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# Working on bright smiles

Concern grows for pediatric dental care in Cherokee

By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Staff

ental care wasn't the first worry for most people when the pandemic brought life to a screeching halt last Spring.

Schools, places of work, and restaurants all closed their doors. Day-to-day routines were shattered. Among all of this, health care started becoming an issue. People couldn't see hospitalized family members, and previously basic procedures become near impossible feats.

Pediatric dental care has been one of those systems that have taken a major hit the last year. Mellie Burns, director of the Tribal Children's Dental Program of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, wants to bring awareness to this issue.

"There's a huge sense of loss, but a greater sense of concern for the children," said Burns. "Over the past 12 years, we have seen a tremendous decrease in the number of children we identify as having urgent dental needs. Those numbers were just going down and down and down, which is great. That's what we want. So, my biggest concern at this point is whenever I'm allowed to start screening children again, I'm going to see that number take a tremendous jump. Just because access to care has been greatly affected."

Burns has been working for the Tribe for 13 years, and addressing dental care at the mini-

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Mellie Burns, center, EBCI/PHHS Children's Dental Program manager, delivered 700 oral health kits to the Cherokee Elementary School on the morning of Thursday, April 8. She is shown with Jess Walkingstick, fifth grader, and Addie Martin, Pre-K, at the school. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)





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mal to moderate level of need in children has been her focus since she started.

"Our function as a program is to provide dental health education and prevention services in a fun and engaging fashion for children," she said. "Prior to the pandemic, what I have done for 12 years is I go on-site to Cherokee Central Schools, daycares, and I provide dental screenings for all those children face-toface."

For her, COVID-19 has meant a complete shift in her role in Cherokee. She is no longer able to make her visits to the school, and most of the day-to-day operations of her program are kaput.

"I hate to use this terminology, but from those types of public health services that I provide, it's kind of put me in a standstill. It really has," said Burns.

She has kept herself busy in other ways, including being a member of the EBCI Mass Vaccination team. She also recently delivered 700 oral health kits to Cherokee Central Schools, the same sort of kits that she would give kids when she ran her programs and screenings. The Nashville USET office gave these kits to Tribal Public Health and Human Services (PHHS). Burns also gathered supplies to bring similar care packages to all the local schools she visits. These include the New Kituwah Academy, Agelink Daycare, Kaleidoscope Dream Daycare, and Chekelelee and Snowbird Child Development.

The only option on the Boundary currently is the Cherokee Indian Hospital's dental clinic. Leigah Custer, dental assistant supervisor, says they are still working on getting up to full speed.

"Initially, with the peak of COVID, we had to stop all services, and then the majority of the clinic except two people were furloughed," said Custer.

When the operations slowly began opening, the situation didn't get much

easier. There is currently only one pediatric dental provider for the hospital - Dr. Lucy Komorowski, DMD.

"When everyone came back, we had two for a brief moment, and then one left," said Custer. "We only have one pediatric dental provider. So, our services are cut down due to that, just being short-staffed. She's just by herself. She's mainly just taking emergencies."

She said that they are hoping to fill that vacancy soon. Until then, almost all of the services offered for pediatric dental care will be to cover emergencies.

Consuela Girty, director of the Hope Center and Pre-K, shares Burns' concerns about this gap in primary dental care.

"It's pretty impactful. You don't realize how quick dental health can get out of hand. Even with my own children, I'm worried. Because we haven't been to the dentist in well over a year when we're used to six months checkups."

Girty often works with Burns to set up her visits. She makes sure her students' oral hygiene is taken care of, with kids usually brushing their teeth at school. That is one of the many things that has ceased due to COVID protocols. Girty said that this isn't a situation that should be taken lightly.

"Especially with our Pre-K program. With our particular program, we tend to serve high-needs children. Whether it be educational, income, whatever their need may be, we can serve those children. Those are typically the ones that you need to catch in the school setting, and without that screening being offered, it's going to be hard," said Girty.

She says that so much of it comes to routine. The pandemic has uprooted the day-to-day, and Girty says it's had a severe impact on younger children. She said that is apparent as schools have returned to operation. The little things, like parents walking in their kids to the classroom.

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# Cherokee Central Schools prepares for Plan A

### By JONAH LOSSIAH

One Feather Staff

The CCS (Cherokee Central Schools) Board of Education has maintained its decision to move to Plan A four days a week starting Monday, April 26.

During the Board's meeting on April 19, there was continued discussion on if it was safe to open the school without capacity limits. It was agreed that while community numbers would be carefully monitored up until the day of opening, there was nothing that called for a delay. The school will be fully open Monday through Thursday.

"We're still at zero. We're very low, we're in the green. So, the recommendation would that we go ahead Monday with the Plan A," said CCS Superintendent Michael Murray.

"The only part of Plan A I can't guarantee is the buses. So, I took the liberty of calling all three systems in our area. I talk to Swain, Jackson, and Macon and asked them how they were able to do it... all of their answers were 'it's impossible to do 6 feet," continued Murray.

Because of these concerns, Dr. Murray brought in Aaron Bradley from the Cherokee Boys Club (CBC) to talk with School Board on the options they had available.

He and Superintendent Murray said that despite their best efforts, it would not be possible to maintain full social distancing on the bus at all times. The current protocols call for a minimum of three feet between students, but that is the size of a bus bench. With only one student per bench, it is not possible for to maintain

this for every community given the number of drivers and buses available. This is including many stops that will accommodate families, with siblings being able to sit by each other without social distancing protocols.

Bradley said that he has made sure that his drivers understand and implement all of the other precautions required, including the wearing of masks and social distancing. He said that he does his best not to write up tickets for kids in any regular year, but that discipline will be much tighter with COVID-19 restrictions. Bradley and Murray said they will monitor the situation and be willing to pull the plug on the operation if community numbers spike.

Superintendent Murray also brought up the point that there will be families that may change their mind last minute, and that the school has to be prepared to take care of students in any situation.

The CBC Finance team also came as guests to the meeting to offer their monthly finance update. Little has changed, with the school still significantly under budget in most categories. This is due to the lack of spending while CCS was in remote Plan C.

There was also a brief discussion on the planned trips for CCS students next summer. One of which is to Hawaii, and the other is the European trip.

A few of the Board members were concerned about signing off on these trips with the lingering question marks of the pandemic. Secretary Tara Reed-Cooper was curious if the Board had the power to pull these trips if the landscape around COVID-19 wasn't looking

better by next summer. Chairperson Jennifer Thompson confirmed that was an option if necessary.

These trips were the only two items on the consent agenda. After the brief conversation, the agenda was passed unanimously.

There were also three walk-in resolutions that were heard by the Board. Two these were pulled for further discussion, but after some clarification they were all passed. They put forth the following:

- Erin Kirkland is approved as the Cherokee Middle School Head Coach for the Wrestling program for the school year 2020-2021.
- Terri Hogner is allowed to volunteer with the Baseball program for the school year 2020-2021.
- Ethan Clapsaddle is allowed to volunteer with the Baseball program for the school year 2020-2021.

The Board finished their meeting with a closed session and training.

Later in the week, the Board voted via email poll on the issue of administrative leave for staff on Fridays.

Per a message sent by CCS School Assistant Sonya Clapsaddle, 'Dr. Murray feels it is in the best interest of the staff to allow administrative leave on Fridays when students start back next week to 4 days, Plan A. That being said, he asked for School Boards approval to grant administrative leave for Friday's only starting Friday, April 30 to all staff and continue till the end of May.'

This was passed 4-2 by the Board, with Karen French-Browning and Regina Ledford Rosario voting against.

The Monday, April 19 meeting

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

The next meeting of the Board is scheduled for Monday, May 3 at 4:45 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Joyce Dugan Center for Cultural Arts on the Cherokee Central Schools campus.

# **Good Housekeeping**

### Tuscan Pan-Seared Strip Steak

Tuscan cooks know that all it takes to bring out the flavor of a rich cut of beef is a squeeze of fresh lemon juice.

- 4 boneless beef strip (shell) steaks, 1-inch thick
- teaspoons olive oil
- tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary (1 teaspoon dried rosemary may be substituted for fresh, crumbled
- 1 teaspoon salt
- teaspoon coarsely ground black pepper
- 4 lemon wedges
- Heat 12-inch skillet over high heat until very hot. Brush steaks with olive oil. In small bowl, combine rosemary, salt, and pepper. Use to rub on steaks.
- Place steaks in skillet; reduce heat to medium-high. Cook steaks 7 minutes; turn and cook 5 minutes longer for medium-rare or 7 minutes longer for medium. Serve with lemon wedges. Makes 4 main-dish servings.
- Each serving: About 375 calories, 18g fat (6g saturated), 129mg cholesterol, 699mg sodium, 1g carbohydrate, 49g protein.

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Lea Wolf, Loretta Bolden, and Mary "Missy" Crowe, all members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), are shown at a Missing and Murdered Indigenous Women (MMIW) March at the old high school in Cherokee on the rainy morning of Saturday, April 24. Bolden was the organizer of the event.



Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, right, walks hand-in-hand with his wife, Libby, during Saturday's event. Many of the participants, including Mrs. Ensley, wore ribbon skirts to the event.



Geraldine Thompson, an EBCI tribal elder, braved the rain to walk in the event.



A helicopter drops water on a wildfire in the Olivet area just outside of Cherokee on the afternoon of Tuesday, April 20. The fire started on Pony Trail in Jackson County about one-half mile from Standingdeer Road. EBCI Emergency Operations officials noted that the fire is contained as of 4:20 p.m. The fire was 10-12 acres in total with three acres of that being on tribal lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Officials said the 911 call which came in described it as a brush fire that got out of hand. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

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"There are so many details that people don't see, and you don't realize how tiring and how hard and stressful it is. And honestly, how sad. Because it breaks your heart that you can't do these things that you know are developmentally appropriate for this child. And you know they need it."

Burns says that many of the issues with dental health may seem small, but they have a habit of escalating if they aren't properly treated.

"I'm not overly worried about children ending up in excruciating dental pain or having extremely serious dental problems because I feel like the hospital has that plan in place. I think where we are going to be behind the eight ball when things open back up again is we are going to see a lot of chil-

dren with dental problems that are at the minimal to moderate range. Whereas if we were at full speed, we're catching them before they even get to minimal," said Burns.

She says that she has a fantastic relationship with the schools and the people who work at them. Often, she'll receive calls from concerned teachers or discuss strategies with administrators.

"I have desperately missed being in the schools and seeing these children on a routine basis. I'm hopeful that in the Fall of this year, things will be in a better circumstance so that I can begin to offer those services again."

Not being able to offer fun education and assistant to kids on and around the Boundary has made for long and stressful days for Burns. Eventually, she'll be back in the classroom. Then the next generation of kids will get a visit from who many have deemed the Tooth Fairy.



A flyer from the Tribal Children's Dental Clinic encourages youth to practice good dental hygiene.

### Alleged graveyard vandal gets time served



Shown in the photo is Lone Oak
Cemetery, where Dawn Renee Phillips
allegedly "tipped over" multiple gravestones. (Photo courtesy of Office of the
N.C. District Attorney, 43rd District)

ROBBINSVILLE - Following the results of a mental evaluation, a judge on Monday, April 19 ordered the release of an Oregon woman accused in March 2019 of tipping over 61 gravestones in Graham County.

The judicial ruling in Graham County Superior Court, involving Dawn Renee Phillips, 61, is in accordance with state law G.S. 15A-1008, District Attorney Ashley Hornsby Welch said.

G.S.15A-1008 applies to defendants who lack the capacity to stand trial, most likely on a permanent basis. A defendant meeting this two-pronged requirement must be freed once their length of confinement matches the length of prison time allowable if tried and convicted.

Phillips has been in state custody for about 24 months on 61 counts of felony desecrate grave site.

Graham County Sheriff's Office deputies identified Phillips as a suspect after reviewing security-camera footage recorded at Lone Oak Church near Robbinsville. She was charged in consultation with the District Attorney's Office.

Phillips' lawyer, Melissa Jackson, requested Senior Resident Superior Court Judge Bill Coward dismiss the charges against her client.

"If she's served her time, she's served her time," Judge Coward said.

Assistant District Attorney Caleb Decker supervised the case on behalf of the District Attorney's Office.

> - Office of the N.C. District Attorney, 43rd District release

### Motorcycle Fatality on



foster youth. (ACYF-CB-PI-21-04)

### **Clingmans Dome Road**

Great Smoky Mountains National Park Rangers responded to a report of a motorcycle wreck on Clingmans Dome Road at 4:08 p.m. on Sunday, April 18.

