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# Park road to be closed for months

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

**T**ribal leaders toured the site of a landslide in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park with Congressman Mark Meadows (R-NC) and Park officials on Monday, Jan. 28. The landslide, which occurred on Jan. 16, has closed Newfound Gap Road connecting Cherokee to Gatlinburg, Tenn.

The Great Smoky Mountains National Park is working with the Federal Highways Administration (FHA) on road repairs. Park officials said the first phase of the work "will include the stabilization of the slide, removal of landslide debris from the work area, and the completion of a path for construction vehicles to access the section of the slide below the roadway."

An exact timeline for when the road will be repaired and re-opened has not been released, but Park officials are estimating it could be open

as early as late May or early June.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks commented, "The landslide which forced the closure of highway 441 through the Great Smoky Mountains National Park will have an impact on Cherokee and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians because it severs a major highway between Cherokee and Gatlinburg, Tennessee. But, I would like to reassure the public that Cherokee is open and welcomes visitors who might be restricted from visiting Tennessee."

Great Smokies superintendent Dale Ditmanson said in a statement, "We recognize the importance of Newfound Gap Road to our neighboring communities in our tourism based economy. Therefore, we are evaluating all reconstruction options to make sure the road is completed in a timely, but safe and efficient manner."

Park officials related they will re-vegetate the debris field to combat future erosion.

**"...everyone should know that Cherokee is still open and we welcome all visitors to come and stay with us."**

- Jason Lambert, EBCI Division of Commerce director

North Carolina Governor Pat McCrory declared a State of Emer" ...gency for Graham, Jackson and Swain counties and the Qualla Boundary on Wednesday, Jan. 23.

"The impact of the slide on Cherokee's economy is nothing less than substantial," said Jason Lambert, EBCI Division of Commerce director. "We are most concerned about our non-gaming tourism businesses and the adverse effect the closure will have on them. The Division of Commerce is working diligently on all fronts to stay ahead of the game and mitigate the effect as much as possible. We will be strategic in our approach."

"We are currently staying in close communication with our mar-

keting partners, including Harrah's Cherokee and the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce, in addition to daily communications with the Office of the Principal Chief. We have completed a Communications Plan and are beginning to implement that plan. This will include tactical shifts and special initiatives in our marketing strategy, outreach to our business community, and evaluating other forms of assistance to our local economy."

Lambert added, "In the meantime, everyone should know that Cherokee is still open and we welcome all visitors to come and stay with us."





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Tribal leaders toured the landslide site on Monday, Jan. 28 with Congressman Mark Meadows (R-NC) and Park officials. Shown (left-right) are Principal Chief Michell Hicks, Congressman Meadows, Vice Chief Larry Blythe and Great Smokies Park superintendent Dale Ditmanson.



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Tribal Council representatives toured the site with Congressman Meadows (2nd from left) on Monday. Shown (left-right) are Tribal Council Chairman Jim Owle, Congressman Meadows, Yellowhill Rep. B. Ensley and Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe.

## Directions to Cherokee



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

A locked gate and barricades block Newfound Gap Road until further notice.

### From Sevierville/Pigeon Forge

Take US411 to I-40 East into North Carolina to Exit 20/US 276 South and follow US 19 South into Cherokee. Or, take Exit 27/US 74 West to Ext 74/US 441 North to Cherokee. This route will add approximately 30-45 minutes to the drive.

### From Gatlinburg

Take US 321 North (East Parkway). US 321 makes a left turn (Cosby Hwy). Turn right onto Foothills Parkway and stay right at fork. Follow signs to I-40 East, driving into North Carolina to Exit 20/US 276 South, and follow US 19 South into Cherokee. Or, take Exit 27/US 74 West to Exit 74/US 441 North to Cherokee. This route will add approximately 45-60 minutes to the drive.

### From Maryville

Take US 129 South through Robbinsville, NC. Head east on US 19/74 through Bryson City into Cherokee. This route will take approximately two hours which is the same amount of time it takes to drive from Maryville through the Park and into Cherokee.

- Directions courtesy of  
EBCI Dept. of Commerce

# Get your meds, not a line

## Cherokee Pharmacy working to decrease wait time

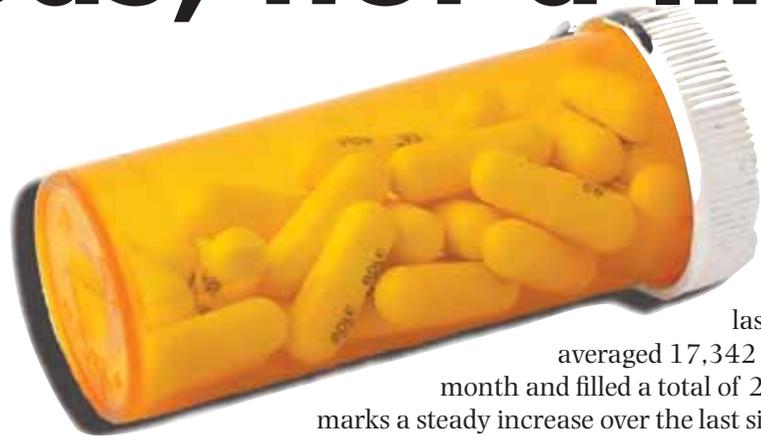
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The Cherokee Indian Hospital Pharmacy team is working to decrease wait time for prescriptions and refills to be filled. They are touting a newly-improved upon mail order program whereby patients can receive all of their refills by mail.

The pharmacy is putting a new emphasis on the mail order program and will no longer accept “walk up and wait” refills with the exception of certain medications deemed critical.

“We believe that the new mail order process will address the community’s concerns about wait time, decrease the need to come to the hospital to pick up refills, and improve processing time for new scripts in the pharmacy,” commented Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital CEO. “We are constantly looking for ways to improve patient care and delivery of service.”

Elizabeth L. Helm, PharmD, BCPS, NCPS, is the chief pharmacist at Cherokee Indian Hospital. She commented, “The Cherokee Indian Hospital Pharmacy goal is to provide the most effective and safest medication for each



patient in the timeliest manner possible and to improve community relations.”

Helm related that

last year the Pharmacy

averaged 17,342 prescriptions a

month and filled a total of 208,107. That figure

marks a steady increase over the last six years and the first

time that the number has gone over the 200,000 mark.

Helm said to sign up for the mail order program, all someone has to do is speak to a Pharmacy staff member or fill out a quick form located at the Hospital’s registration desk.

“Patients with first time medications or prescriptions that have been changed (dose, frequency, etc.) will still have to pick up their medication at the Hospital in order to get proper counseling and to answer any questions that the patient may have, but refills are eligible for mail out (with few exceptions),” Helm noted. “Once the patient is set up, all they will have to do is call in their refill about seven days before they need it on the automated refill line 497-9163 ext. 6714 and medications will be delivered about five days later.”

“Hopefully, getting these prescriptions to the door of the patient will be convenient and increase medication compliance while decreasing wait times for the patients that are actually at the Hospital waiting.”

The Pharmacy just added a customer service technician to help with the growing number of calls they receive.

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# Right Path visits Kituwah Academy

**SUBMITTED By  
JUANITA WILSON**

At their January seminar, the 2012-13 Right Path participants dropped in on the babies of the New Kituwah Academy which is part of the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program (KPEP). The Academy is a Cherokee language immersion program that is rated as a four-star, licensed early education program, through the North Carolina Division of Health and Human Services, Division of Child Development.

Kituwah Academy currently services nearly 80 young children, kindergarten through 3rd grade. No English is allowed to be spoken past the entrance of New Kituwah Academy. The children learn subject materials taught in any other school in the NC system, except they are taught in their native tongue. Gil Jackson, KPEP Administrator, welcomed the Right Path group and shared the Academy's history, accomplishments, and future plans. He shared a story about Kelly Murphy, 2011-12 Right Path alumni, telling



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

Gil Jackson (2nd from left), KPEP administrator, welcomes Right Path participants to the Kituwah Academy.

how she relentlessly pursued a job working with the children.

"She wasn't a speaker, but she would not give up!" he said, smiling.

Murphy went on to learn to speak and excelled in classroom environmental rating scale with NC Child Development.

The group visited several classrooms and got to witness the children speaking to one another in their native tongue. The leaders passionately expressed hope that they would be able to speak to the children one day.

Jackson told the group that he wished more people would believe how great KPEP is for the survival of the Cherokee language.

Eddie Paul shared his thoughts, "People say the kids 'aint learning, (but) I've seen it first hand and I've talked to the kids (in Cherokee) and write in syllabary with them. It is working, just give it time."

Nikki Nations said, "I feel so blessed to be a part of something so special. A big sgi to KPEP for welcoming Right Path into your day!"

Juanita is the program manager for the Right Path Program.

## OPINIONS & LETTERS

### Thank you

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## News Briefs

### WRESTLING

## McCoy named MOW at tournament



Robbinsville's Spencer McCoy (shown in black and white in photo above), an EBCI tribal member, was named the Most Outstanding Wrestler at the James Orr Memorial Tournament held in Graham County on Saturday, Jan. 19. McCoy took first place in the 195lb. division. With 165 points, Robbinsville beat out nine other teams for the top team in the tournament.

McCoy was recently named tenth in the top 10 sophomore wrestling class (all weight divisions) in the state by Retrorankings.com. He is ranked second in the 195lb. division.

Swain's Russell Bigmeat, an EBCI tribal member, took first place in the 132lb. division.

- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

## Reward offered for stolen baskets



A reward is being offered, no questions, asked, for seven baskets that were taken from a Long Branch residence in Cherokee on or about Wednesday, Jan. 16. A total of six white oak baskets (pictured below in

two photos) and one rib basket were taken. If found, contact Garfield Long at New Kituwah Academy.

## Tribal Council Results - Tuesday, Jan. 22

Res. No. 452 - Purchase of property from Darlene Ann White-tree for \$107,036.50 for U.S. Hwy 19 project - Tabled

Res. No. 453 - Purchase of property from Linda Lambert for \$350,000 for wastewater treatment plant expansion project - Passed

- TOP Office

## Local students graduate from WCU, make dean's list for fall semester

**CULLOWHEE** - Western Carolina University has announced its graduation and dean's lists for fall semester 2012.

The university in December conferred degrees on 638 students who completed their studies during the fall semester. A total of 182 undergraduate students received academic honors, with 42 graduating summa cum laude (with highest honors), 68 graduating magna cum laude (with high honors), and 72 graduating cum laude (with honors).

The following students from Cherokee graduated: Kevin Jonathan Jacobs, Bachelor of Science - Construction Management; Izabela Halina Lubinska-Welch, Bachelor of Science/Nursing (Summa Cum Laude); Desiree Suzette Reagan, Bachelor of Business Administration - Finance; Yolanda Michelle Saunooke, Bachelor of Arts - Anthropology (Summa Cum Laude); and Jennifer Lynn Welch - Bachelor of Science - Psychology.

The following students from Cherokee made the Dean's list for the fall semester: John David Arch, Sheila Cole Conner, Cara Amera Forbes, Karla Lashaye Ledford, Nikki Charlene Munn and Jennifer Lynn Welch.

