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## PEMBROKE RECEIVES \$258,850 FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Community development efforts in Pembroke received a boost this week when Governor Jim Hunt announced that the city has been awarded \$258,850 through the Community Development Block Grant program for fiscal year 1982-83.

"The competition for the \$45 million in federal funds was very tough, and Pembroke is to be commended for developing a plan which met the aim of the program—providing benefits to low and moderate-income citizens by revitalizing the community and spurring economic development through more jobs," the Governor added. The state received requests for over \$150.

Governor Hunt described the program's value as "immediately evident," noting that the grants awarded to 89 local

governments across the state will create over 700 jobs and rehabilitate more than 1,800 houses. Funds for economic development will be matched with over \$7 million in additional dollars.

"These benefits, in keeping with the program's purpose, are primarily for those North Carolinians in the low and moderate-income brackets, those individuals who have been hardest hit by our current economic crisis," he added. Thirteen local governments received grants to honor multi-year funding commitments made by the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) during the past two years.

This is the first year the state has administered the federal community development block grant program. Formerly administered by HUD, the pro-

gram was shifted to the states as part of the new federalism concept. All counties in the state, and all but 15 largest cities in the state were eligible to apply for block grant funds. The largest cities will continue to be funded directly from the federal government and include: Asheville, Concord, Salisbury, Durham, Raleigh, Fayetteville, Jacksonville, Wilmington and Hickory.

The block grant program was designed by the Department of Natural Resources and Community Development, in cooperation with local government leaders. The program is administered by the department's Division of Community Assistance.

Town Manager McDuffie Cummings, Mayor Pete Jacobs and other town officials, expressed satisfaction in recei-

ving the grant. Said Cummings, "this grant will help tremendously in helping us revitalize an area of our town that needs upgrading. It will be a good investment for our town and allow us to adjust to the difficult economic times all of us are facing."

Pembroke will use its monies to rehabilitate 16 substandard houses and make much needed street improvements on Pine Street.

Cummings said, "After four futile grant proposals Pembroke has now received two in successive years. I attribute this to our Mayor and Council's hard working efforts and their continuing to press to see that Pembroke is represented in the grant making process."

Pembroke's Mayor is James A. "Pete" Jacobs; Council members are Sam Dial, Milton Hunt, Larry Brooks and Rod Locklear.

## PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

### ADDITION TO HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL AT PEMBROKE ELEM.

Last week's photograph and outline about Pembroke Elementary's Halloween Carnival should have mentioned Robert Chavis of the Pembroke Rescue Squad who helped out on the "Dunk the Clown" attraction with policeman Rodney Demery. Thanks to Chavis and Demery and others like them, the carnival was a success.

### PEMBROKE RESCUE SQUAD PLANS FUNDRAISING EVENT

The Pembroke Rescue Squad, one of the most helpful organizations in the county, is sponsoring a chicken and barbecue plate sale on Friday, November 19, 1982 at the Rescue Building. The cost is \$3 per plate. The public is encouraged to come out and support the local rescue squad.

### INDIAN CAUCUS TO MEET

The Robeson County Indian Caucus will hold its monthly meeting on Tuesday, November 16, at 7 p.m. at the Saddletree Jaycee Club House. Members and interested persons are urged to attend.

### INDIAN WOMEN TO MEET

There will be a statewide Indian Women's meeting on Saturday, Nov. 13, 1982 at 10 a.m. The meeting will take place at the Cumberland County Association of Indian People, 102 Indian Drive, Fayetteville, NC. All interested persons are invited to attend. For more information call Kate Locklear at 521-4214.

## calling National Conference

The Indian Information Project is calling a conference on Survival Strategies for Eastern Indians in the Decade of the 80's on Nov. 11-13, 1982 at the Best Western Motel, 2480 South Glebe Road, Arlington, Virginia 21226; telephone 1-800-521-1234.

Issues have not been radically changed since last year, but resources have been substantially reduced. Yet, eastern Indian people face many critical issues and must organize strategies for the survival of themselves and their children.

