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B.S. Degree Program In Computer Science Approved for PSU



Dr. Gilbert Sampson

Pembroke-The UNC Board of Governors Friday approved a Bachelor of Science degree program in Computer Science for PSU. It will be initiated at PSU this fall.

The new program will prepare students for entry level positions in computer science as well as for further education at the graduate level, said PSU officials.

The options for areas of concentration beyond the core curriculum, according to PSU, are: scientific applications, business applications, mathematical applications and advanced computer science.

"We are very excited about getting this," said Dr. Gilbert Sampson, chairman of the PSU Department of Mathematics and Computer Science. "We have worked hard to

obtain it and have been waiting for its approval."

Having the new degree program means PSU will be adding an 11th person to its Mathematics and Computer Science Department. Funding is already provided for this.

PSU this semester offers seven courses in computer science, six of which are in the daytime and one at 5 p.m. on Tuesdays. The University has 75 microcomputers on campus. In the fall 276 PSU students took computer science courses.

"This new degree program will provide our students with more courses and more depth into the computer science field," Sampson said. "It will be an important part of the continued growth of the Mathematics and Computer

Science Department."

Sampson said PSU has sufficient facilities for the new degree program because of the recent acquisition of a Digital Equipment Corporation VAX Computer System by the PSU Computer Center, directed by Jo Ann Pearson, plus other microcomputers throughout the campus. Coordinating these computers is a Computer Advisory Committee, chaired by Dr. Joe Goldston of the Mathematics and Computer Science Department.

PSU's Mathematics and Computer Science Department offered its first course in computer science in 1969. The interest and courses continued to grow and in 1979, said Sampson, a track in computer science for the B.S. in Mathematics was developed and approved.

"In June of 1984, the Mathematics and Computer Science Department submitted a proposal to the UNC General Administration for a separate B.S. degree program in Computer Science," said Sampson. "We are delighted that it is now a reality."

Funds have already been provided for PSU to do the planning for a wing to the Herbert Oxendine Science Building, which houses the Department of Mathematics and Computer Science and other departments. Future plans call for moving the PSU Computer Center, now in the Mary Livermore Library at PSU, into that wing so that all of the major computer facilities at PSU will be under one roof, concluded Sampson.

Pembroke High Class Celebrates Reunion



Pembroke High School Class of 1950 held their 35th reunion Friday night, December 27, at the Harvest House Restaurant in Lumberton.

Adeline L. Maynor was Mistress of Ceremonies. The welcome was given by Jay C. Oxendine. Comments and recollections were by class members. Ms. Clara Neville, teacher, gave remarks. Dorothy L. Blue conducted a candle-burning service in memory of deceased classmates. The farewell was by Macie D. Keyworth.

Classmates attending the reunion are pictured above.

Seated, left to right-Macie Dial Keyworth, Annie Lois Oxendine Baird, Jacqueline Lowry Glass, Osteen Cummings, Pauline Jones Litton, Mary Delia Locklear Edge, Genevieve Lowry Cole, and Lois Mitchell Lowry.

Standing, left to right-Joyce Brooks Maynor, Clara L. Neville [teacher], Odessa Lowry Cobb, Quessie Cummings Dial, Vonnie Kern Oxendine, Hardy J. Deese, Irene Jacobs Jamison, Plummer Oxendine, Waltz Maynor, Dorothy Locklear Blue, Hughes Dulin Lowry, Adeline Lowry Maynor, Jay C. Oxendine, and Al Glynn McNeil.

Photo by Hunt's Studio of Photography.



BILLY MILLS (in black sweat suit), an Oglala-Sioux Indian from South Dakota who won an Olympic gold medal in the 1964 Olympics, chats with other runners as he takes a "fun run" around the N.C. State University track last Thursday. Mills' specialty was the 10,000-meter run. Shown back of him are two representatives of Pembroke State University's Native American Student Organization. They are Cochise Clark (left) and Charles Huggins (right). Clark is from Pembroke, while Huggins is from Lumberton. The woman at the left and man at the right are unidentified. Other PSU students making the trip to Raleigh to meet Mills were Tony Evans of Hollister, Floyd Locklear of Pembroke, and Wanda Whitmore of Manteo. It was all part of a number of activities launching North Carolina's observance of 1986 as the "Year of the Native American." [PSU photo by Donnie Roberts]

Fountain Odom Bids for U.S. Senate Seat

Fountain Odom, a Mecklenburg County Commissioner running for the U.S. Senate, filed today in Raleigh as a candidate in the May 6 Democratic Primary for the U.S. Senate.

Odom, 46, is a lifelong Democrat, born in Rocky Mount, educated at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and a trial attorney for almost 25 years. For the past 12 years, he has served in Mecklenburg County government-for six years on the Parks and Recreation Commission, including service as its chairman, and since 1980 as an elected county commissioner, serving two years as vice chairman and two years as chairman.

With Odom at the filing were his wife, Jane and other members of his family, his campaign manager, Jan Cone of Nash County, and other supporters and members of his campaign staff.

Odom paid the \$751 filing fee with a check back by seven hundred and fifty-one one-dollar bills signed by donors from across the state.

After the filing, Odom offered his reasons for seeking the Senate seat and answered questions from the state's news media.

Excerpts from his prepared remarks:

"I do not take this step lightly. I made my decision early and made it based on advice from the people of North Carolina.

"They want a new face and a new voice in the U.S. Senate. I am that new face and that new voice-but one with experience. I have served for 12 years on the front lines of local government, six in elective office, working with people and their problems daily.

