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9 CONTESTANTS VY FOR TITLE OF MISS LUMBEE 1978

Master & Mistress of Ceremonies Announced For Miss Lumbee Pageant

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As time for the Miss Lumbee Pageant draws nearer, this year's contestants spend more and more time in rehearsal. Rehearsals where they work on perfecting their talent, where they learn the proper walk and movements for a contestant, and where they practice time and time again the right words to say, the tone of voice in which to say them, and that ever present, very important smile.

This year there are nine of those girls, nine who will, on June 30, be competing for the title of Miss Lumbee.

These girls from communities all over the county, with ages ranging from 18 to 22 will be performing talents ranging from singing to modern dance, to acrobatic number, and to a variety of both modern dance and acrobatics.

The nine contestants vying for the title of Miss Lumbee this year are: Peggy Sue Sampson from Pembroke and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bracy Sampson, Maxine Bullard from Pembroke and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marshall Bullard, Veronica Bryant of Pembroke and the daughter of Ms. Betty Joyce Bryant and Jimmie Bryant, Donna Marie Locklear from Maxton and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Locklear, Demetrius Locklear from Saddle Creek and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Fuller Locklear, Wendy Smith from Lumberton and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie R. Smith.

Also: Gesile Benita Jones from Fairmont, daughter of Ms. Shirley Demery Jones; Glenda Sue Collins from Shannon, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Redell Collins; and June Haggins from Fairmont, the daughter of Howard and Beulah Haggins.

The girls will be honored at a Mix & Mingle dinner sponsored by Lumbee Regional Development Association at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Gene Eugene Locklear on Saturday, June 24, 1978.

They will also appear this Friday on The Carolina at Noon Show hosted by Jim Burns.

Cathy Locklear



PEGGY SUE SAMPSON



WENDY SUE SMITH

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LINDA GAIL LOCKLEAR



GREG CUMMINGS



GLENDA SUE COLLINS



GESILE BENITA JONES



JUNE ANN HAGGINS



MAXINE BULLARD



VERONICA DALE BRYANT



DEMETRIUS LOCKLEAR



DONNA MARIE LOCKLEAR

It has become a tradition for the Miss Lumbee Pageant to have the past year's Miss Lumbee serve as Mistress of Ceremonies. This year will be no exception as Miss Lumbee '76-77, Linda Gail Locklear will grace the stage of the Performing Arts Center in that capacity. Accompanying her for the show will be Charles Gregory Cummings who will serve as Master of Ceremonies.

Ms. Locklear can well be remembered for the outstanding way in which she represented the Lumbees during her reign and for her talent routine of an interpretive jazz and acrobatic dance to "Sun Goddess" by Mancini, which she performed for her talent competition in last year's Miss N.C. Pageant.

While a student at Pembroke State University, Ms. Locklear was cheerleader for two years, and head cheerleader for one year. She was also a member of the American Indian Student Association, a member of Kappa Delta Sorority and a Pi Kappa Alpha Little Sister.

She is presently employed with the North Carolina Indian Commission in Raleigh as Public Relations Officer.

Charles Gregory Cummings has been a member of the Pembroke Jaycees for nine years. During this time he has held every office except that of treasurer and currently serves as President.

Mr. Cummings is a veteran of the army where he served a tour of 18 months in Vietnam. He graduated from Pembroke State in 1974 with a degree in Sociology.

Presently employed as Placement Officer for the Comprehensive Employment Training Act at Lumbee Regional Development, Mr. Cummings has also found time to establish a business of his own, Pembroke Laundramat.

He serves on the Commission on the Status and Role of Women of the United Methodist Church and is married to Myra Warriax Cummings. They have two children, Gregory Jr. and Tina Louise.

PLATE SALE PLANNED JUNE 30

The Pembroke Rescue Squad will sponsor a chicken and barbeque plate sale on June 30, from 11 a.m. until at the Pembroke Fire Dept. Tickets are on sale by members of the Pembroke Rescue Squad. Proceeds will be used for the construction of a Pembroke Rescue Building.

David Bass to Perform

Cathy Locklear



Once again, the Miss Lumbee Pageant held Friday night, June 30, 1978, will offer not only nine lovely ladies competing for the title of Miss Lumbee, but a large variety of entertainment as well.

Mr. David Bass of Salemburg, N.C. will be one of many performers. Mr. Bass was a guest performer in last year's Miss N.C. Pageant and has performed at numerous other pageants and events. He has served as soloist for the UNC-Wilmington and UNC-Greensboro Concert Chorales. He has already sung major roles in "Kiss & Kate" and the Christmas opera "Amah 1 and the Night Visitors" and was a member of the Wilmington Summerstock (SRO) Theatre.

Other performers will be, a regular at the Lumbee pageant, Mr. Rudy Locklear, who has established himself as an outstanding singer. Also, Felicia Maynor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth R. Maynor, Cindy Locklear and Lisa Stover of Joyce Cadle's Mandala Dancers, Miss Lumbee '76-77, Linda G. Locklear, Miss Lumbee '77-78, Brenda Hunt, and the well known singer and song writer, Willie French Lowery.

The pageant will be held at the Performing Arts Center on the campus of Pembroke State University.

LITTLE MISS LUMBEE A POPULAR FEATURE OF LUMBEE HOMECOMING

Just about everyone agrees (especially the parents) that the Little Miss Lumbee Pageant is the most popular event during Lumbee Homecoming.

