

Council approves Royalty Budget

Little Miss, **Junior Miss.** and Teen Miss receive funding

By Scott McKie B.P. One Feather staff

> fter several years of absence, the Little Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee, and

Teen Miss Cherokee pageants were included in the Cherokee Indian Fair in October. Tribal Council passed a resolution during their regular session on Thursday, Dec. 3 which gives those girls and the pageants associated with them a \$50,000 budget for FY2010.

"I know that other Tribes spend a lot of money on their royalty," said Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy who said that the girls are excellent PR for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. "Plus, they set a good example for other young ladies."

Painttown Rep. Terri Henry agreed, "We should consider these girls PR." She said that in her travels she came in contact with Miss Navajo Nation who has an extensive budget (salary) for herself. "Every time the president



Indian Health Bill takes Step Forward

Senate Comm. passes Bill during Meeting

By Scott McKie B.P. One Feather staff

Information from the National Institutes of Health states that American Indians are 200 percent more likely to die from diabetes than other groups. The Indian Health Care Improvement Act of 2009 was written to help combat that disparity.

The Senate Indian Affairs Committee passed the Senate version of the bill (S. 1790) during a meeting on Thursday, Dec. 3. One of the

bill's co-sponsors, Sen. Tim Johnson (D-SD), said in a statement on Thursday that he is hoping for swift passage of the bill in the Senate.

"The action by the Indian Affairs Committee today is a crucial step in assuring that American Indians receive the health care they deserve," said Sen. Johnson. "This bill will help us live up to our obligation to help Indian Country. It is long overdue and I hope that the full Senate moves quickly on passing this legislation."

Vickie Bradley, EBCI Deputy Health Officer commented, "I am very excited that the Senate Indian Affairs Committee passed the Indian

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of the Navajo Nation travels, she travels with him and they go all over the world."

Mollie Grant, chairperson for the recently established Junior Girls Pageant Board, thanked Council for passing their budget, "I think if

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The three junior Cherokee royalty including (front row left-right) Junior Miss Cherokee Danica Sequoyah, Little Miss Cherokee Emma Stamper, and Teen Miss Cherokee Kele Crisp introduced themselves officially to Tribal Council on Thursday, Dec. 3 and had their FY2010 budget approved as well.



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Snow blanketed the Cherokee area in the morning on Saturday, Dec. 5. Most of western North Carolina and eastern Tennessee received some snow, but warmer weather later in the day melted most of it off.

Sticky issue of Tribal Jurisdiction discussed at SCC

Submitted by Rose Garrett Soutwestern Comm. College

A panel of legal professionals, comprised of Jackson County Staff Attorney Mark Welch, Cherokee Police Chief Ben Reed, Cherokee Tribal Court Judge Matthew Martin and Swain County Magistrate and Southwestern Community College Criminal Justice Instructor Mike Burnette, discussed common jurisdiction problems between the Qualla Boundary, surrounding counties and the state of North Carolina Tuesday, Dec. 1, at SCC's Jackson Campus.

The program, a project of Burnette's Court Procedure and Evidence Class, was sponsored by SCC's Native American Club. Reed, a 1996 SCC Basic Law Enforcement Training graduate, said the biggest issue is that people think his department has no jurisdiction over non-Indians when, in fact, it does. "We are one of the few Indian tribes whose officers have the same law enforcement certification as other state officers," he said.

Jurisdiction and sovereignty vs. dependence have been an issue ever since Europeans arrived on Indian Territory, Judge Martin said.

Classifying someone as an Indian is actually more political than racial, Martin said, and raised the issue of who exactly is an Indian. Is it only those who are enrolled members, or does it include

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OICA hosts Art Show

The Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts hosted a Christmas Art Show featuring the works of students last week. NEWS/A3

36 Inducted into Junior

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Beta Club Cherokee Middle School holds its largest Junior Beta Club induction ceremony ever. YOUTH/B1



Work about to begin on Visitor Center

According to Park Officials, work is about to start on the new Oconaluftee Visitors Center. NEWS/A2

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SCC class teaches Gaming Management

Submitted by Rose Garrett Southwestern Comm. College

Wanda Morris dealt with unchartered territory when she started teaching Gaming Management Technology three years ago at Southwestern Community College.

"We were the first community college in the state to offer the program so we took our chances thinking outside the box," said this veteran instructor. "In fact, very few four-year colleges even offer the program."

At the college's graduation ceremony 5:30 p.m. Tuesday, Dec. 15, the first graduates of SCC's program will receive their certificates. "It's a big win for us," said Morris.

Gaming is a big business with a certain lure of 24/7 excitement as blackjack tables whirl and slot machines hit jackpot, according to Morris. "I knew if I was going to bring that same sense of excitement to the classroom that the classroom sure wouldn't be typical," she said.

She called on experts in the field like Ron Hager, who has more than 25 years experience in the gaming industry. Hager, who came to Harrah's Cherokee Casino from Caesar's in Indiana, gave the students an overview of the different games like craps, roulette and cards. Then he took them into Harrah's training center to practice dealing and playing with professionals. "You've got to know

the games to know what to look for when you are in surveillance," said Shelly Chuculate Long of Cherokee, who has worked at Harrah's since it opened in 1997. "The gaming management program taught



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The first graduates of Southwestern Community College's Gaming Management program will receive certificates Tuesday, Dec. 15, during the college's 5:30 p.m. graduation ceremony on the Jackson Campus. Southwestern is the first community college in the state – and one of the few in the nationto offer the certificate. From left are (front) Andrea Vaught of Sylva, Sanna Puuronen, Frances Long Arkansas and Shelly Chuculate Long, all of Cherokee; (back) Ray Albury of Sylva, Calena Willingham of Byrson City, Tammy Matthews of Cherokee, Chelsea Willis of Whittier and Roy Langer of Andrews.

me how all the pieces of a puzzle fit together at a casino," she said.

Harrah's director of marketing Leeann Bridges-McHattie instructed the class in planning a marketing calendar. "She told us that if there is a big golf tournament in the region she will send out invitations to the players to include gaming as part of the package," said Ray Albury of Sylva. "She even talked to us about specifics like door prizes- what to give out and how many in a particular evening."

Students learned the customer service end from Greg Galloway of Harrah's. "If you file a complaint, he's the person you deal with," said Morris. They learned about job descriptions and job analysis from Jo Blaylock and Tina Vaitkus, who talked about how many job descriptions will change since the casino now serves alcohol. "They ex-

plained how having alcohol not only affects food and beverage servers, but it affects VIP lounge hosts, transportation specialists, security and so forth," said student Andrea Vaught of Sylva.

Other courses dealt with gaming law and regulations, accounting and controls, gaming facility management and social issues in gaming. 'Basically, the program gives the students the administrative and practical skills needed for supervisory and administrative positions in the gaming industry," said Morris, who designed the coursework in cooperation with management personnel at Harrah's in Cherokee.

Calena Willingham of Bryson City already had a degree in business administration from SCC but took the gaming management program because "Harrah's looks favorably on those who improve their education and I wanted to advance within the casino."

So did Albury, who started out as a valet but is now a gaming host and enjoys interacting with the guests.

For Andrea Vaught of Sylva one of the program perks is the camaraderie classmates carry over to their casino jobs. "We are like a core group and resources for each other. When we need something, we know who to call to get it done."

While all of Morris' students now work at Harrah's, employment at the casino is not a prerequisite to enrolling in the program. If you are a Harrah's employee, check with your supervisor about tuition reimbursement.

"If you are not a Harrah's employee but think you might be interested in working in the casino industry, this program is a good way to find out," Morris said.

For more information, call Thom Brooks, SCC dean of career technologies, at 828-586-4091, ext. 202.



Submitted by Bob Miller National Park Service

ASHEVILLE, NC-

Managers at Great Smoky Mountains National Park and United States Attorney Edward R. Ryan of the Western District of North Carolina, have announced that a federal bill of information has been filed charging Clyde L. Grubbs, 74, of Cincinnati, Ohio, with two criminal counts in connection with the August 19, 2009 motor vehicle accident that occurred in Swain County, North Carolina, and claimed the lives of two South Carolina motorcyclists.

Grubbs was charged on November 3, 2009 in U.S. District Court for the Western District of North Carolina under NCGS 20-141.4(a2) and 20-146, misdemeanor death by vehicle, a Class I misdemeanor, and NCGS 20-146, driving left of center. If convicted, Grubbs faces up to 6 months in jail for the first and is scheduled to make his initial appearance in U.S. District Court in Asheville on Monday, Dec. 14.

According to the charges contained in the bill of information, two individuals were fatally injured when their vehicle was hit by a vehicle driven by Grubbs. According to official documents, Grubbs was traveling southbound on Newfound Gap Road driving an Oldsmobile Bravado midsized SUV when he reportedly crossed the centerline and sideswiped a 2008 Mercury Milan sedan, then continued on to hit a Harley Davidson motorcycle head-on.

The driver of the Mercury, a 41-year-old man from Waynesville, North Carolina, was treated and released from Swain County Hospital. A defendant charged in a federal bill of information is entitled to a presumption of innocence under the law, and the government has the burden of proving every element of the charges more serious charge. Grubbs beyond a reasonable doubt.

JURISDICTION, from front page

children of enrolled members who themselves are not enrolled because of blood percentages?

He cited the ramifications of the late Chief Justice William Rehnquist's ruling in determining that tribes did not have criminal jurisdiction over non-Indians. While non-Indians cannot be tried in tribal court, they can be referred to federal court. "But you have the issue of getting the feds to take the case," Martin said.

A downside of the Rehnquist ruling is criminals moving near tribal lands for the purpose of committing criminal acts on Indians because they know they can't be tried in tribal court, Martin told the students.

that Cherokee has more crimi- neighbors," said Martin, emnal and civil jurisdiction than phasizing that is not always the most tribes because several at- case with other tribes. "There torneys in this area have been are plenty of examples, espewell-versed and understand Indian law.

the mutual aid the tribe has with the surrounding counties, especially for events like the Harley Rally.

Mutual aid also works well when you are trying to figure out the magic boundary lines, said Welch. "When you are on the back roads and you are in pursuit of someone, it is difficult to determine when you are on or off the reservation."

Several students expressed surprise when Reed said the N.C. Highway Patrol has authority on the reservation.

In addition to the surrounding counties, Reed said the tribe also has mutual aid with the National Park Service.

"Cherokee has a good Martin pointed out working relationship with its

cially out west, where local

law enforcement simply re-

Park to Start Work on New Oconaluftee Visitor Center

Submitted by Bob Miller National Park Service

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Superintendent, Dale Ditmanson, has announced that the Park's partner organization, the Great Smoky Mountains Association, is seeking a contractor to begin work on a new Park visitor center early next year. The new center, which will be located about two miles north of the Cherokee, NC entrance, will be the first major Park facility to be constructed entirely with donations.

"The Smokies is exceedingly fortunate to have two excellent partner organizations." Ditmanson said. "Between the Great Smoky Mountains Association funding the construction of this new 6,500 square foot center and the Friends of the Smokies equipping it with interpretive media no expenditure of federal funding will be necessary."

In addition to the main visitor center, the Park's plans call for a restroom/vending machine structure of about 1,200 square feet and an information kiosk. The center is expected to be a model of energy efficiency and sustainability by incorporating geothermal wells



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EBCI Tribal Elder Jerry Wolfe smudges the site where the new Oconaluftee Visitors Center will be built during a groundbreaking ceremony held in June. The Park has said construction is due to start in early 2010.

to reduce heating and cooling costs and a cistern system to capture rain water to flush toilets and for landscape irrigation.

The new center will replace a 1,700 square foot stone building that was built by the Civilian Conservation Corps in the late 1930's as a Ranger Station, but has served the information needs of up to 350,000

visitors annually. The old building will be retained as office and meeting space.

Park managers expect construction to begin early in 2010 so that the center will be ready to open early in 2011. The Great Smoky Mountains Association has plans and specifications available to prospective contractors who may have the interest and capability to take on the project. A mandatory pre-bid conference is scheduled for 9:00 a.m. on December 8 at the Fairfield Inn in Cherokee to brief prospective contractors on the details of the project. General information about the project is available at: http://www.thegreatsmokymountains.org/about us and scroll to the bottom of that page.



Another plus for fuses to set foot on Indian Ter-Cherokee, Reed pointed out, is ritory."

HEALTH BILL, from front page

Health Care Improvement Act ber of problems when it comes of 2009 and it will now move to the Senate floor. This is a reassuring step in a very long process. The last IHCIA expired at the end of Fiscal Year 2001. Although the government has still appropriated money for health programs since the previous law expired, there has been no guarantee of continuation without reauthorization of the new law."

Bradley continued, 'We know that Native Americans suffer from some of the worst health disparities in the world. The reauthorization of the IHCIA of 2009 will permanently reauthorize Native American health care programs and apply standards to ensure the modernization and Health Programs Branch with improvement of health care in a Division of Urban Indian Indian Country. The legislation, originally authorized in 1976 and last authorized in 1992, provides health care for Native Americans and Alaska Natives to help fulfill the U.S. government's treaty and trust responsibilities."

The House is also advancing a version of this bill (HR 2708) that was introduced by Rep. Frank Pallone Jr. (D-NJ). During a meeting with the National Indian Health Board in September, Rep. Pallone said, "Native Americans continue to suffer from a num-

to health care, including lower rates of insurance coverage, restricted access to medical care and health professionals, and poorer health outcomes. For too long there has been a growing divide between the health care services afforded Native American communities. We have made some progress, but more has to be done to improve their health care services."

According to the summary of the bill, several major points in the legislation include:

Reauthorization of the Indian Health Care Improvement Act

Replacing the Urban Health

Directing the Secretary of Health and Human Services, acting through the Indian Health Service, to provide programs of comprehensive behavioral health, prevention, and treatment

Authorizing grants to urban Indian organizations for health information technology, telemedicine services development, and related infrastructure Establishing the Na-

tive American Health and Wellness Foundation

OICA hosts Student Driven Art Show

By Scott McKie B.P. One Feather staff

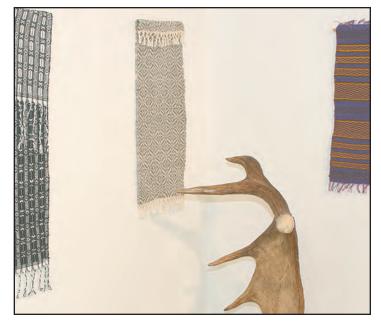
he Oconaluftee Institute for Cultural Arts is gaining steam, and its students and instructors showed that spirit off last week as they hosted a Christmas Art Show on Wednesday, Dec. 2.

"What we have here is the accumulation of a semester's worth of work from the students at OICA," Joel Queen, OICA executive director, said of the show. "We are going to continue to expand upon this program and hopefully build a four-year degree program."

OICA currently operates under Southwestern Community College and offers an Associate's degree in Fine Arts. "We have a lot of good students here who are willing to learn and we have a very laid back atmosphere," said Queen. "We make learning very easy and we accomplish a lot of work at the same time."

Sarah Osterman is an OICA student who specializes in drawings and paintings specifically anime' style. "It's really great here. The people are really nice." She praised the instructors for helping her to "reach a new level" with her artwork.

Jane Brashear and her daughter Deana Burchette are both OICA students in the



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The photo above shows woven tapestries created by motherdaughter duo Jane Brashear and Deana Burchette, both OICA students. The work was displayed during OICA's Christmas Art Show on Wednesday, Dec. 2.

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weaving program. Both came to weaving and the school from a desire to try something new.

"I originally was going to go into horticulture," said Deana who recently switched her major to Fine Arts. "But, this doesn't bore me to death."

Jane jokingly describes herself as "a burnt-out nurse".

She related, "I took this as an elective and just thought 'I'm going to spend the rest of my time doing something that I really like and enjoy."

She continued, "I call this sometimes my therapeutic weaving class because while you're there you sort of become oblivious to everything else going on."

OICA officials called the show a success and related that many student pieces were sold during the event.

For more information on OICA, please visit: http://www.southwesterncc.ed u/centers/OICA.htm.