This will be the second major gathering for eastern Indian tribes, organizations, and people since 1977. "We are counting on you to come prepared to help plan a better future for eastern Indians. See you at the conference," said Helen Maynor Scheirbeck, Project Advisor.

## Watch for News of CIV 10th Anniversary Plans In Comings Issues.

## County Board of Education approves Re-Districting Plan

Laymon Locklear, outgoing board member, presented a proposal for redistricting of school board members to the county board of education Tuesday night. Locklear offered his proposal in the form of a motion for approval. Second was by Ed Morton.

Locklear prefaced his motion by saying that the proposal was "A reduction of multi-member districts. Eight of the nine districts were one-member districts. With the proposed plan eight of the nine districts will remain unchanged.

Changes will be made in District IV. And District X will be added."

Serving on the committee along with Locklear who was chairman, were Lillian Faye Locklear, David Green, Ed Morton, and Pete Clark. In 1986 the plan would reduce the number of board members in District IV from 3 to 2 seats.

Dr. Gerald Maynor had a series of questions. He questioned the "urgency of the reapportionment, the composition of the reapportionment committee, and the lack of knowledge on the part of board members, relative to the proposed plan. He polled other members who were not on the committee. Each one, including J.R. Musselwhite, Rufus Graham, John Gibson, if they had ever seen the plan before. They each gave a negative response.

Dr. Maynor asked the attorney about the necessity of voting on the proposal prior to a public hearing. It was the opinion of Attorney Earl H. Strickland that the Justice Department would not give pre-clearance on an issue. His opinion was that the board should act on the proposal and then open the matter for public scrutiny via a public hearing.

After some discussion on the Voting Rights Act, etc. Dr. Maynor stated, "I hope this body has learned a lesson, but I have my doubts."

Seemingly receiving no satisfactory answers to his questions, Dr. Maynor voted a resounding "no" on the motion.

Voting in favor of the motion were: Ed Morton, Laymon Locklear, J.R. Musselwhite, Rufus Graham, John Gibson, Pete Clark and Lillian Faye Locklear. Outgoing board members Jerry Lowry and Ronald Hammonds were not present.

David Green, chairman, stated that a public hearing would be held on the proposed plan prior to submitting the proposal to the Justice Department.

That proposal is reprinted to the left.

### PROPOSED PLAN FOR RE-DISTRICTING OF SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

Based upon the 1980 census figures, as best as can be determined, there are 59,378 persons residing in the boundaries of the Robeson County School District. Robeson County currently has eleven (11) board members. The average number of persons to be represented by each board member is 5,398. The courts have allowed, based on the one man one vote, a deviation of 8.2% per board member. So based upon this deviation each board member could represent a range of 4,955 to 5,841. The lowest number determined in this proposal is 5,166 and the highest number determined is 5,462.

#### District I

Parkton - 2117  
Lumber Bridge - 1410  
Newport - 1410  
Saint Pauls - 249  
One (1) member  
(5186)

Any portion of Saint Pauls Township encompassed by the Robeson County School District and adjoining either Parkton or Lumber Bridge.

#### District II

Saddletree - 2498  
West Newellville - 2187  
Lumberton - 452  
Saint Pauls - 249  
One (1) member  
(5396)

Any portion of Saint Pauls Township encompassed by the Robeson County School District and adjoining either Saddletree or West Newellville. Any portion of Lumberton Township encompassed by the Robeson County School District and adjoining Saddletree Township but does not include any portion of Lumberton Township that was a part of the Lumberton City School System as of July 1, 1982 (Clyburn Pines-Country Club Area).

#### District III

Morton - 5320  
Less all persons residing  
South of U.S. 501  
One (1) member  
(5320)

#### District IV

Denton - 2406  
Pembroke - 8658  
Two (2) members  
(11064)  
Average 5532 per  
board member

#### District V

Alfordville - 1392  
Newland - 3128  
Portion of Maxton Township  
South of U.S. 501-678  
One (1) member  
(5190)

#### District VI

Caddy - 890  
Thompson - 1120  
Bach Swamp - 2850  
Fairmont - 52  
Lumberton - 462  
One (1) member  
(5374)

Any portion of Fairmont Township encompassed within the Robeson County School District. That portion of Lumberton Township South of Lumber River and South of Hwy 211.

