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#### Judge Dexter Brooks Announces Candidacy for Re-election as Resident Superior Court Judge



Robeson County Resident Su-perior Court Judge Dexter Brooks has announced his candidacy for re-election. He was originally appointed by the Governor to the position effective January 1, 1989 In 1990 Judge Brooks was elected. without opposition, to the remain-der of a full eight-year term. During approximately seven years on the superior court bench, Judge Brooks has presided throughout the state over virtually every type of legal proceeding, including criminal First Degree Murder Death Penalty trials and civil Medical Malpractice actions

Judge Brooks carned a BS in Electrical Engineering in 1965 and a MS in Mathematics in 1971 from North Carolina State University He then carned his J.D or law degree in 1976 from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

in the general practice of law in Robeson County for approximately twelve years. In addition to being a member of the North Carolina State Bar he is certified to practice before the United States Supreme Court. the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit and the United States District Court for the Eastern District of North Caro-

Judge Brooks is a member of the American Bar Association, the North Carolina Bar Association and the Robeson County Bar Association. He served as a member of the North Carolina Commission on the Bicentennial of the United States Constitution, the Board of Directors of the Law Alumni As-sociation of the University of North Carolina and the Selection Committee for the Chancellor's Scholars Program of the School of Law of the University of North Carolina He was also elected as Vice President of the North Carolina Bar Association On October 22 1989. Judge Brooks was honored as 'The Tar Heel of the Week' by The News and Observer Just recently Judge Brooks was featured. along with several other notable alumni. in the Sesquicentennial Edition of the North Carolina Law Review published by the School of Law of the University of North

With the retirement of Judge Joe Freeman Britt, if re-elected. Judge Dexter Brooks will become the Senior Resident Superior Court Judge for Robeson County The

Senior Resident Judge has signifi-cant authority and duties related to the administration of justice, Judge Brooks pledges to cooperate with the District Attorney Public De-fender, Bar Association. Clerk of Court and Sheriff in making the criminal justice system more efficient With the completion of the renovations to the county courthouse the number of criminal court sessions and the number of judges assigned to the county can be increased. If the length of time criminal defendants spend awaiting trail is shortened, the burden on the taxpayers will be lessened since such defendants will spend less time in jail at public expense. Judge Brooks also pledges to work to-ward restoring public faith in the criminal justice system by being firm with convicted criminals while keeping an open mind to protect the rights of the innocent He believes that convicted crimi nals who are given the benefit of probation should be required to serve the public interest, including cleaning the roadways of unsightly litter through the Adopt-a-Highway Program and participating in the blood and bone marrow donor programs of the American Red Cross Finally, and most importantly. Judge Brooks supports the proposed amendment to the North Carolina Constitution to protect the rights of victims of crimes He pledges to seek the implementation of its terms in Robeson whether or not the proposed amendment is ultimately adopted for the state as



Mr. and Mrs. Benny Sampson

## Mr. Benny Sampson honored for service to

Pembroke--Pembroke resident Benny R. Sampson, has been honored by Berea Baptist Church for his service to the church, school

system, and community
Mr. Sampson who taught in the Pembroke school system for 42 years prior to retiring in 1976. has been a member of the church for 70 years He served for 36 years as Sunday School Superintendent and was on the Deacon Board for 28

Several of Mr Sampson's former students presented testimonials at Berea's worship service on November 12 Judge Gary Locklear praised Mr Sampson as a "giant among men" for his character and dedication and cited Sampson and his wife. Helen, as the two persons who had meant the most to him in his life, other than his own parents.

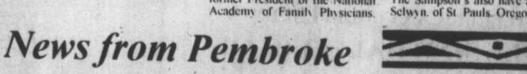
Dr James G Jones of Raleigh. Executive Director of the NC Health Planning Commission and former President of the National

thanked Mr Sampson for helping to prepare him academically and for encouraging him to become a physician Judge Dexter Brooks and Mrs. Dessie Lown, also praised Mr. Sampson's teaching prowess and thanked him for his influence on their lives

Other testimonials included ones from Dr Martin L. Brooks neighbor of Mr. Sampson. and Mr. James Brewington, a long-time friend who said that "few have given as much of themselves for as long." Berea Baptist pastor, the Rev. Bruce Swett, noted Mr Sampson's integrity, dependability and wisdom and narrated a slide presentation on Mr Sampson's life

Mr Sampson was given a commemorative plaque and a luncheon followed in the church fellowship hall Attendees included the Sampson's daughter. Mrs. Sylvia Sampson Miller of Charlotte, with her husband. Bobby, and son, Todd The Sampson's also have a son. Schwin, of St. Pauls, Oregon.

