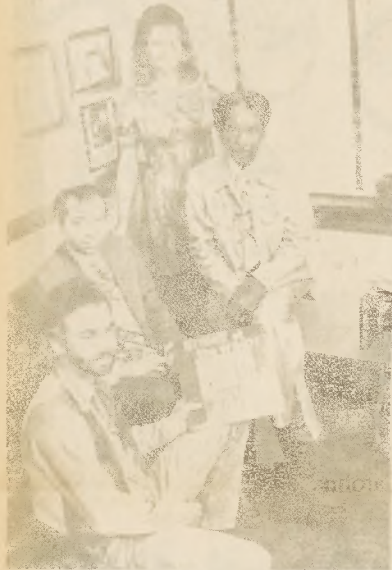


**SOUNDTRACK FROM STRIKE AT THE WIND NOW AVAILABLE**



Sylvia Taylor (second from right), office manager for the outdoor drama, "Strike at the Wind" presents the first soundtrack from the show to Janie Locklear. Watching the presentation are Anthony Locklear, Linda Locklear, General Manager Rocky Kershaw, and Jimmy Autry, all staff members for "Strike at the Wind". The Soundtracks are available at the "Strike at the Wind" office in Pembroke.



Hope St. Pierre watches as Melton Lowry presents Rep. Horace Locklear and Rep. Joy Johnson with a copy of the original soundtrack of "Strike at the Wind" at a recent meeting. The occasion was also marked by the presentation of a \$2,000 check from the North Carolina Theatre Arts Section to the outdoor drama to help pay the actors' salaries. St. Pierre and Lowry play Rhoda and Henry Berry Lowrie in the play which begins June 29.

"Strike at the Wind," an outdoor drama in Pembroke, has just released an original soundtrack recording from the show, according to General Manager Rocky Kershaw.

"I don't know of any other outdoor dramas that have released a soundtrack from their shows," said Kershaw, "but we received so many requests for recordings from last year's show, we decided to market one."

"Strike at the Wind" is the story of the Lumbee Indians and their folk hero, Henry Berry Lowrie following the Civil War. Last year over 17,000 persons saw "Strike at the Wind" which, according to the Institute of Outdoor Drama of Chapel Hill, made it the most successful new drama in the nation.

"Included in the soundtrack are songs and dialogues from the drama," said Kershaw. "Willie Lowry, who arranged the music, did a fantastic job with the old tunes like 'In The Pines,' 'Brown Skin,' and 'Battle Hymn of the Republic.' The records and tapes are on sale now at the office, for five and six dollars respectively."

"Strike at the Wind" will play this summer June 29 through August 12, Wednesday through Saturday, at the Lakeside Amphitheatre at the Riverside Country Club near Pembroke.

**PSU Tennis**

**PEMBROKE** — The fourth annual Pembroke State University open tennis tournament for both men and women will be held here June 13-18.

The tourney, directed by Ken Johnson, PSU tennis coach, will include men's and women's singles and doubles, mixed doubles and a special 35-and-older men's singles and doubles.

In addition there will be age group competition for boys and girls 12-and-under, 14-and-under, 16-and-under and 18-and-under. Deadline for entries is June 8.

**Purvis School King and Queen**



Springtime Festival was the theme of the Purvis Elementary School near Rowland on May Day last Friday. Mr. Howard D. Davis, Sr. is principal.

The King and Queen representing the school were from the kindergarten class of Mrs. Inez Page. They were Charles Edward Graham, Jr. and Nora Dean Hunt.

First runners-up were from Mrs. Ima Oxendine's sixth and seventh grade class. They were Debbie Ann Locklear and Eric G. Odum.

Second runners-up were from Mrs. Debra J. Deese's first and second grade class. Cheryl L. Chavis and Mark Epps.

The program consisted of a variety of folk and square dances from each class. Special guests were the Swinging Squares from Prospect School, with Mr. Stacy Brayboy, director.

**MT. AIRY NEWS**  
By Violet Locklear

The pastor was guest speaker last Wednesday night at Holy Swamp Baptist Church. The Mt. Airy Ladies Chorus rendered special music.

