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June 24th - July 2nd, 2016
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48th Annual Lumbee Homecoming

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FRIDAY JUNE 24, 2016

4th Annual Julian T. Pierce Memorial Art Dinner

UNCP Annex (6:00 pm - 10:00 p.m.)*

For ticket price and additional info on this event please visit
www.facebook.com/1stAnnualJulianTPierceMemorialArtDinner

SATURDAY, JUNE 25, 2016

Pembroke's Eighth Bicycle Fun Ride

6:30 a.m. - LRDA Office Complex

Honoree: Joel Garth Locklear Sr.

LRDA Office Complex to Department of Social Services and
Return (20 Miles)

Golf Tournament

Pinecrest Country Club - Registration 7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.

Tee Off 9:00 a.m. - Lunch 12:00 p.m.

Lumbee Warriors Veteran's Military Ball

Porter Plaza - Reception 6:00 p.m. (\$65.00)*

SUNDAY, JUNE 26, 2016

Lumbee Games (Wrestling Championships)

12:30 p.m. (UNCP)*

Farewell Tea - 3:00 p.m. Berea Baptist Church

Gospel Sing - 6:00 p.m. Bear Swamp Baptist Church

Free to Public

MONDAY, JUNE 27, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

Lumbee Games - Swimming Tournament

6:30 p.m. - UNCP Pool

Lumbee Tribe of NC Senior Ms. Lumbee Pageant 2016*

Robeson Community College Auditorium

Doors open @ 5:30 p.m. Show starts @ 6:00 p.m.

TUESDAY JUNE 28, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

Elder's Luncheon - 12:00 p.m. - Farmer's Market

Little & Junior Miss Lumbee Pageant - 6:30 p.m. - GPAC

WEDNESDAY JUNE 29, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

Lumbee Games - 8 Ball Tournament)

9:00 a.m. - UNCP Game Room

Dedication of Milton R. Hunt Memorial Park

Pembroke Town Memorial Park, 3rd Street, 4:00-6:00 pm

THURSDAY JUNE 30, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

Lumbee Book Talk - UNCP Bookstore (Joan L. Blackwell,



Patricia Chavis, Jo Jo Brooks Shiflett - 2:00 pm

Lumbee Games - Tennis Tournament

5:00 p.m. - UNCP Varsity Tennis Courts*

Summer Jam - Milton R. Hunt Memorial Park

7:00-10:00 pm - Free admission

FRIDAY JULY 1, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

Lumbee Games - Basketball 3 on 3 Tournament

9:00 a.m. - UNCP*

LTNC Open House and Cookout - Lumbee Tribal Complex

10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. State of the Tribe Address: 12:00 noon

Teen & Miss Lumbee Pageant - 6:30 p.m. - GPAC)

SATURDAY, JULY 2, 2016

Lumbee Outdoor Market (Monday - Saturday)

9:00 am. Until

Food, Arts, or Crafts - 636 Prospect Road

5 K Run/Fun Walk (Kiwanis)

Southeastern Fitness Center, Pembroke

Registration: 5:30 a.m. - 6:45 a.m. Race Starts @ 7:15 p.m.

Car Show - 8:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. - Prospect Road

Parade - 10:00 a.m. - 636 Prospect Road

AISES Powwow - 12:00 p.m. - UNCP Quad*

Ambassador Coronation at AISES Pow Wow

12:30 p.m. - UNCP Quad

5K Fun Walk/Run Honoree retired Congressman Mike

McIntyre - 1:00 p.m. - UNCP Annex

Outdoor Gospel Concert

6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m. - LRDA Office Complex

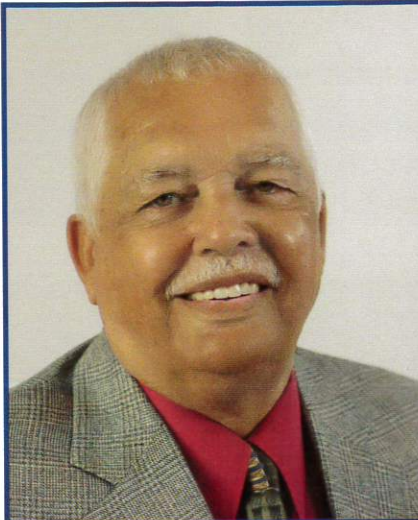
Lumbee Fireworks Sky Show

9:00 p.m. - LRDA Office Complex

Events Field

* Not an LRDA Sponsored Event





Dr. Woodrow Dial, Chairman

For many years Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. has proudly sponsored the Lumbee Homecoming festivities. Again this year the LRDA Board of Directors welcome you and hope that you will enjoy the activities. The events celebrate our heritage, our pride, and our Lumbee culture.

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Shirley Locklear

Shirley Mae Revels Locklear is a retired administrator with extensive experience and success in providing services to low-income Indian families in Robeson and adjoining counties.

From 1974 to 2003, she served as a key leader in major programs of Lumbee Regional Development Association that served disadvantaged people. During her career, Ms. Locklear served as the Director of the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program, REACH, Community Food and Nutrition Program, SSI Outreach, and other programs that helped Indian families to obtain services including home energy assistance, food stamps, Medicaid, and AFDC.

Of her work Ms. Locklear stated, "I always felt my job was to fight for my people and open doors to see that needy families received help." Her contributions and leadership resulted in new and improved services to Indian people, which are still ongoing today. Ms. Locklear managed the first major block grant of funds from the federal government to the Lumbee Tribe in partnership with the State of North Carolina. Shirley directed the Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program from 1986-2003 which served about 5000 households in Robeson, Hoke, and Scotland counties each year. This program was a model that other tribes and state agencies followed. The Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program is now operated by the Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina.

Ms. Locklear was a leader in organizing services for Indian elders, in providing free and low cost food for needy families, and improving education and health services in the region. In recent years, she has served extensively as a volunteer leader serving local elders with the Senior Traveling Companions, based in Pembroke. Ms. Locklear organized partnerships with a host of agencies at the local, state, and national levels, such as the North Carolina Department of Social Services, the US Department of Energy, the Community Services Agency of the US, and the US Social Security Administration.

From 1974 to the present, Ms. Locklear served as an employee and volunteer with LRDA, serving for over 42 years. During this period she worked with model programs that helped to reduce

hunger in Robeson County, and improved access to services of Robeson County Department of Social Services. Shirley served as Project Director for the Community Food and Nutrition Program, which provided innovative services to help low-income families grow and process their own garden foods. This LRDA Program operated a food co-op and food pantry with significant support from Campbell Soup Company, Food Lion, Lumbee River EMC, and Scottish Packing.

In addition to directing the LIHEAP program of LRDA, in 1991-1993, Ms. Locklear directed a LRDA program funded through the US Social Security Administration that worked to help American Indian individuals who were eligible for SSI services, but were not receiving them.

During her extensive career, Ms. Locklear served on Board of Directors and a leader in many organizations serving Robeson County. The following organizations are some in which she served: NC Hunger Coalition, Food Lion Advocacy Board, Outdoor Drama "Strike-At-The Wind", Robeson County Board of Education, Human Relation Commission for the City of Lumberton, and the Lumberton Housing Authority. In 1994, she received a major honor from the State of North Carolina when she was named a "Path Maker." She was one of twenty-two Native women in the State to receive this honor.

From 1980 to the present, Ms. Locklear served as a leader in providing services to Indian senior citizens and to improve their quality of life. Beginning in 1983, Shirley worked with Bill Deese owner of a tour bus company to take groups of local senior citizens on out-of-area trips to places like St. Augustine, Florida and other areas of interest. To date, this effort is continuing and the senior citizens have traveled to locations in to forty-seven states and two countries.

In 2003, she helped to organize the Senior Traveling Companions, a private, non-profit organization that provides extensive services to elders in the region. The Senior Traveling Companions (STC) has over 65 members who work to provide services to elders and handicapped individuals in need. STC also organizes and supports trips for the members to various tourist attractions in the region and out of state. STC is supported by dues, donations, and annual fundraising efforts.

