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Syllabary turns 200

Cherokee language
writing system still
used two centuries
after invention

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**
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On a beautifully sunny early spring morning, Dawn Arneach walks around the Museum of the Cherokee Indian helping staff and visitors while wearing a nameplate written in a language eons old in a writing system 200 years old. The nameplate states "when the sun first peaks" (Dawn) and is written in the Cherokee syllabary, an alphabet for the Cherokee language invented by Sequoyah in 1821.



Charlie Rhodarmer, Sequoyah Birthplace Museum executive director, selects type in the Cherokee syllabary to use on an 1800s era printing press to print in the Cherokee language. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

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A Christmas ornament for sale at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian has the Cherokee syllabary for the word yona which translates into English as “bear”.

SYLLABARY: Cherokee writing system turns 200 years old, *from front page*

A placard at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. discusses his struggles with creating the language, “In spite of opposition, Sequoyah finally created a Cherokee writing system. Most of his friends and family teased him. Some accused him of witchcraft. It is said that even his wife burned many years worth of his papers. Sequoyah ignored them. He explored many ways to write. First, he tried one symbol for every sentence. Then, a symbol for each word. Finally, he used a symbol for each syllable. Sequoyah became the first person in history to invent a writing system on his own, without first knowing any other written language.”

At the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Arneach, interim executive director, said, “We are the Museum of the Cherokee, and we should have our language represented here in the Museum, not only for the staff to see and learn but for customers to realize it is still a living language for us. The more people that see it, the more people will pick it up -

whether it’s a word or two or a whole conversation. It’s a start somewhere.”

She noted that Museum staff is frequently asked to pronounce various words shown throughout the exhibits. “We’ve started trying to use more of the syllabary rather than the phonetics now.”

Arneach said that Sequoyah’s work on the syllabary was a very important milestone in the storied history of the Cherokee. “Within most tribes, oral traditions are handed down by stories to family and so on. But, for us to be able to write with what Sequoyah came up with and share our thoughts from one to another, is actually a lot better. We were able to write our own history how we saw it and not from another person’s view.”

Michelle Long, an EBCI tribal member from the Big Cove Community, is a Cherokee second language learner and currently serves as the Family Partnership lead teacher at the New Kituwah Academy, the Cherokee language immersion school for the Tribe.

“Syllabary is important to me as a second language learner because it helps me with proper pronunciation of words,” said Long. “There are so many sounds



The sheet shown in the photo was printed in the Cherokee syllabary on the 1800s era printing press at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum on the afternoon of Wednesday, April 7. The syllabary means “Two hundred years of Cherokee language knowledge” when translated into English. Sequoyah Birthplace Museum officials related that Lou Jackson and Marie Junaluska, both elders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and fluent Cherokee speakers, translated the above phrase as their interpretation of a bicentennial of the syllabary.

that sound similar and if I see the word written out I can see exactly what that sound is. The sounds are very important, one sound can change the meaning of the word.”

She said learning the syllabary was not very hard for her. “I picked it up quickly. In fact, I learned how to read and write way before I could speak conversationally.”

Long started learning the syllabary while in middle school. “I have been using the syllabary since. I have been reading and writing for approximately 24 years. If I had one wish though, it would be that I would speak and understand before I could ever write. I now use the syllabary first in everything I do as far as language goes. It’s just natural.”

Charlie Rhodarmer is the executive director of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum and helps tell the story of the man and the syllabary he invented. “He originally creates a numbering system first which he turns into an accounting system so that he can use that to remember what people owe him for the work he is doing. And, I think his original motivation is the fact of making money, being able to remember what people owe him.”

Sequoyah started that process in 1809. Rhodarmer noted, “He announced in his blacksmith shop, ‘hey, we can create a writing system’. He spends 12 years, and I think over that 12 years it goes from the point of just being able to make money or to record things,

but it becomes about the importance of a people being able to write in their own language.”

He added, “There’s one point where he is in the blacksmith shop and Sequoyah notes that he can write a sentence down of how he’s feeling and put it on the shelf and two years later can come back and know exactly what he was feeling two years ago.”

Using an 1800s era printing press, the Rhodarmer and his friend, Bryan Baker, have begun printing using the Cherokee syllabary. So far, they have printed small projects and are currently working on laying out the entire syllabary into a one-page printed work that will be available for sale soon.

Caleb Hickman is a Cherokee

Nation citizen originally from Oklahoma who is now the supervisory fish and wildlife biologist for the EBCI Natural Resources Division. He and his six-year-old son, Milo, also a Cherokee Nation citizen, spent several months during the COVID-19 quarantine last year learning the Cherokee syllabary.

“Milo would sit at a home-made desk, and we would cover one at a time,” said Caleb. “I had printouts or would block it out by hand on scrap paper. He traced it three times and then would try to draw it three times. As he did this, I would read or come up with a story related to what it looked like that tied it to the syllabary sound.”

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Caleb would then draw the character on a white board and re-tell the story. Then, he would have Milo do the same. “We would do four to five syllabary characters, and then he would revisit each.”

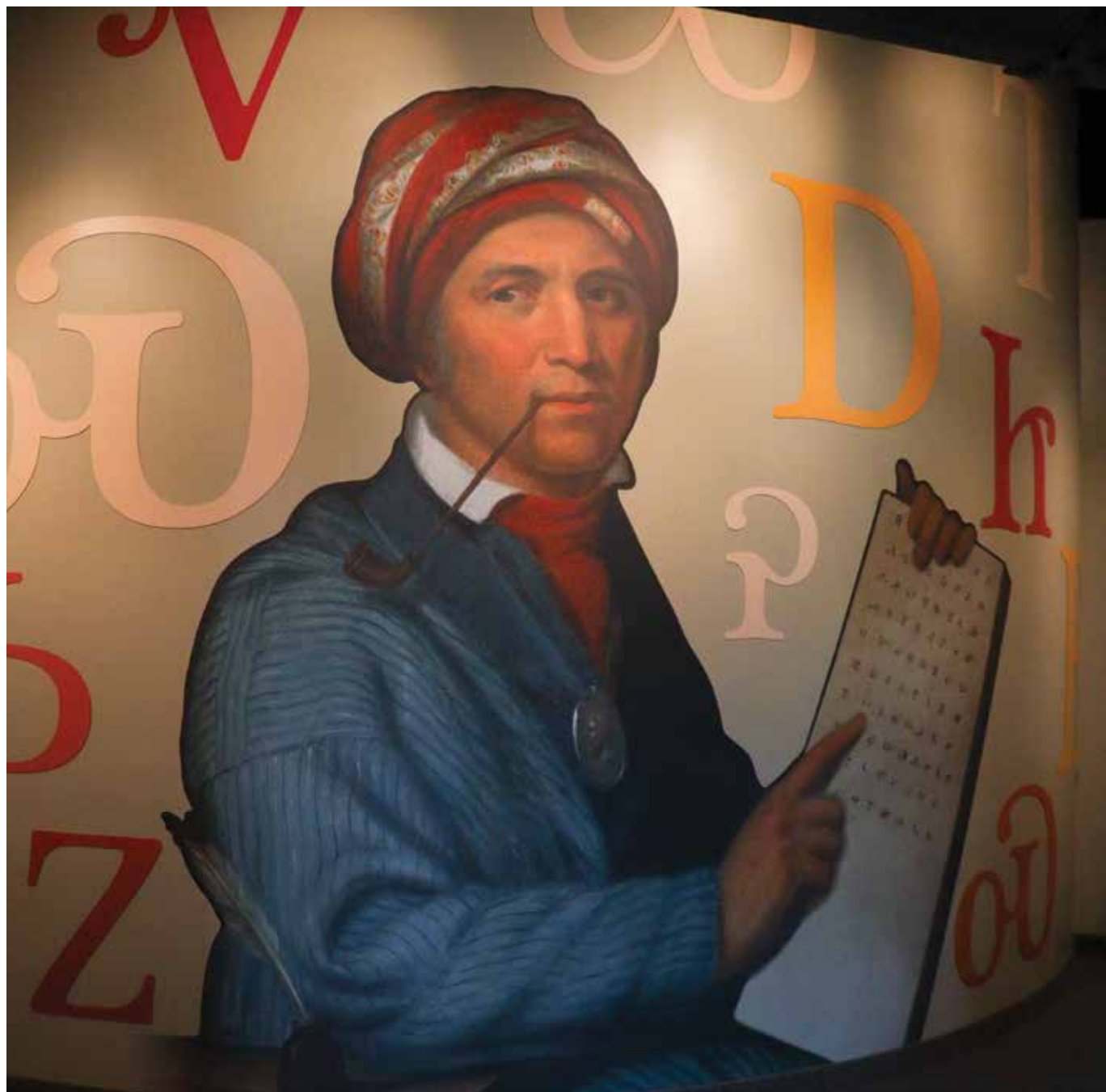
The two did this for one to two hours a day for three to four weeks. “At 6-years-old, he was reading syllabary faster than English.”

Caleb said this process helped him learn more Cherokee language as well, but he was quick to point out that Milo is progressing faster. “He enjoyed being able to do something better than dad. Even though I grew up hearing some Cherokee and already had studied a bit, we shared the experience and I learned syllabary a little better myself.”

Milo’s middle name is Yona which is “bear” in the Cherokee language. “Now, he knows how to write that and his first name phonetically. This has made more words accessible and therefore a closer tie to his Cherokee heritage. He will always remember this experience, and he takes pride in what he has learned. Milo enjoys teaching his teachers and other students syllabary.”

Caleb hopes this will lead to more speaking opportunities for Milo. “I just wish he could hear the language more. He’s incredibly talented and motivated, and he’s a kid that would learn to speak if given more resources.”

Caleb says the syllabary is a good way to keep connected to the language. “If you’re one of the 99 percent of Cherokees that weren’t born into language fluency, it’s one of the most obvious things you can do to bring the language back



A large portrait of Sequoyah, surrounded by Cherokee syllabary characters, is emblazoned on the walls at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. This is based on a portrait of him that hangs in the National Portrait Gallery in Washington, D.C.

to our mainstream community. It tells everyone that you support language revitalization and you’re doing your part.”

He added, “The syllabary opens a new door for second language learners. I’ve found that I can see the patterns better when it’s a visual character. And, I wonder if it might be better for children that are just learning to read English. A first language speaker

probably doesn’t need it unless for reading.”

Caleb said that the syllabary will be at the forefront of language revitalization. “As our elders walk on with the language with them, I think we will start to scramble for whatever we can do. I think the syllabary is the easiest way to contribute. Unfortunately, without the knowledge of the language, these are just pictures without a

story. I feel we need to be more proactive than reactive. I hate to be a pessimist, but the data is so far compelling that we’re in trouble.”

He continued, “Unless we treat the language revitalization State of Emergency with as much urgency as we did the COVID-19 pandemic, the next decade will be a sad one.”

The Cherokee National History Museum in Tahlequah, Okla.

opened a new exhibit recently entitled “Sequoyah: An American Icon”. The exhibit is on display now through Dec. 31.

Krystan Moser, manager of cultural collections and exhibits for the Cherokee Nation, said in a statement, “Sequoyah’s legacy continues 200 years after the introduction of the syllabary to the Cherokee people. This accomplishment, something not done by any other single person in recorded history, has cemented Sequoyah as an icon not just in Cherokee history, but American and even world history.”

Moser added, “Keeping our language alive is an important part of preserving our culture for the next generations. We look forward to offering a variety of programs and exhibits throughout our yearlong celebration of the syllabary and hope the public will join us to learn more about Cherokee Nation’s language preservation efforts and opportunities.”



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Long summed up the thoughts of many on the syllabary and Cherokee spoken language, “In the future, I would hope that we would

see more of the syllabary used. But, more importantly, I would like to hear it.”

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CCS switching to Plan A for final month

By **JONAH LOSSIAH**
One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) Board of Education decided in a 5-1 vote that all their schools will return to 'Plan A' starting on Monday, April 26.

This means that all students will be in classrooms four days a week with COVID-19 precautions. The discussion was held at the Board's meeting on Monday, April 5.

Board secretary Tara Reed-Cooper, who has been the primary advocate for opening the schools for months, pushed for this move. The decision was made three weeks after CCS reopened to students under hybrid 'Plan B'.

"I believe that our numbers are low right now. They could go up, but you can walk into Food Lion. People don't have masks. You can walk into Wal-Mart. People don't have masks. And there's kids all over the place at either one of them. They're all over the community. They're at the beach. They're in Tennessee. They're playing sports, contact sports without masks. Even though it's just been two weeks, for me, we've got kids that are still virtual that really need that assistance," said Big Y School Board Rep. Reed-Cooper.

The final move took some time to develop, as not everyone was initially convinced.

"That's my opinion. Be still, not change anything, and just see what happens. I know that other people may be upset, and I understand. But for me, it's too confusing in my brain for me to make one decision versus another. And right now, everything's stable," said Chairperson Jennifer Thompson in her opening statements on the situation.

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Big Cove Rep. Karen French-Browning, who has been heavily pushing safety since the beginning of the pandemic, pleaded with the Board not to open directly after Spring Break. That break for CCS is set for April 12-16. "I understand what Tara's saying. But I also know that what we got right now is working. We know it's working. We haven't even been in school with Plan B for two weeks ... well three weeks," said Rep. French-Browning.

"You would have that week after Spring Break to know if the numbers came up or not. If you waited till the 26th of April, you would have five weeks face-to-face before school's out. That would also give Dr. Murray and the staff time to be ready. They're gonna have three days if you say come back after Spring Break."

Rep. French-Browning made the formal move to go to Plan A the week after returning from Spring Break, and that move was seconded by Birdtown Rep. Gloria Griffin. Painttown Rep. Regina Ledford Rosario was the lone vote against the motion. She stated that she would not vote on any full return, and said she wished to leave Plan A until next semester.

This move with additional cautions is what eventually prevailed, leaving the final month of CCS's school year to be open to all students.

There is an additional measure. If any parent that wishes to keep their student home virtually, then they may continue to do so. Any student that previously chose to stay remote may also have the option to return to school.

In this meeting, the Board also finalized the 2021-22 school year budget proposal. Ashford Smith from the Cherokee Boys Club announced that the proposed budget is up about 9 percent from last year to \$36.9 million. He described how the previous budget was very slimmed down, and many of the cuts caused by the pandemic are back for this next year. Many of those cuts were employment vacancies.

The increase also allows for a 2.5% raise for teachers' assistants and a 5 percent raise for non-instructional support staff. This is paired with the 5 percent increase for teachers.

The consent agenda was also approved, setting forth the following:

- Policy 7050 Internal Transfer be added into the CCS Personnel Policy Manual
- Sebastien Brun approved as a varsity girls assistant coach.
- Ahli-Sha Stephens is approved as the varsity softball assistant coach.

A walk-in resolution passed allowing Francis Panther Oocumma to be approved for the position of accounts payable travel processor for the CCS Finance Department.

The Monday, April 5 meeting of the CCS Board of Education was called to order at 4:45 p.m. with Chairperson Jennifer Thompson; Vice Chair Isaac Long; Secretary Tara Reed-Cooper; Board members Gloria Griffin, Karen French-Browning, and Regina Ledford Rosario; Superintendent Michael Murray; Vice Superintendent Beverly Payne; HR Director Heather Driver; School Board Assistant Sunnie Clapsaddle; and Wolfstown Tribal Council Representative Chelsea Saunooke all in

attendance.

The next meeting of the CCS Board of Education will be held Monday, April 19 at the 4:45 p.m. at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center.

Good Housekeeping

Strawberry-Rhubarb Pie

This sweet-tart confection is one for the family recipe box. It's just as tasty as Grandma's strawberry-rhubarb pie — but with just one-fifth the calories. Got a spoon? Dig in!

