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## Charlotte Youth Served as Page



Tonka Maynor, 17, a resident of Charlotte served as a Page in Raleigh the week of September 11-15. He was selected to represent his district as a part of Gov. Jim Martin's program for high school students. Tonka's representation and participation occurred after being nominated by leading members of the Charlotte community.

Tonka is a senior at South Mecklenburg Senior High School in Charlotte. He participated in varsity baseball this year where he was 1 of 2 juniors starting. He finished the season batting .296 w/ 1 homerun, and 24 RBI (second on team), and base average of .540 (third on team). During the season, Tonka committed one error and struck out only 3 times. Tonka batted 4th and 5th enroute to South Meck's State 4A Championship.

Tonka, a former resident of Robeson County, is the son of Leon Maynor of Lumberton and Brenda Kay Maynor of Charlotte. Grand parents are Jordan and Myrtle Maynor of Lumberton and Jessie Mitchell of Lumberton.

## Stipends for Religious Journalism Students

Two annual academic stipends for study in religious journalism—one graduate and one undergraduate—again are being offered by the United Methodist Church's general communications agency.

Offered for the 1990-91 academic year is the \$6,000 Stooddy-West Fellowship for graduate study in journalism designed to assist a Christian engaged in religious journalism or one planning to enter the field.

The fellowship honors the long time service and professional contributions of the Rev. Arthur West and the late Ralph Stooddy, leaders in United Methodist news and public relations activities. Dr. Stooddy retired in 1964 and died in 1979. Dr. West retired in 1975 and today resides in St. Marys, Ohio.

Awarded for graduate study at an accredited school or department of journalism, the fellowship is to enhance the recipient's professional competence as one means of perpetuating high standards exemplified by Dr. Stooddy and Dr. West. Religious

journalism is interpreted to include audio-visual, electronic and print media.

A \$1,000 Leonard M. Perryman Communications Scholarship for Ethnic Minority Students is designed to aid ethnic minority students who will be junior or seniors during the 1990-91 academic year and who intend to pursue a career in religious communication.

The scholarship is named in recognition of the late Mr. Perryman, a journalist with the denomination for more than 30 years. He died in 1983.

The term communication is meant to cover various media such as print, electronic and audio-visual. Applicants must be attending an accredited institution of higher education.

Completed applications for both programs are due Jan. 13. For application forms and additional information, contact: Nelson Price, United Methodist Communications, 475 Riverside Drive, Suite 1901, New York, NY 10115.

## bulletin

**VETERANS DAY PARADE NOV. 11**  
Locklear-Lowry VFW Post 2843 will observe Veterans Day Saturday, November 11 by sponsoring a Veterans Day Parade in downtown Pembroke beginning at 10 a.m. The annual fish and chicken plate sale will be at the post home from 11 a.m.-7 p.m.

Schools, industry, and the public are invited to participate. For more information contact Bobby Dean Locklear at 521-3253 or 521-2502.

## PROSPECT HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1969 REUNION

The Prospect High School class of 1969 is planning a reunion. Class members are asked to send name, address, and phone number to: Reunion, c/o Daris Brayboy, Route 1 Box 431, Pembroke, NC 28372. You may also call (919)521-2297 for more information.

## Self-Defense Seminar Planned at PSU

Kenny Buffaloe, the North Carolina Representative of Kyoku-Shin-Kai Karate, recently returned from two weeks of grueling training in Muay-Thai (Thai Boxing), the world's most devastating contact sport. Buffaloe was invited to Los Angeles, California to train at the Thai-Boxing Camp at Surachai 'Chai' Sirisute. Chai, as his friends and students call him, is the leading trainer of Thai-Boxing in the world outside of Thailand. He teaches Thai-Boxing to the Dallas Cowboys Football Team; every year at their training camp as a part of their conditioning. Mr. Sirisute has appeared in all the leading martial arts magazines demonstrating the art of Thai-Boxing. He also has two instructional videos, "Thai-Boxing Basics" and "Thai-Advanced" which are best sellers. Thai-Boxing is featured in the new movie "Kick Boxer" starring Jean Claude Van Danne currently playing in movie theatres.