Shirley Mae Revels Locklear grew up on a farm in the Saddletree Community. She attended Magnolia High School and Robeson Community College. She was married to the late Jimmie Locklear of Rennert. She is the mother of two children, Felicia A. Hunt and James K. Locklear. She is also the proud grandmother of four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Of her career, Ms. Locklear commented "I am so happy to have been a part of this wonderful organization called LRDA and the Senior Traveling Companions, a group of senior citizens whom I dearly love. I cannot express what it has been like to see LRDA and STC grow from the beginning, to meet so many good people, and delight in travel with others. I pray that I have done something worthwhile to help my Indian people along the way. Have I lived my dreams of working with my people or made life better for some of them? I like to think so. I know there is still a great deal to be done. I am so thankful to the leaders of LRDA and others who gave me the chance to work and to serve."

Mrs. Zona Locklear

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Lumbee Homecoming is a special time of year where thousands of folks gather as one to celebrate the annual traditions and cultures of their ancestors. When thinking about Homecoming, one special person comes to mind, "ILLYA." Illya, had a love and passion for Christ which was displayed through her Mobile Food Units known as "Illya's Concession."

Illya, was well-known to many as the "Funnel Cake Queen." Illya's Concession was at most outdoor events, sometimes at two or more locations on the same day. The majority of time, you could anticipate waiting in a line to get one of those mouthwatering funnel cakes, delicious turkey legs, zesty blooming onions and amazing ribbon fries. To many people, Illya's Concession was much more than a mobile food unit, it was her "Ministry." It was a place where people found love, hope, laughter, encouragement, praise, and motivation to fight no matter what circumstances tried to stop them.

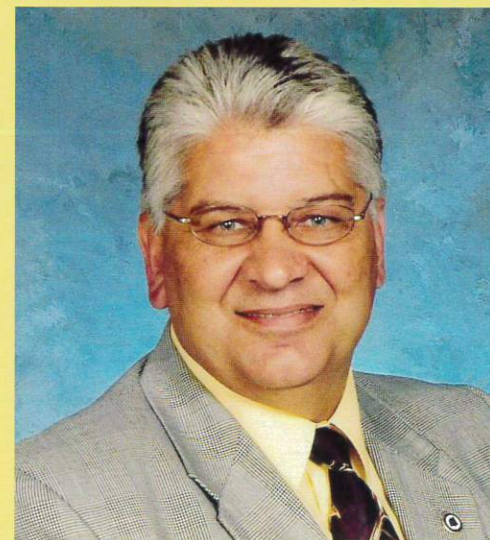
In 2009, Illya was diagnosed with cancer and later paralyzed as a result of back surgery. Despite those dreaded challenges in which most people would have gave up, Illya fought, she overcame and lived every single day as if there was no tomorrow. There was no stopping Illya. On any given day, you could see Illya continuing to enjoy life, whether it be riding her scooter, driving her car, or on the back of her husband Boyd's Harley Davidson chanting the "Indian Call."

Illya never missed an opportunity to uplift the spirit of others. She was a faithful and dedicated employee with the Pembroke Area Chamber of Commerce located in the LRDA building where she encouraged others with her positivity, infectious smile, and bubbly personality.

Illya leaves behind a marvelous legacy, with friends, family, and thousands of others she touched with her strength and perseverance to live. Her message will continue to inspire many people for years to come. Illya's spirit will surely be felt during the 48th Annual Lumbee Homecoming.

Rest in Peace our beloved Lumbee Warrior, "Illya"

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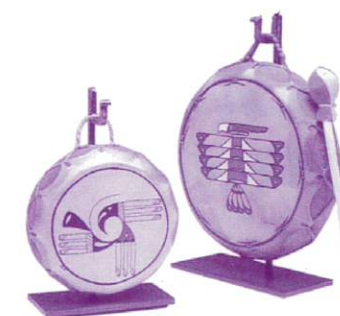


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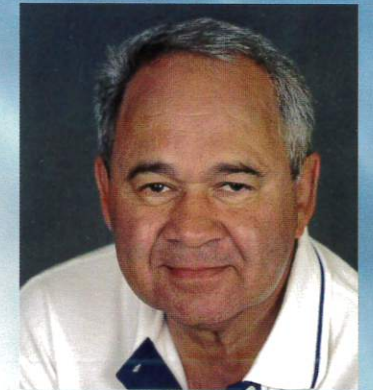


