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Something Old and Something New For Alumni at UNCP Homecoming



Shown are members of the 1933 graduating class of Indian Normal School, now UNCP. Left to right are: Ancil Sanderson, Welton Lowry, Milly Sampson and the class mascot Samuel Locklear.

Pembroke -- There was something old and something new for UNCP Pembroke alumni at Homecoming 1998, Feb. 6-7.

There were plenty of old friends for reunion classes from 1933, 1948, 1965-70, 1973 and 1988. Several new events highlighted weekend Homecoming festivities including a barbecue luncheon for returning athletes and Greek alumni.

More than 250 turned out for barbecue, and alumni were entertained by campus tours and had an opportunity to participate in the first-ever alumni college, which visited new technology on campus including distance learning studios.

On Friday night, Broadway and television star Shirley Jones entertained a full house at the 1,700-seat Givens Performing Arts Center. A reception, hosted by the Alumni Executive Board, was held before the concert and dances for students and

alumni was held after the performance.

State Sen David Weinstein accepted the Distinguished Service Award, and Robeson County educator and County Commissioner Mr. Noah Woods ('59) received the Outstanding Alumnus Award.

In introducing Sen Weinstein, Dr. Walt Maynor ('59) said he is a man who "believes you cannot separate this University from southeastern North Carolina, nor can southeastern North Carolina be separated from this University."

Dr. Maynor praised Sen. Weinstein's many contributions to UNCP as a state senator, a University trustee and private donor.

In accepting the award, Sen. Weinstein said he is proud of UNCP Pembroke and the University's progress in recent years.

"As a former board member, I am proud to have been a part of the name change of the University," he said. "I

am proud to be a part of the land purchase that will serve the University's needs in the future. I am proud of the construction of a new administration building. And as a state senator, I am proud to have worked to get \$6 million for a first class dorm for this University, which is long overdue."

The senator for the 30th District said he sees big changes in the next 3-5 years in southeastern North Carolina, and he pledged to put a representative from the UNCP community on the UNC Board of Governors.

Mr. Noah Woods was introduced by UNCP Alumni Board member Dwight Pearson ('77) who said his dedication to the community makes him a truly outstanding alumnus. Mr. Woods' 36 years in education, 30 years as a youth baseball coach, his work in the church and on behalf of the Pembroke town library make him a model alumnus of UNCP Pembroke. Mr. Pearson said.

Woods delivered an emotional acceptance, thanking his family and foster parents for their help and guidance.

"I am proud of all the people who encouraged me as a young person, and I encourage all of you to spend a little bit of time with a young person or an older person who needs it," Mr. Woods said. "I go back a long way with this University. I ran the first dishwasher here at the D.F. Lowery Building as a student worker. I am very proud of this University and to be a part of it."

Sports Hall Of Fame Retired UNCP basketball coach Mr. Lacey Gane introduced Mr. Kelvin Sampson ('78) into the UNCP Athletic Hall of Fame. (Mr. Gane passed away Monday.) Mr. Sampson, the head basketball coach at the University of Oklahoma, could not attend the dinner, and the award was accepted by his parents, Eva and Ned ('53) Sampson. Mr. Sampson is a charter mem-

ber of the UNCP Hall of Fame, and they are the only father-son pair in the Hall.

"Kevin is one of the finest young men I have ever been associated with," Mr. Gane said of the player he recruited to UNCP. "He was an ordinary athlete, but such a high quality young man that everyone who came in contact with him adored him."

"As a UNCP alumnus, a Lumbee Indian and as a Pembroke native, his greatest contribution is that he is the finest role model anyone could have," Gane said. "Why has he been so successful? With Ned and Eva as parents you have a good start."

Mr. Sampson, who is former Associated Press Men's Basketball Coach of the Year, sent a video taped message for the ceremony.

"I was always proud to be a part of Pembroke State University, and when I travel throughout this country playing basketball, I always carry a little bit of PSU with me," Mr. Sampson said. "PSU has a strong athletic tradition and many fine coaches and players who I was fortunate to be associated with."

UNCP wrestling coach Mr. P.J. Smith introduced wrestler Mr. David Miller ('79) into the Hall of Fame. Mr. Miller was a two-time all-American, twice captain of the UNCP squad and

still holds the record for the most pins in a season at the University.

