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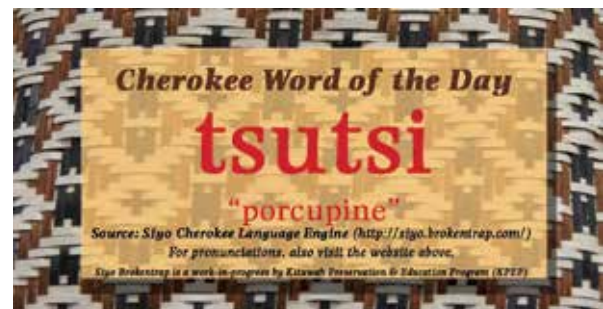
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HISTORIC MEETING

Grand Council: Halt impeachment proceedings

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For the first time in over two decades, a Grand Council meeting of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was called. Principal Chief Patrick Lambert called and chaired the meeting held on Tuesday, April 18 at the Charles George Memorial Arena. Two measures passed during the over six-hour long meeting included ones that would halt the impeachment proceedings brought against Chief Lambert by members of the Tribal Council.

In all, five measures, on various topics, were passed during the meeting. Four of those measures were balloted items and one was brought to the floor during the meeting. Only EBCI tribal members 18 years old or older were allowed to vote, and the counting of the ballots was overseen by Clifford Owl Jr., an EBCI tribal member from the Cherokee Co. community who serves as a tribal magistrate.

The approved measures included:

- Item No. 1 - Principal Chief authorized to establish the program "Power to the People, Putting Our Elders in the Comfort Zone" for Tribal elders. (For: 1,182; Against: 60)
- Item No. 2 - Property known as "The Old High School" designated as the Maggie Wachacha Tribal



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HISTORIC: Principal Chief Patrick Lambert speaks at the beginning of a Grand Council meeting held on Tuesday, April 18 at the Charles George Memorial Arena. It was the first such meeting held for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians since 1995.

Headquarters to establish a central location for Tribal Offices/Programs. (For: 1,029; Against: 119)

- Item No. 3 - Resolution to kill the intent & direction of Tribal Council Res. No. 502 (2017) instructing the drafting of Articles of Impeachment against Principal Chief Patrick H. Lambert. (For: 958; Against: 182)

- Item No. 4 - Resolution to kill the intent & direction of Tribal Council Res. No. 546 (2017) establishing the date for an impeachment hearing against Principal Chief Patrick H. Lambert. (For: 959; Against: 183)

- Item No. 5 - Motion to expand Kituwah Academy in phases (approved by hand vote).

Immediately following the announcement of the ballot counts, Chief Lambert stated, "I think it's a good day for the Cherokee people.

Don't let them tell you your votes don't count."

It was reported during the meeting that a total of 1,355 eligible voting people were in attendance.

Several EBCI tribal elders spoke at the beginning of the meeting including Nannie Taylor, Wolfstown Community, who said, "Respect is helping each other, loving each other...this has gone way too far."

Amanda Swimmer, an EBCI elder from the Big Cove Community, spoke of unity among the members of the Tribe and said, "I love everybody, and I try to help everyone as much as I can. We love this man (Chief Lambert), and I want to keep him."

During his opening remarks, Chief Lambert called it "an historic event" and commented, "We've only had one of these called twice in my entire lifetime..."

He added, "As Principal Chief and in considering recent events and issues that have come to tribal government in what has been termed by our tribal court as a 'state of crisis', I've called this Grand Council to settle issues and give closure to everyone so we can move forward as a nation."

Chief Lambert cited Section 10 of the Tribe's Charter and Governing Document which gives him the right to call such a meeting. It states, "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."

He said it is imperative for the Tribe to move forward on issues such as solving the drug epidemic, solving housing issues, working on economic development, and finalizing the newly established Tribal Agriculture Department. "There's so many serious issues facing our Tribe, and we should be working on them instead of fighting...I hear your voices, and I will honor Grand Council. Merely because it's seldom used in our history does not mean it's invalid."

The last Grand Council meeting of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was held in early October 1995 following the inauguration of Joyce Dugan as the Tribe's first female Principal Chief. "It is time that the government is given back to the people," Chief Dugan was quoted as saying in an Associated Press article published Oct. 3, 1995.

During Tuesday's meeting, the issues were discussed, and

tribal members were each given three-minutes at a time to express their views.

First up was the “Power to the People” resolution which was previously tabled by Tribal Council during its regular Budget Council session on Tuesday, April 4. It passed with overwhelming support on Tuesday.

The voluntary program will cover the energy costs for those EBCI tribal members who have reached the age of 59 ½ and reside within the five-county service area including: Jackson, Swain, Graham, Haywood, or Cherokee counties. The program itself will be administered through the EBCI Public Health and Human Services division.

Judith Smith, an EBCI tribal elder from the Birdtown Community, said many elders are on a fixed income, “This resolution would help a lot of Indian families.”

The two impeachment resolutions were discussed together. The first one resolved to “kill the intent and direction of Res. No. 502” and directs that “the Articles of Impeachment regarding Principal Chief Patrick H. Lambert are hereby declared invalid”. The second resolution resolved to kill Res. No. 546 which approved Articles of Impeachment against Chief Lambert and set a date for the start of the impeachment hearing. Numerous people spoke on those measures as well as the state of the Tribe in general.

“Chief Lambert, we put you in to do a job, and you have far surpassed what we asked you to do,” said Janelle Rattler, Snowbird Community, who also noted, “At least we have a Chief who has followed through in what he said he was going to do for us.”



ELDER: Edith Crowe, EBCI tribal elder, speaks during Tuesday's meeting.

Joshua Swayney, Big Cove Community, said, “You (Chief Lambert) treat your own people with respect, especially our elders.”

David Jumper Jr., Wolfstown Community, admonished the crowd, “We’ve got to grow up people. We only act Cherokee every six months. We only act Cherokee when we’re given something. To me, this is a wake-up call. This is a place for all of us.”

He went on to say, “Everybody wants to talk about rules and regulations, how about those old ways? Everybody talks about going to church, how about a stomp ground?”

Joey Owle, Wolfetown Community, questioned certain aspects of the Grand Council meeting. “Only certain people were allowed to submit resolutions. Why wasn’t the general audience allowed to do so? To reiterate, this Grand Council is about the Chief (Lambert). This is about his agenda.”

Converting the old Cherokee High School site, aka the Acquoni Expo Center, into the Maggie Wachacha Tribal Headquarters was also approved during the meeting. “All of the services within the



BALLOTS: At the end of Tuesday's meeting, ballot boxes were collected and counted under the security of the Cherokee Indian Police Department. Clifford Owl Jr. (maroon shirt center), an EBCI tribal member from the Cherokee Co. Community and tribal magistrate, served as ballot proctor for the event and is shown checking tallies.

Tribe would be able to be relocated there,” said Chief Lambert.

Glenn Bradley, EBCI Tribal Construction program manager, spoke about the current condition of the building. “All floors are sound. There are no stress fractures. The structure is in great shape.”

Discussion on that issue led into discussion on the location of the New Kituwah Academy expansion as previous legislation was passed whereby the Academy and the Cherokee Youth Center would inhabit the old high school site. After the resolution approving the Maggie Wachacha Tribal

Headquarters was passed, a floor measure was entertained that stated the expansion of the New Kituwah Academy would occur in phases and include a gymnasium, space for a Speaker's Bureau, and upgrading space for the addition of middle school classes. The New Kituwah expansion measure was not a balloted item, and a floor hand vote was held with no visible nays being counted.

At the end of the meeting, Chief Lambert commented, “The important thing is I want to honor the wishes of the people of this Tribe... the people have spoken today.”

Impeachment fights continue

Court stays Impeachment Hearing, Council sets new date

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The impeachment saga between Tribal Council and Principal Chief Patrick Lambert continues. Several motions were heard in Tribal Court on Monday, April 17, and as a result, the Impeachment Hearing originally scheduled for Thursday, April 20 had to be rescheduled by Tribal Council.

In an order filed on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 18, Judge Sharon Barrett, Cherokee Tribal Court temporary associate judge, wrote, "As this Order is being appealed to the Cherokee Supreme Court, and in recognition of the significance and time-sensitivity of this matter, the Court further orders pursuant to Rule 62(c) of the Rules of Civil Procedure that the impeachment proceedings that are currently pending before the Tribal Council shall be stayed forthwith for a period of ten days, or until otherwise ordered by the Cherokee Supreme Court."

That order was filed 51 minutes into Tuesday's Grand Council session at which two impeachment-related measures were approved. The first one, passed by a vote of 958-182, killed the intent and direction of Res. No. 502 (2017) regarding the drafting of the Articles of Im-

peachment against Chief Lambert. The second one, passed by a vote of 959-183, killed the intent and direction of Res. No. 546 (2017) which established the date for an impeachment hearing.

The day after Grand Council was held, Tribal Council met in special session to discuss establishing a new day for the Impeachment Hearing.

In speaking of Monday's court hearing, Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor noted, "At that time, the judge ruled in favor denying the injunction, but asked that there be a 10-day stay on the Impeachment Hearing."

Chairman Taylor presented Res. No. 562 (2017) to Tribal Council on Wednesday seeking to amend the hearing date to Tuesday, May 2.

Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke immediately stated, "In accordance with the Grand Council yesterday, I make a motion to rescind the Articles of Impeachment."

That motion failed by a vote of 9-2 with Rep. Saunooke and Big Cove Rep. Richard French being the only two voting in favor. Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy was absent for Wednesday's special session.

Chief Lambert then addressed Council and stated, "Section 10 of the Charter and Governing Document of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, that we all took an oath to uphold, states very clearly that the Principal Chief has the power to call a special session of Council. Therefore, I don't recognize this as being a legitimately-called session of Council."

He asked that someone entertain an amendment to Res. No. 562 to recognize the votes taken at Grand Council on Tuesday. Rep. Saunooke, in turn, made that motion. That motion was also voted down 9-2 with Reps. Saunooke and French being the two voting in favor.

Following that vote, Chief

Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency as the official governing body of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and are authorized to conduct such matters as prescribed by your tribal charter."

Chief Lambert retorted, "I could get a similar letter where he would say that I'm recognized as

"... Tribal Council members are recognized by the Department of the Interior, Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency, as the official governing body of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians..."

- portion of letter from William McKee Jr., Cherokee Agency superintendent, to Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor

Lambert commented, "So, we've got nine people that are going to overrule the Grand Council and the vote of the people? Is that what I just saw happen?"

He went on to say, "If this Tribal Council refuses to recognize the vote of the people, are you going to recognize the vote in June? Are you going to recognize the vote in October? Grand Council is specifically recognized in the history and culture of this Tribe, and traditions of this Tribe specify that Ground Council is part of our government."

Following some debate on whether or not Wednesday's special session was legitimate or not, Chairman Taylor read a letter he received from William McKee Jr., Cherokee Agency superintendent. "This correspondence is to reiterate my statement to you that the current duly-elected Tribal Council members are recognized by the

the official Principal Chief and I have powers under the Charter to exercise my duties."

Yellowhill Rep. B. Ensley commented, "The Chief (Lambert) is right on the two former Chiefs (Crowe and Dugan) calling a Grand Council, but in neither of the Grand Councils, no action was taken. They were dealing with the Charter and establishing a Charter Committee."

He said he didn't agree with the 1986 referendum that established the Charter and Governing Document, "But, I didn't prevail in that argument. This Tribe has accepted what's in place whether we like it or not, that's what it is. I still don't like it, but I've had to abide by it for 20 years."

As of press time, a date for an appeal to the Cherokee Supreme Court has not been set.

