

CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE

Pembroke, NC

Robeson County

"Building communicative bridges in a tri-racial setting"

VOLUME 20 NUMBER 46

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 17, 1992

25 CENTS PER COPY

Sub-grant of \$80,000 Awarded to PSU for Project TEAM

The Southern Education Foundation (SEF), based in Atlanta, has made an award of a sub-grant of \$80,165 to support Project TEAM (Teaching Excellence Among Minorities), a cooperative effort of Pembroke State University and Fayetteville State University. PSU is serving as secretariat for the partnership.

Funds provided for this purpose to SEF have been made available through grant from the Ford Foundation. The grant period is for this 1992-93 academic year. As secretariat of this effort, "Pembroke State University is responsible for expenditure of funds and for maintaining adequate supporting records," said Jean B. Sinclair, program officer of SEF.

Project TEAM coordinator for PSU is Dr. Zoe W. Locklear, while Project TEAM for PSU is Dr. Saundra Shorter. Project TEAM is a model program designed to increase the pool of minority teachers by recruiting and retaining Black and Native American students in teacher education in the state of North Carolina. The program consists of activities to: heighten cultural sensitivity, develop professional attributes and professional ethics, strengthen test-taking skills through the use of computers, develop critical thinking skills,

broaden life experiences through participation in cultural activities, improve academic skills through individual tutorial services, develop effective teaching strategies using multimedia techniques, promote skills for becoming a master student.

These activities are provided throughout this academic year for prospective students interested in teacher education as a major, but who may encounter some difficulties because of weaknesses in academic skills and/or social and economic deficiencies. The year-long project culminates with a five-week intensive enrichment summer institute.

Included on the 12-member Project TEAM advisory board in addition to Dr. Locklear are Dr. Gilbert Sampson, chair of the PSU Department of Mathematics and Computer Science; Dr. Kathryn Sullivan, director of PSU Graduate Studies and Teacher Education; Paul Van Zandt, chair of the PSU Music Department; and Dr. Sylvester Wooten, director of PSU Continuing Education and Summer Session.

For more information on the program, contact Dr. Zoe Locklear at PSU at (919) 521-6455 or Dr. Saundra Shorter at PSU at (919) 486-1586.

Reflections by Alta Nye Oxendine

I was shocked to learn of the death of Janie Maynor Locklear. Let's keep Janie's family in our prayers, along with all others who are dealing with the loss of a loved one or some other crisis.

Back in 1980 it was, I believe, largely the prayers of others that made it possible for me to go on.

What Is Thanksgiving?

Well, Thanksgiving has come and gone for another year. Or has it? We're used to thinking of Thanksgiving as one special day set aside each year for a feast and some "togetherness" with our families.

But "Thanks-giving" means more than just an enjoyable national holiday. IT means even more than a few moments salvaged in between cooking turkey, and all the trimmings, watching Macy's big parade, gorging ourselves with "goodies", talking about hunting trips, or sitting with eyes glued to the football game on TV—to search for a blessing or two hidden behind out more obvious daily problems.

For me Thanksgiving is a time to remember why my children's ancestors represented by the Pilgrims (probably the two young people who would later welcome John and Priscilla Alder) and their friendly Indian neighbors come to gather on the first Thanksgiving Day to eat, rejoice and give thanks for their blessings—after the hardships of many trials during the year gone by.

But thanks giving, I believe ought to be just a day, but a year-long attitude. Let's find out from the record of God-worshipping and Christians just what "thanks-giving" really is.

This Thanksgiving-Christmas season can be a wonderful time to turn to the Psalms to learn more about how to give thanks daily. These Psalms (or songs) were sung to God many centuries ago by the faithful Jewish People. Take a good look at all 150 Psalms, in the poetic King James version of the Bible. Notice how many begin with such "thanks-giving" phrases as these: "O give thanks unto the Lord", "Praise ye the Lord", "Bless the Lord".

"Make a joyful noise unto the Lord", "Rejoice in the Lord", "O clap your hands, all ye people", "Unto thee O God, do we give thanks", "O Lord, our Lord, how excellent is thy name in all the earth." "I will praise thee, O Lord, with my whole heart."

Lately I've been enjoying looking through the Psalms for the many different expressions of praise and thanksgiving. The last five Psalms are all songs of praise. The last verse of the last Psalm (150) makes a broad challenge: "Let everything that hath breath praise the Lord." Psalm 117 is short, sweet, and to the point: "O praise the Lord, all ye nations; praise him all ye people."

For his merciful kindness is great toward us: and the truth of the Lord endureth for ever praise ye the Lord!"

Merry Chsitmas

May you have the Spirit of Christmas which is Peace
The Gladness of Christmas which is Hope
The Heart of Christmas which is Love



Prospect United Methodist Church will present the Christmas Musical, "Bethlehem's Light", on Sunday, December 20, 1992 at 7:00 P.M.

under the direction of Mr. Harold D. Jacobs. The Pastor, Rev. Bill James Locklear, invites the public to this

celebration of the birth of Jesus through the Music Ministry of Prospect United Methodist Church.

Red Springs NASA Club Active During Native American Month of November

Enthusiastic students in the Native American Student Association (NASA) of Red Springs High School kicked off Native American Month, November 1-30, 1992 with lots of activities and fun. Students participated in various field trips and completed Native American projects at school. The NASA club sold attractive Native American handmade crafts, key chains, and bracelets.

The week of November 9-13, 1992 began the first annual NASA Week. Each day was designed for a different activity. On Monday, November 9, students dressed in the authentic Indian Dress. Some students wore moccasins, beaded head bands, In-

dian headdress, denim jackets and outfits.

