

# EDITORIAL AND OPINION PAGE

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



### Some thoughts on The Indian Museum of the Carolinas

### New PSU Faculty

### ACCORDING TO SCRIPTURE

EVANGELIST TED BROOKS

#### AS I SEE IT

Bruce Barton



### Reader sees Lumber River as Nature Spot

Dear Sir: take his fancy boat to the beach and leave some of nature alone. We are owners of the River View Bait Shop on Route 2, Maxton. We love Lumber River and make our living by selling bait on the banks of the river. Let Mr. rich Bill Kebort

Katie Lee Barton  
Bracy Jones, Jr.  
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People.

About 6 months ago I was informed by a co-worker that the Indian Museum of the Carolinas, located in Laurinburg, North Carolina, had on display the skeletal remains of some of our Indian ancestors. Needless to say, I was infuriated. I thought to myself, "There is nothing in the Creation to match the arrogance and audacity of our white neighbors." But then I realized that it was an archaeologist who was responsible for this, and my surprise diminished, only to be replaced with controlled anger. Controlled because archaeologists must be approached with caution and not emotion warped anger. Let the attacker himself be studied, catalogued and excavated into oblivion, a demise that is surely as bad as any yet known to man.

I immediately wrote a demanding letter, reminding Dr. David McLean of the manner in which the Indian people of the area had joined together and had the Indian bones that were on display at Town Creek Mound removed. I said a few other things also, but they would not necessarily make for good family reading. I subsequently visited his museum and had quite a discussion with him. He informed me that there was absolutely nothing wrong with the display, and that my vehement distaste for it stemmed from a white ideology. I stated that I had not come to cackle about ideologies or religions, I had come to see the bones removed, for this form of archaeological arrogance was no longer to be tolerated. After a time I realized that it was quite impossible for me to convince him that what he was doing was indeed sacrilegious, so I suggested a compromise. I stated that medical schools

and suppliers have plastic bones that can be purchased and that they would serve his purpose just as well, which in essence is to show the manner in which our people were buried, and with the purchase of the imitation bones, he would be relieved to know that the crusade I was about to instigate against his museum would be avoided also. At this point he realized that my idea was not so bad after all.

I visited the museum about a month later and nothing had changed. I was disappointed, but he assured me that it was just a matter of time. I could understand that, so I allowed him some additional time.

I returned home a few weeks later and went to the museum for what was to be my last peaceful visit. I was pleased not to see the bones, or even the imitations for that matter. As Dr. McLean was not there, I was not able to discover what had become of the remains, though I will check at a later date.

Even though I was unfortunately not able to sensitize Dr. McLean to the reasoning behind my desire to have the bones removed, I am now convinced that with tactful pressure, even the staunchest archaeologist will compromise.

In conclusion, with the exception of this instance, and the wording under an Iroquois False Face Mask, the Indian Museum of the Carolinas is a very good museum and now I too will be an advocate for its continuance and growth, and urge all Indians to visit it and learn more about their history.

In beauty & balance,  
Karonhiawakon  
David Wilkins

### A letter from 16-Member Council Board

We are organizing for Federal Recognition as Congress requested us to do for Federal Recognition. We do exist as an Indian tribe. The historical facts are coming to light and we do have proof that we can go back to 1710. It is time to face the facts that this tribe does exist as an Indian tribe as Congress of the United States has submitted today. And we do have an Act of Congress of 1888. As the House of Representatives is fixing to

make it a fully established tribe by law. Just in a couple of months we will receive federal recognition as an existing tribe. All of you who are receiving letters from the federal government are urged to come to Hodgkin Dial's Building on the Old Maxton Road on Friday nights.

The 16-Member Council Board

### Community Watch Program Planned

Dear Fellow Citizens:

Interested citizens in the Pembroke area are in the process of forming a Community Watch Program. The purpose of the Community Watch is to make us aware of the steps we can take to make our homes more secure against burglary, to show us how neighbors can help each other protect our entire neighborhood and to make our local law enforcement agency more effective in its fight against crime through our involvement and participation.

