



Voice of the Saponi



April 2025

Issue 184

If you would like to submit an article to us, please remember they are due on the 20th of each month prior to the month. (Ex December articles are November 20th).

Deadline

4 p.m.

You may email articles to crrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com or feel free to mail them to :

Haliwa-Saponi Tribe

Attn: Newsletter Editor

P.O. Box 99

Hollister NC 27844

The Blooming Of The Dogwood

HALIWA SAPONI POW WOW

60th Anniversary

April 18th - 20th
130 Haliwa Saponi Trail,
Hollister, NC. 27844

GRAND ENTRIES
Fri. 7:00 pm Sat. 12:00 noon
Sun. 1:00 pm 6:00 pm

HOST DRUM
Stoney Creek!

ADMISSION
Friday Night:
Ages 0-6 - Free
Ages 7 & up \$5.00
Saturday & Sunday:
Ages 0-6 - Free
Ages 7-61 - \$10.00
Ages 62-up - \$8.00
Weekend Pass - \$20

Upcoming Dates and Meetings

April Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting to be announced at a later date.

April 22 - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting will be at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 6:30.

Committee Meetings

Finance Committee meetings are held the 2nd Friday of each month at 1:30 p.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Rev. Michael Richardson.

Federal Recognition Committee meetings are held the 1st Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Chief Dr. B. Ogletree Richardson.

Enrollment Committee meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p. m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Angela Richardson.

Princess Committee meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Ladonna E. Richardson.

Pow-Wow Planning meetings are held the 4th Monday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Vice Chief Dr. Marty Richardson.

Haliwa-Saponi Senior Citizens Organization meetings are held on the last Thursday of each month at 7:00 p. m. at the Old Council House.

Committee Chair: Rev. Al Cooper.

Veteran's Memorial meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Jewel Bissonnette.

Education Committee meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Angela Richardson.

Election Committee meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Montenia Lynch.

By-laws Review Committee meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Attorney Joshua Richardson.

Boys & Girls Club meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Open

Fundraiser Committee meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

Committee Chair: Tyler Richardson.

March
2025

BOYS & GIRLS CLUB



OF THE HALIWA SAPONI TRIBE

MEMBER
HIGHLIGHTS



Claudia Harley (8th)



Skyah Littleturtle (3rd)

These club members exemplify the core values of BGC effortlessly and lead by example on a daily basis.

Claudia carries herself with the poise and respectful demeanor of a future pilot. Her intelligence and warm spirit know no limits.

As the older sibling of her family, Skyah knows how to care for others. Her empathy and quiet wisdom leave a mark on all those around.

GET TO KNOW YOUR LOCAL CHAPTER

Daily Activities

Tutoring/Homework Help
STEM Activities
BGC Curriculum
Life Skills
Character Development/SEL
Sports & Recreation
Computer Technology



Want to join?

Applications can be obtained from the club site or local school. Fees cover snack and activities. Enjoyment and memories are free!!!



Get Involved

Encourage others to embody Club values.

Volunteer skills & wisdom for the youth.

Ask today how you can help build great futures!



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EVENTS

6th Annual BGC Teen Summit, NCSU
Valentines' Social, on site
Cisco Stem Night, Raleigh campus

TRAIT OF THE MONTH

Caring: Displaying kindness and concern for others.

Challenge: Identify someone who may need a friend and check in.

