



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 April articles are due March 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



MAGAZINE SPRING EVENT

April 13th, 2024

In an effort to tell our story at the AMERICA 250th anniversary event that will occur in 2026, we, the Magazine Spring ad hoc committee are

scheduled to meet at Magazine Spring in the town of Halifax on Saturday April 13, 2024, at 10:00am. We will be giving the tribes historical reference to the Spring and there will be opportunity for our native song and dance. We are encouraging all tribal members to wear regalia. All are invited to this event that is being included in the prelude to the revolutionary war event. For more information contact Al Richardson at 252-820-2530 or check the website at www.visithalifax.com/250. So put this event on your calendar and plan to attend to represent our tribe.

Upcoming Dates and Meetings

- April 19-Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting 6:30 p. m. Rev. C.H. Richardson Building.
- April 22- Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting held at the Chief W. R Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 6:30 p.m.
- 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 the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 6:30 p. m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair: Rev. Michael Richardson.
- Princess Committee meetings are held the 1st Monday of each month at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 7:00 pm. 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 the last Thursday of each month at 6:00 p. m. at the Old Council House. Committee Chair: Roena Daniel.
- Veteran's Memorial meetings are held the 4th Tuesday of each month at 6:30 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 Government Complex Building. Committee Chair: Montenia Lynch.
- By-Laws Review committee meetings are held the 1st Wednesday of each month at 6:30 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Complex Committee Chair: Attorney Joshua Richardson.

CONGRATULATIONS



Zollie Richardson
on receiving the
veteran's award at
the 2024 Unity
Conference!

Thank you Tribal Council and
Veteran's Committee



Tribal Administration:

On March 5, 2024, the Tribal Administration and staff took part in CPR/AED/First Aid Training from the American Red Cross. In the event of an emergency staff will be prepared to react with necessary lifesaving measures for the community.

IN MEMORY OF'S

*ON BEHALF OF THE HALIWA-SAPONI TRIBE
WE WOULD LIKE TO EXPRESS OUR
DEEPEST SMYPATHY FOR TO THE LOSS OF
OUR BELOVED
TRIBAL MEMBERS*

**Happy Heavenly Birthday to Will A. Richardson on April 28th
He passed on April 12, 1999. Love and miss you Daddy
Love Your Daughter Jennifer Faust**



Hey, Momma just want you to know how much we really miss you here.

Albertia Green Richardson went to be with the Lord on

April 05, 2019

**Your sisters speak of wanting to call you. We all miss your talks
your laughter, your advice. We just miss all that you did. Love your
children: Laddie, Tony, Lori, Carol and Rod.**

Afterglow - Unknown

I'd like the memory of me to be a happy one.

I'd like to leave an afterglow of smiles when life is done.

I'd like to leave an echo whispering softly down the ways,

Of happy times and laughing times and bright and sunny days.

I'd like the tears of those who grieve to dry before the sun.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU !!!!!

If you would like your name or a loved ones name to be published please email Carol Richardson at 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.



- April 4-Tony Richardson
- April 6- Charlie Ray Richardson
- April 8- Carol Richardson, Monique "Keshia" Richardson
- April 9- Awenita Lynch
- April 11- Rev. Michael Richardson
- April 13-Angelica Pena, Cristina Pena
- April 14-Kurttty Richardson, Jonah Silver
- April 16-Kara Richardson, Zollie Leon Richardson
- April 17-Chief Jessie W. Richardson (D)
- April 18-Willis James Richardson, Marshall Ray Wilson (D)
- April 19-London Silver, Adam DeLaMora, Winston Ann Richardson
- April 20-Maria DeLaMora, Gemma Marie Lynch, Jearmane Richardson
- April 21-Leverne Silver, Furby Ray Daniel, Linzie (Sis) Richardson (D)
- April 22-Michael DuVaughn Daniel, Deon Richardson
- April 23-Chief W.R. Richardson (D), Aronna Camille Silver
- April 24- Forrest Hewlin, Boyd Lynch, Brandon D. Richardson
- April 27- Luca Lynch (D)
- April 29-Jaren Richardson
- April 30- Alejandro DeLaMora

