



Voice of the Saponi

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

Haliwa-Saponi Tribe

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Have the sense of freedom,
Have the sense of joy,
I am proud to be
an American,
And I am proud to be free,
But I won't forget
the great men,
Who also died for me!
Happy 4th of July :)

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Upcoming Dates and Meetings








July 16 - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19.

July 19 - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting to be announced.

Committee Meetings

- Finance Committee meetings are held the 1st Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair: Charles 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: Karen Harley.
- Princess Committee Meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 7:00 p.m. Committee Chair: Angela 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: Alfred Morris 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: Roena Daniel.
- 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: Jimmie Silver.

SUMMER SAFETY TIPS

-  Stay hydrated.
-  Don't stay out for too long.
-  Check the forecast beforehand.
-  Keep sunscreen nearby and use it.
-  Check your prescriptions' side effects.
-  Turn on the A/C.
-  Beware of heat-related illnesses.



HALIWA-SAPONI TRIBAL ADMINISTRATOR REPORT (Updated – June 21, 2021)

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The Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA) is still available! This grant will help with rent or utilities for RENTERS ONLY. Applications have been posted on the Tribal Website, Facebook page and went out to members in a Special Edition Newsletter. Applications can also be picked up at the Tribal Office. This grant will be around for a long time as it does not expire until September 2022. If you are a renter or know a renter please apply. Rules of Eligibility is on the application. **This is available in all 50 States for any Enrolled Tribal Member!**

The Homeowners Emergency Energy Assistance (HEEA) is on hold as of June 18, 2020 as funds are close to being spent. This program will pay for utilities and at this time of summer heat it is paying mostly for electric. Applications have been posted on the Tribal Website, Facebook page and went out to members in a Special Edition Newsletter. Applications can also be picked up at the Tribal Office but as of June 18, 2021 this is on hold. That may seem like bad news but it is not as a brand new grant is taking its place and it is the next paragraph.

The next program is the Homeowners Assistance Fund (HAF). This grant was just approved Thursday June 17, 2021. We applied on May 12, 2021 as soon as it was released (deadline was June 21 but DOT as of June 21 has extended it to September 21, 2021). This will help Homeowners with much more including Mortgages, Mortgage related fees, Insurance, Utilities and other Homeowner needs. But please be patient as the rules for the grant are not fully done and the first training seminar for this program is not until July 13, 2021.

And then the next program is the Department of Treasury Recovery Funds. We applied for this on May 12, 2021 (long before the deadline of June 30, 2021) and are waiting for the response from the DOT. Some is funds that were not fully released to Tribes in 2020 that we posted about last year.

Not yet done there is more: United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) Tribal Leaders Summit on June 8, 2021 announced funds for a huge project to help farmers, growers, etc, of all backgrounds including Native America. As soon as this is released and if we qualify we will let you know.

Since COVID hit the Tribe has distributed - over 75,000 pounds of food; more than 7,000 face masks; over 5,000 pairs of gloves, gave out the equivalent of more than 75 gallons of hand sanitizer in 1 oz. and 4 oz. bottles; paid utilities for over 100 households; provided over 300 COVID tests; provided 1,300 COVID Vaccines and much more. And we more to do with the new funds coming from the American Rescue Plan and the Department of the Treasury.

Now many have heard that some Tribes are paying direct funds in cash to Tribal Members. That is true for some Federal Recognized Tribes that are allowed to do that and that got millions of CARES and ARP funds. We are not one of those Tribes to have that luxury. To give you just an idea of how much some of these BIA Tribes got here is 2 examples: Cherokee Nation got \$1.9 Billion and the Choctaw got \$994 Million.

Another thing you may have heard is that all the American Indian Tribes in NC are getting \$18 Million Dollars and that at least \$1 Million of that is going to each of the State Recognized Tribes and Tribal Entities. This is a proposal by Gov. Roy Cooper and a most wonderful proposal to remember and include State Tribes and State Tribal Entities. But it is only the Governor's Proposal – it must still pass the House and the Senate.

COVID Testing is free but you might still get billed because some insurance companies are still not coding the test correctly and sadly CARES Funds is getting to Providers too slow or not at all. If you got a bill for the COVID Test (the test – not the office visit or other billing) first contact your insurance company and make sure they code it correctly. If that fails please let the Tribal Administrator know ASAP. So far 12 Tribal Members have gotten re-implemented for a COVID Test that was not covered by Insurance or the Provider.