Maynoy Alexander Ardon, age 20, of Guatemala, was traveling down Clingmans Dome Road when he lost control of his motorcycle near Collins Gap. He veered off the roadway and landed approximately 100 feet below the embankment. Bystanders were able to reach Ardon and performed life-saving efforts until emergency responders arrived. Ardon succumbed to his injuries on scene and was pronounced deceased at 4:33 p.m.

Cherokee EMS and Fire also responded and assisted with recovery operations. Ardon was transported by Appalachian Funeral Home of Sylva. No other vehicles or visitors were involved in the accident. No additional details are available at this time.

- National Park Service release

### **Tribal Court Report**

### Judgment Summary for April 14

Badillo, Paul Whitewolf 14-40.30 Kidnapping – Dismissed on Plea 14-40.31 False Imprisonment – Dismissed on Plea 14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault

- Guilty, 30 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, no contact with victim, credit for time served (19 days)

Blackfox, Kristan Lea 14-10.41 Breaking and Entering – Dismissed on Plea 14-10.9 Criminal Mischief to Property – Guilty, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$180 restitution ordered
14.10.16 Second Degree Trespass –
Guilty, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$180
restitution ordered
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault –
Dismissed on Plea

Brady, Bobby Ray 14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed by Prosecution

Powell, Daymion Tenaycious.
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Guilty, Judgment Continued, 6 months jail time suspended, credit for time served (130 days)
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea
14-40.64 Reckless Endangerment – Guilty, Judgment Continued, 6 months jail time suspended, credit

for time served (130 days)

20-138.1(a) Driving While Im-

Reed, Vita Lynn

paired – Dismissed on Plea 14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Guilty, Transfer to Wellness Court, 6 months jail time suspended, credit for time served (85 days) 14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Dismissed on Plea

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Guilty,

\$200 restitution ordered

Santoyo, Ana Maria 20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Dismissed on Plea 14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Guilty, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, not to consume alcohol

Saunooke, Brittany 20-157(a) Failure to Pull Over for Emergency Vehicles – Dismissed by Prosecution 20-111(a) Vehicles Required to be Registered – Dismissed by Prosecution

Teesateskie, Shauna Charmaine 20-28 Driving While License Revoked – Dismissed by Prosecution

Teesatuskie, Shauna Conseen 20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed by Prosecution 14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed by Prosecution 20-28 Driving While License Revoked - Dismissed by Prosecution 20-28 Driving While License Revoked - Dismissed by Prosecution 20-28 Driving While License Revoked - Dismissed by Prosecution 14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed by Prosecution 20-111 Expired Registration Plate Dismissed by Prosecution 20-28 Driving While License Revoked – Dismissed by Prosecution 20-158(B)(1) Failure to Stop for a Stop Sign – Dismissed by Prose-

Thompson, Steven Duane 14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed, Mediation Successful

cution

Wachacha, Tighe 14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Admit, \$100 fine, \$190 court costs

### CIPD Arrest Report for April 11-18

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

of law. Mugshots can be viewed online at theonefeather.com.

Crowe, Billy Jack - age 36
Arrested: April 12
Released: April 16
Charges: Simple Possession
Schedule II Controlled Substance,
Possessing Drug Paraphernalia,
Disorderly Conduct

Reed, Tamara Ann - age 27 Arrested: April 12 Released: April 15 Charges: Possession Schedule III

Controlled Substance

Watty, Brian Keith - age 52

Arrested: April 12 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Calhoun, Travis - age 39
Arrested: April 13
Released: April 13
Charges: Simple Possession
Schedule II Controlled Substance,
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia, Simple Possession Schedule I
Controlled Substance

Cline, William (Bud) Donald - age 29 Arrested: April 13 Released: April 14 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Smith, Vincent Dexter - age 30 Arrested: April 13 Released: April 14 Charges: Escape Probation Violation

Young, Tansi Elaine - age 40 Arrested: April 13 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Possession of Schedule I Controlled Substance, Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance (two counts), Failure to Obey a Lawful Court Order

Riddle, Lauren Ashley - age 29 Arrested: April 14 Released: April 15 Charges: Domestic Violence

Rivera, Alex Livorio - age 28 Arrested: April 14 Released: April 15 Charges: Disorderly Conduct, Public Intoxication, Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Davis, Austin Blake - age 23 Arrested: April 15 Released: April 16 Charges: Breaking and Entering

Davis, Crystle - age 38
Arrested: April 15
Released: April 15
Charges: Failure to Appear on
Misdemeanor

Lambert, Caitlin Wahnetah - age
22
Arrested: April 15
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Probation Violation

Wolfe, Dara Chantia - age 23 Arrested: April 15 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Obstructing Justice, Possession of Controlled Substance Schedule I-V

Owle, Lloyd Edward - age 41
Arrested: April 16
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Elder Abuse and Neglect,
Receiving or Possessing Stolen
Property, Larceny

Sherrill, John Charles - age 34

Arrested: April 16 Released: April 16

Charges: Possession of Controlled Substance Schedules I-V

Barker, Brandon - age 18 Arrested: April 17 Released: April 17 Charges: Temporary Hold fo

Swain County

Howell, James Spencer - age 44 Arrested: April 17 Released: April 17 Charges: Intoxicated and Disrup-

Long, Anthony Ernest - age 56 Arrested: April 18

Released: April 18

Charges: Temporary Hold

Queen, Justin - age 19 Arrested: April 18 Released: Not released as of report date Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property (four counts), Injuring Real Property, Reckless

Endangerment, Assault on Gov-

ernment Official/Employee
Wilnoty, Laranzo Daniel - age 34
Arrested: April 18
Released: Not released as of report

Charges: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia; Possession of Schedule II Controlled Substance; Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, or Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance

date

# Fun Fact from the Editor:

A space vehicle must travel at a rate of 7 miles per second to escape Earth's gravity.

# SPORTS DAK



The 2021 Cherokee Lady Braves are shown, left to right, back row - Hayley Keever, Boie Crowe, Mahala Allison, Ellise Stamper, Mackenzie Reed, Alayna Morgan, Awee Walkingstick, Shaylyn Barker, and Fala Welch; front row - Destiny Mills, Adia Frady, Creedon Arch, Jenna Cruz, and Donna Thompson. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

### ON THE SIDELINES

# Lady Braves softball team is building teamwork

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Lady Braves varsity softball team is building a team spirit and getting better with each outing.

Albert Arch, Lady Braves varsity softball head coach, said, "I've got a good bunch of girls. They work hard every day in practice. They do anything we ask them to do. Like one of the girls said, we've

just got to get it all to come together. Our defense is our strong point and our offense is coming along. Just finish the game, that's what we've got to do. We start out good then we have one error or so and it kind of hurts us, but we've got to finish the game. We've got to learn to finish it."

Coach Arch is impressed with his team's grit and determination. "They really get after it, they really do. They really try hard. You've got to give them that. I've always told them that you leave it all out on the field and that's what they do. That's all I ask. I don't like to get beaten, but if they leave it all out on the field and it's a better team that beats us, I can accept that."

He said the team is getting better as the season progresses. "They learn from their mistakes. They work harder. I've seen some big differences in some of the ladies with the offense - with their skills - which before they wouldn't have touched the ball. And now they are hitting the ball and just about all of them can play. We've got a good bunch of girls. We've got a lot of moving parts. So, if something happens, we've got two or three who can play that position, which is a good thing."

"We're playing as a team," said Hayley Keever, senior first base. "We don't focus on our individual selves as much. I think what we've learned from each other we just need to carry on throughout the rest of the season. And, we already have the mindset of winning. We're a strong team and I think we just need to carry it to the finish."

Shaylyn Barker, senior third base, commented, "I feel like we're a lot stronger this year. And, we have more talent and more of the girls have played more. So far, we've just really meshed well as a team. So, we've won a few games. It's been pretty good so far."

Of her team's strengths, she noted, "We're really good at defense. We're really strong defensively. And, once we get started with our hits we're just really consistent throughout the game. So, I definitely would say that's what pushes us ahead in those games that we win or those big innings that we have."

Destiny Mills, senior outfielder, echoed Barker's thoughts. "I think defense is definitely our strong suit, but we're really getting better at offense. We're really starting to come together with that."

She has also been impressed with the teamwork being built with this year's Lady Braves squad. "I think we're getting used to each other and the way we all play together. And, we're all just kind of forming as one team."

Mills added, "I think it's really important to try to rally the team together because if you get down, it's definitely important to have a leader. And, really, just know where the play is. That's really important to the other players, and the other outfielders too. I think we need to have a positive mindset, and one that we go in knowing that we're going to win and that we're wanting to win, not that they have the advantage over us."



Mackenzie Reed (#1), Lady Braves junior, slides into second base during a game at home against Swain Co. on the afternoon of Monday, April 19.

# Swain Co. defeats Lady Braves 9-6 in extra innings



## Photos by Scott Mckie B.P./ One Feather

Members of the Cherokee Lady Braves varsity softball team congratulate Creedon Arch (#25) after she hit a home run during a home game against Swain Co. on the afternoon of Monday, April 19. The teams tied at 6-6 at the end of regulation and went to an extra inning. The Lady Maroon Devils' bat came alivein the eighth scoring three runs to take the win 9-6. Arch went 2 for 2 on the day with 1 hit, 1 HR, 2 RBIs, and 1 walk. Boie Crowe also had a home run and C 2 RBIs for the Lady Braves. A. Stevenson led Swain Co. by going L 3 for 4 with 3 hits and 3 RBIs.

Swain Co. started the scoring in the game with two runs in the second inning. Cherokee answered with two in the third and four in fourth. The Lady Braves led 6-2 until the top of the sixth when Swain Co. scored three.



Cherokee's Mahala Allison (#12) prepares to bunt.



Cherokee's Donna Thompson fields a ball in the outfield.

### SOFTBALL

# **Murphy tops Lady Braves**



herokee's Mahala Allison (#12) slides safely into second base in a game against lurphy at the Cherokee softball fields on the afternoon of Friday, April 23. The ady Bulldogs topped Cherokee 16-3.



Cherokee's Creedon Arch (#25) beats a throw at third base.



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# Time to hit the track

TRACK and FIELD
Cherokee fielding
an entire team and
looking towards a
good season

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Staff

n the cold, windy day of Wednesday, April 21, the Cherokee High School (CHS) track was full of sprinters, distance runners, and throwers getting ready for a new season. The CHS track and field team will have a participant in each event at this year's meets - a feat not seen much in year's past and both coaches and student-athletes are excited for this season.

"Track is starting a lot later than usual this year, and it goes through the end of June this year," said Ahli-sha Stephens, CHS head track and field coach. "I'm excited for the season. I think we'll do really well because we have the numbers. In looking at the score sheet, we'll be able to field all of the events which is something we haven't been able to do in the past due to limited numbers. But, I think we'll have a good season this year."

She added, "Our distance runners are really strong. All of the cross country boys are back out. All of our strong sprinters are out...I'm excited."

Stephens said the team is young this year but has experience. "Our conference championship team from middle school are sophomores this year. Most of them are back out, and that team



Jaylan Bark, a sophomore runner who will be competing in the 400M, 800M, and the 1600M runs this season, practices on the CHS track on Wednesday, April 21. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)

will be successful again. That boys team pretty much dominated their 8th grade year so I'm looking for them to have another great season."

Jaylan Bark, a sophomore

runner, will be competing in the 400M, 800M, and the 1600M runs. "I feel good. It's kind of nerve-racking with all of the COVID stuff, but I think it'll be fun. It's important to have the

mindset to do it. It's all about in the mind to know you can do it."

Oztin Swayney, also a sophomore runner, will be running the 4x800M relay, 800M, and the 1600M. On his training to date, he

noted, "We were still doing cross country in the winter so I was in shape then and during spring I stopped running. Now, I'm trying to get back into shape."

He has a personal goal on the season to post a time under five minutes in the 1600M run. "That's a goal that I've wanted to get for awhile now." He is not far off now having posted a time previously of 5:10. At the 2019 Smoky Mountain Conference (SMC) middle school championship, Swayney placed second in the 1600M and third in the 800M.

Kensen Davis, a sophomore thrower will compete in the shot put and discus - disciplines he took first place in at the 2019 SMC middle school championship. "I'm going to try to go to regionals since it is my sophomore year."

Of the two, he prefers the discus. "It just comes natural."

He has high hopes for his fellow throwers this season. "We're small in numbers, but I think we can place pretty good."