- WCU

## BASKETBALL Cherokee sweeps Rosman

Both the Braves (9-5) and the Lady Braves (15-1) won against the Rosman Tigers on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

Led by Avery Mintz and Kendall Toineeta, who scored 24pts apiece, the Lady Braves got their fifteenth win of the season with a 72-60 win over the Lady Tigers. Cherokee outscored Rosman each period of the game to take the 12-point win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Jordyn Thompson 6, Bree Stamper 3, Le Le Lossiah 5 and Alexis Maney 10.

The Lady Tigers were led by Candace Petit with 17pts.

The Braves, led by Raven Frankiewicz with 21pts, squeaked out a one-point win over Rosman 62-61. Cherokee led 15-14 after the first period, but trailed at halftime 32-28. Rosman outscored the Braves 19-15 in the third period, but Cherokee came back and outscored the Tigers 19-10 in the fourth period to take the one-point win.

Other Braves scorers included: Jesse Toineeta 4, Seth Littlejohn 13, Hunter Lambert 2, Derrick Ledford 5, Kennan Panther 2, Chris Queen 2 and Eli Littlejohn 13.

Hunter Reese led the Tiger with 23pts.

- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

## Paul wins cribbage tournament

**AUGUSTA, Ga.** - Wilbur Paul, a member of the Blackfeet Nation living in Cherokee, won a nationally-recognized cribbage tournament in Augusta, Ga. on Sunday, Jan. 20. Paul won the Georgia Open which was held Jan. 18-20.

Paul placed second in the qualifying round and lost only one game in the playoff rounds breezing through four opponents for his first win.

The tournament was sponsored by the American Cribbage Congress - a national organization of cribbage enthusiasts which sponsors local clubs as well as national tournaments. Club #346 is located on the

Qualla Boundary and meets Monday nights.

Paul, who serves as the Cherokee Boys Club board president, is a past cribbage champion of the local club and is believed to be only the third American Indian to place first in a national tournament.

- Keith Miller

## Big Cove Council Report

**USET:** Heading to Washington, DC for USET's Impact Week, we are hoping to tackle many issues such as the National Park's stance on gathering of plants for food and medicine. We are also trying to get permission to create and emergency access road across for the Cherokee Central School Campus. Mrs. Amanda Swimmer has been lobbying for to happen for many years and we are making a consorted effort to make this happen. We are also need to lobby to ensure that highway 441 through the park is reopened as soon as possible. Also as a founding member of USET it is important that we maintain a presence to protect our interests on the regional and national level.

**Lands:** Lands Committee is working on Policy and Procedures for Right-of-way issues. Because our land base has gotten so congested and the need for housing has grown it is crucial that this issue is addressed to meet the needs of our people. The Lands Committee has also made a monumental leap to getting our land division list taken care of. Working with Qualla Housing Authority we have worked out a plan to get these divisions taken care in a timely manner.

**Wills:** There is no better time because EBCI tribal members can get a will done for free. This service is being done by Bob Clemmons who is working out of the TOP office 554-6721. Please call to make your appointment. There is no better way to keep the peace in a family than to do a Will. If you have questions or comments, please contact me 736-2947.

- Big Cove Rep. Bo Taylor

# Art, quilting competitions to be held at Indian Unity Conference

**GREENSBORO** – The 38th Annual North Carolina Indian Unity Conference is scheduled for Feb. 28 – March 2 at the Sheraton Greensboro Hotel at Four Seasons in Greensboro. Conference organizers are currently seeking entries for the Amateur Art Competition, the Quilting Competition as well as vendors for the event.

## Quilting Competition

- All quilts entered must be hand quilted (no machine stitched or pressure stitched).
- Quilts may be individually pieced patterns, painted patterns or printed patterns.
- One quilt per category per person may be entered for a total of three quilts.
- A "Quilt Documentation Form" must be completed and attached to each quilt. Please attach with safety pins.
- Quilts must be delivered to Brenda Moore or Carol Brewington by Feb. 15., or they may be delivered on the morning of Feb. 28 at the conference.
- Awards – one overall "Best of Show" will receive a beaded ribbon; three categories (pieced and stitched, printed and stitched, quilts 20 years or older): 1st, 2nd and 3rd place will receive beaded ribbons; three honorable mention will receive a

ribbon.

- Must be a member of state or federally recognized tribe and reside in North Carolina; or be a member of one of the eight state or federally recognized tribes in North Carolina if living outside of North Carolina

• Info: Carol Brewington (910) 592-1565 or Jane Jacobs (910) 592-3541 or [janejacobs@yahoo.com](mailto:janejacobs@yahoo.com)

## Amateur Art Competition

- Must be a member of a state or federally recognized tribe and reside in North Carolina. The competition is open to amateurs only. An amateur is someone who does not show or sell works in galleries or juried professional art festivals or shows.
- Age divisions: Youth (5-9), Tween (10-14), Junior (15-18), Adult (19-54), Senior (55+)
- Art categories: basketry/traditional arts, beadwork, drawings, paintings, carving/sculpture/pottery; mixed media
- All drawings, paintings and mixed media must be matted or framed with only the artist's first initial and last name in the right lower corner.
- All beadwork must be matted or boxed if done as jewelry and artist's first initial and last name

somewhere visible.

- All other artwork must have artist's first initial and last name somewhere on the artwork.
- Entries must be the original work of the artist – no copies.
- No molds or kits will be accepted.
- No copyrighted images can be used in artwork.
- Artwork exhibited last year will not be eligible to compete in this year's competition. The artwork must be completed within the past 12 months.
- Only individual projects will be accepted.
- Awards – Ribbons and certificates will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd and Honorable Mention in each category with a monetary prize of \$25 for 1st place.
- Info: Keshia Enoch [nicet2u@hotmail.com](mailto:nicet2u@hotmail.com) or call the OBSN tribal office (336) 227-4594

## Vendor information

- Vendor registration is \$100 and includes one table and two chairs.
- Fee allows you to set up all three days.
- Info: Pamela G. Richardson (252) 586-4017 ext. 221 or [pgrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com](mailto:pgrichardson@haliwa-saponi.com).

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# Cherokee Boys Club Report

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## CLUB SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Feb. 6 – Managers' Meeting – 8:30 a.m.  
 Wednesday, Feb. 13 – Board Resolution Deadline – 8:30 a.m.  
 Friday, Feb. 15 – School Early Release – Sacred Path – 1:30 p.m.  
 Monday, Feb. 18 – Presidents' Day – Club, School and Tribal Holiday  
 Wednesday, Feb. 20 – Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.  
 Monday, Feb. 25 – School Make-up Day

## CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Donna and Greg Morgan on the birth of a grandson, Timothy Ryan Crowe II, born to Lyndsey Hornbuckle Crowe and Tim Crowe on Thursday, Jan. 17. Donna works for the Boys Club in the Agelink Child Care department.  
 Congratulations to Coach Chris

Mintz for being selected to coach the Annual Blue and White All-Star game to be held at Roberson High School on March 22.

Congratulations to Avery Mintz for scoring her 1,000th Point for the Lady Braves Basketball Team! Avery is currently a Junior at Cherokee High School.

## SOCIAL SERVICES CLIENTS REPORT - JULY 1, 2012 THROUGH DEC. 31, 2012

The primary function of Family Support Services is to assist residents of the Qualla Boundary with public and social welfare issues such as child custody, family problems and financial hardships. During the first six months of the Club's fiscal year Family Support Services served 7,454 clients for an average of 1,242 per month. Services provided to clients included ICWA inquiries,

open ICWA cases, parenting classes, medical travel vouchers, wood and fuel assistance, funeral assistance and the Christmas Store.

An average of 11 children per month were residents of the two cottages of the Cherokee Children's Home. Approximately three-fourths of the children served were enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The Child Care Department, consisting of Agelink, School Age and Snowbird Child Development Center, averaged a total of 89 children per month.

These statistics are compiled on a monthly basis and are provided by the department managers.

## CBC PRINTING (GRAPHICS) DEPARTMENT

The Cherokee Boys Club Printing Department, established in 1984, continues to provide the com-

munity and surrounding areas with quality printing, copying and mailing services. The Cherokee Boys Club has provided the Printing Department with the most modern technology available to the printing industry in an effort to maintain quality printing and affordable pricing to customers. CBC Printing utilizes a two-color press that allows them to do all scoring, micro perforations, and die cutting in house. This has saved the company by not having to outsource any jobs that require these services.

The department also continues to offer vocational classes to the students of Cherokee High School. The printing department also takes part in summer youth employment offered by the Boys Club's on-the-job training program.



# Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

## SHIP implementing appointment system

The Supplemental Health Insurance Program (SHIP) is in the process of implementing an appointment system. Loretta Mills, HMD secretary, 554-6180 is the main contact person for appointments. If she isn't available, Katrina Taylor, SHIP audiology coordinator, 554-6187 will set up appointments. They will set up calendars for Denise Bradley, Medicare B processor, and Calvin Hill, SHIP Manager.

Also, the EBCI SHIP office relates that the Social Security Office in Franklin has new hours. Most offices will close to the public at noon every Wednesday. Office hours are as follows: Monday 9am – 3pm, Tuesday 9am – 3pm, Wednesday 9am – 12pm, Thursday 9am – 3pm, Friday 9am – 3pm, Saturday and Sunday – closed.

- EBCI SHIP Office

## Is your child ready for bball?

The National Alliance for Youth Sports and Cherokee Recreation are presenting the Smart Start Basketball Program which is a six-week instructional program that helps parents work one-on-one with their children while teaching them

the basics of basketball: dribbling/ball handling, shooting, passing/catching, and running/agility. The program helps prepare children for organized basketball by using safe and fun equipment to teach them the basic motor skills needed to compete.

Smart Start is open to children (3-5 yrs. old) who can attend each session with their parent or another significant adult to prepare for organized basketball.

Smart Start will be held at the Birdtown Gym for 6 consecutive Sundays. A parent meeting will be held on Thursday, Jan. 31 at 5:30pm at Birdtown Gym. The program will begin on Sunday, Feb. 3 from 2-3pm.

Each parent-child group will be charged \$20 which includes a Smart Start manual and t-shirt for the child. The deadline to register is Thursday, Jan. 31. To register, call Jessica Daniels 554-6891 or stop by the Birdtown Gym.

- Cherokee Recreation

## Comm. Health, CHR moves

Community Health and the CHR Staff have moved to the old Juvenile Services Building located at the Boys Club. The new physical address is 93 Children's Home Loop. The phone number is

still 554-6882.

- EBCI Health & Medical

## Car seat distribution schedule

Healthy Cherokee is now making appointments for car seat distribution as follows: Mondays 1-4pm ; Tuesdays 8-11:30am; Thursdays 8-11:30am; and Fridays 1-4pm

- Healthy Cherokee

## Cash for ramps

EBCI Fairgrounds will buy 70 gallons of ramps for the Rainbows and Ramps Festival in March. EBCI tribal members are invited to sell your ramps on Monday, March 25 at 9am at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall (enter at side door). There is a three-gallon limit per adult (must be 18+ years of age). \$40 per "packed" gallon for all white and \$30 per "packed" gallon for green (no more than 2" of green). After the quota is met, the Exhibit Hall porch will be available to sellers until 12pm to sell any remaining ramps. No frozen ramps will be accepted. Info: Frieda Huskey 554-6492 or Josie Long 554-6491.

