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Cummings honored for wisdom & guidance to hunting clubs



MR. NEWTON CUMMINGS

On September 1 Mr. Newton Cummings was presented a plaque for his 36 year membership in the Robeson and Juniper Hunting Clubs. Presenting the award to Mr. Cummings were Mr. Velton Deese, Mr. Herbert Lowery, Mr. Herbert Lowery, Jr. and Mr. James Locklear.

It was fitting that these men presented the award to Mr. Cummings because they are not only his friends, but his "hunting buddies" as well. Mr. Cummings is like a "daddy/granddaddy" to his fellow hunters; not because he is 86 years of age, but because of the wisdom, words of inspiration, and direction he has given them over the years on everything from how to dress a deer to clues to look for to tell if deer are in the area.

Mr. Cummings started hunting when he was 8 years old. He said he taught himself how to hunt. He was a born hunter. His first hunting weapons were a tap stick, which

was thrown like a spear, and later a joo-vimber (slingshot). His first rifle was a 22 and his first shotgun was a Browning 12 gauge.

Mr. Cummings has hunted birds, rabbits, possum, and deer and has passed the hunting tradition down to his sons and grandsons. He readily admits that his favorite spot while hunting is on a deer stand in the trees. He is one of the original members of the Juniper Hunting Club and he has served as assistant manager of the Robeson Club. He has been hunting for 77 years and when asked how he felt on receiving the service award from his hunting club, Mr. Cummings said it made him feel, "mighty happy." The plaque now rests on the wall in his sitting room where he can easily see it.

"We thank 'Mr. Newton' for his wisdom and guidance shown us over the years. He was there showing us how to dress and clean deer. He was there in the wee hours of a bitter cold morning, telling us that the rest of the members will come, 'let's just wait for them.' He was there when a hunter had not shot a deer all season and he told us, 'your chance will come; just be patient.' He was there when a member could not pay his dues and he would say, 'give him a little more time boys, give him a little more time.' 'Mr. Newton' was always there... counseling and teaching and we are better men because of it.

We cannot tell all the wonderful things this man has done and has taught us, but we just wanted to take a brief moment to say, "thank you for being there. You gave the greatest gift of all. You gave your time!"

To Mr. Newton Cummings we dedicate this quote from Henry Fielding:

*"The dusky night rides, down the sky,
 And ushers in the morn;
 The hounds all join in glorious cry,
 The huntsman raises his gun;
 And a hunting we will go."*

Looking for relatives of Ormer Leslie Locklear!

Ormer Leslie Locklear was a famous movie star and a Hollywood playboy from 1918 until 1920.

Locklear was billed in Hollywood as "the bravest of the brave." He became a Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Service. While flying a Curtiss Jenny he began an aerial wing walking act and toured the United States and Canada while playing state fairs. It is reported that Locklear was earning up to \$3,000 a day with his act.

In 1918 Locklear was hired by Universal Pictures under the direction of Cecil B. DeMilles to star in "The Great Air Robbery." He was the leading man and did his own stunts. During the filming of the movie Locklear met and began a romantic fling with actress Viola Dana. The courtship was the front page news for months in Hollywood.

In November, 1919 Locklear drove car #16 at the Ascot Park Speedway in Los Angeles for the president of Chevrolet Motor Company. This was the most talked-about race of its time.

Because of the success of "The Great Air Robbery" Locklear was hired to appear and be the leading man in "The Skywayman." This would be another movie where he starred as an airplane pilot. During the filming of a stunt scene in this movie, Locklear crashed his plane on August 2, 1920, and was killed.

Locklear's sister, Anita Mae Locklear, attempted to continue his air act but no records are available to determine whether she carried on the show.

Locklear was born October 28, 1891 in Greenville, Hopkins County, Texas to James and Odessa Locklear. Ormer Locklear had nine brothers and sisters. They were: Evelyn; Osman; Nonnie; Ola; James, Jr.; Threca; Gussie; Mary Helen and Anita Mae.

If anyone has any information concerning this family or family members, please send it to *The Carolina Indian Voice*, Post Office Box 1075, Pembroke, NC 28372. It is believed that Ormer Locklear has a Robeson County connection.

Second "Pembroke Day" to be held Oct. 2 at PSU

The second annual "Pembroke Day" will be held Wednesday, Oct. 2, at Pembroke State University.

