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A Message from Junior Miss Lumbee Johna Edmonds



A cloud descended on our nation on September 11, 2001. That cloud brought with it a deep sorrow, a sense of fear, and the loss of many mothers, fathers, daughters, and sons. In time, every cloud parts to reveal the sun, which brings with it a sense of hope and life.

As a young person, such tragedy is new to me. Our elders and our forefathers have witnessed tragedy in the past and they have risen above it all to stand tall. Our elders have taught us that there is hope and that the sun will indeed shine through that dark cloud. We will find peace and we will

feel safe as a nation.

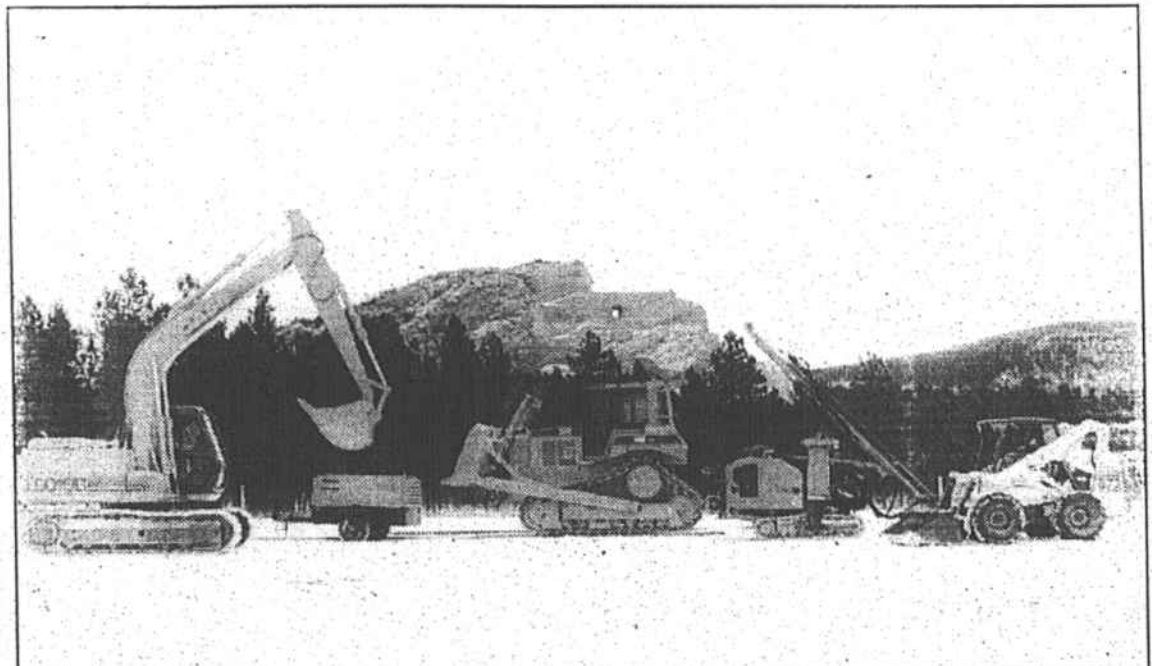
As we prepare to celebrate the holiday, let us all remember those who sacrificed so much for our nation. No tragedy will take from us the right to be free and the right to celebrate that, which is good within us all. Let us celebrate as a nation and as a tribe. Remember those families who have given up a loved one to this tragedy and remember those who fight to insure our continued freedom.

Take time to share with someone in need or to brighten the day of someone who needs a smile. Take the time to focus on the "Reason for the Sea-

son" and to share both your time and your talents with others. Thank God for all that He has done to enrich your life. Take the time to say thank you to those who have nurtured you and your heritage. Give praise to your ancestors, for they are your past and you are their future.

Christmas presents, Christmas Carols, and the coming New Year. Wow! What a wonderful time to celebrate and appreciate all that we have, all that we are, and all that we can be!

May your holidays be filled with the love of your family and friends, peace and lots of joy!



Five pieces of heavy equipment recently donated by four major manufactures will accelerate progress on the Crazy Horse mountain carving seen one mile in the distance.

Crazy Horse given Equipment Worth \$381,500

Crazy Horse Mem., SD-- Progress on the Crazy Horse mountain carving will be speeded by donations of five pieces of heavy equipment given by four of the nation's leading manufacturers.

