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New Business Comes to Pembroke



Legal Network Technologies, Inc., a new Robeson County business, is a subsidiary of Native technologies, Inc. of Washington, DC and Pembroke, NC. Native Technologies, an 8a and Hub-zone company, has a rich history of successful hardware and software purchasing and development contracts with military, government, and private entities. Building on this success, Legal Network Technologies provides primarily computer networking, imaging, and communications solutions for the legal, medical, and government communities.

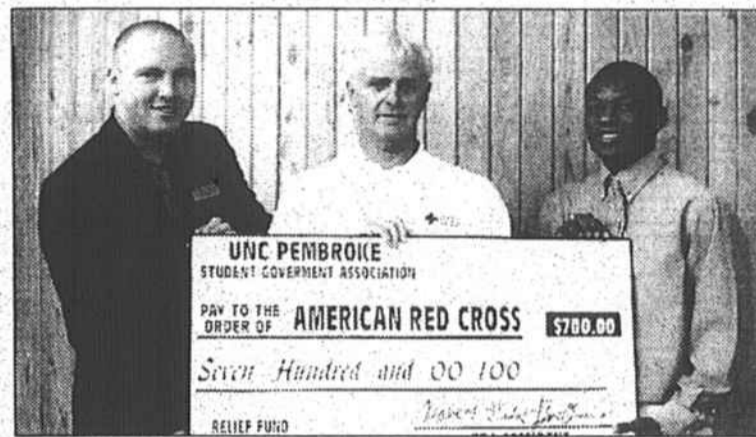
Diverse experience, along with the support and expertise of our parent company, gives Legal Network Technologies a unique and solid position in the business community. Special services include internet access security, virtual private networks over the internet and remote data backups, wide-area networks connecting multiple locations, telecommunication services, and document imaging and archiving.

Dr. Howard Whetzel, President and CEO of Native Technologies, is former Deputy Director of the Defense Intelligence Agency and is widely known for his expertise in electronic combat, security and data warehousing, and hardware/software development. John Spence, President and COO of Legal Network Technologies, has a 24-year track record of hardware/software design and development, managing engineering and networking personnel, owning and managing his own computer networking firm, and most recently as an accounts specialist and sales engineer for a large telecommunications company. The contracts and operations executives have over 50 years of combined management and project experience. Network and document specialists are specially-trained and certified to perform quality work in a timely and customer-oriented manner.

Services are very affordable and can be customized to suit each individual business. Recognizing that every business is unique, Legal Network Technologies will tailor special service programs to their requirements. Customer service is the highest priority - always.

Legal Network Technologies is looking forward to continued growth in the Robeson County community and committed to quality and service excellence that businesses can trust. For employment and sales information, John Spence can be reached at 866-708-6674 or locally at 522-6612.

Student Government Association Donates \$700 to Red Cross During Forum on Terrorism



Pictured are (from left) SGA President Dane Onorio, wrestling coach and Robeson County Red Cross Executive Board member, P. J. Smith, and SGA Vice President for Finance, Brandon Davis.

PEMBROKE, N.C. - "The September 11 terrorist attack represents a serious threat to our way of life," said Dr. Frank Trapp, professor of political science at UNC PEMBROKE.

Dr. Trapp and Dr. Waston Cook of the History Department discussed the attacks and its aftermath Wednesday in a forum at UNCP's University Center. Money collected on campus by the Student Government association (SGA) after the terrorist attacks on New York and Washington, D.C., totaling \$700, was turned over to the Red Cross Disaster Relief Fund before the forum.

"It's good to see that our students are taking an active role in world events and coming to the aid of people in need," P. J. Smith said. Mr. Smith, who is UNCP's head wrestling coach and director of the Aquatics Program, is an executive board member and local Disaster Relief Committee chair for the Robeson County Red Cross.

SGA President Dane Onorio said it was a "Wonderful response to a crisis" and "efforts will continue."

Dr. Cook offered a historic perspective on Muslim terrorism. "America is part of the Islamic world with 5-7 million Muslims living here, many are third and fourth generation citizens," Dr. Cook said. "This is going to change our political reality."

"Many Muslims blame the U. S. for a variety of reasons dating back to World War II," he said. "We as Americans must do some soul searching when it comes to the Muslim world."

