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## Dr. L. Ray Brayboy Returns Home to Work at UNCP



by Scott Bigelow

Pembroke—Dr. L. Ray Brayboy will return to the University of North Carolina at Pembroke as Director of School and Program Services, according to an announcement today by Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine.

A 1969 UNCP graduate and member of the athletic Hall of Fame, Dr. Brayboy will join the University in August. He will also teach a graduate-level course in the educational leadership program.

Chancellor Oxendine called Dr. Brayboy a great addition to the campus.

"I am thrilled that we have been able to persuade Dr. Bray-

boy to join our staff at UNC Pembroke," Dr. Oxendine said. "His background includes experience at all levels of public education: teacher, principal and superintendent in a variety of settings. This coupled with his dynamic approach in addressing education issues will provide us our best ever opportunity to work with public school personnel throughout the region."

"Dr. Brayboy's energy level and zeal for public education is obvious," Dr. Oxendine said. "Our graduate and undergraduate students in education will benefit greatly from his teaching."

"Consequently, he is a great addition to UNC Pembroke and to public education in this region," he said.

Dr. Brayboy will report to Dr. Kathryn M. Sullivan, dean of Graduate Studies and Teacher Education.

"We're very excited about having Ray at UNCP," Dr. Sullivan said. "His energy and experience will be good for our programs."

As director of school and program services, Dr. Brayboy will direct several programs including outreach to the public schools, the student-teaching program, recruitment into teacher education programs and the joint UNCP-East Carolina university Educational Leadership Program.

Dr. Brayboy resigned July 7 as superintendent of Wayne County

public schools where he served since 1994. He was superintendent of Bladen County schools from 1990-94 before moving to Goldsboro, North Carolina, North Carolina.

Returning to UNCP bring Dr. Brayboy back to home and family. He is a 1965 graduate of Pembroke High School and began his career in education with the Robeson County Schools as a teacher and coach.

"I am really excited about using the skills I've accumulated over the years and translate them into quality programs at the University," Dr. Brayboy said. "This is an opportunity to give something back to the University and to work for people whom I admire."

The veteran educator views the new position as an opportunity for professional career growth.

"I gave this very careful thought, but this is where I want to be," he said. "I am happy to come home and help move forward the mission of this University."

Dr. Brayboy praised both the leadership of Chancellor Oxendine and the UNCP faculty and administration.

"I am especially excited about working under Chancellor Oxendine's leadership, and this seemed like best chance," he said. "I look forward to working with Dr. Sullivan and my new colleagues in

the education department.

"I have confidence that I can contribute to the fine programs already in place at UNCP," Dr. Brayboy said. "I look forward to being a good team player on a high quality staff."

After receiving a bachelor of science degree from UNCP, Dr. Brayboy earned a Master of Public Health degree from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in 1975 and in 1981 was awarded a Doctor of Education degree from Pennsylvania State University.

At the University level, Dr. Brayboy served as director for UNCP's Upward Bound Program, instructor of Social Work Research at UNC-Chapel Hill and adjunct assistant professor of education at St. Andrews Presbyterian College in Laurinburg.

With the public schools Dr. Brayboy served as assistant principal for Maxton city schools principal and assistant superintendent for Scotland County schools and assistant superintendent for Moore County schools before being hired as superintendent for Bladen and Wayne County schools. Wayne County schools serves 19,200 students.

Dr. Brayboy is described as a hard working educational activist and reformer. In a July 7 article, the Goldsboro News-Argus described him as "a leader who was not afraid

to change the status quo. He lived up to that reputation."

In Bladen County, Dr. Brayboy created an alternative high school, a magnet school for academically gifted middle school students a Tech Prep vocational education program and closed one small high school along with instituting many other new programs.

At Wayne County, he was charged with the task of healing recently merged city and county school systems. He was also responsible for upgrading the school's facilities and programs to meet the challenges of the future.

The chairman of the Wayne County school board expressed sadness over Dr. Brayboy's departure.

"I know he did a lot for the boys and girls of Wayne County schools. Wayne County is better place because (he) passed this way," Shirley Sims-Stewart told the News-Argus. "It saddens me to see such a brilliant man leave us."

In Dr. Brayboy, UNCP is getting an active leader with a great deal of hands-on education experience. Dr. Sullivan said, "We expect him to energize these programs."

## Native American Youth Day Camp

The North Carolina Indian Cultural Center will be conducting a Day Camp on August 4 through August 8 from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. daily. The cost of the camp is \$5.00 for the week.

