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NEW POSTMASTER IN PEMBROKE

In spite of the fact that four of the six applicants were Indians, Pembroke's new postmaster is Jacob L. Curtis, a White from Hickory, NC.

Curtis is the second White Postmaster since John J. Sampson, the last Indian postmaster, retired. Curtis' announcement seems to do away with the notion that the postmaster in Pembroke traditionally will be Indian.

since, according to recent employment figures, Pembroke is the only post office in Robeson County where there are Indians employed.

Hopefully we will be able to provide more biographical data on Mr. Curtis in next week's issue. The scant details above were received as the Carolina Indian Voice neared press time.

Guest Speaker at Warrior Athletic Awards Banquet

Dr. James B. Chavis

Dr. James B. Chavis, Ombudsman for Governor Hunt, will be the guest speaker for the Annual Athletic Awards Banquet at Pembroke Senior High School on May 20, 1978 at 7 p.m. Dr. Chavis is a graduate of Pembroke State University with a B.S. in Mathematics and Science. He earned his M.A. in Administration at East Carolina University, and received his Doctorate in Administration in Higher Education from Duke University.

Union. From 1966-67, he was financial aid officer of the university from 1967-71, he served as administrative assistant to the chancellor. In 1971-72 he served as Director of Admissions and Registration. From 1972-77 he served as Dean of Student Affairs.

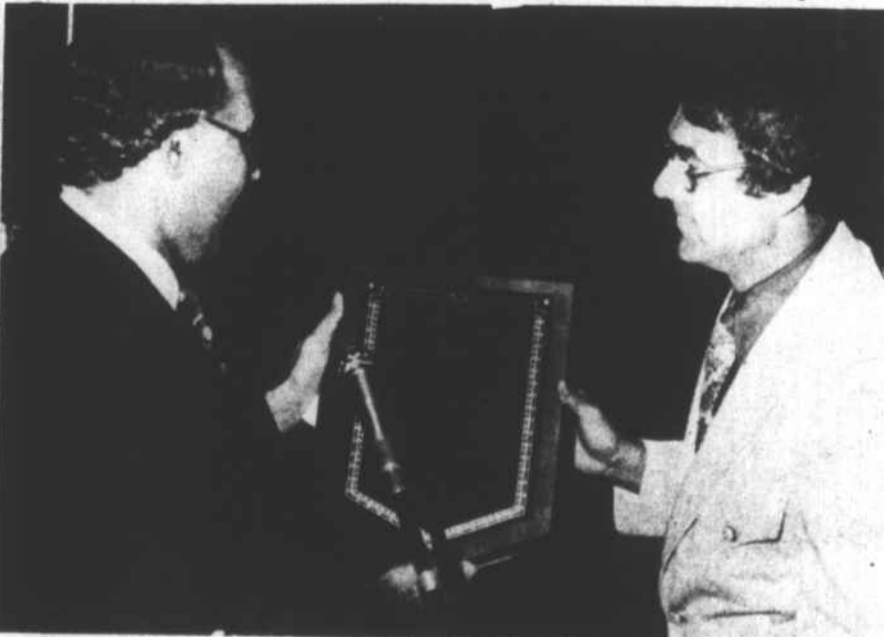
In the summer of 1977, Dr. Chavis was named Chief Ombudsman for the State of North Carolina by Governor Hunt. In making his appointment Governor Hunt said, "Dr. Chavis has the administrative skill to make sure the Ombudsman's office functions smoothly and efficiently." Gov. Hunt also said, "Dr. Chavis has the human qualities of compassion and determination that are essential to this job." The Ombudsman post is designed to provide citizens a contact in the Governor's Office who can help them resolve problems in dealing with state government agencies. Dr. Chavis' role as Ombudsman requires considerable insight into the needs of people, and his expertise in working cooperatively with individuals, boards, and communities at the state and national level should make him an invaluable asset to the Governor's staff.

