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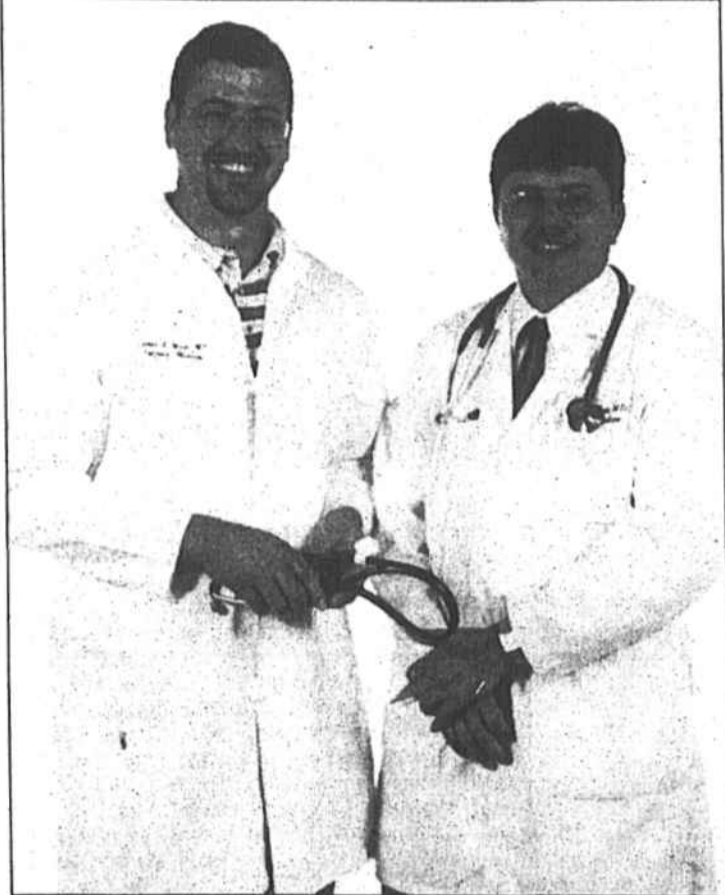
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Drs. James & Danny West

Grab Your Boots And Gloves- It's Time For Big Sweep!

The 2002 North Carolina Big Sweep waterways cleanup is this weekend, and your help is needed.

"Everyone must put safety first as we remove all of the trash along North Carolina's waterways," said Mike Kestner, chairman of N.C. Big Sweep. "We don't want anyone getting hurt."

To make it a safe, enjoyable Big Sweep, follow these tips:

- Protect yourself from the sun, and wear insect repellent.
- Watch out for poison oak, poison ivy, snakes, yellow jackets and other stinging insects.
- Wear gloves, and don't go barefoot. Instead, wear sturdy, closed-toed shoes.
- Always clean with a buddy. If you or your buddy gets hurt, tell your zone captain immediately.
- Be careful on creeks and riverbanks. They can be steep, slippery and unstable. If you're unsure of the conditions, find a safer access.
- Don't wade into creeks and rivers where the current is fast-moving.
- Wear a life jacket if you're cleaning by boat, and don't wade into water to pick up debris unless you're an experienced swimmer, are wearing a life jacket and know the depth of the water.
- Don't pick up anything that looks heavy. Alert your zone captain so it can be picked up later.
- If you find an animal—dead or alive—don't touch it. Animals can carry diseases, and trapped or injured animals may bite. Report any animals found to your zone captain.
- Don't touch medical waste, chemical containers, barrels, pesticides or anything marked "dangerous," "toxic," "explosive," "hazardous," or "poison." Tell your zone captain if you find any of these items.
- If it looks dangerous, it probably is and stay away from it.
- Wear comfortable, old clothes that you don't mind getting dirty or wet.
- Take a snack and plenty of water to drink.

Set for Sept. 21, the 2002 North Carolina Big Sweep is a one-day event to remove litter along North Carolina's waterways. It was initiated in 1987 as a coastal cleanup called Beach Sweep. The event expanded inland and was renamed Big Sweep in 1989. In its 15-year history, more than 163,500 volunteers have retrieved over 5 million pounds of debris from North Carolina's waterways.

To volunteer, call the Big Sweep hotline at 1-800-27-SWEEP or visit their Web site at ncbigwsweep.org.

N.C. Big Sweep is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit that works year-round to educate citizens for litter-free waters. It is best known for coordinating the annual statewide waterways cleanup on the third Saturday in September. N.C. Big Sweep's board of directors is comprised of individuals who represent several of North Carolina's businesses, other nonprofit organizations and governmental agencies.



Christina Hardin, MD

Christina Hardin, MD joins SRMC medical staff

Christina Hardin, M.D., has joined the medical staff of Southeastern Regional Medical Center. She is associated in private practice with Pembroke Pediatrics and the Lumberton Children's Clinic.

A native of Red Springs, Dr. Hardin earned a bachelor of arts degree in biology from UNC Chapel Hill in 1995. She attended medical school at UNC Chapel Hill where she received her degree in 1999. Earlier this year, she completed a three-year residency program in pediatrics at East Carolina and Pitt Memorial Hospital in Greenville, N.C.

"I choose to practice in Pembroke because I am from this area and have always wanted to return to make health better for the children of this area," she said. Dr. Hardin's parents, Harry and Shelby Hardin, live in Red Springs.

"I am very excited to be back in my home area—to take care of the youth in this area," she said. Dr. Hardin's parents, Harry and Shelby Hardin, live in Red Springs.

