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## Raymond Cummings announces bid for Board of County Commissioners



Raymond Cummings has announced that he will be a candidate for the Robeson County Board of Commissioners District 5 seat in 1996. Cummings said his campaign will focus on issues concerning the Environment, Economy, and Education.

We need more good jobs that help create pride and build self-esteem. As a County Commissioner I will work on behalf of Robeson County to recruit industry and

promote quality economic development, which will in turn help to broaden our industrial tax base. This will help to reduce the tax burden on all county residents. I want to encourage communication with my constituents. As your representative I plan to have quarterly meetings within my district to find out your concerns. Through these meetings, as well as an open door policy, I feel that I can be more responsive to the needs of Robeson County.

Litter on our streets and around the County Dumpster sites needs to be cleaned up. As your Commissioner I will work to alleviate this problem.

Cummings is the Director of Student Activities at Pembroke State University. He holds a Master's Degree and has been involved in numerous community organizations. Some of these organizations are Robeson County Project Graduation (7

years), Past President PSU Braves Club, Past President Pembroke Elementary School (2 years), Pembroke Jaycees, Robeson County Human Relations Committee, Cub Scout Den Leader (2 years), Lumbee Constitution Assembly member, Selected Outstanding Young Man of America, Top Ten Jaycees in the State (1982-83), Board Member of the Robeson County Chapter of the American Cancer Society, and Captain in the US Army Reserves (8 years). Raymond is married to Brigitte Cummings, they have two children - Raymond Foy and Robert Autrey Raymond and Brigitte are members of the St. Annah Freewill Baptist Church.

District 5 precincts include: Philadelphus, Burnt Swamp, Oxendine, Raft Swamp, Shannon, Rod Springs precincts 1 & 2, also parts of Rennett, Saddlecreek, North Pembroke, Lumber Bridge, and Lumberton #1.

I would appreciate your support on May 2, 1996. Thank you.



Dr. Myra Deese Hall is shown with patient at Family Care Center in Raeford.

## Indian Education Staff Member Presents Paper at Annual AISES Conference in Detroit

Indian Education curriculum specialist and AISES chapter advisor Kevin Locklear recently attended the 17th Annual Conference of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES), in Detroit. Mr. Locklear was at the conference to present a paper entitled "Effective Education Programs for American Indian Students." He has assisted by his two cohorts, John Brewer, of Pine Ridge, South Dakota, and Abby Willetto, of Denver, Colorado.

Having spearheaded the effort to start an AISES chapter in the Public Schools of Robeson County, Mr. Locklear has been an advocate of AISES for several years. Mr. Locklear spends his summers devoted to AISES; last summer, he coordinated one of their pre-college summer programs in Boulder (Colorado) and then he went to Pine Ridge (South Dakota) to assist in a teacher training program, prior to returning to Colorado to coordinate a college summer program.

## Local students attend AISES Conference

The Indian Education Program of the Public Schools of Robeson County recently sponsored six students to attend the 17th Annual Conference of the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES). One representative was selected from each high school within the Public Schools of Robeson County. Representatives included Lakola Hunt of Saint Pauls High School; Daniel Sampson of Purnell Swett High School; Jason K. Locklear of Lumberton Sr. High School; Anita Carter of Fairmont High School; Mia Chavis of South Robeson High School; and Janet Chagolla of Red Springs High School. The students were chaperoned by AISES chapter co-advisor Darlene Cummings and Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) member Kathy Oxendine.

The annual AISES conference is a premier event for American Indian students, featuring concurrent sessions on American Indian issues, a career fair with over 100 government agencies and businesses represented, dynamic speakers, a traditional powwow, and honoring/award ceremonies. Keynote speakers included Wilma Mankiller, former Principal Chief of the Cherokee Nation; Gloria

Steinem, consulting editor for Ms. Magazine; and Vine Deloria, Jr., professor and author of *Custer Died for Your Sins*, *God is Red*, and *Red Earth, White Lies*.

This year's conference was held from November 9-12, at the Cobo Convention Center in Detroit, Michigan. In attendance at the Conference were some 3,000 American Indian scientists, engineers, tribal officials, students, etc. from throughout North America. The theme of the Conference was Spirit, Knowledge, Vision - Many Roads, One Direction.

