



# Voice of the Saponi

July 2022

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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: July articles are due June 20th) Deadline at 4 p.m.

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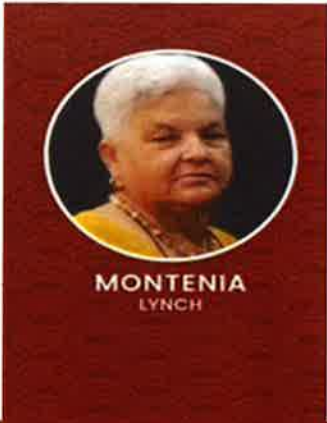
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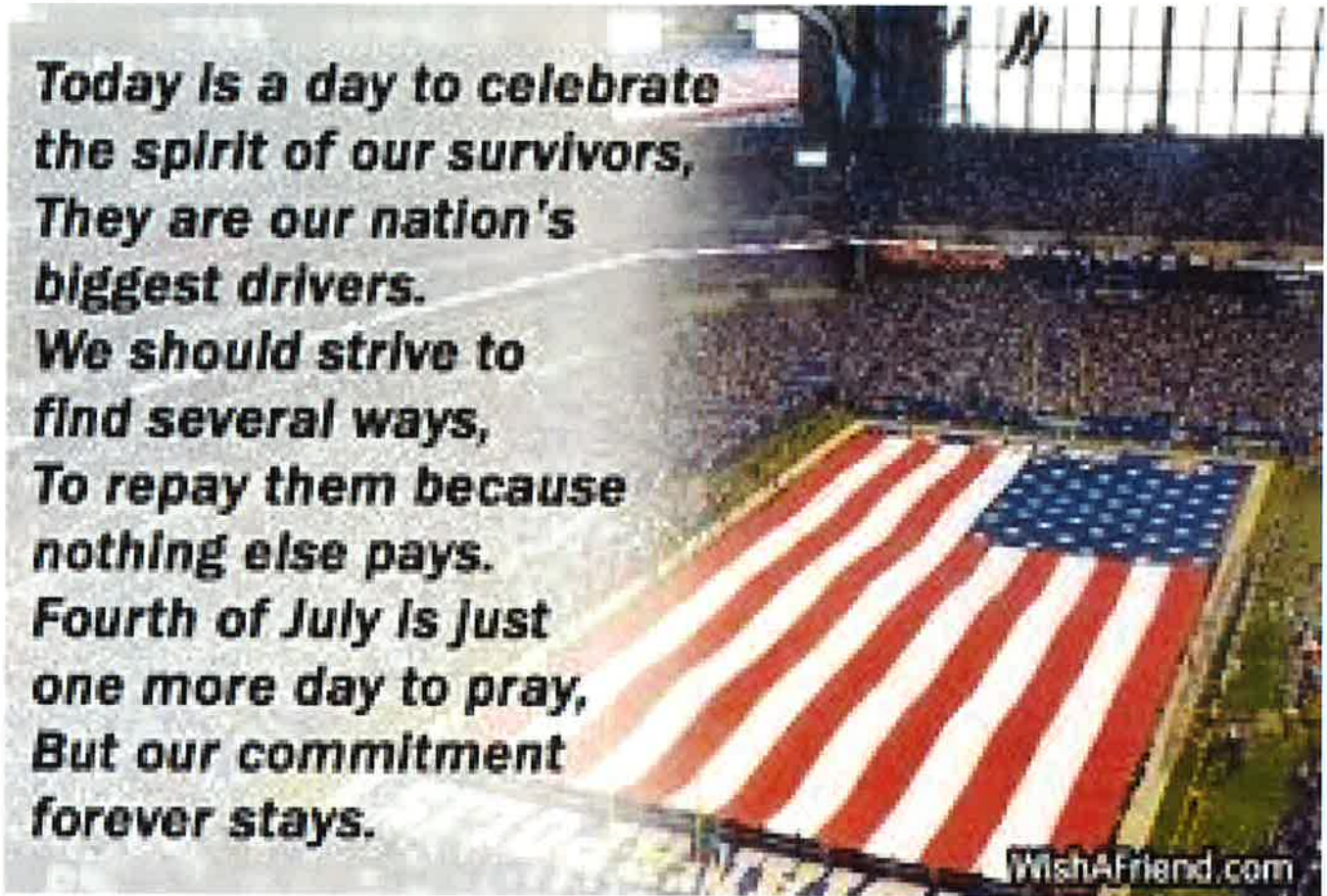


