

## Pembroke Mayor Milton Hunt files for Tribal Chairman

Milton R. Hunt, Mayor of the Town of Pembroke, has entered the race for Lumbee Tribal Chairman. Hunt has served for seventeen years as Mayor. He came into the position of Mayor of Pembroke after eight years of service as Pembroke Town Councilman. Mayor Hunt released the following statement:

"For the past thirty years I have been at the forefront of the Indian political movement in Robeson County. The changes that have occurred either as a direct or indirect result of the political movement are evident. We now have an Indian Sheriff, Clerk of Court, Register of Deeds,

two District Court Judges and a Superior Court Judge, all elected county-wide. This is monumental growth and positive change, not only for the Lumbee, but the county as well. I am proud to have been a part of the elections of all these men and women.

"My political accomplishments are a matter of history for the town of Pembroke as demonstrated by my twenty-five years of elected service to the citizens of the town. Pembroke has grown and prospered as a result of the fine leadership of our town council. I am confident that this growth and development will continue. I have

played a major part in this growth.

"In addition to my affiliation with the town of Pembroke, I have served the county of Robeson in various positions of leadership. I am serving my second consecutive term as Chairman of the Robeson County Democratic Party. I am the only person to hold this position for two consecutive terms in the last forty years.

"I am also a member of the Board of the Robeson County Department of Social Services. I was appointed to this position by Governor Jim Hunt. I am the Treasurer for the Pembroke Civic Club (formerly the Pembroke Jaycees). In 1984 and 1991 fire destroyed the Pembroke Jaycee Clubhouse. I served as Chairman of the Committee that rebuilt that facility. I am a former member of the Board of Trustees of Robeson Community College. I served on that body for 7 and 1/2 years and served as vice chairman for the last two years of my tenure. I am the founder and president for the Big Buck Hunting Club and have served in that capacity for twenty-five years.

"Other leadership positions I have held include serving on the Lumber River Council of Governments, Cardinal Health Agency Board, Precinct Chair for both Pembroke Precincts, UNCP Centennial Celebration Committee, two terms on the State Nominating Committee for the NC League of Municipalities which selects Officers for the State Organization, Southeastern Development Commission for two years.

"Currently I am serving as a Board member on the Commerce and Technology Center, Inc. Our plans are for a Technology Park to be built just East of Pembroke. When this park is developed, it will help to provide more hi-tech jobs for the county.

"As demonstrated above, this shows that I have been and continue to be involved in the economic, social, health, political and educational aspects of Robeson County. I desire to

put my experience and knowledge to work for the Lumbee tribe. I made this decision after much meditation and encouragement from tribal members.

"On November 7 Lumbee voters will elect a 23 member board, along with a Chairman. Also on the ballot will be the question: "do you want a Constitution. Depending upon the response of the voters, the body elected will write a Constitution, or some other form of governing document. The body that is elected, along with the chairman will be charged with the responsibility of establishing a tribal form of government. This is an important responsibility. The writing of the governing document will determine the form of government, the procedures for future elections and other pertinent electoral questions. The chairman will have no more authority or power than is given to him by tribal members. I believe I have the leadership experience to help guide us in the establishment of our tribal government. I want to be a part of this historical movement.

"I have many friends and associates on the state and national level that I believe could be very important to us as we continue our fight for federal recognition. This should remain our main goal, federal recognition. I believe that with the right leadership and the proper circumstances federal recognition can be achieved in a few years.

"The Chairmanship of the Lumbee Tribe is a very important position. That person should present themselves and the tribe in the very best light. It should be a person who is concerned with all Lumbees, no matter where they reside. It is important to involve all tribal members in the adoption of a tribal document. We must listen to the voice of the people, and have their input into the creation of our tribal governing document.

"I humbly ask for your vote and support on November 7, 2000. I pledge to work with all Lumbees."



## Economic Development Summit Planned in Pembroke

RALEIGH-Leaders of Indian organizations, government agencies, business and non-profit foundations will gather in Pembroke on Oct. 20 for an Indian Economic Development Summit to promote strategies for generating economic growth in Indian communities across the state. The leaders will discuss strategies for the recruitment, establishment and growth of business and jobs in those communities. The summit, to be held at UNC-Pembroke, is being sponsored by the university, Lumbee Bank and the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs.

"There is no more pressing need in Indian Country than to secure economic security for our people," said Greg Richardson, the commission's executive director. "We will bring the best minds together to continue our effort to extend prosperity to all Indian communities."

In September 1999, the Commission of Indian Affairs adopted a resolution calling for a new public-private partnership in economic development to benefit Indians throughout the state. The resolution

was part of a comprehensive strategic plan, developed with funding from the Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation. The plan benefit of Indians, similar to the way it has drawn on the public sector the last 30 years.

The centerpiece of the economic development strategy is the creation of a statewide community development corporation (CDC) that will serve all

Indian communities with funding assistance, technical assistance and program development services. The statewide CDC will generate resources and provide a model for local initiatives and strengthen accountability for Indian economic development projects at the local level.

