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TWENTY-FIVE CENTS



Shown left to right-fore front: Karate Master Shihan Monaco and Sensei Kenny Buffalo shaking hands. Shown in the background are several of Kenny Buffalo's students from his three branch Karate Schools.

Anti-Drug Karate Presentations to be Demonstrated in Public Schools

Sensei Kenny Buffalo, the NC Representative of Kyokushin-Kai Karate, recently invited Karate Master Shihan Monaco to conduct a special seminar with his students on the beach at Nags Head, NC. Shihan Monaco is the U.S. Representative of the International Kyokushin-Kai Karate Organization, and one of the top instructors in the country. He is the promoter of the prestigious "American International Karate Championship Tournament" held every year in Rochester, New York. Shihan Monaco, assisted by Sensei Buffalo, taught a 3 hour seminar on Kyokushin-Kai basic techniques, self defense, and special knockdown fighting techniques to 25 students from Emporia, Roanoke Rapids and Ahoskie branch schools. Students ranged in ages from 5 to 49, and greatly benefited from this rare opportunity. Shihan Monaco noted the high level of Kyokushin Karate in North Carolina, and praised Sensei Buffalo for his efforts. Kenny Buffalo is planning to do several Anti-Drug Karate Presentations at Robeson County School during the 1996-97 school season. These presentations stress participation in Karate and sports as a positive alternative to drug and alcohol use. For more information about Kyokushin-Kai Karate and classes, contact Sensei Buffalo at (910) 589-4282.

Fund Raiser planned for Rev. Elias Rogers, first Indian to serve on EMC board, now suffering from kidney failure



by Connie Brayboy

Friends and supporters of Rev. Elias Rogers are sponsoring a fund raising event to help defray medical expenses he has incurred as a result of kidney failure. The event will be held on Friday, October 4, 1996 from 11 a.m. until at the Mt. Elim Baptist Church in the fellowship hall. Plates of barbecue and chicken will be available for \$5.00. Tickets are now being sold and may be obtained from any of the following: Dave Barrington, former sheriff of Hoke County; Madie Rae Locklear, director of the Red Springs Neighborhood Service Center; Connie Brayboy of the Carolina Indian Voice; and Joel Dial Jr. More information on the event and ticket purchases may be obtained by calling Mr. Dial at 843-3283. There are other people with tickets available as well as supporters.

Mr. Dial will direct you to the person closest to you who has tickets.

"The Preacher," as he is affectionately known, was the first Indian to serve on the LREM Board of Directors and was allowed to do so only after a long hard legal battle when the all-white board refused to seat him.

A long time advocate for Indian progress, the Preacher has worked tirelessly for the election of Indians to positions of authority both in his home county of Hoke and in Robeson. He is known for his support of political candidate of all colors whom he felt would best serve the citizens at large. He has been given the lion's share of the candidate for single-handedly bring the former representative

Danny DeVane to the attention of the electorate. The result was that DeVane became the first legislator from Hoke County to represent the larger Robeson and Scotland as well as Hoke County.

Throughout his distinction career as an advocate for human rights, "The Preacher" has been an continues to make progressive contributions to his Indian community and Hoke and Robeson County in general.

According to Dave Barrington, one of the candidates who reaped the benefits of the Preacher's expertise and political strategy: "It is time for some of us to try and repay the Preacher for some of the things he has done for us. We know that meeting the expenses of medication, travel to and from medical facilities, etc. can cause a hardship. It does not matter how well off a person might be, a major illness such as the one the Preacher has, causes a hardship. We who are his friends simply want to alleviate some of the financial burden for him."

"The Preacher has been a

fighter for causes he believed in and we have all helped him in other battles," said Barrington. "This medical battle is quite different than other challenges the Preacher has faced, so we who are his friends and love him want to help him."

Rev. Rogers is suffering from kidney failure associated with medical treatment he received in recent years prior to and after open heart surgery. Dialysis, the method for removing poisons from the blood stream when the kidneys no longer perform that function, is required by the Preacher every night. He does home dialysis and is confined to his home during the evening hours because of his need for dialysis. He is 67-years-old and is a member of Mt. Elim Baptist Church.

Since being ordained in 1964 Rev. Rogers has preached as an evangelist and ministered in the homes of the elderly and ill as well as pastoring several churches with the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association Churches he has pastored include: Temple Baptist, Sandhills Community, Mt. Moriah Baptist, and Union Light Baptist Church, as well as Mt. Elim Freewill Baptist in South Carolina.

