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Sen. Dole announces introduction of the Lumbee Bill at Rally in Lumberton

More than 700 people gathered at the Farmers Market in Lumberton to hear from Senator Elizabeth Dole on Tuesday night. The event turned into a rally as Sen. Dole announced that she had introduced the Lumbee Bill on Friday. The Lumbee Bill will give full federal recognition to the Lumbee Tribe. Among the sponsors of Tuesday's event was David Stevenson, Lumberton businessman and Chairman of Democrats for Dole. He stated that recognition was a joint effort and something that the county was unified on.

Sen. Dole stated that she had introduced the legislation because it was the "right thing to do."

Robeson County Sheriff Glenn Maynor introduced the dignitaries in attendance. Whites, Blacks and Indians appeared equally as excited about the Bill.

Sen. Dole stated that she had introduced the Lumbee Bill on Friday, February 14, 2003.

Also speaking to the group was the Tribal Chairman Milton Hunt and Jimmy Goins who is Chairman of the Tribal Council's Federal Recognition Committee.

It appeared that unity in the county was the theme of the evening. Most people recognize that federal recognition is one of the best economic ventures that can come to Robeson County.



Sen. Elizabeth Dole is shown announcing that she has introduced legislation to grant full recognition to the Lumbee Tribe. Seated is Lumberton businessman David Stevenson. (Photo by Francine Chavis)



Evita begins new year with three Majestic titles

Evita Saybrianna Sanderson starts off 2003 by winning 3 majestic titles.

Her first win was on January 25, 2003 as Diamond USA. Overall High Point.

She also won Best Dress, Best Hair, Best Smile, Best Eyes, Photogenic, Winter Wear, Most Beautiful, and Best Model in her age division.

Her second title was won on February 8, 2003, as 0-5 Miss N.C. Sophisticate Royale. Also

winning Photogenic, Elegance, and Best Model in her age division.

Her third title was won February 9, 2003 as Winter Diamond Overall Majestic. Also winning Photogenic, Best Smile, Best Personality, Talent, Best Sportswear, and Sleepwear in her age division.

Evita is the 5 year old daughter of Sabrina Sanderson and Michael Floyd. The granddaughter of the late 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.

Photo Courtesy of Bett's Photography in Pembroke



Blake Tyner

Applications for Basketball camp being accepted

Applications are now being evaluated for The Ten Star All Star Summer Basketball Camp. The Camp is by invitation only. Boys and Girls ages 10-19 are eligible to apply. Past participants include: Michael Jordan, Tim Duncan, Vince Carter, Jerry Stackhouse, Grant Hill and Antawn Jamison.

Players from 50 states and 8 foreign countries attended the 2002 Camp. College Basketball Scholars are possible for players selected to the All-American Team. Camp locations include: Hickory, NC, Thousand Oaks, CA, Babson Park, FL, Atlanta, GA, Dubuque, IA, Champaign, IL, Macomb, IL, Greencastle, IN, Atchinson, KS, Owensboro, KY, Amherst, MA, Hillsdale, MI, Saint Paul, MN, Hamilton, NY, Bluffton, OH, Lock Haven, PA, Lebanon, TN, Commerce, TX, Blacksburg, VA, Olympia, WA. For a free brochure, call (704) 373-0873 Anytime.

Maxton Annual Spring Frolic Planned

The Town of Maxton will host their Annual Spring Frolic on May 10, 2003 from 11 a.m. until 5 p.m. in Henderson Park, Maxton, NC. Vendors will be charged \$25 for setting up at the event.

For further information please call 910-844-5231.

History Project turns into a book for student

Pembroke, N.C.-As a child, Blake Tyner learned to appreciate history sitting on the knees of his forefathers.

"I've have always been around history," Tyner said. "I grew up spending time with both sets of great grandparents, and I was raised in the house in St. Pauls that my great, great, grandfather built with his hands."

A UNCP student and administrative secretary for the university's Art Department, Tyner has been commissioned to do a photographic history of Robeson County for Arcadia Publishing House's "Images of America" series.

The Robeson County edition is scheduled for release this fall. The Pembroke edition was printed in 2001 and is available at The Carolina Indian Voice.

