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Mayor Announces Candidacy for Sheriff



Glenn Maynor

Glenn Maynor, Executive Director of the Robeson County Housing Authority for the past 12 years and member of the Lumberton City Council since 1976, has announced his candidacy for Robeson County Sheriff. In announcing his candidacy, Maynor draws upon his extensive public service and community involvement as his qualifications for the position, and affirms a commitment to seek improvement in the relations between the Sheriff's Department and the larger community to contribute to overall improvement in the criminal justice system.

Maynor, age 43, served as a Lumberton City Police Officer for 4 years, and has held memberships in community and civic organizations that include Vice-

Chairman of the Community and Economic Development Committee, Chairman of the Transportation and Public Safety Committee, Lumberton Airport Commission, Lumber River Council of Governments, Southeastern Family Violence Center Board, Lumberton Visitors Bureau, Advisory Board of Progressive Savings and Loan Association, a charter member of the Saddletree Jaycees, and a member of West Lumberton Kiwanis. He is also a part member of the Board of Trustees of Robeson Community College where he served for 12 years, and of the Save Old Main Committee to maintain the historical structure at Pembroke State University. In 1982 Maynor received the Robeson County Human Relations Award and in 1987, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Award by Lumbee Regional Development Association.

A lifetime resident of Robeson County, Maynor resides in Lumberton with his wife, the former Lois Jacobs of Rowland. They attend Reedy Branch Baptist Church. His sons, Kenric and Jonathan Maynor, and a step-son, James Jacobs, attend the Public Schools of Robeson County.

In an official statement, Maynor said: "I have been overwhelmed by the encouragement of people across Robeson County to seek the office of Robeson County Sheriff. There is a growing concern in the county that a change is needed, and I am pleased to offer my candidacy to work toward that change. Issues of over-crowded jails, speedy trials, equitable and fair treatment of all people, and a justice system that can stand scrutiny need to be addressed openly and forthright, and should drive the functioning of the office of Robeson County Sheriff. My administrative experience in government will enable me to provide leadership for efficient administration of the Sheriff's Department and to ensure strict adherence to the law. I am committed to providing training and further development of the department's staff and to consulting with the community on a regular basis for improved relations and open communication. I believe in a system that will treat each and every man and woman with respect, fairness and human dignity for the protection of all citizens."

Dr. Sandra Locklear To Operate Pembroke Eye Clinic 5-Days a Week

by BARBARA BRAYBOY-LOCKLEAR
Special to The Carolina Indian Voice

There's a new doctor in Pembroke who could very well write the book on sisterhood. Dr. Sandra Locklear, an optometrist has four biological sisters as well as a sister-like figure in her colleague, Dr. Mary Ann Masters. The two women work together in Robeson County's only all-female professionally staffed optometry clinic located in Pembroke.

Masters established Pembroke Optometric Clinic six years ago and says she sees a wonderful sisterhood in having Locklear join her staff. "We both grew up in small Robeson County towns and went through optometry trade. We both have babies born six months a part, and we share the same practice philosophy," she adds. "We both view and treat our patients like we would our own families. I truly feel blessed that Sandra would come back to the county. And for her to join my practice was real special."

Locklear, the second of five daughters born to Less Norman and Katie Locklear of the Prospect community began practicing optometry in 1989 at the Pembroke clinic. She says becoming a health professional was the realization of a goal set in dreams during her early years attending Prospect School from where she was graduated in 1980.

"I was a good student in high school because I studied all the time. My sisters fussed because I always begged off doing domestic chores around the home because of my argument that I needed to study," she laughs. "They felt they were saddled with the chores while I merely studied. I truly became a bookworm because I knew I had to do well academically in order to get into professional school." The Lumbee Indian says she and her siblings received constant encouragement from their parents to get a good education, and they all earned good grades in school; believing that their father's advice to strive to do their best would make them better citizens.

