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## Judge Dexter Brooks Attends Faculty Development Workshop at the National Judicial College

Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Dexter Brooks was personally invited by President Percy R. Luney, Jr. to attend the Faculty Development Workshop conducted the week of April 3-7, 2000 at the National Judicial College. The workshop was designed to train new faculty mem-bers and group discussion leaders for the National Judicial College. The topics presented included adult judicial education methods and techniques; effective integration of multi-media technologies in the classroom; adult learning theory; race and gender issues; judicial ethics; and computer training.

Judge Brooks was invited to participate in the workshop after the President of the National Judicial College reviewed a legal memorandum and model order drafter by Judge Brooks. The materials were developed by Judge Brooks in connection with litigation then pending before him. He had earlier contacted the National Judicial College for assistance in drafting such materials but was advised that the college had no such materials available. President Luney noted in his personal invitation that Judge Brooks' materials could be useful in the development of courses at the National Judicial College and hoped that Judge Brooks might be available for service in the courses after attending the Faculty Development Workshop.

Located on the campus of the University of Nevada at Reno, the National Judicial College is the leading continuing education center for trial judges. Since the College was founded in 1963, more than 66,000 certificates of completion have been issued to graduates, including United States Supreme Court Justices Sandra Day O'Connor and David Souter.

In 1989 Judge Brooks completed four-week General Jurisdiction Course at the National Judicial College several months after becoming a superior court judge. In 1994 Judge Brooks was selected by then Chief Justice James G. Exum, Jr. to attend a workshop at the National Judicial College on federal Indian law.



in the North Carolina House of Representatives pertaining to funding requests and other matters affecting local entitles

The first bill was HB 1717 that would revise the terms of the lease between the State of North Carolina and the N.C. Indian Cultural Center. Present law requires the Indian Cultural Center Board to raise three million dollars by June 1 of next year or the Cultural Center lands will revert back to the state for use as determined by the state. Presently, it appears the Board will be unable to meet that schedule, therefore, I am proposing to eliminate that provision from the law and the lease

west for \$100,000 to be used by the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center for administration and operating expenses. Readers about recall that, due to the flood last year, the \$250,000 allocated to the Indian Cultural Center in last year's budget was retained by Governor Hunt to meet that unexpected crisis.

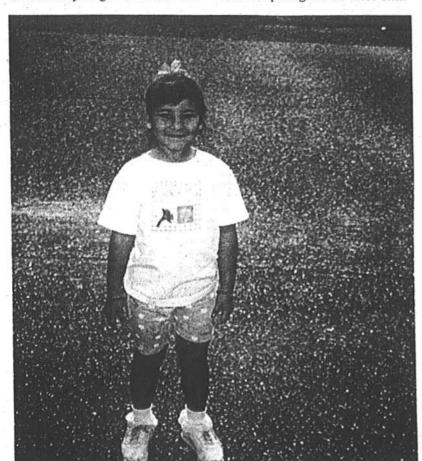
HB 1719 is a bill to appropriate \$100,000 to the Lumbee Tribe Self-Determination Commission established by Judge Howard E. Man-

This past week I filed several bills ning in his efforts to resolve the lawsuit between the Lumbee Tribal Council and the Lumbee Regional Development Association (LRDA). These funds, if received, will be used by the Commission in a non-biased manner in funding their ongoing ef-forts at resolving the pending Lumbee Tribal leadership controversy.

HB 1724 is a bill to clarify the plans for disposition of the "rents" that the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs receives monthly from those persons in charge of the Riverside Golf Course located beside the N.C. Indian Cultural Center. These funds have been accruing over the years and this bill states how they can be spent and authorizes the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs and the Department Another bill is HB 1718, a funding of Administration to establish a plan for future distribution

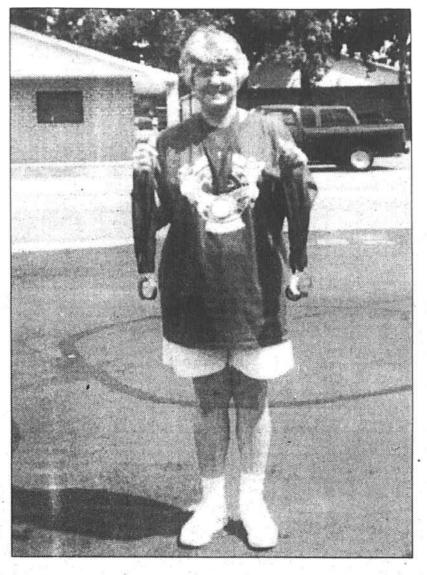
All of these House bills were cosponsored by Representatives Donald Bonner and Doug Yongue and will receive their full support.

Due to the tight funding situation existing at this time, I am unable to predict whether these bills will be funded and, if so, what amount. I assure you that the entire delegation, including House and Senate members, will be doing all we can to ensure the passage of all these bills.



