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## P.S.H.S. Fund Drive for Bus tops \$8,000

A small group met on Monday night at Pembroke Senior High Cafeteria relative to the fund drive for an Activity Bus. All of those present were pleasantly surprised to learn that the fund has now passed the \$8,000 mark. The project has drawn support from all areas of the school district.

On Saturday, April 11, 1981, from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. Fish Plates will be sold on the high school campus and everyone should come by and enjoy a fish lunch or dinner.

Also, the UNC Senior Basketball Players will be at Pembroke Senior High Gym to play a local group of boys on April 20, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. Admission will be \$3.00. Tickets may be purchased at Freeman's Sporting Goods in Pembroke, N.C. Tickets will also be available at Pembroke Senior High School and at the office of the *Carolina Indian Voice*. Come see the almost National Champions!

### Additional Contributors:

Pembroke Elementary School, \$100.  
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## PEMBROKE'S POSITION ON WATER AND SEWER RATES

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** This position paper was presented to the public Monday night at the regular Town Council meeting. We are presenting the statement in its entirety as a public service to the community we serve.

### PEMBROKE TOWN COUNCIL'S POSITION ON WATER & SEWER RATES

After an extensive study of the existing water and sewer rate structure of the Town of Pembroke, prompted by an examination of the fiscal requirements of the passage of the forthcoming bond issue, the Town Council of the Town of Pembroke has chosen to publicly adopt this statement of position on such rates for the information of our citizens. If the water and sewer bond issue is successful on April 27, 1981, the Town will require only an additional \$35,000 per year in order to retire these bonds. This small amount of required additional money can easily be generated by the implementation of a new water and sewer rate schedule at the beginning of the next fiscal year on July 1, 1981.

First and foremost the total water and sewer rate for any residential consumer within the Town limits will not be increased by the passage of the bond issue; no such household will be subjected to any such increase whatsoever. The necessary monies for the retirement of the water and sewer bonds can easily be obtained by changing the method of billing Pembroke Housing Authority and by increasing the rates of large volume and out-of-town users, most notably Pembroke State University.

In the past, each project of the housing authority was billed as an entity, without consideration to the number of units or households within such project; in other words, each such project was considered for billing purposes as a single user. Admittedly,

this practice resulted in more favorable treatment of the housing authority as compared to individual households within the Town. Under the new water and sewer rate structure which will go into effect on July 1, 1981, the housing authority, for billing purposes, will be considered just as any other residential user; that is, the number of units or households in each such project will be considered when calculating the amount of the water and sewer bill of the housing authority for each such project. Nevertheless, though the housing authority will no longer enjoy its former favored status, the water and sewer bills for each such project will continue to be billed to and paid by Pembroke Housing Authority. Under the applicable federal regulations, the rent of the residents of public housing is determined solely by the income of such residents while the housing authority through federal subsidy is responsible for the payment of the water and sewer charges for such projects; therefore, the rent or charges to any individual resident of public housing will not be affected any whatsoever by the new water and sewer rates.

Under G.S. 160A-314(a) the Town has the authority to vary water and sewer rates "according to classes of service, and different schedules may be adopted for services provided outside the corporate limits." Effective July 1, 1981 the Town will exercise this authority to increase the rates of extremely large volume and out-of-town users of water and sewer services provided by the Town. In the case of such out-of-town users, this increase is fully and easily justifiable as such users do not pay any town taxes whatsoever. With regard to the extremely large volume users, this increase is also so justifiable because of the disproportionate impact that

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## Larry T. Brooks appointed to Lumbee Bank Board



Larry T. Brooks

At the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Lumbee Bank, Larry T. Brooks of Pembroke was appointed to serve on the bank's Board of Directors.

Brooks is employed at Pembroke State University in their Department of Special Programs where he has served in various

capacities for the past five years.

He graduated from Pembroke State University in 1971 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Mathematics and Appalachian State University in 1976 with a Master of Arts Degree in Administration.