"Many of the photos will come from my own collection," Tyner said. "I also found some really neat pictures at the State Archives."

Tyner said he would give Robeson County-all corners of the county-a fresh new look, even for some often-photographed historic sites.

"I am continuing to search for photos, but I am especially interested in photos that show a new perspective of people and buildings, like old Robeson County Courthouse, which have been seen many times by the public," he said.

Tyner said balancing the view of Robeson County is important.

"Everybody and every community played a role in Robeson County history, and everybody and every community should be represented," he said. "I am attempting to show all aspects of life in the county's past-home, work, religion, education, government as well as every race and community."

Some outstanding photographs have been enlarged, he said.

"I have found three photographs of Rosenwald Schools-in Lumber Bridge, Maxton and St.

Pauls," Tyner said. "Robeson County had 14 of the 813 Rosenwald Schools that were built in North Carolina by the former Sears chief executive officer."

Other photos of interest include: cedar shingle-making in the 1890's, the old Barnesville General Store, a Commencement Parade in 1916 Lumberton, and the 1896 Carolina Military Academy football team and band. One of the oldest of the collection is a portrait of Margaret Dalrymple McNair, who was born in 1787.

Tyner lives in Maxton with wife, Bess (Construction and Planning) and son, McCay. The project also serves as an independent study under the direction of Prof. Stephen Berry of the History Department.

If you have questions or would like to submit a photo, please contact Blake Tyner at the Maxton Historical Society at 844-2377 or email him at blake@bbtyner.com.

Check Out These Web Sites:

Lutron Electronics at www.lutron.com.

For tips on keeping kids' drug free, visit www.theantidrug.com.

NASA at <http://newsmedia.gsfc.nasa.gov/>.

For information on heartburn and GERD, visit www.aciphex.com.

Nemio, by Toshiba America Medical Systems at www.medical.toshiba.com.

Tri Luma Cream at www.triluma.com.

Partnership for Prevention at www.prevent.org.

Chlorine Chemistry Council Web site at www.c3.org.

Marshmallow Peeps at www.marshmallowpeeps.com.

Roto Zip Tool Corporation at www.rotozip.com.

The Volvo for Life Awards at www.volvoforlifeawards.com.

The Jewelry Information Center at www.jewelryinfo.org.

Yezbak Law Offices at www.yezbaklaw.com.

UNCP trustee committee approves three architects

Pembroke, N.C.-Three architectural firms were approved Friday by the Executive Committee of the UNCP Pembroke Board of Trustees for major construction projects on campus.

Oakley Associates of Rocky Mount, N.C., will do design work for a \$2.5 million project to renovate and modernize Moore Hall. Moore Hall is home to the Music Department.

LSV Partnership of Fayetteville, N.C., will do design work for a \$1.9 million project to renovate and modernize Locklear Hall. Locklear Hall is home to the Art Department.

LSV will use the consulting services of Native American Design Services, an architectural firm in Pembroke.

PBC&L of Raleigh will do design work for a \$3 million overhaul of the James B. Chavis University Center. This project includes a new front, offices as well as modernization and renovation.

Locklear and Moore Hall projects will be financed through North Carolina Higher Education Bonds. UNCP will receive \$56.6 million on bond money over the next five years for major construction and renovation of aging buildings and infrastructure.

The University Center is home to campus food services and student offices and activities. This project will be financed by student fees.

Two other construction projects funded by Higher Education Bonds are also moving forward. A \$7.8 million project for the Jones Athletic Complex, and \$16.6 million for new labs and renovation of the Oxendine Science Building are currently in the design stage. These projects are expected to break ground this spring.

UNCP receives scholarship monies

Pembroke, N.C.-Unc Pembroke was selected to receive one of 13 schools to receive a \$5000 scholarship to be used for needy North Carolinians.

The State Education Assistance Authority (SEAA) is administering the one-time scholarship program with proceeds from the treasury of the North Carolina Association of Colleges and Universities (NCACU), which recently voted to disband.

The group voted to give the remainder of their treasury of the SEAA to be administered as they see fit. The SEAA chose to distribute the funds to schools to be used as scholarships. The SEAA chose schools at random during a recent meeting of the North Carolina Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators.

UNCP Financial Aid Director, Bruce Blackmon said the grant is welcome and needed.