Chairman of the Board of Directors of First Union National Bank in Pembroke, Dr. Chavis is past president of the PSU Alumni Association and Pembroke Kiwanis Club. He is a member of the National Association of Student Personnel Administration and the Southern Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

Dr. Chavis has been listed in *Outstanding Young Men of America, Personalities of the South*, and as a college student with *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*.

Prior to joining the Governor's staff, Dr. Chavis was employed at PSU. He became a member of the administrative staff at PSU in 1964 and served for two years as the Director of the Student

Tickets may be purchased from Booster Club members, Freeman Sporting Goods, or Pembroke Senior High School Athletic Department. Tickets are \$5.00 single and 7.50 per couple.



Dr. James B. Chavis, right, receives the PSU Alumni Association's Distinguished Service Award. Making the presentation is Purnell Swett, Supt. of Robeson County

Schools. The presentation was made Saturday night. Dr. Chavis, Ombudsman for North Carolina is in town to speak at the Pembroke Senior High Athletic Awards Banquet.



Bill McFadyen of Reelford is presented the Outstanding Alumnus Award from the PSU Alumni Association by Jacqueline Glover, a classmate. McFadyen was the topic of a well received human interest story

In last week's CIV, he graduated from PSU in 1968. The presentation was made at the PSU Alumni Association's Annual Spring Meeting Saturday night.

Tri-racial gospel sing Tonight

The area's first tri-racial Gospel Sing concert is scheduled to be held tonight, beginning at 7:30 p.m. at the Lumberton Senior High School auditorium and will feature four well-known musical groups.

The four groups, which will represent all three races, are expected to perform songs in various gospel styles and provide an opportunity for the audience to hear a more diversified musical adventure than ever before, says Dale Edwards, emcee for the event and gospel deejay for local radio station WJSK.

Performing will be the Diamond Jubilee Singers, a black group of 11 members from Bennettsville, S.C., the Hinson Family of Nashville, Tn., a white group of national fame; the Singing Samaritans, an 8-member white band from Wallace; and the Crystal Lites, an Indian group from Lumberton.

The Hinson Family managed by composer Ron Hinson, has won several Dove Awards for recordings, including "Lighthouse" and "He Pilots My Ship." The group also features Chris Hawkins, who has been voted Miss Gospel Music for two consecutive years by subscribers to "Singing News" magazine.

The event, which is being sponsored by a local church, is open to the public, and a small admission fee will be charged.

PJHS Talent Show Winner



The Pembroke Junior High Beta Club sponsored the school's annual talent show on April 28, 1978, in the school gymnasium. First place trophy winner was Edith Chavis who did an Indian sign language interpretation to the song "Wildflower." Second place trophy winner was Thomas Pipkins who performed a modern disco dance to the song "Popcorn." Edith is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. David Wesley Chavis of Lumberton. Thomas is the son of

Mrs. Janie Lee Pipkins of Pembroke.

Honorable mentions were the following groups: Fantasy and Reality - Thomas Hoyt Locklear and Freddie Deese; also a trip composed of Rita Oxendine, Linda Oxendine & Deanna Oxendine.

Judges for the event were Ms. Judy Adams, a student at PSU, Ms. Miriam Oxendine, a staff member of LRDA, and Ms. Candace Garner of Pembroke.

Concludes Public Forums!

The last in a series of five forums entitled Indian Issues was held on Wednesday, May 10, at the Center for Performing Arts at PSU. The series of Youth Forums have been sponsored by the Title IV, Part A Robeson County Compensatory Indian Education Project of the Robeson County Board of Education.

Ms. Jo Jo Hunt, formerly of Robeson County, a law graduate of Duke University, addressed the topic - Indian Legislation. Indicating that most Indian legislation has been enacted as a part of other legislation, she traced the process of enacting legislation, how legislation is referred to sub committees and hearings at the National level. An up date on pending Indian legislation was presented together with a challenge to the Indian community to become actively involved in lobbying efforts for legislation affecting Indian people.

