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Editor's note: Our Indian Renaissance began with passage of 1885 N.C. Laws, Ch. 51 designating Robeson County Indians as "Croatian Indians" and providing for an Indian School System. Read the Carolina Indian Voice weekly as we tell this remarkable story throughout 1985 in celebration of our CENTENNIAL OF EDUCATION.

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## March 18 DATE FOR PUBLIC HEARING DESIGNATING PEMBROKE RAILROAD STATE AS AN "HISTORIC PROPERTY"

**Pembroke**—The Pembroke Town Council met Monday night and deliberated on a number of matters of concern. One item was the designation of the Pembroke Railroad Station as an historic property. After hearing from Bruce Barton, Chairman of the Pembroke Historic Properties Commission, the council set March 18 as the date for a public hearing on the fate of the historically-significant structure.

Bruce Barton, the chairman of the commission which was chartered by town ordinance on November 5, 1984 explained what had been happening since then. The ordinance and historical research has been quite lengthy and exhaustive and "has taken a lot of effort on a lot of people's part."

Barton paid special tribute to Dr. Bob Hersch, director of library services at PSU, for helping in the initial research and development of the ordinance. Dr. Hersch had been named to the historic properties commission but was forced to resign because he does not live in the Pembroke area as demanded by the ordinance. Other members of the commission are: Mrs. Mary H. Locklear and Mrs. Lucy Locklear; also serving as members of the body are Mayor Milton Hunt and Clinton Thomas, Jr., chairman of Pembroke's Planning Board.

Barton said, at the hearing, "We plan to do an extensive fund raising campaign as soon as the building is declared an historic property... hopefully on the 18th of March."

**In other items...** The council effectively killed the movement to bring the housing authority under its administrative wing by "tabling indefinitely" the matter via a

motion by Councilman Henry W. Oxendine. Oxendine noted, "We have discussed those matters of concern and are now aware of them... and the subject has been aired fully."

And the council also decided to undertake a revision of its personnel policies, setting a work session by the council after the attorney and town manager "have deleted those things that are not needed, and adding those things that will be beneficial to the town and its employees." Councilman Larry T. Brooks noted that his main area of concern was about steps, classification and an up to date personnel manual. Oxendine, who made the motion said, "It's important that our employees receive this manual after it is updated and that they have a thorough review of it."

Mayor Hunt joyfully announced that the town's long awaited 201 Project was finally approved and ready for implementation. He reminded the audience that sewer lines, and other improvements under the \$613,000 project should be underway soon. Entailing some 14,000 ft. of sewer line the project is expected to get underway in late April or early May, according to Town Manager McDuffie Cummings.

The Council also accepted, with regret, the resignation of Mrs. Maggie Oxendine from the Recreation Commission, replacing her with Mrs. Essie Locklear.

And Town Manager Cummings reported that the town's community development program in the Jones Street area "is coming along nicely."

## Workshops Part of Indian Unity Conference

The Lumbee Regional Development Association, co-sponsor of the 10th Annual Indian Unity Conference, has again been awarded a grant from the North Carolina Humanities Committee of Greensboro to conduct a series of cultural related workshops at the Unity Conference scheduled for March 14-16, 1985 at the Bordeaux Motor Inn in Fayetteville. The Annual Unity Conference is a gathering of Indian leadership, scholarship and talent for purposes of cultural exchange, fraternization and seeking of solutions to problems of Indians.

Without the support of the N.C. Humanities Committee, outstanding scholars who can address the humanistic concerns of N.C. Indians would not be possible. Such grants by the committee has helped the Annual Conference grow in sophistication and concept and also reach a larger and a more diverse audience including students and members of academic institutions.

The grant awarded by the committee will allow humanists to provide 4 workshops during the conference so that participants can jointly examine Indian beliefs and values, recognition and celebration of Indian Culture, and the direction for future development. The workshops will promote group involvement and discussion.

The public is invited and encouraged to participate in the Tenth Annual Unity Conference which will serve as host to the workshops. Conference registration is \$30 and includes materials, workshops, banquet, dance, and breakfast. The workshops are funded by the N.C. Humanities Committee and are free and open to the general public. Workshops are scheduled as follows:

**Thursday, March 14- 3:45-5:15 p.m.** "Perspective on Native American Values." Speakers are Dr. Dean Chavers, Principal Partner of Dean Chavers & Associates; and Dr. David Eliades, Assoc. Professor, Dept. of History and American Indian Studies at PSU. "Indian Values vs Non-Indian Values." Speaker is Dr. John Wunder, Professor, Dept. of History, Clemson University.

**Friday, March 15- 10:15-11:45 a.m.** "Celebrating our Native Culture." Speakers: Lindsay Warren, Chairman 400th Anniversary Committee and Jane Smith, Vice Chair person, Advisory Comm. on Native American's Participation in America's 400th Anniversary Celebration. "Dealing with Cross Cultural Clash." Speakers: Dr. Dean Chavers, Principal Partner of Dean Chavers & Associates; and Arnold Richardson, Artist and Traditionalist, Haliwa-Saponi Tribe.