Having been very active in civic affairs for several years, he has held several offices in the Pembroke Jaycees including president and chairman of the Board and later served on the North Carolina Jaycees Executive Board. He is also a member of the Pembroke Town Council, the Robeson Historical Drama Association, the Pembroke Senior High Booster Club, the PSU Braves Club, the Board of Directors of Quick Finance, and currently serves as charter president of the Southern Coastal Plains Personnel and Guidance Association and vice-president of Pembroke State University's Alumni Association.

Brooks and his wife, the former Elizabeth Bell of Shannon, reside in Pembroke and are the proud parents of four children: Devy, 16; Lela Anne, 7; and twins, John Avery and Larry T. Brooks, II, 5.

## Robeson Commissioners voice support of LREMC

**RED SPRINGS**--The Robeson County Board of Commissioners, in their regular monthly meeting on April 6, supported the rural electric cooperatives of North Carolina in their effort to maintain the present status of the Rural Electrification Administration.

Through a unanimous vote, the Board passed the resolution and sent it to seven leaders of the United States government including President Reagan, Sec. of Agriculture John Block, Director of the Office of Management and Budget David Stockman, Acting REA Administrator Joe Zoller, Representative Charlie Rose, Senator John East and Senator Jesse Helms.

In part, the resolution stated that loans made to rural electric cooperatives since 1940 through the Rural Electrification Administration in Washington, DC had helped rural electric consumers to receive electric power at rates competitive with other power companies.

The resolution calls upon the leaders to look further into the proposed cuts in the Rural Electrification Administration program and demonstrates "strong opposition to the proposal of changes in the REA."

The Commissioners passed the resolution at the request of the Lumbee

## Miss P.J.H. Pageant Friday Night

The Miss Pembroke Junior High Pageant will be held April 10, 1981, at 7:30 p.m. in the beautiful, spacious P.S.U. Performing Arts Center.

The girls will be vying for the coveted title of Miss Pembroke Jr. High. Talent consists of song, piano and dance. The theme for this year's performance is "Free Spirit."

Emcees for the evening will be Ms. Carrie M. Jones and Mr. Timmie Hunt, both teachers at Pembroke Jr. High.

A most distinguished panel of judges has been selected to judge this year's pageant. They are the Honorable Judge Herbert L. Richardson who was appointed by Governor James Hunt to serve as the first Black judge in Robeson County history; Ms. Lizzie M. Purdie, who is presently the Executive Director of South Cumberland Medical Center; Mr. Rudy Locklear, who is a well known and popular entertainer and is employed with Robeson Technical College as Assistant Director of the Basic Education Department; Ms. Frances M. McMillan, wife of J.P. McMillan, Jr., Registered Land Surveyor of Red Springs; and Ms. Mable H. Revels who has been both

River Electric Membership Corporation which serves nearly 10,000 member-consumers in Robeson County.

"Cuts in the REA program threaten to increase our electric rates by a tremendous amount within the next 24 months," said Ronnie Hunt, Manager of Office and Staff Services at LREMC. "We're happy the Commissioners have voiced their concern over the federal government's proposals."

Electric Membership Corporations from across the state have begun a campaign to inform their congressional leaders about the REA program and how it works, according to Hunt. The major concern is over the thought held by many that the federal government is unfairly subsidizing rural electric consumers.

"Loans to the cooperatives come from a revolving fund within the REA," said Hunt. "There have been no federal appropriations to this fund since 1973. No tax dollars are now being loaned to the cooperatives."

As part of the informational campaign, more than 6,200 letters from consumers of Lumbee River EMC have been sent to the national leaders as of April 7, according to Hunt. The cooperative is continuing its letter-writing campaign until a decision is made on the REA.

## plans 16th Annual Pow-Wow

**HOLLISTER, N.C.**--Chief W.R. Richardson announced today that the Haliwa-Saponi tribe will hold their sixteenth annual Pow-wow at the original site of the Haliwa Indian School near Hollister. The Pow-wow will begin on Friday, April 17, at 8 p.m. Guest speaker for the opening session will be Huron Miller, the traditional religious leader of the Onondaga tribe of the Iroquois confederacy. The opening session will be followed by a general pow-wow and dancing.