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Chief's Community Report

Doyu ulihelisdodi agiwonihisdi hi gvnigesv igvndii. Christmas is almost here, and things are really getting busy. There is no better time to show our appreciation for each other and our many blessings. I hope you take the opportunity to give thanks this holiday season and give a little to those that are less fortunate than you. I would like to tell you a little bit about what I have been doing this past couple of weeks. I have had the pleasure of enjoying holiday meals with several groups, programs and individuals the past several weeks and I would like to thank everyone for their invitations and their wonderful com-



Principal Chief Michell Hicks

Delta has a strong commitment to workforce diversity and every year they bring someone in to speak to how they incorporate diversity into their workforce. As we all know the Eastern Band has a unique set of challenges and opportunities related to our workforce and we would find difficulty in operating without getting the help of non-Cherokee people due to the sheer size of our operations. I was honored to represent the Eastern Band and share a little bit about our culture with the Delta workforce. Upon my re-election

pany. I would specifically like to thank the Children's Home and the seniors from Tsali Manor for allowing me and my family to enjoy a meal with them. This is my favorite time of year particularly because I get to celebrate with everyone. November 19th I had

the honor of speaking to the employees at Delta Airlines.

to Principal Chief I recognized

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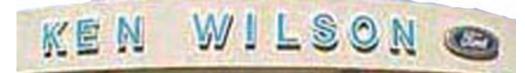
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COMMENTARY Help Convicts Re-Enter Society through Employment

By Jamie Long Sutton

This is in response to Mr. Rattler's letter and I think builds on Mr. Nights as well.

The biggest argument for rehabilitation instead of longer sentences is the current success rate of convicted felons. Three out of four offenders will return to the system at some point because stigma and discrimination put them at a disadvantage once they re-enter society. There are many, but I want to address one that applies to all offenders, regardless of race, sex, or type of conviction employment.

North Carolina law makers felt this was a big enough problem to offer a special tax credit for anyone who hires a convicted felon. Agencies like the Employment Security Commission, VOC Rehab, and many other state and private agencies are making it a priority to help felons re-enter the work force. In most of your minds right now you're asking- why does it matter if a 'convict' gets a job?

With the national economy in a recession an "Honest Man" can't find work. I'll tell you why. A gainfully employed felon is not a financial burden to the state. Think - welfare, criminal prosecution, supervision and custody related costs. In fact, if employed they are able to pay restitutions, taxes, child support and living expenses. Simply having a job reinforces the success rate of repeat offenders.

If a convict isn't working to pay for their cost of living, then they are without a doubt committing crimes to provide those needs.

Oh, I know most of you are saying - "Anybody can find work if they wanted to." But let me ask you this. If it was your business, would you hire a criminal with no job history, no references, and fresh out of prison? Would you trust them to work your cash register, to learn where your tools of trade were located, whatever they may be? I wouldn't and neither does many employers insurance companies.

That little block on applications that asks if you're bondable doesn't mean could you make bond before court! It means have you ever been denied bonding insurance from an employer. If you're not bondable or are classified as high risk the company you are seeking employment from has to decide if hiring you is worth risking their insurance premiums to group; making you a possible liability even if they overlooked your criminal record, and in any business the bottom line is profit.

After all this I wouldn't expect a call back from this application. But, they at least had an option to hire you to work that entry level deadend job. Many professions that require a license and some education will forever be inaccessible simply because of a conviction of a felony. These are just a couple of examples of the challenges that lay ahead of all newly released offenders.

Why does this topic have my attention? I'm a current resident of NCCIW in Raleigh, NC. In serving 31-39 month sentence for charges I AM GUILTY of and those charges are a direct result of my drug/alcohol addiction. Because the NC Dept. of Corrections, Shaw University, Wake Tech College and the women's prison share Mr. Rattler and company's view on rehabilitation and education being important for offenders during their incarceration, I am taking advantage of every opportunity in can. I work in the kitchen and attend Shaw University in the evenings. I just took a placement test and applied to Wake Tech for the Culinary Arts program. I will complete DART as well as many court recommended classes that will benefit my case plan with DSS; not to mention countless other areas of my life. The education alone is priceless. Through all of this

rehabilitation I know many obstacles lay ahead and I am preparing the best I can. I have five beautiful children I need to be with and I can't do that living in active addiction. I've wondered a lot as it gets

closer to my release date where the Tribe stands on these issues, both as an employer and as a community of leaders that we all look to for guidance. What can I and others in my position expect from the leaders?

It is easy to take a stand to fight diabetes, to stand against domestic violence, to swear to protect our children's financial future because those inflicted are in need of a champion through no fault of their own. But, while you are declaring war on drugs can you take a stand to be there for those whose biggest threat was themselves? They want to survive their disease too?

Thank you Mr. Rattler and company for your letter because I too am 'sincerely pleading' for those members of our tribe – help fight for the future of all of us, even the deviants.

Jamie is an EBCI tribal member.

The Raleigh Report New NC Laws should improve Life in State

Throughout the most recent legislative session, members of the House of Representatives worked on initiatives that should improve life in North Carolina. Some of these new laws went into place at the beginning of this month. These laws cover everything from texting while driving to the regulation of some dangerous reptiles. They are intended to make families more secure, protect children and make certain that those who violate the law are properly punished.

You can access the full list by visiting the General Assembly's website at Effective Dates.



GUEST COLUMN

2009 (HB 1261 - S.L. 2009-551). The legislation makes cyber bullying a criminal offense punishable as a Class 1 Misdemeanor.

Taking indecent liberties with a student would be added to the list of sex offenses www.ncleg.net and opening that require registration under the document 2009 Legislation the sex offender and public protection registration program under a bill that has been ratified by the General Assembly (HB 209 – S.L. 2009-498). The bill has now been presented to Gov. Perdue to be signed into law. Sex offenders are now prevented from driving a bus with children under a new state law (HB 1117 - S.L. 2009-491). Under the law, the Division of Motor Vehicles can not issue or renew the driver's license needed to transport chilregistered sex dren to offenders.

state law that allows evidence from automated camera and video recording systems to be used to find and prosecute drivers who pass stopped school buses (HB 440 - S.L. 2009-147). The law is named for a 16-year-old student killed in Rockingham County earlier this year after a driver who passed his stopped school bus struck him with her car.

The fine for first-time violators of the state's child labor has been doubled from \$250 to \$500 under a new state law (HB 23 – S.L. 2009-351). The law also creates a \$1,000 penalty for further violations. In addition, the state Depart- tive Transportation Oversight who willfully kills that animal ment of Labor is now authorized to fine a company up to \$14,000 for workplace safety violations that injure a worker younger than 18, which is twice as much as the previous maximum fine. There are regulations already in place that bar young workers from performing a host of hazardous jobs, and this legislation is meant to act as a stronger deterrence against employer violations.

phone for e-mail or text messaging while operating a vehicle on a public street, highway, or public vehicular area. The intent of the legislation is to improve safety on North Carolina's roads and highways. Violators of the law are subject to a \$100 fine plus court costs.

It is prohibited to cover the state name, year sticker, or month sticker on a license plate by a license plate frame under a new state law (HB 67 – S.L. 2009-456). Violators will be issued warnings for the first year, and after that Laws Study Committee to study the authorization of special registration plates.

(SB 307 - S.L. 2009-344). State law now regulates the handling, ownership and sale of large constricting snakes and crocodiles, in addition to the hazardous reptiles that are already regulated under existing law.

A new state law provides the same protections to search and rescue animals as those provided to law enforcement agency animals and animals that assist the disabled (HB 1098 - S.L. 2009-460). Under the legislation, any person who knows or has reason could face a \$100 fine. The law to know that an animal is a also directs the Joint Legisla- search and rescue animal and Committee and the Revenue will be guilty of a Class H felony.

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Children

Judges now have more sentencing flexibility to aid attempts to collect child support (SB 817 - S.L. 2009-335). The law is intended to increase child support collections by giving judges greater discretion to sentence those who commit criminal contempt by failing to comply with an order to pay child support.

Children in North Carolina would be further protected from cyber bullying under a new state law that went into effect pm December 1,

The Nicolas Adkins School Bus Safety Act is a new

Transportation

The statewide ban on texting while driving is now in effect (HB 9 - S.L. 2009-135). Under the legislation, it is unlawful to use a mobile tele-

A person convicted of habitual impaired driving is now eligible to petition for a hearing to restore driving privileges after 10 years without any traffic or criminal convictions under a new state law (HB 1185 – S.L. 2009-369).

Animals

constricting Large snakes and crocodiles have now been added to the list of reptiles of a venomous or poisonous nature that are already regulated under current law

Criminal Law

Storing and preserving DNA and biological evidence related to crimes is now the responsibility of the law enforcement agency investigating the offense (HB 1190 -S.L. 2009-203). Previously, clerks of court were responsible for storing such evidence, but bill supporters argued that law enforcement is better equipped for the job.

The manufacture, sale, distribution, or possession

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Letters to the Editor

Thank You

It is with sincere appreciation that I extend my thanks to Vangie Stephens, Loretta & Sylvester Crowe, Peggy Kerbow, Josh Hodock, Kayla Price and Jamie Welch and to those of you who contributed to the benefit that was held for me on Friday, November 20, 2009 at the Yellowhill Community building.

> Thank you, Pat Swayney

Good Samaritan not that hard to find

On Wednesday, Dec. 2, Patrick Rickman, an EBCI tribal member, and his friend Roger were traveling to Bryson City to eat. They had just finsihed helping a single mother move. An elderly man was coming down Wade Crain Rd (rode beside ice plant) when his gas pedal stuck and took him across HWY 19 off the bank and into the River.Seeing this happen, Mr. Rickman without thought, jumped out of the vehicle before Roger had time to stop it, and went off the bank to help get the man out of his car. Getting the gentleman up the bank and making sure he was okay, he just wanted his hat, which Mr. Rickman went back to get. Mr. Rickman then got back in the vehicle with Roger and they went on to eat.

Roger said Patrick is his HERO.

After all the excitement, Mr. Rickman realized he has lost his wallet between the road and the river and if anyone comes across his wallet please call Sunrise Trading at 497-4610.

> **Dawn Arneach One Feather staff**

NAJA President's Statement on closing of Hopi Tutuveni newspaper

Note: This statement was released last week by Ronnie Washines, president of the Native American Journalists Association, following the Hopi Council's decision to close the Hopi Tutuveni tribal newspaper.

By Ronnie Washines

It was personally and professionally disheartening to hear that the voice of the Hopi Nation - the Hopi Tutuveni - will be silenced after December.

It is equally disheartening to hear reported by another newspaper that a Hopi tribal council member as calling the tribal newspaper "ineffective."

A primary reason for existence of the Native American Journalists Association is to support Native journalists and Native newspapers. This development with the Tutuveni defeats that purpose.

NAJA can understand the Hopi tribal government having to

cope with budget constraints and the need to balance the necessary services to their people and the financial capability to do so.

But, we also feel that completely eliminating the tribal newspaper does more harm to a government working to improve its financial situation.

A fully functioning government needs a voice that can disseminate updated news and information regarding the factual status of that government at any given time.

Newspapers, especially tribal newspapers, are in a position to provide accurate news reports from a unique vantage point and the Hopi tribal members should not be denied their accessibility to such an important news source as the Tutuveni.

NAJA remains confident the Hopi leadership will keep and open mind and heart with regards to working on continuing the services provided by the Tutuveni.

Cherokee Tribal Court Report

Provided by Cherokee Tribal Court

Judgment Summary for Dec. 1

BANKS, JOSHUA WAYNE

14-5.2* Communicating Threats (DV) - Dismissed on Plea 14-40.56* Assault on a Female (DV) - Guilty/Responsible, 1 Year(s)Probation, 90 Days Jail Time, Fine \$100 Court Costs \$140 Sentence Suspended Enter & Complete BTP "Batterer's Treatment"

HUSKEY, JOSHUA

14-40.1(b)(5) Domestic Violence-Violation of Court Order -Called & Failed, 9 Day(s) credit for jail time

LOSSIAH, TOSHINA

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Called & Failed

SULPHUR, ROBERT WILLIAM

14-5.2* Communicating Threats - (DV) Dismissed for Complainant

WEST, JOHN

14-40.56* Assault on a Female (DV) - Dismissed at Request of CV 09-512 Coastal Federal Credit Union V. Wolfe, John Wesley Prosecution

Judgment Summary for Dec. 2

BRADLEY, ONITA L

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking [effective 4/1/07] - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia [effective 4/1/07] - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule VI [effective 4/1/07] -Dismissed with Leave to Refile

CROWE, EDWIN SAMPSON

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule VI [effective 4/1/07] -Dismissed on Plea

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking [effective 4/1/07 - Dismissed on Plea 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia [effective 4/1/07] Guilty/ResponsibleCredit for Time Served Yes 365 Day(s) Home Detention-Yes 365

GEORGE, BRITTANEE LYN

14-60.11 Criminal Simulation - Guilty/Responsible 6 Months Jail time, Jail time suspended, 12 Months Probation Fine \$250 Court Costs \$140 Attorney \$250 Restitution Ordered \$120 Community Service 72 Hrs

14-60.30 False Pretenses - Dismissed on Plea

HORNBUCKLE, DAVID E

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismiss Failure to Prosecute 14-5.2 Communicating Threats - Dismiss Failure To Prosecute

KOMENDA, MELISSA BLANCH

14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 -

Cherokee Court Docket for Dec. 7

CV 07-013 Laney, Vange V. Wright, Will - Moeny Lent, Money Owed

CV 07-014 Laney, Vange V. - Money Lent, Money Owed CV 08-041 Junaluska, Paul V. Jackson, Vincent - Money Owed,

Show Cause

CV 09-015 McCoy, Tara V. Pheasant, Gretchen and Hornbuckle, Andrea - Small Claims, Orders to Show Cause

CV 09-098 Qualla Housing Authority V. Locust, Annie Pearl -Small Claims, Writ

CV 09-105 Walk, Dennis V. D and C Auto Sale Corp - Small Claims, For Services

CV 09-331 Lendmark Financial V. Partridge, Willie L. - Repo CV 09-367 Arneach, Ida V. Shell, Lynette - Small Claims, Eviction

CV 09-444 Lendmark Financial V. Long, Marcelina - On Account

CV 09-490 Native Clans Casket V. Watty, Felicia - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-502 Southern Lease Management V. Wolfe, Elizabeth -Repo

CV 09-503 Southern Lease Management V. Arch, Adrian - Repo CV 09-506 Maybe Auto Sales V. Reed, Erin Leigh - Repo

- Repo, Affidavit of default

CV 09-528 QHA V. Queen, Tammy Wynette - Small Claims CV 09-532 Armachain, James V. Lunsford, hannah - Custody

CV 09-546 Wells Fargo Bank V. Walkingstick, Hwi Neko - Rerpo CV 09-547 Newfound Lodge V. Boyd, Dan - Small Claims

CV 09-548 Crisp Used Cars V. Rattler, Reba J - Repo

CV 09-549 Green Tree Serv, LLC V. West, Karen - Repo

CV 09-551 Aaron's Sales & Lease V. Watty, Rose - Repo

CV 09-552 Green Tree Serv, LLC V. Bradley, Peggy Saunooke -Repo

CV 09-567 Express Finance Inc. V. Nations, John Ray - Repo CV 09-568 Honeycutt Wrecker V. Owle, Kenneth - Repo

CV 09-571 QHA V. Taylor, Bernice Ann - Money Owed, Small Claims

CV 09-579 QHA V. Brady, Missy Virginia - Money Owed, Small Claims

CV 09-580 QHA V. Reed, Olivia Megan - Money Owed, Small Claims

CV 09-581 QHA V. Colindres, Ronda lee - Money Owed, Small Claims

CV 09-582 QHA V. Bird II, Richard Daniel - Money Owed, Small Claims CV 09-583 MCU V. Catt, Remy - Small Claims, Repo

CV 09-584 EBCI NRE -181 V. Shuman, Kenny A - NRE CV 09-586 Raby, Helen V. Jones, Dave -dba (New Horizons - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-588 Ismael, Espino V. Ensley, William N - Repo

CV 09-592 Honeycutt Wrecker V. Cucumber, Lisa C - Repo CV 09-594 Home Credit Corp V. Sequoyah jr, Gary Len and Sequoyah, Brandi Wade - Repo

CV 09-611 Raman, Shira V. Owle, Donald - Eviction

CV 09-623 Parton, Ashlyn V. Parton, Tristan Wade - Civil, Divorce/ Child Support

CV 09-624 QHA V. Davis, Dawn Dee - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-627 QHA V. Locust, Beatrice Mae - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-628 QHA V. Ledford, Myron Robert - Small Claims,

CV 09-326 EBCI Court V. Welch, Anthony Dirk - Jury Show Cause

CV 09-410 Cooper, Rena V. Cooper, Harold & Welch, Shaylene & Welch, Rosalyn -Emergency Motion to withdraw

CV 09-430 Cedillo, Faye V. Cedillo, Delfino - Civil

CV 09-469 EBCI Court V. Ayen, bryon M - Showcause

CV 09-470 EBCI Court V. Calhoun, Christina - Showcause CV 09-471 EBCI Court V. Davis, Caressa - Showcause

CV 09-473 EBCI Court V. Miles, Christopher - Showcause

CV 09-476 EBCI Court V. Taylor, Jessica - Showcause

CV 09-595 EBCI Court V. Brady, David - Showcause/ Jury

CV 09-596 EBCI Court V. griffin, Terri - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-597 EBCI Court V. Hornbuckle, Houston - Showcause/

Jury

CV 09-599 EBCI Court V. Locust, Judy - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-600 EBCI Court V. Long, Dewayne - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-601 EBCI Court V. Parker, Dwight Samuel - Showcause/ Jurv

CV 09-602 EBCI Court V. Sequoyah Jr, Anthony - Showcause/ Jury

CV 09-603 EBCI Court V. Sneed Jr., Dennis Ray - Showcause/ Jury

CV 09-604 EBCI Court V. Standingdeer, Tony - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-605 EBCI Court V. Walkingstick, Elvia - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-606 EBCI Court V. Watty, Krystal A. - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-608 EBCI Court V. Hill, Francis - Showcause/ Jury

CV 09-609 EBCI Court V. Stiwinter, Donna - Showcause/ Jury CV 09-622 Taylor, Mary & Taylor, Reuben V. Taylor, Cinda J &

Bird, John D - Custody Emer Ex Parte Custody

CV 99-566 Jackson, Sarella V. James Jr., Calvin - Custody, Showcause

CHIEF, from A3

the need for and implemented an efficiency study of the Tribe's operations. The Eastern Band is a multi-million dollar business and in order to continue to provide the services we currently provide we must ensure that we are as efficient with our resources as possible. The more efficient we are the more we can provide for our people. We hired KMPG, a company that specializes in this research, and they have produced their findings. KPMG had a work session with Tribal Council on November 24th and they will be having additional work sessions to discuss which suggestions can feasibly be implemented.

