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John Breck Sampson (No. 51), a Pembroke native, is a member of the 1996-97 UNC Tar Heel J.V. Team. He is coached by former UNC basketball star Phil Ford. Sampson is the son of Johnny and Wanda Sampson of Pembroke, NC and the brother of Jeremy, Jordan and Ryan Sampson of Pembroke, NC. He is a former member of the Purnell Swett Rams basketball team. Shown in the photo are left to right: Jeremy Sampson, Wanda Sampson, John Breck Sampson (No. 51) and Jordan Sampson. (Photo by Greg Bell)

Robeson County Honor Guard to Sponsor Plate Sale

The Robeson County Honor Guard will sponsor their annual fund raiser on March 1, 1997 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the Pembroke Town Park. Plates will be available for \$5.00. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Birth Announcement

Donald and Kesha Hunt announce the birth of their daughter Morian Nekoma Hunt, born on February 15, 1997 at Southeastern Regional Medical Center. Grandparents are Albert and Martha Lowery, Peggy Locklear and A.D. Hunt all of Pembroke.

Lumbee Guaranty Bank Announces Year End Earnings

Pembroke, NC- Lumbee Guaranty Bank announced earnings for the 4th quarter of 1996 totaled \$190,805. The Bank reported earnings of \$628,784 for the year 1996, compared to \$382,957 for 1995, a 64% increase. Earning Per Share for 1996 total \$1.79, a 46% increase over last year's total of \$1.23.

Return on Equity increased to 11.8% for 1996, from 8.2% in 1995. The Bank recently declared a 100% stock dividend to share holders of record as of Feb. 3, 1997, and was paid Feb. 21, 1997.

With 77 million dollars on assets, Lumbee Guaranty Bank is a full service community bank serving the people of Robeson, Cumberland and surrounding counties. The Bank recently celebrated its 25th year of Operation. The Bank's new Branch and Corporate office building in Pembroke is nearing completion and should be operational by late Spring.

McIntyre Co-Sponsors Education Initiative

Washington, D.C.-After sending the Congressional President's Day recess listening to teachers, administrators, parents and teachers regarding their concerns about education, Congressman McIntyre returned to Washington this week to assist House Democrats in unveiling their Education legislative plan.

Congressman McIntyre said, "I am excited about returning to Washington and helping introduce a legislative proposal which addresses many of the ideas I have been discussing with 7th district residents. We have to empower our community to volunteer and improve the reading skills of our young children. We have to invest in classroom technology to ensure that our students and schools are connected to the Internet and can be prepared for the 21st century. Finally, we have to ensure that all students have an adequate facility in which to learn and can attend institutions of higher learning. This legislation incorporates these proposals and I am pleased to lend my support to it."



Come Join the Stars at the Planetarium

The public is invited to "Come Join the Stars" through a slide presentation of the personal astronomical photographer Johnny Horne at the Robeson County Planetarium Monday night, March 3rd, at 7:00 P.M. Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students.

From Pembroke VFW

On Monday evening Feb. 10th the VFW Post 2843 held its monthly meeting at Post Headquarters, Union Chapel Road, at 7:00 P.M. Senior Vice Commander Mr. John Harrelson asked for attention. He asked the Rev. Smith Locklear to bless the food. Guest of Honor was Rev. Bruce Swett. We had 2 more guests which I will identify later. The menu consisted of very good baked meatloaf, mashed potatoes, rich gravy, green beans, biscuits, chocolate cake, ice tea, and hot coffee. At 7:25 the meeting was called to order. Mr. James B. Locklear introduced Rev. Bruce Swett to the Post. Mr. Swett is the youngest son of the late Rev. Tommy and Mrs. Swett. His older brother's photo hangs on the wall at Headquarters. He was shot down in World War II. After a short speech about his family and brother, Rev. Swett rendered two very moving Gospel songs. First was "The Light House", second was one of my favorite songs, "So Much To Thank Him For". They were received with Great applause. After the songs Mr. John Harrelson called for a short recess. Mr. Swett departed after many handshakes by our members and the announcement of no joint meeting which the ladies auxiliary departed to their meeting room.