On Saturday, April 18, festivities will begin at 11 a.m. Scheduled activities include Indian dancing, pony parades, the crowning of a new Indian Princess, arts and crafts displays, and trader booths.

The tribe urges all interested parties, including school groups and youth organizations, to plan to attend the event. Camping spaces and refreshments will be available throughout the pow-wow.

## PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

### GOSPEL SINGING

The Saddletree Church of God Ladies will sponsor a gospel singing Sunday, April 12, 1981 at 2:30 p.m.

Guest singers will be Allen Brothers of Rockingham, Smith Family of Lumberton, the Quinton Mills and Deliverance from Essex and also the Youth Choir from the church.

### BLUEGRASS CONCERT AT PSU

A Bluegrass Concert, featuring Dr. Shelby Stephenson and Dr. Matt Morrison, both members of the Communicative Arts faculty at PSU, and Mitchel and Paul, brothers of Dr. Stephenson will be held Friday, April 10, at 8 p.m. at the Pembroke State Student Center. All Bluegrass enthusiasts are invited. There will be no admission charge.

### ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT AT MAGNOLIA

Monday, April 13, 1981, the students of Magnolia Longhouse Learning Center, a Lumbee Indian Education project sponsored by Lumbee Regional Development Association, will have their annual Spring Concert. The Concert will be held in the Saddletree Church of God at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

### ANNUAL SPRING CONCERT AT FAIRGROVE

Thursday, April 16, 1981, the students

of Fairgrove Longhouse Learning Center, a Lumbee Indian Education Project, sponsored by Lumbee Regional Development Association, will have their annual Spring Concert. The Concert will be held in the Reedy Branch Baptist Church at 7:30 p.m. The public is invited to attend.

### LUMBEE RIVER EMC MANAGER RE-ELECTED TO STATEWIDE POST

**RALEIGH**--The manager of Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation, Red Springs, has been re-elected president of Tarheel Electric Membership Association (TEMA), the central purchasing and supply operation of the statewide EMC organization.

Darl J. Hinson of Lumberton was elected to the post at the 1981 Annual Meeting of the EMC organization, which encompasses all 28 of the state's electric cooperatives.

The South Carolina native, who served as vice president of TEMA in 1979-80, has been with Lumbee River EMC since 1974.

### BASKETBALL GAME SATURDAY AT PROSPECT SCHOOL

There will be a basketball game Saturday, April 11, 1981, at 7 p.m., at Prospect High School gym. Pembroke Rescue Squad vs. Prospect Voluntary Fire Department. Admission will be \$1.

## MR. JOHN H. GODWIN HONORED ON 100TH BIRTHDAY



Mr. John H. Godwin of Pembroke celebrated his 100th birthday Sunday, April 5, 1981 at the Pembroke Senior High School.

Mr. John Godwin was born in Robeson County on April 5, 1881. He was married to the late Mrs. Elizabeth (Lily) Chavis Godwin in 1911. They were the parents of 13 children; thirty grandchildren and 24 great-grandchildren. Mr. Godwin began farming in 1896, at the age of 15, and retired in 1974 after a fruitful 78 years. He was also a member of the Farm Bureau for many years.

Happy birthday 1981. Program: Mrs. Anell Godwin, Mr. Godwin's daughter-in-law, gave the welcome address. Song:

'Happy Birthday' was sung by the congregation. The invocation was by Rev. T.M. Swett. A buffet dinner was served. The cake had 3-tiers and 100 candles on it. Songs: 'Who At My Door is Standing,' and 'Amazing Grace' were sung by Phyllis Jacobs. Tributes were by Mr. Claude Sampson and Rev. Simon Cummings. Birthday cards came from Ronald Reagan, president of the U.S.; Congressman Charlie Rose, and Gov. Jim Hunt. These, plus others were read. Presentation of gifts was by Mrs. Anell Godwin who presented a special gift to Mr. Godwin. Also, his granddaughter, Mrs. Peggy J. Locklear presented a special gift in memory of her dear mother, the late Mrs. Rebecca Jacobs. A tree loaded with \$24 was presented to the honoree. There were 300 honored guests present. [W.P. Revels photo]