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## Maynors Celebrate Golden Anniversary With Trip to Holy Land

by Ken Maynor

Mr. and Mrs. Roy and Lula Maynor of Hope Mills celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on Saturday, August 17. The two married on that date in 1946 in Dillon, SC shortly after Mr. Maynor returned home from a tour of duty aboard the aircraft carrier U.S.S. Guadalcanal, where he had served as an attendant to the ship's commander during the closing days of World War II.

In lieu of an anniversary party, Mr. and Mrs. Maynor's five children are sending the couple on a 10-day guided tour of Israel, Jordan, and ancient Edom. The tour is scheduled for September.

During the early years of their marriage, the Maynors worked as tenant farmers in rural Sampson County before migrating to Baltimore, MD in February 1952 in search of higher paying jobs and integrated schools for their children. The couple lived in Baltimore more than 22 years, often working two jobs to pay bills and improve their standard of living. Mr. Maynor worked for American Standard Plumbing Corp from 1952-1974. Mrs. Maynor worked primarily in Baltimore County Schools food service.

In 1955, the Maynors became Christians and joined the Brooklyn Church of God. During the near 20 years they attended Brooklyn, the Maynors served as ushers, Sunday school teachers, Sunday school superintendents, and in construction and mission projects.

When American Standard closed its Baltimore manufacturing plant and relocated to Louisville, KY in August 1974, the Maynors returned to their native North Carolina to live in Hope Mills,

where they currently reside. After only 10 days back in the state on September 16, 1974, Mr. Maynor suffered an acute heart attack before either he or Mrs. Maynor had secured new jobs. During his convalescence at Cape Fear Valley Hospital in Fayetteville, Mr. Maynor's doctor told him he could no longer do strenuous manual labor. A few months later Mrs. Maynor's father died unexpectedly. "That was a tough year," Mrs. Maynor recalled. "I don't think we'll ever forget it."

Today, Mr. Maynor is a retired employee of the Cumberland County Board of Education where he worked from 1975-1990 as the maintenance supervisor at South View Senior High School. Mrs. Maynor is a retired independent day care cook and school food service cook with the Cumberland County Board of Education, where she worked during the same years.

In 1976, Mr. Maynor was elected to the Cumberland County Association for Indian People's Board of Directors. In 1977, board members elected him chairman of the board and chief of the Cumberland County Association for Indian People. Mr. Maynor served as chairman and chief in 1977 and 1978 and has continued to serve as a board member throughout the past two decades. He is also currently serving as chairman and chief once again.

Under Mr. Maynor's 1977-78 administration, the C.C.A.I.P. board together with then Executive Director James Hardin fought for and secured a resolution from the Cumberland County Commission guaranteeing the return of Les Maxwell Indian School and

grounds to the county's Indian population for \$1 per year. Cumberland County had built the school in 1956 for the purpose of educating American Indian children but had converted it into an educational storage facility after 1969 when Indian students were integrated into the county's public schools. Prior to 1956, Cumberland County had no schools open to American Indian children. Since 1980 the C.C.A.I.P. has occupied and used the former Les Maxwell Indian School building, and 12-acre grounds for the organization's headquarters and urban Indian cultural center.

Mr. Maynor has also served on Cumberland Community Action Program, Inc.'s Board of Directors since 1977, serving as chairman of that board for two separate terms (1990-91 and 1994-95). In addition, Mr. Maynor is one of 57 precinct chairmen who compose the Cumberland County Democratic Party. He has served

as chairman of Pierce's Mill #2 Precinct since 1991. From 1991-96, Mr. Maynor taught the Man's Bible Class at the Lakedale Church of God in Fayetteville and served, before 1991, as Children's Church Director for 10 years. The Maynors have attended and served as members at Lakedale since their return to North Carolina in September 1974.

Though prohibited by North Carolina segregation laws from attending public school while growing up in Harnett and Sampson Counties in the 1930s and early 40s, Mr. Maynor earned his GED (general equivalency diploma) and Mrs. Maynor earned her high school diploma from Fayetteville

Technical Institute (now Fayetteville Technical Community College) in June 1981, the same month their youngest child graduated with honors from South View Senior High School.

The emphasis which the Maynors place on education is apparent, they said, from the college degrees earned by each of their five children. The Master's degrees earned by three of those children, and the current pursuit of a Stanford Ph.D. by one child.

Asked what they consider to be their secret to success and joy in life, Mr. Maynor said, "Having a good wife and family who've supported me down through the years. Without them, I would never have been able to succeed in life."

"Putting my priorities in the right perspective," was Mrs. Maynor's response. "God first, my family second. I think we need to put wealth in its proper place—having enough to supply our needs, but it shouldn't come first."

The Maynors said the one person who has had the most profound and positive impact on their lives is their fathers—Mr. Albert Maynor and Mr. Williams Ammons, both of whom are deceased. "My father was my example," Mr. Maynor said. "He taught me how to be moral, honest, and how to have respect for other

people and treat others the way I would like to be treated—the golden rule. That's been my philosophy all my life. I think it's a good one, and I've always tried to live by it."