- 1 small orange
- 1 pound strawberries, hulled and cut in half (or quarters if large)
- 10 ounce rhubarb, trimmed and cut into 1/2-inch-thick slices
- 1/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1 tablespoon cornstarch
- 1/3 cup old-fashioned oats
- 1/3 cup packed dark brown sugar
- 1/4 cup whole-wheat flour
- 1 pinch salt
- 3 tablespoons butter or margarine, slightly softened

1. Preheat oven to 375 F. From orange, grate peel and divide between 2 large bowls; squeeze 1/4 cup orange juice into small bowl.

2. In 1 large bowl with peel, combine strawberries, rhubarb and granulated sugar until well mixed. Into small bowl with juice, add cornstarch; stir until well-mixed. Stir juice mixture into fruit mixture until well combined. Pour into 9-inch glass or ceramic pie plate; spread filling in even layer.

3. In other large bowl with peel, combine oats, brown sugar, flour and salt. With pastry blender or fingertips, blend in butter until mixture forms coarse crumbs with a few pea-size pieces remaining.

4. Sprinkle oat mixture evenly over strawberry mixture. Place pie plate on foil-lined cookie sheet to catch any drips. Bake 45 minutes or until topping is golden brown and fruit filling is hot and bubbling.

5. Cool pie on wire rack until filling is set but still slightly warm, at least 1 hour. Serve warm. Serves 8.

• Each serving: About 155 calories, 5g total fat (3g saturated), 12mg cholesterol, 70mg sodium, 27g total carbohydrate, 3g dietary fiber, 2g protein.

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Constitution vs. Charter: Article IV (continued)

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Proposed Constitution

Article IV – Legislative Branch (continued)

Section 8. Annual Council. The Principal Chief shall call a Special Session to elect the officers of Tribal Council on the first Monday in October after General Election. At the conclusion of electing officers, Tribal Council will convene Annual Council. No business shall be transacted unless a quorum of Council Representatives is present, with a quorum consisting of a majority of the current members of Council.

Current Charter

Section 10. There shall be an Annual Council held on the first Monday in October of every year, and in cases of emergency the Principal Chief may call a Special Council, but no business can be transacted in either Annual or Special Council unless a quorum of the members shall be present, with a quorum consisting of a majority of the members of Council elected at the last preceding election. The Principal Chief shall have the right to call a Grand Council of all enrolled members to attend and he shall preside over such meeting.

Why is this different from the Charter?

Traditionally, Tribal Council will conclude its business at the end of its Annual Council session prior to the new representatives taking office. The newly elected representatives would take their oaths of office then convene the next Annual Council session where they would choose the officers.

How can Tribal Council be called into session when there are no officers?

This process needs to be examined for legitimacy of any Annual Session of Tribal Council. If the previous Annual Session concluded its business, the officers are released from their duties.

How do we fix this?

After the swearing in of the Representatives, we propose that the Principal Chief call a Special Session of Council only for the members of Tribal Council to choose their next set of officers. At the conclusion of this process, the Principal Chief will close the Special Session. The newly elected officers can then call Tribal Council to Annual Session. Traditionally, this would take place on the first Monday in October

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Article IV is being presented in parts. More on Article IV next week!

CIPD Arrest Report for March 28 to April 4

The following people were arrested by the Cherokee Indian Police Department and booked into the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. It should be noted that the following defendants have only been charged with the crimes listed and should be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Mugshots can be viewed online at theonefeather.com.

Arkansas-Bradley, Errika Leah - age 43
Arrested: March 28
Released: March 30
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Tomas, Kelby Weldon - age 19
Arrested: March 28
Released: April 1

Charges: Providing Alcoholic Beverages to/Possession of/Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 years old; Domestic Violence

Cline, Melissa Renee - age 36
Arrested: March 29
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Possession of Schedule I Controlled Substance, Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance

Parton, Alice - age 45
Arrested: March 29
Released: March 29
Charges: Temporary Hold

Rickman Jr., Tommy Lee - age 35
Arrested: March 29
Released: April 2
Charges: Possession of Schedule II

Controlled Substance

Bird, Sydney Audena - age 21
Arrested: March 30
Released: March 30
Charges: Obstructing Justice

Rattler, Cajun River - age 18
Arrested: March 30
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Standingdeer, Michelle Dawn - age 36
Arrested: March 30
Released: March 31
Charges: Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance

Teesatuskie Jr., Gary Mitchell - age 21
Arrested: March 30
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Probation Violation

Tolley, Lawrence - age 49
Arrested: March 30
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Violation of a Vulnerable Adult Protective Order; Injuring

Telephone Wires, Wires, or other Communication Equipment; Interfering with Emergency Communication; Elder Abuse and Neglect

Arkansas-Bradley, Errika Leah - age 43
Arrested: March 31
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Second Degree Trespass, Possession of a Controlled Substance on Prison or Jail Premises, False Information to an Officer

Almond, Courtney Priscilla - age 33
Arrested: April 1
Released: April 1
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Hornbuckle, Crystal Lynn - age 40
Arrested: April 1
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Hornbuckle, William Richard - age 38
Arrested: April 1
Released: April 1
Charges: Failure to Appear on

MISSING PERSON

Willmott Collins Scott

Nickname/Alias: Highpine Scott/Sky Highpine

Male

American Indian/Alaska Native

Missing Age: 56 years, Current Age: 72 years

Height: 5'10" Weight: 160 lbs.

Hair: Black Eyes : Brown

Last Known Location: Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Date of last contact: April 1, 2005

Circumstances of Disappearance: Willmott Scott was last seen around April 2005. He was a transient living in and around downtown Oklahoma City. Namus case was created April 1, 2021

Investigating Agency: Oklahoma City Police, 405-297-1129

Case #06-067341

Source: www.namus.gov



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"Shakespeare" gardens

honor the famous playwright and have been set up in parks all over the world, often near theatres. They contain plants, flowers and trees found in his many works, such as almond, birch, blackberries, camomile, caraway, cedar, daffodil, ebony, fig, gooseberry, hazel, hyssop, lettuce, marjoram, mulberry, nutmeg, oats, olive, pear, pomegranate, quince, radish, rye, rosemary, saffron, strawberry, sycamore, thorn, violet, wormwood and yew. – Brenda Weaver

Rosemary (18th-century woodcut)

Sources: *The Plant-Lore and Garden-Craft of Shakespeare* by Henry Ellacombe, 1884; www.botanicalshakespeare.com

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Misdemeanor	or Abuse of Minors (three counts); Child Abuse in the Second Degree	counts)	Charges: Temporary Hold
Waldroup, Calvin Daniel - age 32 Arrested: April 1 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Probation Violation, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possession of Schedule IV Con- trolled Substance	Stallings, Brian David - age 48 Arrested: April 3 Released: April 3 Charges: Assault on a Female	Bradley, Rashonda Lashae - age 33 Arrested: April 4 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor	Ledford, Travis Dean - age 33 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4 Charges: Driving While Impaired
Brady, Cammy Jo - age 34 Arrested: April 3 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Contributing to the De- linquency, Undisciplined, Neglect	Swayney, Raymond Neal - age 35 Arrested: April 3 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Assault on a Female; Child Abuse in the Second Degree (two counts); Contributing to the Delinquency, Undisciplined, Neglect or Abuse of Minors (three	Carter, Cole - age 42 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4 Charges: Temporary Hold	O'Neal, Sean Christopher - age 30 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4 Charges: Temporary Hold
		Ehrsam, Alexia - age 24 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4	Walkingstick, Michael Wayne - age 38 Arrested: April 4 Released: April 4 Charges: Failure to Appear

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Images from Museum of the Cherokee Indian



The 2021 Cherokee Middle School Lady Braves are shown, left to right, standing - Watiyeli Taylor, Joscelyn Stamper, Kieran Wolfe, Amila Lossie, Paytyn Barker; middle row - Livia Crowe, Aaliyah Reed, Julia Layno, Nevayah Panther, Daisee Fourkiller-Raby; front row - Lolo Hogner, Dvdaya Swimmer, and Emilee Brady. Not pictured - Ayla Ross. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

WHAT A SEASON!

SOFTBALL

Middle School Lady Braves finish season undefeated, win conference title

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**
One Feather Staff

ANDREWS - With a dominating performance at Andrews, the Cherokee Middle School Lady Braves finished their 2021 season undefeated and won the Smoky Mountain Conference championship. The Lady Braves defeated the Lady Wildcats

20-0 in their final game of the season on the afternoon of Friday, April 9. Cherokee school officials related that this is the first time in school history that a middle school softball team has finished the season undefeated.

"My heart is overjoyed and filled with pride," Terri Hogner, Middle School Lady Braves softball head coach, said following their win. "These ladies have dedicated hours on top of hours of time to build their knowledge and methods of softball."

The Lady Braves finished the season a perfect 7-0 with the following wins:

- * March 9: Cherokee 19 Rosman 9
- * March 12: Cherokee 12 Robbinsville 9
- * March 16: Cherokee 15 Andrews 0

- * March 19: Cherokee 5 Swain County 1
- * March 23: Cherokee 19 Rosman 9
- * April 2: Cherokee 21 Robbinsville 7
- * April 9: Cherokee 20 Andrews 0

"Their camaraderie has been their biggest accomplishment - being one another's biggest fan and having one another's back," added Coach Hogner. "I'm hoping the interest of youth programs continues to grow and more young girls find joy in being involved with the sport."

Through six games, some of the Lady Braves stat leaders included:

- * Aaliyah Reed hit .600 with 9 hits including 2 singles, 6 doubles, and a triple
- * Watiyeli Taylor hit .462 with 6 hits including

2 singles, 3 doubles, and a triple
 * Julia Layo hit .400 with 8 hits including 3 singles, 3 doubles, and 2 triples

* Paytyn Barker pitched 26 innings with a 6.231 ERA and 15 strikeouts

Julia Layno, Lady Braves catcher and shortstop, commented on the season. “When we first started, we played a little sloppy. But, when we started playing more, we came together more as a team. We have our ups and downs. Sometimes, we have a bad inning, but the girls are really nice and we’ve been playing together since we were younger and we have a really good chemistry.”

Watiyeli Taylor, Lady Braves outfielder and pitcher, said, “It’s been fun getting closer as a team.”

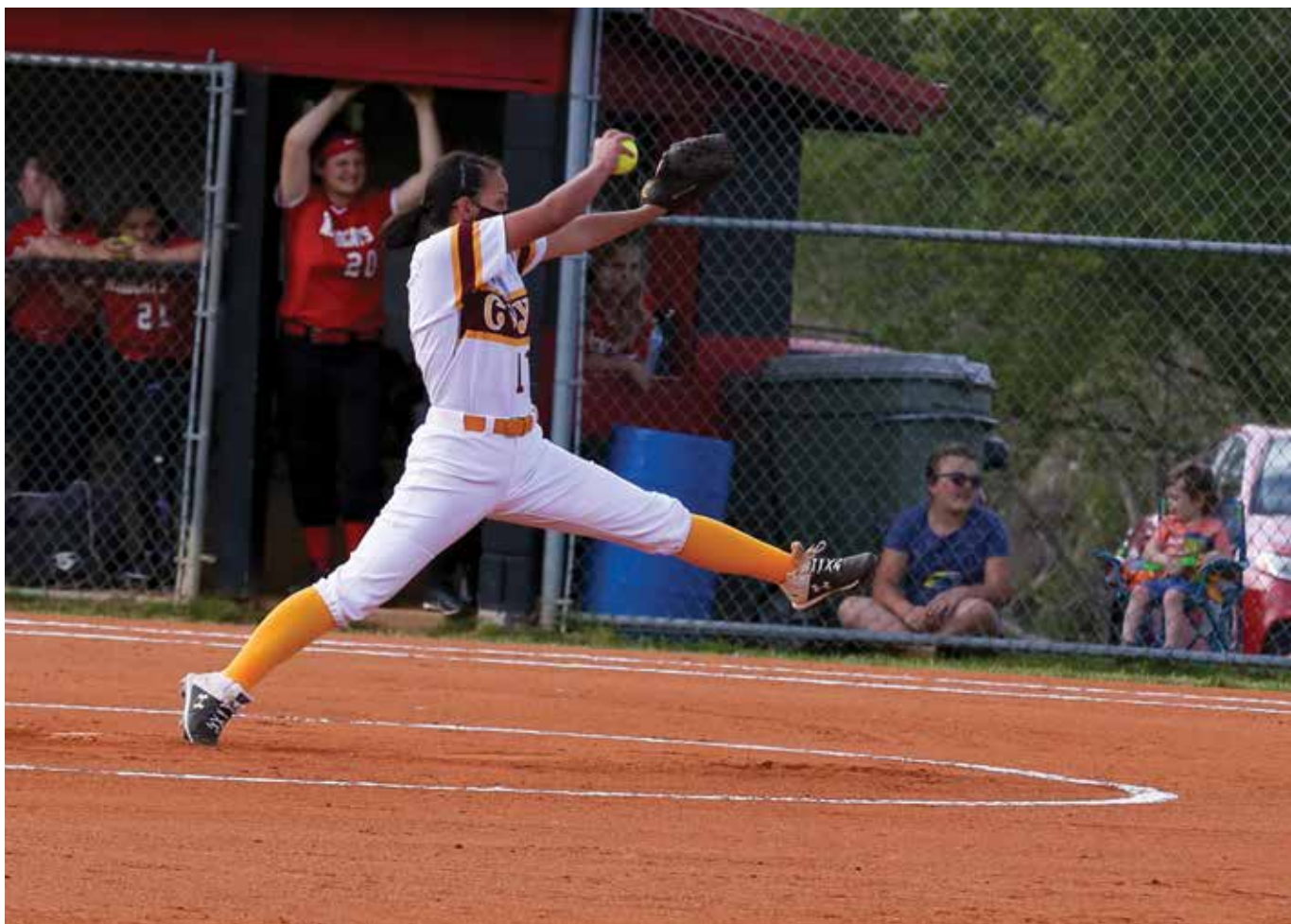
She noted that she most enjoys pitching and when asked what her favorite part about that position is, Taylor said, “Striking someone out.”

Ella Sokol, Lady Braves right fielder, commented, “I’m proud of all of us. We worked really well together all season, and everybody’s just good and supportive of each other.”

Carrah Swimmer, Lady Braves volunteer assistant coach, said the season has been humbling. She noted that many of the girls grew up playing with each other on the Mavericks travel softball team and brought skills with them that herself and Coach Hogner were able to add to and hone.

“I feel our girls walk in mentally prepared for every situation,” Swimmer said. “Coach Hogner does a great job of simulating situations.”

Swimmer also praised the parents of the players for their dedication and support of the season.



Watiyeli Taylor winds up for a pitch during the season finale at Andrews on the afternoon of Friday, April 9.



Emilee Brady prepares to tag an Andrews runner out at second base during the final game of the season for the Lady Braves on the afternoon of Friday, April 9.

“These ladies have dedicated hours on top of hours of time to build their knowledge and methods of softball.”

- Terri Hogner,
 CMS Lady Braves
 softball head coach

Cherokee High School honors football, cheerleading seniors



**Photos by Scott McKie B.P./
One Feather**

TOP: Cherokee Braves varsity football seniors are shown, left to right, back row - Braden Taylor (#30), Caden Pheasant (#15), Tally Bradley (#21), Jonathan Frady (#9), Daniel Thompson (#43), Thomas Pheasant (#65); front row - Rocky Peebles (#3), AJ Allison (#18), and Ian Crowe (#63).



LEFT: CHS varsity cheerleader seniors are shown, left to right, including: Zoey Walkingstick, Mattie Maney, Abigail Space, Emma Wolfe, and Destiny Mills.