If you would like to make a contribution to this worthwhile effort, please call Joel Dial Jr. at 910-843-3283. Or contributions may be sent to Route 1, Red Springs, NC 28377% of Joel Dial Jr. Checks should be made payable to the Elias Rogers Fund.



Locklear attended Conference on Drug Dependency

Melanie Locklear, counselor at Southeastern Recovery Alternatives, was selected as one of only two delegates from N.C. to the "Expanding the Circle" conference in San Diego. Locklear was nominated to attend this recent conference which focused on the problem of chemical dependency in Native American populations by Kerry Bird of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs.

Before joining SRA in May, Locklear was director of the Palmer Drug Abuse program in Robeson County. She earned her degree in criminal justice from UNC-Pembroke and is currently working toward a master's degree in agency counseling there.

Southeastern Recovery Alternatives, affiliated with Southeastern Regional Medical Center, provides intensive outpatient care for persons recovering from alcoholism and other drug dependencies.

News from the Eastern Carolina Tuscarora Nation

The Eastern Carolina Tuscarora Nation is running another survey for the Six Nations, for the Mohawks, and all of the Native people, to certify in Robeson and adjoining counties for name picking for each individual to identify those who are recognized and for the certification of those who are eligible for cards entitling them to tax-exempt status. These cards are issued by the Six Nations and entitle the holder to exemptions of fishing and hunting. It is important for the ones who have never signed up as Native people to look into this matter and see whether the Tuscarora Nation is carrying out true fashions concerning this recognition.

I advise you that the housing administrator, under Native people of Robeson and adjoining counties, has dealt with the Federal Government on building homes in Robeson County and I advise you to watch out for undermining Tuscaroras claiming to be something they are not. We are all Indian people but we misunderstand one another. It is time for Indian people to wake up out of their genocide beds and realize that Indian people have been discriminated against enough.

If you will look around at the population of Indian people, you have two choices. Stay with your two party system in schools, or take a three party system and be able to carry your culture into the schools. Then you will be in line with all Native people all over this climate of the United States where our children can come out of school and speak their language like the

other nations. If you can set aside for our brothers and sisters from Mexico, then you should set aside for your own kids who are born now, and the ones who have not yet been born. The kids will appreciate the leaders of the day and they will have something to turn back to their culture. If you take culture away then you have taken the children's pride away for living. Then you'll cause the kids to turn to drugs and alcohol. This is a reminder to all church leaders. Once you leave this pride out and kill the pride of a nation, what would you put in the place of it? We can teach them that Jesus saves and he's a great leader to the father. But once the kid has the pride of his own nation and realizes what Jesus pride toward his father and toward him and toward his nation is, then there comes a smile on his face. Then the joy has just begun to his nation and the Creator. Then he realizes what something sacred is all about. Then he realizes the Spirit of Jesus, the Spirit of the Father and the Spirit of the Holy Ghost. Then he realizes that he is the fourth one. That makes the four winds of the spirits that come in harmony with the universe. Then he is free and then he doesn't want any of the worldly things that affect the mind.

There is a trip being planned to Tennessee in the near future. That is where names will be picked for certification for the approval of the Tuscarora people.

Submitted by the Eastern Carolina Tuscarora Nation
Kever Locklear, Chief

Lumbee Tribal Council Responds to Congressman Rose's Bill

Congressman Charlie Rose's Bill, #3810, introduced in July to federally recognize the Lumbee Tribe states that LRDA would be the interim tribal government until a Constitution is adopted and officials are elected.

The Lumbee Tribal Government that was put in place by the people in 1994 certainly supports Lumbee Recognition. However, we do not support LRDA as being the government because the vote of the Lumbee people chose their form of government.

Congressman Rose is taking the Democratic process into his own hands when he goes as far as to name an entity as the head of government. Government is for the people, by the people, not Congressman Rose.

The tribal council is bound by the Lumbee Constitution to uphold the people who elected them into office. This is the same way that any elected official is bound. Congressman Rose has played the Lumbee people long enough. We

need to stand firm on what we voted for-which is the Lumbee Constitution- and fight for recognition of all Lumbee people. There is a place among the Lumbee for LRDA. That place is determined by Lumbee people, not Congressman Rose or any other elected official.

We appreciate all the support Congressman Rose has given the Lumbee people in the past, and we appreciate any support he can give us in the future. We ask Congressman Rose and his successor to support Lumbee people, not an organization or any other entity over the people's wishes.

The Lumbee people have voiced what they want. We ask the successor to Congressman Rose to abide by the vote of the Lumbee people and recognize the Lumbee Constitution as our governing document.