A committee planning the event met recently outlining tentative plans for the festivities, which will be from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. The public is invited free of charge.

The purpose of "Pembroke Day" is to build even closer camaraderie between PSU and the Town of Pembroke, which are co-sponsors of the event.

Arts and crafts, an elaborate health fair, quilt making and other activities by Lumbee senior citizens, musical productions, sculpture and activities by PSU students will be among the attractions. Town of Pembroke businesses will be invited to put on displays of their products. Traditional Indian dances are also planned.

The Army ROTC unit at PSU plans to invite the 18th Airborne Army Chorus from Ft. Bragg to perform plus there will be musical renditions by the PSU band, chorus and "Singers and Swingers" among the entertainment. Other musical programs are in the works.

The first "Pembroke Day" at PSU was held August 25, 1990, "and was a big success in every way," said Dr. James B. Chavis, PSU vice chancellor for student affairs who chaired the recent planning meeting.

Ron Brown, representing Pates Supply of Pembroke and the Pembroke Chamber of Commerce, commented at the meeting: "I heard a whole lot of positive comments about the first 'Pembroke Day.' It was well received. The merchants who took part want to come back, and others want to join them. I believe we will have as many merchants as before or more."

Whereas the first "Pembroke Day" was held in the spring, the thinking of the committee in scheduling this one for the fall is that the PSU student body is beginning

its academic year rather than concluding it. In this way, the students will be here all year to benefit from the rapport of the occasion. The weather is also very nice in October, said one committee member.

Chancellor Joseph Oxendine joined the committee members for a few moments to wish them well, saying: "'Pembroke Day' was a highlight of 1990. Because of delaying it a few months until October, we ought to have a doubly good one this year. The feeling is that it will be more ideal in the autumn. It is exciting for me to think about an occasion such as this for the University and the community. It is one of our high priority items."

Plans are again to broadcast the entire event live for 3 1/2 hours on area radio.

Members of the committee meeting were: Kay Brewington, president of the PSU Native American Student Organization; Ron Brown, Pates Supply Co. and Pembroke Chamber of Commerce; Dr. James B. Chavis, PSU vice chancellor for student affairs; Greg Cummings, Lumbee Regional Development Assn. (LRDA); McDuffie Cummings, Pembroke Town Manager; MSGT/E-8 Clifton Frank, Jr., PSU Army ROTC; Janice Goolsby, LRDA Energy Office; Diane Jones, PSU director of student activities; Essie Jones, Pembroke Town Council; Dr. Stan Knick, director of PSU's Native American Resource Center; Bernie Locklear, director of the PSU Physical Plant; Rev. Jerry Lowry, PSU Board of Trustees; Dr. Robert Romine, chairman of the PSU Music Department; Eva Sampson, PSU nurse supervisor; Lisa Silver, vice president of the PSU Native American Student Organization; and Gene Warren, PSU public information director. Paul Van Zandt, chairman of the PSU Art Department, is a member of the committee, but was unable to attend.

Upcoming Events

VERY SPECIAL PEOPLE SUPPORTERS TO MEET

The Very Special People Supporters of Robeson County (parents or concerned citizens of mentally and/or physically handicapped children) will meet on Sunday, September 15, 1991-3 p.m.-Baptist House across from Pembroke State University, Pembroke. Interested persons are encouraged to attend.

STRIKE AT THE WIND PRESENTS GOSPEL MUSIC FESTIVAL

The outdoor drama "Strike at the Wind" will present a Gospel Music Festival on Friday, September 20, from 7 p.m. until 10 p.m. at the Adolph Dial Amphitheater located on the grounds of the N.C. Indian Cultural Center. Tickets are \$4 per person. Featured groups will be the Scott Sisters, the Pierce Family, the D & L Singers and the Prospect Community Men. For more information, tickets, please call 919-521-3112.

HOMEMADE CRAFTS

Homemade crafts will be exhibited during the Robeson County Fair to be held September 30 through October 6. For more information, please call 871-3276.

BOOTH SPACE

All organizations and businesses interested in securing booth space for the Robeson County Fair to be held from September 30 through October 6 should contact Hubert Bullard at 919-678-8217 or Bruce Jobe at 919-789-1010.

