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## News Briefs

### Golden Oldies Concert to be presented by Robeson Civic Chorale

The Robeson Civic Chorale will present two "Golden Oldies" concerts. The first program will take place on Monday, February 28th at 8:00 p.m. at Trinity United Methodist Church in Fairmont and the second program will be on Monday, March 7th at 8:00 p.m. at the First Baptist Church in St. Pauls. Directed by Steven Trinkle, the chorale will sing anthems and musical works from the traditional church repertoire. Included on the program will be Shelley's "The King of Love my Shepherd is," an anthem originally composed in 1886 based on the Psalm 23; He, Watching Over Israel from Felix Mendelssohn's oratorio "Elijah"; W. A. Mozart's Alleluia; and Brahms' "How Lovely is Thy Dwelling Place from the 'Requiem Mass'." Contemporary works will also be represented in the concert with an exhilarating paraphrase by Kirby Shaw, of the traditional gospel melody "Plenty Good Room." Dr. Genie Burkett, assistant professor at Pembroke State University, will accompany the Chorale.

The Robeson Civic Chorale is a long established cultural institution in the county performing three to four programs each year. Most of the members also sing in their own church choirs. The Robeson Civic Chorale provides these singers with an opportunity to expand their repertoire and sing large, extended choral works as well as lighter classical and popular arrangements not usually performed by church choirs. It also provides many area music teachers with an outlet for their own creative talents and continuing education credit through Robeson Community College.

The concerts are part of RCC's outreach program into the community. Last Christmas the chorale performed its traditional Holiday Concert at Red Springs Presbyterian Church. The season will end when the Civic Chorale joins the Pembroke State University Choir for a performance of Gabriel Faure's "Requiem" at the Carolina Civic Center in Lumberton on April 18th and at Givens Performing Arts Center on April 21st.

### Charlotte Indian Education Program to Host a 20th Anniversary Celebration in April

On April 29, 1994, the Indian Education Program of the Charlotte-Mecklenburg Schools will celebrate the twentieth anniversary of Indian Education. The Celebration will be held at the Mint Museum at 6:00 p.m. The Indian Education Parent Committee will name the American Indian Student of the Year at the elementary, middle school and high school levels. They will also honor other students who have distinguished themselves with outstanding leadership, academic performance and perfect attendance.

The Aztec Dancers from Mexico will open the Celebration with a performance at 6:00 p.m. The Honor Ceremony will begin at 7:00 p.m. with the Gray Eyes Drum from Oklahoma. A special honor dance will pay tribute to contributors to the Indian Education Program. Billy Mills, a member of the Oglala Sioux Nation and the only American to win an Olympic gold medal in the 10,000 meter run, will be honored.

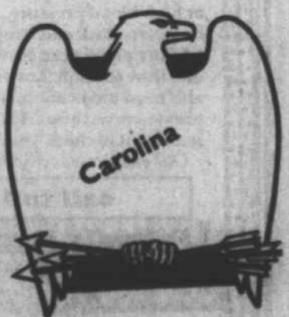
### Kids Count Campaign for Children a Candidate's Forum, to be held

Kids Count in Robeson County will hold MAKE KIDS COUNT CAMPAIGN FOR CHILDREN...A Candidates Forum on April 7th. This forum will be held in the A.D. Lewis Auditorium, Robeson Community College. It will begin at 7:00 p.m. and should conclude around 9:00 p.m. All of our Legislative and School Board Candidates will be invited to answer questions that pertain to the children to Robeson County. All other candidates will have the opportunity to briefly introduce themselves. All candidates must personally attend. They will not be allowed to send someone to represent them. John Niblock, President of the North Carolina Child Advocacy Institute will speak and Al Kahn will moderate.

The public is invited to attend. This free event will provide our county residents the opportunity to hear the views of our candidates and to hold them accountable while they are serving our county. An informal reception will immediately follow the forum.