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Council adds more Articles of Impeachment, Court delays proceedings

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It was a busy day for impeachment-related proceedings on Friday, April 21 – the day after the original date set for the Impeachment Hearing before several court motions delayed the event. In an order filed on Friday night, Acting Chief Justice Brenda Toineeta Pipestem granted a writ of certiorari and a motion for stay. “The Court, under Rule 62(f) of the NC Rules of Civil Procedure, extends the stay over the impeachment proceedings that are currently pending before the Tribal Council until the completion of proceedings in this court and an Order is issued.”

Those arguments will occur on Tuesday, May 9 at 10am at the Tribal Courthouse.

Two days earlier, on Wednesday, April 19, Tribal Council approved Res. No. 562 (2017) whereby they amended the Impeachment Hearing Date to Tuesday, May 2 – a date that is now invalid due to Acting Chief Justice Pipestem’s ruling.

A press release by Tribal Council on April 19, which appeared on their official Facebook page, states in part, “Further articles of impeachment can be added at a later date as well as potential criminal charges as the investigation continues. Political appointees

in the administration have offered evidence which is part of the on-going investigation. Additional information has been provided to the United States Attorney’s office for consideration.”

So, as of this printing, there is not an official date for the Impeachment Proceedings against Principal Chief Patrick Lambert.

Earlier on the morning of Friday, April 21 during a special called session, Tribal Council added several more provisions (Articles VIII – XII) to the Articles of Impeachment against Chief Lambert.

In documents obtained from Tribal Council, Articles of Impeachment Article VIII alleges that Chief Lambert violated Cherokee Code Section 14-70.30 that states, “It shall be unlawful to ask for, give or accept any money, goods, right in action, property, thing of value or advantage, present or prospective, or any promise or undertaking, given with a wrongful or corrupt intent to influence unlawfully the person to whom it is given.”

That Article alleges that during a meeting on Aug. 3, 2016 between Chief Lambert, Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose and Wolfstown Rep. Bo Crowe, “Mr. Lambert told Councilman Rose and Councilman Crowe that he was upset with TERO because they removed him from the TERO list. Mr. Lambert also stated that the reason he asked for the meeting was to inform them that was willing to allow them to appoint a member from their community to the TERO Commission. However, in return Mr. Lambert wanted them to withdraw or table the resolution with the BIA

Realty (Resolution No. 49 – 2015). Councilman Crowe immediately stated that they don’t work like that and are not going to start. Both Councilman Crowe and Councilman Rose left the meeting. They did not withdraw Resolution No. 49 – 2015.”

Article IX alleges that Chief Lambert “restricted the Office of Internal Audit’s full, free and unrestricted access to Tribal financial records.”

Article X alleges that Chief Lambert violated Cherokee Code Section 14-70.14(a) for his refusal to sign a contract and release a check to R. Daniel Boyce, the attorney chosen by Tribal Council to serve as the Special Impeachment Prosecutor.

Article XI alleges that Chief Lambert violated Section 22 of the Charter and Governing Document of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for holding the Grand Council meeting on Tuesday, April 18 where votes were taken on various issues including his impeachment proceedings. The Article states, “This purported Grand Council attempts to impede on Tribal Council’s sole authority to impeach.”

Article XII alleges that Chief Lambert violated Cherokee Code Section 14-70.42(c)(8) which speaks to the illegality of using tribal resources for one’s own benefit. The Article alleges, “Mr. Lambert issued administrative leave to all tribal employees who attended, used the tribal transit program to transport people to the Cherokee Central Schools, Cherokee Central Schools dismissed early, and used tribal employees to work

at the Grand Council. Mr. Lambert used all of these tribal resources and property for his own personal gain.”

During Friday’s special session, Tribal Council also approved the rules on the impeachment proceedings. The One Feather requested a copy of those rules from the TOP Office but did not receive them by press time.

The rules were approved by a vote of 7-2 with Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke and Big Cove Rep. Richard French being the two dissenting votes. Vice Chairman Brandon Jones, Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, and Wolfstown Rep. Bo Crowe were all absent for Friday’s meeting.

The added Articles of Impeachment were approved by a vote of 7-1 with the same absences and Rep. Saunooke voting against. The only difference was that Rep. French abstained.

Rep. French stated during the meeting that he felt the need to explain his votes and stated, “It was brought to our attention that the Grand Council vote was invalid. Maybe so, but the people’s voice is never invalid. The people spoke. I listen to my people.”

He added, “The majority of my community is for the Chief and has asked me to back this Chief.”

Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha commented, “It wouldn’t be right for me to sit here and say that everybody was against him (Chief Lambert) or everybody was for him because he still has some support in my communi-

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Mattocks sentenced to two years on federal kidnapping charge

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The mother of three Cherokee children who kidnapped them and took them to Mexico has been sentenced to two years in federal prison after pleading guilty to one count of International Parental Kidnapping. Shira Elizabeth Mattocks, aka Shira Elizabeth Raman, entered the plea in front of U.S. District Court Judge Martin Reidinger in Asheville federal court on Thursday, April 13.

She was originally indicted on three counts of International Parental Kidnapping in a Bill of Indictment filed in U.S. District Court in July 2016, one month after her arrest in Mexico. The criminal

complaint filed with the indictment stated that Ms. Mattocks fled to Mexico “in an effort to evade her child custody responsibilities”.

The Criminal Complaint filed against Ms. Mattocks stated that she had child custody disputes with two men – Jonathan Reed Mattocks, the father of Evelyn Grace Arneach, and Donald James Owle, the father of Samuel George Owle and James Paul Owle. The children were missing from November 2014 until their return in June 2016. At the time of their kidnapping, Evelyn was three-months-old, James was 8 and Samuel was 6.

Of Ms. Mattock’s sentencing, Jonathan Reed Mattocks told the One Feather, “I would like to thank the Cherokee Indian Police Depart-

ment and Tribal Court for their tireless work in helping locate the children. I am glad that the children are home safe and recovering well from the events they were put through. The safety and well-being was and will always be my primary concern.”

Background

According to the Criminal Complaint, early on in the investigation, Cherokee Indian Police Department officers contacted various members of Ms. Mattocks family in an effort to locate her and the children. “According to CIPD Detectives, those family members indicated they knew where Shira and the missing children were, but they (family members) were confrontational and not helpful. The CIPD investigation began to yield indicators that Shira and Teresa (Arneach, Shira’s mother) had fled the United States (U.S.) to Mexico...”

Shortly thereafter, charges were filed in Tribal Court against Ms. Mattocks including one count of Failure to Obey a Lawful Court Order and two counts of Custodial Interference.

Teresa Arneach was arrested at Ms. Mattock’s residence in Cherokee on May 27, 2015. Charges were filed in Tribal Court against her including two counts of Criminal Conspiracy, two counts of Custodial Interference, and one count of Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court. The One Feather reported that those charges were Dismissed with Leave to Refile on March 9, 2016.

The Complaint states that Teresa Arneach’s phone was seized upon her arrest by CIPD officers. “A tribal search warrant was obtained and certain data was exploited from

the phone which further validated CIPD officers’ belief that Shira had fled to Mexico. According to CIPD Detectives who reviewed the phone, there were text messages reflecting communications via a phone number which appeared to be a number from Mexico. The text messages indicated Shira was near Tamazula, Mexico.”

CIPD officers contacted the FBI in June 2015 and requested their assistance, and on July 2, 2015 an international parental kidnapping case was opened by the Bureau.

In October 2015, FBI officials interviewed Maria Arias Negrete, the mother of Jose Arias who is the ex-husband of Arneach. She allegedly told them that Ms. Mattocks and the three children were staying near her home in Tamazula, Jalisco, Mexico. “At some point, around the middle of 2015, Maria personally observed Shira and her three children temporarily residing in the area of Maria’s home residence...” the Complaint alleges. “While there, Shira was living with Maria’s grandson, David Villa Rivera, with whom Shira had developed some type of intimate relationship.”

Starting in March 2016, a confidential source began an investigation and tracked Ms. Mattocks and Rivera whereabouts through interviews with various family members of Rivera in Mexico. Ms. Mattocks was arrested in June 2016, and the children were returned to their fathers shortly thereafter.

Federal prison sentences are served without the possibility of parole. Once released, Ms. Mattocks will undergo one year of supervised release.

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CIPD Arrest Report April 17-24

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.

Bird, April Dawn - age 38

Arrested: April 17 at 15:00

Released: April 23

Charges: Simple Assault, Obstructing Justice

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 9



Sanchez, Maricela - age 25

Arrested: April 17 at 16:00

Released: April 17

Charges: Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4



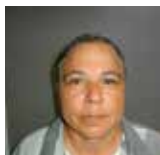
Saunooke, Michelle Lynn - age 50

Arrested: April 17 at 23:32

Released: April 19

Charges: Aggravated Weapons Offense (2 counts), Communicative Threats (2 counts), Second Degree Trespass (2 counts), Assault with a Deadly Weapon (2 counts)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Pheasant, Cory Mikol - age 30

Arrested: April 18 at



01:24

Released: April 18

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3

Ward, Joseph Calvin - age 31

Arrested: April 18 at 06:17

Released: April 20

Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Elder Abuse and Neglect, Assault by Strangulation

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4



Johnson, Brandi Nichol - age 30

Arrested: April 19 at 13:00

Released: April 19

Charges: Larceny-Free Text (2 counts)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Laney, John - age 50

Arrested: April 19 at 10:08

Released: April 19

Charges: Communicative Threats, Aggravated Weapons Offense

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Panther, Corbin David - age 22

Arrested: April 19 at 13:00

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Sentenced
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Postoak, Kogee Louise - age 31

Arrested: April 19 at 13:00

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Civil Contempt

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4



Ensley, Brooke Lea - age 26

Arrested: April 20 at 16:00

Released: April 23

Charges: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Possess Schedule II Controlled Substance

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Greene, Gary Albert Jr. - age 29

Arrested: April 20 at 07:00

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Child Support Purge

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



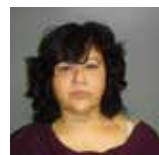
Armachain, Lauren - age 46

Arrested: April 21 at 14:56

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Obtain Property False Pretense

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Bradley, Walter Andrew Jr. - age 31

Arrested: April 21 at 06:27

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive
Number of times in



CIPD Detention: 5

Youngdeer, Chelse Lynn - age 25

Arrested: April 21 at 13:58

Released: April 21

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 5



Jackson, Alexandria Jade - age 24

Arrested: April 23 at 15:15

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Jackson, Rain Edwind-Swimmer - age 22

Arrested: April 23 at 05:38

Released: April 23

Charges: Failure to Appear (2 counts)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Wildcatt, Quincey Gvhe - age 25

Arrested: April 23 at 00:24

Released: Not released as of press time

Charges: Providing Alcoholic Beverages to/in Possession of/Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 Years Old, Obstructing Justice, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court, Violate Domestic Violence Protection Order

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 7



Devalyn Crowe seeking Miss Indian World title

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Devalyn Raylene Crowe, an EBCI tribal member and Yakama Nation descendant living in Washington state, will be seeking the Miss Indian World title at the upcoming pageant which starts on Thursday, April 27 in Albuquerque, NM as part of the Gathering of Nations Pow Wow. An avid rodeo participant, she held the title of Miss Indian Rodeo 2014-15.

"I decided to run for Miss Indian World to experience something new and to meet new people along the way," said Crowe. "Also, I decided to run because hearing stories of the experience my mom had when she ran 29 years ago made me want to take that chance to have memories that will last a lifetime."

She is currently employed as a legal assistant with the Yakama Nation Public Defender Office, a position she has been in for a year. Crowe is also the Toppenish Jr. Rodeo Queen coordinator, a title she held in 2011. In rodeo, she has participated in many events from her specialty of barrel racing to even trying bull riding.

"With balance and good choices, you can be successful at anything you set your mind to as long as you're dedicated and willing to pour your heart out into what you're doing," commented Crowe. "What I mean by this is growing up we did a little bit of powwowing, rodeoing, as well as walking our traditional walk at the same time.

