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LOCKLEAR FAMILY MEMORIALIZES PARENTS

by Rev. Tony E. Brewington
The children of the late Rev. C.E. and Annie Lizzie Locklear presented pictures

of their parents, a plaque and other cherished items to the Indian Religion Museum in Pembroke recently. A family

pledge of \$1,000 to the operation of the museum accompanied the presentation.

Rev. Clarence Eden Locklear represents an era, a tradition, a giant pillar of spiritual and community development. In many ways he was an anachronism to his time; always deeper in thought, broader in vision, bolder in business, and wiser in the ways and events of his days than his peers and associates.

He found his roots and grew to maturity in the fields of Robeson County. At the age of twenty he was called to preach and began a ministry that took his pastoral leadership to thirteen churches in the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association. His aggressive leadership and powerful preaching was felt and utilized across the association with service as the associational moderator for four years, several years as Union moderator, and many more years as chairman and member of numerous committees and agencies. It was his urgency that led the association and community to organize the "Orphans and Mothers Aid Society" in 1929, a forerunner to the ministry of the Odom Baptist Children's Home. He was one of a committee of five to attend the N.C. Baptist State Convention Annual Meeting in Raleigh, 1930, to petition membership of the association in that body. His associational administration also led to the construction of a Baptist summer camp in Pembroke for boys and girls.

As an aggressive evangelist, he could be heard on streets in Pembroke and

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files for Pembroke Town Council



Vernon Oxendine

Mr. Vernon Oxendine, who recently retired as Pembroke's Police Chief after spending half a lifetime in law enforcement, announced today his intention to seek a seat on the Pembroke Town Council.

In announcing his candidacy, Mr. Oxendine said, "I earnestly solicit your support at the upcoming elections when I will be seeking a seat on the Pembroke Town Council. I make a personal vow with the electorate to do what I think is right and in the best interest of the people and the Town of Pembroke."

He also noted that since he has recently retired, he will have more time to devote to serving the citizens of Pembroke as their Town Councilman. "Since I am retired," Mr. Oxendine, emphasized, "I will be living on a fixed income. This will cause me to take a hard and close look at any attempts to raise taxes, water rates, or any issue coming before the Council that will cause a burden for our fine citizens living on a fixed income."

Chavis Announces for Lumberton City Council Precinct 7



Mr. James Ernie Chavis

Mr. James Ernie Chavis of 2919 Olsen Drive filed with the Robeson County Board of Elections today. Mr. Chavis is owner of Chavis Garage Door Company. His business has been in operation for 10 years. He has been very successful and dependable in his business relationships. Mr. Chavis has an excellent background in business and educational achievements. Also, he has been a member of the Lumberton Jaycees and presently is a

member of the West Lumberton Kiwanis International.

Mr. Chavis has always been concerned about the welfare of people. He believes in the philosophy of life that all people should be treated equally. He has served his country in the U.S. Navy and received a Distinguished Service Award and many letters of Accommodation in the View Nam War.

Mr. Chavis is 37 years old and is married to the lovely Chestine (Tina) Hunt Chavis who is employed with the Lumberton City School System. They have three beautiful daughters: Denee, Mickie, and Crystal. They attend Lumberton City Schools. They are members of new Bethel Holiness Methodist Church.

Mr. Chavis seeks to serve his community to make it even a better place of rest and relaxation. Through serving with the City of Lumberton as city inspector, he is aware of the many needs in Precinct #7. Therefore, he wishes to serve on the City Council of the City of Lumberton and solicits your support in this endeavor.

PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

LOCKLEAR FAMILY REUNION

There will be a Locklear Family Reunion of the descendants of Willie and Maggie Locklear on Sat. Sept. 24, 1983, at 2:00 p.m. at the Deep Branch Fire Dept. Bldg. All attending are asked to please bring a covered dish. For further information contact Lena Tubbs 738-8036 or 738-6201.

PTA AT UNION CHAPEL

Union Chapel School will have its first annual P.T.A. Meeting and Open House on Tuesday, September 27, 1983 beginning at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in the school cafeteria. Immediately following the meeting, parents are invited to visit their child's classroom for conferences.

ROBESON COUNCIL INTERNATIONAL READING ASSOCIATION TO MEET

The Robeson Council International Reading Association will hold its first meeting of the year, Saturday, Sept. 24, at 10 a.m. at the Robeson County Library in Lumberton. Writing Related to Reading will be presented by Becky Neely and Linda Hall.

WIC AVAILABLE

WIC, the Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants and Children is available at the Robeson County Health Department.

The WIC program provides supplemental foods and nutrition education to pregnant, breastfeeding and postpartum women, infants and children up to their fifth birthday.

In order to be eligible for the WIC Program, the applicant must be:

1. A pregnant, breastfeeding or postpartum woman, infant or child under five years of age.
2. Reside in the health service delivery area of Robeson County.
3. Meet the financial eligibility guidelines of Robeson County Health Dept.
4. Found to be a nutritional risk.

The Robeson County WIC Program is particularly interested in participation of women and infants.

If you think you are eligible for the WIC Program contact the Robeson County Health Department at Route 4, Box 388, Lumberton, N.C. or call 738-7231.

The office hours are 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Standards for participation in the WIC Program are the same for everyone regardless of race, color, creed, national origin, political beliefs, sex or handicap.

BELLAMY CUMMINGS REUNION

As planned by the family of the late Bellamy Cummings, the time is almost here.

The Bellamy Cummings Family Reunion will be held at Bear Swamp Church Fellowship Hall on October 8th beginning at 12:00 Noon. Bring a covered dish and let us all help to make this an enjoyable event.