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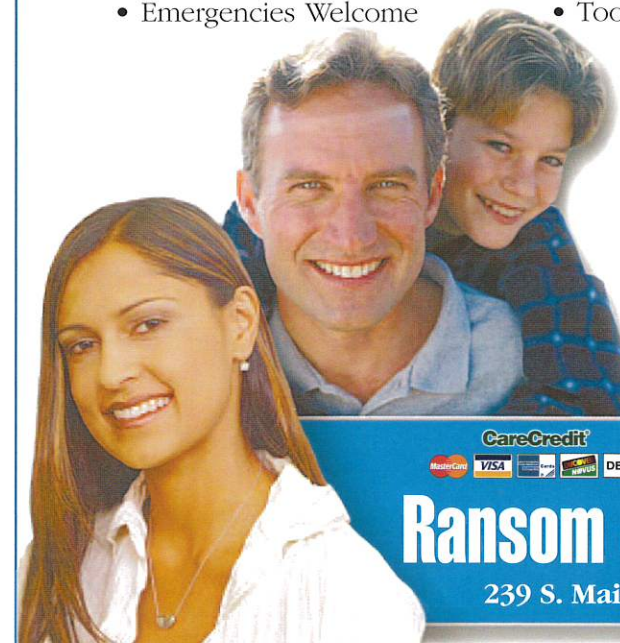
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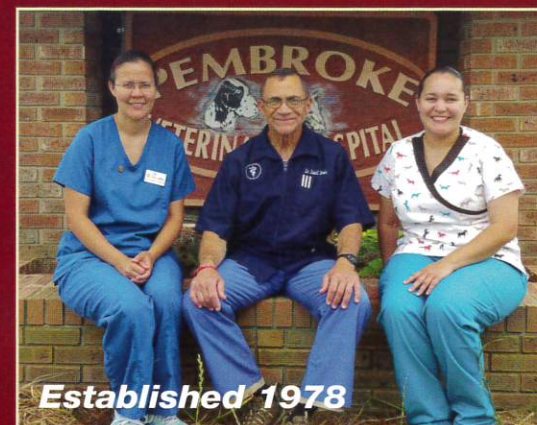
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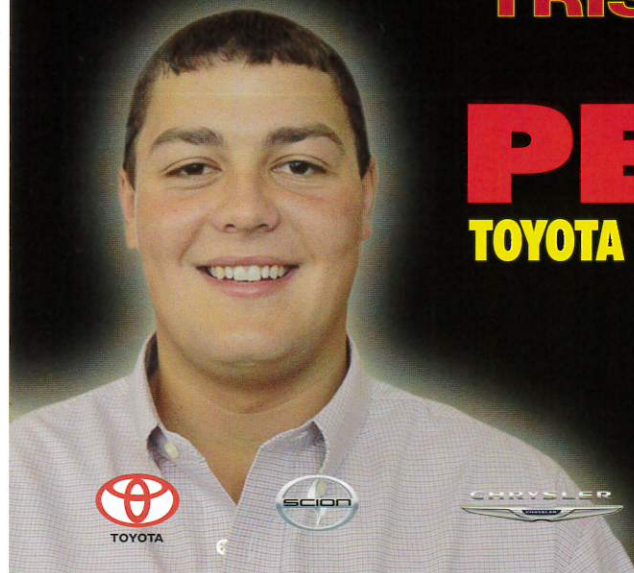
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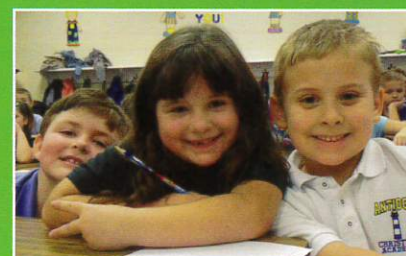
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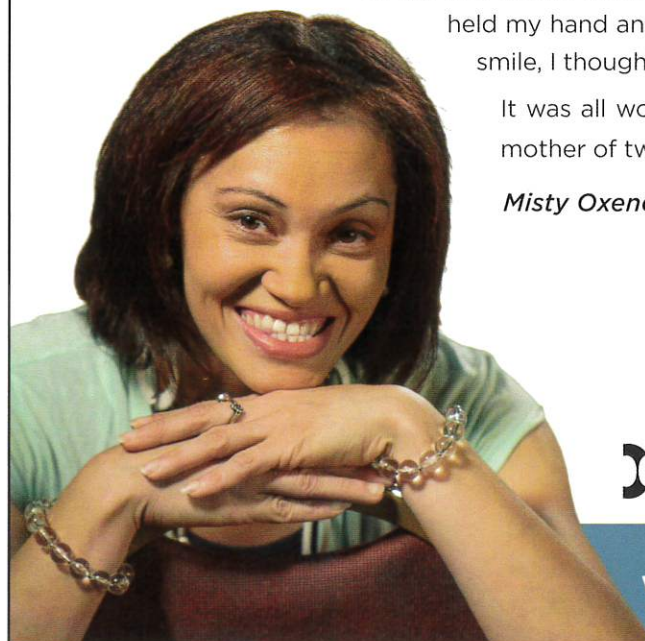
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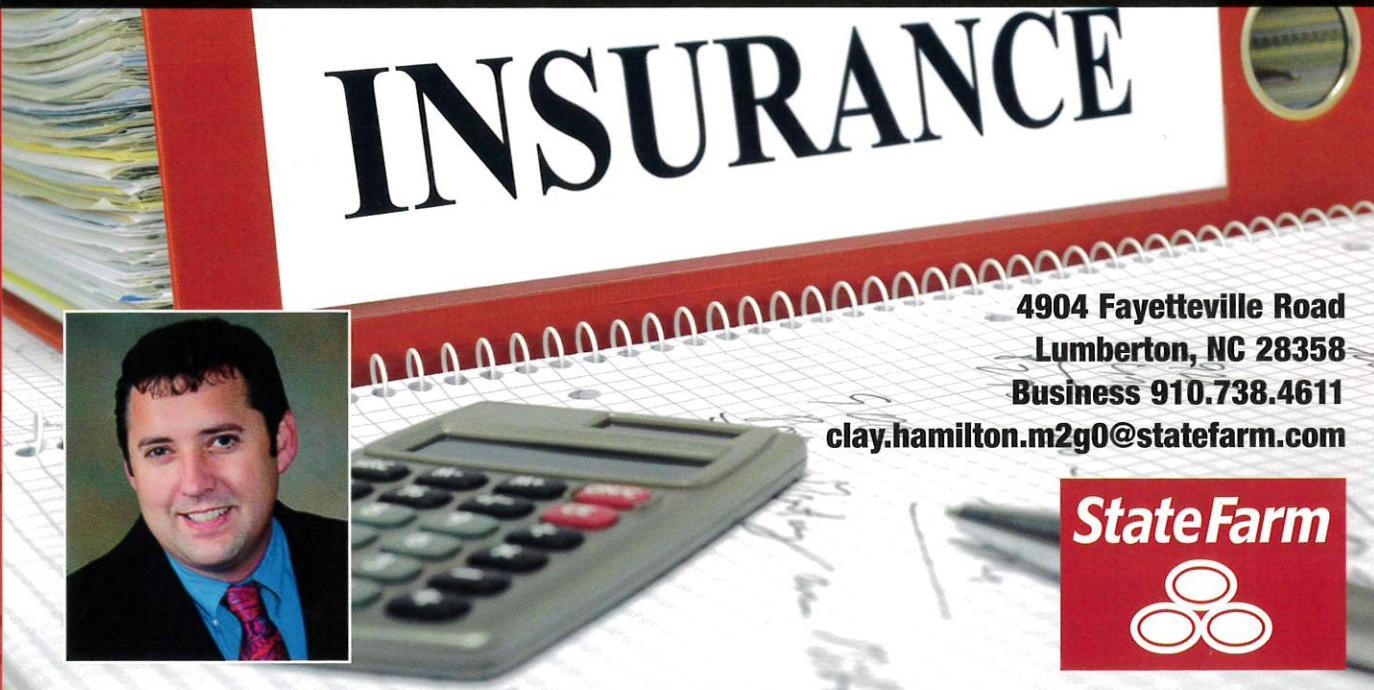



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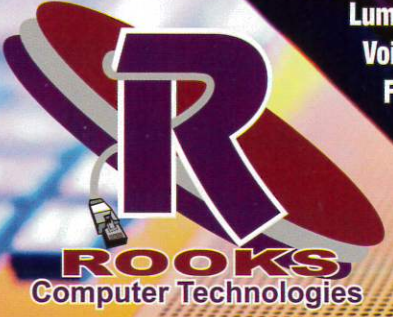


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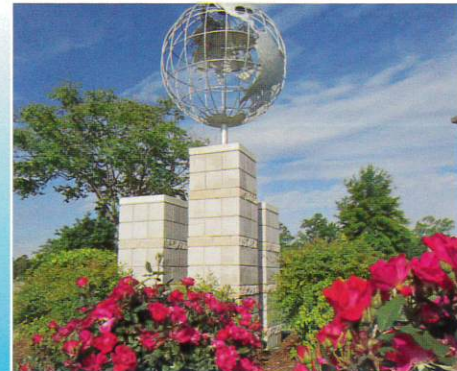
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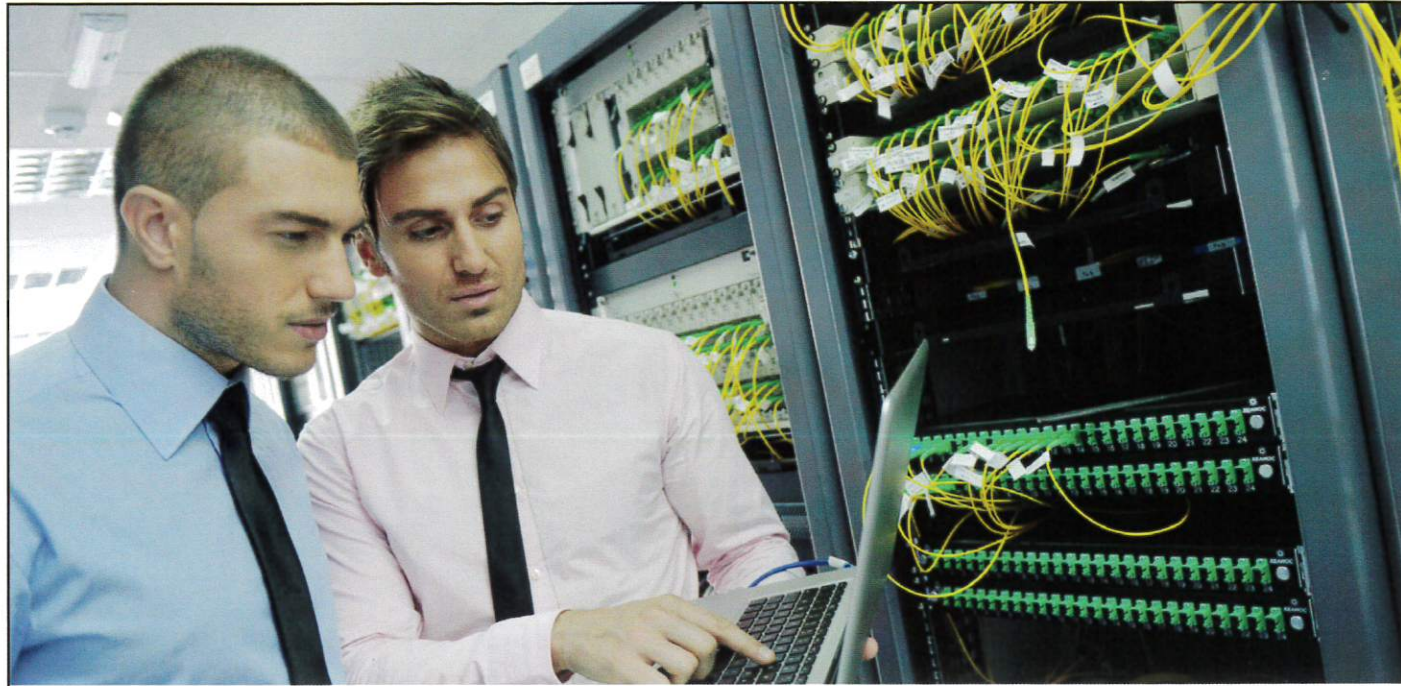
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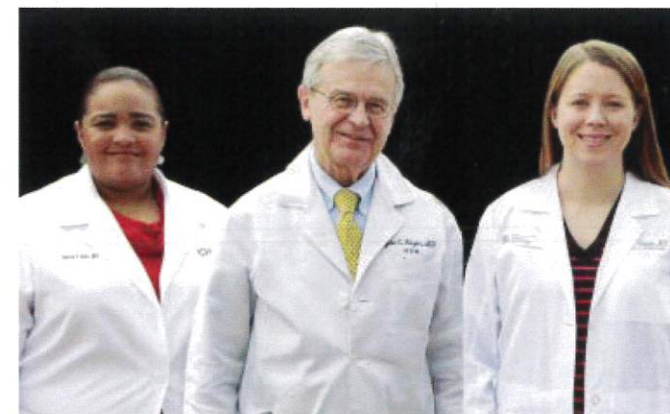


