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RODERICK G.

LOCKLEAR ANNOUNCES BID FOR PEMBROKE TOWN COUNCIL SEAT



Roderick G. Locklear

lives. "I'm concerned about people's livelihood and their well being, particularly our Senior Citizens who live on fixed incomes, and our other citizens as they are faced with rising prices," said he.

Locklear also said that he believes that Pembroke has an opportunity to reach its full potential as a town, and that his efforts, time and energies will be spent in that area also.

"We must have a strong unified town government, that represents and involves all its citizens, if we are to move forward, and remove the barriers to some of the critical issues and decisions we are and will be faced with, as we move into the decade of the 1980s," he stated.

Over the past fifteen years, Locklear has worked at the local, state and federal level in program operations and administration.

Locklear is Chairman of Lumbee Regional Development Association Board of Directors and is presently working with the N.C. Department of Administration, the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs.

Rod and his wife Ruth reside at 309 E. 4th Street in Pembroke. Their two sons attend school in Pembroke. The family church is Mt. Airy Baptist Church.

Locklear's entire work career has been oriented to the service of others. He has just been awarded the Distinguished Service Award at the 1979 Lumbee Homecoming.

Roderick G. Locklear, a resident of Pembroke, is seeking a seat on the Town Council of Pembroke in the November Elections.

Locklear, in making his announcement, stated that he will represent all of the citizens and that he will work and give of himself to enhance and improve the quality of life for the citizens of Pembroke.

He further indicated that he wants input from all the citizens, and that he will work toward more citizen participation in the affairs of the town government, and in decisions that are, and will be made, that will affect their

Seeks Seat on Lumberton City Council



Edward (Buck) Sampson

representative of all the people of West Lumberton and the city as a whole. I actively seek the support of the citizens of Precinct 7 to let me serve them as their representative on the Lumberton City Council for the next four years.

"I am a Korean War Veteran, a 1958 graduate of Pembroke State University, and have had graduate work in the field of Public Administration at North Carolina State University.

"I was formerly a teacher with the Robeson County Board of Education, a social worker with the Robeson County Department of Social Services and for the past 12 years have been employed by the North Carolina Department of Corrections as a Probation/ Parole Officer II.

"My work experience has been working with people and I have seen much human need and suffering) because of these experiences, I feel I am qualified to know problems of people first hand. One of the basic needs of people is better housing and I feel much has been accomplished in this area but, I see much need still exists and am a strong supporter of better housing even though it will come about mostly through Federal Aid. I feel that if the City of Lumberton does not receive its fair share we, the taxpayers, will be paying for better housing in other areas of our great country. Many of the citizens live on fixed incomes and cannot afford to bring about repairs needed at this time but deserve to live in a comfortable and decent home. I will work to this end.

"I am presently a member, deacon, and adult teacher at West End Baptist Church in Lumberton and presently serve as 2nd Vice-Moderator of the Burnt Swamp Association.

"I am married to the former Shirley Locklear and we are the parents of two children and two grandchildren and reside at 2903 Anne Street, Lumberton.

"I see much need of improvements in the field of sanitation, streets, and recreation. We could solve the problem of insects and mosquito control through better drainage. I would certainly seek such improvements and feel that these improvements could be accomplished without an increase in taxes but with efficient operation of city government.

"My campaign will be conducted with honesty, decency, and truthfulness."

Edward (Buck) Sampson has filed for a seat on the Lumberton City Council for Precinct 7. In making his announcement Mr. Sampson released the following statement:
"I have filed as a candidate for the office of City Council for Precinct 7, the West Lumberton area.
"I have been a resident of West Lumberton for the past 15 years. During this time I have seen many improvements come about, but the improvements and accomplishments of the past fall far short of the needs of the total community of today and in the future.

Observance of National Indian Day Approved by LRDA Board of Directors

The Board of Directors of Lumbee Regional Development Association approved the observance of American Indian Day, the fourth Friday in September, in their meeting held Monday night. The Board acted to grant the LRDA staff a paid holiday on September 28 and to push for observing American Indian Day across the state.

The actions were made following a presentation by Ed Chavis, LRDA agency planner. Chavis noted that there are many precedents for the observance of American Indian Day in September. Many local Lumbee churches have harvest days in September. The Eastern Band of Cherokees of Cherokee, NC have a fall festival at this time of the year.

