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Only an serving on EMC Board announces re-election bid



and forceful. I do not apologize for that. I have the courage and the determination to make hard decisions and abide by them. Not many people can do this. It is not always easy to stand on conviction and principle, but it is an attribute that should be practiced, especially in business. I have demonstrated by commitment to doing what is right, even when it is unpopular. I am a firm believer in the biblical principle that says: "Be not weary in well doing for you shall reap in due season if you faint not." I believe

that right is always right and will prevail eventually.

"When I first ran for the at-large position on the board of directors, I had a vision to do so. Many people have questioned by vision and by commitment to serve others. I have publicly declared that God had a purpose for placing me on the EMC Board. I have been ridiculed and avoided for this position, but my faith in God has not diminished and my commitment to fulfill my obligation as a member of the LREMC Board of Directors has not dimmed. I consider myself a servant only, and once again offer my services to the consumers. I would consider it a privilege to be allowed to serve another term.

"I have been employed for 27 years with Four County Community Services, Inc. My tenure there has provided me much experience with the economically disadvantaged. I believe that I have held the trust of that position well, and I have tried to help those who were less fortunate than others. I believe that my record in that regard speaks for itself.

"My record as a member of the EMC Board of Directors also speaks for itself. I have based my decisions on what was in the best interests of the consumers, rather than doing what was politically or economically expedient. During my tenure on the Board of Directors I have grown as a person and as a Christian. I am humbled by the experience. If re-elected I assure you that I will continue to make hard and sometimes unpopular decisions with the consumers in mind. It is not an easy task to run a major business like the EMC. Contrary to what some people think, the EMC is big business and sound business decisions must be made. I feel that I have demon-

strated my commitment to ensuring sound business decisions relative to our cooperative. I am proud of my record, and offer myself once again for re-election. I am available, willing, and experienced. I have attended schooling to help me become more efficient in the administration of cooperative business. I have learned alot and have applied this knowledge to serve the consumers.

"When you attend the LREMC Annual Meeting October 3, 1995 at the Givens Performing Arts Center, remember that only you can decide who will represent you on the Board of Directors. I hum-

bly ask that you allow me to continue to serve you. You must vote for four, one in each district, in order for your vote to count. Make Madie Rae Locklear one of your four."



Shown left to right are Jackie Breington, Earline Stacks, James Brewer, board members for NC Indian Housing Authority and Rep. Ronnie Sutton.

Indian Housing Authority holds Sweating-in Ceremony

The North Carolina Indian Housing Authority held a Swearing-In Ceremony on Monday, August 28, 1995 for James Brewer of Greensboro, Jackie Breington of Dunn, and Earlene Stacks of Charlotte. The ceremony was held at the Administrative Offices in Fayetteville, North Carolina, and was conducted by Representative Ronnie Sutton of Pembroke. These individuals have been appointed to serve on the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority by Governor James B. Hunt.

James Brewer, a Lumbee Indian, has been reappointed to a second term on the board. He is a member of the Guilford Native American Association where he served on the Board of Directors for fourteen years. He also served on the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs Board of Directors for twelve years.

Jackie Breington, a member of the Coharie Tribe, is employed by the Department of Crime Control and Public Safety. He serves as chairman of the Harnett County Coharie Tribal Council and a board member of the Coharie Intra-Tribal Council.

Earlene Stacks is a member of the Metrolina Native American Association, where she has been a board member since its inception in 1977, serving

as Chairperson for eleven years. Ms. Stacks has also served on the Metrolina Food Bank Board of Directors since 1983 and the Board of Directors of the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs since 1985. She has been a member of the White House Advisory Council on Indian Education since 1991.

The N.C. Housing Authority was established by State Statute 157, to provide decent, safe and sanitary housing in North Carolina. The Board of Commissioners is made up of eight members, representing the following state recognized tribes and Indian organizations: coharie, Haliwa Saponi, Lumbee, Waccamaw Siouan Indian Tribes and the Cumberland County Association for Indian People, Guilford Native American Association and Metrolina Native American Association. The members are nominated by the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs and appointed by the Governor of North Carolina.

The N.C. Indian Housing Authority, funded by HUD, owns and operates apartment complexes in Cumberland, Halifax, Hoke, Robeson and Sampson Counties. It is an Equal Housing Agency and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color or National origin.

PSU Board of Trustees propose name change to UNC at Pembroke

by Don Gersh, University Relations
Pembroke-n a moving address to other Pembroke State University Board of Trustees recently. Professor Emeritus Adolph L. Dial recommended the school's name be changed to the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Dr. Dial, retired chair of PSU's Department of American Indian Studies and former member of the State Legislature, apologized for not supporting the name change in 1984.

"I was wrong and I apologize," he said. "I wouldn't be here if more than 90 percent of the people I've talked with over the past few months didn't agree with the change. This is the best one single thing we can do."

PSU Board of Trustees chair David Weinstein thanked Dr. Dial for his recommendation and said that although he personally agrees with Dr. Dial, the board should not rush into it. Weinstein recommended the board survey faculty, administrators, students, alumni and community members for their opinions and discuss the issue early next year.

Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine acknowledged that he has been resistant to a name change and is very interested in the community's atti-

tudes. Dr. Oxendine discussed the historical tie between the Town of Pembroke and the University. He stated that "the citizens of this community gave birth to this institution and we should do nothing to disenfranchise this community." Dr. Oxendine did agree, however, that it is appropriate to "re-visit the issue of a name change at this time."

In other board action, Dr. Cheryl Ransom Locklear of Pembroke was sworn in as a new member of the Board of Trustees.

Elections were held following reports from PSU's vice chancellors. David Weinstein of Lumberton was re-elected chair, Sybil Lowry Collins of Pembroke was elected vice chair, and John Nicholson of Lumberton was elected secretary.

McDuffie Cummings of Pembroke, and Henry G. Lewis of Lumberton and Dr. Cheryl Ransom Locklear were elected to the executive committee.

Dr. Ray Pennington, professor in the Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation and Director of Athletics, made a special presentation to the board. Pennington gave an overview of the athletic program and assured the Board of Trustees that

Pembroke State University fully supports gender equity.

"Pembroke State University has seven men's (intercollegiate) teams and five women's. Next year, tennis will be the sixth," he said. Pennington pointed out that men's and women's varsity athletic teams receive the same funding. He also said that PSU's student athletes graduation rate is higher than the general student body's.

Chancellor Oxendine welcome new board members, many of whom attended Fall Convocation last Wednesday. He said the elevation to Comprehensive I University status was accompanied by a budget increase to go towards faculty salaries. Dr. Oxendine said it was important to give special increases to the lecturers, assistant professors and associate professors to bring them more in line with other Comprehensive I Universities.

Student Government Association president Ken Griswold, a member of the Board of Trustees, told the board that the SGA will oppose the shipment of spent nuclear rods through Pembroke and asked for the individual board member's support.

Weinstein commended Griswold for his and the SGA's involvement.

The Tap Dance Kid to be presented at PSU

The Tony Award-winning musical, "The Tap Dance Kid," will open the 20th anniversary season at the Givens Performing Arts Center on the Campus of Pembroke State University, Friday, September 29, at 8 p.m. The charming musical is a delight for the entire family that urges you to follow your dreams and reach for the stars. The production includes spectacular tap dancing, passionate ballads and show-stopping production numbers that will have your feet tapping, hands clapping and will sing to your heart as well. Tickers are \$20, \$18, \$16 and \$6 for children and students. This production is sponsored in part by Belk of Lumberton and Laurinburg. For tickets or information call (910) 521-6361 or 1-800-367-0778.

Evangelist Julius Bryant on WSTS

Evangelist Julius H. Bryant is back in town. Hear him on WSTS every Saturday at 7:30 p.m. His radio program is entitled "Gospel Truth."

Evening clinics to be held at Pierce Clinic

Julian T. Pierce Health Center will begin having evening clinics Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, beginning September 13, 1995. Hours will be from 5:30-8:00 p.m. Appointments and walk-ins are accepted. X-ray and laboratory services are available. Call 521-2816 to schedule.

Volunteer training to be conducted by Family Violence Center

The Southeastern Family Violence Center which provides services to battered women and children, will be conducting a volunteer training on Saturday, October 7, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Individuals interested in volunteering should call 277-7660 or 739-8622 to register. Help Us Stop The Hurt.

Revival planned

Revival services begin Sunday, Sept. 10 at Mount Olive Pentecostal Holiness Church of Pembroke. The Rev. Ralph Eggett of Wilson, NC is the guest evangelist. Services will be at 11 a.m. and 6 p.m. Sunday and at 7:30 p.m. each night, Monday thru Friday, Sept. 15. Special singing will be featured through the meeting. Pastor Tim Croel invites everyone to attend.

Native American ceremony held at West Robeson UMC

West Robeson United Methodist Church on Highway 74, East of Maxton, celebrated with a Native Awareness Service on Sunday, the 27th of August. The Sunday School coincided with the lesson about how the Israelites had turned away from God as many of our people have done today. The Adult Lesson was taught by Mrs. Reneva Jones who compared the two c. is, now and then. There were several visitors welcomed at the services which began at 9 a.m. and continued until 11:45 a.m.

At the beginning of the church service our special guest, Spotted Turtle, performed a Blessing Ceremony. Many of the congregation were wearing traditional Indian clothes, beads, etc. All did a traditional dance and concluded by being smudged by him at the altar of the church. The pastor, Mr. Marshall Locklear, had Spotted Turtle answer many questions concerning the ceremony later.

Another invited guest was Red Hawk

who appeared in traditional Indian clothes and did a short Indian dance. He has participated in many gatherings, and so has Spotted Turtle. Red Hawk has been performing since he was a Boy Scout at Troop #27 in Pembroke, under the late Walter Pinchbeck as Scout Master. I performed Indian dances for my Troop #83, Harper's Ferry, until my departure in 1952 for the U.S. Navy.

After the dancing and singing all were invited around the altar in a circle. Prayer requests were taken. All joined hands and united our hearts in prayer for our church and the community. Extending an open invitation to the many people in the area who do not attend church to come worship with us. Rev. Marshall Locklear preached a great sermon. The Spirit of the Lord could be felt all around. This was a glorious occasion shared by all who were there. Hopefully, next year there will be a larger gathering.

Erwin Jacobs

