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## Merry Christmas

### PSU Chancellor Supports Land Acquisition For Golf Course

Chancellor Joseph Oxendine of Pembroke State University explained to the PSU Board of Trustees at their regular quarterly meeting Friday why he "is supporting a proposal by a committee appointed by the State Legislature to purchase property for development of a golf course" adjacent to land originally designated for a N.C. Indian Cultural Center near Pembroke.

"That committee has recommended to the state legislature that money be appropriated for the purchase of property continuous with the Indian Cultural Center for building a golf course which would be under the auspices of Pembroke State University," said the chancellor. "I have told the committee I am in support of this as long as it does not take money away from the University for other purposes," said Oxendine.

The chancellor mentioned in particular that PSU needs funds for capital improvements such as a future administration building and also money for property acquisition adjacent to the University. Oxendine emphasized that he is interested "in the University's being a catalyst for resolving an unresolved problem, of serving as a facilitator of change, of breaking the logjam which presently exists".

He added, "I'm interested in getting the golfers out of there and

going with the Indian Cultural Center, which has fantastic potential for this community and region of the state in building pride and economic development. But this acquisition cannot be a financial burden for PSU as far as our own campus needs are concerned."

At the present time a golf course is located on the Indian Cultural Center property, preventing the implementation of the long-planned development of the center, which included the present golf course property. Oxendine is a member of the Indian Cultural Center's Board of Director.

The PSU chancellor also asked the trustees to support a new bond issue effort planned for the UNC system in '93. He noted that whereas during the past year, the UNC system and the state community colleges put together one bond issue request of \$397 million, which was shelved, each will be doing its own bond request separately in '93. The UNC system will be presenting its own package, said Oxendine. "We are going to give it our best shot," he promised. "You are going to be hearing a lot about it."

He said Bob Scott, president of the state's community college system, and Bob Etheridge, state superintendent of public schools, would also be presenting their own packages. Because of the lack of funds

for capital improvements, Oxendine warned, "If something isn't done soon, a lot of buildings are going to be falling down." In another fund-raising effort, the PSU chancellor informed the trustees he would be returning to Washington, D.C., early in '93 to gain new support for PSU's planned conference center for economic development (for which preliminary planning has already been done).

"I have written to Sen. Lauch Faircloth about the need for this center to facilitate economic development in this region. We need to make another trip to Washington. Sen. Terry Sanford was very supportive of this, but the sources we sought earlier did not pan out." Oxendine said he would seek people to help him in this effort. At the outset of the trustee meeting, Oxendine surprised everyone by introducing the new PSU athletic mascot—which is a student dressed in a Red-Tailed Hawk costume. This special Hawk was chosen because it is indigenous to this area and represents such characteristics as courage, beauty, grace, strength and ex-

traordinary eyesight—characteristics that Oxendine says PSU admires in its athletic teams. The hawk hugged the chancellor and shook hands with the trustees.

As the chancellor has let efforts to design a new school logo, athletic logo, and athletic mascot, he introduced preliminary drawings to the trustees to redesign the

University's school seal. These efforts, chaired by Paul Van Zandt, chair of the PSU Art Department, will be finalized in the next few months, said Oxendine.

The trustees also approved the recommendation of a PSU committee to name the streets of PSU by such names as: Founders Drive, Faculty Row, Braves Way, University Drive, Alumni Lane, and Residential Court. Also approved by the trustees was a proposed PSU summer work schedule from May 10 to Aug. 13 which would permit PSU employees to be off at 11:30 a.m. on Fridays. To do so, they would report to work daily at 7:30 a.m. and have a 30-minute lunch break. The proposal must still be approved by the State Personnel Office.

Neil Hawk, PSU vice chancellor for business affairs who presented the new work schedule proposal, said the new revised schedule would (1) be an energy saver because of the buildings shut down and conserving air conditioning costs, etc., and (2) would be a morale booster for employees with extra hours for long weekends.

At the outset of the trustee meeting, a special moment of remembrance was held in honor of Janie Maynor Locklear, former PSU trustee who died Dec. 1. Trustee Rosa Winfree of Charlotte, who requested this observance, spoke of Locklear's leading the "Save Old Main" movement. "This special remembrance is for who she was and what she stood for," said Winfree.

