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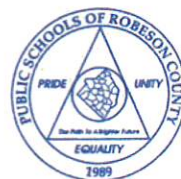
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39th Annual Lumbee Homecoming Schedule

Sunday, June 24, 2007

Farewell Tea – 3:00 pm (LRDA Office Complex)
Gospel Sing – 6:00 pm (Sycamore Hill)

Wednesday, June 27, 2007

Elder's Luncheon – 12pm (Farmer's Market)

Friday, June 29, 2007

Little/Junior Miss Pageant – 6:30 pm (GPAC)

Saturday, June 30, 2007

Native Angels Golf Tournament – 1:30 pm (Pinecrest Golf Course)

Sunday, July 1, 2007

Lumbee Games Wrestling Tournament – 1:45 pm (UNCP)

Monday, July 2, 2007

Lumbee Games Tennis Tournament – 9:00 am (UNCP)
SATW Art Dinner – 6:00 pm (UNCP Chavis Center)*
Lumbee Games Swim Championship – 7 pm (UNCP)

Tuesday, July 3, 2007

Living History Exhibit – 10 am (NC Indian Cultural Center)*
Teen & Miss Lumbee Pageant – 6:30 pm (GPAC)

Wednesday, July 4, 2007

Living History Exhibit – 10 am (NC Indian Cultural Center)*

Thursday, July 5, 2007

Lumbee Games Billiards Tournament 4:00 pm (UNCP)
Ambassador Reception – 5:30 pm (LRDA Office Complex)

Friday, July 6, 2007

Lumbee Games 3 on 3 Basketball – 10:00 am (UNCP)
Coronation Ball – 6 pm (NC Ag Farmer's Market)

Saturday, July 7, 2007

Advantage Homecare 5K Run/Fun Walk – 6 am

Parade – 10 am

AISES Powwow – 12 pm (UNCP Quad)*

Sugar & Spice Fashion Show – 2 pm (UNCP Chavis Center)

Car Show – 3 pm

Advantage Hospice Memorial Service – 4:30 pm (Berea Church)*

Live, Outdoor Concert – 6 pm

SATW Opens – 8 pm (NC Indian Culture Center)*

Fireworks – 9 pm

3rd Annual Lumbee Homecoming Celebration 9pm-2am – (NC Ag Farmer's Market)*

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Grand Marshalls



KENNETH R. MAYNOR a native of Pembroke, received his Bachelor's Degree in Health and Physical Education from Pembroke State College, now UNC-Pembroke. Mr. Maynor and his wife Geraldine, a former educator, are the proud parents of two children, Felicia M. Locklear and Bryan Maynor. Felicia is the first Native American to serve as a school principal in Wake County. Their son Bryan works with Lumbee Guaranty Bank. Mr. Maynor attends Berea Baptist church of Pembroke NC. Mr. Maynor was an educator for over 25 years in the Robeson County School System. He served as Executive Director of Lumbee Regional Development Association, Inc. (LRDA) for 14 years. Mr. Maynor's awards and achievements are listed below.

- Current President of the LRDA Land Trust Committee
- Planning/Zoning Board for the Town of Pembroke
- Served as Executive Director of LRDA 1973-1986
- Charter Member of Lumbee Tribal Enrollment & Criteria
- In 1986 served as President of the United Tribes of NC
- Received the Lumbee Warrior Award (of 1958) from the Lumbee Tribe of NC
- LRDA Save Old Main Committee
- Charter Member of Lumbee Legal Services
- 1973 – 1986 Distinguished Service Award Lumbee Homecoming Committee
- Received 1973 - 1974 Award for Boss of the Year Pembroke Jaycees
- Charter member of the Pembroke Jaycees
- 1986 Outstanding Service Award, LRDA Board of Directors 1986
- First President of the Robeson Historical Association, "Strike at the Wind"
- Charter Member of Robeson Health Care Corporation
- Charter member of Indian Unity Conference
- Served as Deacon at Berea Baptist Church from 1995-1997 and 2000 – 2002
- In 2002 Served as Chairman of Berea Baptist Church Deacons