Submitted by
Lumbee Tribal Council
Lance Harding, Speaker

State Rep. Frances Cummings Endorsed by NCAE



Raleigh, NC: The Honorable Frances McArthur Cummings has received the political endorsement of the 70,000-member NC Association of Educators. Cummings is the reigning State Representative and the third-term candidate seeking re-election for the NC House of Representatives for Robeson, Hoke, and Scotland Counties-District 87.

NCAE State President Cecil Bank said, "During the past four years Rep. Frances M. Cummings

has become increasingly effective and gained political strength and support in her House Chamber and the State." Rep. Cummings was designated as an "A" Legislator in 1993. Further, "Rep. Cummings has for decades demonstrated outstanding leadership and unique expertise in the area of public education. Teachers received the highest salary increase (14.9 percent) in the past 35 years during Frances Cummings' 1983-84 State Presidency. She has been and continues to be an essential role-model in education reform," said President Bank.

State Rep. Cummings said, "The endorsement further solidifies my long-standing, significant track record in education and related activities." Rep. Cummings was a classroom teacher and Director of Vocational Education in the Lumberton City and the Public Schools of Robeson County for three decades. During those years she served two years as

NCAE (classroom teachers) State President and President of the tentative Southeastern Region Assoc. of Classroom Teachers, among several other state offices. Rep. Cummings was also elected to the National Education Association's Board of Directors for seven (7) years and was employed as the NCAE Associate Executive Director for two years.

"I have always been a viable voice for children and adult learners and their educational attainment, and for educators and their teaching conditions and remuneration. As Chairperson of the Pre-school, Elementary, and Secondary House Committee and a member of the Appropriations Education and Education Committees, I have gained excellent results. I am happy and blessed to have been chosen as NCAE's choice to continue speaking, writing, and revising State Laws in the best interest of enhanced education and teaching and learning conditions in North Carolina." Rep. Cummings said

Activities from Pembroke Housing Authority

Pembroke Housing Authority's "Helping Hands" 4-H Club enjoyed a day of fun at 4-H Family Day Family Day was held at Luther Britt Park in Lumberton on Saturday August 17, 1996. The day was filled with games, face painting, singing and lots of food. Ten of Pembroke Housing Authority's youth and parents attended this event. This was a day to bring together other 4-H Clubs in Robeson County.

On August 14, 1996 eight students from the Youth Sports Program were awarded a special picnic at Luther Britt park and movie outing for their outstanding achievement and positive attitude. These students, Labressa Burke, Christopher and Lonnie Jacobs, Jason and Daniel Revels, Ryan Collins, Tina Bell and Telisha Lewis, all showed role model attitudes during the five week Youth Sports Program held at University

of North Carolina at Pembroke. During the outing they also discussed issues concerning their community and ways to better their community.

Pembroke Housing Authority was donated 50 tickets to attend the Fayetteville Generals baseball game. Three trips were made August 12th, 15th and 19th. The youth thoroughly enjoyed the games, although the Generals only won one of three games. The youth were able to receive autographs from the players and manager Dwight Lowry a great role model who is a native and long time sports figure from Pembroke.

On August 16, 1996 Pembroke Housing Authority Youth had a Kids' Night Out. Kids' Night Out was a back to school party to celebrate the end of summer and the beginning of school. Thirty-five youth participated in the activities. Youth enjoyed movies, video games, hot dogs, and bingo

Retired Personnel To Meet

The Robeson County Retired School Personnel meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 17,

1996 in the O. P. Owen building at 10:30 a.m. All retired school personnel are encouraged to attend.

Rogers Family Reunion

The descendants of Buddy and Flora Oxendine Rogers will observe a family reunion at New Bethel Methodist Church on Saturday, September 7, 1996 from 11:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. Each family is asked to bring a covered dish. Any questions may be referred to John Rogers Jr. at 910-422-3010.

Maynor family to host reunion

The Steve and Magnolia Maynor family reunion will be held on Saturday, September 21, 1996 in the Pembroke Middle School cafeteria beginning at 3:00 p.m. For additional information, please call 521-4271, 739-1487, 738-7309, 521-4666, or 521-4322.

1st Annual Rally for Christ in Support of Share - Life Foundation

Where: North Carolina Indian Cultural Center

When: Sept. 5, 6, & 7,

Admission: Donations

List of Events

Gospel Singing

Preaching

Food

Vendors

Volunteers are needed

For more information call Bridle Locklear at 521-9850 or Mike Cummings at 521-9850