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### Miss Lumbee Attends All Nations Celebration

Miss Lumbee, Marion E. James was invited to attend the All Nations Celebration in Jacksonville, NC recently. While there she performed her poem "Feast to the Dead".

Miss Lumbee was given gifts of appreciation and taken on tours of such places as Fort Macon.

Miss Lumbee made the following comments relative to her visit: "Miss Brenda Green and the All Nations Tribe really made me welcome and the warmth I felt from All Nations really touched my heart. My visit was a wonderful experience with wonderful people. I'm glad that for a season we touched and walked together."

"We danced, we sang, we played and the Four Winds smiled upon us. Thank You, All Nations."



Miss Lumbee Marion James is shown at the All Nations Celebration in Jacksonville recently.

### New Christian Radio Station!

The Good News Radio Network can now be heard at 102.9 FM serving Maxton, North Carolina.

The Good News Network also operates stations in Augusta, Florence, Myrtle Beach, and Morehead City - featuring quality Christian programming from the Moody Bible Institute.

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The Good News Network is a non-profit 501 (c)(3) organization based in Augusta, Georgia.

### Revival planned at Salem

Revival services will be held at Salem Missionary Baptist Church on the Red Hill Road, Maxton, beginning April 5-8. Guest speakers will be Rev. Lindberg Chavis, pastor of Bakers Chapel and Rev. Ernest Best.

The pastor of Salem, Rev. Don Bullard, and the congregation extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend. Sunday night services will begin at 6:30 p.m. and week night services at 7:30 p.m.

### Registration drive to be held at County Line Gro.

A registration drive will be held at the County Line Gro., Hwy 71 N., Maxton on Saturday, March 14. The drive will begin at 10 a.m. and last until 12 noon and will resume at 1 p.m. until 3 p.m. Those who are eligible to vote in the primary election in May but are not registered to do so are encouraged by Wyvis Oxendine to come out and register to vote.

Every person who registers on Saturday will be eligible for a drawing to be held the following Saturday, March 21 at the County Line Gro. Oxendine stated, "We are going to draw three names of newly registered voters and they will win a new Beanie Baby."

The registration drive will continue throughout the month of March each Saturday at the County Line Gro.

### Spring Fashion Show To Benefit Hospice

The Spring Fling Festival of Flowers fashion show to benefit Hospice of Robeson will be held on Saturday, April 4 at 10 a.m. at the Greenstate Garden Center, 2643 Carthage Rd. in Lumberton. This event is sponsored by Greenstate, the Sunshine House and the Children's Shop.

Activities include a fashion show for all ages in a garden setting featuring local models from throughout the county, refreshments, door prizes and a visit with the Easter Bunny.

A limited number of tickets at \$15 each are available at the Sunshine House, through Hospice volunteers or by calling Hospice at 738-1905.

### Birth of Twins Announced

Brian Larry Locklear and Sierra Cheyanne Locklear were born to Brian Keith Locklear and Beth Ann Locklear on February 11, 1998. The babies weighed 1 pound 14 ounces and 1 pound 9 ounces. Mother and babies are doing well. Grand Parents of the twins are the late Larry Locklear and Shirley Dial-Locklear of the Elrod community. Great grandparents are Alvin and Martha Dial of the same community.

### Indian basketball history (1939-67) is planned: Meeting scheduled

Pembroke-The memories are fading with time, but Tommy Dorsey Swett remember his own case of "March madness" in 1967.

The team he coached to the finals of the Indian High School championship game was the definition of a "Cinderella" team. They practiced outdoors on a hard-packed dirt court, and when it rained, they ran up and down the halls of Les Maxwell Indian High School, located in eastern Cumberland County.

Until Tommy Swett arrived in 1961 fresh out of Pembroke State College, the school didn't have a basketball team. And the night they played for the championship against Magnolia High School they faced a team coached by Robeson County basketball legend Ned Sampson.

"It was a packed house," Swett said of the PSC gym, which held 1,000 spectators. "It was a close game all the way. In the end, they ran us into the floor because I didn't have enough substitutes."

Every year between 1939 when the college gym was built and 1967 when desegregation ended the all-Indian athletic conference forever, basketball was played furiously before large and enthusiastic crowds. To the world

outside these small high schools and the communities they served, little was ever heard or recorded. The North Carolina High School Athletic Association has no records from the league, its teams, players or championships. And memories are fading fast.

A pair of local historians are attempting to pull back the veil of time that shrouds the details of the league. Bruce Barton of Pembroke and Tim Brayboy of Cary will host a reunion of former coaches, players and fans at 7 p.m. March 19 at the Moore Hall auditorium at UNCP. The purpose of the meeting is to reconstruct the history of the league. They are asking participants to bring photos, school year books, newspaper clippings and memories to be recorded.

"All the official records are gone," Barton said. "Ultimately, I would like to put the history on file with the North Carolina Athletic Association. Whites and blacks have their records at the state, but there is nothing about Indian basketball."