At 7:45 P.M. Senior Vice Commander Mr. Harrelson. Opening prayer by Chaplain Archie Oxendine. Two (2) new members names and qualifications were put to the Post and voted on. I want to say at this time in my report. Post #2843 has been established over 52 years now and we have come to a milestone in this Post. You are probably saying

Drug Arrests Made in Pembroke Housing Development

PEMBROKE - Drug the past month the Pembroke Police Department, The Robeson County Drug Task Force, Town Officials and The Pembroke Housing Authority have received many complaints about drug activities being conducted at Dial Terrace. After further investigation and surveillance, search warrants were obtained.

The Pembroke Police Department and the Robeson County Drug Task Force executed the search warrants at Dial Terrace, Apartments 302-B, 302-C and 304-A on February 6, 1997. Arrested were Mary Ann

Film Maker Looking for Lumbee Wives of WWII Vets

Five Lumbee elders are featured in a new television program being distributed by Vision Maker Videos and the Native American Public Broadcasting Consortium (NAPBC). "Never that Far," produced by WNCN-TV/The University of North Carolina at Pembroke, tells about Native American men who served in World War II.

NAPBC has now contracted for a second video, "Close to Home," that will tell about the Lumbee women who served, at home and in the military, during WW II. If you will tell your story for use in this important, historical television program, WNCN-TV would like to talk with you. All Lumbee women who were part of the war effort—taking care of the home place, working in a war plant or serving in the military—please call 910-521-6378.

NAPBC has the responsibility of bringing the voices of faces of Native Americans to the Public Broadcasting system and international markets. "Never That Far" and "Close to Home" are the first programs about Lumbee people to be distributed by Native American Public Broadcasting.

Never That Far features Curt Pembroke Housing Authority Activities

On February 24, 1997 Juan Locklear and Ronnie Boothe competed in the Robeson County 4-H Public Speaking Contest held in the auditorium of the O.P. Owens Agriculture Center. They were accompanied by Amy Woods, Youth Center Coordinator and Mitchell "Bosco" Locklear Drug Elimination Coordinator. Juan had recently placed 2nd in the Public Speaking Contest held at Maynor Manor Youth Center by the 4-H "Helping Hands" Club. Ronnie placed 3rd in the same con-

test. The county contest was for the Senior Division. "Even though they didn't win at the county level, they delivered great speeches and the Housing Authority is very proud of these two young men", says Mitchell "Bosco" Locklear.

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Remembering Winter Nights on the Family Farm in Robeson

Even today, living in our modern homes, long winter nights can cause one to come down with a condition referred to as "The Winter Blahs". Multiple television sets located throughout today's homes are being overused to such extent that a segment of the population has been characterized as "Couch Potatoes". Modern home appliances have not brought true contentment to many family circles. The home appliances I grew up with when family farming sustained many families living in Robeson County, were very inefficient and required constant monitoring. A successful farming operation required large families working a variety of job descriptions on a daily basis. They worked together, ate together, relaxed together, and I believe there was more contentment within the family circles of yesteryears.

My Dad was a very efficient farm manager, and his ingenuity was displayed daily in getting things done without having to spend much money. During the pre-war II period without electricity, one fireplace provided heat for one room and one wood burning cook stove heated the kitchen. The cook stove did a more



Shown above is Little Miss Lumbee Angelica Marie Chavis at the Legislative Building in Raleigh. She was part of the Inaugural activities held for Governor Jim Hunt. She rode in the parade and witnessed his swearing in as he took the oath of office. Despite the cold weather she enjoyed being a part of this historical event as Governor Jim Hunt took office for the fourth time. Angelica would like to thank her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Johnson Jacobs, and her grandmother, Marie Oxendine, for sponsoring her on this trip.



Ronald Lowry is shown with grandson, Aaron Bryce Wardlaw. He is showing grandson pointers on how to play The Fox and the Geese Game.

efficient job providing heat, and it was a by-product of the cooking process. The kitchen heat was welcomed in the wintertime, but we also had to deal with it in the summertime. We had one kerosene lamp for light, one iron kettle for heating bath water by the fireplace, and one large galvanized wash tub for bathing purposes. After the older children entered public school, we got one aladdin lamp. The light was so much better that we just stopped using wick lamps. My dad did not believe in having two-of-a-kind in anything when one could do the job. An exception was the 2 mules and 2 milk cows, which worked to our advantage and was very cost effective. Before our battery powered radio arrived, we improvised forms of entertainment for the long winter nights. The one checker board game kept only two family members occupied.

