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by Garry Lewis Barton Appropriately using as its theme, "Keeping Lumbee Pride Alive," Lumbee Homecoming 1982 got underway with a bang Wednesday night, June 30, with the Little Miss Lumbee Pageant, always a highlight of Lumbee' Homecoming activities. Lumbee Homecoming is always a popular and well-attended affair that affords Lumbees from all across the continent the opportunity to come together to make new acquaintances and renew old ones. Each year activities are held as close as possible to July 4 in an attempt to incorporate the gala affair into the nationwide celebration of the Fourth of July. This year was no exception, with Lumbee Homecoming activities peaking out with a Gospel Sing held Sunday, July 4, from 2-4 p.m., on the PSU campus in

the beautiful and spacious Performing Arts Center. Lumbee Homecoming 1982 has been described as one of the most successful to date, especially attendance-wise and according to community interest and involvement. As has been the case since its inception, Lumbee Homecoming 1982 was sponsored by Lumbee Homecoming and Lumbee Regional Development Association (LRDA). "Although this year's Lumbee Homecoming was a tre-mendous success," said Ken Maynor, LRDA's Executive Director, "we need to remember that this would not have been possible without the participation and support of the community. We at LRDA appreciate community involvement in what we deem to be a necessary and important part of who we are."

A RECAP OF LUMBEE **HOMECOMING 1982**

Little Miss Lumbee Pageant The Little Miss - Lumbee Pageant, always an integral and exciting part of Lumbee Homecoming, began at 7:30 p.m., Wednesday, June 30, 1982, before virtually a full house in PSU's Performing Arts Center.

Using as its theme, Somewhere Over the Rain-

its rich Indian past, Old of the National Congress of American Indians; and Pa-Foundry Restaurant was an geant Judges: Sam L. Garner, appropriate site to kickoff Katie Browning Brinkley, ecoming activities. Own-Mary McHose Strickland, ed by Hubert Oxendine, Old-Donna Phillips, Dobey Bur-Foundry was the first resroughs, and Gary Sherrill. taurant, in the '40s and '50s, Also, special thanks to the to serve an Indian or Black in the town of Lumberton.

Keeping in line with this year's theme, "Keeping Lumbee Pride Alive," the

Kickoff Dance Committee felt

it more than appropriate to

use Old Foundry as the site.

There was a good turnout and

everyone seemed to enjoy

Awards Banquet

everyone enjoys and appreci-

ates accolades and kind words

no doubt accounts for the

popularity of the annual

Awards Banquet. This year's

Awards Banquet was held

7:30 p.m., in the Pembroke

Last year's recipient of the 1981 Lumbee Business

Award, Herbie Oxendine,

owner of The Car Company in

Lumberton, served as Master

of Ceremonies. Invocation

was by Jerry Lowry, followed

After dinner, James A.

(Pete) Jacobs, Mayor of Pem-

broke, welcomed everyone

LRDA's Board of Directors,

introduced the Keynote Spea-

ker, Congressman Charlie

Roderick G. Locklear, Vice-

Chairman of LRDA's Board of

Directors, introduced special

guest, Ronald Andrade, Exe-

cutive Director of the National

Congress of American Indi-

The 1982 Lumbee Business

Award was presented to Peg-

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themselves immensely.

entertainers: Jean Hernandez and Joan Goedel, twin daughters of Reverend and Mrs. James H. Woods and the late Spyrgzon Bullard; Willie Lowery, Director Creative Arts at LRDA's Center for the Arts and well-known local entertainer; Brenda Hunt Williams, former Miss Lumbee as well as a former Miss Pembroke State University; and Lori Ann Locklear, winner of the recent Wrangler Country Starsearch Compe-

tition in Greensboro. In recent years, the Miss Lumbee Scholarship Pageant has been (as was the case this Thursday, July 1, 1982, at year) one of the most popular of Lumbee Home-

coming activities. This is due, in part, to the top-notch talent of the beautiful Indians ladies who vy for the coveted crown each year. All contestants are to be commended. The contestants in this year's pageant (except those already mentioned) were: Charmaine D. Locklear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herman Locklear. She was sponsored by the Mt. out. Adolph Dial, Chairman of Airy Jaycees, Ann's Magic Mirror and Sheff's Seafood. Jacqueline Locklear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Rose of the 7th N.C. District. Locklear, sponsored by Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Locklear. Sherry Revels, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. james Sampson Revels. She was sponsored by Pembroke Machine Shop, VFW, Pembroke Carpet Service, and Hunt's TV Repair. Mary Gewanne Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hunt and sponsored by

