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# **INDIAN UNITY** CONFERENCE **BEGINS TODAY**

, ch 14-16 at the Bordeaux Saturday, March 16. Motor Inn in Fayetteville.

The conference will host a quet.

chancellor for student affairs of North Carolina. at PSU; Phillip Martin, chief of the Mississippi Band of The members of the Council People at 919-483-8442.

The Tenth Annual Unity of State will be the guests of Conference will be held Mar- honor at the breakfast on

A fee of \$30 per person variety of workshops on Indi- includes one banquet, a danan health, women's issues, ce, three breaks, one breakeconomic development, edu- fast, and workshops. Separate cation, employment and trai- tickets may be purchased for ning and Indian history and the banquet only for \$15 per culture. Other features of the person, breakfast only for \$8, conference include a pow dance only for \$4. Regiswow, talent show and ban- tration must be post marked no later than March 8. A fee Special guest speakers will of \$35 will be charged for

include Lynn Engles, com- persons registering after missioner of Administration March 8 or upon arrival at the for Native Americans (ANA); conference. Make checks -Dr. James B. Chavis, vice payable to the United Tribes

Information regarding con-Choctaws; Arlinda Locklear, ference registration should be attorney with the Native directed to LRDA at 919-American Rights Fund; and 521-2401 or Cumberland Governor James G. Martin. County Assoc. for Indian,

'Strike at the Wind!' organizes

**Mini Series** 

articles appearing in The Carolina Indian Voice will be strictly adhered to. The only exception to this rule will be late breaking news stories.

Our main desire is to put out as good an issue as is humanly possible, and to put that issue in your hands as quickly as possible. That is why it has become necessary for us to follow the lead of other newspapers and adhere strictly to a deadline. So, we desperately want

News

deadline

In order to better serve our

readers, beginning with next

week's issue, a 5 p.m.

Tuesday deadline for news

to print your news items. But, we need your help in helping us better serve you.

Deadline for ads to appear in The Carolina Indian Voice will be 12 Noon, Wednesday of the week in which they are to appear.

Thanking you in advance for your assistance and cooperation, we are ...

THE STAFF AND MANAGEMENT OF THE CAROLINA **INDIAN VOICE** 

### 'God doesn't create any dummies' says Purnell Swett in talk at PSU



Purnell Swett, superintendent of Robeson County Pembroke STate University Schools, discusses how to students.

by Gene Warren

PEMBROKE--A positive speaker all the way, Purnell Swett, who supervises 14,880 students in 26 schools as superintendent of Robeson County Schools, explained to Pembroke State University students Tuesday the ingredients to success: in the classroom and otherwise. "You know who you are.

Swet. "One of the former students told me that it had meant a lot to his life that I once looked at one of his papers and said: 'You can do better than that.' He said he believed me--and did better."

students that they set goals for themselves. "Ask yourself: 'Where will I be five

### **PEOPLE, PLACES & THINGS**

**RECEIVE CERTIFICATION** 

### INDIANS IN ORLANDO, FLA

Rev. Tony E. Brewington has been asked by the Home Mission Board of the Southern Baptist Convention to assist them in identifying and locating Native Americans in the Orlando, Fla. area. He will be there March 24-29 for that purpose. If you have

knowledge of any relatives or friends living there, please call the Baptist Building in Pembroke, 521-9850 with that information before March 22. TO CONDUCT WORKSHOP

The Scotland County Literacy Council will conduct a 12 hour workshop in an alternative reading method using Laubach materials. Attendance at each three hour session is required for national certification. The sessions will be held at the Literacy Office on North Main Street, Laurinburg from 6:30- 9:30 p.m., March 18, 21, 25 and 28. Call 276-7007 to preregister or for further information. The workshop is free and the Council has adults waiting to learn to read. Teaching hours are based on both volunteer tutor and student available time.

#### REPUBLICAN CONVENTION SLATED

The Robeson County Republican Convention will be March 30, 1985 at 1 p.m. in the County Court House in Lumberton. Chairman Robert Brewington urges all Republicans to attend.