Chavis noted that the holiday would give LRDA employees a compensation for the extra hours they spent in the planning and carrying out of Lumbee Homecoming activities. He noted that LRDA employees often are involved in agency functions that go well beyond the eight hour working day.

Betty Oxendine Mangum, Director of Indian ducation for the NC State Department of Public Instruction, gave strong support for the special holiday in a speech to the LRDA staff Monday morning. Mangum said that it is most appropriate that American Indians be honored for their special contributions to modern society. She explained that

numerous petitions and other legislation has been introduced in the U.S. Congress and that legislation is now pending in support of American Indian Day. Legislation is now before the Congress to observe American Indian Day or to authorize the U.S. President to proclaim such a day. Efforts will be made to encourage the N.C. Legislature to observe American Indian Day in North Carolina on the fourth Friday in September.

States which have an American Indian Day are Arizona, which observes this holiday on the last Friday in September; New Mexico, September 22; California, September 4th; Oklahoma, last weekend in September; Washington, the third week in September; South Dakota, June 25; Wisconsin, the last week in April, and Wyoming in July.

While past U.S. Presidents have observed American Indian Day, Lyndon B. Johnson is the most recent President to declare an American Indian Day. According to Vice-President Hubert Humphrey, the day was proclaimed due to the inquiry of a 12-year-old girl who wrote the President stating: "Abe Lincoln had a day, George Washington had a day, The White people had a day when they were freed from England, and the Blacks had a day when they were freed from the Whites." "Mr. President, why don't the Indians have a day?"

Oxendine Principal Appointed to Committee on Concerns of Blacks & Other Minorities of Color



Noah Woods

Noah Woods, Principal of Oxendine School, has recently been appointed to a three-year term on the Committee on Concerns of Blacks and other Minorities of Color of the National Association of Elementary School Principals. The Committee on Concerns of Blacks and other Minorities of Color was established to give a sizeable segment of NAESP membership an opportunity to be heard and involved in meaningful activities of the Association, the Committee will serve as an Advisory Committee to the NAESP Board of Directors and will study such matters as organizational bylaws, platform, resolutions and policy statements regarding minorities of color and recommend revisions and modifications so that they will be consonant with the goals of NAESP.

LREMC Plans Annual Meeting

RED SPRINGS, N.C.--Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation will hold its 39th Annual Meeting at Members, Wednesday, October 17, at Pembroke State University's Performing Arts Center.

The cooperative's nominating committee for the annual meeting met Thursday, September 6, and nominated incumbent directors for reelection to the 12-member board.

Ward Clark, Jr., of Route 3, Maxton; Alton V. Dudley of Route 4, Raeford; James H. Hammonds of Route 3, Lumberton; and John Paul Jones of Route 1, Lumberton, were nominated by the committee to be re-elected for three-year terms.

Clark, who represents LREMC member-owners in the Alfordville, Maxton,

Rowland, Thompson and Union areas, has served one term on the cooperative's board. Dudley, vice-president and representative for members in Hoke County east of N.C. Highway 211, will be seeking his third term on the board. Board secretary James H. Hammonds has served two terms, and represents members in the Lumber Bridge, Parkton, St. Pauls, East and West Howellsville and Saddle-tree areas. Jones, at large director, will be seeking his second term on the board.

These directors will be voted on by the membership at the annual meeting.

According to the bylaws of the corporation, petitions for nomination to the cooperative's board can be made over the signatures of 15 or more members. The deadline for nominations by petitions for

the 39th Annual Meeting of Members of Lumbee River EMC is September 22, 1979. Additional nominations may be made by members from the floor at the annual meeting.

John Paul Jones, the only incumbent being challenged, will face Mrs. Bertha Thomas from Fayetteville and Robert Hunt from the Pembroke area.

Now Appearing in The Carolina Indian Voice

P.S.U.'s Director of Public Affairs, Gene Warren, begins a column this week: P.S.U.'s Sportsman Gary Spitzer began a sports orientated feature last week.

We're honored to carry both columns; It's good for P.S.U. and the Carolina Indian Voice.....