HAPPY
BIRTHDAY
FROM ALL OF US



**Shout Out to; Kenitay Richardson- March
31st
Love Mom and Dad**



Dr. B. Ogletree Richardson
Chief

Dr. Marvin Richardson
Vice-Chief

Tribal Council

Gideon Lee, Chair
Angela Richardson, Vice-Chair
Valerie Richardson, Secretary
Karen R. Franco, Treasurer
Marviet Lynch
Montenia Lynch
Ladonna E. Richardson
Rev. Micheal Richardson
Charles Richardson Jr.

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Shalene Kanseah
Tribal Administrator

Boys & Girls Club of Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe *Supervisory Board of Directors Application Form*

Date: _____ Name: _____ (First Middle Last)

Ethnicity (check all that apply) Native American Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Member Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Descendant Other Tribal Member/Descendant Caucasian Latino / Hispanic African American Pacific Islander Other

Residence:

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

What best describes where you reside (for the majority of the year)?
 Surrounding County: Warren/Halifax/Nash Out of state Other: _____

Employer

Name: _____

Your title: _____

Address: _____

Phone Email: _____

Preferred method: _____

Club Experience:

Do you have a child who is currently a member of the Boys & Girls Club? If yes, please provide your child's name: _____

Do you have a child who was a member of the Boys & Girls Club? If yes, please provide your child's name and dates he/she was a member:

Have you ever volunteered with the Boys & Girls Club? If yes, please explain when and how you were involved:

Please list any committees and/or boards you have served on (business, civic, political, social, other)
Organization/Role/Title/ Dates of Service

Education/Training/Certificates

Skills/Experience/Interests: *Please circle any of the following applicable*

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|--|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Finance/Accounting | <input type="checkbox"/> Policy Development | <input type="checkbox"/> Grant Writing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Personnel/Human Resources | <input type="checkbox"/> Program Evaluation | <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Administration/Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations/Communications | <input type="checkbox"/> Outreach/Advocacy |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Nonprofit Experience | <input type="checkbox"/> Education/Instruction | <input type="checkbox"/> Special Events |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Community Service | Any other: _____ | |

How do you feel the Boys & Girl Club would benefit from your involvement on the Board?

Please tell us anything else you would like to share with the Board:

Note: Per guidelines of the Boys & Girls Club background check will be required.

Deadline: Open

***Please submit completed application, current resume, and copy of photo identification to:
skanseah@haliwa-saponi.org, Tribal Administrator
Boys & Girls Club of the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe, Phone: 252/586.2868 & Fax:252/586.3918
39021 Hwy 561/P.O. Box 99, Hollister, North Carolina 27844***



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

*Happy 69th Anniversary to
Johnnie & Irene Richardson*

*On April 07, 2024
Love Your Children*



*Happy 25th Anniversary to
Jason & Charity Silver*

On April 03, 2024



New Arrivals

Congratulations to Hailey Starr Richardson & Elijah Lynch on the birth of their son Dream Mikel Lynch born on February 5, 2024. He weighed 7lbs 3 oz. Dream is the grandson of Erica (Quinn) Richardson and Linwood (Jotherine) Richardson, Shoney (James) Rudd and the late Jan Lynch.

We love you Starr, from your favorite cousin Pamela R. Silver and family.

Congratulations to Angel & Jovan Silver on the birth of their baby girl Amara Rose Silver who was born on March 5, 2024. Amara weighed 6lbs 12 oz and was 20 inches long. She has a big sister and Brother Arionna & Christian who absolutely adore her. Grandparents are Wanda (Stacey) Richardson and Gwen Silver and the late Milo Silver.

We love you, Pamela & Robin Silver.

Housing Community Outreach

We hope all of you are doing well and enjoying your community. All tenants should continue to follow the rules for the proper update of their apartments. We would like to keep all informed and engaged about anything coming up that you may be interested in that may or may not affect you.