**GOV. MARTIN TO BE IN** FAYETTEVILLE

## **VOLUNTEER TUTORS**

#### ATTENDS EDUCATIONAL CONGRESS Dr. Mary Ann Moore

Masters, Optometrist, whose

offices are located in Rowland

and Pembroke, recently .at-

At the Congress, Dr. Mas-

ters participated in educa-

tional programs designed to

polish her skills as an eye care

professional. The Congress

offers more than 120 hours of

continuing education, enab-

ling Doctors of Optometry to

become updated on the very

latest diagnostic and treat-

ment techniques through ed-

ucation by faculty members of

the nation's top optometric

colleges, as well as various

experts in eye care. 'Each

year, Doctors of Optometry

come together at the Southern

Congress in order to learn

more efficient methods of

serving patients with eye

COMMITTEE

**ASSIGNMENTS OF REP.** 

DeVane of the 16th District

announced his committee

assignments for the 1985

session of the North Carolina

General Assembly. They are:

Appropriations-Base Budget.

Appropriations Base Budget

Representative Daniel H.

**DANIEL H. DEVANE** 

problems.

THURSDAY, MARCH 14, 1985

The Robeson County Literacy Council of the Robeson County Church and Community Center has completed a two session workshop for tended the 62nd Annual Soucertification of volunteer tuthern Educational Congress of Optometry in Atlanta, Ga. The workshop was held

Feb. 16 and 23, 1985 from 9 a.m. until 2:30 p.m. at Robeson Technical College, Lumberton.

Miss Barbara Buie from the Hoke County Literacy Council. Raeford was the instructor and the Laubach method was used for the course.

Upon completion of the workshop, volunteer tutors are asked to give their time, service and talents to help those who are in need of assistance in mastering the skills of communication. Classes are held twice

weekly on a student/ teacher basis with the individual and sometimes in clusters. Sessions are taught in reading. writing and math in relation to everyday living.

The Laubach method of instruction was developed by Dr. Frank Laubach in 1930 while he was a missionary in the Phillipines.

His method has worldwide success, being used in 103 countries and 312 languages. hi the United States it is used in 46 states.

Committee on General Gov-Sessions may be held where ernment-Vice Chairman; ever it is convenient, such as a Appropriations Expansion church, home, school or lite-Budget; Appropriations Exracy office; wherever space is pansion Budget Committee on available.

General Government- Vice It is found that there are Chairman; Banks and Thrifts many people at various age

achieve success in talking to

to listen to students," said

Swett suggested to the PSU

Don't let anyone put you



Shown above, left to right are the cast: back row --Quindell Locklear who portrays Boss Strong; Bobby Oxendine as the Leader:

PEMBROKE--According to general manager Carnell Locklear, a mini-series of Robeson County's very own outdoor drama. "Strike at the Wind!" has been developed to be performed by children, between the ages of 8 to 12 years of age, in local schools in Robeson and surrounding counties.

The mini-series is performed entirely by youngsters. who portray the familiar characters of Leader. Boy. Henry Berry. Rhoda, Boss Strong. Shoemaker John, Wesley, Polly, Aunt Mary, and Mama Cumbo.

'The kids are very, very smart, and very good." said Locklear. "This type of production serves as a good tool to teach the children to think well of themselves. One will be fascinated to see these kids doing such a remarkable job." he concluded.

The purposes of the "Strike at the Wind!" Mini series are: to promote cultural programs based on regional history; create more opportunities and provide wider experiences for development of youth in cultural arts; build confidence in our young people; make communities more aware of 'Strike at the Wind!'; keep publicity of 'Strike at the Wind!' going:

Pamela K. Barton as Mama Cumbo; Eric Sutton as Henry Berry; Ron Oliver as Shoemaker. Front row--Wynn Dion Locklear as Boy; Latonia Cox

bring cultural programs to schools at a low cost; make 'Strike at the Wind!' self reliant; and help to raise money to pay 1984 deficit and continue to prepare for the upcoming 1985 production. This is the first time such an undertaking has been

attempted and everyone is very, very excited, according to Locklear. "The parents, children, and principals of the schools have all been very cooperative," Locklear stated.

