

## Cultural Fe Sept. 26-28

Metrolina Native American Assoc. Non-profit (3C) Organization, serving 10 counties in the Metrolina Area, proudly presents the 14th Annual Indian Trail Pow-Wow September 26-28, 1997, at the Indian Trail School, in the Indian Trail, NC. Over twenty-five Artist and Traders, Dancers, Singers and Drummers from all over the US and Canada will be performing through out the event. The Pow-Wow opens Friday, Sept. 26 from 5:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. and Saturday we will open at 11 a.m. and close at 9 p.m. On Sunday, open at 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Donations at the gate will be appreciated.

Thank You in advance for your support in the effort to inform the public.

## Program on Family Violence to be presented

West Robeson United Methodist Women will sponsor a session on Family Violence in Our Community at 7:30 p.m. on October 15 at West Robeson United Methodist Church. Everyone is invited to attend. The presentation is also presented by the Southeastern Family Violence Center of Robeson County. For more information call 910-521-3835 or 910-521-0544.

## Open House Held for Corporate Offices of Lumbee Guaranty



The Corporate Office of Lumbee Guaranty Bank opened in Pembroke recently. Larry Chavis is President of Lumbee Guaranty Bank. Ken Freeman is Branch Manager of the Pembroke Branch which now includes the former location of Lumbee Guaranty Bank and the first floor of the new Corporate Offices on Highway 711 in Pembroke. Attorney Arnold Locklear serves as Chairman of the Board of Directors.



Shown inside the Lumbee Guaranty Bank at Open House are: left Manuel Salazar, Corporate Accounting Officer; and Ken Freeman, Branch Manager of the Pembroke Branch.



Shown at the Open House for the Corporate Offices of Lumbee Guaranty Bank held recently are Brenda Brooks, Lycous Lowry and Howard Brooks.



## Lumbee Guaranty Bank's Stock Sold Out

Pembroke, NC-Lumbee Guaranty Bank has just completed a \$3 Million Common Stock offering to the Public. The Stock sold out early Monday. It was the second stock offering in two years and the second complete sell out. Mr. Larry Chavis, the Bank President, stated, "We would like to thank all those who have placed confidence in our institution...the response from all the communities we serve was tremendous."

The Bank now has over \$9 Million in Capital and nearly one Million shares of Common stock outstanding. The Bank also had nearly 500 new shareholders join them this time around. "Lumbee Guaranty Bank is a \$85 Million Community Bank dedicated to meeting the financial needs of the markets we serve" Chavis said.



Shown above are Ardell Jacobs and Bobby Dean Locklear visiting Open House held for the Corporate Offices of Lumbee Guaranty Bank in Pembroke.



Community folks visited the Open House recently held for the Corporate Offices of Lumbee Guaranty Bank.

(Photos by Francine Chavis)

## E. Anne Lowry named coordinator of HealthCare 1999



PEMBROKE -- Ms. E. Anne Lowry has been named coordinator of HealthCare 1999, a regional health care initiative headquartered on the campus of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Ms. Lowry will direct a program created in 1992 to address the health care needs in this nine-county region that is medically underserved. HealthCare 1999 is funded by a grant from the Duke Endowment through the American Hospital Association's (AHA) national Community Care Network demonstration project. The program is a partnership with hospitals, health departments, health care providers, government and businesses in the region.

UNCP Chancellor Joseph B. Oxendine said Ms. Lowry is the right person for the job of leading HealthCare 1999. "We are thrilled to have Ms. Lowry as coordinator of this program, which is very important to the quality of health in this region," Chancellor Oxendine said. "She has the professional training, the work experience and, most importantly, the personal orientation to excel in this position."

"We searched nationwide for the right person, and I am pleased that we were able to find that person in our own back yard," Dr. Oxendine said. Ms. Lowry also served as a coordinator for the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center. She worked as acting director of SisterCare, a family violence reduction program in central South Carolina.

Ms. Lowry's immediate priority for HealthCare is hosting a visit this month from the six-member Governance and Site Visit teams from the AHA's Community Care

## Fall Spiritual Gathering Considered Successful by Lumbee Elders

Mother nature cooperated fully with the 1997 Fall Spiritual Gathering by bringing in cooler temperatures and brisk winds causing many campers to don sweat shirts, jackets, and even a few blankets on the last day of the outing.

The gathering was held on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday at the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center grounds, September 19-20-21, 1997.