Kenny Buffaloe is planning to present a Self-Defense Seminar at PSU in the near future. This seminar will contain valuable information on self defense and physical conditioning.

For more information, contact Kenny Buffaloe, P.O. Box 615, Seaboard, NC 27876 or call (919) 589-4281 and leave your name and number.

## Magnolia Classes to be Reunited

Magnolia High School, classes of 1949, 1950, 1951, 1952, 1953, and 1954, will hold a Class Reunion on December 23, 1989 at the Old Foundry Restaurant at 7:00 p.m. For more information call 919-521-4622 or write to P.O. Box 346, Pembroke, NC 28372.



North Carolina's Kenny Buffaloe [center] is shown with Dan Inosanto, Bruce Lee's best student (left), and Susachai "Chai" Sirisute [right], North America's top Thai-Boxing Trainer at the Los Angeles, California Thai-Boxing Camp.

## Chancellor's Inaugural Schedule

FRIDAY, OCT. 27	
9:00 a.m.	Native American Art Exhibit (all day) Native American Resource Center
9:00 a.m.	Student Art Exhibit (all day) Lobby of Givens Performing Arts Center
9:00 a.m.	Past Graduates Invitational Art Exhibit (all day) Chavis University Center (Upstairs Gallery)
11:00 a.m.	Delegates' Registration Lobby of Jones P. E. Center
Noon	Pre-Installation Buffet Luncheon (For delegates, guests, PSU faculty and administration) Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center
Noon	Alumni Board of Directors and Chapter Officers Luncheon (By invitation only) Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center
Noon	Chancellor's Pre-Installation Luncheon (For Board of Trustees, Board of Governors, Platform Party) (By invitation only) Chancellor's Dining Room and Cafeteria
2:00 p.m.	Installation Ceremonies Givens Performing Arts Center
3:15 p.m.	Chancellor's Reception Tented Area outside Givens PAC
4:00 p.m.	Meeting of Alumni Association Board of Directors and Chapter Officers in Room 251 of Chavis University Center
6:30 p.m.	Chancellor's Inaugural Banquet (By invitation only) Chancellor's Dining Room
8:00 p.m.	Inaugural Ball (Open Admission) Chavis University Center (Black Tie optional)
9:00 p.m.	Students' Inaugural Dance Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center

\*Inauguration ceremonies will be broadcast live beginning at 2 p.m. on Cable TV Channel 3 in the Pembroke area.

## Brooks dedicated to public service

### Recently appointed judge and Robeson County native is first Indian to serve Superior Court bench

BY JACK CREECH  
Daily Journal Staff

Judge Dexter Brooks, who presided over last week's session of criminal superior court in Bladen County, was appointed to the bench in January of this year by Governor Martin.

While the judge was overseeing the usual variety of cases here, his name was raised in court in his resident county of Robeson by Eddie Hatcher to defy Judge Robert Farmer's ruling that Mr. Hatcher could not use the services of New York lawyers William Kunstler and Robert Kuby.

Earlier Judge Brooks had ruled, despite the fact that Mr. Kunstler and Mr. Kuby were not licensed to practice law in North Carolina, they could represent Mr. Hatcher, who is being heard on state kidnapping charges.

"You have absolutely no respect for Judge Brooks and his order," Mr. Hatcher is quoted as shouting at Judge Farmer.

While declining to comment on the Hatcher courtroom hoopla, in an informal interview last week Judge Brooks revealed a temperament of profound balance ... his mind similar to a tennis court net, measuring the various sides and angles of life, and distilling them.

It is perhaps the natural outcome of the merging of his intelligence and his experience. Perhaps the most telling example of this merger is that, among a welter of academic distinctions, Judge Brooks became the first American Indian to

graduate from the law school at UNC-Chapel Hill.

And at 46-years-old, he is the first Indian to occupy a superior court bench in North Carolina. His age places his maturing youth in precise overlap with the struggle of the civil rights movement, as it toiled non-violently against the walls of segregation.

Growing up in Pembroke, in a



Dexter Brooks

community of unjust splits, may have imbued him with the passion to attain just unity.