Hunt's Grocery in Fairmont, Wonderland Child Care Cen-NC. Erline Deese, daughter of ter. The presentation was made by Linda Oxendine, Mr. and Mrs. Ertle C. Deese. Sponsored by Rola-Jensen Co., and Clark's Body Shop. The 1982 Henry Berry Lowry Award was presented Veronica Dale Hunt, daughter of Mrs. Muriel Hunt. Sponto Clifton Oxendine. This sored by Oxendine's Grocery presentation was made by Dr. in Laural Hill, Rowland Den-Vernon R. Thompson, Directal Clinic (Dr. Angela Mickey) tor of Testing, Research and Evaluation for the Robeson and Ann's Magic Mirror. County Board of Education. Elizabeth Ann Lowery, The 1982 Distinguished daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Claudie Lowery, Jr. Sponsors were Council of Native Americans for South Carolina, Locklear's Beauty Shop and Shaklee in Lumberton, Doris' Hairstyling in Red Springs, L and H Tire Service in Maxton, **Grimes Brothers Construction** Co. in Elberton, Ga., Donald W. Bullard, Attorney in Pembroke, Claude and Grace

Ms. Angelits Hunt, Ms. Nora D. Hunt, Mr. James F. Bell, Mr. Don Worriax and Mr. Telford Clark. Said a representative of the Parade Committee: "The judges did a remarkable job as well as all the entries. We, the Parade Committee, are very grateful."

Saturday In The Park

"Saturday in The Park" began in the Pembroke Town Park at 8 a.m. and lasted until 5 p.m. with over 20 booths Novice Category (ages 19-35 and traders participating. There was a wide variety of food items on sale, including fry bread, hamburgers, hot dogs, pop corn and a number of home-baked items. Also available were arts and crafts made by area senior citizens chapters, and Indian arts and crafts, many hand-made and sold by local Indian merchants. There were also information booths manned by PSU, the Lumbee Tribal Enrollment Project of LRDA, and "Strike at the Wind!". Entertainment began at 12:30 and lasted until 5 p.m. Included were songs and dances by students from LRDA's Center for the Arts. Songs by Bridgett Brayboy, Miss Lumbee 1980. Songs by Joan and Jean Bullard. Also, there were songs from "Strike at the Windl", songs performed by Maurice Lowry who accompanied himself on guitar. And, last but not least, the infamous Clyde Jones and the Country Steelers Band, featuring Sally Lowry performed a number of songs.

Field Day Activities

The following activities were conducted Saturday in the Pembroke Town Park, July 3: a 10,000 meters (6.2 miles) Road Race from 8-10 a.m.; Weight Lifting Compe- ware.

were Ms. Helen C. Maynor, tition; a Tricycle Race and **Basketball Shoot-out from 2-6** p.m.

> Winner of the Road Race in the Men's Division (Novice--19-35 years of age) were: David Lewis, 1st place, from PSU, with a time of 29 minutes and 52 seconds; Eric Ramseur, 2nd place, also from PSU, with a time of 31 minutes and 13 seconds; and Dallas Locklear, 3rd place, also from PSU, with a time of 37 minutes and 14 seconds. In the Men's Division, Non-

years of age): Bobby Locklear won 1st place with a time of 41 minutes and 27 seconds; John Campbell won 2nd place with a time of 49 minutes and 3 seconds. In the 18 years and under

Men's Division, Lewis Huddleston won first place.

In the 36 to 49 years of age category Rae Oxendine won 1st place (49 minutes and 27 seconds).

In the 50 years and older division Mr. Joe Oxendine came in first with a time of 46 minutes.

In the Women's Division Jean Oxendine won 1st place. In the Tricycle Race, 1st place winner in the 3 years old category was James Oxendine. 2nd place in the same age group was Heather Maynor. 3rd place winner was Jasmin Moore. 1st place winner in the 4 years old category was Shaun Chavis. 2nd place winner was Johnathan N. Allen. 3rd place winner was Adam Clark. 1st place winner in the 5 years old category was Jerome Scott. 2nd place winner was Andrenna Locklear. 3rd place winner was

Shaun Locklear. The tricycles were loaned to the Field Day Activities Committee by Pembroke Hard-



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Shown above are the Judges of Friday night's [July 2] Mins Lun Scholarship Pageant. They are Ron Andrade, Donna Philips, Sam Ga Mary McHose Strickland, Gary Sherrill, Katle Brinckley and Doby Burrow Standing [left] are Ms. Florence Ransom, Pageant Director and Ms. Jas Maynor Locklear, Judges Chairman.



Miss Lumbee 1981, Jackie Jacobs is shown (sitting) with this year's Miss Lumbee Scholarship Pageant contestants. They are, left to right-Erline Deese, Veronica Hunt, Jacqueline Locklear, Sherry Revels, Gina Mayner, Debbie Brewer, Joy Lynne Locklear, Rhonda Flanagan, Mary Gewanne Hunt, Elizabeth Ann Lowry and Charmaine Locklear. [Elmer Hunt Photo]



bow," the stage was fashioned after the widely-acclaimed movie, "The Wizard of Oz," complete with tin soldiers who definitely deserve recognition. The charming Mistress of Ceremonies was Mrs. Mary Bell who was dressed as the Good Witch of the North. A life-long resident of Robeson County, she is married to Mr. Hardy Bell and is a retired media specialist with 33 years service with the Robeson County School System.