## Ashleigh Bell Celebrates 6th Birthday

Pembroke, NC-Ashleigh Bell of Lumberton, NC celebrated her 6th birthday with a skating party at Pembroke Skate Land on Saturday, May 13, 2000. Ashleigh is the daughter of Attorney Greg Bell and Bonita Bell of Lumberton, NC. She is a kindergarten student at Tanglewood Elementary School. Attending her party were several friends and relatives, including her brother, Jamie Bell, and grandparents, Buddy and Sarah Bell. The theme for the party was "Birthday Barbie."



# **Bringing Home the Gold and Silver**

Glenda Bird of Pembroke is shown above with the many medals she won recently in the Senior Games. The Senior Games is an annual event and this year events were held in various locations across the county. Ms. Bird participated in the 60-64 age group and competed in events held in Lumber-ton and at on the campus of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke.

Ms. Bird won gold medals in the following events; 5-K Walk; Softball Throw; Football Throw; Discus; 100 Meter Dash; 200 Meter dash; Running Long Jump; Standing Long Jump. She also won for gold medals in the silver arts for her handmade Afghan, quilt, basket and poem.

Silver medals included basketball; horse shoes; table tennis; and shot put.

# Community bring new life to the North Carolina **Indian Cultural Center**

For the past six months ther has been conjecture and rumor concerning the supposed demise of the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center (NCICC). DON'T BELIEVE EVERY-THING YOU HEAR!!! NCICC is undergoing an organizational metamorphosis, in that the new perspective of the administration is more inclusive to the help and support of the community. This effort has created the NCICC Support Group, whereby members of the community initiate activities to aid in the renovation, cleanup and maintenance of the center. These activities show community pride in the center and also instill a very much needed sense of belonging within a grassroots effort. A collective effort by the support, planning, and youth groups along with board member Ken Freeman has resulted in the renovation of the pool and grounds areas. The renovation was aided by the artistic experise of Mr. Jerry Dial, owner of Dial's Signs of Maxton, NC. Mr. Dial's dreamcatcher design beautifully embellishes the bottom of the pool. Mr. Dial was assisted by youth group members and supporters. The pool is expected to open this weekend. For more information contact Beverly Collins at (910)

The NCICC is happy to announce the drama "Strike at the Wind "will be returning to the Adolph Dial Amphitheater this summer as part of the Lumbee Homecoming Festivities the week of July 4th. In conjunction with Lumbee Homecoming, the NCICC and Harold "Iron Bear" Collins are sponsoring homecoming kickoff activities through the presentation of CUL-TURALFEST 2000 (CF2K) beginning June 29 through July 2. CF2K hopes to be an annual event that offers something for the whole family. Activities include a Native Showcase on Friday June 30 followed by competition

events Sat. July 1. Competition events include: fishing and golf tournaments, strong man and bench press contest, arts/crafts contest, and quilt and blanket contest. Renowned country singer JANA will be performing in concert on Saturday night at UNCP Givens Performing Arts Center at 7:30 p.m. On Sunday July 2 church services will be held at the amphitheater at 9:30 a.m. that will include a free gospel singing. Activities will conclude at 12 p.m. Gate fee will be \$5/person (children under 6 Free ). Everyone is welcome.

CF2K isn't the only activities going on at the NCICC. For the past several years the NCICC has sponsored Seventh Generation Youth Organization. This program promotes native dance, drumming, singing, and flute. Each Tuesday night at 7 p.m. many youth from surrounding communities gather to embrace the traditions that help to keep the ancient fires burning. Cultural activities are currently directed by Tony " Locha " Clark , Wendy Moore-Cummings and John Oxendine. Along with dance, arts and crafts are held on each Thursday night at 7 p.m. with the assistance of local artists. This month Ms. Karen Coronado will be assisting in gourd painting. These activities are not only for youth, but for everyone. The NCICC Support Group was established to assist Sev-

enth Generation, as well as the NCICC. It is the mission and vision of the NCICC Support Group to establish and develop a sense of belonging toward the NCICC, by the Indian Public, as to promote community and organizational interaction for the preservation of the Indian way of life. Anyone interested in joining the support group contact Wendy Moore-Cummings at (910) 521-0725 or Carnell Locklear at (910) 521-0495. Take a drive through the center and see what a difference teamwork can make.

# Prescription Urugs Available at Low Cost

Is your medication too expensive for your budget? If so information in a new booklet might help.

Mary Livermore

UNCP

The Cost Containment Research Institute in Washington, DC has just published a 32-page booklet, "Free & Low Cost Prescription Drugs". The revised fourth edition booklet gives information on how and where to get free & low cost prescription drugs.

'Many major drug companies provide free or low cost medication, but rarely, if ever publicize the programs", says Allen Nichols, Director of The Z listing of all the drugs that are available to certain qualified groups for free or at very low cost directly from the manufacturer.

