



## *Siphers honored*

East Burke High School Band Director Katheryn Siphers (right) was presented Sunday the first award of excellence ever to be given by the Women Band Directors of America. Patricia Garren, a band director at South French Broad High School in Asheville and a member of the directors' organization, made the presentation during the annual spring concert for East Burke High School's symphonic, concert and stage bands. Ms. Siphers has been a band director in Burke County for the past 34 years. (Photo by Alan Marler.)