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SRMC Gala raises \$54,000 for diabetes treatment, education

Proceeds from the Rhapsody in Blue gala at the Pinecrest Country Club on Friday evening hosted by the Southeastern Regional Medical Center Foundation will go a long way to help Robeson County residents with diabetes. One of the fastest growing medical problems in our country today, diabetes hits local citizens especially hard. State statistics for 1999-2003 show that Robeson County has an age-adjusted death rate from diabetes almost twice the rate for the state as a whole.

About 400 guests danced the evening away at the 13th annual SRMC Foundation black-tie event. Because of their support, the Diabetes Community Center, located at 4300 Fayetteville Rd., will be able to purchase special equipment to assess patients before complications from diabetes occur, according to Dr. Mary Black, director of the center, who thanked supporters at the gala. She added that the \$54,000 raised at this year's gala will also continue the center's education efforts to increase awareness in the community about this disease that sometimes affect people for years before diagnosis.

"We have made great progress since the center opened in 1999, but we still have a long way to go," Black said. "Please know that your support tonight will make a difference in the future."

Gala co-chairs, William and Katie Davis and Bruce and Jayne Huggins along with the hospital's CEO Lucky Welsh and wife Libby, SRMC Foundation Chair Faye Caton and husband Bob, and SRMC Board of Trustees Chairman Joe Thompson and wife Becky, greeted guests in the foyer as they arrived for an elegant evening of dancing to the music of the Bill Bolen Band of Chapel Hill. Nineteen other couples volunteered to serve on the gala committee with the Davis Huggins couples.

Gala decorations carried out the "rhapsody in blue" theme with an array of pieces of blue and white china vases, bowls and urns borrowed from the Foundation volunteers. Each piece of china held

white flowers of many varieties--from roses to daisies--with greenery. Floral designs were created by Billy Davis and his staff of Flowers by Billy.

"We are so fortunate to have the support of our benefactors, patrons and sponsors as well as the hundreds of guests who attended tonight," said SRMC Foundation Chair Faye Caton, speaking on behalf of SRMC Foundation Executive Director Sissy Grantham. "Your help is making a real impact in the battle to counter the effects of a very serious and life-changing disease, diabetes."

Benefactors recognized during the program were Allen Orthopedics, P.A. - Dr. and Mrs. David Allen, Dr. and Mrs. Bob B. Andrews, Mr. and Mrs. John P. Barker, BB&T - Mr. James Gore, Mr. and Mrs. Emmett Brown, Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Caton, Children's Health of Carolina, P.A., Mr. and Mrs. William E. Davis, First Bank - Mr. Mike Hardin, Flowers by Billy, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce W. Huggins, Kni Ideas - Mr. Bob Braunstein, Mr. and Mrs. Al Lewis, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel R. Locklear, Lumbee Guaranty Bank, Lumberton Radiological Associates, McDonald's - Mr. and Mrs. James R. Rust, McDonald's - Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth P. Rust, Ms. Doris E. McLean, McNeill Jewelers - Mr. John McNeill, Novo Nordisk - Mr. Andy Atkinson and Mrs. Kim Kopec, Reddy Ice - Mr. and Mrs. Steve Musselwhite, The Robins and Morton Group, Southeastern Radiation Oncology - Drs. Hugh Bryan and Thomas Walden, Dr. and Mrs. Marvin W. Thompson, the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Mr. and Mrs. J. Lucky Welsh Jr., and Dr. Bruce S. Whitman.

Sponsors were Dr. Ben Hardin, Mr. and Mrs. John P. McLean, Drs. Richard and Christine Mellon, Mrs. Albert Sharpe, Speech Pathology Services of Robeson, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Stacy, Dr. Analyn Torres and Dr. Frederick Talip, Dr. and Mrs. Peter Villani, Mr. and Mrs. David Walker, Mr. Michael and Dr. Barbara Walters and Dr. and Mrs. Donald Whaley.

WIA Update

The Workforce Investment Act (WIA) which is administered by the Lumbee Regional Development Association (LRDA) is currently in its first year of a two-year designation by the United States Department of Labor.

The program serves Indian and Native Americans in LRDA's designated service area which includes Robeson, Scotland, Hoke and Bladen Counties. The purpose of the program is to train and/or employ participants to be more competitive in the labor force.

William E. Locklear, WIA Director, serves on the National Indian and Native American Advisory Council and represents other Indian grantees in the Southeast. Recently while attending an advisory council meeting in Washington, D.C. he had an opportunity to meet with the Secretary of Labor, Elaine Chao along with the Assistant Secretary Emily S. De Rocco. The role of the council is to advise the secretary of issues relative to employment and training programs. Locklear is shown with the Secretary and the Assistant Secretary of the Department of Labor.

Pastor Appreciation Day for Eugene Locklear

Psalms 37-23
"The steps of a good man are ordered By the Lord, and he delighteth in his ways."

Your Family and Church Family thank God for you, of 9yrs of ministering the Lord and accepting the call and vision in Pastoral Ship of Good Shepherds Ministry.

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Chickhominy pow wow to be held April 30

February 20, 2005 - Charles City, VA - In a joint announcement, six Virginia Indian nations announced that they will gather on the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Charles City, Virginia, April 30 and May 1st for their 3rd annual joint spring Pow-Wow/Gathering. On this historic occasion, members of the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Monacan, Nansemond, Rappahannock and Upper Mattaponi tribes will give honor to their past, as they recognize the historic impact of Jamestown 1607.

Grounds open at 10:00 a.m. on both days, with the Saturday, April 30 Grand Entry at 12:00 noon and Sunday's Grand Entry at 1:00 p.m. The festival/Pow-Wow will feature Native American dancers, drummers, singers and cultural demonstrations. Marvin J. "Many Horses" Burnette will return as Master of Ceremonies. Burnette, a career veteran and enrolled member of the Rosebud Sioux Dakota, is nationally known for his traditional dancing and service as "MC" for many traditional pow wows. Burnette, who was raised on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, brings honor to his culture and historic commentary to the attending public, as he leads traditional pow wows.

"Native American crafters from all over the United States will have jewelry, pottery, beadwork, leather crafts, and other authentic arts and crafts for sale. Food will be available and will feature Indian Fry Bread, hamburgers and hot dogs, and more, as well as plenty of beverages and a bake sale.

The festival is open to the public. Gate admission \$5.00/adults, and \$3.00/children ages 6 and under and senior citizens. Proceeds will support VITAL, the Virginia Indian Tribal Alliance for Life. VITAL is an organization of members of the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Monacan, Nansemond, Rappahannock, and Upper Mattaponi Indian Nations.

For further information and directions to the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds, please visit VITAL's website at www.vital.org. Other information is available from organizations, (804) 966-2448 or (804) 513-4801.

Summer Camp Expo at Biggs Park Mall

Biggs Park and Child Care Directions will again be co-sponsoring the 3rd Annual Summer Camp Expo. The event will be held on Saturday, March 12th from 10am to 3pm at court of Biggs Park Mall.

There will be entertainment, door prizes, give a ways, and activities for children will be on hand. Over 15 different camps in the region will participate that include: Sports, swimming, educational, scouting, faith-based and other types of camps.

This is an opportunity for parents to plan fun, exciting, and educational activities for their children.

For further questions, please contact Child Care Directions @ (910) 671-8335 or ccd@carolina.net

Magnolia High School Alumni Banquet

Southeastern Agricultural Center
Hwy 74 Lumberton, NC 28360
June 20, 2005
6:00 - until

\$25.00 per person

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