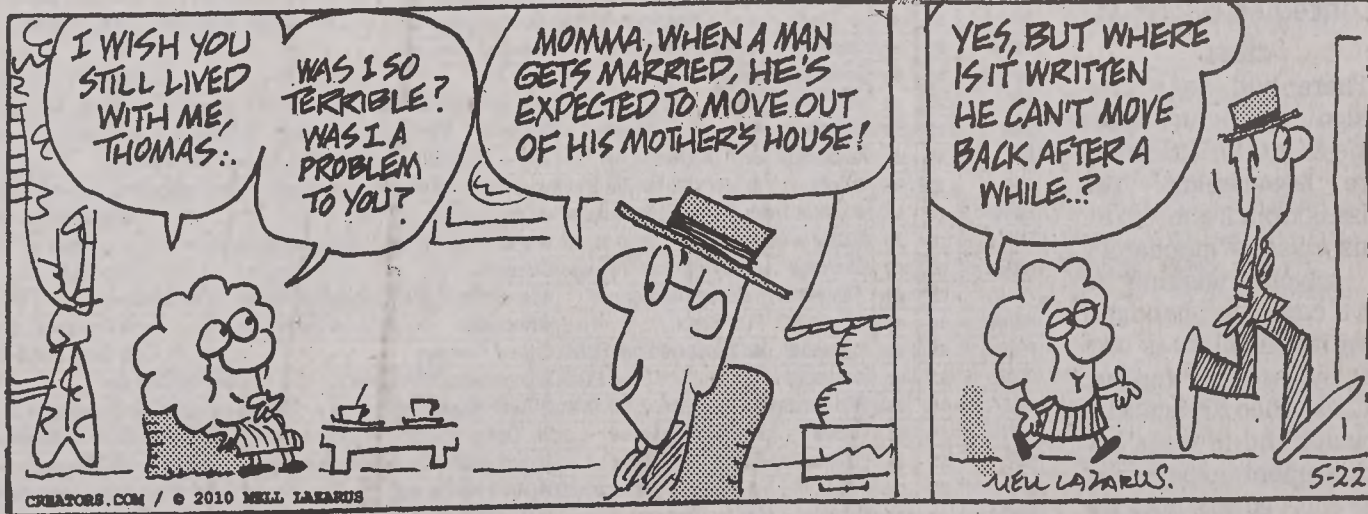
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