Tso Smith, a sophomore, will be competing in the long jump, 100M dash, 4x100M relay, and the 4x200M relay. "I think we'll be decent. We've got some newcomers, but I'm excited for it. I think we'll be all right if we get in a groove."

Miranda Stamper, CHS throwing coach and a two-time state champion in the discus (2000, 2001), was showing Cherokee throwers proper form during Wednesday's practice - informing them that each throw counts as the top four per event will represent the school at each meet. "They all look good. Some of them have never done it, but they have very good potential. They're very strong and athletic kids so it should be fun."

She added, "Every week, we'll

see who will be the top four so it may change every track meet who gets to go and who gets to throw."

Stamper emphasized that this year's throwers are excellent athletes. "Normally, throwers are throwers - they can't run. That's the way it was when I was in school. They'd throw me out there, and I'd be dead last. But, these guys will come out and potentially win in these throwing events and then go run as well. They're just athletic kids."

Following are the schedules for the high school and middle school teams:

### **High School**

- \* Wednesday, April 28 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Highlands, Tri-County Early College, Rosman)
- \* Wednesday, May 5 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Andrews, Swain Co., Rosman)
- \* Wednesday, May 12 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Hiwassee Dam, Nantahala, Robbinsville)
- \* Wednesday, May 19 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Hayesville, Rosman, Nantahala)
- \* Wednesday, May 26 at Andrews (Andrews, Cherokee, Highlands)
- \* Wednesday, June 2 at Hayesville (Hayesville, Cherokee, Hiwassee Dam)
- \* Wednesday, June 9 at Cherokee (Smoky Mountain Conference Championship)

### **Middle School**

- \* Monday, April 26 at Hayesville (Hayesville, Cherokee, Murphy)
- \* Monday, May 3 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Martins Creek, Rosman)
- \* Monday, May 10 at Cherokee (Cherokee, Rosman, Swain Co.)
- \* Monday, May 17 at Murphy (Smoky Mountain Conference Championship)



Kensen Davis, a sophomore thrower, works on his shot put form on April 21.

# Braves excited for upcoming season

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

One Feather Staff

The Cherokee Braves varsity baseball team is looking forward to its upcoming season. Having only lost several seniors last season, this year's team is experienced and ready to gel.

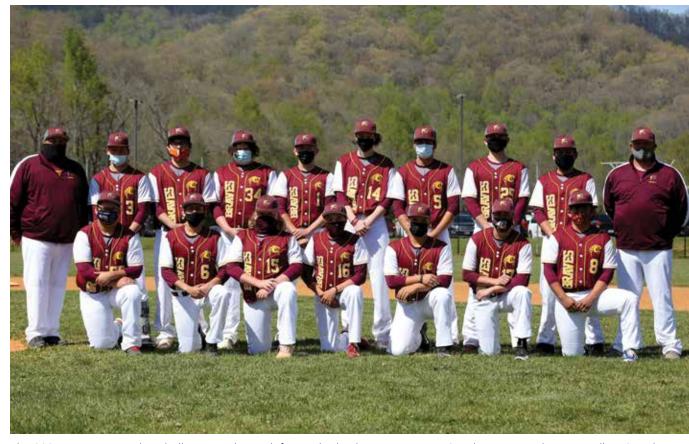
Jonathan Frady, senior pitcher, said, "I've been working mainly on my velocity, my curve ball, and just my arsenal of pitches. I've been working on them, getting them to where they need to be. I'm feeling really good about pitching in this season. I feel like it's going to be a good year."

He went on to say, "I'd like to throw a no-hitter this year. That'd be nice. In middle school, I had a 17 strikeout game and if I could beat that, it'd be awesome."

Frady said that winning ball games is the most important aspect to him. "That's what means the most to me - as long as we get the 'W'. None of that other stuff really matters to me."

Daniel Thompson, senior outfielder, said of the season, "It's crazy. Here we are in the middle of a pandemic, and we're playing baseball. So, that's awesome to me really. It's been great so far. Everybody's been following the rules. We've been wearing our masks. It's hard, but you have to do what you have to do. I love the sport so I don't mind it at all."

He started playing baseball in Little League and said the things he loves most about the sport are being with friends and playing the game. "It's just fun. I don't see why a lot of people don't play it. You never know unless you try."



The 2021 Braves varsity baseball team is shown, left to right, back row - Assistant Coach Doug Reed, Don Bradley, Camden Owle, David Maney, Jonathan Frady, Timothy "Wyatt" Woodard, Batiste Pepion, Braylon James, Brandon "JuJu" Martin, Coach Matt Maney; front row - Hawk Reed, Woody Lossie, Zac Maney, Cavan Reed, Xavier Otter, Daniel Thompson, and Thomas Pheasant; not pictured - Rocky Peebles. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo)

When asked about the season, Thompson noted, "I'm just going to try to catch as many balls as I can and throw out as many people as I can, and hit the ball hard."

Matt Maney, Braves varsity baseball head coach, said of the strengths of this year's squad, "We've got a good pitcher back, we've got Jonathan (Frady) back. We've got some key guys in positions from last year."

Coach Maney said several key infielders are back this year including Batiste Pepion and Cavan Reed. "We feel like, defensively, we'll be in good shape. Our pitcher has some good experience."

The Braves are starting the

season with a couple of injuries, and Coach Maney is preparing to adjust accordingly. "We've got a couple of guys that are missing that are key players - one is a pitcher and one is a catcher. So, it's not that our new guys haven't played those positions, we just have to work them all together and just get them used to working with each other."

He added, "Baseball is a game where you about know how the other guys play, you know how they think, and you know what they're going to do. So, we hope that these other guys will get in that groove with them and start learning what they're going to do

and how they play."

Following is the Braves schedule (all game times are to be determined):

- \* Tuesday, April 27 at Andrews
- \* Friday, April 30 vs Swain Co.
- \* Tuesday, May 4 at Hayesville
- \* Friday, May 7 vs Hiwassee Dam
- \* Tuesday, May 11 at Murphy
- \* Friday, May 14 vs Robbinsville
- \* Tuesday, May 18 at Rosman
- \* Friday, May 21 vs Andrews
- \* Tuesday, May 25 at Swain Co.
- \* Friday, May 28 vs Hayesville
- \* Tuesday, June 1 at Hiwassee Dam
- \* Friday, June 4 vs Murphy
- \* Tuesday, June 8 at Robbinsville
- \* Friday, June 11 vs Rosman



### DUYUGODV'I RIGHT PATH ADULT LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

### IS ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2021-2022 YEAR

Nomination forms can be found at www.rkli.org/right-path/

Right Path - Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute (rkli.org)

or by contacting Tara McCoy at (828) 359-5542 or tara.mccoy@cherokeeboysclub.com.

Deadline for submission: Letters of nomination will be accepted by mail, email, or in-person delivery, by 5 p.m., June 30th to the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club on, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC.

\*Please see nomination guidelines and form for additional requirements and information.\*









# COMMUNITY & SSY

# WCU prepares to offer full college experience this fall

Carolina University is gearing up for a traditional college experience this fall with plans to resume all academic, social and extracurricular activities and continue the academic excellence for which the institution is known.

WCU is planning in-person classes, homecoming activities, concerts, Freshman Run, sporting events, Pride of the Mountains Marching Band performances, Family Weekend, and more. Residential Living is planning a return to full occupancy with common area gathering spots, and all buildings and facilities, including dining operations, the library, and the recreation center plan a return to normal hours and increased capacity.

"Students who attend Western Carolina University this fall can expect the full college experience that we are known for as we expand in-person course offerings and boost campus activities and events," said Richard Starnes, WCU Provost. "We continue to provide a supportive community that recognizes students' full potential, along with nationally ranked programs to achieve their



Western Carolina University's Homecoming Parade is one of many events that will be held this academic year. (WCU photo)

goals, and we look forward to welcoming new and current students back this fall. Our impressive array of online and distance programs are in full swing as well."

WCU is consistently ranked in the upper echelon of higher education institutions by U.S. News & World Report and thanks to NC Promise, the cost of undergraduate tuition is \$500 per semester for North Carolina residents and \$2,500 per semester for out-of-state residents.

The deposit due date for admitted freshmen is May 1 and for

admitted transfer students is June 1. For more information on enrollment and transfer opportunities, visit wcu.edu/apply or call (877) 928-4968.

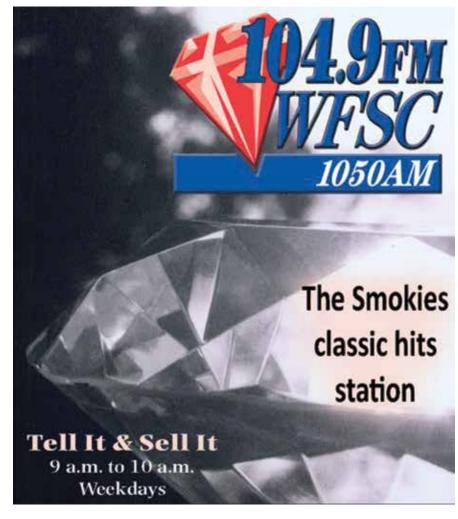
- Western Carolina University release



# COVID HOTLINE 4497-3743









### Tribal members receive fellowships from South Arts

**One Feather Staff Report** 

(SCOTT MCKIE B.P./ One Feather photos)

Two members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have been named recipients of South Arts' Folk and Traditional Arts Master Artist Fellowships. Mary Ann Thompson and Betty Maney are two of 15 recipients, announced on Thursday, April 15, and will each receive a \$12,000 award.

"The arts and culture rooted in Central Appalachia are vital to our regional and national identity," Teresa Hollingsworth, South Arts program director, noted in a press release. "The artists we are supporting through this program represent the deep history and culture carried by families and communities across centuries of practice. From white oak basket making to herbalism and from storytelling to old-time fiddling, each fellow embodies the work of their ancestors and are proudly carrying these traditions into the future."

Maney was honored for her work in Cherokee white oak and river cane baskets, Cherokee stamped pottery, and pre-Colombian twined clothing; and Thompson was honored for her Cherokee river cane double weave baskets and stamped pottery.

Information from South Arts states, "Each artist is a standard-bearer of traditional arts and culture, spending their lives in



Mary Ann Thompson



**Betty Maney** 

dedication to the preservation and perpetuation of art forms passed from generation to generation."

Earlier in the year, Thompson was also named a 2021 Appalachian Craft and Culture Fellow by the Arrowmont School of Arts and Crafts. The fellowship includes a stipend and other monies to attend conferences, and Thompson will present a public lecture and have an exhibition of her work.

# Caleb Sullivan recognized by Destinations Inter.

Special to the One Feather

SYLVA – The Jackson County Tourism Development Authority (TDA) has announced that Caleb Sullivan, the TDA's social media marketing and group sales specialist, has received the honor of being named one of Destinations International's 2021 30 Under 30 recipients.

Sullivan has been with the Jackson County TDA for two years and during his time there has authored the Crisis Communication Plan for the TDA, created an accessible guide to Jackson County, and has grown and manages the destination's social media accounts, among numerous other projects.

"Caleb is truly indispensable when it comes to the work he does on behalf of our residents and visitors. Through his role, he generates significant economic impact to Jackson County and its businesses and employees. We are very fortunate to have his expertise at the JCTDA and this designation recognizes his talent and dedication to the tourism industry," Jackson County TDA's Executive Director Nick Breedlove said.

Destinations International is committed to investing and preparing the leaders of tomorrow and developing future industry leaders that represent a diverse set of backgrounds and perspectives. Each year, 30 individuals under the age of 30, are selected to gain valuable industry networking opportunities and increased thought leadership throughout the year. The honorees originate from a variety of destination organizations of all sizes and countries.

"The 30 Under 30 program remains critical to our organization's vision and mission," said Don Welsh, president and chief executive officer of Destinations International. "As our industry



Caleb Sullivan, the TDA's social media marketing and group sales specialist, has received the honor of being named one of Destinations International's 2021 30 Under 30 recipients. (Photo courtesy of Jackson County TDA)

moves toward recovery, we are especially excited to announce these young professionals as they are the future of the travel and tourism industry."

John Lambeth, president of Civitas and Destinations International Foundation Chair, "The Destinations International Foundation believes in building up the leaders of tomorrow. We are proud of our 30 Under 30 Program and for the foundation donors who make programs like these possible for our industry. We look forward to engaging with them through professional development and networking opportunities throughout the year and in the years to come."

Mike Gamble, president and chief executive officer of Search-Wide Global, said "We are so proud to honor this year's class in light of the tremendous challenges our industry has experienced. As we work collectively to rebuild and re-energize, this diverse group of rising leaders will remain essential to the future of destination marketing and management."