### Crafts Fair to be held

21st Anniversary FRANK BURTON MEMORIAL CRAFTS FAIR March 22-23 4:00 - 9:00 p.m. Rockingham Junior High School Gymnasium Rockingham, North Carolina 28379 Arts and Crafts Display Gallery Located in Library Free Admission Fifty Professional Craftspersons from the N.C. State Fair Village of Yesteryear PTO Barbecue Plates on Tuesday, March 22, 4:30 - 7:30 p.m. In School Cafeteria \$5.00 per plate/pound



### Contest Winners announced at Piney Grove School



Mrs. Linda Baldwin, cafeteria manager at Piney Grove Elementary School, sponsored a contest for second grade students during National School Lunch Week. The winners of the contest are Tamesha Watson and Ashley James, pictured from left to right. These students were presented a certificate and a pair of gloves.

### Conservation Compliance Deadline Quickly Approaching

1994 will be a year of "final action" for many North Carolina farmers with highly erodible cropland. Those not already doing so will begin applying conservation compliance plans, developed as a result of requirements spelled out in the 1985 Farm Bill.

North Carolina Farm Bureau President W.B. Jenkins says, "Most farmers in this category have worked with their local Soil Conservation Service (SCS) offices in past years to come up with effective ways to preserve soil and water on their farms."

The incentive for developing and now applying individual plans (according to schedule) is well known - the alternative being potential loss of most USDA benefits including commodity support loans and/or payments, crop insurance, and Farmers Home Administration loans.

Unfortunately, there is concern that some farmers are not adequately prepared to introduce these measures on their farms. In an interview last year SCS state conservationist Coy Garrett said as many as 15 to 20 percent of farmers in some counties could eventually face loss of farm program benefits due to noncompliance, or failure to meet time schedules stated in their individual plans.

Rented cropland could also cause some problems. President Jenkins explains, "Farmers who rent land need to be familiar with the conservation plans approved for these properties. If they plant, they will be required to follow the plan." A farmer planting on newly acquired rental property will have to comply with the previous operator's plan, or get it changed before a crop is planted.



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### Southeastern North Carolina in the Spotlight at the General Assembly During Governor's Special Session

Southeastern North Carolina was in the spotlight as the General Assembly returned to Raleigh for the Governor's Special Session. The one event that drew special attention to Robeson, Hoke, and Scotland Counties was the addition of Dr. Doug Yongue, the House of Representatives' newest member. Dr. Doug Yongue, District 16, was formally presented to the House of Representatives as part of the opening formalities by Representative Ron Sutton, District 85, who shares part of Hoke and Robeson Counties with Dr. Yongue. Following the introduction by Representative Sutton, Dr. Yongue and his wife, Millie, were called forward to the Speaker's podium where Rep. Dan Blue, the Speaker of the House, administered the oath to Dr. Yongue. With the House now at full membership, members were ready to get down to business on the Governor's crime issues.

Rep. Yongue who lives in Lumberton is a former principal of Scotland High School, Superintendent of the former Maxton School System, and Associate Superintendent of the Public Schools of Robeson County under the Johnson administration.

Dr. Yongue was the interim superintendent prior to the hiring of Mr. Purnell Swett, the present superintendent of the Robeson County School System.

Rep. Yongue was appointed to serve the unexpired term of Danny DeVane who resigned in January to

become the full time Legislative Liaison for the North Carolina Department of Transportation (DOT).

Dr. Yongue was accompanied to Raleigh for his swearing in by his wife, Millie, who had the pleasure of sitting in the House chamber with her husband during Governor Hunt's address to the Joint Special Session of the General Assembly. At that time Rep. Sutton and Rep. Yongue, who sat adjacent to each other, were joined by Senator David Parnell for the Governor's address. In addition, Rep. Yongue's son, Doug Yongue, Jr., daughter, Beth, and a large group of supporters were also present in the gallery to witness the swearing in.

Rep. Frances Cummings, District 87, led the entire House in welcoming Rep. Yongue to his new duties. Rep. Cummings shares parts of Robeson, Hoke and Scotland Counties with Rep. Yongue.

Speaker Blue commented that Danny DeVane, the Senior House member from the area, was a highly effective legislator and that his leadership will be missed. However, he said, he feels confident that the leadership of Rep. Yongue, Rep. Sutton, Cummings and Yongue will carry on in a truly professional manner.