Swain Co. tops Lady Braves 7-0



Cherokee's Rosa Reyes, left, senior forward, fights for the ball with Swain County's Jadyn Perez during at game at the Cherokee High School Soccer Field on the sunny afternoon of Tuesday, April 6. The Lady Maroon Devils topped the Lady Braves 7-0. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)



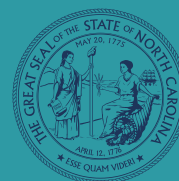
Destiny Siweumtewa, right, Lady Braves sophomore midfielder, bring the ball up the line with Swain's Avery Maples in pursuit.

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West Lincoln tops Braves in season finale

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather



Tso Smith, filling in at quarterback for an injured player, backs up to pass during a game against the West Lincoln Rebels at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the evening of Friday, April 9. The Rebels topped the Braves 35-7 in the season finale for Cherokee. Smith was named Cherokee One Feather Co-Player of the Game, along with AJ Allison, by the 104.1 FM Broadcast team. Game statistics were not available for this game by press time.

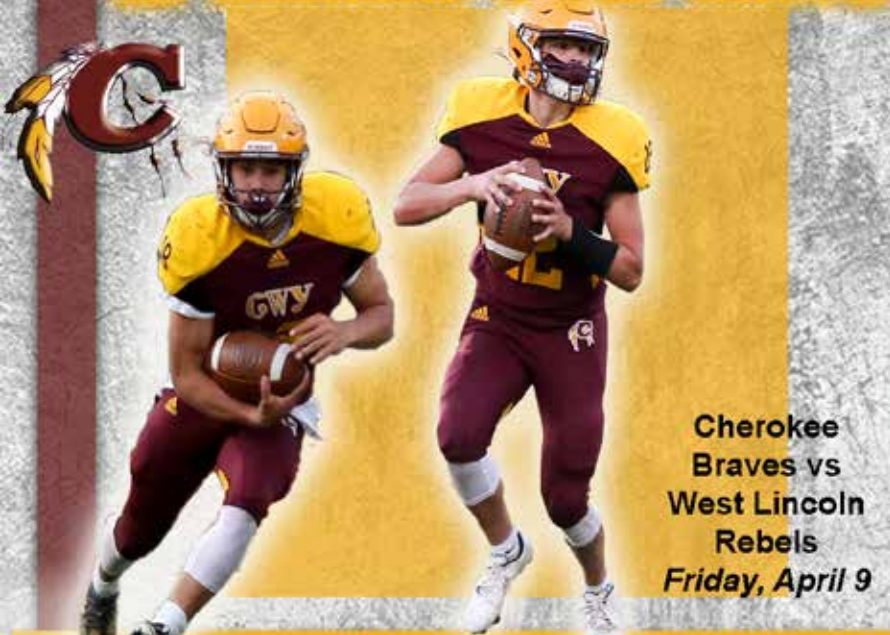


Cherokee's Malakai Fourkiller-Raby (#14) launches his body into a tackle of West Lincoln's Mason Huitt (#12).



AJ Allison (#18), Braves running back, hits a large hole made partly by a nice block by Kensen Davis.

AJ ALLISON & TSO SMITH



Cherokee
Braves vs
West Lincoln
Rebels
Friday, April 9

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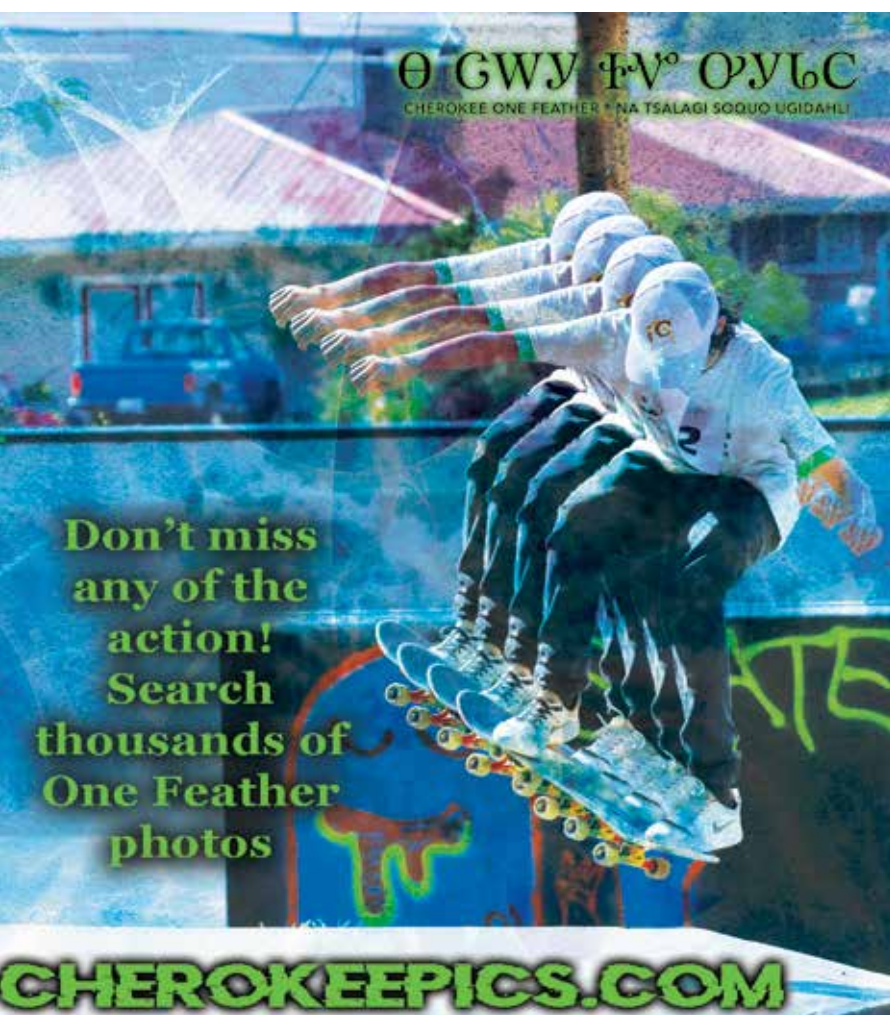


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I want to connect with you. I hope we can meet soon to discuss how we can best serve our students, staff, and administration together.

Cellphone: 828-736-3126
Email: lavitahill2021@gmail.com
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Firehouse Subs opening location in Cherokee

Special to the One Feather

Firehouse Subs is opening a new location in Cherokee in Saunooke Village at 17 Big Cove Road, making it the first Firehouse Subs in Indian Country. The restaurant will open its doors to the public on Monday, April 12, under the ownership of Firehouse Subs Franchisee Glenda Weinert. Weinert currently owns and operates four Firehouse Subs restaurants in the greater Asheville area and this restaurant will bring the count to five. Before joining Firehouse Subs, Weinert worked as an accountant in addition to an adjunct professor at the University of North Carolina Asheville, where she still teaches one class focusing on accounting and business management.

"I feel honored to open the first Firehouse Subs on the Cherokee Indian Reservation and expand the brand's Asheville footprint," said Weinert. "I look forward to welcoming new and loyal guests in to try our hot and hearty subs while we continue to give back locally through the Firehouse



Glenda Weinert, owner of a new Firehouse Subs in Cherokee, stands inside the business which boasts a mural by Joe Puskas that features a Cherokee Fire Dept. truck. (Photo courtesy of Firehouse Subs)

Subs Public Safety Foundation."

The Saunooke Village Firehouse Subs restaurant opens at 10:30 a.m. and closes at 9 p.m. seven days a week. The restaurant

offers hot and hearty subs to go via online ordering through the Firehouse Subs app or website, call-in phone orders or takeout service at the counter inside. It also offers

third-party delivery and in-house catering services to accommodate occasions of all sizes, from office meetings to family gatherings.

Post 143 seeking contact info for EBCI service men/women

The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 is seeking contact information for active duty EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) troops currently deployed overseas.

All information will be held in the strictest confidence. The Post and Ladies Auxiliary wants to send care packages and notes of encouragement to the troops.

**Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657
or David McQueen 736-9572**



Tribal member selected to Univ. of Miami Supreme Court

ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT



Dallas J. Bennett, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), has been confirmed to the University of Miami Student Government Supreme Court. He will serve as an associate justice in seat 7.

“Being confirmed to the University of Miami Student Government Supreme Court has been one of my biggest accomplishments and highlights during my freshman year,” Bennett said. “My duties include authoring court opinions following a trial, or authoring advisory opinions for the Executive and Legislative branches of Student Government here at UM. My other duties include serving as the judicial representative for the Senate Policy and Finance committee during the academic year.”

He took the Oath of Office in the fall semester and is the first

EBCI tribal member to serve in this capacity at the University of Miami.

Bennett graduated from Swain County High School in 2020 where he served three years on the Student Council and two years on the Junaluska Leadership Council. He was also a member of the National Honor Society.

Reading Challenge winners announced

Following are the winners for the Community Reading Challenge hosted by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office:

Grades K-2

1st place - Sela Watty, Birdtown; 1,167 minutes
2nd place - Wyatt Moore, Yellowhill

3rd place - Aurora Lila, Birdtown

Grades 3-5

1st place - Campbell Wegenka, Off-Boundary; 1,377 minutes
2nd place - Kloey Parker, Yellowhill
3rd place - Kristin Martinez, Birdtown

Grades 6-8

1st place - Cameron Jackson, Off-Boundary, 435 minutes
2nd place - Deanna Long, Birdtown
3rd place - Gabby Smith, Wolf-town

Grades 9-12

1st place - Katherine Armachain, Big Cove; 1,836 minutes
2nd place - Gage Welch, Big Y

- EBCI Cooperative Extension Office



Mellie Burns, center, EBCI/PHHS Children's Dental Program manager, delivered 700 oral health kits to the Cherokee Elementary School on the morning of Thursday, April 8. She is shown with Jess Walkingstick, fifth grader, and Addie Martin, Pre-K, at the school. “We’re just really trying to promote a good dental health message,” said Burns. She related earlier that the program is not able to provide the routine services at the school due to COVID-19 restrictions. “But, I wanted to ensure all students had the needed supplies to care for their teeth and, in small way, continue to promote good health health habits.” (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)



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OBITUARIES



Phyllis Irene "Bake" Ashenfelter

Phyllis Irene "Bake" Ashenfelter, age 74, of the Painttown Community in Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Thursday, April 1, 2021 at Med West Harris hospital. She was a member of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints and a retired Executive Assistant from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Vice Chief's office.

Phyllis is survived by her children, Denise A. Crowe (Donovan) and Joseph Eagleman III (Tiffany); grandkids, Hez Crowe

(Taylor), Kendra Crowe (Christopher), Kenzie Eagleman, Kele Eagleman, and Joseph Eagleman; three great grandchildren, Salem Blythe Crowe, Saige Blaire Crowe, and Aurora Takini Sawdo Crowe; sisters, Linda "Coon" Fortner, Gracia "Marie" Harrison, Nancy "Kiss" Hornbuckle, and Lillian "Bootie" Littlejohn. Also surviving are those in the Cherokee community she called friends during her lifetime.

Phyllis is preceded in death by her parents, Luvenia Bradley Hornbuckle and Thurman Hornbuckle Sr.; brothers, Shad Bradley and Thurman Hornbuckle Jr.; and sister, Dorothy Flying.

A formal funeral service was held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints on Tuesday, April 6 with Bishop Dan Cutler officiating. Burial was in the Hornbuckle Family Cemetery. Pallbearers were among Family and Friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

Catherine T. Pannell

Catherine T. Pannell, age 77, went home to be with her Lord and Savior on Tuesday, March 30, 2021. She was a loving mother. She loved her husband Buddy,

whom she couldn't get over. She was preceded in death by her husband, Vernon (Buddy) Pannell; one daughter, Rhonda P. Bradley; a granddaughter, Kaydince Greenmen; father, Claude Talent; Nancy Wilson Talent; and a sister, Linda T. Mull.

She is survived by Ricky (Anita) Pannell of Cherokee, Tim (Mandy) Pannell, Tammy (Don) Keaton, Sherri (Donnie) Hoxit of Sylva; two special grandsons, Phillip and Cody Pannell; special friend, Billy Joe Hendrix of Cherokee; five grandchildren; five great grandchildren; two special grandchildren, Xailey and Sadien Rose; two step-grandchildren, A.J. Owle and Tonya Walk of Cherokee; two sisters, Sandra Riley of Cullowhee and Gina Kay Franks of Sylva; and one brother, Kenneth Talent, of Sylva.

Funeral services will be at Scotts Creek Church on Friday, April 2. Pastors were J.D. Grant, Eddie Stillwill, Jeffery, and Tonya Vickery. The service was followed with burial at Cullowhee Baptist Cemetery. Pallbearers were Jess Rose, Billy Joe Hendrix, A.J. Owle, Chris Greenmen, Corey Rogers, Mike Walk, and Jamie Mull.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final ar-

rangements.

Kalenud (Kale) Ledford

Kalenud (Kale) Ledford, age 24, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Wednesday April 7, 2021 due to a recent heart problem. She was a kind and caring soul that will be greatly missed by all who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her parents, James and Minne (Punkin) Ledford.

She is survived by her children, Katalina, Marianna and Tahya; grandmother, Lula Ledford; brothers, Mitchell, Mason (Anna), Robert (Jenna), and Nigel; her nieces, nephews, and many uncles, aunts and cousins; and special Friends, Ally, Bree, and their mother Sonya. Kalenud also leaves behind so many friends that will forever miss her.

A formal funeral service was held Sunday, April 11 in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home with Dan Conseen officiating. Burial was in the Blythe Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

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EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch
497-4131

**Cherokee Indian Police
Dept.**
359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue
359-6584

Tribal EMS
359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital
497-9163

EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

**Transit Main Line
Dispatch**
359-6300

Tsali Manor funds passes for Tsali Manor residents and communal lunch attendees. This pass provides unlimited trips within the service area and on shopping trips. Out-of-town shopping trips are currently on hold due to COVID-19.

Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line
497-9163

Tsali Manor - contact is Debbie West
359-6291 or 736-3950

**HELP (Handicapped, Elderly Living
Program)** -
contact is Stephanie Welch
359-6638

HIP (Home Improvement Program) -
contact is Cindi Squirrel
359-5520 or 507-7748

**Congregate, Homebound Meals,
Supplement** - contact is Sherry Welch
359-6290

**Heat Assistance/Emergency
Assistance** - contact is Krisna Ashe
359-6294 or 421-7364

EBCI Home Health/Home Care
497-9163 (ask for nurse on call)

EBCI Domestic Violence
359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance
507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic
554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Dialysis Center
497-6866

Snowbird Senior Center main line
479-9145

Tsali Manor main line
359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line
835-9741

**Cherokee Boy's Club Elder Fuel
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Worst investment ever

Dear Dr. Per Cap:

You once wrote that the most lucrative investment you ever made was a trade for a valuable hockey card at 12-years-old. What's the worst investment you've ever made?

Signed,
Just Asking

Dear Just Asking

Fair question! Back in the

nineties I was working in a pizza store and had just started investing. A seventeen-year-old co-worker told me about a European media company with a seemingly bright future.

Yes, you read that correctly. I bought a hot tip stock on the advice of a teenager tossing pizzas. I'll salvage a little bit of dignity by not providing any details on the company other than to say it wasn't able to successfully make the leap into the digital age. Within a nine month period I purchased 5,400 shares of this lovely little gem of a penny stock at share prices ranging from \$1.16 to \$3.10 using an online brokerage account. My total investment was just shy of \$10,000.

All went according to plan when two years later the stock broke \$5 a share and my holdings

nearly tripled in value to \$30,000. I thought the stock's run was just getting started so I didn't even think to sell.