# Tribal member graduates U.S. Marine course



PFC Daniel York, left, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, graduated U.S. Marine Corps boot camp at Parris Island, S.C. on Nov. 24, 2020. He graduated from the Marine Field Artillery Fire Control course at Ft. Sill, Okla. on April 13, 2021. A May 2020 graduate of Swain County High School, PFC York is a fire direction control specialist stationed at Camp Lejeune, N.C. He is shown with his grandfather, Arthur Wade, who served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. (Photo courtesy of York family)

### Additions to CHS 3rd Quarter Honor Rolls

Cherokee High School submitted the following additions to the Honor Roll lists for 3rd quarter:

### 9th Grade

**Principal's Honor Roll:** Creedon Arch, Madison Ledford

**Alpha Honor Roll:** Jenna Cruz, Gabriel Terrell, Hermione Ward

**Beta Honor Roll:** Treyton Queen, Tahlaya Thompson

### 12th Grade

**Beta Honor Roll:** Hunter Swayney, Braden Taylor

### Tribal member graduates



Savannah McNabb, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Birdtown Community, graduated from Belmont University in Nashville, Tenn. on Friday, April 23. She graduated with a 3.5 GPA with a bachelor of arts degree in global leadership studies. McNabb's next plans to attend graduate school for a MBA degree. (Photo contributed)

# Cooper reappointed to WCU Board of Trustees

CULLOWHEE – The University of North Carolina Board of Governors appointed Timothy "Jake" Robinson of Canton, to the Western Carolina University Board of Trustees, while also reappointing current board members, Robert "Bob" Roberts of Asheville, Haden Boliek of Fayetteville, and Casey Cooper of Cherokee at its meeting Thursday, April 22.

The board appointments will take effect July 1 through June 30, 2025.

Cooper is the chief executive officer of Cherokee Indian Hospital in Cherokee. The hospital serves approximately 14,000 members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). As an enrolled member of the EBCI, Cooper has been involved in American Indian

health care for 25 years. He is a graduate of Gardner-Webb University and holds a master's degree in business from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Cooper is a current member of the United South and Eastern Tribes Health Committee, CMS Tribal Technical Advisory Group, NC Medical Care Advisory Committee, IHS Facilities Appropriation Advisory Board, Mountain Area Health Education Center Board of Directors and the board of directors of Dogwood Health

Trust. He also is a former member of the American Hospital Association Regional Policy Board. At WCU, Cooper is completing a partial unexpired term on the board of trustees on June 30. He has also served on the WCU Board of Visitors and the WCU chancellor search committee. Cooper and his wife, Jill, have one son and two daughters.

- Western Carolina University release







Jobless benefits fraud

Dear Dr. Per Cap:

I received a 1099-G that lists over \$3,000 in unemployment benefits paid by the state in 2020. I didn't receive any unemployment last year. What should I do?

Signed,

Working through the Pandemic

Dear Working,

Report this as fraud through your state unemployment agency website immediately. There's been a huge surge in unemployment insurance fraud nationwide. These scams are connected to increased unemployment benefits that many states paid to workers who were laid off or furloughed during the pandemic. With lots of stimulus money available and states struggling to process an unprecedented number of claims, due diligence wasn't always up to speed. Criminals took advantage and filed for unemployment using stolen identities. Crooks steal the benefits – victims get stuck with the bills.

In addition to identity theft you could also be on the hook for taxes owed on the amount listed on that 1099-G, the IRS form to report Certain Government Payments; i.e. unemployment insurance. A lot of folks don't realize that jobless benefits are usually considered taxable income – even the expanded benefits related to Covid-19. The good news is that the latest relief bill the President signed in March allows the first \$10,200 of unemployment benefits per spouse to be tax exempt for households that made less than \$150,000 last year.

However, that doesn't carry over to all state income taxes only federal. Currently thirteen states that include Colorado, Idaho, Minnesota, Hawaii, and New York aren't excluding unemployment compensation from taxes. So if you live in one of these states pay extra close attention.

The IRS recommends people do not include income from bogus 1099-G's on tax returns and to request corrected forms from your state. Should you actually need to file for unemployment in the future, this issue could come back to haunt you if you don't have corrected forms. The federal tax deadline along with most state tax deadlines has been extended to May 17th so you've got an extra month this year to get this all squared away.

It is also a good idea to check your credit report, if you haven't done so recently, for suspicious activity and consider a credit freeze to prevent someone from applying for a loan or credit card in your name.

Ask Dr. Per Cap is a program funded by First Nations Development Institute with assistance from the FINRA Investor Education Foundation. For more information, visit www.firstnations. org. To send a question to Dr. Per Cap, email askdrpercap@firstnations.org.



## **Good Housekeeping**

### Italian Spinach With Garbanzo Beans and Raisins

This sweet and savory spinach side dish goes particularly well with grilled or pan-seared steak.

- I tablespoon olive oil
- 1 clove garlic, smashed
- 1/4 teaspoon crushed red pepper
  - 1 can (15- to 19-ounce) garbanzo beans, rinsed and drained
  - 2 bunches (10 to 12 ounces each) spinach, washed and dried very well
- 1/4 cup golden raisins
  - 1/2 teaspoon salt
- In 5-quart Dutch oven, heat oil with garlic cloves over medium heat until garlic is golden, discard garlic cloves. Add crushed red pepper to oil and cook 15 seconds. Stir in garbanzo beans and cook, stirring, 2 minutes, or until hot.
- Increase heat to high. Add spinach, raisins, and salt. Cook, stirring,
   to 3 minutes, or just until spinach wilts. Serves 4.
- Each serving: About 198 calories, 6g total fat, 804mg sodium, 31g carbs., 9g protein.

For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our website at www.good-housekeeping.com/food-recipes/.

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### **OBITUARIES**



### **Timothy Lyle Pummer**

Timothy Lyle Pummer, age 62, of Springfield, Mo., passed away Wednesday, April 14, 2021 at Mercy Hospital in Springfield.

Timothy was born August 28, 1958 in Kansas City, Kan., the son of Arnold Lyle and Alberta (Kiger) Pummer.

Timothy is survived by his beautiful wife of 43 years, Janice Pummer; his son Timothy, his wife Angie, and their children James, Justin, and Andrew; his son Matthew, his wife Tiffany, their children Austin, Isaiah, Matthew Jr., and Madison, and great-grandchildren Maddox and Astrid; his son

Jason, his wife Monica, and their daughter Lacilynn; his daughter Kristin, her husband Desmond, and their children Tommy, Skylar, Marie, Adrian, Montana, Neveah, and Cory; his three mothers, Arlene, Rosemary, and Louise; his sisters, Becky, Janice, Angela, and Cecile; his brother, David; many aunts and uncles; and many friends.

He is also survived by his best friends, Roger and Brenda Mahan and Paul Taylor.

Timothy was preceded in death by his three fathers, Clyde Soverns, Lyle Pummer, and Daniel Lynn; grandson, Dalton Gunter; and three brothers, Andy, Rick, and Schann.

Timothy's passion was his family, fishing, hunting, and bowling.

The family welcomed friends for visitation on Monday, April 19 at Hedges-Scott Funeral Home in Camdenton, Mo. Graveside services were held at Hedges Cemetery following the visitation.

Expressions of sympathy may be shared online at www.hedgesscottfuneralhomes.com

Arrangements were placed under the care of Hedges-Scott Funeral Home, Camdenton, Mo.

### **Reverend Doris Cook McMillan**

Reverend Doris Cook McMillan, 63, of the Wilmot Community, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, April 17, 2021. A native of Swain County and longtime resident of Jackson County, she was the daughter of the late Albert and Edna Cook. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by her husband, Wayne McMillan; a daughter, Candina McMillan Cabe; and several brothers and sisters.

Doris was the former pastor of Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. She was also the former owner of the Swain Hotel.

She is survived by one grandson, Benjamin Brown and Zachery of the home; one adopted son, Scott Duncan of Murrells Inlet, S.C.; brother, Berlin Cook; sister, Eula Sanders; one son-in-law, Kevin Cabe, and a special friend and caretaker, Chris Owle.

A memorial service will be held 2 p.m. Saturday, April 24 at Crisp Funeral Home Chapel. Rev. Chris Owle and Aaron Littlefield will officiate with burial at Bumgarner Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. until 2 p.m. Saturday at the Funeral Home.

### Leauna Maurilia Christensen

Leauna Maurilia Christensen, a lifelong Arizona resident, was born to Winnie Lee (Sneed) and Arthur M. Nuñez on Dec. 13, 1970. She graduated from Xavier College Preparatory in 1988. With Joel Christensen she had two daughters, Mary Leauna (1990) and Crystal Bethany (1997).

She worked in Human Resources at Taylor Farms at the time of her death.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Winnie Lee Nuñez, and by her maternal and paternal grandparents. Leauna is survived by her father, two daughters, older brother Art, and by her fiancé Saldato Giganti, as well as many loving cousins, aunts and uncles, and nieces and nephews.

Leauna loved many things, including Halloween and her pets. She loved helping family and friends more than anything. Leauna also went by the nicknames Cissy, Lee, and Lea. Most importantly she went by the names, daughter and mom.

Funeral services were held in the chapel of Long House Funeral Home on Saturday, April 10.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with final arrangements.

# Post 143 seeking contact info for EBCI service men/women

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

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

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



### COMMUNITY BRIEFS

# EBCI Program/Entity Announcements

### Cherokee Detention Center visitation resumes

With tribal programs opening lobbies beginning Monday, April 26, the Cherokee Detention Center will resume inmate video visitation, by appointment only. To promote social distancing only two spots per half hour will be available and will be scheduled on a first come first serve basis.

The visitation schedule will be 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. and 1 p.m. to 4 p.m. for inmates with last names beginning with:

- \* A-F Monday
- \* G-K Tuesday
- \* L-P Wednesday
- \* Q-U Thursday

### \* V-Z Friday

To make an appointment, call 359-6680. Please arrive 15 minutes prior to your scheduled visitation time and check in with the receptionist in the lobby downstairs.

- Cherokee Indian Police Dept.

# Right Path Adult Leadership Program accepting nominations

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program (RP) is accepting nominations for participation in the 2021-22 program. This program is for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). Participants will learn Cherokee history and culture and develop leadership competencies. Participants will meet two days per month, for 12 months, and will engage in case study work, classroom lectures, and experiential learning.

Candidates must be age 18 and over, have a high school diploma or GED. Knowledge of Cherokee culture and/or experience in a professional environment is a plus.

Nomination forms can be found on their website at Right Path – Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute (rkli.org) or by contacting Tara McCoy 359-5542 or tara. mccoy@cherokeeboysclub.com.

Deadline for submission: Letters of nomination will be accepted by mail, email, or in-person delivery, by 5 p.m., Wednesday, June 30 to the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club on, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC, Attention, Tara McCoy, Right Path:

- Mail: Attention: Tara McCoy P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719. Must be postmarked on or before June 30.
- Email: tara.mccoy@cherokee-boysclub.com
- In-person delivery: Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at Cherokee Boys Club at 171 Boys Club Loop off of Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 (two-story building behind Cherokee Boys Club)

It is the responsibility of the nominator to ensure receipt of his/her nomination form(s) on or before the deadline. Nominations are not a guarantee of acceptance into the program.

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program is a culturally-based leadership program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute. The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute is a department of the Cherokee Boys Club and is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

Info: Tara McCoy, Right Path Leadership specialist, 359-5542 or tara.mccoy@cherokeeboysclub. com.

- Right Path Adult Leadership

### Fish Cherokee 2021 schedule

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

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

# Tim Hill Memorial Tournament: July 24-25

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

# **Qualla Country Tournament: Sept. 4-5**

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

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

Participants may purchase a Tribal Fish Permit online at www. fishcherokee.com or from a local permit vendor. Children ages 11 and under may participate in tournaments under a supervising adult's registration and fish permit. Legal fishing methods apply to everyone. Report fishing violations to 497-4131 (10-fish limit per day per permit holder which includes catch of children, catch must be kept separate, fly-fishing in ponds is allowed, re-releasing caught fish into ponds prohibited). Fishing hours are one hour prior to sunrise until one hour after sunset. Discarding fish remains anywhere other than trash bins is prohibited.

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



fishcherokee

- EBCI Natural Resources

### HELP Program Lawn Maintenance and Garden Plowing applications available

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

Eligibility requirements:

\* Must be a member of the Eastern
Band of Cherokee Indians

\* Individuals applying for assistance must be living in the home.