Dr. Hardin is accepting new patients. Call 521-0201 for an appointment.

West Brothers Celebrate One Year in Pembroke

Coming home to Pembroke practice medicine was a good thing for Doctors Danny and James West. Their medical practice, West Primary-Urgent Care, is located at 923 W. 3rd St. Pembroke. The doctors provide medical care to the very community where they were born and grew up. Dr. Danny is a family medicine physician and Dr. James is an internal medicine physician.

Open a year now, the doctors and their entire staff invite the community to join them on September 24 between 5:00 and 7:00 p.m. as they celebrate their anniversary. "We invite our community to come out on September 24th to tour our beautiful facility, talk with us, and learn more about us," said Dr. James West. "Rev. Dalton Brooks, Pastor of Dundarrach Baptist Church, will kick off the open house with prayer. Refreshments will be served."

The doctors credit both Scotland Health Care System and FirstHealth of the Carolinas with the success achieved in their first year in Pembroke. "Both these health care systems have been very supportive of our practice," commented Dr. Danny West. "Having access to both facilities has created the ultimate in open access to medical care, allowing us to provide local high quality care in excellent specialty referral center. Our patients benefit greatly. We also want to thank the community for their support. Our goal when we opened the practice last year was to reach 1,000 patients within our first year and we have easily exceeded that number. We look forward to continued growth and getting to know more of our community members."

The practice has grown from five to eight staff members in this short time frame.

Dr. James West calls the first year a learning experience. "Our staff is the finest you could find. We have all gained a lot of valuable experience this first year. From the front office staff to the nurses, they have done a great job helping the practice do well by increasing their skills and cross training so that they are able to support both physicians and provide care for both pediatric and adult patients."

Assisting the brothers in the practice are Dr. Danny's wife Dori, RN, and Dr. James' wife, Paula, who is office manager. "We are here for our patients and want them to know that they are welcome anytime," said Dr. Danny West. To contact West Primary-Urgent Care, call 910-522-8888.

Stop by West Primary-Urgent Care on September 24th during the open house from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. and visit the entire staff.

As I See It

by Bruce Barton

Philosophical differences about the Carolina Indian Voice cause me to opt for filial love and go back from whence I came

Sister Connee Barton Brayboy and I recently attempted to reinvent the wheel, join forces anew, and work in unison to enhance and improve the Carolina Indian Voice. Philosophical differences about how to do that have caused me to withdraw my offer, but not my love. I love my sister more than I love the Carolina Indian Voice, or philosophical differences. My sister and I will always love one another, and I will always come to her aid if she needs me... and vice versa. But we are Bartons to the core; genetic offspring of Lew Barton and Harker R. Barton and Nathaniel E. Barton and the original Maine-sprung Charles E. Barton. All Bartons, as far as I know, are single minded and independent minded about what they do and how they do it. And Connee and I are no different from the rest of the prickly Bartons. Connee and I just cannot figure out how to work together as owners and be fiercely and singularly independent at the self-same time. For that reason, and that reason only, I have gone back to my peculiar and spiritual lair, from whence I came. And Connee continues at the helm of the Carolina Indian Voice.

If I help Connee in the future, and I will, it will be for free, Lord willing, and the creek does not rise. And I hope every reader will help her too. She still owns the Carolina Indian Voice, and I love her always. Amen! **And I will love her always, no matter what happens on this unpredictable life plane.**

I will continue to prepare the obituaries for the Carolina Indian Voice, write AS I SEE IT as often as I can, and help in every other imaginable way possible.

Henry Dial, Contractor, for the entrance columns of the John David Locklear and Lovedy Brooks Locklear Memorial Cemetery is shown at work on the columns which began September 11. continued on Page 2

Who Am I? by Erwin Jacobs

As we make progress, photos will be taken. Photos have been taken and sent out to the ones that contributed to the first phase. I would like to thank Cousin Shawn Ackerman and the three sons of Ann Byrd for their help in getting the pillars for the entrance erected. Your help will be greatly appreciated in helping to get the fence and gates done.

God will bless you and we will get joy from paying tribute to two wonderful people of Robeson County.



Lumbee Ambassadors Attend Baltimore Pow Wow

On August 22, 2002, the Lumbee Ambassadors traveled to Baltimore, Maryland to attend the Annual Baltimore Pow-Wow held August 23-25, 2002.

Miss Lumbee Hollie Young, Teen Miss Lumbee Deidra Locklear, Junior Miss Lumbee Kristen Emanuel, and Little Miss Lumbee Taylor Smith attended the three-day event with their families and friends. This is the first pow wow for their 2002-2003 reigns.

For more information about trip and for more photos, please visit the ambassadors online at www.lumbee.org.

State Award Winner

Etherlene Scott of the Robeson County Center of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension Service has been awarded the statewide Outstanding Paraprofessional Award from the North Carolina Extension Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. Mrs. Scott works with the Expanded Food and Nutrition Education Program. She has been employed by the Extension Service for four years. The award recognized her skill at networking with numerous agencies to reach more consumers with nutrition education.

Mrs. Scott is married to Rev. Willie Scott, Jr., and resides in Pembroke.

She received her award at the state meeting Of the North Carolina Extension Association of Paraprofessionals, Program Assistants, and Technicians held recently at Atlantic Beach, N.C.



Mrs. Etherlene Scott is shown receiving her award from Susan Noble, County Extension Agent from Robeson County.