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Semifinalist in 1987 Achievement

Scholarship Competition

Deidre A. Nicholson, the daughter of Ms. Shirley N. Rodgers, has been recognized by the National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students as being a semifinalist in the 1987 Achievement Scholarship competition.

Deidre is a 17 year old senior at West Robeson Senior High School and is ranked #2 in her graduating class of 1987. After graduation she plans to attend an accredited college in North Carolina.

Some 1,500 semifinalists throughout the country are being named in the 23rd annual National Achievement Scholarship Program for Outstanding Negro Students. These high school seniors will have an opportunity to continue in the competition for about 700 Achievement Scholarships, worth over \$2 million, to be awarded in 1987. Achievement Scholarships are made possible by grants from 180 sponsor organizations and contributions from a large group of program donors.

Semifinalists in the current Achievement Program were designated from among some 80,000 black students who requested consideration when they took the PSAT/NMSQT in 1985. In order to include able participants from all parts of the nation in the competition, semifinalists are named in geographic regions consisting on several states in numbers proportional to each region's Negro population. Semifinalists represent the highest-scoring black students in each region, and those announced attend 995 high schools located in 46 states.


The next step for semifinalists is to qualify as finalists by meeting the academic and other standards of the program. About 1,200 semifinalists are expected to advance to finalist standing and compete for awards in 1987. All winners of the three types of Achievement Scholarships to be offered will be chosen from the finalist group.

Each finalist will have a chance to win one of the 350 National Achievement \$2000 Scholarships to be distributed on a regional representation basis. A committee of college and high school educators will judge the abilities and accomplishments of all finalists in a region and will select those who appear to be most academically promising among recipients of these single-payment awards.

Of the 350 four-year scholarships to be awarded, about 225 will be sponsored by corporations, foundations, and professional organizations for black students with special qualifications. To encourage interest in particular careers, a number of grantors specify their scholarships for finalists planning to pursue related college majors; some sponsors designate their awards for residents of communities they serve, or for children of company employees. Corporate-sponsored four-year Achievement Scholarships provide between \$500 and \$8000 for each of the winner's college undergraduate years.

An additional 125 renewable Achievement Scholarships will be provided by colleges and universities which sponsor them for finalists who will attend their institution. Winners of these awards will receive between \$250 and \$2000 for each of the four years of study at the sponsor college.

The Achievement Program, which is administered by National Merit Scholarship Corporation, began operations in 1964. The 1987 class of winners will bring the 23-year total to over 11,700 outstanding black youth who have received Achievement Scholarships worth more than \$35 million.



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ISN'T THIS A
Beautiful Day!

Celebration! The Year Of The Native American: To Be Held November 7-9 At PSU

The Native American Resource Center of Pembroke State University will host the *Celebration! The Year Of The Native American: A Festival Of American Indian Arts And Culture* on November 7-9, 1986. This celebration will be one of the final events of the Year of the Native American which has been observed in N.C. this year. It is also a part of the Centennial Celebration of PSU. The final event of the celebration will be a "Dinner on the Grounds" and gospel singing from 1:00-5:00 p.m. on Sunday, November 9. The dinner on the grounds is a tradition of the Indian churches of Robeson County and it is fitting that the state-wide celebration end with this tradition and the gospel singing.

Ms. Donna Chavis, a native of Pembroke and a graduate of PSU, is coordinator for the dinner on the grounds. In describing the event, Ms. Chavis explains: "I will be contacting our Indian churches throughout the area and requesting their participation in the dinner. Our church tradition of 'dinner on the grounds' is one that is well-known for its food and community-building. As the host community, we are inviting many people into our area. This community is our home. The dinner will be a special celebration of our heritage and a special opportunity for our churches to work together in fellowship. What we hope to have on November 9 is a lot of good food and good company."

The dinner on the grounds will be a covered dish dinner and be held in the Clock Tower Courtyard on the PSU campus. Churches or church representatives who are interested in assisting in the dinner can contact Ms. Chavis at 521-3269.

The three day celebration will bring a distinguished array of Native American musicians, dancers, artists, craftspeople, writers, scholars, and public officials from throughout N.C. and the U.S. for special performances, demonstrations, symposiums, and exhibitions. Events will include a traditional arts festival, music and dance programs, concert, banquet, forums, writer's conference, and gospel sing as well as the dinner on the grounds.

Celebration! is a special presentation of the Native American Resource Center and the North Carolina Arts Council. 17 organization throughout NC are sponsors of the events.

Rev. James H. Woods

Honored With Towel & Basin Award



Rev. Gloria Burke Brooks, President of Asbury Theological Seminary's Alumni Board, presents the Towel and Basin Award to Native American James H. Woods. Woods and his wife, Rosa, live in tri-racial Pembroke, North Carolina, where Woods is a pastor in the Methodist Holiness Church.

