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STRICKLAND AND LOCKLEAR ELECTED TO EMC BOARD



Timothy Strickland



Madie Rae Locklear

The 49th Annual Meeting of the Members of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation was held Tuesday night, October 17, at the PSU Performing Arts Center. The welcome was given by Dr. Joseph Oxendine, Chancellor of Pembroke State University. Invocation was by Rev. Roosevelt Chavis, Pastor of Sandy Grove Holiness Church.

Entertainment was provided by the D & L Gospel Singers and Kelli Wallace, Little Miss of America.

During the open session members questioned the \$5.00 late fee that is added to the electric bill one day after the due date. One member asked why the policy that exempts senior citizens from the \$5 late charge was not extended to the disabled. General Manager Ronnie Hunt explained what the policy was and promised to convey her concerns to the board of directors.

During the election of four board members, President Gus Bullard who had served for twelve years was unseated by newcomer Madie Lock-

lear. The unofficial vote was 463 for Madie Rae Locklear and 416 for Gus Bullard.

Timothy Strickland, also a 12 year incumbent was challenged by Cliff Sampson. Strickland narrowly retained his seat. Unofficial totals show Strickland receiving 447 and Sampson receiving 432. Incumbents J.W. Hunt and James Hardin were re-elected without any opposition.

In the board meeting following the annual meeting, J.W. Hunt, 18-year veteran of the board of directors, was elected chairman. Serving as vice chairman will be Lacy Cummings, Secretary will be Timothy Strickland and James Hardin was elected Treasurer.

Ms. Locklear is only the second female to serve on the local emc board. She stated: "I ran for a seat on this board because I had a vision to run...I am grateful to God for the victory and...It takes many people to win an election. I had some wonderful supporters and I wish to thank all of them."

"It is my desire to see more women on the emc board of directors...I do plan to address the issue of the \$5 late fee and the issue

of electric poles that are no longer serviceable to the co-op...I believe that those poles should be available

to the member-consumers and should not be utilized by any member of the board of directors...I desire to see less money spent on travel and believe that two or three board

members should go, if those trips are necessary, and alternate...The elimination of 12 board members traveling across the United States

will result in a savings to the cooperative...I don't believe that a board member should be rewarded in material ways for their service to the co-op...After all, it is an elected

position and it is a privilege to serve...I have had 21 years experience working with the economically disadvantaged and I will keep their

needs in mind in all my decisions.... And I do realize that it takes seven votes on a board of twelve members to change anything...But I will be working toward obtaining some changes that concern me and changes that are needed that have been expressed to me by other member consumers."

Strickland, re-elected to his fifth term stated: "It has been a privilege to serve Lumbee EMC members. I am grateful for the votes of confidence I received. I thank those who supported me and will continue to make decisions based on what I feel is right and fair."

PSU Chancellor Tells Superintendents PSU wants to improve education

School superintendents or other representatives from 13 school districts in South Central Region Four of North Carolina met at PSU Oct. 11 and were greeted by PSU Chancellor Joseph Oxendine, who said, "We are interested in working together with you to improve the quality of education in our public schools" of the region.

Oxendine, saying PSU "is committed to that," added that PSU is interested in specific ideas of "how we can make a difference, how we can make an impact."

Oxendine said 80 percent of PSU's enrollment of 3,081 students come from the 13 school districts represented at the meeting. Those were Bladen, Columbus, Cumberland, Ft. Bragg, Harnett, Hoke, Lee, Montgomery, Moore, Richmond, Robeson, Scotland, and Whiteville City.

"We provide you with a lot of your teachers, and you provide us with most of our students," pointed out Oxendine, in saying the relationship between the school districts and PSU is a two-way street.

"We are interested in what kind of projects can be done. Some of your teachers have already talked to me about some. We want to improve the literacy problem, pre-school programs, 'Head Start' programs, and other programs that could be developed to help," said Oxendine.

The PSU chancellor said PSU is a comprehensive university which is looking for ways "we can be helpful because we want to be helpful." He emphasized that PSU wants "to get involved."

Dr. Oxendine said he spoke this week to a group of retired teachers, exploring possible ways that they can be used in the classroom.

"We are giving thoughts to ways PSU can help—not with an arrogant attitude that we know how to fix the problem but with the knowledge that we have people who are willing to commit

All-Tuscarora Iroquois Fall Festival Planned

The Eastern Carolina Tuscarora Nation is sponsoring an All-Tuscarora-Iroquois Fall Festival on October 27-27 on the Tribal Land, off of 1340 (Old Maxton-Red Springs Road, about four miles out of Red Springs.) The festival will feature Iroquois Social Dancing performed by the Tuscarora Kautanoh Society Social Dancers, movies to be shown about the Six Nations, the grand opening of the Tuscarora-Iroquois Museum, speakers and performers from

the Six Nations, Tuscarora-Iroquois arts and crafts, food (barbecue, fish, chicken and traditional Iroquois corn soup and fry bread), games and raffles. Camping is available on the tribal land. The public is invited to attend, school classes are encouraged to attend on Friday the 27th. The festival will open at 10 a.m. both days.

For further information Mike Dunn (919) 521-8978 or Chief Kever Locklear at (919) 521-4955.

Prospect Class to Reunite

The 1979 graduating class of Prospect High School will enjoy their 10-year class reunion on November 24, 1989 at 7 p.m. For further information contact Grady L. Hunt at 521-3276 after 6 p.m. or Michelle Strickland at 521-3279 after 6 p.m.