The parts for the Multipurpose Building finally came in on June 10th and they started working on it immediately and it was done on June 14th. Due to the nature of the damage it might have looked simple but according to the engineer the damage was much more extensive and thus compromised the safety of the Building for any use at all. This took a long time for many reasons as the supplies were not available and they were custom order and thus also backed

ordered and sadly also COVID related to getting supplies. All are tired of hearing COVID but it has caused issues with everything including metal building supplies, insurance companies and contractors.

As you may know by now the Multipurpose Building has a new floor covering. It is very nice and very pretty. When done back in Feb. we did not want to bust any excitement but we were told that due to the age and nature of the building that no contractor can 100% guarantee that floor and here is why: The Multipurpose Building has two major issues – drainage and false walls. This creates MVP (Moisture Vapor Penetration) and the one and only way to solve that is completely re-pour the concrete slab and completely redo the walls. If you know anything about ground moisture then you know exactly what this means – ask anyone that owns a basement that needs a De-Humidifier. Now the Multipurpose Building of course is not a basement but the way the floor and walls were built they actually hold more moisture even after the ground is dry. When the floor was poured it was not made high or thick enough and sadly it is also full of air pockets – the whole building should be at least 6 inches higher from the ground level it is at now as it is down-hill from the road and the parking lot. Now the good news – we can re-grind parts of the floor and increase the vapor barrier by another few millimeters up in rise but that can only be maybe 95% so some moisture will still “rise to the top.” A 2nd option is a new building as the only way to have a 100% non MVP is a new concrete floor with no air pockets and new solid walls not false walls. The floor covering will last as long as we do our best to not drag anything across it including chairs and tables.

The paving at the DayCare needed to be re-done due to an issue with a bad line. It is on hold due to the uncertainty of aggregate and congregate and massive backlogs of 811 due to yet again the old nemesis COVID. Plus 811 ran into a snag of not exactly sure of where certain lines are. That may seem strange but remember how old some buried lines are and were not marked very well back in the days of old. We also found out from 811 that many lines buried back in the day did not follow strict depth rules and one line was only 6 inches in the ground that should be at least 18 according to NC. But once 811 marks everything this time also with county and state records help the new lot with much thicker service will be completed.

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Many have seen various improvements across the Tribal Territories and Tribal Buildings. Some of these are part of a Capital Improvement Grant and others are from various grants including the ZSR Foundation, Blue Cross Blue Shield North Carolina Foundation, First Nations, Healthy Native North Carolinians, Friends Of The Earth and Warren County. Each project is named for what the grant covered so even if it might not be what the definition of the grant usually is, if it was paid for by that grant then the project is titled under that grant. Example: The Humanities is not Technology but for COVID even the Humanities paid for some technology. These improvements from full building cleanings to signs to new carpets to pavings and more were most appreciated recently by HUD during 2 separate training visits over 4 days in April and May – Remember HUD is the Tribes’ largest funding source.

Please do not forget the Tribal Center and the Multipurpose Building has free Wi-Fi in the parking lots under NC Connect. This was installed in Dec 2020 under the CARES ACT that did take a long time due to the provider government bids for the project that took many months. This was announced also on the website, social media and the newsletters. Please use it because if it does not get used we will lose it after one year service as it will not be renewed if monthly reports of use is poor.

**This is just a fraction of the many things going on with the Tribe. We have put a lot of this news and more in the newsletters, on the website, on social media and via flyers and word of mouth.
If you have any questions please call the Tribal Office**

Tribal Administrator's I
Eastern Woodland Indian Trivia Contest – ANSWERS (page 1)

Questions:

1. What was the Warrior **Bird** for many South Eastern Woodland Nations?
2. What **plant** was like a supermarket/grocery store, home improvement store and even furniture store providing everything from food to construction to home décor for many Eastern Woodland Nations?
3. What **game** was the most popular game played by many South Eastern Woodland Nations before the arrival of the White man?
4. What **spoken language** was a universal language spoken/used by many Eastern Woodland Nations after the White Man was well established in North America?
5. What **item** was heavily traded from Tribes in the South East to Tribes in the mid-west and Great Lakes before Contact with the White Man?
6. The Thanksgiving Feast at Plymouth Rock in 1621 is often called the First Thanksgiving but there was one before this with Natives in this town?
7. What **land animal** was like a supermarket/grocery store and home improvement store for the South Eastern Woodland Nations that lived in the swamps?
8. What were the 4 most used colors of the Circle of Life (Medicine Wheel) for many **North** Eastern Woodland Nations?
9. What were the 4 most used colors of the Circle of Life (Medicine Wheel) for many **South** Eastern Woodland Nations?
10. What was the **very light vehicle** used for travel among the **North** East Woodland Tribes that Europeans were very impressed with?