"I am proud to have been a wrestler at UNCP," Mr. Miller said. "It is a privilege and an honor I will cherish the rest of my life. So much good in my life happened and started here," he said introducing his wife Ava ('77) and their three children.

Homecoming Contests

A standing room only crowd of more than 2,000 watched UNCP Pembroke basketball teams split a doubleheader with USC-Aiken, with the men winning 80-76 and the women dropping their contest 55-50. Sophomore forward Mike Lowery of Lumberton earned Peach Belt Athletic Conference Player of the Week honors for his efforts, which added up to 20 points, 13 rebounds and a game-ending steal that sealed the victory.

Miss Tori Locklear, a freshman from Pembroke, and Mr. Reginald Lowery, a junior from Laurinburg, were crowned Homecoming Queen and King. They outplayed 10 other contestants in a week-long student survey. Miss Locklear was sponsored by Phi Sigma Nu and Tau Kappa Epsilon fraternities and Sigma Sigma Sigma sorority, and Mr. Lowery was sponsored by Phi Sigma Nu fraternity, Alpha Pi Omega sorority and the UNCP Campus Bookstore.



UNCP Homecoming Queen and King, Reginald Lowery of Laurinburg and Tori Locklear of Pembroke.

Earl Hughes Oxendine Endowment to Benefit UNCP Teaching Fellows

Pembroke -- As a tribute to her late father, Ms. Robin Oxendine and her husband Mr. Randall Beard have established the Earl Hughes Oxendine Teaching Fellows Endowment Fund at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Ms. Oxendine and Mr. Beard pledged their gift to the UNCP Foundation, Inc. over three years. When combined with their employer's corporate matching grant, the fund will total \$90,000.

The endowment benefits UNCP's Teaching Fellows Program and honors Mr. Earl Hughes Oxendine, who was a long-time educator and brother of Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine. A 1957 UNCP graduate, Mr. Oxendine was a principal and assistant superintendent for Hoke County public schools.

Ms. Oxendine is a marketing manager for Proctor and Gamble Corporation's Crest toothpaste and toothbrushes in China, and Mr. Beard is general manager/managing director for P&G's Asia Paper Products. They live in Guangzhou, China (formerly Canton) and will relocate this spring with the company to Kobe, Japan.

The three-year pledge will be matched by Proctor and Gamble Corporation's matching grant program. Income from the Earl Hughes Oxendine Endowment Fund will be used to support enrichment programs including seminars, field trips and international travel. The North Carolina Teaching Fellows Program is a state scholarship initiative that attracts 400 talented students into the teacher edu-

cation programs each year.

Ms. Oxendine praised the University's mission, and said her father would approve of the Teaching Fellows Program.

"I believe that the University of North Carolina at Pembroke provides an excellent education to those who seek to improve their lives through higher education," Ms. Oxendine said. "In addition, I believe that my father would have strongly supported a program that develops good teaching talent to be utilized in area schools."

Chancellor Oxendine said the gift is a lasting tribute to his brother's memory.

"This extraordinary gesture on the part of Robin Oxendine is especially heartwarming to me," Chancellor Oxendine said. "Not only does it support the Teaching Fellows Program, which is the very best program in North Carolina for the preparation of teachers, it also honors a dear brother of mine."

"Earl Hughes' devotion to the children of this region was unsurpassed," he said. "He continues to enhance the quality of public education through his daughter's love generosity and through each of the young educators who will benefit from this program."

Mr. Earl Hughes Oxendine was a Pembroke native and the first Native American to serve on the state Board of Education. He was also appointed by President Gerald Ford to serve on the National Advisory Committee on Indian Education, and he was a charter member of the Board of Directors of Lumbee Regional Development Association.

Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Organization Sponsor District Planning Meeting

The Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Organization were hosts for the annual BPW district planning meeting Saturday, January 17, at the Burnt Swamp Baptist Center.

District director, Jennifer Walker, called the meeting to order and Pembroke BPW president, Faye Locklear, welcomed everyone.

