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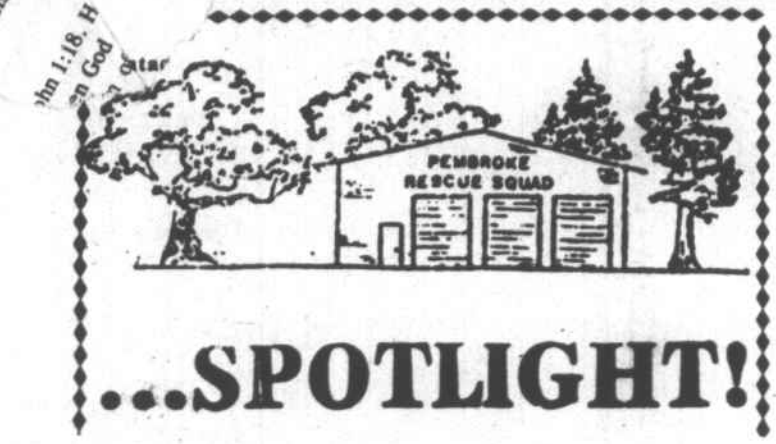
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...SPOTLIGHT!

EDITOR'S NOTE: As a public service and in recognition of the stellar service provided by the completely volunteer Pembroke Rescue Squad, the Carolina Indian Voice continues this week the

public relations campaign to let you know what the Pembroke Rescue Squad is doing to make our community a better place to live in.

Pembroke Rescue Squad announces Open House. Activities begin on Friday night, Nov. 28th with a Gospel Sing at Pembroke Middle School. There will be no admission charge. However, donations will be great appreciated. Your donations are tax deductible. Checks should be made to Pembroke Rescue Squad, Inc.

Saturday, Nov. 29th will be Open House at the Squad Building located on Union Chapel Road. The days activities will include a radio telethon, bake sale, yard sale and fish fry beginning at 9 a.m.

Sunday, Nov. 30th will be a blood pressure clinic along with a salute to Marvin Carter.

We are continuing this week with some biographical sketches of the members of Pembroke Rescue Squad.

SOME BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCHES...

BELTON McMILLIAN, JR.
Belton McMillian, Jr. is married to Linda Beasley. They have two children.

He is employed by Liberty Life Insurance as an agent. Belton is presently Chief of the Squad. He joined Pembroke Rescue Squad Oct. 23, 1978.

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PSU's First Annual Choral Festival

Saturday, Nov. 22, the first Annual High School Choral Festival will be conducted in PSU Performing Arts Center.

Twenty area high schools will be participating with approximately 80 students attending.

Dr. Lee Kjelson, Director of Choral Music from the University of Miami will be conducting the festival.

Lee Kjelson is presently Director of Choral Music and

Chairman of Music Education at the University of Miami School of Music in Coral Gables, Florida, conductor of the Chamber Singers and University Civic Choral, and a teacher of numerous choral music and music education classes.

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Dr. Lee Kjelson, conductor of the First Annual Choral Festival set for Saturday, Nov. 22 at the PSU Performing Arts Center.

S.E.G. Hospital Plans Addition

LUMBERTON — Officials at Southeastern General Hospital have approved plans for an \$8-million addition to the 27-year-old facility.

A new emergency room department, laboratory, X-ray department, and child delivery and nursery will be built in the parking lot of the present hospital, officials said Monday.

Hospital Administrator Donald Hiscott said, "We've been exploring for several months the possibility of building a diagnostic and treatment center."

The hospital's board of trustees decided last week to implement plans for the additions, he said.

"It will take about two years to build the buildings," Hiscott said. "It will in all probability be the summer three years from now (1983) before we are ready to open it," he said.

Along with the hospital addition, about 70 new employees will be added to the staff, Hiscott said. More than 700 people currently work for the hospital.

He said the hospital's board of trustees has not determined how the \$8 million will be raised to finance the project.

"We've got several alternatives. We just haven't decided yet," he said.