"Yes," said Mrs. Maynor, "the person I've looked up to most and admired most is my father. The things he did with no more than what he had to do them with." She reflected, "He was an unlearned person as far as formal education goes, but he could plan buildings, do brick masonry and carpentry and a great many things. He planned and built a number of houses and churches in our community in Sampson County without any formal education. He had a great gift—a high level of innate intelligence, and he put it to good use too. I respected him more than anybody I know."

The Maynors had some difficulty characterizing any of their civic and educational successes as great achievements. "The ability to achieve anything in life," said Mr. Maynor, "comes from God. The day I accepted Jesus Christ as my Lord and Savior is my greatest achievement in life. That's the greatest decision I ever made—the greatest things I've ever done. Through it all, He's given me peace of mind and love for other people."

Mrs. Maynor agreed. "My faith in God, my family—my five wonderful children and a good loving husband," she said. "Those are my greatest achievements in life."

Mr. and Mrs. Maynor have five children and nine grandchildren. Their children are: Mr. Roy Ervin Maynor 47 of Baltimore, MD; Mrs. Linda Carol Maynor Brooks 45 of Randallstown, MD; Mrs. Sheila Gail Maynor Valcarcel 40 of Riverside, CA; Mrs. Audrey Faye Maynor Blalock 38 of Hope Mills, NC; and Mr. Kenneth Wayne Maynor 33 of Berkeley, CA.

Their grandchildren are: Bryce and Lisa Maynor, Sommer Brooks, Jessica Valcarcel, and Melissa, Deana, Brandon, Joshua, and Jeremy Blalock, respectively.

## Task Force Plans for 21st Century Native American Ministries

Green Bay, Wis. (UMNS) — Members of the United Methodist Native American Comprehensive Plan task force approved the job description for a full-time executive director to administer and implement task force plans at their final meeting of the 1993-96 quadrennium here Aug. 22-25.

"We are accepting applications for this position through Oct. 18," said the Rev. Sam Wynn, NACP chairperson. "We hope to have the position staffed by Jan. 1, 1997."

According to the personnel committee, the executive director is chief administrator of the NACP and is responsible for its programs. "We are willing to negotiate with applicants on the location of the NACP office," Wynn said.

Task force members prepared for and envisioned 21st century churches and ministries for Native Americans during the session.

"When you plan for the next quadrennium, imagine what you want our Native American churches and ministries to look like in the year 2000," said the Rev. Marvin B. Abrams, coordinator of the NACP.

The 1996 United Methodist

General Conference approved continuation of the comprehensive plan, which focuses on congregational development, leadership development, Native American spirituality and creating a churchwide Native American presence.

Major areas of emphasis for the plan during the next four years include: leadership development for Native American youth; development of curriculum exploring Native identity, culture and values; Native American spiritual dialogues; and empowerment of Native American women through a national consultation.

Interested applicants for the executive director position may apply by contacting the Rev. Harold E. Wright, (513) 227-9400.

The first NACP meeting of the 1997-2000 quadrennium is scheduled for Feb. 7-9, 1997, in Yuma, Ariz.

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## SRMC Hires New Nursing Graduates

Officials at Southeastern Regional Medical Center recently welcomed newly graduated nurses to their staff at a breakfast held in honor of the new hires.

Gail Davis, vice president of patient care services, told the 14 young nurses to view their new occupations with professionalism. "Nursing is a career—not a job," she said. "With a career, you have options."

SRMC's new registered nurses are: Deanna Stephens, Bowman Hall, of Lumberton; Shonna Gurkin, Fourth West, of Clarkton;

Rebecca Dove, Bowman Hall, of Bladenboro; Amy Britt, Bowman Hall, of Lumberton; Meki Jacobs, First East, of Lake Waccamaw; Kathy Brasington, First East, of Wadesboro; Jeff Savage, Intensive Care, of Pender County; Lisa Locklear, Second East, of

Pembroke; Karen Carlisle, Bowman Hall, of Red Springs; Pamela Odum, Bowman Hall, of Lumberton; Debbie Kinlaw, Second East, of Bladenboro; James Pope, Second East, of Burgaw; Aaron Suarez, First East, of Hope



## Pembroke BPW members attend BPW/USA Conference

The Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Organization attended the seventy seventh annual BPW/USA conference in Washington, D.C. July 26-30 among 1268 BPW members.

After various workshops and meetings, women across the nation met for opening ceremonies with a grand introduction of the BPW/USA executive board and state presidents. Opening speakers were Congresswoman Connie Morella, Irene Natividad, executive director of the Philippine American Foundation, and Freda Lewis Hall, M.D., director of the Center for Women's Health at Eli Lilly and Company.

Various workshops of the Conference included: Making Workplaces Work, Obesity, Will the audience throw eggs, thriving in a Downsized Workplace, Career Resiliency, Clinical Depression, Economic Equity, Domestic violence, Secrets of Powerful Women, and others.

