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Bullard Announces For Re-Election To LREMC Board Of Directors



Gus Bullard

Gus Bullard of Maxton announces his candidacy for re-election to the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation Board of Directors. Mr. Bullard is a member-at-large and has served in that capacity for nine years. In making his announcement, Mr. Bullard released the following statement:

"During my tenure on the board of directors of EMC, I have been faced with many difficulties and sometimes unpopular decisions. This is true of all boards and governing bodies. Through it all, I am exceedingly proud of my voting record and believe that it shows only that I have voted always in what I felt was a fair and honest manner. My goal has been to do my part to make LREMC the most progressive cooperation in the nation. I feel that this goal has nearly reached its potential.

When I was first elected nine years ago, I did not promise to lower people's electric bills. This is an impossibility. I did promise

to work toward bringing the bills of our membership within line with other cooperative electric bills. I feel really good about this goal. I have worked hard to bring our cooperative into line with everyone else. And today as I announce my bid for re-election, the record shows that we are indeed in line with other cooperatives. This is the most that we can hope for. Lowering electric bills is only a false hope that many would offer to obtain votes.

"Especially during the past 3 years, the LREMC has made tremendous progress in the areas of lowering the costs of electricity that have been passed on to the member-consumers. There have been other progressive steps that result in a savings to the member-consumers. For instance, in 1983, we had 90 employees, at the present time, we have lowered that number to 81. We have increased the total number of meters in three years from 21,443 to 24,616 in 1986. Also, we have not had to borrow any money since 1983 when we borrowed \$950,000. We borrowed no money in 1984, 1985 & thus far we have had to borrow none in 1986.

"All of these things I believe speak well of our present board and administration and I am honored to have been allowed the privilege to serve the membership at large. I pledge anew, if re-elected, to continue to strive to keep the costs to the member-consumers as low as it is feasible to keep them. I believe that my record speaks for itself and invite

anyone to take the time and look over my record. I am sure that when you do, you will feel that a vote for Gus Bullard is a vote for assurance of continued integrity and dedicated leadership. It will also be a vote for experience and continued honesty.

"One other fact that I wish to mention that gives me a great deal of pride is the total charge for 1,000 KWH during the past three years. In September, 1983 the total charge for 1,000 KWH was \$79.08; in September, 1984 that figure had risen slightly to \$82.29; in September, 1985 the figure had risen again by little more than \$2.00; however, in September, 1986, the total charge for 1,000 KWH had stabilized at \$80.09. This means that the total charge for 1,000 KWH has only increased \$1.01 in three years. This is something that we are all at LREMC quite proud of. This was not accomplished without much hard work and sincere concentration toward what was in the best interests of LREMC member-consumers. I am indeed privileged to have been given the opportunity to serve you these past nine years. I humbly offer my services for another term and will greatly appreciate your vote and support."

The annual meeting of LREMC member-consumers will be held on Tuesday evening, October 7, 1986 at the Performing Arts Center on the PSU campus. Registration will be held between 6-7:30 p.m.

Ouch! yelled Patrick Dial, the young volunteer from Mt. Elim Baptist Church, when his tennis-shoed foot was unkindly introduced to a piercing nail hidden in a pile of lumber. A quick visit to the Indian Medical Clinic for a tetanus shot met this emergency need, however, producing only another "ouch!" from Pat when the needle was applied.

Patrick was one of a 32 member team who spent three days on the Navajo Reservation in Fruitland,



Here's a look at the sanctuary built on the Navajo Reservation before its completion. The project was paid

N.M. building a sanctuary for the Baptist Mission. This volunteer construction team was joined by fifteen other helpers from Burnt Swamp Baptist Association working Monday through Wednesday, August 11-13, to construct the 32' x 68' house of worship.

Arriving late Saturday afternoon, these Burnt Swamp missionaries were all tired from the 2,100 mile trip to the site, but enthusiastic about its purpose. Some had traveled in vehicles three

days while ten crew members had left early Saturday morning by plane to arrive late in the evening.

Nevertheless, everyone rose early Sunday morning to worship with the Navajo congregation in a tent serving as the temporary house of worship adjacent to the construction site. Following an excellent Sunday School lesson taught by the Navajo adult teacher and a heart-warming message during worship delivered by the pastor, Rev. Kenneth Norton, the hungry North Carolinians were treated to a pot-luck lunch, Navajo style. The afternoon allowed time to settle down in tents where most of the crew slept during the evenings and to see a few of the nearby sites of interest.

Another spiritually moving experience was generated during the Sunday evening worship service when the Burnt Swamp representatives, Navajo congregation, community and local San Juan Baptist Association ministers gathered on the concrete slab (soon to be the floor of the new sanctuary) for a traditional Burnt Swamp worship service, Lumbee style. Rev. David Hunt and Rev. Manford Locklear inspired the worshippers with song, prayer and testimony moving the Spirit of God in the midst in a mighty way to be captured in everyone's hearts then catapulted through the "amen's" and "praises to God" while Rev. Wade Locklear delivered a powerful, penetrating message.

