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Miss Lumbee and Miss North Carolina **Combine Forces** for March of Dimes



IISS LUMBEE, Linda Gall Locklear

raise funds for the March of Dimes. Accompanying Miss Lumbee to Denton will be her chaperone, Mrs. Florence

THERE CAN BE JUSTICE!

EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter is from L. Harbert Moore, a member of the Robeson County Board of Education, who resides in the Prospect Community

Moore made the motion, which was subsequently defeated, at the last meeting of the board to release I. Murchison Biggs as school board attorney and replace him with the Indian law firm of Locklear and Brooks.

The action has caused a furor in the Indian community and is currently being debated in barber shops, restaurants, coffee shops, drug stores, churches and schools (whereever people congregate) throughout Robeson County.

There can be justice, but justice like every precious gift, comes at a price. When I was appointed as a member of the Robeson County Board of education by the General Assembly in 1973. I felt that I needed to know more about the history of our school unit.

I spent many days going through the minutes of every meeting of the Robeson County Board of Education from the year 1990 to the year 1973. There were lots of things I read in the minutes that I already knew from experience. It wasn't a pleasant feeling when I studied the statistical reports that were sent to the Department of Education in Raleigh in 1930, 1940, 1950, and even 1960.

It seems that some people in Robeson County are disturbed over the composition of the Robeson County Board of Education. Please remember that we have Jived in Robeson County for many years, with out any of our people on the School Board. In 1963 the first Indian and Black were appointed as members of the Robeson County Board of Education by the General Assembly.

The Robeson County Board of Education consisted of seven (7) members from 1963-1973. In 1973 the General Assembly added four (4) more members; two (2) Indians and two (2) Blacks because of the confrontations and demonstrations that began about 1970, because of the practice of double-voting voters of Robeson County Unit didn't have the power to elect their own School Board.

Thanks to all the people that contributed to breaking double-voting. Why did the officials of Robeson County spend several thousand dollars in legal fees trying to deny citizens of Robeson County Unit justice? Before we get too upset over the motion that was made in January to employ Locklear and Brooks as legal council for the Robeson County Board of Education, let's look at the employment in our county.

According to the 1970 Cen sus, our county consisted of 43% White, Indians 30%, and Blacks 27%.

We have six school units in Robeson County. How many minority superintendents do we have? How many minority lawyers do we have represen-ting these units? How many minority associate superinten-dents do we have? How many minority assistant superinten-dents do we have?

We have 13 senior high schools in Robeson County. How many minority principals of senior high schools do we have? Do we have minority people qualified to fill any of these positions?

Please take a good look at the number of employees employed by our county gov-ernment. Who has the high salaried positions?

Look at our prisons. Visit our several court rooms in Robeson County. See who is there. Why?

Ride through Robeson County and see the fine church buildings we have. Then ask ourselves: Have we practiced Christian Brotherhood?

In this county of ours there are now about 90,000 people. The gap between the affluent and the impoverished is widening. and the number of destitute is increasing. The continuing and growing inequalities in wealth and privilege: are not only a denial of the basic principle of Christian Brotherhood; they also form the basis for much of human suffering and conflict. If there is to be justice, there must be a lessening of disparity among people within communities and the county. But even more is needed.

There must be radical changes, in systems that breed injustice. There must be assurance to the minority races that they will have a sufficient portion of the county's goods for survival and development.

The changes needed well may require sharing and minor social adjustments. They may require a complete transformation of the structures of all affluent societies, making for a more equitable redistribution of wealth and privilege.

Yes, someday there will be peace on earth, good will among men. Hopefully, God will find our generation sensi-tive and responsive enough to take bold human steps toward

L. Harbert Moore



Awards Banquet by Pember President, Larry T. Brook



TIMOTHY STRICKLAND, Outstanding Farmer, Noah Woods, Distinguish-

Allen, Boss of the Year, Donald Locklear, Outstanding Young Educator, and President Larry T. Brooks.



TEN YEAR AWARD RECIPIENTS were Jerry Cummings, Walter Oxen-dine, James F. Bell, Bobby D. Locklear and Jerry C. Oxendine, Jydor Locklear is also a Ten Year Award recipient.

Pembroke Jaycees Hold

Annual Awards Banquet

The Pembroke Jaycees held their eleventh annual Awards Banquet on Friday night, January 21, at the Jaycee

Guest speaker for the occasion was Joe Hollowell, 40th president of the North Carolina Jaycees, President Hollowell stressed the importance of the Jaycees and emphasized some of the things the Jaycees were doing locally and across the state.

Other organizations and individuals recognized for their outstanding contributions to the Pembroke Jaycees were Mr. Bruce Barton, Editor, and The Carolina Indian Voice; Mr. Kenneth R. Maynor, Executive Director of Lumbee Regional Development Association; the Pembroke Jaycettes; Mr. Elmer W. Hunt, Sr., professional photographer; and Mr. Tommy D. Swett, Director of Special Programs at Pembroke State University.



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THOMPSON INITIATED INTO PROFESSIONAL FRATERNITY

Dr. V. R. Thompoon, Principal of Pembroke Senior High School, was initiated into membership of Phi Delta Kappa at East Carolina University on December 9, 1976. Phi Delta Kappa is an international professional fraternity for men and women in education. Membership in the fraternity is composed of individuals in the education profession whose leadership potential has been identified. The purpose of Phi Delta Kappa is to promote quality education with particular emphasis on publicly supported education as essential to the development and maintenance of a democratic way of life.

Dr. Thompson attended the public schools in Robeson County and received his high school diploma from Pembroke High School. He holds a Bachelor of Arts Degree from Pembroke State College, a Master of Arts Degree from the Ohio State University, and Doctorate Degree from the University of Miami.