Alice Gilchrist of Harnett County, led the devotion and afterwards, Joan Boeger, director-elect, announced the workshops to be presented.

Sarah Kay Jones of Durham was the guest speaker who shared valuable approaches to handling stress.

"Women's pressures are greater today," stated Jones. She provided strategies one could use to handle stress. You can banish things than can wait,

say no; build in time for interruptions; have quiet time; identify priorities; and be creative.

Various district members shared information to benefit the individuals in the workshops. The workshops involved how to increase memberships; how to work with local communities; award presentations; and benefits of BPW.

Afterwards, Pembroke BPW member, Wanda Caulder, sang "Over the Rainbow" as entertainment.

The business sessions were conducted, and an announcement was shared about the BPW conference to be held June 11-14 in Raleigh.

The meeting ended as members joined hands to sing. After the benediction, everyone enjoyed a delicious meal in the UNC-Pembroke cafeteria.

Garry Hunt

Army Sgt. 1st Class Garry Hunt has arrived for duty at Fort Stewart, Hinesville, Ga.

Hunt is a cannon crew member assigned to the 1st Battalion, 9th Field Artillery.

His wife, Doreen, is the daughter of Myrtle Chavis of 3135 Alfordville Road, Rowland.

He is a 1980 graduate of Lumberton Senior High School, N.C., and a 1984 graduate of Pembroke State School, N.C., and a 1984 graduate of Pembroke State University, N.C.

Video Streaming Gives WNCP-TV A Global Audience

Pembroke -- "Log on and dream with us," proclaims the Internet site for UNCP Pembroke's TV station WNCP.

With a Native American "dreamcatcher" as its guiding spirit, WNCP-TV is a dream that continues to get bigger and better. UNCP's TV studios, already with a potential television audience of approximately 2 million viewers for its news and public affairs programs, now is available to a global audience via the Internet.

Using the new video streaming technology, WNCP is able to put good quality video and audio - including live broadcasts - on the Internet. It is available worldwide to anyone with access to the Internet simply by logging on to <http://wncp.uncp.edu/wncp-tv>.

Some analysts suggest that video streaming with its digital technology may be the answer to providing video on demand into homes, a product which is described as the holy grail of video delivery systems. Video streaming is touted as the first new mass medium since television, and companies like Nynex, IBM, Microsoft and entertainment giant Time Warner, are lining up with plans to invest in and deliver entertainment, news, education, infomercials, employee training and more.

Currently, a sampling of programs is available on WNCP's Internet site, but there is much more to come, said Dr. Oscar Patterson, director of telecommunications for UNCP. He said

video streaming will be another tool to help him attract desirable audiences to UNCP-TV programming as well as to the University itself.

"Video streaming is a way to distribute information to an audience we want to reach," Dr. Patterson said. "We produce a competitive product, and we want to distribute it to the widest market possible."

Among the viewers Dr. Patterson wants to reach is a highly selective group of Internet users who, for specific reasons, want to sample the product of WNCP-TV.

"Students who may enter our academic program would visit us on-line first and in-person later if they see something that interests them," he said. "If I write a grant, I can ask the granting institution to please see us on the Internet."

What they will see today is a sampling of programs that will grow into a library in the future. Available for downloading are two student-produced news programs, an entertainment program and four 30-minute interviews with UNC President Molly Broad, state community college president Martin Lancaster, Fayetteville Technical Community College President Larry Norris, and Dr. John Hope Franklin, chair of President Clinton's Commission of Race Relations.

"We received a hardware grant from L-Soft Corporation, which is an Internet company," he said. "Because we now have our own server, this has put us into a position of unlimited

capacity," he said. "We hope to put on a full library of our programs."

The programs and WNCP's Internet address may be located using familiar Internet search engines like Yahoo and Infoseek that help users locate addresses of interest to them.

There are some drawbacks to video on the Internet however. Because digitized video contains a large amount of information, a relatively fast modem (28.8 K-bps) is needed to avoid long pauses during downloading. The picture quality is not quite broadcast quality, but it is reasonably good, and the audio is clear and synchronized to the video. Dr. Patterson said.

Live News Streams

The next step for WNCP-TV is a regular schedule of live video on the Internet. WNCP-TV plans to produce live news every Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. during the spring semester.