# Berea Baptist Church



VFW Post #2843 by Erwin Jacob

Tim Brooks and Andrea Locklear

On December 11, 1995 the Locklear-Lowry VFW Post #2843 held a ceremony in conjunction with our monthly post meeting. The ceremony was to honor two (2) young men from the two (2) local schools who participated in this year's Voice of Democracy. also to present a life saving award to a gentleman who saved the lives of two (2) local area women in a fatal accident on Memorial weekend near Fairmont. NC on NC 41

and State Road 1101 intersection Chaplain Archie Ovendine who has been a spokesperson for the Burnt Swamp Community Voice of Democracy Program introduced the young men to the members and guests present. He also thanked the Post Commander Rev Hilton Deese for his support of the project There were 10 high schools where students participated The two (2) winners names called out were Benjiman Hammonds, a junior at South Robeson High School. Rowland and Howard Cory McGirt. a senior at Purnell Swett High School Pembroke He talked briefly about both young men. Benjiman, a South Robeson honor student and NASA club member. plans to enter pre-med at Chapel Hill after graduation Cory a sc-

nior at Purnell Swett, winner last

year and won again this year. Gold pins were pinned on the two (2) by their mother Ms. Loretta Lewis and Mrs. Deloris McGirt Cory's grandmother. Mrs. Katy Collins. was also present. Mr Hammonds later told me his grandfather, Mr Stacy Lewis, is a member of the post. The pins read "Voice of Democracy' given by Post #2843

Cory was judged at a previous date and received the first place winner and Benjiman placed second. The winners were announced after each pinned a gold pin on their mothers Each was given a check to spend for Christmas in the amount of \$100 each. North Carolina Surgeon Mr. Arthur Schull (past Post Commander) presented a gift from the ladies auxiliary - a school bag with the logo VFW Voice of Democracy After reading his essay advising young people to turn their lives around and change their styles for the land we love. America, was presented an elaborate trophy with a microphone on top A pin to both with "Say no to drugs" also was given to each one

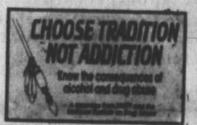
The life saving award was pre-sented to Mr David Vann He happened up on the accident and saved the life of two (2) ladies who was pinned in a pickup by a van that crossed in front of them caus-

ing a collision The van burnedand the driver, a passenger escaped but died later in the hospital One of the ladies was unconscious. Ms. Vickie, and the driver, Mrs. Margaret, had a leg that was pinned and she could not move After their rescue the truck burned up. also. The accident was an inferno

The award was awarded by our Post Commander Mr Deese, directed from the Commander in Chief of North Carolina Mr. Vann was cited as a hero for his actions. After the presentation. Mr. Vann said he was saved by a young girl's quick thinking several years earlier in a accident on Highway 301 and was passing it on. We are glad that God put him on the scene. The driver, Mrs. Margaret, called him her guardian angel and thanked

the Lord for him being there. Miss. Vickie Stone thanked the good Lord for seeing another Thanksgiving and being alive She was in coma for 9 days and is slowly recuperating and able to move with the help of medical aids

The monthly meeting continued after the guests departed



### Financial Aid

Workshop planned

A Financial Aid Workshop will be held in the South Robeson Media Center on Monday, January 8, 1996 for parents, junior, and senior students. You are encourage to attend this informative meeting. The meeting will begin at 6:30 pm Financial aid applicants and additional information will be available.

#### Donate Your Used or Unwanted Vehicle!

Charlotte—Join the National Kidney Foundation of North Caro-lina in its drive to save lives. If you have an old or unwanted vehicle. nave an old or unwanted vehicle, you can donate it to the NKF's Kidney Cars Program. We will tow the vehicle free of charge, and you receive a letter for a tax deduction. The funds raised support programs in research, organ donation, and education, programs that can save lives. can save lives.

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Donors must be the owner of the vehicle and the title in their name and it must be clear and free of all liens. Vehicles do not have to be running but must have all parts in tact, and four inflated tires so that it may be towed

This holiday season, make a donation that will help save lives. Donale your used or unwanted

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#### Tuscarora Tribal Offices to close for Christmas Holidays

The Tribal Offices of the Tuscarora Tribe of North Carolina, located on the Union Chapel Road, Pembroke will be closed for the Christmas Holidays. The office will close on Thursday. December 21, 1994 and re-open on Tuesday January 2, 1996.

