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### Summer Art Show and Sale underway at UNCP

PEMBROKE, N.C. - The annual Summer Art Show-and-Sale is now underway at the Native American Resource Center of The University of North Carolina at Pembroke. The exhibit opened at Lumbee Homecoming and closes at the end of Indian Heritage Week the third week in September. The Native American Resource Center is located in Old Main. The Summer Art Show-and Sale regularly features works by Native American artists in various media, and this year's collection is no exception. The artists are all Lumbee, and the exhibit consists of works by some well-known local artists as well as some newer talents. Accomplished potter James Locklear is exhibiting again with a group of ceramic works. Of special note is his realistic quatet of faces built onto a large flared-rim vessel. The piece is entitled "Heritage" and depicts Henry Berry Lowrie and three of his colleagues. Another powerful piece by Locklear is a figurine, "Les We Forget," of a Native American warrior under girded by an Alexander Another well known activity for the department of the control of the contro can flag. Another well-known artist featured again this year is Alceon Jones, whose delightful colors and patterns always dazzle the eye. She has a number of quilted collages on display that are very effective. There are also works by Loretta and Herman Oxendine. Herman pays tribute to the spirit of the ancestors in his traditional pottery styles. His work, "Cattail Vase," is a good example. Loretta Oxendine continues the tradition of pine needle basket making and has some excellent examples on display. And there are several oil paintings by William Paul Locklear. Other familiar artists include: Karl Anthony Hunt (paintings), Shawn Jacobs (painting) and Celia Hammonds (pottery). Two newer talents emerged for this exhibit. Lisa Huggins tery). Two newer talents emerged for this exhibit. Lisa Huggins Oxendine's paintings reflect a sensitive and spiritual nature. Another artist new to the Show-and-Sale is Jessica Clark, whose oil painting, "Scenes from the Blue Ridge Mountains," combines various views of the landscape in a fresh and pleasing way. "Taken as a group these artists it ustrate the enormous talent which exists in the Lumbee community, which finds expression in various media." said Dr. Stan Knick, curator of the Native American Resource Center. "As is customary for our Summer Show-and-Sale, there is something for everybody - traditional and modern, realistic and abstract, serious and humorous. Thanks to all the artists who participated this year for making it another great show!" For more information about the Summer Art Show and Sale, please call the Native American Resource Center at (910) 521-6282.

# Consumer Alert:

# A new, ghoulish twist on identity theft

There's a new, goulish twist on a common type of identity theft. It takes advantage of senior citizens who recently lost a loved one. One of our viewers Millie lost her husband in November at age 85. I'm not going to give you her full name to protect her identity. Last month, a man called Millie to tell her someone was taking funds from her checking account. He claimed to be from the bank and he said he was the only one who could stop it. He asked Millie to read off some numbers from of her checks -- the bank's code at the top of the check and the routing number: t the bottom. Millie almost gave him the number. But what he said set off alarm in her head. Millie's husband's death notice in the paper may have alerted the con man that she would be vulnerable for a few months. Never let anyone insult you, threaten you, or charm you into giving out any financial information on the phone. The good news is Millie was alert and aware, and the bad guys couldn't get their hands on her money. Better make sure you pay your credit card bills on time. If not, you could be in for a nasty surprise. Miss the due date by even a day and expect to get hit with a stiff late payment. You could also see your interest rate skyrocket. It doesn't take very many late payments for these penalties to kick in. According to new survey by the group Consumer Action at many banks, one or two late payments is all it takes. When you get your credit card statement open it up immediately. Remember, your credit card bill isn't paid until your check is processed. At some banks, that's the morning of the due date. Let's say the bank cutoff is 10:00 AM and your check arrives in that day's afternoon mail; it's considered late. And these days a late payment to one creditor will have a negative impact on other creditors. It's a vicious cycle. So don't cut it too close. As always, hang onto your wallet. Watch for the latest consumer new: tonight on Eyewitness News beginning at 5. For more consumer stories from Jennifer Julian visit ABC 11's Troubleshooter web page. <a href="http://abclocal.go.com/wtvd/news/">http://abclocal.go.com/wtvd/news/</a> Troubleshooter/> If you need extensive help with a consumer problem, call out Troubleshooter Hotline. We've partnered with the Triangle United Way to help solve problems. Call 1-800-809-6094. If you need a quick answer to a consumer question, send an e-mail to Ask the Troubleshooter <a href="http://abclocal.go.com/wtvd/features/">http://abclocal.go.com/wtvd/features/</a> 0702 TS asktroubleshooter.html> or call our Ask the Troubleshooter hotline. The number is (919) 688-HELP. Leave your question on the machine and listen for the answer every Friday beginning at five. From abc11tv.com:

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\* Echo Inc. Announce Recall of Gas-Powered Hand Tools: <a href="http://">http:// www.cpsc.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm104/04171.html> The fuel lines on these tools can develop an ?alligator surface? Appearance which could develop into a condition that will allow leakage of gasoline and fuel

vapor, posing a fire hazard to consumers.