Retired

## to meet

tired School Personnel will March 20, 1985 at 2 p.m. at the O.P. Owens Building, Lumberton. All retired teachers are invited to attend this ted by Marshall

as Rhoda; Stacy Oxendine as Polly Oxendine: Carla Dial as Aunt Mary; and Chad Pierce as Wesley.

> Rep. Ed Jones, D-Tenn., Chairman of the House Agriculture Subcommittee on Con servation, Credit, and Rural Development, announced Monday that the subcommittee will hold a hearing on March 29 in St. Pauls to explore current farm credit issues and problems.

Jones said the hearing continues the subcommittee's effort to document both short and long term credit problems facing farmers around the nation and to seek the views of

producers and other groups on solutions to those problems.

## Teachers

**ROBESON COUNTY RETIRED SCHOOL** PERSONNEL TO MEET The Robeson County Re-

hold their March meeting the future.

Swett, a 1957 graduate of Pembroke State University. He also said: "God doesn't create any dummies. Everyone has something to offer. Everyone has a contribution to make."

Swett, who is completing his eighth year as superintendent of Robeson County Schools, was speaking as part of PSU's "Success Sharing Series" in which successful **Pembroke State University** alumni are invited back to the campus to share their stories of success.

In his own life--he was from a family of six boys and two girls--Swett emphasized the home environment. "I was blessed to grow up in a family where there was love and caring just about every day. Although our parents' education was limited, they gave us the best opportunities. One thing I knew as I was growing up: I was going to college. It was understood. I had two brothers, one of whom was valedictorian and the other who was salutatorian." he said, explaining that education was a way of life in his family.

"Yes, we had a caring mother and father. I never heard them say a harsh word to one another. I never heard Rep. Charlies Rose, D-N.C. them quarrel. We were given a Member of the House encouragement and belief in Agriculture Committee and ourselves. To succeed, you Chairman of its Tobacco and must feel good about your-Peanuts Subcommittee, said self--that you can accompthe hearing in St. Pauls "will lish," said Swett.

be very important for farmers The belief was infused in in the area." In the wake of Swett that "if you can do it, I can do it." President Reagan's veto of an

emergency farm credit bill Many of the PSU students recently, Rose said, "Our in his audience were ones producers need to know what doing their student teaching. programs may be available Swett had these words for them: "If a student gets only and we want their help in considering the outlook for one correct answer out of 10. praise him for that one he got right. Don't call him a dumb The hearing will begin at 9 bunny. Encourage him."

a.m. March 29 in the National He also told the PSU Guard Armory in St. Pauls. Persons interested in testistudents to always listen to fying should notify Congresspupils. "Someone told me the other day that I was busy as a man Rose's office in Fayetteville, NC at 919-323-0260. beaver, but I always took time

down. You can do it," said years from now, 10 years from now?""

He shared a number of slogans with the PSU audience. "Don't fight the odds, move around them." "If you can do something about it, do it. If you can't, don't worry

about it." "Develop faith in yourself and others." "Stop hiding behind someone else.' "If you think small, you'll be small."

Swett said he likes to "keep several books going." Ones he is reading now are: "Hung By The Tongue, "What You Say Is What You Get," and "The Magic Of Thinking

Big." The Robeson County Schools superintendent said the future teachers should try to determine if teaching is really for them. "You can read people by body language." he warned. "Students are smart enough to pick up on whether you like them or not. You can't camouflage it."

