



Voice of the Saponi

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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: November articles are due October 20th) Deadline at 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
PO Box 99
Hollister NC 27844
(252) 586-4017 ext.221

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Haliwa-Saponi Exercise Room and Gym will be open Monday evenings from 5 p.m. – 7 p.m. beginning Monday, October 17th.

We are also offering Dancing Dumbbells workouts upon request




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Upcoming Dates and Meetings

- **October 14- Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting held at the Rev. C.H. Richardson Building at 6:30 p.m.**
- **October 17- 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: Karen Franco.
- 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: Council Vice Chair Pamela S. Richardson.
- 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: 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: 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: Rev. Al Cooper.
- 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: Angela 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: 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 Complex Committee Chair; Attorney Joshua Richardson

A Message from

Chief Dr. Ogletree Richardson



I want to take this opportunity to share some exciting news that the Tribal Council, Federal Recognition Committee, staff and volunteers are working on to move our Tribe forward. In our monthly Tribal meetings, we have provided updates on our federal recognition efforts. Meetings have been held and others scheduled in the future to garner support from representatives for potential congressional action. Several representatives have indicated their support. As of today, we have been successful in working with our Tribal Legal Counsel, Joshua Richardson and the Washington, DC Legal Team in completing the draft legislation bill for the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe to receive federal recognition through the Congressional legislative process. Even though this is a draft, just to see the heading on the legislation is almost breathtaking. Currently, the bill is still under review, and we hope to receive the finalized version soon. **The Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe has made history.**

Prior to beginning the process for pursuing federal recognition through all possible avenues, including the Congressional legislative route, we were aware that this is a very delicate and complicated process, and a lot of work would be needed. As we continue our federal recognition efforts, we will share more details as they become available. We are excited about pursuing our goal of obtaining federal recognition.

As Chief of the Tribe, I am proud of the collaboration that has taken place among the Council, Tribal staff, and our Tribal citizens.

Your support is greatly appreciated, as we continue to work for the best interests of our Tribal citizens.

Pi: láhuk (Thank you)

Ms. Valerie Richardson

Haliwa-Saponi Senior Princess



HELLO MY PEOPLE:

On April 5th, 2022, I was elected by the members of the Haliwa-Saponi Senior Citizens Organization to serve as Senior Princess for years 2022 & 2023.

As Princess elect in May 2022, I continued the tradition remembering our Veterans by placing 200 flags on Veterans graves throughout the Hollister, Warren & Nash County cemeteries.

Traditionally, the Senior princess is crowned during the annual Haliwa-Saponi Pow-Wow. Due to the COVID Pandemic cancellations there was a crowning dinner on June 4, 2022 held at the C.H. Richardson Building in which I was crowned Senior Princess.

On July 19, 2022, as a member of the Senior Citizens Group of the Haliwa-Saponi tribe we visited the Native American Museum in Washington, D.C. I found this museum remarkably interesting and educational, and I look forward to more trips with the Senior group.

Thus far I have attend the Coharie Pow-Wow in Clinton, NC., on September 10th, 2022. When I stepped into that arena with the other tribal princess, and Ms. Indian North Carolina I was so proud to be representing my people of the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe.

Currently, Mrs. Roena Daniel, President of the Haliwa-Saponi Senior Citizens Organization and I are organizing the first Haliwa-Saponi Senior Citizens Arts & Crafts Fundraising Event to be held on October 15th, 2022, at the Haliwa-Saponi Daycare Site in Hollister, NC. Please plan to come & support this fundraising event for our Senior group.

I plan to attend the upcoming Pow-Wows:

Chickahominy Fall Festival & Pow-Wow in Virginia on September 24, 2022

Dix Pow-Wow in Raleigh in October 2022

The North Carolina Senior Citizens Coalition on November 4, 2022

I am honored to serve in this position as Haliwa-Saponi Senior Princess for my people.

Thank you for this opportunity.

Tribal Administrator Report September Meeting 2022

COVID: There has been a wave of COVID across the county mainly affecting those that have never been vaccinated or those that the first vaccination was over a year ago. A new updated booster has been released and is available to those that meet the requirements.

If you need any PPE please call the Tribal Office for a pickup.

HAF: Applications for the Homeowners Assistance program are being accepted. Please remember this grant priority is for those in arrears of Home Mortgage/Mortgage related expenses, Property Taxes, and Utilities.

B&G CLUB: OPEN HOUSE for the new Boys & Girls Club After-School Program is Monday, September 26, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. at the MP Building. If you have any questions about the new B&G Club, please contact either the Club Director Miss Dorothy Smith Richardson or the Club Manager Miss Ariel Hewlin. Thanks!

ERA: The ERA has stopped, and the Tribe is no longer accepting applications. Payments must be done by September 30, 2022, so we had to stop to get payments processed and done before September 30. There has been talk that the DOT may increase the time limit – if they do, we will make an announcement.

TRIVIA: Contest 15 had an AMAZING participation! The Trivia has gifted \$9,150 in much needed Food Lion funds to Tribal Members in **8 states**. Look for a new contest in the October newsletter!

IHP: There has been some miss-information on the 2022-2023 Indian Housing Plan. The plan was behind schedule due to first and foremost we like all Tribes and Housing Entities had to wait for the U.S. Congress to approve and pass the fiscal year budget which was well behind. Then each Tribe must submit an IHP (ours had to be amended and re-submitted). Second, there is then a substantial wait for HUD to approve (hundreds and hundreds of them) and wait until it is released by HUD in EPIC (Energy Performance Information Center) Portal. Our IHP was finally approved on September 16, 2022 for \$1,219,646.00. Thanks to Miss Trassie Hewlin our Housing Officer for the awesome work on this grant!