The staff and tribal council of the Tuscarors Trive wishever one

the Tuscarora Trive wish everyone a joyful and peaceful holiday sea-

#### Pembroke Kiwanis Report

President and Mrs. Bob Lown hosted the members and their wives and guests with a beautiful "Old fashioned Christmas" Tuesday evening in Rowland. What made it such a fine Christmas party was the newly refurbished fine old home built in 1906 by Mrs. Francis Suc Ward who lived in it for 50 years. taught kindergarten and Sunday School, now residing in Wesley Pines Retirement Home in Lumberton in her 90s. Also co-hosting were Mr. and Mrs. James Johnson. owners of the Rowland Motor Company We were greeted by a beautiful outstanding Christmas tree in the entrance and soon found out there were six similarly decorated fire places throughout their magnificent high ceilings rooms. And what cats No liquor We were served egg nog And that certainly is the way the man upstairs whose birthday we all are celebrating this time of year wants it.

"Lights in our capitol, our businesses, our homes, and we need to ask ourselves is Christmas in our hearts." so said the Rev Vardell Swett in his Christmas messag Or is Christmas just another holi-day? The roll Christmas plays in our hearts is in ios in giving presents, in love. So many people do not enjoy all this we see here Scrooge was not happy until he say the "light" of the coming of Jesus

and indwelling in us "
Another high light was the singing of Mrs. Gina Revels, director of the Youth Choir at Berea Baptist Church. Her innovative accompaniment was tapes played by the best in music. She then led group singing by some real good kiwanians voices many of them are church choir members. The program chairman. Ed Teets with wife Mary Alice sure can sing And she plays the piano and is a school principal. She will be back on duty nicely recovering from

On the way back the Teets dropped me off for Professor Bob Reising and Judy Reising's open house. It was a real nice Christmas get together. Dr. Joe Oxendine and Adrienne. Jim and Elinor Ebert. P J Smith and many others were there. I came so late to meet them. regretfully It was just a fine Christmas Tuesday Thanks to all and to all a good night The Learning Law of Effect is sure operating at Christmas time again Great!

## News from Purnell Swett High School

Tim Brooks has been selected as one of the finalists for the Morehead Scholarship Award He will automatically receive a sum of money to be used at UNC for being chosen as a finalist. Congratulations. Tim.

The Purnell Swett varsity basained a top player from last year. Jason Jacobs. who was forced to wait until now to enter the basketball season because of a car accident, has returned to the team. Jason is a bit-rusty right now, but everyone is sure that he will regain his skills in time. We are glad to have Jason back and wishing him full recovery soon. Meanwhile the team is 2-3

Purnell Swett's girls and boys basketball teams are having a good season this year The ninth grade boys basketball team are 3-0. The girls varsity basketball team are 5-

Juniors in Mrs. Yvonne Dial's English class recently completed the novel Of Mice and Men by John Steinbeck, Mrs. Dial arranged for the class to see the production of the novel which was performed at the Cumberland County Regional Theatre Those students who attended included Phillip Shane Harris. Jackie Hung and Eric

Shane Baker, a senior at Purnell Swett high, sang in a talent showcase on television November 4 in Nashville. Tennessee. He sang

the original song "Stop Telling Me Lies." The vent was on the Channel American Network E-2. T-D at 7:30 Eastern Standard Time The winner of the talent showcase will receive a recording

The SAT can be a very difficult test, but there are several students at Purnell Swett who can high those three zeroes and more

The students who scored a 1000s included the following. Dede Chavis. Jesse Maynor, Nikki Chavis, Shannon Hersberger Rhiannon Chavis Legerton. Karen Dial. Sarah Locklear. Sabrina Pickens and Adrian Jacobs

Mrs. Delores Art li and the Art Club celebrated Christmas by decorating the commons area of our school and some teachers' doors. Her Advanced Art II Class made angels, and grape vine wreaths and are selling them.

Senior citizens were honored at Purnell Swett High at a banquet on November 30 The special entertainment was Harper's Ferry Master Quartet Mt Airy Singing Group, and Mrs. Rosa Pearson. Counselor at Purnell Swett High School Mr Bill Brewington, our principal, recognized all local and community seniors and their churches for being present. The banquet was sponsored by Mr Al Parnell and the Student Govern-

ment at Purnell Swett High Several Purnell Swett associa-

tions participated in the Christmas parade on Thursday, December 7 They were the Purnell Swett Band the ROTC division, the Art Club. Native American Student Association, the JV cheerleaders. Students Against Drunk Driving and the Young Christian Association.



left to right: Jackie Hunt, Eric Chavis and Shane Chavis mberland Regional Theatre to watch the productin of "Of Mice and Men."