

Editorial Viewpoint

WE NEED GOOD JUDGES AND COMPETENT BOARD OF EDUCATION MEMBERS

Justice in Robeson is chaotic and uneven. Mostly white judges and district attorneys work diligently to send mostly non-whites to jail and prisons. Plea bargaining in Robeson County's courts is sickening, degrading and condescending. Something needs to be done about justice. We need some in Robeson.

Too, illiteracy is rampant in Robeson. Most of us cannot read well. It is the fault mostly of politicians and the evil scheme of double voting. Double voting is now broken. We have a chance to learn how to make a decent living without having to grovel or beg or condescend our better natures.

Let's at least this election year take a chance and elect some judges (layman even) who will use some good old fashioned common sense and talk to people humanely and in an even tempered manner. You do not have to be a lawyer to be a district court judge but you do need to be reasonably educated, like people, and know how to call on old mother wit to help you. That's all.

And, in balloting for the board of education, let's remember those who stood up in our behalf when it was not popular and said, "Yes, double voting is wrong" and "No. Y.H. Allen should not be superintendent of a school system that is made up of an 80% Indian-Black pupil enrollment."

Let's not punish them for being aggressive and standing up, for us. We tend to like to punish those who attempt to help us and reward them who damn us. It is the worst part of our psyche--a remnant from a past when we were mistreated and misused.

Please do not opt for the mediocre ones. Let's elect those who have stood up in our behalf. They need our votes. Search your hearts: You know who they are and you know who they are not.

Grand Opening of Cross Country Country Club Successful

Carmel Lowry, owner, deemed himself pleased with the turnout and participation at the grand opening of Cross Country Country Club last Saturday.

youngest wedded mother also received a gift. Many other gifts and trophies were also given.

The day long activities included fishing, 3-legged race, sack race, bobbing contests and much more. Lunch was served on the grounds. The four oldest people received gifts, the oldest a brand new Kennedy Rocker. The

Cross Country Country Club is located 9 miles West of Lumberton, off Highway 211 on Shannon Road. It was formerly Ted Tyner's Circle T. Lakes. Everyone who attended and participated said they had a very good time.



Shown are some of the participants and winners in the children's fishing competition: (Left to right) John Mark Cummings, son of Mrs. Annie Pearl Cummings, who placed third in the 13 and under; Carmel Lowry, owner; James Lee Oxendine, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. James Lee Oxendine, who finished 1st in the ten and under; and James Talley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Talley, who finished third. Next to him is shown Paul Hunt, a member of

the Raft Swamp Volunteer Fire Department. Both the Raft Swamp and Deep Branch Volunteer Fire Departments volunteered their services during the day.

Not shown in the photo is the winner of the 13 and under competition (he was not identified) and John Paul Lowry, 2nd place winner and son of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Lee Lowry. (Bruce Barton photo)



In the adult fishing competition, shown far left, Kent Brewer (shown with a catch of large mouth bass) won the second place trophy for the second largest catch, a one and 1/4 pounder. Carl Lowry (second from left) won the trophy for the largest catch, a pound

and five ounces. He was presented his trophy by C.A. Brown, a candidate for a judge's seat in the 16th judicial district. Owner Carmel Lowry is shown standing next to Mr. Brown. He is flanked by third place winner, Jerry Talley, whose catch weighed a "smidgen" less than a pound and a quarter.

Said Lowry, "Everyone had a good time. And I thank everyone for taking part in our grand opening."

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- He and his staff will take advantage of all law enforcement schools offered by North Carolina and the Federal Government.

To Be Sure Of The Future ... Let's Put Law Enforcement In Robeson County In Capable Hands.

VOTE MAY 2nd
ELECT HUBERT STONE SHERIFF

My tooth is killing me!

ROOTS

Tying a knot in one's apron is believed by some to give gossips toothaches.

Saxifrage root was believed capable of removing freckles.

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Walter Pinchbeck Honored

Mrs. Bertha Pinchbeck, wife of the late Walter Pinchbeck who was a long-time employee of Pembroke State University, is presented a certificate in her husband's honor by William Sanderson of Fairmont, president of the PSU American Indian Students Association. The presentation took place during a recent banquet at PSU in which the association honored retired Indian teachers in Robeson County of last year.

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