Answers:

1. Woodpecker.

Not all Tribes had Birds of Prey as the Warrior Symbol. In the South East the Woodpecker also called Flicker was seen as the Fighting Bird. The Woodpecker was swift and cunning and greatly admired by the South East Tribes. Warriors often used Woodpecker feathers for adornment to express this speed and smartness. Both the Yellow Flicker and the Red Flicker were highly respected as Warriors and would easily take on any Bird of Prey to protect not only its nest but its tree and family. The call of the Woodpecker was terrifying to many and for this reason the call was often imitated by Warriors to express fear to their enemies. The Woodpecker symbol has been found more than any other symbol in the South East on everything from gorgets to pottery shards and more. The symbol was so important it influenced Nations far away and could be found as far west as Oklahoma and as far north as Wisconsin.

2. Cattail.

Every part of the plant is edible both raw and cooked and was used for food from the root to the flowers. If you find yourself stranded in the wilderness and can find cattails some where you will be fine for food and lodging. Roots are starchy and were used like potatoes. The roots could also be dried and ground to make flour. The base is similar to asparagus. Stalks and shoots are like cucumber. Leaves are a perfect salad. The female flower before pollination when still green can be roasted like corn on the cob and boiled in soups and stews just like many other vegetables and it could also be pickled. After pollination the female flower was used for padding as the "down" it creates was very soft for pillows, mats, mattresses, moccasin linings and as insulation between the walls of the lodges. This down was very absorbent and used for diaper padding and for women's menstrual padding. Even pollen was used like a ground spice for flavor and as a separate flour to make a type of pancake.

Tribal Administrator's I
Eastern Woodland Indian Trivia Contest – ANSWERS (page 2)

The stalk was used for building material in lodges of all sizes. The leaves were woven into mats for roofs on wigwams and long houses, floor coverings, seating mats, sleeping mats and wall linings inside the lodge.

3. Chunkey.

Chunkey was a very popular sport played among many of the Tribes of the South East. A round polished stone about the size of a dinner plate was rolled along a prepared playing area. Warriors would then try and throw a special pole that was about 8 feet long at the place where they thought the stone might stop. They did not throw the pole at the stone. Although Lacrosse and Stick Ball were well known they were team sports and also training sports as they were called the "*Little Brother To War.*" Chunkey was both a team sport and individual sport and Chunkey Courts were noted by Europeans in large cities as well as tiny villages. Chunkey was more important as a game of entertainment, fun and skill before the arrival of the White Man.

4. French.

After Contact many Woodland Nations learned the language of the French very quickly and it became the universal language from Canada to as far south as the Carolinas and as far west as Kansas and Iowa too.

5. Shells.

Shells of all kinds and especially Atlantic Seashells were heavily traded from the South East to the Mid-west and Great Lakes in return for the natural copper of the Great Lakes.

6. St. Augustine, FL.

The Spanish had a feast of Thanksgiving with the local Native Peoples in 1585 (36 years before the "*Pilgrims*" at Plymouth Rock).

7. Alligator.

Every part of the Alligator was used for food and tools and even decoration including providing one of the most durable leather hides for coverings, clothing, shoes and more.

8. Red, Yellow, White & Black.

These are the 4 most common colors of the Circle of Life (Medicine Wheel) for many North Eastern Woodland Native Nations. It was also the most common colors for many Great Lakes and Plains Tribes.

9. Red, Yellow, White & Blue (Purple).

These are the 4 most common colors of the Circle of Life (Medicine Wheel) for many South Eastern Woodland Native Nations. Blue or Purple was used instead of Black.

10. Birch Bark Canoe.

The word "*canoe*" comes from the Arawakan Languages of the Native Peoples of the Caribbean. Europeans were very amazed with all Natives canoes as each were much more maneuverable than any rowboat. Even the heavy and large dugout canoes of the South East were sleek and fast compared to anything the Europeans had. But the one canoe that impressed the Europeans the most was the incredibly light canoe of the North East that was made of Birch Bark.

