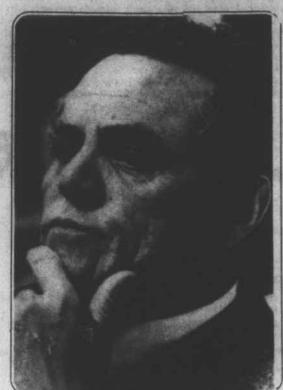
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### A Lumbee Light Goes Out!! Dr. Adolph L. Dial dies



by Bruce Barton Pembroke--It was like one of the fellas down at Town and Country Restaurant said. "Boys, it's a fact, one of our Lumbee lights has gone " And the story telling began. The boys began to tell stories of Adolph Dial, how he did this and that. And this reporter thought to himself, "Now that's a good testimony to die and have your friends gather at a favorite meeting place and tell good and amusing stories about you. What a way to

And there were many good stories to tell. Some remembered how he stood up to the powers that be at the time in behalf of Old Main, when the PSU landmark was in danger of being demolished. And how Adolph Dial always stood up for his church, (Old Prospect) and how he talked to congressmen and senators and presidents when he served on the American Indian Policy Review Commission and wrote good positive books about his people. And his money-making

skills. He was an astute businessman, owning two shopping centers and other business interests when he died Christmas Eve at **Duke Medical Center** 

Adolph Lorenz Dial was 73 when he died Sunday at Duke University Medical Center Dial, who had been ailing for sometime. had been hospitalized since December 11. Someone noted his wife, Harriet, said, "Maybe, it was appropriate that Adolph died on Christmas Exc. He was a master of

Dr Dial's funeral will be held on Thursday, December 28, 1995 at 3 pm at Prospect United Methodist Church, where he was a life long member, and a member of the administrative board of his beloved church. He is survived by his wife, Harriet Dial, of the home a daughter, Mary Doris Dial Caple of Fayetteville, and two sisters, Rosa B. Woods and Grace D. Locklear, both of Pembroke: and a host of relatives and friends galore.

Dr Dial achieved one of his

to the North Carolina House of Representatives in 1990, only to have to lay down the legislative mantel due to many maladies, including diabetes, and a heady bout with cancer. But Dr. Dial was best known for his work at Pembroke State University where he served for many years as a history professor, and later as the founder and chairman of the American Indian Studies Program Dial wrote many articles and books about the Lumbee and related interests, with his two best known books being The Lumbee and The Only Land I Know co-authored with Dr. David Elaides, a long time colleague at the History Department at Pembroke State University.

Just before he died. Dr. Dial appeared at a public forum in Moore Hall on the PSU campus and called for the name change of Pembroke State University to the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. He was not afraid to change his mind, as he did with the name change proposal: nor was he afraid to take a stand for sometimes controversial causes like the Save Old Main movement and the recent affiliation with the elected Lumbee Tribal Council and the adoption of a Lumbee Constitution

Along with Lew Barton. a boyhood chum in their Prospect days growing up, Dr. Adolph L. Dial was considered a leading authority on the history of the Lumbee. He was also a leader in the effort for Federal Recognition for the Lumbee, and was proud to be on the original board of directors of Lumber Bank and the spiritual heart of the outdoor drama. "Strike at the Wind where he served for many years as the chairman of the Robeson Historical Drama, Inc., the non-profit corporation that sponsored the outdoor drama about his hero. Henry Berry Lowrie and his friends and foes

Dr. Joe Oxendine. PSU's articulate chancellor, said it best when he averred that "Dr Dial. over the years has been the most articulate spokesperson for the Lumbee Indian experience " Dr Oxendine added. "He was extraordinarily proud of his community. the Prospect Community (where he grew up and maintained lifetime affiliations and friendships from childhood) He was proud of Robeson County too. and proud to be a Lumbee Indian."

Dial enhanced the Lumbee experience, and was one of those who championed the Lumbee cause on local, state, and national levels.

Dial was also a proud veteran of foreign wars, having served with distinction in the army in the European Theater of operations in World War II Early on in his career. he also taught in the local schools. once serving as principal at his alma mater Prospect School He was the recipient of many awards, including the fabled Henry Berry Lowry Memorial Award, as well as holding honorary doctorates from Greensboro College and Pembroke State University.

