



# 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: March articles are due by February 20th)**

**You may email articles to [thewlin@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:thewlin@haliwa-saponi.com) or feel free to mail them to:**

**Haliwa-Saponi Tribe**

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### Magazine Springs Spring Clean Up

The Magazine Springs Committee is organizing a cleanup day for Magazine Springs that is located in Historic Halifax, NC. Magazine Springs was built by the Tuscarora Indians and it was the only source of drinking water for the citizens of Halifax for two hundred years. We need volunteers to bring their garden tools, and plenty of enthusiasm and energy to help us clean up this beautiful site. The committee will be doing a site visit on February 1, 2019 to decide on a date for the clean-up. This will be a great opportunity for students that are looking for volunteer hours for school. For more information on the time and date, please contact the tribal office after February 1<sup>st</sup>.



♥ *Happy Valentines Day* ♥

### Upcoming Dates and Meetings

- **February 15** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting will be held at the Multipurpose Complex at 7:30 pm.
  - **February 18** - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting will be held at the Chief W. R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at 7:30 p.m.
- 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 4th 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." Love is not only something you feel, but something you do." -David Wilkerson

As we close out the first month of 2019, I hope that you all have focused on what you would like to achieve this year. Last month I spoke with you all about making resolutions and bringing in the new year with the intent of being your best selves. For the month of February, I would like to focus on how we wish to treat others in 2019. In life there are times where we do not show ourselves in the best light or handle a situation the right way. We should always treat everyone with kindness and show love despite how they may have treated us. Valentine's Day is a holiday dedicated to showing love to the people in your life that you hold most dear.

However, we should not limit showing love for another or showing affection to just this one day. Every day should be filled with you sharing love to others including family, friends, peers, or even strangers. This is not specifically your love, but the love of God that you can show to others. As the saying goes, actions do speak louder than words. Do not just tell someone how much you love or appreciate them. Show it in what you do and how you act because that can make the biggest change in a life no matter how small the action. You could be the deciding factor in someone's day being good or bad. This month start not only speaking love, but acting love. Let your acts of love start today!

**Always remember to "be your best self"!**

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



## **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)

## **Congratulations to the Recipients of the 2018 Awards**

- **Tillman Lynch** Volunteer of the Year Award- **Barbara Brayboy**
- **Courtney Evans** Business Person of the Year Award - **Oliver Lee Lynch**
- **Horace M. Richardson** Youth of the Year Award - **Lelonnie Caison**
- **Jeremiah Richardson** Indian Elder of the Year Award - **Randolph Silver**
- **Chief W.R. Richardson** Award - **Earl Evans**
- **J.C. Hedgepeth** Distinguished Service to the Indian Community Award - **Charles Richardson**
- **Atlena R. Evans** Staff Member of the Year Award - **Glenda V. Evans**
- **Rev. C. H. Richardson** Friend of the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe Award - **Eli Hammad**
- **James Mills** Artist of the Year Award - **Charles Alvin Evans**
- **Joseph O. Richardson** Outstanding Indian Student of the Year Award - **Zianne Richardson**
- **Emanuel Richardson** Educator of the Year - **Wenona Richardson Anstead**
- **Barbara Brayboy** Adult College Student of the Year - **Annie M. Francis**
- **Dr. Ogletree Richardson** Tribal School Staff Person of the Year - **Richard Clemons**



## **2019 United Tribes Scholarship Awards**

United Tribes of North Carolina believes in promoting educational opportunities for American Indian Students. Since the creation of the United Tribes Scholarship Award, over \$100,000 has been awarded to deserving students pursuing higher education degrees. We are proud to continue this worthwhile tradition. The submission deadline is Monday, February 25, 2019.

The instructions for applicants are as follows:

- Applicants must be American Indian residing in North Carolina and enrolled in a state or federally recognized tribe.
- Applicant must be an incoming freshman enrolling in a two year or four year college or university, and/or freshman, sophomores, juniors or seniors who are enrolled and still attending a two-year or four-year college or university.
- Applicants must be enrolled as full-time students.
- Only completed applications will be accepted for consideration. Incomplete applications will not be accepted.
- Applicants must apply for all other sources of funding for which they are eligible. Applications will be competitive. We expect to award five \$500.00 scholarships for Fall 2019.
- The screening committee will use a point system to score the applications on academic achievement, grade point average, career plans, American Indian activities, extracurricular activities, community involvement, references and essay.
- Winners will be announced Saturday, March 9, 2019 during the morning General Assembly at the 44th Annual North Carolina Indian Unity Conference at the North Raleigh Hilton (3415 Wake Forest Road Raleigh, NC 27609).
- A student who has received the United Tribes Scholarship once will not be eligible to receive it again in any category.
- **Applications must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Monday, February 25, 2019.**

For information or questions contact Hattie Campbell (910) 646-1817 or (910) 641-1476 or Carolyn Crocker at (910) 655-8708. Email: [hcampbell1948@centurylink.net](mailto:hcampbell1948@centurylink.net) or Consuela Richardson at (252) 751-1696 (Mobile) or may be picked up at the tribal office.