Please let us know if you have any concerns or need assistance with anything.

We will be doing some community training events, such as credit repairs and homeowners buyers assistance at The Tomahawk Meadows Office. We will let you know when these training dates will be scheduled. We will keep the tenants informed of any upcoming events.

We appreciate your cooperation and participation in making our rental units a great place to live. Thank you all for being a valued tenant and community member.

If there is someone that would like to be featured in our Tribal newsletter, to share a favorite community experience, please contact me.

During the last month, I completed Homebuyers Training through Freddie Mac, and received certification. Also, received several certifications from NC. Housing Authority as well.

If anyone has any housing concerns or needs to get information out to people, please let me know.

The Housing Team will be getting information together about housing to distribute at our Annual Pow-Wow in April 2024.

Thank you,



Kathy Harris, Housing Community Outreach. 252-586-4017



Congratulations On Your Promotion Jonah!!!

Jonah Richardson (Son of Alvin Tonto (d) & Brenda Richardson and Grandson of Johnnie & Irene Richardson, Eddie B. (d) & Atlena (Richardson) Evans (d) was promoted to Senior Clinical Lead for IQVIA. IQVIA, formerly Quintiles and IMS Health, Inc., is an American Fortune 500 and S&P 500 multinational company serving the combined industries of health information technology and clinical research.

Jonah, a graduate of North Carolina State University (2016) obtained a BSC in Biological Sciences (Concentration in Human Biology), and has worked in Clinical Research & Development for over 8 years.

His therapeutic experience with clinical trials includes,

Oncology: Dose Escalation/Expansion, Advanced Solid Tumors, B-Cell Malignancies

Cardiovascular: DVT/PE, Myocardial Infarction/ACS

Neurology: Alzheimer's Disease (Symptomatic/Asymptomatic, Inherited) , Chronic Inflammatory Demyelinating Polyneuropathy (CIDP)

Psychiatry: Major Depressive Disorder, Insomnia, PTSD

Rare Disease: Calciphylaxis

Infectious Disease: COVID-19

In his new role as Senior Clinical Lead, Jonah will be leading clinical operations and oversight for North America, Latin America, European Union, and Asia Pacific, on a large Phase III/IV program with an objective to prevent and/or slow cognitive decline in patients with genetically linked Alzheimer's Disease.

If interested in participating in clinical trial studies, he encourages members to visit clinicaltrials.gov to see what options may be available.

Our Young People : Making Us Proud

Christian Buffaloe Wins RCS U.S. Kickboxing Featherweight

Christian Buffaloe, Kyokushin Karate fighter and instructor, recently won the RCS U.S. Kickboxing Featherweight Championship title in northern Virginia on March 2nd. Buffaloe's match was a highlight of the entire event that was also broadcasted live on PayPerView TV.

Christian Buffaloe fought a very dominant match despite several low blows(four in the 1st round alone) from his opponent Amir Kane of Delaware. Buffaloe recovered and continued to fight a hard match winning an unanimous judges decision(30 - 26 from all 3 judges) and becoming the new Kickboxing Featherweight champion.

Christian Buffaloe is very appreciative to everyone for their support and interest. Many Haliwaponi Indian tribal members were in attendance at the fight and this gave him great encouragement and motivation. Buffaloe is looking forward to the next challenge and plans to go back to Japan for more high level training this summer. Buffaloe is trained by Sensei Kenny Buffaloe, the official North Carolina Representative of Kyokushin Karate, and Kru Ken Armstrong of Virginia, a former Muay-Thai champion fighter in Thailand and Japan in the 1990's.

Christian Buffaloe (center), the new RCS United States Kickboxing Featherweight champion. Buffaloe won the championship title belt in northern Virginia on March 2nd



Christian Buffaloe (on right) delivers a strong punch to the head of his opponent Amir Kane of Delaware during their RSC U.S. Kickboxing Featherweight Championship match in northern Virginia on March 2nd. Buffaloe won an unanimous judges decision(30 - 26 by all 3 judges) after a hard fought match.

