

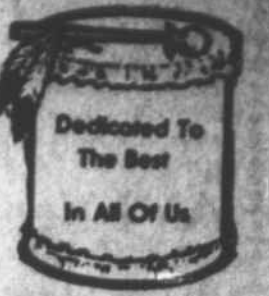


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## INDIAN COMMISSION LOOKS INTO ALLEGED HIGHWAY PATROL BRUTALITY

Acting on a complaint from a field representative, the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs has initiated an investigation of an alleged beating by a highway patrolman in Robeson County. The case comes on the heels of other related cases, and a petition sent to the governor's office by a number of Indian citizens.

On June 1, in regular session, the Indian Commission passed a unanimous resolution condemning the "...break down in relationship between the highway patrol and the Indian people..."

The Commission asked that "a study be made of the situation involving Terry M. Locklee, a Lumbee Indian, and Trooper Ray L. Davis of the state highway patrol.

The North Carolina Human Relations Commission, according to a very reliable source, is also investigating the incident involving Locklee and Davis. The governor's office is also monitoring the situation through the office of Dr. James B. Chavis, a Lumbee Indian himself from Robeson County, and North Carolina's Chief Ombudsman.

Too, according to local news sources, the highway patrol is conducting an internal investigation

The latest incident occurred May 20. Davis reportedly arrested Terry Locklee

on that date and inflicted serious head injuries on him in arresting him in the Union Chapel School area. Locklee is still in Cape Fear Valley Hospital. His father noted, in local news interviews, that "Davis did not have to do what he did (strike Locklee in the head); it was uncalled for...My boy is a good boy. I understand they (the highway patrol) have a job to do but they don't have to kill anybody." Locklee's father did not indict the whole force, noting only that "there are always a few bad apples in every barrel."

Seemingly in defense, Line Sergeant A.H. Campbell has been quoted as saying that "Robeson County is the toughest county in the state for the patrol to work..."

Many citizens of Robeson disputed Campbell's claims noting that the high rate of so called assaults on patrolmen is not a fair barometer because every one arrested by the patrol and found to be "resisting" is charged with "assaulting an officer of the law..."

Davis claims in his report that Locklee fled when pulled over and that he resisted arrest.

The investigations are continuing. More next week. Meantime, Locklee, although he is still in the hospital, has reportedly been charged with assaulting a police officer in the line of duty..."

## Pembroke Council Looks At Budget

The Pembroke Town Council met in a brief session Monday evening. Mayor pro tem Sam Dial presided in the absence of Mayor Reggie Strickland.

The council heard a brief overview of the proposed budget for 1978-79 from Town Manager McDuffie Cummings. Cummings noted that the proposed budget was in excess of \$600,000.

In his budget message, Cummings said, "In a time of spiraling inflation, we sense a mandate from the citizens to stretch the tax dollar. In so doing we will construct a town garage where by we can do our own maintenance and repair work to our town vehicles and equipment."

Cummings also recommended that sewer lines be replaced on the north side of town and that the town continue a resurfacing program throughout the municipality.

The town also intends to expand its recreation program and add flouridation to the town's water supply.

Cummings also noted, "It is always desirable that government services be provided in an efficient and economical manner and, in this respect, this budget will relate to that desire by providing the above services and more without increasing the tax rate or service charge..."

The law specifies that the Budget Ordinance be adopted July 1. The Budget Hearing will be June 20, 1978 at 7 p.m. in the town hall meeting room.

The council accepted an invitation from the Barbeque Hut (next door to Pembroke Junior High) for dinner June 13, 1978. The council decided to include a work session on the budget following the dinner to which the new management also invited the firemen, policemen and administrative people in town government.

### IN OTHER MATTERS...

The council also heard a citizen complaint from Mr. Patterson Locklear who resides off Union Chapel Road. Locklear complained of water and refuse winding up in his yard because of the excess water from local business in the area, including a car wash and a food store.

Locklear also complained about loud and boisterous conduct by young people who frequent the car wash after dark and beyond.

The town agreed to help him with his problem with excess water and refuse by installing a catch basin and cleaning out the lines. The town also agreed to look into increasing patrols in the area and strictly enforcing the public drunkenness ordinance although councilmen noted that it is difficult to enforce because, according to Police Chief Vernon Oxendine, "you have to catch them actually drinking alcoholic beverages for the ordinance to stick in court."

Too, Chief Oxendine noted that the owner of the car wash had complained in the past, when the area was being strictly patrolled and loud and boisterous people made to leave because it was hurting his business.

Locklear noted in his presentation that "It's against state law to be loud and boisterous and to display alcoholic beverages. One of the councilmen sympathetically noted, "there is no reason for any citizen to be disturbed at home and treated like this."

