

# Couple Frustrated By Tern's Death

BY DOUG RUTTER

Arthur and Debbie Cartier were frustrated last week following the death of an injured shorebird which they say might have lived if it weren't for the slow wheels of bureaucracy.

A young royal tern found at Sunset Beach last Monday with most of one wing missing died in their hands three days later. They said attempts to get help from state and federal wildlife officials failed.

"It makes you mad when you call these agencies and they won't come in and do anything," said Mrs. Cartier, a veterinary technician. "That's what tax dollars are for."

The Cartiers, who live at Calabash and are affiliated with Greenpeace and other environmental groups, found the tern near the 40th Street beach access.

The bird, which was about nine months old and had a small metal band around its leg, was surrounded by six adult terns when they found

it. Most of its left wing was missing, but they don't know what happened to it.

Mrs. Cartier treated the bird with antibiotics and fed it minnows, which some young children helped catch. She believes the tern died of a respiratory problem, common in birds that have serious injuries.

Catherine McCoy, a Sunset Beach resident and former trustee with the N.C. Nature Conservancy, said the bird appeared to be on the road to recovery the day after it was found.

"I wouldn't have given a plug nickel the day Arthur took him off the beach," she said. "But he was just as perky as could be the next day."

Cartier made telephone calls to state and federal wildlife agencies in Raleigh, Atlanta and Washington, D.C., in an attempt to find out who could help the bird.

"To even try to get these people on the phone was a pain," Mrs.

Cartier said. "If the wildlife people came here and picked it up then, it could have received treatment and might still be alive."

Most of the people they talked with were sympathetic, but told them to leave the bird alone and let nature take its course. They said the tern wouldn't propagate if it wasn't healthy.

Randy Wilson, head of the N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission's nongame and endangered species program, said that anyone who finds a sick or injured bird or other wildlife can call his office in Raleigh, 733-7291.

Wilson said royal terns are given some protection as migratory birds but aren't listed as threatened or endangered species. Identifiable by their shaggy black crest and orange bill, royal terns are among the largest of the 14 species of tern found on the East Coast.

If someone finds an injured tern or other shorebird, Wilson can help

put people in contact with a local wildlife rehabilitator licensed by the state.

In Brunswick County, the two rehabilitators with permits are Cynthia Gillis in Shallotte, 754-6169, and Paulette Golding in Boiling Spring Lakes, 845-2508.

Wildlife Resources Commission officers can pick up threatened and endangered species that are sick or injured, depending on how big they are and whether they can be treated locally.

Mrs. Cartier said the general public is usually cooperative when they find injured wildlife. "Then you get to the bureaucracy and they make it such a pain to do anything," she said. "You get disgusted with it."

Her husband says wildlife still abounds on Sunset Beach, despite its rapid growth in recent years. "There's money appropriated to protect it, but it's not being done," he asserted.



STAFF PHOTO BY DOUG RUTTER  
DEBBIE CARTIER holds the injured royal tern she and her husband found last week at Sunset Beach. They said the bird might have lived if state and federal wildlife officials had helped.

## GRADUATES TO HEAR DCC OFFICIAL

# BCC Slates Commencement Aug. 22

Brunswick Community College will graduate 138 curriculum students and 68 general educational development (GED) students in commencement exercises Thursday, Aug. 22, at 7:30 p.m. at Southport Baptist Church, Southport.

A pinning ceremony for practical nursing program graduates will be held 7 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 20, at Calvary Baptist Church in Shallotte.

Keynote speaker for BCC's graduation will be Roscoe F. Hager of Wake Forest, coordinator of methods of administration for the N.C. Dept. of Community Colleges (DCC) since 1984.



HAGER

Hager monitors DCC's state office and 58 member colleges to assure compliance with Office of Civil Rights guidelines and related state and federal laws relating to areas such as affirmative action and accessibility to the handicapped. He provides, counseling and technical assistance to campuses in affirmative action, performance evaluations, grievance procedures and other human relations concerns.

A former public school teacher and assistant principal and college instructor, Hager joined the community college system in 1976 as assistant to the president of Anson Technical College. In 1979 he joined the state office as director of personnel and retained that post until taking his current assignment.

He is a 1962 graduate of Elizabeth City State University and earned a master's degree in higher education and administration from Appalachian State University in 1983. He has completed additional training in field biology, personnel, management and community college leadership.

A reception for students, faculty, staff and guests is planned at the Southport Community Building following graduation exercises.

Students receiving their high school equivalency diplomas upon passing the General Educational Development test will be announced at graduation.

Curriculum program graduates earn certificates, diplomas or associate degrees, depending upon the length and type of program in which they are enrolled, as follows:

**Business Computer Programming—Diploma:** Elaine H. Jessen; **A.A. Applied Science:** Jeanne Louise Bussell, Rebecca Clemmons Fulford, Angelita Yvette Lee, Crystal Dianne McDowell, Tonya Renee Moore, Sabrina Lavette Parker, Margarete Susanna Robin-

son, Sandra Ann Shope, Betty Robinson Simmons, Kimberly Lane Trott and Audrey Charreze Wallace;

**Nursing Assistant-Level II Certificate:** Katherine Abbott, Helen Ruth Marshall Barnhill, Stephanie Ann Bowling, Tammy Jill Brinster, Tammy Chavez, Lyn Edwards, Barbara Eldred Eddy, Darlene Morris Furr, Dawn Renee Gardner, Trina Marie Giampocaro, Leah Cheryl Gore, Wanda Kuigre Hegge, Brenda Hewett, Karen B. Holley, Carla Ingram, Tina Michelle Klutz, Debra Lynn Long, Kenneth D. Messer Jr., Doris Phelps Scott, Shelby L. Sellers, Ana Luisa Stann and Shona Cheryl Turner;

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**General Education—A.A. General Education:** Lorene M. Buchanan, Marilyn W. Hardie, Sandra Denise Johnston, Mable S. McKoy, Teresa (Terri) Johnson Mercer, Michael Bernard Randolph and Harold David Yeager III;

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**General Office — A.A. — Applied Science:** Retha Holden Buck, Aletha E. Jiwright, Jean Ann Martin, Debra Darlene Stanley and

Sandra Denise Stanley; **Diploma:** Carla B. Barton, Virginia Hawes Gallien and Wanda Elizabeth Swain;

**Air Conditioning, Heating and Refrigeration—Diploma:** Patrick Shannon Long, William Kevin Shires, Joe Mitchell Smith Jr., Douglas Wayne Taylor II and Larry E. Whitt; **Certificate:** William Harold Bridges and Jerry Lane Caison Jr.;

**Automotive Mechanics—Certificate:** Jamie David Evans, Kenneth Gerald Smigiel, Charles Cannon Whitby, Vance Roy Wilkie and Charles E. Willets; **Diploma:** John Allen Potter and Richard H. Walker Jr.;

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