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Indian Education Committee Purchases SATW Painting



Shown left is Karen Coronado, Artist of the Year for Strike at the Wind, and Barbara Brayboy-Locklear, curator for the Indian Education Resource Center. The painting, title "Warmth in Unity" is shown above them. Coronado's work will be displayed in the Indian Education Resource Center located at the Robeson County Board of Education. Monies earned from the auction of the painting will go to the production of Strike at the Wind.

The Indian Education Parent Committee of the Robeson County Board of Education for the past twelve years has been extensively involved in sales of curriculum materials, crafts, and other fund-raising activities separate and apart from the

federal funds received from the Office of Indian Programs of the U.S. Department of Public Instruction. Funds generated through these activities have enabled the Indian Education Parent Committee to sponsor other activities and programs

related to Indian Education but necessarily restricted to the public schools.

At the Strike at the Wind Art Auction on Tuesday evening, Dr. Ruth Dial Woods, on behalf of the Indian Education Parent Committee, made a successful bid and procured the original painting of local artist, Karen Coronado, who was commissioned by Robeson County Historical Drama to paint this year's art work. The painting, title "The Warmth of Unity," will be housed in the Robeson County Indian Education Resource Center together with other art collections, memorabilia of Robeson County Indian history and culture, and historical research collections including old deeds, marriage bonds, video-taped conversations with the elders, and other Indian Education curriculum materials. Barbara Brayboy-Locklear, curator of the Robeson County Indian Education Resource Center, accepted the painting of the Indian Education Parent Committee.

The Indian Education Parent Committee recently established the Purnell Swett Endowed Teaching Fellows Award for outstanding American Indian students who plan to pursue a career in teaching in Robeson County at Pembroke State University. The acquisition of the "Warmth of Unity" for the Robeson County Indian Education Resource Center of the public schools personifies both educational enrichment for all students in the public schools by increased awareness of Indian history and culture while contributing support to the historical drama, Strike at the Wind.

"Warmth of Unity" will be on display at the American Indian Museum at Pembroke State University during Homecoming Festivities, and will be hung in the Robeson County Indian Education Resource Center by mid-July.

Lumbee Award Recipients



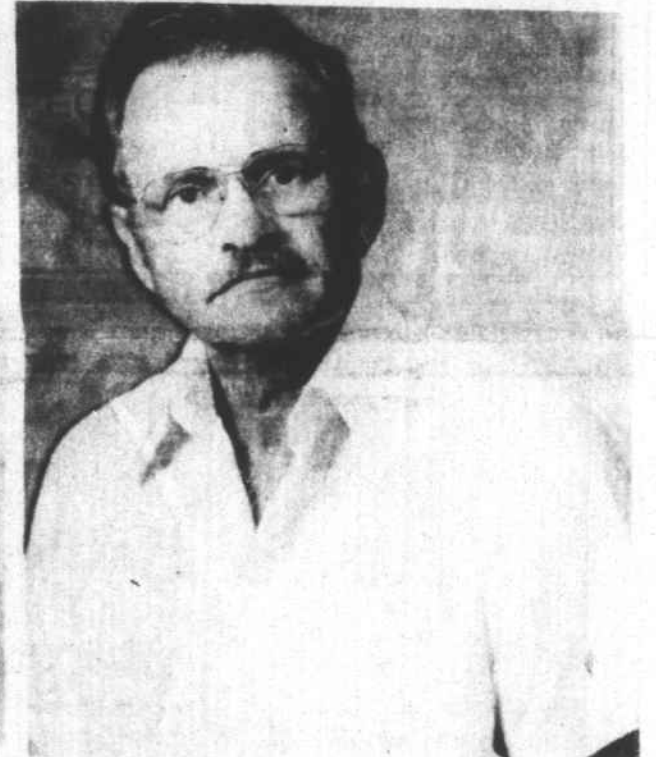
MADIE R. LOCKLEAR
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD



PURNELL SWETT
ADVANCEMENT OF EDUCATION AWARD



AGNES CHAVIS
HENRY BERRY LOWRIE MEMORIAL AWARD



JAMES EARL LOCKLEAR
BUSINESSMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD

The Distinguished Service Award is presented annually to an individual who has given unselfishly of themselves to the betterment of others. This year's recipient is Madie R. Locklear of Maxton.

Ms. Locklear has been an employee of Four County Community Services, Inc. for 21 years as supervisor of the Red Springs Neighborhood Service Center. She is an outspoken advocate of Indian people and has shown herself to be worthy of recognition by those she had dedicated her life to...the Indian people of Robeson County.

Each year LRDA recognizes a Lumbee Indian who has promoted the Economic Development of Lumbee Indians by encouraging or motivating other Indian persons to become more involved in the economic and business mainstream. This year's Businessman of the Year Award will be presented to James Earl Locklear, co-owner and operator of Prospect Slaughter Pen.

Mr. Locklear established Prospect Slaughter Pen 26 years ago, the first Indian-owned livestock processing business. Due to his outstanding service, he now attracts customers from throughout Robeson and adjoining counties.

The Advancement of Education Award is given to a Lumbee Indian who believes and has committed his work toward the educational growth and development of Indian children, allowing them to take their rightful place in the free world and Purnell Swett's dream.

He has served as the Superintendent of the Robeson County Schools for the past 12 years. During his tenure as superintendent, tremendous accomplishments have been achieved in providing students with comprehensive instructional programs. The needs and interests of each individual student and the determination of how best to meet those needs and to develop

skills for productive successful lives has been the major focus of the educational curriculum.

June 30 will mark the end of tremendous accomplishments by Mr. Swett but his ideas will continue to grow in her re-naming of West Robeson Senior High to Purnell Swett High School and as the recipient of the LRDA Advancement of Education Award.

LRDA has the distinct honor of recognizing an outstanding Lumbee Indian who has demonstrated pride in their heritage and culture, and has worked toward eradicating racial injustices. This year Henry Berry Lowrie Award will be presented to Agnes Chavis, an educator and civic leader.

She was the first Indian to be elected to the North Carolina Association of Educators Board of Directors. She helped organize the North Carolina Adult Education Indian Caucus for the purpose of increasing the input and involvement of Indians in the activities of the North Carolina Adult Education minorities. Ms. Chavis sits on the United Tribes of North Carolina Board of Directors, the North Carolina Indian Advisory Committee and the National Association of Educators Board of Directors.

Receiving the National Educator Award and the Equity Award attest to her ability to demonstrate leadership in educational equity for all students, and the Creative Leadership in Women's Rights Awards.

As Henry Berry Lowrie symbolizes the hopes and aspirations of the Lumbee Indians, so does Ms. Chavis demonstrated by her dedication, and involvement both politically and professionally at the local, state and national level.

These awards will be presented tonight at the Pembroke Junior High Cafeteria at the Annual Awards Banquet during Lumbee Homecoming festivities.

Miss Lumbee Pageant to be held Friday night



Miss Lumbee Angie Moore will relinquish her crown on Friday night, June 30 at the PSU Performing Arts Center. The event will

begin at 8 p.m. and the cost is \$10 per person. Ten girls are vying for the crown.



Charlotte D. Chavis



Cordelia Fay Johnson



Eustacia Vye Lowry



Tina Lowry



Shelly Lowry



Celeste Oxendine



Nora Hunt



Candy M. Carter



Antoinette Renee Locklear

Lumbee Homecoming