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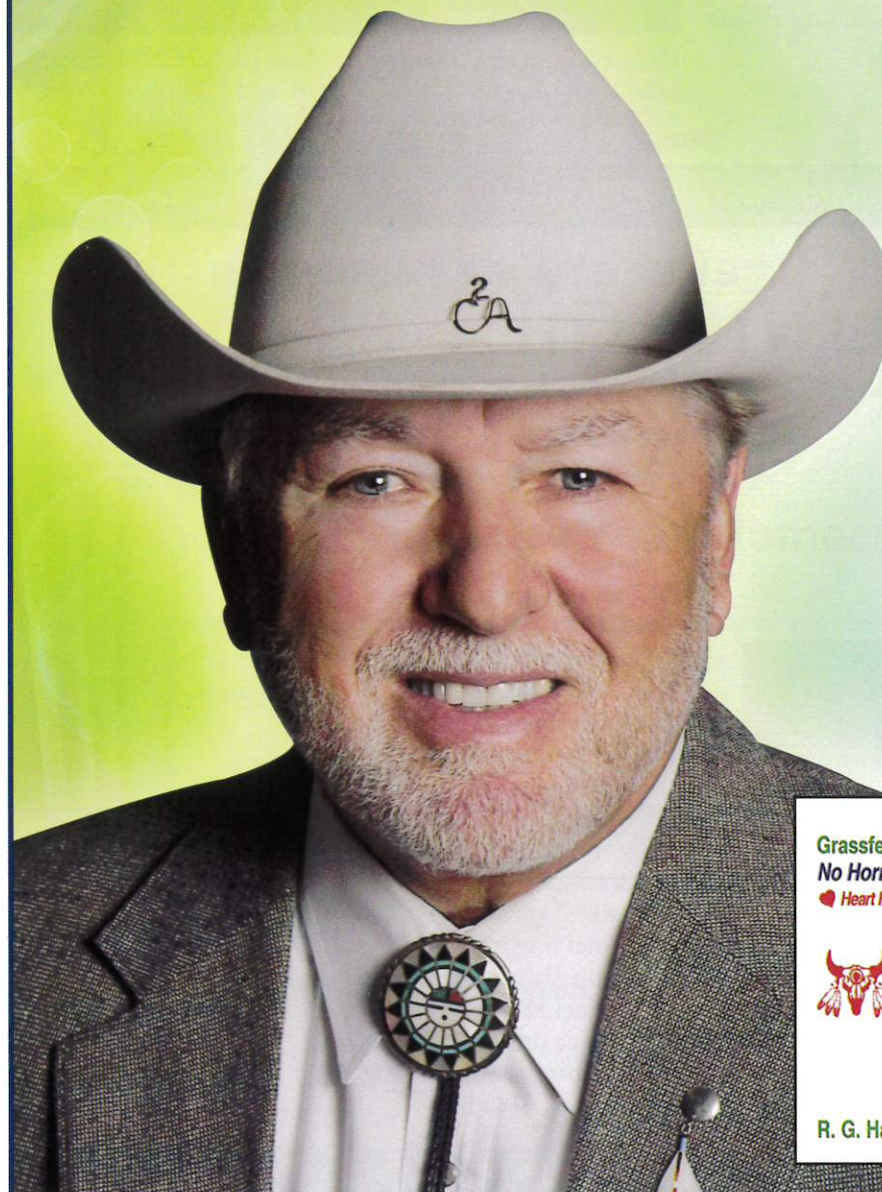
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Opening Number

Introduction of Mistress of Ceremonies	Brenda Hunt Storms, Miss Lumbee 1977
Introduction of Judges and Auditors	Brenda Hunt Storms, Mistress of Ceremonies
Special Entertainment	Lori Locklear Cole and Rob Cole

Little Miss and Junior Miss Talent Competition

Special Entertainment	Chloe Locklear, Little Miss Lumbee 2015-2016
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Little and Junior Miss Best Dress Competition and On Stage Question

Special Entertainment	Kyla Jarrett, Junior Miss Lumbee 2015-2016
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Introduction of Teen Miss and Miss Lumbee Contestants

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Little Miss and Junior Miss Regalia Competition

Farewell Walk.....	Little Miss Lumbee, Chloe Locklear 2015-2016
Farewell Walk.....	Junior Miss Lumbee, Kyla Jarrett 2015-2016

Presentation of Awards

Little Miss Lumbee

Miss Congeniality • On Stage Question • Regalia Award • Talent Award • Best Dress Award
4th Runner-Up • 3rd Runner-Up • 2nd Runner-Up • 1st Runner-Up

Crowning of 2016-2017 Little Miss Lumbee

Junior Miss Lumbee

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4th Runner-Up • 3rd Runner-Up • 2nd Runner-Up • 1st Runner-Up

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Little Miss and Junior Miss Lumbee Pageant Committees

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The Lumbee dress takes its name from the symbolic pinecone patchwork worn on the apron. The pinecone symbol is based on the longleaf pinecone. When turned on its end the pinecone matches the intricate design of the patchwork.

Little Miss Farewell

Oh my, what a time I have had this year representing my Lumbee people. The night of July 1, 2015, will forever be etched in my mind and heart, changing my life. Hearing my name called was a dream come true for me and has helped prepare me for life's journey. God destined my time to be Little Miss Lumbee 2015 - 2016 for His work and His glory and what an honor it is that He chose me.

My favorite verse is Psalm 37:7 and says "Rest in the Lord, and wait patiently for Him." It is with a humble heart and gratitude that I am thankful to God for this grand opportunity. Thank you Mr. Hardin, LRDA Board of Directors, and the staff of LRDA for the encouragement, kind words, and the flowing free hugs.

Without a great support system, this year would not have been possible. Behind this dream girl is my extraordinary dream team. To mama and daddy...my biggest fans and supporters, you are simply the best. Mama, we've shared many days on the road together and those have been the best times. To my Taylor, my big sister and 2nd mama...thank you for all those beautiful Navajo buns and reminding me of my dance steps when I seemed overwhelmed and forgot. Your unselfish love and dedication to help me when Mama was stretched thin is beyond amazing, just as you are.

Brittany, (my BB - my fashion guru) makeup and hair has ALWAYS been on point. You have made sure I look fabulous and all this hair was curled, which was a job for you and me! You have been in our corner since day one and we wouldn't have it any other way. Mason, you're the last piece of this amazing puzzle. You have been completely honest about hair, makeup and wardrobe and has always reminded me to be humble and that this crown was for His glory and not mine. You have kept us in tears laughing as you tried to ease tensions and nerves. You help make this team fabulous.

To my dream team, I LOVE YOU!! Grandma and Papa, aunts and uncles, you too have stepped in and helped this year with appearances. I know I had you busy but you always took me to events and with no

complaints. Thank you all from the bottom of my heart.

Ms. Rena Jacobs and Ms. Elisa Lancaster... what can I say? You provided me with the most beautiful regalia I could have asked for. God has truly blessed you with a talent and you have blessed others with that talent. Ms. Barbara, thank you for those last minute gown fixes that you worked your magic on! You were a lifesaver! I love you all!