### The Hope For The New Year

Twas the night before Jesus came and all through the house  
Not a creature was praying, not one in the house.  
Their Bibles were lain on the shelf without care  
In hopes that Jesus would not come there.  
The children were dressing to crawl into bed  
Not once ever kneeling or bowing a head.  
And Mom in her rocker with the baby on her lap  
Was watching the Late Show while I took a nap.  
When out of the East, there arose such a clatter  
I sprang to my feet to see what was the matter.  
Away to the window I flew like a flash  
Tore open the shutters and threw up the sash!!  
When what to my wondering eyes should appear  
But angels proclaiming that Jesus was here.  
With a light like the sun sending forth a bright ray  
I knew in a moment this must be THE DAY!!  
The light of His face made me cover my head  
It was Jesus, returning just like He said.  
And though I possessed worldly wisdom and wealth,  
I cried when I saw Him in spite of myself.  
In the Book of Life which He held in His hand  
Was written the name of every saved man.  
He spoke not a word as He searched for my name,  
When He said "It is not here," my head hung in shame.  
The people whose names had been written with love  
He gathered to take to His Father above.  
With those who were ready He rose without a sound  
While all the rest were left standing around.  
I fell to my knees, but it was too late!  
I had waited too long and thus sealed my fate.  
I stood and I cried as they rose out of sight;  
Oh, if only we had been ready this promised night.  
In the words of this poem the meaning is clear  
Jesus is coming and soon will be here.  
He is the Good Shepherd, God's only SON  
Savior of the world, the everlasting one.  
There's only one life and when comes the last call,  
We'll find that the BIBLE was true after all!!!  
AUTHOR the Holy Spirit

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### Upcoming Events

January 11, 1993  
VFW Post 2843 of Pembroke will hold their regular monthly meeting at the post home at 7:00 p.m. All members are urged to attend. Supper will be served

December 28, 1992  
VFW Post 2843 Ladies Auxiliary of Pembroke, NC will observe their annual after Christmas Party 7:00 p.m. at the pos home. All VFW members are asked to attend.

### MERRY CHRISTMAS

### Girls Scouts Share Cheer



Pictured: Jessica Cummings, Deidra Locklear, Sheena Harris, Calpoenia Locklear, Courtney Chavis, Latoya Roberts, Britany Harris, Jasmine Jones, Jans Dean Jacobs, Heather Dial, Alison Warriax.

Girl Scout troop #1472 pictured with can goods collected for the needy. Troop Leader Mary Roberts

### 1992 Festival of Trees Raised Record Amount For Hospice

"This was our best Festival ever!" Said Ann McLean, SGH director of marketing and coordinator of Festival of Trees. "Not only were the trees beautiful, but so far we have raised over \$28,000—an all time high—for Hospice of Robeson. We are pushing to get as close to the \$30,000 mark as possible."

"Caring at Christmas", Hospice of Robeson's seventh annual Festival of Trees was held December 6-9 at the SGH Life-styles Fitness Center. Twenty-six lavishly decorated Christmas Trees sponsored by local businesses and individuals and decorated by garden clubs and civic groups were on display for the public.

Judi Lund Person, executive director of Hospice of North Carolina, spoke at the Festival's preview party on Dec. 5 for sponsors and invited guests. She praised local Hospice supporters for their dedication and described Hospice efforts throughout the state in meeting the needs of terminally ill patients and their families. Before cutting the ribbon to view the Festival's trees, Mrs. McLean dedicated the 1992 Festival to the memory of Mary Anne Hiscott, the late wife of SGH President Donald Hiscott.

Mrs. Hiscott, who had been director of medical records at SGH from 1967 until 1971, died suddenly on December 3. "Mary Anne believed strongly in Hospice and was an avid

supporter of Festival of Trees. She helped many years decorating a tree and even this year, some of the crafts for sale were donated by her months ago," Mrs. McLean said. "I feel that her spirit is certainly with us here at this party and will be with us throughout this Festival and all upcoming Festivals."

Throughout the month of December, people many continue to participate in Festival of Trees by contributing to the Tree of Honor which is located at Biggs Park Mall this year for the first time. This live, 12-foot Fraser fir was donated by Keith Taylor of Greenstate Enterprises. Gifts in honor or memory of loved ones decorate the tree with red, silver, and gold, ribbon-adorned doves.

A gift of \$5-\$49 will place a red dove on the Tree; for \$50-\$99, a silver dove; and \$100 or more, a golden dove. "We are pleased by the added exposure the Tree of Honor has received at the Mall," said Mrs. McLean. "Donations to the Tree are up substantially from last year." The drawing for a quilt, hand made by Ms. Ruby Britt of Bladen County, was held during the Festival's closing hour.

This is the second quilt Ms. Britt had made and donated to the Festival. It was designed in the double wedding band pattern and sewn in colors of pink, rose, light blue, and navy on a cream background. Tamera Price, wife of ophthalmologist Dr. Kent

Price, held the winning ticket. Funds from Festival of Trees are used throughout the year to provide services for patients who could not afford them otherwise, according to Miriam Edwards, director of Health

"We try to spread out these monies set aside for patient services over the entire year. Our first priority is to those Hospice patients who are medically indigent, and secondly to those who are covered by programs but need services or equipment over and beyond what these payors will provide," said Mrs. Edwards. "This could include pain medication, a bed, a walker, or even oxygen."

In addition to Festival of Trees, Hospice operating expenses are provided through memorial gifts, grants, private donations, and the United Way of Robeson County.



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