Lastly I hope everyone had a wonderful Thanksgiving and that you have a Merry Christmas!

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RALEIGH, from A4

of the plant Salvia Divinorum is now unlawful (SB 138 - S.L. 2009-538). For a first or second offense under this section, the offender must pay a fine of at least \$25. Subsequent offenses will result in a Class 3 misdemeanor. The legislation exempts researchers, nursery owners and landscapers.

Probation officers are now allowed to access certain offenders' juvenile records under a new state law (SB 920 – S.L.

Guilty/Responsible 6 Months Probation Fine \$50 Court Costs \$140 Attorney \$100 DARE \$1000 Community Service 72 Hrs May use Job Corp for CSW Obtain Substance Abuse

LAMBERT, ERICA ACLARE

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismiss Failure to Prosecute

LAMBERT, MELVIN EDWARD

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct - Guilty/Responsible Credit for Time Served Yes, Court Costs \$140 Community Service 72 Hrs 14-15.3 Transportation of Alcoholic Beverages [Open Container] - Dismissed on Plea

LEQUIRE, CHAD

14-25.2[90- Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia [Superseded 4/1/07] - Dismissed on Plea

14-25.2[90- Drugs (Poss Schedule II) [Superseded] Guilty/Responsible 6 MonthsJail time, Jail time suspended, 12 Months Probation Fine \$250 Court Costs \$140 Attorney \$200 D A R E \$1000 Community Service 72 Hrs Obtain Substance Abuse May come back ask W/D plea, when complete.

LONG, HENRY

14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 - Dismiss by Order of Court

NIERENHAUSE, RONALD

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismiss After Investigation

NIERENHAUSE, WADE

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismiss After Investigation

ROSS, STEVEN BLAKE

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V [effective 4/1/07] Dismiss After Investigation

SHELL, JUSTIN RYAN

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismiss Failure to Prosecute

SNEED, AMBER L

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia [effective 4/1/07] Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking [effective 4/1/07] Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule VI [effective 4/1/07] Dismissed withLeave to Refile

Money Owed

CV 09-630 QHA V. Owle, Tonya Y - Small Claims

CV 09-631 QHA V. Watty, Christopher D - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-636 QHA V. Bark, Kristi L - Small Claims, Money Owed CV 09-637 QHA V. Watty, Evangaline M - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-638 QHA V. Panther, Virgil L - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-639 QHA V. Chilstoskie, Rachel I - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-640 QHA V. Lossie, Althia A - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-642 QHA V. Tisho, Steven D - Small Claims, Money Owed

CV 09-647 Reagan, Shirley V. Caudill, Mark - Small Claims, Eviction

Cherokee Court Docket for Dec. 9

CV 09-422 Motola, Patricia V. Motola, Brian Andrew - Divorce CV 09-451 QHA V. Nations, John Ray - Money Owed

CV 09-482 Welch, Loretta V. Ensley, Marsha - Other Trial, Determine caretaker

CV 09-531 Sneed, Kyle V. Arch, Cheslie - Exparte T-Custody, Emer Ex Part Custody

CV 09-576 Sierra, Heather V. Gagnon Auto Sales/ Roger Gagnon - Civil, Damages and counter claim

CV 09-651 Welch, Hunter V. Welch, Samantha - Civil, Emer Ex parte Custody

Cherokee Court Docket for Dec. 10

CV 07-419 Walkingstick, Daniel V. TCGE - Norma Moss - Other Trail, Enforce Settlement

CV 07-788 Maney, Christopher V. Stover, Amber Owle - Custody, Emer Ex-parte Custody Modification

CV 08-219 EBCI Court V. Taylor, Kristopher - CV Jury Show Cause

CV 08-515 Wildcat, Vera and Sutton, Janice V. Wildcat, Justin and Hernandez, Trista - Ex-parte T-custody, Modification / Contempt

CV 08-522 EBCI Court V. Franks, Misty - CV Jury Show Cause CV 08-524 EBCI Court V. Goodson, Steve - CV Jury Show Cause

CV 08-526 EBCI Court V. Reed, Tammy - CV Jury Show Cause CV 09-139 EBCI Court V. Otter, Henry - CV Jury Show Cause CV 09-276 EBCI Court V. Mitchell, Danielle - CV Jury Show Cause

CV 09-283 EBCI Court V. Jillson, Russell - CV Jury Show Cause CV 09-286 EBCI Court V. Maney, Kina - CV Jury Show Cause CV 09-315 EBCI Court V. Johnson, Charles - Jury Show Cause CV 09-324 EBCI Court V. Smith, Richard - Jury Show Cause CV 09-325 EBCI Court V. Taylor, Johnson - Jury Show Cause

2009-372). The law also makes warrantless searches and drug screening regular conditions of supervision.

Removing, destroying, or circumventing the operation of an electronic monitoring device is a criminal offense under a new state law (SB 713 - S.L. 2009-415).

Picketing that is directed at a single residence and done so in a way that would cause fear or substantial emotional distress is now prohibited under state law (HB 885 - S.L. 2009-300).



Covering the Eastern Band of **Cherokee** Nation

Last paper of the Year **December 15th**

Get your ads in for this issue! **Deadline** -Thursday, Dec. 10 at 3pm Southwestern Community College Presents CHEROKEE Craft Classes at our Cherokee Center

Cherokee Pottery

Create what the Cherokee call "De Ge Ga Tsa Tsi Sgv" or Wedding Vase. This vase has a long history which you will learn about from Melissa Maney, of the Wolfetown Community. Self Supporting.

• Cherokee Center Saturdays 1/9-2/27; 9A-12N M. Maney \$100

<u>Basketry</u>

Make a piece from Honeysuckle vines or what the Cherokee call "Ga Nv Lv Gv Ta Nv". A unique round or oval mat with instruction provided by Stacy Wolfe of the Big Cove Community. Self-Supporting.

• Cherokee Center Mon & Thur 1/7-2/25; 6-9P S. Wolfe \$100

Beadwork

Create own one-of-a-kind Native American jewelry. Wilbur Paul of the Blackfeet Indian tribe is our guest artist/instructor who will teach you the fascinating craft of beading. Self-Supporting.

• Cherokee Center Tuesdays 1/12-3/9; 6-9P W. Paul \$100

To Pre-Register Please call (828) 497-7233 *Limited Class Size so Call Soon!*

CHRISTMAS MUSIC PROGRAM

Presented At Acquoni Chapel

BY THE ADULT & JUNIOR CHOIR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2009 5:30 P.M.

Followed By Fellowship Meal

EVERYONE WELCOME! 12/15





Cherokee Boys Club Report

Club December Schedule

Wednesday, December 9 – Resolution Deadline at 8:00 a.m.

Monday, December 14 – Health Screen – 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, December 16 – Club Board Appreciation Dinner and Annual Frell Owl Award at 11:00 a.m. at the Holiday Inn. Anyone who wishes to attend, please call Jeannie Arkansas at 497-9101.

Thursday, December 17 – Safety Committee Meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Friday, December 18 – School Release for Christmas, Elementary School dismisses at 11:30 a.m., Middle and High School dismisses at 11:40

Monday, January 4 – Teachers Return to Work Tuesday, January 5 - Students Return to School

Board Appreciation Luncheon Frell Owl Award Presentation

The Cherokee Boys Club will host their Annual Board of Directors Appreciation luncheon along with the 24th Annual Frell Owl Award presentation on Wednesday, December 16 at the Holiday Inn at 11:00 a.m. Everyone is invited to attend; however, it is imperative that you call Jeannie Arkansas at 497-5645 by Friday, December 11, to let her know you are attending and how many guests you will be bringing. If you do not call,

General Announcemnents

Notice to Skateboarders

12/8

All skate boarders interested in skating in the Parade, call 497-9630; first 10 that call will receive a shirt.

Birdtown Christmas Light Contest

Anybody wanting to enter Birdtown Community Christmas Lighting Contest get in touch with Tara McCoy, 736-7695. **12/8**

Grief and Loss Support Group

A Grief and Loss Support Group will meet on Thursdays from 6-7:30pm in the Agelink Conference Room. The purpose of the group is as follows: learn what grief is and healthy ways to grieve, receive support, Cherokee cultural methods to process grief in a healthy manner, use methods to help understand how families and communities help each other, create a vision of hope and acceptance, and use talking circles as one of the ways to help people and families grieve. For more info, contact Christy Newell (828) 497-6892. you are not guaranteed seating. This is done to ensure there is enough food and table space available.

Job Opportunity

The Boys Club C&F Department is advertising for a Masonry/Carpenter Helper position. The closing date for this advertisement is Friday, December 11. Please see the Employment Section of the One Feather for further details.

<u>Thank You</u>

Thanks to the Executive Office of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Tribal Council for hosting a Thanksgiving Dinner for the Cherokee Children's Home. The dinner was attended by over 50 people including children and staff of the Children's Home.

Christmas Store

The Family Support Services office will be hosting the Christmas Store again this year. The Santa Braves, a group comprised of Cherokee's High School football players and coaching staff, will be assisting in collecting toys and monetary donations to help support this worthy cause. If your organization is interested in helping, please contact Family Support at 497-6092 or contact Skooter McCoy or a member of the coaching staff.

Holiday Hours for Drug & Alcohol Management

Professionals

Attention Tribal Personnel, Staff, and Employees, the Holiday Hours for Drug & Alcohol Management Professionals, LLC will be as follows:

• Christmas - will be closed the entire week, Dec. 21 -25 and will reopen on Monday, Dec. 28.

• New Years Day – will be closed the entire day of Jan. 1, 2010.

Note: if you need immediate drug testing assistance during this time please call Rebecca Hazelwood (336)629-8378 for coordination of services.

Old Fashioned Christmas

The Old Mill 1886 join us for Luminaries Friday and Saturday Dec 11-12, open until 7:30pm lots of unique gift items and all of your country store favorites, 3082 US 441 - 1 mile south of Cherokee, 828-497-6536. 12/8

Regular Community Meetings

American Legion Post 143 meets the third Monday of each month at 1900 hours at the Post Hall.

Smoky Mountain Cherokee Chamber of Commerce - meets on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 1185 Tsali Road at the log cabin next to the Newfound Lodge. Info: 497-6700.

Cherokee Kiwanis Club - meet every Wednesday at 11:30am at the Prime Sirloin Steakhouse.

Cherokee Lions Club - meets every first and third Thursday of the month at 6pm in the Fellowship Hall at the Cherokee United Methodist Church.

Cherokee Rotary Club - meets each Tuesday at 12pm at Myrtle's Table at Best Western.

Cherokee School Board - meets the first and third Monday of each month at 4:30pm in the Administration Conference Room located at the Cherokee Central School Administration Building. Meetings are open to the public.

Cherokee Cancer Support Group - meets the first Thursday of each month at 6:30pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room. All are welcome and potluck is shared after each meeting. Info: Flora 554-6244, Betty 497-6604, Debbie 497-9414

Birdtown Community Club

- meets the second Tuesday of the month at 6pm.

Painttown Community Club - meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm.

Towstring Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 7pm.

Wolfetown Community Club - meets the second Monday of each month at 7pm.

Yellowhill Community Club - meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm.

<u>Recovery and 12 Step</u> <u>Meetings in Cherokee</u>

Sunday - 6:30 pm Morman Church on 441 12 step faith based meeting Monday - 10:00am Lutheran Church Women's Medicine Wheel 12 Step

Tuesday - 6-8pm Lutheran Church Men's Medicine Wheel 12 Step

Wednesday - 5-7pm Lutheran

Church Women's Medicine



PAGEANTS, from front page

they wouldn't have gotten the funding, it would have been a burden on the girls."

Grant said that \$10,000 of the budget will go towards the 2010 Pageants for things such as crowns, sashes, trophies and a banquet for the contestants. Along with Grant, the rest of the new board consists of: Candy Martin, vicechairperson; Lisa Fowler, treasurer; Ashleigh Brown, public relations and secretary; Heather Younce; and Linda West.

According to Grant, each of the three girls will receive traveling money for trips such as Seminole Fair, Choctaw Fair, and the Cherokee Holidays in Oklahoma. She related that Teen Miss Cherokee Kele Crisp is being scheduled to attend the next USET conference in Washington, DC.

"We're very appreciative," Crisp told Council on Thursday. She said it means a lot to have the support of the Tribe in her travels.

Fowler said the pageants this year were an awesome experience and thanked Council for their support. "These little girls represent, and we're just asking for the chance for them to get out there and make you proud."

In recent weeks, the girls have participated in several parades and Crisp has traveled to New Echota, Ga. and several pow wows including the Poarch Creek pow wow over Thanksgiving weekend in Atmore, Ala.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

ABOVE: Little Miss Cherokee Emma Stamper (left) and Junior Miss Cherokee Danica Sequoyah ride in the Gatlinburg, Tenn. parade on Friday, Dec. 4. **BELOW:** Teen Miss Cherokee Kele Crisp rides in the Gatlinburg parade.



"We're hoping that a lot of other girls will become interested in the pageants," said Grant who praised the pageant coordinators and former Miss Cherokees them-

selves Amanda Wolfe and Kara Martin. "I think they did a really good job with the pageants, and with some funding, they should be able to do an even better job." Wheel 12 Step **Thursday** - 6:00pm Agelink Conference Room ----Grief and Loss Group **Friday** -7:00 pm Hospital Conference Room- (NA) **Saturday** - 10:00 am Cherokee

Saturday - 10:00 am Cherokee Hospital Conference Room (AA)

*****Men's Medicine Wheel** (Native American 12 Step Program is open for enrollment) New group

starts in January For enrollment- call Dave 586-2924

12 Step Program – Celebrate Recovery, a faith-based 12-step program, meets every Thursday at 5pm at Cherokee Methodist Church. Come and learn dynamic ways to deal with substance and behavioral additions (angers, depressions, etc.). Info: Barb 497-6121 or 497-2948 (leave message).

MedicineWheelRecovery/WellnessGroup forWomen - Wednesdays5 p.m.Living WatersChurch on LocustBranch off of GooseCreek, con-tactJan Lambert, 497-6976, janil-amb@nc-cherokee.com

Food Addicts - Are you having trouble controlling the way you eat? Food Addicts in Recovery Anonymous (FA) is a free Twelve Step recovery program for anyone suffering from food obsession, overeating, under-eating and bulimia. Please call 828-226-8324. For more information. Visit the website at www.foodaddicts.org.

Grief Group - Meets every Thursday, 6-8:00pm at AgeLink. The group's goal goal is to help individuals break through their grief into healing by building each week on education and support. The Group is open to all community members. Call Christy Newell at 497-6892 for more information and prior to attending first meeting as space is limited.

Extension Office to hold Open House



DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather photos Entrance to the Cherokee Cooperative Extension Office

One Feather staff report

The Cherokee Cooperative Extension Office invites everyone to their open house on Wednesday, Dec. 16 from 11am - 4pm. The office is located at 876 Acquoni Road (former Women's Wellness Building).