Ms. Helen Maynor Schierbeck, formerly of Pembroke, gave an overview of Indian Education: Past, Present and Future. Ms. Schierbeck served as Director of Indian Education in the Office of Education in the late 60s and is widely acclaimed as having been instrumental in legislative efforts for federal aid to Indian Education. She traced the history of education for Indians in North Carolina from the early subscription schools, the establishment of a normal school, and provisions for free public education for Indians in North Carolina. Also included in her presentation was a historical time table of legislation and development of Indian schools and federal aid for the education of Indians.

Both Ms. Hunt and Ms. Schierbeck encourage young Indian students to become politically conscious, to learn about political processes and to become involved in issues and concerns of Indian people, citing current local and national concerns as well as encouraging students to write their Congressmen supporting Indian education programs.



Jo Jo Hunt



Helen M. Schierbeck

PSU Track Team Takes Part in NAIA Championship

Pembroke State University's track team, NAIA District 26 champion and a fifth place finisher nationally a year ago, takes part in the 27th annual NAIA Outdoor Track and Field Championships Thursday and Friday at Abilene, Texas.

Leading the Braves is three-time All-American Charles Shipman, who is a two-time national champion in the discus. Another leader is All-American Garry Henry, who was second on last year's 10,000-meter run last fall captured the NAIA national title in cross country.

Shipman will face serious competition from two top competitors in trying to repeat as a national discus champion. Franklin Gross of Adams State, Colo., has the longest throw of the year in the discus, 195-6, followed by 6-foot-4, 298-pound Earl Travis Fayetteville State, whose best toss is 188-4. Shipman's best throw this season is 187-8.

Competing against Travis in the NAIA District 26 meet, Shipman barely beat Travis by one-half inch.

Shipman currently ranks second nationally in the shot put with a 57-9 toss.

Henry ranks second nationally in the 10,000 meters with a 29:26 time and fourth in the 5,000 meters with 14:24.

Other PSU participants and their national ranking are as follows: All-American Jeff Moody, third in the 1500 meters with a 3:46; Dan Ryberg, 11th in the marathon with 2:28:58; Joel Cofer and Elmer Brown high jump; Tony Reid, triple jump and long jump; Jim Miles, pole vault; and Ricky Jackson, 200.

people and places and things

INCLUDED IN 1978 EDITION OF OUTSTANDING YOUNG MEN OF AMERICA

Jerry R. Hunt of Sunset Park, Route 6 Lot 2, Lumberton has been selected for inclusion in the 1978 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America.

Young men chosen for this honor are selected from nominations received from Senators, Congressmen, Governors, Mayors, State Legislators, University and College Presidents and Deans as well as various civic groups including the United States Jaycees which also endorse the Outstanding Young Men of America Program.

become the standard reference work relating to Indian life and culture. A volume on Northeast Indians will be published later this year; subarctic Indians and the first of two volumes on Southwest Indians are scheduled for 1979. The project was initiated in 1968. The California Indian Study volume 8, though the first published, can be ordered for \$13.50 from the Supt. of Documents, Government Printing Office, 710 N. Capitol Street, Washington, DC 20402. Stock number is 047-000-0034-4.

CAR WASH PLANNED

There will be a car wash June 3, 1978 at the Lumbee Bank. Price will be \$4.00 which includes vacuum and cleaning out inside of car. The car wash will be from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. The proceeds will be used to sponsor Lumbee Homecoming activities for 1978.

In every community there are young men working diligently to make their cities, as well as their country, better places in which to live. These men, having distinguished themselves in one or more fields of endeavor, are outstanding and deserve to be recognized for their achievements. The criteria for selection include a man's voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments and civic and political participation.

RECEIVES DUKE DEGREE

Milford Oxendine, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Milford Oxendine, Sr. of Pembroke, was among the 2,000 men and women who were awarded degrees during Duke University's 126th graduation exercises in Durham recently.