CDC groundwork will be laid by a task force identified following the summit. The task force will function under the Economic Development Committee of the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs.

For more information about the summit, contact Kim Hammonds with the N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs, (919)733-5998.

## Haliwa-Saponi Tribe Plans Cultural Exchange

The Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe, Inc. celebration of Native American History Month, will sponsor a cultural exchange at the Haliwa Indian School in Hollister, NC on November 7, 2000 from 9:30 a.m. until 1:30 p.m. New demonstrations and performances have been added for the enjoyment of students and teachers. School attending will be able to see and participate in the following:

Native American dancing provided by the Tribe's Red Earth Cultural Dance Troupe; Tecumseh, a live 2,000 pound Buffalo; Demonstrations of basket making, beadwork and stone carving; face painting proved by tribal members (cost is \$1); storytelling/legends by Pat Richardson of the Coharie Tribe; special pottery demonstration by Pat Richardson for Lunch, Haliwa Saponi (see articles of her work on the Warren County Arts Council Website).

New additions include Hoop Dance by Greg Green; a real, live Eagle (Beanza), and Eagle facts by John Barkas (American Wildlife Refuge); Native American Herbal Display by Lori Fendell; a corn grinding station.

In addition to all of the above, teachers and students will be able to interact with presenters and partici-

pate in the dance part of the program. Arts and crafts vendors will be set up so that teachers and students may buy souvenirs such as turquoise jewelry, pottery, beadwork, baskets, rugs, etc. Teachers and students may bring lunch or purchase lunch items (fry bread, Indian tacos, hot dogs, etc.) from Tribal food vendors. Most items cost between \$1-4.00.

The cost of this event is \$5 per person. This admission includes a special "Make-It-Take-It" gift for each student. We allow one teacher/chaperone free entry per ten students. Bus drivers are admitted free.

Due to the timing of Spring Break, we will not have a similar event before our annual Pow wow in April, 2000. Teachers should call to make reservations at once (call Pat Richardson at 252-586-4017. Checks should be sent one week in advance of the event. Make all checks payable to the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe and send all checks to the tribe at PO Box 99, Hollister, NC 27844. Teachers should specify which presentation they would like to attend (9:30, 10:30 or 11:30). There will only be 600 students for each session.

This event is made possible, in part, by the NC Arts Council and the Halifax County Arts Council.

## Political Consultant James Carville To Visit UNC-Pembroke

Pembroke - Renowned political consultant James Carville is making a stop at The University of North Carolina at Pembroke just in time for elections.

The campaign manager, best-known for hoisting President Bill Clinton to the top of the polls in 1992, is speaking to the university Thursday, Oct 26 at 7:30 p.m. in the Givens Performing Arts Center as part of the UNCP Distinguished Speakers Series. The cost is \$5.

James Carville has managed more political campaigns than anyone in U.S. History, showing a knack for steering overlooked campaigns to unexpected landslides and remaking political underdogs into winners.

Carville exposed the political vulnerability of George Bush in 1991, following the Gulf War. Having wounded the sitting president, Carville finished the job when he guided William Jefferson Clinton to the Presidency in 1992.

In 1993, Carville was honored as Campaign Manager of the Year by the American Association of Political Consultants for his leadership of Clinton's Little Rock campaign headquarters, dubbed the "War Room." This role made him the focus, along with George Stephanopoulos, of the featured-length and Academy-Ward

nominated documentary, "The War Room." In 1999, Carville led Ehud Barak to victory in Israel, defeating Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu.

When not consulting, Carville freelances as an author and speechwriter. With his wife, Mary Matalin, who was the deputy campaign manager of George Bush's 1992 campaign, Carville wrote "All's Fair: Love, War, and Running for President, which peaked at No. 4 and spent eight weeks on The New York Times bestseller list. His second book, "We're Right, They're Wrong: A Handbook for Spirited Progressives," became a No. 1 bestseller. Another book, "Stickin'," a book about loyalty and defense of the President was released in January of 2000.

Carville gives lectures about political consulting at numerous colleges and universities, including Harvard, Princeton, Stanford and Yale.

He is founder of the international consulting firm of Gould, Greenberg, Carville/NOP. The firm offers polling, strategy and communication advice to modernizing campaigns, institutions and companies seeking to succeed in a new era of change. Carville is also a founding member of GCS, a political and corporate consulting firm in Israel.

## Harding Receives Statewide Award

The Public Schools of Robeson County has received notification of the selection of PSRC Superintendent Dr. Barry Harding as the outstanding "Friend of the Arts Administrator" for the entire state for the 2000-2001 academic year. The North Carolina Art Education Association is honoring Dr. Harding for his commitment to promoting high quality arts education. He is being commended for not permitting arts teaching positions to be used for other purposes, for his strong allocations of dollars for the purchase of equipment and for new programs, for his consistent attendance at arts education performances and exhibitions, and for his continued support of arts education as a key factor in student achievement.

The North Carolina Art Education Association will make this award to Dr. Harding at its annual conference in Charlotte on October 20. More than 1,000 teachers and administrators will be in attendance.

