

North Carolina's Indians Never Fit Hollywood's Mold

When the English first arrived in North America at North Carolina's Outer Banks, they recorded the first history of native Americans — what they were like, how they dressed, what they ate, what they believed.

Today, the census takers have maintained an interest in North Carolina's native Americans. With 65,808 native Americans, North Carolina has one of the largest populations of American Indians in the country. According to the 1980 census, only four states — Arizona, California, New Mexico and Oklahoma — have larger numbers of native Americans than North Carolina.

North Carolina Indians live mainly in rural areas of the state. The census reports that 51,210 are rural dwellers, 14,598 are urban dwellers and 5,778 live on the Qualla Boundary reservation that encompasses parts of five western North Carolina counties — Cherokee, Graham, Haywood, Jackson and Swain. Swain and Jackson have the largest reservation

populations.

North Carolina's native Americans never fit into the myth of the teepee-dwelling savages that Hollywood has instilled into the American consciousness.

In the first descriptions of the Indians encountered by Thomas Harriott and John White on Sir Walter Raleigh's Roanoke Voyages of 1584-1587, a very different picture of the nature of native Americans emerges.

They were described as "most gentle, loving, faithful, devoid of all guile and treason, and such as live after the manner of the golden age."

Rather than in teepees, they lived in small towns with a main street in rectangular houses with rounded roofs. Some houses, which were shaped like loaves of bread, had as many as five rooms and the houses had windows.

North Carolina's original residents were farmers

who grew corn, tobacco, pumpkins, sunflowers, and potatoes. They were expert fishermen who taught the interloping English a more efficient fishing method. They hunted the plentiful black bear and deer which inhabited the area.

The Indians of North Carolina believed in one God. They measured descent through the mother rather than the father. In their creation story God made the woman first, and she conceived and gave birth to the first children. Indians also believed in the immortality of the soul and in a heaven and hell.

Scalping apparently was an activity learned from the English and Spanish. One of the voyagers on the Raleigh missions befriended a group of Indians one evening, then accused them of stealing a silver cup and beheaded them the next day. The Indian system of justice among eastern American Indians follows the pattern of "an eye for an eye."

Later the first attempt to launch a permanent English settlement at this site resulted in all of the

settlers disappearing and leaving the name Croatan carved in a tree.

But there remain questions as to whether or not the friendly Indians surrounding the lost colony had anything to do with the disappearance of the English colonists. Virginia explorers some 20 years later reported Indians with blond hair and European dress. Many years later there were reports that the tribe that had taken in the Europeans had been killed in an Indian war.

There is a tribe of native Americans living in Robeson County who claim to be the descendants of the lost colonists and their Indian rescuers.

The fate of the lost colonists may never be known, but the native Americans who inhabited the state were gradually overrun by the European settlers who began to move in later. Despite wars and attempts at relocation, North Carolina now has the largest population of native Americans on the east coast of the United States.

Haliwa-Saponi Tribe Has Role In Heritage Week

When the first English settlers arrived in this country 400 years ago, on North Carolina's Roanoke Island, they were greeted by Native Americans who had been living on this land for 10,000 years.

Today North Carolina has the largest Indian population of any state east of the Mississippi. Some 65,000 Indians compose the state's Coharie, Haliwa-Saponi, Lumbee, Waccamaw-Siouan and Cherokee tribes.

Sept. 16-22 is Indian Heritage Week in North Carolina. The week has been designated to call attention to the long history and cultural contributions of N. C. Indians.

Indian Heritage Week activities, which are scheduled throughout the state, will be kicked off at Town Creek Indian Mound, near Mt. Gilead, on Sunday, Sept. 16, from 1 to 5 p. m. with colorful tribal dancing, exhibits and a pipe ceremony.

In observance of Indian Heritage Week, the Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Center in Hollister will be open each day, Sept. 17-21, from 8 a. m. until 5 p. m.

On Sept. 21, a Mini-Powwow will be held at the Old Haliwa School from 7 to 10 p. m. and the Haliwa-Saponi Tribal Dancers will perform at a powwow at Currituck High School in Jarvisburg beginning at 12:30 p. m.

Indian crafts will be displayed at the N. C. Museum of History in Raleigh throughout the week. Among the other varied events are open houses at Indian centers, powwows, and craft demonstrations and exhibits. Also during the week 1964 Olympic gold medal winner Billy Mills, a South Dakota Oglala-Sioux, now living in Fair Oaks, Calif., will be honored in Charlotte.

The N. C. Commission of Indian Affairs, which is coordinating Indian Heritage Week activities, is the only state government agency with the specific responsibility of addressing the needs of North Carolina Indians.