Sunday morning the vice-president greeted the mass of women who were anticipating Al Gore's appearance as well as his words of inspiration. August 5 the organization held its monthly meeting and presented two \$500.00 scholarships to Dianne Blue Brooks and Bonnie Brooks Cummings who are enrolled at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Tammy Locklear, a Purnell Sweet high school graduate of 1996 received a \$200.00 scholarship from the club and attends Chapel Hill University.

President, Yvonne Barnes Dial, and president elect, Annette Strickland, attended a district V planning meeting August 17 in Whiteville. Each LO within the district shared goals and objectives of their club and the group later discussed goals and priorities that the district should implement of improve on.

This year there is great emphasis upon voting, especially among women. National Women Vote Day is September 7 and the captive phrase of the national level is, "See Bill run, see Bill run. They're both running for your vote. In order to make a difference, you need to run too to the ballot box and place your vote. It does not matter who you are voting for. What does matter is that you vote. Make your voice and other women's voices heard in this election and every election. Remember, voting equals power."

The Pembroke BPW cordially invites interested women to join the organization to assist in improving the quality of life for women. Dues at \$60.00 per year. Please contact Marie Moore at 521-4421.



Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club presents two \$500 scholarships. Shown left to right: Foundations Committee Chair Jo Ann Locklear; recipient Bonnie Brooks Cummings; Dianne Blue Brooks; and Pembroke BPW President Yvonne Barnes Dial. Shown: Tammy Locklear, who received a scholarship for \$200 as the high school recipient.

Mills; and David Whitman, Emergency, of Lumberton.

## KORTH HONORED BY MANAGED CARE ASSOCIATION

Todd Korth, SRMC's assistant vice president of managed care, was named "Managed Care Person of the Year" by the Carolinas Managed Care Association (CMCA) at its fifth annual awards banquet held this month in Columbia, SC.

Before joining SRMC last October, Korth was director of managed care at Providence

Hospital, a 221-bed specialty hospital in Columbia, SC. He is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and attended the University of Alabama.

CMCA is an organization of over 200 managed care professionals devoted to reducing the cost of health care in the Carolinas. Members include physicians, nurses, insurance agents, payor executives, hospital and physician management staff and employer representatives. Korth was named "New Member of the Year" in 1993 by the CMCA.

## Volunteers needed for youth program

Pembroke Housing Authority is sponsoring a Youth Sports and Cultural Enrichment grant and is accepting applications for volunteers. The grant offers structured sporting activities including: bowling, softball, canoeing, camping, fishing, soccer, and volleyball. Cultural activities include museum visits, powwows, pottery classes, etc.

We have a year full of exciting activities. If you have an interest in being a volunteer, please call Richard Cameron Jones, Youth Sports and Cultural Coordinator at 521-1030.

## Maynor family to host reunion

The Steve and Magnolia Maynor family reunion will be held on Saturday, September 21, 1996 in the Pembroke Middle School cafeteria beginning at 3:00 p.m. For additional information, please call 521-4271, 739-1487, 738-3309, 521-4666, or 521-4322.

## Rogers Family Reunion

The descendants of Buddy and Flora Oxendine Rogers will observe a family reunion at New Bethel Methodist Church on Saturday, September 7, 1996 from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. Any questions may be referred to John Rogers Jr. at 910-422-3010.

## Truck and Tractor Pull

Lumberton, The United Pullers of the Carolinas and the National Tractor Pullers Association will return to the Robeson County Fairgrounds September 13th and 14th. This will be the second year the Budweiser Championship points series will be held in Lumberton. Last year the two day event brought the Regional National Champions to Lumberton to compete for the 9000 dollars in prize money and determine the 95 title holder. This year's event is sponsored by the Southeastern Industrial Center located in Lumberton. The Southeastern Industrial Center works with physically and mentally challenged adults to provide jobs and promote self worth and build self esteem. Funds raised by the event will be used to further support their programs and to provide activities for these individuals.

The truck and tractor pull will feature Dale Burleson, Regional National Champion for 1995. Dale drives a modified tractor three blown big block Chevrolet engines. This is the maximum number of blown engines that can complete in the Regional National Circuit in '96. The modified tractor, called "Hindsight 3" turns approximately 5000 horsepower and reaches wheel speeds of up to 100 mile per hour. The defending four wheel drive truck champion, Odel Church, is from Lenoir, NC. Odel's modified Ford four wheel drive placed first in the region for '95. Johnny Trexler and Thurman Mumford, Regional National Champions will be returning with their Super Stock to determine who will win the title. These tractors, purchased from International for approximately eighty thousand dollars, were sent to Jerry Legard, world renown Super Stock tractor builder Tractor, for modifications. A Super Stock Tractor, with it's modifications and hauler is valued at approximately a quarter million dollars. Approximately 35 professional competing vehicles will make up the two day competition event. Both shows start at 7:30 PM at the Robeson County Fairground. Pre show entertainment is scheduled for Saturday night.