## McIntyre Receives Education Endorsement

Lumberton, NC - The nation's most influential education organization has endorsed U.S. Representative Mike McIntyre in his bid for re-election to the United States Congress.

The National Education Association represents 4, 810 NEA member-educators who reside in the Seventh Congressional District in southeastern North Carolina. In announcing the endorsement,

Bob Chase, Chairman of the NEA Fund, stated that Rep. McIntyre is receiving the educators' support because of his positions that include "strengthening public education in America, ensuring children's health and safety, maximizing student learning and respecting school employees."

Congressman McIntyre, who is a member of an education task force on Capitol Hill, has been a volunteer in the schools for the last nineteen years.

## Shaping The Future Of NCICC

The North Carolina Indian Cultural Center (NCICC) is truly a facility for everyone to enjoy American Indian history, culture, arts, crafts and recreation. This will clearly be delineated in our "Shaping the Future of the NCICC" proposal to funding constituents due to be submitted in November 2000.

We are in the third month of our ambitious "enterprise initiative" and I am please to report the momentum has been steadily building. The NCICC Board of Directors knew going in that we could not accomplish our goals alone, and we have said all along that we would need more than just a local commitment. Although that local commitment has been proven over and again by local Indian citizens, LRDA and others, we need a commitment from all North Carolina Indian Tribes and organizations, including our lawmakers at the State and Federal levels. That is why we built into the initiative opportunities for very localized approaches in addressing the mission of the Center, focusing not only on Indian history, culture and recreation, but youth development and programs for our elderly. According to Henry Ford and other well known chief executive officers, "working together breeds success."

The Center is continuing programs for youth and elderly. On Tuesday's, Native American dance classes have resumed at the Center for all ages. Participation is impressive (30 in the first week and 40 in the second.) Further, we are now offering adult potter classes on Thursdays.

Gospel singing on Friday nights continues to be highly participatory. All these activities are conducted in the Intra-Tribal Longhouse (Community Building). Later this fall, we will be working with 350 youth from Robeson County's enterprise communities to enhance their knowledge in culture diversity, race, ethnicity, language and social class. As they pursue secondary and higher education, these youths will be highly knowledgeable in workforce diversity as well as cultural competence issues. We will also establish a "Golf Academy" for about 50 of these youths. We are working our partners, the Council of Governments and UNC Pembroke, in targeting resources for conducting these programs.

The upcoming Lumbee Tribe's Fall PowWow at the Center should be a magnificent occasion. The NCICC Board is delighted that LRDA selected the Center for this event, including the kickoff of Indian Heritage Month. You will hear interesting American Indian commentary during this three-day event. Our annual Wild Game Festival will be conducted at the Center on November 15-18. Many schools from the region are scheduled to bring students.

Your financial support and ambassadorship to the Center is greatly appreciated. The Center is nonprofit organization and your donation is tax exempt. Thank you for what you do now and in the future for the Center. Please call (910) 521-2433 or FAX (910)5210394 for business with the NCICC.

## PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

The public is invited to the Ninth Annual Statewide AIDS Sunday Event which will take on October 29, 2000 at 3:30 P.M., at Second Missionary Baptist Church, Located at 522 Wilmington Road, in Fayetteville. The year's Keynote speaker is Rev. Eddie L. White, the Senior Pastor of the Mount Sinai Church in Thomasville, North Carolina. AIDS Sunday is a large annual event which brings together people of a diverse ethnic, racial, and spiritual backgrounds to develop compassion for people with AIDS and educate North Carolinians about the disease. This year's event will also feature testimonies from women and children living with disease. For more information about this important event, contact the Cape Fear Regional Bureau For Community Action at 910-483-9177.

## Robeson County Honor Guard hold annual Steak/Chicken Dinner & Gospel Sing

LUMBERTON-The Robeson County Honor Guard will hold its annual Steak/Chicken Dinner & Gospel Sing fund-raiser October 21 from 4 p.m. - 10 p.m. at Lumberton Senior High School. Food will be served from 4 - 6:45 p.m. with the program and gospel sing from 6:45 p.m. - 10 p.m. Special guests include the Pierce Family, Sycamore Singers, Liberty Trio, Locklear Brothers & New Covenant. Tickets are \$25 per couple, \$13 for a single. The tickets can be purchased from any member of the Robeson County Honor Guard or call Edwin Matchett at (910) 843-5040.

## Native American Dance classes at NCICC

RED BANKS-Native American Dance classes at the North Carolina Indian Cultural Center community building begins anew Tuesdays from 7 p.m. until 9 p.m. All ages are welcome, however, younger children must be accompanied by an adult. For more information, contact N.C. Indian Cultural Center at (910) 521-2433.

## Committee Members Meeting for Class of 1966

"Pembroke High School Class of 1966 will meet at Sheff's Seafood Restaurant on Nov. 3 and every first (1st) Friday night at 7:00 pm, for fun, good food and family fellowship. All class members are encouraged to attend. Call 521-0648, by each first Thursday, to make reservations and the number of family members attending." Thank you for helping us to make this gathering happen! Committee members for class of 1966.