## Other Graduation Notes

Graduation exercises for Magnolia School will be held Friday evening, June 9, at 8 p.m. in the school gymnasium. Speaker for the program will be Dr. James B. Chavis, Ombudsman for the State of North Carolina.

Commencement exercises for the class of 1978 at Maxton High School were held Tuesday, June 6. Seventy-six seniors participated in the program which was held in the auditorium. Benjamin S. Ruffin of Durham, special assistant to N.C. Governor Jim Will was the graduation speaker.

Commencement exercises for Pembroke Senior High School will be held June 9 at 8:30 p.m. Speaker for the occasion will be Dr. Julian P. Martin, owner of Down River Travel Agency, Lincoln Park, Michigan and Minister of Music of First Baptist Church, Dearborn, Mich.

## Housing Authority Revenue Source For Pembroke



Clinton Thomas, Jr., Executive Director of Pembroke Housing Authority and Redevelopment Commission, is shown left, making the commission's tax lien payment to McDuffie Cummings, Pembroke's Town Manager. (Elmer Hunt photo)

Pembroke - The Housing Authority and Redevelopment Commission of Pembroke, while operating as a non-profit corporation providing a service for town residents, also contributes to the property taxes revenue of the city.

For 1977 the commission paid \$3,375.77 in lieu of taxes to Pembroke's budget, as well as \$12,994.92 in sanitation, water, and sewer services to the Authority's four housing projects, Dial Terrace, Maynor Manor, Chavis Park, and Locklear Court.

Payment for the local authority is based on a rental collected annually on the 141 housing units, less annual utilities expenses on a percentage basis.

A 100 unit development, now under construction and expected to be completed in January 1978, is expected to generate an additional \$5,000.00 in tax revenue for the city. The additional expected revenue would make the commission the largest and largest tax payer in the town of Pembroke by 1980, with payments annually in excess of \$9,000, according to a current comparison. Presently, Southern Bell is the largest tax payer to Pembroke at \$11,518.89.

According to local sources, housing authorities are believed to be the only non-profit government agencies that make some sort of tax payments to their local governing body.

## Fairgrove Graduation Set

Graduation exercises for Fairgrove School will be held June 9, 1978 at 7 p.m. at Fairgrove School. Guest speaker will be Arnold Locklear, attorney at law.

Marshals are: Chief Marshal, Jacqueline Hunt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Hunt; Assist. Chief, Christopher Roberts, son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Roberts; Karen Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Taylor; Gwendolyn Buie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Buie; Beverly Lessane, daughter of Mr. Trussie Lessane; Jimmy Sampson, son of Mr. and Mrs. Marvin Sampson; and Terry Clark, son of Mrs. Geneva Clark.

Valedictorian is Mona Gail Locklear, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dattress Locklear of Fairmont. She was a member of the Beta Club, Science Club, Bicentennial Club, FHA Club and the Spanish Club. She has received awards for accounting and English.

Mona attends Fairmont Northside Church of God where she is a member of the Pioneers for Christ. She is secretary of the club and secretary of her Sunday School class. She is also President of the Young People's Exercise (YPE) Class and sings with the choir.

Upon graduation, Mona will attend Pembroke State University and pursue a degree in the field of music or sociology.

Salutatorian will be Altavia Thompson, daughter of Mrs. Gertrude Thompson of Route 6, Lumberton. During high school she was a member of the Science Club, Spanish Club, and the Principal's Advisory Council. She is also a member of Who's Who Among High School Students. She was a marshal in her sophomore year. Her awards include: shorthand, history, social studies, achievement salutatorian, honor student and highest academic average award for the 12th grade.

Altavia attends Greenville Baptist Church where she is a member of the junior choir and youth secretary of the Sunday School Department.

She plans to attend Winston-Salem State and major in secretarial administration.

Historian is Wanda Lenora Cook, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rudolph Cook of Rowland. She was a member of the Beta Club and Spanish Club. She received the historian award.

Wanda attends Fairmont Church of God, North Main. She is assistant teacher for the primary class. She will participate in the upcoming girls soft ball team and the youth choir.

Upon graduation, Wanda plans to attend Robeson Technical Institute where she will major in business administration.

It is an annual practice at Prospect school that the two students having the highest average through high school deliver the commencement address. That honor goes this year to Alfreda Jones, Valedictorian, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Jones of Route 3, Maxton, NC, and Dwight Harris, Salutatorian, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Harris of Route 1, Pembroke.

During high school Alfreda has been active in the following clubs and activities: Prospect School Band; Prospect Swinging Squares; Distinguished American High School Student; Yearbook Editor; Chief Marshal; Beta Club; Monogram Club President; attended the Governor's School in 1976; State Voice of Democracy Winner; Member of Youth and Adult Choirs; Member of the Scottish Twillers and President of the Prospect UMYF. Her awards include: Algebra I and II; Geometry; English I and II; and Business Communications. For leisure time Freda enjoys swimming, reading, bowling and square dancing. After graduation she plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Since Freda has a great love for children, she plans to pursue a career in the field of pediatrics.