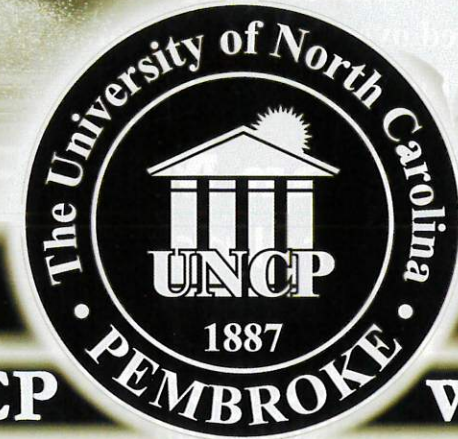
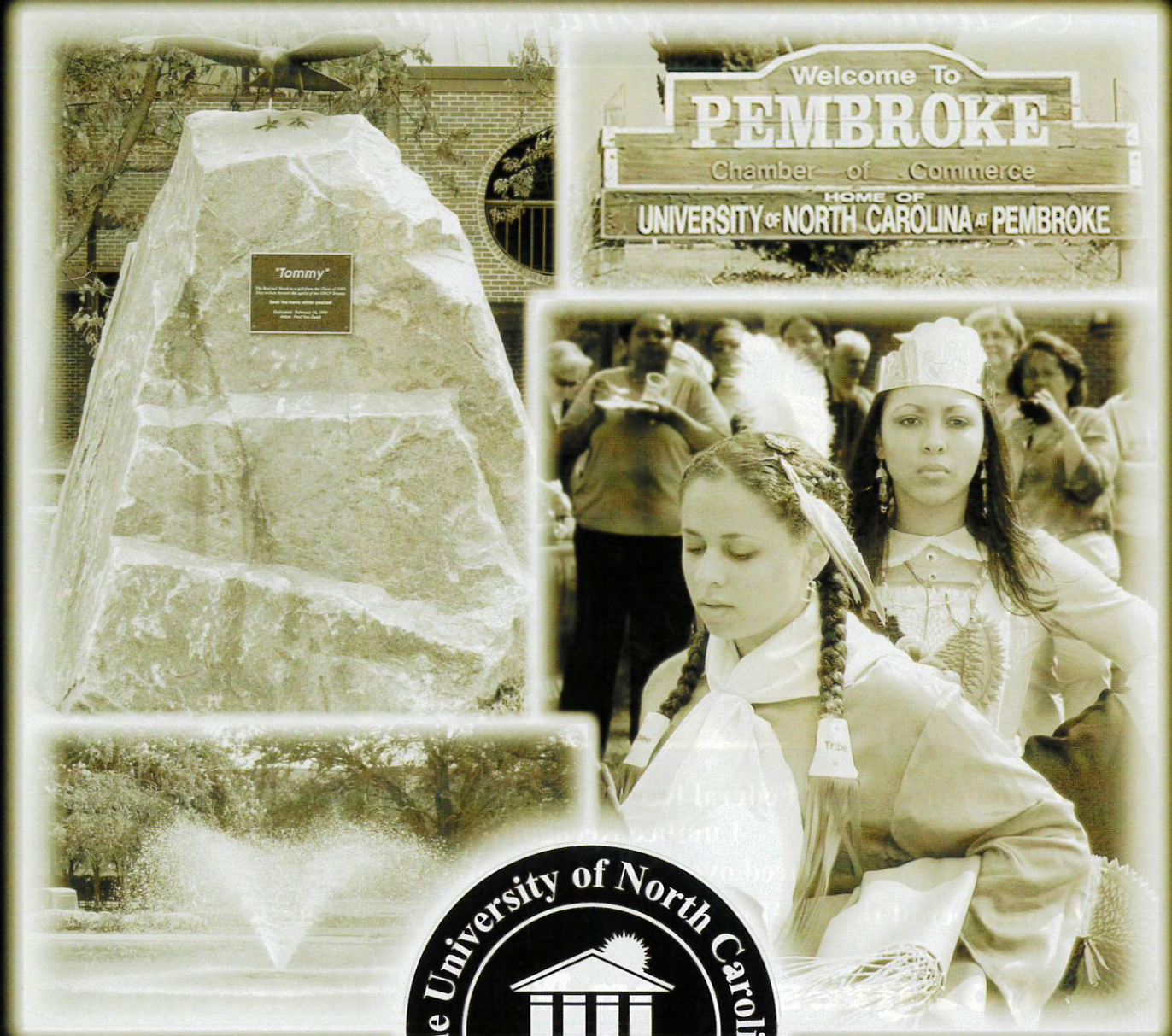


REVEREND CLAUDIE DIAL "The Lumbee Evangelist", 87 years old, is a veteran of World War II. He and his first wife, Essie Mae Dial (1924 - 2004) parented 12 children, 9 of who are still living. Rev. Dial has since remarried and he and his wife, Ernestine Dial, also a pastor, share a passion for evangelism.

Rev. Dial spent his life ministering both at home and abroad. Rev. Dial was one of the first pastors to set up tent revivals in Robeson County. In 1953 during one revival Rev. Dial set up a tent with 3,000 seats and drew a crowd of over 6,000 people. During his time in the Army he ministered in 7 different European countries and also spread the gospel in the Fiji Islands during his term in the Peace Corps. In addition, he has written two hymnals and is currently working on his third.

Rev. Dial chartered the not for profit organization "Friends of the Son." His organization helps educate students through high school and on collegiate levels. Rev. Dial's expertise as a builder has been instrumental in the construction of the 21 churches he has built in 4 different countries including the United States, Belize, Guatemala, and Mexico. In addition he has built a mission station in Belize and a children's home in Guatemala. His churches are often started with little to no funds and are dependent upon the support and participation of the community in which they are built. Rev. Dial wants to see Christian ministries flourish as far as land goes south through Central and South America.