The Ladies Chorus also visited in the home of Mrs. Stella Locklear last Friday night. They also visited Mrs. Rockie Jane Locklear and held a fellowship hour with them. They are both confined to their homes due to illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Demery are the proud parents of a baby son, Jamie, born May 11, weight 7 lbs 9 oz. at Southeastern General Hospital. This is the Demery's first child. Congratulations!

Mr. Erwin (Hes) Locklear has moved in this community after living in Florida for 23 years.

**CELEBRATES BIRTHDAY**

Miss Evangeline Locklear celebrated her 20th birthday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Annie Ruth Locklear. All of her brothers and sisters were present and a host of relatives and friends. They served all kinds of different foods. She received a lot of gifts, plus a donation of one hundred dollars and five dollars, being handicapped, all her life. Someday she will walk on the streets of gold. We wish her many more birthdays in which to come.

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**

If we suddenly discovered that we had only five minutes left to say all we wanted to say, every telephone booth would be occupied by people trying to call up the people to stammer that they loved them.

**Ronnie Chavis Chosen All 3-Rivers Coach of the Year**



**Ronnie Chavis**

Ronnie Chavis, a young man born and reared in the Pembroke area, who played baseball in high school in the Pembroke area, attended and played with the best teams his hometown university ever put out, is now back home and coaching perhaps the top teams his school has ever produced.

**Double Champions**

Chavis, who has led his Pembroke Senior High School Warrior baseball nines to Three Rivers 3-A Conference double championships the past two seasons. That is, they won both the regular season and the tournament titles in the TRC in both 1976 and 1977.

And, Ronnie has just been voted the Three Rivers 3-A Conference Baseball "Coach Of The Year" for the second year in a row!

He was voted the honor by his fellow coaches; i.e., Hubert McCleney of West Brunswick; Anthony Davis, East Brunswick; Lacy West, East Bladen; and Jerry L. Cartrette of Whiteville. Chavis won the balloting, 4 votes to 1. That other vote went to Hubert McCleney of West Columbia, whose Vikings were the lone team to beat Chavis' Warriors within the conference.

Ronnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Wilson Chavis of Pembroke, Route 1 and he attended Prospect High School where he played basketball and baseball, then attended Pembroke State University in 1968-72, receiving a BS degree in physical education with a minor in biology. While at Pembroke State he played on one of the most famous teams the University there has ever fielded; the 1970 club that was the first in the school's history ever to win a berth in the NAIA championship Tournament in Phoenix, Arizona.

**Great Record**

Chavis was the Braves' leading pitcher on the championship team, hurling at a 9-3 record clip; a school record that was broken the following year when Ron Norman won 10, lost 2 for the returning team to the NAIA finals. Chavis' overall record at PSU was 20-6. One of his greatest memories was that he beat Fairmont State from West Virginia, 6-1 in 1970 to clinch the Area 6 Title that gave his Braves a national berth.

Once out of Pembroke, young Chavis took a post as a baseball

coach and teacher at nearby Magnolia High School where he served in 1972-1973, then he became head varsity baseball coach and assistant in football the first year Pembroke Senior High became a member of the Three Rivers 3-A Conference and has held that post since.

**Winning Marks**

His Warriors have an overall record of 71 wins against just 20 defeats from his start here in 1974 through his 1977 TRC Tournament championship win at Shallotte, Friday night, when the PSHS nine defeated East Bladen, 3-1. His current club has a chance to enlarge on that record as it now enters the State 3-A playoffs against Clinton, the East Central 3-A Conference winner this week. By the year, his Warriors' records are: 1975-15-9; 1974-14-7; 1976-22-3. This year his charges are 20-2 as they enter the state playoffs.

Chavis' teams have been at least as far as the finals of the TRC tourney since he started coaching; losing to West Brunswick in 1974, bowing to Richlands, the ECFC champ, in the first round of playoffs in 1975 and, last year, went to the Eastern finals before losing to Williamson.

Chavis' current team had a 16-game winning streak, taking 16 in a row after it lost the opener to Scotland County until it lost to West Columbia on May 9, 4-3.

The two-time Baseball Coach of the Year winner is married to the former Miss Judy Bullard, also a Pembroke State University graduate. Mrs. Chavis teaches business education at Hoke Junior High School in Raeford.

**Fifth birthday observed**



Pretty Elena Maria Lowry, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Melton Lowry, Rowland, celebrated her 5th birthday Monday at the Lumbee Longhouse Learning Center with her teachers and fellow students.

