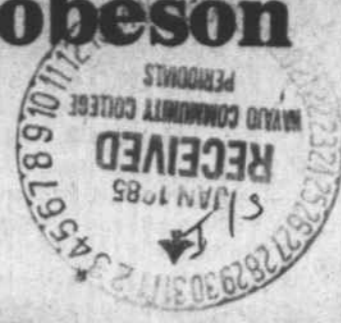


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## GRAND OPENING FESTIVITIES

### Woodell's Park and Shop



Shown at the Grand Opening of Woodell's Park and Shop are: left to right--Town Councilmen Vernon Oxendine and J.C. Thomas; Fairley Woodell, owner and operator of the new store; Lee Pam Oxendine, Miss Lumbee; Milton Hunt, Mayor of Pembroke; and McDuffie Cummings Pembroke's Town Manager. (Elmer Hunt Photo)

The Grand Opening of Woodell's Park and Shop was held Thursday, December 27, 1984. Woodell's is the newest gas and convenience store in Pembroke, owned and operated by Fairley Woodell.

The Grand Opening featured a ribbon cutting ceremony with the ribbon being cut by Lee Pam Oxendine, Miss Lumbee. There were many prizes given away. Receiving free gas were Harold Bell, Jr., Mary Jacobs, Wellie Wilkins, Mark Simmons, Jane Lewis, Shirley Jacobs, Hardy Bell, J.R. Chavis, Joyce Gandy, and Libby Beasley. Other prize winners included Fredia Smith, a watch; Trent Smith, a raft; Mitchell G. Byrd, a TV; and Libby Beasley, a cooler.

#### N.C. PUBLIC TELEVISION PRESENTS COVERAGE OF MARTIN'S GUBERNATORIAL INAUGURATION

The University of North Carolina Center for Public Television will carry live coverage of the inauguration of governor-elect James G. Martin on Saturday, January 5, at 11:30 a.m. The Center will broadcast coverage produced by the North Carolina Association of Broadcasters and coordinated by WRAL-TV in Raleigh.

Following Martin's swearing-in ceremonies, the Center will begin its own coverage of the inaugural parade at 1:30 p.m. The coverage will be made available to all commercial networks. John Dalzell and Audrey Kates-Bailey will serve as co-anchors for the parade coverage, which should conclude around 3 p.m.

## PEOPLE AND PLACES AND THINGS

#### JUDGE ELLIS TO SPEAK AT ANNUAL SCOUT MEETING

Judge Craig Ellis of Laurinburg will be the guest speaker at the Cape Fear Council, BSA Banquet to be held at Bladenboro on Friday, February 1, 1985.

Judge Ellis has been involved as an officer of Cape Fear Council for many years. As a youth, he was an Eagle Scout in Troop 203, sponsored by The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Wilmington.

The banquet is held each year to honor volunteers from Scotland, Hoke, Robeson, Bladen, Columbus, Brunswick, Pender, and New Hanover counties. The prestigious Silver Beaver Award will be given to several of the Council volunteers.

#### AUDITIONS FOR MUSICAL HIT, "WORKING" SCHEDULED

The Robeson Little Theatre will hold auditions for their spring production of the musical hit, *Working*, from 7:30-9:30 p.m. on Wednesday and Thursday, January 16 and 17 in the Osterneck Auditorium of the Robeson County Public Library in Lumberton. There are excellent parts available for 7 men and 7 women and 2 boys (ages 8-12) of all races. Scripts are currently available for reading; music will be provided at the audition. For more information, call Director Sherry Levy at 738-3457.

#### AEROBIC CLASSES AVAILABLE

Aerobic classes will be taught at Pembroke Jr. High School on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7:30-8:30 beginning January 3-Feb. 7. Registration fee is \$10. Instructor is Rebecca Lowry and the classes are sponsored by the Robeson County Recreation Dept.

#### OBSERVE 42ND WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Oxendine of Pembroke observed their 42nd Wedding Anniversary on December 20, 1984. The event was celebrated by a family dinner at their home. In attendance were their five children and their families. The children are: Gervais Oxendine of Spartanburg, S.C.; Sue Kerns of Pembroke; Teresa Oxendine of Pembroke; Mickey Oxendine of Pembroke; and Terry Oxendine of Pembroke. Also present were the Oxendine's seven grandchildren. Attending from Detroit, Mich. was Charsie McNeill, Mrs. Oxendine's sister.

Mrs. Oxendine was the former Nancy Chavis, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. French Chavis of the Philadelphia area. Mr. Oxendine is the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Sonny Oxendine. They were married December 20, 1942.

#### DWIGHT LOWRY TO SPEAK AT PEMBROKE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Professional baseball player Dwight Lowry, a player with the Detroit Tigers, will speak at the Pembroke First Baptist church January 13, 1985 at 7 p.m. He will be joined by the Young People's Choir from Bear Swamp Baptist Church. Everyone, especially the young people, are encouraged to come and hear this professional christian athlete.