\* American Promotional Events Inc. Announces Recall of Fireworks: -http://www.cps.gov/cpscpub/prerel/prhtm104/04170.html> These fireworks could have a defective fuse that can fail to ignite the device. Consumers who attempt to re-light the fuse could suffer serious injury. CPSC advise consumers never to re-light any fireworks that do

not ignite after the first attempt. \* Verizon Wireless Announces Recall of Counterfeit Cell Phone Batteries: <a href="http://www.cps.gov/cpspub/prerel/prhtm104/04559.html">http://www.cps.gov/cpspub/prerel/prhtm104/04559.html</a> Some LG-brand TM-510 batteries may be counterfeit and susceptible to over-

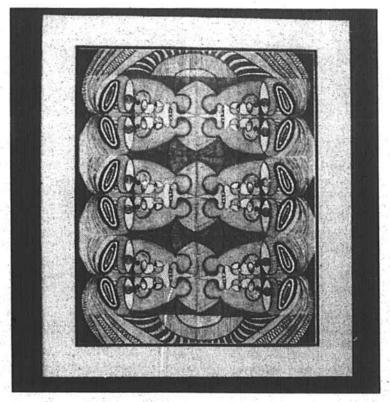
charging, especially if used with a non-LG charger.
\* Better Business Bureau <a href="http://www.bbb.org/">http://www.bbb.org/>

\* Consumer Product Safety Commission <a href="http://www.cpsc.gov/">http://www.cpsc.gov/> \* Food and Drug Administration <a href="http://www.fda.gov/">http://www.fda.gov/</a> \* Hoaxbusters <a href="http://hoaxbusters.ciac.org/">http://hoaxbusters.ciac.org/</a>

\* Identity Theft <a href="http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/index.html">http://www.consumer.gov/idtheft/index.html</a> \* North Carolina Attorney General's Office <a href="http://www.jus.state.nc.us/">http://www.jus.state.nc.us/</a>

Commission Carolina Utilities www.ncuc.commerce.state.nc.us/consumer/ucconsum.htm.

This consumer alert was written by Jennifer Julian and shared with the CIV readers by Dale Deese, Senior Managing Attorney with Legal Aid of North Carolina, Pembroke Office.



A sample of Art work on display

Office of Human Resources

established by LTG

Administration for the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina has established an Office of Human Resources. Tribal Administrator Leon Jacobs appointed Linda Rogers as Human Resources Manager for the Tribe. Jacobs said, "The creation and implementation of the Tribal Human Resources Division is a major step in the upgrading of the tribe's organization structure. Finding an individual with the broad range of credentials needed for this position who was already in the tribal employment structure was indeed great Mrs. Rogers has high energy level and a strong dedication to quality service." Rogers is a tribal member from Hoke County and has been employed with the tribe since June of 2003 as a Housing Counselor. She is a graduate of UNC Pembroke with a degree in Psychology and Psycho degree in Psychology and Business. Rogers is also certified by the Society for Human Resources Management. As Human Resource Manager, Rogers will be responsible for the recruiting, screening, and hiring process for tribal employees. She will also work to maintain positive employee relations, and incure employee benefits while complying with employee relations, and insure employee benefits while complying with state and federal employment laws. Rogers said, "I am very excited about assuming the role of Human Resources Manager for the Lumbee Tribe. I feel that with my education and experience in the field of Human Resource this will be a beneficial commitment for the Lumbee Tribal Employees and me.'

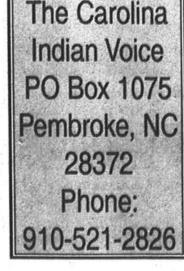


Island Grove Baptist Church, Hwy 710, Pembroke N.C. will cel-cbrate (50) years of worship service on Sunday August 1, 2004. Our Sunday school begins at 9:30 A.M. The Late Rev. Isaiah Locklear was our first Pastor. Special Program begins at 10:15 A.M. We are planning a special program to commenerate this occasion. Rev. Dr. Michael Cummings is our guest speaker. Lori Cale and Chasity Chavis will be on the program also. Lunch will be served immediately after service. Pastor Larry Locklear and congregation invite you to come celebrate with us.