An avid fan of Mrs. Bell noted after the pageant: "Ms. Mary was the only person capable of filling the shoes of Ed Chavis." And indeed she was. Chavis, Director of LRDA's Enrollment Project who served admirably (corny jokes and all) as MC of past Little Miss Lumbee pageants, did not serve in that capacity this year because his daughter was a contestant. Mrs. Bell appeared right at home in her role as Mistress of Ceremonies, doing a remarkable job. She kept the audience entertained and spellbound by occasionally regressing back in time and presenting interesting and humorous quips and comments.

Little Miss Aimee Elizabeth Dunn, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Michael B. Dunn, was crowned Miss Lumbee 1982 by Tara Nicole Sampson, Little Miss Lumbee 1981. As was evident by the proudly beaming faces of the parents and audience, there were in reality no losers in the pageant--each contestant was a beautiful little winner in her own right. And, indeed, none of the 21 little girls could be said to have suffered the 'agony of defeat" for they all were presented trophies. However, only one--Aimee Elizabeth Dunn--will reign as the new Little Miss Lumbee 1982.

Kickoff Dance

The Lumbee Homecoming Kickoff Dance began at 10 p.m., Wednesday, June 30, 982, at Old Foundry Res- to honorary judge, Ronald P. taurant in Lumberton. With Andrade, Executive Director

Service Award was presented to James W. Thomas. This award was presented by Kenneth R. Maynor, Executive Director of LRDA.

The Advancement of Education Award was presented to Dr. Waltz Maynor. Dr. Gerald Maynor, last year's recipient, made the presentation.

Miss Lumbee Pageant

Rhonda Flanagan was crowned Miss Lumbee 1982, Friday night, July 2, before a overflowing crowd in PSU's beautiful Performing Arts Center. She was crowned by Jackie Jacobs, Miss Lumbee 1981, who served as Mistress of Ceremonies of the Miss Lumbee Scholarship Pageant, always one of the highlights of Lumbee Homecoming. She won out over 11 beautiful and talented Indian ladies, all vying for the coveted crown. According to . Ms. Florence Ransom, Director of the Pageant, who also doubles as the official chaperone of Miss Lumbee, the winner also everyone, with the parade receives a \$1,000 educational scholarship. Ms. Flanagan was sponsored by Dobb's Motors, Moore's Chain Saw, Eula's Fabric Shop and The

Car Company, and Cato's. First Runner-Up was Debbie Lane Brewer, daughter of Mrs. Ann and Jim Brewer.

Fasteners. 2nd place. In Community Second Runner-Up and Miss Congeniality was Joy Lynne Locklear, daughter of Ms. Marie Locklear. Her entry was sponsored by Bodenheimer Furniture Stores of Red Springs and St. Pauls, Big Mo's Goal Post, Ann's Magic Mirror, Eula's Fabric -Shop and Pembroke Hardware Gina Marie Maynor won Mrs, Gerald Maynor, She was sponsored by Silhouette Skin Care Center, The Gold Rushe, Ann's Magic Mirror, Conti-nental Industrial Chemicals. Specials thanks are in order

Shaklee Supervisors, Linda and Cliff Bourgeois, Ron E. Lowry and Judy Barnes.

Lumbee Homecoming Parade

The Lumbee Homecoming Parade was held at 10 a.m. Saturday, July 3, in downtown Pembroke. This year's parade was reportedly the largest to date, with over 100 entries. As is the case each year, the sides of Third Street in downtown Pembroke were swamped with onlookers as young and old alike were thrilled and amazed by the wide variety of colorful and entertaining floats and entries. Indeed, there was a little bit of something for consisting of virtually everything from clowns to antique cars, not leaving out, of course, the beautiful girls. Trophies were presented to the best float in the various categories.

The Old Foundry float was

presented the 1st place trophy

in the Commercial Float cate-

gory. The Senior Citizens won

She was sponsored by B & B

1st place and Green Pine Church, 2nd place. Marvin Butler, driving a 1934 Victorian Ford, won 1st place in the Antique Cars/Trucks category. Bruce Locklear, driving a 1931 Model A, won 2nd place. The Davis Family, from Bladenboro, N.C. won 1st talent competition as well as the swimsuit competion. She is the daughter of Dr. and Bell, from the Saddletree area, won 2nd place. The trophy for best Day Care float went to Tudor's Court Day Care. The trophy for farthest distance traveled was presented to the Lumbee Indians

from Michigan. The judges for the parade Winner of the Little Miss Lumbee Pageant Wednesday night at PSU's Performing Arts Center was Aimee Elizabeth Dunn [in background]. Shown left to right are: Trina K. Locklear, Talent winner; Billie Jo Dial, 2nd Runner-Up; Latonia Cox, First Runner-Up; and Kenda Carla Bird, Best Dress.



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Award.

Ron Andrade was special guest speaker at the Awards quet held in the Pembrok Competition, the C-B'ers won Jaycee Hut.

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Shown above are: Gina Maynor, Swimsuit and Talent non-finalist winner Debble Brewer, First Runner-Up; Jackie Jacobe, Miss Lumbee 1981; Rh Flanagan, Miss Lumbee 1982; and Joy Lynne Locklear, Miss Congeniality and Second Runner-Up.

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