## **Federal Acknowledgment Gala Deadline Approaching**

March 1, 2019 is the last day to purchase tickets and/or reserve tables. 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. **No tickets will be sold after 5:00 p.m. on March 1, 2019.** The Federal Acknowledgment Gala is a formal/ semi - 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.





**44th Annual NC Indian Unity Conference  
Hilton North Raleigh/Midtown  
March 7-9, 2019  
Raleigh, NC**



**Conference Registration Instruction and Information Website :**  
<http://united-tribes.org/>

**Hotel Registrations:**

www.northraleigh.hilton.com and reference Code TRIBES or Call: 919-872-2323 and give code TRIBES.

**Applications are available at the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex. For more information call 252-586-4017 ext 221.**

**The American Indian BioMedical Science Summer Academy (AIMS)**

- **What is AIMS?** AIMS is a FREE week long summer program with Wake Forest School of Medicine in Winston- Salem, NC on July 7th—12th, 2019.
- **What do you do at AIMS?** Participate in hands-on health and biomedical simulations, learn more about health science careers, and prepare you to apply to college.
- **Interested in applying?** The application for the Summer of 2019 is available at <https://is.gd/AIMSApp> or the hard copy version. Contact Charlene Hunt at (336) 713-7612 or [chunt@wakehealth.edu](mailto:chunt@wakehealth.edu) or Sarah Langdon (336) 713-7613 or [slangdon@wakehealth.edu](mailto:slangdon@wakehealth.edu)

**Earning The Green**

Established in 2012, the Earning the Green ceremony recognizes Warren Early College High School students who have earned at least 26 college credits transferable to a four year college or university. This benchmark is traditionally reached by students in their fourth year at Warren Early College High School. This program serves as an opportunity for us as a community to recognize these students for the extraordinary efforts they have made and continue to make in pursuit of earning their high school diploma and an associate degree in four or five years. There were five members of the Haliwa-Saponi Tribe that was honored in the Earning of the Green ceremony. Those recipients were Destiny L. Brown, Mia Richardson, Devin T. Richardson, Rory Richardson, Jr., and David S. Evans. Photos by Mrs. Barbara Brayboy. Not pictured David S. Evans.



*Congratulations!*

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!**

- February 1—Maebell Richardson, Nathan Richardson
- February 2 - Jaylavern Lawson, Iris Evans
- February 3 - Toccara N. Lynch, Dannell Hedgepeth, April Sessoms, Tim Evans, Raina Mills
- February 4 - Dorothy M. Richardson
- February 5 - Iris Evans, Aubree J. Richardson
- February 6 - MacAuthor Mills
- February 7 - Natarsha Y. Richardson, Tremayne Lynch
- February 8 - Corey T. Mills, Alvin Tonto Richardson (D), Hez Faison, Justin Richardson
- February 11 - Lussie “Corkey” Daniel
- February 12 - Olivia Richardson
- February 13 - Linda Rodwell
- February 14 - Wendy Richardson, Henryetta Lynch, Diane Evans
- February 15 - Vessa Silver, Kevin Rudd, Timothy L. Richardson
- February 16 - Tiffany A. Richardson, Thomas E. Richardson
- February 17 - Alfred Richardson, Darius Silver
- February 18 - Jonathon Richardson
- February 19 - Alaysha Joyner
- February 20 - Randolph Boone, Faith Settles
- February 21 - Amelia “ Mimi” Lynch
- February 24 - Maegan J. Richardson
- February 25 - Darius Richardson
- February 26 - Johnny “ Blaze” Hedgepeth (D), Salvador DeLaMora, David Harris, Jaylen Richardson
- February 27 - Kamryn A. Silver, Regina Silver
- February 28 - Michael Richardson, Rebecca Farmer



# Birthdays of the Month

## Tiny Miss Haliwa-Saponi 2018-2019

### Laila Cheyenne Leonard

Laila Cheyenne Leonard is the 3-year-old daughter of Alexis Jackson. She is the granddaughter of Sandy Richardson Jackson and the great-granddaughter of Margie and Morris Richardson. Laila is a jingle dancer. During her reign as Tiny Miss Haliwa-Saponi, she has represented our people at several events ranging from Powwows, tribal dance presentations, and parades. Throughout her travels as a tribal ambassador, Laila has grown into her role and loves her culture. She is committed to upholding the legacy of her forefathers as the youngest Tiny Miss in the history of our tribe. Laila Cheyenne Leonard is an effervescent and beautiful representation of the Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe!



## **Christian Buffaloe to compete in Elite Japanese Martial Arts Event in Los Angeles**

Local Kyokushin Karate fighter Christian Buffaloe is scheduled to compete in the Japan sponsored "2019 Kyokushin Karate USWC Championships" in Los Angeles, California on January 27th. This elite championships features top level Kyokushin Karate full contact competitors from Japan, Russia, Eastern Europe, Australia, South America, and Canada. This year's event will also serve as a qualifying tournament for entry into the "12th World Kyokushin Karate Championships" in Tokyo, Japan in November, 2019. The top 3 winners of the Los Angeles tournament will be able to compete in the World Championships against the best fighters over a 3 day period in Japan. The OLYMPICS will be held in Tokyo in 2020 and Karate will be included for the first time at this world event.