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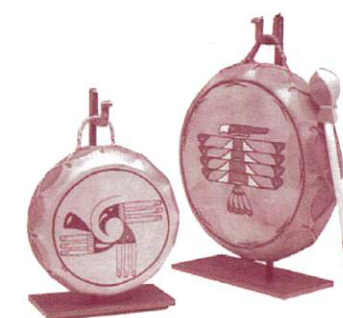
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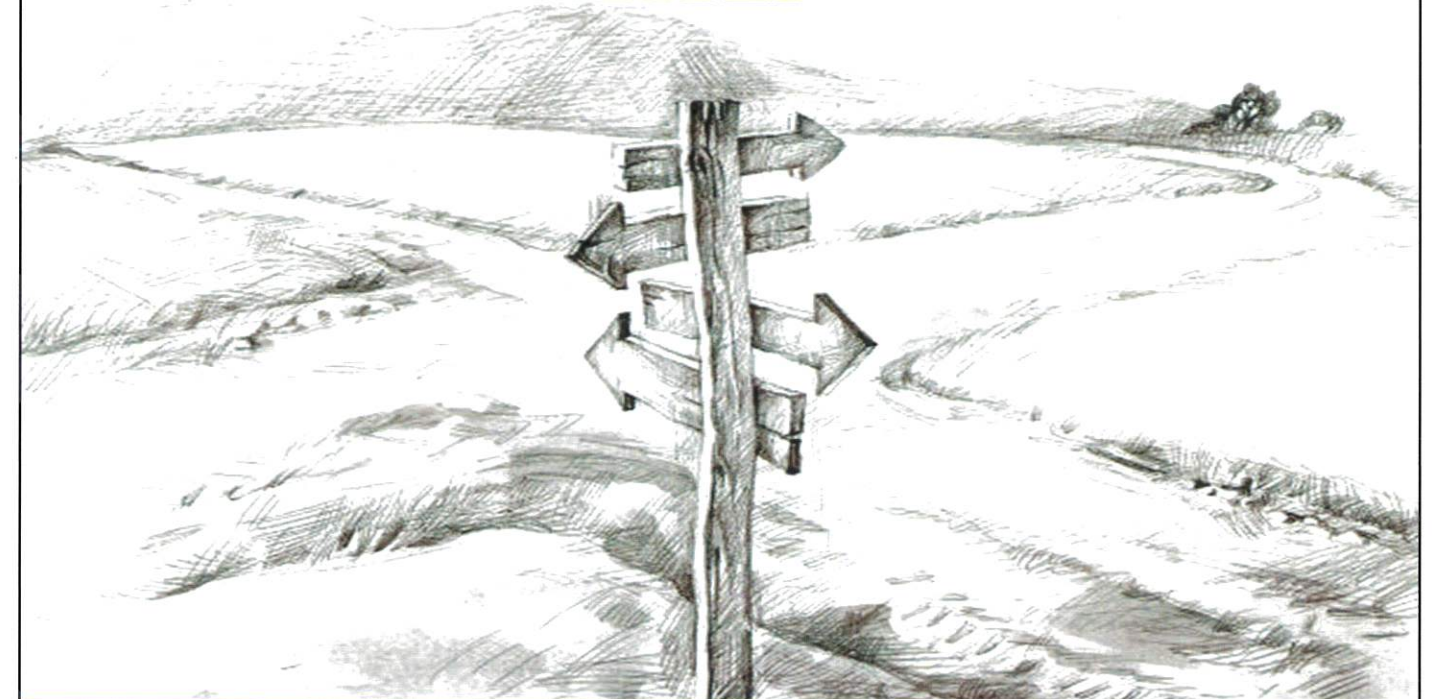
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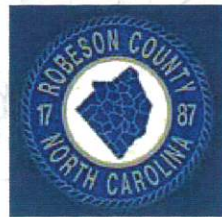
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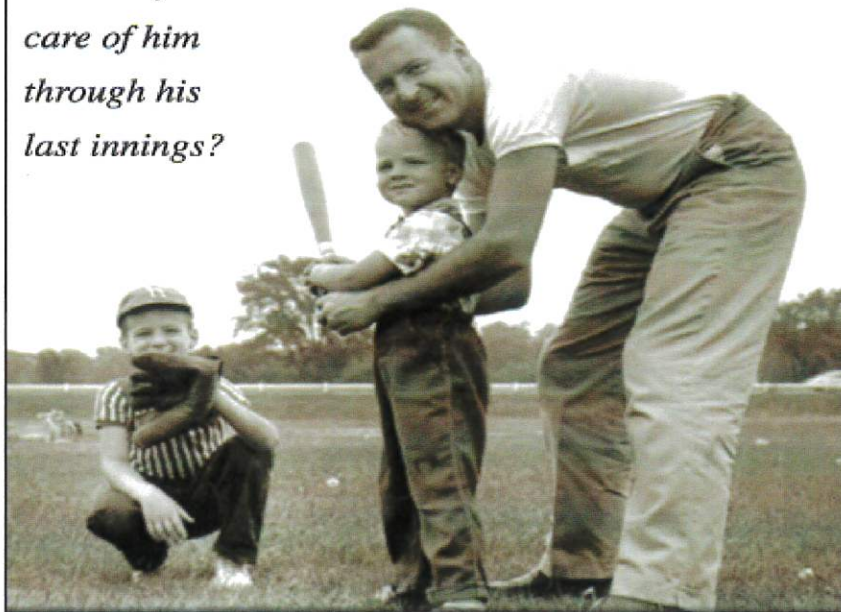
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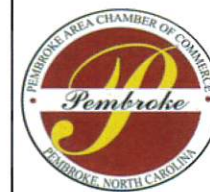
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2007 Little Miss Lumbee and Junior Miss Lumbee Pageant

