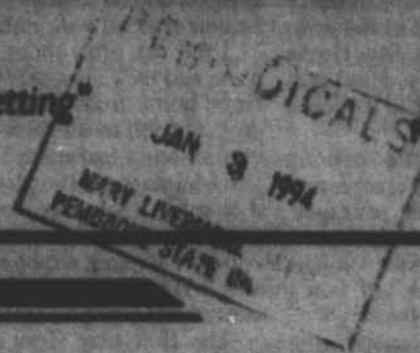


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Cummings named PSU director of student activities

Raymond Cummings, who for the last six years has been assistant director of student activities at Pembroke State University, has been promoted to PSU director of student activities.

In that role, he succeeds Dr. Diane Jones, who last summer was named assistant vice chancellor for student affairs.

A captain in the U.S. Army Reserves, Cummings, 35, will be responsible for the coordination, development, implementation and evaluation of campus programs and activities. Cummings graduated from PSU in 1980 with a Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education and a minor in computer science. He earned a Master of Arts in educational administration from PSU in '91. He has begun working on his doctorate at N.C. State University.

Cummings went through the Army ROTC program while an undergraduate student at PSU and was commissioned a second lieutenant. He then went into the Army Reserves and served as company commander of the Army Reserve Unit in Lumberton for one year. He was promoted to captain last year.

In 1980-81, Cummings served as an admissions counselor at PSU. His managerial experience includes three years (1983-86) of being shipping coordinator for Campbell Soup Co. in



Maxton and one year (1986-87) of being operations manager for Colonial Motor Freight Lines, based in Laurinburg.

Cummings, a strapping 6-foot-3, 226-pounder, graduated from Pembroke Senior High. He is the son of Annie Pearl Cummings and the late Donald Foy Cummings. He is married to the former Brigitte Brayboy of Pembroke. "Miss Lumbee" of 1980-81. They are parents of two sons: Raymond, 6, and Robert, 4.

Of his new responsibilities, Cummings says, "I am excited about this opportunity and am looking forward to it. I look forward to working even more with students and student programs."

Review begins for dialysis projects

Raleigh-The Certificate of Need Section of the N.C. Department of Human Resources Division of Facility Services has begun review for the following Cumberland, Robeson and Sampson County projects:

Bio-Medical Applications of Fayetteville, Inc./BMA of Fayetteville/Fayetteville Kidney Center, to add twelve (12) dialysis stations to BMA of Fayetteville, Cumberland County.

Bio-Medical Applications of North Carolina, Inc./BMA of Lumberton, Lumberton Dialysis Unit to add seven (7) dialysis stations to BMA of Lumberton, Robeson County.

Bio-Medical Applications of Clinton Inc./BMA of Clinton/Clinton Dialysis Unit to add seven (7) dialysis stations to BMA of Clinton, Sampson County.

Any person may file written comments and exhibits concerning these proposals no later than Jan. 3, 1994 to the Certificate of Need Section, Division of Facility Services, P.O. Box 29530, Raleigh, NC 276-0530. The Certificate of Need Section has not scheduled a public hearing for these projects. However, if an affected party submits a written request for a public hearing, one will be held no more than 20 days from the conclusion of the written comment period.

For more information, contact Joseph Slaton, Certificate of Need Section (919) 733-6360.

JoAnn Locklear announces candidacy for Robeson County Clerk of Superior Court



Jo Ann Locklear has publicly announced that she is a candidate for the office of Clerk of Superior Court. Mrs. Locklear is a 37 year veteran with the Clerk of Superior Court's office. She began her career under former clerk, Ben G. Floyd, Jr. at the inception of the reformed court system in 1966, and continued to work under the present Clerk, Dixie Barrington during her full duration in office. Locklear states that she was the first Native American to hold a position in the Robeson County Clerk of Courts office. Her duties began in the Criminal Department with she and one other employee. She has watched that department increase to a capacity of 17 employees. She is presently serving in the capacity of supervisor for the Estates and Special Proceedings Department. Mrs. Locklear was sworn in as an Assistant Clerk of Superior

Court fifteen years ago. "IN my capacity as Assistant Clerk, I am authorized to perform all the duties and functions of the Clerk except for the nomination of magistrates and the appointment and removal of personnel. I feel that my 12 years as a Deputy Clerk and 15 years as an Assistant Clerk has given me the hands on training needed to successfully operate the clerk's office," Locklear said.

