



# Voice of the Saponi

## Tribal Administrator's News

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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 of publication.

(Ex: February articles are due by January 20th)

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Haliwa-Saponi Tribe

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**Happy New Year!** We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas holiday. With the new year here we have many events that will be taking place this year. The Winter Pow-Wow is coming up in January, the Gala will be in March and we are also in the process of planning for our 54th annual Pow-wow that will be in April. We look forward to seeing each of you at the upcoming events.

**New Year's Resolutions** - By making your resolutions realistic, there is a greater chance that you will keep them throughout the year, incorporating healthy behavior into your everyday life. Here are a few tips below.

- **Start Small** - Make resolutions that you think you can keep
- **Change one behavior at a time** - work toward changing one thing at a time.
- **Talk about it** - Share your experiences with family and friends
- **Don't beat yourself up** - Remember that minor missteps when reaching your goals are completely normal and OK
- **Ask for support** - Accepting help from those who care about you and will listen strengthens your resilience and ability to manage stress caused by your resolution.



### Upcoming Dates and Meetings

- **January 1** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Office will be closed in observance of the New Year.
- **January 18** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting will be held at the Multipurpose Complex at 7:30 pm.
- **January 21** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting will be held at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 7:30 p.m.
- **January 21** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Office will be closed in observance of Martin Luther King Day.

#### Committee Meetings

- Finance Committee meetings are held the first Thursday of each month at 11:00 a.m. at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair: Dudley Lynch, Sr.
- Long Range Planning meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex following the finance meeting.
- Federal Recognition Committee meetings are held the first 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 second 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 first Monday of each month at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 7:00 p.m. Committee Chair: Karen Harley.
- Pow-Wow planning meetings are held fourth Monday night of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair: Gideon Lee.
- 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 last Tuesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. Committee Chair : Alfred Morris Richardson.

## **2018-2019 Haliwa-Saponi Princess**

Naha':pipi! Good day! As your Miss Haliwa-Saponi 2018-2019 I am promoting the platform "Be Your Best Self." I want to encourage you to be the best version of yourself physically, mentally, emotionally, spiritually, and culturally. Each month it is my goal to put an encouraging word to motivate you to be the best you that you can be. Happy New Year! I trust that you have had a wonderful Christmas filled with family and love. As this time of year approaches we all start to think about what we want to change or improve in the upcoming year. Personally, 2018 has been the best year of my life. I have been blessed with so much this past year and I got to have so many amazing experiences with the people that I love. For the year of 2019 I would like to encourage you all to make resolutions that are close to your heart and will truly make a change in your life and the lives of those around you. In the coming year I resolve to close out my reign with humility and devotion to representing you all everywhere I go as tribal princess. I also resolve to continue to write to you in our tribal newsletter from time to time after the conclusion of my reign. I want to continue to be a role model to you and not let my voice be silenced as I stand up for our people. Claim who you are and stand strong in your identity. I can feel that 2019 will have a lot in store for our progress as a people. You have my support in your dreams and plans. If there is anything I could ever do for you, don't hesitate to reach out to me. Pi:lahuk for your never-ending support. I love you all. Happy New Year.

**Always remember to "Be Your Best Self"!**

-Zianne M. Richardson, Miss Haliwa-Saponi 2018-2019



## **Your Support Is Needed**

On January 8, 2019, at the Warren County Board of Education meeting at Warren County Middle School, some of our tribal youth will go before the board to request for our students to be allowed to wear eagle feathers and beaded caps at graduation. We would greatly appreciate any and all tribal members who are able to attend to come and support us in our endeavors. The meeting starts at 6 p.m. The address is 118 Campus Drive, Warrenton, North Carolina 27589.

## **Haliwa-Saponi Red Earth Cultural Class News!**

The Haliwa-Saponi Red Earth Culture Classes are back in session and are held every Tuesday night from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Haliwa-Saponi Multipurpose Complex. Culture class provides an opportunity to learn more about American Indian culture through singing, dancing, drumming, and tribal history. Class participants can engage in social dances such as intertribal dancing, two steps, round dances, alligator, robin, rabbit and canoe dances. You may also learn men and women style traditional, fancy, grass and jingle dances. Along with each style of dance; students will be taught about regalia as well as the stories and meanings of each dance. Additionally, our class will periodically offer hands on activities in hopes of increasing participant knowledge and skills in American Indian arts, crafts and regalia making. Cultural Class is open to participants of all ages, so come on out and join us!! For questions and additional information, please contact Sharon H. Berrun, Youth Services Director at 252-257-9195 or [sberrun@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:sberrun@haliwa-saponi.com)

## **Enrollment**

The Council has approved the receipt of applications for those that are less than 6 years old as in accordance with the Bylaws. Applications may be obtained from the Tribal Office. If there are any questions, please contact, Pamela R. Silver at 252-586-4017 ext. 240.

## **Federal Recognition Committee**

On November 06, 2018 the federal recognition committee voted to hold the meetings during the day time on the first Tuesday of each month at 10:00 a.m. The meetings will be held at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex.

