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Dial To Run For N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs Seat

By Harold G. Dial



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I hope that my candidacy for the North Carolina Indian Commission will have a very positive effect on the Indian community of Pembroke, Smiths, and Maxton townships. This race is not an opportunity for Indian people to be involved in a political exercise, but it offers a forum for Indian people to take a look at the issues that influence their lives and shape their destinies. May I address those issues Please?

Probably the most important issue facing the Indian community is economic development. Economic development is the single most area in which local Indian agencies have been the least effective. It goes without saying that if a community has no stable economic base it disintegrates, disappears, or vanishes. If we as a people cannot bring in helpful industry or assist in developing new industries in our communi-

ties, there is no other choice than to move elsewhere. Our local Indian agencies have even failed to be productive in assisting with Small Business Loans. I plan, if elected to the commission, to do everything within my ability to give direction and assistance to local Indian agencies to aid them in the areas of formulating and proposing new arenas for successful economic development agendas.

The Indian Commission has failed to be an active and vocal voice for the Indian people. If we as Indian people have no voice that is listened to at the state level, there is definitely no reason for us to even try to speak. Maybe it is because only a few want to try to speak for the majority and say with all false assurance that this is what the Indian people want, having never even asked the Indian people what they really want. I plan to ask and I plan to speak, and I plan for the voice of the people to be heard not only in Raleigh, North Carolina, but also in Washington, D.C.

I said at the beginning this is an opportunity to address the issues, I must address this one. Local Indian agencies need to become more professional in the administering of their programs. Indian agencies need to constantly train and develop their staff. It is also finally time that the stories of sexual harassment of female employees come to a screeching halt. It has

definitely got to stop. We deserve the best as Indian people; we are the first Americans, not second class citizens. There is no such thing as a second class citizen. We need to learn the lesson of mutual respect. The Indian Commission can create work shops and initiate training sessions that will help local agencies get maximum effort and performance from its staff.

Finally there is Lumber River, we cannot afford to lose it. If elected to the Commission, I will do everything in my power to insure it remains a pure and natural source of water for Robeson and surrounding counties. Pure water is probably the most valuable natural resource we have in this area. We need someone prepared to defend this most precious resource. We cannot stand idly by and allow a toxic chemical waste treatment plant to be built so close to this vital resource which would create the possibility of permanent contamination. If elected, I plan to involve the North Carolina Commission on Indian Affairs in every possible aspect of this debate so that a more common sense location can be found for this plant in the State of North Carolina.

Thank you so much for your time. I now ask for your support in the upcoming election. I plan to give it my very best effort, because you are worth it. Thank you again.

ELDERS INVOLVED IN LUMBEE ENROLLMENT PROGRAM

The elders in our community got involved in the Lumbee Enrollment Program when the Lumbee Elders Review Committee (LERC) met for the first time Tuesday morning at the Sandy Plains United Methodist Church north of Pembroke.

Kenneth R. Maynor, Executive Director of the Lumbee Regional Developmental Association, welcomed the LERC to the meeting and gave them an overview of the agenda. He also provided answers to many questions that were presented by members of the LERC.

Paul Brooks, Chairman of the LRDA Board of Directors, addressed the group next. "We have taken great strides to get us where we are today and to get us recognized as a tribe, and it is leaders like you who have made it possible," said Brooks.

The LERC of the Lumbee Enrollment Program consists of 20 Lumbee Indians who live in Robeson County and the adjoining counties, who have volunteered their time and services to assist LRDA in determining the eligibility of applicants who desire to be recognized as members of the Lumbee Tribe.

Adolph L. Dial, LRDA Board Member, gave an historical overview of Lumbee efforts for Federal Recognition. He was followed by Rebecca Seib, Federal Recognition

Coordinator, who discussed current efforts of Lumbee Federal Acknowledgement.

A brief history and overview of Lumbee Tribal Enrollment was given by Cynthia Hammond, Supervisor of Tribal Enrollment. Julian Pierce, Executive Director of Lumbee River Legal Services, discussed the efforts of LRLS to assist Lumbees and other tribes in research.

There are an estimated 50,000 Lumbee Indians throughout the country, and LRDA has a goal to get as many Lumbee people on the tribal roll as possible. This point was stressed by Emma Locklear, Chairman of the Federal Recognition Committee, as she discussed the goals and activities of her committee.

"A time will come, and we hope it is soon, that we will be recognized as a tribe and receive funding from the government. When that time comes, the federal government will look at the number of people on our tribal roll to determine how much funding we will receive," said Brooks, as he discussed the expectations, goals, and responsibilities of the LERC.

