

Spotlight on Women

Biology Degree

Mom's A Doctor Now

By KATHY MORAN
It took a lot of studying at the bus stop, but the effort paid off for Mrs. Raymond Harris of Redford Township. She received her doctoral degree in biology from Wayne State University Saturday, June 20.

Betty Harris, married and the mother of two sons, John and Glenn, entered Wayne on a scholarship in July of 1961, when her sons were 12 and eight years old.

She finished after nine years of cooking meals a day in advance and studying between laundry loads.

"NOW I KNOW how a soldier feels when they hand him his discharge papers," she said.

She decided to get a bachelor's degree when her children started getting older and has only had one summer off since then, Dr. Harris said.

She said she was surprised at the grades she received. Coupling a 3.8 grade point average, she was accepted by Phi Beta Kappa and Sigma Xi, an honorary scientific fraternity.

She also was a graduate assistant at Wayne and taught at Detroit Institute of Technology and Oakland Community College.

"ONCE I HAD the first degree, it seemed a good idea to go on for the next one," she said.

She did her doctoral research on the evolution and chromosome patterns of the North American *Flax plant* under a National Aeronautics and Space Administration grant.

In the course of her studies, Dr. Harris had two articles published in the *American Journal of Botany*.

BETTY AND RAYMOND HARRIS have acquired five degrees in the last eight years. Harris started back to college at the same time as his wife and earned bachelors and masters degrees in English literature. He is now halfway through his doctoral studies.

The Harrises are moving to Massachusetts this summer where Harris is an editor for an educational film company. Mrs. Harris hopes to be teaching college there.

"We're very proud to have a doctor around the house," Harris said. "No family should be without one."



FIT FOR A SCHOLAR -- When Mrs. Betty Harris of Redford Township tried on the robe she wore to receive a doctorate degree, her tall son John was on hand to adjust the mortarboard. Mrs. Harris was granted the degree in biology from Wayne State University last weekend. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)



HANDS ON THE GAVEL -- Three of the four presidents installed in the Soroptimist Clubs are shown sharing the gavel. They are: Shirley Halford of Farmington, left; Mrs. Marie Sanchez of Redford Township, center, and

Bessie Lenz of Wayne-Westland. Mrs. Ellen Boze, new Livonia president, was not able to be present for the installation. (Evert photo)

Soroptimist Presidents Follow Varied Career

A board of education accountant, a realtor, a funeral home co-owner and a merchant association executive will head four Soroptimist clubs in the coming year.

They took office last week in a dinner installation meeting sponsored jointly by the Soroptimist clubs of Farmington, Redford, Wayne-Westland and Livonia.

The new presidents are: Farmington—Shirley Halford, an accountant for the Farmington Board of Education and a Soroptimist for five years.

Livonia—Mrs. Ellen Boze, 10 years a Soroptimist and executive director of the merchant association of the Livonia Mall. She is a former member of the Observer Newspapers advertising staff.

Redford—Mrs. Marie Sanchez, president and owner of

Jamy Realty, who joined the organization when the Redford club was organized about a year ago.

Wayne-Westland—Mrs. Bessie Lenz, president and co-owner of the Lenz Funeral Home in Wayne. She has been active in the organization for nine years.

THE INSTALLATION was held in the Meadowbrook Country Club with Mrs. Ruth Reese, outgoing director of district III, conducting the ceremony.

Assisting her was Mrs. Frances Moore, former Livonia president and incoming district director.

Other Farmington officers are: Mrs. Stella DiCicco, first vice president; Mrs. Helen Storehouse, second vice president; Mrs. Ruth Madigan, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Rita Moshammer, recording secretary.

and Mrs. Dorothy Oglesby, treasurer.

WORKING WITH Mrs. Boze in Livonia will be Mrs. Ruth Lomerson, first vice president; Mrs. Grace Fox, second vice president; Mrs. J.M. Sanderson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Vera Blum, recording secretary; and Mrs. Ruth Storch, treasurer.

Mrs. Muriel Zine is Red-

ford's first president; Mrs. Marie Sanchez, second vice president; Mrs. Ruth Cesari, recording secretary; Sharon Cotton, corresponding secretary; and Mrs. Bea Hendricks, treasurer.

Other Wayne officers are: Mrs. Bernadine Worland, vice president; Mrs. Mary Robertson, corresponding secretary; Mrs. Letty Gillyool, recording secretary; and Mrs. Mildred Jewell, treasurer.

Garden Club Meets June 25

The Mayflower Garden Club will hold its regular meeting at 10 a.m. Thursday, June 25, in the home of Mrs. Don Allen, 21204 Eastfarm, Northville. Mrs. Edwin Ash will be co-hostess.

Members are asked to take their own supplies to make yarn poodles, clothespin dolls,

stuffed felt vegetables or poolie head ornaments. A white elephant auction will also be held.

Sinbad's Home

The city of Basra in Iraq is famous in literature. It was the scene of many of the adventures of Sinbad the sailor.

m. m. memos

Most of the 1970 June brides have made their trips to the altar and are launching married life. They've received all kinds of advice, I'm sure, on every aspect of conjugal bliss.

But has anyone told them: What's the answer when you finally get a 10-year-old shirt into the rag box and then hear the anguished wail, "Where's my good shirt?"

Who took the scissors? How do you shuttle several children who have to be in several different places within a half hour—assuming everyone forgets something?

Where is the scotch tape? What do you serve for supper when every suggestion but steak meets with a "yuk" from somebody?

What happened to the radio? Either radio. What do you do with wall-to-wall comic books during vacation?

Where's the bottle opener? I don't have any advice on these matters to offer.

What I'd really like to see are answers. June brides, when you find out about these mysteries of life, let me know.

-- Margaret Miller

Control Population, Not Phosphates-- Women Advised

Women can do more than worry about disposable containers and phosphate in soaps, according to Dr. William Cooper, a population ecologist at Michigan State University.

Population control is the only real solution to the crisis, he believes.

Dr. Cooper made his remarks in the College Week for Women observance this month at MSU, in which women were challenged to do something about facing today's world.

He told the women that "scientists can come up with ways to relieve some of the strain on natural resources, but only people can control population."

He warned that even if population stays steady, depleting natural resources will still pose a problem.

SOME 700 WOMEN at the university heard two other

special afternoon speakers besides Dr. Cooper.

Dr. Cynthia Wedel, president of the National Council of Churches urged women to stop believing all the myths about what women could—and could not—do.

She added that women might even have to shift their thinking about housekeeping and other traditional roles in order to do their best in conquering today's problems.

Mrs. Clifford Hardin, wife of the U.S. secretary of agriculture, outlined programs under way to feed hungry, malnourished Americans. She also pointed out a problem of the future—rural development to cope with rapidly expanding urban problems.

One of the largest classes studied "Awareness—Insight into Ourselves and Others."



SHOWER FOR TEACHER -- Sharon Callahan's fourth graders at Bird School, Plymouth, were so excited about her forthcoming marriage that they gave her a shower last week. It was a bit upsetting to classroom routine, but the pretty bride-to-be didn't mind a bit. She'll be married

to Lawrence Zeleji on Friday, June 26, in St. Pius X orthodox church in Southgate. Pictured, from left, are: Greg Davis, Julie Jimmerson, Miss Callahan, Jim Garber and Marie Viscechi. (Observer photo by Harry Mauthe)

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