Wilmore, KY-Native American James H. Woods was honored on Friday, September 26, 1986 with a Towel and Basin Award from his alma mater, Asbury Theological Seminary.

Woods, the first native American graduate of the seminary, received the award from the school's alumni association. Rev. Gloria Burke Brooks, president of the alumni board, made the presentation, along with Mr. Robert Bridges, vice president for seminary advancement. It was the second such award given by the institution. The award is designed to recognize persons who serve as a model of servanthood and ministry in the spirit of Jesus Christ; who display commitment to Christ and His gospel; and who make a distinctive contribution to ministry and exemplify the Wesleyan concept of social

holiness.

James Woods, the son of poor North Carolina tenant farmers, struggled to finish school against the difficult odds of his father's death, a large family that needed his support and eventual circumstances that forced him to leave home. He graduated from high school as class valedictorian and was named to Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities as a junior at Pembroke State University. He completed seminary work and returned to North Carolina to serve as a pastor in the Lumber River Conference of the Holiness Methodist Church and to work in the schools of tri-racial Robeson County.

Woods later resigned his public school position to pursue fulltime ministry and community work. He maintained his position as pastor

of the Hopewell Holiness Methodist Church also chaired the ecumenical Prisoner's Friends Society of Robeson County, acted as volunteer chaplain for the local prison unit, helped to organize the Lumbee Regional Development Association (A Lumbee Indian project of social and self development) and helped initiate the ecumenical development of the Robeson County Church and Community Center (a tri-racial service and empowerment ministry). He has served as a delegate to the National Congress of the American Indian, the Coalition of Eastern Native Americans, the Poor People's Conference, and has provided testimony before the U.S. American Indian Policy Review Commission.

A deeply compassionate man, Woods never forgot his mother (widowed twice) or his brothers and sisters. He worked

diligently to help the family build a house and to see that the younger children got an education. James is married, has three children and three grandchildren.

In 1981, Woods was elected bishop of his denomination. In 1984 he assumed responsibilities on the board of directors of Asbury Seminary's Alumni Association.

Asbury Seminary, true to the heritage of its founders, prepares men and women for effective Christian service. A unique blend of scholarship and ministry within the faculty fosters the life and thought of its nearly 800 students from 272 colleges, 50 denominations, 20 countries and 43 states. Over the past 63 years, more than 5,000 Asbury graduates have gone forth to minister to "the world-- our parish."

Golden Wedding Anniversary Celebrated



Mr. and Mrs. Herdman Revels of Rt. 1, St. Pauls, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary at Magnolia High School cafeteria, Lumberton, Saturday, October 11, 1986. The event was hosted by their children. Mr. and Mrs. Revels are the proud parents of four children: Ronald Revels, Jr. of St. Pauls; Mrs. Billie Jean Lowry, Lumberton; Mrs. Regina Bell and Mrs. Pam Bramble, both of Charlotte. The invocation was given by Jerry Bell of Charlotte. A very delicious dinner was served and enjoyed by everyone. The honorees received many nice gifts. [Photo by Sgt. Revels]

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Fall Democratic Rally

The Seventh District Democratic Party will hold a fall District Rally at the Bill Sapp Recreation Center, 11th and Cedar Streets, in Lumberton, NC, on Oct. 23 at 6:30 p.m. Hundreds of Democrats from all over the District are expected to attend.

United States Senate nominee Terry Sanford, 7th District Congressman Charlie Rose and a number of state-wide candidates will attend the rally. A meal will be served and a keynote speech will be delivered by a person of national prominence. Admission is \$5 per person.

The rally will be a major event of the fall campaign in the 7th District, composed of Cumberland, Robeson, Columbus, New Hanover and Brunswick counties. "I am excited about the fellowship that Seventh District Democrats will join in at our rally," Willis Brown, 7th District Chairman said. "We feel that November 4 will be a big success for Democrats at our District rally."

Tickets to the rally can be obtained from an Democratic Party County Chair in the District or at the door. For more information, call 7th District Chair Willis Brown at (919) 483-0147.

PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL & AUCTION OCT. 24

Bryan Memorial School for the severely and profoundly handicapped children is having an auction and carnival to raise needed monies. Bryan Memorial School is located on Highway 72 near the Robeson County Board of Education.

The plate sale begins at 11 a.m. and lasts until...Barbecue plates will sell for \$3 and sandwiches will sell for \$1.50.

The carnival begins at 6:30 p.m. with games and prizes, costume judging, door prizes, food and drinks.

