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## N.C. Cultural Center Board of Directors Meet



N.C. Indian Cultural Center directors gather-Members of the N.C. Indian Cultural Center Board of Directors gathered in Pembroke Jan. 23 for the board's first meeting.

Directors are [from left] George H. Esser of Chapel Hill, James A. Hunt of Charlotte, Charles R. Lynch of Hollister, Ruth L. Revels of Greensboro, John C. Brooks of

Raleigh, Tom N. Carter of Clinton, Clinton L. Thomas Jr. of Pembroke, James P. Jacobs of Fayetteville, Ernest S. Jacobs of Bolton and Joffre L. Coe of Chapel Hill. Not

present for photo were former Governor James E. Holshouser Jr. of Southern Pines, Hector MacLean of Lumberton and Grace J. Rohrer of Chapel Hill.

The new board of directors of the N.C. Indian Cultural Center were given an overview of the proposed center and a tour of the site during the board's first meeting Thursday, January 23, at Pembroke State University.

Labor Commissioner John Brooks was elected interim chairman during the meeting.

The N.C. Indian Cultural Center is a major tourist and cultural concept being explored and developed by the state of North Carolina. The site is centered on the former Riverside Country Club property, located two miles west of Pembroke, and is the home of the Indian outdoor drama "Strike at the Wind."

In a letter to the board, Governor Jim Martin told the group, "It is important that

all North Carolinians seek to honor and preserve the heritage of our first citizens." Martin said that the group's greatest challenge will be "to create a resource that will make a valuable contribution to the economic development of the region."

Lonnie Revels of Greensboro, chairman of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, welcomed the directors and presented the charge to them.

"Your efforts as a board will not only assist Native Americans to share their heritage and culture, but will significantly improve the economy of the state," Revels told the group.

"I charge you to invest hope, faith and love in the center," he said. "I challenge you to develop a vision for the

center that will enable the center to provide fond memories of Indian culture to thousands of visitors who will pass our way."

During the meeting, the group authorized an archaeological study of the center property, and subcommittees were appointed to develop by-laws and to study the financial needs of the group.

Board members are Labor Commissioner John Brooks of Raleigh, Tom N. Carter of Clinton, Joffre L. Coe of Chapel Hill, George H. Esser of Chapel Hill, former Governor James E. Holshouser Jr. of Southern Pines, James A. Hunt of Charlotte, Ernest S. Jacobs of Bolton, James P. Jacobs of Fayetteville, Charles R. Lynch of Hollister, Hector MacLean of Lumber-

ton, Ruth L. Revels of Greensboro, Administration Secretary Grace J. Rohrer of Chapel Hill and Clinton L. Thomas Jr. of Pembroke.

Local university and government officials joined the board for a reception following the meeting.

The board's next meeting will be Feb. 20 in a location to be announced.

With 65,000 Native Americans, North Carolina has the largest Indian population of any state east of the Mississippi. North Carolina Indians comprise five tribes, Cherokee, Lumbee, Coharie, Haliwa-Saponi and Waccamaw-Siouan, and three major urban concentrations in Fayetteville, Greensboro and Charlotte.

## Charles Alton Maynor Seeks Seat on Board of Education

Charles Alton Maynor has announced his candidacy for a seat on the Robeson County Board of Education, representing District 11. District 11 is comprised of Raft Swamp, Burnt Swamp and Clyborne Pines areas. Maynor has served the Robeson County Schools System for eighteen years as principal and teacher. He is presently self-employed. He and his wife, Shelia operate Southern Interiors in Pembroke.

Maynor released the following statement:

"I have a great deal of time and effort invested in the

educational process of our great county. Eighteen years as teacher and principal has convinced me that our teachers, administrators and others who labor to shape young minds are quite capable of handling the tasks at hand.

"I believe myself capable of playing an integral role in educating the youth of all our communities. I expect the next ten years to offer many needed changes in the attitudes of educators and parents alike. I wish to play a supportive role to education in affecting positive change during this period of transition.

## Senator Parnell Speaks at Pembroke Chamber of Commerce Banquet



Sen. David Parnell

Pembroke-The Pembroke Chamber of Commerce held its annual banquet and installation of new officers Saturday night at the Pembroke Jaycee Clubhouse. Officers were installed by Max Kinlaw, director of industrial development for Robeson County. And banquet speaker was Senator David Parnell.

Installed as President for 1986 was Gregory Cummings. Other officers named were Lindsay Locklear, vice president; Dr. David Brooks, secretary; and Frank Doughtrey,

treasurer. Directors for the new year are: McDuffie Cummings, Charles Alton Maynor, Harvey Godwin Jr. and John Carter III.

Banquet speaker, Senator Parnell, spoke on a number of economic and business topics of special interest to the chamber, including his work in the legislature for programs like "Strike at the Wind", the proposed Indian tourism center and funding for a bio-technical center and micro-electronics.

Sen. Parnell gave the recent session of the North Carolina General Assembly high marks, noting the "largest tax relief package in history," reduction in intangible taxes, and the elimination of sales taxes on food stamp purchases. Parnell also noted the relief given to married couples making under \$15,000 a year and the exemption of the inheritance tax for estates under \$500,000.

Cummings challenged the chamber members to make time in their busy schedules for the chamber of commerce, noting that industrial development for the town and surrounding areas are of the utmost importance.

## Hazardous Waste Awareness Week Feb. 9-15

The Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned (RC/CALC) is sponsoring Hazardous Waste Awareness Week, Feb. 9th-15th and announces several upcoming events concerning Hazardous Waste issues in and around Robeson County.

On Tuesday, Feb. 4, RC/CALC will sponsor an information and planning meeting on Hazardous Waste concerns at the Old Maxton High School Auditorium at 7 p.m. All citizens are urged to attend.