"... never forget where you came from and your traditional teachings because those make you who you are."

With balance and good choices, we were able to make them all work together."

Those traditional teachings are something she plans to bring to the pageant as well. "My platform I will bring as Miss Indian World would be to never forget where you came from and your traditional teachings because those make you who you are. Keeping these things in mind will help you make good choices and help you find balance in today's world to be successful."

In looking beyond, Crowe noted, "Some of my future plans are to further my education in the legal field, continue to be the best role model I can to my nieces and nephews as well as other youth, strive to be the best person I can be every day, and strive to keep learning our traditional ways so they don't die."

The Miss Indian World pageant starts with traditional presentations on Thursday, April 27 at 7pm at the Kiva Auditorium in the



Photo courtesy of Crowe family

PAGEANT: Devalyn Raylene Crowe, an EBCI tribal member and Yakama Nation descendant living in Washington state, will be seeking the Miss Indian World title at the upcoming pageant which starts on Thursday, April 27.

Albuquerque Convention Center. Admission is \$15 for the show which will be hosted by Jason White House and Lisa Meeches. More information on that event and the Gathering of Nations Pow Wow can be found at www.gatheringof-nations.com.

Crowe joins fellow EBCI tribal member Karyl Frank-

iewicz (<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/frankiewicz-to-vie-for-miss-indian-world/>) as a contestant in this year's Miss Indian World pageant. They are joined by 25 other contestants (<http://www.powwows.com/2017-miss-indian-world-contestants-gathering-nations-pow-wow/>).

Students say, Be their guest

Cherokee Musical Theater to present "Beauty and the Beast Jr."

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The Cherokee Musical Theater Department at Cherokee Central Schools is inviting everyone to be their guest as they present "Beauty and the Beast Jr.". The show will open at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on Thursday, April 27 at 7pm. Other shows will be held Friday, April 28 at 7pm; Saturday, April 29 at 2pm and 7pm; and Sunday, April 30 at 2pm.

Last year, the Musical Theater Department made history with the first musical in the school's history with a production of "The Lion King Jr."

"In all of the plays we were looking at for this year, we choose this one for several reasons," said Michael Yannette, Cherokee High School and Middle School director of choir and musical theater. "One being that it fit us well, but also, it's such an emotional show...and, with

"The Lion King' which is also an emotional show, we kind of needed a follow-up that was similar and something that people really knew because we're really trying to build an audience. We're trying to get people to come and see everything that we do."

The play comes at a time when the story itself is quite well-known and in the public eye with the recent release of the live-action movie. The young actors related they have drawn from both the original cartoon version and the movie version, as well as the world around them, when developing their particular characters for the show.

Jake Sneed played a young Simba in last year's production of "The Lion King Jr." and is slated to play Cogsworth in "Beauty and the Beast" – a character he says is much more challenging. "There's a lot more depth to the character and to the entire production. It's really been challenging as an actor trying to explore the different emotions and connections you have with your character."

Eason Esquivel, who is playing the part of Lumiere, commented,

"I've drawn a little more from the live-action movie because I like the style in which it was done, but at the same time, I like adding my own style of being a ham. I'm not just trying to portray a ladies man and a romance fan. I'm also trying to portray him."

The lead part of Belle will be played by Cece Lambert who portrayed Nala in last year's production. "With this overall experience, you really have to sit back and really think of who your character is, what they've went through, where they've been, where they are now, and what led them up to that point. I try to put more of myself into Belle rather than me trying to portray other Belles."

In relation to watching the live-action movie, she noted, "I saw the different styles...I saw her style of trying to be this person, and my style is just a bit different but similar."

Lambert will be looking for "Something There" with her counterpart the Beast who is being portrayed by Jullian Rubio. "It quite similar to my last year's part because they're both very bold," said Rubio who played Mufasa in "The Lion King Jr."

Kyra Sneed will be holding the show together as the stage manager. "I work closely with the actors and make sure they're doing what they need to be doing, make sure they know their lines, etc. I have past film directing experience, and you have to be very organized with your work to make sure that you're keeping up with everything."

She added, "I really enjoy it. You get to see how things are being

if you go

When: Thursday, April 27 at 7pm; Friday, April 28 at 7pm; Saturday, April 29 at 2pm and 7pm; and Sunday, April 30 at 2pm

Where: Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center

Cost: \$7 pre-sale, \$8 at the door, \$15 with dinner and show option for evening performances

done backstage."

Safiya Daggs, who is portraying the Wardrobe, noted that developing her character has been a challenge due to the fact that the cartoon version and movie version of that character are so different. "Their story lines are also different because one's married to the piano, and the other one has a thing with Cogsworth, so it'll be different."

Gaston, the burly hunter, will be played by Damian Blanton who played older Simba in last year's production. "It's been really fun, and most of my inspiration is me, just being me...the best part has been the acting and getting to goof off and have fun with these guys while still getting work done."

Tickets for the production are \$7 pre-sale and \$8 at the door. For the evening performance, the Braves Cafe' is offering a pre-show dinner combo for \$15 for those interested in the dinner and a show combination. To purchase tickets, call 554-5124 or 554-5032 or visit the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center Monday through Friday from 7:30-8:30am or 2:30-3:30pm.

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THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you from family of Jamison “Cain” Oocumma

I would first like to thank the creator for allowing my son to stay here with us after everything that has happened to him over the past year, I have been humbled in so many ways.

There are so many people whom I need to thank, but I don't know where to start. So here goes; my family, immediate, extended, and in-laws. You guys don't know how much you mean to my heart. I don't know where or how I would have made it through this ordeal without your words, help, guidance, just plain being there for us and for holding me up when it was hard to stand on my own two feet. My hospital co-workers and my now co-workers, you guys were awesome. Bear's co-workers (Trib-

al Const.), you too are awesome, thanks for everything you guys did for us.

To all my son's healthcare team, from CIHA, Memorial Mission, Charlotte Medical Center, and St. Joes, thank you for doing everything possible to get him better and allowing us to be with him.

To everyone who worked all or some of the benefits, bought a dinner and/or donated. Also to family support services...all of you rock. There are so many people and entities I could name for just a hug, kind words, all the prayers, monetary donations, and calls. But that would take forever and a day.

So, thank you to the whole EBCI for everything. Sorry if I missed anyone, or didn't name anyone by name, there were so many people who did so much for us... and you know who you were.

But, there is one person who

found a special place in my heart... Chelsea, thanks girl, thank you for being there, you are something special.

Jen Driver
The Jamison “Cain” Oocumma family

Thank you to Yogi Crowe Scholarship

I would like to thank the Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund for assisting me with funding for the spring session of my MBA program at the University of Tennessee-Knoxville. The funds have helped me with extraordinary expenses associated with my program and I appreciate it very much.

Gerri W. Grady

Thank you from Butch Hill

I would like to Thank all the people who helped with the two recent fundraisers held for me. I cannot name everyone because I do not want to leave anyone out. Thank you to those who prepared food for the Fish Fry Benefit, donated food, helped work, deliver meals, cleaned up or just came to visit me. For the Turkey Shoot I would like to Thank Jesse Welch for allowing my family and friends to use your grounds, thank you to those who donated shells, food, time and energy, those who came and bought food, donated prizes, and most of all, thanks to all the shooters. I am grateful to have a caring and supportive family and community.

Thank you all.
Butch Hill

Thank you for NAYO support

We would like to extend great appreciation to everyone that supported us in our endeavor to attend and participate in the 2017 N.A.Y.O. Basketball Tournament

in Irving, NY. Without all of you, it wouldn't have been possible for us to have such a great experience and adventure. You all had a helping hand in making it happen and what an awesome community we live in! Thanks to: Principal Chief Patrick Lambert's Office; Vice-Chief Richard Sneed's Office; Council Member Teresa McCoy and husband Johnny McCoy; Council Member Richard French; Totsie and Joe Welch; Jimmy Gloyne; Brent Teesateskie; Larissa Teesateskie; Tiera Teesateskie; Fred Penick; Koye West; Darius West; Gloria Panther-French; Heather Crowe-Gloyne; Cindy Arch; Freddy Ruiz; Lexi Reed; Dassi West; Tracy and Cindy West; James Panther; Jarius Gloyne; Wiggins Blackfox; Donna Teesateskie; Janell Panther; Alma Panther; Kyna Panther; Noel and Miriam at Bear Fighting Antiques & Trading.

Also, thank you to everyone that bought dinners, raffle tickets, participated in our fundraising events, and donated time, monetary donations, supplies, etc. We hope that we listed everyone involved and didn't leave anyone out if we did please know that it was not intentional. We appreciate each and every one of you from the bottom of our hearts!

Thank You for Believing In Us,
Rez Legends N.A.Y.O. Basketball Team

Thank you for thoughtfulness

I just wanted to thank the Cherokee Nation for being so thoughtful and kind in helping of the passing of my mother, Betty Nave, who passed on Feb. 22, 2017 from cancer. The Cherokee Nation and my mom are still blessing me. Again, thank you for all you have done.

Kenneth Ward

Candidates for EBCI Elected Offices (Tribal Council and School Board)

You are invited to submit reports to the community to be published in the Cherokee One Feather's May 25 edition. You may use your report to speak to platform items and your views on issues of the day. We encourage you to submit your reports as soon as possible. The deadline for submissions is Friday, May 19 at 12pm.

The policy of the Cherokee One Feather prohibits personal attacks and protects family members of candidates. The Editor and Editorial Board reserve the right to edit or reject any submissions that violate the policies of the newspaper. For a complete copy of the Cherokee One Feather's policies and procedures, please contact the One Feather offices.

Robert Jumper
Editor, Cherokee One Feather





Photo by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Commerce

OPENING: Principal Chief Patrick Lambert (center) cuts the ribbon to officially open the new Big Cove Day Care during a ceremony on Friday, April 21. The 6,500 square foot facility was designed by PFA.



Photo courtesy of Cherokee Boys Club

HONORED: Ray Kinsland (second from left), retired Cherokee Boys Club general manager, was awarded The Order of the Long Leaf Pine on Wednesday, April 19 at the Boys Club by Joe Sam Queen on behalf of N.C. Governor Roy Cooper. The award is the most prestigious award given to a civilian by the Governor of the State of North Carolina. It is awarded to persons for exemplary service to the State of North Carolina and its communities that is above and beyond the call of duty and has made a significant impact and strengthened North Carolina. CBC officials noted, "We congratulate Mr. Kinsland on this well-deserved recognition and are proud to be affiliated with all that he has achieved as a leader, community member, volunteer and friend. Thanks also to Mr. Wilbur Paul, former Boys Club Board President, who initiated the application to the State for this award and for following it through to fruition." Shown (left-right) are Debora Foerst, Ray Kinsland, Brennen Foerst, Jerri Kinsland, Dora Robinson, Rayna Davis, and Aria Foerst.

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK

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Sugar, a one-year-old Blue Applehead Chihuahua, lives with Lataya Taylor in the Birdtown Community.



Is your pet your best friend? If you'd like to have your pet (whatever that may be) featured as the **Cherokee Pet of the Week**, send a high resolution photo, type and name of pet to: scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com, or message us at the One Feather Facebook page.



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Cherokee spring turkey season

Cherokee’s spring turkey hunting season is open now through May 20. Hunters are invited to participate as a field reporter and submit turkey harvest data to the EBCI Natural Resources program. This information is important to help the department maintain a healthy turkey population on Cherokee lands. Call 359-6109 after a turkey is harvested with some or all of the following information: location and date of kill, number of days hunted to kill the bird, turkey’s approximate age (adult or juvenile), turkey’s spur length, and turkey’s beard length.

