

Celebrating 100 Years of *Indian Education* in Robeson

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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Shelly Denyale Scott
Tiny Miss Deep Branch

A Tiny Miss Deep Branch Pageant was held March 29 at Deep Branch School in conjunction with the school's regular pageant. This was the first pageant of its kind to be held by any school in the Robeson County School System. The pageant was carried out by a committee of mothers to help aid in the welfare and education of children at Deep Branch School.

The pageant was designed for four and five year old preschool girls from the Deep Branch School District. All proceeds derived from the pageant went to the school.

The winner of the Tiny Miss Pageant was Shelly Denyale Scott. She is the five year old daughter of Randy and Sandra Scott of Route 4, Lumberton. Shelly sang and did a tap routine to the "ABC Song." She received a crown, trophy, roses and a \$100 savings bond. The first runner up was Shanna Sue Jones, she is the five year old daughter of Eddie and Pauline Jones of Route 6, Lumberton. Shanna did a pom pom dance to "Mickey." The second runner up was Carol Lee Hunt. She is the four year old daughter of Sylvester and Carolyn Hunt of Route 6, Lumberton. Carol did a dance routine to the "Hokey Pokey." There was a

total of six contestants and each received a trophy and roses.

The pageant was sponsored by the following businesses and individuals: Stallion Paint Co. Regional Office Supplies, Inc.; Lowry's Logging; Doris and Shird's Grocery; Jamestown Enterprises; Griffin Accounting; the Carolina Indian Voice; Dobbs Used Parts; Powers Convenient Mart; Sonny's Garage; Allen's Used Cars; Addie Oxendine's Grocery; TBS Service Co.; Mable's Beauty Salon; Willie Chavis; Lucy Maynor; Alice Oxendine; James Chavis' Trailer Park and Larry's Place.

A special thank you goes to the principal of Deep Branch School, Mr. Walter G. Oxendine, for without his help and cooperation this pageant would not have been possible. A special thanks to the following committee members for their time and effort in making this pageant a success: Bonnie Hunt, Alice Oxendine and Marilyn Sampson.

The committee is grateful to those who came out and supported the pageant and hope you will continue to do so in the future. Looking forward to next year and an even greater success.

31 Teams Went Out Today PSU Now has \$197,450 Toward Its \$1 Million Centennial Goal

by Gene Warren
Enthusiasm was high and there was a crusade-like atmosphere as 31 teams of area citizens, all members of PSU's Centennial Board of 100, canvassed Robeson County last Friday on PSU's "C-Day," or "Contribute Day."

A total of 250 business establishments knew they were coming, having received a letter from the co-chairmen of the fund drive, Hector MacLean and Joe Sandlin, the two top officials of Southern National Bank and Corporation.

By noon Tuesday ten of the teams had reported that \$28,825 had been received in cash or pledges. Together with the \$168,750 which had been raised in cash before Friday, PSU has \$196,575 toward its \$1 million goal by 1987.

Many of the teams going out last Friday are reporting this week.

"This is the first time we've ever had a one-day fund raising effort like this and we are pleased with its impact," said Chancellor Paul Givens of PSU, who is the one who

really cranked up PSU's fund raising efforts when he became chancellor in 1979. "We treated to an elaborate breakfast at Lumberton's Ramada Inn before beginning last Friday's big effort."

"Each of the two teams should have a goal of raising \$3,000 a year for each of these three years," Sandlin said. "We should seek a three-year commitment on pledges."

When Chancellor Givens came to PSU in 1979, he asked what was the University's endowment. "What endowment?" was the answer. "We now have an endowment of \$120,000, which is moving upward." But he noted a small school in Illinois with a \$30 million endowment.

