

Women: Empowered and Enlightened:

HERstory

Not his-story but ours, Sharing Wisdom through Our Stories

HARVEST DANCE/SOCIAL – Oct 21, 2011 (7:00 pm – 12 am)

Porter Plaza- 719 Old Main Road, Pembroke, NC: Come and have fun with your BPW sisters and other local members of our community. Since this is a fundraiser for our organization, others from our community will also be attending. Enjoy a delicious supper, adult beverages, and dancing with a DJ! **(BPW members cost: \$15)**

WORKSHOPS – Oct 22, 2011 (8:00 am – 3:00 pm)

Indian Education Building - 818 West 3rd Street, Pembroke, NC **(cost: \$25)**

HERviewpoint: History of the Lumbee Tribe: Dr. Linda Oxendine, former Director of American Indian Studies at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. While now retired she is still actively involved with the Lumbee Tribe and finds ways everyday to give back to her people. She encourages the people on the importance of keeping our heritage strong and alive for our future generations. She has written numerous articles and books about a variety of topics that touch American Indian and Lumbee languages and history.

HERchallenges: Facilitated panel: Three Women of our region sharing lessons and inspiration from their stories.

- **Charly Lowry:** (Lumbee) is a singer-songwriter from Pembroke, NC with roots in the Union Chapel Community. For over a decade, Charly has attained regional and national success as both a solo artist and lead singer of alternative rock/ soul/ folk band, Dark Water Rising. In 2004, Charly had the opportunity to compete on the wildly popular television show, American Idol. She ventured through several rounds of auditions to make it to the Top 32. Charly enjoys performing, meeting people, and educating others on the Native American experience.
- **Mary Florian:** Mary recently completed the Race Across America, which is the longest bicycle race in the world. Along with her team mate, Nancy Guth, they were the only 2 woman team (of ANY age) to successfully complete the race this year. In the 28 year history of the RAAM they were the 3rd 2 woman team to have completed it. Riding bicycles 3,000 miles from Oceanside, CA to Annapolis, MD in 9 days, 13 hours and 37 minutes. With both of these ladies being over age 60, what a great accomplishment.
- **Letita Mason:** Admission Director at The North Carolina School of Science and Math: Service and responsibility for ones community are concepts that, like a golden thread, color the tapestry of my life. They dictate that one must demonstrate courage when life delivers challenges; strength of conviction in staying true to your calling; firm grounding in supportive family and friends; the will and passion to stay long and work hard; child-like curiosity for life-long learning, training and development; and owning ones place in the continual evolution of our global community. I've learned to value the advantages of recognizing which strengths I bring to any assignment and employing them toward achieving goals. Essential to forging strategic initiatives and sustaining collaborative partnerships is my ability to relate to others; unquenchable thirst for knowledge and understanding of people, culture and history; and commitment to assisting others in fulfilling their highest potential. These serve as the filament of my life's work.

Sometimes you wonder if it's all worth it – family, work, life, and how to stay sane. Get this: Women throughout U.S. history have shared the same struggle! As they struggled, they fought for the right to vote, own property, and custody of their children in divorce. By sharing the stories of women who came before us, today's woman can draw inspiration and strength from the passion, determination, and persistence of the women on whose shoulders we stand.

HERstories & sound: Kat is an internationally renowned storyteller and Kaya, a drummer, dancer, and flutist, bring together talents into a modern setting that allows people to glimpse yesterday's culture with today's flair. This grandmother and grandson duo inspires their audience to learn more about Native Americans.

HERhighness: Succulent Living...Joy is your birthright! Kim Pevia is a Life Strategist, Speaker, Personal and Professional Coach. She will bring you to your feet in this session!

HERsuccesses: Career Woman of the Year (CWOY): Meet the 2010-2011 State Career Women of the Year candidates and have the opportunity to hear their stories of success. As well as, the new and exciting changes happening the State Career Women of the Year event.

Shopping!! Enjoy some of the Lumbee Indian Culture!!

- ❖ **Cyna's Jewelers:** Cyna's is a family owned business. They crafted the Pinecone Patchwork and Lumbee Rings with the intention of preserving the Lumbee heritage. Visit the website: www.cyna's.com to see some of the work that will be on display.
- ❖ **Loretta Oxendine:** Loretta is a retired school teacher. She will display long-leaf pine needle baskets, pit fired pottery, and china berry necklaces. Mrs. Oxendine has a piece of pottery and one of her baskets on display in the National Museum of the American Indian Collection (Smithsonian Institution).
- ❖ **Karen Coronado:** Karen is a multi-media artist who enjoys the challenge of learning and working in any discipline. She gains inspiration from all of nature and humanity. She will display painted gourds and Lumbee patchwork.
- ❖ **Alisha Locklear:** Alisha is a former visual art teacher. She is a visual and graphic artist. Her work tends to be more abstract with realistic content. She will display handcrafted lamp work, glass beaded jewelry and hand painted wine glasses.
- ❖ **Mary Locklear:** Mary is known as an Herbalist. She will display homemade remedies such as Lye soap, salves, skin creams, insect replants, Chap Stick, and body rubs.

*HER*story AGENDA:

8:00-8:30 am	Registration and Continental Breakfast
8:30-9:00 am	Welcome
	Description of BPW: Rhonda Hunter, BPW NC President
9:00-9:50 am	<i>HER</i> viewpoint
9:50-10:00	Break/Visit Vendors
10:00-11:15 am	<i>HER</i> challenges
11:15-12:00	Visit Vendors & Lunch (<i>HER</i> stories & sound)
12:00-1:00 pm	Walking tour of the Museum of the Native American Resource Center
1:00-1:50 pm	<i>HER</i> highness
1:50-2:50 pm	<i>HER</i> successes
2:50- 3:00 pm	Reflection/Door Prizes
3:00 – 3:15	Announcements/Visit Vendors



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Name _____

Address _____

Contact: Home _____ Cell _____ Email: _____

Registration is due Monday, October 10, 2011. Register on line at www.bpw-nc.org or download a form and send it with check to the BPW/NC State Treasurer: Tonya Holbert, 35 Shadow Valley Drive, Hendersonville, NC 28739. Make check payable to BPW/NC with a notation for WEE.

Cost Per Event: Friday Evening: \$15 _____ Saturday: \$25 _____ Both: \$40 _____

HOST HOTEL: Holiday Inn Express, 605 Redmond Rd, Pembroke, NC 28372, Phone (910) 521-1311
Block of Rooms under Pembroke BPW – **Cost \$72 + taxes (Includes a Continental Breakfast)**

Friday Evening Dinner by Kay's Catering: baked and fried chicken and BBQ, slaw, potato salad, and green beans, rolls, drinks, and dessert

Saturday Lunch by Sweet Expressions: Berry-Walnut Salad, Pasta Salad, Croissants: Chicken Salad, Club and Turkey Bacon Wraps, Brownies