Part of the need for increasing the hospital's size is due to overcrowding.

Hiscott said the hospital's emergency room section, built in 1968, treated about 17,000 patients that year.

Last year the hospital at West 27th Street saw about 40,000 patients.

"We've outgrown the facilities so we are building a new department," Hiscott said.

"The two delivery rooms we have right now were opened in 1953 and really haven't changed much in the 27 years we have been in this building," the hospital administrator said.

PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

AREA METHODISTS TO ATTEND DISTRICT CONFERENCE

Robeson County United Methodists will travel to Laurel Hill Sunday, November 23, for the Rockingham District Conference. More than 300 church leaders are expected to attend the event at the Laurel Hill United Methodist Church at 3 p.m.

Featured speaker for the meeting is Bishop William R. Cannon, Raleigh, the bishop for United Methodists in Western North Carolina. Presiding for the conference will be the Rev. Dr. Joseph B. Bethea, Rockingham.

According to Bethea, the conference includes reports on work in the three county area in the past year and the approval of a budget for ministries in 1981. The Laurel Hill Church Choir will provide special music for the event.

Bishop Cannon is an internationally known leader in the Christian Church. He presided over the North Carolina Conference from 1969-72, and recently served for a four year term. The bishop is a noted authority on the life and works of John Wesley, the founder of the Methodist movement. He was a professor at Candler Theological Seminary for 25 years before he was elected a bishop in 1968.

Following the conference, the churches are sponsoring a reception for the bishop.

PEMBROKE JAYCEES PLAN CHRISTMAS PARADE

The Pembroke Jaycees are very excited and proud to be sponsoring the Annual Christmas Parade for the Town of Pembroke. They cordially invite the community to participate in the parade. The date is December 12th beginning at 10 a.m. For further information, please contact Gregory Cummings, Chairman of the project at 521-9761 or 521-2721.

PROSPECT LADIES AUXILIARY SPONSOR DANCE

The Prospect Ladies Auxiliary will sponsor a dance on Saturday night, November 22, 1980 at the Prospect School Gym. Admission will be \$1.00 and there is no age limit. Everyone is encouraged to attend. Proceeds will be used for the various Christmas projects planned by the club.

AISA TO SPONSOR DANCE

The American Indian Student Association of PSU will sponsor a dance November 22, 1980 at the Pembroke Jaycee Club House. The Teasers will be playing from 9 until. Price is \$2. Tickets may be purchased from any member of the AISA or you may pay at the door.

JUDGE BRITT TO REPLACE JUDGE MCKINNON

Judge Sam Britt, now a special superior court judge, will replace retiring Judge Henry McKinnon as resident Superior Court Judge of the 16th Judicial District. Judge Britt was named to the judicial post by Governor Jim Hunt.

OPEN HOUSE SLATED FOR HILLY BRANCH VOCATIONAL CENTER

On Monday, November 24, the Hilly Branch Vocational Center will be holding Open House for parents of students and for the community. The Center will be open from 7:00 p.m. until 9:00 p.m. Refreshments are to be served during the evening hours.

Instructors will have their class rooms and labs open and will welcome conferences related to parent concerns. Instructors will also welcome questions as they relate to facilities and equipment used in their program.

LYCOURUS LOWRY RE-ELECTED AS PRESIDENT OF FARM BUREAU

Lycourus Lowry was re-elected president at the recent annual meeting of the Robeson County Farm Bureau held at the O.P. Owens Agriculture Building. He was elected on a slate along with: Charles Davis and Wilton B. Kinlaw, vice presidents; and Beamon McLean as secretary-treasurer.

Named to the board of directors were James H. Adams, John David Blackmon, Isaac Brewer, Levi Chavis, Lacy Collins, Charles T. Davis, Wilton H. Kinlaw, Neil Archie Lee, Laoy Cummings, Samuel Locklear, Prentiss Lowry, Duncan Malloy, Charles B. Roberts, B.E. Sampson, W.C. Williford and Graham Smith.