Rep. Ron Sutton, District 85, and Rep. Frances Cummings, District 87, are unopposed in the 1994 elections. However, Rep. Doug Yongue, District 16, does have opposition in the May Democratic Primary.



Dr. Ronald Beasley



Gene Warren

### Beasley, Warren to Receive Top PSU Alumni Association Awards

When the Pembroke State University Alumni Association has its annual Homecoming Awards Dinner here at 5 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 26, the two top alumni association awards will be presented to Dr. C. Ronald Beasley and E. Gene Warren.

Beasley, a physician with the Lumberton Medical Clinic who is a 1970 graduate of PSU, will receive the "Outstanding Alumnus Award" Warren, who is retiring March 1 after serving 25 1/2 years as PSU public information director, will receive the "Distinguished Service Award."

Beasley, 45, is a native of the Red Banks area of Robeson County. After graduating from Prospect High School and PSU, he enrolled in the biochemistry doctoral program at N.C. State University, but left that program to earn his Doctor of Medicine degree from Duke University.

Warren, 65, is a native of Wilmington where he graduated from New Hanover High School and received an Associate of Arts degree from Wilmington College (forerunner of UNC-Wilmington). Warren earned his Bachelor of Arts degree in English from UNC-Chapel Hill.

After completing PSU, Beasley spent 4 1/2 years in the U.S. Marine Corps as a pilot where he attained the rank of first lieutenant. It was then that he attended N.C. State and Duke, going to the latter with the assistance of a Governor's Scholarship.

Beasley was with Southeastern Medical Associates of Lumberton from 1985-90, then joined the Lumberton Medical Clinic where he

is presently employed. He is also a staff physician for Southeastern General Hospital. From 1990-92 he was chairman of the hospital's Department of Medicine.

Beasley is a member of the Robeson County Medical Society, the N.C. Medical Society, and the American Medical Society. He is also a member of the PSU Chancellor's Club.

After graduating from UNC-Chapel Hill, Warren spent almost two years with the U.S. Army Special Forces Airborne, receiving the "American Spirit of Honor" medal as the outstanding soldier in Army Leadership School at Ft. Jackson, S.C.

From 1955-68, Warren was a sports writer and columnist for the Greensboro Daily News with whom he won two first place national writing awards and four state awards. In 1962, he was elected president of the National Collegiate Baseball Writers Association in Omaha, Neb. He served as a correspondent for both The Sporting News and Sports Illustrated.

Joining PSU in 1968, Warren handled the duties of public information and also for years the responsibilities of sports information, theatre information, public relations and advising the student newspaper, The Pine Needle. He won 13 national sports brochure awards and in 1978 was chosen "NAIA Sports Information Director of the Year," receiving the Clarence (Ike) Pearson Award for that honor at the NAIA Hall of Fame luncheon in Kansas City, Mo. Warren is a member of the PSU Chancellor's Club and has funded

an endowed journalism scholarship to be awarded annually beginning this April on PSU "Awards Day."

Beasley is an adult Sunday School teacher for Trinity Episcopal Church of Lumberton where he serves as a member of the Community Outreach Committee. He is active with the Boy Scouts and is a member of the Board of Trustees of Southern National Bank and is a member of the Lumberton Rotary Club.

Beasley is married to the former Cherry Maynor of Pembroke, who is assistant director of the Nursing Program at PSU. They are the parents of two children: Zeb Brooks and Mary Joyce. Beasley is the son of Mary Alice Beasley of the Red Banks area and the late Zeb Beasley.

Warren has served as a deacon since 1971 of the First Baptist Church on Walnut St. in Lumberton where he has taught Sunday School for 25 years. Prior to that he was a deacon and Sunday School teacher at Lawndale Baptist Church in Greensboro for 10 years. He is a former member of the Board of Directors of The Biblical Recorder, state Baptist newspaper. He is a member of the Full Gospel Business Man's Fellowship of Robeson County. In 1986-87, he was chairman of publicity for the Robeson County Bicentennial Celebration.

Warren is married to the former Sharon Newnam of Greensboro, a retired school teacher at Lumberton's Tanglewood School. They are the parents of two sons, Gene, Jr. and Reed, and have three grandchildren. Warren is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. B. Warren of Wilmington, both deacons.