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## AWARDS BANQUET. A PART OF LUMBEE HOMECOMING

Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. will sponsor Lumbee Homecoming 1987. Numerous festivities and activities will be held during June 27-July 4 in the Town of Pembroke, NC.

A very important part of Lumbee Homecoming 1987 will be Awards Night to be held on July 1. This year four awards will be presented: 1) Henry Berry Lowry Memorial Award, 2) Business Person of the Year Award, 3) Distinguished Service Award, 4) Advancement of Education Award. These four awards are sponsored by LRDA.

For the seventeenth time in history, the Lumbee community is paying homage to this "Robin Hood of the Lumbee Indians." As a part of Lumbee Homecoming Festival activities of 1987 the Henry Berry Lowry Memorial Award will be presented to an outstanding Lumbee Indian.

### CRITERIA

- 1) To recognize an outstanding Lumbee Indian who has demonstrated pride in his Lumbee heritage and culture.
  - 2) Lumbee Indian who has worked diligently against racial injustices.
  - 3) Lumbee Indian who has been an advocate voice for Lumbee people under a dominant society.
  - 4) Lumbee Indian who has contributed in a worthwhile manner to the Lumbee Indians and Lumbee community.
- Henry Berry Lowry symbolized the hopes and aspiration of all Lumbee Indians everywhere. He is a true, and larger than life, hero to all Lumbee Indians. The 1986 recipient was Dexter Brooks of Pembroke, NC.

This is the sixteenth year that Lumbee Homecoming will sponsor the Business Person of the Year Award: the most coveted award in the Indian business community.

### CRITERIA

- 1) Should be a Lumbee Indian.
- 2) Have demonstrated moral and civic responsibilities.
- 3) Exercised moral and ethical practices in their business affairs.
- 4) A person who has helped distinguish Lumbees as competent business owners.
- 5) Must be profit motivated as exhibited in the economic growth of the business they are involved in.
- 6) Must have promoted the economic development of Lumbee Indians by encouraging or motivating other Indian persons to become more involved in the economic and business mainstream.

The 1986 recipient was Mr. Bill James Deese of Pembroke, NC.

This is the fourteenth year that Lumbee Homecoming will sponsor the Distinguished Service Award.

### CRITERIA

- 1) In recognition of a Lumbee Indian who has worked unselfishly towards the betterment and improvements of the Lumbee community.
  - 2) Whose efforts and accomplishments have touched the lives of many Indian persons.
  - 3) Lumbee Indian who has contributed in a significant and worthwhile manner by depicting Indian brotherhood and fellowship to the Lumbee community.
- The 1986 recipient was Rev. Michael Cummings of Pembroke, NC.

This is the eighth year that Lumbee Homecoming will be sponsoring the Advancement of Education Award. This award bestows tribute to an individual for their work which has brought about an improvement in education.

### CRITERIA

- 1) Should be a Lumbee Indian.
- 2) Work in education has impacted the lives of many people.
- 3) Has contributed to the education of many people beyond the normal work day, or normal duties of paid position.
- 4) Demonstrated that education is the drive that carries one into every single opportunity that we are educated to handle.
- 5) Known to be an advocate for Indian Education.
- 6) Has exhibited concern and involvement within education.
- 7) Served as a guiding force toward showing children the real meaning of Indianness and freedom.
- 8) An individual that believes and has committed their word towards the educational growth and development of Indian children to take their rightful place in the free world.

The 1986 recipient was Mrs. Janice Jacobs Hunt of Pembroke, NC.

All written nominations with justification are to be mailed to: Gary Deese, ANA Coordinator, Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc., P.O. Box 68, Pembroke, NC 28372.

No one will be considered or reviewed unless a written nomination has been submitted. All written nominations must be received on or before June 18, 1987.

Your participation will be highly appreciated.