That Sunday service was the center of the many months of preparation among the associational churches for this unique project and the next three days of hard, physical labor under a hot blistering New Mexico sun from dawn to dusk. The associational churches had raised \$44,540 to finance the project. Of that amount \$30,000 was used to purchase materials, \$11,635 for transportation, lodging, food, etc., and a balance of \$2,905 remained after expenses. The fund raising project in itself was a great story. The associational youth council led by Mrs. Alberta Locklear played a key role in motivating individual church youth groups to participate in several activities which raised in excess of \$3,000 for the project. Other special groups became excitedly involved while many churches designated significant amounts from general receipts. The Mt. Elim Baptist Church in the Red Springs area, pastored by Rev. David Hunt, deserves special recognition with its overall investment of more than \$8,000 to the project. Volunteer workers were requested and many more than needed desired to participate. Those months of planning and promotion hold many interesting stories about personal sacrifice and people unity. However, the real test of sincerity and skill came three days following that Sunday worship in Fruitland, N.M. It didn't take long, though, for those who worked, or watched, to realize that this was not just a project of people, it was a PRESENTATION OF GOD. The Almighty power of our Heavenly Father, the Creator and Contractor of life

for these laborers who had never worked together before to give them common minds, energized their physical stamina to give them common strength, coordinated their many skills to give them common construction, and blessed their sweat and pain to give them common joy.

The result? The Navajo community, town people, local contractors and building inspectors, along with the curious passers-by, stopped in amazement and disbelief at what was happening on this once over-looked spot beside a busy road overgrown by weeds, bushes and trees. How could so few people, strangers from afar, make such a significant sacrifice, build a sanctuary for God in just three days?

The answer, my friend, as the familiar folk song describes, "...is blowing in the wind." Jesus said to the curious on one occasion as recorded in the gospel of Matthew 11:7, 9, 10: "What went ye out into the wilderness to see? a reed shaken with the wind? But what went ye out for to see? A prophet? yes, I say unto you, and more than a prophet. For this is he, of whom it is written, behold, I send my messenger before thy face, which shall prepare thy way before thee.

During those three special days in August on a Navajo reservation, messengers were busy giving gifts from Burnt Swamp Association, preparing the way for the perfect Gift from the Heavenly Father, Jesus Christ our Lord. "For God so loved the world that He gave..."

BY TONY BREWINGTON

A GIFT TO THE NAVAJO PEOPLE FROM BURNT SWAMP BAPTIST ASSOC.

The volunteers are from the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association.

Shown are some of the many volunteers who helped build a sanctuary on the Navajo Indian Reservation.

Governor To Honor Outstanding Central North Carolina Volunteers

On September 24, 1986, Governor and Mrs. James G. Martin will host a reception and ceremony in honor of Central North Carolina's Outstanding Volunteers at the annual Governor's Volunteer Recognition Ceremony for 1986.

Local County Committees in all of North Carolina's 100 counties were invited to choose award recipients from the statewide categories of two community service volunteers, one school volunteer, and one volunteer

organization. County nominations were submitted to the Governor's Office of Citizen Affairs, which has scheduled the reception to begin at 2:00 p.m. in the Executive Mansion, followed by the awards ceremony to begin at 3:00 p.m. in the Highway Building auditorium.

Governor and Mrs. Martin will formally present the Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service and official North Carolina Volunteer pins. According to

Gov. Martin, this regional recognition is an important part of the administration's efforts to encourage and honor some of North Carolina's 4 million volunteers.

"The Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service is North Carolina's tribute to the tireless efforts and boundless care that so many of our citizen volunteers contribute to their communities and to their state," Gov. Martin said.

Volunteers who will be honored from Robeson County include: Ms. Mary Martin Bell of Pembroke, Ms. Judy Driscoll of Lumberton, Mr. Earlie B. Maynor of Pembroke, and Mrs. Gerphela Graham of Fairmont.



SUSAN DAHLIN, co-host of "PM Magazine," a half-hour daily program shown over WRAL-TV in Raleigh, visits GENE WARREN, public information director of Pembroke State University, prior to filming a show on the PSU campus Sept. 16. The program will be aired Wednesday, Oct. 1. It was through Warren's constant efforts that "PM Magazine" agreed to send a four-person crew to PSU for the filming.

BUSINESS BRIEFS



Howard Merrell & Partners, Inc., Raleigh based advertising agency, has announced the appointment of Karen A. Dese as public relations assistant.

A native of Pembroke, NC, Dese graduated from Pembroke State University and worked as an English instructor at Lumberton Senior High prior to joining HM&P. She is a resident of Chapel Hill.