Dr. Trapp, who was stationed in Afghanistan as a U.S. Marine, said a traditional ground was there would be disastrous. The terrorist threat will not go away with Osama bin Laden's death.

"We must develop a comprehensive strategy regarding terrorism," he said. "If they successfully poison the water supply of a small to medium-sized city, who will feel safe again?"

About 50 students, faculty and staff attended the forum.

Lumberton High's 7th Annual Band Day

LUMBERTON, N.C. -- Lumberton High's Seventh Annual Band Day is scheduled for October 20, 2001 at Brooks Stadium. About 20 bands from North Carolina, South Carolina and Virginia are expected to perform and compete. The event begins at 2:00 P.M. with the gates opening at Noon. Admission price is \$5.00 for adults, \$4.00 for senior citizens, \$3.00 for students with school ID's and children under 5 admitted free. Refreshments will be available. The event is sponsored by the Public Schools of Robeson County and the Lumberton Band Fan, Inc.

The bands will compete in four categories: Class A, up to 40 horns; Class AA, 41 to 60 horns; Class AAA, 61 to 80 horns; and Class AAAA, 81 horns and more. Awards and plaques will be given. There will be a Grand Champion and a Runner-up named.

This event serves to shine the spotlight of well-deserved recognition on the accomplishments of all the band members efforts.

Come enjoy listening to good music and add to that color, choreography, movement and pageantry of the marching band experience and we are sure you will have a great day.

For more information contact: Laurence A. Harvey at (910) 671-6050.



Shown left to right are: Eric Freeman, Kansas City Royals; Coach Paul O'Neil, UNCP; and Brandon Warriax, Texas Rangers.

Prospect Ball Day October 12 & 13 with Professional Players

On October 12 and 13, 2001 the Prospect Coaches of baseball will hold a two-day baseball clinic. Guest clinicians will be former little leaguers and now professional leaguers Eric Freeman and Brandon Warriax. These two men will be assisted by some of the community's own college/university baseball players. Eric is part of the Kansas City Royals organization and Brandon is of the Texas Rangers Baseball program. Both Eric and Brandon come with a wealth of knowledge about the game of baseball. Eric is a left-handed pitcher and Brandon is a short stop, key positions for a baseball team. Participants will learn more about the success of these young men on Friday, October 12th and Saturday, October 13th. Also appearing on Friday will be the head baseball coach of the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, Coach Paul O'Neil, who will challenge the participants "to give their best for success."

Friday, October 12, will be the clinic for ages 8-12 and will be conducted at the Prospect softball field (the field southwest of Prospect School in front of the Prospect United Methodist Church) from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Saturday, October 13 will be the clinic for ages 13-18 and will be conducted at the Purnell Swett High School Baseball Field (back of school) from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.

To end the day there will be games played to let the participants put to practice what they have learned. The games will take place after lunch around 1 p.m. Parents are invited to attend the games. Participants are to bring their baseball equipment and are to dress like a baseball player.

Lunch will be served, an autographed baseball will be given, and baseball instructions will be shared at a cost of only \$20. Registration forms will be available at your school and Prospect United Methodist Church on Monday, October 8, 2001.

All baseball players are invited to attend these baseball clinics on Friday, October 12, and Saturday, October 13.

For more information contact Dwayne Jones (910) 521-3213, Louisa Locklear at Prospect UMC (910) 521-2111 or Harold D. Jacobs at (910) 521-8669.

LUMBEE FALL OLD-STYLE POWWOW

Pembroke, NC-- On October 26-28, 2001, the Lumbee Regional Development Association will be sponsoring the Lumbee Fall Old-Style Powwow at the NC Indian Cultural Center on Recreation Road.

This year we will be featuring - John Oxendine as the Head Male Dancer, Miss Lumbee 2001 Jami Lowry, and the Master of Ceremonies will be Ray Littleturtle. The powwow will also serve as the kickoff to Indian Heritage Month- a month of American Indian and cultural awareness sponsored by the North Carolina Commission of Indian Affairs.

The public is welcome to attend. Everyone will enjoy American Indian art and crafts, food, dancers and drummers. Admission is \$5.00 for general admission, \$3.00 for 62 years and older, 12 years and under. All handicapped guests enter for free.

For more information, please contact angel Lilly-Clark at (910) 521-8602 or visit our website at www.lumbee.org.