*check out the new office space

*learn what your extension staff do

*qualify for fabulous door prizes

*enjoy food, beverage, and good company

*please enter using the door that faces the glw complex

Staff of the Extension Office: Kathy Dugan, Director

Sarah McClellan Welch, Agriculture/Horticulture Agent Heather James, FCS/4H Agent

Cherokee & Area Events

Big Cove Community Meeting

Will be held on Tuesday, Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. at Big Cove Rec Center.

Birdtown Community Meetings

Bidtown meetings have changed to second Tuesday of the month. The next meeting is Tuesday, Dec. 8.



Test area for insects, soil and more

Tammara Cole, Area Specialized Agent – Small Farms Kevin Welch, Center for Cherokee Plants Coordinator Hwineko Walkingstick, Community Coordinator Karina Bottchenbaugh, Cherokee Youth Council Manager Keith Sneed, Financial Skills Coordinator - QFF

Beth Johnson, RTCAR David Cozzo, RTCAR Trish Calhoun, Cannery/4H Assistant Valorie Welch, Administrative Assistant

> **Main Phone Number** 828-554-6931

ing a three day revival, beginning Dec. 13-16. Evangelist G.T. Shell from Tulsa, Ok, will be the guest speaker. Services will begin at 10 a.m. on Sunday morning and 7p.m. Sunday night. Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday night the services will begin at 7 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

For more information call 828-488-3098.



Happy Birthday In Heaven Earl L. Wallace November 30. 1952 October 23, 2009

As I sit here with my coffee I can't help but smile and think ...

What a wonderful Birthday you must be having today! I can imagine the sheer joy and happiness on Mom's

face When she met vou at the Pearly Gates.

Her son, home at last. There was a time when we would talk for hours,

There was a time when we knew each others secrets, hopes, dreams and troubles. *(By the way, your secrets)* will always be safe with me) This time, your birthday in *Heaven, is filled with lots* of love.

We'll cherish our memories forever...

For you see, whether you knew it or not, you were dearly loved and will be forever missed. Happy Birthday! Dear brother.

> Love your sisters, Chris Toineeta and Bessie Wallace

In Memory of

Charlie Ensley December 1984

Obituaries

Jeremy Dean Kalonaheskie

Mr. Jeremy Dean Kalonaheskie, 32, of Cherokee, NC died unexpectedly on Saturday, November 28, 2009 at the decedent's residence in Cherokee, NC.

Born Monday, May 30, 1977 in Cherokee, NC, he is the son of the Charles Kalonaheskie and Emaline Bird Kalonaheskie. Surviving are 2 sons, Jeremy Dean Kalonaheskie, Jr. of Cherokee and Sherman Charles Kalonaheskie of Cherokee, a daughter Angel Lynn Faith Kalonaheskie of Cherokee, 2 brothers, Jesse Maurice Kalonaheskie of Cherokee and Dwayne Wolfe of Cherokee, a sister Amy Darlene Kalonaheskie of Cherokee, NC.

A public visitation was held from 5 p.m. Tuesday, December 1 till the funeral service at 1 p.m. on Wednesday at the Pentecostal Holiness church located at Hwy 19 North of Cherokee, NC with Donald Ensley and Betty Drake officiating with interment in the Long Branch Cemetery on Long Branch Cherokee, NC.

Long House Funeral Home, Inc. Cherokee, NC was in charge of arrangements.

In Loving Memory Of My husband **Dobie Sampson**

July 23, 1959 - August 13, 2009

On the days before you left me I would tell you I love you every chance I got I would often wonder how I could live on without you. My lover, companion and friend You were my everything. Then the day you left me I wanted to

scream and beg you to stay



But I knew you were tired and your work on earth was through An I knew I had to be strong for you Like I had been so many times before. You never said I'm leaving, You never said good-

bye You were gone before I knew it And god knew why. A golden heart stopped beating A beautiful smile at rest God

broke our hearts to prove That he only takes his best. In life I loved you dearly Now you're gone I love you still

In my heart you hold a place That no one can ever fill. It broke my heart to lose you

But you didn't go alone For a part of me went with you The day God took you home.

My days are filled with loneliness My nights are sleepless and long If love alone could have saved you You would still be here at home. As I go into the holiday season it won't be the same without you I'll do my best to carry on the way you want me too

I'll hold on tight to our memories of the 12 years I was blessed with You were rough around the edges, But you were still my diamond n the rough. Today I'll take comfort in knowing: If the Army and Navy Ever look upon Heaven's scenes They will

find the streets are guarded By the United States Marines Now Sgt. John Earl Sampson had taken his post. He is guarding Heaven scenes so proudly like he always said he would.

I'll wait for my time to come To join my husband's side for eternity Then we'll stroll throughout Heaven's grand Hand in hand never to be apart again.

A Very Thirsty Christmas

Among The Thirsty live in Concert at Christ Fellowship Church of Cherokee on Wednesday, Dec. 9 at 7 p.m. Free Admission – Offering Taken. For more information call 828-736-8912, www.myspace.com/amongthethirsty

<u>Christmas Baza</u>ar

Dec. 9-10 starting at 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Fair Grounds Building, Food, Gifts, school children will attend. More information call Jan 497-2037.

Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) Meeting

There will be an Annual Yearly Progress (AYP) meeting to discuss the Cherokee High School's status, due to test scores, on Dec. 10 at 6:30 pm in the Fine Arts Center which is located in the Cherokee Middle School.

The Cherokee Coalition on Healing and Wellness

Thursday, Dec. 10 at 4:30 in the Conference Room at Analenisgi. Visitors are always welcome at the meetings. Questions/Inquiries may be directed to criswolfy@aol.com. Subject: Coalition.

Cherokee Christmas Parade

Saturday, Dec. 12 at 5pm. The theme is "All I Want for Christmas", and the deadline to enter is Thursday, Dec. 10. For more information, call Cherokee Welcome Center 497-1056 or email travel@nc-cherokee.com. Pick up entry forms at the Cherokee Welcome Center between 8am-5pm Monday-Sunday.

Cherokee Basketry Book Signing

Anna Farielo, author of Cherokee Basketry: From the Hands of Our Elders, will be signing her books at the Qualla Co-Op on Saturday, Dec. 12 from 1-3pm.

Cherokee Christmas Bazaar

Saturday, Dec. 12 from 9am – 4pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Hand made food & crafts. Come join in on the Christmas joy. All vendors invited. For more info 828-497-1056 Fax: 828-497-2505 or email to travel@nccherokee.com

Three Day Revival

Evangelistic Tabernacle located at 5701 Grassy Branch Road, Bryson City, NC will be conduct-

Jackson County Board of **Social Services Meeting**

The Board regularly meets on the second Tuesday of each month at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Social Services located at 15 Griffin Street in Sylva. State law requires that the schedule of meetings be made public and that any deviation from this schedule be made public as well. The Board of Social Services has scheduled its next meeting for Thursday, Dec. 17 at 9:30 a.m. at the Department of Social Services in Sylva.

Yellowhill Community Club Meeting

Yellowhill Community Club met, Tuesday, Dec. 1; there will be a Christmas Dinner for Yellowhill, Dec. 17 at 6pm, everyone who attends is asked to bring a can of food for the Food Pantry, and a dessert, dinner will be provided by Yellowhill Community Club. January 5th's meeting will host Mickey Duvall and Lisa Wolfe from Planning & Development. Anyone wanting to help on the Yellowhill Christmas Float will meet at Patty Buchanans House beginning

Yellowhill Christmas Light Contest

Enter your house in the Yellowhill Community Christmas Light Contest call: Dave Wolfe (736-4375) or Mary Wachacha (292-1175) Judging will occur Dec. 16 and winners will be awarded at the Dec. 17 Christmas Dinner

Old Fashioned Christmas Community Dinner

The Cherokee Speakers Breakfast Club is hosting an Old Fashioned Christmas Community Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 19 at 2pm at the Cheorkee Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. Come and enjoy Fried pig, cabbage, beans, bread and potatoes.

Winter ~ Indianpreneurship

Business Development & Sequoyah Fund will begin the Winter Session of Indianpreneurship Feb 1, 2010 - March 29, 2010. Indianpreneurship is a 9-week course of different classes that will cover everything a person needs to know to start & operate a successful small business. The classes will be every Monday fron 6 - 9pm. Registration is required. For more information or to sign up for the session call: Kimberly Winchester 828-497-1666 or kimbwinc@nc-cherokee.com

Love Punni

Missing you terribly and loving you forever Your wife, Teresa Sampson

Insurance and Bonding Education Class

Submitted by

Turner Construction Co.

Turner Construction Company in coordination with T.E.R.O., would like to welcome you to attend a FREE Insurance and Bonding Education Class at the Holiday Inn in Cherokee on Tuesday, Dec. 15 from 10:30am to 1pm.

and enjoy lunch and gain a better understanding of Corporate Insurance and learn ways to secure bonding capability. Meet folks from Turner who will be there to present helpful information and answer any questions you may have on Insurance and Bonding.

We invite you to come anyone in the contracting or subcontracting business and those interested in this business. To register for the class, you must contact Faye Cedillo at the Tribal Employment Rights Office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, by phone (828-497-1989) or by email (fayecedi@nc-chero-

The class is open to kee.com).

New Year's Competition Pow-Wow in AZ

2010. This event is held on New Year's Weekend each year. Rillito Raceway Park (inside Racetrack) River Road & 1st Ave, Tucson, Az. Dancers from over 50 tribes, authentic handmade crafts, children's activity area, traditional Indian foods, dancing, singing and drum contests, Indian information booth with brochures, flyers, maps, and powwow

Dec. 31 to Jan 3, schedules for the next year. kei-White, Anadarko, Ok, area; Public invited. International Day is Thursday 12 p.m. -10 p.m. Midnight Friendship Round Dance Dec. 31 *Free. Waila – Chicken Scratch Dance Competition, exhibidancers/exhibitors, tions Pasqua Yaqui Deer Dancers, Nahui Ollin Azrtec Dancers, Children's Activity Center, Authentic Tee Pee Village, Master Pow Wow Committee of Ceremony: Sammy Tone-

Director: Toby Jose, Head Southern Drum: Comanche Moon, Apache, OK, Head Northern Drum: Saste Taokho, SD, Head staff: to be chosen each session. Admission: \$9 children 8 and under Military w/ID and Indians w/Regalia are FREE.

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Tribal Members perform at Swain County Center for the Arts

Cherokee Culture highlighted during Assemblies

By Eugenia L. Johnson

Swain County Schools celebrated Native American heritage on November 23 and 24 by having school assemblies at Swain County Center for the Arts for all four schools. The assemblies featured the Cherokee language in story and song performed by Paula Nelson of CHANT (Cherokee Hope and New Traditions).

Six children from the Kiduwa Academy also performed Cherokee songs and dances in the two Swain County High School assemblies.

Reading in both Cherokee and English, Myrtle Driver presented "Where the Wild Things Are," which she translated into the Cherokee language. The Indian Education Tutors, Misty Sneed at SCHS, Angela Gunter at SCMS, and Faye Moon at the elementary schools coordinated the assemblies.

Paula Nelson lives in the Big Cove community in Cherokee and is the founder of CHANT. Dressed in traditional Cherokee garments, she sang in ten different Native American languages and told stories about the origins of the songs. She described for the students how she writes a song by using all five senses to convey emotions with both syllable sounds and words. In the middle school and

the grades 3-5 assemblies Ms Nelson taught the students songs that included Cherokee words for numbers and seasons. In all five assemblies she had a teacher sing the Cherokee words with her in the chorus of an Indian love song that was sung to the tune of "Turkey in the Straw." All four assemblies gave the students and the teachers in the audiences the opportunity to learn and experience the Cherokee language through greetings and songs.

These assemblies celebrating Native American culture received support from the North Carolina Arts Council, a division of the Department of Cultural Resources.

Swain County Center for the Arts is located at Swain County High School, 1415 Fontana Road, Bryson City, NC 28713. For more information call Eugenia Johnson at 828-488-7843. Go to www.swain.k12.nc.us/cfta to view the current calendar of events or to get directions.

Eugenia is the Director of Swain County Center for the Arts. Photo courtesy of Eugenia L. Johnson Paula Nelson performs during a recent Swain County High School as-

Miss Cherokee in Franklin Parade



Photo courtesy of EBCI Pageant Board Miss Cherokee 2009 Rachel Hicks rides in the Franklin Christmas Parade on Sunday, Nov. 29.

Speakers Breakfast Club meets

By Dawn Arneach One Feather staff

The Cherokee Speakers Breakfast Club met at Peter's Pancake house on Friday, Dec. 4. They greeted each other and talked about what they have been into since last seeing each other, laughing and sharing tales, all in the Cherokee language.

Finishing up their breakfast, the Speakers began discussing the upcoming Christmas Dinner on Saturday, Dec. 19 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds at 2pm. They will be serving: Fried pig, cabbage, beans, bread and potatoes.

Dr Hartwell Francis gave the speakers gifts he brought back from Mexico. He began taping the speakers, discussing items associated with corn, Selu. Words the group worked on during the breakfast included: hominy, corn soup, gritted bread, popcorn, corn and beans, creamed corn, corn pudding, stalk, leaves, silk, husk and corn worm.

They plan to meet again on Friday, Dec. 18 at Selu at Harrah's Casino and Hotel at 7am. Note: Teenage boys are invited to help with the pig down at Kituwah. Show up by 8am on Dec. 19 to help prepare the pig for the Christmas Dinner.

CORRECTION: In my article published on Tuesday, Nov. 24 about the Cherokee Speakers Breakfast, I stated that the group had help from Western Carolina Professor Tom Hatley. It should have read Dr. Hartwell Francis. The *One Feather* regrets the error.

Cherokee Trolley up and running

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By Dawn Arneach One Feather staff

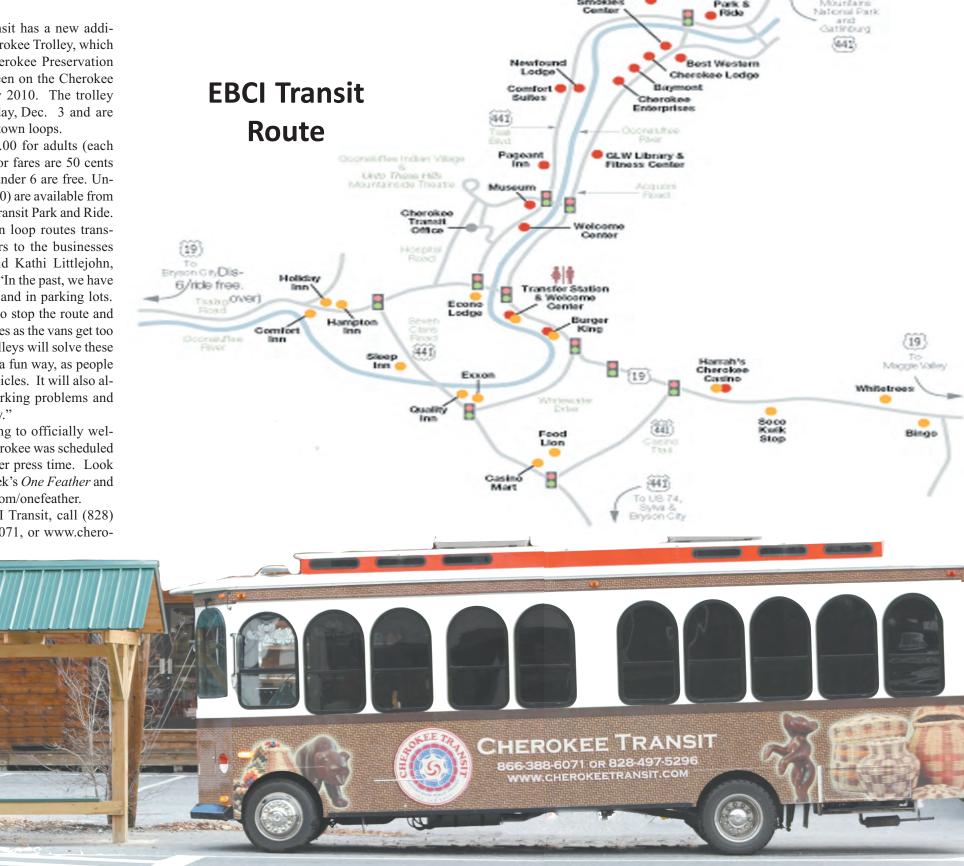
Cherokee Transit has a new addition, a Trolley. The Cherokee Trolley, which was funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, will be seen on the Cherokee bus route starting May 2010. The trolley started running Thursday, Dec. 3 and are only for Cherokee and town loops.

The fare is \$1.00 for adults (each time you board). Senior fares are 50 cents per ride, and children under 6 are free. Unlimited day passes (\$2.00) are available from the driver or from the Transit Park and Ride.