- EBCI Fairgrounds

**WRESTLING**

# Swain edges Cherokee 42-40

Cherokee's varsity wrestling team barely lost to Swain by a score of 42-40 on Tuesday, Jan. 22. Full results are below:

- 106lb. – Michael George (Ch) won by forfeit
- 113lb. – Ethan Swearengin (Ch) won by forfeit
- 120lb. – Graham Allen (Swain) won by forfeit
- 126lb. – Levi Swearengin (Ch) won by major decision (11-1) over John Miller (Swain)
- 132lb. – Russell Bigmeat (Swain) pinned Austin Padilla (Ch)
- 138lb. – Matt Waldroup (Swain) pinned Tyler Brown (Ch) at 3:50
- 145lb. – Sean Webb (Swain) pinned Jaron Bradley (Ch) at :56
- 152lb. – Treannie Arch (Ch) pinned Cody Dills (Swain) at 3:15
- 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Tyler Ellis (Swain) at 3:07
- 170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Caleb Woodard (Swain) at 1:50
- 182lb. – Nathaniel Southards (Swain) won by forfeit
- 195lb. – Nathan Sellers (Swain) won by forfeit
- 220lb. – Will Ferguson (Swain) pinned Raymond Taylor (Ch) at 3:28
- 285lb. – Michael Montelongo (Ch) pinned Ryan Reichert (Swain) at :14

**- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT**



*Cherokee's Tavi Rivera (top) works hard against Swain's Tyler Ellis during a match on Tuesday, Jan. 22. Rivera pinned Ellis at 3:07, but Swain edged out the team match by a score of 42-40.*

DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor

## Harrah's HEROs provided over 12,000 hours of volunteer service in 2012

Over the past twelve months, employees at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort have given back to their community by plowing dirt, donating blood, participating in Relay for Life and cancer awareness events, cooking at the Community Table and collecting food and toys for local organizations.

In 2012, Harrah's Employees Reaching Out (HERO) provided over 12,200 hours of volunteer service to their neighborhoods and communities, surpassing the property's goal and reinforcing a long-standing culture of volunteerism.

"I am so proud of our employees for making the decision to generate a substantial impact by volunteering and representing Harrah's Cherokee in such a positive way," Harrah's Cherokee General Manager and Senior Vice President Brooks Robinson said. "The HERO program is a large part of our public pledge to help make local communities a healthy and vibrant place to live and work. Thank you Harrah's Cherokee employees for all your many volunteer hours and for helping us reach our goal!"

For the fourth year, Harrah's Cherokee employees have contributed more

than 5,000 hours of volunteer service. With volunteerism a primary aspect of the culture, employees were challenged by Robinson to increase their number of volunteer hours.

"We have made it a priority to organize volunteer opportunities on property and throughout our communities to match our employees' interests, talents, and availability," Harrah's Cherokee VP of Human Resources and Community Relations Jo Blaylock said. "As we continue into 2013, we have set a goal to reach 12,500 hours of volunteer service."

Harrah's Cherokee employees participated in a variety of volunteer activities, including construction with Habitat for Humanity, bagging rice for MANNA Food Bank, serving hot meals at Tsali Care Center, planting a community garden, donating blood to the American Red Cross, participating in charity half marathons and 5K races, coaching little league teams, and much more.

**- Harrah's Cherokee**



## CIH Pediatrics is moving

Cherokee Indian Hospital's Pediatrics program is growing and moving. Working with the EBCI Health and Medical Division, the Pediatrics program will be moving into the former Qualla Youth Health Center space at the Beloved Women's and Children's Center. Monday, Feb. 4 is the date set for pediatric providers to see patients.

"All of your favorite providers and staff are excited about the possibilities a new area can bring to a program that has outgrown its space in the hospital facility," Cherokee Indian Hospital officials stated. "We are hoping to offer a child friendly environment, patient centered care, and exploration of an open access system."

An open house is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 13 at 10:30am.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital

Tune in to Channel 28 on Thursday, Jan. 31 from 4:30-6pm for the Public Information Session on the Cherokee Adventure Park. To ask a question about the Adventure Park, please call 497-2771 during the session.

# Cherokee's community effort to prevent suicide

By KATIE ROSS

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL

**D**o you know someone who has committed or attempted suicide? When someone you love commits suicide, it is a painful experience for everyone involved. Suicide isn't easy to talk about, but it is a serious problem in the Qualla Boundary. Between 2006 and 2009, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians lost nine people to suicide, and many more have attempted or considered attempting suicide.

But there is hope. According to the National Institutes of Mental Health, 90 percent of suicides are linked to mental illness. That means they are preventable and treatable by medical professionals. And since 2009, the Cherokee Indian Hospital and A Na Le Ni Sgi Behavioral Health Clinic have been leading an initiative to help prevent suicides here in Cherokee.

The Methamphetamine and Suicide Prevention Initiative (MSPI) is a program funded by the Indian Health Service. The goal of the MSPI is for the hospital to work together with A Na Le Ni Sgi and other community health programs for suicide prevention. They are focusing on various evidence-based methods of reducing the risk of suicide and the related problems of substance-abuse and substance-use-related deaths.

In the first three years of the project, CIH and A Na Le Ni Sgi have targeted some of the main processes that affect suicide prevention. Physicians' education has been increased

**"We are already seeing improvements in care coordination and access to needed services."**

- Dr. Michael Toedt, executive director of Clinical Services at Cherokee Indian Hospital

with trainings to make doctors more alert in recognizing and treating depression. The health care facilities have increased the use of screenings that help identify depression and substance abuse. Evidence from many cultures shows that limiting access to lethal means can prevent some self-destructive behaviors, so the hospital has put attention to creating safe rooms for at-risk patients. They also cooperated with other community organizations in supporting "Operation Medicine Drop," to encourage community members to drop off old and unneeded medications. Through the MSPI, help is now more readily available to community members who are experiencing depression. The project has improved the chain of care of collaboration between hospitals, counselors, and other involved parties through new policies and trainings.

"The Suicide Prevention Initiative has been an exciting opportunity for Cherokee Indian Hospital to partner with A Na Le Ni Sgi and other tribal and community programs in improving services and promoting a message of hope," says Dr. Michael Toedt, executive director of Clinical Services at Cherokee Indian Hospital. "We are already seeing improve-

ments in care coordination and access to needed services."

This year, these strategies will be continued with more training and developments in the health care facilities. Meanwhile, there will be an added emphasis on community education and involvement. The MSPI team will focus on gatekeeper education, which is training community members who are likely to encounter at-risk individuals. Clergy, caregivers, school staff, counselors, and others have been targeted for training on suicide prevention. Finally, public education is a priority. Trained health care providers will attend community meetings and share information with all of Cherokee on how we can work together to prevent suicide. The MSPI team wants to communicate ways to help people who may be at risk, but also wants to hear your perspectives.

If you or someone you know is considering suicide, please contact the Mobile Crisis Hotline at 1-888-315-2880, or call A Na Le Ni Sgi at 554-6550 (drop-in hours M-F from 1-4pm). You can also call the National Suicide Hotline at 1-800-273-TALK.

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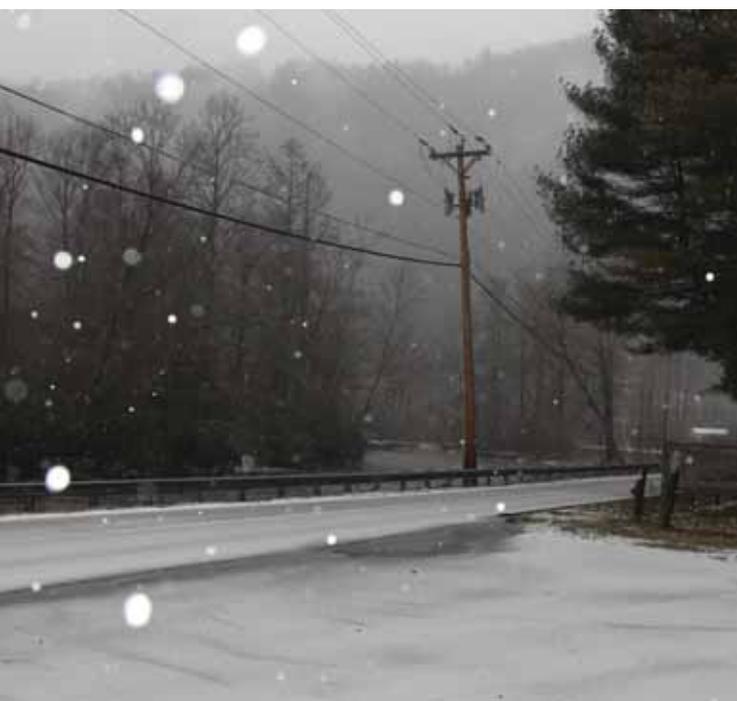
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Photo by Trina Owle

### Early bloomers

These crocus flowers showed their beautiful blooms last week. Crocus are known as one of the earlier blooming plants in spring.



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### Icy roads in Big Cove

Icy roads, such as this one in the Big Cove Community, caused school, tribal and business closures on Friday, Jan. 25.



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### Icy Cherokee

A winter storm entered the mountains on Friday, Jan. 25 bringing ice and sleet.

# Park officials announce Experience Your Smokies program

Officials at Great Smoky Mountains National Park in conjunction with the Friends of the Smokies and the Great Smoky Mountain Association are announcing an opportunity to immerse yourself in the national park. The program, Experience Your Smokies, is a unique opportunity to get to know the park and its employees in a whole new way.

"If you have ever wanted to be a park ranger or get a behind the scenes look at what goes on in Great Smoky Mountains National Park, this is your opportunity," said park Superintendent Dale Ditmanson. Experience Your Smokies is a program designed for local residents, business, community and educational leaders to get a behind the scenes look into the national park, while networking with others from western North Carolina. "Our surrounding communities and their

leaders are very important to us, and this program gives us a chance to make more meaningful connections with our neighbors and for them to do the same with us."

Participants will attend five full day sessions at a variety of locations in Great Smoky Mountains National Park, accompanying park employees in activities that may include radio-tracking elk, participating in a fish survey, and assisting with trail restoration.