Big mistake - the stock never went much higher than \$5 before it tanked. However, it wasn't a quick dive so I held on hoping it was just a rough patch. Unfortunately, the stock didn't rebound and eventually struggled just to maintain a \$1 share price. This triggered a warning letter from NASDAQ because major exchanges don't like stocks that can't secure a baseline level of investor confidence.

Sadly, the company still couldn't get it together and faced delisting - being dropped from the exchange. So the company declared a 1:3 reverse split in an effort to pump up the stock price. Reverse splits are really bad news.

Unlike regular splits where investors receive more shares, a reverse split leaves you with fewer shares; so overnight my 5,400 shares turned into 1,800 shares valued at less than \$2 each.

From here the stock continued its downward spiral dropping below \$1 again. The company didn't bother with any more reverse splits and the stock was delisted. No longer trading on an exchange the disgraced stock was exiled to Pink Sheets, an over-the-counter market for high risk distressed companies. There it continued to languish, trading every so often for less than a penny a share. I didn't even bother trying to sell and just stashed the brokerage statements listing my worthless shares in the bottom of a drawer.

Fortunately, there's a semi-happy ending. About ten years later when I bought my first house I used my \$10,000 loss to offset capital gains from other stocks I had bought and sold that actually went up in value. So I was able to effectively capture \$10,000 tax free towards my down payment. Yeah, not nearly as cool as if I'd sold at the top but certainly better than nothing.

Lesson learned - pizza shops aren't the best place for stock picking advice. Not the same kind of dough!

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THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS THE

WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

APRIL 12-18, 2021

WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckasegee River	Delayed Harvest stocking April 6. (Only delayed harvest section is open)	All Day.	Rainbow, Brook, Brown. All Day.	Caddis, BWO and Stoneflies.	BWO's, Caddis, Griffith's Gnat, Rubber Leg Prince Nymph, Perdigon, Frenchie, Squirmy Wormy, Red Bomb, Midges.
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Hatchery Supported Waters are closed until April 3.	Based on water temperatures.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Caddis, BWO, Quill Gordons.	Prince Nymph, Girdle Bugs, Frenchie, Copper John.
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Hatchery Supported Waters are closed until April 3.	Warmest part of the day based on water temps. Watch Tippet size.	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, and Wild Brook Trout	Caddis, BWO's, Quill Gordon, Midges.	Caddis, BWO's, Quill Gordon, Griffith's Gnat, Rubber Leg Prince Nymph, Hares Ear, Rubber Leg Pheasant Tail, Copper John.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

EBCI Program/Entity Announcements

Fish Cherokee 2021 schedule

The Catch & Keep Enterprise Waters will be closed to everyone from March 13-26. The Catch & Release Enterprise Waters are open all year for trophy water fly fishing only.

Following is a list of tournaments sponsored by Fish Cherokee, a program of the EBCI Natural Resource Program (a two-day Tribal Fish Permit {\$17} and tournament registration {\$15} is required for all):

Tim Hill Memorial Tournament: July 24-25

- \$10,000 cash prizes
- Registration deadline is Friday, July 23

Qualla Country Tournament: Sept. 4-5

- \$20,000 cash prizes
- Registration deadlines is Friday, Sept. 3

Tag turn-in for all tournaments is 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. at the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement Office at 517 Sequoyah Trail.

Participants may purchase a Tribal Fish Permit online at www.fishcherokee.com or from a local permit vendor. Children ages 11 and under may participate in

tournaments under a supervising adult's registration and fish permit. Legal fishing methods apply to everyone. Report fishing violations to 497-4131 (10-fish limit per day per permit holder which includes catch of children, catch must be kept separate, fly-fishing in ponds is allowed, re-releasing caught fish into ponds prohibited). Fishing hours are one hour prior to sunrise until one hour after sunset. Discarding fish remains anywhere other than trash bins is prohibited.

Info: www.fishcherokee.com or on Facebook at facebook.com/fishcherokee

- EBCI Natural Resources

HELP Program Lawn Maintenance and Garden Plowing applications available

Applications for the HELP (Handicapped and Elderly Living Program) Lawn Maintenance and Garden Plowing are now available during Tsali Manor lunch drive-thru and/or over the phone. The deadline for applications is June 30.

Eligibility requirements:

- * Must be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- * Individuals applying for assistance must be living in the home.
- * Applicants must be 59 1/2 years old or older.

* Applicants under 59 1/2 years old must not be physically capable of mowing. Proof of disability (Social Security Disability Statement) is required.

* For 2021, a doctor's note stating applicant is not physically capable will be required from each applicant (disabled and 59 1/2 or older). Attach statement to the application or request that it be faxed to (828) 497-3519.

Mowing information:

- * Client/family is responsible for getting yard clear of any trash and/or debris.
- * The residence must be within the three-county service area of Jackson, Swain, and Haywood.
- * Mowing will occur between April 1 and Sept. 28.

* Mowing and weed eating include a 50-foot perimeter around the home including carports.

* Lawns mowed outside the 50-foot perimeter will be the homeowner's responsibility.

Plowing information:

- * Available up to a 100 foot by 100 foot area.
- * One garden per household
- * Plowing will occur between March 1 and May 31.

Info: 359-6638

- HELP release

Community Events

Turkey Shoot at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. April 17 at 3 p.m., benefit for Gail Panther. Good fun, good prizes, good benefit.

Cherokee Heritage Festival.

Sept. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Cherokee Homestead Exhibit adjacent to the old Jail Museum in Hayesville. This free event is sponsored by the Clay County Communities Revitalization Asso-

ciation. Cherokee dancing, cultural arts demonstrations, storytelling, fry bread, singing, and flute music. Parking and shuttle bus will be available. Info: 369-6531 or www.cccra-nc.org

Life Recovery Bible-Based 12-step Zoom meeting.

Started Nov. 10 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Info: Deb Conseen-Bradley kellideb@gmail.com

Life Recovery Zoom meeting.

Started Nov. 10 from 4 p.m. to 5 p.m. Info: Deb Conseen-Bradley kellideb@gmail.com

Good Housekeeping

Spinach and Strawberry Salad

- 1 pound strawberries, hulled and sliced
- 3 tablespoon lime juice
- 2 teaspoon honey
- 1 teaspoon olive oil
- Salt and pepper
- 1 container (12-ounce) baby spinach
- 10 ounce (2 cups) chicken breast meat, coarsely shredded
- 3/4 cup walnuts, toasted and coarsely chopped


1. In blender, puree 3/4 cup strawberries with lime juice, honey, oil, 1/4 teaspoon salt and 1/8 teaspoon freshly ground black pepper. Transfer dressing to large serving bowl.

2. To bowl with dressing, add spinach, chicken and remaining strawberries; toss to coat. Sprinkle salad with walnuts to serve. Serves 6.

• Each serving: About 220 calories, 13g total fat (2g saturated), 40mg cholesterol, 220mg sodium, 10g total carbohydrate, 8g dietary fiber, 19g protein.

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Cherokee High School Honor Rolls - 1st, 2nd, 3rd quarters

1st Quarter

9th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Cree-don Arch, Roxi Bark, Jayle Creson, Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Dalaina Mills, Evan Nations, Taiya Parra-Rubio, Ann Toineeta, Bayley Wright

Alpha Honor Roll: Alitama Perkins, Evonne Stamper, Gabriel Terrell, Tahlaya Thompson, Hermione Ward

Beta Honor Roll: Brody Barker, Ericka Brady, Chase Calhoun, Jenna Cruz, Taliyah Eaglestar, Azucena Gomez, Mato Grant, Layla Johnson, Alexzaya Lossiah, Ezequiel Martinez, Kaesyn McCoy, Dayvian Pheasant, Shelby Solis, Emily Swayney, Olivia Swayney

10th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Mahala Allison, Idalis Crowe, Jensen Davis, Autumn Greene, Braylon James, Hayden McCoy, Alexis Smith, Nessa Smith, Ellise Stamp-er, Emma Taylor

Alpha Honor Roll: Jaelyn Lossiah, Kaniah Reed, Darius Saunooke, Destiny Siweumtewa, Avlin Welch

Beta Honor Roll: Emma Antho-ny, Dominyk Arch, Jaden Arm-achain, Thomas Armachain, Julius Bolden, Davyn Broome, Catherine Cline, Nicholas Cole, Adia Frady, William Hartbarger, Terrell Lo-cust, Mason Long, Rachel Maney, Zechariah Maney, Aida Martinez, Alessandra Martinez, Lilah Reyn-olds, Kenneth Welch, Tyler Wolfe

11th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll:

Donald Bradley, Kegan Curtice, Aria Foerst, Vivian Ross, Takota Sexton, Chandler Shelton, Caed-ance Smith, Abigail Taylor, Keeifer Taylor

Alpha Honor Roll: Makala McGaha, Alayna Morgan, Luther Murphy

Beta Honor Roll: Jordan Arkansas, Lucian Davis, Joseph Hornbuckle, Gabriel Jarvis, Phoebe Rattler, Donna Thompson, Danasia Toineeta, Praire Toineeta, Jacob Wallace

12th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Antho-ny Allison, Shaylyn Barker, Emma Broom, David Bushyhead, Maya Cruz, James Davis, Jonathan Frady, Destyni Johnson, Da'Quan Jumper, Aiyana Lambert, Teja Littlejohn, Dreyton Long, Mat-

tie Maney, Destiny Mills, Rocky Peebles, Caden Pheasant, Dustin Pheasant, Rosa Reyes, Dakota Si-weumtewa, Abigail Space, Zoey Walkingstick, John Watty, Emma Wolfe, Trent Wolfe

Alpha Honor Roll: Alexandra Carisle, Bryanna Dioso, Ayden Evans, Naomi Smith, Hunter Swayney, Braden Taylor, Jensen Thompson, Tariq Underwood

Beta Honor Roll: Eeyannah Catolster-Sexton, Samantha Cole, Dawson George, Rhyan Girty, Kalista Luther, Adam Reed

2nd Quarter

9th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Cree-don Arch, Roxi Bark, Roseana Correa, Jayle Creson, Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Da-laina Mills, Evans Nations, Taiya Parra-Rubio, Evonne Stamper,

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HOUSE FOR SALE

The Cherokee Indian Division of Housing (CIDH) offers this lovely, 3 bedroom, 1 & 1/2 bath home for sale. Located in the Painttown Community on 0.764 of an acre, this homes sits on a spacious yard and has a paved parking pad and turnaround.

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Buyer must be prequalified with an outside lender/bank to qualify and must submit written request to purchase to Michelle Stamper at the CIDH office located at 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. Please deliver in a sealed envelope; email requests will not be accepted.

To make an appointment to view house, please contact Tina Larch at 828-359-6912 or Misty Millsaps at 828-359-6919, Mondays—Fridays 7:45—4:30.



Gabriel Terrell, Ann Toineeta
Alpha Honor Roll: Chase Calhoun, Bayley Wright

Beta Honor Roll: Emily Blankenship, Azucena Gomez, Mato Grant, Kaesyn McCoy, Cole Schultz, Tahlaya Thompson, Hermione Ward

10th Grade

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COMMENTARY

The problem with weed

By **ROBERT JUMPER**

One Feather Editor

Marijuana use is a complicated issue. If you watched Tribal Council on Thursday, April 1, you were able to hear part of the ongoing debate over the legal and illegal use of marijuana. Over the decades, marijuana has been known by several “also known as” monikers - Bud, Dagga, Ditch Weed, Herb, Hippie Lettuce, Laughing Grass, Mary Jane, Reefer, Sticky Icky, Pot, and the popular Wacky Tobacky. Many of the slang synonyms came from users of the product. Scientifically, we are talking about the cannabis plant and particularly the buds thereof, known to have the highest levels of tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in the plant and the chemical that produces the therapeutic effect.

If you were a child even as late as the 1970’s, you are acquainted with a movie called “Reefer Madness”. The original title of the flick was “Tell your Children”. The movie was produced in 1936 and it was used all over the nation to scare said nation about the perceived dangers of cannabis (referred to in the film as “marihuana” or “reefer”).

The preamble of the film when like this, “The motion picture you are about to witness may startle you. It would not have been possible, otherwise, to sufficiently emphasize the frightful toll of the new drug menace which is destroying the youth of America in alarmingly increasing numbers. Marihuana is that drug - a violent narcotic- an unspeakable scourge - The Real Public Enemy Number One! It’s first effect is sudden, violent, uncontrollable laughter; then comes dangerous hallucinations -space expands -time slows down, almost stands still...fixed ideas come next, conjuring up monstrous extravagances - followed by emotional disturbances, the total inability to direct thoughts, the loss of all power to resist physical emotions...leading finally to acts of shocking violence...ending often in incurable insanity. In

picturing its soul-destroying effects no attempt has been made to equivocate. The scenes and incidents, while fictionalized for the purposes of this story, are based upon actual research into the results of Marihuana addiction. If their stark reality will make you think, will make you aware that something must be done to wipe out this ghastly menace, then the picture will not have failed in its purpose, because the dread Marihuana may be reaching forth next for your son or daughter.”

Rhetoric like this kept my generation at arms-length from all things marijuana, or marihuana, if for nothing else, just to be on the safe side. It was common practice, even into the 1960s and 1970s to use scare tactics to persuade compliant behavior.

Fearmongering was common practice back in my day. In the late 1950s and early 1960s, a series of highway safety films were produced and used for driver education, with titles like “Mechanized Death”, “Wheels of Tragedy”, “Decade of Highway Death”, and my favorite, “Death on the Highway”. Please don’t get me wrong. There is nothing amusing or whimsical about drug misuse or distracted or drunk driving. Loss of life is truly tragic whether it is instantaneous or over an agonizing period of time. But, looking at these films in the context of the collective knowledge of the past 40 to 60 years, these films present images that are designed to highlight the exception and not the norm when it comes to marijuana and to driving.

Fearmongering, unfortunately, is common practice now in America and is alive and well on the Qualla Boundary too. Those who wish to push an agenda will often play on emotion to sway belief one way or another to persuade their audience. There may even be a grain of truth or fact in a presentation like “Reefer Madness” or “Wheels of Tragedy”, but the case for convincing you of the premise of the film is made with dramatic examples that often times are the exception, not the normal course of events.

For example, according to the Federal Highway Administration, United States citizens drove 3.22 trillion miles on the road in 2016. There were 7,227,000 accidents reported in the U.S., ranging from minor fender bend-

ers to horrific loss of life. Roughly half of those accidents resulted in injury and 37,461 people were killed. That means a traffic death occurred once every 85,956,061 miles. In that time, the average person drove approximately 13,000 miles in the year. By most standards, the number of deaths and injuries were minimal in comparison to the routine use of vehicles on the highways.

Each death and injury are tragedies for someone and should not be taken lightly, but to use those tragic experiences to make the driving public fearful is at least callous and at most misleading. In fact, using fear to push people into a particular behavior is likely to fail, particularly if misinformation is used to create a sense of urgency in a call to action. Telling people that, if you don’t do this - this will happen to you, will quickly fail; just ask Chicken Little or the boy who cried “wolf”. Still yet, there are many people out there who sincerely believe that their DNA will be altered by a vaccination. All because someone made a dramatic presentation on social media.

The Center for Disease Control (CDC) has been the go-to agency when it comes to believable medical information for decades, particularly when it comes to disease medicine. Many have tried to make the convincing case that drug misuse is a disease, so it would make sense to listen to what the CDC has to say about cannabis. The CDC is not prone to using dramatics to make their points and recommendations, which may be seen in the handling of the COVID-19 crisis. The CDC has been a lead organization in the fight against the virus. Much of that guidance was considered by our own Tribal health organizations and Tribal leadership in the formulation of protocols for the community with regard to COVID-19.