## Pembroke BPW Club Selects Young Careerist



The Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club has announced their local 1987 Young Careerist Carolyn Roberts was chosen as District IX 1987 Young Careerist on March 29, 1987. Mrs. Roberts will represent all BPW clubs located in District IX at the State Competition in June. Clubs in District IX are Chadbourne, Clinton, Duplin County, Pembroke, Wilmington and Whiteville.

Mrs. Roberts is a 30-year-old lecturer in the Business Administration Department at Pembroke State University. She finds time to work in the music program at Zion's Tabernacle Baptist Church and take care of two small children. She is involved with professional writing in the area of Business Communications. She is also serving on the Editorial Advisory Board of Roxbury Publishing Company for a particular business communications book. Mrs. Roberts has presented speeches at various club meetings and conventions. Some of these topics are: "Are You A Professional?", "Creative Teaching Techniques," "The Importance of Listening in Business Communications," and "The Ten Commandments of Presenting a Positive Professional Image." She has also taught the skill of "Alpha Hand" to secretaries at Moore Memorial Hospital. Alpha Hand is similar to Shorthand and Speedwriting, but is faster and easier to learn than either of the two.

## seventh Wave to Perform in Rowland May 3rd

In celebration of the Robeson County Bicentennial, the Town of Rowland and the Rowland Chamber of Commerce proudly present "Seventh Wave," a progressive jazz band specializing in contemporary Brazilian and American music. The band originated and is based in Greenville, N.C.

The lead singer and organizer of the band is Maggie Pate, a native of Rowland. She is a former student of Mrs. Paul Smith of Rowland. She is currently a senior at East Carolina University in the School of Music. In May, she will receive a B.M. in Music Pedagogy. Maggie has also studied at Berklee College of Music in Boston. She has performed in clubs in Charlotte, Greenville, and Boston.

Carol Bailey, another singer with the band, is also an ECU student. She is from Raleigh. She spends her summers singing with Fred Waring and the Pennsylvanians, performing at Carowinds, and singing in "big band" groups in Raleigh.

Another local, Jim Gilliam, of Wagram, is a graduate assistant at ECU. Saxophone and keyboards are his instruments. Jim performs on weekends with Top-40 band, "Festival" out of Jacksonville, N.C.

Seeking a graduate degree in performance at ECU is Chris Moore, drummer for "Seventh Wave". He received his undergraduate degree from Jacksonville State in Alabama. Chris played with the original New York touring cast from "Little Shop of Horrors" while it was playing in Atlanta. Also, he has performed with the original "Tonight Show" host Steve Allen. He substitutes for the North Carolina Symphony and plays with various clubs in Atlanta.

Hailing from Carroll County, Virginia, is multi-talented Klee Liles, another ECU music major. Involved with the ECU Jazz Ensemble, Klee sings and plays in Greenville's local clubs. For the "Seventh Wave," he is a jazz guitarist. Rounding out the group is Billy Kutenkuler of Elmira, New York. Billy graduated from Berklee College of Music in Boston with a degree in jazz composition and arranging. Billy has toured with Cher and the Hudson Brothers. While in Boston, he was a studio sessions singer, performed with private club bands, and was lead vocalist on MTV's New England Patriots video.

"Seventh Wave" will sing music made famous by such notables as Tania Maria, Sade, Pat Metheny, David Sanborn, and Al Jarreau. The free, outdoor concert will be held at the Rowland Depot on Main Street in Rowland at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 3rd. Blankets and lounge chairs are welcome.

For further information, contact: Mary Ann Masters, Event Chairman, P.O. Box 130 Rowland, NC 28385-422-3378.

## N.C. INDIAN HOUSING AUTHORITY AWARDS CONTRACT FOR HOUSING IN LOCAL COUNTIES

The North Carolina Indian Housing Authority has awarded a contract for general construction of housing units in Cumberland, Hoke, and Robeson counties to W.H. Weaver Construction Company of Greensboro.

According to James Hardin, chairman of the Board of Directors of the Indian Housing Authority, the contract was awarded to Weaver Construction after the company submitted the low bid in the bid opening held April 8 at the meeting of the Board of Directors of the Indian Housing Authority. Weaver Construction submitted a bid of \$5,049,395 to build 204 units and met contract requirements of bidders.