Swett said one of the problems of young people today is that they think they can get an "instant education." Swett said whereas his own parents were very much involved in his education, the situation has changed today. "There are working parents, and that has a psychological effect on the home. We are in an instant society. We have instant hamburgers. TV dinners, etc. Our young people

feel education is an instant thing, which it isn't. If you're going to succeed in life. you're going to work 'smart'

His concluding remarks had to do with physical education. "Physical culture is just as important as reading and math. Having strong healthy bodies produces strong, healthy minds. If we don't do more about physical culture. our youth are going to have serious back problems," predicted Swett, in this fifth and one of the best "Success Sharing Series" at Pembroke. State University.

for it."

Governor Jim Martin will be in Fayetteville March 14 for an hour of availability to the press. The press conference will be held at City Hall in the Council Chamber from 3:30 until 4:30 p.m.

### LOCAL UNC ALUMNI TO MEET

The Robeson-Bladen Counties Chapter of the General Alumni Association of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill will meet on Tuesday evening, April 2, 1985, for a dinner, social hour, and program at Pinecrest Country Club, Lumberton. The speaker for the occasion will be John Swofford, Athleic Director, and Douglas Dibbert, Director of Alumni Affairs. All alumni and friends of the University are encouraged to attend. The dinner at 7:30 will be preceded by the 6:30 p.m. social hour. Reservations should be made prior to March 27 through Dr. Mary Ann Masters, P.O. Box 130, Rowland, NC 28383 or by calling 422-3276 on Mondays and Wednesdays, 521-9744 on Tuesdays. Thursdays, and Fridays

or 422-3270 weekends and

evenings. Further information

can also obtained through

Chris Smith, Chapter Presi-

dent, at 738-8131. Tickets for

the event are \$8.50 per

**RESIGNS...** 

During the Dec. 6 N.C.

**Commission of Indian Affairs** 

board meeting, Jim R. Lowry.

who has served as the chair-

man of the board of directors

for seven years, resigned. The

board accepted his resigna-

tion and honored his dedi-

cation and commitment to the

Indian community by accept-

Lowry for his outstanding

ing a resolution com

efforts.

person.

or write. Some have never attended public schools. The Robeson County Church and Community Center seeks diligently to rectify this problem. withthe help of certified volunteers and other interested persons.

levels who are unable to read

Upon completion of each level of study, certificates of recognition are presented to each participant. Books, materials, and supplies are furnished by the Center.

Persons receiving certifica-Lumberton are: tion Mrs. Lugenia Hunt, Ms. Erashia Evans, Mrs. Hazel Dilts, Mrs. Subrennia Brooks, Mrs. Mary Purcell, Mrs. Martha Pighet, Ms. Yolanda Purcell, Mrs. Helen Davis, Mrs. Maureen Humphrey. Mrs.Nina Harley, Mrs. Anrher Locklear, Mrs. Hazel McQueen. Raeford. The activity was co spon-

sored by the Adult Basic Education Department of Robeson Technical College, with special assistance from Mr. Eugene Mercer, Mrs. Roberta Scipio is coordinator of the Literacy Program for the Robeson County Church and Community Center. Rev. J.F. Cummings is Director of the Center.

Institutions- Vice Chairman; Health-Vice Chairman; Judiciary II; Law Enforcement; Pensions and Retirement: Public Utilities; Rules and Operations of the House: state Government; University Board of Governors Nommating Committee.

Representative DeVane stated "This promises to be a busy and interesting session with many vital issues coming before us. I feel that the people of our district should nave the opportunity for input and ask that they feel free to

call or write at any time.



PEMBROKE STATE UNIVERSITY

## "Ain't Misbehavin' "

"The Joint is Jumpin', the Joint is Jumpin' ... ", so sings "Ain't Misbehavin'", the jazz revue which won the coveted Tony Award for Best Musical of the 1978 Season. Now, after its record-breaking four-year Broadway run, Daedalus Productions is proud to present the national tour of this dazzling musical hit. This performance will be the last event in THE SEASON 1984-85, and will begin at 8 p.m. on Thursday, March 14.

Tickets are \$4.00, \$5.00 and \$6.00. For more information call The Center.

PERFORMING ARTS CENTER