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The New Miss USA Eastern National Tiny Miss



Evita Saybrianna Sanderson was recently crowned as the first USA Eastern National Tiny Miss. She also won Photogenic, Swimwear, Sleepwear, Sportswear, and Most Beautiful in her age group.

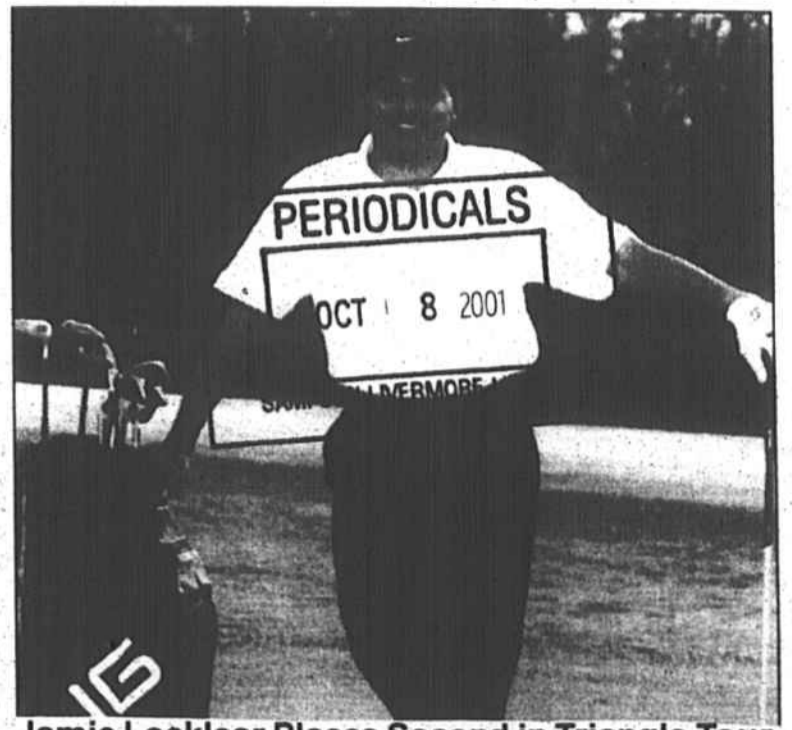
Evita is the 4 year old daughter of Sabrian Sanderson and Micheal Floyd. The granddaughter of Sylvia L. Sanderson and the late James Edward and Mary Francis Floyd. The great granddaughter of the late Gus Howard and Eva Mae Locklear and the late Ira and Nancy Sanderson.

Connecting North Carolina to a Better Future; e-NC Campaign

Raleigh, NC--Recently leaders of the e-NC campaign, an effort to connect all North Carolinians to the Internet, voted on \$2.8 million in grant funds to go to five, economically distressed communities across North Carolina. The funds will go to establish telecenters, or technology hubs in communities. The votes comes one day after the e-NC campaign officially kicked off statewide with endorsements by local and national figures and announcements of public engagement grant funds.

"The e-NC campaign is doing more than just showing people how to incorporate the Internet into their lives- it is giving people and communities the means to do it," said Dr. James Leutze, chancellor of the University of North Carolina at Wilmington and chairman of the campaign.

Recipients of the telecenter grants, which ranged between \$450,000 and \$650,000 each, are located in Allegheny, Cherokee, Duplin, Martin and Robeson counties, NC. The organizations receiving these funds will use them to help surrounding counties; a total of 18 counties will be served. Grant recipients were chosen from a pool of 16 applicants and underwent rigorous evaluations and site visits.



Jamie Locklear Places Second in Triangle Tour Tournament

Jamie Locklear, Pro Golfer of Pembroke continues to move up in the competition in the Triangle golf tour. Locklear tied for second in a Triangle Tournament at Beacon Ridge Golf Course, near Pinehurst, on September 22.

Jamie Locklear finished with a score of 70 on the par 72 course. The score was Locklear's best finish so far in his pro career. Locklear tied for second with two other golfer's and they split the prize money. Locklear won more than \$500 for his second place finish.

Locklear said he has continued to improve on his game play and his strategy for winning. He has developed a lot of friends with more experienced golfers who have been helpful to his game.

In recent months, Jamie has worked with disadvantaged students in Robeson County schools to help them learn about golf. Locklear has worked with a special program operated by Lumber River Council of Governments and the youth centers in Maxton, Red Springs, Rowland, and Fairmont.