(In a personal note, this writer would like to publicly acknowledge his affection and friendship for Dr Adolph L Dial, also his second cousin. The author and Dr Dial shared a dias or two, and most of the time agreed on most of the issues, with the reverent right to disagree from time to time But it was Dr Dial's personal integrity and his morality that stirred the writer's respect. He was a clean moral man a good Christian moral man, a good Christian brother and friend He shall be missed forever! May his soul rest in peace! Amen! And yours truly agrees, wholeheartedly, with the Lumbee brother at Town and Country Restaurant that, indeed One of our Lumbee lights has Dial's memory fuel the remaining light of those holding aloft the flames of truth and decency here

along the Lumbee

News from Deep Branch School



Mr. Ronnie Williamson, guest speaker in Ms. Teresa Lockloar's sixth grade class, spoke about the hardships faced when an individual is unable to read. Mr. Williamson relayed the fact that the search for his sister and two brothers, who were adopted at an early age, was complicated by the fact that he was unable to read. Mr. Williamson also spoke to the students about welcoming Mr. Jesse Jackson into his home and working closely with him.



Mr. Grant Lewis with Duke Life Flight Care- Lumberton Satellite also participated in Health and Safety Day.

Have a safe and propserous new year!

### Harley Riders Spread Christmas Cheer With First Annual Toy Run



by Elvera Locklear
An historical event took place
in Pembroke, NC on December
16, 1995. The Harley Davidson Motorcycle Riders of Robeson County sponsored their first Annual Christmas Toy Run. The riders assembled at the Pembroke Town Park at 12:30 pm.

The group was escorted by Dennis Moore of the Robeson County Sheriff's Department through

Union Chapel Rd to HWY 72, East to Lumberton, West on HWY 711, back to Pembroke Park.

At the park, Amanda Smith, Karon Oxendine, and Shelia McNeill greeted the bikers with donuts and hot coffee. Upon the bikers arrival each biker donated a personal toy to the collection of toys that had been donated.

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the Toy Run: Valerie Locklear, Dellery Barnes, Ricky Locklear, Lee Hardin, Linden McNeill, Gerald Goolsby, Garret Goolsby. Gorden Hardin, Kevin Chavis, Elliot Strickland, Pierre Locklear. James Cummings, Kevin Lowery. Laney Locklear, Dick Blaine, Ricky Jones, Lee Ones, Bobby Dean Revels, David Oxendine. Fred Cummings, Sam Barton, Kim Oxendine, Karen Oxendine, Ricky

D. Locklear, Steve Cartwright, and

Vickie Cartwright

The organizers of this years Toy Run were Linden McNeill. Steve and Vickie Cartwright, Fred Cummings. Ricky Dean Locklear adn Laney Locklear, Jr.

Many thanks go to the following for their donations to this first Annual Toy Run Sheriffs Department (Dennis Moore). Elvera Locklear. Road Runner Service Station, Triple R. Music. Carquest, Revels Funeral Home, Cartwright Custom Bike Shop. Jones Department Store. Johnny Hunt (County Commissioner), and Rendell Ransom.

Al! bikers of Robeson County are invited to participate in the 1996 Robeson County Harley Davidson Toy Run. Date is to be

## Happy New Year!!!

#### Chavers Wins Two **Awards**

Albuquerque, NM--Dr. Dean Chavers has recently been honored by the City of Albuquerque and by Stanford University for public

The City of Albuquerque, through Mayor Martin J. Chavez, appointed him to the position of Chairman of the Albuquerque Commission on Indian Affairs (ACIA). This position is the highest-ranking Indian position in the government of the City of Albuquerque. He was nominated for the position because of his public service to the City, and confirmed by the City Council Histerm of service is from October 1, 1995 to October 1, 1998.

The Stanford American Indian Alumni Association presented him

Alumni Association presented him with its Public Service Award in November at a special dinner in Tucson, Az. He was cited for his founding of the Stanford American Indian Organization (SAIO) on its first quarter century of service to the Indian students at Stanford. He was also cited for his recruitment of dozens of Native American students to Stanford. and for his support of their education through scholarships. The award was made by SAIAA President Bambi Kraus of Washington, DC. Founded in 1970, SAIO has

been alma mater to over 600 Native American alumni at Stanford.