*Miss
Indian
North Carolina
2024*



ZIANNE



RICHARDSON

Zianne is an enrolled citizen of the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe. She is the daughter of Garland Arnold Richardson, Ladonna Evans Richardson & Ivan Richardson. She graduated from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill in May 2023 with Bachelor of Arts in Education in Human Development and Family Sciences and a minor in American Indian & Indigenous Studies. She is currently a graduate student at UNC Chapel Hill pursuing a Master of Arts in Teaching on the Elementary Education track. Zianne was involved with Carolina Indian Circle and serves on the Dean’s Working Group on Global Indigeneity and the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe Bylaws Review Committee. She is also a member of Alpha Pi Omega Sorority, Inc. Zianne shared that “I seek to always be in community with my relatives, have conversations with tribal citizens from different nations, and always remember that cultural knowledge is a gift meant to be appreciated and shared, not taken for granted and guarded. The more we share space, knowledge, and love with one another, the more prosperous and sustainable the seeds of our people become.”

HALIWA-SAPONI TRIBAL MEMBERS ATTEND NATIONAL AMERICAN INDIAN VETERAN CEREMONY IN WASHINGTON, D.C

At 4:00 am on March 14, 2024, six Haliwa-Saponi tribal representatives departed the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex to attend the National American Indian Veterans (NAIV) Charter “Signing Ceremony” at the Hart Senate Office Building in Washington, D.C. The six representatives attending the ceremony included: Chief Dr. Ogletree Richardson, Greg Richardson, National Commander for the NAIV and Executive Director for the NC Commission of Indian Affairs, Jewel Bissonnette, Pastor Al Cooper, Kim Silver (members of the Haliwa-Saponi Veterans Memorial Committee), and Mrs. Roena Daniel (widow of Navy veteran Purcell Daniel).

The Haliwa-Saponi Tribe has written and supported the advancement of this charter from its inception, and with the signing of the charter, the NAIV now has a larger platform to address tribal veterans’ issues, to advocate for and serve the more than 140,000 Native American veterans living in the United States. As far as we know, we were the only “state-recognized” tribe in attendance to bear witness to and honor this historical occasion.

Senator Mike Rounds (R-S.D.) and Senator Ben Ray Lujan (D-N.M), lead the signing ceremony as the two senators who took up the effort to push the charter through Congress in 2021!

The signing ceremony marked the culmination of a 20-year battle, started in 2004 by the non-profit NAIV Organization, which was founded by its National Commander, (now 94 years old), Don Loudner, a Korean War veteran of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe in South Dakota.

This charter will provide more representation for American Indian veterans throughout the nation, who have been fighting for assistance largely through Veteran Administration claims and benefits, -- something that has been lacking in and on tribal communities for decades.

Pictured from left to right: Jewel Bissonnette, Mrs. Roena Daniel, Greg Richardson, Chief Dr. Ogletree Richardson, Pastor Al Cooper, Jr., and Kim Silver. Center: Mr. Don Loudner.



THE POWWOW PLANNING COMMITTEE NEEDS YOU!

With just over four weeks until our 59th Annual Powwow, the Powwow Committee is in desperate need of volunteers in the following areas:

