

Miss Lumbee, Jammi Lowry, an Ambassador for the Lumbee People



As Miss Lumbee 2001-2002, I am greatly honored to be the Ambassador for the Lumbee people. I have traveled and made public appearances, speaking engagements, and promotions on behalf of the Lumbee tribe. I feel that it is my responsibility to share with the Lumbee people a summary of events that I have enjoyed participating in since being crowned in July.

Right away as your Miss Lumbee I became very busy proudly representing you in July. I judged a parent-look-a-like contest sponsored by the Boys and Girls Club from Lumberton. I visited Dial's Rest Home, performed at the HCOP Awards Banquet held at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, sang the National Anthem for the fourteen year-olds' Babe Ruth State Tournament held at Purnell Swett High School, visited some of our elders, performed at local churches, and attended several pageants.

The months of August and September gave me the opportunity to represent you in my hometown, Pembroke. I attended an LRDA Board meeting, danced in several powwows and performed at Purnell Swett High School for Sophomore Night. It was an honor to perform at Pembroke Day, which was held at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke where I am currently a senior. I have attended weekend powwows and performed at various churches.

Throughout the month of October I attended an LRDA staff luncheon, sang the National Anthem for the LREMC meeting which was held at the University of North Carolina at Pembroke, participated in the Boys and Girls' Club Grand Opening in Pembroke, attended Wal-Mart Children's Miracle Network Charitable Event in Hope Mills where I performed various songs, attended more powwows and was Head Dancer at the Lumbee Fall Powwow where I won a trophy for switch dancing. For many of you who may not be familiar with this type of dancing it is where the male and female dancers switch dancing styles and imitate each other. I was also the first Miss Lumbee to perform at the Union Chapel Make A Difference Day!

The month of November is very special to Native Americans. It is a time to celebrate the contributions of Indian people today and yesterday. During this month teachers throughout North Carolina plan activities that teach children about Indian culture. My first school was in Scotland County, Laurel Hill Primary School. Then I continued my travels through Robeson County where I visited an additional fifteen schools. In the schools I sang, demonstrated the traditional dance, and most importantly emphasized the significance of education and cultural awareness. I believe that all people walk within a circle of life guided by a spirit greater than us. Because of this belief, I use teachings of the medicine wheel as it symbolizes the colors of all people and their ability to live together in harmony.

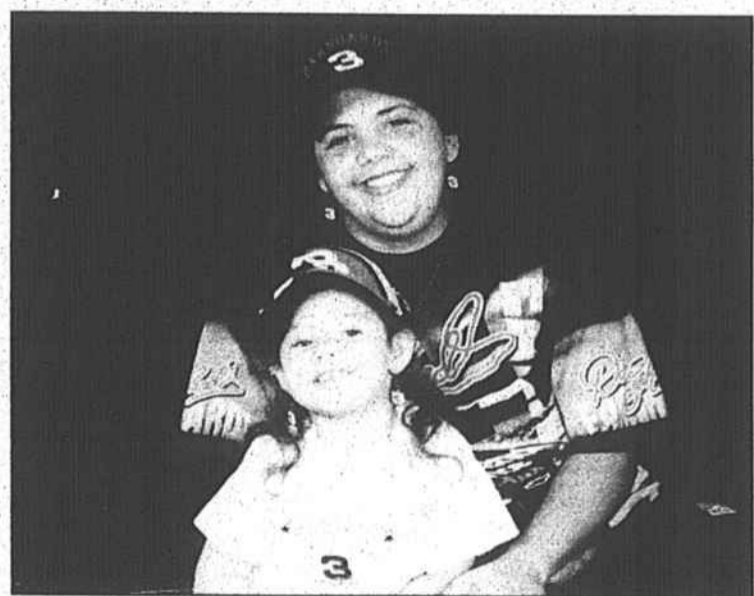
It is my personal philosophy to listen to the drum of our elders and become a drum major by preserving our culture from the past, celebrating it in the present, and sustaining it in the future through our culture. We must understand the lessons and values that our elders teach us to demonstrate their responsibility for maintenance of our generation.

In closing, as I continue my reign as Miss Lumbee 2001-2002 I will strive diligently to be an ambassador for the Lumbee people and for Christ. I also would like to extend special thanks to all of my sponsors who helped me become Miss Lumbee.

If my services are needed, please contact me either through LRDA, Ms. Angel Clark at 521-8602, or at home 521-3706. You can also read additional articles throughout my reign on my web page www.lumbee.org. I am your Miss Lumbee, Jammi Lowry.