So, the CDC (www.cdc.gov) says about cannabis the following:

“Marijuana is the most commonly used illegal drug in the United States, with 37.6 million users in the past year and marijuana use may have a wide range of health effects on the body and brain.

“About 1 in 10 marijuana users will become addicted. For people who begin using before the age of 18, that number rises to 1 in 6.

“Marijuana use directly affects the

brain-specifically the parts of the brain responsible for memory, learning, attention, decision making, coordination, emotions, and reaction time.

“Smoked marijuana delivers THC and other cannabinoids to the body, but it also delivers harmful substances to users and those close by, including many of the same substances found in tobacco smoke, which are harmful to the lungs and cardiovascular system.

“Marijuana users are significantly more likely than nonusers to develop temporary psychosis (not knowing what is real, hallucinations and paranoia) and long-lasting mental disorders, including schizophrenia (a type of mental illness where people might see or hear things that aren’t really there).

“Edibles, or food and drink products infused with marijuana and eaten, have some different risks than smoking marijuana, including a greater risk of poisoning. Unlike smoked marijuana, edibles can take from 30 minutes to 2 hours to take effect. So some people eat too much, which can lead to poisoning and/or serious injury.”

During the Tribal Council consideration of the proposed legislation, the amount of marijuana that would be allowed to be in a person’s possession and not be subject to prosecution would be 1.5 ounces. In a 2018 article in the Los Angeles Times (“A simple guide to pot, THC and how much is too much” by Alejandra Barreda, Kriistine De Leon, and Steffani Urmas), the average “joint”, marijuana cigarette contains approximately .3 grams, or .105 ounces, of weed. This means that the new law would allow a person to have between 12 and 15 joints in their possession and not be considered illegal. That is just five cigarettes shy of a pack of Marlboros.

So, the Tribal Council took up the issue of the proposed tabled ordinance [Ord. 380 (21)] titled “An ordinance decriminalizing small amounts of marijuana”. If you have not watched the April 1 session of Tribal Council, I strongly urge you to do so, even if you have made up your mind one way or the other about allowing marijuana to become legal on the Boundary.

While the justifications for the proposed ordinance changes (the “whereas” part) talked about the need for medical marijuana use,

the proponents of the ordinance, including Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, EBCI Natural Resources Secretary Joey Owle and EBCI Government Affairs Liaison Jeremy Wilson, seemed to be in favor of total “decriminalization” of possession up to 1.5 ounces, which would mean anyone could possess that amount without necessarily having a medical need or prescription.

Here is some of what Tribal leadership had to say concerning the ordinance (Again, take time to watch the entire discussion at www.ebci.com. It is important to hear these comments in their proper context).

Jeremy Wilson: “The purpose of this ordinance is to say we are not going to punish our people for self-medicating with marijuana, but to an extent that is 1.5 ounces. This is going to be the first step to the ultimate goal of legalization.”

Big Cove Representative Perry Shell: “This is the first step to get to medicinal use of marijuana.”

Birdtown Representative Albert Rose: “In Oklahoma, I think you have to have a medical marijuana card for this. Is that part of this?”

Principal Chief Sneed: “All of that will have to be proposed in a separate ordinance.”

Painttown Representative Dike Sneed: “I just want everyone to know why I won’t support this. I am in full support of medical marijuana, but as this came in, it won’t be through Cherokee Indian Hospital. I haven’t even been told if a doctor will be issuing the medical cards. The amount allowed in possession could be non-enrolled too. Until these items are worked out, I can’t support this. Can’t you bring it in all at once instead of pieces so that we will be able to see how it will work?”

Wolfetown Representative Bo Crowe: “It is going to be kind of hard to tell if it is for medical use or recreational.” (without the medical card)

Birdtown Representative Rose: “I am 100% for this medical. But how are our officers going to determine between the person who is using it for recreation or medical?”

Joey Owle: “To the point of what we are doing here is advocating for folks to be able to utilize cannabis as a substance to treat their ailments without criminal punishment. What we are advocating for is raising that threshold

of criminality to decriminalize the possession of it for individuals’ choice use of cannabis. We are looking at people’s freedom to choose to use a substance for whatever ailment they are wanting to address and not be subject to criminal penalties within that small threshold that is reflective of what other states already do.”

Principal Chief Sneed: “This is an act of tribal sovereignty. It is the least harmful recreationally used substance. I could easily make the argument and have the data to support it that alcohol, even though it is legal is much more damaging in the short term, in the long term, to children. It is the main driver for domestic violence. When you talk about physically what it does to people, over the long term certainly more dangerous than cannabis. These are all facts. We all know this. I get a tad bit frustrated because it is not the 1940s anymore. We have all the data. We have the science. Most of us have met with the Northern Paiute from out in Vegas, and they have demonstrated that even on the recreational side that it can be regulated and distributed in a way that is safe. I think what we are saying here as a sovereign nation is that we trust our people to do what is in their best interests and to be responsible and that it is indeed an act of sovereignty.”

Yellowhill Representative Tom Wahnetah: “I would much rather see our enrolled members walk around with a small bag of cannabis as to walk around with a pocket full of pills, or heroine, or fentanyl. It is killing our youth. I think that this is going to give them the opportunity to medicate without going to those harder drugs. And not worry about getting put in jail for carrying around a joint to feel better and not hurt constantly.”

Birdtown Representative Boyd Owle: “This will probably ease the court docket as well. It would save time and money. I think it is one way to beat this opioid addiction. Doing it for our people. If they want it, let’s do it for them.”

Wolfetown Representative Chelsea Saunooke: “Marijuana was the only way I got a family member back to close to who they really were. That was something that we just had to accept, because it was better than them being drunk on liquor, or whatever else drugs that were out there. I am for this. We are hinder-

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ing our people right now from being able to do what they need to do. I am in support of it because I know the impacts it could have on our community.”

Painttown Representative Tommye Saunooke: “I don’t think that anyone around this horseshoe objects to the medicinal. I think the way its implemented will be the key.”

Vice Chairman David Wolfe (Yellowhill): “I am for the regulated medical marijuana and the steps that need to be taken to get to that point. But the way the ordinance reads right now it says ‘any person’, so a five-year old could get this and carry it to school with no repercussions upon anyone whether he got it from his parents, his uncle, his brother, he’s got in his backpack or something and that’s going to be unregulated or he’s not going to get in any kind of trouble. I know cigarettes, you have to be 21 to buy those. That’s regulated. You can buy those as long as you are over 21. Alcohol the same way. There are regulations and this (proposed ordinance) says any person. So, zero until if you’re breathing you can certainly be carrying it. We have a lot of kids here in the school and we are trying to keep them away from drugs, any kind of drugs whether it be marijuana or whatever. When we get to medical marijuana, regulated, I will be ready to support it but right now, in this case, I can’t just say any person. We have too many vulnerable people from the get-go. I am not ready to support it at this time.”

Chairman Adam Wachacha (Snowbird/Cherokee County): “Those are a lot of my concerns as well. I am very wary of it. I was not comfortable with the one and a half ounces. That is actually a lot to have on a person. And to be having it all the way down to any age group. I am for regulated cannabis as well. If we go into the medical market where we produce it from seed to sale, I am in support of that. Because I know exactly what they will be getting. I think supply and demand will increase. I am not willing to open the floodgates to allow it until we get to the point of (medical regulation).”

Joey Owle: “It sounds like there is a concern that there isn’t a mechanism to punish somebody and it seems like that is what is desired from a few Council members. You still want to punish people for possession and that is the point of this-is to lift that punishment or that threshold.”

Other concerns that were expressed by members of the Council were that they felt like the Tribe wanted to move to marijuana as a medical solution for the community under medical supervision and did not intend to allow recreational use, which decriminalizing possession of 1.5 ounces or less would do. And without the Tribe being involved in production, the community would be left to their own devices as to how to obtain their cannabis, some Council members referring to “black market” vendors and suppliers, where quality and additives could not be regulated. Council first moved to pass, then moved to kill, and then moved to table the proposed ordinance for a

work session to discuss solutions.

There was a clear indication that some felt that cannabis might be at least a partial solution to the opioid epidemic that continues to be pervasive in the community.

And I did, indeed find some research to back that feeling up with some fact. In a Harvard Medical School publication from 2019 by Dr. Peter Grinspoon in a paper titled “Access to medical marijuana reduces opioid prescriptions”, Dr. Grinspoon stated, “One of the studies, a longitudinal analysis of the number of opioid prescriptions filled under Medicare Part D, showed that when medical marijuana laws went into effect in a given state, opioid prescriptions fell by 2.21 million daily doses filled per year. When medical marijuana dispensaries opened, prescriptions for opioids fell by 3.74 million daily doses per year. These reductions in daily opioid doses were particularly notable for hydrocodone (Vicodin) and morphine prescriptions. The other study analyzed Medicaid prescription data from 2011 to 2016, and that analysis showed that states that have implemented medical marijuana laws have seen a 5.88 percent lower rate of opioid prescribing, and when they implemented adult-use (i.e., recreational use) marijuana laws, there was a 6.38% reduction in opiate prescribing. In the editorial accompanying these studies, the authors noted, ‘We do not know whether patients actually avoided or reduced opioid use because of increased access to cannabis (marijuana).’ However, given that millions of prescriptions for opiates were not written, and consequently there were millions

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fewer bottles of prescription opiates consumed, sold, diverted, or abused, it does not seem to be too big a leap to infer that opiate use was avoided, or at least reduced.”

The Chief, the Secretaries, and the Council seemed to be on the same page with regard to the benefits of medicinal use of the drug (a word that all tried desperately not to use in reference to cannabis). The Chief provided a heartfelt family example of how cannabis helped his family. Others talked about all of those who have mental and physical infirmities where cannabis could give peace and relief from pain. And these were all good supporting arguments for medicinal use. But the legislation put before Council did not ask for medical use. It was an ask for blanket approval of unrestricted use up to 1.5 ounces.

Secretary Owle kept referring to allowing people to “self-medicate” without persecution or prosecution. Anyone with any knowledge of history knows that doing that has had disastrous effect when dealing with medications and abusable substances. Alcohol was regulated as a medicine prior to becoming a recreational substance. Everyone in the Council chamber knew what alcohol had done to friends and family in the community. Drug dependency begins when lay people go beyond the medically appropriate and regulated use of the substance.

There needs to be transparency. This is a big decision for the Cherokee people, possibly one big enough to be a referendum item so that the people can choose the path to the Tribe’s entry into legalized uses of cannabis. So far, there have been studies and surveys that have been referenced but never shared with the public and meetings with another tribe that the community was not invited to. While it was mentioned that some attorneys and possibly the prosecutor’s office were consulted or at least queried, they were not present for questioning by the Council. No mention was made of any consultation with the court system or public health officials regarding this legislation. Several questions about enforcement were broached, but no members of the Cherokee Police or Natural Resources Enforcement were on hand to share their expertise. There was discussion of the business aspects of going into the cannabis business, but no representative of the Kituwah, LLC was mentioned as being at

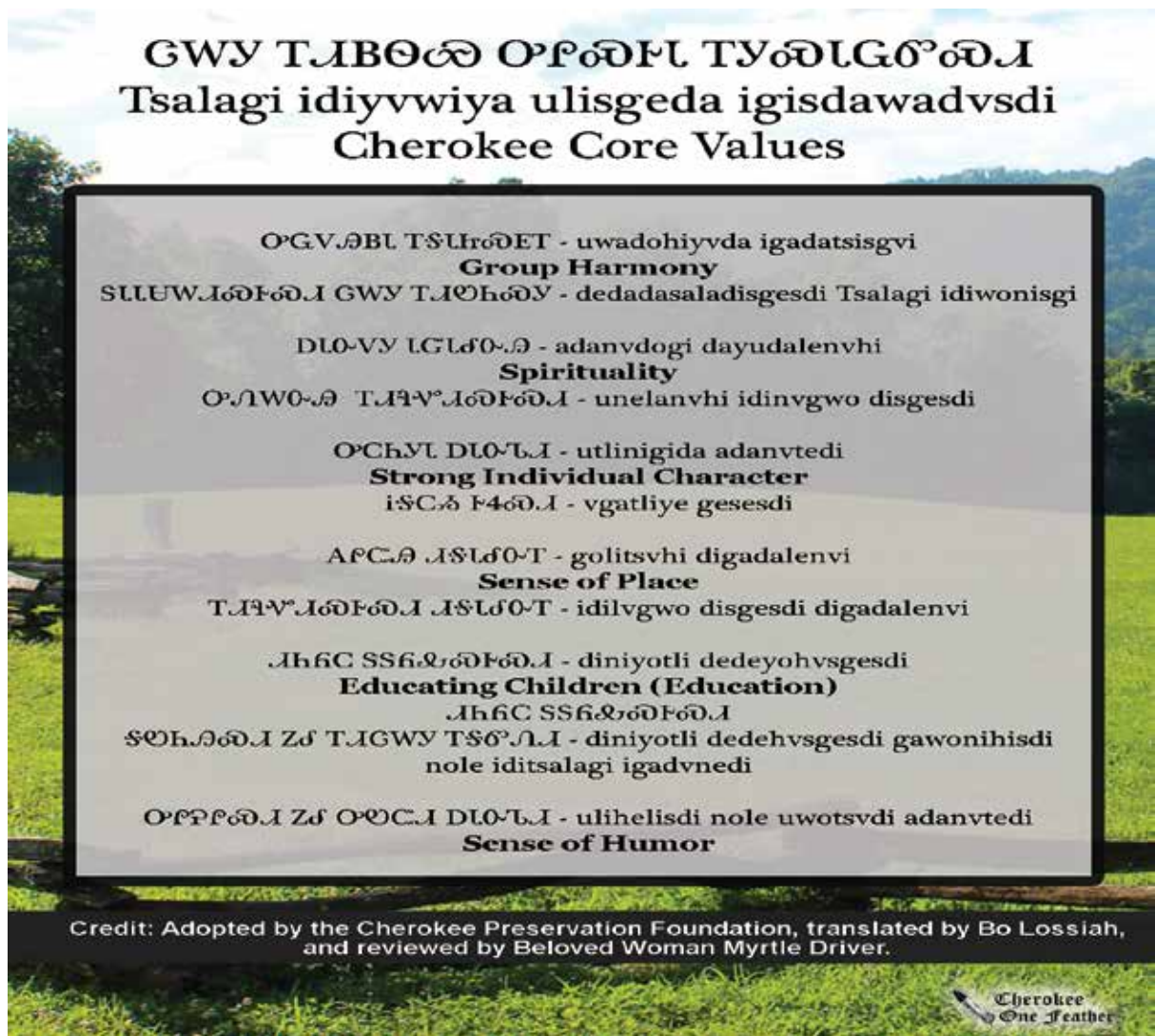
the table for discussions about sustainability and profitability.

I think there is no question that if there is a therapeutic drug that will benefit the Cherokee people, all will want that drug on the Boundary. Based on the information from the CDC, taking marijuana is not like taking an aspirin. It needs to be produced and provided in an environment that we may either verify or control ourselves. But marijuana should not get blanket approval, even if it should find favor with the people for recreational use. Even recreational use should be regulated, just like tobacco and alcohol, particularly if one of the reasons we are going into it is to create another revenue stream.

As I said, marijuana use is a complicated issue. And while we need to put the message from “Reefer Madness” in the past where it belongs, we need to take heed of what medical science currently tells us and follow the heart of our community. There is fearmongering

going on both sides of this issue and it is not productive. Personal agendas need to get in the back seat as well. If our leadership is going to claim to do something for the people, then it needs to be a benefit to the people, not just another problem that we will have to endure or fix. Someone commented that, like other substances, it’s already out there. True enough, but we are not pushing it. Once we decide we are going to willingly bring it into our community, we become accomplices. So, we definitely need to make sure it comes into our community the right way.