COMMITTEE TO ELECT ESSIE JONES TO PEMBROKE TOWN COUNCIL TO SPONSOR SING

The Committee to Elect Essie Jones to the Pembroke Town Council will sponsor a gospel sing on Saturday, September 21 at 2 p.m. The gospel sing will be held at the Colony Plaza in Pembroke (Hill's Food Store). The gospel sing will feature the Tylers, the Freemans and others.

WOMEN AND CHILDREN IN CRISIS NEED YOUR HELP

The Southeastern Family Violence Center (SFVC) needs caring individuals to volunteer as crisis line workers, office assistants, client advocates, and child care providers. SFVC will hold a Volunteer Training Session on Saturday, October 19, 1991 at the Robeson County Public Library from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. For more information, please call 789-8622 in Robeson County or 277-7660 in Scotland County.

BOWLING LEAGUE TO BE FORMED IN PEMBROKE

Anyone interested in joining a local bowling league is urged to contact Raymond Cummings at Pembroke State University, 521-4214, Ext. 576.

SUNDAY SERVICES SCHEDULED AT DEEP BRANCH

The Deep Branch Baptist Church singing originally scheduled for 7 p.m. on October 6 has been rescheduled for 2 p.m. due to homecoming services that day. The public is cordially invited to attend these activities.

REVIVAL PLANNED AT MOUNT OLIVE CHURCH

Revival services begin Tuesday, September 17 at the Mount Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church of Pembroke. The Rev. and Mrs. Doyle Gadsberry from Norman, Oklahoma will be the guest evangelists. Services will be held nightly at 7:30 p.m. during the week with the concluding services on Sunday, September 22, at 6 p.m. Special singing by The Gadsberrys and others will be featured throughout the meeting along with anointed preaching by Bro. Gadsberry from the Word of God. Pastor Jim Creel invites everyone to attend.

RADIO STATION WYRU IN RED SPRINGS TO BROADCAST PEMBROKE DAY

Radio Station WYRU in Red Springs, 1160 on the A m dial, will broadcast "live" the second annual "Pembroke Day" which will be October 2 from 10 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. at the Pembroke State University Lowry Bell Tower quadrangle area.

This "Town and Gown" event is co-sponsored by the Town of Pembroke and PSU.

Many activities are planned, including an extensive "Health Fair." Pembroke merchants are invited to display their wares.

Bobby Griffin, economic developer with the Lumbee Regional Development Association which the station, says WYRU "definitely is looking being a part being a part of this special day."

The station, which is managed by Herbie Oxendine, plans to have two announcers at PSU throughout the 3 1/2 hours of the "Pembroke Day" observance. They will be describing what will be taking place plus interviewing special guests.

Griffin, who graduated from PSU in '77 with a Bachelor's degree in business, says he is looking forward to the broadcast as a way of "helping the school" and also as a public relations gesture by the station. "All will benefit from it," he says.

LRDA purchased WYRU in 1987. The station emphasizes local programming and gospel music.

"Our broadcasts are well received in Fayetteville and also three miles this side of Dunn. We are also received on the other side of Rockingham, and well in Lumberton," said Griffin. "We believe broadcasting 'Pembroke Day' will help to promote our radio stations as well as the event."

For more information about "Pembroke Day," telephone 521-4214, Ext. 226.

STUDENTS FROM PSU'S UPWARD BOUND PROGRAM ATTEND MATH & SCIENCE CENTERS

Six months from PSU's 18th annual summer "Upward Bound" program this year attended mathematics and sciences centers at Florida and A & M University in Tallahassee, FL and Western Carolina at Cullowhee. A seventh student did animal science research at North Carolina A & T University.

Students who attended Florida A & M were: Dawn Lowry and Stacey Oxendine of Fumell Sweett High and Tammy McEachin and Dolores Miller of South Robeson. All are seniors.

Lowry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lowry of Pembroke. Oxendine is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Deese of Pembroke. McEachin is the daughter of Geraldine McEachin of Maxton. Miller is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Miller of Rowland.

Students attended at Western Carolina University were Kris Barton and Constance Locklear, both seniors at Fumell Sweett High.

Barton is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glen Barton of Pembroke. Locklear is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Locklear of Pembroke.

Cassandra Smith went to North Carolina A & T University for six weeks in animal science research. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Beverly S. Chambers of Pembroke. Smith, too, is a senior at Fumell Sweett High.