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Mother & Daughter Win Pageants



Sabrina Sanderson and her daughter Evita are both pageant winners. On Oct. 20th, Sabrina was crowned as the Ms. N.C. America's Sweetheart. She also won Photogenic, Sportswear, Costume, Best Hair, Best Dressed, Best Smile, Overall Costume and was 1st runner-up for the Supreme title.

Evita Saybrianna Sanderson has won four additional pageants. Her first pageant was won on Oct. 6th. She was crowned as Tiny Miss Diamond USA and as the 4 and up Overall Diamond USA. She also won Photogenic, Personality, Best Hair, Best Dressed, Prettiest Smile, Prettiest Eyes and Most Beautiful.

Evita's second pageant was won on Oct. 20th. She was crowned as N.C. Dixie Dreamgirls Mini Miss State. She also won Talent in her age division.

Her third and fourth pageants were won on Nov. 17th. Her third pageant was as Tiny Miss Holiday (William M. Espey Scholarship Pageant). Her fourth pageant was as Mini Miss Sapphire Dream. She won Most Beautiful, Photogenic, Personality, Best Dressed, Best Smile, Prettiest Eyes, and Sportswear in her age division. She was also crowned as the 0-4 Overall Winner.

Evita also won the funniest costume in the Pre-K- Kindergarten division at the mall on Oct. 31st. She was a deviled Egg.

Evita is the 4 year old daughter of Sabrina Sanderson and Michael Floyd. The granddaughter of Sylvia L. Sanderson and the late James Edward and Mary Francis Floyd. The great-granddaughter of the late Gus Howard and Eva Mae Locklear and the late Ira and Nancy Sanderson.

Brother Helping Brother



Indian helping Indian, cousin helping cousin, and brother helping brother was the attitude as thirteen (13) United Methodist of the Lumbee tribe, from Pembroke, N.C., traveled to the Holly Hill, South Carolina area to assist the Santee Indian Organization in repairing homes of low-income, elderly and handicap with in their community. The work team responded to a request from Millard Lowry, Jr. a Methodist missionary for the General board of Global Ministries in the South Carolina conference. Like most of the Indian communities, unemployment is high and poverty is apparent reported Lowry. "This is a community outreach project with Santee Indian Organization, Native American Missionary, Holly Hill United Methodist Church, and the Rockingham Native American Cooperative Ministry, UMC. This group we helped on 26-27 of October 2001 was in need of roofs over their heads that don't leak and walls without holes to keep out the cold. Money and labor support is a must to help this Native American community," said Lowry, a member of the Lumbee tribe.

In Matthew 11: 2-6 John sends his disciples to ask Jesus, "Are you the one who was to come, or should we expect someone else?" Jesus replied, "Go back and report to John what you hear and see: The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor." The work team felt that they were the ones to help the Santee Indian Organization. There is no one else helping these Native Americans. We felt it was time to do something and that we were the ones that would start the process.

The work team leader was the Reverend Dwayne Lowry of New Philadelphia UMC. Reverends Doug Chavis, Grace UMC and Marshall Locklear, West Robeson UMC assisted him. Other Methodist members were James Jacobs, Ericson Jacobs and Ryan Jacobs of Sandy Plains UMC. Other New Philadelphia members were Cindy Locklear, Dwayne Locklear, Ronnie McNeill, and Jeff McNeill. Jeff Hunt from Branch Street UMC was our final member. Calvin and Georgeann Pratt were

the owners of the first house to be repaired when the COOP arrived, consisting of 11 members and 3 affiliated churches from Rockingham District in the North Carolina conference. "The Pratts are both disabled and have severe health needs. Their home has not been repaired since the damage caused by Hurricane Hugo more than 10 years ago. The flat roof is in great need of repair. They use pots and buckets to catch the rainwater that leaks through their ceiling." Upon inspection, the ceiling was on the verge of collapsing on their bed.

There are other homes that need repairing with in the Santee Indian community. Resources must be acquired to help the Santee group. "Native American communities have been forgotten far too long," said Lowry. "These people need shelter, they need hope, and they need a helping hand someone that cares for them."

Contact Millard Lowry, Jr. at (910) 522-0670 to assist in this project.

