



THE CAROLINA INDIAN VOICE

Dedicated to the best in all of us



VOLUME 6 NUMBER 41

PEMBROKE, N.C.

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12, 1978

15¢ PER COPY

FOUR DIRECTORS TO BE ELECTED AT L.R.E.M.C.'s 38TH ANNUAL MEETING

Red Springs--Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation will hold its 38th Annual Meeting of Members, Tuesday, October 17, at Pembroke State University's Performing Arts Center in Pembroke, NC.

Member registration for the meeting will begin at 6 p.m., and the business session will begin at 7 p.m. with a financial report and the election of four directors to serve three-year terms on the cooperative's 12-member board of directors.

Incumbent directors Bradford Oxendine of Route 4, Lumberton; Harold Dean Brewer of Route 1, Red Springs; Frank Jacobs, Jr., of Maxton; and Rev. Elias Rogers of Route 1, Red Springs, have been nominated by the Nominating Committee as candidates for re-election to the board, and nine members of the cooperative have been nominated by petition.

At large director and board president Elias Rogers is being opposed by Robert A. Fairley, Sr. of Maxton; Rev. Grover Oxendine of Route 1, Pembroke; and Hamer Lee Oxendine of Route 2, Maxton. Bradford Oxendine, who represents LREMC member-consumers in the Back Swamp, Smyrna, Britts, Wisharts, Raft Swamp, and Lumberton areas served by the cooperative, is being opposed by James B. Hunt of Route 3, Lumberton, and Leroy Hardin of Route 6, Lumberton. Harold Brewer, LREMC director representing all of Hoke County west of NC Highway 211, is running against Charlie Pendergrass of Route 3, Raeford; Rev. H.E. Edwards of Maxton; and Herbert Amaral of Route 3, Red Springs; and Scotland County director Frank Jacobs, Jr. is running against Mrs. Marcia Lowery of Route 3, Laurinburg.

There will be numerous attendance prizes given away to members registered for the annual meeting, including a grand attendance prize of a \$300 credit on power bills, and entertainment will be provided by the D and L Gospel Singers of Pembroke.

The cooperative's Red Springs, Fayetteville, and Fairmont offices will close at 2 p.m. on the day of the annual meeting.

Odum Home became a part of the Baptist Children's Homes in 1958, but the continued support and input of the Indian community has continued to be sought.

"When the home became part of the Children's Homes, I think a lot of the local people began to feel they weren't as important because the home was no longer locally-based," offered Odum Home resident director Larry Sawyer. "But they have now found that that's not true."

Sawyer said the agency felt it needed to memorialize what the Indian people did for Odum Home.

"A lot has to be said for the people who put forth the effort to keep it going in the early years," he said. "A lot of people gave in a sacrificial way, and the people used a lot of their own ingenuity. It is in tribute to these people that the cottage has been built."

The cottage is the third to be built on the campus, which also has administrative offices, a new recreation building, a new staff residence and stables. Odum Home serves children from a nine-county area, including Bladen, Brunswick, Columbus, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Robeson, Sampson and Scotland counties. The agency plans to build two more cottages on the campus.

The planning and construction of the Indian Memorial Cottage has been a joint effort of the Indian community and the Children's Homes, an agency of the Baptist State Convention. That "teamwork" will also be in evidence again during Thursday's dedication ceremony.

Baptist Children's Homes president Dr. W.R. Wagoner will give a special address during the association's morning meeting, and will then present an overview of the agency's work during the dedication ceremony, which begins at 1:30 p.m.

Earl Haynes of Kinston, associate director of development for the Children's Homes, and Sawyer will present "Odum Home Update, 1941-1978" and eastern area administrator Roger E. Williams Jr. of Kinston will provide Scripture reading and prayer.

Welton Lowry, moderator of the Burnt Swamp Association, will give the welcome and introductions, and recognition of the steering committee will be by Dr. Jones. The dedication sermon will be delivered by Tony E. Brewington, the association's director of missions. Brenda Hunt, a lovely former "Miss Lumbee" will provide special music and Rev. C.E. Locklear will give the dedication prayer.

Those in attendance will move to the front of the Indian Memorial Cottage, where Dr. Jones, a former trustee of the Children's Homes, will make a formal presentation of the cottage to Dr. William Brown of Gastonia, present chairman of the agency's board of trustees. Dr. Brown will give an acceptance speech and respond to close the ceremony.