JOIN THE GIRL SCOUTS

Girl Scout troops are organizing now for a year of fun-filled activities and learning experiences. Girls between the ages of 6-17 and adults of any age are welcome. To register, contact Anne Grantham in Lumberton at 738-2315 or call Pines of Carolina Girl Scout Council toll free at 1-800-662-7630.

2,000 INDIANS EXPECTED IN ALBUQUERQUE FOR ANNUAL NCAI MEET, OCT. 1-5

The 36th annual convention of the National Congress of American Indians is expected to draw some 2,000 Indians to Albuquerque, according to a report in the Pueblo News. The All Indian Pueblo Council is the host organization for the gathering which will have Interior Secretary Cecil Andrus, Secretary of Labor Ray Marshall and U.S. Representative Morris Udall, Chairman of the House Interior and Insular Affairs Committee, as featured speakers. The theme of this year's meeting is "A Challenge for the 80's: Political Unity." The conference will culminate the night of October 5 with a traditional Pueblo feast.

DEMOCRATIC EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE TO MEET

Robeson County Democratic Executive Committee will hold a breakfast meeting at the Red Carpet Inn, Lumberton on September 29, 1979 at 7:30 p.m. All executive committee members are urged to attend.

BIRTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. Venus W. Locklear announce the birth of a daughter, 9 lbs. 1/2oz., born September 25, 1979 at 4:05 p.m. at Southeastern General Hospital, Lumberton. Mrs. Locklear (Judith W.) is the correspondent to The Carolina Indian Voice and writes Saddle-tree on the Move. Congratulations, Mr. and Mrs. Locklear!

CENTRAL COMMITTEE PRAISES NEWS & OBSERVER AND CONGRESSIONAL CLUB

The N.C. Republican Party Central Committee has adopted a resolution commending the News & Observer and the N.C. Congressional Club for their efforts to expose the misuse of CETA job training funds by the Hunt Administration. The News & Observer has reported over \$1 million in CETA contracts have been awarded to three organizations controlled by AFL-CIO President Wilbur Hobby. The grants were made by Natural Resources Secretary Howard Lee and Labor Commissioner John Brooks. Brooks, Lee and Governor Jim Hunt received union backing in the 1976 elections. On Friday, Secretary Lee suspended the 7 contracts to Hobby's organizations.

Future Homemakers of America (FHA) Officers

The Future Homemakers of America at Prospect High School have elected their officers for the year of 1979-80. They are Maxine Locklear-President; Shirlene Locklear-Vice President; Kimberly Bryant-Secretary; Vicky Thompson-Treasurer; Trexette Oxendine-Reporter; Connie Locklear-Parliamentarian; Sharon Oxendine-Recreation Leader. Mrs. Mabel Cummings, Home Economics teacher and sponsor, works hard, along with the officers for the year. The group is looking forward to a wonderful year.

The Congressional Club has attempted to air a series of TV commercials, highlighting the facts uncovered by the News & Observer. The Club has also offered Governor Hunt equal time to reply. A text of the Central Committee resolution follows:

"We, the Central Committee of the North Carolina Republican Party, do hereby commend the News & Observer and the N.C. Congressional Club for their efforts to uncover the facts concerning the Hunt Administration's abuse and misuse of taxpayer's CETA funds."

Program Needs Community Support

ANNOUNCEMENT

A touch of opera will come to the R.B. Dean School on October 2, 1979 when the program OPERA CAN BE FUN! will be presented at 1:30 p.m.

The program is sponsored by the Cultural Arts Division of the Department of Public Instruction and is presented at no cost to the school. The production is produced by the A.J. Fletcher Education and Opera Foundation, Inc. and is designed to introduce opera as an art form to the students.

The Community Food and Nutrition Program, a component of Lumbee Regional Development Association, has provided emergency food to needy families in Robeson County for the past five years. Due to a governmental cut-back in funding, they will be unable to continue this program without assistance from the public. They are asking the community to donate can foods, lima beans, peanut butter, pinto beans, jelly, etc.

The Community Food and Nutrition Program has provided assistance to hundreds of people, young and old, during the past years. These families would have gone hungry without the assistance of C.F.N.P.

They would appreciate any assistance you may offer. The people to contact for more information concerning your contribution to this project are:

- Naomi Hardin - Lumberton area
- Louise Hunt - Fairmont area
- Barbara Barton - Pembroke area
- Patsy Locklear - Maxton area

Call 521-2401.