The main address at the meeting was given by Elmer Burt, State Farm Bureau Secretary-Treasurer.

Lumbee Indians will sue to get free college tuition

By TOM HUNDLEY
Free Press Staff Writer

A recent ruling by the state's Commission on Indian Affairs denying tuition benefits to Lumbee Indians will be challenged by a class action suit in Macomb County Circuit Court, according to a lawyer for the plaintiffs.

The suit will be brought on behalf of three Detroit area students, who charge the commission's ruling is arbitrary and capricious and that it denies them due process.

A 1976 Michigan statute provides free tuition to persons who can show they are at least one-quarter North American Indian. Ancestry must be certified by the person's tribal association and verified by the Commission on Indian Affairs.

THE COMMISSION, however, voted last month not to recognize any certifications presented by the Lumbee's tribal association, based in Pembroke, N.C.

The reason for this, in part, is that the Lumbees are among the most fully assimilated of all North American Indian groups, and intermarried with both blacks and whites during the colonial period.

Although some federal agencies recognize the Lumbees as a bona fide tribal group, the federal government's Bureau of Indian Affairs has not officially recognized them, according to a bureau spokesman, because the tribe was never put on a reservation and, thus, never had a treaty with the United States.

MICHIGAN LAW does not require that a tribe be federally recognized in order for a person to be eligible for tuition benefits.

"It is our position that given the language of the Michigan statute, this tribal group should be recognized and should be given these benefits," said Robert McPartland, a Troy attorney who is representing the three Michigan students.

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An Accounting of the ... "Let's Send

Carnell Locklear to Hollywood!" Banquet

Receipts (including ticket sales and contributions).....	\$5001.02
Less Expenditures....	
Gas.....	\$36.60
Postage.....	\$56.96
To incorporate First American Showcase.....	\$20.00
Printing Corporation papers at Courthouse.....	\$6.00
Joe McGirt (for framing).....	\$90.32
For setting up and taking down banquet hall at Pembroke High.....	\$100.00
For printing (including tickets and programs).....	\$110.00
Eating (includes meals for 400).....	\$1604.26
To rent red table clothes, etc.....	\$71.76
Gift of money to Carnell Locklear.....	\$2,500.00
Telephone and Misc. expenses.....	\$150.00
Photographs.....	\$160.00
Service charge.....	\$115
Total: \$4907.05	
Total left in treasury of First American Showcase, Inc.....	\$93.97

*Does not include sundry promises of monies not received. All those still holding money from ticket sales ... please pay promptly. Please. And those still intending to contribute some monies to a worthy cause ... well, please hurry. It's accounting time. See you at the next project.

This fulfills our obligation to give a public accounting of our banquet to send Carnell to Hollywood.

Carnell is in Hollywood at the time of this printing. He is making the rounds and "doing fine" according to a recent telephone conversation with him.

Bruce Barton, temporary chairman
First American Showcase, Inc.
Post Office Box 1075
Pembroke, North Carolina 28372

Conference on Food Stamp Crisis called

On Friday, November 21, at eleven o'clock a.m. in the Robeson County Public Library auditorium the Robeson County Food Stamp Coalition will hold a press conference concerning the need for general satellite certification programs in Robeson County. 23.1 percent of all people in Robeson County receive food stamps and there is only one food stamp office in the entire county. An effort has been made by the Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Association to find an eligibility specialist to work in this program. The food stamp coalition strongly urges the county officials to support the Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers' offer.

The food stamp coalition is a network of community organizations, food stamp recipients, and concerned citizens responding to the needs of low-income people.

Speakers at the press conference will include representatives from the following organizations: Robeson County Black Caucus, Robeson County Church and Community Center, Lumbee Regional Development Association, Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned, NC Hunger Coalition, Migrant and Seasonal Farmworkers Association, Pembroke Community Workers, and the Robeson County Clergy Council.

We urge all press to attend this important press conference. For further information contact Max Lagerton at 521-3269 or Alice Mclean at 521-2831.