“Reefer Madness” is available on Youtube. It is a very interesting and kind of fun film to watch. So if you have an hour and eight minutes to kill sometime, check it out. You won’t learn a whole lot about marijuana, but you will surely enjoy visiting the culture of 1936. What Chief Sneed said is very true. We are not in the 1940s anymore.





Wild Animal Threat in Tennessee

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I read your recent column about whether cats will be threatened by snakes or other wildlife in rural Tennessee. I lived over 50 years in Henrietta, New York; I had raccoons, possums, deer, foxes, skunks and a plethora of other animals in my backyard every night — many more than when I lived in Oak Ridge, Tennessee. Tell your reader not to worry: Almost all wild animals are much more (for good reason) afraid of you than you should be of them. Just ignore them, and you probably won't get to enjoy them and have all the pleasure I do in seeing them in my yard. If you have a cat, you should probably keep it in at night, but they should be in anyhow. Hope this helps. — *N.Z.C.*

DEAR N.Z.C.: Thank you for the information! Wild animal activity can vary quite a bit depending on your region, how close you are to a town or city, the amount of undeveloped property or a wildlife reserve adjacent to your home, and more.

It can even vary from neighborhood to neighborhood. For example, when I relocated from one area outside of Boston to another, the wildlife in my yard shifted drastically. I had put up with free-roaming turkeys and the occasional glimpse of a coyote in the early mornings on my suburban street for years; in my new neighborhood, the only wild pests were rabbits, with no nearby predators to keep their numbers down.

In short, enjoy the rural life, make sure trash-can lids are secure, and don't worry too much about predators menacing you and your pets. They prefer to stay out of your way.

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COMMENTARY

Sports pages

Observations and random thoughts.

By **WILLIAM LEDFORD**

The NCAA Championship game is over. In my opinion that game was actually the Final Four game between UCLA and Gonzaga which went to OT and was won by the 'Zags on a 30-foot bank shot three pointer. The game between Baylor and Gonzaga was anti-climactic unless you're a Baylor fan. Gonzaga on Monday night was clearly not the same team that played on Saturday night and it showed. They seemed worn out. To me, the game sucked, I stopped watching early on but, I'm sure Baylor was OK with it. Congrats Baylor.

More important news. There's a new head coach of my beloved Tarheels of UNC. Coach Williams, after 18 years at Chapel Hill, hung up the Carolina Blue suit jacket for the last time after the loss to Wisconsin in the first game of the NCAA Tournament this season. And so, we welcome Hubert Davis, ex-Carolina and NBA player and more recently an assistant coach of the 'Heels. He is also the school's first ever Black men's basketball coach so, history is made. Welcome Coach Davis!

Another of my opinions. Coach Davis will begin his coaching career in an environment devoid of team loyalty. We now have a thing known as "the transfer portal". Players enter their names in the portal, and they are seen by any and all coaches and they go where

they want, almost no penalties. NBA eligibility rules have changed and the "one and done" is now very, very prevalent, and detrimental to any kind of team loyalty. Individual athletes are trying to bank on their images, me, me, me. Oh well, it was a good long run. And because of the trend I think I'm done with watching a lot of sports. I never saw the need for sports during the height of COVID, I don't see it now. Except for the Packers.

In other sporting news, Georgia, that bastion of free and democratic elections, are still feeling the effects of a self-centered 45 and his rabid supporters and so, the GOP led Georgia state-Congress voted to restrict access to voting. This means clamping down on mail-in and absentee voting, ballot drop boxes, longer voting center hours, even banning the providing of water and other refreshments to people on-line for hours to vote. It means that Black and Brown people will have a harder time casting a vote. Major League Baseball recognized Georgia's efforts and stripped the All-Star Game from the City of Atlanta and awarded it to the City of Denver, not much better but, a little. Naturally the Atlanta MLB organization voted to play their home games elsewhere...wait...they didn't? OK, the team that so recently tried to make some amends with the EBCI over their racially stereotypical mascot will continue to be the Atlanta (insert racial stereotype here). But hey, Speakers Council? Cool shirts guys.

Naturally the Georgia GOP was joined by national GOP types mumbling stuff about "cancel cul-

ture" while attempting to organize a boycott of corporations that opposed the voting restrictions which is a definition of "cancel culture. Doesn't anyone see the irony here? Oh well. But it does make me realize that, people who preach against the "evils" of cancel culture are forgetting one small thing, something called "freedom of speech". It is absolutely the right of people to speak out against hatred, bullying, racism, genocide, just as it is the right of others, albeit in poor taste, to support all those things plus white supremacy and Nazism. Social media has given everyone a voice just not the sense to not use that voice. I suppose we need trolls and they are abundant on both sides of any issue. But and I repeat, the freedom is there.

I hope everyone has received their last stimulus check and used that money well. You know, on stuff like food, toilet paper, water... not beer, cigarettes, energy drinks and lottery tickets. The Covid vaccine program out here has ramped up, my wife and I are scheduled to get our first shots on the 7th, mine is just in time for my 65th birthday. I look forward to a drive-thru blast in the arm. But, and this is important, beware, the mutants are out there and they're surging. Continue to wear your mask, distance, this is not an outbreak, it's an ongoing pandemic that has killed at last count 560,000 Americans. It ain't over yet. Be safe folks.

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MEMORIAL

The story of Brandon - told by a very biased sister (Ginger).

Brandon was born on March 14, 1975 into the complete chaos of parents that had no idea what they were doing, and both carried unhealed traumas of their own. He lived a tormented life. To some he seemed full of anger but to me it was pain, the kind of pain that stays so long and grows so big it becomes a part of you like your eye color or the color of your hair. When you look in the mirror, you see it, you breathe it, and you live it. It sits in your chest and slowly suffocates you. You wear it like your skin. There is no relief, no escape, no peace. Brandon saw himself as nothing. He always felt like he didn't belong anywhere, that he was never good enough. Most of that came from our childhood. He carried every wrong he ever did- he never forgave himself for anything. Please know there were people in his life that tried to make him see how precious he was and that he was truly, genuinely, unconditionally loved but we weren't the right people, and I don't know who the right people were. I think we all need different things from different people in our lives and no matter how much love and acceptance we may get from others if it's not the people we believe we need; it will never be enough. Thankfully that part of his life is over. Please understand, I don't believe my brother was a saint. Brandon was very complicated. He made some very bad decisions in his life and he carried every one of them. He had people trying to help him, but he believed he was too far gone. He chose to self-medicate and he carried the consequences of that daily as well. He finally found freedom from all the pain and torment he carried in this life. On March 30, 2021 Brandon was set free. All the shackles and chains of this life were cut away and his soul went on to the next journey. I believe he is healthy, happy and at peace. I believe he finally feels accepted and loved and worthy.

Brandon was so much more than trauma; he was so funny and quick witted and of course a charmer. I swear I never thought of him as that incredibly attractive but dang- the girls were everywhere (I have been told that is a trait of Parker men, but I can tell you the girls didn't get it at least I didn't). He loved his siblings even though we had our differences. He and I had some very honest conversations, but he knew I loved him unconditionally and I was proud of him for surviving what he did. He loved fishing and riding 4-wheelers. He loved Michelle and often talked about what a "good one" she was. He loved his dogs especially Kane. Brandon's passion above all else was concrete work. He had been doing that for probably 30 years. He absolutely loved it. He would start pouring at 5 am and work late into the night. During Winters he would be out there with heaters and I'm sure Michelle was out there helping him. That is one thing I have heard over and over since his passing from multiple people- what a hard worker he was. I asked for stories about Brandon and these are a few. As you will see he had many survival skills. Some of the names have been removed to protect the innocent.

Teena (cousin)- We used to steal Granny's car all the time. It was always me, Brandon, and some of his friends. One time we were pulling out at the red-light by the casino mart and there was a sedan with a Jesus sticker on it. Brandon thought it was turning but it didn't, and we hit it. We were nervous at cars because none of us had a license. It was a car full of elders from out of state! We all got out and to see about the damage. Brandon turned on the charm and they let everyone go without calling the police. We went on our way and looked back to see them on the side of the road with the hood up- we kept going. Brandon taught me how to hot wire a car (that's how we stole Granny's). He taught me how to syphon gas, shoot a 12-gauge and skateboard (down Granny's driveway). I love you Brandon-Ethi (Brandon's nick name for her- it's short for Ethiopian- she was very thin).

Jodi (sister)- When we were little the Will Smith song Parent's Just Don't Understand came out. When it would come on MTV, Brandon would re-enact the whole video, singing and dancing. He drove in a crash-o-rama derby racing with Joe (her husband). He loved it. He was the blocker. Joe went into the wall, but they ended up with 2nd place. Jodi almost went into labor and Brandon thought that was the funniest thing ever.

Lindsey (sister)- Brandon used to dress me up. He would put his underwear on my head and have me hold a sign that said, "No trespassing all trespassers will be eaten". He used to put his football uniform on my and make me run through the yard and hit me with footballs- I was 6 or 7 years old. He used to put me in the basket on the back of his bike and ride me around. He would do wheelies and one day he flipped. I started crying and he said "come on Linds, it's just a little blood, hush, hush, you are good, you are OK, you are tough. If you don't stop crying I'm going to get in trouble. You don't want me to get in trouble". He was always a dare devil.

Michelle (girlfriend of 9 years)- Brandon was a nighttime grazer. He ate all night long! He didn't sleep well so he would head for the kitchen every time he woke up. He had a passion for weightlifting he would ask me "Are my traps pumped?". He would walk by a mirror and pump himself up and say, "Damn is that what y'all be seeing?". I took several pictures of him in a flexed pose. He told me he loved me every day. All my spoons are bent from him trying to get ice cream out of the container. He ate more ice cream than any one human I've ever seen.

Wendy (cousin)- riding 4-wheelers up and down the cove. Trying to sneak back into Granny's house after being out with "high school" friends. Taking Granny's car (refer to Teena).

Fran (aunt)- Mom (Granny) loved him and believed everything he said. I know he's getting all the attention he wanted now.

Tom (uncle)- Tom had a few stories but I got the impression they may not have been for a sister's ears. But one he did share was the memory of him and Brandon getting into a fight together in Maine on hunting trip. There were laughs but no further details given.

Ginger (sister)- I don't know where to start. I remember he always wanted to be perfectly dressed. His pants had to hit the tops of his shoes a certain way or he was not happy. We used to fight over the remote all the time! One time I had enough, and I just had a complete and total melt down. I started chasing him around the yard with a coat hanger. He was running for his life. I don't know how long we ran, I didn't catch him, but he didn't push me too much after that. This was during the MTV era and the remote was sacred. He would eat shrimp tail and all. When he was a tween/teen, he used to say your welcome when I would look at him, because he was blessing me with his good looks. When he was older every time we would see a mug shot or hear about a crime he would say "Well if he's got 2 ears it ain't me". He had absolutely no butt (another Parker trait) and he would hike up those gym shorts and they'd slide right back down. He cleaned his floors on his hands and knees with towels and bleach water. He said he got the clean floor part from Granny and the bleach part from jail. He used to work out and pour concrete as forms of therapy. He was obsessed with and addicted to both. He was quite a storyteller. He would have me believing things I knew weren't true! Brandon was very proud of me and he told me all the time. He would talk about how amazing it is that I have accomplished the things that I have, given my start in life. He saw this in me, but he couldn't see it in himself. That breaks my heart.

I have always seen Brandon as the green eyed, sandy haired, tanned little boy. The little boy that wanted to come home and wanted to go fishing. I know he is home now and fishing all he wants. I know he has reunited with our mom; my Granny has baked him some cookies, he is visiting with Michelle's mother and I'm sure he's even found Fly. I can see him telling stories, snacking, and laughing. He is happy now. Brandon- you are loved and missed so much. You made an impression on everyone you met. You will never be forgotten.

We will be having a celebration of life at the Island Park in Cherokee on April 24, 2021. It will start at 3pm. There will be food. If you would like to bring something that is fine. We will have pictures of Brandon and lots of stories. If you knew him please come by.

SPEAKING OF FAITH

Touch him, touch his heart

By **REV. TIMOTHY L. MELTON, PASTOR**

(transcribed by Myra Colgate)

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

Read out loud, study, and meditate slowly over, John 6:48-69; asking Him to reveal His answers to any of the questions that come to mind. Then, read 1 Corinthians 11:23-33. Because Jesus got up again...He's Coming Back Soon!

THE WAY, THE PLAN

Jesus was sent to all mankind by the agreement of God, the Father, Jesus, His Son, and the Holy Spirit. Jesus was the only possible answer to mankind's problem and dilemma. He was to take our deserved punishment for sin, upon Himself, and suffer in His Body, all diseases, griefs and sorrows, too. He was born into this Earth at the Word spoken by God the Father, and the Holy Spirit, unto Mary, the chosen young, virgin woman. Jesus entered her life here through her sheltering womb as the Lamb of God was prepared (to be the perfect Sacrifice for all of us past, present and future).

He has taken our place in a great exchange, paying the full Blood-bought price for us. He, knowing our inherited weakness for sinning, has also promised to heal us of all manner of diseases and of a lack of health and resources. It is to be an exchange of our flawed and sinful lives for His Perfect Life. He has given His Body as the Son of God. He has also become the Son of Man who truly knows our lives, and what it's been like while on Earth. He is the Bread of Life who came down from Heaven, from whom we can now partake in the great exchange, even daily. When making the right Choice, we would also become the perfected sons/daughters of God.

Hell was made for the rebellious angels who are more powerful than any man. There's an automatic default for hell for those who haven't made a choice while still breathing on Earth. It's a wrong choice for any human being. Hell will also be thrown into the Lake of

Fire, to be burning forever...So, make the better choice of Heaven now, today...

With mankind's "fall from grace", the Plan had to be developed because of Adam and Eve's own traitorous choices. They had chosen to disobey God's command to not eat of the fruit of the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil. God the Father, The Holy Spirit and Jesus had chosen that Jesus Himself would have to become mankind's Perfect Lamb, (Savior and Lord.) A decision, made since before the foundation of this world, displayed to us their unconditional love. We had nothing to recommend any of us other than that they considered each one of us as their very own. We were each also given the freedom to choose.

Jesus was to be slain, and we were doomed to miss Heaven (considered to be unworthy) of Heaven. To get to go to Heaven now, we each one, will have to choose the Way, the Plan, that God the Father, and Jesus, and the Holy Spirit, have planned from the beginning...

What a person digests out of the Word of God, will make us more like Jesus. We need to have our spirits feeding on Him daily to strengthen us in our commitments. (John 1:1).

Jesus' great sacrifice had to take place for man, after the fall, for any of us to be considered for Heaven. We need to digest who He is to us. I can trust and remind myself that I have partaken of what He did. I have partaken out of His Word. What you eat is what you are feeding your spirit. What you eat is what you are hungry for now. We need to feed our spirits. Jesus said, His Words are life and they are spirit. He is Life! There is no other worth living.

Jesus understood that we need to touch something today so we would know Jesus is real. Even scholars declare He is real! He was never once not believed. He said about the ordinance of communion, "Do this in remembrance of Me." "I died for you and I am coming back again." Every time, think about the sacredness of it. Respect the ordinance. He gave up His earthly Body for us. Judge now yourself. We are not condemned in His pure, holy Presence, we have communion with Him. It's good to be near Him in intimate face-to-face contact. We should be trained to reverence God and worship Him. Remember to respect Him and the ordinance, to discern His Body.



THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*Let us know, let us pursue
the knowledge of the
Lord. His going forth
is established as the
morning; He will
come to us like the rain,
like the latter and former
rain to the earth.*

HOSEA 6:3 



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Amber Waves



R.F.D.