YOUTH REVIVAL PLANNED

Fairmont area Black churches are sponsoring a Youth Revival. Proceeds will go for scholarships. Services will be held at the St. John AME Church in Fairmont. Services begin at 7:30 p.m. nightly. Rev. George Brooks of Greensboro will be the speaker for the week. Revival begins Monday, May 22, and lasts until Saturday, May 27th.

REVIVAL CONTINUING AT MT. AIRY BAPTIST CHURCH

Revival is continuing through Friday night, May 19, with the Rev. Michael Cummings as Evangelist at Mt. Airy Baptist Church. Meetings are nightly at 7:30 p.m. with special singing. The membership of Mt. Airy Baptist Church cordially invites every one to attend.

N.C. COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS TO MEET

The quarterly meeting of the N.C. Commission on Indian Affairs will be held June 1, 1978 at 1:30 p.m. in the Department of Transportation Board Room located in the Highway Building in Raleigh.

MAGNOLIA SCHOOL TO PRESENT MUSIC FESTIVAL

The Music Festival at Magnolia School will be presented Friday, May 19, 1978 at 9:30 a.m. Special attraction will be Tonya Locklear from Pembroke Elementary School. Mrs. Sarah Bell is director of the festival. The public is invited to attend.

MAY DAY ACTIVITIES AT REX RENNERT SCHOOL

A May Day program entitled "A Day in May" will be presented at Rex Rennert School on May 26, 1978 at 9 a.m. The public is cordially invited to attend.

FIRST VOLUME OF SMITHSONIAN'S MONUMENTAL INDIAN WORK IS PUBLISHED

The first of 20 encyclopedia volumes covering all aspects of American Indian life from prehistoric times to the present is now available. *Handbook of the Indians of California* contains 44 chapters written by 33 authors. It has 717 pages of text, 47 pages of bibliography, 31 index pages and 430 illustrations. The other volumes will be published over the next 10 years by the Museum of Natural History's Center for the Study of Man. The set is expected to

Procedural Matters Dominate Town Council Meeting

Most of the evening was spent haggling about procedural matters. How does one stagger a board? Should all members on the present recreation board be dismissed and then re-nominated to the board? Or does one just continue membership on the board as is?

How about feeder schools? How many people should and could be named to serve on Pembroke's Recreation Board outside the corporate limits of the town? How many should serve on the board?

Etc., etc., etc. The board actually went along with the recommendation of the present chairman of the Pembroke Recreation Board, Police Chief Vernon Oxendine, except that Wade Hunt was named to a three year term. The board seemed to want to name Councilman Larry Brooks noted, "make an easy thing hard."

Here's the new recreation board: Vernon Oxendine; Wade Hunt; Rudy Locklear; Curt Locklear; Eva Mae Locklear; Larry D. McNeill; Craig Lowry; Randall Jones; Woody Sampson; Albert Hardin; Willie Harris; Lucy Jacobs.

As noted, the council settled on a 12 member board with one member from each of Pembroke's feeder school, including Prospect, Union Elementary and Deep Branch. The remaining members are to be chosen from within the town's limits.

FORMER MAYOR J.C. "SONNY" OXENDINE HONORED

On the recommendation of Mayor Reggie Strickland, the town council passed a resolution of regret concerning the recent demise of former Mayor J.C. "Sonny" Oxendine, the celebrated Pembroke Mayor who served during the infamous routing of the Klan in 1958.

The mayor also noted and declared the week of May 22 Jimmy Joe Locklear Week in honor of the fledgling ballet student and son of Mrs. Geneva Locklear. The community has under taken a drive to raise funds for Jimmy Joe so that he can continue his studies in dance. More next week.

DELINQUENT TAX LISTING TO BEGIN SOON

The council also instructed town manager McDuffie Cummings to list delinquent town taxes in *The Carolina Indian Voice* "as soon as possible."