\* Applicants must be 59 1/2 years old or older.

- \* Applicants under 59 1/2 years old must not be physically capable of mowing. Proof of disability (Social Security Disability Statement) is required.
- \* For 2021, a doctor's note stating applicant is not physically capable will be required from each applicant (disabled and 59 1/2 or older). Attach statement to the ap-

plication or request that it be faxed to (828) 497-3519.

Mowing information:

- \* Client/family is responsible for getting yard clear of any trash and/or debris.
- \* The residence must be within the three-county service area of Jackson, Swain, and Haywood.
- \* Mowing will occur between April 1 and Sept. 28.
- \* Mowing and weed eating include a 50-foot perimeter around the home including carports.
- \* Lawns mowed outside the 50foot perimeter will be the homeowner's responsibility.

Plowing information:

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

Info: 359-6638

- HELP release

### The Cherokee/Clay/Graham County Service Center is now open to limited visitors by appointment only. The staff also continue to work with agricultural

producers via phone, email, and other digital tools. Info: 837-2721, ext. 2 to make an in-person or phone appointment.

# National Park Announcements

# Greenbrier Area closure extended through May 15

**Great Smoky Mountains** National Park officials have announced that the Greenbrier area will remain temporarily closed beyond the Greenbrier Ranger Station to all motorists and pedestrians through May 15. The repairs were expected to be complete at the by April 23, but the work has been delayed due to the availability of construction materials for the Ramsey Prong bridge replacement and the Porters Creek culvert replacement. The full closure remains necessary for visitor safety during the construction process.

"Unfortunately, this project has been impacted by supply chain delays for construction materials," said Acting Deputy Superintendent Alan Sumeriski. "We have experienced significant delays in securing both lumber and steel needed to complete the project."

Ramsey Cascades Trail, Porters Creek Trail, Grapeyard Ridge Trail, Backcountry Campsite 31, Backcountry Campsite 32, and all manways along the Greenbrier Road will also be closed to visitor use for the duration of the construction closure. Old Settlers and Brushy Mountain Trails will continue to be open, but hikers cannot access these trails from the Greenbrier area during the closure and should plan their routes carefully.

For more information about this work, please visit the park website at https://www.nps.gov/grsm/learn/news/green-brier-road-sections-temporarily-closed-for-bridge-replacement. htm. For more information about temporary road closures across the park, please visit the park website at http://www.nps.gov/grsm/planyourvisit/temproadclose.htm.

- National Park Service release

### EBCI 2021 Certified Candidate List

The following list shows the candidates certified for the 2021 Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians tribal elections as given to the One Feather by the EBCI Election Board on Thursday, April 15. There will not be Primary Elections held for Big Cove, Painttown, and Cherokee County - Snowbird Tribal Council representatives.

### **Birdtown Tribal Council**

Albert Rose Boyd Owle Gilbert Crowe Jr. Gloria "Punkin" Griffin Robin Lambert Jacob George Cyndi Lambert

### **Wolftown Tribal Council**

Jess Sneed Bo Crowe Bill Taylor Chelsea Taylor Saunooke Sam "Frell" Reed

### **Yellowhill Tribal Council**

Tom Wahnetah
T.W. Price Saunooke
Dave Wolfe
Stephanie Saunooke French
Christopher Reed
Shannon Ross

(Write-In) Elvia Walkingstick

### **Big Cove Tribal Council**

Patrick Hill Richard French Teresa McCoy

### **Painttown Tribal Council**

Tommye Saunooke Dike Sneed Bentley Tahquette

# Cherokee Co. - Snowbird Tribal Council

Adam Wachacha Bucky Brown William A. "Billy" Brown Janell Rattler

### **Big Cove School Board**

Kristina Hyatt Lavita Hill Karen French-Browning Lori Taylor Damian Solis

### **Birdtown School Board**

Melanie Lambert Ashford Smith Bree Stamper Ray Long

### **Wolftown School Board**

Isaac "Ike" Long Berdie Toineeta Bucky Squirrel

# Constitution vs. Charter: Article IV (continued)

### **Proposed Constitution**

Article IV - Legislative Branch (continued)

Section 10. Weighted Vote. In order to provide equal representation to all citizens of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, a census survey of the Tribal citizenship, based upon the information located within the official citizenship rolls, shall be initiated by Tribal Council for the purposes of determining a census of the citizenship and of the Townships. The results of the census will determine the weight of the votes to be cast by each Tribal Council Representative and shall be conducted prior to the 2025 general election and prior to the general election each ten years thereafter to determine the number of Tribal citizens affiliated with a Township.

After the regular 2025 general tribal election and each ten years thereafter, the Tribal Council, at its first regular meeting, shall determine the total number of votes to be cast in the Tribal Council and shall allot a voting authority to each Council Representative. The voting weight allotted to each Council Representative shall be determined by computing the mathematical ratio, fraction or proportion that exists between the number of Tribal citizens who are counted in each Township and the total number of Tribal citizens. The Cherokee Supreme Court shall have sole jurisdiction to resolve any dispute pertaining to the voting weight attributed to a Tribal Council Representative.

### **Current Charter**

**Section 19.** In order to provide equal representation to all members of the Eastern Band, the members of the Tribal Council shall, in their deliberations, cast votes on a weighted basis, with the weight of each vote determined by each Council member.

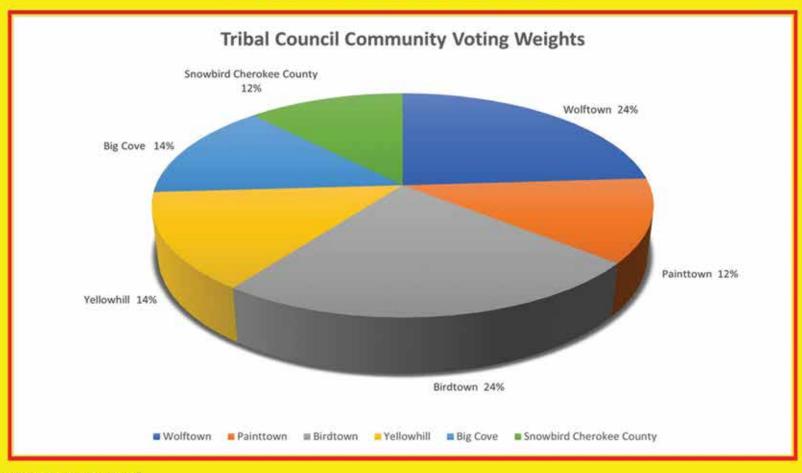
A tribal census, for the purposes of determining the weight of the votes to be cast by each Tribal Council member, shall be conducted prior to the 1981 tribal election and prior to the election each ten years thereafter to determine the number of enrolled tribal members residing in each township.

After the regular 1981 tribal election and each ten years thereafter, the Tribal Council, at its first regular meeting, shall determine the total number of votes to be cast in the Tribal Council and shall allot a voting authority to each Council member. The voting weight allotted to each Council member shall be determined by computing the mathematical ratio, fraction or proportion that exists between the number of enrolled tribal members residing in each township and the total number of enrolled tribal members. All Council members, including the Chairman, shall be entitled to vote on all issues.

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

(The Constitution is in draft form and may change based on public input)

### Know the difference!



### What is a census survey?

A census is a collection of information about every person within a population. This is usually performed by going door to door to get an accurate count of people and some demographic information. In the context of this Constitution, a census survey is still a collection of information about every person, but it is conducted like a survey. It would be up to Council on how the survey should be conducted, either by phone, mail or door-to-door or any other method that will be most accurate.

### What is the population that needs to be counted?

You would think this is easy to answer, everyone living in Cherokee, NC. What about the people that live in Snowbird/Robbinsville or Murphy. Ok everyone that lives on Tribal land. That same group only has small plots of livable land, what if they live in Snowbird but the land is not Tribal, they are not included in the count? If I can vote for a representative, shouldn't they be representing me? How about people that live in the five-county service area? The only people that should be counted are the ones that Council decisions would affect. Decisions that Council enacts can affect those that do not live here.

### Why bother doing a census, if Council is going to do whatever they want?

This is why we need a Constitution; it describes who has authority to do things. We included the Judicial branch as a peer to the other two branches and spell out the duties it has in this specific area. The Cherokee Supreme Court is the final decision maker in deciding the weight of each representative's vote. Currently with the Charter, Council can and has in the past decided on what was accurate as far as voting weight and the count of the population that it represents with no recourse.

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**COMMENTARY** 

# Situational awareness

### By ROBERT JUMPER

One Feather Editor

Situational awareness can be defined simply as "knowing what is going on around us", or – more technically – as "the perception of the elements in the environment within a volume of time and space, the comprehension of their meaning and the projection of their status in the near future." (www.rcog.org.uk)

Actions have consequences. One moment in life can affect the thousands of moments after it. In self-defense courses, one of the basic instructions is to know what is going on around you. Never be distracted to the point that someone could get close enough to attack you or that you might walk into a dangerous situation without perceiving it.

In a world of constant connectivity, being aware of your surroundings takes focus and practice. Walk downtown or up Tsali Blvd. and you will inevitably see someone with their face buried in a mobile phone. I have watched people stumble over shrubs, fall up and down steps, bump into people and things, all because they are intently focused on their cell phones.

A cell phone or other electronic device will literally drive you to distraction. I would venture to guess that more people are pulled over for erratic driving because of cell phone distraction than there are those driving under the influence of a drug. It is amazing to me that it is necessary to make public service campaigns that encourage people to look at the road and not your phone screen while driving. The practice is so rampant that laws have had to be made to tell people to focus on the road, because until you get rich and can afford one of those self-driving cars, you need your eyes and attention to be on driving the car, not Facetiming your friends.

I was on my way home on Thursday, headed up the Soco Road on one of my normal routes back home. About halfway up the mountain, I encountered a line of backed up traffic. Now, I avoid Soco on bad weather days (and during Leaf Season) because I know that there will be extra traffic on the road and most of those will be out-of-towners who do not know where they are going and will slow traffic down.

At first, I thought on Thursday, that the hold up was some confused tourist who stopped in the middle of the road to consult Google Maps to get bearings. Unfortunately, when I saw the blue and red flashing lights of our Cherokee Police, Fire, and EMS vehicles, I knew that something more serious had gone down. As the police had cleared a one lane path on up the mountain, I slowly rolled up on two vehicles, one with seemingly minor damage, the other looked like it might have rolled over a time or two and the passenger side door was missing.

The wreck sent one person to Haywood Regional and another to Mission. Driving the Soco Road is a perfect example of a place where constant attention to where you are and what is going on around you is a matter of life and death. Because you may be the most diligent, competent driver on the planet, but you have no control over what another driver is thinking or even whether they are thinking when driving. Soco is open to commercial traffic, so you have the additional challenge of meeting semi-trucks and other multi-axle vehicles on a road with curves that would make a truck driver have to defy the laws of physics to maintain their lane to avoid oncoming traffic. You have to be situationally aware just to have a chance of avoiding peril on the road. Add to this the wild and feral animal population that traverses Soco Road and that adds to the obstacle course that it is.

Last year, social media was filled with reports of suspicious individuals following citizens through stores and stalking them in the parking lots of our local grocery stores, convenience stores, restaurants, and other retail outlets.

In a report by Karin Billch (www.parents.com), she states, "Every 40 seconds in the United States, a child becomes missing or is abducted. At the end of 2017, the Bureau's National Crime Information Center Missing Persons File contained more than 32,000 records

of children under the age of 18. Only about one child out of each 10,000 missing children reported to the local police is not found alive. However, about 20 percent of the children reported to the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children in nonfamily abductions are not found alive."

All it takes is to be distracted for a half a minute for someone to abduct you or your loved one, possibly to become another statistic among the many abducted people in the world.

Situational awareness can make the difference between becoming a victim or a survivor.

This awareness extends to all parts of your life. For example, speaking man to man for a minute, how many of us are going for routine physicals and are under a doctor's care. Many times, men in particular, wait until there is an unbearable ailment before they will go see a doctor. I know in my personal life, it took the strong urging of my wife, back in my early 30s, to convince me to start regularly getting checkups. The same went for going to the dentist and eye doctor. Men tend to think that they can "power through" anything that comes upon them. It is not logical, but it is a common belief among men. And so, many men find themselves with damage to vital organs in the latter portions of their lives because treatable conditions go undetected, and many times that damage is not reversible. As Cherokee men, we have little excuse for not getting a checkup. Our Tribe has blessed us with practically unlimited access to health care. And we have a duty to our families to stay as healthy and productive as we possibly can. We will watch for and defend against other threats to our families, but the one that resides within us, we will leave to chance instead of giving it that vigilant, situational awareness that all things need. And I am not saying that women are immune from the need to be vigilant, but it has been my experience that they tend to be a little smarter than men when it comes to health care.