September Is Busy Time For Gardeners

Here are some of the things gardeners in North Carolina may need to attend to in September. Keep annual flowers cut and watered. The cooler nights may spur a new period of blooms. Many will not stop blooming until stopped dead in their tracks by frost.

Onion sets may be planted throughout September. Onion seeds, radishes and mustard may be planted until Sept. 15 in the Piedmont. Plant one to two weeks later in Eastern North

The commission, through its field offices and its varied programs, works to assure the right of Indians to pursue their cultural, social and religious traditions, and to increase economic and educational opportunities for all North Carolina Indians.

United Tribes of North Carolina, a consortium of N. C. Indian organizations, is assisting the commission with the week-long observance.

For a more detailed schedule of Indian Heritage Week activities, contact the N. C. Commission of Indian Affairs, P. O. Box 27228, Raleigh, N. C. 27611 or telephone 919-733-5998.



WRIGHT

Wright Named To Local Post

James D. (J. D.) Wright has been named manager of the Warrenton branch of Standard Motor Parts, Inc.

Wright has rejoined the company for which he had worked 12 years after a five-year absence.

Wright is a 1963 graduate of Henderson High School and is married to the former Karen Vaughan of Norlina. They have two children: D. J. and Patrick.

The family attends Gospel Baptist Church in Norlina where both Karen and J. D. are assistant Sunday School teachers and attend to various other church duties.

Wright said he wished to invite his friends to call on him at the local "NAPA" store.

Market Average Is Above \$1.89

Monday sales in the four warehouses of the Warrenton Tobacco Market averaged \$189.71 per hundred pounds, Mrs. Alice Marie Robertson, sales supervisor, has reported.

Tobacco marketed on that day totaled 359,516 pounds and sales amounted to \$682,020. The records show that stabilization claimed 24 percent of the tobacco on the floor.

Mrs. Robertson stated that to this date, area farmers have sold 2,324,181 pounds for \$4,015,251 on the Warrenton market. These figures indicate an average of \$172.76 per hundred. The season's average amount going to Stabilization is 19 percent.

more drastic, and extreme changes in temperature can be detrimental to plants.

Plan for next month when you will plant spring-flowering bulbs. Have your soil tested. It's free. Contact your county agricultural extension agent for more details.

The average kiss burns up 6 to 12 calories.

CALENDAR

Drug Focus Is Planned

The Warren County Health Department's "Health Special" on Monday, Sept. 17, from 7 to 8 p. m. will focus on the use of drugs among young people. Parents are invited to the session to become informed on what young people think about their own drug use as well as ways to promote discussions on the topic with other concerned parents.

Supporters Will Meet

All active members of the Warren County Arthritis Support Group will meet at the Warren County Fairgrounds Sunday, Sept. 16, at 2 p. m. to work on their fair booth. They are asked to bring scissors, heavy duty staplers, step ladders and imagination. All other materials will be provided by the Arthritis Foundation of North Carolina.

Hollister Meet Slated

The Brinkleyville-Hollister-Arcola Senior Citizens Club will meet on Sept. 20, at 6:30 p. m. at the Hollister Club House. A covered dish supper will be served, and a door prize will be awarded. A bazaar will follow. All members are urged to attend.

Sale Of Stew Planned

Joseph Brown and the Rev. Lawrence Harrison will sponsor a brunswick stew sale on Saturday, Sept. 15, at the Day Care Center in Littleton. Stew will be ready at 12:30 p. m. and will sell for \$2.75 per quart. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the Warren County Rescue Squad.

Brunswick Stew Sale Set

A brunswick stew sale will be held by the Ridgeway Volunteer Fire Department at the cantaloupe shed on Saturday, Sept. 15. Stew will be ready at 11 a. m. Cost is \$2.75 if you provide the container and \$3 if the department provides the container.

Arts Festival Scheduled

The Henderson Junior Woman's Club will hold its annual Arts and Crafts Festival from 9 a. m. until 5 p. m. on Saturday, Sept. 29, at the Henderson Armory on Dabney Drive. Craftsmen from North Carolina and Virginia are expected to exhibit and sell items. Any Craftsman interested in participating may call Jane Finch at 438-2636 or 492-4096.

Gathering Is Arranged

All persons who attended John R. Hawkins High School, together with members and friends of John R. Hawkins Alumni & Friends, Inc., are invited to a Social Gathering on Saturday, Sept. 15, at 6 p. m. at the Alumni Building (J. Baker Plummer/Exum Shop Building) on the school campus. Children of members and friends are invited also. Refreshments will be served, and there is no admission charge.

