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David Oxendine Has Whole New Show



DAVID OXENDINE
Director of Strike at the Wind

"By most accounts, thus far this is definitely the best show Strike at the Wind has had in its 14 year history," says director David Oxendine. Oxendine returns again for his fourth season as SATW Artistic Director. Having spent the last three years living, working and studying in New York City, he brings a wealth of experience and knowledge once again to SATW.

What makes this show better is all the new people in this summer's show. Also, the best technical crew ever to work with the show, headed by Bill Biddle from Pembroke State University and including five of his students, are providing the best lights and sound ever for the drama.

Also new this summer are Susan Hamburger, Stage Manager, and Lanie Bergin, who shares the role of Dolly King. Both are from New York. John Thompson of Maxton is playing the role of Hector McCord and Don Sayre of Darlington, SC is playing the roles of Rev. Sinclair and Donahoe. Playing the role of John Saunders is Richard Semeone, a native of New Jersey. Brian Scott of Fairmont plays the role of Zach. Also new to the cast are Linda Welch and Starina Catchatourian, both of Fayetteville, who are citizens and understudy roles.

In addition to all the new faces in this summer's drama, the regulars most audiences are familiar with are back with Harvey Godwin as Henry Berry, Jamie Lee Oxendine as Rhoda, Robert Bryant as Shoemaker, Carol Oxendine as the Leader, and Carolyn Oxendine as Mama Cumbo. The added experience of the new people along with the familiarity of the veteran performers, make for quite a strong and powerful show. Playwright Randolph Umberger said on opening night, "This is absolutely a wonderful show this year. The best I have seen." Coming from Umberger, Oxendine says this is the greatest compliment.

To add to all the above, the drama hired a voice and speech coach this summer. June Guralnick, Robeson Community College's Artist in Residence, provided workshops and drills for the entire cast this summer during the rehearsal period. Oxendine states that the work she did has helped improve the production greatly. It also freed him (Oxendine) of that responsibility so that

he could focus his attention on the more important elements involved directly with the actors.

If you want a nice evening of entertainment where you can laugh, sing, stomp your feet and maybe shed a tear, then Strike at the Wind is the show for you.

Strike at the Wind is the story of Henry Berry Lowrie and the Lumbee people and their struggles for equality during the years of the Civil War. It is presented each Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights at 8:30 p.m. at the Adolph Dial Amphitheater located at the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center three miles west of Pembroke. For ticket information call (919)521-3112.

Harold Collins Honored at Reception

by Elvera Locklear

The red carpet was rolled out to welcome the 1989 N.C. State Powerlifting Champion, Harold Collins, as he stepped from a limousine (provided by Locklear and Son Funeral Home) on June 23, 1989 at 4:00 p.m. in front of the Pembroke Powerhouse Gym. Collins was greeted by a large crowd of friends and well wishers as he entered for a reception honoring him.

The Town of Pembroke, Lumbee Regional Development Association, Pembroke State University and the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce as well as friends co-sponsored the event. Elvera Locklear served as the reception chairperson and the reception's mistress of ceremonies.

The Honorable Mayor of Pembroke, Milton Hunt, read and presented Collins with a proclamation proclaiming June 23, 1989 as "Harold Collins Day" in the Town of Pembroke.

William E. Locklear, Director of the JTPA program of LRDA, presented checks to Collins on behalf of LRDA and the United Tribes of North Carolina. He

also presented an appreciation plaque to Collins for his sponsorship and direction of the Lumbee Homecoming Weightlifting Competition for the past eight years.

Other presentations were made by Dr. Dalton Brooks, director of institutional research at Pembroke State University; Gregory Cummings, president of the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce; Greg Goins, the 1989 N.C. State Masters Bench Press Champion; and Tim and Sandy King of Greensboro, Powerlifting Competition and Head Coach and manager of the World powerlifting competition.

According to Mr. King, Collins has a very good chance of winning the national title in Las Vegas, Nev. July 12-16. A national title would lead to a chance at the world title in Nova Scotia, Canada in November.

Refreshments and socializing followed the program as guests were able to view displays of pictures, news articles and trophies of Mr. Collins.

The Gym was decorated in blue, yellow and white flowers and balloons.

Political Awareness Seminar Successful

The United Federation of American Indians held a political awareness seminar on June 10, 1989, at the Cumberland County Association for Indian people offices, located in Fayetteville, North Carolina.

The seminar was a tremendous success and was attended by several key Indian leaders from across the state of North Carolina. During the seminar a series of presentations were made relative to political issues which face Indian communities throughout the state.

Dr. Adolph Dial, a legislative candidate for 1992, former professor at Pembroke State University and a successful businessman, was one of several guest speakers. Dr. Dial expressed concern that there are few Indian people involved in the political process. Dr. Dial stated that "Indian people should select their own candidates and not let non-Indians select our candidates for us." He challenged Indian leaders to get involved, to participate in the political process and to seek public office. He also pointed out that Indian people are just as qualified to hold public office as the non Indian and in many instances, even more qualified.