For additional information on cultural workshops contact Ben Jacobs at LRDA (919) 521-8602. For information on conference registration contact LRDA at 919-521-8601 or Cumberland County Association for Indian People at 919-483-8442.

## News deadline Applications for Miss Lumbee

In order to better serve our readers, beginning with next week's issue, a 5 p.m. Tuesday deadline for news articles appearing in The Carolina Indian Voice will be strictly adhered to. The only exception to this rule will be late breaking news stories. Our main desire is to put out as good an issue as is humanly possible, and to put that issue in your hands as quickly as possible. That is why it has become necessary for us to follow the lead of other newspapers and adhere strictly to a deadline.

So, we desperately want to print your news items. But, we need your help in helping us better serve you. Deadline for ads to appear in The Carolina Indian Voice will be 12 Noon, Wednesday of the week in which they are to appear.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance and cooperation, we are...

THE STAFF AND  
MANAGEMENT OF  
THE CAROLINA  
INDIAN VOICE

## Penn State offers Indian Fellowships

Graduate fellowships are available for American Indian students to enroll in the special education teacher training program at the Pennsylvania State University. The deadline for inquiries is April 15.

The American Indian Special Education Teacher Training Program was established in 1983 with a three-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education. Participants receive a monthly stipend of about \$600 plus travel expenses and a remission of tuition.

Dr. Anna Gajar, associate professor of special education is director of the program, which is affiliated with the University's nationally recognized Native American Program.

Dr. Gajar says, "The teacher training program is designed to prepare American Indian students to work with handicapped American Indian children." Special seminars on American Indian Education are conducted in conjunction with the Native American Program.

Graduates of the program are qualified for the following employment opportunities: (a) Teacher of Special Education; (b) Special Education Program Coordinator and Consultant; (c) Special Education Program Developer; and (d) Special Education positions with the Bureau of Indian Affairs.

Applications for the fall semester, beginning August 1985, are now being accepted. Participants will receive the master of education degree in special education. Depending on applicant qualifications, study will involve a one-year course commitment.

For more information, write Dr. Anna Gajar, American Indian Special Education Teacher Training Program, the Pennsylvania State University, 226B Moore Building, University Park, Pa. 16802 or call the program office (814) 863-2284.



Lee Pam Oxendine,  
Miss Lumbee  
(Elmer Hunt photo)

## PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS

### WEEK END REVIVAL

You are cordially invited to attend revival services on March 14, 15 and 17 at Burnt Swamp Baptist Church.

Guest speaker will be the Rev. Lindbergh Chavis. Services begin at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday-Friday night and 7 p.m. on Sunday. Special music each night. Rev. Tommy Gist is pastor.

**SCIENCE FAIR AT UNION CHAPEL**  
Union Chapel Elementary School will have a science fair March 12 in the school gym. Everyone is invited to come out and see the projects.

**HEYWARD K. LOWRY BECOMES REGISTERED PHARMACIST**  
Heyward K. Lowry of Pembroke received notice of licensure as a registered pharmacist in the State of North Carolina on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 1985.

Heyward is a graduate of the University of South Carolina at Columbia. He received his Bachelor of Science in Pharmacy this past December.

Heyward is the second generation of pharmacists in the Lowry family. His father, Hughes Dulin Lowry, a registered pharmacist, is also a USC graduate.

Hughes Dulin Lowry is owner of Lowry's Pharmacy in which both he and Heyward are currently practicing pharmacy.

Congratulations to Mr. Heyward Lowry on successful completion of the North Carolina State Boards and on becoming a licensed pharmacist in North Carolina.

### PROSPECT ACTIVITIES

Prospect School will hold a PTA meeting on Thursday, March 7, 1985 at 7 p.m. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

Prospect School will be having a chicken barbecue plate sale on Friday, March 15, from 11 a.m. until 8 p.m. price will be \$3 per plate. Everyone is encouraged to participate.

### JOINT FELLOWSHIP REVIVAL PLANNED

Mt. Olive Baptist Church and Bethel Hill Baptist Church, both of the Saddlecreek area will be holding a joint Fellowship Revival, March 10-15. Services will be held at Mt. Olive on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.. Wednesday, Thursday and Friday services will be held at Bethel Hill Baptist Church. Services begin at 7 p.m. on Sunday and at 7:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. The speakers will be Rev. Glassie Locklear, Jr., pastor of Bethel Hill Baptist Church, and Rev. Lockie Carter, pastor of Mt. Olive Baptist Church. Special music will be presented each night by the church choirs. The public is invited to attend.