"Unlike Clerks in other states, the Clerk in North Carolina is a judge as well as a Clerk, and the Clerk has extensive administrative and judicial responsibilities and in exercising these responsibilities, a Clerk must be faithful to the law, maintain her professional competence and be unswayed by partisan interest, public clamor or fear of criticism, and the office should have priority over other

activities. I strongly believe that I possess the attributes of a good clerk and I will see that my staff acts with consideration and patience in dealing with the public and see that everyone is treated with respect and will continue to maintain and enforce high standards of official and personal conduct so the integrity of the Clerk's office will be preserved," she said.

Mrs. Locklear is 48 years old and resides in the Saddletree Community with her husband, Grover, who is owner and operator of Pine Acres Upholstery Shop. They are the parents of three children. Lisa McCoy is a 1993 graduate of Pembroke State University with a BS Degree in Biology and is employed as an Environmental Health Specialist with Bladen County. Dr. Bobbi Stanley is a 1993 Graduate of the School of Dentistry at UNC Chapel Hill with a Doctor of Dental Surgery degree and is practicing dentistry in Cary. Kevin is a 1993 graduate of Pembroke State University with a BS Degree in Biology, has attended Boston University School of Medicine, and plans to re-enter Pembroke State University in January to pursue a second degree while contemplating his career path.

Locklear is a member of Mt. Olive Baptist Church in the Saddletree Community where she has served in the capacity of Church Clerk for the past 14 years. She is a past PTA president and school volunteer and is Past Chairperson for the Robeson County Democratic Party. She presently serves as a treasurer for the Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Association and is a present member of the Board of Trustees for Pembroke State University.

Locklear is the daughter of the late James K. Smith of the Back Swamp community and Thelma Graham Smith. She grew up in the Back Swamp Community and was educated in the Public Schools of Robeson County.

John Carter, Assistant D.A. announces candidacy for district court judge

John Carter, long-time Assistant District Attorney, has announced his candidacy for District Court Judge. In making his announcement, he released the following statement:

"In the May 1994 Democratic Primary, I will be seeking election as District Court Judge to replace the Honorable Charles G. McLean who will retire in December 1994.

"For over fourteen years I have served the citizens of Robeson County as an Assistant District Attorney. During that period of time, I have tried thousands of cases, both in District and Superior Court, and have handled tens of thousands of others while establishing a reputation among law enforcement officers, lawyers, victims of crime, judges, other judicial agencies, and even defendants as a person of honesty, diligence, integrity, and concern. Foremost in my work as an Assistant District Attorney has been my responsibility and duty to protect the rights of the victims of crime while maintaining a sincere desire and effort to always seek justice in every case. I have done just that.

"As a husband and the parent of children who attend the Robeson County Public Schools, I share the same concerns of most Robeson County citizens: the escalating crime and violence in our schools and communities; the disintegration of family values and family units; the inability of teachers to teach because of fear or the lack of discipline on the part of students; and the lack of adequate economic opportunities. My community involvement has revolved around encouraging, promoting and enriching the lives of the citizens of Robeson County, especially the youth as a board member of "Teaming For Kids and Kids County in Robeson County. I have assisted in bringing county wide attention to the plight of our children while focusing on and working toward possible solutions to the many problems facing our youth.

As an Assistant District Attorney and board member of the Southeastern Family Violence Center, I have sought to help alleviate the problem of violence against women and violence within the family structure. Being an active member of the Red Springs Rotary Club, NAACP of Red Springs, and other community and professional organizations, I have continued to work for the betterment of all our communities. From my experience with civic and professional organizations, my experience with the court system as well as being a concerned husband and parent, I believe that I have an appreciation of the problems we face as residents of this county. Because of that, I have a desire and determination to help work through the problems we face so that Robeson County will be a place we can all be proud to be a part of.

"In the election in May, I only ask the voters of Robeson County to select the candidate who is best qualified for the position of District Court Judge without regard to gender or race. I believe the trust and respect I have established over the years between myself and Judges, Defense Attorneys, law enforcement, victims of crime, their family members and friends are based on their appreciation of my honesty, integrity, and also my abilities as an attorney. I ask the citizens of this county for the opportunity to serve them as their elected District Court Judge. I will remember that I am a servant of the people who elect me and that my highest aim in every case is always to seek justice through honesty, fairness and integrity.