Theme: "Living the Dream"

Welcome and Song Vee Oxendine, Mr. Lumbee, 2006

Opening Number and Introduction Little and Junior Miss Contestants

Mistress of Ceremonies..... Ms. Beth Lowery

Master of Ceremonies..... Mr. Vee Oxendine

Introduction of Judges and Auditors..... Ms. Beth Lowery
Mr. Vee Oxendine

Special Entertainment..... Ms. Alaina Malcolm
Little Miss Lumbee 2006-2007

Little Miss Lumbee Talent Competition

Special Entertainment..... Ms. Taylor Smith
Junior Miss Lumbee 2006-2007

Junior Miss Talent Competition Introduction of Teen/Miss Lumbee Contestants

Little Miss Best Dressed

Introductions Mr. Dewey Locklear
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Mr. Milton Hunt – Mayor of Pembroke
Dr. Allen C. Meadors – UNCP Chancellor

Little Miss Question Competition

Junior Miss Evening Gown Competition and Questions

Little Miss Lumbee Farewell Walk • Junior Miss Lumbee Farewell Walk

Presentation of Awards

Little Miss/Junior Miss

Signature Winner • Miss Congeniality • Talent Winner • Best Dress • Evening Gown
3rd Runner-Up • 2nd Runner-Up • 1st Runner-Up • Winner

Crowning of 2007-2008 Little Miss and Junior Miss Lumbee

Little Miss Lumbee 2006-2007



Two of the most memorable experiences that I have had this past year are "The Gift" and "The Trip." I realized the importance and joy of sharing with others that are less fortunate than me. For Christmas, I was able to make another little girl's life happier with the gift of a bike. Just to see the excitement when she realized it was hers to keep made my Christmas even brighter.

"The Trip" was the highlight of my year. Going to the Gathering of Nations was an unbelievable experience that I will never forget. I have never seen so many native people gathered in the same place. This was a defining moment for me because this was when I realized the true meaning of being Little Miss Lumbee.

To my fellow Ambassadors, I have enjoyed getting to know all of you and I wish you well in the future – this year has been a hoot! Thanks to Lumbee Regional Development Association and its Board of Directors for your support.

Mom, Dad, Grandma Lid and Papa Juddie, Grandma and Grandpa Malcolm, and Forrest, I really appreciate all of your support and love that you have shown me during my reign. Mrs. Donna, thank you for your sponsorship throughout the year and your encouragement for me to continue. To my big sister, Erica, thanks for being a mentor, culture teacher, and role model. You have meant so much to me, and I know I haven't told you enough that I Love You! To all of my sponsors, thank you from the bottom of my heart. All of this has been great, but without my friends and close family I would not have been able to achieve all my goals. So thank you for being there through the good times and the bad.

So long for now until we meet again, may God bless and keep you all forever in my heart.

Gratefully Yours,

Alaina Malcolm

Alaina Faith Malcolm

Your 2006 – 2007 Little Miss Lumbee

It is Lumbee Homecoming again and I can't believe that an entire year has passed since my name was called – "Your new 2006 – 2007 Little Miss Lumbee Alaina Malcolm." I can still feel the rumble in my tummy and the burst of excitement when I won last summer. Since that night, I have been on an adventurous tour of the best ride of my life. I know that at my age I would not have gotten to experience the joy of meeting and entertaining the Lumbee people without this opportunity. And at the same time, I acquired so much knowledge that I had never been exposed to.

Being Little Miss Lumbee is not all glamour but is a job in itself. My everyday life was inspired by a never-ending duty to represent the Lumbee tribe with respect and pride. Being a role model for not only young native girls but also for all ages and races has taught me that people should always carry themselves in a way that will make your people proud. I will always continue to encourage others, especially our young people, to take advantage of all the opportunities that our tribe offers.

Don't be ashamed of your heritage and let people know that you are LUMBEE. I have learned so much about our history and accomplishments, but the young people are the future, and we need to continue the traditions that we are now celebrating.

Little Miss Contestants



Contestant 1 – Michelia Ariah Norton

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Parents: Horace B. and Flora Gail Lowry-Williams

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Contestant 3 – Emily Drew Chavis

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Contestant 4 – Kenda Brooke Hunt

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Little Miss Contestants



Contestant 5 – Taylor Brooke Locklear

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Contestant 6 – Jena-Deme McKayleigh Revels

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Contestant 7 – Kaylee Doryn Ransom

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Did you know?

The death rate from motor vehicle accidents among American Indians was 52.5 per 100,000 compared to the rate for Whites in North Carolina of 18.1 per 100,000.

Motor Vehicle Death Rate for Various Groups

American Indians in Robeson	52.5 per 100,000 persons
Whites in Robeson County	37.1 per 100,000 persons
Whites in North Carolina	18.1 per 100,000 persons

What can you do to help stop the violence and homicide?

The Lumbee Tribe of North Carolina has established a project to reduce deaths by homicide and motor vehicle accidents in Robeson County. Call the Lumbee Tribe to get the facts. Call 910-521-7861 ext. 261




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Junior Miss Lumbee 2006-2007



This past year I was given the opportunity to represent the Lumbee nation yet again as a young Lumbee Ambassador. I feel a strong sense of pride in being representative of the First Americans. My parents as well as others have helped me learn and realize that with this honor comes responsibility. This responsibility is to serve as a role model for others and conduct your self in a manner befitting the Lumbee people. This behavior is prevalent not only at special events but in everyday life.