- EBCI Natural Resources Program

Judaculla Art Competition

The Western Carolina University Cherokee Center is sponsoring a Judaculla Art Competition in honor of the Judaculla Rock and Cherokee Legend. Gift card prizes will be given to the top three submissions. Artwork must be submitted on paper, canvas, or in standing sculpture form. Winning artwork will be the property of WCU and will be displayed in various locations on the WCU campus and within the Cherokee Center. The deadline to enter is May 1 by 4pm. Info: WCU Cherokee Center 497-7290 or snsampson@wcu.edu

- WCU Cherokee Center

Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Committee meetings

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds has started their 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair Committee meetings. They will be taking ideas on this year’s theme and planning the 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair.

Everyone is welcome and ideas and input are encouraged. These meetings will be held every second Tuesday of the month at 2pm at the Fairgrounds.

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship availability

Applications for the Bill Taylor Scholarship are now being accepted by the Eastern Band Community Foundation. This scholarship is available to all EBCI tribal members or their immediate family members who study business/business-related curricula. The deadline to apply is June 1.

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$36,312 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under “Qualla Reservation”. The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on the North Carolina Community Foundation.

Info: Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

- Eastern Band Community Foundation

COUNCIL: More Articles of Impeachment added, *from page 5*

ty...we, as a Tribe, with this government, have the community split in half with everything that’s going on.”

He went on to say, “An old-timer told me, ‘there’s always three views for every matter. There’s the Council’s version, the Chief’s version, and then the truth.’ And, I told them with the accusations being filed, I’m just not built that way, I can’t just turn a blind eye to something that may be wrong.”

Addressing Chief Lambert directly, Rep. Wachacha noted, “I’m not saying you’re guilty of anything. I’m just saying there’s accusations that’s laid out there, and I think that we need to try to find the truth and allow you the opportunity to speak before this body to explain. And, hopefully after everything is done, this Tribe will heal and move forward.”

Chief Lambert spoke to the added Articles of Impeachment, especially the one regarding Grand Council. “The Charter says the Chief has the authority to call Grand Council, and now you’re going to use it as an Article for impeachment?”

In speaking of the Grand Council, he said, “Mr. Chairman, this has gone on long enough...the people have spoken. If you look at the numbers there were there (Grand Council), 1,355. Last election, there was 3,661 total people that voted in the last Chief’s election. The people that showed up with one week’s notice, 1,355, that’s 37 percent of the total number of people that voted last election. I think that’s a pretty loud voice.”

Following the first two votes, Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith made the following motion, “In order to move on with the process that’s in place here now and being that we can’t get the chosen attorney paid due to the blockage of getting a check cut from our own budget, I make a move now that we retain Chris Siewers with whatever co-counsel he chooses to handles these proceedings from here.”

That motion was also approved by a 7-1 vote with the same results.

Attention EBCI graduating students and families

The Cherokee One Feather is currently compiling our graduation materials. We are in contact with the following high schools - Cherokee, Swain County, Smoky Mountain, Robbinsville, Andrews, Hayesville, and Murphy. If you or your family member is graduating from a high school different from those listed and/or a college or university, please submit a high-resolution photo and name to Scott at scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com. The deadline for submissions is Friday, May 19 at 12pm, and these will be published in the May 25 edition.

One Feather deadline
Friday at 12noon

OBITUARIES



Jennifer Dugan Toineeta

Jennifer Dugan Toineeta, 34, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Wednesday, April 19, 2017. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Jackie Dugan Queen. In addition to her mother she was also preceded in death by her daughter, Jayda Toineeta, and her grandparents, Jessie Owle Dugan and James Boyce Dugan.

Jennifer was a member of Bethabara Baptist Church.

She is survived by one son, Jayce Boyce Toineeta of the home; her husband, Joel Toineeta; one sister, Jill Sain and husband Jay of Whittier; one brother, Jesse Queen of Cherokee; mother-in-law, Pam Cucumber of Cherokee; two nephews, Bryce and Blake Sain of Whittier; two brother-in-law's, Nehi Toineeta and wife Reva of Cherokee, and Michael Toineeta of Starkville, Miss., and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday, April 22 at Rock Springs Baptist Church. Pastors Greg Morgan and Danny Lambert officiated with burial in Joe Cucumber Cemetery.

Pallbearers were family.

Rebecca Mary Fuller Barton

Rebecca Mary Fuller Barton, age 91, of Murphy, passed away

Saturday, April 15, 2017. Mrs. Barton was born Nov. 12, 1925 in Bryson City to the late William Ace and Laura Cochran Fuller. She had worked in Fontana on the construction of the dam where she met and married the love of her life.

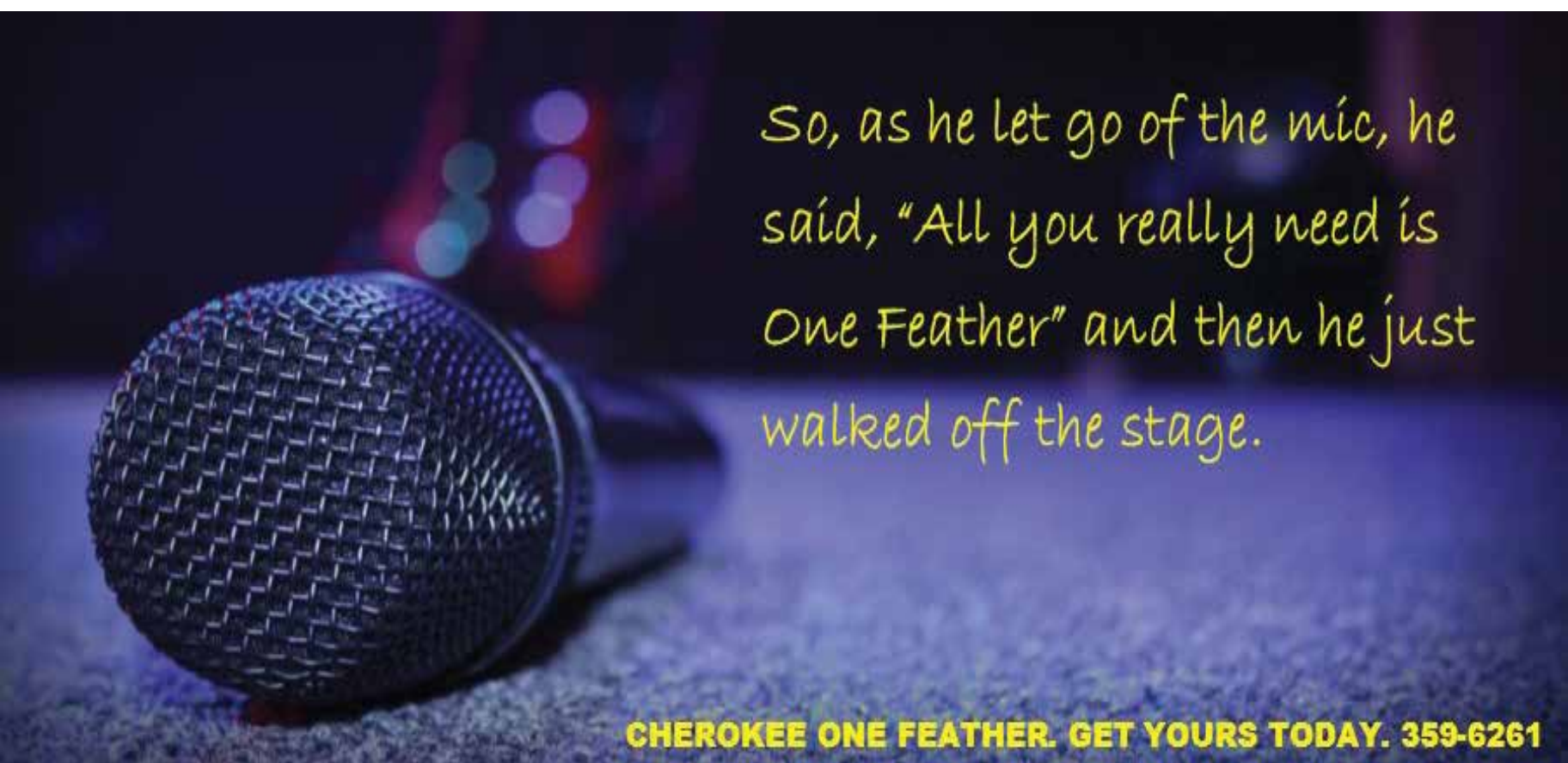
Mrs. Barton had attended Fontana Community Church. After moving to Murphy, she attended Peachtree Memorial Baptist Church where she was a member of the Minnie Ferguson Sunday School Class. Rebecca enjoyed cooking, sewing, and making visits to the nursing home.

She was preceded in death by brothers, George Fuller and John Fuller; sisters, Beulah Messer, Emma Barker and Lexie Denny, and husband, Vaughn Barton. Survivors include: daughter, Brenda (Richard) Parson; sons, Gerald S. (Kathy) Barton, Bobby (Janet) Barton; sister, Jean Moose; grandchildren, Christy (Jody) Parson LeCroy,

Bart (Meredith) Parson, Brooke Barton (Jeff) Smith, Debbie (Charlie) Busch, Josh Barton, Jennifer Barton, Kyle King, T. J. King, Chase Busch; great-grandchildren, Elizabeth, Joseph, and Talmadge LeCroy, Audrey Parson; and sister by love, Verna Wiggins Kirkland.

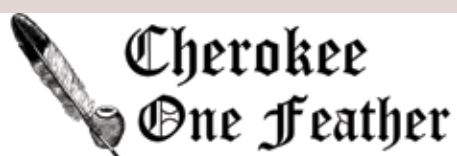
Funeral services were held on Wednesday, April 19 at the Peachtree Memorial Baptist Church, with the Rev. Chris Furl, Rev. Chester Jones, and Gigi Turner officiating. Music provided by Elizabeth LeCroy. Interment followed in the church cemetery. Pallbearers: Eddie Foust, Don Riverbark, Greg Bradshaw, Jeff Fowler, Joe Phillips, Al Lovingood, Blain Barnett and Greg Moore.

Arrangements entrusted to the Cochran Funeral Home of Murphy. You may send condolences to the family and sign the guest register at www.cochranfuneralhomes.com.



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Can we handle the truth, or even recognize it?

ROBERT JUMPER

ONE FEATHER EDITOR

If ever there was an example of why we need clear, concise law, it is the situation we find ourselves in now. We are now finding that it is going to take a court session (or three) to figure the difference between the “letter of the law” and the “essence of the law”.

Doing a pulse check on the community, it would seem, is more confusing than a governmental hearing. Many, young and old, are reaching out to social media to get their “facts”. Many are trusting photos and scans of documents on friends’ pages that have not been confirmed as legal or legitimate. Even some supposedly mainstream media are getting their “news” from tweets and comments. The One Feather regularly hears from people claiming to have the inside scoop on what is going on, only to find that those people are passing along “grapevine” information that has no basis in fact.

Remember the old pass-a-long game we used to play in elementary school? The teacher would line up 20 or 30 children. She would whisper a sentence into a first child’s ear with instruction to whisper the exact sentence into the next child’s ear, who would do the same to the next kid, and so on. When the sentence gets to the end of the line, the last child is supposed to repeat the sentence out loud so that the whole class may hear it. Without fail, when the child announces the sentence, it bears no resemblance to the one that the teacher whispered the first child’s ear. Now, mediators and counselors around the world use this same exercise to educate staff and managers how dangerous it is to base decisions on gossip.

It is up to us to find out what is truth and fiction regarding any given situation. And, if we truly care about the future of the Tribe and the security of our next generations, we must stop making choices based on rhetoric.

I was speaking to a friend of mine concerning the immediate political issues that face the Tribe. His take on the issue, highly simplified, was that this goes beyond individual politicians and goes

straight to the foundation of our written governing documents. With conflicting segments of Code and Charter, incomplete procedures, ambiguity as to whether we are a presidential versus a parliamentary government, it is no wonder that we are in position that we are in.

