Coach Sam Lewis Resigns

by Ray Duckworth

Head basketball coach Sam Lewis announced his resignation on March 11, ending this two year reign at that job.

When Coach Lewis was asked about his decision, he replied, "I feel good about the two years I spent at Brevard College. I feel I have grown professionally and personally and at the same time contributed something worthwhile, too I consider it a pleasure to have been a part of the Brevard College community for two years and appreciate the support I have been given by everyone."

was shy of a .500 percentage rank with a tally of 21-28, Coach Lewis has made an impression on his players with the philosophy of "lead-by-example." philosophy in coaching, as in life, centers around the idea of treating everyone as he himself would want to be treated. Furthermore, Lewis is not the kind of coach who worries about his record as opposed to the personal growth and development of his players as human beings.

The players on this year's team tend to appreciate the opportunity of playing for Lewis. Freshman Craig Wilson says, "He's a good friend and would help us with our problems. He did what he could with what little he Although his record at Brevard had, and I'd like to see him stay next year. I lesarned from him



because it would insure us everybody would be staying for a good returning team next year. I wish him luck wherever he

Mel Melton shares the same kind of feelings, saying, "He tried to do what was right for the team. We wish we had him back for

and had a good time. If I had the decision to make again, I would do the same."

Coach Lewis expresses his thanks to President Martinson for the opportunity to coach at Brevard. He also expresses gratitude to Coach Corky Maynor and the Athletic Department. He feels it is impossible to thank everybody, but he hopes everyone knows how much he appreciates what they have done.

He feels he had a good relationship with the students on campus. D.C. Taylor says, "I think Coach Lewis is a real good person. He could have done a whole lot more for the college as well as the Athletic Department by staying here, for he had the type of attitude that could have rubbed off on everyone. Therefore, I hate to see him go, for he is one of the best people I ever met," This kind of relationship typifies Coach Lewis to a great extent.

When Coach Lewis was asked about his plans, he said, "I would like to stay in coaching at a college level, but at the present time I am unsure about the future. If I get out of coaching, I will probably go into some type of business related field." Well, "Smiley," whatever you do decide to do, don't forget the road trips to Hiwassee and Lees-McRae, and good luck in the



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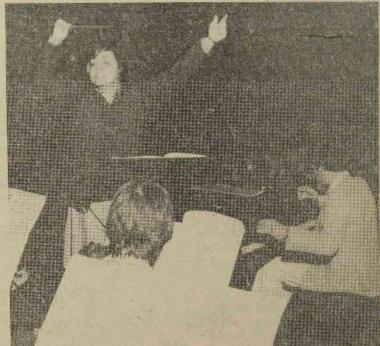
by Allen Barbee

In November, 1980, Virginia Tillotson was named the new music director and conductor of the Brevard Chamber Orchestra. The appointment was made on the recommendation of the search committee appointed to find a replacement for Jackson Parkhurst, former director, who has taken a position with the North Carolina Symphony. Mr. Parkhurst founded the orchestra in Brevard some three and a half years ago, and its membership includes musicians from all across our area, including people from Brevard College and the Brevard area such as Allen Barbee, Gwen Dailey, Amy Garrou, Irene Hall, and Wendy Bratton.

On April 5, 1981, the orchestra presented its first concert under the leadership of Ms. Tillotson. The soloist for this concert was Mr. Anthony Sirianni, pianist, who performed Chopin's ANDANTE

SPIANATO and GRANDE POLONAISE with the orchestra. Both Ms. Tillotson and Mr. Sirianni are members of the faculty of Brevard College. The other two works on the program were the POET AND PEASANT OVERTURE of von Suppe and the Symphony in B Minor ("Unfinished") of Franz Schubert.

The program took place in the auditorium of Brevard High School at 4:00 p.m., and there is no fee for admission.



Brevard Chamber Orchestra conductor Virginia Tillotson rehearses members of the orchestra prior to the Sunday concert.

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