I have represented you, the Lumbee Nation, at many powwows, parades, social and community service events. My travels to many schools and churches around the country hopefully have inspired others to learn more about God and our native people.

My family and friends have been with me every step of the way and I would like to thank them with all my heart, I could not do it without your support. I would like to give a special thanks to all my sponsors. In closing I would like to wish all contestants the best of luck. I encourage the winners to cherish every moment because it goes by so fast. It is a great honor to represent your Native People. Wear your crown with pride.

Taylor Nicole Smith

Taylor Nicole Smith
Junior Miss Lumbee

Junior Miss Contestants

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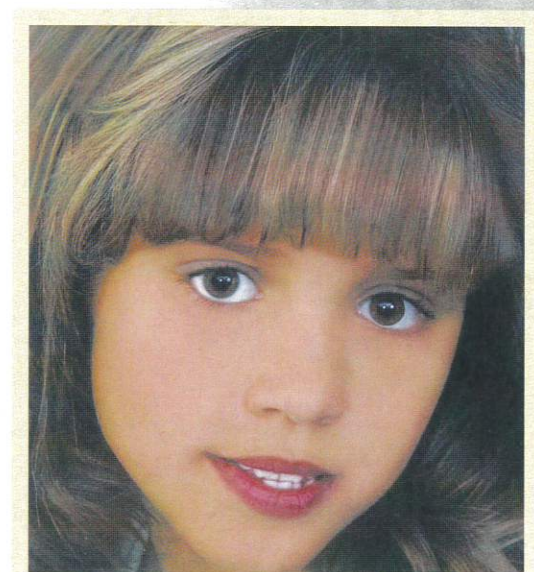
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Contestant 3 – Marlita Danielle Hunt
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Junior Miss Contestants