## Upcoming Dates and Meetings

- July 15- Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting held at the Rev. C.H. Richardson Building at 6:30 p.m.
- July 18- Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting Held at the Chief W. R Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 6:30 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: Gideon Lee
- 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: Charles Richardson Jr.
- 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.
- Education Committee meeting are held the 1st Thursday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair: Rev. Michael Richardson.
- Election Committee meetings are held the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Government Complex Building Committee Chair: Rev. Michael Richardson.
- By-Laws Review committee meetings are held the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Complex Committee Chair; Attorney Joshua Richardson

**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

Our Annual Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Picnic will be held on Saturday July 2, 2022 on the Tribal grounds. Tribal members, who would like to volunteer to help with the picnic, should contact Chief Dr, Ogletree Richardson or call the Tribal office at 252-586-4017. Leave your name and phone number, and someone will get back to you.





## Tribal Administrator Report July 2022

**COVID:** The May 4, 2022 Clinic was very good with:

Testing = 13

Vaccine Immunization = 21

The June 15, 2022 Clinic was also very good with:

Testing = 5

Vaccine Immunization = 31

GRRO was very pleased with the turn out for both COVID Clinics!

**MOBILE CLINICS:** The Tribe along with GRRO and Blue Cross Blue Shield are working on bringing other mobile clinics to the area including Vision and Dental.

**HAF:** The Tribes Homeowner's Assistance Fund has finally been fully approved! This was very long and as of this week some Tribes across the Country have still not even submitted their Housing Plan. Other Tribes in NC have submitted but are not approved yet and 7 States are still not fully approved. Applications will be ready sometime in July!

**INTERNET:** Due to Lumen/CenturyLink problems the internet at all Tribal Buildings has been on and off for over 2 weeks. It is a mess and we are at the mercy of Lumen/CenturyLink with so much red tape including issues of jurisdiction (seems strange but very true). This is yet another reason why we all hope that another Communications Company gets the bid for the massive Communication Grant from the American Rescue Plan to come to NE NC and provide better service!

**FOOD:** The Tribe along with its partners including Working Landscape, Access East, GRRO and more has gone well beyond any numbers we reported on in the past with several Food Trucks coming in late May and early June. As of mid-June the Tribe has surpassed distributing over 700,000 lbs. of food. Most of the credit goes to the Community Outreach work of Miss Kathy Harris! Please give a huge THANKS to Miss Kathy!!!!

**BCBSNC GRANT:** A very exciting new grant has been created just for American Indian Tribes of NC from Blue Cross Blue Shield NC Foundation. Some Grant details are:

- Four-year funding opportunity
- Tribal nations: \$400,000 over four years (\$100,000 paid each year)
- Urban Indian organizations: \$200,000 over four years (\$50,000 paid each year)
- Support infrastructure and organizational capacity enhancements
- Grantee- driven "learning community" coordinated by paid consultant

The Tribe created its portal on May 24, 2022. The Tribe's live Proposal Development ZOOM was June 15, 2022. Deadline for the proposal and budget is July 8, 2022.

**ERA:** The ERA will end September 30, 2022. The DOT has already started re-allocating funds that have not been spent. As of June 10, 2022 - Only new applications that are approved can be accepted before the funds are re-allocated. By June 20 the Tribe has allocated **\$454,659.66** for **725 months of rent** and **327 months of utilities** for Tribal Members and more in 11 states and with 20 different Utility Companies.

**TRIVIA:** Contest 12 had a great participation with some youth finally participating! The Trivia has gifted **\$6,750.00** in much needed Food Lion funds to Tribal Members now in **8 states**. Look for a totally different contest in the July newsletter!

**HUD:** The HUD Monitor Response has been released (June 10, 2022). Good news is that of the 11 Findings and 3 Concerns HUD has forgiven and closed all but 5 of them! Remember this Monitor went back well over 10 years of records and files and the Tribe worked very hard to remedy the issues of over 42 policies and procedures including writing several that did not exist that are required. The MR is 25 pages long and is in the process of being reviewed by Tribal Council and Legal Counsel Joshua Richardson. They will bring a report to the Tribal Membership.



## **INDEPENDENCE WEEKEND SCHEDULE**

**The Tribal Office will be CLOSED  
Friday - July 1, 2022 and Monday - July 4, 2022**

**SNS Seniors will get meals for 5-days distributed to them on  
Thursday – June 30, 2022**

**Due to the Holiday Schedule all rent will be due on  
July 8, 2022 by 12:00 p.m.**



**New - Tribal Administrator's XIII**  
Native American Contest *(double sided page)*

**Requirements:**

Must Be An Enrolled Member of the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe

**All Ages That Are Enrolled May Enter**

Submit to the TA via drop off, electronic scan email or U.S. Mail – must be in the Tribal Office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday – July 8, 2022.