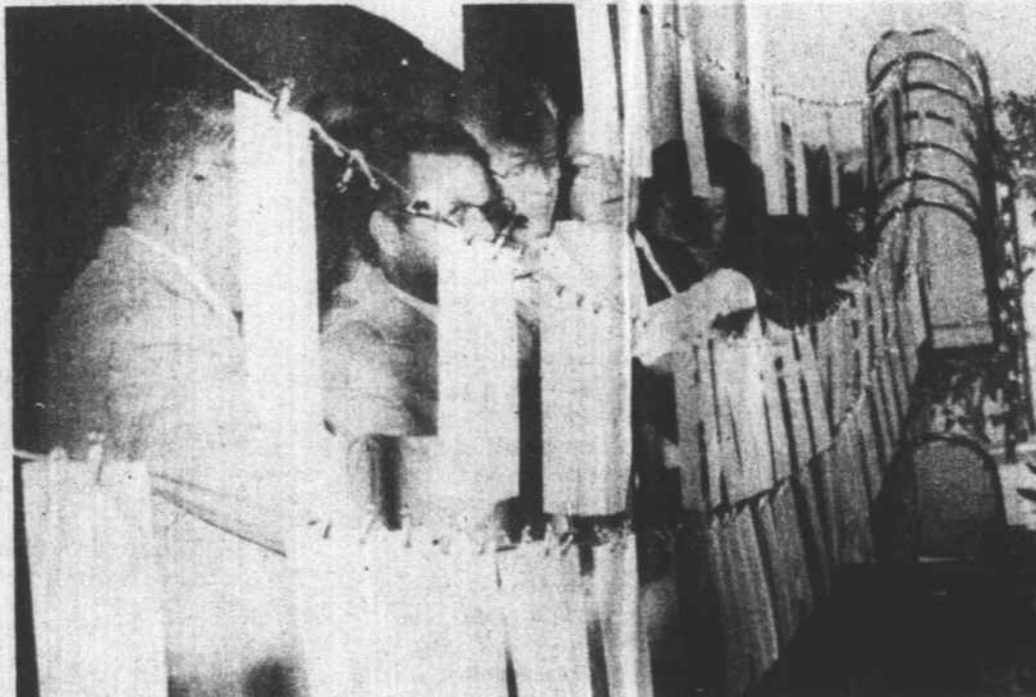
"Harvard has a \$2.4 billion endowment, the University of Texas \$2.2 billion, Wake Forest \$126 million, UNC \$59 million, and Davidson \$38 million."

MacLean says the group going out should be in a spirit that "it is blessed to give."

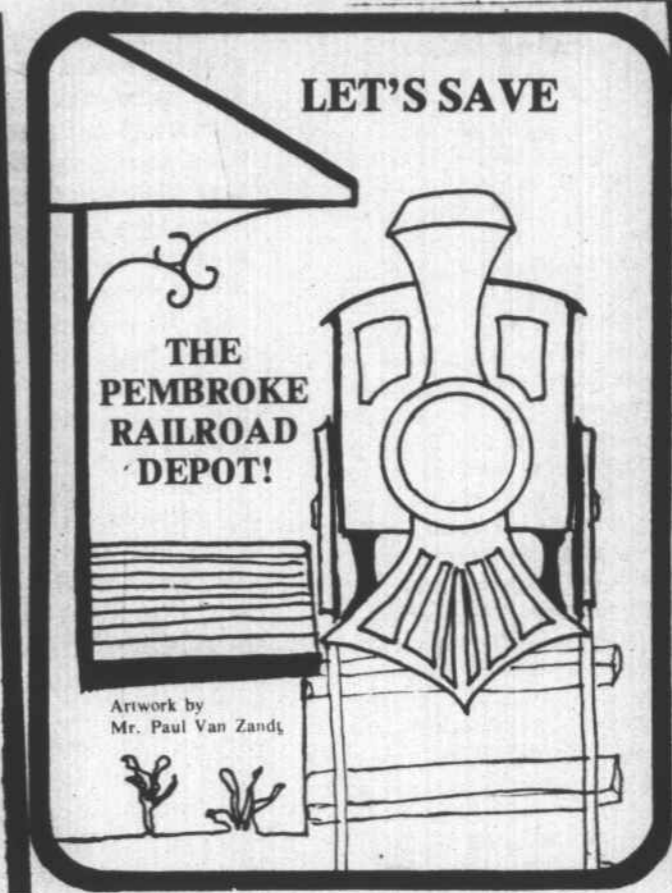
MacLean reminded the breakfast body of the days when Robeson County "had no industry." He said, "We had two worn-out cotton mills. Our high school graduates couldn't find work. The county population was going down instead of up. We now face a serious economic development. Tobacco is not going to come back like it once was. We are going to have to get more industry."

MacLean said unemployment in the Raleigh-Durham-Chapel Hill area is less than 3 percent, the least unemployment in the country. "Those universities up there are vital reasons. They draw industries and jobs. PSU is a vital cog in our whole wheel in changing our economic situation. It will help us have jobs and keep our young people home."

In conclusion, MacLean reminded the Centennial Board of 100 that "60 percent of PSU's 2,000-plus students come from Robeson County." "The campaign is going to provide PSU extra excellence as it continues to serve us well," he said.



Selecting names for solicitation of funds or pledges last Friday are these members of the PSU Centennial Board of 100. Those identifiable are Dr. Adolph Dial, Jim Paul and Scott Shepherd.