The time has come for the Lumbee People to become more united and to receive the same benefits enjoyed by other Indian tribes. The LERC is ready to get to work reviewing applications and encouraging all Lumbees to get enrolled.

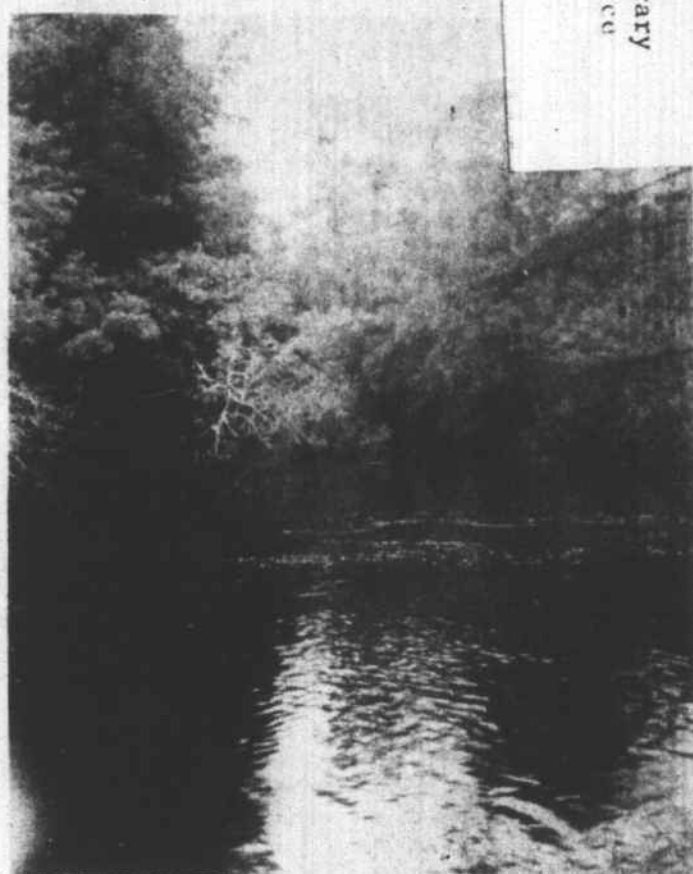
The LERC will use the following criteria for certification for Lumbee Tribal Memberships. Each applicant and his/her ancestors must be recognized as Indians by the Elders of the Lumbee Community, and meet one of the following requirements:

1. Memberships in established Indian Organizations or Indian Institution.
2. Residence in an Indian Community or cultural ties to the Lumbee Community showing a residence within that community within the last three generations.

The following individuals are members of the Lumbee Elders Review Committee: Claude Lowry, Welton Lowry, Claude Sampson, Sr., Rev. Sanford Locklear, James H. Hammonds, Oscar Jones, Cardell Sampson, Rev. Oscar Cummings, Grady Hunt, Lidia Locklear, Diane Locklear, Roxie and Smiley Chavis, Raymond Clark, Isiah Locklear, Willie G. Locklear, Rev. Johnnie Bullard, Desper Lee Jacobs Leviner, Arbor Oxendine, and Conrad Oxendine.

A delicious buffet lunch was prepared by the Tribal Enrollment Staff and other LRDA workers. The LERC will meet again at 9:30 a.m. August 20th to elect a chairman and discuss plans for the future.

SAVE THE RIVER



Lumber River at Harpers Ferry Church.

The first organizational meeting of the Save The River movement will be held August 1 at 7 p.m. at the

Pembroke Court House. Please be there if you would like to help.

TELETHON FOR STRIKE AT THE WIND! TO BE HELD AUGUST 18

A telethon for "Strike at the Wind!" is scheduled Sunday, August 18, from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Channel 62 in Lumber Bridge, NC.

"Strike at the Wind!" is Robeson County's only outdoor drama. It features local people to tell the story of the Lumbee Indians and Henry Berry Lowrie. The show is now in its momentous tenth season. The goal is to raise funds to help support the exciting drama.

Carnell Locklear, General Manager, said, "It would surprise most...

all the time, hard work and expense involved in a production like "Strike at the Wind!" Everyone in the area should support this show."

"It's part of all of us," he said. "It's what our heritage is all about."

"It's a great show," he added. "The music is great and the over-all drama is great."

There will be local bands and talent groups performing during the telethon. Volunteers are still needed to man the telephones, said Locklear.

Anyone wanting to help with the telethon should contact Locklear at 521-3112.

"Strike at the Wind!" is funded by the N.C. Theatre Arts Council, which is funded by the N.C. General Assembly. It is a non-profit organization.