**Winner:**

**Will receive a \$50.00 Food Lion Gift Card for this New Contest. Any ages under 16 the card will go to the Parents/Guardians.**

Full Name:

\_\_\_\_\_  
First Last Phone

Address:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Number & Street City State & Zip

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of Birth Email

\_\_\_\_\_  
Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe Enrollment Number

**Directions:**

Color the sheet on the back of this page any colors that you like. We know that the symbols of the South East Tribes had color and amazing vibrant colors as well. Sadly only a few examples of very small fragments of color survived the hundreds of years being buried in all kinds of soil.

Best Color/Design will be the Winner!

**Submit to the TA via drop off, electronic scan email or U.S. Mail – must be in the Tribal Office by 3:00 p.m. on Friday – July 8, 2022.**

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

**Or send scanned copy in JPEG or PDF to email: [joxendine@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:joxendine@haliwa-saponi.com)**

# WATER SPIDER



## WATER SPIDER

The spider was highly regarded as a clever animal because it could weave and catch prey using stealth and intelligence. The water spider was a part of the creation stories of many south east tribes as the one that gave or brought fire to the people. Water spider was always referred to as a she. The circles on her back signifies the bowl she weaved to carry the tiny coal back to the people to start their fires.



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**Native Hawaii Indigenous Trivia Contest (page 1) - ANSWERS**

**Questions:**

1. What popular **sport** has societal and sacred meaning to Native Hawaiians?      **Why?**
2. **Who** helped end the conflicts of the various islands now called Hawaii and unite them to come together as one?
3. **What outer-garment** did the Native Hawaiians make that was similar to a garment made and worn by the Eastern Woodland Native Americans?      **What was it made of?**
4. What Native Hawaii **art/craft** is a symbol of honor and was made for the gods?
5. What **disease** had disastrous consequences and decimated the Native Hawaiians upon first Contact with the White Man?
6. **Who** was the first European to make contact with Native Hawaii?
7. What is the Native Hawaii **feast** where men and women came together to eat?
8. Although this **food** is an Indigenous New World Food – it is **NOT indigenous to Hawaii?**
9. Native Hawaiian cloth, blankets and quilts were made from this **material** before Contact?
10. **Who** are the Ancestors of the Native Hawaiians?

**Answers:**

1. **Surfing.** This way of fishing, traveling and warrior training was practiced by the Native Hawaiians for hundreds of years before Contact. **It connected the People to the Ocean and Water Gods.**
2. **King Kamehameha I.** A Diplomat and Warrior, he united the warring islands to come together as one United Hawaiian Kingdom in the late 18th Century.

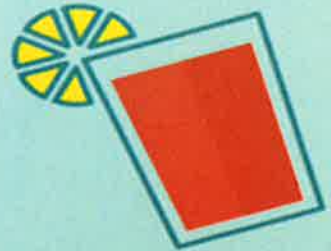
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3. **Cloak/Mantle/Cape. Made from Bird Feathers.** The other Native Culture well known for making outer garments from bird feathers was the Native Nations of the South Eastern Woodland Culture of North America.
4. **Lei.** This woven chain of flowers or other vegetation was made in the honor of various gods.
5. **Syphilis.** While many illnesses gravely effected the Native Hawaiians, it was the STD Syphilis that first devastated the islands immediately after White Contact.
6. **Captain James Cook.** Most history agrees that he was the first European to make contact with the Hawaii islands in 1778.
7. **Luau.** Before this celebration was created and introduced by King Kamehameha II in 1819, men and women ate meals separately.
8. **Pineapple.** Often thought to be indigenous to the Hawaii islands, actually this New World food is indigenous to South America and Central America.
9. **Wood Bark.** Called "*Bark Cloth*" by the White Man it was referred to as "*Kapa*" and "*Wauke*" in the Hawaiian language.
10. **Polynesians.** These are the ancient ancestors of all Native Hawaiians.