RESPECT, FAIRNESS, TRUSTWORTHINESS,
RESPONSIBILITY, CARING & CITIZENSHIP

INFINITE POSSIBILITIES

Teen STEM Summit



BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS
NORTH CAROLINA ALLIANCE

#InnovateCreateLead

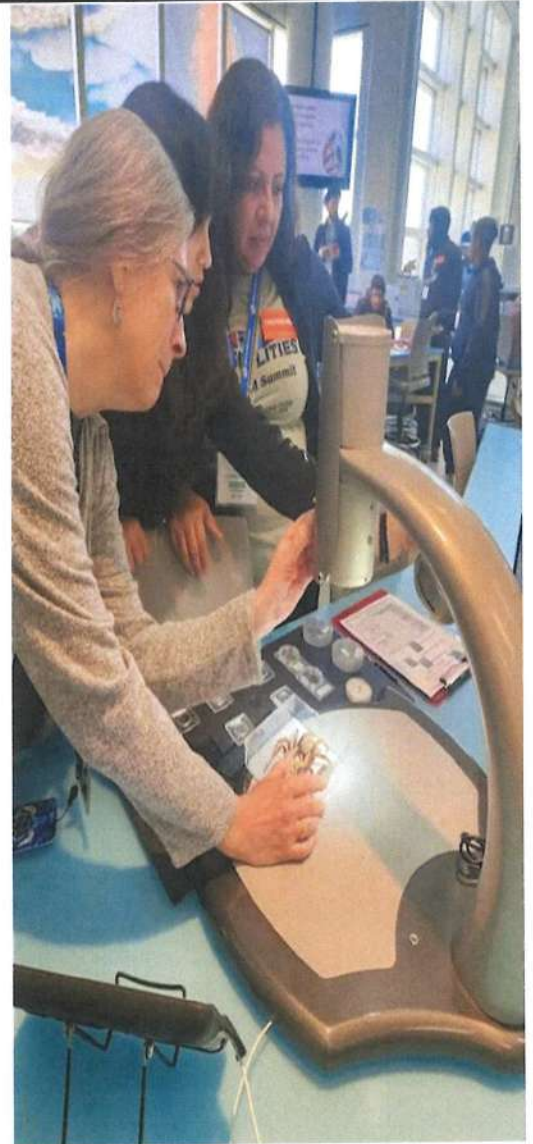
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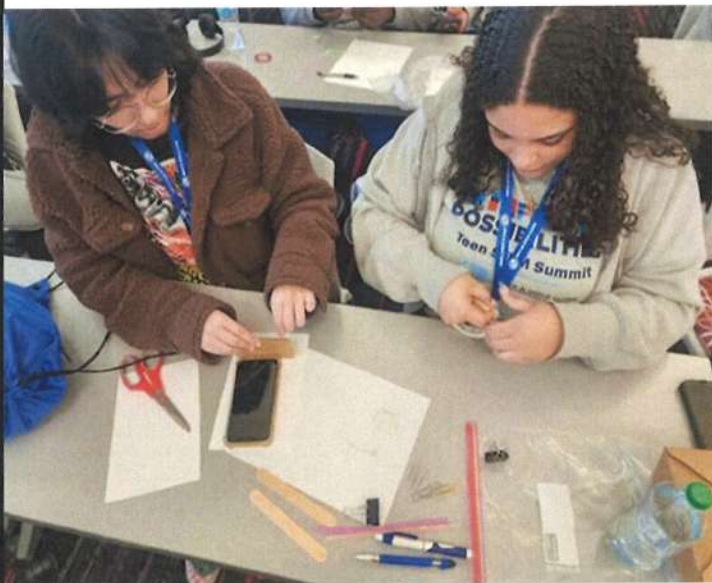
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Boys
and
Girls
Club
STEM
DAY!!
Our
Teens
Are
Doing
GREAT
Things!
JOIN



THE BGC





BRANDY LYNN FREEMAN

This has truly been a journey from being the very 1st Tiny Miss, to Little Miss, Jr Miss, and now Miss Haliwa Saponi. Making me the first ever to hold all 4 titles. I have enjoyed meeting new people and making new friends. This year has been the most memorable and lesson learned. From going to Gatherings of Nations to local community service projects. I have learned that it is best to step out of your comfort zone even if you are the only one. I could not have been able to travel representing our tribe and be able to give back to the community without the support of you all, my family, friends, church, the princess committee, and everyone in between. I hope you all enjoyed the events we had this year.

- Ashley Evans, thank you for being there every step of the way and being a listening ear for my mom.
- Amy Silver, thank you for letting me be your little powwow buddy this year.
- Erinn Anstead, thank you for being our technology person and also dress fixer upper.
- Ms. Cynthia Richardson, Ella Green Viverette, Sandy Jackson, Ladonna E. Richardson, Sarah Franco, and Ms. Angie Richardson (members of the princess committee) thank you for supporting me throughout my reign and filling in wherever was needed.
- Ms. Senora Lynch and Qua Lynch Adkins, thank you for being there since I was a little thing always reminding me “She’s a Mills.”
- Aunt Stacey, where do I begin from telling my mom that I will be dancing in the powwow when I was 2 years old to letting me go through your beadwork from time to time thank you for making sure I was always involved.
- Brandon thank you for always loading up the truck for powwows. Making sure we have everything, well pretty much everything because of course we always forget something like my clothes when me and momma went to Waccamaw Siouan powwow.
- Thank you to my second mom, my powwow mom “Lele Peace”.

Lastly, thank you to my mom who was never the girliest and never wanted a girl for making sure this girly girl always has everything she wants and needs.

Thank you to everyone who supported me throughout my journey, it has not gone unrecognized and this wouldn't have been possible without you.

Yours truly, Miss Haliwa Saponi Princess

Brandy Lynn Freeman 2024-25



ROBOT POWVOW

Hosted by

Waccamaw SIOUAN STEM STUDIO
Where Tech Meets Tradition

MAY 3rd 2025 | 11AM - 2PM

C.H. RICHARDSON BUILDING
FOR MIDDLE SCHOOLERS
LUNCH IS PROVIDED

SIGN UP ON
QR CODE



CAREER FAIR!



