

1877 Congratulations to the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association on their 100th Anniversary 1977

ROBESON COUNTY, N.C.

PUBLISHED EACH THURSDAY

...A GOOD PLACE TO LIVE



THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE



Dedicated to the best in all of us

VOLUME 5 NUMBER 43

PEMBROKE, NC

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 27, 1977

15¢ PER COPY

Program for the Centennial Celebration of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association

OLD PATHS TO PROGRESS

Saturday, October 29, 1977, PSU Performing Arts Center
Rev. Welton Lowry, Moderator, presiding

9:30 A.M. REGISTRATION
 10:00 A.M. DEVOTION Rev. Chesley Hammond
 10:10 WELCOME & STATEMENT OF PURPOSE Rev. King Maynor
 10:15 RECOGNITION OF GUESTS Rev. Welton Lowry
 10:20 N.C. BAPTIST HISTORY Sanford Sampson
 10:35 ASSOCIATIONAL HISTORY Rev. Tony Brewington
 11:00 SLIDE PRESENTATION Mrs. Grace Epps
 11:00 SPECIAL PRESENTATION Congregation
 11:35 "AMAZING GRACE" Rev. Welton Lowry
 11:40 MESSAGE

LUNCH Pembroke Elementary School
 1:30 P.M. HYMN AND PRAYER Rev. Mike Cummings
 1:40 REFLECTIONS Rev. C.E. Locklear, Mr. Jim Chavis, Mr. Wiley Jones
 2:10 HYMN Mr. Willoughby Jones
 2:20 CHALLENGE Rev. C.W. Maynor
 BENECTION

Sunday, October 30, Pembroke Elementary School
Worship Service
Mr. C.A. Sampson, Presiding

7:00 p.m. CONGREGATIONAL HYMNS
Mrs. Donnie Chavis, Gape Fear
Rev. James E. Oxendine, New Point
Mr. McKinley Maynor, Mt. Elim

PRAYER

TESTIMONIES

Mr. Carlee Jacobs, Union
Mrs. Gathia Thomas, Antioch
Mr. Henry Brewington, New Bethel
Mrs. Stella Sanderson, Harpers Ferry

SPECIAL RECOGNITION

HYMN Rev. P.C. Locklear
MESSAGE Rev. T.M. Sweet
BENECTION

CENTENNIAL COMMITTEE

Mrs. Grace Epps, Chairperson; Rev. Steve Jones; Rev. Mike Cummings; Rev. C.W. Maynor; Rev. Welton Lowry; Rev. Tony Brewington.

ASSOCIATIONAL OFFICERS

1877- Rev. Carey Wilkins, Moderator; John S. Wilkins, Clerk and Gilbert Locklear, Treasurer.

1977- Rev. Welton Lowry, Moderator; Rev. C.M. Cummings, First-Vice Moderator; Rev. Sanford Locklear, Second Vice-Moderator; John L. Carter, Clerk; James H. Hammonds, Treasurer; Sanford Sampson, Historian; Earl Strickland, Parliamentarian; Tony E. Brewington, Director of Missions.

audit of the town records where we found thousands of dollars missing which was the reason for our town to be operating in the red. Without your support this could not have been accomplished.

"I ask you again for your support because we need a change in order to have an open and honest government, and every citizen can have a voice in the decision of our town again. Your vote can open the door to city hall, and you will know where your tax money is going to be spent before it happens. I can assure you if we make the necessary changes in our leadership your water rates will be lowered, your tax rates will be lowered, and we will stop the wasteful spending of your dollars in city hall. Most important, you can get better service for your tax dollar.

"I would like to say here and now that I am not against the public housing or the people that live in them, but I am against the additional 100 units that a very few individuals want for personal reasons. I am also against the way that many of our citizens are treated who live in the present units. I don't think we need dictatorship in our town. I feel that the citizens of Pembroke deserve an honest and open government, and on November 8, they will be able to vote for this kind of representation.

"In closing, I say that if I am elected with the right people to work with, you will know where your money is being spent and will have the opportunity to help make the decisions. You can be sure that you will not need to sign a petition in order to be represented.

"I appreciate your support and vote

MAYOR PRO TEM ANNOUNCES RE-ELECTION BID



Sam Dial

Sam Dial has announced his candidacy for re-election to the Pembroke Town Council. In making his announcement, Mr. Dial released the following statement:

"Please let me take this opportunity to say Thank You to the citizens of Pembroke

CONTINUED ON PAGE 3

FOR MAYOR Announces Another Elective Bid



Earlie B. Maynor

Earlie B. Maynor recently announced his candidacy for Mayor of the Town of Pembroke. In making his announcement, he released the following statement:

"To the Residents of the Town of Pembroke, North Carolina:

"I have filed for the office of Mayor. I served as your mayor previously for three terms. During that time we put a treatment plant and lab down on Lumber River, a second water tank (storage) on the west side of Pembroke, and secured a third tank which was delivered before I went out of office. We installed more than 50,000 feet of water and sewer lines in Pembroke, replacing the ones which had deteriorated, and put in a lift station as well. Land was secured and our recreation area at the end of Pine Street was established. These additions were largely paid for by the Federal Government.