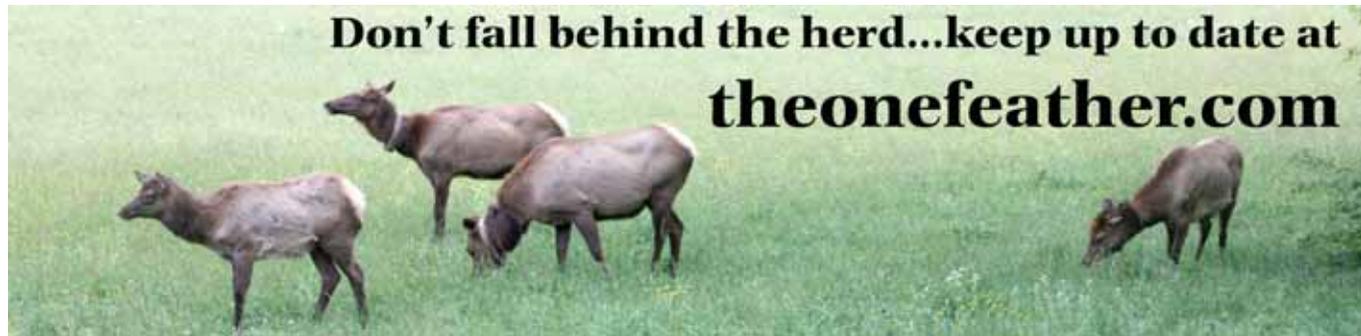
One of last year's participants, Theresa Broderick of the Fontana

Village Resort and City Councilwoman for Fontana Dam, said of her experience, "I was impressed by the enthusiasm of the entire staff for their respective roles. The knowledge each has is so amazing. This has been one of the coolest experiences of my life."

Experience Your Smokies is seeking diverse applicants from the surrounding communities for a program this spring. Program dates are as follows: Wednesday, March 27; the following Tuesdays - April 16, April 30, May 7; and Saturday,

May 18. Class size is limited to 25 participants. Those attending will be asked to commit to attending all class days. Applications will be accepted between now and Feb. 22. The program costs \$50.00 with funds going towards program administration and materials. Please visit [www.friendsofthesmokies.org/event\\_s.html](http://www.friendsofthesmokies.org/event_s.html) or call 828-452-0720 for an application.

- NPS



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*Elizabeth Hillard, a graduate student in the biology program at Western Carolina University, is researching how the elk population uses Great Smoky Mountains National Park resources, including what they eat and their preferred shelter.*

*(WCU photos)*

# ELK WATCHING

**WCU student's elk research to help Great Smoky Mountains National Park manage its resources**

**CULLOWHEE** – Logging long stretches in the backcountry of the Cataloochee Valley area of Great Smoky Mountains National Park, Western Carolina University biology graduate student Elizabeth Hillard is performing research that will help park personnel manage resources in regard to the park's growing population of elk.

Hillard's research project has taken place over approximately 50 square miles of park land as part of an ambitious project to improve understanding of how the animals use park resources, including what they eat and their preferred shelter.

"We know that elk populations can swell to unnatural levels that have a negative impact on the environment," said Joe Yarkovich, a park wildlife biologist who focuses on the elk program and who oversaw Hillard's research. At Rocky Mountain National Park, for in-

stance, where the elk have no natural predators, the growing herds have destroyed aspen groves and willow stands, Yarkovich said. "We're trying to get on the front end of it so that we will see those impacts before they take effect and cause much harm to the environment," he said.

The release of elk into the park began in February 2001 with 25 elk imported from Land Between the Lakes National Recreation Area along the Tennessee-Kentucky border. In 2002, another 27 of the animals were imported from Elk Island National Park in Alberta, Canada. All were released in the Cataloochee area, where many have stayed, though some have migrated west to Cades Cove – animals like the open grassy areas available in both those locations, Hillard said. The precise number of elk is unknown, although a rough esti-

mate puts the population at approximately 150 animals, including those who have traveled outside the park boundaries, according to Yarkovich. Some elk wear radio-collars and are monitored so biologists can learn more about their movements and life spans.

Hillard developed the elk project with her adviser, WCU biology professor Laura DeWald. While reading the park's environmental assessment of the elk, Hillard saw that future goals included vegetation monitoring and trail mapping. DeWald and Hillard met with Yarkovich and other park personnel and hammered out a role for Hillard, who developed a methodology and project plan that the park approved. Hillard then applied for grant funding from the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and in fall 2012 was awarded more than \$11,000 for the project.

Hillard's research has taken a three-pronged approach. To shed light on the preferred habitat of the elk, she spent the winter and spring of 2012 calculating elk densities in different forest types, which involved locating, hiking and mapping 78 miles of elk trails. In July and August, Hillard studied a collection of plots with varying habitat and elk densities, collecting information on over-story, understory, shrub level, the herbaceous level, forest floor and litter-soil level. The third component of the study is an analysis of the principal diet of the park's elk. To accomplish this, Hillard collected elk fecal pellets in the spring, summer and fall, which she has frozen in storage. After she completes collecting the winter sample, she will send the pellets to the Wildlife Habitat Nutrition Laboratory at Washington State University for analysis. After she draws conclusions from a mountain of data, Hillard plans to complete her thesis and graduate in time to enter a doctoral program in wildlife ecology and management in the fall.

Hillard, 30, has professional skills gained from years of experience as a field technician and classroom teacher that have allowed her to perform at a high level. But while Hillard's project was "probably twice as much as a lot of master of science students," DeWald said her advisees routinely take



*Hillard has walked 78 miles of elk trails in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for her research project, always traveling with a GPS device and a park radio. At right is a tree that elk have rubbed, stripping it of bark.*

advantage of WCU's geographic location and undertake projects that contribute to the efforts of external agencies including the National Park Service, U.S. Forest Service, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission and N.C. Cooperative Extension. Another of her current advisees, for instance, is at work on a fire ecology project based in the park.

Such arrangements are mutually beneficial, affording students the opportunity to apply their education in the field and giving strapped agencies high-quality work for minimal financial investment. "Agencies are having to do more with less. This work in the park needed to be done. To have someone like Liz is a godsend to them," DeWald said. "Our students are involved in acquiring knowledge that can be used to inform resource management decisions."

"I'm not one to turn down free research," agreed Yarkovich. "Liz is really taking a load off of

my plate. I know the level of work she's doing and I'm really pleased with it."

Not only will Hillard's research inform the park's wildlife biologists about the elks' habits, but it also will establish protocols and methodology for future sampling.

"Five years from now, somebody will come back and do it again so we can track changes over longer periods of time, and I'll hand them this packet and say, 'This is what needs to be done,' and it will be what Liz has done for us. She really is setting it up long term," Yarkovich said.

Hillard's vegetation research contributes one piece to the larger puzzle of elk in the Smokies. Other components include overall animal and herd health, dispersal patterns, disease monitoring and more. "We're trying to get a big picture for everything that's going on regarding carrying capacity for elk in the Smokies," Yarkovich said.

- WCU



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## VITA program offering free tax preparation

The EBCI Cooperative Extension Center and Tsali Manor are hosting the VITA program that provides free tax services. If you make \$57,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes done at no cost. For married couples filing jointly, the maximum income is also \$57,000. This year will see a return to "live return" where taxes are completed in one appointment. Unfortunately, they will not be able to do returns with rental income, investment or dividend income or complex business/self-employment income.

If you or someone you know is interested in having your taxes done for free, please call to make an appointment.

- Valorie Welch 554-6939, Cooperative Extension

- Trish Calhoun 554-6933, Cooperative Extension

- Kathy Smith 554-6860, Tsali Manor

What to bring to the appointment:

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- All forms, W-2, 1098, and 1099
- Information for other income
- Identification number for Child Care Provider
- Information for deductions/credits
- Proof of account for direct deposit of refund (voided check)
- Social Security cards and/or ITIN notices (cards for you, your spouse, and dependents)

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# Minors Fund information for the Senior Class of 2013

By JANET OWLE

As you well know, your EBCI Minors Trust Fund is a substantial amount of money and your tribal leaders want to provide you with the skills, knowledge and tools so that you can make smart choices with your money both now and for the future. A new requirement passed by Tribal Council, Ordinance No. 401 (effective April 1, 2011), states: "Any minor member, applying for their Minors Trust Fund, will be required to complete the online Manage Your EBCI Money course and include his or her Certificate of Completion to be entitled to receive any monies."

What this means is that before you can get your trust fund money, you are required to complete a short online financial education course called, Manage Your EBCI Money, in addition to completing your high school education or GED. This course is a website specially designed just for EBCI youth and dedicated to the fascinating world of personal finance. It is loaded with valuable information including a financial calculator that will show you how long it will take to become a millionaire if you start investing your money when you are young. As well as, fun car buying facts to help you make an informed decision regarding auto purchases and even music videos geared towards a host of relevant financial topics such as identity theft, understanding credit cards and managing your bank account; all for the pur-

pose of assisting you with making the most of your EBCI money!

To get started, type [manageyourbcimoney.org](http://manageyourbcimoney.org) into the browser window of any web accessible computer and press enter. You will see a log-in screen with directions that you can take from there. You will need a valid email address, the last four (4) digits of your social security number, and your enrollment number. The program is divided into eight (8) different learning modules and will take about three hours to complete. Each module contains a short quiz and you will have to answer four (4) out of five (5) questions correctly to move on to the next module.

There is no time limit and you can retake the quizzes as many times as you need until you pass. However, once you begin the quiz, do not log out until you have finished the quiz because the program will lock-up and you will have to start all over.

If you do not have a computer or access to the internet you can stop by the Qualla Financial Freedom office located inside the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center at 876 Acquoni Road to use a computer. Please direct all inquiries to Janet Owle at 554-6937. Do not contact the Enrollment office or Budget and Finance offices for questions regarding the online program.



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 **Obituaries**

**JoAnn Ayers Bradley**

JoAnn Ayers Bradley, 78, of Cherokee died Sunday, Jan. 20, 2013 in a Jackson County Hospital. Born December 31, 1934, she was the daughter of the late John and Minda Ayers. JoAnn and her husband of 60 years were business owners in Cherokee until they retired in 2000.

She was preceded in death by a brother, Robert Ayers.

She is survived by her husband, David Bradley; two daughters, Doris B. Greene (Roy) of Waynesville and her children, Anna and Travis Hipps of Chapel Hill and Garrett Greene of Asheville; Donna Bradley (Rick Bunio) of Whittier and her sons, Matthew Bradley of Connecticut and Ryan Bradley of Cherokee; and several nieces and nephews; two brothers, David Ayers of Homer GA, Boyd Ayers and wife Gwyn of Bryson City; and one sister, Louise Hurley and

husband Robert of Bryson City.

Funeral services were held at 2p.m. on Wednesday, Jan. 23 in the chapel of Crisp Funeral Home in Bryson City. Rev. Merritt Youngdeer officiated with burial in the Birdtown Cemetery in Cherokee.

**Jindrekk Marley Gloyne**

Jindrekk Marley Gloyne, infant son of James and Rustlina Long Gloyne died unexpectedly at Mission Hospital in Asheville on Jan. 20, 2013.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by a brother, Lydon D. Gloyne of the home; grandparents, Brenda Long of Cherokee, Pam Kienenberger of Sylva, Geoff and Benita Gloyne of Columbia, SC; aunts and uncles, Rose Long and Jarrett Cunningham of Sylva, Dawn Gloyne and Chona Hernandez of Cherokee, Melissa and Ruben Sharpless of Cherokee, Heather

Gloyne of Cherokee, Kassy Gloyne of Alabama, Dewayne Long and Leighann Thompson of Whittier, and several cousins from Cherokee.

He was preceded in death by his grandfather, Russell Long; uncles, Aaron Gloyne, and Jeremiah Gloyne; cousin, Sunny D. "Cricket" Crowe, and great grandparnts, Dan and Dinah Gloyne.

