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Prospect UMC to present Easter Musical

The Music Ministries of Prospect United Methodist Church (Prospect UMC) will present an Easter Musical Drama "Majesty" on Friday (Open Dress Rehearsal) and Saturday Evenings- April 18th and 19th at 7:30 PM and Sunday Morning -April 20th at 10:30 AM for the Morning Worship Service. Using both the spoken and sung words of God, this presentation will involve the children, youth, and adults to celebrate the birth, life, death and resurrection of Jesus. This Easter musical drama is under the direction of the Reverend Harold D. Jacobs and narrated by Mr. David Oxendine while Dr. John A. Deese characterizes the part of Jesus. With creative movements, special lightning, and sound effects, Majesty will be a spiritual experience that you do not want to miss. Therefore, we invite you to come worship His Majesty, Jesus, with us on Friday (Open Dress Rehearsal) and/or Saturday evenings, April 18th & 19th at 7:30 PM and/or Sunday Morning, April 20th at 10:30 AM in the sanctuary of Prospect United Methodist Church. Prospect United Methodist Church is located at 3929 Missouri Road, Maxton, NC (across the road from Prospect School), about five (5) miles northwest of Pembroke, six (6) miles south of Red Springs, and seven (7) miles northeast of Maxton. The pastor the reverend Bill James Locklear and the congregation of Prospect UMC want you to join them for this great Easter celebration, Majesty. For more information, you may call Prospect United Methodist Church and talk with Mr. Chris Boutselis at (910) 521-2111 (8:3 AM-4:00 PM Monday through Friday).

Lumbee River EMC announces Youth Programs Winners

Lumbee River EMC is committed to supporting the students in our community. Each year the Board of Directors designates and approves several scholarships for graduating seniors planning to attend either a 2-year or 4-year accredited institution. As part of the commitment Lumbee River EMC recently awarded scholarships to six exceptional high school seniors.

This year LREMC awarded four scholarships worth \$2,000 each for attendance at an accredited 4-year college or university. In addition, LREMC also awarded two scholarships worth \$1,200 each for attendance at an accredited 2-year college.

Recipients of the four \$2,000 scholarships are: Niaja Shade Cotton received the Elias Rogers Scholarship. Niaja is a student at Massey Hill Classical High School and plans to attend East Carolina University in Greenville, NC. She plans to pursue a degree as a doctor. She is the daughter of Lawrence and Flame Cotton of Cumberland County.

Chosen for the Lucy Smith Scholarship was Pamela Renee Lammonds, daughter of William A and Carrie T. Lammonds of Scotland County. Pamela is a student at Scotland High School and plans to pursue a degree as a Pediatrician at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Danielle McLean is the recipient of the Thomas Wade Bethea Scholarship. Danielle's parents are Danny and Paula McLean of Robeson County. She is a student at South Robeson High and plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill to pursue a degree as a doctor.

John S. O'Brian Scholarship recipient is Sheena Marie Oxendine. She attends South Robeson High and plans to attend the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill and pursue a degree as a lawyer. Sheena's parents are Martin Luther and Connie Lee Oxendine of Robeson County.

Students selected for the two \$1,200 scholarships are:

J. W. Hunt Scholarship recipient Krystal Danielle Epps, a South Robeson High senior and daughter of Judith Epps of Robeson County. Her plans are to attend Robeson Community College and pursue a degree as a Registered Nurse.

The recipient of the J. McN. Gillis Scholarship was Whitnee Roberts who plans to attend Robeson Community College and pursue a degree as a Registered Nurse. Whitnee is the daughter of Larry and Kay Roberts of Robeson County.

Youth Tour Winners: Lamorris McRae Jr. who has won an all expense paid trip to Washington, DC for a week. He is the son of Lamorris and Paulette McRae Sr. of Robeson County. He attends Purnell Sweet High.

Kimberly Rose Locklear has also won an all expense paid trip to Washington for a week. She is the daughter of Ronnie Ray and Rose Ellen Locklear of Robeson County. She attends Lumberton High School.