It was especially in the science curriculum that Locklear says she excelled in high school study, and with the encouragement of teachers that she gained a strong desire to pursue a profession related to the area of study. Her bookworm behavior paid off when she was awarded an academic scholarship to attend Pembroke State University. She was graduated from that institution in 1984 with a B.S. degree in chemistry.

With sails set, she entered Pennsylvania College of Optometry. Locklear says earlier summer educational experiences in Michigan and Chapel Hill helped her with the transition of being away from home and family.

It was during professional school study that she married Christopher Ray Locklear, the man she'd met in

high school, dated for six years and left behind in Robeson County. Two years later during her internship she took on three roles, that of being wife, student and mother when her daughter, Ashley Marie was born. Locklear completed her four-year optometry study in 1988 and returned to her beloved homeland.

"I came back home because I wanted to work with the people in Robeson County. My husband and I both have strong family ties here," she comments. "I have a close attachment to the land where I used to work in tobacco fields during harvest season."

The 28-year-old optometrist says even into adulthood and motherhood she still has not mastered doing domestic chores. "It never was my thing to cook, wash dishes and clean up, even though I continue to work at it."

Her new work schedule which began Jan. 2 at the Pembroke clinic will consume much of the young doctor's time. She will assume a five-day a week practice with hours from 8:30 to 5 p.m. She says her practice is one she embraces because much forethought was given before entering her chosen profession.

"Optometry is very versatile especially for a female. There are no long hours to work on weekends. I can have a family life with husband and children, and I'm less likely to have late night calls from patients," she explains. "It's an opportunity for a woman to grab. That's why I chose a degree in optometry rather than in medicine." Locklear points out that she and Masters are, however, available to render emergency services to their patients as the need arises.

And while Locklear admits she is relieved to have her academic studies behind her, there's still the matter of keeping abreast of what's happening in her profession, both that of health and parenting. She handles the situation by reading professional journals and Mother Goose. In between she sandwiches time for lively conversation with her sisters during visits, teaching a Sunday School class at Island Grove Baptist Church, and an occasional duet with a sister who shares the Locklear family's love for gospel music.

Masters says of Locklear, "It's great having somebody from this area who loves the people here and who is glad to be home where her roots are, and Sandra is an excellent diagnostician and has a wonderful rapport with patients."

Both women see eye-to-eye that their professional practice and relationship is clearly a sisterhood which projects a common bond. And to the common bond, they believe, belongs the philosophy that their patients deserve no less care and attention than their own family members do. The sisters in optometry say they are committed to rendering sound professional eye care to all people in and around Robeson County, their homeland.

Robeson County Talent Show Planned

A Robeson County Talent Show is being planned for January 19, 1990 at Pembroke Elementary School beginning at 7:30 p.m. The event is sponsored

by the Concerned Citizens for Better Government.

Local talent is being recruited to participate. Anyone interested in competing for various prizes

should call 521-0349 or 521-4298. The winner of the talent show will have their video sent to Talent Search and may be eligible to perform on that national television show.

Woods to run for Commissioner



Noah Woods

Noah Woods, a career educator and school administrator in Robeson County, has filed as a candidate for the Robeson County Board of Commissioners for District 4 which comprises Pembroke Township, Smiths Township and Maxton Township. Woods is currently principal of Magolia School, president of the Robeson Association of Principals/ Assistant Principals, an active member of the Robeson County Democratic Party and a former member of Democratic State Executive Committee, a member and former District President and Area Director of the North Carolina Principals/ Assistant Principals Association, a member of the National Association of Elementary School Principals, a former member and officer of the Pembroke Jaycees where he was honored with several outstanding awards, and a former Presidential appointee to the National Advisory Council on Indian Education by President Jimmy Carter. In 1989, Woods was recognized by his Alma Mater, East Carolina University, as the recipient of the Outstanding Educator Award by the Educational Council for School Administrators.

Woods, 50, resides in Pembroke and attends First United Methodist Church where he has served as Church School Superintendent and member of the Administrative Council. He is a member of the Conference Council on Ministries of the North Carolina Conference of the United Methodist Church.

