



# National Congress of American Indians *Youth Commission*

## Daryl Lynn Jay Gila River Indian Community Youth Commission Representative 2006-2008

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Hello, my name is Daryl Lynn Jay I am 20 years old and come from a close family of 6. I am the proud daughter of Michael and Priscilla Jay. I have two brothers, Raymond and Andy, and one sister, Kasey. My paternal grandparents are Vernon and the Late Rema Jay of Komatke, Arizona. My maternal grandparents are the late Richard and Ethel Parchcorn of Salt River, Arizona.

I am a proud member of the Gila River Indian Community, Komatke village. I am currently Student at South Mountain Community College where I am in my last semester of my transfer program and am looking forward to attending Arizona State University where I will be a communications major with an interest in political science.

I have served 4 terms on the Akimel O'odham / Pee Posh Youth Council. I am now the 17<sup>th</sup> President of the Akimel O'odham / Pee Posh and the 3<sup>rd</sup> female to have the honor of being elected in to this position. Also, I have served as Jr. Miss Gila River 2003-2004 and as the Boys and Girls Clubs of Scottsdale Youth of the Year, Red Mountain Branch.

I enjoy being with my family, traveling, playing sports, meeting new people, learning, and helping out where ever I can.

For several years now I have been able to continue to be positive role model for youth not only in my own community but on state and national level. I have been put in various leadership roles where I as a young native woman have been able to grow extremely, thanks to help and guidance all of my role models which I am sincerely appreciative!!!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the youth of NCAI for allowing me this great honor to serve as the Female Youth Commissioner and be the voice for youth of Indian country.