"Our water and sewer is very inefficient yet and something should be done real soon. Many of you don't know of our town's great need. Go and look for yourselves, because if you live in Pembroke, a part of it belongs to you.

"You should be aware of such things as The Powell Bill Money (\$33,729)- funds which our town drew from a gasoline tax to be used for street work, paving, building streets, etc. and machinery such as graders, sweepers, trucks and cars. There is also an

Anti-Recession Fund (\$12,000) and a Revenue Sharing Program which will pay to the Town of Pembroke \$61,000 this year. This is approximately \$107,000 extra funds for our town.

"We need to devote much study, consideration and long range planning to our problems if we are to meet the needs we are faced with. I have retired from all state

work and am now President of Indian Maid Mfg. Co. providing jobs for about 140 people. I am available every day if problems arise. I am interested in the welfare of people and aim to create more jobs for people in our town. I am a member of Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church and serve in many areas of church work. I don't have to tell you about my feelings for all races, because my motto is "Christ first, you second, and Earlie last."

"I feel that my experience over the years and especially in public relations, along with my desire to serve, gives me the needed qualifications to make the best mayor you ever had. If elected, I will strive to make this a reality.

"Your vote will be very much appreciated."

Newcomer challenges for Council seat



Bill Paul

William F. (Bill) Paul recently announced his candidacy for a seat on the Pembroke Town Council. Paul is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. A.Y. Paul of Pembroke. He attended Pembroke High School and Pembroke State College. He is a graduate of Pasadena Playhouse. He worked for many years in California as an actor and producer. He returned to his native Pembroke eight years ago. This is his first bid for public office. In making his announcement, Paul released the following statement:

"Let's give Pembroke a shot in the arm and work toward bringing industry into this well-located area. A vote for me is a vote for progress."

people and places and things

MARCH OF DIMES WALKATHON PLANNED

For residents of Robeson County, helping the March of Dimes is just a hop, skip, jump and a 20-mile walk away.

Young and old alike are urged to participate in the Tau Kappa Epsilon 1st annual March of Dimes Walkathon on Saturday, November 12, 1977. The trek will start at the Lumberton Jaycees' Fairgrounds at 8 a.m. Those who don't have enough sole power to hike the distance can help by sponsoring a trekker.

"Walkathons are fun and great fund raisers," says Robert Garrison, chairman of the event. "The March of Dimes uses the money to support research into the causes of birth defects—our nation's number one child health problem. The voluntary health agency also funds professional and public health education and medical service programs throughout the country."

All those interested in walking or sponsoring a walker can contact Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity, Pembroke State University at 521-9123 for further information.

VFW NEWS

Sunday, October 23, 1977 the 8th District of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and Ladies Auxiliary met at the Spring Lake VFW Post of Spring Lake, NC for their quarterly meeting. A delicious meal of barbecued pork and beef was served by the host post. Special guests were Cleve Cox, State Adjutant and Quartermaster, and Alfreda Jones, State Voice of Democracy Winner.

The 8th District of the VFW and Ladies Auxiliary went on record as being opposed to the Panama Canal Treaty. Archie Oxendine, Voice of Democracy Chairman of the 8th District, launched the Script Writing Program for the coming year. Monroe Lowry and W.D. Oxendine were presented the clasps by Cleve Cox from the National Commander for their outstanding work in the VFW programs.

Monroe Lowry, Post Commander, extended an invitation to the 8th District to participate in the Annual VFW parade and fish fry to be held in Pembroke on November 11, 1977.

VFW BUDDY POPPY DAY

"In Flanders field the poppies blow..." So went the immortal words of Col. John McCrae's poem. Little did he realize when he penned those lines that some day the very poppies of which he wrote would be the true symbol of all those who gave their lives in our nation's wars. But that is the case today. Annually, the Veterans of Foreign Wars sponsors the Buddy Poppy Sale in the Pembroke area to raise money for needy and disabled veterans. This is their way of "Honoring the dead by helping the living." You, too, can pay your respects on Memorial Day when the Buddy Poppies will be on sale in this community. Do your part—buy a Buddy Poppy and wear it proudly. The sale is being sponsored by Locklear-Lowry Post 2843 and the Ladies Auxiliary of 2843.