PEMBROKÉ, N.C. - Congressman Mike McIntyre appointed Dr. Alfred Bryant to his Education Advisory Committee. Dr. Bryant is a professor in the School Business at The University of North Caroina at Pembroke. Rep. McIntyre's 7th District Education Advisory Committee meets periodically to help keep the congressman informed on the critical issues facing the education system. Dr. Bryant said he appreciates the opportunity to serve on the committee. "I am honored to be appointed to Congressman McIntyre's advisory committee," Dr. Bryant said. "This will be important work for me, UNC Pembroke, the education community, as well as Congressman McIntyre. It gives me a great opportunity to be involved in improving educational opportunities for all citizens of North Carolina. The Committee consist of a cross section of the southeastern North Carolina community which has an interest in education. Congressman McIntyre welcomed Dr. Bryant to the committee. "The 7th District Education Advisory Committee we comes Dr. Alfred Bryant." Rep McIntyre said. "We look forward to working with him and utilizing his knowledge and experience as we look for solutions to the challenges facing our higher education system." Dr. Bryant is a UNCP graduate and also received his Master's in Education at the University. He earned a Ph.D. at North Carolina State University.



Dr. Alfred Bryant





A look at Art work on display

# Community meetings planned for District 2

Tribal Council members Rudophus "Doc" Hunt and Louise Mitchell announce a Tribal Community Meeting for Tribal District 2 to be held at Hilly Branch beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Monday August 23, 2004. This important meeting is open to all Tribal Members. Tribal Chairman linear China all Tribal Members. Tribal Chairman linear China all Tribal Members. bers. Tribal Chairman Jimmy Goins along with Tribal Administrator Leon Jacobs and other Tribal Staff will discuss services available to the membership. For more information, contact Doug Locklear at the Lumbee Tribal Office at (910) 521-7861.

They will also host a Tribal Community Meeting for Tribal District 2 at Pleasant View Baptist Church beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Monday August 30, 2004.

### Parks & Recreation to sponsor trip to Opryland

Robeson County Parks & Recreation Commission will be going on a trip to Opryland Tennessee November 30th thur December 3rd, 2004 If you are interested in going please call Wendy Sampson @671-3090.

## "Senior Moment" maker neglects to prove its claim

A dietary supplement manufacturer has settled Federal Trade Com-mission charges that it violated rederal law by making unsubstantiated claims that its product, "Senior Moment," could prevent memory loss and restore memory function in adults. The proposed consent agreement to settle the charges with Nutramax Laboratories, Inc. of Edgewater, Dr. Bryant appointed to

Education Advisory Committee

Maryland requires the company to find evidence for these and similar claims in the future. According to the FTC, Nutramax claims that the "Senior Moment" supplement "contains a proprietary blend of brain specific nutrients," including DHA and cerebral phospholipids. The FTC charged that Nutramax did not possess a reasonable basis to support its claims that "Senior Moment" prevents memory loss and restores lost memory function in adults of all ages, and that it misrepresented that scientific studies prove that Senior Moment restores lost memory function in adults of all ages. The proposed consent agreement prohibits the defendant from representing that "Senior Moment" can prevent or reverse the effects of memory loss, unless it has competent and reliable scientific evidence for that claim. It also requires Nutramax to have competent and reliable scientific evidence substantiating all claims about the benefits of any product sold for cognitive function, or for the treatment or prevention of any related disease or disorder. Finally, the agreement prohibits the company from misrepresenting any study in connection with the marketing or sale of such products. The Commission vote to accept the proposed consent agreement was 5-0 The FTC will publish

an announcement regarding the agreement in the Federal Register shortly. The agreement will be subject to public comment for 30 days, beginning today and continuing through August 12, 2004, after which the Commission will decide whether to make it final. Comments should be addressed to the FTC. Office of the Secretary Room H-159, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580. The FTC is pesting that any comment filed to paper form near the end of the public comment period be sent by courier or overnight service, if possible, because U.S. postal mail in the Washington area and at the Commission is subject to delay due to heightened security precautions. Copies of the complaint, proposed consent agreement, and an analysis of the agreement to aid public comment are available from the FTC's Web site at http://www.ftc.gov <a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a> and also from the FTC's Consumer Response Center. Room 130, 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20580. The FTC works for the consumer to prevent fraudulent, deceptive, and unfair business practices in the marketplace and to provide information to help consumers spot, stop, and avoid them. To file a complaint in English or Spanish (bilingual counselors are available to take complaints), or to get free information on any of the 150 consumer topics call toll-free, 1-877-FTC-HELP (1-877-382-4357), or use the complaint form at http://www.ftc.gov <a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a> %20>. The FTC enters Internet, telemarketing, identity theft, and other fraud-related complaints into Consumer Sentinel, a secure, online database available to hundreds of civil and criminal law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and abroad.

This article was releaseed by the Federal Trade Commission and shared with CIV readers by Dale Deese, Senior Managing Attorney with Legal Aid of North Carolina, Pembroke Office.