Our dad introduced us to a do-it-yourself game called "The Fox and Geese Game". Five large squares formed a cross with straight lines connecting all angles and midpoints of the sides of the squares. This diagram had 33 points where lines meet

or intersect, and was drawn on a stiff piece of cardboard with a lead pencil. We used one large coat button for the fox and thirteen grains of corn for the geese. To start a game the geese occupied 13 adjacent points at the bottom of the cross, and the fox would be placed on the point at the center. In the game the fox may move to points in any direction, but the geese may move only forward and sideways. The aim of the fox is to catch geese separated from the flock, and jump them similar to checkers. The geese try to work as a team to pen the fox in a corner. The fox cannot refuse to a goose, thus permitting the geese to use sacrifice techniques to get a pen. If the fox is penned the geese win the game, but if the fox can clear the board the geese loose.

Recently I drew out a fox and geese game on some poster board. I introduced my 8 year old grandson to the rudiments of the game. I did a little modernization by using a quarter for the fox and pennies for the geese. This game from yesteryear can still cause one to think before taking action in order to succeed.

by Ronald H. Lowry

Purnell Swett High News

Congratulations to senior Delois McRae. Delois won a \$100 savings bond in the ServiStar Coast to Coast All-American Vocational Student Awards program. The contest was sponsored by ServiStar Corporation and Pembroke Hardware. Delois will now compete at the state and possibly national level. She was nominated for this award by Ms. Patty Ledwell.

Mrs. Wilma Godwin, science teacher, was winner of a Lumbee River Electric Membership Cooperation, Bright Ideas grant. Her innovative project was one of only seven chosen from dozens of applications submitted by teachers in the co op's four county area. Her certificate is in recognition of her professionalism and dedication to the teaching profession. She was awarded the 4th of February, 1997. "I like hands-on science. I'm always looking for grant proposals in order to buy materials for students. I was really excited to win \$1500.00 to do what I wanted to do with it," said Mrs. Godwin.

The public Library Quiz Bowl of Robeson County was held on Saturday February 1, 1997 at the A.D. Lewis Auditorium at Robeson Community College. Six teams participated in the competition: Fairmont

High, Flora MacDonald Academy, Lumberton High, Red Springs High, St. Pauls High, and Purnell Swett High School.

The team defeated Red Springs and St. Pauls to make it to the championship game. PSHS' efforts fell short as Lumberton defeated us 130 to 110. A special thanks and appreciation to Susan Maynor, Dick Arnow, and Laura Kelanic for working with our students.

Team members were Donna L. Bullard, LaShauna Deese, Marcus Hunt, Bradely M. Locklear, Brooke Locklear, Sarah R. Locklear, Brandin McRae, Delois McRae, and Millicent Marie Maynor.

The Nasa Club held a Valentine's dance at the Pembroke J.C. Hut, February 13, 1997. Approximately 150 Native Americans who attend the six high schools of Robeson County attended the dance.

Pizza and soft drinks were served and students enjoyed the fellowship and dancing. Purnell Swett had 26 students to attend. Indian Education Director of PSHS is Robert Brayboy.

The Future Homemakers of America Club held a Sweetheart dance February 15, 1997 in the school cafeteria. The club also included other

activities such as a sweetheart competition as competitors presented a 3-4 minute speech on the year's theme, "Imagine the Possibilities". The winners were determined by a panel of judges. Contestants were judged on the content of their speech, stage appearance and presentation.

Contestants included, Lakisha Scott, Stephanie Locklear, Charlie Miller, Colista Jacobs, Andrea Locklear, Johanna Harris, Crystal Cummings, and Tara Jacobs. Miss Sweetheart was Andrea Locklear with Johanna Harris as first runner-up, and Crystal Cummings as second runner-up.

PSHS recognized all the parents of senior athletes, the Ram singers, and ROTC during half time of the varsity boys' game February 18 Mr. John Hodges, social studies teacher, and the Living History Club performed for the parents. Seniors also presented their parents with a white carnation and afterwards, the club sang and dedicated "I believe I Can Fly" by R. Kelly to the honorees. Competition between PSHS and Hoke County resulted with the following scores: JV boys-PSHS-47 and Hoke-53, varsity girls-PSHS-47 and Hoke-41, and varsity boys-PSHS-59 and Hoke-47