All Native American Youth ages 12-15 are encouraged to come out and learn more about themselves and their culture.

Activities will include cultural awareness programs; life skills and personal development classes; cultural arts and crafts; and recreation (Lacrosse, swimming, etc.)

workshops conducted by Community role models, mentors, and tribal elders.

For more information call 521-2433.

## Indian Education Highlights

The Indian Education Program of the Public Schools of Robeson County sponsored fifty (50) students to AISES (American Indian Science and Engineering Society) summer camps. Twenty-two (22) of these students attended Chapel Hill and eighteen (18) traveled to New York, Wisconsin, Iowa, and Colorado. These students were selected on teacher recommendations, test scores, and math/science problem solving skills. Students attended the AISES camps for 3 and 4 week periods. Students were involved in high level thinking skills in math and science.

## NIF Comes to UNCP

Pembroke—Citizens who are concerned with problems and issues facing the community and nation have the opportunity to let their voices be heard.

The University of North Carolina at Pembroke will be sponsoring their fifth Public Policy Institute sponsored by the National Issues Forum from July 23-25.

NIF is a nonpartisan, nationwide network of forum and study circles that allow citizens to discuss issues they face within their communities and the nation.

Begun in 1982, NIF is rooted in the belief that people need to come together to talk about and deliberate common problems. NIF believes democracy requires citizens to have ongoing deliberative dialogue.

The Institute offers citizens the chance to discuss issues concerning the environment, civil justice and how to govern the nation. The program helps those who participate make crucial decisions, name and frame the problem, deliberate over the options for action, act together in a complementary way and judge the results of their action.

Everyone who participates has a voice in the forum. The program allows people to experience different viewpoints about common problems.

If you are interested in taking part in the Institute, call Joanne Zukowski, director of the UNCP's Regional Center, at (910) 521-6188.

The cost of the Institute is \$145. Scholarships and sponsorships are available.

## The Carolina Civic Center Presents "Into the Woods" July 31-August 3

The Carolina Civic Center presents "Into the Woods" at 8:00 p.m. on July 31-August 2, and 2:30 p.m. on August 3 at the Center, 315 N. Chestnut St., in downtown Lumberton. Tickets are \$8.00 adults/seniors and \$5.00 for students/children.

"Into the Woods," with music and lyrics by Stephen Sondheim and book by James Lapine, interweaves a hilarious mix of Cinderella, Little Red Riding Hood, The Baker's Wife, Jack and the Beanstalk and Rapunzel (with cameo appearances by Sleeping Beauty and Snow White). The

multi-layered plot ends happily in act one, but then explores "happily ever after" in act two as previous actions come home to roost—with a vengeance. With wit, melody and sentiment, "Into the Woods" celebrates choices, companionship and a magical company of special characters, as appealing to adults as to children.

"Into the Woods" is sponsored by Carolina Complete Rehabilitation Center with Lumberton Children's Clinic. For more information call 910-738-4339.



Marian Elizabeth James

Parents: Linda Jacobs James

Sponsors are:

Family & Friends

Jeffrey Wynn, Attorney at Law

Jacobs Engineers & Surveyors

R. Craig Davis at Fabtex, Inc.

Cheryl Revels Stoney Freeman

Tony Thompson Truman Lowery

Burnt Swamp

Baptist Association

Anniversary Sing

The Anniversary singing of the Burnt Swamp Baptist Association will be held Sunday, July 20, 1997 at 3 p.m. at Harpers Ferry Baptist Church. All singing groups are encouraged to attend and participate.

## Pembroke High School Class of '53 Meets at Old High School for Dinner

by Erwin Jacobs, Classmate

For those who came to dinner at our old high school Saturday evening, we had a good time and a very good buffet dinner. There were Virginia baked hams, fried chicken, potato salad, green beans, candied yams, rolls, iced tea and pies for dessert.

There was a social hour from 6 p.m. until 7 p.m. Cheese spread and different crackers, nuts and a variety of punch adorned the table as we entered the front doors. The tables were decorated with white linen table cloths, linen napkins, vases of flowers from various members' yards. The vases were a rich green color.

Mr. Cliff Sampson, Ms. Sara J. Oxendine, Ms. Mable Doris Revels, Ms. Annette Locklear and several others done the decorations and we had two meetings in June planning and mailing out the announcements.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Jacobs came from Baltimore, MD. Ms. Lucy Dial

came from Sarasota, Florida. Mr. Jack Lowry flew in from Lebanon, TN on a jet jet. He buzzed us twice at the parade and Kenneth Maynor met him at the Lumberton Air Port. I had not seen him since 1952 when I left home for the U.S. Navy. Also, Ms. Deloris Barton, Ms. Marilyn Revels and Ms. Sally Lowry were there. Ms. Anna Locklear is getting more beautiful as we age. Ms. Gennett Barton gave us one of her yodeling songs after dinner.