THE PURPOSE OF THE POPPY SALE

The annual sale of Veterans of Foreign Wars Buddy Poppies, as it is presently constituted, has been held continuously since 1922. The sale of the artificial poppy to the public as a means of raising funds to aid the disabled veterans was inspired by the poem "In Flanders Field" and is conducted by veterans organizations in all 50 states. More than 15 million Buddy Poppies were distributed last year by the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

All Buddy Poppies sold are assembled by disabled veterans in VA Hospitals and State Veterans Home facilities. The cost of materials used in the making of the Buddy Poppy, the pay to the disabled veterans who

assembles it, and the money for the Rehabilitation Services and VFW National Home are included in the price paid for poppies when they are purchased by the local VFW Post or Auxiliary prior to offering them to the public. All donations beyond this cost stay in the local community and must be used to assist local needy veterans and their families.

PSHS BOOSTER CLUB TO MEET

The Pembroke Senior High School Booster Club will meet Monday, October 31, at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. Items for discussion will be the outcome of the Homecoming Dinner, Membership and future projects.

All members and Warrior supporters are urged to attend.

IN THE ARMED SERVICES

Ft. Bragg—Staff Sergeant Joan C. Strickland, son of Mrs. Annie L. Strickland, Route 3, Lumberton, NC recently received his second award of the Army Commendation Medal at Ft. Bragg, NC.

The Army Commendation Medal is awarded by authority of the Secretary of the Army to service members who distinguish themselves by meritorious achievement in the performance of their official duties.

S. Sgt. Strickland was awarded the Commendation Medal for his outstanding performance of duty while serving as a medical maintenance noncommissioned officer with the 32nd Medical Depot.

He entered the Army in February of 1965. S.Sgt. Strickland is a 1964 graduate of Littlefield High School. His wife, Barbara, lives in Spring Lake, NC.

PSHS STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN CHILD CARE TRAINING PROGRAM

Students in the Advanced Child Development Class at Pembroke Senior High School participated in a child care training program at the Pembroke Head Start Day Care Center.

The students assisted the children during game time, with health care, at meal time and during the rest period. They also assisted in various forms of arts and crafts.

This training increased the students' appreciation of young children as individuals. The students increased their understanding of the growth and development of the children and learned why helping children develop acceptable behaviour patterns is so important.

The students are preparing themselves for the responsibility of parenthood. They also gained knowledge related to the basic needs and care of infants and children, as well as the needs and care of handicapped children. Coordinating the project was Ms. Maureen Dial, and additional supervisor was provided by Ms. Donna Francis Revels, Head Teacher of the Head Start Center.

IEA Parent Committee to meet

The Indian Education Act Title IV-A county-wide Parent Committee will meet on Thursday, Nov. 3 in the Library of the Robeson County Board of Education at 7 p.m. The meeting, the first of the newly elected parent committee, will be an open public meeting. Invited guests include the public. The meeting is free and no charge is made for refreshments.

Burnt Swamp Baptist Assoc. Celebrates Centennial this week-end

This is a special issue. Interlaced through out this issue are special articles, facts, and biographical sketches of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association. We have tried to include interesting items of interest for our readership. We fervently believe that the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association has been a bell weather to the Indian community and has provided solace to us during dark days. The Burnt Swamp Baptist Association has been one of the bed rocks of our existence.

We are proud to present the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association to you. And we congratulate them as they celebrate their centennial.

The Carolina Indian Voice has not provided a complete history nor have

we mentioned all those who contributed to the growth and success of the association. We have shared some items that we have been able to gather from wherever we could find them.

Mr. John L. Carter, who is the clerk of the association, and recognized as the historian of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association, has not seen fit to share his files and his vast knowledge with us. His reasons are his own. I have known Mr. Carter for many years and I have always found him to be a man of integrity. I do not question his motives. That is for others to do, if they so desire.

The Carolina Indian Voice, like many others, looks forward to a complete accounting of the history of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association. Mr. Carter is at work at that task.

BREWINGTON ANNOUNCES FOR COUNCIL SEAT



Bob Brewington

Bob Brewington today announced his candidacy for a seat on the Pembroke Town Council. In making his announcement, Brewington released the following statement:

"My Fellow Citizens of Pembroke:

"I am Bob Brewington, your candidate for town council.

"I have been a citizen of this community for my entire life, and was educated in the county system. I also attended Pembroke State University and received a B.S. degree in math and science. I have worked as a teacher in the county system for five years and have been self-employed for about 10 years.

"First of all, I would like to thank all the citizens of Pembroke who supported me in the fight to lower the water bills, and get the