The 18th Annual AISES Conference will be held November 14-17, 1996 at the Salt Palace Convention Center, Salt Lake City, Utah.

The AISES chapter of the Public Schools of Robeson County is open to all students, grades 9-12, who are enrolled in the Public Schools of Robeson County. All meetings are held quarterly at the Indian Education Resource Center in Pembroke, NC at 4:00 pm. Meeting dates for this academic year will be November 29, January 24, March 27, and May 22. For more information, please contact Kevin Locklear at (910) 521-1881 or 521-1886.

## AISES Fair planned in January 1

The Indian Education Program of the Public Schools of Robeson County, in conjunction with the American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES) chapter of the Public Schools of Robeson County, will sponsor the 9th Annual district-wide American Indian Science and Engineering Fair on January 8, 1996.

The district-wide American Indian Science and Engineering Fair is an annual event. Last year's fair brought out about thirty science projects from throughout the county. The American Indian Science and Engineering Fair of the Public Schools of Robeson County is open to any American Indian student, in grades 7-12, enrolled in the Public Schools of Robeson County.

Students ABSOLUTELY MUST have their projects at the Indian Education Resource Center on Saturday, January 6, before

12:00 noon. Judging will begin on Monday, January 8, at 3:45 pm. Winners will be announced at the Indian Education Parent Advisory Committee (PAC) meeting, that night. Projects will be available for viewing prior to and after the January PAC meeting. Indian Education is proud to say that they will be sponsoring the winner in each grade level (grades 7-12) to attend the National American Indian Science and Engineering Fair. This year's National American Indian Science and Engineering Fair will be held in March, in Bismarck, North Dakota.

For more information about the American Indian Science and Engineering Fair of the Public Schools of Robeson County or AISES, contact Kevin Locklear or Maybelle Elk at (910) 521-1881 or 521-1886.

## Pembroke Centennial Christmas Parade

The Town of Pembroke is preparing for the 21st Annual Twilight Centennial Christmas Parade to be held on Thursday, December 7, 1995. The Parade line-up time will be at 6:00 pm and parade starting time is 7:00 pm. All entries will assemble at the Pembroke Elementary School and the Parade will precede West on Main Street, and disassemble at the PSU Performing Arts Center.

This year's parade will be featuring floats, trucks, ROTC marching units, clowns, queens, kings, antique cars, the town centennial float, and of course the main attraction - "Santa Claus". Please keep in mind only one

Santa is allowed in the parade. No horses or four wheelers will be allowed in parade due to liability, and the danger they could cause to the citizens.

This year's parade is sponsored by the Town of Pembroke, Pembroke Jaycees, Chamber of Commerce, and the LRDA Veterans Affairs Office.

The County is invited to attend and the parade is open to anyone that would like to participate. There is no fee for entries.

For further information, contact Gregory Cummings at (910) 521-8602 or the Town at (910) 521-9758.

Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all.

## Library to hold children's Christmas party

Children's Christmas Party  
Pembroke Public Library on  
Wednesday, December 13 at 4:30  
pm. This program is for all ages.

## National AIDS day vigil planned

Invitation  
Candlelight Vigil  
Friday, December 1, 1995  
5:45 p.m.  
Pembroke Park  
In recognition of National AIDS  
Day

1995 Theme: Shared Rights and  
Shared Responsibilities  
AIDS AWARENESS AND  
EDUCATION  
Sponsored by AMERICAN RED  
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## Dr. Myra Deese Hall Joins Family Care Center in Raeford

Raeford--Myra Deese Hall, MD, is returning home to meet the healthcare needs of Hoke county residents at the Moore Regional Care Center in Raeford. She began seeing patients at the clinic November 8, 1995.

Raised in Pembroke, Dr. Deese Hall has spent the past two years serving as Director of Outpatient Clinic and Emergency Services for Choctaw Nation Indian Hospital in

Talihina, OK. "Family-practice is one area which I have always enjoyed working in," said Dr. Deese Hall. "The Family Care Center in Raeford can offer the best possible primary care to residents of Hoke County with the backing of Moore Regional Hospital."

Dr. Deese Hall earned her medical degree at the University of

North Carolina before serving her residency at East Carolina University - School of Medicine. Board-certified in family practice, Dr. Deese Hall is also licensed in basic cardiac life support.