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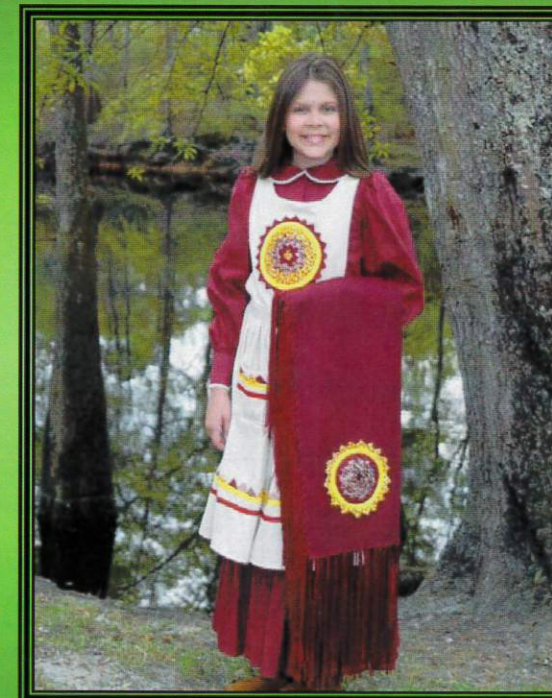
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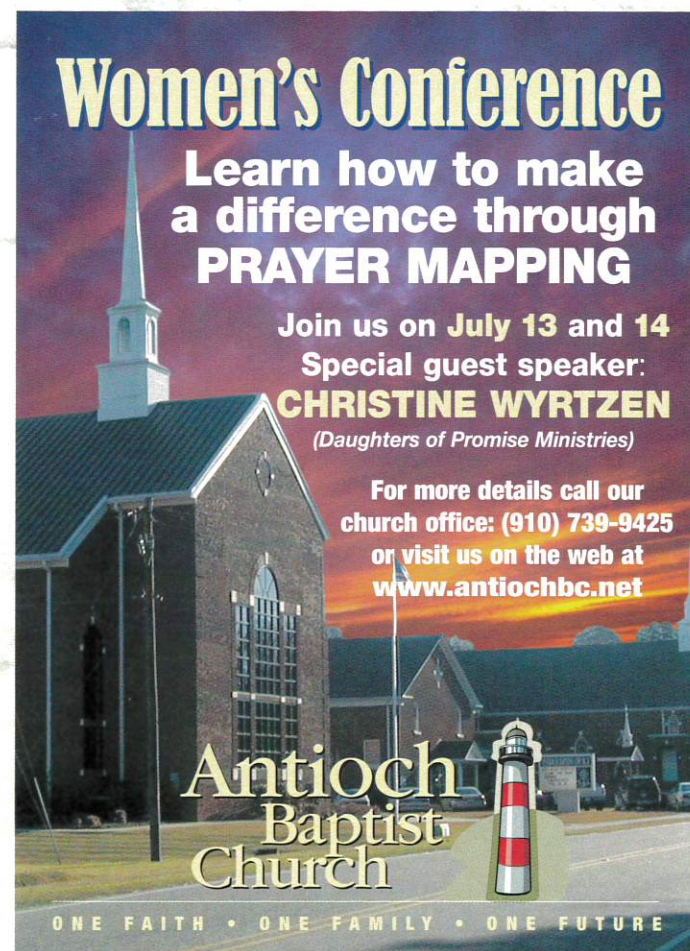
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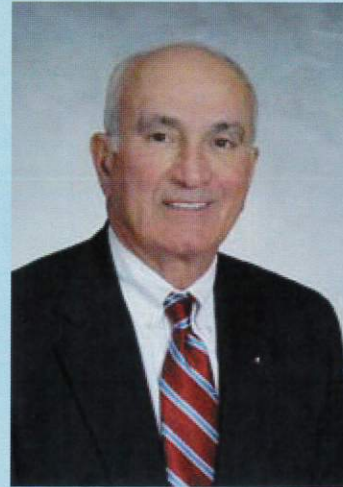
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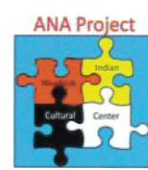
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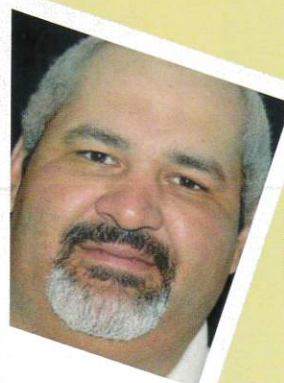
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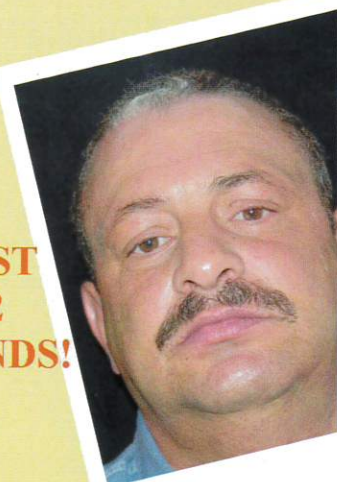
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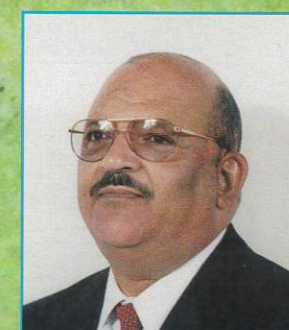
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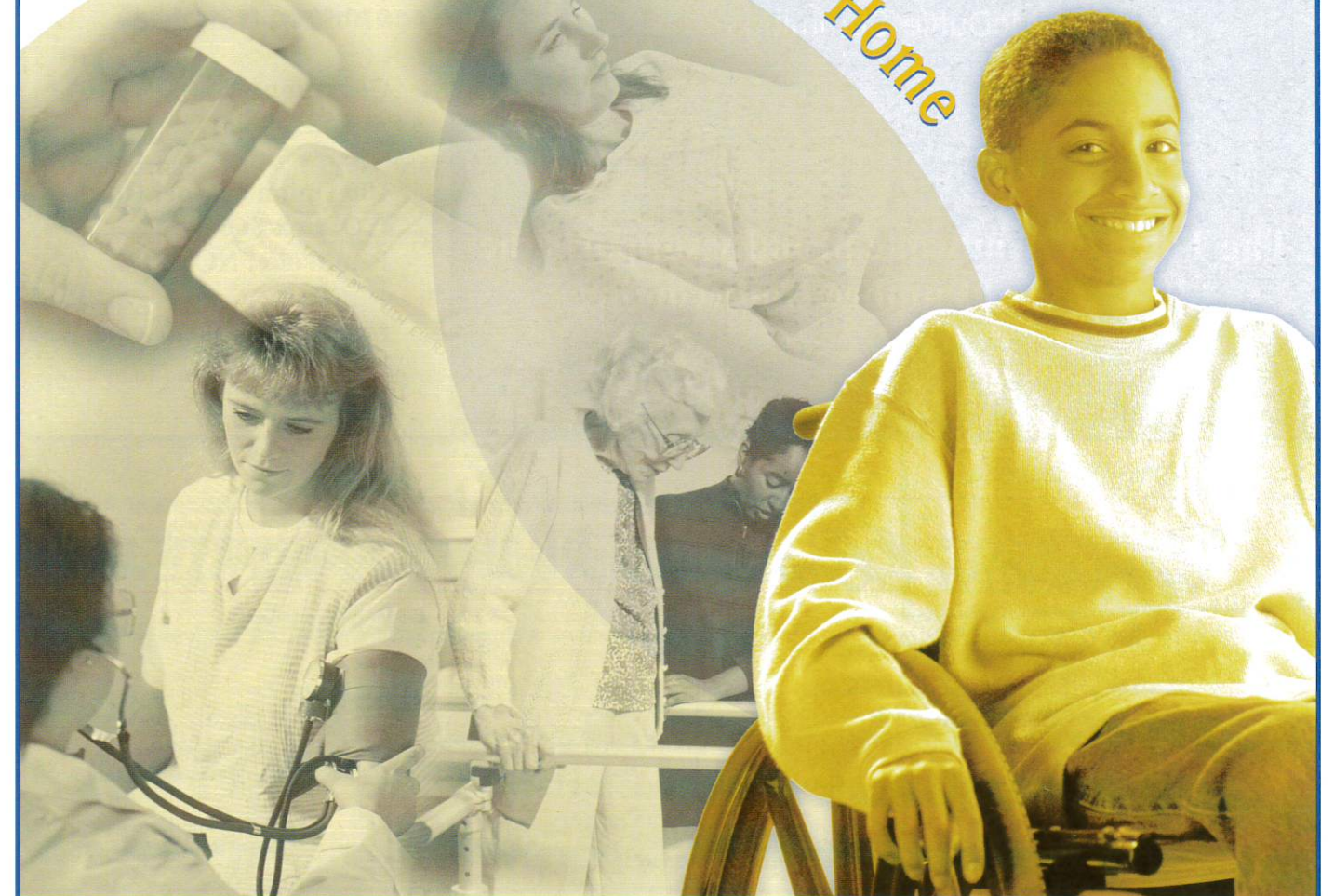