IHBG: There has been some miss-information on the IHBG (Indian Housing Block Grant) and especially the IHBG Competitive Program. The Office has gotten many calls on the subject with a lot of exceptionally good questions. Here is some information on the program:

1. It is not new – it goes back to 2017.
2. It is based on an evaluation of the performance of the applicant by a point system that goes back 3 fiscal years from the present fiscal year – thus the rating period starts Fall of 2018 up to present day.
3. Points are based on use of the previous years of the IHBG Funds.
4. To receive maximum points, the applicant must not have had any Single Audit findings during the rating period.
5. The Information Tutorial and Grant is 71 pages long.
6. It requires Model Activities that show sustainability.
7. The grant term refers to the eligible activities found in NAHASDA Section 202, other than new housing construction, rehabilitation, acquisition of existing housing units that increases affordable housing stock, and affordable housing-related infrastructure. Model activities under Section 202(6) are not eligible under this NOFO (Section 202-6 CAPITAL ADVANCE FOR SUPPORTIVE HOUSING FOR THE ELDERLY)

Good News – we are in the portal as the TA got us in it as soon as the grant program was announced in late July with the official letter dated Aug 1, 2022.

HUD: The HUD Monitor response is due October 10, 2022

HALIWA SAPONI BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

OPEN HOUSE

26 SEPTEMBER 2022 @ 6:00 p.m.

***248 CAPPS FARM ROAD, HOLLISTER NC
(MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING)***

ATTENTION PARENTS/TEACHERS VOLUNTEERS

We will officially open our doors for the after-school program for students 1-12 grades for tutoring and mentoring.

Please come out and meet the staff and volunteers and tour the facility.

If you have not completed an after-school application, please come by between the hours of 9-5 Monday through Friday or you can complete one at the Open House.

Permission slips will need to be completed as well to give the schools permission to drop your child/children at the BGCHS.

For questions or concerns please call: 252-257-9195

New - Tribal Administrator's XVI *(Please read submission rules very carefully)*
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 by email, (NOT a photo as colors do not transfer well)** or U.S. Mail – must be in the Tribal Office by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday – October 4, 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 by email, (NOT a photo as colors do not transfer well)** or U.S. Mail – must be in the Tribal Office by 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday – October 4, 2022.

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

Or send scanned copy (NOT photo) by email in JPEG or PDF to email: joxendine@haliwa-saponi.com

CHUNKEY PLAYER



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. Chunkey was more important and more popular than the Ball Game before the arrival of the White Man.

Dear Ivy,

Your whole family and entire community are SO proud that you've been enrolled in our Tribe. You are such a brilliant, funny, and awesome person! Enjoy your special day. We love you!

– The Prince & Maybelle Richardson Family

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IVY!!!!!!!



CONGRATULATIONS PATRICK

Congratulations to Sgt. Patrick C. Richardson on being promoted to Staff Sergeant Patrick Richardson. He serves in the US Marines in Jacksonville, NC. We are so Proud of you. Well-deserved Patrick. Love,

Dad, Mom, Dustin, Billie, Deitrick, Jessica

Congratulations to Patrick and Meagan Richardson on the birth of their baby girl Brooklyn Noa Richardson. She was born September 13, 2022. Love, Grandpa Pete, and Grandma Chanta

Happy Birthday Brandy Lynn Freeman

Junior Miss Haliwa Saponi 10-7-2007

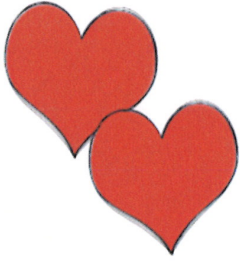
Love Mom, Brandon, and the boys

Happy Birthday

Brandy Lynn



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY



Happy 50th Anniversary to Raymond & Velma Silver

On October 28th

Happy 35th Anniversary to Brian & Trina Lynch

On October 17th



"His love continues for her even though she is gone"

Happy 67th wedding anniversary to Jesse and Edith (Hedgepeth) McGee on October 9th. What an example you both set for us, your children! Happy (heavenly) Anniversary, mother.



With all our love, Pam & Ray, Jewel & Mike, Deke & Barb, and Keith & Dawn



Gone But Not Forgotten

Rev. Eardius Richardson

Oct. 14, 1931 - Oct. 20, 2020

Always Loved

Never Forgotten

Forever Missed



Love your son, daughter, grandchildren, & great grand children

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU AND 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.

- October 1- Gary Richardson
- October 2- Vonda W. Medlin
- October 4- Dantton Francis, Sr. (D)
- October 5- Theartis Lynch
- October 7- Elk Richardson
- October 8- Hailey Starr Richardson
- October 9- Zenia Richardson Buffaloe
- October 11- Phillip McCrane Silver Sr. (D)
- October 12- Lady Lou Richardson (D)
- October 13- Rita J. Harris, Nathaniel M. Richardson, Patricia A. Coley, Troy Bissonnette
- October 14- Bennie Francis
- October 15- Jace Davis, Margie Richardson
- October 16- Wanda J. Richardson, Ladonna Richardson
- October 17- Mayola Harris (D)
- October 19- Roger M. Evans,
- October 21- Violet Hope Rudd
- October 24- Ana'ki Lynch, Ja' Coa Richardson , H.P. Harris, Darlene Mills
- October 25- Archie Lynch
- October 28- Cynthia Evans , Muriel Richardson
- October 29- Ralph Evans
- October 31- Pattie B. Richardson, Kathy Harris



Devon Richardson- Sept. 12th

Travis Silver- Sept. 1st





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No matter what happens in life, be good to people. Being good to people is a wonderful legacy to leave behind.



Kindness is like first love

It can change a life

With a miracle and a promise

To wipe away sorrow and strife