Tuesday, November 10, NASA sponsored an assembly program. Guest speaker, Mr. Ray Oxendine, principal of Scotland County High School spoke to the student body. He said, "if you are going to prepare for

the future, you must stay in school. He shared, some of his personal experiences while playing three sports in college. He said, "it takes a positive attitude, confidence in yourself, and determination to be successful in life." He said, Be proud of who you are. Be proud to be a Native American." He further encouraged all students to study hard, and be the "best

you can be." Mr. Oxendine made an outstanding presentation and planted a seed of hope for all students. NASA students wore their Native American tee shirts to the assembly in celebration of Native American Month.

Wednesday, November 11, no school- Veterans Day. Thursday, November 12, Students wore moccasins and attended the Standing Rock Dancers, who performed ceremonial Native American dances, held at Pembroke State University. Friday, November 13, NASA prepared a delicious faculty luncheon.

Principals, teachers, and staff members feasted on collards, corn, fried chicken, fried cornbread patties,

Locklear Wins SGH Golden Glove Award

William Locklear, a recovery aide at Carolina Manor Treatment Center, has won Southeastern General Hospital's top guest relations prize, the Golden Rule Award.

A native of the Saddletree community, Locklear is a graduate of Magnolia High School. He has worked at Carolina Manor since January, 1990.

Locklear and his wife Kathy are parents of two sons, Garrick and Jason.

The Golden Rule award is presented monthly to the employee of SGH Healthcare Corporation who best demonstrates pride in the corporation and a caring attitude to guests and fellow employees.

As a Golden Rule winner, Locklear received a plaque, a personal parking space for the month, \$50 in cash, and a chance in a drawing for a four-day vacation trip next fall.

Diamonds Put Sparkle Into Holiday Season

Whether the sparkler arrives in a glass of champagne or is presented on bended knee, a diamond engagement ring—the enduring symbol of love and marriage—is most often given during the year-end holiday season.

"The holiday season typically generates more diamond jewelry sales than at any other time during the year," said Lloyd Jaffe, chairman of the American Diamond Industry Association (ADIA). "As many as 25% of diamond engagement rings are typically purchased in the year-end buying season," he added.

In 1991, Americans purchased an estimated 16.6 million pieces of diamond jewelry—including rings, bracelets, necklaces and pendants. In the United States, more than 40% was acquired during the holiday rush.

According to Mr. Jaffe, no two diamonds are alike, due to variations in the 4C's: Cut, Caratage or weight, Clarity and Color of the stone. Although buying a diamond can be an overwhelming experience, ADIA recommends learning about the 4C's, shopping around, and comparing stones of varying sizes and shapes.

While most people are familiar with traditional shapes such as round, pear, emerald, marquis and heart, there are exciting new cuts, known as "flower" cuts and "royal" cuts that are now available. The unusual flower cuts—sunflower, marigold, fire rose and dahlia—and



royal cuts—empress, dutchess and baroness—appeal to these looking to make a dramatic and individual statement.

In addition, many couples buy a loose diamond, then proceed—with the help of their jeweler—to design their own diamond ring. Choosing the stone and then mounting separately can result in a truly unique ring that reflects the owner's creativity and taste.

Of the world's precious or semi-precious gems, none has achieved the international acclaim of the diamond. In 1991, America imported diamonds at a rate of nearly eight-to-one over the combined value of all other precious stones, including emeralds, rubies, sapphires, etc. And none better symbolizes love, commitment and enduring values. About 75% of brides in the United States received a diamond engagement ring in 1991.

Regardless of the stone and mounting that is selected, the diamond engagement ring remains a lasting and cherished symbol of romance. Let style and a little knowledge be your guide to finding the perfect diamond ring this holiday season.

Pembroke Kiwanis Report

The weekly meeting was held at the Town and Country Restaurant on Tuesday evening with The Rev. Bruce Swett as the speaker. Program Chairman Ed Teets presented Rev. Swett who spoke on the recent missionary trip to Russia, Hungary and Romanian. It was a great trip and an experience I will never forget.

We flew to Russia in 30 hours. We loaded Bibles with our 45 member group. We were assigned 15 to a team. We passed out Bibles to schools, churches and street groups. There were many conversions as the people were so hungry for the gospel. We were welcomed so openly, we were overcome with their respect for us. Their attention was so completely undivided. Their mass transportation takes care of 12 million people. There is much dilapidated buildings and streets. They live in tall apartments with no elevators.

There was great response in the village churches. More so than in the cities. McDonalds has the largest restaurant in the world. There were long lines of people waiting to be served. There are no homes, just large apartment buildings. No new cars. Buses and trains were their main transportation. They are 60-70 years back of us. Church is the center of their lives.

Women sat on one side, the men on the other. Their singing was the most beautiful ever. We have a lot to be thankful in this country. Families enjoyed the annual Christmas program and Rev. Swett's singing of "Holy Night" and "People Can Relate to the Lord."

Members enjoyed the cook-out at the Odom Home last week. The Club voted \$100 to the community Welfare Fund. Presiding; Larry Chavis, Invocation; Rev. Swett, Song Leader; Ed Teets, Reporter; Ken Johnson.

Remarkable Reading Program!

Anyone can teach reading! OUR FAMILY CAN READ- READING SERIES-helps teach a child or adult to read in only six hours.

This remarkable reading program is available for \$19.95 plus \$2.00 shipping and handling. Simply send name and address and \$21.95 to First American Publications, P.O. Box 1075, Pembroke, NC 28372 to order your Reading Series.

ANYONE CAN LEARN TO READ! Money-back guarantee