



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 of publication.

(Ex: September articles are due by November 20th)

You may email articles to crrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com or feel free to mail them to:

Haliwa-Saponi Tribe

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Upcoming Dates and Meetings

December 18 - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Meeting to be announced.

December 14 - Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Council Meeting to be announced.

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: Karen Harley.
- 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: Alfred Morris 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: 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.

- 5. FINDING 05: Noncompliance - Lack of Competition for Finance Auditing Services**
Date: Fiscal Years 2013-2014, 2014-2015, 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2017-2018
Questioned Costs: \$12,000.00 (known to date)
Did not follow Procurement Policy by publicly advertising for financial auditing services
- 6. FINDING 06: Procurement - Noncompetitive Awards**
Date: Fiscal Year 2018-2019 and records going back to July 1, 2017.
Questioned Costs: \$35,253 (known to date)
Tribe awarded contracts without obtaining an adequate number of bids.
- 7. FINDING 07: Noncompliance – Records/Debarred and Suspended Vendors**
Date: Fiscal Year 2017-2018.
Questioned Costs: To be Determined
Procurement did not contain verification/ review for debarred/suspended vendors.
- 8. FINDING 08: Noncompliance - Useful Life and Binding Commitment**
Date: Fiscal Year 2017-2018 with some issues going back to 2011.
Questioned Costs: \$39,628.00
Failed to get life/affordability documents completed, signed or recorded for some housing.
- 9. FINDING 09: Tenant Assisted Housing File Documentation Deficiencies**
Date: Fiscal Years All with random files going back to 2000 and 2014.
Questioned Costs: None
Lack of a standardized tenant/homeowner file checklist.
CONCERN 03: Inconsistencies in Waitlist Selection and Documentation
Not accurately documenting tenant waitlist selection and not maintaining record waitlist.
- 10. FINDING 10: Tenant Income Verification and Certifications**
Date: Fiscal Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019.
Questioned Costs: None
Incomplete guidance in none established written policy for annual re-certifications.
- 11. FINDING 11: Noncompliance: Inspection of Housing Units**
Date: Fiscal Years 2016-2017, 2017-2018, 2018-2019.
Questioned Costs: None
Not completing or documenting inspections.

*If you have any questions or thoughts please contact the Tribal Office
and please do not spread assumptions, fake news and rumors.*

Take Care and Good Health To All

To submit credit/debit card payment for the Haliwa-Saponi Veteran's Memorial for the purchase of an engraved brick paver, use the form below. Mail to: Haliwa-Saponi Indian Tribe, P.O. Box 99 Hollister, NC 27844.

Credit/Debit Card Payment

For Debit/Credit Card Payments

Name: _____

Card#: _____

Exp Date (Mo/Yr): ____/____

3-Digit CVV# _____

Signature _____

Scholarships:

The Education Committee extends congratulations to the recipients of the Chief W. R. Richardson, Blaylock and Farrington Foundation scholarships. Using the standard council approved Scoring Rubric, the Chief W.R. Richardson Scholarship and the Blaylock Scholarship is awarded to Ms. Jayla Davis, daughter of Tony and Chenoa Davis. The Farrington Foundation Scholarship is awarded to Ms. Caitlan Harrison, daughter of LaDonna D. Richardson. The two recipients each scored the highest, with the criteria required for their respective scholarships and they were leaders with their GPA.

Thanks to each of the recipients for their interest in pursuing the scholarships and for the time and efforts invested in their endeavors. We wish each of you the best as you continue to prepare yourselves for the best life possible through education.

Rev. Michael Richardson, Education Committee Chairman

Christmas Word Scramble

Can you unscramble these words to find the hidden word?

sehlig

lagne

nosw

teer

corasl



HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:

Happy Anniversary to Johnny Earl and Carolyn Richardson on December 31st.
Happy 38th Wedding Anniversary to Wayne and Joan Rudd on December 11th.
Happy 8th Wedding Anniversary to Patrick and Meagan Richardson on December 29th.

Happy Anniversary

AN APOLOGY IS IN ORDER:

I missed a birthday post last month and I would like to make things right. HAPPY Birthday to Joan Lynch Rudd on November 5th.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY:

Happy 19th Birthday to our Princess Lelonnie Elizabeth Caison, born on December 27th.



The Family of Rev. Eardius Richardson would like to say ,



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