NC INDIAN ASSOC. OF CHRISTIAN MINISTRIES TO MEET

The NC Indian Association of Christian Ministries will hold its monthly meeting at Burnt Swamp Baptist Assoc.'s Baptist Building at 7:30 p.m. Monday, October 17, 1983.

This is a new, non-denominational Christian Indian organization organized to address moral and social issues as they affect Indian people. One goal is to further the work of Christ through service to the community and to unite the Indian people--all factions, groups and denominations into--into one viable force, first in Robeson and adjoining counties then eventually all Indians in the State.

All interested persons are invited to attend.

OLD FASHIONED REVIVAL SERVICE

An old fashioned revival service will be held Sept. 25th-Oct. 2nd at Island Grove Baptist Church, Pembroke, NC

Guest speakers will be Rev.'s Mike Cummings and Tommie Haggins. Services will begin at 7 p.m. on Sunday and 7:30 p.m. Monday-Saturday nights. Special music will be presented each night.

The Rev. C.M. Cummings is pastor and the public is invited to attend.

PEMBROKE ELEMENTARY OPEN HOUSE

A parents' Open House is scheduled for Pembroke Elementary School on Monday, Sept. 26, 1983 at 7:30 p.m.

Parents are requested to visit their child's classroom instruction program. The teacher will be available for the orientation and to answer parent's questions.

REWARD OFFERED

For information leading to the arrest of any individual or individuals who trespassed on his property some time after 1 a.m. Saturday morning and cut his mule, putting 85 stitches in her left flank area. The cut was 14 inches long and 4 inches wide.

Informants promised confidentiality. Call 521-4102 and ask for Harvey or Marcella Bullard or contact the Pembroke Police at 521-4333.

INDIAN HERITAGE WEEK AT PSU

In observance of Indian Heritage Week at Pembroke State University, a Barbecue dinner and Pow Wow will be held from 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. The theme of the Pow Wow will be "Spiritual Indian Dance." Site will be Classroom North on the PSU Campus. Date will be Thursday, September 22, 1983. Plates will sell for \$3.00 each. Sandwiches--\$1.50. Drinks--thirty cents. The event is being sponsored by the American Indian Student Council and LRDA.

Baltimore's South Broadway Baptist Church announces new pastor

by Herbert H. Locklear

Mr. Lindsey Locklear, Chairman of the Board of Deacons at South Broadway Baptist Church in Baltimore, Maryland has announced the appointment of Rev. Charles Locklear as the Church Pastor, effective October 1, 1983.

According to Mr. Locklear, the Church members moved unanimously, on the second ballot, in favor of the appointment of Rev. Locklear.

In canvassing some of the Church letters and lay members, it was found that excitement is high about the expectancy of Rev. Locklear moving to the Baltimore community. Here he will accept predominately Indian Community Ministry. Words used to express feelings about Rev. Locklear's coming were "ex-

cited," "a prayer answered," "I'm beside myself," and "... Praise the Lord."

The former and founding Pastor of the Church was Rev. James M. Dial. Rev. Dial passed away suddenly on January 20, 1983. "Since that time the Church has diligently sought the Lord and have abided our time," said Deacon Locklear. "We believe now is this time for a Pastor."

Most recently, Rev. Locklear served as Pastor of the New Bethel Church at Clinton, N.C., where he resides with his wife Gwendolyn and son Jonathan, age 3.

Rev. and Mrs. Locklear were in Baltimore recently when they were able to locate and secure housing in preparation of their relocation to that area.

Judge Britt throws out case against James D. McEachin, Jr.

FAYETTEVILLE--After consulting his own dictionary U.S. District Court Judge W. Earl Britt agreed with RobCor defendant James D. McEachin, Jr. and dismissed charges against him Tuesday in a non jury trial.

In granting a motion for dismissal by McEachin's attorney, Alonzo Coleman, Britt cited a problem of semantics.

The 39-year-old McEachin, charged with making false statements to the government, was the first defendant charged in the Robeson County probe of alleged corruption in the federal jobs training act to test his charges in the courts.

Coleman argued that McEachin had not intentionally falsified his CETA application by answering that he had never been convicted of a crime. In 1977 McEachin pleaded guilty to embezzling over \$1,600 from a manpower development firm in Robeson County.

Coleman said McEachin determined that "conviction" meant being found guilty by jury or judge after consulting a dictionary. McEachin pleaded guilty to the charges in a non-jury trial. Assistant U.S. District Attorney Johnson Howard said entering a guilty plea constituted a conviction.

Britt, also consulting a dictionary, said before dismissing the charge that even though he understood the definition in legal terms, he had "a lot of problems" with the case.

The trial marked the first appearance of Christian Antwi, former head of the Department of Natural Resources in Robeson County.

Antwi pleaded guilty in June to embezzling \$259 in CETA funds in part of a plea bargain arrangement.

Robeson County Manager Paul Graham, county attorney Joe "Pete" Ward, former Robeson County commissioners chairman Herman Dial and Pembroke Elementary School Principal James Dial were among those arrested in the investigation.

Their trials have been set for late October.

Two other defendants, Alton White of Raeford and Eddie Smith of Rowland, both changed their initial not guilty pleas earlier this week and pleaded guilty to a lesser charge of misapplying funds to a lesser charge of misapplying funds to a lesser charge of misapplying funds.

Sentencing for Antwi, Smith and White has been delayed until all 11 charged in the investigation have been tried.



INDIAN HERITAGE WEEK IN NORTH CAROLINA

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Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina has been proclaimed for Sept. 18-24, 1983. Activities have been planned to call attention to the more than 10,000-year history of North Carolina Indians, who today comprise the largest Native American population of any state east of the Mississippi. The N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, the only state government agency whose specific responsibility is to meet the needs of the state's Indians, is coordinating the varied activities of Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina.

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