The Little Miss Lumbee Pageant will be held this year June 28 (Wednesday), 1978 in PSU's Moore Hall. The pageant begins at 8 p.m.

See a picture of the lovely candidates on page 2.

REVIVAL BEGINS AT GREEN PINE
Green Pine Freewill Baptist Church will host a summer revival June 25-30. The speaker will be the Rev. Steve Jones, pastor of Harper's Ferry Baptist Church. The service will begin at 7 p.m. Sunday night and at 7:30 throughout the week. The pastor, Rev. Bobby D. Locklear, and congregation invites you to come and worship with them.

HAIR FASHION SHOW PLANNED
The Robeson County Hairdressers Association will sponsor a hair fashion show on June 24, 1978 at the Golden China Restaurant in Lumberton at 8 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

Year's Reign Near Completion
Cathy Locklear

After a year of extensive travel, appearances and performances, Miss Lumbee, Brenda Hunt finally experienced the climax of her reign; competing in the Miss North Carolina Pageant.

Brenda returned Sunday afternoon after a week stay with forty-nine other contestants at Salem Academy in Winston Salem.

"It seemed like such a short time ago that I was crowned Miss Lumbee," she said, "and it was during my week of competing that I realized just how much one must pack into the time she has between being crowned in a preliminary pageant to the time you compete for Miss North Carolina," she added.

It is Brenda's feelings that she learned a great deal about herself through the other contestants. "The amount of exposure and training many of the other girls had showed me many ways that could help myself," she said. "But," she went on, "I never once wanted to change anything about my number. I was satisfied with it because it was right and good for me."

Though she did not win the title of Miss N.C., Brenda feels that the week was more than worth it, that winning new friends, new ideas, experiencing new emotions, and growing to a new awareness of herself and others was as important or even more important than winning the title of Miss N.C.

"Winning is important to everyone, no matter what the prize, and to me I was a winner, just as all the girls were," she said.

The support of her family and Lumbee Regional Development Association played a major part in Brenda's outlook on the outcome of the pageant. "To know that they were all rooting for me, to hear their applause when I walked on stage, when I performed my talent number ('What I Did For Love'), and to know that they would not be disappointed, but pleased, as long as I did my best, these things kept me going, kept me fighting to make a proud people, be proud of me," she said.

As far as future competitions, Brenda feels that her time will come for those, that she is still young and has plenty of time to grow, and that she will enter another preliminary pageant in the next couple of years. "But when I do," she said, "no matter what pageant I enter, I know in my heart that it will be a step down compared to the title I now hold, for no other pageant compares to the Miss Lumbee and I honestly feel that Miss Lumbee gets the next amount of support as Miss N.C. It is the support and guidance of people like my chaperone, Florence Ransom, people at LRDA, and people like the Pembroke Jaycees, that makes a girl want to do her best."

FORMER PSU STUDENT NAMED STATION MANAGER IN WALLACE

PEMBROKE--Bob Townsend, a '69 graduate of Lumberton High School who attended Pembroke State University while training for a career in television and radio, has been named manager of radio station WLSE in Wallace.

Townsend was sports director of WECT-TV, Channel 6, in Wilmington from 1971-75 and was WECT-TV regional news editor from 1975-77. He then joined WGNI radio in Wilmington as an account executive and later became manager of operations for WHSL radio in Wilmington. It was from this post that he went to WLSE radio in Wallace.

Although an outstanding sportscaster and newscaster on television, Townsend, 26, says he prefers working in radio.

"In television the deadlines are much tighter," he said.

Townsend has not left television entirely. He will continue to do commercial spots regularly for an automobile dealership in Robeson County.

Born in Richmond, Townsend grew up in Robeson County where as a high school student he began working in radio with WBYB in St. Pauls. While still in high school he also worked for WFMO radio in Fairmont where he remained for two years after graduating from high school.

Townsend and his wife Rosalind have two daughters, Tracy, 5, and Rae, 2. The Townsend family currently resides at Wrightsville Beach, but will be moving to Wallace this summer.

1,069 ATTENDING FIRST SESSION OF PSU'S SUMMER SCHOOL

PEMBROKE--A total of 1,069 students are attending classes during the first session of Pembroke State University's summer school.

These include regular students, those attending evening classes through the Continuing Education Division, those in the intra-session especially designed for public school teachers, and students in the College Opportunity Program.

The number is 112 fewer than last year's first session attendance when 1,181 attended.

PSU's record summer school session was in 1975 when 1,402 attended the first session, and 1,090 attended the second session.

Pembroke State University has had over 1,000 in the first session of its summer school every year since 1965.

REV. C.M. CUMMINGS RETURNS TO ISLAND GROVE CHURCH

Island Grove Baptist Church is happy to announce the return of their pastor, Rev. C.M. Cummings, to the pulpit June 25, during the morning worship hour. This will be the pastor's first message after several months of illness. Lunch will be served following the morning service. Sunday School begins at 9:30 and morning worship is at 10:30. The church invites everyone to come and share their joy.

REVIVAL BEGINS AT HOPEWELL

Revival services begin at Hopewell Methodist Church on June 25, 1978 and will run through June 30. Speakers will be Rev. Willie Scott, Jr. and Rev. Samuel Wynn. Special music will be provided each night by various choirs. Services begin at 7:30 p.m. Sunday night and at 8:00 p.m. the following nights. The pastor, Rev. James L. Woods, extends a cordial invitation to the public to attend these services.