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Drug issue discussed at public forum

BV SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

rescription drug abuse and overall drug addiction were the subjects of a public forum held at the Tribal Council House on Tuesday, Aug. 13. Tribal Council representatives were joined by local health professionals and concerned members of the community to discuss the important issue.

"This is a big concern and people don't know what to do about it," said Juanita Wilson, Project Lazarus facilitator who opened Tuesday's meeting with an overview of her program. "Law enforcement alone can't do it. The Hospital alone can't do it. Analenisgi alone can't do it. We have to do it as a community."

She related that the number of people entering detox at Cherokee Indian Hospital has increased steadily over the past few years from 170 in 2008 to 245 in 2012.

"We have to find a way to get more people into treatment and on a wellness path," Wilson commented. "It's going to take all of us and not just a couple of departments."

The theme of working together permeated throughout the meeting.

"This whole system is so fragmented," said Nancy Long, of the Big Y Community. "Nobody wants to work together. With all of the drug programs you have here, unless they work together, it's not going to work. We need one comprehensive program."



Juanita Wilson, Project Lazarus facilitator, speaks during a public forum held on Tuesday, Aug. 13 on the issue of drug abuse in the Cherokee community.

Vice Chairman Bill Taylor agreed, "I think it's time that we get all of the players in the room at the same time and come up with a plan."

Chairman Jim Owle told the crowd at the meeting of a recent visit he and others took to the Fond du Lac Band of Lake Superior Chippewas reservation in northeastern Minnesota where they toured transitional housing opportunities for those in drug recovery.

"If you bring people back into

the same environment, they're going to relapse," said Chairman Owle. "We have to look at various avenues of treating our people."

Amy Walker, an EBCI tribal elder from Yellowhill, related, "We have to start utilizing the communities and going into the communities. That's where it's happening. We are all responsible in a lot more ways than having a position or working in a program."

"Take it to the communities to

"We have to find a way to get more people into treatment and on a wellness path."

> - Juanita Wilson, Project Lazarus facilitator

find out why these children are deciding to use drugs."

During the meeting, several treatment options were discussed. Wilson spoke about Project Lazarus which involves a seven component wheel to address the drug problem on an individual community basis. The wheel involves the following: community education, provider education, hospital ED policies, diversion control, pain patient support, harm reduction, and addiction treatment.

"As Cherokees, we're not supposed to be doing this (drugs)," Wilson noted. "It doesn't agree with our culture."

She did report that overdose deaths in Cherokee have dropped in recent years from eight in 2009 and 13 in 2010 to just one in 2011 and two in 2012.

A public forum was scheduled for Tuesday, Aug. 20 to discuss the possibility of a methadone clinic in Cherokee. Read next week's One Feather for details from that meeting.

Evening musical performances staged downtown Cherokee. Performances include rock n' roll, blues, jazz, Gospel and country. Evening performances are near local eateries, shopping and the downtown water features. There is room to dance and enjoy the beauty of the riverside area. Each Friday and Saturday-beginning May 3 and ending August 31.

8:00 pm to 10:00 pm For more information call the Cherokee Welcome Center at 800-438-1601 or 828-554-6490

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Will Thompson and Blackstone Band Green Valley Band

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FOOTBALL

Braves open season on Friday

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.ONE FEATHER STAFF

he Cherokee Braves open their 2013 season at home against Tuscola on Friday, Aug. 23. The maroon and gold will be under the leadership of new head coach Kiah Smith who has high hopes of building a solid program.

"I'm impressed," said Smith, a Cherokee Nation citizen who comes to Cherokee off a four-year coaching stint at Tulsa Memorial High School in Oklahoma. "There's a lot of things that people said couldn't happen that are staring to happen. We've got small changes that are occurring that are good. We had a 7am practice on a Saturday, and out of 22 kids that could practice, we

had 20 show up. People would tell me 'you're never going to get those kids out there that early', but they were out there."

Coach Smith said there has been a learning curve with the players learning a new system on both offense and defense, but he said the players have been putting in the work to improve every day. "We practice different. We just do a lot of things different, and it's new to them."