Sam and Sheena Bailey (Eye Candy)...you made me and Mama feel right at home the first time we met you and your fabulous work with my portraits are breathtaking. You



are awesome and have hearts of gold. Thank you for all your generosity this year to me and for making me feel like the queen. Thank you so much and I love you guys!

Michelle Mathis (Ella & Co.) & Richard Mathis... you guys are so gracious with loving and warm spirits. Thank you for allowing me to pose in some of your finest attire and making me feel important when the camera was on me.

Riverside Independent Baptist Church, thank you for your generous support and prayers this year. You always made me feel special and encouraged me along the way. I pray God will continue to bless you. I love you all.

To all my sponsors, family and friends, although you may not be mentioned, know that I appreciate all you have done and I love you immensely!

To my queen sisters, where do I begin?? I started out with 3 girls I barely knew and now I feel like I've known you a lifetime. Alexis (Lex) I love our Facetime chats and just laughing at silly stuff and wondering what color lipstick you would have on that particular day. You are a smart, beautiful and motivated Lumbee woman who has the most pride for her people and loves to powwow! Girl, you are on fire!! I love you...

Kaitlyn, you and I loved taking pictures of ourselves with your phone and we would message each other late at night when I was supposed to be in bed. You never told Mama about that, right?? We would giggle over crazy things and always seem to be hungry at the same time. I love you...

Kyla, you are my other half and take such good care of me. The singing and dancing in the car was always fun with you. We love our sleepovers and we were always up to something. You are a true friend and I'm so glad God joined us together. Thank you for loving me the way you do and taking me under your wing. I love you Kyla Bug...

To the parents of my queen sisters, thank you for all you have done to make this year a great one and for taking care of me when Mama wasn't able to be there. And Ms. AJ, I know I'll always have a home in Garner, NC.

To the next little girl who will have the honor of this title, always be mindful of who you are and who you represent. Carry the crown with honor and respect, cherishing the experiences along the way. This has been the best year of my life and I am honored to have served my people.

I am and will forever be your **Little Miss Lumbee 2015 - 2016.**

Chloe Grace Locklear

Chloe Grace Locklear.

Junior Miss Farewell

"What you get by achieving your goal is not as important as what you become by achieving that goal" ... Mother Theresa

Hearing my name as your new Junior Miss Lumbee was the realization of a dream. I never imagined how much I would learn in one year, but it has shaped me into an intelligent, strong, young woman.

Some of my most memorable experiences were being the first court to participate in the Raleigh Christmas Parade and attending the Gathering of Nations. I am also extremely proud to have made history with my mom as the FIRST mother/daughter to hold the same Lumbee titles!!

First, to God be the Glory. I could not have accomplished this without him. I am thankful that he saw me worthy of this experience and for watching over us as we traveled. I am grateful for the valleys he brought me through because I learned that the view from the mountain top is worth the climb.

I want to thank Mr. Hardin, LRDA Board, Ms. Crystal, Ms. Sharlene, Ms. Alice, and Ms. Natascha, and the entire staff for the privilege of serving you and for your continued support of the ambassadors.

Thank you to Mr. James Maynor and Wynn Law Firm for always sponsoring me. Thanks to Fullers BBQ for sponsoring our Coronation Ball.

Thanks to Kayla, Kennedy, Celeste, Mahlea, Ranessa, Madison, Alisha, Aerial, Tasha, and Kel for encouraging me and believing in me.

Eye Candy Photography, I cannot thank you enough for sponsoring me and for the fun shoots and gorgeous pictures.

Ella & Co and the Mathis Family, Thank you for your generosity and providing me beautiful clothes and fun modeling sessions.

Jordan, you are the best hairstylist ever. Thank you for sponsoring me and making sure I always looked great. I love you.

To my teachers and principal, thank you for working with me this year.

Thanks to Ms. Susie and Tony (Peterson Toyota) for providing cars for parades, Jenny for the salsa lessons, Khalid for the pictures/videos, Ms. Sandra for my beautiful regalia's, and Ms. Vikki for my perfect costumes. My amazing dance teacher, Miss Amy, I love you and thank you for pushing me to be my best.

Savannah, my cousin and role model. It was an honor to have served with such a wonderful Miss Indian NC.

Ms. Angeleta, our lovely Sr. Miss Lumbee. I enjoyed attending appearances with you.

Chloe (little monkey), I love you to pieces. We have had so much fun this year. It is true big things do come in little packages. You are an amazing Little Miss Lumbee and forever my little sister. I'm glad God placed you in my life. Also, thank you to Ms. Patricia (my second mom) and Taylor (my new big sis).

Kaitlyn, a smart, kind, and beautiful Teen Miss Lumbee. I love you and I'm glad to have you as my big sister. I had fun teaching you how



to dance and singing our hearts out in the strangest places.

Alexis, our beautiful and talented Miss Lumbee. I love you bunches. Thank you for the fun times, especially our trip to Wilmington. You have always understood me and accepted me just as I am.

To my village, you will never know how much it meant to me to be on stage and hear your voices in the crowd. I am blessed to have had your support every step of the way.

Aunt Lorie and May, thanks for being there whenever we needed you. Tyler Paige, I appreciate all the times you helped me with my H&M. Tonya, thanks for my scrapbook that I can cherish forever.

Ma-D and Pop Pop, thank you for driving me anytime we needed and supporting me throughout this year.

Papa Boot, thank you for taking me wherever I needed to go when mom needed a break and for loving me.

Grandma Mary, I know I drive you crazy sometimes, but I love you. I could not have done as much this year if you had not stepped in when mama had to work. Thank you for taking me to so many appearances. I will cherish the times we spent together. I can never thank you enough for your love and support.

Isaiah, I love you and thank you for being a loving big brother and not complaining when I took so much of mama's time.

Daddy, Ms. India, Dyonne, and Josh. I love you all. To daddy, I know that you are not into all the girl stuff but you have learned a lot this year. Thank you for the road trips, blasting the music and having great conversations. Thank you for being my shelter through the storm. I could not ask for a better father. Ms. India, thank you for teaching me how to manage my hair and makeup better. I value your advice.

Mama, the woman that sacrifices everything so that I can live out my dreams. I love you for all you do. Thank you for supporting me and helping me through this journey. There is no telling how many miles you have driven or how many nights you stayed up taking care of things. Thank you for making me a strong young lady and for being beside me every step of the way. This experience has been amazing and I'm glad I got to share it with you.

To the next Junior Miss Lumbee, treasure this moment because it doesn't last forever. Remember who you stand for each and every day. Enjoy the ride of your life.

I am proud and honored to have served my beautiful and strong Lumbee people. For the last time I am your **2015-2016 Junior Miss Lumbee.**

Kyla L. Jarrett

Kyla Leigh-Ann Jarrett.