We speak of running our Tribe in the traditional ways of past generations of the Cherokee people, many times without even knowing what that really means. By the same token, we talk about operating under a democracy, but we don’t understand the need for lawmakers, executors and interpreters, and that there needs to be a clear delineation of the duties, and powers, of each.

The Cherokee One Feather continues to actively solicit commentary and reporting from elected officials and candidates. We have openly promoted the invitation to our currently elected officials with very little response. Some choose to stay within the boundaries of their own Facebook pages, which hits only a small fraction of the Tribe and typically only those who are “in their corner” already. We have heard time and time again from elected officials that they represent “all the people, not just a segment of the people”. The reach of any one individual official or candidate’s social media page may be hundreds. The One Feathers reach is in the tens of thousands. The reporting is separate from advertisements and the One Feather is offering this forum, one per month, without any charges. And, yet even the new candidates for office are relying on the same old traditional forms of media, cardboard signs on the roadways and posting in their small forums within their personal media pages.

I realize that for Tribal Council seats, the candidates need to be hyper-focused on their individual community constituencies now, but why, to use an old Southern analogy, would you try to put out a fire with a water pistol when you have a fire hose at your disposal?

I invite all the candidates and elected officials to share your positions with the public via our forum, the one that our Tribe has ordained, by law, as the official source of governmental information.

Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to our weekly question:

Votes were taken at the recent Grand Council meeting. Do you feel these are valid and binding results?

Johnny Jaaga: A vow taken is an Oath.

Ashley Sessions: Yes. Our elders tell us that the power is the people. The people that showed up have spoken! Every enrolled member was invited, if they were against the items on the agenda then they should have showed up and voted!

Debbie Taylor: Yes, valid and binding!

Connie Welch: I feel that the people have a voice and the Tribal Council members are elected to serve the people.... I would have a little more respect for them if they had shown up to at least listen to the people....even if they didn't agree...

Jamie Troupe: I agree - them not showing up says everything we need to know about them. If they felt their attempted impeachment of the Chief was warranted, they should have come to the Grand Council to publicly address those issues. Personally, I think all matters of significance should be put before the Tribe as a whole, instead of letting Tribal Council handle them. It's obvious how corrupt some members of Tribal Council have become. They can't be trusted to do the work of their respective communities honorably.

Lory Gene: Yes

Ryan Jones: No, only a small population of the Tribe showed up.

Denise Myers Walkingstick: You can't make people come out and vote when you have an election! Regardless of the voter turnout, the votes are still counted and considered valid whether one person shows up to vote or 1,000 people come... it's still valid and counts for other Tribal elections, so why should this one be different? It is up to the individual voter to make sure their opinion is heard by showing up to vote. If they can't/don't...it's on them and the election goes on without them!

Angel McKinney: Yes

Wilson Johnson: From what I've been told, yes, Grand council is the final word on any issue voiced by the people, it suppose to supersedes any decisions by Council, Chief, or any elected officials.

Sara Fergie: Yes. What's the point of Grand Council and voting at Grand Council if the outcome has no bearing on the situation? If that's the case then everyone that showed up and voted spent that time in vain.

Tim Hull: Yes

Karen Wood Alley: Yes!

Dinah Harry: Yes!

Margie Wachacha: Yes! There is no excuse for anyone (not) showing except for people that don't work for (the) Tribe. If you took admin. leave, then you were in the wrong

because that was the reason you were given leave. Why do we vote if our Councilman not going to listen? We should self-appoint our self to be our own voice, not have election.

Beverly Trantham: Nine Council members should not carry the tribal authority. The people had a chance to voice and vote. Why is it not honored. What grounds is the court using to change things?

Debi Lemmond Standley Bourgeois: Yes, I think the Tribe votes should rule! If the Tribe can't change decisions made by the Chief or Tribal Council, then the Tribe as a whole has no power to change only to be told!

Cochise Syrianna: No. What part of the cCharter where it says only Tribal Council can make law don't you understand? Some thrown together pep rally for the Chief where only half of his supporters showed is not even close to being a valid form of legislation passing.

Edwina Jones: Yes. I could not be there, but trust those who could.

Teresa Lambert Wolfe: I feel that they should be valid and binding because that's what most of the people wanted that were able to attend...in any election some people can't vote for various reasons.

Jackie Hayes: Oh yes

Debi Lee: Yes, I do

Gerri W. Grady: No, too many people were unable to attend.

Jeff Lowe: To those thinking only Patrick's supporters showed up...

too bad, every member was invited. It's not anyones fault but yours if you didn't show up. We are a nation that overrides the few...votes count.

Morgan Owle-Crisp: No. The people had their vote when we elected our Council members. Let them do their job. Grand Council was misused with trying to use a vote of a portion of people to try to override Council.

Sheree D. Peters: Only if a majority of registered voters can vote.

Charlie Andrea Jones: Yes, valid and binding.

Nat Crowe: Yes...why do you think it is called Grand Council? Because it is supposed to overrule everything...Our people have been silent long enough and have took being stolen from for way too many years from these so-called Council members..now that we are taking back our rights, they don't like it.

Elizabeth Owl-Myers: As a Tribe we can never simply vote on such an enormous issue based on how be "believe" something to be true. Impeachment and breaking Tribal code or law is not a Grand Council issue. It is a judicial system issue which at least, I, as a Tribal member am not qualified to decide based on how much I like it or dislike the issue. Basically, we are not judge and jury in this matter and need to refer it to the proper legal experts to decide. Each party, the Chief and Council them have a fair opportunity to provide evidence that will determine the final outcome.

Janett Swisher Owens: Yes

More Facebook Poll Responses

Mark Jackson: I do accept the vote and if you don't, get off the reservation and stop sucking it for all you can get. Stand by the Chief.

Kaitlin Wolfe Blaylock: My exact problem with the vote is that I could not attend because I live off the reservation. In our tribal elections, I have a say with an absentee ballot. In this mockery of "Grand Council" I was given no such opportunity. If it was just me, maybe I could swallow that. But, the fact is hundreds of us were in this predicament. So no, I will not accept a vote in which a large part of our nation were ignored.

Angie Kephart: No. The "Grand Council" wasn't about power bills or a centralized office. It was about Patrick trying to stop the impeachment hearing against him. He threw in the other two resolutions (power bills and building) so he wouldn't face more illegal charges of misuse of funds by using members and bringing them there in an attempt to avoid the impeachment hearing. The Grand Council was abused for Patrick's personal gain. Why is he avoiding "due process"? That's what the impeachment hearing is for.

Driver Blythe: No, I feel like the Grand Council was poorly planned. All of these people saying "they had a chance to come out" is bull. People have jobs, kids to take care of, are in class, etc. A small portion of the Tribe went. That's the problem. Thousands upon thousands didn't voice their opinion, cast their vote, and/or didn't attend.

James Russell: Can anyone show where in the Charter it states that Grand Council can make laws and pass resolutions? Because I haven't found it yet. The only thing it says is that the Principal Chief may call a Grand Council session. That's it. I encourage people to do your own research instead of going off what you "heard". And, if you can find it in the Charter, please let me know so I can read it too.

Sam N Nete Crowe: Yes, it is binding. No, Council does not have control of our government or our people. If you had an opinion, Grand Council was held for that very reason. Where were the nine then? That was their chance to set the record straight. And, don't complain about what transpired from Grand...you should have went to voice your opinion.

Gayle Potter: Yes

Douglas McCoy: Sadly no. We have a republic not direct democracy. By republic I mean a body of 'elected' officials who legislate for their constituent citizens. By direct democracy I mean a body of citizens which cast a vote as an individual within a large body of other citizens. The Charter once again is vague, and the tradition of Grand Council is vague. But, it is not given specific authority to create legislation by forum of individual citizens. I'm not saying your vote does not inherently count, but in a republic it counts when you vote for an elected official. Also, for a direct democracy to work it requires a sizeable group of the citizens to be present for it to hold any legitimacy, otherwise it is aristocracy. Aristocracy is when a small group or minority creates law for

the citizen body. Of about 15,000 citizens in the Tribe, 1,300 is only 8.6 percent of the citizen body and that is foul. So, even though it may be unpopular I deal with truth not belief. It hurts, but what we believe in our minds and what is reality are usually at odds.

Janie Palmer Hughes: Most of the people could not be there. Are there not more than 1,200 voters? Just curious.

Donna Rogers: What does it matter what we think because it's clear it sure doesn't matter to the Council.

Mil Ann McCoy: Sure, the people spoke and they voted and we will vote again. Call Grand Council again.

Joey Owle: No. Chief Lambert allowed votes to be withdrawn and adjusted after being submitted to the ballot boxes. To me, that automatically nullifies the whole vote. We can't readjust our ballots during a tribal, state, or national election, so why expect it to be ok during this event?

Trudy Crowe: It was a mockery of a true Grand Council. We should all be insulted. I was hoping we would address real issues to help our communities grow and plan, and to come together to face our drug epidemic. We are burying our young people folks and that should take precedence over everything. We have and have had a process in place for a Chief to answer any impeachment articles. He should follow the process in place. Stand and answer, and if there is nothing to worry about. He will be cleared. It really caused the division to

deepen and it was not necessary. I was thankful for some of our young leaders (college graduates) who have taken time to research and know our history and laws and tried to inform others correctly. Let our duly elected legislative branch do their job.

Onita Bush: Yes

Robert Bark: Yes. However, the Grand Council was poorly planned and the Chief's agenda was on full display. I was disappointed in the turnout as I wanted to hear both sides of the argument.

Kelsey Owle: No

Carolyn Lawson: Behind the Chief 100 percent

Sherman George: Yes

Sandi Owle: No

Lisa Taylor: Yes

Travis Crowe: No. Those in attendance were given an opportunity to re-vote if they felt they had mistakenly voted wrong on their first ballot. With no way of verifying which vote was their original, they were able to vote twice. Also, the original resolutions presented on the ballot were amended after people had already placed their vote. This should nullify any vote taken. Furthermore, with the paper ballots being null and void, there wasn't an official count on the votes cast by those who remained in attendance.

Davis Rezgirl Alana: Yes!

See more responses next page

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Reed Mattocks: In any society that is a republic, the voice of the people is only heard when the people vote for a representative and executive branch. Other than that, just as in the U.S., your voice means nothing. Politicians pump you full of what you want to hear and once elected do whatever they want. It is very rare to find a representative of a group of people that will really seek his or her constituents wants when making decisions. That's why I don't view myself as a democrat or republican I'm a conservative. The more conservative representa-

tives we have in Congress, the more conservative the nation will be and vice versa. The system works until it is full of unchecked crooks with no term limits. If you want a steady government you can't allow people to be career politicians. Once they get time under their belt, the power goes to their heads. That is why the Supreme Court is so important in the U.S. they can keep congress in check...because the judge in the tribal issue is that the judge must be a tribal member. You won't get a fair decision like that. If you want a fair decision and investigation on the Chief and Tribal Council a third party must be brought in. Form a committee of members to search

for and hire an outside investigator and let them go to work. When they have completed their investigation take the results and charge who ever broke the law.

Tina Hyatt: Yes, but I don't know the laws up there. I think they should call for a vote at the polls.