The funeral service was held in the Long House Funeral Home chapel on Sunday, Jan. 27 at 2pm.

Ray Kinsland officiated. The burial followed at the Long Cemetery on Wright's Creek.

An on line memorial is available at [www.longhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.longhousefuneralhome.com).

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# Cherokee Central Schools Report

## ABC Commission presents \$125K check to Cherokee Central Schools

At a meeting held on Friday, Jan. 11, the Tribal ABC Commission presented Lori Blankenship, Cherokee School Board chairman, a check in the amount of \$125,000 to be used for Cherokee Central Schools' operations. This payment fulfills half of a \$250,000 commitment to the Cherokee Central School system made by Tribal Council in 2012 to be allocated from ABC Commission funds.

"Cherokee Central Schools is very appreciative of the generous donation from the ABC Commission," said Blankenship. "This donation will help us to reduce furlough days and will aid the system which has been impacted by budget cuts. We are grateful to the Commission for taking an interest in our students, teachers, staff and for going the extra mile."

Collette Coggins, Tribal ABC Commission Chairman, stated, The Tribal ABC is honored to make such a valuable contribution to the Tribe's youth. Our young people are the future of our Tribe, and we are happy that our efforts can make a difference."

**- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT**



*Collette Coggins (4th from left), Tribal ABC Commission Chairman, is shown presenting a check on Jan. 11 in the amount of \$125,000 to Lori Blankenship (5th from left), Cherokee School Board chairman. Shown (left-right) are Pepper Taylor, Steve Coleman, Jody Lipscomb, Coggins, Blankenship, Wolftown School Board Rep. Jessica Daniels, Big Y School Board Rep. Dick Crowe, Cherokee Boys Club general manager Tommy Lambert and Cherokee Central Schools superintendent Walt Swan.*

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# 1st Dental Visit by 1st Birthday

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# Cherokee Central Schools receives Accreditation Plaque

In their meeting on Tuesday, Jan. 22, the Cherokee Central Schools School Board welcomed Dr. Donna James, the state director for AdvancED, the parent organization for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools Council on Accreditation and School Improvement (SACS CASI). Dr. James presented the board with a plaque and a banner from AdvancEd, recognizing their achievement for district accreditation. This means that the school district and all of its schools are accredited, and Cherokee Central Schools is recognized across the nation as a quality school system.

Dr. James commented, "You join 63 other school districts across North Carolina who has achieved district accreditation."

Last spring, Cherokee Central Schools hosted a Quality Assurance Review (QAR) team from AdvancEd, the final step in the district accreditation process. Comprised of five trained professionals from across the state and nation, the QAR team reviewed district documents and performance data, interviewed over 126 district, school, and community stakeholders, conducted site visits to three schools, and observed district and school practices.

The team commended the dis-



*Dr. Donna James (2nd from left), N.C. state director for AdvancED/SACS, presents a District Accreditation plaque to Cherokee Central Schools officials including Beverly Payne (left), CCS director of testing and data management; Lori Blankenship (2nd from right), Cherokee School Board chairman; and Walt Swan, CCS superintendent.*

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trict for:

- School leadership, faculty, and support staff who consistently demonstrate a genuine commitment to a caring and nurturing learning environment. The team also commended the district for
- Cultural preservation and development that is embedded within the

entire learning environment and includes a commitment to Sacred Path by all stakeholders.

- Access to an abundance of resources including outstanding facilities, 21st century technology, specialized staff, and a diversity of funding sources that strengthen academic and cultural opportunities for

students.

- Maximizing benefits from numerous tribal, community, and other collaborative partnerships.

In addition, the team recommended that the district:

- Develop and implement a plan to strengthen the overall stability and continuity of district leadership and governance including strategic pacing of school administrative shifts and the orientation and on-going professional growth of school board members that focuses on defining roles and responsibilities.
- Develop and implement a plan for vertical articulation across all grade levels to advance continuity among curricular and strategic planning processes and involve representatives from all stakeholder groups.
- Implement an aggressive and time-sensitive plan to monitor the school improvement process, address overall and subgroup deficiencies in student performance, and engage all stakeholders.

The school system will be developing plans to respond to and address these recommendations. In two years, the district will provide AdvancED a progress report addressing the team's recommendations.



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## BabyFACE enjoy Snow Fun

Evelyn Taylor, Kaelyn Montelongo, Nina Montelongo (behind) and Jallen Calhoun enjoy one of the "snow" bins at the recent BabyFACE Sensory Snow Fun group night. Families were able to come and enjoy snow-themed snacks, make a milk jug snowman and play in four "snow" bins which were made from edible ingredients and safe for babies. Parent educators Alissa Lambert and Jessica Wheatley related they would like to thank all of the families who came out and enjoyed the "snow".

## CCS OFFICIALS ADDRESS PROFESSIONAL LEARNING COMMUNITIES

# Professional Learning Communities at Cherokee Elementary adopt new format

By **PAULA COKER**  
CES PRINCIPAL

Cherokee Elementary School organized Professional Learning Communities several years ago to help promote teacher collaboration and improve student learning. At that time, grade level groups of teachers were required to have weekly planning sessions which included curriculum alignment, developing pacing guides and relevant assessments, and weekly lesson planning. Thursday afternoons became our time to collaborate with our peers to focus on improving teaching and learning.

At about the same time, we also began working on vertical teams that had teachers from different

grade levels working together to better define what students at each grade level in the elementary school would need to know to successfully complete their assigned grade level.

We are so pleased to announce that further refinement has taken place within our Professional Learning Communities and we're now even more focused on the on-going process that will help our students reach greater academic growth. Grade level teachers are still meeting once per week with a "teacher facilitator" who has received intensive training in leading a Professional Learning Community. Guiding questions from the Du

Four group that provide focus for each group include:

1) What is it we expect them to learn?

2) How will we know when they've learned it?  
3) How will we respond when they don't learn?  
4) How will we respond when they already know it?

As before, Cherokee Elementary School still has vertical teams which now follow the format of Professional Learning Communities. Our vertical Professional Learning Communities meet once per month under the supervision of trained facilitators with a continued focus on grade level knowledge and skills students should master to successfully complete their assigned grade. This "vertical alignment" helps students, parents and teachers understand the requirements of a particular grade level. It also meets a requirement of our system-wide accreditation mandates.

## CMS defining what's important through the use of PLCs

By **REBECCA ENSLEY**  
CMS PRINCIPAL

If someone were to step into my kitchen, and look at my refrigerator door, they would get an immediate glimpse at those things that are most important to me. Arranged across the width and length of my refrigerator, one would see samples of my six year old son's latest artistic masterpiece, a spelling test marked with, "Good Job!" and a 100, a picture of our son holding his baby brother on the day he was born, and several Sunday School creations with memory verses written on them. All of these items are important to me because they show the great accomplishments in the lives of my children, or showcase those things that are dearest to my family. These items represent the beliefs of our home and the moments we have celebrated as a family not just for a moment, but over time.

This year, Cherokee Middle School faculty and staff are engaging in the implementation of Professional Learning Communities (PLCs) that work to identify those things that are most important to teaching and learning at our school. The implementation of PLCs is not something that is done for a year or two, and then pushed aside to do something else.

Rather, as observed by Andy Hargraves, "Becoming a PLC [is a process that] creates an ethos that permeates a school."

In other words, becoming a PLC is not something you do; it is something you are.

In preparation for our shift to becoming a PLC, Cherokee Middle School sent a team of fac-

ulty to receive training in the DuFour model of PLCs. Selected faculty attended training this past December facilitated by WRESA (Western Regional Education Service Alliance) entitled "PLCs at Work." This training defined the purpose of PLCs as an organized plan for teachers to meet together in certain groups, departmentally for example, to collectively identify needs and goals that will directly benefit student learning. These needs and goals are determined by using data to identify key areas. Teachers discuss resources needed to meet the expected goals and clearly defined ways to know when the goal has been reached by the students. PLCs at CMS have already been meeting bi-weekly, both in grade blocks and subject content, to hammer out goals for student achievement that they must help the students meet for the remainder of this year.

Subjects discussed could include ways to improve student attendance, techniques and materials for every teacher to use to improve reading/math scores, and creating a master list of units covered in each grade 6-12 so that students are not repeating material. Ultimately, the goal of all the PLCs at CMS is to define and uphold those things that matter most to us in regards to student learning and achievement; that is to say, what items are we hanging on our "refrigerator door" at CMS that show all who enter or are a part those things that matter most.

There are three big ideas that summarize the purpose behind the PLCs at CMS; these big ideas are: focusing on student learning, establishing and maintaining a collaborative culture, and al-

ways being results oriented. These "big ideas" focus on learning and communicate our commitment to helping all students learn at high levels. The role of the school's principal in PLCs is to continually assess the achievement of these big ideas through collecting artifacts that show a focus on student learning, identify the quality of the collaborative culture in the school as evidenced by meeting agendas, norms and SMART goals from each team, monitoring that time is given for them to meet, and finally, ensuring the presentation of student data is useful for teams and is being used as the guiding force in the PLC decision making process.

The faculty and staff at Cherokee Middle School has historically been an effectively collaborative team, so the shift to becoming a PLC has been relatively seamless thus far. There is, however, an added excitement to the teamwork already in place.

After attending the "PLCs at Work" training, Judy Castorena, a teacher at CMS, expressed her enthusiasm not only for PLCs at CMS, but where this way of being can lead our school in the future. "Having PLCs in our school is a great way of communicating with each other, not only within our school but across grades. We are already seeing great results of what team work can do for our students. This collaboration has established a focus for every educational stakeholder to provide a great academic atmosphere for all our students."

# CHS using PFCs to improve education experiences

By **WOODREEN CALDWELL, EDS**  
CHS PRINCIPAL

"A professional learning community (PLC) is more than a group of individuals meeting together to read a common book or discuss a relevant issue. According to Huffman and Hipp (2003), PLCs are a way of working; "a school's professional staff members who continuously seek to find answers through inquiry and act on their learning to improve student learning" (p. 4). Further, DuFour (2004) expressed concern that PLCs may lose their credibility as an important part of education reform unless educators think critically about the fundamental concepts, which make up the model.

As a tool for school reform, Huffman and Hipp (2003) asserted that a PLC is "the most powerful professional development and change strategy available" (p. 4). What educators are looking for today in school reform initiatives are those that result in not only improved teaching, but also in overall school improvement and student learning. Vescio, Ross, and Adams (2008) reviewed six separate research studies that scrutinized the relationship between teachers' participation in professional learning communities and student achievement—all six studies revealed that student learning improved when teachers worked in PLCs."

We, at Cherokee High School, understand that the purpose of our professional lives is to ensure that "All students learn at high levels." We know that the decisions will be made based upon how they impact student learning, as opposed to what makes the adults in the school happy. Understanding this basic purpose has helped many of us find meaning again. Additionally, it has helped us understand that we can only control what we can control. It has placed a great deal more emphasis on making sure that we do control what we have

power over and let go things that we do not. We do ask questions like, "How can we use our classroom instructional time more efficiently?"