**Tribal Administrator's II
Great Plains Indian Trivia Contest (page 1)**

Requirements:

Must be an Enrolled Member of the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe.
Must be 16 years of age and older.

Rules:

Fully answer each question. ***Read Very Carefully.*** Submit to the TA via drop off, electronic scan email or U.S. Mail – must be in the Tribal Office by 4:00 p.m. on Thursday - July 1, 2021.

Winner:

Will receive a \$100.00 Food Lion Gift Card

Full Name:

First	Last	Phone
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Address:

Number & Street	City	State & Zip
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Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe Enrollment Number	Date of Birth
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Questions:

1. What **animal** was the supermarket/grocery store, clothing store and home improvement store for many of the Tribes on the Great Plains?

2. What **river** was and still is the dividing line between what is now called the Northern Plains Tribes and the Southern Plains Tribes?

3. Contrary to popular believe and Hollywood stereotypes most Pains Tribes stayed away from Wagon Trains because of this **main reason**?

Tribal Administrator's II
Great Plains Indian Trivia Contest (page 2)

4. What **Plains Tribe** was so skilled in all aspects of horsemanship including breeding that they were often called the Master Horsemen of the Plains?

5. What was the most common and most powerful natural **weapon** of the Plains Tribes after White Contact and the introduction of the horse?

6. Among most of the Plains Tribes what heroic **action** in battle was more impressive than just killing the enemy?

7. Before the horse was introduced to the Plains People what **animal** was used for travel assistance and for food?

8. Name **one Plains Tribe** that was not nomadic and also practiced agriculture?

9. What was the universal **language** of many Plains Tribes?

10. What was the Feather Bustle now worn by most Men's Northern Traditional Dancers in the modern powwow after 1950 **originally called** by the Plains Tribes?

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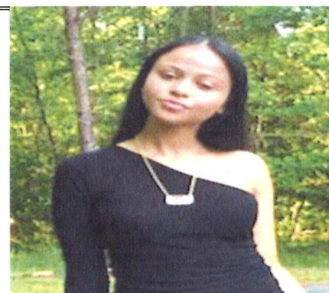
**If Mailing Send to: Great Plains Indian Trivia Contest
39021 HWY 561
Hollister, NC 27844**

Or send scanned copy in JPEG or PDF to email: joxendine@haliwa-saponi.com

Congratulations SERENITY LYNCH

Serenity Lynch graduated from the Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School class of 2021.

The sky is the limit. We are so proud of you.



Congratulations Carson And Camille Evans

Carson is a senior at Heritage High School in Wake Forest. Carson currently has a 4.321 GPA. Carson has maintained all A's in High School, except for one B in AP Calculus. His high school Soccer team won their Conference title. At his recent Soccer banquet, he received honorable mention for All-Conference. He received the "Heart of the Husky" award which was unanimously decided among his coaches. This award is about character and being the "energy" of the team. He also received an Academic All Conference award. Outside of High School, he played Club Soccer with 03 Wake Futbol Club NPL North. He was also invited to play with another Club team, 03 Wake FC Blue who just won the North Carolina Youth Soccer Association State Championship. They go on to Regionals in Greenville, SC June 17th. Carson has been accepted and committed to N.C. Wesleyan in Rocky Mount, NC to play soccer in the Fall.

Camille is a senior at Heritage High School in Wake Forest...yes, she is graduating early!! Camille, with her junior schedule, realized she was only 2 classes away from graduating. She managed a year with two extra classes and a part time job at Harris Teeter. Camille currently has a 3.5 GPA and all A's this semester. Along with her busy school and work schedule, Camille has also been babysitting. Camille has been accepted and will be attending Wake Tech Community College in the fall in their 2 transfer program.

Carson and Camille, we are so proud of you and look forward to seeing what the Lord is going to continue to do in your life. Love you two to Life! The Evans/Cooper Family.

Congratulations to Abby Richardson and Linzie Evans for maintaining honor roll grades!

Congratulations to Kaylee Evans for receiving the Principal's Award, Superintendent's Award, Overall Math Award, and Academic Scholar's Award, and for being accepted to the Early College Program!