"Transit's town loop routes transports 28,000 passengers to the businesses around Cherokee," said Kathi Littlejohn, EBCI transit manager. "In the past, we have picked up at the doors and in parking lots. At times we have had to stop the route and transfer to bigger vehicles as the vans get too crowded. Using the trolleys will solve these problems safely and in a fun way, as people enjoy riding unique vehicles. It will also alleviate some of our parking problems and help improve air quality."

A ribbon cutting to officially welcome the Trolley to Cherokee was scheduled for Monday, Dec. 7 after press time. Look for coverage in next week's *One Feather* and online at nc-cherokee.com/onefeather.

To reach EBCI Transit, call (828) 497-5296, (866) 388-6071, or www.chero-keetransit.com.



The new Cherokee Trolley is hitting the streets in limited runs. It will begin full routes in May 2010.

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36 inducted into Junior Beta Club

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009

Largest induction Class in CMS History

By Bette Fitzgerald CMS Beta Sponsor

Thirty-six talented young men and women pledged to become Beta Club members on Friday, Nov. 18 in the Cultural Arts Center of Cherokee Central Schools the largest group of 8th grade Beta Club inductees ever for Cherokee Middle School. They vowed to maintain their good behavior and honor roll status, while being positive role models for their peers. The ceremony opened with praises from Principal David Locklear and Director of Education, Joyce Dugan for the students' many accomplishments and strong support from their family, the community, and teachers.

The following were inducted - Officers: President Tagan Crowe, Vice President Hunter Lambert, Secretary Stevi Sutton, Treasurer Darius Thompson, Members: Justin Buchanan, Russell Bigmeat,

Kayla Bradley, BrayDe Brady, Vanessa Caldwell, EJ Carroll, Anna Cline, Fernando Garcia, Courtney George, Brent Gunter, Watson Harlan, Taylor Johnson, Jessica Lambert, Chicoah Ledford, Jalon Lossiah, Ashley Mahan, Larissa Martinez, Avery Mintz, Corey Owle, Joi Owle, Monique Paul, Chebon Postoak, Curtis Price, Silas Reed-Littlejohn, Jeremy Saunooke, Priscilla Squirrell, Levi Swearengin, Taran Swimmer, Damon Taylor, Dylan Thompson, Jaylen Welch, and Wade Wolfe.

The Beta Club members now begin preparation for the NC State Convention in Greensboro on February 7-9. Students will compete in the following categories: ART (wreath, photography, sketching, pastels, watercolors, painting, sculpture, needlepoint, cross-stitch, knitting, woodworking, jewelry, scrapbook, poster design), Club Banner, Tshirt design, ACADEMICS (poetry, spelling, speech, quiz bowl, math, science, social studies, living literature, power point presentation), and TAL-ENT.

Any students receiving a ribbon or trophy will qualify to compete at the Na-

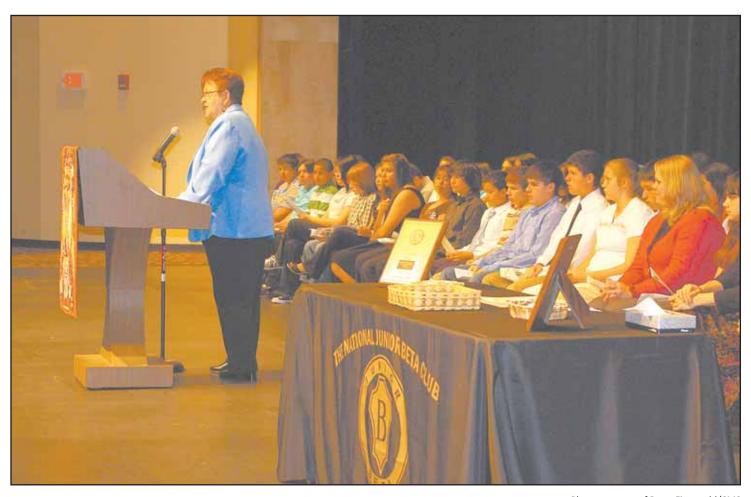


Photo courtesy of Bette Fitzgerald/CMS Joyce Dugan, Cherokee Central Schools director of education, speaks during the Junior Beta Club induction on Friday, Nov. 18.

tional Beta Club Convention in Louisville, Ken. Last year, Devyn Smith placed 1st in the state Geography Test and 1st in Oil Pastel. Along with his family, he attended the Na-

tional Convention and placed 3rd in the nation for his artwork. In 2008, Meshay Long and Felicia Owle won ribbons at the State Convention and at the National Convention in Or-

lando, Long took 1st place for 2nd for her Oil Painting.

send a special thanks to Beta vention.

families, Susan Lanier and her sketching and Owle took Liddel Shannon of Gear Up, and Reba Elders of Cherokee CMS Beta Club offi- High School for encouraging cials related they would like to students to prepare for the con-

SPORTS BRIEFS

Yellowhill Open - Judo Competition

Yellowhill Judo Club will be hosting an Open Tournament Jan. 16, 2010 at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Registration and weigh-in is from 8-10:30am and the competition begins at 11am. The Head Referee is Dana Rucker. To enter, one must be a member of USJA, USJF or USJI. The Tournament Director is William Lambert 828-497-6795 or 828-788-3895. Awards will be given for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in each division, team awards for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd in Junior and Senior Division. There is no charge to watch the tournament. Yellowhill Judo club will have a exhibition match between two - five year olds.

Tsa La Gi Flames finish season with 11-1 Record

By Michelle Ledford

<u>Archery Club</u>

The Archery Club of Cherokee will hold its first regular meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 13, 2010 from 5-6pm at Tribal Grounds Coffee House in the meeting room. Anyone interested in archery in any capacity is encouraged to attend. If you are interested in joining but can not attend this meeting, please consider future meetings held the second Wednesday of each month - same place, same time.

Cherokee Life Center **1st Triathlon Team Competition**

The Cherokee Life Center & Healthy Cherokee are proud to announce the 1st Triathlon Team competition to be held on Jan. 23, 2010. Serious athletes train at the Cherokee Life Center everyday, so here's a contest for you and your fellow athletes.

All individuals must show proof of age and teams must register by Jan. 15, 2010. Waiver forms & Registration forms must be signed before you are allowed to compete. The Cherokee Life Center will open doors at 8:00 a.m. Teams are encouraged to check in early and be ready to start their competition at their designated time. Please check with your physician or provider for medical clearance with any physical activity. All Triathletes should have the ability to complete the competition in 90 minutes. Proper athletic attire must be worn at all times. Restrooms & Showers will be available to participants and spectators. This is a free event so start getting in shape.

Two Womens: Each team will have 3 Women ages 18 & out of school - 44 years old and another age group of 45 - 71 to compete in three categories:

1) Running 3 miles (5k) on our Indoor Track

2) Cycling 8 miles on our Spin Bikes

3) Swimming 18 laps (1/2 mile) in our Indoor Pool

Two Men: Each team will have 3 Men ages 18 & out of school - 44 years old and another age group of 45 - 71 to compete in three categories:

- 1) Running 3.1 miles (5k) on our Indoor Track
- 2) Cycling 8 miles on our Spin Bikes

3) Swimming 18 laps (1/2 mile) in our indoor pool

Awards: The Winning Teams will receive great prizes and honor. Information: For Additional information please contact Jama Anders 497-1963 jamaande@nc-cherokee.com ; Ahli-sha Stephens 497-1968 ahlistep@nc-cherokee.com or Lynn Taylor 497-1969 lynntayl@nc-cherokee.com

The Tsa La Gi Flames traveled to Asheville to play Roberson for the final game of their season on Saturday, Nov. 21. Right from the beginning, it was clear Roberson was not going to make it easy for the Flames.

Taking advantage of tremendous passing and ball placement of their Flames teammates, Darius Thompson, Chayton Thompson and Russell Bigmeat were able to score in the first half. With Kenzie Garcia in goal, Storm Ledford and Wade Wolfe flawless on defense, the Flames were able to hold Roberson at 3-0 at half time.

The second half ended up being the true challenge for the Flames as Roberson came out more determined and hungry for the win. Roberson's offense managed to score two unanswered goals, making it 3-

Storm Ledford stepped up to the plate and shut down three more rushes on goal by Roberson attackers.

Photo courtesy of Michelle Ledford

The Tsalagi Flames finished their 2009 season with a record of 11-1. Shown front row, left to right: Chayton Thompson, Jeremy Parker, Dylan Thompson, Kenzie Garcia, Storm Ledford, Andrea Cedillo, Bailey Littlejohn; Back row, left to right: Russell Bigmeat, Chris Queen, Thomas Lossiah, Amy West, Darius Thompson, Wade Wolfe, Derrick Ledford.

This sparked the Flames offense and Bigmeat brought the ball down the left side of the field, drawing Roberson defenders. With precise placement, he centered the ball in

Using perfect timing, Jeremy ball into the back of the Roberson net for a 4-2 lead. Despite all efforts,

front of the Roberson goal. Roberson couldn't recover before time ran out and the Parker moved in and shot the Flames took the victory ending their season at 11-1.

Jackson County Public Library to host "Thursday Night at the Movies"

Submitted by

Jackson County Public Library

The Jackson County Public Library is hosting "Thursday Night at the Movies" on Thursday, December 17th, 7:00 p.m. The feature presentation is a film titled "Die Hard."

This 1988 film was directed by John McTiernan, written by Jeb Stuart and Steven de Souza, and stars Bruce Willis, Alan Rickman, and Reginald VelJohnson. Nothing Lasts Forever, by Roderick Thorp. This film fits within the genres of Action, Crime, Drama and Thriller.

The storyline is about John Mc-Clane (Bruce Willis), a detective with the NYPD who comes home to L.A. for Christmas to reconcile with his wife. Not long after he arrives at Nakatomi Plaza to attend her office Christmas party, a group of international terrorists take over the building. The terrorists hold the entire of-

"Die Hard" is based on a 1979 novel, fice staff, including McClane's wife, hostage in an attempt to steal \$600 million in bearer bonds. McClane takes it upon himself to get rid of the terrorists and make sure everyone has a Merry Christmas.

> "Die Hard" is rated R for violence, language, and a scene of nudity.

Please call the library, 586-2016 for more information about this movie. This event is co-sponsored by the Friends of the Jackson County Main Library.

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<u>Recipes by Keahana...</u>

Keahana Lambert-Sluder is the Administrative Program Coordinator for the EBCI Health and Medical Division.



Southwestern cornmeal muffins

Stone-ground cornmeal — dried corn that has been ground into a grain — includes the nutritious bran and hull, making it a good source of nutrients, including fiber, vitamin C and potassium. MAKES 12 MUFFINS

Ingredients

- 1 cup all-purpose (plain) flour
- 1/4 cup sugar
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 cup fat-free milk
- 4 tablespoons trans-free margarine, melted
- 1/2 cup egg substitute
- 1 1/4 cups stone-ground cornmeal
- 1 cup fresh or cream-style corn
- 1/2 green bell pepper, chopped

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 400 F. Line a muffin pan with paper or foil liners.

2. In a large bowl, add the flour, sugar and baking powder. Stir to mix evenly.

3. In a separate bowl, combine the milk, margarine, egg substitute, cornmeal, corn and green pepper. Add to the flour mixture and blend just until moistened but still slightly lumpy. 4. Spoon the batter into muffin cups, filling each cup about 2/3 full. Bake until golden brown, about 20 to 25 minutes. Let

cool for 5 minutes, then transfer the muffins to a wire rack and let cool completely.

Nutrition Facts

Serving size: 1 muffin			
Calories 161	Cholesterol trace		
Protein 4 g	Sodium 200 mg		
Carbohydrate 27 g	Fiber 3 g		
Total fat 4 g	Potassium 96 mg		
Saturated fat 1 g	Calcium	38 mg	
Monounsaturated fat 1 g			

Caramelized pear bread pudding

Raisins are often the fruit of choice in bread puddings, but in this classy version caramelized fresh pears are used both in and on top of the pudding. Serve it for dessert or feature it at breakfast or brunch. Serves 8

Ingredients

- 12 ounces sturdy multigrain bread, cut into 1-inch cubes
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 2 tablespoons canola oil
- 3 large, firm yet ripe pears, peeled, halved, cored and thinly sliced
- 2 pinches of allspice
- 2 3/4 cups 1 percent low-fat milk
- 2 eggs, lightly beaten
- 3 tablespoons turbinado sugar or firmly packed light brown
- sugar 2 tablespoons dark honey

Tsali Care has successful Thanksgiving



Photos courtesy of Janice Barker

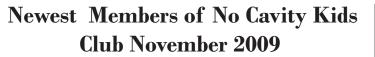
ABOVE: The "Tangled Feet Stompers", a clogging group from Bryson City, performed for the residents of Tsali Care during the Center's monthly birthday party. BELOW RIGHT: Joseph and Laralyn RiverWind, better known as "The Blessed Blend", played harp & flute for Tsali Care Center Thanksgiving Dinner

By Janice Barker Tsali Care Center

Thanksgiving was a joyful time at Tsali Care Center, with families joining the residents and staff for lunch. Thanks to the wonderful Dietary staff as well as all staff who helped seat and serve the residents and their guests. Beautiful harp and flute music was provided by "The Blessed Blend" of Murphy.

A new clogging team has come upon the local scene, and they are really talented! The "Tangled Feet Stompers", from Bryson City performed for the residents at their monthly birthday party. Thanks to all the dancers who took time away from their busy schedules to dance at Tsali Care Center.

The next few weeks will be very hectic, with getting ready for Christmas. Once again, the residents of Tsali Care Center have chosen a project to participate in that will let them help others in the community. They will be filling Christmas stockings for needy children in the area. L'weeze Kalonaheskie was kind enough to sew the stockings for the residents, and they will be filling them with small toys and treats. Anyone who would like to provide some items for the stockings, please call Janice at the facility at 497-5048. Items needed are small toys or games, school supplies, candy, or gum.



Erich Strohecker, Mathew Strohecker, Elizabeth Strohecker, Chloe Lambert, Xander Wachacha, Skyler Owle, Brian Owle, Noriah George, Madison York, Lucas Sutton, Liberty Sutton, Lucianna Martin-Garcia, Nessa Maney, Jaiden Welch, Kaelin Jones, Cameron Sampson-Lane, Savannah Owle, Sean West, Richard Welch, Serbando Welch





2 teaspoons vanilla extract

1 teaspoon ground cinnamon

1/8 teaspoon ground cloves

Directions

1. Preheat the oven to 350 F. Lightly coat a 9-inch square baking dish with cooking spray.

2. Arrange the bread cubes in a single layer on a baking sheet. Bake until lightly toasted, about 5 minutes. Set aside.

3. In a large, nonstick frying pan, melt 1 1/2 teaspoons of the butter over medium heat until frothy. Stir in 1 tablespoon of the canola oil. Add half of the pear slices to the pan and saute until evenly browned, about 10 minutes. Sprinkle a generous pinch of allspice onto the pears, then transfer them to a plate. Repeat with the remaining butter, oil, pears and allspice.

4. Arrange half of the toasted bread cubes evenly in the bottom of the prepared baking dish. Top with half of the sauteed pears and then the remaining bread cubes.

5. In a large bowl, combine the milk, eggs, 2 tablespoons of the sugar, the honey, vanilla, cinnamon and cloves. Whisk until well blended. Pour the milk mixture over the bread and cover with plastic wrap. Let stand for 20 to 30 minutes, pressing down gently every so often until the bread absorbs the milk mixture. Remove the plastic wrap and arrange the remaining pears on top. Sprinkle with the remaining 1 tablespoon sugar.

6. Bake until a knife inserted into the center of the pudding comes out clean, 45 to 55 minutes. Let cool for 10 minutes before serving.

Nutrition Facts

Calories	255	
Protein 7 g		
Carbohydrate 4	43 g	
Total fat	8 g	
Saturated fat 2	g	

Monounsaturated fat 3 g Cholesterol 60 mg Sodium 175 mg Fiber 8 g

Is Your Chocolate Ready?

Submitted by Marianna Black Library

Friends of the Marianna Black Library will be hosting the 3rd Annual Chocolate Cook-Off on Saturday, February 20, 2010 and are looking for the best cooks in all of WNC to compete! This year enter to win cash prizes and the pride of knowing you make the best chocolate.

Applications are available online, at the Marianna Black Library: 33 Fryemont Road in Bryson City; or you may call Elise Delfield at 828.488.0580 for more information. Application deadline is February 12, 2010.

SCHOOL BRIEFS

Art Contest for Native American Students

Entries are now being accepted for the 2010 Native American Student Artist Competition (SAC) through the U.S. Dept. of Education Office of Indian Education. Artwork and essays must be postmarked by Friday, Jan. 29, 2010, and all students must register their artwork before submitting it to the contest.