Anderson and Chavis exchange vows in Texas



Carrie Faith Anderson and Sean Lenare Chavis, both of Fairfax, VA, were united in marriage September 15, 2001 at 6:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian church, Arlington, TX. The Reverend Lawrence D. Spencer officiated. Music was provided by Joyce Hood, soloist and Jo Anne Thomson, organist. A reception followed at Shady Valley Country Club. A rehearsal dinner was hosted by the groom's parents at Joe T. Garcia's in Fort Worth.

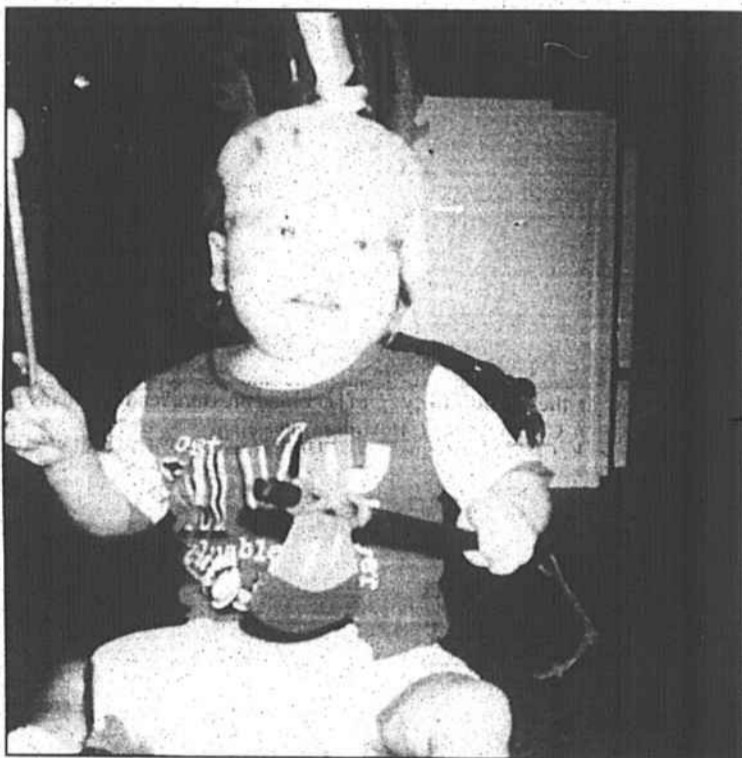
The bride is the daughter of Ms. Carol Tucker Anderson of Louisville, KY and Mr. & Mrs. Peter Anderson of Granbury, TX. She is the granddaughter of Mrs. Ruby Tucker and the late Marvin Tucker and Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Anderson. The bridegroom is the son of Ms. Francine Chavis of Pembroke, NC and Mr. Michael Cummings of Charlotte, NC. He is the grandson of Mrs. Gertrude Chavis and the late Harvard L. Chavis of Pembroke, NC and Mr. & Mrs. Simeon Cummings of Pembroke, NC.

The bride was given in marriage by her father. Maid of honor was Melissa Reilly of Austin. Bridesmaids were Jeneane Miri, Heather Maher and Kim Hairston. The house party included Karrie Hermance and Tonya Elliott. Readers were Gretel Perera and Daniel Cuellar. Flower girls were the bride's cousins, Sarah Tucker and Megan Jenkins. Best man was Jeremy Hammonds of Houston. Groomsmen were Ryan Horton, Kevin Anderson, Casey Anderson and Chad Reed. Ringbearer was the bride's brother, Alec Beau Anderson.

The bride is a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin where she received her degree in advertising and was a member of Alpha Chi Omega sorority. She is employed as a Marketing Manager at the Food Marketing Institute in Washington, D.C. The groom is a graduate of the Georgia Institute of Technology where he received his degree in electrical engineering. He is employed as a Manager in Sprint's Internet Product Management division in Reston, VA. After a honeymoon in the British Virgin Islands, the couple resides in Fairfax, VA.

In Loving Memory of Kendron Brannagan Locklear

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He will always be Grand Ma Theresa's special Boy in my heart. We Loved him so much, Pa Pa Bobby, Aunt Gwen, Aunt Amelia, Aunt Amira, Uncle Steven, Special cousins; Taylor, Zack, Kelsey, Trevor, Cade. And a special little Brother Kai.

Teacher of the Year



English Teacher, Ann Smith was honored by the Purnell Swett High School faculty and staff for Teacher of the Year.



The most-visited house museum is Elvis Presley's Graceland, in Memphis, Tennessee. It's seen by more than 600,000 people per year.

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