GATES

DRINK BOOTH

PARKING

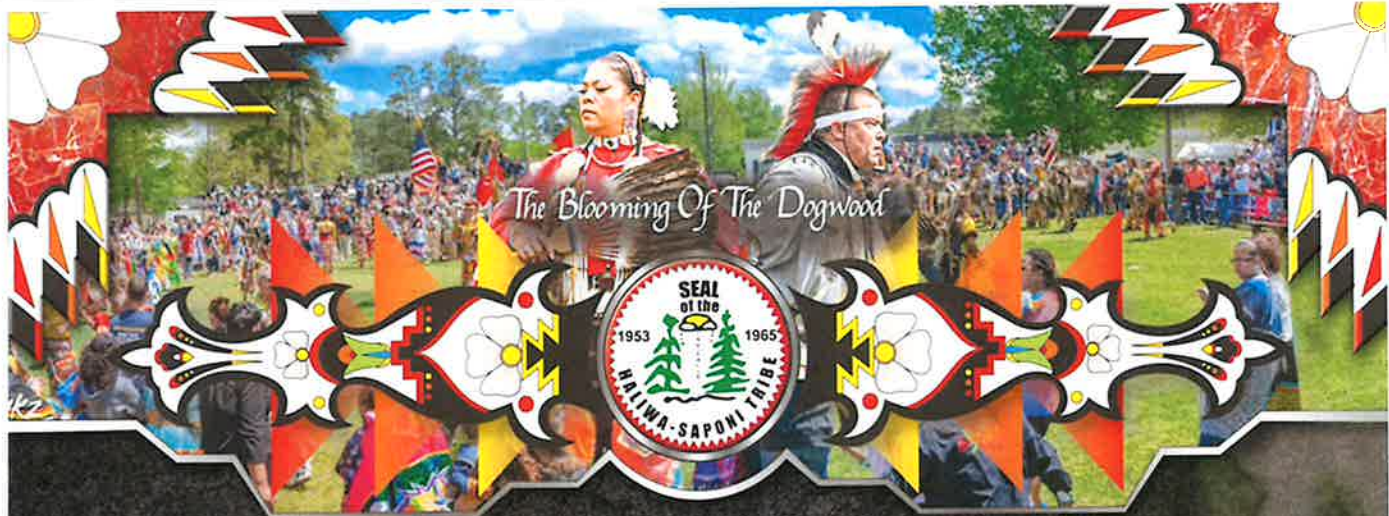
DRIVERS,

BUS DRIVER(S) - Needs CDL (With Passenger Endorsement)

Please contact the tribal office at 252-629-7027 or Sharon Berrun, Co-Chair of Powwow Committee at sharonbrun0244@gmail.com if you can assist in any of these areas for the betterment of OUR powwow.

Also, for your info, we do intend to have the Powwow T-Shirts available for sale prior to the powwow, so be on the lookout for additional information in this regard.

If rain prevented us from having the Powwow Grounds Cleanup Day on Saturday, March 23rd, please come out and volunteer to help us with the cleanup effort on Saturday, April 6th, Refreshments will be provided.



HALIWA-SAPONI

59TH ANNUAL

POWWOW

April 19th - 21st, 2024

Honoring The Legacy of Dalton Lynch

130 Haliwa Saponi Trail,
Hollister, NC.
27844

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

GRAND ENTRIES

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

HOST DRUM

RED CLAY
(Haliwa-Saponi, Lumbee, Coharie and Crow)

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!!

POWWOW STAFF

MC: Sandon Jacobs
(Waccamaw Siouan)

Arena Director: John Locklear
(Lumbee)

Head Judge: LaRay Guerrero
(Haliwa-Saponi)

Head Male: Jason Evans
(Haliwa-Saponi)

Head Female: Amy Silver
(Haliwa-Saponi)

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:

Quality Inn - Roanoke Rapids, NC
Holiday Inn Express - Rocky Mount, NC.

Camping Available and Registration is Required
Absolutely **NO** Pets, Alcohol or Drugs on Tribal Grounds!
For more information please call 252-586-4017

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 Men/Women (55 +)
1st \$600 2nd \$400 3rd \$300

Adult Men/Women (18 - 54)
Grass, Fancy, Jingle, N/S Traditional,
1st \$600 2nd \$400 3rd \$300

Teen Boys/Girls (13-17)
Grass, Jingle, Fancy, Traditional
1st \$200 2nd \$150 3rd \$75

Jr. Boys/Girls (7-12)
Grass, Jingle, Fancy, Traditional
1st \$75 2nd \$50 3rd \$25

Tiny Tots Free Style: All participants will receive awards



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