Understanding that we have an obligation to ensure students' learning has led to collective inquiry about how we can best do this. It has led to teachers interacting with each other regarding the important questions of what learning is essential, how it is assessed, and how we respond when it is not learned. This has led to some great conversations, some disagreements, some lengthy discussions and sometimes tears! However, as we have kept in mind the adage that changes can be slow, difficult, and almost always painful; we have learned that disagreements and tears are sometimes necessary for growth.

Cherokee High School is now using the professional learning community approach to improving educational experiences for our students. Listed below are some of the strategies used by our staff to ensure student success:

- Monitoring student learning on a timely basis.
- Creating systems of intervention to provide students with additional time and support for learning.
- Building the capacity of teachers to work as members of high performing collaborative teams who focus the efforts of their team on improved learning for students.

There are Social Studies, English, Math, Science, Career and Technical Education, and Student Support teams. In addition, teachers are teamed across the curriculum. The guiding principle is a focus on student learning. The biggest training

tool we have used is experience. We have not spent years learning how to be team leaders, facilitators, negotiators, etc. We operate by the baptism by fire method! Team leaders learn as they go. They make adjustments when necessary. They celebrate successes and attempt to solve problems.

Although this is at times interesting, there is no better way to develop the capacity of leaders than by having them lead. For the most part, teachers on the collaborative teams have taken ownership of their team's work and have become stronger teachers and certainly heightened their understanding of the big picture.

We are still learning how to collaborate! The most important teams in the school are our PLC teams. These teams are composed of the team leaders from each discipline, as well as anyone else who wants to attend. These teams develop the timelines and products that are required for teachers. Team members provide each other support and assistance.

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Monday at 12noon**

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**Acquoni Baptist Church.** 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm.  
Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

**Antioch Baptist Church.** Coopers Creek Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Danny Lambert

**Beacon of Hope Baptist Church.** Sunday Worship 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Wesley Stephens (828) 226-4491

**Bethabara Baptist Church.** 1088 Birdtown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 7pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Youth Meeting Wednesday 7pm. Pastor Eddie Sherrill 497-7770

**Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church.** 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee Language class for adults. Sunday

Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm. Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

**Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 7710 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Thursday Nigh Service 7pm. Pastor Doris McMillan 497-4220

**Calico Church of Christ.** Big Cove Community. Contact information Sallie Bradley 497-6549

**Cherokee Baptist Church.** 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Supper is provided at 5:30 each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

**Cherokee Bible Church.** Olivet Church Road. Sunday Service 10am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Randy Miller 497-2286

**Cherokee Church of Christ.** 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. Sunday Bible Study 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 6pm. Minister Jim Sexton 497-3334

**Cherokee Church of God.** 21 Church of God Drive. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Charles Griffin (828) 400-9753

**Cherokee Church of the Nazarene.** 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. Sunday Morning Service 11am. Continental Breakfast served Sunday 10:30am. Sunday Evening Prayer Service 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7pm. Food and Clothing Ministry M-Th 4-8pm. Pastors Lester and Lisa Hardesty 497-2819

**Cherokee Healing Waters Mission.** New Hours Tuesday night Bible Study 7pm, Pastor Tony Bernhisel 497-2122, Tony11110@frontier.com

## WE WANT YOU TO WRITE THE 2013 CHEROKEE INDIAN FAIR THEME!

It is just that simple. If you are an enrolled member of the EBCL, you are eligible to submit your entry for the theme. Here are a few simple rules...Entrants younger than 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian to co-sign the liability release and submit the W-9 form. Theme must be culturally oriented. It must be 7 words or less (Last year's theme was "Timeless Traditions and Culture"). Bring your completed entry form to the Cherokee Welcome Center between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm (open 7 days per week except holidays) or mail it to Cherokee Welcome Center c/o Fair Theme Contest POB 460, Cherokee, NC 28719. You may reach the Welcome Center at 828-554-6490. Cherokee Fair Committee will determine the winning theme. Contest closes January 31, 2013-4 pm. No exceptions.

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Read the Cherokee One Feather each week for full job listings on the Cherokee Indian Reservation.

**Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 135 Long Branch Road. Wednesday night, 7pm; Sunday school, 10am; Sunday worship service, 11am; Sunday night service, 6pm., Pastor Donald Ensley 497-5829

**Cherokee United Methodist Church.** Hwy 19 – Soco Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday night family night starting with dinner at 6pm then Bible classes for all ages. Pastor John Ferree (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org

**Cherokee Wesleyan Church.** Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday Campground. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship 11am, followed by Fellowship Dinner second Sunday of each month. Sunday Evening Kids Club 5pm. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm (except third Wednesday of Month at Tsali Care 6:30pm). Rev. Patricia Crockett 586-5453

**Christ Fellowship Church.** Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.** Hwy 441S. Sacrament Service 10am. Wednesday Meetings 6:30pm. 497-7651

**Ela Missionary Baptist Church.** Hwy 19 South. Sunday school 10am, Sunday worship 11am, Sunday evening worship 7pm, Wednesday evening worship 7pm. All visitors welcome. Pastor Larry W. Foster

**Goose Creek Baptist Church.** Sunday School – 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Sunday Evening Services 6pm. Pastor – Bro. James Gunter

**Living Waters Lutheran Church.** 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Pastor Jack Russell

497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

**Macedonia Baptist Church.** 1181 Wolfstown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, 828-508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

**Olivet United Methodist Church.** 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. John Ferree, www.gbgm-umc.org/olivatumnc-whittier/

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 82 Lambert Branch Road. Sunday Mass 9am. Sunday Spanish Mass 4pm. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

**Piney Grove Baptist Church.** Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Worship 6pm.

**Potter's House of Prayer.** Inez Welch Residence on Adams Creek. Sundays at 9:30am and 6pm, Wednesdays at 6pm. Preacher: William Cornwell. Everyone welcome. Come as you are. Info: William 736-6925, Charlene Cornwell 736-2232 or Deacon John Biddix

**Rock Hill Baptist Church.** 736-6334. Sunday Services 11am. Thursday Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Red Woodard (828) 356-7312

**Rock Springs Baptist Church.** 129 Old Gap Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Greg Morgan 497-6258, 736-1245 (cell)

**Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church.** 3755 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10:15am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 1pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Tim James 497-7644

**St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee.** 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Dr. Norma H. Hanson (828) 277-7399

**Straight Fork Baptist Church.** Big Cove Loop. Sunday school 10am. Sunday morning worship 11am. Sunday evening worship 6pm. Wednesday night prayer service 7pm. Youth group meetings also. Pastor Charles Ray Ball 488-3974

**Waterfalls Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Road. Sunday Morning 10am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6:30pm. Pastor James "Red" Bradley

**Wilmot Baptist Church.** Thomas Valley Road. Sunday school: 10am, Worship: 11am, Sunday night worship: 6pm, Wednesday prayer service: 7pm, every other Thursday night (Youth night) singing, bible study and crafts: 6pm. Pastor: Johnny Ray Davis

**Wrights Creek Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Rd. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6pm. Visitors welcome. Pastor Dan Lambert.

**Yellowhill Baptist Church.** Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Foreman Bradley 506-0123 or 736-4872

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# Clubs/Organizations

SUBMIT NEW LISTINGS OR CHANGES TO SCOTMCKIE@NC-CHEROKEE.COM.

**Big Y Community Club** meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Big Y Community Building.

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Charlene Owle, secretary, 788-3723 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit). Info: Jeanne Crowe Lira, chairwoman, 736-2017

**The Cherokee Cancer Support Group** is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Boundary, indiscriminately. Their objective is to support, educate and provide individual services as needed. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. SAFE HAVEN is staffed from 10am – 2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Appointments can be made for additional assistance. Personal fittings can be arranged during these times as well. Info: 497-0788, email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com, P.O. Box 22220, Cherokee.

**Cherokee Children's Coalition** meets the last Thursday of each month at 11am at the Agelink School Age Conference Room.

**The Cherokee Runners** meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 7pm at the Age Link Con-

ference Room. If those dates happen to fall on a Sunday, they will meet the following day. Info: Gerri Grady gerrgrady@yahoo.com or visit www.cherokeerunners.com

**Cherokee Speakers Gathering** is normally held on the fourth Thursday of every month. All Cherokee speakers and Cherokee language learners are welcome to enjoy a potluck dinner and an evening of fellowship in the Cherokee language. These events are sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation & Education Program and, in part, by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6404 or bjrigh@nc-choke-kee.com

**Girl Scout Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont.** Serving girls in Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary. This program is for girls in grades K-12. Info: Karen Bartlett, membership manager, 488-6537 or KBartlett@GirlScoutsP2P.org

**The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA) Cherokee Chapter** meets the second Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, Carmaleta@msn.com

**Paint Town Community Club** meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Commu-

nity Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

**Solid Rock Outreach.** Monday -Closed; Tuesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Wednesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Thursday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Saturday - 9am-1pm Food Distribution

**Snowbird Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 735-2533, smoker7@frontier.com

**Wolftown Community Club** meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

**Yellowhill Community meetings.** First Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben at 497-2043 to be scheduled.

**Yellowhill Judo Club** meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-8pm at the old Cherokee High School weight room. Classes are free. Info: Will Lambert 736-1600



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# Cherokee Happenings

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## Church Events

**Solid Rock Outreach Food Box Distribution.** Wednesday- 9am-3pm, Thursday 9am - 3pm and Friday 9am - 3pm. Info: (828) 356-7312

## General Events

**Intermediate crochet class. Mondays beginning Feb. 4** from 5-7pm at the Cherokee Youth Center. Size is limited for this six-week class. The class is being sponsored by Healthy Cherokee and the Cherokee Youth Center. People taking this class should know how to chain, single crochet, double crochet and slip stitch. Info: Healthy Cherokee 554-6181 or Cherokee Youth Center 554-6276

**Cherokee School Board meeting. Feb. 4** at 4:45pm. Info: Neyani Long nlong@cherokee-central.gaggle.net

**Sock knitting class. Thursdays beginning Feb. 7** from 5:30-6:30pm at the Cherokee Youth Center. Size is limited for this six-week class. The instructor is Kelly Thomas-Hill, and the class is being sponsored by Healthy Cherokee and the Cherokee Youth Center. People taking the class should know how to cast on, knit, purl and cast off. Info: Healthy Cherokee 554-6181 or Cherokee Youth Center 554-6276

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**Valentine card and candy making. Feb. 12** at 6pm at the Yellowhill Community Building. All ages are invited. Parents should accompany small children. This is a free activity.

**Valentine breakfast. Feb. 14** at 7am at the Yellowhill Community Building. Strawberry pancakes, sausage or bacon, coffee or juice. \$5.

**Cherokee VFW Bingo**, located by the old race track, on Monday nights in Whittier. Early birds 6pm, regular program 7:10pm. Info: 488-1706 or 788-2176.

## Health/Sports Events

**Jackson County Little League baseball and softball signups. Feb. 2 and Feb. 9** from 9am - 3pm at the Jackson County Recreation Dept. Cost: \$65 (one child) or \$50/each for two or more children. Info: Dave McCoy (828) 226-5640

**Blood Drive. Feb. 13** from 9am - 1:30pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital. Info: Doris Bonilla 497-9163 ext. 6498

**Little League signups.** Sign-ups for Little

League are currently underway and will end on Saturday, Feb. 2. Baseball (7-8, 9-10, 11-12) and Softball (7-8, 9-10, 11-12). Sign up at any Cherokee recreation center, and they are entering in a draft with Bryson City.