Situational awareness has short- and longterm benefits. In a world that is ever changing, it will be those who pay attention that will survive and thrive. Be one of the thrivers. Pay attention.



### EMERGENCY NUMBERS

In an emergency, call 911

Tribal Dispatch 497-4131

Cherokee Indian Police Dept. 359-6600

Tribal Fire and Rescue 359-6584

Tribal EMS 359-6450 or 497-6402

Cherokee Indian Hospital 497-9163

### EBCI TRANSIT NUMBERS

Transit Main Line Dispatch 359-6300

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

## Phone Numbers for Cherokee elders

Cherokee Indian Hospital main line 497-9163

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

HELP (Handicapped, Elderly Living Program) -

> contact is Stephanie Welch 359-6638

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

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

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

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

> EBCI Domestic Violence 359-6830

EBCI Emergency Fuel Assistance 507-7825

Cherokee Immediate Care Clinic 554-5555

DaVita Cherokee Diaslysis Center 497-6866

Snowbird Senior Center main line 479-9145

> Tsali Manor main line 359-6860

John Welch Senior Center main line 835-9741

Cherokee Boy's Club Elder Fuel Delivery and Elder Mowing contact is Donnie Owle 736-7612

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# One Feather Question of the Week:

Have the issues with
the Johnson & Johnson
COVID-19 vaccination affected your decision to get the
vaccine?

### Karen KC Wilkins-Ippolito: Reinforced my already-set deci-

sion for a hard pass.

**AJ Bird:** Never affected my decision - was never getting it anyway.

Mark Jones: I was vaccinated with the Johnson and Johnson one at the drive-thru clinic CIH put on where the old school used to be. I didn't do any research. It honestly wouldn't have changed my mind if I did. It's just something that has to be done. I was expecting to get superpowers or grow a third arm but nothing exciting happened.

Amanda Woodall: Just made me feel more confident about my decision to not get the vaccine.

Laura Hamm: I had already had my first Moderna dose before the issue with J&J ever surfaced, so no. I'm part of the 20-something percent that is fully vaccinated due to chronic illness. But if the citizens do not achieve the herd immunity with vaccination before the virus has a chance to mutate past the vaccine, we will be stuck in an endless viral loop and I am ready to move on, so I did what Dr. Fauci suggests because I trust his judgment. I also realize that it is my responsibility to other people to ensure that I do not potentially infect and kill anyone else if I can prevent it. Having had the second dose and knowing what a "mild" case of COVID feels like and knowing what my friends who did get it went through, I would

have to consider myself extremely self absorbed if I did anything other than get vaccinated.

Carrie Dennis: I live in Maryland, and that's the one I wanted the most - one and done you know. I have a lot of health issues, and I was still willing to get the J&J until yesterday. They said on our news the site where it is made at is filthy. My pharmacy called and said they had the Pfizer shot so I got that yesterday. I had the virus in January. It's no joke. I don't want it again and don't want family or to get it either. Stay safe and God bless.

**Jeff Tatham:** Not affected by decision at all - never was going to get it.

### **Denise Lambert Ballard:** I

know a few who got the J&J and no issues at all. They were happy it was a one and done!

**Teresa McCoy:** We knew the vaccine was the best way to protect us and us protect others. Right now, we are enjoying the most stress-free, calm, and rejuvenating mini-vacation ever! You want freedom from the stress of infection, from getting sick and possibly dying? From killing someone you love? Well, let me tell you. That comes the moment the needle leaves your arm! That's freedom. I know some are scared. Sadly, some refuse for political beliefs. COVID is non-partisan and it kills with impunity. Really. I may love you, take a bullet for you, but when you don't protect yourself, then you are disrespecting my shot at freedom. Elders. Kin. Neighbors. Your people. Our Tribe should step up and hit that 75 percent immunity. When you don't step up to help your Tribe during a

pandemic that in a year has killed over a half million Americans, then all I can do is wonder. But I will always pray about it. We should help lead our entire country, and others out of this horrific pandemic.

**Steve Coleman:** Will never take it no matter what.

**Jackie Ellis:** Not getting J&J vaccine - too iffy right now.

Kandace Barnett Roberts: Not taking it - I remember from history class what happened the last time people listened to the government and held tightly to those warm smallpox blankets. Nope.

**Russel Luper:** I got the J&J vaccine on April 6 - no ill side effects. Vaccines work.

Jan Whitetree Rohl: I have heard there's a much greater chance of getting blood clots and other complications with birth control pills. How many of us took those daily without a thought?

**David D. Simmons:** Why bother? Open borders almost guarantees a new variant that they say this vaccine doesn't even work on. If masks and washing hands work, I'll continue to mask and wash hands.

Janice Sutton: I had already taken the first part of the shot of Moderna. My mom and brother took the J&J. And, I don't have to lock my mom up at night for her turning into something. Lol just joking. She is fine. I want to get some type of normalcy back into our lives and my child has suffered enough from no school, no sports, no friends over. So, to each his own. You do what is best for you

and your family.

Jean Earley Thomas: Johnson & Johnson, they say, isn't as effect as the two shots. I'm due my second on Tuesday because I work at Santa's Land and will be around a lot of people and handling money - will feel safer by getting the vaccine.

**Hillane Lambert:** I would do it again!

**Paul Mitchem:** I would get it without hesitation, but I am already fully Moderna'd. Many thanks to CIHA.

**Susan Loris:** It hasn't affected me because I wasn't and still am not going to get the vaccine.

### Crystal Baker Sherman: I

never planned on getting that or any vaccines. I watched my Dad get Guillie Barre Syndrome from the flu vaccine. And, then he died a slow horrible death due to side effects to medications. These vaccines are toxic. Read the ingredients. Do some research. These vaccines were only intended for emergencies. They have not been approved nor does anyone know the the long term effects of them. They have added ingredients that have never been tested on human being's. You may not be sick now but you can bet it will shorten your life. For those who do not know this "Doctors cannot cure you". They can only treat symptoms and by questionable means. We need to get back to natural medications. Our bodies are capable of healing themselves if we let them.

**Ricky Sam:** I will never take any form of this vaccine.

Frances Owl-Smith: There's

no proof positive that J&J vaccine caused those blood clots in that extremely low percentage of women - women in the age group for higher incidence of blood clots from birth control pills, etc. vThey are doing the right thing by investigating the possibility. What medications or vaccinations do we take that do not have a rare chance of an adverse effect? None. Still the benefit greatly outweighs risk.

Theresa Massengale: I believe the vaccine should be per choice, due to the health conditions that the vaccines can cause or worsen that some may have. I am glad there is one, however to help those who wish to take it and the COVID virus go away. Many are now saying it is just going to become like a flu shot - not an immunization for a major disease. I am thankful for the beautiful fresh air the Lord has given us and pray for life to be normal soon once again, when people can visit, laugh, love and worship freely with family, friends and loved ones.

Jeff Sullivan: I'm not the sharpest crayon in the bulb box or is it brightest bulb in crayon box? My question is why are there at least 23 pharmaceutical companies working on different vaccine? If one has 99 percent+ effacy, why have 22 more different vaccines?

Macie Jais Welch: No, because I already got it and would still be willing to get it because I wanted the one-shot vaccine and not two separate doses.

**Vivian Bartle-Steck:** Partly, but I had decided before not to get it

because of it changing my DNA and Tracers in it, plus it wasn't tested long enough! I've never had a flu shot and I'm 70-yearsold. I think I'll take my chances since there is a 98 percent chance I would make it through it anyway!

**Gary Reynolds:** My wife and I received the J&J vaccine a few days before it was held back - no issues for either of us.

er take a vaccine, but my sister thought she might take the J&J one since it was only one shot. Thankfully, when I went to see her for a visit, she was willing to look at some information. When she saw the VAERS statistics on reported COVID vaccine deaths, anaphylactic shock, bell's palsy, etc., in the over 50,000 reported adverse reactions, she began to realize what a bad choice it would be for her to get a shot. I am so relieved!

Morris Frances: There's been six reported cases of blood clots out of 7 million administered doses. I think that's important to point regarding the J&J vaccine.

Tina Hyatt: I took the Johnson and Johnson vaccine. I don't regret my decision even with the pause. I, do, however feel like it isn't my place to bully others into this decision on being vaccinated. If you get it, yay! If you don't get the vaccine, yay!

Anita Holder: Hasn't affected my decision. I choose not to get any vaccine because I had COVID - few symptoms and recovered easily. My own immune system worked - will consider one in the future after more research is done.



### If Flea Collar Causes Reaction in Your Pet

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: I'm worried by recent reports that a certain brand of flea collar has been making dogs sick, and many have died. I live in an area where fleas and ticks are rampant, and flea collars are essential for my two pups. What can I do if they have a reaction to a new collar?

— Jane in South Carolina

DEAR JANE: It's understandable that you're worried. At the moment, the issues with the flea collar in question, Seresto, are being reviewed by the EPA, and no recall or warning has been issued.

Flea collars are widely available from different manufacturers. They're a popular choice because of the ease of use and affordability. However, any of them can cause side effects, and it's important to monitor your pet for them. A common one is a skin reaction directly underneath the collar shortly after it's put on for the first time. Your dog may scratch at the area; you may see reddening of the skin. Some reactions include hair loss around the collar.

The itching is usually temporary. Consult your pet's veterinarian if you see redness or hair loss, if the scratching and whining continues, or if your dog shows other signs of distress. If your pet is lethargic, drooling, vomiting or behaving strangely right after a new collar is put on, contact the vet immediately; it likely needs emergency treatment.

To prevent these and other side effects, make sure to purchase the correct collar for your dog's size and age. Putting a collar designed for a 100-pound dog onto a 15-pound dog can cause dangerous side effects because a small dog's body just can't process that much flea treatment.

Send your questions, tips or comments to ask@pawscorner.com.

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### SPEAKING OF FAITH

# The atmosphere which attracts God...

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

(Transcribed by Myra Colgate)
Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church

"Enjoy prosperity while you can, but when hard times strike,

realize that both come from God. Remember that nothing is certain in this life."

Ecclesiastes 7:14 (NLT)

(God allows both good and bad times to come to everyone. He blends them into our lives in this way so we can neither predict the future nor count on human wisdom and power for answers. We usually give ourselves credit for the good times. In bad times we tend to blame God without thanking Him for the good that may come have out of it. He may be allowing our real life situations to draw us back to Himself. God's in control and can still bring good results out of our struggles. --From NLT notes.)

Read Acts 2:1-16; Job 2:10; Joel 2:28-32. Pray accordingly, and ask Him for the understanding. This is why sheer numbers attending our churches don't really count if the 'Church' is not also growing within each individual's life. This does require a commitment. Rejoice anyway!What's the only other alternative, hell?... Not really!

What is the atmosphere that attracts God? The atmosphere to create is one of Holiness which we must choose. It would be one which shows our reverential, respectful, worshipful and thankful attitude for and towards Him. Overwhelmingly at times, each believer is marked, not so much for perfection, but for our hearts to be perfectly drawn towards Him as 'Holiness as Unto the LORD'. We each are to be priests and kings in His service. This needs to be taught to all, even to the youngest children within the family of God. For He is God—and is our 'forever' God.

In good days of prosperity and in bad days of adversity, we are to be found praising Him for Who He is and in being thankful for what He has already done in providing for and protecting us. He has made Himself available to us, with the simplicity in just asking Him, for the way He has directed us. He is our Source for provision, our protection from evil, or from having any lack of what He has promised us. He has given us straightforward instructions, throughout the New Testament scriptures.

His honoring us with His Presence is our main goal for creating an acceptable atmosphere and is the evidence of our having created the 'longed for' atmosphere with the honor due Him. He is waiting on us, not, us waiting on Him. When God's Presence shows up, the World will come! He is never slack on granting His promises. He is not asleep or on vacation. We are the ones delaying Him, by simply not having done this.

In Acts 2, we are told they were to 'tarry until the promised Holy Spirit came to them' in that upper room. They'd created the asked for atmosphere we are told in Acts 2:16. Of the 500 people invited, only about 120 remained there on that particular day—about 22%, a remnant. There was an amazingly wonderful fulfillment of prophecy that day, given by the Prophet Joel, in his Chapter 2:28-32, of the promised Holy Spirit, and related by Peter in his first sermon given, now related in Acts 2:14-

21.

