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in A Tri-Racial Setting"

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## **LREMC ELECTION RETURNS 3 INCUMBENTS**

#### 'Action Group' slate soundly defeated

by Connec Brayboy

The voter turnout for the 43rd Annual Membership Meeting of Lumbee River Electric Membership Co-op was lower than expected. Approximately 1600 people attended the meeting at the Jones Physical Education Center at PSU Tuesday night. There were 1286 registered voters--actually less than last year

Every candidate indersed by the LREMC Action Group for directors was defeated. One of these candidates was

Leon Stuart for District 2 who received 471 votes. The incumbent in that district, J.W. Hunt was declared the winner with 699 votes. In District 4 the Action Group candidate, Betty Smith received 453 votes. The incumbent, Timothy Strickland was re-seated with 567 votes. Trailing behind in that race was un-endorsed by any group, Laymon P.

Parker could only muster 161 votes. Action Group candidate James L. Autry fell behind newcomer James Hardin, Autry received 440 votes and Hardin won handily with 538 votes. Lyndell R. Jenkins trailed everyone with 31 votes in

In the at-large race, incumbent Gus Bullard defeated Action Group candidate Eugene H. Shannon by 163 votes. Bullard polled 666 and Shannon failed in serve as secretary.

his attempt with 503.

The Board of Directors convened following the conclusion of the Annual Meeting and voting. As is customary the Board held their yearly organizational meeting at that time.

Gus Bullard replaces Rev. Elias Rogers as president; Lacy Cummings is vice-president; Alton Dudley is treasurer and Harold Dean Brewer will continue to

#### Election officials return, resignations "refused"

#### **Fufor Over Appointing** Indian Republican as Lumberton **Precinct Registrar Continues**

LUMBERTON-Elizabeth Morton, elections supervisor for Robeson County, ended her walkout Wednesday morning. She had handed in her resignation Friday afternoon, along with assistant supervisor Perlene Revels, following a furor over appointing an Indian Republican as registrar of Lumberton Precinct 6, then rescinding the action and placing Mrs. Naomi Maultsby in the position, ousting William L. Hunt who promised a law suit to keep the seat.

Mrs. Morton said, "I made up my mind about 11 p.m. ... I would not have come back if all parties and races had not asked me to return for the welfare of the voters of Robeson County."

The Robeson County elections board supervisor and her assistant resigned Friday following the dispute over whether the Indian precinct registrar could be removed from the post.

Both were in tears Friday and claimed their resignation was prompted by more than Hunt's removal, citing "differences" between the board and staff.

In overturning Hunt's appointment, Mrs. Emma Locklear, board chairman, chastised the supervisor and her staff for allowing the appointment to be made without advising against it and, as was shown later, not pointing out that the registrar had to be of the same party as the person replaced.

Mrs. Locklear, in overturning the appointment, as is her perogative as chairman, said, "We made a mistake... and we're all going to eat our oats and go on...'

"Bo" Biggs, the only Republican on the elections board, voted against the are Democrats.

Earlier last Friday, Biggs held a news conference in which he threatened to sue the board if it removed Hunt.

Hunt's removal was made at the request of precinct representative, the Rev. E.B. Turner and precinct chairman Howard Davis, both of whom are black Democrats.

Biggs said in an inferview that the officials resigned after the other board members argued that Hunt could be replaced because elections officials had not adhered to statutes in swearing Hunt

in as a precinct registrar. Biggs said in his news conference that the only reason for the removal was race. "Dr. Turner is returning to old social

laws of bigotry that we have been striving to eliminate: he is attempting to set back years of civil rights accomplishments and light racial fires in this county that have been put out," said Biggs, who is white. Turner also is a Lumberton town council member.

Precinct #6, as was pointed out by

Turner, is predominately black.

Bob Brewington, head of the county Republican Party, and head of the Tuscarora Indians of North Carolina, also severely chastised the board when he appeared in behalf of Hunt Friday

Brewington said, "I don't appreciate this board doing what it has done, just because E.B. Turner told you to do it."

Brewington appeared in an arresting, colorful headdress, at the head of a contingent of Indians appearing in

## PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

#### KING HOLIDAY BACKERS WIN SENATE VOTE TEST

Washington-Sen. Jesse Helms, R-NC Tuesday lost a key vote as the senate voted 76-12 to crush efforst by Sen. Helms to block establishment of a federal holiday honoring the late Martin Luther King, Jr.

A few hours after Helms' arguments on the Senate floor, a federal judge rejected his appeal for release of sealed FBI files on King. Helms had said the documents would further his case that King, a Nobel Peace Prize winner, was influenced by top aides in the civil rights movement who were communists. He had argued that the Senate should have access to wiretap files from 1963 to 1968 before voting.