**Family-to-Family Education Program. Feb. 12 - April 30** on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30pm in Franklin. This 12-week course is designed for family members of individuals with serious mental illness and is free for families and friends with clinical depression, OCD, PTSD, Borderline Personality Disorder and Co-occurring Addictive Disorders. Info: Ann (828) 369-7385 or Mary Ann (828) 524-1355

**Tee ball signups are underway for ages 5-6.** Registration forms are available at any gym. The deadline is Feb. 23. Info: Kool-Aid 497-0149 or Birdtown Gym 554-6890.

**Snowbird Health & Information Fair. March 26** from 10am - 2pm at the Snowbird Gym. This event is being hosted by Snowbird Community Health and the Snowbird Health Clinic. To reserve a table and chair or for information, contact Lisa Denzer (828) 479-3924, Jennifer Wachacha 554-6990 or Margie Wachacha 554-6992.



## WIPE

Before teeth come in, wipe baby's mouth with a moist cloth or special baby "gum" brush.



## SMEAR

When teeth start to come in, around 4-8 months, start using a small "smear" of toothpaste. This is easy if you wipe toothpaste across the brush. Use this amount until your child's second birthday.



## BRUSH

After your child reaches age 3, use a "pea size dab" of toothpaste. Use fluoride toothpaste every morning and night. Check after your child brushes to make sure teeth are clean!

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**AVENUES COUNSELING** w/ Beth Farris, Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist addressing Depression, Anxiety, Trauma, Addiction and Relationship issues. Welcomes discussing her wholistic approach to finding joy. Call 1-828-421-9855. **2/7pd**

**Babysitting.** Every day, nights and weekends included. Includes meals, snacks and crafts. Will work with casino schedules. References available. Call Marianne at 828-736-1089 for more information. **1/31pd**

**Trailer Repair/Service.** Brakes, bearings, axles, welding, roof leaks. Repairs of any kind! Anglin's in Otto. (828) 349-4500. **1/31**

## FOR RENT

**Creekside apartment for rent.** 1br, 1bath, close to Cherokee. \$500/month. Call 828-788-9319 for more information. **2/7pd**

**One bedroom cottage,** furnished and includes washer/dryer and water. Close to Casino. \$550 deposit and \$550 rent plus electric. Contact 828-497-3809. Leave message if necessary. **3/1pd**

**Mobile homes for rent.** Minutes from the casino. Good neighborhood and private. Call 736-2262 for more information. **1/31pd**

**For rent. Two 2br mobile homes.** 5 minutes from Harrah's. All appliances, water included. 450/month. Call 828)736-1183 for more information. **2/7pd**

**Reserve your new apartment at Balsam Mountain Apartments in Waynesville!** With your apartment, you can enjoy the community pool, fitness center and trail. Only 20 minutes from Cherokee, 30 minutes from Asheville, and a great place to call Home! 828-454-5505. **UFN**

**For rent. 2br log cabin.** Partially furnished. W/D, gas/log fireplace. Located on Thomas Valley Road in Whittier. Ideal for 2 people. \$600/month plus security deposit. Available February 1. Call 828)269-6565 for more information. **2/21pd**

## YARD SALES

**Indoor Yard Sale at Granny's Kitchen.** Open 8:00am, cash only. Friday, February 1 and Saturday, February 2. Friday, February 8 and Saturday February 9. Friday, February 15 and Saturday, February 16. **1/31pd**

## EMPLOYMENT

### TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: January 24, 2013  
CLOSING DATE: January 31, 2013  
At 4:00pm  
NAME OF POSITION: Paper Room Controller  
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1  
SHIFT: Evening  
SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. Knowledge of purchasing and inventory preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Littlejohn.

THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE, AN ENTERPRISE CREATED BY THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS, RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL APPLICANTS AND EMPLOYMENT IS SUBJECT TO THOSE TERMS WHICH THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE DEEM APPROPRIATE. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. **1/31**

# One Feather deadline Monday at 12noon

**EMPLOYMENT**

**Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians**



For Deadlines and applications please call 497-8131. Indian Preference does apply A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

**Positions Open**

**Closing February 1, 2013 @ 4 pm**

1. Hatchery Technician- Fisheries & Wildlife Mgt (\$18,140-\$22,680)
2. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer- NRE (\$28,790-\$36,710)
3. Driver (Snowbird)- Transit (\$19,980-\$24,980)
4. Deputy Court Clerk- Tribal Court (\$23,740-\$30,280)
5. Patrol Officer- CIPD (\$28,790-\$36,710) (2 Positions)
6. Recreation Aide- Cherokee Life (\$18,140-\$22,680)
7. Business Assistant- Cherokee Life (\$18,140-\$22,680)
8. Academy Teacher- KPEP (\$34,900-\$44,500)
9. Language Specialist- KPEP (\$28,790-\$36,710)
10. Education Curriculum Manager- CTCC (\$34,900-\$44,500)
11. Carpenter Helper- HELP (\$16,480-\$20,600)
12. Aquatics Coordinator- Cherokee Life (\$28,790-\$36,710)
13. Facilities Maint Worker- CTCC (\$23,740-\$30,280)
14. Housekeeper I- Tribal Housekeeping (\$18,140-\$22,680)
15. Housekeeper II- Tribal Housekeeping (\$19,980-\$24,980)

**Open Until Filled**

1. EMT-P (Part-time) – EMS
2. Teacher- Tribal Child Care
3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care

**Health & Medical Positions**

1. C.N.A.– Tsali Care Center
2. RN- Tsali Care Center
3. LPN- Tsali Care Center
4. Masters Level Therapist- Analengsi
5. Cook Supervisor- Tsali Care Center

*Download Applications/Job Descriptions at the following website!  
<http://www.nc-cherokee.com/humanresources/employment/jobopportunities>*

**THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: Full Time Pharmacy Tech.** Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close February 8 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **2/7**

**Western Carolina University is seeking qualified individuals for the following positions:**

- Adjunct Faculty – various depts.
- Distinguished Professor, Entrepreneurship (132736)
- Distinguished Professor, Educational Ldrshp (1703)

Asst or Assoc Professor for the following:

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- Biochemistry (0930)
- Broadcasting (1291)
- Comm Sci (131841)(131843)
- Computer Science (131844)
- Elem & Middle Grds (2024)
- Eng & Tech (0607,2322,0164)
- Entrepreneurship (132737)
- Health, P.E. & Rec (131845)
- History (131842,2052)
- Hosp & Tourism (2031)
- Human Resources (1508)
- Human Services (1384)
- Management (1434)
- Modern Foreign Languages (0171)
- Natural Resource Conservation (0723)
- Physical Therapy (131840)
- Public Relations (1725)
- School of Art & Design (0609)
- School Psychology (1180)
- Special Ed (2329)
- TESOL (4757)

Admin Support (0295) (4284)

Asst Football Coach

Counselor/Psychologist (5300)

Dean of Arts & Sciences (1891)

Dir, Intensive English (0178)

Dist Prof, Gerontological Soc Wk (130241)

Strength & Conditioning Coord. Please go to [jobs.wcu.edu](http://jobs.wcu.edu) for details and to apply online. AA/EOE. 1/31

**BIDS, RFPs, etc.**

**Soliciting Quotes**

Please be advised that DeVere Construction Company, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer is currently soliciting TERO subcontractor quotes for all scopes for the construction of the EBCI WWTP Upgrades Phase II and the Adams Creek Pump Station with associated gravity and force main sewer lines, bidding at 3:00 pm on Friday, February 8, 2013.

Qualified subcontractor quotes may be submitted by fax to 919-363-6551 or 989-356-1198 or by email to [estimating@deverecc.us](mailto:estimating@deverecc.us) no later than end of business on Thursday, February 7, 2013.

Project plans and specifications may be viewed at the Devere office located at 110 Fortune Way, Raleigh, NC 27617 ; the EBCI Engineering Department, 1840 Paint Town Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719; the offices of Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, 1318-F Patton Ave., Asheville, NC 28806 and the Vaughn & Melton FTP site.

Workers compensation, auto, general liability and umbrella insurance are required from all subcontractors.

For more information or any questions please contact Tom Bennett at 1-989-356-4411. **1/31**

## BIDS, RFPs, etc.

### Notice to TERO Certified Businesses:

Re: Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

WWTP Upgrades, Phase II and Adams Creek Pump Station

And Associated Force Main and Gravity Sewer Lines

Cherokee, NC

Bid Date: Friday February 8, 2013 @ 3:00 PM

Architect/Engineer: Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, 1318-F Patton Avenue, Park Terrace Center, Asheville, NC 28806, Phone: (864) 253-2796

The work includes construction of a wet-well, valve box, equipment platform, fencing, driveway, connection to an existing standby generator set, and miscellaneous modifications to existing infrastructure, yard piping, and other support facilities.

Subcontractors needed for the following scope of Work: grading, paving, fencing, concrete, masonry, insulation, roofing, painting, HVAC, electrical, plumbing.

Bidding Documents may be examined in the following locations:

Hickory Construction Company Plan Room

1728 9th Ave. NW, Hickory, NC 28601.

Office of the Engineer: same as above and the Vaughn & Melton FTP site.

Office of Mr. Ken Green, EBCI Engineering Department: 1840 Paint Town Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

Send bids to Hickory Construction Company, P.O. Box 1769, Hickory, NC 28603 or Fax to 828-322-5138. Contact person at Hickory Construction Company: Tommy Floyd **1/31**

**Bidding Project: EBCI WWTP Exp. & Adams Creek Pump Station,** Cherokee, NC; Proposal due date is by 5 pm EST, 2/6/13; Interested in receiving quotations from responsible and qualified TERO certified businesses; Interested parties can contact Blake Easter with 3D Enterprises Contracting Corp., 3257 Lochness Dr., Lexington, Ky 40475, 859-272-6618 ext. 228.

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### BID NOTICE ADVERTISEMENT

Adams Robinson Enterprises, Inc. is seeking bid proposals and quotes from TERO- certified vendors and contractors' for the County of Swain, City of Cherokee North Carolina Construction of Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades, Phase II and Construction of Adams Creek Pump Station project which bids on Friday February 8, 2013 at 3:00 P.M. Plans may be viewed at Adams Robinson Enterprises, 2735 Needmore Rd., Dayton, OH FTP site files.adamsrobinson.com – login: arco – password: estimating; open for inspection in the office of Mr. Ken Green, EBCI Engineering Department, 1840 Paint town Road, Cherokee, NC 28719; in the offices of Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, 1318-F Patton Ave., Asheville, NC 28806 and the Vaughn & Melton FTP site.

Items of work to be subcontracted include, but are not limited to the following: acoustical ceilings, drywall and insulation, electrical, framing, glass & glazing, masonry, painting, paving, plumbing, site preparation, cabinet installation and trucking and hauling.