Angus Day Planned

On Saturday, October 28, 1989 at 2 p.m. Angus Day will be held at the Mt. Airy Jaycee Building. All descendants of the late Angus Locklear are urged to attend and bring a covered dish.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS

Open House will be held at Purnell Swett High School on October 23, 1989. The Open House will be held between the hours of 7-8:30 p.m. Principal Ray Oxendine, the faculty and staff invite parents and interested persons to attend.

Poems Wanted For Contest and Anthology

A grand prize of \$500 is being offered by Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc. in its new "Awards of Poetic Excellence" poetry contest. Thirty-four other cash awards are also being offered. The contest is free to enter.

Poets may enter one poem only, 20 lines or less, on any subject, in any style. Contest closes Nov. 30, 1989, but poets are encouraged to send their work as soon as possible, since poems entered in the contest also will be considered for publication in Poetic Voices of America, a hardcover anthology. Anthology purchase may be required to insure publication, but is not required to be eligible for the prizes. Prize winners will be notified by Jan. 31, 1990.

"We are looking for sincerity and originality in a wide variety of styles and themes," says William H. Trent, editor. "You do not have to be an experienced poet to enter or win."

Poem should be sent to Sparrowgrass Poetry Forum Inc., Dept. L, 203 Diamond St., Box 193, Sistersville, WV 26175.

Award not limited to CCA Members

Last week in the article relative to the John L. Godwin Award to be presented by the Center for Community Action we stated that the award was limited to members of the CCA. The article should have stated: The award is not limited to members of the Center for Community Action. We regret the error.

Nomination forms for the award may be picked up at the Carolina Indian Voice office as well as at the Center for Community Action.

Chancellor's Inaugural Schedule

- WEDNESDAY, OCT. 25**
- 9:00 a.m. Native American Art Exhibit (all day) Native American Resource Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Student Art Exhibit (all day) Lobby of Givens Performing Arts Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Past Graduates Invitational Art Exhibit (all day) Chavis University Center (Upstairs Gallery)
 - 8:00 p.m. Inaugural Recital by PSU Music Faculty Moore Hall Auditorium (Reception to follow)
- THURSDAY, OCT. 26**
- 9:00 a.m. Native American Art Exhibit (all day) Native American Resource Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Student Art Exhibit (all day) Lobby of Givens Performing Arts Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Past Graduates Invitational Art Exhibit (all day) Chavis University Center (Upstairs Gallery)
 - 10:00 a.m. Dedication Ceremony of the Thomas Assembly Room in the Native American Resource Center (Refreshments to follow)
 - 11:00 a.m. Delegates' Registration Lobby of Jones P.E. Center
 - 2:00 p.m. Professor Angus C. Godwin of Ithaca, N. Y., College to present a Master Voice Class in Moore Hall Auditorium. Admission free. All faculty, students, guests invited.
 - 3:00 p.m. Faculty Inaugural Symposium "PSU: A Vision for the 21st Century" Moore Hall Auditorium (Reception to follow)
 - 3:30 p.m. Jazz Clinic Chavis University Center
 - 6:00 p.m. Chancellor's Dinner (By invitation only) Chancellor's Dining Room
 - 8:00 p.m. Contemporary Jazz Concert (Open to everyone) Chavis University Center (Light refreshments afterwards)
- FRIDAY, OCT. 27**
- 9:00 a.m. Native American Art Exhibit (all day) Native American Resource Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Student Art Exhibit (all day) Lobby of Givens Performing Arts Center
 - 9:00 a.m. Past Graduates Invitational Art Exhibit (all day) Chavis University Center (Upstairs Gallery)
 - Noon Pre-Installation Buffet Luncheon (For delegates, guests, PSU faculty and administration) Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center
 - Noon Alumni Board of Directors and Chapter Officers Luncheon (By invitation only) Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center
 - Noon Chancellor's Pre-Installation Luncheon (For Board of Trustees, Board of Governors, Platform Party) (By invitation only) Chancellor's Dining Room and Cafeteria
 - 2:00 p.m. Installation Ceremonies Givens Performing Arts Center
 - 3:15 p.m. Chancellor's Reception Tented Area outside Givens PAC
 - 4:00 p.m. Meeting of Alumni Association Board of Directors and Chapter Officers in Room 251 of Chavis University Center
 - 6:30 p.m. Chancellor's Inaugural Banquet (By invitation only) Chancellor's Dining Room
 - 8:00 p.m. Inaugural Ball (Open Admission) Chavis University Center (Black tie optional)
 - 9:00 p.m. Students' Inaugural Dance Auxiliary Gym of Jones P.E. Center

The Kingsmen to Appear at Prospect UMC



Thursday, November 2, will be a special day at Prospect United Methodist Church, Route 3, Maxton, NC. There will be a \$4 plate sale (chicken or barbecue) from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. A gospel sing at 7:30 p.m. will feature local groups and the famous Kingsmen of Asheville, NC. This will be the highlight of the day.

PEMBROKE KIWANIS BY KEN JOHNSON

Program Chairman Pete Jacobs presented Mr. David Carter, Director of Robeson County Emergency Services as speaker of the evening. The weekly meeting also was the observance of the 28th charter meeting of the club held at the Town and Country Restaurant.

"We must get people's attention in emergencies and the recent hurricane Hugo did just that. We had done plenty of planning prior to Hugo and all of the County's employees, volunteer agencies, law enforcement agencies, fire department, stores and plants had been in one the planning. Our center is located in the basement of the courthouse," Carter said. "We have been very fortunate to have been missed by the eye of Hugo, but we opened 9 shelters where 690 people were sheltered." Carter said evacuation plans were ready. Emergency

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