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ROBESON COUNTY

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CHAVIS GETS NEW ELECTIONS IN COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD RACE

Raleigh—"I'm not surprised," said Elizabeth Morton, Robeson County elections supervisor, after hearing of the state election board's decision to call for a new election in the hotly-contested District Six Robeson County Board of Education race Monday.

Incumbent Pete Clark initially was declared the winner in the district encompassing Back Swamp, Gaddys, Thompson and parts of Lumberton Precincts 4, 5, 6 and 7 on May 4 by a 40 vote margin- 567-527- over newcomer Larry Chavis, Sr. Both combatants are Indians.

A date for the new election will be set "as soon as practical," said a state election board spokesman.

Results of the May 8 primary had been in doubt since election officials found that the number of ballots cast was several times the number of eligible voters.

Chavis challenged the results after election officials confirmed that 166 ballots were cast when only 25 people were eligible to vote.

The precinct is divided among people eligible to vote in both the city and county school board races. Officials said

they believe ineligible voters were mistakenly handed the county ballots.

Two other Robeson County primary races have been challenged. J.W. Hunt, an incumbent county commissioner who was defeated by challenger Henry Douglass in a June 5 runoff Friday filed a petition alleging voting irregularities. The county Board of elections scheduled a hearing on Hunt's petition for July 9 at 7 p.m.

The board recommended denying another election in the county's District 5 school board race. William McCallum, who apparently lost by 49 votes to

Catherine Leach in that contest, wants a new election because he says the elections office failed to send ballots to eligible voters in Maxton. The affected area represents only a possible 36 votes, fewer than the margin of the winner, according to elections officials.

State Elections Director Alex Brock said the board's decision for a new District 6 primary was based on findings submitted by the Robeson County Board of Elections about the number of people not eligible to vote that were permitted to vote and others who were eligible but who were not permitted to vote.

"There apparently was overall confusion relative to the people who voted," he said. "The board felt that the only appropriate remedy was a new primary."

When told of the board's decision, Clark said, "I don't feel like it's necessary. I don't feel they had enough to go on."

Chavis was unavailable for comment. The state board has not yet heard the District 5 challenge.

PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

Indian Youth in Conference

Some 300 Indian young people from all over North Carolina began arriving yesterday for the 5th annual N.C. Indian Youth Unity Conference running through Friday on the Pembroke State University campus.

Theme of the three-day conference will be "Reaching Our Goals In The Spirit Of Our Ancestors."

Speaker at the opening general assembly at 1 p.m. June 20 was Jim Lowry, chairman of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs. He was introduced by Bruce Jones, executive director of that organization.

Other speakers during the week will be Ruth Revels, executive director of the Guilford Native American Association, and Herbie Oxendine, president of The Car Company in Lumberton.

On Thursday, June 21, four members of the faculty and staff at PSU plus others will lead workshop sessions for the Indian young people and a banquet will be held Thursday night in the auxiliary gym.

On Friday, June 22, activities will include the election of officers and representatives of the N.C. Native American Youth Organization, as well as many other activities.

SGT. DONALD CHAVIS IS ONE OF SINAI DEAD

Sgt. Donald Chavis, a 37 year old Maxton man, has been identified as one of three Fort Bragg soldiers killed last Friday during a helicopter maintenance test flight crash in the Sinai Desert in Egypt, according to Army spokesmen.

Chavis was assigned to C Co. of the 82nd Combat Aviation Battalion of the 82nd Airborne Division, and was a career soldier and a maintenance technician.

The soldiers were part of an 11 nation peacekeeping force which has been in the Sinai since 1982 to over see an agreement for return of Egyptian territory seized by Israel during the 1967 war.

AUCTION SALE PLANNED

As part of Lumbertown Homecoming, West Robeson High Booster Club will sponsor an Auction Sale. The auction will be held in the Pembroke City Park on July 7, 1984. The activity will begin at 12 noon and conclude before 2 p.m. Approximately two hundred items will be auctioned such as shotguns, recliners, coolers, watches, lawn furniture, as well as clothing articles, plus many other useful household items.

The public is encouraged to participate in this activity.

EVANDER BLUE FAMILY REUNION

The descendants of Evander and Euphrasie Blue are invited to attend a family reunion on Friday, July 7, 1984. For more details call 521-4271 or 521-4708.

LITTLE MISS LUMBEE PAGEANT July 4

Elmer W. Hunt Photos

PSU Performing Arts Center

Once again, the time for the Little Miss Lumbertown Pageant draws near. This year there are 20 lovely little girls vying for the title of Little Miss Lumbertown 1984. The pageant will be held July 4th at 7:30 p.m. in the Performing Arts Center located on the Pembroke State University campus. Admission will be \$3 for children 12 and under, and \$4 for adults.

Always a highlight of Lumbertown Homecoming activities, sponsored by Lumbertown Regional Development Association, Little Miss Lumbertown 1984 contestants and their parents are:



Jamie Smith
Mr. & Mrs. Randall Smith



Shelly Denysale Scott
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Scott



Tammy Jo Sampson
Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Sampson



Jacinta Sommer Salcido
Ms. Suzzette Salcido



Lateisha Rogers
Mr. & Mrs. Melvin Rogers



Rebekah Chantay Revels
Mr. & Mrs. J.D. Revels



Heather Brooke Maynor
Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Maynor, Jr.



Natasha Ann Locklear
Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Locklear



Adrena Lane Locklear
Mr. & Mrs. Royce Locklear



Rosalynn Erika Jacobs
Mr. & Mrs. James Jacobs, Jr.



Brenna Shonyelle Jacobs
Mr. & Mrs. Samuel Jacobs



Rhonda Gail Hunt
Mr. & Mrs. Winford Hunt



Natasha Marie Hunt
Mr. & Mrs. Wardell Hunt, Jr.



Shanna Denzin Hicks
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Hicks



Whitney Renee Hammonds
Mr. & Mrs. Jimmy Hammonds



Veronica Nakia Hammonds
Ms. Cynthia Hammonds



Crystal Gayle Bowen
Mr. & Mrs. Warren Bowen



Amanda Lee Berry
Mr. & Mrs. Donald R. Berry



Veronica Michelle Beard
Ms. Patricia Beard



Tiki Kim Arbin
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Arbin

Pembroke High's '71 Class Plans Reunion

The 1971 class of Pembroke Senior High will hold their reunion July 2 at Sheff's Seafood Restaurant in Pembroke. For more information classmates may call Kevin Lowry at 521-2595 or Dr. D.E. Brooks at 521-8116 or call 521-8365.