There will be an informative Community Watch meeting at 7:30 p.m. Sept. 14, 1978 at the Mayor Manor meeting room. I would like to invite all citizens interested in Community Watch to attend. There will be a representative from the Governor's Office of Citizen Affairs present to explain how Community Watch operates.

Hope to see you there!  
Sincerely yours,  
Vernon Oxendine, Chief of Police, Pembroke, NC



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PEMBROKE — New faculty members will receive their orientation Friday, Aug. 25, as the first step to beginning the new academic year at Pembroke State University. Their orientation will begin at 9 a.m. in the Board Room in Sampson Hall Administration Building. This will kick off a series of certain-raising event pertinent to the beginning of the fall semester.

On Sunday, Aug. 27, university dormitories will be open from 1-5 p.m. for freshmen and transfer students. Upperclassmen can also come in that Sunday.

On Sunday evening beginning at 6 p.m., Dr. English E. Jones, beginning his final year as chancellor of the university, will host the department chairpersons for their annual pre-school dinner in the chancellor's Dining Room at the university cafeteria.

Orientation for freshman and transfer students is scheduled at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 28, in the PSU Performing Arts Center. Dr. Jones will welcome the students, and there will be briefings by other department personnel.

At 10 a.m. on that Monday, Dr. Jones will meet with the entire PSU faculty in Moore Hall Auditorium for their annual pre-school assembly. This will also be an emotional event for him because he usually gives a "state of the university" address at this meeting. It will be his last such talk.

Student registration is Wednesday and Thursday, Aug. 30-31, from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Auxiliary Gymnasium of the Jones Health and Physical Education Center. On Aug. 30 upperclassmen register. On Aug. 31 registration will be held for freshmen, transfer students and readmissions.

Continuing Education Division (CED) students will register Tuesday, Aug. 29, beginning at 7 p.m. until 8:30 p.m. in Sampson Hall Administration Building.

A series of special treats for the students have been arranged by the Office of Student Affairs. A wiener roast is scheduled at 5 p.m. Monday, Aug. 28, in the university quadrangle with a disco set in the evening at 8:30 p.m. in the Lowry Student Center. A free ice cream event is on tap from 1-3 p.m. Tuesday, Aug. 29, in front of the PSU Student Center, sponsored by the Office of Campus Ministry. A dance will be held Thursday, Aug. 31, beginning at 8 p.m. in the Lowry Student Center.

Classes begin Friday, Sept. 1, but students will have a long weekend that first weekend with the Labor Day holiday Monday, Sept. 4.

### Top Ten Country

Best-selling Country-Western records of the week based on Cashbox Magazine's nationwide survey:

1. "Talking in Your Sleep," Crystal Gayle
2. "You Needed Me," Anne Murray
3. "When I Stop Leaving," Charley Pride
4. "We Belong Together," Susie Allanson
5. "Rake and Ramblin' Man," Don Williams
6. "From Seven Till Ten," Lynn & Twitty
7. "Rose Colored Glasses," John Conlee
8. "Boogie Grass Band," Conway Twitty
9. "I'll Find It Where I Can," Jerry Lee Lewis
10. "You Don't Love Me Anymore," Eddie Rabbitt

GOD IS OUR REFUGE AND STRENGTH  
And when the south wind blew softly opposing that they had obtained their purpose, losing from there, they sailed close by Crete. Acts 27:13.

People are much the same today as they were when Paul preached the word here in the Book of Acts, the 27th chapter. If you read closely, Paul warned these people (Julius) that there would be a loss with injury and much damage not only of the cargo and ship, but also their lives. Verse 10.

But the people had only one thought in mind and it was hate. Paul was to be punished. They thought once they got Paul before Caesar that Paul's ministry would be over. But my friend, the enemy was blind. God had already spoken to Paul and told him to be of good cheer. He said, Paul, for as thou hast testified of me in Jerusalem, so must thou bear witness also at Rome. Acts 23:11.