Little Miss Lumbee

2015-2016



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Junior Miss Lumbee

2015-2016



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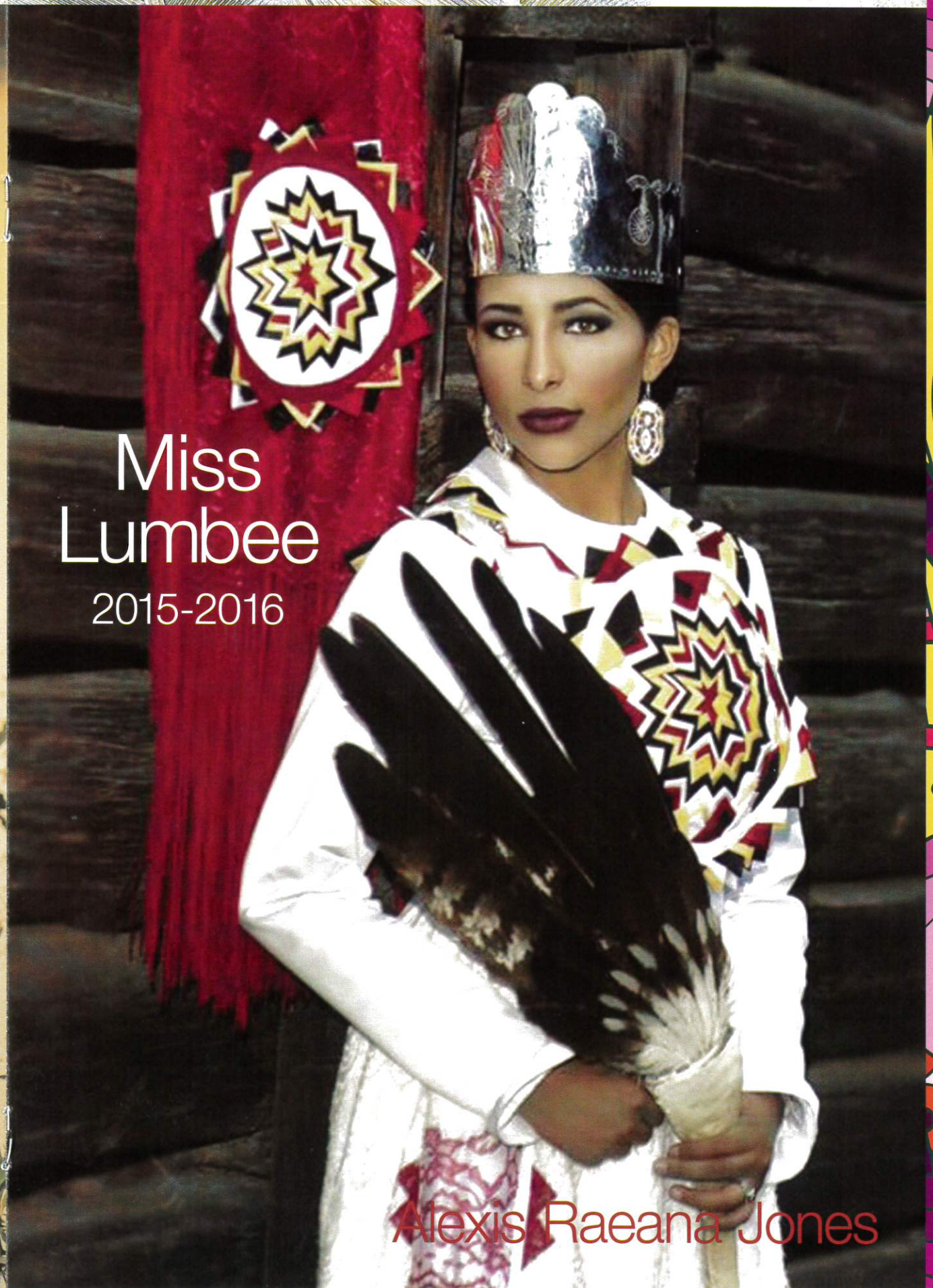
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Kaitlyn Deal

Miss Lumbee

2015-2016



Alexis Raeana Jones

Teen Miss Farewell

Once upon a time there was a little Lumbee girl who had dream of becoming a Lumbee Ambassador.

This dream always seemed out of reach for the little girl, despite how hard she tried. Years passed and the little girl grew into a young lady, as well as in wisdom, knowledge, and the favor of GOD. I Kaitlyn Deal am that little girl who didn't stop dreaming! Through the hand of GOD, my dream became a reality when I was crowned Teen Miss Lumbee. There is simply not enough space on this paper to tell the history leading up to the night I was crowned. I can certainly testify that "I will sing to the LORD as long as I live and I will praise my GOD to my last breath". **Psalm 104:33**

I would like to acknowledge and say thank you to all of the LRDA staff, board members, Mr. James Hardin, and the Lumbee Nation. I appreciate all that you do to make Lumbee Homecoming and the Lumbee pageants possible. My greatest joy was being a role model and an ambassador for the Lumbee people, I relished every moment of it! I wanted to show the world that young Lumbee women are capable of doing great things!

Many have made my reign possible- I thank you all! Your generous spirit will always remain in my heart. Clayton Homes - Beth Davis Hunt, Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Roberts, Jr., M-W Electric Inc., and Scott's Tire . . . I will never be able to thank you all enough. Mr. Ray Scott you and your family are amazing, and your BBQ just can't be beat!

I also want to acknowledge Fuller's BB - Mr. Eric Locklear and family for blessing the Lumbee Ambassadors this year. Mr. Errol Oxendine, thank you for my car signs and support this year. Kirsten Locklear, you have provided the best Teen Miss Lumbee shirts that a girl can have - I love you. Kim McNeil Hunt, you have been the best beautician and kept this girl looking good! Cherry Miles of All Occasions, you made sure Teen Miss Lumbee was always on point! Ella & Co. Boutique has also sponsored and dressed me for appearances this year, I simply love you guys. Mr. Richard Mathis (Mathis Photography) your sponsorship has meant the world to me this year, I love my photos!

I have the most amazing family- there are too

many to name, but thank you and I love you all! Dylan, my brother, best friend and chauffeur - thank you for all you have done this year, you got me to a lot of appearances! Calista, you're an amazing sister, and you have been the most amazing Little and Junior Miss Lumbee I know!

Dad, you have taught me about God. My faith in Him washed a wave of calmness over me during competition knowing that it was ultimately His choice, not mine. That was the best weapon I had this year! Mom, I am who I am because you love me unconditionally, and when I had doubts in myself you believed in me! I am simply one blessed girl!



Little Miss Lumbee, Chloe where has this year gone?! I have cherished the memories we made this year! Words can't describe all I have learned from you this year, I truly love you! I know I will see you light up the stage again, my silly old cat.

Junior Miss Lumbee, Kyla I can't describe what our year has meant to me! We've had some good laughs and memories that I will cherish and I love you! As you start a new journey heading to high school, I know you will do great things!

Alexis, where do I begin? We sing together, we laugh together, we have even cried together, did I mention we sing together? Don't think for 1 second that this is goodbye! I love you

so much, we have a bond together Miss Lumbee, we became Lumbee Royalty together, sisters from different misters, and we will crown our successors together.

Dr. Robert Canida and Mr. Virgil Oxendine, there are no words to describe my love for you! You saw something in me, I never knew I had. Potential! You made me realize that I could be more than a great singer, and that I could be great in interview!

I didn't have the most expensive wardrobe, but you helped me turn my desire to be Teen Miss Lumbee into a voice that I felt confident to share with the world. I realized that I was perfectly me, minus the umms, wells, yeas, and ya knows of course! Ms. Jocelyn Hunt, thank you for believing in me and I couldn't have done this without your help.

Everyone says that high school years can be tough, and I've experienced a great loss this year. My best friends Beck, Tamiah, Kyla, Nakyra, Chole, Hannah, and Megan came into my life just when I felt so alone. Thanks girls for kicking rocks with me when they got in my way - I love you all! To the administrative staff and all my teachers at Purnell Swett I want to say thanks for your support.

I've worked hard to be in the Beta Club, National Honor Society, on the Superintendents Honor Roll, number 17 in my class of more than 500 students, and to fulfill my duties this year.

Please know that it has been an honor to be Teen Miss Lumbee! It has been my desire for ALL to see Christ in me, and to serve you humbly. The places I've been and the people I've met will remain in my heart forever.

I hope and pray that I will have the opportunity to serve again, but until then for the last time I am **Teen Miss Lumbee 2015-2016**

Kaitlyn Marie Deal

Kaitlyn Marie Deal

Miss Lumbee Farewell

As the time draws near to retire my silver polishing cloth I can't help but reminisce on the eclectic experience I have had as Miss Lumbee 2015-2016. After my mother Eustacia's reign as Miss Lumbee 1989, I once stood in her bedroom gazing upon her several crowns, and it was the crown of Miss Lumbee that I would choose to play dress up with as a child. After several years of singing on the big stage, disappointment, heartache, and failure, I too had one moment in time when I was more than I thought I could be. The night I was crowned Miss Lumbee 2015-2016 was simply a dream come true. I now represented sixty thousand Lumbee Indians and was able to take the passion I had for my culture and my people and wear the crown with pride, grace, and beauty.

This experience as Miss Lumbee has completely changed my life forever. As Miss Lumbee I have received a great deal of opportunities, and developed relationships with people that I will have for the remainder of my life. While broadening my horizons I have acquired patience, versatility, Integrity, and lastly Love, to name a few. I have traveled thousands of miles, brushed shoulders with the first lady Michelle Obama, Miss Indian World, Congressmen, Senators, Governors, Mayors, Tribal chairmen, and many more sharing ideas, and information on not only my Lumbee people but all Native Americans.