Consumers can receive a copy by sending \$5 to cover the cost of printing, postage and handling to: Institute Fulfillment Center, Booklet #: PD-370, P.O. Box 462, Elmira, NY 14902-0462. Consumers can also get more information from The Institute's Internet web site: www.institutec.org

### UNCPInformation Sessions Planned

Pembroke...UNC Pembroke School of Business and Mass Communications will hold information sessions throughout June about its undergraduate and graduate degrees in business.

Dr. Ken Clow, Dean of the School of Business and Mass Communications, said that presenting information sessions throughout the region is an effective way to answer prospective students' questions about entrance requirements and course material.

UNC Pembroke offers undergraduate degrees in accounting and business administration. Students who major in business administration may concentrate in accounting, applied business, economics, finance, management, and marketing.

The Master of Business Administration (MBA) degree is considered by many business leaders as a major stepping stone to their success.

Information sessions will be held June 5 - Undergraduate Degrees,

Richmond Community College June 6 - MBA, Richmond Community College June 12 - MBA, Scotland County Public Library, Laurinburg

June 13 - MBA, Holiday Inn (exit 22, I-95), Lumberton June 19 - MBA, Seven Lakes

Country Club, Seven Lakes June 20 - Undergraduate Degrees, Seven Lakes Country Club (highway 211, west of Pinehurst).

For information or to register for an information session, contact Dr. Ken Clow, Dean of the School of Business and Mass Communications, at 910-521-6311, 1-800-949-UNCP or clow@sassette.uncp.edu

# Robeson County School **Bus Driver Honored**

Mrs. Pearlie Hunt of Rowland, NC, was honored for safe and courteous driving by the North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association and Robeson County Schools. David Parnell, Parnell Oil Company, Inc., Parkton, NC, presented the plaque on behalf of the Association.

The North Carolina Petroleum Marketers Association established this award in each county to bring awareness and renewed dedication

state. That award was named the Tracy Lea Calhoun Award in memory of a 17-year old student who lost her life when a school bus ran a stop sign. She was on her way to a part-time job at an oil company in Raleigh.

Ms. Hunt has driven eleven years for the system averaging almost 6,500 miles annually. She is a dedicated bus driver who loves kids and has an excellent driving record. She also has a wonderful working relation-

#### Pembroke VFW Post #2843 Honors **Veterans in Memorial Day Service**

On Monday morning, May 29th at tives of our deceased members for the 11:00 a.m. the VFW Post #2843 held a year 2000 released red, white and blue Memorial Service honoring the Veterans who served and especially those who paid the ultimate price fighting on foreign soil, protecting our sovereign country. There was a good turnout for this solemn occasion. There were beween 40 and 50 people in attendance.

At approximately 11:02 a.m. Senior Vice Commander Willie G. Fullmore welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming, commenting on what this occasion was all about. We wish to thank all those who attended. Relaballoons with the deceased member's name on them as the Star Spangled Banner was being played.

North Carolina State Commander Art Shull gave a short but very encouraging speech. While waving a folder with many veterans of Robeson County who served on it, he said their names should be put on a memorial honoring them. I call on business personnel in Robeson County to make this a reality.

> Erwin Jacobs Post Judge Advocate

#### Carla & Redemptions Anniversary Singing June 3

Carla and Redemptions 9th anniversary singing will be held June 3, 2000 at 6:30 P.M.. at the Lumberton Senior High School. The annual singing will feature Carla and Redemptions, the Crabb Family, Quinton Mills, Pam Southerland and the Sycamore Sing-

Refreshments will be available before and after the singing. Advance tickets are \$10 and \$12 at the door. Tickets are available at all Christian **Books Stores** 

#### Free Health Checks in Maxton

Free health screenings will be held on Saturday, June 17 from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. at the Maxton Family Resource Center, 103 N. Florence Street. Checks for total cholesterol/ HDL, blood pressure, and blood sugar will be offered to all adults, 18 years and older. Only one fingerstick is required. Results are available in five minutes. These free screens are sponsored by The Robeson County Partnership for Community Health. Call 671-5595 for more information.

## Rehabilitation Center Open House Set For June 11

A ribbon cutting and open house for Southeastern Regional Medical Center's new outpatient rehabilitation center located at 4895 Fayetteville Rd. in Lumberton is set for Sunday, June 11 at 2:00 p.m. Visitors to the center may tour the facility until 4:00 p.m.

The new facility offers about 15,000 square feet of additional space for all outpatient rehabilitation proincluding grams grams including physical, occupational and aquatic therapies under one roof. The new complex, which includes Fitness Services, will be renamed the Southeastern Lifestyle Center for Fitness and Rehabilitation.

Vistors to the open house will have the opportunity to register for door prizes, view demonstrations and participate in health screenings. Special activities for children are planned. Refreshments will also be provided. Call (910) 671-5018 for more information.