Other speakers included Mr. Lonnie Revels, Chairman of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, a former Greensboro City Councilman and a successful businessman. He congratulated members of the United Federation of American Indians for taking on such a project as a political awareness seminar and encouraged the federation to continue this effort. Mr. Revels cited several instances where he could have used the information and knowledge gained during the political awareness seminar to enhance his campaign in Greensboro. Also speaking on political concerns from the Fayetteville-Cumberland standing point was Mr. Eddie Maynor, Chairman of the Cumberland County Association and Fayetteville area businessman. Mr. Maynor echoed many of the political concerns raised by other speakers. He also encouraged Indian people to become involved in the mainstream of politics and seek public office.

The United Federation of American Indians made history in North Carolina when it organized a political action committee. To date this is the first and only known statewide Indian political action committee. Plans are presently being made to conduct the second in a series of political awareness seminars in North Carolina. The upcoming seminar will be held in the Robeson County area in October.

The United Federation of American Indians is currently seeking new members. The Federation needs more involvement from the various Indian communities to be effective. This is a non-partisan political organization and everyone is invited to participate. For more information or a membership application, please write or call: United Federation of American Indians, 216 Lighthouse Way, Cary, NC. Telephone (919) 460-1270.

SGH clinic set

The SGH Sportsmedicine Department will hold a clinic on athletic injury management, "Current Trends in Sportsmedicine," for coaches and teacher athletic trainers on Thursday, August 3, from 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the hospital's assembly room. Registration deadline is Wednesday, July 26. Call 738-5433 and ask for Sportsmedicine for more information and a registration brochure.

Brooks Becomes New Chairman of Board of Education



The Public Schools of Robeson County Board of Education on Tuesday night voted Dr. Dalton P. Brooks in as chairman of the board. Dr. Brooks is the Director of Institutional Research at Pembroke State University.



Harold Collins receives financial support and plaques from William E. Locklear, director of LRDA's JTPA Program at the Harold Collins Day Reception.

Singing Planned

The Burnt Swamp Baptist Anniversary Singing will be held Sunday, July 16, at Harpers Ferry Baptist Church beginning

at 2 p.m. Rev. Steve Jones is the pastor. All church groups are invited to come and participate



Noah Woods along with many friends greet Harold Collins as he steps from a limousine (provided by Locklear and Son Funeral Home) and walks up the red carpet rolled out for him at a reception in his honor as 1989 N.C. State Powerlifting Champion.

Cherokee Tribe of Hoke County to hold Pow Wow

The Cherokee of Hoke will sponsor an Indian Day Pow Wow on July 29, 1989 from 9:30 a.m. until 4:30 p.m. at the Cherokee camp grounds. While traveling from U.S. Route 401 at Raeford, NC, take N.C. State Route 20 east to Dundarrach. Turn left at Dundarrach and continue for about six miles to

grounds on the right. Admission is free. Camping space is available. Native American foods will be available.

For more information contact Chief or Mrs. Edgar Bryant, Cherokee Tribe of Hoke County, Route 1 Box 129c, Lumber Bridge, NC 28357 or call 919-875-6668.

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Hatcher's Mother Says He Was Attacked In Jail

LUMBERTON — The mother of Eddie Hatcher, who was charged in the February 1988 armed takeover of the Robesonian newspaper, claimed Monday that he was attacked in his Robeson County jail cell by an inmate with a scalpel.

Sheriff Hubert Stone would neither confirm nor deny the report.

"I can't say that that didn't happen or that did happen," Stone said. "I can say that no one in that jail has been hurt by anyone."

Hatcher, 31, who identifies himself as a Tuscarora Indian, has been held here since July 2 on 14 counts of second-degree kidnapping in connection with the 10-hour siege of The Robesonian.

Hatcher's mother, Thelma Clark of Pembroke, said Monday that "another inmate went after Eddie with an 8-inch scalpel Sunday. Hatcher was unharmed, she said.

Angus Thompson, the Robeson County public

defender representing Hatcher, declined to comment on the report, referring inquiries to the Sheriff's Department.

Stone said his department does not release information about such reports. "In a jail with 150 or 160 people, it's not unusual for someone to threaten someone else," he said.

Hatcher could not be reached for comment. Robeson County jail inmates are not allowed to make or receive telephone calls and can receive visitors only on Saturdays and Sundays, officials said.

Mrs. Clark said she thinks Hatcher's life is in danger. "My question is how did this person get the scalpel in there. I can't even get a pen in to Eddie without it going through somebody," she said. "We feel that this was a set-up."

Hatcher and Timothy Jacobs, 20, accused of taking up to 20 people hostage, said they were trying to draw attention to their allegations of corruption among

public officials in the county. They were acquitted in October of federal hostage-taking charges by a U.S. District Court jury in Raleigh. But a Robeson County grand jury indicted the pair Dec. 6 on 14 counts each of second-degree kidnapping, a state charge.

Hatcher, arrested that day and later released on \$25,000 bail, fled to the Onondaga Indian Reservation near Syracuse N.Y., where Jacobs went before he was arrested.

Hatcher later fled to the Fort Hall Indian Reservation in southeastern Idaho but disappeared from there in February. He was arrested March 10 after seeking political asylum at the Soviet consulate in San Francisco and was returned to Robeson County after losing an extradition battle. He is being held without bail.

Jacobs pleaded guilty in May to the 14 kidnapping charges and began serving a six-year prison sentence June 19 in Albemarle.