Fleetwood Homes Holds Company Picnic

Fleetwood Homes of Pembroke held their company picnic Sunday, September 14 at the Riverside Country Club for all their employees and their families. Approximately 500 people attended the event.

The day started at 6 a.m. with a fishing tournament which was won by Kenneth Clark. A second shift metal employee, caught a three pound black fish.

A luncheon was served

starting at 1 p.m. Fried chicken, barbecue, hamburgers, hot dogs and many picnic dishes were served. A banana pudding was served for dessert.

A softball game was played between employees from the first and second shifts. First shift won the game with a score of 16-7.

A carnival followed the ballgame with several games, rides and refreshments available.

Sampsons Rest Homes to Participate in Rest Home Week

The Sampson's Rest Homes will participate in Rest Home Week proclaimed for Sept. 21-27 by Governor J. Lee Martin, by conducting open house throughout the week.

Clifton and Madelyn Sampson said Sampson Rest Homes 1 and 2 are extending special invitation to church, civic and social organizations as well as individuals to visit the homes during Rest Home Week.

Because the care of many rest home residents is paid for with tax dollars, everyone has a stake in understanding the services rest homes provide and the role they play in serving individuals and families through out North Carolina.

A total of 22 residents reside at the Sampson Rest Homes. The homes are located at State Road 1580 in the Prospect Community and are owned by Clifton and Madelyn Sampson.

Although church groups have visitation programs that include rest homes, the great majority of people never visit a rest home until they have a need for rest home services for themselves or a loved one.

As the population ages, rest homes are expected to play an increased role in providing residential health care services to elderly people.

At present approximately 25,000 people reside in rest homes throughout North Carolina.

National Science Foundation Graduate Fellowship Stipend to be \$11,100 1987

Students selected for awards in the 1987-1988 National Science Foundation Minority Graduate Fellowship competition, conducted for NSF by the National Research Council will receive stipends of \$11,100 for a twelve-month fellowship tenure. The cost-of-education allowance to the institution chosen by the Fellow for graduate study will be \$6,000 in lieu of all tuition costs and assessed fees.

In this fellowship competition, panels of eminent scientists and engineers are appointed by the National

Research Council to evaluate fellowship applications on the basis of ability. Final selection of Fellows will be made by the Foundation, with awards to be announced in March 1987. Subject to the availability of funds and to sustained academic progress, new fellowships awarded in March 1987 will be for maximum tenured periods of three years.

As one means of increasing the number of practicing scientists who are members of ethnic minority groups which traditionally have been under represented in

the advanced levels of the Nation's science and engineering personnel pool, NSF Minority Graduate Fellowships will be offered to minority individuals who have demonstrated ability and special aptitude for advanced training in science or engineering. Applicants must be citizens of the United States who are members of one of the following ethnic minority groups: American Indian, Black, Hispanic, Native Alaskan (Eskimo or Aleut), or Native Pacific Islander (Polynesian or Micronesian).

Southern States Cooperative Annual Meeting To Be Held October 2

Election of local board members, Farm Home Advisory Committee members, plus a delegate and alternate to a district election meeting to be held this fall, as well as operations reports, will be among the highlights of the Southern States Cooperative's annual membership meeting for Southern States Cooperative, Inc., Pembroke Service, Pembroke, NC, to be held October 2 at 8:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Pembroke Junior High School, Pembroke, NC.

The theme of the meeting will be, "Southern States... The Growing Team." Lyceros Lowry of Pembroke, NC, will serve as chairman of the local meeting.

The Rev. Michael Cummings of the Mt. Airy Baptist Church of Pembroke,

will give the invocation. Joe Johnson, a district manager for Southern States Cooperative of Dillon, SC, will report on Southern States supply and marketing operations for the 1985-86 fiscal year. The report will also include a slide/tape presentation entitled "Southern States... The Growing Team."

Local operations and services rendered to agriculture in the community will be discussed by Roy L. Cummings, manager of Southern States Cooperative, Inc., Pembroke Service, Pembroke, NC.

Nominees for the local board are: William Dial, Dalton Ray Locklear, William K. Locklear, Lyceros Lowry and Hartley J. Ozandine, all of Pembroke; Louis English, Lee Grady Lowry,

W.B. Mitchell and Ronald Strickland, all of Maxton; and William Davis of Rowland.

Nominees for the local Farm Home Advisory Committee are: Ma. Estella Bullard, Ms. Bonnie Cummings, Ms. Minnie Dial, Ms. Polly Jacobs, Ms. Brenda Locklear, Ms. Lizzie Belle Locklear, Ms. Patry Locklear, Ms. Sara B. Locklear and Ms. Fannie L. Ozandine, all of Pembroke; and Ms. Mary B. Davis of Rowland.

Nominees for delegate and alternate to the Southern States District Election meeting to be held this fall are: William Dial and Lyceros Lowry, both of Pembroke, and William Davis of Rowland. Additional nominations may be made from the floor.