I was determined to promote my culture, and educate others about my people as Miss Lumbee and a student at the The University of North Carolina at Wilmington. Representing less than 1% of the population on campus and also worldwide I took pride in being Lumbee. From writing a constitution for a Native American student origination, to standing up to issues such as culture appropriation, racism, and ignorance, I can retire my duties as the queen knowing I have done everything in my power to educate and instill respect and pride in the hearts of the native and non native.

I've heard it said, that people come into our lives for a reason, bringing something we must learn. And we are led to those who help us most to grow, if we let them, and we help them in return. Well, I don't know if I believe that's true, but I know I'm who I am today, because I knew you. With the great responsibilities that come along with being Miss Lumbee, I was blessed with three who would steal my heart, and become mine forever. Many know them as Little, Junior, and Teen Miss Lumbee, but I know them as Chloe, Kyla, and Kaitlyn. God knew exactly what he was doing when he placed each one of them in my life. As Miss Lumbee I was responsible for three young queens who experienced the life of royalty right along with me. Three queens who will be in my wedding, who's brilliant minds would outshine most, who each taught me life lessons, and brought joy to my heart just simply by smiling. My babies they will always be.

Chloe Grace, My Baby! Your presence in my life means the world to me. Just the sound of your voice calling my name warms my soul. Thank you for every goodnight text, every facetime, and every "Lexy I

love you". Thank you for sharing the love of makeup with me, and reminding me that my fan brush is strictly for highlighting my cheekbones! You don't know it mama, but you held me down when nobody else could. You brought me at peace, when I was at war, and just by the touch of your hand you brought me grace.

Kyla, Little mama! When I look at you I see me when was your age. So intelligent, fierce, bold, hilarious, confident, and beautiful! You have the characteristics, and determination of a boss! Girl, you are Beyonce! Your talents and your beautiful mind will break down barriers as you sore to the top! Never change who you are because you're one of a kind! Thank you for sporting your J's with me, and teaching me how to whip and nae nae correctly. No matter where life takes us you will always have a



friend, and remember you will always be my gathering of nations (lol insider)!

Kaitlyn, I don't have enough space in this farewell to tell you how much you mean to me. You have truly made an impact in my life, and have created an unbreakable bond that no man can hinder. You are indeed my soulmate. Your genuine love for me since day one has touched my heart like no other. Throughout this year I have tried to teach you everything I have learned in life, this is a cruel world we live in girl, and not everyone has the same hearts we have. Take everything you have learned this year and continue to be a voice for our christian youth. You are anointed by the father and I thank him every day for sending you, my best friend, into my life. I can't wait to finish our dreams in the studios and bright lights! I love you kait, and remember "it'll be alright".

With great Love and respect I thank each and every

one who has sponsored me financially, and has supported me through my year as Miss Lumbee! whether it was making sure my appearance and wardrobe was up to queen like standards, capturing my year through a lens, or making sure there was gas in my car to travel you have truly made this experience worthwhile! Your good deeds have not gone unnoticed, and I will forever be grateful.

To my supporters, Without your love and support throughout my reign as Miss Lumbee I wouldn't be the woman I am today. I am humble to know that when things turn left I have an army of soldiers behind my back to make sure things go right! I would specifically like to thank not only the Lumbee people but the Tuscarora, Eastern Band of Cherokee, Coharie, Hailwa-Sapoini, Saponi, Meherrin, Occaneechee, Waccamaw Souian, Wampanoag, Navajo, Apache, and many more for supporting me throughout my reign. I am honored to have not only represented my Lumbee people but all Native people of America as well!

To My Family, Thank you for being my rock during my reign as Miss Lumbee. When I was down you were there to lift me up! Thank you Cameron for putting up with my singing not only this year but throughout your whole life! Congrats on graduating high school man, I love you! I wouldn't be the queen I am today if it wasn't for yall's love and guidance. You are all I need in this world, and I take pride in having by my side!

To my people I have not only dedicated my reign but also my life to represent you, and educate others across this world about the people of the dark water. Our people have survived genocide, cultural assimilation, and a great deal of historical trauma, and I will die fighting to keep the legacy of the Lumbee alive and well! Promoting Unity one day at a time.

As the time draws near to retire my silver polishing cloth I say... You may shoot me with your words, You may cut me with your eyes, You may kill me with your hatefulness, But still, like air, I'll rise. I am honored to have represented the Lumbee people as Miss Lumbee. I am honored to have made history with my mother as the first mother and daughter Miss Lumbee. I am honored to now be a part of the sisterhood of the prestigious Miss Lumbee titleholders. I am honored to stand here tonight with my head up shoulders back, standing tall and strong like the Lumbee woman I am and always will be! I will never forget the time I reigned as Miss Lumbee, impacting lives, conquering the world, and being the very best I could be! I love you and wish blessings upon you all! Be proud of who you are, because your pride is beautiful! And I will always and graciously forever be your Miss Lumbee 2015-2016.

Alexis Raeana Jones

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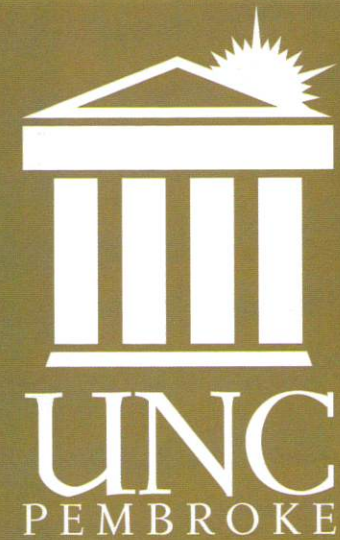
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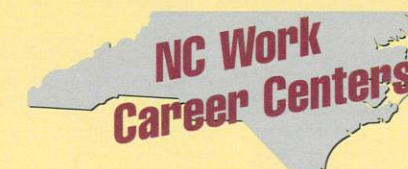
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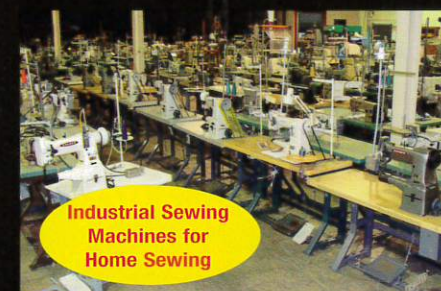
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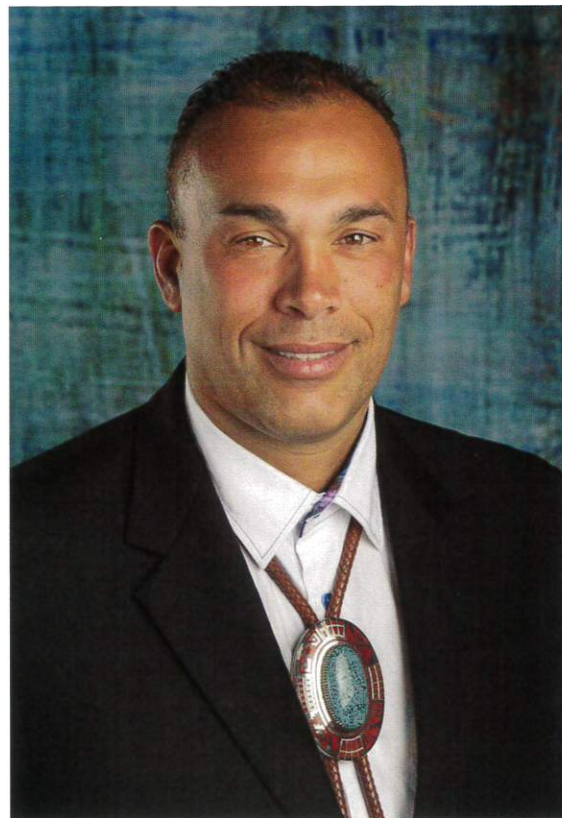