Visitors and guests came from as far as Minnesota, Kentucky, Georgia, and Virginia, as well as local, and statewide.

The Spiritual Gathering is sponsored and conducted by our Lumbee Tribal Elders Council, and is open to everyone interested in learning and sharing our culture of the past, and present.

The arts and craftsmanship was an integral part of the gathering. David Sweet of Newport News, VA. Displayed original stone tomahawks, arrowheads etc., as well as knives and points he handcrafted from obsidian stone and deer antlers. He also demonstrated the making of arrowheads using the

beautiful Black Obsidian stone. Elder and Artist Karl Anthony Hunt displayed a collection of his pottery of which a piece with the Red-Tail Hawk design ended up coming home with me.

I displayed a number of wood flutes made of red cedar, western cedar, pine, walnut, and cherry. Several youths participated in flute lessons, learning to play amazing grace. It was a real thrill to see these young people genuinely interested in learning how to play the flute, as did our ancestors hundreds of years ago.

Jah Parker displayed several uniquely designed ribbon shirts of which she Gifted one to Senior Elder Spotted Turtle. (Mr. Pete).

Other traders displayed dream catchers, handmade steel knives, turtle-shell medicine pouches, furs, and much more.

Throughout Saturday and Sunday, there was drumming and singing by our local youth. Organized for only two months, these young men have already performed in their first Pow Wow. Their name is "Red Snake" and their mentor is

none other than Reggie Brewer. Reggie has done an outstanding job in forming this new drum team, and is to be commended for his dedication and interest shown to our youth.

We were honored Saturday with the visitation of the Lovely, Junior Miss Lumbee, Charly Lowry.

Spiritual Gatherings are conducted at the changing of the Four Seasons. And is a time for the renewing of old Acquaintances, making new friends, learning crafts, trading, selling (selling is done only at designated gatherings). Learning about our culture, history, beliefs and practices. It is genuinely a spiritual occasion as we worship the Creator (the one God) and pay respect to all his creations remembering to give thanks for his many blessings.

If you really want to get pumped up, learn more about spiritually, and have a great, unforgettable time, get into the circle, come to the spiritual gatherings. If you ever come again, You'll definitely come back again!

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"Red Snake" Beginning on left hand side, going clockwise, Marcus White with ball cap on, Kirk Blue, Firekeeper Earl "Many Skins" Carter, Sam Pedro, Lee Jones, Gabriel Locklear, Fred Pedro and Ryan Collins.

## State VFW Chaplain Speaks at Berea on Veterans Sunday

State V.F.W. Chaplain A.G. Parker leaves a christian challenge at Berea Baptist church with his message he delivered during veterans sunday service, in which Pembroke V.F.W. Post #2843 was the churches guests. A challenge was given to all who attended the service to live a good christian life, to not be ashamed to witness for Jesus and to help those that are in

need. His message came following a very moving introduction by our post former commander and current NC State Junior Vice VFW

commander Mr Art Shull. His message was from the heart and I'm sure touched many people who attended the sunday morning service. He was very moved by a testimony given by a young lady in the congregation. He asked her to never be ashamed to tell what God has done for her.

I was introduced to Chaplain Parker before the service and I can say he is one of the most Humbelist Preachers I have talked to lately. He was accompanied by his lovely wife of many years. Chaplain Parker is from VFW Post #8719 of advance, NC. to those from our Post #2843 that did not participate in the service at Berea Baptist Church I can say and I think I can speak for everyone present, you really missed a good service. Sure hope the Chaplain will visit our area again. God has put a wonderful task on him, he has my prayer.

Thank you Pastor Bruce Swett for having us at your lovely church. Submitted by Erwin Jacobs Post #2843 Pembroke, NC



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Network. The teams review the efforts, governance and effectiveness of HealthCare 1999.

Ms. Lowry will plan the 5th annual HealthCare Summit scheduled for Dec 10 at UNCP. The summit brings together regional health care officials, health care experts and concerned individuals to address regional health care issues.

HealthCare 1999 is also charged with the mission of addressing the status of health care in the nine-county region consisting of Bladen, Cumberland, Harnett, Hoke, Moore, Richmond, Robeson, Sampson, and Scotland counties. Other goals include establishing collaborative links to improve primary health care, increasing education opportunities for health care professionals, promoting health care careers and developing health promotions for at-risk populations, thus improving the quality of life in the region.

Ms. Lowry is the daughter of Claude Lowry Jr of Pembroke and Grace Bullard Lowry of the Prospect community.

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