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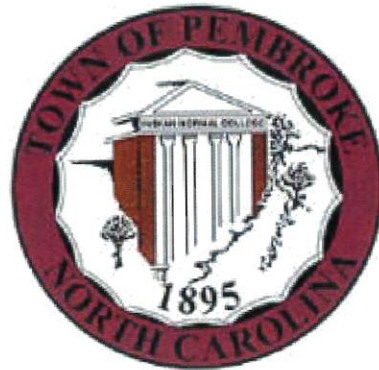
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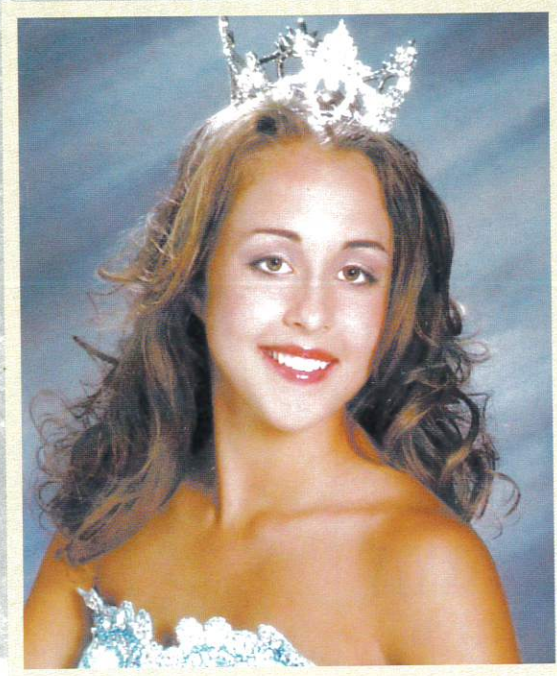
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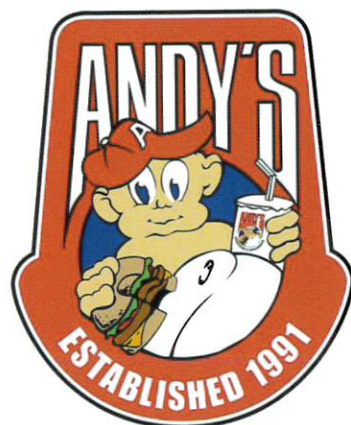
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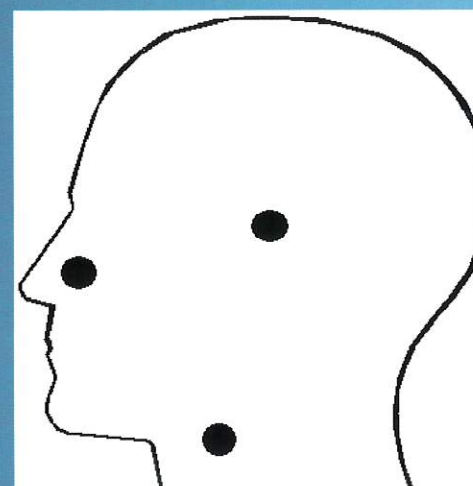
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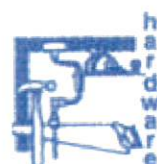
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When you look at a calendar, you see 365 days that turn into a year. At first glance, it seems like such a long time. But, once that year has come and gone, looking back you realize how few and precious the days were. As I look back over the past year, I have many moments to be thankful for, for even in times of adversity, I have been truly blessed with the people I have met, the places I have been and the lessons I have learned.

When crowned Miss Lumbee at the youthful age of 18, I trembled in awe of the enormous responsibilities suddenly thrust upon me. But, I have faced each day with the comfort of knowing that I have the support of so many friends, family and tribal members who believe in me and are always there to encourage me at all times. I can say that I will walk away from this year with a vast array of knowledge and wisdom that I have gained during my reign. In representing you, I have gleaned valuable lessons that will carry me through life.

First, I would like to thank Mr. Dewey Locklear, Ms. Amanda Faircloth, Xavery McDougald and the staff of the LRDA for the time and effort you dedicate to the Miss Lumbee Program and your Ambassadors each year. I would also like to thank my many sponsors: Dr. Charles Clark, Southern Fasteners Supply, Native Angels, Cyna's, Deese & Locklear Chiropractic, Chairman Jimmy and Diane Goins, Oxendine's Heating and AC and many others. Without your financial support and love,

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Last, I would like to thank some very special people. Mom, you always stand behind me and support me in every way. Because of you I am not afraid to face the world and its many challenges. Your strength is my strength. To my family, thanks for showing me in so many ways that you love me. To my aunts, uncles, cousins and grandparents, I love you all.