"With \$10,000, we could send every sporting event on campus live over the Internet," he said. "As you can see, there are great possibilities for this technology."

Dr. Patterson cautions that new technology is not replacing traditional means of transmitting programs.

"New technology is changing the way we live and teach because, after all, the Internet is nothing more than stored information waiting to be tapped," he said. "We won't give up using traditional means of transmitting our programs, but video streaming technology expands our reach to new areas."

McIntyre Announces Federal Funds for Robeson County Flood Victims

Washington, D.C. -- Seventh District Congressman Mike McIntyre announced today that Robeson County residents will be eligible for federal funds to assist in recovering from the recent severe storms and flooding.

Congressman McIntyre stated, "I am pleased to announce that the Federal Emergency Management Agency has designated Robeson County eligible for federal funds. Many residents and their property have been

damaged or destroyed by the recent rains and flooding, and I hope that those in need will quickly apply and receive assistance."

On January 15, 1998, President Clinton declared the State of North

Corporate Leaders Added to Native American Scholarship Fund Board

Albuquerque, NM: Four national leaders of the corporate world have been added to the Board of Directors of the Native American Scholarship Fund (NASF), according to Board President Rosa Winfree.

"We have changed our by-laws to allow non-Indians to sit on our Board for a specific reason," stated Ms. Winfree. "We need the help of the corporate community if NASF is to grow to its full potential."

"We have always planned for the organization to become the Indian equivalent of the National Hispanic Scholarship Fund and the United Negro College Fund," she continued. "To accomplish this goal, we must have the support of the major U.S. corporations."

"We look forward in a few years to funding up to 500 high-potential college students each year," Ms. Winfree explained. "With the help of all our board members and our supporters, we can reach that goal. This year, we are funding 148 students."

Joining the NASF Board as new members are:

Mr. Stephen Luczo, President of Seagate Technology of Scotts Valley, CA, the world's largest manufacturer of computer disc drives.

Ms. Laura Foxx, President of the NationsBank Foundation of Charlotte, which is the third largest bank in the U.S.

Ms. Lindsay Wagner, actress, famous as "The Bionic Woman" and noted for her many motion picture roles, TV movie roles and TV series.

Mr. Stephen Coleman, owner of Daedalus Capital of St. Louis, MO.

Continuing on the NASF Board are Ms. Winfree, President; Mr. Darrell Jeanotte, Vice President; Ms. Jodie Palmer, Treasurer; and Ms. Deborah Hare, Secretary.

Carolina a major disaster area, triggering the release of federal funds. Today, Robeson County was added as one of the counties eligible for Individual and Family Grant Program assistance. These grants are to meet disaster-related necessary expenses and serious needs not covered by insurance or other federal, state, or voluntary agencies. The maximum grant of this type is up to \$13,900, depending on family composition and verified needs. The average grants are approximately \$2,600.

Those individuals with specific questions about this assistance should call FEMA at 1-800-462-7585.

In The Armed Forces

Phillip S. Oxendine

- Marine Pfc. Phillip S. Oxendine, son of Mary A. Oxendine of 318 Walter Circle, Lumberton, N.C., recently departed on a six-month deployment to Okinawa, Japan, with 2nd Battalion, 6th Marines.

Oxendine's unit departed its homebase of Camp Lejeune, N.C., in December as part of the Unit Deployment Program (UDP).

UDP units based in the United States go to Okinawa for six months to train. From Okinawa they can deploy to mainland Japan, Korea and many other Pacific countries.

The 1996 graduate of Lumberton Senior High School joined the Marine Corps in January 1997.

Latonya M. Locklear

Army Pvt. Latonya M. Locklear has graduated from basic military training at Fort Leonard Wood, Waynesville, Mo.

During the training, students received instruction in drill and ceremonies, weapons, map reading, tactics, military courtesy, military justice, first aid, and Army history and traditions.

Locklear is the daughter of Diana Locklear of 311 Reola Drive, Red Springs, and Zinford Chavis of Raeford.

Her husband, Billy, is the son of Richard Hunt of 3231 Biggs Road, Rowland.

The private is a 1993 graduate of Red Springs High School.