The Spats



Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Repast
- 5 "Ben- —"
- 8 Lawman Wyatt
- 12 "Frozen" snow queen
- 13 "Right you —!"
- 14 Computer brand
- 15 Slightly
- 16 Actress Long
- 17 Hindu royal
- 18 Tidy up
- 20 Toto, to Dorothy
- 22 Peyton's brother
- 23 Commonest English word
- 24 Easter entrees
- 27 Vinegar variety
- 32 X-ray's cousin
- 33 Chopper
- 34 Hostel
- 35 "Becoming" author Obama
- 38 Read quickly
- 39 Knock
- 40 Wildebeest
- 42 "Yippee!"
- 45 Held up
- 49 "Mamma Mia" group
- 50 Gardner of Hollywood
- 52 Actress Kate

DOWN

- 1 Intend
- 2 North Sea feeder
- 3 Largest continent
- 4 Coffee bar orders
- 5 Carthaginian general
- 6 Swiss canton
- 7 Harvest
- 8 Sultry singer Kitt
- 9 Campus figure
- 10 Gambling mecca
- 11 Bluenose
- 19 Chicago transport
- 21 UFO crew
- 24 "Let me think ..."
- 25 "Exodus" hero
- 26 Germs
- 28 Rocker Rose
- 29 "Shampoo" Oscar winner
- 30 — pickle
- 31 Blitzer's channel
- 36 Badger
- 37 Clean-air org.
- 38 Hand in
- 41 "Forget it!"
- 42 Corridor
- 43 Theater award
- 44 Tug
- 46 Innocent one
- 47 Ms. Brockovich
- 48 June honorees
- 51 Half of XIV

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the deepest point in Earth's oceans?
- 2. COMICS: What is the name of the newspaper in the "Shoe" comic strip?
- 3. LITERATURE: Which 19th-century novel features the characters Catherine and Heathcliff?
- 4. MOVIES: What was the name of Yoda's home planet in the "Star Wars" movie series?
- 5. BUSINESS: When did the social media service Facebook launch?
- 6. MUSIC: How many strings does a cello have?
- 7. FOOD & DRINK: What kind of alcohol is distilled from juniper berries?
- 8. HISTORY: In what year did the first human heart transplant take place?
- 9. SCIENCE: Which plant can be processed to make linseed oil?
- 10. LANGUAGE: What is the scientific study of diseases and their effects on population called?

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2 burner grill \$150. 508-7314

WANTED

Wanted to buy, wood carving by Cherokee wood carver Going Back Chil-tosky. Contact Davey. 497-7571. 4/21

FOR RENT

2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile. Quiet park in Ela. No pets. References and background check required. \$450 per month, \$450 deposit. 488-8752. UFN



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Whether a waiting period is taking longer than expected, or just seems that way, the anxious Lamb would do well to create a center of calm within her- or himself, and not do anything rash.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Practical matters dominate the week, but cultural activities also are favored, especially those that can be shared with someone special in the Bovine's life. Some important news might be forthcoming.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You need to know more about a possible career move in order to see if it offers a real opportunity or just a change. You're sure to get lots of advice — some of it good — but the decision must be yours.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) The arrival of hoped-for good news about a loved one dominates most of the week and provides a great excuse for the party-loving Moon Child to plan a special event to celebrate.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) **Leos** and **Leonas** rushing to finalize their plans might want to think about slowing down the pace, or risk overlooking an important consideration that could become a sore point down the line.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) The week's challenges call for logical approaches. But sentiment also has its place. Sharing memories with a special someone, for example, strengthens the bond between you.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A brand-new approach to a problem could have a good chance of succeeding if it's based on a solid foundation of fact to strengthen its potential for standing up to scrutiny.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A favorable report should give your optimism an important boost as you confront another phase of a challenge. Don't be timid about accepting advice from someone you trust.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) You might want to target another goal if your current aim is continually being deflected. But stay with it until you find that first sign of an opening, and then follow through.


CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Although offers of advice might not always please the usually sure-footed Goat, good counsel is always worth considering, especially from those whose experience can be invaluable.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't rush to make up for lost time. Your productivity can be measured not only by what you do, but how you do it. Move carefully until the job is done the way you like it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Emerging facts about someone you know might cause you to rethink your relationship. But remember to make judgments in context of a full situation, not just on scraps of data.

BORN THIS WEEK: You are known both for your love of acquiring beautiful things as well as for your generosity to others.

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Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Boys Club Information window between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.
Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. *The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.*

Cherokee Boys Club
P.O. Box 507
Cherokee, NC 28719

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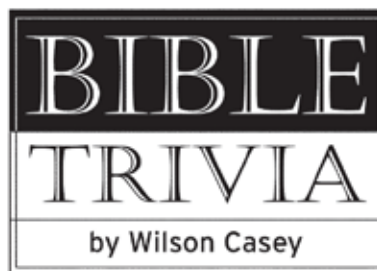
Service Department
Seasonal Mowing Crew Laborers

Agelink Childcare
FT – Teacher's Aide
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Bus & Truck Department
PT School Bus Drivers

Children's Home
PT Resident Counselors

Puzzle Answers



ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Wine; 3) Cephas; 4) Gold; 5) Nicodemus; 6) Jeremiah



1. The Mariana Trench in the Pacific Ocean
2. The Treetops Tattler
3. "Wuthering Heights"
4. Dagobah
5. 2004
6. Four
7. Gin
8. 1967
9. Flax
10. Epidemiology

— King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 25 mins.

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— Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

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Cherokee Central Schools Job Openings

Apply online at <https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/> or visit: www.ccs-nc.org for more information.

(Open until Filled unless otherwise indicated):

- * **Middle School Wrestling Head Coach**
- * **CHS/CMS Band Teacher** - North Carolina State Certification as a Music Teacher or such alternative to the above qualifications as the Board may find acceptable. Bachelors from an accredited college or university in education discipline applicable to teaching assignment.
- * **Athletic Trainer (Full-Time)** - Must possess at least a bachelor's degree in a health related field. Must be a National Athletic Trainers' Association BOC certified and possess or be in the process of acquiring a licensure, certification or registration from the state of North Carolina
- * **Special Education Teacher Assistant** - Must meet the provisions of the Every Student Succeeds Act. Teacher assistants serving in Title I schools, in an instructional capacity, must have an Associate's Degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education
- * **6 Hour Food Service** - Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- * **4 Hour Food Service** - Must have a high school diploma or GED.
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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Closing Thursday, April 15, 2021

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Clinical Dietitian
Clinical Informaticist
PTI Registered Nurse/Emergency Room
Kanvwtiyi (Residential Treatment) Clinical Supervisor
PTI Radiology Technologist
Patient Registration Clerk (Grant Funded)

Closing Thursday, April 22, 2021

Jail Re-Entry Specialist (Grant Funded)
Masters level Therapist (Juvenile Justice)
EVS Technician
Peer Support Specialist (Grant Funded)
Emergency Hire-Women's Home Residential Technician

Open Until Filled

Certified Nursing Assistant/Emergency Room
Dental Assistant II (Multiple)
Dentist – Satellite Clinics
Dietary Services Supervisor – Patient Side
Director of Business Analytics and Revenue Cycle
EVS Technician
Licensed Practical Nurse – Immediate Care Center
Payroll Officer
Pharmacy Technician II
PTI Analeniski Inpatient Technician
PTI Phlebotomist
PTI Registered Nurse – Analeniski Inpatient (Multiple)
Senior Accountant
Targeted Case Manager – Integrated Classroom

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Personal Care Assistant/License Practical Nurse (Part Time)
Registered Nurse (Part Time Intermittent)
Ward Clerk

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If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at (828) 497-9163 ext. 6343.

EMPLOYMENT

New Hotel cleaning Harrah's Casino. Earn \$\$\$\$. Weekdays! 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. No weekends! (828) 551-0411. platinumproclean@gmail.com. **4/28**

Now Hiring

Kituwah Preservation & Education Program

KPEP is currently seeking resumes from interested applicants for an Adult Language Education Assistant. The position will be contracted for one year. All interested applicants must submit your current resume to:

Bo Lossiah at bolossi@nc-choke.com or Kylie Shuler at kyli-shul@nc-choke.com
Questions, please call 828-359-6401
Deadline for submissions 4-30-21

Adult Language Education Assistant (contract position)
Reports to: Curriculum & Instructor Supervisor

Primary Function: Completes duties as assigned in the Cherokee language teacher education program. Provide assistance as necessary to the Supervisor and Adult Language Education Coordinator in the monitoring of second language learner growth. Participates in creation of materials and curriculum. Assists in establishing individual benchmarks for students, mapping progress, and providing additional mentoring when necessary. Assist in ensuring that participants have the training necessary to reach their established performance goals.

Education/Experience: High school diploma or equivalent required. Must submit to a pro-

ficiency exam upon hiring with additional assessments every 4 months to access language growth. Intermediate Cherokee language proficiency is required. Experience working closely and engaging with Cherokee Speakers is preferred. Must be willing to submit to a criminal record check and be approved to work with children by North Carolina Division of Child Development, Criminal Records Unit.

Job Knowledge: Knowledge and ability to read and write in the syllabary is preferred and will be required to be proficient within six months in the position. Must have knowledge of the Cherokee language and have a foundation in Cherokee culture. Must have excellent communication and writing skills. **4/28**

The drama needs you! Cherokee Historical Association and Unto These Hills are currently accepting applications for top of house employment. We are looking for friendly, outgoing people to be the first introduction our patrons receive at Mountain-side Theatre. Show dates May 29 – August 14

Currently seeking:

Leads – Lead member of designated areas in the Box Office/Concessions

Box Office – Selling/Scanning tickets before the show.

Concessions – Food prep, food/beverage sales.

Retail – Sales of merchandise at the top of house.

Ushers – Assisting Patrons to their seats and answering questions regarding locations of concessions/restrooms.

Parking Attendants – Help guide cars through the parking lot into spots.

Applications can be found

online at cherokeehistorical.org or at the main office of Cherokee Historical Association located at 564 Tsali Blvd, Cherokee NC, 28719 9 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. **4/28**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 21-029

In the Matter of the Estate of Jesse Eugene Winstead

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Myra Lambert

P.O. Box 1617

Cherokee, NC 28719

4/14

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 20-094

In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph William Lomas

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Reva D. Toineeta

P.O. Box 2052



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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE
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19 CV 694

Under and by virtue of the power of sale contained in that certain deed of trust executed by ALYNE J. ESLINGER dated May 28, 2004 to BEN O. BRIDGERS Trustee for FIRST-CITIZENS BANK & TRUST COMPANY, recorded in Book XXVIII, Page 59 in the Records Office of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Cherokee Agency and in Book 291, Page 268, Swain County Registry; default having been made in payment of the indebtedness thereby secured; and the necessary findings to permit foreclosure having been made by the Tribal Court; the undersigned Substitute Trustee will offer for sale at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, the property interest conveyed in said deed of trust, the same lying and being on the Cherokee Indian Reservation and State of North Carolina, and more particularly described as follows:

UPPER CHEROKEE COMMUNITY PARCEL NO. 410A (PART OF PARCEL NO. 410) BEGINNING on an Iron Pipe set in Upper Cherokee Community, on the NE property boundary of Parcel No. 409 and is a corner to Parcel No. 410B. Thence leaving Parcel No. 409 and running with Parcel No. 410B, N 14° 29' 59" E 222.86' to an Iron Pipe in a corner to Parcel No. 471. Thence leaving Parcel No. 410B and running with Parcel No. 471, S 52° 21' E 186.00' to an Iron Pipe a corner to Parcel No. 412. Thence leaving Parcel No. 471

and running with Parcel No. 412 and continuing S 52° 21' E 57.52' to a 1/2" Iron Rod. Thence leaving Parcel No. 412 and running S 31° 09' W 210.66' to a 1/2" Iron Rod set on the NE property boundary of Parcel No. 409. Thence running with Parcel No. 409, N 50° 57' W 179.80' to The Point of BEGINNING. Containing 1.003 acres, more or less. TOGETHER WITH A 15' ACCESS ROAD R/W (PARTS OF UC PARCELS NO. 410C, 412, 471, 293, 413, 410B, & 409) BEGINNING at a 1/2" Iron Rod, set in Upper Cherokee Community, that marks the Eastern corner of Parcel No. 410A and stands the following courses and distances from an Iron Pipe marking the Western corner of Parcel No. 471: S 52° 09' 17" E 195.24' to a point; S 52° 09' 17" E 48.21'. Thence, with the centerline of this 15' Access Road RightofWay, the following courses and distances:

S 75° 09' 00" E 14.26' to a point N 14° 51' 00" E 107.77' to a point; N 14° 51' 00" E 35.96' to a point; N 01° 00' 00" W 39.48' to a point; N 24° 57' 00" W 24.40' to a point; N 37° 38' 00" W 57.76' to a point; N 49° 04' 00" W 36.20' to a point; N 23° 43' 00" W 25.34' to a point; N 23° 43' 00" W 33.74' to a point; N 53° 18' 58" W 87.92' to a point; N 64° 40' 00" W 16.31' to a point; S 85° 07' 00" W 28.93' to a point; S 69° 21' 14" W 102.84' to a point; N 81° 26' 26" W 43.85' to a point; N 82° 02' 00" W 44.79' to a point; S 79° 34' 00" W 25.14' to a point; S 79° 34' 00" W 17.47' to a point; S 60° 20' 00" W 249.06' to a point; S 60° 20' 00" W 41.55' to a point on the centerline of the 60' RightofWay for Big Cove Road (BIA Road No. 1410) and end of RightofWay. Containing 0.355 Acre, more or less.

PROPERTY ADDRESS/LOCATION: 152 Johnson Catolster Road, Cherokee NC 28719 (alternatively known as 152 Boyd Catolster Rd.)

DATE OF SALE: April 20, 2021

TIME OF SALE: 10:30 A.M.

LOCATION OF SALE: Cherokee Agency of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Reservation of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Cherokee, North Carolina (or at another location established by the Court for the sale of real property)

RECORD OWNER(S): Unknown

Heirs of Alyne J. Eslinger

TERMS OF THE SALE:

(1) This sale will be made subject to: (a) all prior liens, encumbrances, easements, right-of-ways, restrictive covenants or other restrictions of record affecting the property; (b) property taxes and assessments for the year in which the sale occurs, as well as any prior years; © federal tax liens with respect to which proper notice was not given to the Internal Revenue Service; and (d) federal tax liens to which proper notice was given to the Internal Revenue Service and to which the right of redemption applies.

(2) The property is being sold "as is". Neither the beneficiary of the deed of trust, nor the undersigned Substitute Trustee, makes any warranties or representations concerning the property, including but not limited to, the physical or environmental condition of the property. Further, the undersigned Substitute Trustee makes no title warranties with respect to the title to the property.

(3) The highest bidder will be responsible for the payment of revenue stamps payable to the Tribe and any final court and/or auditing fees which are assessed on the high bid resulting from this foreclosure sale.

(4) At the time of the sale, the highest bidder will be required to make a cash deposit of five percent (5%) of the bid, or \$750.00, whichever is greater, with the remaining balance of the bid amount to be paid on the day following the expiration of the applicable ten (10) day upset bid period.

(5) Any person who occupies the property pursuant to a rental agreement entered into or renewed on or after October 1, 2007, may after receiving this Notice of Foreclosure Sale, terminate the rental agreement by providing written notice of termination to the landlord, to be effective on a date stated in the notice that is at least 10 days, but no more than 90 days, after the sale date contained in this Notice of Foreclosure Sale, provided that the mortgagor has not cured the default at the time the tenant provides the notice of termination. Upon termination of a rental agreement, the tenant is liable for rent due under the rental agreement prorated to the effective date of the termination.

(6) An order for possession of the property being sold may be issued pursuant to Sec. 45-24 of the Tribal Code of Ordinances in favor of the purchaser and against the party or parties in possession.