Tina Smith: Yes

Michelle Bignault: Yes, of course it should and if necessary have the vote again. The people have spoken. They are tired of politics and dishonesty. (They) only want a middle class way of life with the peace of mind knowing the Cherokee EBCI is in good hands. The Lord, the Chief and the Tribal Council's. Sgi.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The often-skeptical Aries might find that an answer to a question is hard to believe. But check it out before you chuck it out. You might well be surprised at what you could learn.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Your resolute determination to stick by a position might make some people uncomfortable. But if you're proved right (as I expect you to be), a lot of changes will tilt in your favor.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might feel conflicted between what you want to do and what you should do. Best advice: Honor your obligations first. Then go ahead and enjoy your well-earned rewards.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That financial matter still needs to be sorted out before you can consider any major monetary moves. Pressures ease midweek, with news about a potential career change.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A workplace problem threatens to derail your well-planned project. But your quick mind should lead you to a solution and get you back on track without too much delay.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An opportunity opens up but could quickly close down if you allow pessimism to override enthusiasm. A trusted friend can offer the encouragement you need.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You've come through a difficult period of helping others deal with their problems. Now you can concentrate on putting your energy to work on your own projects.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Forget about who's to blame and, instead, make the first move toward patching up a misunderstanding before it creates a rift that you'll never be able to cross.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Good news for the travel-loving Sagittarian who enjoys galloping off to new places: That trip you put off will soon be back on your schedule.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A mood change could make the gregarious Goat seek the company of just a few friends. But you charge back into the crowd for weekend fun and games.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A decision you made in good faith could come under fire. Best advice: Open your mind to other possibilities by listening to your challenger's point of view.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You can avoid being swamped by all those tasks dangling from your line this week by tackling them one by one, according to priority. The weekend brings good news.

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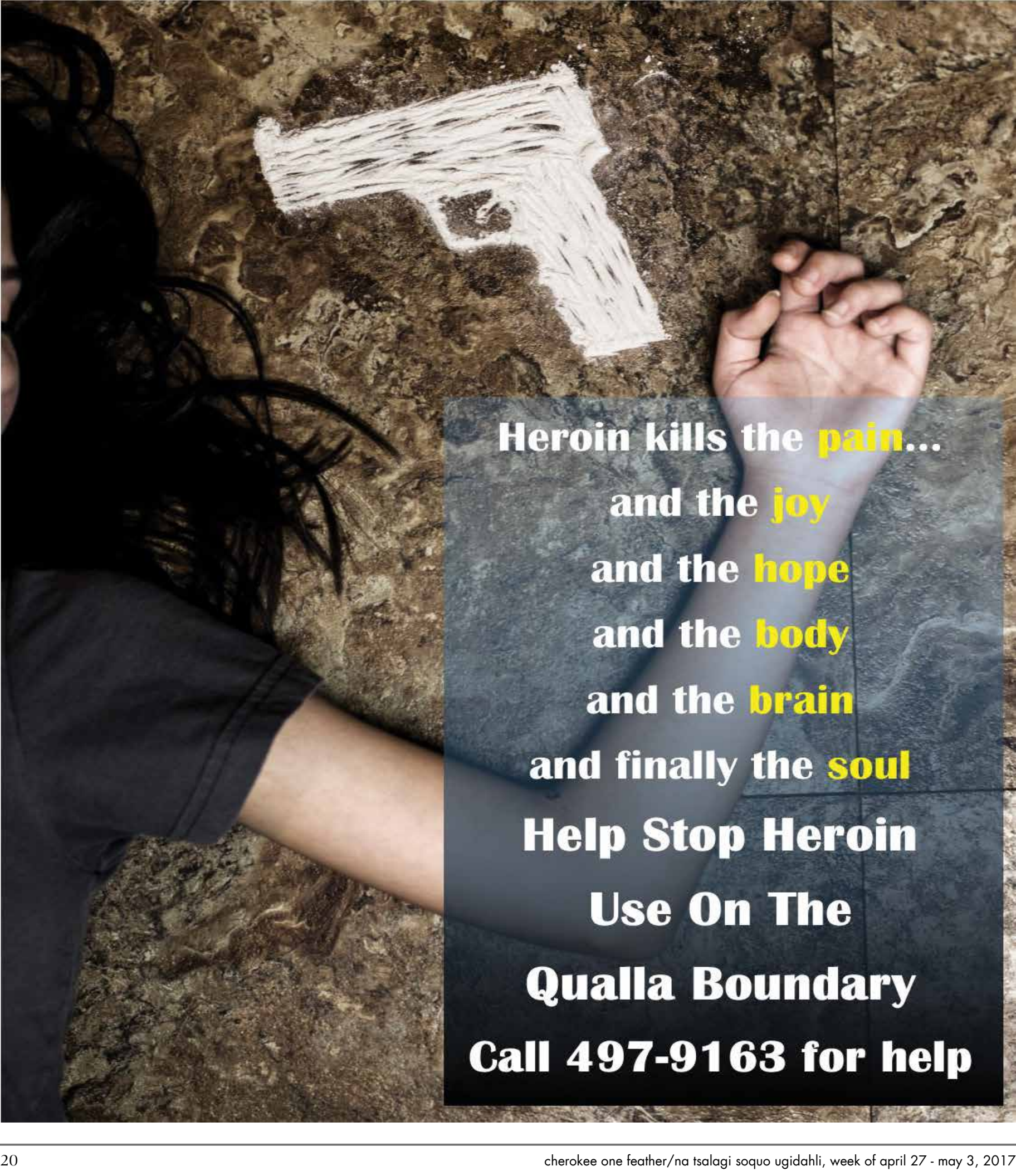
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Cultural Events

Sequoyah Birthplace Museum events for April.

- April 29 from 10am – 5pm: Cherokee Basket Weaving taught by EBCI tribal member Mary Thompson. Cost is \$20 plus cost of basket materials. Call for list of needed materials to bring to the class. Bring a bag lunch. Class size limited to 12.

Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246, www.sequoyahmuseum.org

Free Cherokee Syllabary Class.

Every Thursday Now – April 27 from 7-8pm in the Cherokee Choices community room. Limited slots are available. This is not a

Cherokee language class. EBCI tribal members ages 10 and up only. Bring a writing utensil and a pack of index cards to class. Info: Tara McCoy 359-6783

Cherokee Beadwork Class.

May 6 from 10am – 5pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. EBCI tribal member Betty Maney will teach the class. The cost is \$15 for the class fee plus an additional kit fee of \$45 which includes a loom, beads, thread, and a needle that students will be able to take home after the class. The project will be a bracelet. Info: (423) 884-6246

Native American Arts Festival

in the Smokies. May 28-29 at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds from

10am – 6pm daily. Guest speaker Niles Aseret will talk on Code Talker Awareness. Native American dancing and singing, arts and crafts vendors, food, more. Open to the public. \$5 admission with 10 and under free. Food and vendor space is available. Info: Amanda Tortalita 269-8308, alevans116@gmail.com

Fundraisers/Benefits

NAIWA Fundraiser. April 28 at 11am at Yellowhill Activity Center. Menu: chicken, bean bread, fatback, cabbage, choice of beans and hominy or potatoes, drink, and dessert. Cost: \$8

Indian Taco Benefit for Lou

Johnson. April 28 from 11am – 2pm at old Yellowhill Community Building. Indian taco with drink \$8, Frybread and chili with drink \$7. Delivery available for four or more orders. Call in orders by 9am. Lou will be out of work due to a second surgery scheduled for May 8. All proceeds will benefit Lou with expenses. Info: Candy Lossiah (828) 506-5610, Frosti Adams 508-0022

Nikki's Indian Taco Sale. April

28 from 11am – 1pm in front of Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Indian taco and drink \$7. Info: Cindy (970) 560-5309

Mountain Mediation Services

“Bridges to Peace” fundraiser.

April 29 from 11am – 2pm at Jackson County Recreation Dept. There will be inflatables, games, and relays, as well as interactive and educational events that focus on educating children and parents about bullying - recognizing it, preventing it, and addressing it. Sponsorships for the event are being solicited from community organizations and individuals.

General Events

Smokey Mountain Elementary School Kindergarten registra-

tion. April 28 from 8:30am – 4:30pm at the school. If this date doesn't work for you, contact the school for a different time 497-5535.

Cherokee Youth Center kinder-

garden enrollment. May 2 at 7:30am. Children must be 5-years-old and enrolled in kindergarten. The first 25 children will be accept-

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WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

APRIL 24-30, 2017

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WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseigee River	* Stocked April 4 * Check flow releases for rising water levels.	Good all day Single Hook Artificial Lure Catch and Release Only	Rainbow, Brook, and Brown Trout	Midges, Blue Wing Olives, Black Caddis, March Brown	Black Caddis, Midges, Woolly Buggers, Stonefly Nymphs, Streamers, Copper Johns, Hare's Ear
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Not stocking, all wild brown trout and catch and release	Good mid-day	Rainbow and Brown Trout	Midges and Blue Wing Olives and Black Winter Stones	Flashy nymphs, Tiny BWO, Midges and various colors, Prince Nymph, Black Elk Haired Caddis, Little Black Stone
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	* Stocking April 4 Follow posted regulations- wild trout	Fair mid-day	Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout	Midges and Blue Wing Olives, Little Winter Stone, Quill Gordon	Dark Hendricksons, BWO, Caddis, Caddis Pupae, Stonefly Nymphs, Purple Parachute

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BETTER	BEST	BEST	BETTER	GOOD	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
2:00 AM-4:00 AM 11:27 PM-1:27 PM	N/A 12:20 PM-2:20 PM	12:48 AM-2:48 AM 1:16 PM-3:16 PM	1:45 AM-3:45 AM 2:14 PM-4:14 PM	2:44 AM-4:44 AM 3:14 PM-5:14 PM	3:45 AM-5:45 AM 4:15 PM-6:15 PM	4:45 AM-6:45 AM 5:15 PM-7:15 PM

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ed into the program.

Wolftown Community Club meeting. May 2 at 7pm at Wolftown Gym. The Club will begin holding its regularly scheduled community meetings on the first Tuesday of the month so Club Officers can attend Community Club Council on the first Monday and the School Board representative can attend club meetings since School Board meets on Monday also.

Cherokee Elementary School Kindergarten Drop-In Registration. May 9 from 4-6pm. Things to bring: tribal enrollment card, birth certificate, KG health assessment form, updated immunizations, custody/court papers if applicable. Must be 5-years-old before Aug. 31. This year, the school is also requiring the following from the parent/guardian: enrollment card, driver's license or ID card. Info: 554-5020

Health/Sports Events

Arkansas #23 Memorial Basketball Tournament – All Native Men's Double Elimination. April 28-29. Friday's games will be held at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, Painttown Gym, and Cherokee High School with Saturday's final games being held at the Charles George Memorial Arena at the high school. Proceeds will go towards the CHS Travel Club and the Cherokee Elementary Tutoring Program. Info: 788-0606

"Bridges to Peace" Family Fun Day. April 29 from 11am – 2pm at Jackson County Recreation Center at 88 Cullowhee Mountain Rd. in Cullowhee. A minimum

donation of \$1 per person is requested for admission to this event sponsored by Mountain Mediation Services. Inflatables, games, relays, interactive and educational events focusing on educating children and parents about bullying. Info: Mountain Mediation Services 631-5252

Cherokee Healing and Wellness Coalition meeting. May 2 at 12pm at Agelink Ernestine Walkingstick conference room. Everyone is welcome to bring your lunch and join them in planning for new projects to promote wellness, recovery for adults, and substance abuse prevention programs focused on youth. Info: (828) 331-8688 or 497-9498

Diabetes Empowerment Education Program classes. Starting May 4 from 1-2:30pm on Thursdays at Cherokee Indian Hospital Oconaluftee Meeting Room (lower level near cafeteria). The program is designed for people with diabetes or pre-diabetes. The classes are free, but space is limited. Snacks and door prizes included. To register or for information: Jean Walborn, RDN, 497-9163 ext. 7569 or jean.walborn@cherokeehospital.org

Snowbird Health Fair. May 11 from 10am – 2pm at Snowbird Gym in the Snowbird Community. Free health screens – blood pressure and blood sugar, yoga and exercise demonstrations, information from various tribal programs and local programs. Info: Snowbird Community Health – Jennifer (828) 346-6990, Hanna or Nettie (828) 346-6991, or Onita (828) 346-6992

Training session in Community Mediation. May 23-25 at First United Methodist Church in Franklin. In this 21-hour training program facilitated by Mountain Mediation Services, participants learn the mediation process and are equipped with the tools needed to effectively deal with conflict and develop productive resolution. The tuition fee of \$250 covers instruction plus manuals, handouts, and refreshments. Info: Lorraine 631-5252, mmsbryson@dnet.net

Upcoming Pow Wows for April 28-30

Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff. The One Feather does not endorse any of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.