## **Tutelo-Saponi Phrase of the Month**

Pi:la'huk,  
Matthew S. Richardson  
Haliwa-Saponi Legacy Intern  
Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe



1	One	nó:sa:	6	Six	aká:spe:
2	Two	nó:pa:	7	Seven	sa:kó:mj
3	Three	lá:ni	8	Eight	palá:ni
4	Four	tó:pa	9	Nine	kasá:hka
5	Five	kisá:ha	10	Ten	púčka

### **Third Annual Community Christmas Lighting**

The Third Annual Community Christmas Tree lighting was held December 7th at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex with great participation from the community. Christmas Carols were sung as we gathered around the Christmas tree. Refreshments were served and Santa Claus visited also. Thanks to everyone who helped make this possible and successful.

Barbara Brayboy, Chairperson.



### **Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe Federal Acknowledgment Gala**

The Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe is ramping up our efforts toward Federal Acknowledgment. With Federal Acknowledgment we want to honor the legacy of our ancestors and preserve the cultural heritage of our people for future generations. Over the next couple of weeks, months, and years we will continue to fundraise to pay for the consultants, travel, and other expenses that it will take to achieve our acknowledgement goal.

The Haliwa-Saponi Federal Acknowledgement Gala will be held on Saturday, March 16, 2019 at Pleasant Grove Refuge Center located at 4531 Hwy 43, Hollister, NC 27844. Tickets are being sold for \$35 each and are currently available at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. You may also reserve a table for eight (8) for \$300. Ticket sales and table reservations may also be ordered by phone during business hours at 252-586-4017. Ticket purchase and table reservations are available until March 1, 2019. The Federal Acknowledgment Gala is a formal event that shall include a catered dinner, entertainment, auction, guest speaker, and more. All individuals ages 16 and older are welcome to attend and tribal enrollment is **NOT** required.

For more information you may contact the following individuals:

- Tosha Silver 252-586-4017 ext 231, [tsilver@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:tsilver@haliwa-saponi.com)
- Dr. Marvin Richardson 252-586-4017 ext 230, [mrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:mrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com)
- Sharon Berrun 252-257-9195, [sberrun@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:sberrun@haliwa-saponi.com)
- Sunshine Richardson 252-586-4017 ext 228, [srichardson@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:srichardson@haliwa-saponi.com)

Thank you for your continued support of the tribe. Together we can make a difference.







*Save the Date*

**44<sup>th</sup> years**

**ANNUAL NORTH CAROLINA INDIAN UNITY CONFERENCE**

**Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown**  
 Booking Reservations can be made NOW at  
[www.northraleigh.hilton.com](http://www.northraleigh.hilton.com) and referencing TRIBES  
 or by calling 919-872-2323

**March 7-9, 2019**

*Keep checking back for more information on workshops. Agenda and more to follow*

## Are you our Next? Tiny Miss, Little Miss Haliwa or Junior Miss Haliwa



### *Annual Tiny Miss, Little Miss & Junior Miss Contest.*

*\*Contestants Must be tribally enrolled*



Contestants will be divided into three groups, Tiny Miss (2-5), Little Miss Haliwa for ages (5-10) and Junior Miss Haliwa for ages (10-16). Each contestant will raise money until February 28th, 2019. The one contestant (per category) that raises the most money will be awarded the Title and Crown for 1 year.

The winners will be crowned during the pageant on March 30th, 2019.

### **\*\*\* NEW Haliwa-Saponi Warrior ( Boys 5-18)**

*How do you participate?*

- Call or come by the Tribal office and request an application package.
- **ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE SUBMITTED BY JANUARY 31, 2019**

**For more details call the Tribal office @ 252-586-4017**



If you would like your name or a loved ones name to be published please email Trassie Hewlin at [thewlin@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:thewlin@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 our newsletter. **No Call Ins Accepted!**

January 1 - Glenda Daniel  
 January 2 - Kmira A. Richardson, Jackie Rudd  
 January 3 - Johnny E. Richardson  
 January 4 - Doretha Chichester, Michael Rudd  
 January 5 - Nicholas Richardson  
 January 6 - Jesse Richardson , Annie L. Lynch (D)  
 January 7 - Janie C. Richardson, Keena Lynch  
 January 8 - Jimille Richardson, Darrell Richardson  
 January 9 - Kristel R. Jones  
 January 10 - Yashone T. Francis, Judy Silver Ainsworth, Irene Richardson  
 January 11 - Edler Elaine Silver  
 January 12 - McKenzie Akira Francis, Wendse Lanet Harris, Aiyana Lindsea Lynch  
 January 13 - Emily Evans  
 January 15 - Ruth Ealing  
 January 16 - Carolyn Rudd, Angela A. Lynch, Crystal Rudd  
 January 18 - Raven Richardson, Jala Richardson  
 January 19 - Canitra Richardson, Alyssa Rodwell, Amber Richardson  
 January 20 - Bernella DeLaMora  
 January 23 - Brenda F. Richardson (D), Pedro Silver  
 January 24 - Bonita Durham, Charlotte Richardson  
 January 25 - Patrina Richardson  
 January 27 - Edward K. Hedgepeth, Henry "Snake" Lynch  
 January 28 - Lonnie R. Richardson, Brian Lynch, Cricket Richardson, Joseph O. Richardson  
 January 29 - Allen Lynch (D)  
 January 30 - Connie L. Hedgepeth , Ronnie B. Lynch (D), Chief Dr. B. Olgetree Richardson, Earl Evans