APRIL 2, 2025

C.H. Richardson Building

Education
Vision
Skills
Career
Interests
Values
Goals

Middle School: 9 am - 10 am
High School: 10 am - 12 pm

Explore job opportunities and network with top companies. Don't miss it!

Please contact
Karman
Bartie
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**HALIWA-SAPONI
TRIBAL SCHOOL**

130 Haliwa-Saponi Trail
Hollister, N.C. 27589



NOW ENROLLING

2025 - 2026
SCHOOL YEAR



Kindergarten Registration

March 25, 2025 - April 29, 2025

(for more information call 252-257-5853)

Join our Mighty Bucks Family!
Register now and get
"The Better Choice!"



REGISTER NOW

Contact Us :



Melissa Richardson, Principal





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HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY SHOUTOUTS!!!!

♦ HAPPY ♦
BIRTHDAY!

GEORGE B. JACKSON - MARCH 4, 2025

OLIVER LYNCH- MARCH 13, 2025

WANDA RICHARDSON- MARCH 31, 2025

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

COUNCIL MEMBER- REV. MICHAEL RICHARDSON

APRIL 11TH

STAFF MEMBER- GARY LYNCH - APRIL 7TH

STAFF MEMBER- CAROL R. RICHARDSON- APRIL 8TH

A SPECIAL MESSAGE OF SINCERE GRATITUDE

Thank
You

"The family of Arlene Silver would like to express our sincere gratitude to everyone for their love and support during the loss of our beloved family member. We are deeply touched by your prayers, support and kindness. Thank you all for being there for us during this difficult time."



Remembering Cory Mills , 04-19(d)

Cory you are loved so much by your family and friends. wishing you a Heavenly Birthday



Your mom , Annette Liles , family and friends

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

If you would like your name or a loved one's name to be published, please email Carol Richardson erichardson@haliwa-saponi.com, mail, or bring by the office. If you do not submit your birthday or a loved one, we cannot publish it in our newsletter. No Call Ins Accepted

- April 1- Bernadine Richardson
- April 2- Shamira Cherry, Shirley Carter, Jeanette Richardson
- April 3- Ricky Silver
- April 5- Buenna Richardson, Kimberly Jackson
- April 7- Cheyenne Daniel
- April 8- Monique "Keshia" Richardson
- April 9- Chelsy Lynch
- April 11- Gail Richardson
- April 14- Jonah Louis Silver, Krutty Richardson
- April 16- Kara Richardson
- April 18- Hermenia Silver, Marshall Ray Wilson (D)
- April 19- Adam DeLaMora
- April 20- Maria DeLaMora
- April 22- Andrew Richardson (D), Tanya Wilson
- April 23- Chief W.R. Richardson (D)
- April 27- Luca Lynch (D)
- April 28- Will A. Richardson
- April 30- Alejandro DeLaMora





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 130 Haliwa Saponi Trail,
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GRAND ENTRIES
Fri. 7:00 pm **Sat.** 12:00 noon
Sun. 1:00 pm 6:00 pm

POWOW STAFF
MC: JD Moore
Arena Director: John Locklear
Head Judge: Schirra Gray
Head Male: Tony Hedgepeth
Head Female: Zianne Richardson

ART CONTEST
 Traditional & Contemporary
 Native American Art
 Saturday: Artwork should be in
 the arena by 9:00 am

WORSHIP SERVICE
Sunday: 9:30 a.m

Partnered Hotels:
 Hilton Garden Inn - Roanoke Rapids
 Country Inn & Suites by Radisson - Roanoke Rapids
 Residence Inn - Rocky Mount

ADMISSION
 Friday Night
 Ages 0-6 - Free
 Ages 7 & up \$5.00
 Saturday & Sunday
 Ages 0-6 - Free
 Ages 7-61 - \$10.00
 Ages 62-up - \$8.00
 Weekend Pass - \$20

**DANCE AND DRUM
 REGISTRATION**
\$10 Per Person
Registration Times:
Friday: 5:00 p.m. - 6:45 p.m.
Saturday: 10:30 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.
 (Tribal ID Required Upon Request)
 No Exceptions!!

DRUM CONTEST
 Roll Call Before Each Grand Entry
 Northern and Southern Combined
1st: \$5,000 2nd: \$4,000
3rd: \$3,000 4th: \$2,000

DANCE CATEGORIES

Golden Age	Teen
Men/Women [55 +]	Boys/Girls [13-17]
1st: \$600 2nd: \$400	Grass, Jingle, Fancy, Traditional
3rd: \$300	1st: \$200 2nd: \$150
Adult	3rd: \$75
Men/Women [18 - 54]	Jr. Boys/Girls [7-12]
Grass, Fancy, Southern Traditional	Grass, Jingle, Fancy, Traditional
1st: \$600 2nd: \$400	1st: \$75 2nd: \$50
3rd: \$300	3rd: \$25

All Tiny Tot's Will Receive Rewards!