# Summer Safety Tips for Kids

- Stay Hydrated
- Find Shade
- Proper Clothing
- Sun Protection
- Plant Safety/Thorns
- Bug Spray
- Stranger Safety
- Road Safety
- Helmets
- Eating in time
- Temperature Fluctuations
- Water Safety





**IN MEMORY OF**

Edith (Hedgepeth) McGee 7/22/1938 - 7/29/2017

*"May the winds of heaven blow softly,  
and whisper in your ear,  
How much we love and miss you,  
and wish that you were here."*

It's hard to believe that five years have passed since you left us! So many memories of you still remain. We love and miss you so. Jesse, Pam, Jewel, Deke, Keith, their spouses, the grandkids, the great-grands, and your newest great-grand daughter

**CONGRATS CHANDLER & AIYANA**

CONGRATULATIONS Chandler Aiden Lynch for graduating from Western Alamance High School in Elon, NC on June 10, 2022. He also completed the Career and College Promise Program and received his Spanish Interpreter & Translator Certificate from Alamance Community College in May 2022. This program prepared Chandler to work as a paraprofessional Spanish Interpreter, facilitating oral communication between people in various community settings such as hospitals, schools, and service agencies. Chandler will be attending NC STATE UNIVERSITY in August 2022.



*CHANDLER & AIYANA WE ARE SO PROUD  
OF BOTH OF YOU. LOVE MOM AND DAD*

CONGRATULATIONS Aiyana Lindsea Lynch for successfully completing her junior year of college and her third year as a cheerleader on the Spirit Squad at UNC @ Pembroke.



**HAPPY ANNIVERSARY**

Happy 37th Anniversary to Jackie & Carol Richardson on July 1st

Happy 29th Anniversary to Keith & Dawn McGee on July 9th. *Like salt and pepper, you belong together!*

Congrats. We love you, Dad Jesse and your entire McGee family

Happy 11th Anniversary to Kelly Jr. & Ko -Ann Richardson on July 19th



*A SPECIAL HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISH TO THESE TWO SPECIAL MEN ON JULY 8TH*

*Johnnie A. Richardson*

*LOVE TRINA LYNCH*



*James McCray Richardson*

*LOVE CAROL RICHARDSON*

*HAPPY HEAVENLY BIRTHDAY IN HEAVEN, JULY 29TH*

*TOWANA "WONNIE" SILVER.*

*WE LOVE AND MISS YOU! LOVE LYNETTE*





# 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](mailto: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 Berrun  
July 2– Mackenzie Peace, Robin R. Silver, Isaiah Richardson  
July 4– Glenda Evans, Zianne Richardson  
July 5 – Daniel R. Evans  
July 6 – Perry Richardson, Marissa Richardson (D)  
July 7– Kayla Dale, Douglas M. Harris (D), Kendall Carter  
July 8 – Johnnie A. Richardson, Mary Richardson, James McCray Richardson  
July 9 – Ariana Peace  
July 10 – Aaron Silver, Bernadette Lee, Josee Richardson  
July 11– Loretta Richardson  
July 12– Laddie M. Richardson  
July 13 – Brenda Richardson  
July 15 – Khamani M. Silver, Tammie Lynch  
July 16 – Grayson Francis, Edler C. Francis (D)  
July 17– Michael Richardson  
July 18 – Zelda Earley, Sandy R. Jackson  
July 19 – Alicia Pena, Shirley T. Richardson  
July 20 – Chese' Qua Lynch  
July 22– Edith H. McGee (D), Dwayne Harris  
July 23 – Raul DeLaMora  
July 24– Ayden Portillo  
July 25 – Shakerra Richardson, Waki lynch  
July 27– Elvis P. Harris  
July 28 – Marcus Richardson, Albert Lynch  
July 29 – Dunnaven Francis  
July 31– Colleen McGee



*A birthday wish is sent your way  
hoping you'll have a wonderful day.  
Surrounded by people you hold most dear,  
gathered to celebrate one more year.  
A happy day is wished for you,  
I hope it lasts the whole year through!*







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“ There are two wolves fighting inside us all. The first one is evil. The second one is good. Which one will win?... THE ONE YOU FEED.”

Submitted by : Migali StoneBuffalo

FIND SOMETHING TO SMILE ABOUT



**PRAYER FOR HEALING**

Lord, you created me.  
My body is sick now and perhaps my soul too. Please heal me, renew me. Repair the body you had made. Refresh the soul you created for eternal existence. You alone know how to restore my health, for you created me. Make me whole again so that I may live my life for you.  
**Amen.**

The Lord is my Shepherd: I shall not Want. - Psalm23:1



Never be ashamed of a scar.

It simply means you were stronger than whatever tried to hurt you.



BONE CANCER AWARENESS