Hazardous Waste Awareness Week begins on Feb. 9 and will serve as a time at which we can increase our knowledge of what private industry and state government are proposing for our region's toxic waste management, according to Mac Legerton. The result of decisions made upon these proposals will have a profound effect on our area- its environmental quality and the quality of our lives, he stated. RC/CALC acknowledges that the present waste management crisis poses both environmental and

social threat. Feb. 9th is Hazardous Waste Awareness Sunday. At this time, special Bible studies for Sunday School classes on "The Use of God's Gifts" may be used. A area churches are encourage to participate in the study and recognition of this problem in order that people may take informed action on it.

On Tuesday, Feb. 11, a joint Robeson-Scotland County gathering will be held in front of the Scotland County Courthouse at 6 p.m. before the meeting scheduled with GSX- the proposed Hazardous Waste management company- officials. At the gathering, there will be speakers, music and sharing of solidarity. The public hearing will begin at 7 after the gathering in the courthouse. Again, everyone is urged to attend these meetings.

The quality of our future depends upon your participation today.

For more information and or Bible Study packets, please contact the Robeson County Clergy and Laity Concerned at 739-7851 or 739-7854.

## Native American Scholarship Endowment, Inc. Off And Running

Pembroke-Supporters of the proposed scholarship endowment met Friday night at the Pembroke District Courthouse and formally organized. The primary change was a procedural one of changing the proposed name of the organization from Lumbee Scholarship Endowment to the broader-based Native American Scholarship Endowment, Inc.; Bruce Barton, editor of The Carolina Indian Voice was named interim chairman.

Named to the initial board of directors were Bruce Barton, Julian Pierce, Ruth Locklear, Ken Maynor, John L. Godwin, James F. "Buddy" Bell, R.W. Reising, Barbara Barton, Patricia Locklear and Otis L. Murray, Jr. The group also decided to incorporate as a non-profit corporation with the State of North Carolina so that those making contributions would receive tax credits.

The initial board of directors also endorsed the goal of raising \$50,000 to donate to the PSU Foundation on the advent of PSU's 100th birthday. The gift will be made on March 6, 1987 as part of founder's day activities.

The group also endorsed the goal of raising monies for the American Indian Studies Department, and deserving American Indian students at PSU.

The organization also made plans to meet again on Feb. 18, time and place to be announced.

In the meantime, if you would like to participate, please send your contributions to: Native American Scholarship Endowment, Inc., P.O. Box 1075, Pembroke, NC 28372. Contributions were made recently by: Woodward & Eteska Hunt, Falls Church, Va. .... \$5.00  
Sherry Lynn Maynor, Pembroke ..... \$1.00  
Winford & Mae Locklear, Stafford, Va. .... \$10.00  
This brings the total received to date to: \$504.00.

The Native American Scholarship Endowment, Inc. has set a goal of \$50,000 based on \$1.00 from each of the estimated 50,000 Lumbees in Robeson and beyond. They plan to present the \$50,000 gift to Pembroke State University on March 6, 1987 as the university celebrates its 100th birthday. It would be a shame if they had a birthday party and the Indians didn't show up. After all, their forebears were the ones who developed the school in its infancy and provided a way for their children to escape educational darkness. It was only later that the rest of the world partook of the educational goodness of PSU.

## Jaycee Week 1986 Proclaimed



Pembroke Mayor Milton Hunt proclaimed January 19-25, 1986 as Jaycee Week, commending the Pembroke Jaycees for contributing to the community's well being thru the many different projects which they have sponsored or supported. Some of these projects have included fund raisers for MD, CF, Strike at the Wind, and Lumbee Home coming; sponsoring Christmas gifts to needy families, Christmas social for Robeson County's Juvenile Delinquent and Odum Home cookout; and also providing support to the Pembroke Boy Scouts and the

Summer Youth Sports Programs.

Jaycee Week was set aside nationwide as a celebration of the beginning of the Jaycees in St. Louis in 1915, when founder Henry Glessner formed a young men's civic organization that in 1920 became known as the United States Junior Chamber of Commerce. Today the organization is known as the U.S. Jaycees-a leadership training organization for young men and women.

The Pembroke Jaycees, chartered twenty years ago, marked this special week

with the kick off of their annual jolly sale with all proceeds going to the N.C. Burn Center. Shown above Mayor Milton Hunt displays his support for Jaycee Week and the Pembroke Jaycees by purchasing the first case of jolly. Also, shown with the Mayor are [L] Jimmy Goins-Project Chairperson and [R] Larry Rodgers-Pembroke Jaycee President. The mayor would like to urge all Pembroke citizens to take note of the chapter's contributions and support its future efforts. [Photo by Hunt's Studio of Photography]

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## GOV. MARTIN PROCLAIMS 1986 YEAR OF THE NATIVE AMERICAN



Patricia Maynor, of the Cumberland County Association for Indian People, receives a copy of his proclamation of

1986 as the Year of the Native American from Gov. James G. Martin during ceremonies held at the North Carolina

State Museum of Natural History in Raleigh on January 10.

## INDIAN UNITY CONFERENCE PLANNED IN MARCH

The North Carolina Indian Unity Conference, sponsored by the United Tribes of North Carolina will be held March 18, 14, 15, 1986 at the Holiday Inn, Four Seasons Convention Center, Greensboro, NC. The 1986 theme will be "The Year of the Native American. With Pride, Purpose and Promise."

Pre-registration fee is \$35.00 and on site registration fee is \$40.00. Make room reservations through LEDA's Executive Secretary Mary Chitwood or Holiday Inn/ Four Seasons, Greensboro, NC-Telephone 919-292-9161.