The program provides individual lessons in golf as an incentive for high performing students who participate in the youth centers. Locklear said he plans to work with over 60 students in this program. "Golf is an excellent sport to help develop physical fitness as well as social, and networking skills. Youths learn to improve self-discipline and to better focus on the task at hand," he said.

Locklear has received much publicity for his efforts. Jamie noted that articles about his efforts with the Triangle Tour have been published in local newspapers and Golfweek magazine.

Locklear said, "I wish to thank the area golfers for their continued support." He noted that several area businesses have provided extensive support including: Pembroke Area Chamber of Commerce, Lumber River Council of Governments, UNC-Pembroke, Old Foundry Body Shop, Lonnie Locklear & Sons Construction, First Health, and Shear Touch Hair Salon.

Tribal Council Begins Staffing

At a called meeting of the Tribal Council on Thursday, Milton R. Hunt, Chair of the Tribal Council of the Lumbee Nation, announced that staff has been employed to begin the planning, organization, add administration of tribal programs and operations. Several grants are pending and the new staff will organize for awards that have been received, award expected to be funded, and grants and programs applied for and expected to be funded to the council in the next few months.

Dr. Ruth Dial Woods, retired Robeson County educator, community leader, and educational and program consultant will assist the Tribal Council as "acting" Tribal Administrator while providing technical assistance and support in organizational development, program planning and development, and overall administration.

Billy Brooks, a former Rehabilitation/New Construction Supervisor with the North Carolina Indian Housing Authority has been selected as Director of Housing. Mr. Brooks worked with Lumber River Council of Governments in the area of modernization and rehabilitation for nonprofit agencies and elderly programs and construction framing and finishing with Oxendine Construction in Shannon.

Ruth B. Locklear will serve as office manager and brings to the position more than 20 years experience in grant writing and program development. She is the former Director of Lumbee Tribal Enrollment, coordinator of Lumbee Federal Recognition, and has experience with Lumber River Legal Services.

Patrick Lynn Bullard, formerly a financial analyst with ZF Meritor, finance officer for the Public School of Robeson County, and Chief of the Accounting and Finance Branch of Pope Air force Base in Fayetteville, North Carolina, will serve as the comptroller with oversight and responsibility for fiscal accountability.

According to Chairman Hunt, the Tribal Programs Office is being established in temporary quarters on Union Chapel Road. It is expected that the staff and current programs will be operational by November 1 and announcements of availability of programs and services will be made to the public at that time.

The telecenters will offer one of three services or combinations of services; training in computer and Internet use, providing a technical resource center for communities, and acting as a business incubator. Grant funds will be available in October 2001.

On September 26, 2001, the e-NC campaign kicked off through concurrent meetings held in six locations across North Carolina: Boone, Elizabeth City, Fayetteville, Greenville, Raleigh and Waynesville. A morning satellite broadcast linked the meetings together. The broadcast featured local and national leaders including Dr. James Leutze; Governor Mike Easley; and keynote speaker Mike Nelson, director of Internet technology and strategy for IBM Corporation. The leaders called on North Carolinians to be catalysts for local change and commented on the Internet a powerful economic and social force. Following the broadcast, panels and discussions were held at each site. Panelists shared personal stories on the Internet's positive impact on their lives, businesses and communities with approximately 500 kick off participants.

Immediately following the meetings, the e-NC campaign announced a

new public engagement grants for North Carolina's most economically distressed community. Available in January 2002 the grants will range from \$3,000 to \$5,000. Funds will go toward community planning for high speed Internet expansion.

Communities interested in applying for grants and people interested in learning more about the campaign can visit the e-NC Web site, www.e-nc.org, which was launched at the regional meetings. The campaign urges citizens who do not have Internet access to visit a public access area, such as a local public library in order to check out the Web site. Citizens also may call 1-866-NCRURAL (627-8725) to speak with a staff person.

About e-NC and the Rural Internet Access Authority:

The e-NC campaign is led by the Rural Internet Access Authority, which was created by the state legislature in August 2000. Its members are named by the Governor and General Assembly. The goal of the e-NC campaign is to link all North Carolinians, especially those in rural areas to the NC Rural Economic Development Center, 4021 Cary Drive, Raleigh, NC 27610.