The Church has failed to make an atmosphere that draws the Holy Spirit. Everyone must be in one accord, and in unity, for it's where the Majesty of God shows up. Even a full house makes no difference if there's not unity. The Presence of God is brought in by that atmosphere of unity. The world has strife in broken homes, in marriages, and it is very relevant that the Church display unity. People coming there will be healed coming in, even while still out in the parking lots! God obligates Himself to show up when the Church prepares His desired atmosphere. He inhabits the praises of His people, and this always attracts and draws Him. When God shows up the world wants to come! He is everywhere, so how can anyone think they can run away from Him? Or, that they can call God ugly stuff, and act a fool, and get away without Him already knowing?

In 1 Kings 8:10, Levites were to carry the Ark of God's Presence, with the stone tablets of the Law inside. God made man to carry His Presence on Earth. As a Priest and a head of household, we are the ones to create the atmosphere for our family. It takes everyone to become a powerful Church, at home... in a store... for all people being drawn...Come!

### THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

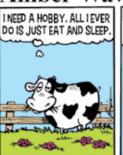
...Now ask the beasts, and they will teach you; and the birds of the air, and they will tell you; or speak to the earth, and it will teach you; and the fish of the sea will explain to you. Who among all these does not know that the hand of the Lord has done this, in whose hand is the life of every living thing, and the breath of all mankind?

SL Job 12: 7-10 №



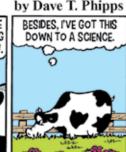
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### Amber Waves









R.F.D. Sim

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### Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

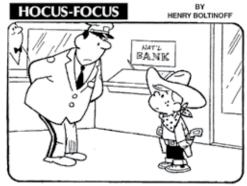
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### **DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆**

 Moderate ◆◆ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## **King** Crossword

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- 2. Emboldened by God's declaration, which Old Testament king went into battle with singers leading the army? Ahaz, Hezekiah, Manasseh, Jehoshaphat
- 3. From 1 Chronicles 29, how many years did David reign over Israel? 7 33.40.57
- 4. The prophecy of Obadiah is basically about what nation? Shem, Edom, Tahor, Nebo
- 5. What was Aquila's profession in Corinth? Tentmaker, Harp player, Mapmaker, Servant
- 6. David was what relation to Boaz? Brother, Son, Grandson, Great-grandson

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- 1. GEOGRAPHY: What is Canada's northernmost territory?
- TELEVISION: Which sitcom features a bar named Paddy's Pub?
- 3. SCIENCE: Mycology is the study of what?
- 4. MUSIC: Which city is mentioned in the Eagles' 1972 song "Take It Easy"?
- MEASUREMENTS: Which civilization was the first to divide a day into 24 hours?
- 6. U.S. STATES: How many states border Colorado?
- 7. MOVIES: "Hedwig's Theme" is the music that marks which movie series?
- 8. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novella "Breakfast at Tiffany's"?
- 9. LANGUAGE: What does The Magna Carta mean in English?
- 10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the traditional birthstone for June babies?
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# **HAPPENINGS**

### BENEFITS/FUNDRAISERS

Benefit Dinner for Aniyah Sampson. May 7 from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cherokee Youth Center. \$10 includes hamburger and hot dog, cole slaw, potato salad, baked beans, chili, chips, lettuce, tomato, onion, cheese, and a drink. Order by May 5; delivery for five orders or more. Info: Melissa Ledford or Stephanie French 359-6113

### CULTURAL EVENTS

### Cherokee Heritage Festival.

Sept. 18 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Cherokee Homestead Exhibit adjacent to the old Jail Museum in Hayesville. This free event is sponsored by the Clay County Communities Revitalization Association. Cherokee dancing, cultural arts demonstrations, storytelling, fry bread, singing, and flute music. Parking and shuttle bus will be

available. Info: 369-6531 or www. cccra-nc.org

### **COMMUNITY EVENTS**

# Cherokee Youth Center fall open Kindergarten orientation.

May 13 at 7:30 a.m. at the Youth Center. The Center will take the first 15 children with those after being put on a waiting list. A work verification form will need to be returned to the Center by May 20 at 4:30 p.m. The cost per child is \$20. Info: Melissa Ledford or Stephanie French 359-8113

### **SPORTS EVENTS**

# Cherokee Life Recreation youth sports registration information

Registration for each of the following programs is available online at: https://clubs.blue-sombrero.com/Default.aspx?ta-bid=891415

Youth Cheerleading

Registration dates are May 1-21 Registration fee is \$25

### **Youth Football**

Registration dates are May 1-21 Registration fee is \$60

### Youth Volleyball

Registration dates are May 17-28 Registration is free Games will be played at Birdtown Gym

### **Youth Flag Football**

Registration dates are May 17-28 Registration is free Games will be played in June at the Wolftown Fields

### **T-Ball and Machine Pitch**

Registration started on April 22
Registration is free
T-Ball is for 5-year-olds only;
Machine Pitch has two age groups
(6-7 and 8-9)
All games will be played on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the John
Crowe Complex
Practices will be announced at a later date
Masks are to be worn by partici-

pants and spectators Volunteers coaches are needed

### **Youth Soccer**

Registration started on April 22
Registration is free
Games will be played Mondays
and Tuesdays at the Wolftown
Soccer Field
Masks are to be worn by all spectators and participants
Volunteers and coaches are needed for this program

### **SUPPORT GROUPS**

**Life Recovery Bible-Based 12-step Zoom meeting.** Started Nov. 10 from 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Info: Deb Conseen-Bradley kellideb@gmail. com

### Life Recovery Zoom meeting.

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



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# EBCI 2021 Certified Candidate List Primary Election - Thursday, June 3



The following list shows the candidates certified for the 2021 Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians tribal elections as given to the One Feather by the EBCI Election Board on Thursday, April 15.

There will not be Primary Elections held for Big Cove, Painttown, and Cherokee County - Snowbird Tribal Council representatives.

Incumbents are designated with an "I" after their name.

### **Birdtown Tribal Council**

Albert Rose (1)
Boyd Owle (I)
Gilbert Crowe Jr.
Gloria "Punkin" Griffin
Robin Lambert
Jacob George
Cyndi Lambert

### **Wolftown Tribal Council**

Jess Sneed Bo Crowe (I) Bill Taylor Chelsea Taylor Saunooke (I) Sam "Frell" Reed

### **Yellowhill Tribal Council**

Tom Wahnetah (I)
T.W. Price Saunooke
Dave Wolfe (I)
Stephanie Saunooke French
Christopher Reed
Shannon Ross
(Write-In) Elvia Walkingstick

### **Big Cove Tribal Council**

Patrick Hill Richard French (I) Teresa McCoy

### **Painttown Tribal Council**

Tommye Saunooke (I) Dike Sneed (I) Bentley Tahquette

### Cherokee Co. - Snowbird Tribal Council

Adam Wachacha (I) Bucky Brown (I) William A. "Billy" Brown Janell Rattler

### **Big Cove School Board**

Kristina Hyatt Lavita Hill Karen French-Browning (I) Lori Taylor Damian Solis

### Birdtown School Board

Melanie Lambert Ashford Smith Bree Stamper Ray Long

### Wolftown School Board

Isaac "Ike" Long (I) Berdie Toineeta Bucky Squirrel



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Vendors wanted for the Baileyton Celebration at 6535 Horton Hwy. in Greeneville, Tenn. Crafts, educational, history, bands, food trucks, car show, tractor show, parade, etc. Info: (423) 963-8869

Wanted to buy, wood carving by Cherokee wood carver Going Back Chiltosky. Contact Davey. 497-7571. 5/19

### **FOR SALE**

2010 Honda 500 4X4 \$4000 obo. 828-226-4474

Bantam chickens, female dog to good home: 828-269-8010



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Temper your typical Aries urge to charge into a situation and demand answers. Instead, let the Lamb's gentler self emerge to deal with a problem that requires delicacy.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You are aware of what's going on, so continue to stand by your earlier decision, no matter how persuasive the counter-arguments might be. Money pressures will soon ease.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) By all means, have fun and enjoy your newly expanded social life. But don't forget that some people are depending on you to keep promises that are very important to them.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) You need to wait patiently for an answer to a workplace problem and not push for a decision. Remember: Time is on your side. A financial matter needs closer attention.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You now have information that can influence that decision you planned to make. But the clever Cat will consult a trusted friend or family member before making a major move.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Good news: You're finding that more doors are opening for you to show what you can do, and you don't even have to knock very hard to get the attention you're seeking.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your gift for creating order out of chaos will help you deal with a sudden rush of responsibilities that would threaten someone less able to balance his or her priorities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Congratulations. Your energy levels are coming right back up to normal — just in time to help you tackle some worthwhile challenges and make some important choices.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) The sage Sagittarian should demand a full explanation of inconsistencies that might be cropping up in what had seemed to be a straightforward deal.

CAPRICORN (December to January 19) A conflict between obligations to family and to the job can create stressful problems. Best advice: Balance your dual priorities so that one doesn't outweigh the other.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Don't guess, speculate or gossip about that so-called mystery situation at the workplace. Bide your time. An explanation will be forthcoming very soon.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Boredom might be creeping in and causing you to lose interest in a repeat project. Deal with it by flipping over your usual routine and finding a new way to do an old task.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can warm the coldest heart with your lyrical voice and bright smile. You find yourself at home, wherever you are.

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### Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians **HUMAN RESOURCES**

Cherokee, NC 28719 828-359-6388

### Closing Sunday, May 02, 2021

- Community Health Representative Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (14 \$25,261 - \$31,581)
- Education Manager Qualla Boundary Head Start/Early Head Start Public Health and Human Services (L10 \$43,956 - \$54,950)
- · Human Services Director Family Safety Public Health and Human Services (L18 \$89,580 - \$111,970)
- Realty Leasing Specialist Tribal Realty Services Office of the Attorney General (L9 \$40,105 - \$50,121)
- Help Desk Support Technician Information Technology (L8 \$36,500 -
- Construction Manager Tribal Construction Operations (L14 \$62,918 -\$78,630)

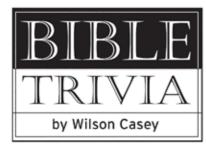
#### Open Until Filled

- Patrol Officer (Multiple) Cherokee Police Department Public Safety (L8 836,500 - \$45,625)
- Detention Officer (Multiple) Detention Services Public Safety (L7
- FT Paramedic (Multiple) Emergency Medical Services Public Safety (L8
- PT Paramedic (Multiple) Emergency Medical Services Public Safety (L8 \$17.55 - \$21.94 per hour)

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

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

### **Puzzle Answers**



ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Jehoshaphat; 3) 40; 4) Edom; 5) Tentmaker; 6) Great-grandson



- 1. Nunavut
- "It's Always Sunny in Philadelphia"
- Fungi
- Winslow, Ariz.
- 5. Ancient Egyptians
- Seven: Utah, Arizona, New Mexico, Nebraska, Kansas, Oklahoma, and Wyo-
- 7. "Harry Potter"
- 8. Truman Capote
- The Great Charter
- 10. Pearl

— **King** Crossword — Answers Solution time: 21 mins.

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6	7	4	8	5	3	1	2	9
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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

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

notice.

### **Open Until Filled**

**Service Department** Seasonal Mowing Crew Laborers

### **Agelink Childcare**

FT - Teacher's Aide FT - Lead Teacher FT - Custodian Open Until Filled

> **Bus & Truck** Department

PT School Bus Drivers

Children's Home PT Resident Counselors



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A lot of work goes into a great meal—that includes finding the right folks to prepare and serve it. We're offering generous signing bonuses on select Food & Beverage positions. Get yours at HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com.



Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply. Please see Talent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID. An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Harrah's Cherokee Casinos value diversity and inclusion, and are equal apportunity employers. @2021, Caesars License Company, LLC



# **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES**

Closing Thursday, April 29, 2021 Case Management Support /CNA - Analenisgi Food Service Worker PTI Registered Nurse/Inpatient Sterile Processing Technician Sterile Processing Technician (Part Time)

### **Open Until Filled** Advanced Clinical Pharmacist

Dental Assistant II (Multiple) Dentist - Satellite Clinics Dietary Services Supervisor -Patient Side Director of Business Analytics and Revenue Cycle **EVS Technician** 

Licensed Practical Nurse - Immediate Care Center PTI Analenisgi Inpatient Technician PTI Phlebotomist

PTI Registered Nurse - Analenisgi Inpatient Senior Accountant Targeted Case Manager - Integrated Classroom

### **Tsali Care Center** Open Until Filled

Certified Nursing Assistant (Starting Pay \$14.36 - Retention Bonus Eligible)

Certified Nursing Assistant (Part Time Intermittent) Certified Nursing Assistant (Part Time Regular) (Starting Pay \$14.36 - Retention Bonus Eligible)

Cook

Cook Aide

Director of Nursing Personal Care Assistant/CNA

Registered Nurse

Registered Nurse (Part Time Intermittent) Registered Nurse Supervisor Ward Clerk

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at (828) 497-9163 ext. 6343.