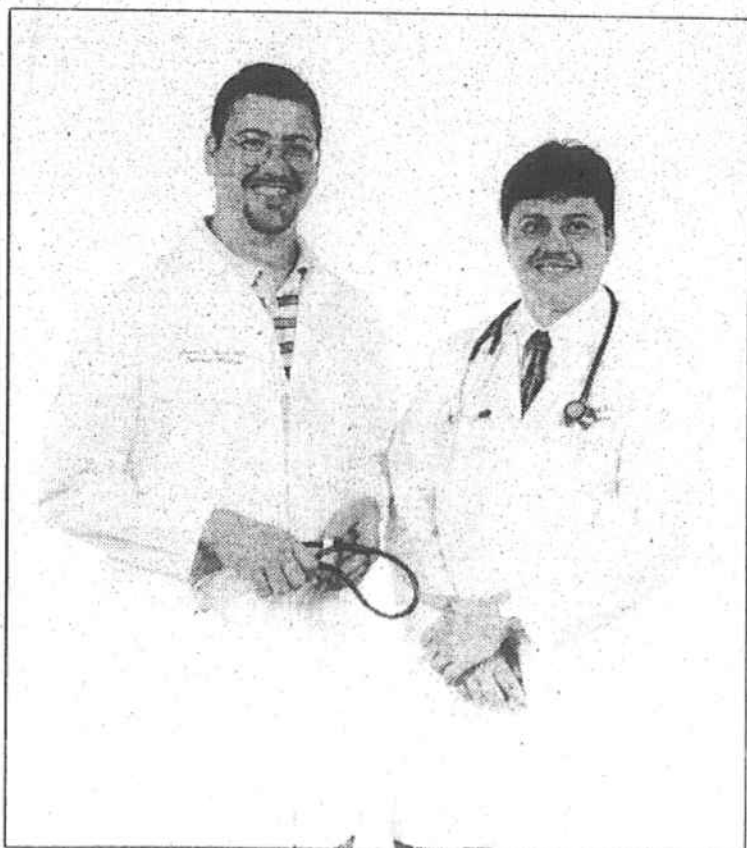
"All of this nearly-new or refurbished equipment will make a tremendous difference in our work on the mountain," said Jim Emery, treasurer of the nonprofit Crazy Horse Memorial Foundation. "We greatly appreciate this latest industry support from firms which have made major equipment contributions in the past. Their help provides incentive for

other corporate participation to accelerate the progress we're making on the nonprofit Memorial."

The equipment has a combined estimated value of \$381,500 and was donated by: ATLAS COPCO CMT US-- a small track drill valued at \$75,000 which can be used on the narrower access roads being created to block-out the Horse's head; the firm also contributed \$5,000 worth of hand drills and other items and, in 1999, a new air compressor with a value of \$8,500; THE BOBCAT COMPANY with JENNER EQUIPMENT of Rapid City, S.D.-- a skid-loader valued

at \$28,000 which is being used for a wide variety of tasks on and off the mountain; CASE CREDIT and CASE CONSTRUCTION EQUIPMENT, divisions of CASE NEW HOLLAND, INC.-- a 14-ton 901B excavator valued at \$40,000 with an arm and bucket capable of reaching a height of 30 feet which will provide new flexibility and increased safety in the mountain work; CATERPILLAR, INC.-- a D-6 track-type bulldozer with estimated value of \$225,000 which immediately became the first-line piece of earth moving equipment on the mountain.

West Brothers Achieve Board Certification



Laurinburg, NC- Drs. Danny and James West of West Primary-Urgent care in Pembroke have recently become board certified in their respective specialties.

Dr. Danny West, family practice physician, is now board certified as a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Practice (ABFP), the certifying entity for the specialty of family practice. Family practice physicians earn diplomate status by passing the ABFP's certification examination, and intensive written test of a physician's knowledge in pediatrics, internal medicine, surgery, obstetrics, gynecology, psychiatry, prevention and other aspects of family practice.

Dr. James West, internal medicine, is board certified as a Diplomate of the American board of Internal Medicine (ABIM). The ABIM is a private, non-profit corporation established in 1936. Its mission is to enhance the quality of health care available to the American public by continuously improving the process and maintaining high standards for certifying individual internists and subspecialists who possess the knowledge, skills, and attitudes essential for the provision of excellent care. Internists also must pass a rigorous written test to earn certification in their specialty.