Sunday Sing Is Planned

North Warrenton Church will hold its third Sunday sing on Sept. 16 at 7:30 p. m. Special music by various groups will be featured and Mac Adams will host the program. The public is cordially invited to attend.

Methodist Meeting Set

The County Bi-Centennial Committee of the United Methodist Churches will meet on Monday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p. m. at Norlina UMC. All pastors, chairpersons and other persons who wish to participate are urged to attend.

Special Program Slated

A series of programs titled, "The Prevention of Child Sexual Abuse: What Your Child Should Know," will be aired on University of North Carolina Public Television, Channel 4, beginning Monday, Sept. 17, at 8 p. m. Five separate shows televised that week will focus on parents and other adults, young children, older children, teens and young adults.

Arts Bazaar Date Set

Warrenton Junior Woman's Club will sponsor an arts and crafts bazaar on Nov. 10 at Hawkins Gymnasium. Those wishing booths, should contact Mrs. Junelle Blaylock at 257-3296 after 8 p. m. Deadline for registering is Sept. 20.

Play Auditions Slated

Lakelane Cultural Arts Center will hold auditions for "Hello Dolly" on Monday, Sept. 17 at 7:30 p. m. in the theatre. The production will open Oct. 19 and run each Friday and Saturday through Nov. 3. Dancers, singers, and actors are sought, and there are a few roles for children. To register for an audition, call 586-5577 between 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Hawkins PTA Will Meet

Hawkins Elementary School PTA will meet on September 12 at 7:30 p. m. Parents are invited to meet with the group in the school library, that was recently carpeted by the PTA. Refreshments will be served.

Eagle Boosters To Meet

The Warren County High School Eagles Booster Club will hold its regular monthly meeting in the high school library Monday, Sept. 17, at 7:30 p. m. Members are urged to attend.

Homecoming Is Planned

Warren Plains Baptist Church will observe homecoming Sunday, Sept. 16, with dinner on the grounds following the 11 a. m. worship service. The speaker will be the Rev. Clay Shook, pastor. Friends of the congregation are welcome to join in the day's events.

Brotherhood Meal Set

North Warrenton Baptist Church will hold a brotherhood breakfast on Sunday, Sept. 16, at 8 a. m. Visitors are welcome. The church will also hold a gospel sing that evening at 7:30. The public is cordially invited.

Special Service Slated

Snow Hill Baptist Church will observe its pastor's anniversary Sunday, Sept. 16, at 4 p. m.

The Rev. A. A. Brown will be the guest minister. A native of Warren County, the Rev. Mr. Brown is currently pastoring Manson Baptist Church, St. John Baptist Church in Middleburg, Northview Baptist Church in

Union Level, Va. and Mt. Ararat Baptist Church in Clarksville, Va.

He and his wife, Celeste, are the parents of two children, Alison and Patrick.

The Rev. A. F. Horton is pastor of the church. Refreshments will be served following the service.

Your Week Ahead Horoscope

Forecast Period: 9/16-9/22/84

- ARIES**
Mar. 21-Apr. 19
Some unsettling news from a distance puts you in an aggressive mood. Get the facts before jumping to hasty conclusions.
- TAURUS**
Apr. 20-May 20
Energetic pursuit of methods for increasing profits in money making efforts pays dividends. Be tactful in your dealings.
- GEMINI**
May 21-June 20
Luck is with you in partnership matters. Avoid friction with others and keep your mind open to new trends.
- CANCER**
June 21-July 22
Use care in work performance. Familiar work patterns handled carelessly can lead to hazardous situations.
- LEO**
July 23-Aug. 22
Social contacts provide pleasurable activities. Shrewdness is called for in speculative matters. Study current trends.
- VIRGO**
Aug. 23-Sept. 22
You may be forced into making some major decision at home. Good judgment is a requisite.
- LIBRA**
Sept. 23-Oct. 22
Take a positive mental stand in coping with the shifts and changes that are sure to come your way.
- SCORPIO**
Oct. 23-Nov. 21
You succeed in adding to possessions, including some choice originals, that you feel are necessary to the good life.
- SAGITTARIUS**
Nov. 22-Dec. 21
A determined approach gets a pet project off the ground. You have energy to spare.
- CAPRICORN**
Dec. 22-Jan. 19
Test your ideas and plans for the future. An institution is likely to turn to you for help.
- AQUARIUS**
Jan. 20-Feb. 18
Hopes and wishes are fulfilled. Only you can know the effort it took — much more than others realize.
- PISCES**
Feb. 19-Mar. 20
Take things in stride. This is an exciting period for you, where the unusual is commonplace.

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