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## Craig McMillian, tribal councilman and local businessman enjoys dual roles



Craig McMillian

Representatives of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Nation have many and varied interests. Craig McMillian, of Rennert who won his first election bid for a seat on the Council, considers the forming of a new government a challenge. But he is used to challenges in his work as partner and spokesperson for Silver Eagle Enterprises, LLP. One of his aspirations, after the people have adopted a constitution to establish rules and procedures, is to see many new jobs provided for the Lumbee people.

"I am committed to improving the job situation in the Lumbee community," he said. "I encourage tribal members to become involved and let their thoughts be known on what needs to be included in 'our' constitution. The constitution will not be a document for the Tribal Council, but will be an instrument for the governing of the Lumbee Tribe. It should be the peoples' document and we solicit your support and help."

McMillian spoke recently about Silver Eagle Enterprises, LLP. He stated that the partnership is committed to the development of fine communities. "Silver Eagle Enterprises, LLP," he said "Already has projected the development of three subdivisions. Projects include Wagon Wheel Acres located in Rennert, Cyprus Bay Subdivision located in Maxton and Eagle Point Subdivision located in Rex. Plans for each subdivision include lit and paved streets, county water access, a recreation area with a full soccer field and lot restrictions. Silver Eagle Enterprises' goal is to provide quality living at affordable cost."

Other ventures by Silver Eagle include RepoDepo LLC, a manufactured housing dealership specializing in below cost pre-owned homes. RepoDepo LLC is committed to offering personalized customer service that helps families acquire desirable homes at an affordable price. For the customer who wants to design their home, RepoDepo LLC offers customized manufactured and modular homes. Through association, RepoDepo LLC offers hundreds of homes to choose from. Financing is available with various lending programs to choose from. The primary lending partners include Conesco, Greenpoint, Origen Financial, HCI Mortgage, Homestead Mortgage and First South Bank.

T.J. Wholesale Food Distributors is another venture of Silver Eagle. These Distributors offer the finest quality in steaks, chicken, seafood, pork, vegetables and desserts. All of TJ's meats are USDA inspected and certified by the NC Department of Agriculture. With TJ's large variety of foods, planning your menu and budget are easy. All steaks are restaurant trimmed and individually packed for single servings. The vacuum sealed meats last up to ten times longer by locking in freshness and preventing freezer burn. TJ's currently accepts orders by telephone and will soon offer ordering through the Internet for faster home delivery.

RW Construction, another venture of Silver Eagle, provides a variety of services that include grading, paving and septic tank. With over 20 years experience, RW Construction is dedicated to providing a quality service at a competitive price.

For more information on the Lumbee government or any venture of Silver Eagle Enterprises, LLP, call Mr. McMillian at (910) 843-5221.

contracting, and others. The seminar is free to the public but, due to limited seating, only the first 50 persons to register may attend. If you are interested in attending, McMillian can tell you more about it.

MCU offers an array of services to include assistance with HUB Zone and 8a application and certification. The principals of MCU have over 15 years experience in marketing and have helped procure 8a contracts in excess of \$100 million. They are thoroughly familiar with the process and can help guide client companies around some of the pitfalls.

MCU will be working cooperative with local agencies to help establish Robeson County as one of the premier places to do business. Their approach is to teach small companies how to leverage their assets, to seek out advantages and maximize opportunities. They have planned a series of seminars and training sessions to assist small businesses. The first in a series of seminars will be held July 17. This initial seminar will include representatives from the SBA, DOD

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Only two classes of books are of universal appeal: the very best and the very worst.  
—Ford Maddox Ford  
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## Huddle House Now Open in Pembroke

The town of Pembroke continues to grow and meet the need of its expanding community. Many businessmen and women are also reaching out to meet the needs of the growing student population at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, an integral part of the Pembroke Community. One of the newest businesses to open in Pembroke is the Huddle House, located at 705 West Third Street and right across from UNCP's south entrance. It is open 24-hours a day and maintains its motto: "Always Open, Always Fresh," serving food and beverages all day and all night.

The Huddle House is owned by Preferred Holdings, Inc. and is designed after the 1950's style of cozy neighborhood diners. The decor has red tabletops, green is the accenting color and stainless steel grills personify a meeting place for students, faculty and members of the local community to gather any time of the day or night for home-style cooking.

Lindsey Locklear, part owner of the restaurant stated in recent interview: "The market for this type of establishment was tremendous in the

Pembroke area. Society as a whole has changed in their dining hours and we feel that we can meet the demands of this change. Everyone will benefit. It's a win, win situation." Locklear and the staff strive to make the UNCP students and the community feel welcome.