#### District VII

Britts - 2014  
Orum - 1953  
Starling - 687  
Boyrns - 996  
One (1) member  
(5642)

Any portion of Starling and Boyrns Township encompassed within the Robeson County School District.

#### District VIII

East Newellville - 1358  
Waherba - 3656  
Lumberton - 462  
One (1) member  
(5456)

Any portion of Lumberton Township encompassed by the Robeson County School District and not included in District II, VI and VII.

#### District IX

Smiths - 3546  
Philadelphus - 1912  
One (1) member  
(5458)

Any portion of Smiths and Philadelphus Township encompassed by the Robeson County School District.

#### District X

Bach Swamp - 1766  
Bach Swamp - 2278  
Lumberton - 1220  
One (1) member  
(5264)

That portion of the Lumberton Township that is considered the Clyburn Pines Area, that was a part of the Lumberton City School System prior to July 1, 1982, as referred to in Chapter 1343 of the 1981 Session Laws (Regular Session, 1982) with the exception of the area known as the Country Club area which is located in the Bach Swamp Township.

Dr. Gerald Maynor's term of office for District IV will be extended through 1986. In 1986, District IV will be reduced from three seats to two seats. The two seats in District IV will be set-up with the following scheme: The person receiving the highest number of votes will receive a four (4) year term of office, the person receiving the second highest number of votes will receive a two (2) year term of office and thereafter the term of office will be four (4) years, with the person receiving the two (2) year term of office being eligible to seek a four (4) year term. This will result in staggered terms of office for board members in District IV.

District I voters will be eligible to vote on candidates in the primary election, with candidates being elected in the fall general election of 1986.

These districts are arranged so as to comply with the Federal Court decision of one man one vote.



Parent Advisory Council members of the Robeson County School for Chapter I and Migrant Education Programs consisting of both teachers and parents received new information on recent changes in legislative affect-



Elected for the 1982-83 officers of the Robeson County Parent Advisory Council for Chapter I and Migrant Education Programs were J.C. Thomas of Pembroke, vice chairman; and Doretha Adams of Lumber Bridge, Secretary.

## PAC Officers named

Parent Advisory Council representatives from Robeson County Schools met on Thursday, Nov. 4 at the Robeson County Board of Education to receive an update on recent changes in federal programs administered by the Robeson County Board of Education and to elect new officers for the 1982-83 school year.

After introduction and recognition of each of the representatives in attendance, Ms. Effie McEachin, Chairperson, reported on the recent conference of ESEA National Coalition of Parents held in Baton Rouge, La. In addition to Ms. McEachin, Robeson was represented by Ms. Doretha Adams, Ms. Emma L. Locklear, Mr. James Sampson, Jr., Ms. Janice Oxendine, Mr. Woodrow Dial and Mr. Newman B. Oxendine, PAC Coordinator.

Group discussion centered around the importance of parental involvement and the role of the Parent Advisory Council in strengthening educational programs and services.

Elected as officers for the 1982-83 school year were: Ms. Ms. Effie McEachin of Maxton, Chairperson; Mr. J.C. Thomas of Pembroke, Vice-Chairperson; Ms. Doretha Adams of Lumber Bridge, Secretary.

Pembroke VFW Post 2843 will observe Veterans Day on Thursday, November 11, 1982. The celebration will include a parade, a flag raising ceremony, the sale of buddy poppies, and a plate sale. The parade will travel through downtown Pembroke at 10 a.m. The flag raising ceremony will be held immediately following the parade in the Pembroke Town Park.

The key note address at the ceremony will be given by Charles J. Coleman, Jr., Professor of Aerospace Studies, Air Force Reserve Officer's Training Corps.

Detachment 907, Fayetteville State University.

## Veteran's Day Parade today