"I am in this campaign to win and to win for the people of North Carolina. I pledge to run on the issues that concern mainstream North Carolina citizens. Our campaign will not be a glossy ribboned

multi-million-dollar hard sell.

"In token of that pledge, I hold in my hand seven hundred and fifty-one dollar bills, from 751 donors from all over North Carolina to pay the filing fee. Their names and the counties they live in are written on the face of most of these 751 bills. Filing requires a check or money order, of course, but my check just paid is backed by these dollars from these good people.

"I intend to be a candidate who listens! If honored to be your U.S. Senator, I will continue to listen to the views of the people of North Carolina from the mountains to the seacoast. I will not be a Senator who votes his whims or the whims of the best-bankrolled lobbyist.

"I will fight to protect American and North Carolina jobs from unfair foreign competition. I will support quotas, even tariffs, against those who do not play fair with us. I deplore the veto by our President of the act of Congress establishing quotas on textile imports.

"I will cast myself, not with the doves or the hawks but with the owls, who call for a strong, reliable national defense without waste. I will support negotiations with the Soviet Union to achieve mutual, verifiable arms reductions.

"I will support every reasonable proposal to make farming, once again, a profit-making enterprise.

"I will continue my support and will be a champion for a clean and safe environment. Protecting our air and water almost has become a forgotten issue. Acid rain-to cite only one example-which can kill our forests, our lumber jobs and our wildlife must be fought!

"I will support a balanced federal budget. I will not vote to raise the debt limit one penny. America has become a debtor nation. Americans say stop! North Carolinians say stop. I say stop and I'll say it in the Senate.

T.V. Series on Book of Revelation Airing Locally

An eight-week miniseries entitled "The Rise and Fall of Revelation" will be presented by the R. L. Written television program beginning Sunday, January 12. Speaker/Director George Vandeman examines key religious and historical issues as explained by the prophecies in the book of Revelation.

"The book of Revelation is especially enlightening," says Vandeman, "in light of

recent church-state trends. Prophecy reveals the impact of the 'Christian nation' movement currently gaining strength here in the United States, and predicts the growing militancy of Christian groups seeking to accomplish their aims through legislation."

Program titles are as follows:

- The Year 2000-January 12
- The Day After Doomsday-January 19
- Hitler's Last Gasp-January 26
- Mutiny in Paradise-February 3
- When The Red Phone Rings-February 10
- The Antichrist Exposed-February 17
- Bloodstained Stars And Stripes-February 24
- Airlift From Armageddon-March 3

Program scripts will be available in book format at no cost to viewers. Check your local television or cablevision guide for the time and station that "R. L. Written" can be viewed in your area.

Carbon Monoxide Blamed In Deaths

PEMBROKE - Two people who were found dead in a car parked in a field west of here Friday morning apparently died of accidental carbon monoxide poisoning, Robeson County sheriff's deputies said.

James Arnold Locklear, 40, and Barbara Harris, in her 30's, both of Route 3, Maxton, were found in the car about 7:15 a.m. by sheriff's deputies who received a call from a

passer-by, according to Chief Deputy Leroy Freeman.

They were dead at the scene, off River Road about a mile west of West Robeson School.

Freeman said the bodies were found in Locklear's station wagon. The car's motor was running when deputies arrived, he said.

The car apparently had a short

tailpipe and holes in its body that allowed the gas to get into the passenger compartment, Freeman said. He said that the car was impounded by deputies.

Freeman said he did not think autopsies will be performed on the bodies because foul play is not suspected.

Sheriff Hubert Stone said that Ms. Harris' car was also parked in the field.

GOVERNOR PROCLAIMS 1986 AS THE YEAR OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN

RALEIGH--Governor Jim Martin today proclaimed 1986 as the Year of the Native American to recognize the influence of native Americans in the history of North Carolina as well as their continuing contributions to our state.

"Setting aside 1986 in this special way allows us to pay tribute to the contributions our native Americans have made to our proud history and rich culture," said Martin in announcing the proclamation.

This declaration coincides with Governor Martin's official opening of the Carl Woodring Native American Art Exhibit at the North Carolina Museum of History and Indian Winter Festival week in North Carolina.

PEMBROKE SENIOR HIGH PLANNING REUNION

The Pembroke Senior High School Class of 1976 is planning a reunion. Anyone interested in participating on the committee for the reunion is urged to contact Billy Ray Oxendine at 521-3346.

An organizational meeting will be held at the Clinton Thomas Daycare Center on Wednesday, January 29 at 7 p.m.

Lumbee Scholarship Endowment Adherents Meet January 24, 1986

Readers are still responding to editor Bruce Barton's appeal for a Lumbee Scholarship Endowment at Pembroke State University. The proposed \$50,000 endowment will be used for Lumbee student scholarships, and for the enhancement of the American Indian Studies Department there.

We heard from:
Larry Roberts \$1.00 and
Dr. Kenneth P. Johnson \$5.00 this week, bringing our total contributions to \$488.00 through January 14, 1986. We're pleased with the response so far, and will be delighted to receive your contribution. Our goal is \$50,000, figuring \$1.00 each for the estimated 50,000 Indian population here in Robeson and beyond. This will be the Indian community's (and their friends) birthday gift to Pembroke State University as it celebrates its 100th birthday March 6, 1987.

The drive has interested our readers, and a meeting is being called for January 24, 1986 at the Pembroke District Courthouse, beginning at 7 p.m. At this time, an ad hoc (temporary) committee will be officially formed to help develop plans further for the endowment. We especially invite those who have contributed to date, and extend a cordial invitation to the general public. The only requirements are enthusiasm and creativity.

You may send your contributions to:
Lumbee Scholarship Endowment
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