Submit written proposals until 2:00 P.M., Friday February 8, 2013 at Adams Robinson Enterprises, 2735 Needmore Road, Dayton, OH 45414, Phone (937) 274-5318 attention Kevin O'Brien; Fax (937) 274-0836 or email arco@adamsrobinson.com. **1/31**

### Soliciting Bids

Ruby-Collins, Inc. is soliciting bids from TERO Certified Businesses for work to be completed on the Cherokee Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Phase II and Adams Creek Pump Station Project located in Cherokee, North Carolina, which bids February 8, 2013 at 3pm. Subcontractors/Suppliers are being sought, but not limited to the following disciplines: Pipe and Fitting Supply, Valve Supply, Hauling, Rock Blasting, Asphalt Place, Jack and Bore, Erosion Control, Grassing, Surveying, Earthwork, Demolition, Masonry, Painting, HVAC and Plumbing. Plans and specifications may be viewed in person at Ruby-Collins, Inc., 4806 Wright Drive, Smyrna, GA 30082 (770) 432-2900: EBCI Engineering Department, 1840 Painttown Road, Cherokee, North Carolina: or Vaughn and Melton Consulting Engineers, 1318-F Patton Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina or you can view the plans online at [www.ruby-collins.com](http://www.ruby-collins.com). Interested bidders should contact David Westrick at (770) 432-2900, Fax (770) 432-8238 or email [dwestrick@ruby-collins.com](mailto:dwestrick@ruby-collins.com). **1/31**

### INVITATION TO BID

Encore Construction Group, a Subsidiary of Garney Holdings Co., is requesting bids from all interested and qualified TERO Certified subcontractors, manufacturers, vendors and suppliers for the following project: Wastewater Treatment Plant Upgrades Phase II & the Adams Creek Pump Station. Owner: Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Bid Date: Friday, February 8, 2013. The following areas for bid are (but not limited to): 1-Site Clearing; 2-Earthwork; 3-Erosion Control; 4-Termite Control; 5-Seeding; 6-Asphalt Paving; 7-Fencing & Gates; 8-Concrete Material; 9-Rebar Material; 10-Rebar Erection; 11-Precast Concrete; 12-Masonry; 13-Structural Metal; 14-Misc.Metals; 15-Wood Trusses; 16-Arch.Woodwork; 17-Waterproofing; 18-Dampproofing; 19-Insulation; 20-Siding & Soffit; 21- Metal Roofing; 22-Steel Doors; 23-Wood Doors; 24-FRP Doors; 25-Overhead Doors; 26-Alum.Storefront; 27-Glass & Glazing; 28-Drywall; 29-Acoustical Ceilings; 30-Resilient Flooring; 31-Painting; 32-Division 10 Specialties; 33-Bypass Pumping; 34-Signage; 35-Instrumentation; 36-Plumbing; 37-HVAC; 38-Louvers & Vents; 39-Pipe & Fittings; 40-Electrical; and 41-Generators. Plans and specifications can be reviewed at Encore Construction Group, 370 East Crown Point Road, Winter Garden, FL, 34787, the EBCI Engineering Department, 1840 Paint Town Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 and at Vaughn & Melton Engineers, 1318-F Patton Avenue, Asheville, NC 28806. Plans and specifications can also be downloaded from Encore's On-Line Bid Room at [www.encorecc.com](http://www.encorecc.com) upon registration. Encore Construction Group may assist interested subcontractors, when possible, in obtaining bonds, lines of credit, and/or insurance for this project. For more information, please contact Eric Wagner at 407-877-5903 or [estimating@encorecc.com](mailto:estimating@encorecc.com). We must receive your bid by February 7, 2013 by the close of business. Please fax or email your proposals to 407-877-5912 or [estimating@encorecc.com](mailto:estimating@encorecc.com). Encore Construction Group is an equal opportunity employer.

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**REALTY**

**Wolfetown Community**

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the BIA Realty Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolution.

Mia Xan Younce Aldridge, \*Sara Mozelle Arch, \*Tennie Marie Arch, Philip Sampson Armachain, Douglas Robert Arneach, Ida Lee Cooper Arneach, Richard Earl Arneach, Jr., Edwin Bird, John Douglas Bird, Myrtle Lee Queen Bird, William Allen Bird, Buck Brown, Jonah Brown, Leverne Brown, William Allen Brown, \*Matilda Marian Reed Calhoun, Martha Sue Catolster, Will Daniel Catolster, \*Jacquelyn M. Lossiah Corral, \*Carlotta Linette Crowe, Daniel Crowe, Warren Harding Crowe, III, \*Edith Inez Jackson Crowe, \*Enoch Sampson Crowe, Jr., Kema Meredith Owens Crowe, Nolan Crowe, Virgil Dennis Crowe, \*Bobby Joe Cucumber, \*Frances Fanny Cucumber, Jason Daniel Cucumber, Alan B. Ensley, Elizabeth Ann Driver Ensley, Justin Leigh French, Mary Jane Smith Giles, \*Dinah Ann Catolster Grant, \*Mark Montgomery Grant, James Griffin, Mary Crowe Griffin, Kristin D Hamilton, Dewayne Gene Hicks, Patrick Wayne Hill, Timothy Lane Hill, Kathleen Brown Holloway, Aubrey Dewayne Hornbuckle, Mary Lou Queen Hornbuckle, Nannie Louise Taylor Hornbuckle, Jacob Pete Johnson, \*Lea Jo Cucumber Ledford, Henson Junior Littlejohn, Peggy Darlene Littlejohn, Anthony Kirk Locust, Dewayne Lee Long, Nancy Ann Rose Long, Ronald Eugene Long, Roseann Long, Rustlina Long, Bo Soap Lossiah, John Lossiah, \*Tina Marlene Lossiah, Mary Ellen Maney, Wesley Edward Martin, Justin John Matthews, Ronald Lloyd Matthews, Shannon Elaine Johnson Parris, \*Valencia Lee Cucumber Pheasant, Brenda Toineeta Pipestem, Paul Jordan Lee Puckett, David Gregory Queen, John Curtis Queen, Ronald Harding Queen, Andrea Danielle Rattler, Douglas Leander Rattler, Jackie Lee Rattler, Janell Rattler, Jonathan Allen Rattler, II, Jonathan George Rattler, Joy Tashena Rattler, Temot Zena Rattler, Frank Allen Reed, \*Kerry Nathaniel Reed, Robert Bruce Reed, \*Jackson Dale Rickman, Jr., \*Stacy Bird Rogers, \*Reba Leonetta Sampson, Sally Ann Catolster Sampson, Tamara Leigh Sampson, Mistie Rae Johnson Scott, Edwin James Smith, Jr., Jack Hamilton Smith, James Leonard Smith, John Wilbur Smith, Sr., Joel Hartman Smith, Joy Annabelle Armachain Smith, Ryan Nicole Smith, Tait Edward Smith, \*Ernest Jarrett Sneed, Hilliard Paul Sneed, Hilliard Sneed, Sandra Helen Lambert Sneed, Colene Marie Taylor Swayney, \*Martha Lou Talalah, James Donald Taylor, Jonathan Larch Taylor, Velma Jean Wolfe Taylor, \*Nehemiah Agina Toineeta, \*Marietta Louise Sampson Toineeta, Susan Coleen Toineeta, Sara Jane Washington Wabagkeck, William Francis Washington, Jr, Sara Margaret Arneach Watson, Jonah Blaine Wolfe, Taylor Duke Wolfe

**Proposed Land Transfers**

James Toineeta to Samuel Emmett Walkingstick, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 953 (Part of Parcel No. 767), containing 0.267 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Jeanell Youngbird to David Shawn Blanton, Birdtown Community Parcel No. 828-C (Part of Parcel No 828-B), containing 2.00 acres, more or less.

Sunnie Monique Hill Clapsaddle to Sheena Renee Kanott, Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 331-X (Remainder of Parcel No. 331-O), containing 9.072 acres, more or less.

Mona Taylor and Monique Taylor Sokol to Edward Johnson Taylor, Birdtown Community Parcel No. 448-A (Part of Parcel No. 448), containing 1.001 acres, more or less.

**LEGALS**

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, CLAY COUNTY  
 IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE  
 DISTRICT COURT DIVISION 12 SP 59  
 JERRY DEAN HANEY  
 SUSAN GAY DEWATTER HANEY - Petitioner  
 NOTICE (for child)

IN RE ADOPTION OF: Rhegen Amandah Haney  
 TO: Jeri Deane White  
 Cherokee, NC 28719

TAKE NOTICE that a Special Proceeding has been commenced in the above referenced court and file. The petitioner is seeking to adopt a female child, born November 17, 2003 in Blairsville, DA to Jeri Deane White.

YOU MUST file a response within forty (40) days of service of this Notice in order to participate in and to receive further notice of the proceeding, including notice of the time and location of any hearing in this matter.

UPON FAILURE to respond, any parental rights you may have will be terminated upon issuance of the Final Decree of the Adoption.

This the 10th day of December, 2012

Jerry Dean Haney  
 Susan Gay DeWatter Haney  
 Post Office Box 1221  
 Hayesville, NC 28904  
 (828) 389-3129

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
 Cherokee, North Carolina  
 Estate File No. 13-004  
 In the Matter of the Estate of  
**Clifford Gerard Parker**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: April 10, 2013

Barbara Lambert  
 PO BOX 801  
 Cherokee, NC 28719

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# Claims Must Be Filed By March 1, 2013 In \$3.4 Billion Indian Trust Settlement

## What is This About?

The *Cobell v. Salazar* Settlement is approved. The Settlement resolves a class action lawsuit that claims that the federal government violated its duties by mismanaging trust accounts and individual Indian trust lands. Payments to the Historical Accounting Class are underway. The process of considering claims for the Trust Administration Class is ongoing.

**The final deadline if you need to file a claim form for the Trust Administration Class is March 1, 2013.**

## Am I Included?

The Trust Administration Class includes:

- Anyone alive on September 30, 2009, who:
  - Had an IIM account recorded in currently available electronic data in federal government systems anytime from approximately 1985 to September 30, 2009, or
  - Can demonstrate ownership in trust land or land in restricted status as of September 30, 2009.
- The estate (or heirs) of any deceased landowner or IIM account holder whose account was open or whose trust assets had been in probate according to the federal government's records as of September 30, 2009.

## Do I Need to File a Claim Form?

You must file a claim form if you believe you are a member of the Trust Administration Class and you have not:

- Received IIM account statements at your current address anytime between January 1, 1985 and September 30, 2009 and continue to receive statements; or
- Received a payment as a member of the Historical Accounting Class. If you did, you will receive a second payment automatically as a member of the Trust Administration Class; or
- Filed a claim form already using your current address. If you have, the Claims Administrator will contact you.

You must fill out a claim form and mail it to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877, postmarked by **March 1, 2013** in order to receive a payment.

## How Much Money Can I Get?

Members of the Trust Administration Class will likely receive at least \$800 or more. The actual amount will depend on the number of claims and the costs of administration.

**For a claim form or to update your contact information:**

**Call Toll-Free: 1-800-961-6109 or Visit: [www.IndianTrust.com](http://www.IndianTrust.com)**