Vee (Mr. Lumbee), thanks for taking care of me and your other little sisters this year. You worked so hard at learning everything about your culture and I am proud of you. Your regalia looks awesome. Brandi (Teen Miss), I love you for being a true friend. You are talented, beautiful and you are always yourself. You are everything Teen Miss Lumbee should be. Taylor (Junior Miss), the little girl with the big voice. I expect only wonderful things from you in the future. Your heart is as big as your talent. Thanks for brightening up the days. Alaina (Little Miss), my little red-headed princess. You are truly the life of the crew. Your personality will take you far in life. Thanks for making us laugh so much this year.

To the Lumbee people, we are truly the most beautiful, intelligent and talented group of people living today. I encourage you that we stand together in unity and love. There is strength in unite and only when we unite as one will that strength carry us to unknown boundaries. We are all brothers and sisters, united by generations of heritage and culture that no man or government can take away from us. We can achieve anything that we envision as long as we strive for the same goals and dreams, together as one.

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"Oh Farewell time aye"...Well what can I say, it has been a crazy year, but yet an unforgettable year. I've been honored with the privilege of representing such a strong and prosperous tribe. I always knew that I was Indian and I was proud of my culture and heritage but my pride reached an all time high this year. I have always been asked how it felt to be Indian and what it meant to be "Lumbee" but until this year, I never had an answer. You can't be taught to be an Indian, it comes from within!

What can be learned and what I have been taught this year are the traditions and values that uphold our culture. I've had countless experiences this year. Among the first was my trip to Washington D.C. where I attended the hearing for the Lumbee Bill and met Senator Dole and Congressman Mike McIntyre. I've also visited numerous schools where I educated

students on the Lumbee tribe and some of our traditions. I would count these as my most rewarding experiences as Mr. Lumbee. You have no idea how many times I hear, "...ooh, ooh, ooh, there's a real Indian!" And was asked if I lived in a teepee.

I was also honored with the privilege of attending a broadcasting on cultural diversity at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke. Most of my reign was spent at powwows and cultural gatherings which I enjoyed the most. No offense to anyone who invited me to entertain but I always enjoyed powwowing as opposed to entertaining. It was during my reign that I learned more about dancing, the drum, the circle, the meaning of songs, and respect for all Nations of people (Native or non-Native).

The most breathtaking experience was my trip to Albuquerque, New Mexico where I had the pleasure to dance with over 3500 dancers including some of the best in the Nation. I experienced such a powerful and spiritual moment in the arena when the Eagle lifted his wings. It took me back to the Bible verse Isaiah 40:31 "But they that wait upon the Lord, shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; they shall walk, and not faint."

I give honor and glory to my creator, Lord, and Savior Jesus Christ for his promises and his blessings and for keeping me throughout my life and my reign this year. To the future ambassadors, I hope you get the opportunities to make memories as I have.

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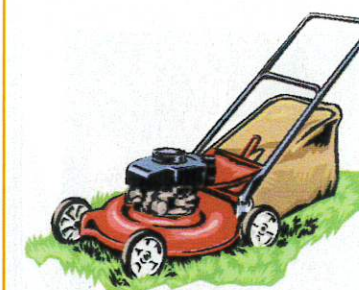
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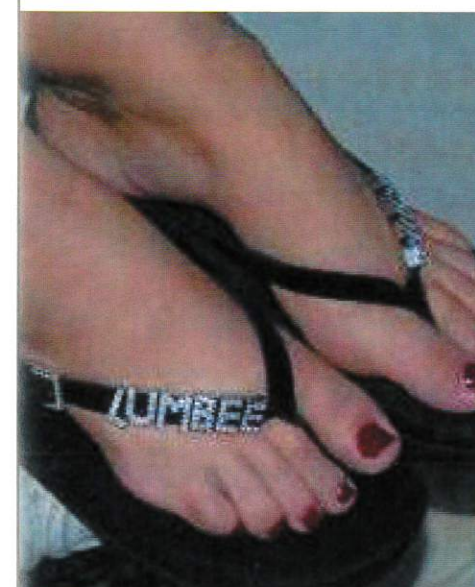
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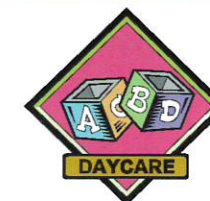
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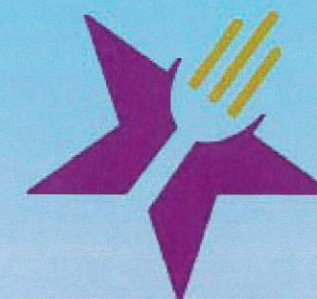
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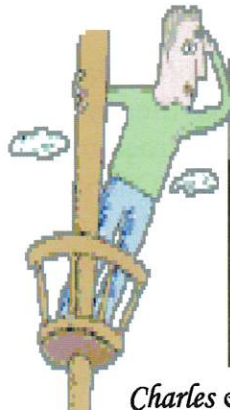


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