Ms. Carolyn Sanderson welcomed everyone and Cliff had made a banner with names of our deceased classmates (19) and candles were burning in their honor. Ms. Sanderson asked for one minute of silent prayer for them. She asked Mr. Roscoe Jones to bless the food before we ate. He rendered two songs for us after dinner as different ones approached the podium for a short speech.

Jack thanked Cliff Sampson, Kenny Ray and Stanford Lowry for causing him to almost miss graduating with all of their pranks while we were in high school. Rev. Dalton Brooks hit on a few things (we were a rowdy class) but all of it was fun, nothing dangerous. I could feel the presence of Mr. E.T. (Elmer) Lowry, our principal, watching over us as he did when we were kids. Also, as I looked toward the stage I could hear the Rev. Venus Brooks speaking to us in Chapel as we looked forward to it in the auditorium. Cliff reminded us that through the efforts of some classmate and others, the high school is on the Historic Registry. The document is hanging opposite Mr. E.T.'s office as you enter the front.

We will be planning a 4th class reunion mentioned by Mr. Lycorus Lowry for the year of 1998. If God should tarry. If you were a part of our class, anytime from the 8th through the 12th grades, we want you to be there. Get in touch with someone and give them your current address so we can send you a notice.

## Mother & Daughter Graduates

Margaret H. Chavis, Director of the Indian Education Program for the Public Schools of Robeson County, graduated on May 19, 1997 from South Carolina State College in Orangeburg, South Carolina with an Ed. S. Degree in administration. She plans to pursue a doctorate degree also in administration at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Her daughter, Sherrill Kathleen Chavis, graduated from the University

of North Carolina at Chapel Hill on May 10, 1997. She received a Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science. She plans to pursue a degree in law at UNC Chapel Hill in the fall.

**EASTERN MUSIC FESTIVAL AND THE GUILFORD NATIVE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION PRESENT THE FIFTH ANNUAL FIRST AMERICANS WEEK JULY 21-25, 1997**

**MONDAY, JULY 21**  
6:30 pm - 8:30 pm  
Guilford Native American Art Gallery - Greensboro Cultural Center  
Meet-the-Artists Reception  
honoring First Americans Week Artists Floyd Red Crow Westerman, Brent Michael Davids, Karl Anthony Hunt, and other Native American Artists

**TUESDAY, JULY 22**  
10:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Greensboro Cultural Center - 200 North Davie Street  
Cultural Exchange/A Young People's Workshop (Ages 5-14) featuring Floyd Red Crow Westerman and Willie Lowry  
6:45 pm - 7:45 pm  
Dana Auditorium - Guilford College  
Musical Preludes Pre-concert lecture by Native American Composer Brent Michael Davids  
8:00 pm  
Dana Auditorium - Guilford College  
Eastern Chamber Players Recital including a performance of Brent Michael Davids' *Elixir and The Singing Woods*  
Tickets: \$15 adults/\$13 students & seniors

**WEDNESDAY, JULY 23**  
9:00 am - 12 Noon  
Greensboro Cultural Center - 200 North Davie Street  
Teacher Workshop: Walking in Two Worlds with Native American Folk Singer/Actor, Floyd Red Crow Westerman  
Native American Educator/Consultant, Rosa Winfree  
Native American Singer/Actor, Scott Blanks

**THURSDAY, JULY 24**  
12:00 Noon - 1:00pm  
Carolina Coffee Roasting Company - 5701 W. Friendly Ave.  
Musique et Sandwich Performance by Floyd Red Crow Westerman, Native American Folk Singer/Actor

**FRIDAY, JULY 25**  
9:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Greensboro Cultural Center - 200 North Davie Street  
Actor's Workshop hosted by Floyd Red Crow Westerman and Scott Blanks  
Fee: \$20.00 (pre-registration required)  
4:00 - 5:30 pm  
Sternberger Auditorium - Guilford College  
Master Class presented by Native American Composer, Brent Michael Davids  
Tickets: \$5.00 General Admission  
All events are free to the public unless otherwise noted  
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For Additional Information: Eastern Music Festival - 910/333-7450  
Guilford Native American Association - 910/273-8686