"Strike at the Wind!" is performed every Thursday, Friday, and Saturday nights through September 7, 1985, at the Riverside Country Club in the Red Banks Community on the site of Lakeside Amphitheatre, approximately 3 miles west of Pembroke. A pre-show is performed at 8 p.m. with the drama showing each night at 8:30.

Tobacco Markets Open

All Border Belt markets in North Carolina opened Tuesday, except for Clarkton and Fair Bluff, which open today.

In Lumberton, opening day prices varied greatly at Liberty and Carolina warehouses. The average price per pound was \$1.34 compared to \$1.51 last year at Liberty. Warehouse officials blame a late crop and farmer's uncertainties about the tobacco program this year for a short supply on warehouse floors. Both floors at Liberty and Carolina were less than half-filled.

Leroy Townsend, owner of Carolina, said the opening sale was "just about what he expected." He added it wasn't certain.

Three Fayetteville High School Graduates Named Chancellor's Scholars At PSU

PEMBROKE--Three high school graduates of Cumberland County--all members of the National Honor Society or Beta Club--have been chosen Chancellor's Scholars at Pembroke State University.

Chancellor's Scholars' tuitions are paid to PSU, they take special courses, and present a Master's type thesis before graduating. At commencement, they receive special honors. To qualify for the program, a student must be among the leaders of his school both academically and in extracurricular activities.

The students selected are Scott Trumbull of Fayetteville Reid Ross High School and Brenda Gayle Black and Cid Hickman, both of Southview Senior High of Fayetteville.

Trumbull, the son of Sgt. Richard C. Trumbull, was a member of the National Honor Society, the North Carolina Scholars Program, magna cum laude in the national Latin exam, and had the

highest average in Algebra I. He plans to major in mathematics and computer science at PSU.

Trumbull, an all-conference golfer in his junior and senior years, was also a member of the French Club, Mathematics Club, and Latin clubs. He won the Presidential Academic Fitness Award.

Black, the daughter of Kenneth B. Black, finished in the top five percent of her class. She was a member of the Beta Club, a marshal, teacher's assistant, treasurer of the French Club, and a member of the Drama Club, Pep Club, and Keyettes.

Hickman, the son of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Hickman, was a member of the Beta Club. He participated in band and was a member of the marching band, concert band, and stage band. A member of the Student Council, he played basketball and was a member of the track team during his years in high school.

Fashion Show Merits Awards For Lumbee Girls

LaRose Modeling & Talent Agency of Lumberton held their Summer Fashion Show at the Robeson County Library on July 15. Competition involved were Sports Wear, Semi-Formal Wear, and

Evening wear. The models also modeled their own designs. They were judged on Stage presentation, Poise, Stance, Eye contact, and Beauty. Winners were JoAnn Meloce, Stephanie Mollo, first place, second place, Cammie Micheletti, and third place, Tina Lowery.

Whitney Renea Hammonds, and Latonia Delane Cox both won "Little Miss Congeniality Award. They both will receive a 11x14 Oil Painting of themselves from Southern Studio's of Lumberton. Special entertainment was provided by Angie Cox. She sang "Tomorrow" and "You Needed Me".



Shown above are the participants in the Summer Seminar.

The Health Career Awareness Project (H-Cap) of the Robeson County Board of Education recently completed the 1985 Health Career Summer Seminar. The program which was held June 17-July 18 involved twenty students representing the county high schools. The seminar was conducted on the campus of Pembroke State University and the Robeson County Educational Resource Center. The criteria used for selecting student participants was based on the following: high school academic record, enrollment in college preparatory classes, overall B average or above and the interest to pursue a career in a health profession. The H-Cap Program utilizes

resources during the A week program to expose students to different health professions and enhance their interest in the health career of their choice.

This exposure is achieved by tours to different universities which offer curriculums in health fields. Participants toured the campus of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and attended presentations pertaining to the following programs: Dentistry, Pharmacy, Medicine and Allied Health. Also students toured the campus of Wake Forest University and Bowman Gray School of Medicine. The project for the first time toured the North Carolina State Labs of Public Health at Raleigh.

Several health professionals shared their career experiences with the participants including Debbie H. Chavis, a Registered Physical Therapist; Sandra Locklear, 2nd year Optometry student at Pennsylvania School of Optometry; and Debra Houston-Health Educator with the Robeson County Health Department. Each stressed to the students the need to plan and prepare themselves academically in order to pursue their goals.

Participants received instruction in reading, science concepts, mathematics, test-taking skills, communication skills, and the use of a college library. Students were also involved in mock interviews to develop skills for health

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