Gathering of Nations Pow Wow. April 28-29 at Expo New Mexico, Albuquerque, NM. Info: (505) 836-2810, www.gatheringofnations.com

Suquamish Renewal Pow Wow. April 28-30 at the House of Awakened Culture, Suquamish, WA. Host drum: The Agency. MC: Francis James. Info: Craig Miller (360) 394-8574 or James Old Coyote (360) 394-8509.

25th Annual Ohlone "Big Time" Gathering and Powwow. April 28-30 at Tony Cerda Park, Pomona, CA. Info: (909) 623-7889, rumsen@aol.com, www.costanoanrumsen.org

Remember the Elders Wacipi. April 28 at Shakopee Memorial Park, Shakopee, MN. Info: (952) 994-5637, cermak26@gmail.com.

Pittsburg County Choctaw Pow Wow. April 29 at McAlester SE Expo Center, McAlester, OK. MC: Tim Tallchief. Head Singer: Rowe Kishketon. Info: Dena Cantrell (918) 421-0368, denacantrell@yahoo.com.

Chemawa Indian School Annual Spring Pow Wow. April 29 at 3700 Chemawa Rd NE, Salem, OR. Info: (503) 399-5721, info@chemawa.bie.edu

"Honoring our Alumni" 62nd Annual Nizhoni Days Pow Wow. April 30 at Johnson Field, Albuquerque, NM. MC: Aaron Fry. Host Northern: Black Eagle. Host Southern: Pumpkin Vyne. Info: Demetrius Johnson (505) 702-1410, kiva@unm.edu

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879. Rent is \$60/day for gym and community room with \$25 returnable clean-up fee.

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown

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Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the new Paint-town Gym. Info: Lula Jackson 736-1511, Lois Dunston 736-3230, Abe Queen (Free Labor) 269-8110, Jennifer Jackson (building rental) 269-7702

Snowbird Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278, rogersmoker@yahoo.com

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

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben 497-2043 to be scheduled.

Community Groups

Big Y Archery Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm at the Big Y Community Club Building. Indoor targets and 3D game targets available. This is free of charge to all and everyone is welcome. Instruction is available.

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room
Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule
Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm
Wednesday: Managing “Monkey Mind” 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene’ Brown 10-11am; Managing “Monkey Mind” 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm
Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-

11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm
Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups meet every second Thursday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every fourth Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

TERO Mother Town Healing Project. Recovery support, personal growth, skill-building, healthy life skills, lunches provided, weekly incentives and rewards. Sponsored by TERO, EBCI Executive Office, Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed, VOC, and EBCI Cooperative Extension. Info: Steven Long stevlong@nc-cherokee.com, Erin Taylor erintayl@nc-cherokee.com, Jennifer Wilson jennwils@nc-cherokee.com, Jennifer Wildcatt jennwild@nc-cherokee.com, Front Office 359-6421

Cherokee Cancer Support Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty’s Place at 40 Goose Creek Road. A pot luck is

held at 5:30pm, and the meeting is open to all. Betty’s Place is also open Monday – Friday 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of 1 Thessalonians in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Genesis 38, who was the first individual killed by God for being wicked? *Cain, Er, Onan, Gomorrah*
3. How long had the woman been sick that touched the hem of Jesus’ garment? *1 month, 6 months, 3 years, 12 years*
4. From 1 Kings 6, who constructed the first altar covered with gold? *Gideon, Josiah, Noah, Solomon*
5. How often does the Year of Jubilee come around, once every how many years? *5, 25, 50, 75*
6. Which king ordered Daniel into the lions’ den? *Darius, Eglon, Herod, Caesar*

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Er; 3) 12 years; 4) Solomon; 5) 50; 6) Darius
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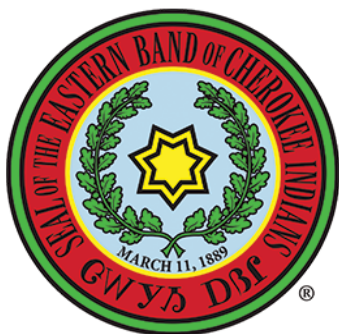
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Rentals Units Available: Qualla Housing Authority currently has two bedroom rental units available. Applications are available at the main office located at 687 Acquoni Road. Office hours are 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Once qualified and selected, please be advised that there is a \$200 cash deposit due at lease signing. Additionally, the tenant is responsible for Duke Energy and Tribal Water & Sewer accounts placed in their names. You may have a co-signer, but the account must be in the tenant's name. QHA adheres to HUD standards & regulations in selection/qualifying potential customers. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call 828-359-6320. Please make sure that you have completed the checklist on the front page of the application that pertain to your needs. QHA is taking applications for our TSALAGI Program. Do you have your own land and an approved site form, and you meet the income guidelines? Give Jonathan Rattler, QHA Housing Services Manager a call for more information at 828-359-6320. UFN

Doublewide Clayton Mobile Home, 3 bedroom/2bath, partially furnished, \$650.00 a month. Requires first and last month's rent, plus security deposit. Would prefer no children. Rental Agreement and references required. Located on McCoy Branch Cherokee. (828) 736-6642

FOR SALE

2006 Dodge Durango, 4 wheel drive, leather interior, third row

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full size couch \$30, Laptop \$50: 586-9139

SERVICES

Oocumma's Lawn Mowing Services. Attention all businesses and homeowners – do you need your lawn mowed for a reasonable price? If so, please call for a free estimate at 497-0136 or 508-5183. Licensed and insured. TERO certified. 5/18

Do you have nuisance, felled trees pine or hardwood? I will remove free for firewood (828)508-0568 5/4

REWARDS

REWARD \$200.00 CASH REWARD for information locating 5'x8' utility trailer stolen from 516 Big Cove road this last full moon. Trailer is single axle black with expanded metal drop tail gate & sides

as sold at Lowes. Call (828)508-0568. 5/4

REALTY

Birdtown Community

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the Tribal Realty Services Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolutions Angie Christine Owle Swayney, Ardina Bobbie Walkingstick, Benjamin Dean Stamper, Bernard David Wilnoty, Bobbi Lynn Smith, Calvin Lossie, Christopher Dean Dugan, Curtis Lee Wildcatt, Dana Dee Nelson, David Eugene McCoy, David Lawrence Jay Huskey, Dennis Brandon Shuler, Donald Allan Brady, Doris Alyne Long Stamper, Edith Pauline Cooper Fisher, Elsie Addiline Wolfe Rattler, Eugene Thompson, Everett Reagan, Frank William Bradley, Jr., Franklin Terry Taylor, Frieda Louise Otter Jenkins, Gail Lynn Crisp Dehart, Harry Taylor, Jamaca Roxanne Murphy, Joseph Curtis McCoy, Kandace Rhean Griffin, Kathleen Wildcat, Kevin Edward Nations, Kristy Ann Nations, Lauren Christian Goings, Leigh Ann Owle, Leslie Lee Taylor, Luther George Goings, Lydia Louise Taylor Goings, Margaret Ethel McCoy Crowe, Michael Jaymond Nelson, Michele Annette Mathis Wilnoty, Ned Edward Stamper, Jr., Ned Julius Taylor, Patricia Ann Lambert, Philip Sampson Armachain, Phillip Charles Pheasant, Ray Anthony McCoy, Reena Lashanda Murphy, Reggie Scott Stanberry, Richard Thomas McCoy, Ruth Marie Sequoyah McCoy, Sarah Allen Ben, Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis, Stephanie Dale Wildcat, Theresa Tahquette, Timothy Ray Taylor,

Tyler Simeon Taylor, Victoria Ann Frankiewicz, William Cain Locust, William Lawson Smith, William Preston Roach, William Thomas Thompson, Zachariah Lightening Rattler, Zachary Alexander Smith, Parent or Guardian of Anna Grace Cabe, Parent or Guardian of Eli Timothy McCoy

Agreement to Divisions

Mary Edith Reed Smith, Dennis Ray James, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, George Milton James, Doris Earlene Lambert, Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dwayne Lambert, Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Howard Vincent Sneed, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Jackie Lee Johnson

If you've submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please visit the Tribal Realty Office to update your survey application.

Proposed Land Transfers

Jamaca Roxanne Murphy to William Cain Locust for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 846-VA (Part of Parcel No. 846-V), containing 0.855 acres, more or less.

Thunder Bradley to Frank Joseph Taylor, Jr., for Painttown Community Parcel No. 492-A (Part of Parcel No. 492), containing 1.003 acres, more or less.

Mary Kathleen Houser Littlejohn to Robert Leroy Blankenship and Laura Jane Wolfe Blankenship for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 647, containing 183.544 acres, more or less. (Undivided Interest)

Scott John Galanick to William Lawson Smith for 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 57-B (Part of Parcel No. 57), containing 23.944 acres, more or less.



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- **SPED Teacher Assistant (2 positions)** - Requires Associate's degree or 48 completed semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.
- **Special Education Teacher K-12** - NC Teaching license required.

Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.

APPLY ONLINE at:

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



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- F&B Cashier
- Food Runner - Food Court
- Front Desk Clerk
- Groundskeeper - Seasonal
- Houseperson
- Laundry Attendant (PT)
- Room Attendant (PT)
- Sales Associate
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- Senior Cook
- Surveillance Officer
- Table Games Dealer - Experienced (FT/PT)

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- Table Games Dealer Training School (PT)
- Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced
- Valet Parker (PT)
- Valet Parking Clerk
- Bar Porter (PT)
- Bar/Server (PT)
- Beverage Server (PT)
- Casino Service Representative (PT)
- Cleaning Specialist (PT)
- Cook (PT)
- Dual Rate EVS Supervisor
- Dual Rate Table Games Supervisors
- EVS Heavy Duty Cleaner
- Groundskeeper
- HR Manager
- Maintenance Technician II
- Room Attendants (FT & PT)
- Security Officer (PT)
- Stewards (PT)
- Valet (PT)
- Wardrobe Clerk (PT)

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*Eligibility restrictions do apply for hiring bonus positions. Please see Talent Acquisition Department for details.

If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur. from 8am - 4:30pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

Scan this code to connect with us instantly by using Facebook Messenger!