On filing as a candidate for the Robeson County Board of Commissioners Tuesday, January 2, Woods stated: "As Robeson County moves into the last decade of the 20th Century, I would like to serve my fellow citizens as a member of the Robeson County Board of Commissioners

to demonstrate participatory government can be a reality in Robeson County. I believe that citizens, given an opportunity to actively participate in government, can make a difference for all people of Robeson County. The events of the decade of the 80's have happened so quickly that many of us have had to stand back and watch, rather than having an opportunity to participate in decisions that affected our lives. History records that the greatest progress of mankind has been realized when individuals participated in their affairs, and I believe that the people of Robeson County are committed to progress.

"During the weeks ahead, I hope to have an opportunity to discuss with the voters of Robeson County my concern for county-wide economic development while soliciting their input and suggestions as to how we can work together to improve the quality of life for all people in Robeson County and how we can best make progress in Robeson County. I believe that economic development is an integral responsibility of government and that it should drive the decisions of elected officials. Economic development creates jobs - jobs that enable individuals to earn money, to purchase goods and services, and to improve their quality of life. At the same time, the purchase of goods and services by individuals, families, groups and businesses, revenue is generated to enable government to provide services - police protection, educational services, long-range planning, and necessary social services.

"Economic development, an essential governmental responsibility, requires detailed comprehensive planning and a commitment to efficiency and effectiveness. Robeson County's current tax rate of 99c is adequate to provide improved and expanded services while focusing on economic development. The recent school consolidation has afforded the people of Robeson County the resources to provide quality educational programs and a unified system in order to stimulate and encourage an intensive effort for economic development by producing quality high school graduates and improved employability of those graduates. As the tax levying authority, the Robeson County Board of Commissioners must monitor the progress of the consolidated school system as well as ensure accountability of the system to produce an educated and well-prepared labor force while promoting and attracting new businesses and industries to Robeson County. This increased demand for accountability must extend to county employees, county departments and agencies, and to the members of the Board of Commissioners themselves. It is simply not enough for a Commissioner to be accountable every four years to the voters - their accountability must be on-going, visible and continuous through dialogue and open communications with citizens of Robeson County.

"I recognize the individual rights and responsibilities of all citizens as participants in governmental affairs, and I would like to have an opportunity to help all citizens realize their full potential in exercising these rights and responsibilities as the elected Commissioner from District 4."



Dr. Sandra Locklear assists Miss Lumbee, Eustacia Vye Lowry (left), in selecting sun glass frames as Dr. Mary Ann Masters (right) looks on.

PEMBROKE KIWANIS

BY KEN JOHNSON

Program Chairman Grady Hunt presented Mr. Randall Jones of the Lumbee River Electric Membership Corporation power company. It was first organized in 1940 and will be celebrating its 50th anniversary in July. It serves Robeson, Hoke, Scotland and Cumberland Counties. The home office is in Red Springs, located there in 1941. Its operations include 4 branch offices, 3,000 miles of lines, 43 trucks, 27,000 to 28,000 customers in residential and commercial areas. Most of the growth

is in the Fayetteville area. C P and L does not serve the remote areas but LREMC will serve any place. They have scholarship programs for high school students, loan programs, heat pump and water heater programs as a low management program that helps reduce the demand for power. Some nuclear generated power, peep shavings generator power for peak load demands. Rural Administrations of power are the largest users.

Rural rates were not increased for 5 years but rates are now due

to go up, under the Federal Regulations Commission.

Due to our recent cold spell on Saturday was the most use of power ever, 110,000 mega watts were used. The cold weather plus ice storms recently caused the Cop to have to replace 10 poles. And it took 25 more men to come in to help out in the emergency. Hot water heaters use more electricity than any other appliance.

Presiding-Mitch Lowry; Song Leader-Clay Maynor; Invocation-Adolph Dial; Program-Grady Hunt; Reporter-Ken Johnson.