The auction begins at 7:45 p.m. featuring State Representative Daniel Devane at the auctioneer. Many new items will be auctioned, donated by local merchants and industries.

SGH TO XRAY HALLOWEEN TREATS

Children look forward to Halloween as a fun time. Southeastern General Hospital wants to help make sure it's a safe time, too.

On Halloween night, Friday, October 31, from 7 to 9 p.m., SGH will X-ray Halloween treats to make sure they are free of foreign objects. There is no charge for this service and it will be available at the hospital's Diagnostic and Treatment Center.

"Except for a few stones, no foreign objects were found in the treats examined last year," said Bruce Bergstresser, SGH radiology manager. "Still we feel that this is a worthwhile service that we can provide again for the safety of our children."

Free parking will be available in the parking deck for trick or treaters who should use the Floyd Avenue entrance to the hospital.

COMMUNITY ROUND UP COORDINATOR NAMED

The Easter Seal Society of North Carolina announced today that Ms. Lela Brooks of Pembroke will coordinate the local "Community Round-Up" campaign of the business area, held annually in the fall to raise funds for disabled North Carolinians. Donations to the campaign are used to purchase special health needs such as wheelchairs, medical equipment, and rehabilitative appliances for the physically disabled. Funds are also used to operate Camp Easter-in-the-Pines, a year-round camping facility for physically and multiply disabled individuals, located near Southern Pines. Additionally, the funds are used to support the Society's Summer Speech Therapy Clinics, Equipment Loan Program, Stroke Clubs, Telephone Reassurance Programs, and Hearing Screening Services which are offered free to the general public.

Edward L. Kershaw, State Executive Director for the Easter Seal Society of North Carolina said about the "Community Round-Up" campaign, "It is becoming a major source of income for the Society annually and is extremely important to the future services offered to disabled children and adults in our state."

Easter Seals has the reputation for spending local dollars for local services, which makes it important for local people to support the "Round-Up" with their time and money. When your coordinator calls you to volunteer your services to help with the "Round-Up," help the disabled children and adults of North Carolina by saying "yes."

TAE KUN DO KARATE SCHOOL OPENS

Tae Kon Do Karate School announces registration and open house on Saturday afternoon, October 18, from 5:00 until 7:00 at SheNan's School of Dance, Vance Street, Pembroke. All interested students and parents are invited to meet the instructors and view the facility.

School instructors are George Randall, first degree black belt; Michael Oxendine, second degree brown belt; and Junior Locklear, second degree brown belt. Instructors will perform an exhibition during open house, beginning at 5:30.

Classes will begin on Tuesday, October 21. For more information, call 628-8076 or 628-9132.

SINGING MEARES COMING TO PEMBROKE

The gospel singing group, The Singing Meares, from Fayetteville, NC will be presenting a concert on the lawn of the Pembroke Seventh-day Adventist Church on Saturday, October 18, 1986 at 2 p.m. Pastor Godfrey and the church family invite all of their friends in the community to come and join them for this musical treat. There will be no admission charge, but a free-will offering will be taken to help defray some of the cost of sponsoring the concert.

This is "homecoming weekend" for the members of the church and you are invited to come and share with them. Sabbath School begins at 9 a.m., church service will be at 10 a.m. The speaker will be Dr. A. Leroy Moore, Coordinator for North American Native Ministries. Dr. Moore has experience as a teacher, author, missionary, evangelist and pastor.

After the church service we invite all who will to stay and enjoy a fellowship dinner with us. Then enjoy the concert of the Singing Meares at 2 p.m. The church is located at the junction of Highways 710/711 just two miles west of Pembroke State University. Everyone is invited and welcome.

Don't forget to bring your lawn chairs and blankets for the Singing Meares concert.

OBSERVE HOMECOMING

Homecoming services will be observed at Union Chapel Community Church on Sunday, October 19, 1986. Sunday School will begin at 9:45 a.m. Worship service begins at 11 a.m. The pastor, Rev. Jimmie Strickland will deliver the homecoming message. Lunch will follow in the fellowship hall. A singing is planned for the afternoon beginning at 2:00 p.m.

The pastor and congregation extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

N.C. INDIAN MINISTERIAL ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The monthly meeting of the North Carolina Indian Ministerial Association will be held on Monday night, October 20, 1986. The meeting will be held at the Chicken Hut in Pembroke and will begin at 8:00 p.m. All interested clergy and lay persons are urged to attend.

NORTH PEMBROKE PRECINCT TO MEET

Members of the North Pembroke Precinct will meet on Tuesday night, October 21, 1986 at 7:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Pembroke Courthouse. All members of the North Pembroke Precinct and all registered voters in the precinct are urged to attend.