Helms said the Senate has not had time to examine King's activities, which he claims were influenced by communism. The Senate rejected his request to send the holiday bill back to the Judiciary Committee for consideration.

"The record is clear about his associations with far-left elements and elements in the Communist Party," Helms said.

The conservative Southern senator's remarks triggered a bitter confrontation with Sen. Edward Kennedy, D-Mass., whose family was close to King. Kennedy said the FBI has stated it has never had evidence King was a communist. He quoted from a 1976 Senate committee report finding no proof the civil rights movement was exploited by members of the Communist Party.

#### CORRECTION SEVENT CITIZENS HONORED BY MT. OLIVE

In last week's issue of the Carolina Indian Voice it was reported that the Men's Fellowship of Mt. Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church had declared Oct. 10-16 as "Senior Citizens Week" and Mrs. Ada Locklear, 83, was named Senior Citizen of the Year.

She was feted at a dinner party at Sheff's Seafood in Pembroke last Thursday evening and was recognized Sunday morning during church services.

In last week's article we noted that Mrs. Locklear "was baptized in 1080." We meant to state that she was "baptized in 1980..." We apologize for the typographical

error and join with Mt. Olive in saluting Mrs. Locklear, truly a remarkable

#### CORRECTION PSU CAMPUS POLICE CALL IN SBI NOT BILL MASON

In last week's issue of the Carolina Indian Voice we noted than an estimated removal. The other two board members \$10,000 was stolen from the PSU Business Office.

> We incorrectly noted that Bill Mason, Vice Chancellor for Business Affairs, requested that the State Bureau of Investigation be called in to deal with the matter.

The SBI, in fact, was called in to investigate the matter by the Campus Police, according to Charles Bryant, Campus Police Chief.

No arrests have been made yet in the

#### PEMBROKE MANKHLED AT RESTAURANT

A Pembroke man was killed Sunday in a shooting at a Pembroke restaurant; and Pembroke police charged a Maxton man with murder. Shot once in the head and killed was Charles E. Chavis, 33.

Police charged Roy Ricky Locklear, 26, of Route 3, Maxton with first-degree murder, according to Kirby Ammons, Pembroke's Police Chief.

The shooting occurred about 5:30 p.m. at Allen's Cafe and Package Store also known as the Lumbee Drive In on East Third Street in Pembroke, Ammons said. The victim, shot once in the head with a .32-caliber carbine was dead when police arrived on the scene, he said.

#### MORGAN ANNOUNCES FOR NC **COMMISSION OF INDIAN AFFAIRS**

Velenda Morgan of Rennert has anounced her candidacy for the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs, Velenda is married to Jack Morgan and they have two daughters, Jackie and Lyndsey, They attend Zion Hill Baptist

She is currently working with the Robeson County Housing Authority where she has been employed for the past five years. Prior to that she was employed with the Lumberton Housing

Mrs. Morgan will be seeking the seat which represents residents of northern Robeson, Scotland and Hoke Counties.

Mrs. Morgan would like to be a voice for the people of these areas to insure equal representation, delivery of services and a strong commitment on behalf of the Indian Commission to the Indians of North Carolina.

#### ANNUAL BENEFIT GOSPEL SING PLANNED

On November 12, 1983 the Robeson County Department of Social Services will hold a 4th annual benefit gospel sing beginning at 7 p.m. at the Oak Grove Holiness Churchin the Union Chapel Community. The gospel sing is one of a series of events scheduled by DSS for the purpose of raising funds needed to purchase Christmas Gifts for the many foster children in Robeson

Many local gospel groups who have agreed to donate their time and talent will be appearing. There will be no admission charge but all donations will be added to the Foster Children's Christmas Fund. The public is cordially invited to attend.

#### FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of the late Robert and Rachel Locklear of the White Hill area will meet at Baker's Chapel Baptist Church on October 30, 1983 at 1 p.m. The church is located off Highway 74. All members attending are asked to bring a covered dish and other

refreshments. For more information on this reunion

call 521-4586 and ask for Lucy.

#### Play 'Anne' Frank'set Oct. 20-23

"The Diary of Anne Frank" will open the 1983-84 Robeson Little Theatre season on Thursday, Oct. 20, for a four-performance run at the Carolina Theatre Civic Center.

Curtain-time for performances will be at 8 p.m. on Oct. 20, 21 and 22, with a matinee performance at 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 23.

Directed by Sarah Grimes and produced by Lana Dial, the play deals with a young Jewish girl growing up in hiding during the Nazi occupation of Amsterdam, Holland.

Performing in the cast will be Darryl Locklear as Mr. Frank, Liz McIntyre as Mrs. Frank, Anne Marie Rice as Anne Frank, Jennifer Eastworth as Margot Frank, George Dixon as Mr. VanDaam, Lisa Pittman as Mrs. VanDaam Jamie Locklear as Peter VanDaam, Alison Sprague as Miep, Ed Nicholson as Mr. Kraier and Jeff Geller as Mr. Dussel.