"We have some special twists, too good to call discounts that will cater especially to the students at UNCP," Locklear said.

The Huddle House in Pembroke is one of a chain that began in 1964 by the Sparks family of Decatur, Georgia. The company has grown since that time from one restaurant to more than 360 franchises located in 13 states. "Any Meal, Any Time, 24 Hours a Day" is still the mission of today's franchise. Huddle House supports a wide variety of menu items that range from five signature 'house' sandwich platters to "Big House Breakfast" and several "Life House" meals.

Preferred Holdings have plans to develop the lot behind the Huddle House. They promise that the new development will be complimentary to the community and that the UNCP community will be especially pleased.



Dr. Felicia L. Goins

## First Native American Woman to be Honored by the Governor and the State of South Carolina

Ms. Felicia L. Goins, D.D.S. is the first Native American woman to ever be honored by the Governor and the State of South Carolina in history. A descendant of the "unconquered" Eastern Band Cherokee Indians of South Carolina's upstate and North Carolina's Great Smoky Mountains in the Carolinas and the "proud" Tuscarora/Cherokee/Lumbee/Cheraw Indians in the southeastern portion of North Carolina, Dr. Goins is a Pediatric Dentist in Columbia, South Carolina, where she dedicated her life to children's smiles.

Dr. Goins' grandfather, William Goins was born in the Red Banks community (North Carolina) in 1900 and grew up near Pembroke in the Prospect community. Her father, William Goins, grew up in Fayetteville, NC. "I live in South Carolina now and have my practice in Columbia, the state capital, but I am proud of my North Carolina heritage," Dr. Goins stated.

Dr. Goins serves as a Board member of the Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois & United Tribes of South Carolina, Inc., the annual sponsors of

South Carolina's observance of Native American Heritage Month, and has served in that capacity since 1994. "We are so pleased that she was selected. She is truly deserving. She works so hard," said Ms. Joan T. Lee, Chair of the Board of Directors for the Eastern Cherokee, Southern Iroquois & United Tribes of South Carolina, Inc. aka the Cherokee Indian Tribe of South Carolina. As a recipient of the Annual South Carolina Women of Achievement Award, Dr. Goins takes her rightfully deserved place with over 52 previous honorees. She is being honored for her dedication, expertise, and tireless work of achievement and excellence.

South Carolina Governor Jim Hodges stated, "Your leadership in the field of pediatric dentistry and within the Native American tribal community, in addition to your devotion as a mother and a concerned citizen culminate in an invaluable asset to our state. I am grateful to you for inspiring the women of South Carolina to set high goals and to share their special gifts with family, community and the state. Through your example, you challenge South Carolina women to

service."

Established in 1971, the Governor's Commission on Women has a mission to enhance the quality of life for all South Carolinians by promoting equality of opportunity for South Carolina women and their families. Under this charge, the Commission advises the Governor on matters relating to the needs of women in South Carolina. Committed to improving the status of all women by ensuring the opportunity to develop their full potential, the Commission has the responsibility to identify problems, define issues and recommend policies and procedures—generally falling into one of five categories: workplace, family, society, violence and equity—in order to change practices which prevent full participation of women in society. In an effort to fulfill their mission, the Commission staff provides referral services to constituents and promotes networking and coalition building among similarly oriented groups. Finally, with the annual Women of Achievement Awards, the Commission, together with the Governor, publicly and officially recognizes outstanding women who have made noteworthy achievement in South Carolina.

## Native American Literary Voices in its 6th Year

PEMBROKE, N.C.- The sixth annual Native American Literary Voices will be held Saturday, July 7, 2:30 p.m. in the second floor auditorium of Dial Building at UNC Pembroke.

The annual literary readings and writing contests are part of Lumbee Homecoming. The theme this year is "A celebration of the Lumbee River in literature."

The winners of contests will read their poetry. They receive \$100 prize and the copy of "The Only Land I Know" by Adolph Dial and David Eliades. The winners are:

\* Kelly Jacobs of Oxendine Elementary School for her poem, "Fishing Thoughts."

\* Linsey Dial of South Scotland Elementary for her short story, "Lumber River Maiden."

\* Chad Locklear, a student at North Carolina State University, a double winner for his poem, "Wash Away," and short story, "Emergence."

Also reading are published writers Patsy Baker of Pembroke, Gaye Simmons Cushing of Lumberton and Delano Cummings of Pembroke.

A reception on the first floor of the Dial Building will follow the readings.