### QUIT SMOKING

The Robeson County Health Department will be offering a lunch time Quit Smoking Clinic beginning on March 19. Participants will meet at the health department for six consecutive Tuesdays from 12-1 p.m.

An evening Quit Smoking Clinic will begin April 16 at the health department. Participants will meet for six consecutive Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

To register for the clinic or for further information, contact Gaylen Hayes, 738-7231.

### MT. ZION CHRISTIAN SCHOOL ACCEPTING APPLICATIONS

Mt. Zion Christian School of Eureka Road, Pembroke, organized August, 1984, is accepting applications for the spring quarter- March 18-May 30 and the 1985-86 school year. Program of study includes kindergarten-college. The school is recognized by N.C. Department of Non Public School, Office of Governor. Entrance test necessary for full-time or part-time students. Part-time students may enroll without transferring. Adult, L.D. and Hard to learn student applications encouraged. Emphasis on reading, math, science and English. Call 521-0209 Pat Locklear, Head Teacher.

### DEMOCRATS TO HOLD PRECINCT MEETINGS ON MARCH 7

Democrats across the state will gather in their precincts Thursday to start building their organizations for 1986 campaigns.

All registered Democrats are encouraged to attend their precinct meetings at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 7. Each precinct meeting will take place at the precinct polling place, unless the Democratic county chair announces a change.

Each precinct will elect precinct officers, including a chair, three vice chairs, a secretary, a treasurer, and four active Democrats to serve on the precinct committee. These officers will serve two year terms. Each precinct meeting will also elect delegates to the April 13 Democratic county conventions.

Precinct meetings also offer all Democrats the opportunity to propose new strategies for the Democratic Party. Any Democrat may offer a resolution suggesting policy or organizational goals for the party.

For more information, please call your Democratic county chair or state party headquarters at (919) 821-2777.

### BLOODMOBILE AT WEST ROBESON

The American Red Cross and the West Robeson Senior High chapter of Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) will sponsor a Bloodmobile in the school gymnasium on Monday, March 11 from 8:30 a.m. until 2 p.m. All interested persons may sign up as donors with HOSA students or by simply dropping by the school on March 11. The heat goes on only when you give. Be a blood donor.

### PLATE SALE PLANNED

Pembroke Ass. mby of God will be holding a Barbecue plate sale on March 7th and 8th in the Town Park. A gospel singing will be held at the Church Friday night, March 8 at 7:30 p.m. Rev. Larry Lowry invites everyone to come out and enjoy the good food and good music.

### AUDITIONS FOR SATW

The auditions for the 1985 production of "Strike at the Wind" will be held Saturday, March 30 from 10 a.m. until 5 p.m. and Sunday, March 31 from 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. at the Riverside Country Club (three miles west of Pembroke on Highway 1354. In the event of rain, the auditions will be held at the LRDA Annex (521-2401) in Pembroke. For more information, one may call 919-521-3112 (Strike at the Wind) from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. Monday through Friday.

## Finalist in Miss U.S. Teen Pageant



Miss Nichole Raquel McLemore, daughter of Cecilia McLemore and LTC William McLemore has been selected as a state finalist in the 1985 Miss North Carolina U.S. Teen Pageant.

The Miss North Carolina U.S. Teen Pageant is the official state preliminary to the Miss U.S. Teen Pageant to be held in July, 1985. Nichole is 15 years old and is a freshman at Pembroke Junior High. Her grandparents are Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Cum-

mings of Pembroke and Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow McLemore of Little Rock, Arkansas.

The Miss North Carolina U.S. Teen Pageant will be held in Raleigh, NC on March 30, 1985 at the Ramada Inn-Apex. Sponsors are Chisp Jeans of Fayetteville, Pembroke Tire and Recapping, CG's Busy Bee, Pembroke Town Clerk's Office and Harris' Convenience Store. (Photo by Elmer Hunt)

## AROUND THE COUNTY

### LITTLE MISS LUMBERTON PAGEANT PLANNED

A Little Miss Lumbeerton Pageant will be sponsored by the Lumbeerton Jaycee Women on March 16th, 7:30 p.m. at the Lumbeerton Senior High School. The pageant is for girls between the ages of five and seven. Applications are now being accepted. Contact Diane Wilkins at 739-5824, Diane Oliver at 739-3678 or Kathy Carmical at 739-7506 after 5:30 p.m. for entry information.

### PEMBROKE PTA TO MEET

There will be a meeting of the Pembroke Elementary School's PTA on Monday, March 11, 1985 at 7:30 p.m. at the school. The topic will be child abuse and all parents are urged to attend.

### DEEP BRANCH PRE SCHOOL CLINIC PLANNED

The Pre-School Clinic for Deep Branch Elementary Kindergarten will be Friday, March 15, 1985 from 9 a.m. to 12 noon. If you child will be five years old by October 16, 1985, please bring birth certificate, shot records and physical examination to register your child.

Please do not bring children.