Together, the West brothers provide medical care for the entire family at Pembroke's newest primary care practice, West Primary-Urgent Care. The practice is located at 923 W. Third St., in the FirstHealth Family Care Center. Both physicians maintain privileges at Scotland Memorial Hospital in Laurinburg. Appointments can be made by calling (910) 522-8888.



From left: PACC President Ben Jacobs, Mrs. Barbara Meadors, Howard Brooks, PACC Secretary Angela Revels, UNCP Chancellor Allen C. Meadors, Lucille Locklear, Spencer Howington and Ray Shaw.

Pembroke Chamber, UNCP Host Holiday Mixer

Pembroke, N.C.- The Pembroke Area Chamber of Commerce (PACC) hosted a Holiday After-Hours Mixer on Dec. 18 at the Chancellor's Residence. Guests gathered to network, enjoy the holiday decorations and to share information about upcoming events during the holidays.

Chancellor and Mrs. Allen C. Meadors and officers of the Pembroke Chamber greeted guests, who enjoyed a variety of food, drink and holiday carols. The event was sponsored by Shaw Office Supply, First Bank, PACC and UNCP.

During the event PACC President Ben Jacobs reported on recent activities of the chamber. The Pembroke Chamber will hold its annual banquet on Jan. 26, at UNC Pembroke.

President Jacobs said a major point of interest for the annual banquet is the selection of the "Business of the Year."

"This year our candidates for the honor of Business of the Year have experienced high growth; they have established offices on a regional level; they conduct business on the Internet and they compete for business in the global marketplace," Mr. Jacobs said.

The PACC has had a busy and successful year, Mr. Jacobs said.

"The officers of the Pembroke Area Chamber of Commerce wish to thank the Pembroke community for its support during the year," he said. "We wish a happy holiday season to all and a prosperous New Year. Thank you for the opportunity to serve."

Brian Brooks is the executive director of the Chamber, Teresa Cummings is vice president. Ron Brown is treasurer and Angela Revels is secretary.

The annual banquet is open to all. For information, please call 521-8602.



In 1824, a German inventor, Johann N. Malzel, patented the device inside dolls that makes them say "Mama."

North Carolina Native American Scholarship Growing at UNCP



Pembroke, N.C.- Thanks to Carolina Power and Light Company's latest gift, the North Carolina Native American Scholarship at UNC Pembroke grew in December.

Local Weatherspoon Plant Manager Mark Frederick recently delivered a \$5,000 check to the university. With this contribution, the endowed scholarship fund surpassed \$13,000.

CP&L supports diversity and education in the communities it serves, Mr. Frederick said.

"We are very pleased to continue our partnership with the university," Mr. Frederick said. "CP&L supports education in our communities, and we believe education is a great investment."

The North Carolina Native American Scholarship Fund is an endowed or permanent scholarship of UNCP. The scholarship was founded in 2000 by UNCP graduate Chris Kirks.

A Coharie Indian from Sampson County, Mr. Kirks approached CP&L for support last year. The company contributed \$5,000 to endow the scholarship. On his own initiative, Mr. Kirks went to CP&L headquarters again this year to seek a matching gift.

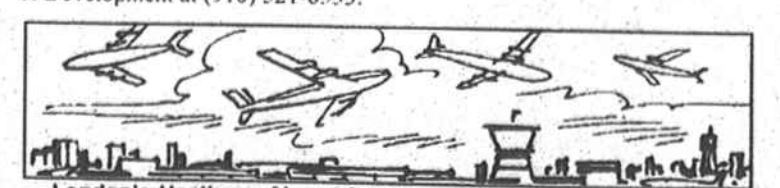
Chancellor Allen C. Meadors thanked the company for its support of the Native American Scholarship.

"CP&L and UNC Pembroke have a long history of working together," Chancellor Meadors said. "We thank them for their generous support of this vital program and for their contribution to improving scholarship on campus."

Headquartered in Raleigh, CP&L is a wholly owned subsidiary of Progress Energy Company.

Weatherspoon is a 29-year-old electric generating plant and is one of eight fossil fuel plants that the company owns. The Lumberton plant, which is a model of operating efficiency for the company, employs 55.

Information or contributions to this fund may be made by calling the Office of Development at (910) 521-6533.



London's Heathrow Airport is one of the world's busiest with 47.7 million passengers a year.