Christian Buffaloe is training hard under his instructor, Kenny Buffaloe to prepare for this great opportunity. Buffaloe is a 7 time Kyokushin youth/teen champion and also an amateur Muay-Thai Kickboxing champion. This will be his first time to compete in this event as an adult competitor in the Men's division. Buffaloe is very appreciative of the support and encouragement he has received and promises to do his best to represent the USA and North Carolina at this prestigious event. The "2019 Kyokushin Karate USWC Championships" will be covered by FUJI-TV, Japan's number #1 cable television network and later released on DVD. In addition to competing in these championship tournaments, Christian Buffaloe also helps teach local youth in the Kyokushin Karate classes in Roanoke Rapids and Murfreesboro. He feels it is his way to give back to the local community and to help inspire the youth who come to train in the weekly classes. For more information on Kyokushin Karate and training classes, call: (252) 589 - 4281.

## **Exercise Room Open**

The exercise room is open on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 6:30 p.m. until 7:30 p.m. at the Multipurpose Complex. For more information, call (252)-586-4017.



## **Resume Workshop**

Need help creating or updating your resume? Join us at the Chief W. R. Tribal Complex Building on Saturday February 9th at noon for a resume workshop presented by Courtney Richardson. Learn helpful tips to make your resume the best it can be! See you there!

## **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 Haliwa- Saponi Tribal Member, at 252-586-6588.



# Display Your Art Work!

## Community News

We are proud to announce after lots of conversation, educating, persistence and prayers our daughter Aiyana Lindsea Lynch will be appropriately honored by our family and friends culturally for her American Indian Heritage at her upcoming high school graduation in June 2019. Our immediately family started this journey/process years ago and we learned of our achievement this past August. We traveled home to attend our September tribal meeting and shared our exciting news with our tribal community, family and friends. Our family would like to thank our tribal Chief Dr. Ogletree Richardson, tribal council chair Mr. Gid Lee and our entire tribal council for honoring our request and writing a letter of acknowledgement, appreciation and gratitude to our children's principal and school leadership team for allowing our daughter to be properly honored in a cultural and spiritual way. (Aiyana will be permitted to wear an eagle feather and beaded graduation cap) **"I am only one, but I am still one. I cannot do everything, but I still can do something. And because I cannot do everything, I will not refuse to do the something that I can do."** Helen Keller . Our family is one family and it has been difficult at times for us, in particular for our children living away from our tribal community. Nevertheless, we still stand tall and represent our people everywhere we go. We are beyond thrilled at what our family has accomplished. As we shared in our September tribal meeting, we would like to encourage others to always be an advocate and voice for our people.  
Angela A. Lynch, Charles A. Lynch Jr., Aiyana & Chandler

**Congratulations** to Rory Richardson, Jr. and Devin Richardson for making the principal's list at Warren Early College High School. Keep up the good work !

**Congratulations** to Jovan Silver and Angel C. Richardson on their marriage on January 15, 2019. With love from your favorite cousin Pamela R. Silver.

**Congratulations** to Kmira A. Richardson for winning the Warren County Soil & Water Conservation poster contest. The theme was "The Living Soil". Kmira won 2<sup>nd</sup> place at the Haliwa-Saponi Tribal School. She received a certificate along with a check. Kmira is the daughter of Pamela & Robin Silver. In the photo she is featured with Mr. Larry West, Director of Soil Water Conservation District for Warren Co., Vergie Whitehead, 4<sup>th</sup> grade teacher and Mr. Warren K. Bell, Principal at the Haliwa Saponi Tribal School. We are all so very proud of you Kmira!!! Keep up the good work. With love from your brothers Kamryn and Kaidyn, Grandpa "Nate", Grandma Dellie, Grandma Bettie and Aunt Tip.



*Great Job!*

## Volunteers Needed

We are in need of volunteers to come out and help rebuild/repair the Talking Eagle Indian Village. The village sustained a lot of damage from hurricane Florence. Come out and help revitalize the village so that we all may enjoy it. This is a great opportunity for students looking for volunteer hours for school. If you would like to come out and help, call the Chief W.R. Richardson Tribal Government Complex at (252) 586-4017 for more information on volunteering.



## 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



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39131 Hwy. 561 – PO Box 99  
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 (252) 586-5246

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 7:00 am – 6:00pm  
 (New Hours – Effective 9/1/18)**

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- ✓ Certified Staff in First Aid & CPR
- ✓ Loving Certified/Qualified Staff
- ✓ Participant in the Child and Adult Food Care Program
- ✓ Breakfast, Hot Lunch, Snacks
- ✓ Affordable Rates for ages 6 wks – 5 years
- ✓ Bottle and Potty Training Assistance
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