Tickets will be on sale at the box office each day of production.

SAMPSON HERITAGE DAY

Saturday, Oct. 22, 1983

Deep Branch School - 11 a.m.

\*A planned day of festivities!

. You are cordially hivited.

Please bring a covered dish.

#### Locklear with 151 votes. In District 8, incumbent Davis K.

Donald Bullard, Carnell Lock-

lear, James Jacobs and Virgil

Lowery. [Bill Hunt Photo]

guest speaker at a luncheon in Charlotte,

NC. She was a guest at the showing of a

film at the Art Museum in Raleigh and

also attended festivities in Greensboro

sponsored by Guilford Native Indian

Sandra recently took her first flight.

The flight was from Elizabeth City, NC to

now excited about flying.

Miss Lumbee Pageant.

Kitty Hawk in a private plane. She is

Another area of Miss Lumbee's

activities is visiting in some area

Churches Mrs. Ransom reports that she

receives invitations frequently for Miss

Lumbee to appear at Pageants, in

Parades, etc. In addition to Sandra's

busy schedule as Miss Lumbee, she is

also a full time student at PSU. A great

financial boost for Miss Lumbee's

educational endeavor was a \$1,000

Scholarship awarded to her from the

Miss Lumbee travels

from Mountains to Coast

Association.

... A helping hand for Josh! -The Pembroke Jaycees and Jaycettes would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for helping in the

project was described as "a total success." During the week of the fair

Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity

of PSU helped with the Car

Wash. Some of the Jaycees

are shown, left to right:

Fron the Mountains to the Coast-

that will be the story for the new Miss

Lumbee, Sandra Locklear, during her

1983-84 reign. She is the daughter of

Her first-public appearance out of the

county was on August 13, 1983 when she

helped judge the Little Miss Carteret

County Pageant. Since then she has

attended numerous pageants, participa-

ted in Parades, Ribbon Cuttings, Grand

Openings and Festivals. Because of her

charm, enthusiasm, poise and beauty,

she is well received by everyone and

becomes an immediate favorite. Her

business manager, Florence Ransom, is

highly pleased with her performance and

Lumbee visited and performed in many

schools in Robeson and Scotland counties

which was a very rewarding experience

for her. During that week she was also

u Lumbee receives scholarship check \$1,000, n manager, Florence Ransom, of

During Indian Heritage Week, Miss

Mrs. Etta Locklear.

reign so far.

(October 3-8, 1983) the Jayapproximately \$600 for the Fund. Saturday, October 15, and Cake Sale. People from all walks of life came and gave their financial support, pri-

cees and Jaycettes raised importance of helping some-

The Pembroke Jaycees and recent financial adventure for 1983, another \$900 was raised Jaycettes are a classic exfound in time for little Josh," the Josh Brooks Fund. The by a Car Wash, Road Block ample of what our fine said Carnell Locklear who country of America was founded upon-the principle of people helping one another.

marily because they knew the Afterall, life is so uncertain one must always pray for the

"We do hope a liver is along with Jimmy Goins were chairmen of the fund-raising project. "He is so sweet and that little smile just melts one's heart. Again we thank everyone for participating in

the worthwhile project."

### Senate Hears

## III Infant's **Parents**

RALEIGH (AP) - The parents of a Laurinburg boy who is waiting for liver transplant surgery will testify before a U.S. Senate panel considering creating a national network to help distribute organs,

Gov. Jim Hunt says. "Medical advances are making organ transplant surgery an increasingly accepted practice," Hunt said Monday in a news release. "As this occurs, the need for a nationwide network to match organs with recipients is becoming urgent. We must have a national

policy in this area.' Hunt said Rick and June Brooks, whose 8-month-old son, Josh, needs a liver transplant, will appear Thursday before the Senate Committee on Labor and Human Resources. Doctors have said Josh will die within three months without a transplant.

Josh was transferred Monday from a Laurinburg hospital to the Duke University Medical Center.

ficials Monday spoke against a House bill to establish a federal center and computer network for organ transplants, saying the matter is best left to the private sector.

Dr. Edward N. Brandt Jr., assistant secretary for health in the Department of Health and Human Services, said "the present voluntary system of organ pro-curement can be managed well by the private sector. Beyond providing advice and assistance, interference by the federal gov-

opposing a federal role" in

# JOSH

Doctors said he's getting into advanced stages of liver failure, with a bloated abdomen and internal bleeding. Meanwhile,

Reagan administration health of-

ernment is unnecessary."

Rep. Albert Gore Jr., D-Tenn., author of the legislation, called this "a true knee-jerk reaction by the administration automatically verseeing the transplant situation ecause of ideology. The Senate committee also will