Hardin said, "I am very happy that we will be able to begin to build housing to help meet the need for additional standard housing for low-income families in rural areas of Hoke, Robeson and Cumberland counties." He noted that this is the first housing project to be sponsored by the Indian Housing Authority.

Hardin said funding for the project was provided by a contract with the United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD). HUD awarded the Indian Housing Authority a contract for \$7,153,890 on January 28, 1986 to build and operate the housing.

A. Bruce Jones, acting director of the Indian Housing Authority said, "We have worked long and hard to see the housing built." He explained that the Indian Housing Authority was created by the state legislators in 1977 and has sought funding from HUD and other sources since 1979. He noted that part of the 204 units were initially planned to be built in Warren County but the Indian Housing Authority was not able to acquire a suitable site in the target community within the development schedule set by HUD. He said the Indian Housing Authority is currently seeking additional funds and alternate sites in Warren and Halifax counties for the proposed housing units.

Jones said the Indian Housing Authority has taken special measures to give Indian construction contractors opportunities to bid for work on the project. He explained that to comply with HUD's rules a special bidding process was held in February to give Indian preference in the construction. He explained that in the process the Indian Housing Authority was not able to get an Indian contractor to submit a bid within the budget limitations and meet contract requirements.

## Greensboro Organization to Host Eleventh Banquet

The Board of Directors and Staff of the Guilford Native American Association, Inc. requests the honor of your presence at the Eleventh Annual Awards and Recognition Banquet entitled "A Tribute to American Indian Youth-Our Greatest Resource" on Saturday, May 2, 1987 at 7 in the evening at the Blue Room, Coliseum Complex, 1921 West Lee Street, Greensboro, NC. Tickets are \$10 per person.

GNAA, a non-profit corporation is governed by a ten member Board of Directors, who is responsible for the overall operation of the agency.

GNAA is dependent for many of its programs and services on the support of the local community including individual and group donations. All contributions are tax deductible. GNAA's major funding comes from Administration for Native Americans, DHHS, Washington, D.C., Job Training Partnership Act, DOL, Washington, DC and the Guilford County Commissioners.

James S. Brewer is Board Chairman and Ruth L. Hevels is Executive Director.

## Handicap Barriers Stressed in Robeson County

Robeson County will be part of a nationwide "Disabilities Awareness Week" and "National Barriers Awareness Day." The aims and purposes being to increase the general public's sensitivity and awareness of the physical, mental, attitudinal and social barriers which hinder handicapped individuals.

The "Barriers Week" will be May 3 through May 9; the "Barrier Day" on May 7. On these dates public officials, educators, industrial and religious communities and students will program events appropos to the Barrier Theme.

A Proclamation has been received by the mayors throughout Robeson County, schools and churches have been contacted, and scout troops have made commitments. So we can see what the general pattern will be, some events will be: (1) Putting a wheelchair in a public building where patrons will have a "handicap" experience;

(2) assuming a disability role for all or part of a day; (3) an obstacle course in Huges Park on May 2 from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., sponsored by Southeastern General Hospital; (4) the middle and high schools, which participated so fully and enthusiastically last year will each do different programs; (5) some churches have volunteered; (6) Girl and Boy Scout Troops are planning programs.

The media will participate with newspaper articles, radio coverage, television will be on hand to cover some events, and motels will publicize on their marquees. Any group or organization can join these events which are always educational and helpful. The Mayor's Committee for the Handicap will be spearheading this county-wide "Barrier" project and very much like follow each activity with a letter on to Raleigh then send on to Washington, D.C.

## LITTLE MISS LUMBEE PERFORMS AT CANCER INSTITUTE



Kelli Y. Wallace, Little Miss Lumbee, was recently invited to attend and perform at the Easter party held at the North Carolina Cancer Institute near Lumberton. The party was held for the patients of the institution and Kelli appeared as a special guest. She sang and danced, visited with the patients and enjoyed refreshments. Kelli is the daughter of Earl and Yvonne Wallace of Lumberton. She also holds the title Little Miss North Carolina (Ann).