To register their artwork, students may do so online at http://kids.indianeducation.org or call toll-free 1-866-259-0060.

Questions? Rayanne Ganuelas 1-866-259-0060 or sac@indianeducation.org.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Scholarship

Cherokee Indian Hospital employees are proud to announce the first Cherokee Indian Hospital Scholarship available to enrolled members in a postsecondary/college who plan to continue or further their education in the health care field. First priority will be given to former Health Occupations students and students demonstrating proficiency in a health related field.

The applicant must select and make arrangements for a mentor from Cherokee Indian Hospital. Applicants are required to check in at least once a week for the period of the scholarship.

To be eligible, students must be enrolled in a minimum of 6 college credit hours in post secondary school. Two, \$500 scholarships will be awarded in January of 2010.

For more information or an application, email: jody.adams@cherokeehospital.org.

Deadline for applications is Friday, Dec. 18.

NOTE: The funding for this scholarship was made possible through donations, silent auctions, drawings, and other activities from employees of Cherokee Indian Hospital. No healthcare funds were used.

Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Scholarship

The Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund will be accepting scholarship applications postmarked through Jan. 14, 2010.

The Fund was created under the will of Percy B. Ferebee for educational, charitable and benevolent purposes. Mr. Ferebee, a native for Elizabeth City, North Carolina, moved to Western North Carolina in 1913 after his graduation from North Carolina State College to work for the US Forest Service. He settled in Andrews and devoted a great deal of time and energy toward the economic needs of Andrews and Cherokee County. His desire

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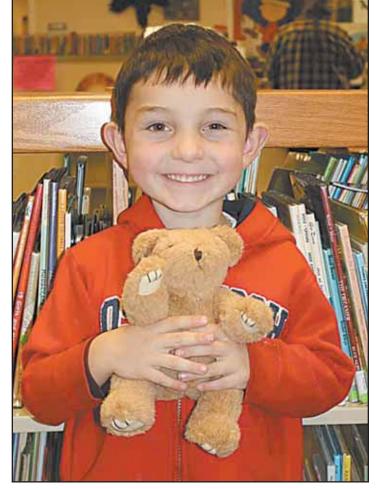


Photo courtesy of Qualla Library

Carl McCoy read 71 books last month.

New Movies

Street Fighter The Legend of Chun-Li Paul Blart: Mall Cop The Uninvited Happily Never After 2 Legally Blondes Valkyrie Taken

New BOOKS at the Library:

o Breathless – Dean Koontz o Bride Bargain – Kelly Eileen Hake o Just to see you smile - Sally John o Kiss of Shadows - Laurell K. Hamilton o Lord of the Far Island - Victoria Holt o Why my 3rd Husband will be a dog – Lisa Scottoline

Monday is movie Day at library starting at 3pm stop by and see what's showing. Tuesday is Story time from 10am -11am Wednesday is craft time at 1pm - 2pmGenealogy NightThursday from 5pm-7pm **Library Hours** Monday, Tuesday and Thrus-

day 7:45 am - 7pm. Wednesdays till 5 and Friday's from 7:45 – 4:30pm.

GET CAUGHT READING Hi-go-li-ye-s-gv Gv-wa-dv-na

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Cherokee Speaker's Gathering word list

Provided by Renissa Walker, KPEP Manager

All over - nigvnatv Elk – awa (w) Nomad – edolidohi Vegetable - awisanv agisdi Garlic - wasdi iyusdi / svgi iyusdi Energy – gvnigadasada (bc, sb, wt) / gvnigalisdi (c) / atlahinigohisdi (i.e. strength) Zip code – goweli tsuluhisdi disesdi Surprise - asegastanv (i.e. gift) / agiyeloisda Broccoli – atse ulasganotisdi Brussel sprouts – usdi sgewi unastvvsga Cauliflower – unega ulasganotisdi Spinach - gwagwayi ugisdi (popeye eats) / atsili iyusdi (like mustard) Salad - awisvna asuyedi (mixed veggies)/ asgodagisdi asuyedi (mixed lettuce) I stumped my toe - akinvsgwalosda/ oganasgwalosda It fell on my toe - akinasdostsa My feet are cold - dagwisdagia/ dagisdagia My fingers are cold - dayisgwalvnia / tsasgwalvnia How old are you - hvgatsaditiyvda Who are you- kagi usdi nihi Who is he? -gagi usdi asgaya?

Otter - tsiya/ tsiyu / tsiyo Little Snowbird - usdi tudiyi / tsudiyi usdigo Cornsilk - unenudo Corn Tassel - utsi tsvti / usditsada Sour krout - tsunatsosdi usgewi / tsunitsosdanv Reputation - udanatedi / atsinohedi / dutsanotlahv I am just joking sgiwehitsa Excuse me / forgive - sgiyadilogi Think about it - hvdatvli / hadatvhisa Be careful - tsanidesdi/ tsvkasvsdesdi / tsasinidesdi Federal government - niwitsini You sing one song - soquo hinogi / hinogi / ekanogidi hinogi Both of you sing some songs - stinogi dikinogidi Classroom - univvsdi Grasshopper - tolisgwa Diamond - nvya atsisdalugis It is shiny - utalugisgi/ utsisdalugi Wrist - agwatsvi/ dekatsv / agwoye Muscle - ugwedalv / digwadv Blood vein - tsugwaduna Hollow log - asvdoni svgwalosda White pine - dotsi Yellow pine - notsi

For more Words check online at <u>www.Fluent1.com</u>

KPEP hosts Immersion Classroom Training for Teachers



Last paper of the year

December 15

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> Deadline -Thursday, Dec. 10

SCHOLARSHIPS, from B2

was to make Western North Carolina a better place to live. Mr. Ferebee was a former State Senator, Mayor of Andrews for a number of years and served as President of Citizens Bank and Trust Company of Andrews for 40 years. He died December 30, 1970 at the age 79.

In his will Mr. Ferebee stated that "one of the great interests of my life has been promoting the cause of higher education in North Carolina and in assisting and encouraging worthy and talented young people to attain college, university, and graduate school educations."

Eligibility criteria:

* Applicant must be high school seniors from Cherokee, Clay, Graham, Jackson, Macon and Swain County or from the Cherokee Indian Reservation

* Applicants must demonstrate worthy and talented characteristics.

* Applicants must demonstrate financial need

* Applicants must demonstrate academic achievement * Applicants must attend an accredited four-year college or u

* Applicants must attend an accredited four-year college or university located in North Carolina.

Interested parties may find applications online at www.wachoviascholars.com or may request an application by calling 866-608-0001 or emailing ljenkinscsa@bellsouth.net The application deadline for the 2010-2011 academic year is a postmark no later than Jan. 14, 2010.

Community Foundation of Western North Carolina

Western North Carolina high school students interested in applying for college scholarships through The Community Foundation of Western North Carolina should act quickly as deadlines are fast approaching. The Foundation will administer approximately 40 scholarship programs in 2010, ranging from one-time \$500 awards to renewable scholarships worth up to \$48,000 over four years.

For the first time this year, scholarship details, applications and materials are available for download on the Foundation's website. Those wishing to apply for any of the scholarship programs can review the scholarship opportunities on-line or contact their school's guidance office for assistance. Students must complete and return materials to their guidance counselors, unless otherwise indicated, by the specified deadlines, most of which fall in early to mid-January.

While many scholarships are open to students from the whole region, others are specific to students from certain counties. For further information, area high school seniors are urged to visit www.cfwnc.org.

Since 1978, Western North Carolinians have relied on The Community Foundation to help them turn their charitable passions into meaningful and effective philanthropy. In partnership with area donors, the Foundation has awarded more than \$100 million in scholarships and grants to nonprofit organizations and public institutions across our 18-county mountain region and beyond. For more information, visit www.cfwnc.org or call (828) 254-4960.

Photo courtesy of Renissa Walker, KPEP

Zalmai Zahir, standing, taught a three-day session for area teachers on full-immersion classroom learning. The session, hosted by Kituwah Preservation and Education Program (KPEP) drew teachers and representatives from Cherokee Central Schools, Graham County, Swain County, and Jackson County Schools along with other community members. Zahir teaches, studies, and researches at Lushootseed in Washington state. He has authored many books, songs, and a series of interactive CD-Roms.

Yuchi Tribe representative visits New Kituwah



Photo courtesy of Renissa Walker, KPEP

Richard Grounds, a representative from the Yuchi Tribe of Sulupa, Okla. visited the New Kituwah Academy in November. He was given a personal invitation to visit the facility by Gilliam Jackson to learn about immersion. The Yuchi tribe currently has five fluent speakers remaining with the youngest one being eighty years old. Grounds visited with each of the classrooms, enjoyed lunch with kindergarten and participated in lunch-time language classes.

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The EBCI Education & Training Program would like to say "CONGRATULATIONS"

to all of the students who graduated from colleges and universities this fall!

All graduates should contact Rachel Mathis at the education office
@ 497-7485 for information about the available graduation bonus.

Current Students: Remember to turn in your semester grades, spring schedule and student bill ASAP!

"Education's purpose is to replace an empty mind with an open one." ~ Malcolm Forbes

12/15

CHEROKEE AREA CHURCH DIRECTORY

Acquoni Baptist Church

722 Acquoni Rd - Cherokee,NC. 28719 - 828-497-7106 Pastor Ed Kilgore-497-6521 (H) Sunday School 10 am Sunday Morning Worship: 11am Sunday Youth Meeting: 5pm Sunday Choir Practice: 6pm Sunday Evening Worship: 7pm Monday Visitation and Singing: 6pm Tuesday' Women's Bible Studies 12 noon and 7pm Wednesday Prayer Meeting: 6pm

Antioch Baptist Church

Coopers Creek Road Pastor Danny Lambert Sunday School: 10am Sunday Morning Service: 11am Sunday Night Service: 6pm Wed. Night Bible Study: 7pm Everyone is welcome!

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church

Pastor: David A. Williams 452-7827, or Psalty1@charter.net Sunday School: 10am Sunday Worship: 11am Wednesday: 7pm "Upholding the Biblical Standard"

Bethabara Baptist Church

1088 Birdtown Road - Cherokee, NC 28719 -497-7770 Pastor: Mitchell Smiley Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Wednesday Service: 7pm

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church

P.O. Box 1012 -Cherokee, NC 28719 Located: 6183 Big Cove Road Pastor: Bro. James "Bo" Parris - 497-4141 Prayer Service: 9:45 a.m. Sunday School: 10 a.m. with a Cherokee Language Class for Adults Sunday Morning Worship: 11 a.m. Prayer Service: 5:45 p.m. Sunday Evening Worship: 6 p.m. Wednesday Prayer Service: 7 p.m. Monthly Business Meeting: 1st Wed. 7 p.m.

Cherokee Baptist Church

812 Tsalagi Road - P.O. Box 395 -Cherokee, NC 497-2761, 497-3799-fax
Pastor - Percy Cunningham Sunday School: 9:45am Morning Worship: 11am Evening Worship: 6pm
Youth Classes Wednesday: 6:30pm Wednesday Worship: 6:30pm

Echota Baptist Church

127 Echota Church Road -Birdtown Pastor – Russ Bradley Church Service 10am

Rock Springs Baptist Church

129 Old Gap Road - Cherokee, NC 497-6258, cell 736-1245, Church - 497-9455 Pastor: Greg Morgan Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am, 6:30pm Wednesday Service: 6:30pm

Straight Fork Baptist Church

Pastor: Bro. Charles Ray Ball Sunday School: 10am Sunday Worship: 11am

Wilmot Baptist Church

Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Sunday Night: 6pm Wednesday Service: 7pm

Shoal Creek Baptist Church

Whittier, NC 497-7626 (home), cell 421-1104 Pastor: Stephan Jamison Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Wednesday Bible Study: 6:30pm

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Baptist Church

3755 Big Cove Road Pastor: Tim James 497-7644 Sunday School: 10:15am Sunday Service: 11:00am Sunday Evening Service: 1pm Wednesday Night Bible Study: 7pm

Wrights Creek Baptist Church

Sunday School: 9:45 a.m. Sunday Service: 11 a.m.

Yellowhill Baptist Church

P.O. Box 163 - Cherokee, NC Cell# 828-506-0123 or 828-736-4872 Pastor -Foreman Bradley Sunday School: 9:45am Worship Service: 11am Evening Service: 6pm Wednesday Night Service: 7pm

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church

82 Lambert Branch Road - Cherokee, NC 497-9755 or 497-9498 Pastor: Shawn O'Neal Saturday Service: 4pm July 5 - October 5 Sunday Service: 9am

St. Joseph Church

316 Main Street - Bryson City, NC - 488-6766 Pastor: Shawn O'Neal Saturday Service: 7pm Sunday Service: 11:15am Wednesday Family Night:6-8pm Thursday Bible Study: 6:30pm at Ramada Inn

Olivet United Methodist Church

811 Olivet Church Road - Cherokee, NC 497-5249 Rev. Jeff Ramsland Sunday School: 9 a.m. Sunday Service: 9:45 a.m.

Church Services

Will be held at the Rough Branch Gym every Sunday from 2pm to 4pm - Everyone is Welcome.

Big Cove Pentecostal

Holiness Church 7710 Big Cove Rd Pastor: Ben tapp 497-9726 Sunday School 10am Worship Service 11am Wednesday Night Service 7pm Everyeone Welcome!

<u>Cherokee Pentecostal</u> Holiness Church

Located on Soco Road - (Hwy. 19- east) Pastor: Rev. Donald Ensley Sunday School: 10am Sunday Worship Service: 11am Sunday Evening Service: 6pm Wednesday Service: 7 pm

<u>St. Francis of Assisi</u> <u>Episcopal Church of Cherokee</u>

Located 82 Old River Road - Intersection on HWY 441 &19 behind River Park Inn Frank 497-2854 Pastor: Rev. Michael Jones Holy Communion Sunday: 9:30am

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene

72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road 497-2819 Pastors: Lester & Lisa Hardesty Sunday Morning Service begins at 11am Continental breakfast served at 10:30am Sunday evening Prayer Service begins at 6pm Wednesday Bible Study begins at 7pm Food and Clothing Ministry hours at M-Th from 4-8pm

Christ Fellowship Church

Great Smokies Center - Cherokee, NC 736-8912 Pastor: Richard Sneed Wednesday Service: 7pm Sunday Service: 11am

Living Waters Church

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Ela Baptist Church

4450 Ela Road - Bryson City, NC 28713 Pastor: Rev. Larry Foster Sunday School: 10am Sunday Morning Worship Service: 11am Sunday Evening Service: 7pm Wednesday Evening Service: 7pm

Goose Creek Baptist Church

Pastor - Arthur Locust Sunday School: 10am Sunday Evening: 6pm Morning Service: 11am Evening Service: 6pm

Macedonia Baptist Church

Sunday School: 10 a.m. Morning Worship: 11 a.m. Sunday Evening: 6 p.m. Wednesday Evening Prayer Service: 7 p.m. Pastor: Danny Conseen

New Beginnings Independent

Baptist Church 1629 Painttown Rd, Cherokee 736-5917 Pastor: David Wood Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Sunday Evening Service: 6pm Tuesday Bible Study: 6pm Wednesday Service: 6 pm The cornerstone of God's will, Come join us in worship!

Piney Grove Baptist Church

Pastor: John Cucumber Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Wednesday Service: 6 pm

Rock Hill Baptist Church

Pastor: Red Woodard 736-6334 Sunday School: 10 a.m. Sunday Evening Service: 6 p.m. Thursday Service: 6 p.m. All Welcome!