Congratulations to Julian Evans for going to the football playoffs and getting straight A's!

Love, The Evans Family

TABLES FOR RENT



We rent out tables for your special occasions ...whether it's for your new graduate, birthdays, wedding reception or family reunion. Whatever the need may be, we are here to assist you with seating. One table can seat up to 60 people depending on their size. We deliver, set up and come back the next day to pick up. If interested, please contact the Rudd family: (Londell, Patricia, Chavis or Caleb) or call 252-578-4001. Rent one table for \$50 or two for \$80. Please have money ready on day of delivery or before if possible.

We look forward to hearing from you soon. We can help... so you can focus on enjoying.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU

If you would like your name or a loved ones name to be published please email Carol Richardson a crrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com, mail or bring by the office. If you do not submit your birthday or a loved one, we can not publish it in the next month's newsletter.

July 1-Sharon H. Berrun, Aaron Richardson
July 2- Isiaah Richardson, Mackenzie Peace
July 3 -Elmira S. Richardson (D)
July 4- Glenda Evans, Zianne Richardson
July 5- Daniel R. Evans
July 6- Perry Richardson, Marissa Richardson (D)
July 7- Douglas M. Harris (D), Kayla Dale, Kendall Carter
July 8- James M. Richardson, Johnnie A. Richardson, Mary Richardson
July 9- Ariana Peace
July 10-Josee Richardson, Bernadette Lee, Aaron Silver
July 11- Loretta Richardson
July 12- Laddie M. Richardson
July 13- Brenda Richardson
July 15-Jessie Richardson, Gabrielle Evans, Tammie Lynch, Cleophus Richardson, Shelby Green
July 16- Grayson Francis, Edler C. Francis (D), Jody Richardson
July 17- Michael Richardson
July 18-Zelda Earley, Sandy R. Jackson
July 19- Shirley T. Richardson, Alicia Pena, Braedyn Richardson, Tommy Richardson
July 20-Chese'Qua Evans
July 21- Jaylon Settles
July 22- Dwayne Harris, Edith H. McGee (D)
July 23- Raul DeLaMora, Pamela S. Mills
July 24- Davis Lynch, Ayden Portillo
July 25- Waki Lynch, Shakeera Richardson
July 27-Elvis P. Harris
July 28- Marcus Richardson, Albert Lynch
July 29- Dunnaven J. Francis, Towana Silver (D), Warren K. Lynch (WJ)
July 31- Collen McGee



Tribal Enrollment

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In Memoriam:



In Loving Memory of
Edith (Hedgepeth) McGee
07/22/1938 - 07/29/2017



"We will never forget you, because you gave us so much to remember"

Love & Miss you so, Your husband, Jesse and children: Pam, Jewel, Deke, Keith, Melody (and their spouses); grandkids & great-grands.

Happy 36th Anniversary to Jackie and Carol Richardson on

July 01, 2021

Happy 10th Anniversary to Kelly Jr. and Ko-Ann Richardson on

July 19th, 2021

Happy 28th Anniversary to Keith and Dawn McGee on

July 09, 2021



Happy Anniversary



CONGRATULATIONS TO DEITRICK AND JESSICA RICHARDSON

Congratulations to Deitrick and Jessica Richardson on the birth of Levi Manson Richardson, born May 7, 2021, weighing 8lbs 6oz. Grandparents- Pete and Chanta Richardson.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ELAN AND KRISTIN LOCKLEAR

Elan and Kristin Locklear of Burlington, NC announce the birth of a son on May 27, 2021. His name is Malachi James Locklear. His grandparents are Lt. Eric and Dr. Jennifer Brayboy Locklear of Fayetteville, NC and Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Cain of Burlington, NC. The maternal great grandparents are Barbara Brayboy and the late Rev. Tecumseh B. Brayboy of Warrenton, NC .



Haliwa-Saponi Tribe

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JULY IS SARCOMA/BONE CANCER AWARENESS MONTH

Sarcomas are cancers that start in bone, muscle, connective tissue, blood vessels or fat, and can be found anywhere in the body.

50%
to
60%

of soft tissue sarcomas occur in the arms and legs.

Because they are so rare, and can take multiple forms in multiple locations, sarcomas are difficult to detect and diagnose.

Sarcomas are notorious for recurring and metastasizing.

More than
50
different subtypes can occur.

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Information courtesy of ncc.org