The ceremony will, in some ways, indicate the crowning act of an ambitious project. But it will also be the beginning of a thriving memorial which will be the day-to-day home for children desperately needing "a place to call home."

Cottage to Memorialize Indians



Indian Memorial Cottage

PEMBROKE--A very special cottage for 12 children from southeastern North Carolina will be dedicated today, October 12 in Pembroke.

On that day, the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association will hold the first day of its two-day annual meeting at Odum Home, the Pembroke campus of the Baptist Children's Homes of North Carolina.

During the afternoon session will be the long-anticipated formal dedication

of the Indian Memorial Cottage, a cottage paid for by over \$100,000 in donations, mostly from Indians in the Robeson County area, and built with a significant amount of free Indian labor and supervision.

Attending will be delegates elected by each church in the association, which includes churches in Robeson and surrounding counties, and visitors and friends from all over eastern North Carolina.

The cottage is to serve as a memorial to the Indians who started Odum Home in 1942 and kept it going during its early years despite many hardships.

"The cottage is really in memory and honor of those who worked to keep Odum Home alive when it seemed that there was no hope," explained Dr. English E. Jones, a native Robeson County Indian who is chancellor of Pembroke State University and chairman of the steering committee which pioneered the project.

Bids For Re-Election



Frank Jacobs

Today Frank Jacobs announced his intention to seek a second term as a member of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation's Board of Directors.

Jacobs, a steel erection subcontractor, resides at Route 2, Maxton with his wife Pauline and his 4 children--Joyce, Gary, Paula and Curly. He feels that being self-employed is an advantage in that he has the time needed to donate to his duties as a member of the board of directors.

In announcing his decision to seek a second term, Jacobs wishes to announce that he will not make an empty promise to reduce members' electric rates. "As long as wholesale power rates, from Carolina Power and Light, are high and management and material costs rise, electric rates cannot be lowered. If I am re-elected I will continue to strive to hold the line on rising expenses and costs. I promise to work to furnish adequate electricity at the most reasonable rates possible."

During his first term as a director Jacobs has attended many seminars and workshops for directors. Jacobs feels that these seminars are most important in educating the directors to their duties and responsibilities.

The annual meeting will be held at PSU's Performing Arts Center on October 17th.

Said Jacobs, "I sincerely ask for your vote and support. It is your co-op. I hope you will attend the annual meeting and exercise your right to vote."

Vys For Seat

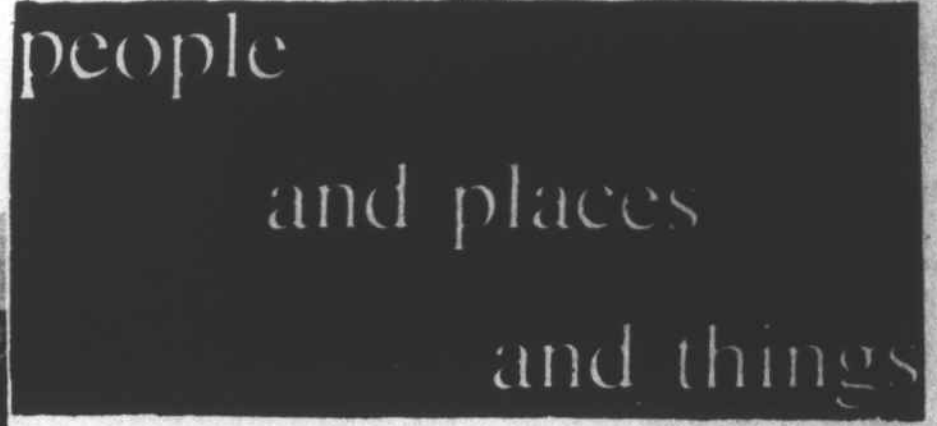


Marcia Lowery

Marcia Lowery has filed for a seat on the board of directors of Lumbee River Electric Membership Co-op. She, her husband, Walter Martin, and their two sons, live near Laurinburg. She is employed by Abbott Laboratories in the Production Control Department. Mrs. Lowery is a member of Gray Pond Baptist Church.

Marcia will be contesting for a seat from Area 9. The incumbent representing that area is Frank Jacobs, Jr.

Said Mrs. Lowery: "I would like to ask you for your support in the upcoming election of the Board of Directors of LREMC. I would like to work toward a better understanding between the coop and members. In order to reach this goal, I need your vote on October 17th at Pembroke State University's Performing Arts Center."