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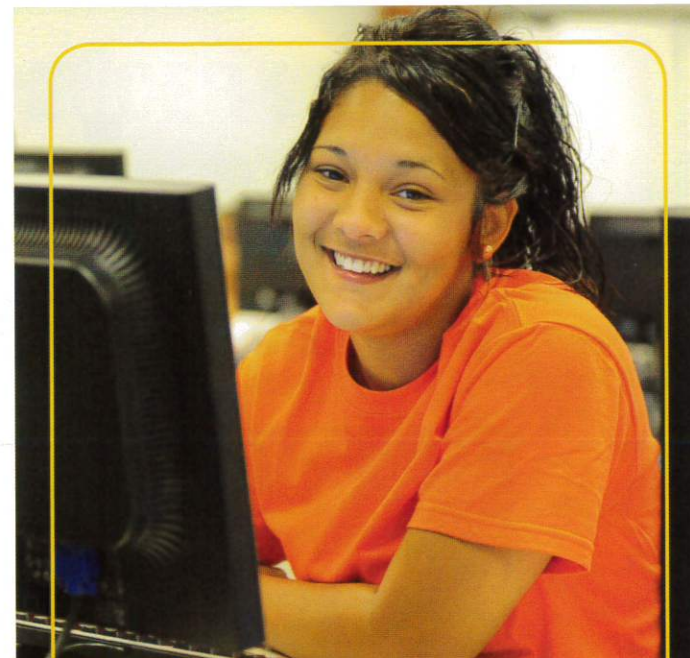
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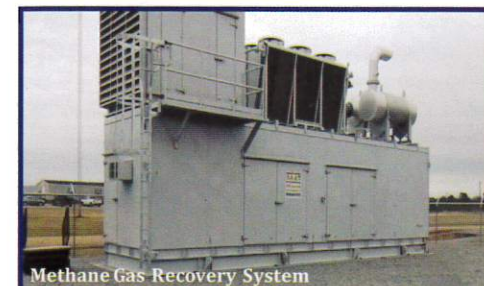
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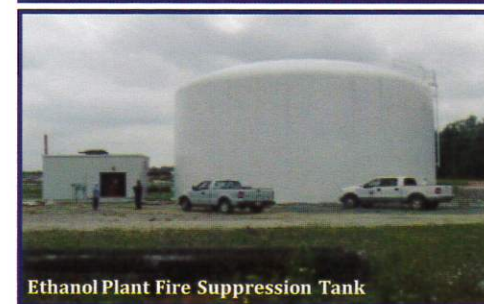
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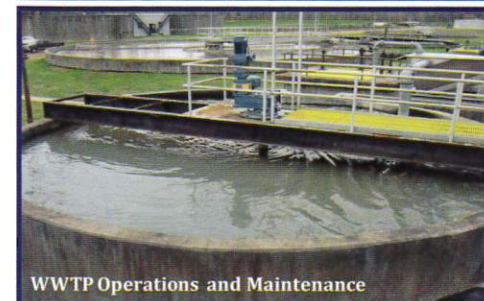
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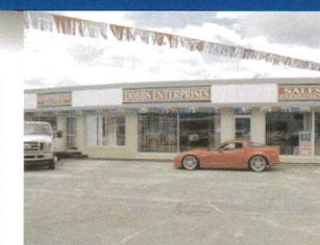
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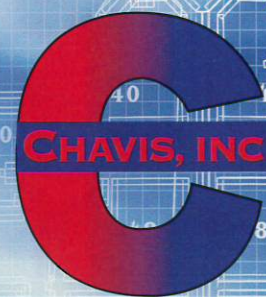
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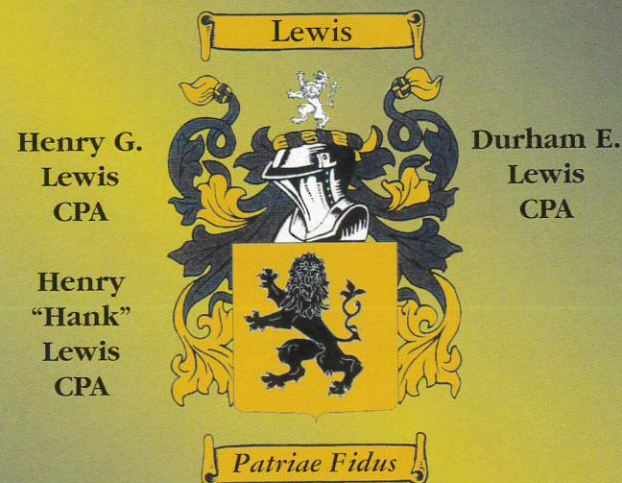


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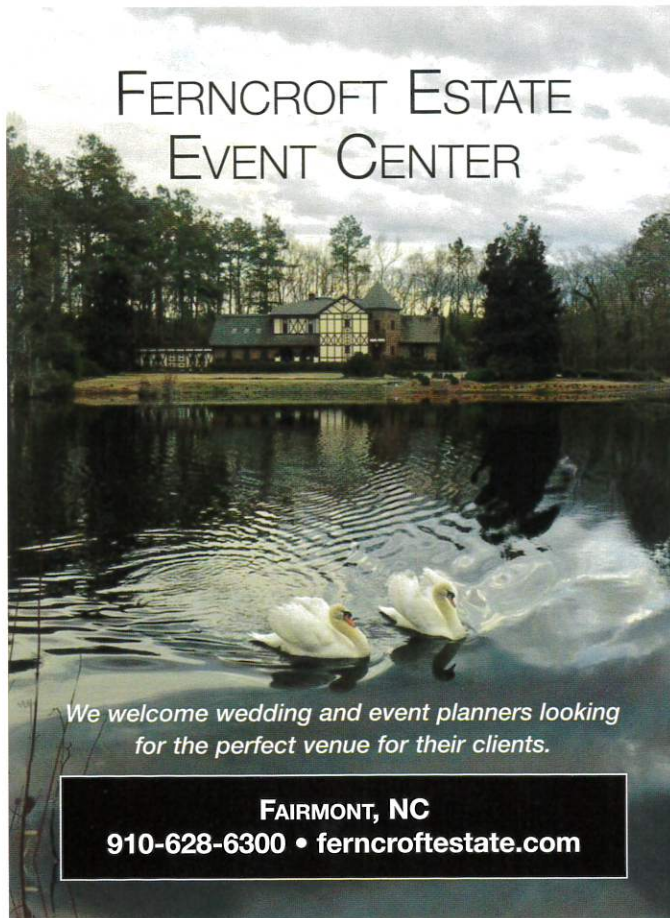
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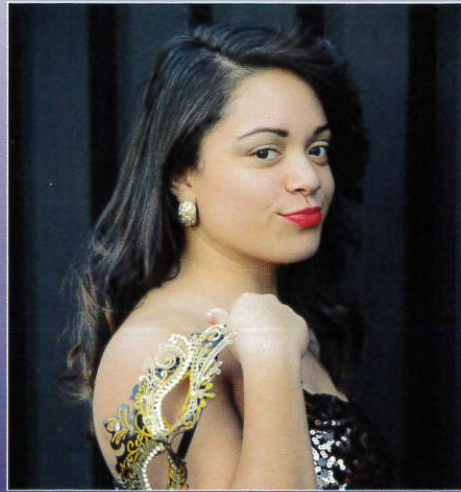
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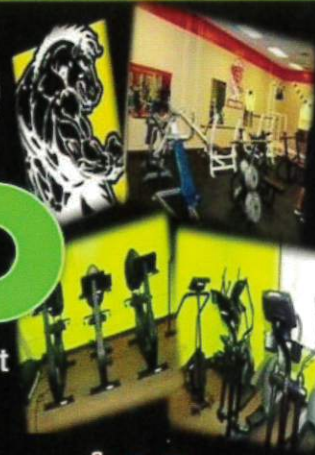
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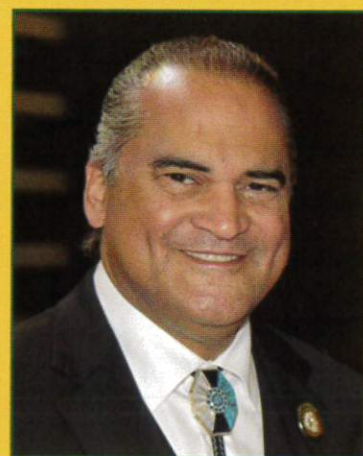
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