(7) If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, the Mortgagee's attorney, or the Substitute Trustee.

(8) The property interest being sold is subject to limitations regarding possession and transfer under federal and Tribal law. Further the property interest being sold may be subject to levy and special assessments and the property interest is being sold

subject to any levies or special assessments.

(9) The property interest being sold is subject to any rights granted to or retained by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Date: March 10, 2021

SMITH DEBNAM NARRON
DRAKE SAINTSING & MYERS,
L.L.P.

Jeff D. Rogers, Substitute Trustee
PO Box 176010

Raleigh, NC 276196010

(919) 2502000

Fax: (919) 2502211

This communication is from a debt collector. The purpose of this communication is to collect a debt. This is an attempt to collect a debt, and any information obtained will be used for that purpose. 4/7

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Court is now taking resumes for one (1) part-time Magistrate. This position will substitute for the full-time magistrates at the Cherokee Court while the magistrate is on leave status. Familiarity with the Cherokee community and with a court system (state, federal, or tribal) is preferred. Ability to work with the public and handle conflicts is required. Following training, this position will have full authority to make all magistrate related decisions, including issuing warrants and subpoenas, and other duties as assigned by the Chief Justice. Education and experience: Requires any combination of at least four (4) years practical work experience or education in a legal or law enforcement related field. Position will require both in-office

and on-call performance of duties.

Interested individuals should submit the following:

- Name and Contact Information
- Relevant Work Experience
- Copies of Certificates

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before April 30, 2021 will receive priority over later submissions.

Please email, mail or fax to:

Amber Shuler, Court Administrator

ambeshul@nc-chokeee.com

PO Box 1629 Cherokee, NC 28719
(828)359-0012 (fax)

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. 4/28

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Certified Transcriptionist on an as-needed basis. These services will be paid on a contractual basis as needed by the Cherokee Tribal Court.

Interested individuals should submit a brief proposal including the following:

- Name and contact information.
- Copies of certificates.
- Relevant work experience.
- The amount the individual proposes to charge the Cherokee Tribal Court per page or any other charges the individual may foresee charging.

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Big Cove Loop Road Overlay & Improvements

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Milling, Pavement Repair, Paving, Shoulder Repair, Signage and Striping on Big Cove Loop Road. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Barak N. Myers, CDOT Program Manager at (828)-359-6532/(828)-788-0573 (cell) or via email at HYPERLINKmailto:baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov. 4/21

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
HUMAN RESOURCES

PO Box 553
Cherokee, NC 28719
828-359-6388

Closing Sunday, April 18, 2021

- Equipment Operator – Cherokee Department of Transportation – Operations (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
- Maintenance Supervisor – Facilities – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
- Community Health Representative – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- Lead Grants and Contract Analyst – Grants Compliance – Treasury (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)
- Teacher – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)
- Teacher Assistant – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L4 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- Education Manager – Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start – Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)
- Human Services Director – Family Safety – Public Health and Human Services (L18 \$89,580 - \$111,970)
- Quality Inspector – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)
- Property Manager – Qualla Housing Services – Housing (L12 \$52,635 - \$65,811)
- Family Safety Attorney – Civil Law – Office of the Attorney General (L17 \$82,036 - \$102,556)
- Operator and Maintenance Mechanic (Multiple) – Waste Water Treatment Program – Operations (L7 \$33,250 - \$41,574)

Open Until Filled

- Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Cherokee Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$36,500 - \$45,625)

All applications and job descriptions are available at
www.ebci.com/jobs

Please attach any licenses, certificates, diplomas, resumes, etc. with application. If you are unable to attach the documents, you may drop them off at our offices located at 806 Acquoni Rd. Suite 100 or email them to the Employment Specialists listed on our website. Indian Preference does apply. NOTICE: Due to the Tribal State of Emergency, we will only advertise positions that are classified as Essential or Critical to Tribal Operations. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

Culvert Replacements, Head Walls & Road Repairs

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Replace Culverts, Restore Roadways & Shoulders, Construct Head Walls, and maintain drainage under roads & driveways at multiple sites on the Cherokee Indian Reservation. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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Design/Build for Retaining Walls

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Contractors/Engineering Firms to provide the following services: Design and Construct Retaining Walls and Slope Stabilization in the following locations

on the Cherokee Reservation: Big Cove Road 1(Piney Grove Community), Mt. Noble Road, and Dobson Ridge Road. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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On-Call Paving Services

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Wright's Creek Road Overlay & Improvements

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Firms to provide the following services: Milling, Pavement Repair, Paving, Shoulder Repair, Signage and Striping on Wright's Creek Road. The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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Fire Station 1 - Paving

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Bid Proposals from Qualified Contractors to provide replacement of the existing driveway for the Fire Station on Acquoni Road in Cherokee.

The deadline for submitting Bid Proposals will be April 22, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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Classified listings are
FREE of charge for
items priced under
\$25,000. Send your
listings to Scott at
scotmcki@nc-choerokee.com.

New Enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Oct. 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021)

This is a list of new enrollees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who were officially enrolled between Oct. 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 who, unless otherwise prohibited by law, are eligible to receive a per capita distribution of distributable net gaming revenue for the period of Oct. 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021. This list is being published according to Cherokee Code Section 16C-4.

London Bayyinah Abdur-Rahman
Miles Dawayne Allen
Asher Ace Arch
Caidyn Mae Arch
Ayden Armachain
Evee Rayne Arneach
Otis Kila Bark-Swimmer
Jolyn Ruth Beck
Keilan Jonah Bird
Nyla Morningstar Bird
Cherahaela Chanelle Blair
Chredence Cornell Blair
Walela Grace Bradley
Kennedy Christian Parker Braswell
Niko Kyler Bushyhead
Bailey Marie Calhoun
Jaxon Rey Calhoun
Lulu Mei Clark
Lavendar Rae Catherine Climbingbear
Isabella Alta Jade Collins
Grayson Alexander Cook
Jim Douglas Crow
Carrson Yansha Crowe
Ilah Gray-Lynn Crowe
Maroc Yona Crowe
Anahi Inez De La Cruz
Mia Michelle Driver
Xavian Takem Ellis
Sloan Kaden French
Thunder Gavin French
Melina Marie Gallegos
Daniel Rigoberto Garcia, Jr.
Kailin Josiah Hugh George
Leia Opal George
Zhavius Xabriel George
Kalani Natalya Grant
August Jasher Saxon Griffin
Rosalie Rae Griffith

Asa Slade Groenwold
Moxon Wayne Dikalvgv Hill
Olivia Belle Holland
Tizohn Fury Holliday
Joseph Rowdy Huskey
Joshua Ryder Huskey
Aria Reina Shianne Isbill
Annabeth Joy Jackson
Esme A Ga Sga Lynn Jackson
Eden Marie Jones
Jacoby Cash Jones
Christian Axel Zane Junaluska Sherman
Lenora Larain Keel
Razia Elizabeth Khalid
Westin Lee Knighton
Lydia Grace Leach
Bryar Rowen Ledford
Hudson Lewis Ledford
Lincoln Slater Lossiah
Cataleya Ulvsadi Lozano Wolfe
Anayeli Ta-La-Nv Maney
Aria Skye Martin
Aaliyah Ruthy Mata
Mara Rayne Mathis
Levi Emerson McCormick
Azher Samuel Faye McCoy
Katalina Ember Mendoza
Kaiyanee Zo'e Miles-Prosser
Zoey Ase Morgan
Lucas Wrenn Murphy
Onyx Jade Najera
Jaimie Rae Nordick
Phoenix Alexandria O'Brien
Abbott Luka Alva Owle
Annistyn Jane Owle
Kathryn Angela Owle
Greyson Howard Parker
Marcus Wade Parker
William Grey Partridge
Simon Phoenix Pepion
Lawsyn Grace Pruitt
Lakelyn Vale Rattler
Quinn Noelle Rattler
Shadow Orion Fox Anton Raya
Juliana Laine Riet-Kerk
Greysen Detanuski Ross
Brayan Jesus Sanchez Robles
Charlotte May Scott
Elijah Wayne Scroggins
Isla Rain Scroggins
Anilya Jade Shockley
Ani Unole Smith

Sadie Sophia Smoker
Liam Jarrett Sneed
Vaughn Jacob Snow
Ezra Sincere Squirrel
Eric Allen Starr
Alvin-Cortland Kenneth Stephens
Annabeth Rose Swayney
Amelia Ruth Swimmer
Alisha Talk
Brad Roy Talk
Bryan Tsali Talk
Roy Allen Talk
Shauntel Talk
Iliyah Ryan Taylor
Louise Leigh Taylor
Greyson Kolanv Tsander Teesateskie
Hayden Twwodi Xavier Teesateskie
Liam Uriah Teesateskie
Josephine Bonnie Thomas
Paxton Cye Tingle
Seven Micah Toineeta
Elijah William Vasquez
Bentley Alexander Waldroup
Leroyce Takem Walker, Jr.
Miracle Faith Walkingstick
Zaylah Isabel Watty
Liam Mathias Welch
Ryker Hawk Welch
Zaylee A-Ni Welch
Aja Lynn White-Smith
Limney Bea Wiggins
Ella Lydia Wolfe
Omee Haize Wood
Shayla Layne Woods
Zakkary Sylvanus Yona Woody
Zuri Elaine Ann Zimmerman

Deceased members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Oct. 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021)

This is a list of deceased members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians whose estate is entitled to a pro rata share of the deceased members per capita distribution of net gaming revenues for the period Oct. 1, 2020 to March 31, 2021 pursuant to Section 16C-5 of the Cherokee Code.

This section does not apply to deceased minors. Distribution to the estate of a deceased member may be made only to the authorized, or court appointed, fiduciary, affiant, execu-

tor, or administrator of the estate. Please mail to the Tribal Enrollment Office, PO Box 2069 Cherokee, NC 28719.

Each person is shown with their date of death, full name, and executor(s):

10/2/20	Walter Andrew Bradley, Jr., Executor Calvin Bradley	12/29/20	Brenda Joyce Lossiah
10/5/20	George David Martin, Executor Lillian Plummer Martin	1/2/21	Beth Ann Owle, Executor Aisha Leigh Owle
10/6/20	Danielle Davina Hicks	1/3/21	Mary Standley
10/10/20	Harold Biddix, Jr., Executor Carmen Zelaya	1/6/21	Annette Fay Fish
10/11/20	Amy Smoker, Executor Tony Foster Smoker	1/9/21	Ah-Yo-Ka Chaslyn-Crowe Calhoun
10/12/20	Jesse James Welch	1/9/21	Jessica Nicole Calhoun
10/12/20	Charles Woodrow Cornwell, Executor Frankie Cornwell	1/9/21	Jeanette Thompson
10/13/20	Mary Katherine Kazhe, Executor Patrick Kazhe	1/9/21	Cecil Charles Allen
10/15/20	Jeremy Justin Raby, Executor Jerry Max Raby	1/9/21	Donald Jay Walker, Executor Darlene O. Walker
10/16/20	Lake Runion	1/10/21	Janene Lynn Flying
10/17/20	Christopher Terron Queen, Executor Kristina Queen	1/10/21	Jackie Lee Hornbuckle
10/19/20	Reuben Teesatuskie, Executor Wanda Maxine Bradley	1/15/21	Gertrude Kilpatrick
Teesatuskie		1/17/21	Verlyn Brown, Executor Brandi Mathis
10/19/20	George Davis Hornbuckle, Sr., Executor Rachel Sneed	1/17/21	Candina Carmella Cabe, Executor James Cabe
10/20/20	Madge Elizabeth Owle, Executor Monica Lambert	1/19/21	Barbara Jean Houser, Executors Diana L. Brown & Larry
10/24/20	Maxine Andre	S. Houser	
10/27/20	Rebecca Marlene Toineeta, Executor James Edward	1/20/21	Marie Sequoyah
Toineeta		1/20/21	Johnny Adam Walkingstick
10/27/20	Willard Marlin Lossie	1/23/21	John Walter Grant
10/27/20	Janice Roberta Catolster, Executor Suzanne Hornbuckle	1/25/21	Alissa Eden Tenniele Smith
10/28/20	Johnnie K. George, Executor Linda Mae George	1/29/21	Alyne Buchanan, Executors Stacy B. Hurley & Leena L.
10/28/20	Nathan Van Garcia, Executor Joe Garcia	Thibeaut	
10/30/20	Charles Everett Wolfe, Executor Carolyn Wolfe	2/7/21	Dovi Malia Queen
10/30/20	Kami Ella Wahneta	2/12/21	Sandra Mary Davis, Executors Angelia Shannon & Jef-
11/1/20	Minnie Irene Ledford	frey Davis	
11/2/20	James Dwayne Wildcatt, Executor Kathleen Wildcatt	2/12/21	Noland Crowe
11/4/20	Gloria Jean Hatton	2/14/21	Lynda Saunooke
11/5/20	Jane Wolfe, Executor Amy J. Smoker	2/15/21	Clarence Lee Murphy, Executor Selena Murphy
11/11/20	Kimberley Natasha Owle, Executor Charlene E. Owle	2/17/21	Samuel Allen Smith, Executor Eloise June George Smith
11/11/20	Douglas Gary Moore, Executor Don Michael Moore	2/18/21	Floyd Evard Panther, Executors Brittany Panther &
11/11/20	Harry Bryan McLeymore	Alma Panther	
11/16/20	Nicole Jessica Outlaw	2/22/21	Robert Jackson Smith, Jr.
11/17/20	Maxine Maude Smith	2/22/21	Shelly Jo Head
11/17/20	Jackie Lee Rattler, Executor Elsie Rattler	2/26/21	Nannie Calhoun
11/28/20	James Lossie, Executor Susan Sheppard	3/1/21	Martha Jane Swan
12/1/20	Monica Lynn Stinchfield	3/2/21	Kenneth Ronald Blankenship
12/3/20	Ernestine Roberta Hornbuckle, Executor Victoria L.	3/7/21	Florence Marie Lewis
Simon		3/8/21	Harold Robert Rattler
12/8/20	Ollie Bigwitch	3/9/21	Ardina Bobbie Walkingstick
12/11/20	Donovan Rickell Underwood	3/15/21	Ethel Louise Cunningham
12/13/20	Mary Lucille Salter	3/18/21	Paul Mitchell Taylor
12/14/20	Steve Allen Teesateskie	3/18/21	Suzanne Agnes Adams
12/16/20	Deanna Rai Smith, Executor Mary E. McCoy	3/20/21	Mikie Driver
12/17/20	James Edward Walkingstick	3/20/21	William Lossiah
12/18/20	Furman Douglas Smith-Crowe	3/22/21	Mindah Marie Hill
12/26/20	Jo Ellen Sinclair	3/22/21	Phyllis Faye Lambert
		3/25/21	William Jesse Lee Dover
		3/26/21	Sarah Elizabeth Bradley
		3/29/21	Darlene Defoe



CANDIDATE DEBATES



Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center

Each night will start at 6 p.m. with the first group listed.

*** Tuesday, June 22 ***

Big Cove Tribal Council, Birdtown Tribal Council

*** Thursday, June 24 ***

Cherokee County - Snowbird Tribal Council,
Painttown Tribal Council

*** Tuesday, June 29 ***

Wolftown Tribal Council, Yellowhill Tribal Council

*** Thursday, July 1 ***

School Board candidates (all communities)

These debates are being hosted by the Cherokee One Feather and will be moderated by Robert Jumper, editor. Due to COVID precautions at Cherokee Central Schools, no spectators will be allowed. These events will be live-streamed by EBCI Communications and replayed online.

Write-in candidates will be allowed to participate in these debates.

(Write-ins, please contact Robert Jumper to confirm participation.)

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