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates

Closing Friday, May 5, 2017

1. Housekeeper II Heavy Duty - Housekeeping - Public Works (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Housekeeper I Light Duty - Housekeeping - Public Works (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
3. Electronic Media Coordinator - Kituwah Academy - CERS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)

Closing Friday, April 28, 2017

1. Senior Buyer - Purchasing - Treasury (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
2. Clerk of Court/Probate Judge - Tribal Court - Judicial Branch (\$70,192-\$87,740)
3. Training Coordinator - Regulatory & Compliance - PHHS (\$41,082-\$51,353)
4. Manager - Family Support - Snowbird/Cherokee Co. (\$41,082-\$51,353)
5. Grants/Contracts Analyst - Grants Compliance Office - Treasury (\$37,474-\$46,843)
6. Community Development Assistant- Cooperative Extension-Agriculture (\$28,372-\$35,465)
7. Telecommunicator-Public Safety-Operations (\$31,078-\$38,848)
8. Business Program Supervisor-Cherokee Life Wellness Program-Education (\$34,112-\$42,640)
9. Office Administrator-Housing-Housing Production (\$28,372-\$35,465)
10. Electrician-Facility Management-TCP/Road Maintenance (\$31,078-\$38,848)
11. Carpenter - Facility Management- TCP/Road Maintenance (\$31,078-\$38,848)
12. Administrative Specialist - KPEP - Education (\$37,474-\$46,843)
13. Recreation Coordinator - Senior Citizens - PHHS (\$28,372-\$35,465)
14. Revenue & Taxation Manager - Revenue & Taxation - Treasury (\$53,792-\$67,240)

Open Until Filled - PHHS

1. Domestic Violence Program Manager - Domestic Violence (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
2. Family Safety Program Manager - Family Safety - PHHS (\$64,206 - \$80,258)
3. Social Worker - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
4. RN Supervisor - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$49,200 - \$61,500)
5. C.N.A. (10 positions) - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
6. C.N.A. - Part-time (1 position) - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$23,616 - \$29,500)
7. C.N.A. (3 positions) - Home Health (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
8. Family Safety Grant Coordinator-Family Safety (\$34,112-\$42,640)
9. RN - Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
10. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 - \$24,498)
11. Teacher Assistant - Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
12. Teacher - Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$28,372 - \$35,465)

Open Until Filled - All others

1. Detention Officer - Detention Services (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
2. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law (\$76,670-\$95,838)
3. Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
4. Part Time- Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
5. Full Time - Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
6. Corrections Officer (X 2) - Corrections - Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
7. Natural Resource Enforcement Officer (X 9) - NRE - Public Safety (\$37,474 - \$46,843)
8. Education Supervisor - CYC- Education (\$31,078-\$38,848)
9. Recreation Aide Part-Time (X 2) - Cherokee Life Program - Education (\$21,484-\$26,855)
10. Elementary Immersion Instructor (X2) - Kituwah Academy - CERS (\$31,078 - \$38,848)

Download Applications & Job Descriptions

<https://ebci.com>

EMPLOYMENT

Cherokee Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program taking applications. This is for EBCI tribal members with a physical and/or mental disability who need assistance finding, getting, or maintaining a job. Located in the VOC Building behind Tribal Bingo. Info: 497-4300. **4/27**

Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise Job Announcement

Opening Date: April 14, 2017
Closing Date: April 28, 2017
Job Title: Office Administrator
Salary: \$16.71 - \$25.85
Position Overview:
Provide administrative and secretarial support for the TCGE Board of Advisors

For additional job duties and

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minimum qualifications, please visit harrahscherokeejobs.com. We are located at 777 Casino Drive in Cherokee, NC. Applicants can park on level 1 of the casino parking garage. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older, must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by the Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference will be given to qualified members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The Human Resource Department accepts applications Mon – Fri from 8:00am-4:30pm. Call (828) 497-8884 or (828) 497-8889 and reference this posting if you have any questions.

The Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise, an enterprise created by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, reserves the right to reject any and all applications. Employment is subject to those terms that the TCGE deem appropriate. **4/27pd**

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions:

Senior Concierge (shift leadership position), Concierge, Female Host, Male Host. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed positions: NC Licensed Massage Therapist, NC Licensed Cosmetologist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more. Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspa.com for consideration.

4/27pd

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB
TEMPORARY TRAFFIC DIRECTORS

ORGANIZATION:Cherokee Boys Club
P. O. Box 507 (52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop) Cherokee, NC
Cherokee Historical Association
Parking Agreement
OPENING DATE: April 21, 2017
CLOSING DATE: May 5, 2017
JOB DUTIES:

Traffic directors will be under the supervision of the Head Parker. Traffic directors will direct traffic and pedestrians as they arrive and leave nightly performances of the Unto These Hills outdoor drama.

They will provide security for the parking lots before, during and after the performance, assist staff and patrons of the Drama and assist with shuttle bus loading and unloading if necessary. Applicants must be dependable. Job involves heavy traffic, night work and requires alertness and safety at all times.

Applicants who are selected for a position and are under the age of 18 and between the ages of 14-17 are required to have a workers permit. This permit can be obtained from the Boys Club's HR Office at the time of selection.

A job description and application can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Information Window of the Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information call 828-497-9101.

The selected applicants must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens (if required).

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of these positions. If claiming Indian Preference, applicants must submit the appropriate certificate. **5/4pd**

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
OJT SUMMER YOUTH

POSITIONS: On-the-Job Training (OJT) positions for Summer Youth (Employment will begin on June 05, 2017 and end on July 28, 2017.)
ORGANIZATION:Cherokee Boys Club, Inc., P. O. Box 507
Cherokee, NC 28719
(52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719)
DEPARTMENT: Various Departments within the Boys Club
OPENING DATE: April 21, 2017
CLOSING DATE: May 05, 2017
REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be high school or college students and must provide a letter of reference from a school principal, teacher, counselor, etc., with application for employment.

Students who are selected for a position and who are under the age of 18 and between the ages of 14-17 are required to have a workers permit. This permit can be obtained from the Boys Club's HR Office at the time of selection.

To get a complete Job Description, please see the Receptionist at the Information Window at the Cherokee Boys Club, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or call (828) 497-9101.

Must complete pre-employment drug test and be subject to ongoing random drug tests. Must comply with drug-free workplace rules and CBC Board policies in regard to the drug-free policy.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **5/4pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to All Parties with outstanding POKERPRO

see **LEGALS** next page

LEGALS: from page 28

balances at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort

Due to the discontinuation of the Pokerpro Poker system, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will disburse any remaining Pokerpro funds to their rightful owners until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Pokerpro funds will no longer be available after midnight on May 12, 2017.

The above mentioned Pokerpro balances may be withdrawn by the person named on the Pokerpro account at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Poker room cashier.

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

Notice to All Parties in Possession of Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips

This is notification of the retirement of Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips that were in use prior to August 31, 2012. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will redeem all outstanding \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, from any persons/parties possessing such until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, will be deemed to be of no value, and will no longer be accepted or redeemed after midnight on May 12, 2017. The above mentioned chips can be redeemed for cash at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort cashier cages. Harrah's

Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-020

In the Matter of the Estate of Dorothy L. Thompson

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 FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Sarah Toineeta, P.O. Box 43, Cherokee, NC 28719. **4/27pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-019

In the Matter of the Estate of Couney Shell

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 FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Gussy robin Zepeda, P.O. Box 155, Cherokee, NC 28719. **4/27pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-022

In the Matter of the Estate of Justin Chase Wolfe

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this

estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Albert William Sluder, P.O. Box 1386, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/4pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 11-069

In the Matter of the Estate of James Michael Taylor

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Jamie Michelle Taylor or Jessica Miranda Taylor, 3383 Old #4 Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-026

In the Matter of the Estate of Luzene Lossiah Thompson

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 Franklin David Thompson, 1105 Big-

witch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File Nos.: EST 12-003; EST 12-020; EST 12-022; EST 12-027.

In the Matter of the Estates of: Tamera Chantelle Shinkman (d. 12/13/2011); William Ronald Roland (d. 02/22/2012); Joshua Wesley Crowe (d. 03/28/2012);

Alice Mae Arch
(d. 04/21/2012).

All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby notified of a hearing to settle the above named estates at the following date and time or be barred from making any further claims against the estate.

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center
May 25th, 2017 at 1:30pm
5/18pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Southwestern Commission Area Agency on Aging is soliciting proposals for the provision of Support and Nutrition Services for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Invitations for Bid Proposal will be available May 1st, 2017. Bid Proposals may be picked up in person at the Area Agency on Aging, 125 Bonnie Lane, Sylva, NC 28779 or requested via email at jeanne@regiona.org. Completed bid proposals must be submitted to the Area Agency on Aging by 1:00pm on May 31st, 2017.

Questions may be addressed to Sarajane Melton or Jeanne Mathews at 828/586-1962, or 125 Bonnie Lane, Sylva NC 28779. **5/4pd**

PUBLIC NOTICE
U.S. Environmental Protection

Agency

Region 4

Water Protection Division
NPDES Permitting and Enforcement Branch

61 Forsyth Street, SW
Atlanta, GA 30303-8960
(404) 562-9733

Public Notice No.: 17NC00001

Date: April 26, 2017

NOTICE OF PROPOSED REISSUANCE OF THREE NATIONAL POLLUTANT DISCHARGE ELIMINATION SYSTEM PERMITS

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency intends to reissue three National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) permits within the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Qualla

Boundary in western North Carolina. The permittee name, permit number, and locations for each facility are: Cherokee Trout Farm (NC0054992 – 10285 Big Cove Road, Cherokee NC 28719); EBCI Trout Hatchery (NC0052451 – 954 Straight Fork Road, Cherokee NC 28719); and Smoky Mountain Trout Farm (NC0052515 – 2697 Bunches Creek Road, Cherokee NC 28719). The draft NPDES permits authorize the discharge of concentrated aquatic animal production (aquaculture) effluent in accordance with the Clean Water Act. The facilities discharge into the Raven Fork watershed.

Pursuant to 40 CFR § 124.13, any person who believes that any proposed permit condition is inappropriate must raise all reasonably ascertainable issues and submit all

reasonably available arguments in full, supporting his/her position, by the close of the comment period. The public notice number and NPDES number should be included in the first page of comments. Persons wishing to comment upon or object to any aspects of the permit issuance or wishing to request a public hearing are invited to submit in writing within 30 days of this notice to Mr. Kip Tyler at the address above.

All comments received within the 30-day period will be considered in the formulation of a final determination regarding the permit issuance. Also, within the 30-day period, any interested person may request a public hearing. Where there is a significant degree of public interest in a proposed permit issuance, the EPA Regional Ad-

ministrator (RA) will schedule and hold a public hearing which would be formally announced in accordance with 40 CFR §§ 124.10 and 124.12.

After consideration of all written comments and the requirements and policies in the Clean Water Act and appropriate regulations, the RA will make a determination regarding the permit issuance. If the determination is substantially unchanged from that announced by this notice, the RA will notify all persons submitting written comments. If the determination is substantially changed, the RA will issue a public notice indicating the revised determination. Appeal of NPDES permits may be filed after the RA makes the above-described determination. Additional information regarding appeal of NPDES permits is available in 40 CFR § 124.19, or by contacting Paul Schwartz of the Office of Environmental Accountability at the address above or at (404) 562-9576.

The administrative record includes the draft permit, statement of basis, supporting information, comments received, and additional information about hearing procedures. The administrative record is available by writing or for review at the EPA address above between the hours of 8:15 AM and 4:30 PM, Monday through Friday. All documents are also available at: www.epa.gov/region4/water/permits/pn.html.

Please bring the foregoing notice to the attention of any person whom will be interested in this matter. If you would like to be added to our public notice mailing list, submit your name and mailing address to the EPA address given above. **4/27pd**



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



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

Master Mechanic/Shop

Accounts Payable Processor/Administration

Lead Teacher/Agelink Child Care

After School Group Leader/Agelink

Opening Date: April 21, 2017
Closing Date: May 5, 2017

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.



Tri-County Community College is currently accepting applications for the following positions:

Instructor – Developmental Math (Full-time)

Instructor – Biology with concentration in Anatomy & Physiology (Full-time)

Complete position announcements can be viewed on the college website: www.tricountycoll.edu. For information on the application process and application deadline contact the Human Resources Office at Tri-County Community College, 21 Campus Circle, Murphy, NC 28906. Phone: (828) 835-4201 or e mail: humanresources@tricountycoll.edu.

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Mother's Day 5K Trail Walk/Run And Dialysis Patient Fundraiser



Saturday, May 13th

@

Kituwah Mound

(3900 Governor's Island Bryson, NC 28713)

Registration Begins at 7:30 am – 8:30 am
Walk/Run Begins at 9 am

Timing-Event Mercenaries

Communities, Churches and Groups are encouraged to participate. Create a group costume or shirts and bring the most group members.

Registration fee is \$15 for adults before April 30th

after April 30th fee is \$20

\$5 for kids (12&under) & Elders (59+)

Registration fee insures shirt and medal.

Proceeds will go towards the Dialysis Support Group

Make checks payable to: Cherokee Dialysis Support Group

Online registration: runsignup.com

Contact: Tara McCoy 1-828-359-6783



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