The winners were chosen by an independent panel of judges who are educators, admissions officers from area colleges and universities.

LRDA staff & board to reunite

Attention! All former staff and board members of Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. (LRDA). A reunion is planned for Thursday July 3, 2003 at 3:00 pm at the LRDA Office Complex. A short program is planned and food will be served. If you are interested in attending this exciting event, please contact Shelby Dial Rogers at 910-522-2120 before May 2, 2003. Please leave a message if Ms. Dial is unavailable.

Homecoming planned at Welcome

Homecoming is scheduled for Welcome Holiness Church on May 4, 2003. The church is located between Shannon and Rennet at 750 McGougan Farm Road. Sunday School begins at 10 a.m. with morning worship at 11, and then lunch will be served with the a gospel singing beginning at 2 p.m. Several gospel singers are scheduled to sing.

The pastor, Roy Bryant and the congregation, extend a cordial invitation to the public to attend.

Officers Attend Annual District Meeting

Representatives from the Pembroke Business and Professional Women's Organization attended the annual District V meeting at the Fayetteville BPW clubhouse April 5.

Pembroke BPW president, Yvonne Barnes Dial and president-elect, Marie Moore, attended the meeting learning and sharing what programs, fund-raisers and events other organizations within the district promoted and initiated. Yvonne presented the Pembroke BPW annual report stating her appreciation to her LO and to the members who demonstrated support and helped to make events and accomplishments of her organization possible. The highlight of the program centered more on the Young Careerist presentation with Jennifer Walker as Young Careerist director and organizer. Kelly McCracken and Tammy Myatt were the young careerist candidates who gave outstanding presentations. Kelly received the prestigious honor of being selected as the young careerist and will compete in the North Carolina Young Careerist State Competition in June.



Virginia Indians Look To The Future; Honoring Youth At Spring Pow/Wow/Gathering

Charles City, VA - In a joint announcement, six Virginia Indian tribes announced that they will convene on the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Charles City, Virginia on May 3 and 4, 2003 for a 2nd annual joint spring Pow-Wow/Gathering. On this historic occasion, Chiefs from the Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Monacan, Nansemon, Rappahannock and Upper Mattaponi tribes will look towards their future and give special honor to their youth. Powhatan Red Cloud-Owen, member of the Chickahominy Indian Tribe and co-chair of the Spring Pow-Wow knows the future strength of the tribes and Native culture rests with their youth. "We honor our children to bring them up with the Pow-Wow as part of their world," says Owen, "to learn the differences of cultures, to be better individuals because they, too, are children of the circle." On this memorable occasion, tribal youth leaders Rufus Elliott, Monacan Indian Nation and Jessica Canady, Chickahominy Indian Tribe, will be the lead male and female dancers. Other activities centering on youth will include dance exhibitions, cultural demonstrations and storytelling. The Six Nations of Virginia Pow-Wow/Gathering is expected to attract visitors from all over Virginia, the surrounding states and Native Americans from across the country. The historic Gathering of the of the Virginia tribes in 2002 attracted well over 6,000 visitors who came to see dancers as well as Indian arts and crafts and cultural demonstrations. The Cedar Tree Singers from northern Virginia will be the host drum. Several other well known drums from the east coast will also be attending. The master of ceremonies will be Keith Colston from the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe in North Carolina. The six tribes will form a color guard to lead Grand Entry each day, 12:00 noon

on Saturday and 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. Johnny Oxendine, Tuscarora Tribe, also from North Carolina, will serve as Arena Director. Other highlights include Rose Powhatan, who will present Powhatan Indian cultural exhibit and story telling, as well as Backwoods Survival demonstrators, Bill and Susie Gingras, showing ways early Indian people made their tools and weapons for daily life and survival. Special tribal exhibits will show artifacts and history of the Virginia tribes. Native American artisans will have a wide variety of arts and crafts items for sale, including jewelry, beadwork, pottery, baskets, dream catchers, feather art, traditional tools and items, leather goods, books, tee-shirts and children items. A variety of food and beverages will be available. Admission tickets to the gathering will be \$5 for adults and \$3 for children under age 5 and seniors over 60; and may be purchased at the gate. Attendees are encouraged to bring blankets or chairs for seating. Shuttles from parking areas will be available. Pets are not permitted on Pow-Wow grounds. This event is being sponsored by members of VITAL, Virginia Indian Tribal Alliance for Life. Additional information about the Gathering and driving directions to the Chickahominy Tribal Grounds in Charles City can be found on the VITAL website at www.vitalva.org.