Mount Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church of Pembroke, N.C. will begin revival services Monday night, Jan. 7, and continue through Sunday, Jan. 13, with services beginning at 7:30 p.m. nightly. The guest speaker will be the Rev. Tommy Spikes of Raleigh, N.C. The pastor, the Rev. Johnie Pollard cordially invites the public to attend.

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### \$10 Million First Prize Announced in Largest Ever Sweepstakes

NEW YORK--The largest sweepstakes prize ever--\$10 million--was announced this week in a national advertising campaign.

Envelopes bearing the familiar face of Ed McMahon are arriving in homes all across the country. Enclosed are nine exclusive numbers, one of which may have been selected already to win the \$10 million prize. Recipients must return the entry card by January 31 to be eligible to win.

McMahon will award the prize to the winner in a ceremony during NBC's *Tonight Show*.

The sweepstakes, sponsored by American Family Publishers, promotes magazine subscriptions. It offers more than 110,000 prizes in addition to the \$10 million first prize, including awards of \$1 and \$2 million. That easily makes this the largest cash sweepstakes in America, according to Fred C. Shotwell, American Family president.

An independent company, Ventura Associates, is responsible for selecting the winners. "All prizes absolutely will be given away," Jeffrey Feinman, president, said.

Sweepstakes "have never been more popular," Feinman said, but "there's never been one as large as the coming \$10 million first prize."

The use of the computer-assigned numbers assures that each entrant has an equal chance of winning. All he has to do is return the card enclosed in his envelope.

"It takes only a moment and a 20 cents stamp to have nine chances to win \$10 million," Shotwell said.

The top prize of \$2 million last year was won by Rebecca Wright, 27, who lives in a Detroit suburb. The divorced mother of an eight-year-old son, she was out of work when she learned the news of her good fortune.



Rebecca Wright and her son, David, 8, of suburban Detroit prepare to mount the motorcycle she bought with the \$2 million prize she won earlier this year in an American Family Publishers sweepstakes. Next year's first prize is \$10 million.

### 10th Annual Indian Unity Conference

Indians from across the state will gather at the Bordeaux Motor Inn in Fayetteville March 14-16, 1985, for the Tenth Annual North Carolina Indian Unity Conference.

The conference sponsor, United Tribes of North Carolina (UTNC), is currently finalizing plans for the annual conference which will have as its theme, "Memories of Our Past, Visions of Our Future."

Workshops will be held at the conference on such topics as Indian health, economic development, women's issues, education, employment and training and Indian history and culture. Other highlights of the conference will include a banquet, art and essay contests and an intertribal powwow.

The banquet speaker will be Arlinda Locklear, a staff attorney with the Native American Rights Fund (NARF) and a

member of the Lumbee tribe of North Carolina. Locklear has the distinction of being the first female Indian attorney to present argument before the United States Supreme Court.

The conference pre-registration fee will be \$30 per person. The registration fee at the conference will be \$35. Separate tickets for the banquet only will be available for \$15.

Persons wishing more information about the conference should contact one of the member organizations of UTNC, which includes seven North Carolina Indian community organizations and the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs.

The UTNC member in the Pembroke area is Lumbee Regional Development Assoc., P.O. Box 68, Pembroke, N.C. 27844. For more information you may call (919) 521-8602.

### -Directory of 5,000 Plus Indian Businesses in U.S. is Published

A comprehensive, nationwide directory of more than 5,000 Indian-owned businesses in the United States has been published by the LaCourse Communications Corporation. The 325-page book, costing \$65, lists the businesses by category or type of business and alphabetically by state. Including both tribally and individually owned firms, it provides the Standard Industrial Classification (SIC) code and definition of function, product or service, full company name, mailing address and telephone number and the name of a contact person. Richard LaCourse, president of the publishing company, said the Indian businesses are expected by the Minority Business Development Agency to have

combined gross receipts of \$500 million in 1985. LaCourse says the "growth patterns of Indian businesses mirror and reflect the configurations of the area economies which surround them. There are Indian firms in Silicon Valley, military-industrial production units in Texas; oil drilling companies in the Rockies; seafood processing plants in the Northwest; rocket fuel production in the Southwest. The true nature of burgeoning Indian businesses is, to date, a largely unreported story." To order Red Pages: *Businesses across Indian America*, send check or money order to LaCourse Communications Corp., Post Office Box 431, Toppenish, Washington, 98948.

### ...HISTORY'S CORNER



Rhoda Strong never forgot her husband--Henry Berry Lowry. Her tombstone, fronting her grave, is

located in the graveyard of Harper's Ferry Baptist Church near Pembroke. (Bruce Barton photo)