Alfreda Jones



Dwight Harris



Mona Gail Locklear



Altavia Thompson

## people and places and things

### LOCAL GIRL SCOUTS TO TRAVEL TO CARROWINDS

Pembroke Girl Scout Troop 211 is in need of a van and a competent driver to take a load of girls to Carrowinds on June 16 and return June 17th. They will spend the night in Charlotte as guests of a Charlotte Girl Scout Troop. The driver's expenses will be paid by the local troop. If available, please call either Sue Trivette at 521-9652 or Annie P. Cummings at 521-2418.

### TO SPONSOR FLEA MARKET

Pembroke Junior Girl Scout troop 211 will sponsor a flea market on Saturday, June 10th, from 9 until 4 in the Piggly Wiggly Parking Lot in Pembroke. The girls are trying to raise money for a trip to Carrowinds. Please come out and give them your support. Cancelled in case of rain.

### FOUR COUNTY COMMUNITY SERVICE BOARD TO MEET

The Board of Directors of Four-County Community Services, Inc. will meet on Tuesday, June 13, 1978 at 7:30 p.m. in the auditorium of the Owens Agricultural Center in Lumberton.

### CHIEF J.P. JACOBS OF FAYETTEVILLE WILL HOST BROTHERHOOD MEETING

On June 9, and 10, 1978 the Brotherhood of Cape Fear Baptist Church of Fayetteville, NC will hold a unity meeting at the Resort of Chief J.P. Jacobs, Shalotte, NC. Mr. Cornelius Emanuel, Chairman and William Chavis, Secretary and Treasurer, is expecting about 30 members to attend. After the meeting is adjourned, they plan to do some fishing. Chief Jacobs is a Deacon of Cape Fear Baptist Church.

### TO SPONSOR GOLF TOURNAMENT

The Pembroke Jaycees will sponsor a Super Ball Golf Tournament on July 1, 1978 at Riverside Country Club. Tee off time is 9 a.m. For pre-registration or further information, contact Riverside Country Club at 521-2100. Chairman of this event will be Gerald Strickland.

### LUMBEE HOMECOMING PARADE

Preparations are being made for the 1978 Lumbee Homecoming Parade to be held Saturday, July 1, in Pembroke, NC.

The sponsor, Lumbee Regional Development Association of Pembroke, invites clubs, groups, organizations, schools and the general public to participate.

The parade will begin at 10 a.m. from in front of the Pembroke Elementary School and entries in the parade are asked to line up by 9:00 a.m.

For those who wish to submit an entry they are asked to notify the parade committee as soon as possible by calling LRDA CETA Annex at 521-2000 or 521-2882.

## Send Off For Miss Lumbee

Pembroke - A send-off honoring Miss Lumbee, Brenda Hunt, will be held Sunday at 3 p.m. in the Pembroke Town Park.

### PSU WORKSHOP ON AMERICAN INDIANS STUDIES SCHEDULED

A workshop in American Indian Studies, taught by Professor Adolph L. Dial, will be held at PSU for a two-week period from July 10-21. Classes will be Monday thru Friday.

The workshop will be especially designed for elementary and secondary school teachers and offers three semester hours credit.

Special emphasis will be on aspects of Indian history, text books and their treatment of American Indian and contemporary Indian problems.

Consideration will be given to Native American writers, Indian culture and the changing lifestyle of Indian people.

Topics of special interest will be discussed with general procedure determined by the interest and enthusiasm of the group.

## Illiteracy Program Totals 900

Raleigh - During the first four months of operation, the five pilot programs to help stamp out illiteracy in North Carolina have a total enrollment increase to 900.

Dr. Thomas Dudley, adult basic education coordinator, Department of Community Colleges, made this report to the State Board of Education Thursday, June 1, at a meeting here.

The five functional literacy education projects, sponsored by Gov. Jim Hunt, are located at Martin Community College, Robeson Technical Institute, Forsyth Technical Institute, Wilkes Community College and Caldwell Community College.



Miss Lumbee, Brenda Hunt

Sponsored by the town council, the send-off will be open to the public. Various town officials will be present as well as representatives from various civic organizations and the new Miss Lumbee contestants: Bonita Jones, June Haggins, Maxine Bullard, Wendy Smith, Peggy Sampson, Demetris Locklear, Glenda Sue Collins, Veronica Bryant and Donna Locklear.

Brenda will be leaving immediately after the send-off to participate in the following week in the Miss NC Pageant to be held in Winston Salem.

Her week there will be spent preparing and competing in preliminary categories: swimsuit on Tuesday night, evening gowns on Wednesday night, and talent on Friday night, and the final pageant on Saturday night which will be televised.

For the talent competition she will be singing "What I Did For Love."