Two more titles for young queen

Evita Saybrianna Sanderson has captured two more titles: Sunburst Pee Wee Queen and also won Prettiest Hair, Prettiest Attire, Photogenic, Prettiest Smile and Prettiest Eyes in her age division. Her second win was as Miss Tiny Miss Supreme. She also won Sportswear Talent, Most Beautiful, Prettiest Smile, Prettiest Hair and Portfolio. Evita is the 5 year old daughter of Sabrina Sanderson and Michael Floyd. The granddaughter of the late Sylvia L. Sanderson and James Edward and Mary Francis Floyd. The great-granddaughter of the late Gus and Eva Mae Locklear and the late Ira and Nancy Sanderson.

Red Springs Street Festival to be held April 27

Red Springs - The Red Springs Arts Council will present its annual Street Festival on Sunday, April 27, 2003. The activities will begin at 1:00 p.m. and end at 5 p.m. in downtown Red Springs. According to Ralph Steeds, festival Organizer, "This year's festival promises to be one of our most exciting events. There will be lots of music, a wide variety of food vendors, arts and crafts displays, and other activities that will appeal to the entire family." This year's festival will feature two musical acts-Appalachian Blue Bluegrass Band and Footloose. Appalachian Blue is one of North and South Carolina's most popular bluegrass bands and consists of local musicians Tom Woodie, formerly of Bennettsville, S.C., Kim Denison of Laurinburg, Len Ketter of Dillon and Chet Polson of Bennettsville. The band's music is traditional and contemporary bluegrass, and bluegrass gospel. The band has played together for the past fifteen years and they have played individually and together with talents such as Reba McIntyre, Lee Greenwood, The Reno Brothers and many others. Combine the aesthetics of a contemporary Celtic group, the drive of a bluegrass band and the improvisational approach of a jazz combo and you get the second featured band Footloose. Three consummate musicians make up this group: David DiGiuseppe, a nationally recognized accordionist; banjo, fiddle and flat picked guitar player, Rex McGee; and Pete Campbell, a noted musician throughout the national folk dance com-

munity. Their repertoire is influenced by many sources, including the traditional dance tunes of the Celtic music, the songs and the ballads of the British Isles and the old time and bluegrass sounds of the American South. Also performing at this year's festival will be dance students from Laurinburg's Gibson School of dance. There will also be clowns and other forms of street entertainment. And as usual, there will be exhibits of arts and crafts, plenty of food vendors, train rides, and numerous other games and activities for the whole family. This year's festival will include a contra dance on Saturday night, April 26th. The dance will be held in the old gym at the Flora Macdonald Academy in Red Springs and will feature the live music of the Myrtle Beach band Low Tide Ramblers. Pete Campbell will be the caller. According to Arts Council President, John Bowman, "Contra dancing is a form of traditional folk dancing, and is somewhat similar to square dancing. An easy form of dance to learn, the music is lively and the dancing can be vigorous. Each dance is taught by the caller, and with Pete Campbell, we will have one of the best callers around. Both couples and singles are welcomed." The dance will begin at 8:00 p.m., but there will be free contra dance instruction before the dance at 7:30 taught by experienced dancers. Tickets for Saturday's night dance are \$5 and will be available at the door. The annual Red Springs Street Festival is supported by a Grassroots grant from the North Carolina Arts Council, a state agency. Admission to the festival is free. For more information, call (910) 843-2427 or 843-3106.