"The idea began over dinner table conversation with people like Tommy Dorsey, Ned Sampson and Dr. (Joseph) Oxendine who was a player in this league himself," he said. "After I started gathering information, it just

expanded."

For his part, Dr. Oxendine remembers the tournaments at the Pembroke State College well, and he keeps in touch with many of his teammates including Ned Sampson.

"We won it our senior year, and I recall that Dr. Wellons (president of the College) presented us the trophy," Dr. Oxendine said. "Ned went on to become a star at the College and a coach."

"The league and the championships are an integral part of the University's history," Barton said. "The best players went on to play for the University."

Although the teams in the league changed over time, there were six core schools which competed for the final championship title-Pembroke, Prospect, Fairgrove, Magnolia, Les Maxwell and Hawkeye High School in Hoke County. In the early days, Green Grove, Union Chapel and Fairmont Indian High School participated until they consolidated with other schools.

It was an excellent brand of basketball, according to witnesses and worth passing on as a legacy. Barton said video and audio tape will be used at the March 19th meeting to capture individual's recollections of the league.

### "Hits The Greens" Swimming With The American Lung Association

Fayetteville--The American Lung Association of North Carolina is ready to help you celebrate a festive St. Patrick's Day holiday, the coming of spring and the joy of a great day on the course with the 1998 Golf Privilege Card.

The Golf Privilege Card is a dream come true for the golfer ready to "Hit the Greens" swinging. The card entitles the holder to free or reduced greens fees at over 300 golf courses, golf resorts and driving ranges throughout North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia.

For a cost of \$40 the card holder will be able to travel throughout the three state region, playing some of the finest courses in the area.

To help with your celebration of the coming of spring and the fun of outdoors, there is a discounted rate on the card. If you purchase three golf

privilege cards at the regular price, you receive a fourth one for free.

In addition to the State Privilege Card, the Lung Association also offers a Sandhills Golf Privilege Card featuring 32 of the finest courses in the Sandhills area, and offered to NC residents or property owners for \$37.

The purchase of either card will not only be a great way to have your dose of green for the month of March, but will also benefit others. All proceeds from the sale of these cards goes to the American Lung Association of North Carolina.

This is your opportunity to take a swing against lung disease. For more information on the 1998 Golf Privilege Card, contact the American Lung Association, Southeast office at 1-800-821-6205.

Remember "when you can't breathe, nothing else matters."

### Deadline for Registering

The Robeson County Board of Elections (BOE) wishes to remind all county residents that the deadline to register for upcoming May primary is just around the corner. All persons interested in registering to vote must complete a voter registration application. Applications can be obtained from the BOE office. The completed application must be turned over to the BOE office on or before April 10, 1998. For more information call 671-3080.

### Metrolina Native American Princess Pageant to be held

The 1998-1999 Ms. Metrolina Native American Princess Pageant will be held May 1, 1998 at 2601 A-East 7th Street, Charlotte, NC at 7:30 p.m.

Come unite in Queen City's Celebration of Native American Pride. "Keeping Light of our Heritage while Facing Expectations of the Twentieth Century" is the theme of the pageant.

For further information, please contact Patrick or Lisa (704) 331-4818.

Contestants must be members of a Native American Tribe with proper certificates of their membership.

### Revival to begin at Riverside

Revival services will begin at Riverside Independent Baptist Church on Sunday, March 22, and run through Friday night, March 27. Sunday night services will begin at 6 with week night services beginning at 7:30 P.M. Special speakers will be the Rev. David Hunt, pastor of Mt. Hebron Baptist Church, and Rev. Buster Seaton of Knoxville, TN. The pastor of Riverside, Rev. Jerry McNeill, and the congregation extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

### McIntyre's Staff To Be At Fairmont

A member of 7th District Rep. Mike McIntyre's staff will visit the Fairmont Town Hall on Wednesday, March 18th, from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon, to meet with residents of the 7th District who have problems that involve agencies of the federal government. Comments or opinions on pending legislation in The United States Congress are also welcome. No appointments are necessary.

The mobile office is a service to the people of the 7th District and makes several visits to Robeson County throughout the year.



Miss Lumbee Marion James enjoys the water in Jacksonville recently at the All Nations Celebration.

### Rhiannon Chavis-Legerton To Compete For National Scholarship

Pembroke Youth Among 153 Seniors Chosen as Coca-Cola Scholars Finalists



Rhiannon Chavis-Legerton from Purnell Swett High School in Pembroke will be starting college with some help from the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation.

Rhiannon is one of 153 high school seniors nationwide selected as a Finalist to receive a Coca-Cola scholarship.

On April 23-26, the Finalists will travel to Atlanta to participate in a National Competition, where they will compete for 53 four-year college scholarships of \$20,000 and 100 four-year scholarships of \$4,000. While in Atlanta, the Scholars will interview with a National Selection Committee, tour the city, participate in leadership seminars and attend a banquet in their honor.