NEW PROSPECT PLANS HOMECOMING

New Prospect Methodist Church announces homecoming plans. The special day is scheduled for October 22, 1978.

Regular morning worship will be held with a special singing service in the afternoon.

Lunch will be served following morning services.

A very special invitation is extended to former pastors and members. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Pastor is Rev. Willie Scott.

Too, revival services begin October 15th with services beginning at 7 p.m. on Sunday and 7:30 nightly throughout the week. Please make plans to share the revival with New Prospect.

Speakers are Rev. Roy Clark and Rev. Steve Locklear.

PEMBROKE SENIOR HIGH HOMECOMING

Pembroke Senior High will observe homecoming activities October 9-13. Various events are planned throughout the week to involve the school and community in the celebration culminating with the Homecoming Parade and Homecoming Game of Friday night.

A most important feature of homecoming is the selection of a Homecoming Queen. This year there are eighteen young ladies trying for the title. They are Wynne Maynor, Belinda Chavis, Denise Cummings, Patricia Dunn, Priscilla Jacobs, Miranda Woodell, Alisia Strickland, Sara Strickland, Rhonda Locklear, Erlene Deese, Karen Deese, Joannie Maynor, Ginger Locklear, Brenda Watson, Vanessa Smoak, Cassandra Locklear, Bobbie Jones, and Sherrie Lowry. These girls will run until October 9th. At that time 4 finalists will be chosen. The winner will be announced during halftime Friday night.

Other activities planned for the week include School Colors Day, Fifties Day, Pied Piper Day, a pep rally, and the Homecoming Dance on Friday night.

Everyone is invited to join in the activities and support the Warriors.

Dinner will be served in the cafeteria from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m., Friday night. Price \$2.50. Please make plans to attend and "Let's boost the Warriors."

PEMBROKE ELEMENTARY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE, OCTOBER 16TH

A Parents Night Open House, "Meet the Teachers" will be observed at Pembroke Elementary School, Monday evening, October 16, 7-9 p.m. according to Principal, James C. Dial.

Parents will be free to go to individual classrooms to discuss the school's curriculum with the teachers and to observe students' work. All teachers will remain in their classrooms to give every parent an opportunity to discuss their child's work.

All parents and patrons of the school are cordially invited and urged to attend.

Refreshments will be served in the school lobby.

PEMBROKE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE MEETS TONIGHT

The Pembroke Chamber of Commerce will meet Thursday (tonight) night, October 12, at 7:30 p.m. at the Town Hall.

Your attendance will be appreciated.

PEMBROKE WHITEWASHED

Cerro Gerdo--West Columbus, led by the scoring of Donnell Nixon and James Martin shut-out Pembroke here Friday night 28-0 in conference football play.

Nixon scored in the first quarter on a fifty yard punt return, then scored again in the second period on a thirty yard run.

The extra points were good following both touchdowns.

West Columbus could not score in the third period, but in the fourth quarter exploded under the leadership of James Martin as he ran 81 yards for a touchdown and later caught a ten year pass from Mitch McCleney.

West Columbus piled up 162 yards rushing while Pembroke had 85 yards.

West Columbus had 52 yards passing and Pembroke's Warriors had 112 yards.

West Columbus 7 7 0 14-28
Pembroke 0 0 0 0-0

ROWLAND COBRAS 22 PROSPECT CATS

Rowland--The Rowland Cobras remained in Cape Fear title contention with a 22-6 win over the Prospect Cats Friday night. Leading the Cobras to the win was Butchie Blue with 45 yards before being removed at halftime with a bruised leg.

Prospect's lone score came in the fourth quarter when Dwayne Jones scored on a fine yard run. Jones also led the Cats in rushing gathering a total of 48 yards.

Rowland's title hopes are on the line next Friday when they travel to Clarkton for a game with the defending Cape Fear champions Clarkton.

Rowland 00 8 14 0-22
Prospect 0 0 0 6-6

LITERACY SUNDAY MARKED

Literacy Sunday was marked by a program from two to five o'clock on Sunday afternoon, presented by four agencies concerned with fighting illiteracy in Robeson County. The four organizations include: Robeson Technical Institute, Robeson County Church and Community Center, Robeson County Public Library and Lumbee Regional Development Association.

Marking the day, Slim Mims turned advocate of education and in a homey fashion spoke earnestly for more interest in reading and the promotion of reading. Slim later returned to form and put on a monologue in the character of Uncle Ugly.