"I currently reside in Red Springs with my wife, Sandi and we are the parents of three children, Brian, Michael, and Nina. We attend Rhyne Memorial Methodist Church in Red Springs."

New Enrollment cards being issued by Tuscarora Tribe of North Carolina

The Tuscarora Tribe of North Carolina has their new enrollment cards available. Members of the Tuscarora Tribe of North Carolina are encouraged to come by the tribal offices at 110 Main Street, Pembroke and pick up their new card.

For further information, tribal members should call 521-1861. Mr. Cecil Hunt is Tribal Chairman.

Financial Aid workshop set at PSHS

A Financial Aid Workshop for seniors and their parents of Purnell Swett High School will be held January 3, 1994 at 7 p.m. in the school cafeteria. All types of institutional, federal, and State Federal Aid will be discussed, including scholarships, grants, loans and college work study. All seniors at Purnell Swett High School and their parents are encouraged to attend.

Bill James Brewington is principal Aggie G. Deese is counselor.



John Carter

Lumbee Tribal Delegation Kills Anti-Lumbee Efforts at NCAI Convention

Submitted by LRDA The National Congress of American Indians recently held its annual convention in Sparks, Nevada. The Congress is made up of over 150 federal and state recognized tribes from across the country, including the Lumbee tribe.

The Lumbee tribe has 185 block votes in the Congress in the election of its leaders because of the 40,000 plus membership of the tribe.

Elected officials from Lumbee Regional Development Association, representing the tribe, and staff, attended the convention. All goals established before attending was accomplished by the delegation due to having superior numbers in attendance.

The Choctaw tribe of Mississippi introduced an anti-Lumbee legislative recognition resolution in the N.C.A.I. Litigation and Legislation committee.

The Lumbee Tribal delegation attended the early morning meeting and spoke in opposition to this resolution, and with individual members attending having a vote on all committee matters, were able to vote and kill this resolution in committee before it could get to the convention floor for debate. This could have proved disastrous due to large attendance at the convention of over 1000 individual tribal members.

The new Cheyenne River Sioux chairman also voted with the delegation to kill the resolution in

committee. This tribe's previous chairman opposed Lumbee legislative recognition.

The delegation with the help of Mr. Ron Andrade, former N.C.A.I. executive director also was able to prevent through the Committee Chairman's report any mention of the anti-Lumbee resolution as part of his report to the convention floor. The resolution was only referred to by number.

The delegation also with its numbers was able to assure that a Lumbee, Mr. A. Bruce Jones were re-elected to protect Lumbee tribal interest on the N.C.A.I. executive board as the Southeastern area Vice-President. This seat represents to N.C.A.I. all Southeastern tribes, and in the Southeastern Caucus, all individual members attending were able to vote, including Miss Lumbee, Natasha Wagoner and spouses of elected officials. Mr. Tom Oxendine former employee of the B.I.A. also attended and voted in this caucus, and the mother of one of the LRDA board members.

Also the delegation was able to help get re-elected the current President of N.C.A.I., who is a strong supporter of Lumbee federal recognition. Individual and tribal block votes were cast. Mr. James Sampson of Rowland cast the tribe's 185 votes for election of Gaiashkbos of the Chippewa tribe of Wisconsin.

Other friends were elected to the

N.C.A.I. executive board who have been supportive of the Lumbee recognition efforts from Oklahoma and California.

The Chief of the Eastern band of Cherokees were present and their representative attended the Southeastern caucus. The chief is a foe of legislative recognition of the Lumbees.

The Lumbee Tribal delegation returned feeling good that they prevented any anti-Lumbee recognition debate on the convention floor, which maintained the previous N.C.A.I. resolution from 1990 which supported Lumbee efforts for Legislative recognition, and knowing that for two more years, as the tribe moves towards federal recognition in 1994, that it will have a representative inside all meetings of N.C.A.I. who will look out for its interest.

Mr. Adolph Blue, chairman of LRDA, stated that, "the trip was successful because we went prepared to protect our Lumbee tribal interest in the regional caucuses and in the various committees where issues and resolutions are addressed that steer the further political agenda of N.C.A.I."

"He further explained that having key Lumbees delegates assigned to serve on various committees as volunteers the Lumbee delegation was able to be alerted quickly of potential anti-Lumbee activity and the delegation would convene quickly to develop a strategy response."

Happy Holidays from the staff of the Carolina Indian Voice
Connee, Helen, Wild Turkey, Painted Turtle

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