"We selected five students who had a high remaining need as determined by the federal financial aid guidelines," Blackmon said. "It was not difficult to find student recipients for this award. We appreciate the willingness of the SEAA to use this money to help needy North Carolina students."

Free Rosebud Trees

Ten free American Rosebud trees will be given to each person who joins the National Arbor Day Foundation during February.

The free trees are part of the non profit Foundation's Trees for America Campaign.

Rosebuds have clusters of rosy pink flowers in spring, and dark green summer leaves turning to yellow in the fall.

The trees will be shipped postpaid at the right time for planting between March 1 and May 31 with enclosed planting instructions. The six to twelve inch trees are guaranteed to grow, or they will be replaced free of charge.

To become a member of the Foundation and receive the free trees, send a \$10 contribution to: Ten Free Redbud Trees, National Arbor Day Foundation, 100 Arbor Avenue, Nebraska City, NE 68410, by February 28, 2003.

Miss Indian NC Princess Pageant applications available at tribal office

Miss Indian North Carolina Princess Pageant applications are now available at the Lumbee Tribal Office at 707 Union Chapel Road in Pembroke. Miss Indian North Carolina serves as an ambassador for the Indian people of the state and during her reign, she will not only represent herself and her tribe, but all tribes in North Carolina. Interested ladies between the ages of 18 thru 25 who are single, with no children and never married, should contact Alex Baker at 800-659-6585 ext. 214 from the Tribal Office or Becky Leviner at 521-6282 for further information or an application. Application deadline for the scholarship pageant is March 17, 2003.

The princess will be crowned during the 28th Annual North Carolina Indian Unity Conference in Fayetteville during March 19 thru 22, 2003.

Also available at the Lumbee Tribal Office is nomination applications for the Indian Unity Conference's Community Awards. Five community awards are presented each year at the Awards Banquet during the Unity Conference. The five awards are: Indian Student of the year, Indian Elder of the year, Indian Educator of the year, Community Service Indian People Award and the Advancement of Economic Development for Indian People. Winners of the awards within the past five years are not eligible nominees, and nominees must be American Indian and living at the time of nomination. Further information can also be obtained by contacting Alex Baker at 800-659-6585 ext.214 at the Lumbee tribal Office located on 707 Union Chapel Road in Pembroke.

Virginia Nations Pow Wow Gathering May 3-4

Members of Six Nations of Virginia are hosting a Native American Indian Pow Wow Gathering: Saturday and Sunday, May 3-4, 2003, on the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Charles City County.

Grounds open at 10:00 a. m. on both days, with the Saturday, May 3 Grand Entry at 12:00 noon and Sunday's Grand Entry at 1:00 p.m. The festival/Pow-Wow will feature Native American dancers, drummers, singers and cultural demonstrations. Native American crafters from all over the United States will have jewelry, pottery, beadwork, leather crafts, and other authentic arts and crafts for sale. Food will be available and will feature Indian fry Bread, hamburgers and hot dogs, fish and chips, plenty of cold beverages and a bake sale.

The festival is open to the public. Gate admission \$ 5.00 /adults, and \$3.00/children ages 6-12 and elders. Proceeds will support VITAL, the Virginia Indian Tribal Alliance for Life. VITAL is an organization of members of the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Monacan, Nansemond, Rappahannock, and Upper Mattaponi Nations, united in support to obtain federal recognition in 2003.

For further information, please call (804) 966-7043, (804) 829-2261 or (804) 938-3490 or review information on VITAL's website at www.vitalva.org.

Information on Free Prescription Drugs available locally

Are your medications too expensive for your budget? If so, information from a new booklet might help.

Most major drug companies provide free or low cost medication, but rarely, if ever publicize the programs. Prescriptions can be gotten for free or at very low cost directly from the manufacturer. If you know how to obtain this information, you will never again have to pay for medication.

Hard to find information on how and where to get free and low cost prescription drugs is available for the low cost of \$5. Anyone interested in receiving this information should send \$5 to Mary Largent at PO Box 1088, Pembroke, NC 28372.

Information on how to obtain free prescription drugs will be sent immediately upon receipt of the name, address and \$5 to cover mailing, of the consumer needing this information.