Bill Cadle, Robeson County Public Library, introduced various numbers and individuals.

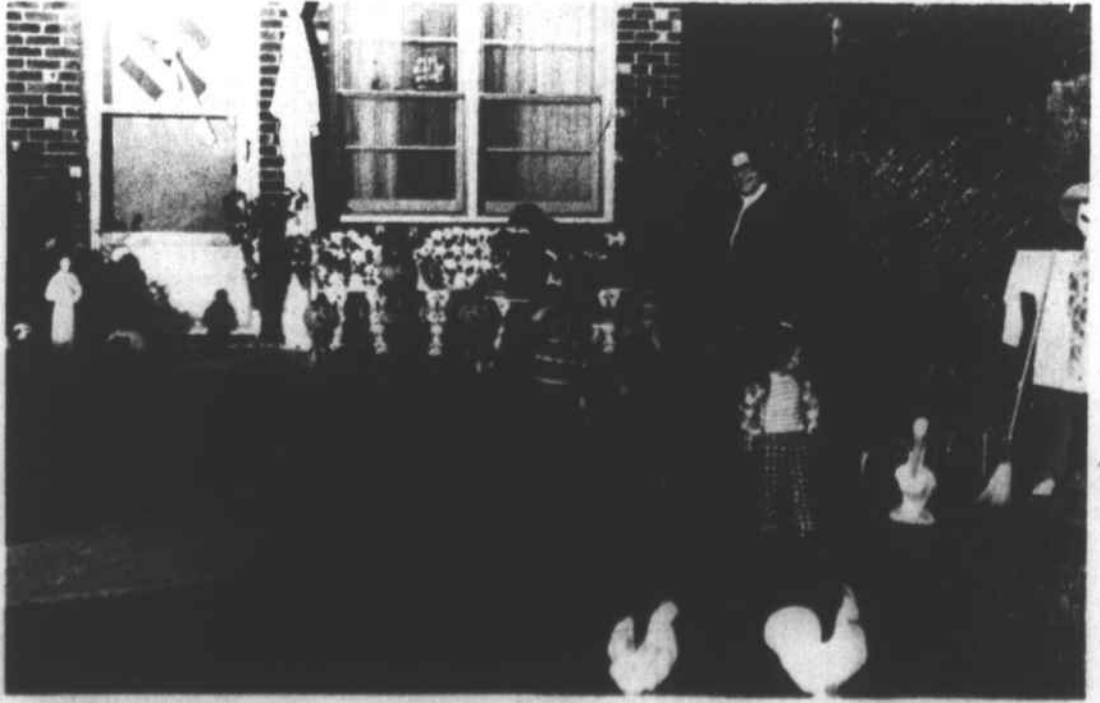
Included on the program at the Livestock Arena of the Jaycee Fairgrounds were Joe Dixon, of the Lumberton Jaycees, who started the afternoon going, Mary Frances Bridges with musical selections and the Rev. James Wood, Spencer Burleson, guitarist, who is artist-in-residence at RTI played a number of selections drawn from the classic and folk music.

Gene Lowry, the Free Will Baptist Chior and New Times Singers with musical presentations were interspersed with talks by Mrs. Annie Hubbard McEachern and closing remarks by the Rev. Charles McDowell.

On arrival, those in attendance registered and were informed of the opportunities for improving reading skills. The four sponsoring groups had literature that could be picked up and had posted sites where classes in literacy are being offered.

Refreshments were served during the afternoon.

Halloween Season Evident in Miz' Beulah's Yard



Pembroke--Halloween will soon be here, complete with pumpkins, goblins, midnight ramblers and the like.

One way of checking the seasons is to see what Miz' Beulah is doing in her yard. Usually her yard reflects the season. Here she is with her grandchildren and a visitor. They are ready for Halloween night, October 31.

Mrs. Wiley (Beulah) Jones loves to work in her yards. She has a green thumb. Landscaping her yard to fit the seasons is a particular joy of hers. Mr. and Mrs. Jones live off Highway 710, approximately 3 miles south of Pembroke. (Bruce Barton, photo)

Mrs. Wiley (Beulah) Jones loves to work in her yards. She has a green thumb. Landscaping her yard to fit the seasons is a particular joy of hers. Mr. and Mrs. Jones live off Highway 710, approximately 3 miles south of Pembroke. (Bruce Barton, photo)