### **EMPLOYMENT**

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

### **Construction Jobs Available**

Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is accepting applications for heavy construction employees including laborers, heavy equipment operators and CDL truck drivers. Please contact our office at 828-497-5617 with questions or for additional information. You may also pick up an application at 1371 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC. from 8:00 am to 4:00 pm Monday through Friday. Pre-employment drug testing, background check and reliable transportation required. 5/5

### Now Hiring Kituwah Preservation & Education Program

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

Bo Lossiah at bolossi@nc-cherokee.com or Kylie Shuler at kylishul@nc-cherokee.com Questions, please call 828-359-6401

Deadline for submissions 4-30-21 Adult Language Education Assistant (contract position) Reports to: Curriculum & Instruc-

Reports to: Curriculum & Instructor Supervisor

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

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

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

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

Currently seeking:

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

Box Office – Selling/Scanning tickets before the show.

Concessions – Food prep, food/ beverage sales.

Retail – Sales of merchandise at the top of house.

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

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

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

### **LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 20-094

### In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph William Lomas

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLI-CATION

Reva D. Toineeta P.O. Box 2052 Cherokee, NC 28719 **5/5** 

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

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EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT

### Lavita Hill for School Board



Shiyo KoLaNvYI/ToLeDvYi,

I am so proud to be a member of this wonderful community and Tribe. We have so much to look forward to and it all starts with preparing our children for the future. I am ready to put my education, experience, and leadership skills to work for Cherokee Central Schools!

I would like to ask for your support and your vote to be the next KoLaNvYi/ToLeDvYi School Board Representative.

I would love to discuss the future of Cherokee Central Schools with you. Please contact me at (828) 736-3126 or Lavitahill2021@gmail.com.

### EDUCATED

- <mark>√</mark> Cherokee High School Graduate (1997)
- ✓ Western Carolina University, B.A. in Business Administration (2002)

#### LEADER

- ✓ Right Path Leadership Graduate
- ✓ Former Big Cove
  Community Club Secretary
- ✓ EBCI Minors Trust Fund Administrator

- SERVICE

  Vice Chairwoman,
  TERO Commission Council
- ✓ Parent Advisory Committee Member, Cherokee Central Schools
- Cherokee Central Schools

  Patient & Family
  Advisory Council
  Representative, Cherokee
- Indian Hospital

  ✓ EBCI Investment

  Committee Liaison

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FILE NO.: \_CV-20-500 Lucille Walkingstick Wolfe and Billy Edward Wolfe vs. Cynthia Regina Hornbuckle and Jacob Dewayne Wolfe TO: Cynthia Regina Hornbuckle and Jacob Dewayne Wolfe TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is custody of a minor child. You are required to make defense to this pleading no later than May 31, 2021 said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court

CHEROKEE, NC

This is the 9th day of April 2021.

for the relief sought.

Lucille Walkingstick Wolfe and Billy Edward Wolfe (petition's name) \_Shira Hedgepeth

(petitioner's attorneys' name)

PO Box 514

(petitioner's attorneys' address)

Cullowhee, NC 28723\_\_\_\_(petitioner's attorneys' address)

(828) 585-5044

(petitioner's attorney's phone number)

N.C.G.S.\_1A-1, Rule 4(j1). **5/5** 

# NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

NORTH CAROLINA
GUILFORD COUNTY
IN THE GENERAL COURT OF
JUSTICE DISTRICT
COURT DIVISION
19 CvD 9769
TINA JONES v. SETH REED and
SAVANNAH SHIVER
TO: SETH REED Take notice that a pleading seeking relief
against you has been filed in the
above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is

as follows: Child Custody. You are required to make defense to such pleading no later than [40 days from date of first publication of notice], 2021, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the \_\_\_\_\_ day of April 2021. Stephen E. Robertson Attorney for Plaintiff LAW OFFICE OF STEPHEN E. ROBERTSON, PLLC 437 West Friendly Ave., Ste. 134 Greensboro, NC 27401 (634643). 5/5

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 21-036

### In the Matter of the Estate of Mike Driver

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 PUBLI-CATION Elizabeth Ann Driver Ensley PO Box 38

Cherokee, NC 28719 **5/12** 

# NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE
INDIANS
CHEROKEE COURT
FILE NO. CV-20-406
ISAAC NOAH MURPHY, PLAINTIFF

V.

VICTORIA GRACE THOMPSON, and MARQUIS FORD, DEFENDANTS. TO: MARQUIS FORD, PARENT OF 1 MINOR CHILD, C.T., BORN 7/4/2014

TAKE NOTICE THAT a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought against you is:

**CHILD CUSTODY** 

Filed September 1, 2020, in EBCI Tribal Court.

A written answer to the complaint must be filed with the EBCI Clerk of Court of within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publication. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than June 7, 2021. Your failure to do so may result in the Plaintiff, Isaac Murphy, receiving the relief he seeks.

This the 28th day of April, 2021.

Legal Aid of North Carolina, Attorneys for Plaintiff P.O. Box 426, Sylva, NC 28779 (828) 477-4655. **5/12** 

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

### **Request for Proposals**

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

or law enforcement related field. Position will require both in-office and on-call performance of duties.

Interested individuals should submit the following:

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

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

Please email, mail or fax to:

Amber Shuler, Court Administrator

ambeshul@nc-cherokee.com

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

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

### **Request for Proposals**

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

Interested individuals should submit a brief proposal including the following:

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

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

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### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Water and Sewer O&M Program
Tribal Utilities Bldg.
Project Title: US 19 at Sequoyah
Trail Waterline Project

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Water and Sewer O&M Program is requesting separate sealed bids for the services of a licensed contractor for the purpose of constructing approximately 1,355' of 16" ductile iron waterline parallel to US 19 near Sequoyah Trail in Cherokee, NC.

The project area is located within ¼ mile of downtown

Cherokee, NC. Prospective bidders should familiarize themselves with the job-site and must be experienced in the field of utilities construction. Contract specifications and bidding documents will be provided to any licensed contractor upon request. Contact Ethan Arch, Program Manager at (828)359-6101 or by email at ethaarch@nc-cherokee.com to request a bid package.

Bid packages should be addressed to Mr. Arch at the address above and must be received by 11:00 a.m., May 20, 2021 at which time they will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered.

Indian Preference (TERO) applies for award and execution of this contract.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Arch. 4/28

### BIDs, RFPs, etc. continued

### **Requests for Qualifications**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of
Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Bridge Design (P,S & E)

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Proposals from Qualified Professional Engineering Firms to provide the following services: Design of Two (2) Bridges on the Qualla Boundary, Tsali Enola Bridge & Hornbuckle # 2 (Ellingsworth Driveway) The deadline for submitting Proposals of Qualifications will be May 13, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Barak N. Myers, CDOT Program Manager at (828)-359-6532/(828)-788-0573 (cell) or via email at HYPERLINK "mailto:baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov" baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov. 5/12

### **Requests for Qualifications**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 680 Acquoni Road Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 Phone: (828) 359-6530

Roadway Design Services
The Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians CDOT Office is requesting Proposals from Qualified
Professional Engineering Firms
to provide the following services:
On-Call Designs of roads, structures, and associated utilities. The
deadline for submitting Proposals
of Qualifications will be May 13,
2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP)

# MISSING PERSON

Rosemary Garcia

Female

Hispanic/ Latino/American Indian/Alaska Native

Missing Age: 58 years, Current Age: 58 years

Height: 5' 2" Weight: 180 lbs.

Hair: Brown Eyes: Brown

Last Known Location: Los Banos, California,

Merced County

Date of last contact: March 12, 2021

Circumstances of Disappearance: Rosemary Garcia was last seen on March 12, 2021 in downtown Los Banos. She may be experiencing homeless at this time. Namus case was created April 7, 2021

Investigating Agency: Los Banos Police Department 209-827-7070

Case #202102550

Source: www.namus.gov



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### Flowering Ground Covers

Landscapers love these plants, as they offer beauty and function, giving a yard color while helping to fight weeds and control erosion. Some favorites for full sun areas are Creeping Phlox (Phlox subulata), Candytuft (Iberis sempervirens), Ice Plant (Delosperma cooperi), Yellow Alyssum (Aurinia saxatilis), Dragon's Blood (Sedum spurium) and Snow-in-Summer (Cerastium tomentosum). Some shade-tolerating varieties are Pachysandra (Pachysandra terminalis), Bugleweed (Ajuga reptans), Yellow Archangel (Lamiastrum galeobdolon), Cotoneaster (Cotoneaster horizontalis) and Sweet Woodruff (Galium odoratum). – Brenda Weaver

Source: www.thespruce.com

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and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Barak N. Myers, CDOT Program Manager at (828)-359-6532/(828)-788-0573 (cell) or via email at HYPERLINK "mailto:baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov" baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov. 5/12

### **Requests for Qualifications**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of **Transportation** 680 Acquoni Road Cherokee, North Carolina 28719 Phone: (828) 359-6530 Construction Inspection Services The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting Proposals from Qualified **Professional Engineering Firms** to provide the following services: On-Call Inspections of repairs and reconstruction of various roadways and structures on the Cherokee Indian Reservation. The deadline for submitting Proposals of Qualifications will be May 13, 2021 at 3:00 PM, EST.

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You may request the full Request for Proposals (RFP) and requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Barak N. Myers, CDOT Program Manager at (828)-359-6532/(828)-788-0573 (cell) or via email at HYPERLINK "mailto:baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov" baramyer@ebci-nsn.gov. 5/12

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Cherokee Department of
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Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
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Professional Surveying (PLS)
Services

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### REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Water and Sewer O&M Program Tribal Utilities Bldg.

Project Title: Locust Branch Water and Sewer Improvements
The EBCI is requesting proposals from qualified engineering firms for design, permitting and bidding assistance in conjunction with the Locust Branch Water and Sewer Improvements Project.

The project includes upgrading approximately 4,300' of waterline and 4,300' of new community sewer. Firms wishing to request a proposal package should contact Ken Green, at (828) 359-6120 or by email at kengree@nc-cherokee. com.

Proposal packages must be submitted in accordance with the instructions included in the RFP to Ethan Arch, Water and Sewer O&M Program. Proposals must be received by 06/03/2021@11:00 AM at which time they shall be opened and evaluated in accordance with tribal procedures. Any proposal received after this time will not be considered.

Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) regulations apply to this solicitation and award of this contract.

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### LOW-KILLAND NO KILL OPTIONS FOR THE CHEROKEE COMMUNITY AND SEVEN COUNTY NC WEST AREA

Paws Animal Shelter 57 Lemons Branch Rd., Bryson City, NC 828-488-0418 www.pawsbrysoncity.org

Jackson County Animal Shelter 463 Airport Road, Sylva, NC 28779 828-586-6138

Appalachian Animal Rescue 851 Lake Emory Road, Franklin, NC 28734 828-524-4588

Catman3 Shelter 637 Bo Cove Road, Cullowhee, NC 28723 828-293-0892 www.catman2.org

Sarge's Animal Rescue Foundation 256 Industrial Park Drive, Suite B, Waynesville, NC 28786 828-246-9050 info@sargeanimals.org www.sarges.org

Valley River Humane Society, 7400 US 19, Marble, NC 828-837-2304

www.valleyriverhumanecociety.org email portal

Lost Dog Run 422 Crisp Road Murphy, NC 28906 ronstoesse@gmail.com 985-630-1613

ARF (Human Society of Jackson County) Post Office Box 298, Sylva NC 28779 828-273-5262 www.arfhumane.org adopt@a-r-f.org



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# CANDIDATE DEBATES



# Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center

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

\* Tuesday, June 22 \*

Big Cove Tribal Council, Birdtown Tribal Council

\* Thursday, June 24 \*

Cherokee County - Snowbird Tribal Council,
Painttown Tribal Council

\* Tuesday, June 29 \*

Wolftown Tribal Council, Yellowhill Tribal Council

\* Thursday, July 1 \*

School Board candidates (all communities)

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

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

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