BRAYBOY APPOINTED TO MARYLAND INDIAN AFFAIRS COMMISSION

Annapolis, Md.-Dr. Bobby Dean Bray-boy, a Robeson County native, was recently sworn in as vice- chairman of Maryland's Indian Affairs Commission.

Maryland Governor Mondel appoin ed Brayboy, a Lumbee Indian fro Pembroke, NC, to the Commission November.

The oath taking ceremony took place in Annapolis.

The Commission will serve to advise the governor on Indian affairs in the state. There are approximately 7,000 Native Americans residing in Maryland. Baltimore claims 2,500 of this number.

Also appointed to serve on this Commission is Tommie Dial, a Lumbee from Pembroke.

CHALLENGER CLUB

Willie Von Lowry, West Third Street, has qualified for membership in Challenger Club, an honorary organiza-tion for Agents of the Nationwide Insurance Companies.

Membership is awarded annually to Nationwide Agents who achieve high standards in sales and service. Lowry has been a Nationwide Agent in Pembroke since 1971.

1,112 CHARGED FOR DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE IN ROBESON IN 1976

Figures released today from the State Highway Patrol show that during 1976 Troopers made 1,112 charges of driving under the influence in Robeson County.

According to Captain H.B. McKee.

Commander of Troop "H", there were 1,071 charges for driving under the influence of intoxicating liquor; 4 for driving under the influence of drugs; and 37 charges of aiding and abetting driving under the influence.

Chemical breath test results revealed that 714 of 939 drivers submitting to the tests had blood/alcohol concentrations at or above 10 percent. This is the level at which North Carolina law makes it unlawful for a person to operate a motor vehicle upon a public highway or public vehicular area within the State.

The West Cross Street Baptist Church wishes to announce its 9th annual Homecoming, to be held at The American Indian Study Center, 211 South Broadway, Baltimore, Md., on Sunday, February 13, 1977. Services will begin at 10:00 a.m. and continue throughout the day. Lunch will be served around 12 noon. Guest speaker for the afternoon will be Rev. Mike Cummings of Clinton, North Carolina. Several singers and singing groups are expected including the D&L Gospel Singers, The White Hill Gospel Singers, The Glory Bound Singers and Bro. Lacy Freeman and family, plus many other local singers. The West Cross Street Baptist

DEADLINE FOR LISTING TAXES NEAR

Monday is the last day to list taxes. Tax Supervisor James (Pete) Jacobs said Monday that there are still a lot of citizens who have not listed their current taxes.

No extensions, according to Jacobs, are expecting to be granted to list taxes. The deadline is Monday, January 31, 1977. Those filing later than this date will be assessed late listing penalties.

Persons with questions concerning listing of their taxes or who don't know where to list taxes should call the tax office at the court house in Lumberton during normal working hours.

COMMISSIONERS CONSIDER APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT OFFICER

The county commissioners met in special session Monday to consider the applications received for the vacant position of Industrial and Agricultural Development Director. At the previous board meeting, the commissioners noted that 17 applications had been received to date.

Four members of the Industrial and Agricultural Development Commission sat in on the session.

The commissioners are expected to name their replacement for the position at their February meeting. At th time, the newly created position of Federal Coordinator is also expected to be filled.

PSU Students Assist Jaycees in Selling Jelly

by Gene Warren

Pembroke- Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity and the Health Careers Club of Pembroke State University joined with the Pem-broke Jaycese in selling 60 cases (720 jars) of jelly beginning Jan. 16 during a 10-day drive with proceeds going toward construction of a N. C. Burn Center at Chapel Hill.

The N. C. Burn Center is for treating ictims of fires.

The PSU students sold 15 cases (180) at \$1 a jar. They thus raised \$180 for the Burn Center. The Pembroke Jaycees sold the other 45 cases in raising another \$540 for a grand total of \$720 raised by both students and Jaycees in the Pembroke drive.

Larry Brooks, president of the Pembroke Jaycees and also advisor to the PSU Health Careers Club, was extremely pleased over the PSU stu-dents' contribution. "David Floyd, president of Pi Kappa Phi, came to me and said his fraternity wanted to help.

The students sold jelly in both the PSU Student Center and in downtown Pembroke. Their willingness to help in not only this but other community projects shows how they are interested in helping our Pembroke community and our state as well as obtaining an education at Pembroke," said Brooks.

Floyd, who says he wants to help Pembroke in other ways, is a senior from Fairmont who is majoring in political science. Charles Anthony Br-yant, Jr., sophomore of Prospect, is president of the Health Careers Club. Bryant is majoring in business admini-stration. With the students' help, the Pembroke Jaycees' jelly allotment was sold in 10 days. A year ago, it took six weeks for the Jaycees to sell their quota.

Groundbreaking for the N. C. Burn Center was held Saturday in Chapel Hill. This is the fourth year of the campaign by the North Carolina Jaycees to raise money for the Center, and \$300,000 has been raised thus far, said shooks. "We hope to raise \$75,000 this year throughout the state," added Brooks. "We hope the Burn Center will be completed by '78."



Members of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity of Pembroke State University who assisted the Pembroke Jaycees in selling jelly with proceeds going to construction of a N. C. Burn Center are shown with Carnell Locklear, Chairman of the Pembroke Jaycee Project, and Chancellor English E. Jones of PSU [both in center of photo]. Dr. Jones, who purchased several Jars was a strong

supporter of the students' efforts. Left to right, in the photo are: [standing] Stan Leggett, Fairmont; Jim Love, Red Springs; David Floyd, fraternity president from Fairmont; Locklear; Dr. Jones; Bary Leggett, Fairmont; Hayden Shackleford, Fayetteville; Greg Tedder, Fairmont; [sitting] David Milligan [left], Leland; and Scott Townsend, Red Springs.