Calico Church of Christ

Big Cove Community Contact: Sallie Bradley 497-6549

Cherokee Church of Christ

2350 Old Mission Road & Hwy. 19 Cherokee, NC Minister: Jim Sexton 497-3334 Sunday Bible Study: 10am Sunday Worship: 11am Sunday Evening Worship: 6pm Wednesday Bible Study: 6pm

Whittier Church of God

118 Church Street - Whittier, NC Pastor Ned C. Pressley 497-9238 Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Wed. Family Hour: 7pm

East Alarka Church of God

255 East Alarka Road Pastor - Bobby Dills Sunday School: 10am Sunday Worship: 11am & 6pm Wednesday Bible Study: 7pm

Cherokee Church of God

Hwy. 19 - Soco Road Pastor: Charles Griffin Sunday School: 10am Sunday Service: 11am Sunday Night Service: 6pm Wednesday Night Service: 7pm

Whittier United Methodist Church

Church Street - Whittier, NC 497-6245 Pastor- David Baxter Sunday School: 9:45am Sunday Service: 11am

Cherokee United Methodist Church

Hwy 19 - Wolftown Road 828-497-2948 Rev. Jeff Ramsland Sunday Worship Service: 11am Sunday Praise and Worship: 7pm 30 Locust Road - Cherokee, NC 497-3730 Sunday School: 10:15am Sunday Service: 11am Wednesday Prayer Circle: 6pm

Cherokee Bible Church

Olivet Church Road - Cherokee, NC 497-2286 Pastor: Randy Miller Sunday Service: 11am Wednesday Service: 7pm

Seventh Day Adventist Church

Located in Bryson City at Hwy. 19 West and Carson Avenue Saturday Bible Study: 10am Saturday Service: 11am Tuesday Prayer Meeting: 7:30pm

St. Augustines Anglican Church

Watkins Cemetery Church Rd., Bryson City, NC Fr. Rusty Marts - 828-506-3957 www.ouranglicanchurch.com Sunday School : 10am Sunday Holy Eucharist: 11am Wednesday Holy Eucharist: 7pm

<u>The Church of Jesus Christ of</u> <u>Latter Day Saints</u>

Hwy. 441S - Cherokee, NC 497-7651 Sacrament Service: 10am Wednesday Meetings: 6:30pm

Cherokee Wesleyan Church

Hwy 19N (across from Happy Holiday Campground) -Cherokee, NC Pastor: Rev. Patricia Crockett 586-5453 Sunday school: 10am Sunday Worship: 11am Sun eve. service add Kids club: 6pm Wed. Prayer meeting: 6pm (except third Wed of month - Tsali Care at 6:30pm)

Baha'i Faith

The Homestead at Sawbuck Farm Whittier, NC Wednesday Service: 7 p.m.



Be Wary of Holiday Crime!



Submitted by <u>Cherokee Indian Police Department</u>

It's that time of year again—when glowing candles, sparkling snowflakes, jingling bells, and singing snowmen take center stage, relegating scary Halloween goblins and ghost costumes to the clearance shelves. But for many, the holiday season is the busiest and most stressful time of the year, as they host holiday festivities and search for that perfect gift.

Thieves like to take advantage of consumers at this time of year. They exploit the giving nature of the season and turn the elevated stress levels and hectic schedules of consumers to their advantage. It's important that consumers know how to protect themselves from threats that exist on the Web.

As a crime prevention practitioner, you can help keep consumers safe on the Web when they go online to make their holiday purchases by passing on the tips on the right. You might want to offer these tips to popular websites where consumers may see them, or download and photocopy them for posting at places where people gather (educational institutions, community centers, senior centers, libraries, and religious congregations, for example).

* Before you begin shopping online, secure your computer by updating your security software. Every computer should have antivirus software, antispyware, and antispam software, as well as a good firewall. Firewalls and antivirus software are the first line of defense. They help keep your computer safe and secure.

* Keep your personal information private and

your password secure. Don't respond to any requests to "verify" your password or credit card information unless you initiated the contact. Legitimate businesses won't ask for this information.

* Beware of bargains from unfamiliar companies. If an offer sounds too good to be true, it probably is!

* Use secure websites for purchases. Look for the icon of a locked padlock at the bottom of the screen or "https" in the URL address. They indicate that you are dealing with a secure website.

* Shop with companies you know and trust. Check a company's background if you're not familiar with it.

* Donate to charities online only if you have investigated the charity. Be sure that the charity's site is secure or make your donation through the mail.

* Consider alternate options to pay for your merchandise, such as onetime or multiuse disposable credit cards or money orders, at online stores and auction sites. Also, make sure you know all the rules and policies of these sites.

Tell consumers to keep these shopping tips in mind as they shop from the comfort of their homes this year and they'll be able to keep their holiday season bah-humbug free!

To find more information about how consumers can protect themselves from online fraud and identity theft, visit the National Crime Prevention Council's website at www.ncpc.org or the Federal Trade Commission's website at www.ftc.gov

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TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2009

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J.W. Builders, Inc., Building quality custom homes and log homes. Conventional stick built, any floor plan, very affordable. Also offering remodeling and additions. NC licensed contractor, TERO certified, residential/commercial. Many references and fully insured. 828-736-2018. 2/25/10 pd

Oxford's Hardware - Diamond dog food \$19.50, Save money this winter! Buy your insulation - now. Stove pipe and fittings are in, we rent the Rug Doctor come by or call 828-497-4488 **12/16pd**

Cherokee Plumbing & Drain Cleaning: 27 year experience all work guaranteed. Kitchen & Bath Remodeling. One can do all your plumbing and drain problems. 828-497-9863 or 828-788-0732. 12/16 pd.

Honey Do Services: 20% off decks-porches-paint-power wash, 736-4437. **12/9 pd**

Control Diabetes nutrionally, (828) 506-5165. **12/8pd.**

Bellas' Inc.: A Fine Salon, Birdtown Community, 497-5548. Christmas Gift certificates now available for massage, hair, nails, pedicures, waxing and salt foot scrub glows. Restore your healthy

FOR SALE

For Sale: Firewood, cut, split,
and delivered, all hardwood,
call John Smith 497-7679 or
488-2888.12/22 pd.

For Sale: 78' Olds Cutlass Supreme, small block 400 w/400 turbo trans., Cobalt Blue, black top, chrome wheels, a must see, \$3400 firm, call Ryan at 788-8814 (leave message if no answer). 1/7pd.

For Sale: Firewood, cut, split, and delivered, all seasoned – all hardwood, 788-0097, or 497-6257. **1/27 pd.**

Xmas Special Sale: 15% off knives and gifts on all items we carry all major brands of knives. Mention this ad for DISCOUNT, Eagle Dancer Craft, 1113 Tsalagi Rd, 497-5303. Look for case sign. 12/8 pd.

For Sale: 2008 Dodge Charger, V6, 3.5 high output, \$1,000 and resume payments, keyless entry, elec. door locks, Am/FM,CD, Sirius Radio, 828 497-4879 if no answer leave message. **12/8 pd**

For Sale: 2005 Red, size 250 Kawasaki 4 wheeler, new tires and battery, in great shape. Asking \$1100 call 736-9325 if interested and for pics. 12/8 pd.

For Sale: 2009 Maytag Washer, excellent condition, call 497-9725. 12/8 pd

For Sale: 2002 Chrysler T&C handicapped conversion minivan with Braun hydraulics including automatic side door and ramp and removable front passenger seat, 55,809 miles, \$7,500, 497-2414. **12/15 pd.**

Christmas at the Old Mill: Join us for Luminaries Friday & Saturday, Dec. 4-5 and Dec 11-12. Special sales and unique gift items: Bible covers, Stetson hats, diamond and turquoise jewelry, soy candles, handmade lotion and soap, local Crafts and Anasazi beans. Shop local this season. 828-497-6536. **12/8 pd.**

For Sale: By Owner, 1999 Mitsubishi Eclipse, S-roof, black leather, 5 speed, Greddy exhaust, Oz racing rims/tires, turbo upgrade with only 53,000 miles, clear title, just needs tune-up! Call & leave message. 828-497-5169. 12/8 pd.

LOST

Lost: 2 dogs, 1 black lab 6 months old, 1 white & brown jack russel terrier 5 months old, Old #4 rd area reward offered call 497-6257 or 788-0097 please bring my babies home. 12/8

Last paper of the year

December 15

Get Your Christmas ads in early

> Deadlines are Thursdays 3pm

Photo of the Week



MARK HERRON/Courtesy Photo This photo of the moon was taken in August by Mark Herron at Sherrill Cove.

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glow. Replenish your spirit. **12/15 pd**.

DK Welding, LLC, metal fabrication and portable welding service, phone 497-4049, cell 788-3413. **12/19pd.**

American Native Travel & Tours: Take a trip to Harrah's Tunica, Motorcoach DEPART-ING Cherokee, NC 12/11 – RETURNING 12/13. \$100 per person, call for details, 735-1950 or 736-5137 or 508-4232. **12/8 pd.**

Our company needs male or female representative to act as our opened position **bookkeeper**. Contact ASAP for more details about this job. Email:harry.collins29@gmail. com **12/8 pd**

FOR RENT

For Rent: Trailer, 1 mile from Casino, 2 bedroom, singlewide, 506-0825. 12/22 pd

For Rent/Sell: A one bedroomtrailer if interested call 736-2427 or 736-1795.12/15pd.

For Rent: 2 bedroom trailer, central heat and air, 1/2 mile from Cherokee. No pets, drugs, or parties, call 497-7350. 12/8 pd.

For Rent: 3br, 2 bath, and a 2bdrm, 2 bath mobile homes, 2 miles from casino. No Pets. 506-0578. 12/15 pd.

For Rent: 2 bedroom, 1 bath, partially furnished, log cabin in Whittier area – No pets, adults preferred, 600 mo. plus security deposit, 269-6565. 1/7 pd.

For Sale: Cypress Log doublebed frame, with or withoutmattress and box, call 736-3436 after 6 p.m.12/15 pd.

Dear Santa: Please bring me a new Stetson hat, a case knife, some carving stone and a country ham. While you are at the Old Mill, please bring my wife some handmade soap and lotion, candles and a diamond ring. P.S. also, Anasazi beans, fatback and cornmeal. **12/8 pd.**

Save BIG on your heating Costs, up to 50% off heating bills. Edenpure GEN3 Portable Heaters \$397 everyday. Free of fumes and carbon monoxide, 3 year warranty, heats up to 1,000 sq ft. Oxford's Harware, Whittier, Exit 72 off HWY 74 828-497-4488 12/16pd

For Sale: 1992, F150, 4x4, 6 cylinder, 4 speed with utility bed and ladder rack, new battery and good tires, \$1500 as is 828-497-4879 if no answer leave message. 12/8 pd.

Mattress Sale - More Quality, Less Money, log beds, tables, other home furnishings, consignments, Lay-away Available, Whittier Home Store, Main Street Whittier, across from the Post office. 828-269-8439 12/16pd

For Sale: Hunting Dogs - 1 Male Leopard Cur, 1 Male & 1 Female Mtn. Cur (Spayed) \$150 each or best offer Tom Bradley 497-9725. 12/1 pd

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NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT AND FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT

AGENCY: Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

ACTION: Notice of Availability (NOA)

SUMMARY: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Cherokee Agency, has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed construction and leasing of homes at the Heritage of Soco Valley Phase II Housing Development, in the Wolftown community on the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Qualla Boundary Reservation. A total of 17 homes will be constructed and leased on a 4.69 acre parcel along the south side of US Highway 19.

NOTICE: This is a "Notice Of Availability" (NOA), that the Environmental Assessment (EA) and FONSI for the construction and leasing of homes at the Heritage of Soco Valley Phase II Housing Development are available for public review. The BIA has adopted the EA, prepared for the Tribe, dated October, 2009, that addressed the proposal. The EA is entitled "Heritage of Soco Valley Phase II Housing Development, Cherokee North Carolina", dated October, 2009. The FONSI determination was based on review and analysis of the information in the EA. Based on the EA, it has been determined that the action will not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment, therefore, an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. This NOA also constitutes a public notice that the decision to proceed has been made. This NOA initiates a 30 day comment and appeal period from the date issued. The EA and FONSI are available at Cherokee Agency, Highway 441 North, P.O. Box 1959, Cherokee, NC 28719.

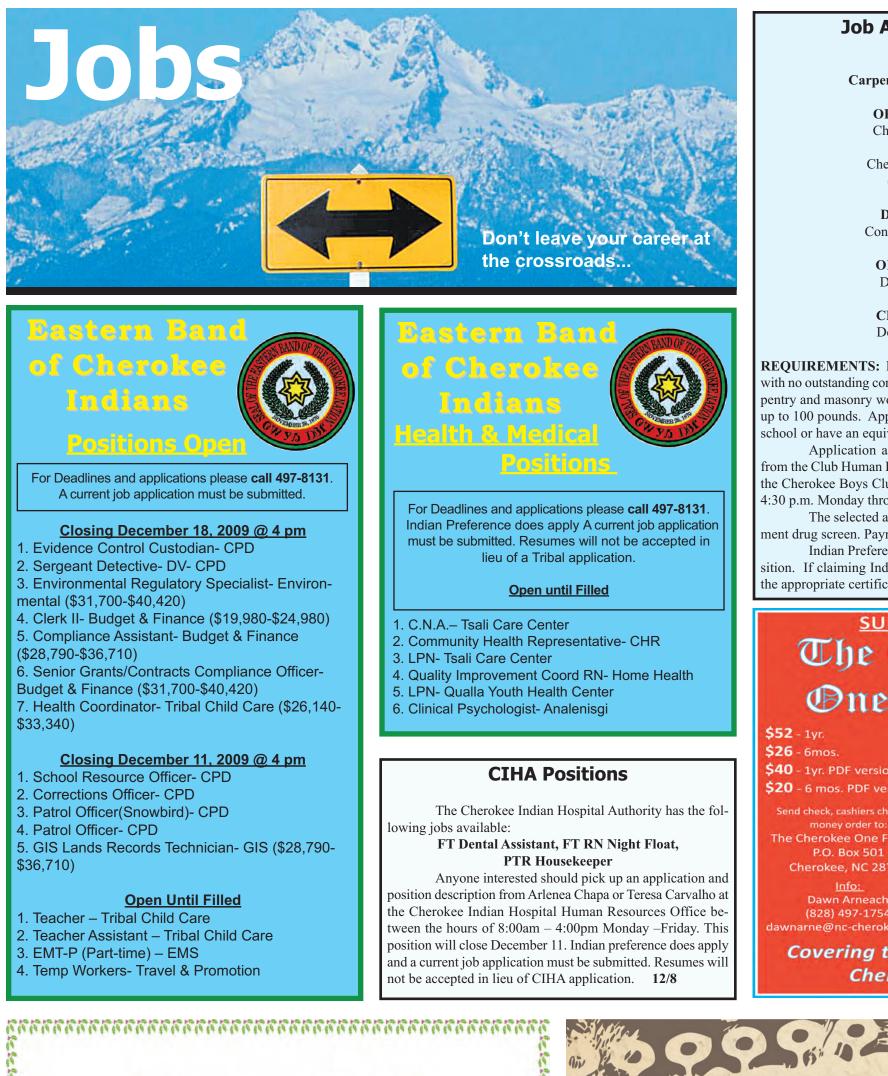
APPEALS: "Any person who may be adversely affected by this decision may appeal the decision

to: Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Region, 545 Marriott Drive, Suite 700, Nashville TN 37214 in accordance with the regulations set forth at 25 CFR Part 2. The notice of appeal must be signed and mailed within thirty days of the date of this decision. The notice should clearly identify the decision being appealed, and a copy of the decision should be attached to the notice of appeal. Copies of the notice must be sent to the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, MS 4140-MIB, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, N.W., Washington, D.C., 20240, as well as to my office and to all other interested parties known to the person appealing the decision. The notice of appeal to the Regional Director must also certify that the appealing party sent copies to each of these parties. The Regional Director will notify an appealing party of further appeal procedures. If no appeal is timely filed, this decision will become final for the Department of the Interior."

For further information please contact Kurt G. Chandler, Regional Environmental Scientist, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern Regional Office, 545 Marriott Drive, Suite 700, Nashville, TN 37214, telephone (615) 564-6832.

Superintendent, Cherokee Agency Bureau of Indian Affairs

Date: 10/28/09



Job Announcement

POSITION: Carpenter & Mason Helper

> **ORGANIZATION:** Cherokee Boys Club P. O. Box 507 Cherokee, N. C. 28719 (52 CBC Loop)

DEPARTMENT: Construction & Facility

OPENING DATE: December 1, 2009

CLOSING DATE: December 11, 2009

REQUIREMENTS: Must have a valid NC Driver's License with no outstanding convictions. Must have knowledge of carpentry and masonry work and be in physical condition to lift up to 100 pounds. Applicant must have graduated from high school or have an equivalent to a high school education.

Application and job description can be picked up from the Club Human Resources Coordinator, Tiffani Reed at the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen. Payroll direct deposit mandatory.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. 12/8

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Covering the Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation

Beginning Wednesday, December 9th Eternal Flame Gifts will be offering all items on sale just in time for Christmas.

HRISTMAS SALE







Sale will end on Saturday, December 19th. Store hours are 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday.

*The Eternal Flame Gift Shop is located within the Main Office of the Cherokee Historical Association.

Two worlds. Ore The. Who am I? Am I Native? Sometimes it's tempting to try it - escape with meth. But then I think about my little brother, My beadwork, My poetry. O There are lots of cool things about being who I am. And meth isn't one of them. Learn more at neailorg

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-Legals & Bids

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before The Clerk Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 09-EST-55

Notice to Creditors and Debtors Of

Ronnell Alden Maney

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:

Deadline to submit claims: Febuary 24, 2010

This is the 13th day of November 2009. 12/8 pd.