The NC Department of Human Resource's Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Branch will hold a public hearing on May 5, 1987 at 7 p.m. in the Scotland County Courthouse, Laurinburg, NC concerning the issuance of a final RCRA permit to GSX Services, Inc. GSX plans to operate what may eventually be the largest hazardous waste treatment facility in the country upon the Lumber River in Scotland County after receiving all necessary environmental permits.

At this public hearing, all interested persons will have an opportunity to present oral comments and written statements concerning the GSX proposal. Oral comments are

## GSX Public Hearing to be Held May 5

limited to 5 minutes. Requests to speak can be submitted in writing to the following person and address: Mr. William I. Meyer, Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Branch, P.O. Box 2091, Raleigh, NC 27602.

Presentations will be scheduled in the order received. Any person who wished to speak but did not submit a prior request, may sign up at the hearing. Other written comments concerning the GSX RCRA draft permit must be received by the Branch no later than August 18, 1987.

In connection with the public hearing, Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned is sponsoring a public rally at 6 p.m. in the Scotland

County Courthouse parking lot. Since all public comments and reaction will be considered in the formulation of a final determination regarding the RCRA permit, public participation in both events is warranted and greatly needed.

The destiny of all Robeson County residents as well as the Lumber River depends on public response within the permitting process. Show state and GSX officials your opposition to the siting of a hazardous waste treatment facility upon our Lumber River.

For more information contact Richard Regan or Mac Legerton at Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned 919-739-7851 or 919-739-7854.

## New Book Released by Dr. Reginald L. Oxendine

*Roller Skating Is Fun* has just been written and published (February, 1987) by the author, Dr. Reginald L. Oxendine of Pembroke. The book was published, according to Dr. Oxendine, to fill the need for quality and current information about the sport and hobby of Roller Skating. "Roller Skating is one of the fastest growing hobbies in America; however, most children and adults do not have access to books of literature about this sport," said Dr. Oxendine. He further stated that all of the books in the libraries are old and outdated. Until now, he said, bookstores and other book

distributors did not have access to a quality book on Roller Skating.

To fill the gap in the market, and fill it fast, Arrow Publishing has published a modestly priced (suggested retail \$5.95) book entitled *Roller Skating is Fun*. It is well written in both paper back and hardback with beautiful color illustrations.

*Roller Skating is Fun* and it is enjoyed by over 30 million children and adults skating in organized skating rinks throughout the United States each year. There are millions of others who skate at home and in the community each day. All of these skaters and

potential skaters are in need of educational literature which will enable them to become more proficient skaters.

Dr. Oxendine has worked in education for twelve years with young children and for the past three years he has been an owner and operator of a Roller Skating Rink, Pembroke Skateland.

*Roller Skating is Fun* is available at Walton's Book Store in Biggs Park Mall, Lumberton and at Pembroke Skateland in Pembroke. Orders may also be sent to Arrow Publishing Company, P.O. Box 1287, Pembroke, NC 28372.

## Applications Being Accepted For Miss Lumbee Pageant

Lumbee Regional Development Association is accepting applications for the 1987 Miss Lumbee Scholarship Pageant which is a part of the annual Lumbee Homecoming celebration.

Lumbee Homecoming this year will be June 27-July 4 and will include a host of

events celebrating and highlighting the history, heritage and modern day contributions of the Lumbee people. The Miss Lumbee Pageant is planned for July 3rd. Contestants must be high school graduates between the ages of 17-26. The applications may be picked up at the LRDA Revels Office Complex build-

ing in Pembroke. For those lovely young ladies interested in participating in this year's pageant, the application deadline is May 22, 1987. For additional information regarding the pageant, please call Ms. Lynneetha Jacobs at 521-8602 or stop by the Revels Office Complex from 8:30 - 5:00 Monday through Friday.