Happy birthday, Elena Maria!

... And somewhere deep within soul I found the strength needed was able, by the grace of God, to great things.

L.D. Malcolm

**PSHS Coaches Honored**



Pembroke Senior High coaches, John W. (Ned) Sampson and Ronnie Chavis (left) with their plaques following the 4th Annual Three Rivers Athletic Banquet held at West Brunswick High School near Shallotte, N.C.

**WEST BRUNSWICK HIGH SCHOOL** The 4th annual Three Rivers Athletic Banquet was held Monday night at West Brunswick High School. Conference members are Pembroke, East Bladen, West Brunswick, West Columbia, and Whiteville High Schools. Fairmont High School will join the conference next year.

Mr. Carlton Prince, principal of Whiteville High School, and president of the conference presided.

A high light of the evening was the humorous remarks of Mr. Barto Clark, who serves as historian of the conference. He interlarded his statistical remarks with a number of his patented "funny stories."

The overall News Reporter Excellency Trophy was won by West Brunswick High School.

Pembroke was represented by a number of All Conference selections, including all Conference Cheerleader, Brenda Hunt; Chrissa Dial and Darcy Oxendine, All Conference Girl's Softball; Michael Locklear and Jeff Maynor, All Conference Tennis Team; Tackle Marvin Locklear and Center William Hunt, All Conference Football. Offense team: Joey Bell and Darryl Howington, All Conference Basketball; Julius Meek and, long jump and Kyle Clark, Pole vault, All Conference Track and Field; and David Deese, Chuck Cannady, Travis Sampson, Johnny Dial, Earl Ransom, Mike Lowery, All Conference Baseball selections.

Coach Ronnie Chavis' baseballers also won the regular season and tournament in Three Rivers play.

They are slated to play Clinton in opening round play in the state 3-A Tournament. The game was scheduled for last Tuesday night but has been rescheduled because of the torrential rains of the last few days. The date of the game is to be announced.

The Pembroke softballers (girls) also surprised the experts by winning the Three Rivers Tournament.

And, of course, the popular choices of Ronnie Chavis (baseball) and John W. (Ned) Sampson (basketball) were also honored as Three Rivers Coaches of the Year in their respective sports.

Chavis, a former PSU pitching star, led the baseballers at Pembroke to a third place finish in the state 3-A tournament last year. Many expect his team to go all the way this year.

Coach Sampson, who also serves as athletic director at Pembroke, led his round ballers to a third place finish in spite of a rebuilding year.

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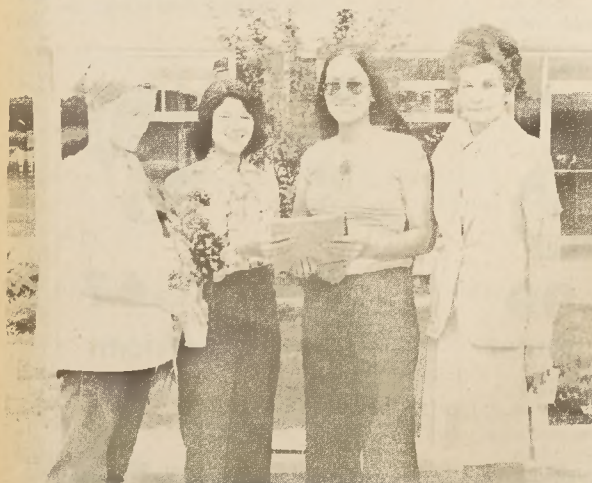
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**PSHS's Creative Writing Classes Dedicate Magazine**



The Creative Writing classes of Mrs. Lucy O. Thomas dedicated their magazine,

"Reflections" to Mrs. Theresa Wilkins, Assistant to the Director of the English Project.

Shown above are Jennifer Locklear, Debra Rayos, Editors; Mrs. Theresa Wilkins; and Mrs. Lucy O. Thomas.



Other members of the "Reflections" staff are, left to right, seated—Dobbe Jacobs, Susan Dent, Donna Wilkins, Debbie Oxendine and Donnie Lombert; standing—Cynthia Brown, Gezel Simons, Genevieve Sampson, Annah Hunt and John Jacobs. Not shown are Diane Yvette Thompson, Tina Jones and Roderick Sanderson.

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