Rose M. Maney, 1584 Yellowhill Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before The Clerk Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 09-EST-056

Notice to Creditors and Debtors Of **Betty Jane Driver Wolfe**

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:

Deadline to submit claims: February 24, 2010

This is the 16th day of November 2009 12/15 pd

George S. Wolfe, Sr., 3150 Mountain Creek Road, Robbinsville, NC 28719

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before the Clerk Cherokee, NC File Number: CV-03-694

Notice of Service by Publication

Missy Virginia Payne, Plaintiff James Franklin Payne Jr., Defendant

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before The Clerk Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 09-EST-58

Notice to Creditors and Debtors Of

Lula Mollie Wolfe Sequoyah

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: Deadline to submit claims: March 8, 2010

This is the **30th** day of November, 2009. 1/12 pd

> Sharon Sequoyah, 43 Wilbur Sequoyah Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

Legal Notice

Finding of No Significant Impact for Locating **Communications Equipment at Barnette Knob**

Agency: Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Action: Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI)

Summary: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), Cherokee, Agency, has made a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed location of a precast radio communications equipment building at Barnett Knob on the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Qualla Boundary Reservation. The existing radio antennas are also proposed to be removed from a wooden pole into a steel tower structure at the site.

Finding: The BIA has adopted the Environmental Assessment (EA) prepared for the Eastern band of Cherokee Indians, entitled "Environmental Assessment, Installation of a Radio Communications Equipment Building, Barnett Knob, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Reservation, North Carolina, dated October 7, 2009. Based on review and analysis of the EA it has been determined that locating this equipment on Barnett Knob will not have a significant impact on the quality of the human environment within the meaning of Section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. Therefore an Environmental Impact Statement is not required and the BIA is issuing this FONSI. 12/8

> Dean White, Superintendent, Cherokee Agency Bureau of Indian Affairs Dated: October 26, 2009

Legal Notice

Notice of Availability of the Environmental Assessment and **Finding of No Significant Impact**

RFP

The EBCI Office of Environment and Natural Resources Air Quality Program proposes to contract for services of a qualified environmental company to perform Indoor Air Quality (IAQ) assessments on 5 pre-selected buildings within the Qualla Boundary.

For more information regarding this Request for Proposal (RFP) please contact the Air Quality Program staff:

Renwick: Katie Environmental Specialist; 828.497.1832; katerenw@nc-cherokee.com

Amy Smoker; Environmental Technician; 828.497.1803; amysmok@nc-cherokee.com 12/8

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before The Clerk Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 09-EST-61

Notice to Creditors and Debtors Of

Susan Irene Waidsutte Welch

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: Deadline to submit claims: March 8, 2010

This is the 1st day of December, 2009. 1/12 pd

Linda Thompson, 855 Main Street, Bryson City, NC 28713

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Before The Clerk Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 09-EST-62

Notice to Creditors and Debtors Of

Donald Robert Taylor

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: Deadline to submit claims: March 8, 2010

This is the 3rd day of December, 2009. 1/12 pd

Jr. the above named de-To: James Franklin Payne fendant

Take notice that plea seeking relief against you has been field in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

Absolute and complete divorce

You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than 30 days from date of this publication. Said date being no later than December 18, 2009. Upon the failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This is the 20th day of November 2009. 12/15

Missy Virginia Payne, P.O. Box 834, Cherokee, NC 28719

Notice of Environmental Scoping Meeting

PROPOSED EBCI WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT EXPANSION PROJECT **DECEMBER 14, 2009 – 1:00 P.M. AT TRIBAL COUNCIL CHAMBERS**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is proposing to expand its existing 3.0 million gallons per day (MGD) facility to 6.0 MGD. As part of the environmental process for the project the Tribe must complete an environmental review of the proposed project. The purpose of this scoping meeting is to invite comments from the public and local, state and federal agencies on environmental issues that should be addressed during the environmental review. This scoping meeting is being conducted as part of the monthly Planning Board Session. Comments will be heard during the Planning Board Session as time on the agenda permits. Any comments remaining beyond the allotted timeframe will be discussed in an open forum at the conclusion of the Planning Board Session. A brief presentation on the scope of the project will be presented. Anyone wishing to make verbal comments on potential environmental issues relative to the project will be allowed to do so.

More details about the project or directions to the meeting location site are available by contacting either of the following:

Vaughn & Melton Consulting Engineers, 1318-F Patton Avenue, Asheville, North Carolina 28806 – ATT: Mike Calhoun (828 - 253 - 2796)

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Engineering, P.O. Box 455, 1840 Paint Town Road, Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 – ATT: Ken Green (828 – 497 – 1892)

Written comments offered for consideration in the environmental review process may also be submitted by January 15, 2010 to either of the above locations.

Agency: Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA)

Action: Notice of Availability (NOA)

Summary: The Bureau of Indian Affairs (BA), Cherokee Agency has a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) for the proposed location of a precast radio communications equipment building at Barnett Knob on the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian (EBCI) Qualla Boundary Reservation. The existing radio antennas are also proposed to be moved from a wooden pole onto a steel tower structure at the site.

Notice: This is a "Notice Of Availability" (NOA), that the Environmental Assessment (EA) and FONSI for locating the communications equipment building at Barnett Knob are available for public review. The BIA has adopted the EA, prepared for the Tribe, dated October 7, 2009, that addressed the proposal. The EA is entitled "Environmental Assessment, Installation of a radio Communications Equipment Building, Barnett Knob, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Reservation, North Carolina." The FONSI determination was based on review and analysis of the information in the EA. Based on the EA, it has been determined that the action will not result in significant impacts to the quality of the human environment, therefore an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. This NOA also constitutes as public notice that the decision to has been made. This NOA initiates a 30 day comment and appeal period from the date issued. The EA and FONSI are available at Cherokee Agency, Highway 441 North, P. O. Box 1959, Cherokee, NC, 28719.

Appeals:"Any person who may be adversely affected by this decision may appeal the decision to: Regional Director, Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Region, 545 Marriott Drive, Suite 700, Nashville TN 37214 in accordance with the regulations set forth at 25 CFR Part 2. The notice of appeal must be signed and mailed within thirty days of the date of this decision. The notice should clearly identify the decision being appealed, and a copy of the decision should be attached to the notice o appeal. Copies of the notice must be sent to the Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, MS 4140-MIB, US Department of the Interior, 1849 C Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20240, as well as to my office and to all other interested parties known to the person appealing the decision. The notice of appeal to the Regional Director must also certify that the appealing party sent copies to each of these parties. The Regional Director will notify an appealing party of further appeal procedures. If no appeal is timely filed, this decision will become final for the Department of the Interior." For further information please contact Kurt G. Chandler, Regional Environmental Scientist, Bureau of Indian Affairs, Eastern

Regional Office, 545 Marriott Drive, Suite 700, Nashville, TN 37214, telephone 615-564-6832. 12/8

> Dean White, Superintendent, Cherokee Agency Bureau of Indian Affairs Dated: October 26, 2009

Advertisement for Furniture Bid

Furniture bid documents will be available by Padgett & Freeman Architects, shodges@pfarchitects.com or call 828254-1963 until December 16, 2009 no later than 5 p.m. for the Furniture, Furnishings and Equipment for the Emergency **Operations Center.**

Bids shall be due January 5, 2010 at the Building Construction Office, 810 Acquoni Road, Suite 117 Cherokee, NC, 28719 by 2 p.m.

Requirements adopted by the Tribal Council, Ordinance No. 592, May 14, 1999 for Tribal Employment Rights will be part of this project.

The Owner reserves the unqualified right to reject any and all Vendors. 12/15

Signed:

Stacey Hodge, NCIDQ on behalf of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

US 441 Gateway District Planning **Council Meeting Notice**

Notice is hereby given that the US 441 Gateway District Planning Council will hear the application of Duke Energy, Inc., for a conditional use permit to construct an Operations Center to be located at the corner of US 441 and Camp Creek. This hearing will take place at 5:30 p.m. on December 14 in room 220 in the Jackson County Justice Center. 12/15

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State of North Carolina Utilities Commission Raleigh

Docket No. E-100, SUB 118 Docket No. E-100, SUB 124

BEFORE THE NORTH CAROLINA UTILITIES COMMISSION

NOTICE OF HEARING

In the Matter of Investigating of Integrated Resources Planning in North Carolina 2008 and 2009

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the North Carolina Utilities Commission (Commission) has scheduled hearings in conjunction with the Commission's review and evaluation of Integrated Resources Planning (IRP) in North Carolina. The purpose of the review and evaluation is to ensure that each regulated electric utility operating in North Carolina is developing reliable projections of the long range demands for electricity in its service area, and is developing a combination of reliable resources options for meeting the anticipated demands in a cost-effective manner. IRP is to taxpayers in North Carolina consistent with adequate, reliable electric service. IRP considers conservation, efficiency, load management, and other demand-side programs alternatives in the selection of resource options. In addition, new rules require that electric power supplies include their plans for meeting customer electric needs via renewable energy resources and energy efficiency programs.

A public hearing for the convenience of public witnesses and solely for the purpose of taking nonexpert public witness testimony is hereby scheduled as follows: Raleigh: 7 p.m., on Monday, March 15, 2010, Commission Hearing Room 2115, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. During the public hearing to be held in this docket, the Commission will receive testimony from nonexpert public witness with respect to the most current IRPs(including renewable energy and energy efficiency plans) filed for 2009, the Carolina Power & Light Company d/b/a Progress Energy Carolinas, Inc. (PEC); Duke Energy Carolinas, LLC (DUKE), Virginia Electric and Power Company d/b/a Dominion North Carolina Power (DNCP), North Carolina Electric membership Corporation, Piedmont EMC, Rutherford EMC, EnergyUnited EMC, and Haywood EMC. In addition, during the public hearing, the Commission will receive testimony from nonexpert public witnesses with the respect of the Renewable Energy and Energy Efficiency Portfolio Standard (REPS) compliance plans filed by GreenCo Solutions, Inc. and Halifax EMC.

In addition to the public hearing, the Commission has scheduled an evidentiary hearing which will be convened in Commission Hearing Room 2115 in Raleigh on Tuesday, March 16, 20010 at 9:30 a.m. for the specific purpose of considering the 2009 IRPS and REPS compliance plans filed by Duke, PEC, and DNCP. During this hearing, the Commission will receive the expert testimony from witnesses for Duke, PEC, DNCP, the Public Staff and other intervenors.

Anyone wishing to review the IRPs and REPs compliance plans filed by the utilities may do so either at the Commission's website, www.ncuc.net, be selecting the Docket information tab and entering Docket Nos. E-100, Sub 118 or E-100, Sub 124, or at the office of the Chief Clerk of Commission, Dobbs Building, 430 North Salisbury Street, Raleigh, North Carolina. Upon request, the Chief Clerk will place copies of the IRPs, compliance plans and any other documents filed in this proceedings in centrally-located public libraries where they may be copied without prohibition. Such a request may be made by writing to the chief Clerk, North Carolina Utilities Commission, 4324 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, North Carolina 27699-4325, by giving the name and address of the library to which the information is to be mailed.

Advertisement for Bids



HARRAH'S CHEROKEE CASINO & HOTEL: BACK OF HOUSE OFF-SITE LAUNDRY

Please be advised that Turner Construction Company is soliciting qualified Subcontractor bids in accordance with TERO compliance for the Trade Packages listed below for the Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel: Off-Site Laundry Facility Project.

Sealed bids will be received for the following bid packages:

Demolition, Concrete, Precast Concrete, Metal Structure Shell, Miscellaneous Metals, Lovers (Mechanical), Casework, Caulking and Sealants, Roofing, Doors, Frames and Hardware, Interior Build-Out, Loading Dock Equipment, Mechanical, Plumbing, Electrical

Preliminary Construction Documents will be open for inspection starting on Monday December 7th, 2009 and final Bid Documents will be available on December 15th, 2010 at either of the following locations: Eastern Band of Cherokee plan room located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex and/or Turner Construction Company 704B Painttown Road, Cherokee, NC, Trailer #2 (828) 497-9681.

Pre-Bid meeting & Site walk thru will be scheduled for Wednesday, December 16th, 2010 at 10:00 a.m. at the Turner jobsite trailer, same as above.

Interested Bidders must confirm their intent to bid by the close of business on Friday, December 18th, 2009, by contacting Sarah Crow, Project Administrator with Turner Construction Company, at 828-497-9681 or at scrow@tcco.com to be placed on the confirmed bidders list.

Prequalification information required. Please contact Blakely Prescott, Purchasing Assistant at (704) 554-1001 or bpresoctt@tcco.com. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required from all subcontractors.

Sealed Bids will be accepted no later than 1:00 PM on Wednesday, January 06th, 2010 at Turner Construction Company, 704B Painttown Road, Cherokee, NC, (828) 497-9681 (Turner Trailer #1). Bids may be mailed or delivered in person.

Last paper of the year December 15

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Snowbird 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. Alan Chekelelee, Mary Ann Jumper Fortenberry, Kasey Lynn Carpenter Moose, Christine Jumper Campbell, Maureen Jumper Jackson, Jonah Jody Brown, Donnie Edward Jackson, Lisa Elaine Jackson, Mike Lee Wachacha, William Allen Brown, Temote Zena Rattler, Laverne, Brown, Kathleen Brown Holloway, Cecil James Welch, Maxine Derenda Rattler Owle, Raymond Charles Owle III, Kathy Garrett Johnson, Tony Anthony Johnson, George Allen Rattle, Joseph Dwayne Jumper, Marenna Lynn Jumper Wolfe, Glenn Elliott Welch Jr., Sheldon Allen Rattler, Crystal Gayle Ellington, Phillip Sean Ellington

Divisions

Mike Lee Wachacha, Abraham Wachacha , Donnie Edward Jackson, Lisa Elaine Jackson

Proposed Land Transfers

Mary Lou Gloyne Byler to Jack Elwood John Francis Gloyne, Judy Kay Gloyne Tiger, and Mary Ann Gloyne Wachacha – Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 25-A (Part of Parcel No. 25) containing 4.242 acres, more or less.

Mary Lou Gloyne Byler to Jack Elwood John Francis Gloyne, Judy Kay Gloyne Tiger, and Mary Ann Gloyne Wachacha – Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 25-B (Part of Parcel No. 25) containing 0.054 acres, more or less.

Christine Jumper Campbell to Cecil James Welch – Snowbird Community Parcel No. 11-A (Part of Parcel No. 11) containing 1.476 acres, more or less.

EBCI, Diane Beck Hyatt and Jerri Beck to Kym Michelle Parker – Birdtown Community Parcel No. 89 (Part of Parcel No. 42) containing 1.000 acres, more or less.

William Henry Maney to John Francis Harlan Jr. – Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 393-C (Part of Parcel No. 393-A) containing 4.000 acres, more or less.

Robert Dewayne Parker to Connie Lynn Cooper Parker – Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 39-C (Part of Parcel No. 39) containing 4.580 acres, more or less. One Half Undivided Interest.

Wanneta Sue Bottchenbaugh Miller to Karli Janie Davis – Big Cove Community Parcel No. 683-B containing 1.022 acres, more or less.

Faralee Wilnoty Rich to Richard Lee Bradley and Misty Danielle Moon Bradley – Wolftown Community Parcel No. 722 (Part of Parcel No. 61) containing 0.738 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Troy James Crowe to Kayla Rae Lynn Crowe – Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 637-B (Part of Parcel No. 637) containing 1.241 acres, more or less.

Benjamin Scott Martinez to Sally Ann Catolster Sampson – Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 660 (Part of parcel No. 104 and 237) containing 0.574 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

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Persons desiring to send written statements to inform the Commission of their positions in the matter should address their statements:

Chief Clerk, North Carolina utilities Commission, 4325 Mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4325

Petitions to intervene shall be filed not later than Friday, February 12, 2010, in conformity with applicable Commission rules.

The Public Staff – North Carolina utilities Commission, through its Executive Director, is required by statue to represent the using and consuming public in proceedings before the Commission. Written statements to the Public Staff should be addressed to:

Robert P. Gruber, Executive Director, Public Staff – North Carolina utilities Commission, 4326 mail Service Center, Raleigh, NC 27699-4326. 12/15

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians All Hazard Mitigation Plan PUBLIC NOTICE

The purpose of the Hazard Mitigation plan is to determine how to reduce or eliminate the loss of life and property damage resulting from natural, technological, and human-caused hazards. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) initiated all hazard mitigation planning in light of the increasing number and harm of disasters in recent years.

The EBCI was one of the first tribes to have their plan approved and adopted by FEMA and the Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. The Plan resides in the Office of Emergency Management, which is responsible for maintenance and updates. The plan is currently being updated, and your input is requested.

We encourage you to participate and help make Cherokee a safer place!

December 10th, 2009: Open House for Review of Draft Plan 5:30-6:30pm

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