Coca-Cola Scholars are a diverse group of students, who have a proven commitment to their schools, communities and families. The 1998 Coca-Cola Scholars were chosen from an initial applicant pool of more than 128,000 high school seniors.

"Each year, as our family of Coca-Cola Scholars continues to grow larger, so does the legacy the Coca-Cola Bottlers started in 1986, when they created the Scholars Foundation to commemorate the 100th anniversary of Coca-Cola. The Coca-Cola Scholars deserve congratulations for their accomplishments, as do our bot-

tlers for their continued support to their communities," said H.L. Williams, Chairman of the Board of the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation and President, Corinth Coca-Cola Bottling Works of Corinth, MS.

The Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation, a joint effort of Coca-Cola Bottlers and The Coca-Cola Company, is one of the largest corporate sponsored scholarship programs of its kind in the United States. Each year it awards \$1.4 million in scholarships and supports 600 students while they are attending more than 200 colleges and universities. Since 1986, the Scholars Foundation has aided more than 1,500 students, awarding \$13.9 million in scholarships.

### Revival Planned at New Bethel

Revival services will be held at New Bethel Holiness Methodist Church beginning March 15 and lasting through March 20. Sunday night service will be youth night and will begin at 7 P.M. Week night services will begin at 7:30 P.M.

The church is located on the Iona Church Road between Rowland and Fairmont.

Evangelists for the revival will be Curtis Oxendine, Tony Hunt, Patrick L. Cummings, and Jerry Scott. Special music will be provided each night.

The public is encouraged to attend by the pastor, James H. Woods, and the congregation of New Bethel.

### Precinct Meetings To Be Held

Democrat Precinct meetings to be held on March 19, 1998.

Robeson County Democratic Chairman Milton Hunt announces that Precinct meetings will be held on March 19, 1998 at 7:00 p.m. These meetings are to be held in the polling place of each precinct. Anyone needing further information call 521-4703 --

### Cardiac Rehab Program Gets Helping Hand

Laurinburg, NC

Scotland Memorial Hospital's new Cardiac Rehabilitation program received a \$70,000 helping hand from two sponsors recently, said Michael O'Quinn, coordinator of the program.

Two grants in the amount of \$35,000 each, were donated to the program by the Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust and The Duke Endowment. These grants will be used to offset start-up and operational costs for the program, slated to begin in March, says O'Quinn.

"New research shows that patients who have benefited from similar programs in the past have actually extended their lives through the vital medical regime and exercise therapy a cardiac rehab provides," said O'Quinn. Nearly half of all deaths by disease in the United States are cardiac related, according to health statistics.

The advent of this new outpatient program is great news for people with cardiac problems from Scotland, Moore, Richmond, Robeson and Marlboro (South Carolina) counties. Cardiac rehabilitation services are long-term programs that include medical evaluation, behavior modification, exercise, education and counseling.

In the past, people with heart problems had to travel to Lumberton, Pinelhurst, or even as far away as Durham or Raleigh to get cardiac rehabilitation services. Extensive travel time and rescheduling home and work duties often made it impossible for patients to stay true to their cardiac program, said O'Quinn. This may have hindered their recovery from a cardiac event, he added.

"Programs of this nature are expensive to start up," said O'Quinn. "You need hospital grade equipment, specialized and well-trained medical personnel to open the doors."

The program will be headed by Dr. Jeffrey D. Sedar, a Local cardiologist who will serve as Medical Director of

the Cardiac Rehabilitation program. "Studies have shown that successful completion of cardiac rehabilitation improves cholesterol levels, reduces stress and increases the heart's functional capacity," said Sedar. "Our program can benefit those with cardiovascular disease as well as people who have had heart surgery, bypass surgery, balloon surgery, or even common chest pain."

The Scotland Memorial Hospital Cardiac Rehabilitation Center will be located at 321 Plaza Road in The Family Fitness Center.

Scotland Memorial Hospital's Cardiac Rehabilitation program will also offer services to those who may be at risk for heart problems, said O'Quinn. "Many can benefit from an organized approach to risk factor modification. A properly structured program of exercise and behavior modification can help keep hearts healthy and promote optimal health."

The Kate B. Reynolds Charitable Trust, which donated \$35,000, was created in 1947. Seventy-five percent of the income of this trust is used for health-related programs and services across the state. The remainder of annual trust income is used to help indigent residents of Winston-Salem and Forsyth County. This trust was created from a provision in the will of Mrs. William N. Reynolds of Winston-Salem.

The Duke Endowment is one of the nation's largest private foundations with assets exceeding \$1.98 billion and was founded by industrialist James B. Duke. The endowment supports health care and child welfare organizations in the Carolinas.

The endowment also supports rural United Methodist Churches in the state, Davidson College, Duke, Furman, and Johnson C. Smith universities. In 1997 the endowment awarded more than \$65 million in grants. Since 1924, grants have totaled more than \$1.3 billion.