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LRDA's Center for the Arts
Touring Company Performed
at Pentagon

LRDA's Lumbee River Native American Center for the Arts Touring Company recently returned from a triumphant performing tour of the Nation's Capitol. The Touring Company was escorted by the Alexandria police and Washington, D.C. police on April 17, 1985 to the Capitol Hilton Hotel for a performance at the National Convention of the DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution). A program of Native American music and dance was presented. After the performance at the DAR Convention the group was given a police escort to Arlington Cemetery to observe the changing of the Guards at the tomb of the Unknown Soldier and to visit the Kennedy grave site. The group was then escorted to

the Pentagon where a performance of Native American music and dance and "Broadway-A Choral Revue of the American Broadway Musical" was presented. The group was introduced by the Honorable Lawrence J. Korb, Assistant Secretary of Defense Manpower, Installations and Logistics. Following the performance, Mr. Korb stated: "This is the very best program I've ever seen presented by any group at the Pentagon."

Following lunch and a movie about the Pentagon, the group was given a police escort to the Capitol where they gave another performance. Congressman Charlie Rose gave the introduction of the group.

During the performance the Lumbee Banner was displayed from the balcony of the Capitol.

Several Hand Woven baskets were presented to dignitaries by Mrs. Janie Maynor Locklear, Director of Lumbee River Native American Center for the Arts.

Students in the Touring Company are in grades 7-12 in Robeson County schools. These gifted and talented young people were selected by addition to be in the group.

Presently the Center for the Arts students are in rehearsal for a performance of the Broadway musical, "Grease" to be presented May 17 at the Performing Arts Center at PSU.

Applications

LRDA is proud to announce the Lumbee Homecoming will be held July 3-7. The Little Miss Lumbee Pageant will be held Thursday, July 4th this year. Any contestant wishing to enter the pageant must be Indian between the ages of 4 and 6 and must have some type of talent (singing, dancing, etc.)

The applications will be available at the LRDA Lumbee Longhouse Learning Centers, Day Care Centers, Headstart Centers, and at the LRDA Office at the TBS Complex. For more information contact Marilyn L. Locklear at 521-8489.

Editor of PSU Pine Needle Awarded John Green Memorial Award



David Look of Pembroke is presented a check for \$500 as the first recipient of the John Green Memorial Scholarship. Making the presentation is Green's mother, Mrs. Norma Green Parker of Lumberton. Green was killed in an automobile accident in Scotland County Feb. 10, 1984. He was a senior journalism

major. Since then over \$6,000 has been raised for the endowed scholarship in his name. Green's father has contributed \$3,000 to the endowment. The PSU students and faculty \$2,000 and the Robesonian, for whom Green was writing, \$1,000. The scholarship will be awarded each year to a PSU student

who wishes to pursue a career in writing. The student may be majoring in history, journalism, or creative writing. Look is editor of "The Pine Needle," student newspaper, student assistant to the PSU sports information director and a Dean's List student.

PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS

REVIVAL AT ZION HILL

Revival services will be held at Zion Hill Baptist Church in the Rennett community April 28-May 3. Service begins at 7 p.m. on Sunday night and 7:30 p.m. weeknights. Guest speakers

will be Rev. Michael Cummings, pastor of Mt. Airy Baptist Church and Rev. Dufrene Cummings, pastor of Ashpole United Methodist Church. Rev. Ted Brooks, pastor of Zion Hill, and congregation extend a cordial

invitation to the public to attend.

PLATE SALE AND RAFFLE

The Burnt Swamp Philadelphus Volunteer Fire Department will be having a barbecue and chicken plate sale on Saturday, April 27 from 11 until 7 at the fire station in Buie. Also to be held will be a drawing for an 11 horsepower, 38 mch MTD riding lawnmower. The public is invited to attend.

TO HOLD MINI POW WOW

The Lumbee Homecoming Pow Wow Committee will hold a mini pow wow along with an arts and crafts sale on May 4, 1985 at the Pembroke Town Park. Indian dancers and persons interested in learning pow wow dancing are encouraged to attend. Crafts produced by area senior citizens, work by local artists, and baked goods will be on sale. Proceeds will go to the senior citizens and the Lumbee Homecoming Pow Wow. Contact LRDA at 521-8602 or 521-9761 for additional information.

BRUCE BARTON (left), editor of the *Carolina Indian Voice* of Pembroke, is presented PSU's American Indian Studies Department's Award for Excellence on PSU's "Awards Day" April 18. Making the presentation is Dr. Adolph Dial, Chairman of the American Indian Studies Department. The award carried a \$100 cash award from the Lumbee Bank of Pembroke.