Men had already taken an oath to kill Paul. They were not to eat or drink until Paul was dead. Acts 23:12. Did you know that there are people today who have taken an oath to kill and destroy God's followers? Do you know there are people today who call themselves professing Christians who are set by Satan to hinder the word of God? You say, brother, where are they? They're sitting in the church. Where else? Satan doesn't worry about a beer joint or a bar. He knows eventually they destroy one another. But the church is what Jesus said would stand. Jesus told Peter all the devils in hell would not prevail over his church. And ever since then, Satan has been busy trying to make God out a liar. When Jesus preached that the kingdom of heaven was at hand and that Christians would sell all they had to enter, Jesus referred to it as a treasure hidden in a field. But while the Christian slept, his enemy came and sowed tares among the wheat. And went his way. Matthew 13:25. And now you wonder why people in the church don't heed God's word. Amen. Come on say amen. This is the word. Paul preached and warned the people that there would be a loss of cargo and the ship and also of lives. Acts 27:10.

Do you believe God? Do you take him for his word? Then you are in the arms of love. David said in Psalms 46:2 therefore, I will not fear, though the earth be removed and the mountain be carried into the midst of the sea. David said we are people like a tree planted by the waters. We shall not be moved.

So, let's say together: Devil, I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth. I claim victory in Jesus Christ my Lord. I refuse to be moved by your winds and by your false doctrines. I believe God. To those who refuse to serve Jesus Christ, I am speaking to sinners who have never confessed. Jesus said come unto me all ye that labour and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. Take my yoke unto you and learn of me for I am meek and lowly in heart and ye shall find rest unto your soul. Matthew 11:28-30.

You see, when the end of your journey comes, you can say I have lived for Christ. So now to die is gain. And to not live for Jesus will be damnation to the soul. It will be horrible to live in an outer darkness. I am not trying to scare you into God's kingdom. I am saying this to all people whether they be Black, White, Red or Yellow, short, tall, thin, skinny or fat, every man will receive his reward and it will be according to his works. Revelation 13:14. Even so faith, if it hath not works, is dead being alone. James 2:17.

Yours in Christ.

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#### Influential Citizen

An automobile accident has brought a sudden end to the career of Harry West Locklear, a prominent citizen long active in public affairs. A businessman and farmer, Locklear also had held positions of responsibility in his home town and county as chief of the Pembroke Fire Department, president of the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce, member of the Robeson County Board of Education, and member of the board of trustees of Pembroke State University. Locklear grew up at a time when cooperation and industry were recognized as contributing to the development of the cotton race in this area, and he did his share along these traditional lines. He became involved with the school system, the university, in business and political structures of the county in later years. He was active in many organizations, and contributed his services to institutions and organizations with which he was associated. As an active citizen successful in the conduct of his own affairs, Locklear was regarded as an outstanding representative of his race. His accomplishments related to that of a man with broad sympathies in working with people — his own, and members of other races in this area. He came to be known as a steady influence in times of crisis. In a different world now, in many respects, think to one in which Locklear grew up. He was able to cope with it as it was, and take part in many of the things which came about. He was a man to be reckoned with in Robeson County throughout several decades of transition in which he held to the center he had set.



This editorial appeared in The Robesonian following his untimely death. Mr. Locklear was an influential citizen.

#### Reader wishes to Correspond

We heard from Mr. James E. Hammonds this week. He lists his address as R.D. 3, Box 3333, Hagerstown, Maryland 21740.

Mr. Hammonds is in prison. He is serving a sentence of 20 years and has been in prison for more than three years.

Mr. Hammonds said in his letter, "I'd like to correspond with someone. Would you please publish my address or if there is a correspondence list please place my name on it."

Prison is a lonely place. Mr. Hammonds, who said in his letter he attended Fairgrove School, write, "I'll go up for parole February of next year. Hopefully something will work out good for me...it really would be a joyful thing to be back home again. I also want to get into the flowing stream of making Carolina a better place for the Indian way of life."

Mr. Hammonds' address is as follows:  
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