"Myra Deese Hall brings with her a great deal of experience in both family care and urgent care settings," said Charles T. Frock, President and Chief Executive Officer at Moore Regional Hospital.

## PEMBROKE STATE UNIVERSITY Views from the Campus

Pembroke--Pembroke State University hosted the North Carolina College Personnel Association's fall conference recently.

"Following the Spirit Understanding Native American Traditions for Working With Students of Higher Education" was the overall theme for the conference. Pembroke State University was asked to host because of the large number of Native American students enrolled.

The conference was for professionals that work in the field of student services in North Carolina. About 70 professional staff members from 20 colleges and universities were represented.

According to Raymond Cummings, director of Student Activities, the purpose of the conference was to "sensitize student affairs professionals to the

unique culture that American Indians bring to their campus."

Several seminars and discussions were held in regard to the Native American theme. A Native American students leaders panel discussed many of the benefits and problems of American Indians on a college campus. Dr. James Chavis vice-chancellor for Student Affairs, presented the history of Pembroke State University.

Dr. Linda Oxendine, chair of the Department of American Indian Studies, gave a short talk on Native American Issues in Higher Education. She focuses on the concerns of being culturally sensitive to Native American issues.

"The conference proved to be very successful," said Cummings.

"It made us aware of everyone's cultural background and to be sensitive to them."

## Cans being accepted for overdue fines

by Barbara Allchin

Feeling guilty about those overdue books in the bottom of the closet? Set your conscience at rest. During the month of December, return overdue books and videos to any of the libraries in the Robeson County Public Library System and pay the overdue fines with canned goods. The canned goods will be donated to local charities. One canned food item will be accepted in lieu of the fine for one overdue book or video, with no limit on the number of items that can be redeemed. Whether the material is over due six days, or six months, or six years, the libraries will be happy to have them returned. And, you will have your record cleared in time to borrow some books for the holiday season.

Although the maximum fine for any overdue book is only \$2.00 and the maximum fine for a late video is \$5.00, some people do not know that and may be reluctant to return late materials, fearing they will owe a large amount of money. A 49 cent can of beans brought in to redeem a book with a \$2.00 overdue fine is a real bargain. While the library will lose some revenue with this program, the cost of replacing unreturned books and videos is very high; thus the library would rather have late materials returned than have to pay for replacement.

The Robeson County Public Library has held similar campaigns in the past and has found them to be popular. Canned goods will be accepted at all the libraries in Lumberton, Maxton, Fairmont, St. Pauls, Pembroke and Rowland. The bookmobile will also be a part of this program. Canned food items received during the month of December will be donated to local agencies in each community.

Barbara Allchin is the new reference librarian for the Robeson County Public Library. She is a graduate of UNC-Chapel Hill Library School.

## Pembroke BPW Club striving to assist other women

The Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club continues to pursue its goals and objectives touching the lives of women.

Various guest speakers have given insight and valuable information at the club's meetings. Investment counselor with UCB Investor Services, Brent Hood, of Wilmington, NC spoke to members on wise choices to select in investments. He informs that women are a major force of work and are basically more conservative.

Sandy Stewart, District V Director, also spoke to the group and encouraged them to continue to support each other to make the club a stronger one. Dr. Linda Mitchell Frye of Carolina OB/GYN of Lumberton, presented health tips for women who experience menopause, osteoporosis, and heart disease.

During BPW Week, members planned with great effort to promote the club with a presentation of Woman of the Year, honoring

senior citizens and a dance. This year's Woman of the Year Award was presented to Yvonne Barnes Dial who is actively involved in the club. She has served in capacities at the district, local, and national levels. She is presently serving as president-elect. Senior citizens were honored with cake and ice cream and a dance was held as a means of raising funds for scholarships for women who plan to continue their education.

Theresa Hunt, a junior at Pembroke State University, was awarded a scholarship of \$500 this year.

The club possesses a great deal of interest and concern for women and encouraged other women to join in its efforts to make women feel secure, proud, and healthy.

The club meets the first Monday of each month, except for July and December, at 7:00 pm upstairs in the James B. Chavis Center at Pembroke State University. Membership dues are \$60.00.

If interested contact Annette Strickland at (910) 521-1146.



Theresa Hunt, left, a junior at Pembroke State University, is presented a \$500 scholarship by Geraldine Maynor on behalf of the Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Club.