"It should be a great event this year," said Professor Robert Reising, co-director of the event with Barbara Brayboy Locklear. "This is a year of firsts. It is the first year of elementary school competition, the first time we have had a double winner and the first time Delano Cummings has read publicly from his new book, "River Dreams."

Sponsors are the Lumbee Regional Development Association, the Lumberton Visitors Bureau, Frank and Mary Doris Dial Caple and Hayes Allen Locklear of Mother Earth Creations.

### A CALL FOR POEMS

Write a poem and win the \$1,000.00 grand prize! Hollywood's Famous Poets Society is sponsoring a new poetry contest, open to everyone. There is no entry fee.

To enter send one poem of 21 lines or less: Free Poetry Contest, PMB126, 1626 N. Wilcox Ave., Hollywood, CA 90028. Or enter online at www.famouspoets.com. A winner's list will be sent to all entrants.

"This is our big contest of the year," says Executive Director Mark Schramm. "We trust our prizes will encourage new poets to share their talent."—The deadline for entering is July 26, 2001.

### WIA Participants Receive Degrees

Several of LRDA's Workforce Investment Act Classroom Training Participants obtained their degrees in various fields.

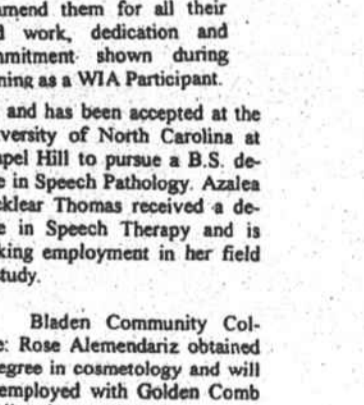
The classroom training program provides financial assistance and on going counseling to eligible participants to attend local community colleges in a one and two year programs and also short term skill training.

On May 17th 2001, the program had 6 students to receive degrees in various occupational areas. Following is a list of the graduates, their degrees and future plans.

Robeson Community College: Kristy Scott received a degree in Criminal Justice and plans to continue her education at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Kandra Locklear received certification in Certified Nursing Assistance (CNA) I & II and is employed by Native Angels Health Care in Lumberton, NC. Raphael Locklear completed his degree in Industrial Maintenance and is seeking employment with LOF.

Fayetteville Technical Community College: Tara Deese received a degree in Speech Therapy and has been accepted at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to pursue a B.S. degree in Speech Pathology. Azalea Locklear Thomas received a degree in Speech Therapy and is seeking employment in her field of study.

LRDA Board of Directors and WIA Staff proudly congratulates these participants for successfully



### "And the Winner Is"

And the winner is... Oh, how your heart will pound! The moment you've been waiting for has finally come around. But stop, suppose you don't win. Suppose you don't get the fame. It isn't winning that counts so much. It's how you played the game. Each one is a winner; you've won the greatest gifts that God can give. You've won friends and live to cherish. It's why people want to live. If you win the crown and roses, but not the friends and love, you're a loser, not a winner, just ask the Lord above. Your friends and love will last forever. Yes, forever and a day. But the crown and roses will rust and crumble and quickly fade away. You moms and dads are seated here, with teardrops in their eyes. Their hearts are beating just like yours to hear who won the prize. To them, you're each a little bit of heaven. To your friends, you are the same. To be happy and successful, you don't need to have the fame. So if you don't win the crown and the roses, remember... One of your best friends will.

Your Friend,  
Takonna Lyn Bullard  
Little Miss Lumbee  
2000-2001

## Jacobs Receives South Korean War Medal and Other Honors

Seaman First Class Erwin Jacobs of Maxton, NC, Robeson County, has received his South Korean War Medal and Ribbon, also a letter in English and Korean from South Korea's President, Kim Dae-Jung, thanking him for his help in securing South Korea as a Free Republic.

Jacobs stated that he had waited 48 years for this medal. (The USA was one of very few countries that would not let the military accept this medal while in service.) Jacobs earned two engagement stars on his American Medal and Service Ribbon in Korea aboard the U.S.S. George Clymer APA 27 in 1952-53.

Jacobs has received a Certificate of Recognition from the Secretary of Defense from serving in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. This is his fifth medal to wear proudly. Mr. Jacobs is now a member of the American Legion Post #50 in Laurinburg, NC. He is to join his shipmates October 4th, 2001 at Fort Worth, Texas for a Ship's Reunion.



Seaman Apprentices Kenneth (Billy) Holmes and Erwin Jacobs are shown after their arrival in Yokosuka Japan November 29th, 1952 on Different Man of War Ships for San Diego, California.



Raphael Locklear



Tara Deese



Azalea Locklear Thomas