## *Little Miss Haliwa-Saponi*

*2018-2019*

### *Amilia Maria Berrun*

Amilia is the 11 year old daughter of Octavio and Sharon Berrun. Her maternal grandparents are Horace (H.P.) and Rita Harris and paternal grandparents are Daniel and Susanna Berrun. Amilia is a fancy shawl dancer and enjoys dancing jingle as well. During her reign as

Little Miss Haliwa-Saponi; she has represented our people at twenty-one (21) events ranging from Pow-wows and tribal dance presentations to International Festivals and Parades. Throughout her travels as a Tribal Ambassador; Amilia greets the crowds and introduces herself using our native Tutelo-Saponi language and is teaching other Haliwa-Saponi youth to do the same. She is deeply rooted in her culture and committed to upholding the legacy of her forefather. Amilia Maria Berrun is a vibrant, proud young representative of the Haliwa-Saponi Indian People!



# SANTA'S VISIT



*He's making a list, checking it twice, gonna find out who's naughty or nice*

*Santa Claus is coming to town!!*





## Community News

**Anniversary** -Happy 15th Wedding Anniversary to Brian & Etiska Caison on January 3,2019.

**Congratulations:** Aiyana Lindsea Lynch - for earning the "A/B" Honor Roll for the 1st 9 weeks of school at Western Alamance HS, successful completing her first two college classes at Alamance Community College while working two part-time jobs. Keep working hard, we are so proud of you - love mom and dad.  
Chandler Aiden Lynch - for completing his first successful season of High School JV soccer and earning "A" Honor Roll at Western Alamance HS we are so proud of you - love mom and dad.

**Congratulations:** Alyson D. Richardson & Trevor L. Richardson on the birth of their son Grayson Xavier Richardson. He was born on December 12, 2018 and weighed 8 lbs. 6.8 oz. The proud grandparents are Stacey & Wanda Richardson and Perry & JoAnn Richardson. Grayson also has a very proud Aunt Angel Richardson (Jovan) & proud Uncle Kenneth Richardson (Hillary). With love from Pamela R. Silver & Tiffany A. Richardson.

**Congratulations:** Devin T. Richardson for making the Principals list for this semester. Devin has earned 30 college credits while attending Warren Early College High School. Keep up the great work. We love you.

### **A Special Thank You:**

The family of Towana Silver would like to thank everyone for the LOVE, KINDNESS, and GENEROSITY that was shown during the loss of our sister, we deeply appreciate all you did, please continue to keep our family in your prayers.  
GOD BLESS

### **Employment Opportunity**

Are you interested in a career in law enforcement? If your answer was yes, then look no further. The Warren County Sheriff's Office is looking for qualified candidates to apply as Deputy Sheriff. If helping people through public service is an interest of your, then you should apply.

- **Position:** Deputy Sheriff
- **Starting Salary:** \$32,422.00
- **Law Enforcement experience/ certifications:** may be considered in evaluating starting pay.
- **Benefits:** Medical, Dental, 401K, paid leave ( birthday, vacation and holidays)



**Qualifications:** Applicant must be at least 21 years of age, must have a high school diploma or GED and an ACTIVE NC driver's license. Criminal history must be clear of felony and serious misdemeanor convictions. Must pass a mandated drug screening. Ways to apply (1) go to [www.warrencountync.com](http://www.warrencountync.com) and click on human resources link for the application process. (2) An application can be secured through the Employment Security Commission (3) An application can be obtained directly from the Warren County Sheriff's Office. Once completed, the application can be returned to Human Resources, Employment Security Commission or The Warren County Sheriff's Office.

Contact Person: Captain John Branche, Warren County Sheriff's Office  
(252)257-3364 EXT: 243

### **ATTENTION ALL ARTIST AND CRAFTER'S!!!**

Do you have creative handmade art or crafts that you would like to sell or put on display for free? Medoc Mountain State Park has built a display case just for our tribe. The display case is located inside the visitor's center lobby which receives approximately 7,000 visitors per year. The enclosed display case dimensions are 4' high x 3' wide x 3' deep. To get your Free space contact Dr. Austin, a Hali-wa- Saponi Tribal Member, at 252-586-6588.

# Display Your Art Work!



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**14th ANNUAL  
HALIWA-SAPONI  
WINTER POW-WOW**

**January 26, 2019  
11:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.**

**Doe Spun Building  
403 Gibbs Ave.  
Hollister, NC 27844**

**Admission: \$5.00 per person  
(0-5 and 65 & older is free)**

**Limited Vendor Space  
Available!**

**For more information:  
Call (252)586-4017**

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