"Before Martin Luther King, there were three bathrooms in the tobacco warehouse -- one for Indians, one for whites, one for blacks," Judge Brooks recalls. "Go to the movies and there were three designated sections."

The judge openly acknowledges how much the black movement helped the Indians acquire similar

rights; and he denies any deep hostility between Indians and blacks, citing the example of Sydney Locks, a state representative from Robeson County who as a black candidate won the support of overwhelming numbers of Indian voters there.

But the judge doesn't use his past as a crutch, affirming that there is now, especially with the 1982 amendment to the 1965 Voting Rights Act, sufficient legal apparatus to insure justice for all minorities in America.

He does admit, however, that there are vestiges of racism in Robeson County. Such haunts, Judge Brooks believes, can be eventually exorcised by the use of the ballot to encourage interaction among all peoples.

He offers the recent instance of 90 percent of the Indians in Robeson voting for the merger of the school systems. "This will allow children to receive equal opportunity, with one set of resources," the judge says.

Another way to relieve racial tension, according to Judge Brooks, is for people in power to be sensitive to the "tri-racial community" in Robeson, when appointing action committees.

The judge is happy with his new post, considering it the fulfillment of a turn he made to public service after he had started on an academic track.

"I liked the university atmosphere," he says, explaining why he had entered and indeed nearly completed all the requirements for a doctorate program in math.

Stirred by the civil rights movement, however, and finally acting on that inspiration in the early 1970's, the judge dropped out of the program at N.C. State to return to Pembroke State University where he got a whiff of the power of the law. He became involved in legal action against the university when officials there decided to destroy a building of historical significance.

Today, Judge Brooks views drugs as a threat to the structure of civilization. Describing President Bush as a "very moral" man, the judge urges even harder action against the purveyors of addicting narcotics.

"It's going to take a much stronger effort, including use of the military to keep drugs out," he says. "I don't think we've used the military to the extent we should."

To help dispel the mystique about drugs, he advocates wider education, especially among youngsters in the schools.

"There's no one road to solve the drug problem ... it's going to take education 'as well,' the judge affirms. "We have enough experience to know that drugs are destructive," he adds, citing the death of Len Bias, basketball star, from cocaine use.

For a method of education about the horrors of drugs, Judge Brooks advocates letting children view actual films about the effects of dope, similar to the vividness of the ones he saw in the military about the results of reckless driving just before soldiers were given leave.

"These films were quite gruesome," he recalls. "The idea was to sensitize the viewer. You couldn't look at it without walking away with those images in mind."

The judge's trust in education was paradoxically formed out of public school discrimination against him. But again, he makes no excuses; rather he possesses the sort of independent discrimination, the inci-

siveness of mind, to draw a line between the experience of segregation and acquiring a sense of inferiority.

"The Indians have always had a good self-image," he explains. "We've never accepted the idea that we are second-class citizens," noting that from his family, all seven

children went to college or university.

It appears his healthy view of himself has rubbed off on others.

"I'm pleased with the reception I've had," he says, alluding to his new appointment. The judge has already held court in several counties.

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## Dr. Adolph Dial To Be Grand Marshall for Chancellor's Inauguration

Grand marshal for the inauguration of Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine of Pembroke State University on Friday, Oct. 27, will be one of his long-time friends, Dr. Adolph Dial, resident consultant in the PSU Department of American Indian Studies.

As grand marshal, Dial will carry PSU's golden mace, the university's symbol of authority. Dial was named to this honor by the 12-member PSU inaugural committee.

Dial was co-chairman of a committee that strongly supported Oxendine for the chancellorship during the selection process, holding public meetings in seeking community support for Oxendine.

Dial, as spokesman of the committee, said at the time: "We do not support this man because he is a Lumbee. We do not support this man because he is an Indian. We support him because he is a scholar" with the leadership to help PSU confront problems effectively.

Dial was one of those who initially encouraged Oxendine to seek the office.



Dr. Adolph Dial

Dial was the founder of PSU's American Indian Studies Department and served as its chairman until his retirement in 1988. He is considered an authority on the Lumbee Indians

and is consulted on a continuing basis about their life and heritage. Dial is an author as well as a business, community, political and church leader.