The Braves will take the field on Friday with a roster of 29. "We're going to try to play as many kids one-way (only offense or defense) as we can and still be competitive. One of the biggest problems here is retaining kids...I think one of the ways to keep kids is you give them a

chance to play."

ple out in space."

Braves will try to spread the field and throw the ball more this year.

"We're going to try to do something different. We don't have a whole lot of kids. We don't have a lot of size anymore. We have to do something outside of the norm. We can't just line up and muscle people and run it down people's throats. We're going to try to get people out into space. It's tough, at any level, to tackle peo-

Coach Smith said on offense the

He said the team is going to concentrate on the basics this season. "When you concentrate and perfect little things, things will take care of themselves."

Coach Smith related they only have one conference game before the

mid-season break. "It's the conference games that are really important, and if we can get better every week before the break, then I think we'll be able to do pretty good. We've got talent here still."

Friday night is Alumni Night, and all CHS alumni are invited to be recognized at the game. The Cherokee Booster Club relates, "All alumni in attendance will be eligible for drawings throughout the evening, and alumni will be recognized at halftime. Please be sure to pick up your raffle ticket at the alumni table when you come out to support the Cherokee Braves kick-off game at 7:30 pm!"



By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

herokee Elementary School has met the AYP (Adequate Yearly Progress) rating approval and has been certified by the BIE (Bureau of Indian Education) for the 2011-12 school year.

"I'm so proud of my teachers and students," said CES principal Paula Coker.

Cherokee Elementary is a tribal grant school and does not report test scores to the state, but the Cherokee Central Schools has adopted the North Carolina testing model for test accountability. Test scores and attendance numbers are sent to the BIE for certification.

"There is an agreement with the state," related Coker. "They send us testing materials, and we go through the same tests every other child in North Carolina has to take."

To meet the AYP standard, a school must reduce the number of non-proficient students in reading and math by 10 percent. Coker said that sometimes reducing that number is hard and must start with the basics. "I think, we, as a school, have done a better job at assessing children to know where they are. We know what level they are reading on. We know where their deficits are so we're able to pinpoint more about what needs to happen in the class-room."

For the 2011-12 year, Cherokee Elementary made the following scores:

- 3rd grade Reading 53%
- 3rd grade Math 75%
- 4th grade Reading 54%
- 4th grade Math 75%
- 5th grade Reading 56%
- 5th grade Math 67%

"We are doing great in math," said Coker. "Reading has to be the focus. It's reading where we have to close the holes. We are using the data to move forward."

For the 2011-12 year, Cherokee Elementary's third and fifth graders scored higher than American Indian students at Swain East Elementary and Smoky Mountain Elementary. Swain East's fourth graders made the highest scores for that level. Scores for Swain East are as follows:

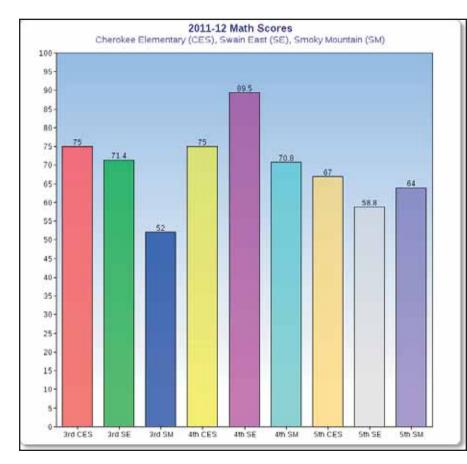
- 3rd grade Reading 47.6%
- 3rd grade Math 71.4%
- 4th grade Reading 84.2%
- 4th grade Math 89.5%
- 5th grade Reading 50%
- 5th grade Math 58.8% Scores for Smoky Mountain are as follows:
- 3rd grade Reading 52%
- 3rd grade Math 52%
- 4th grade Reading 66.7%
- 4th grade Math 70.8%
- 5th grade Reading 52%
- 5th grade Math 64%

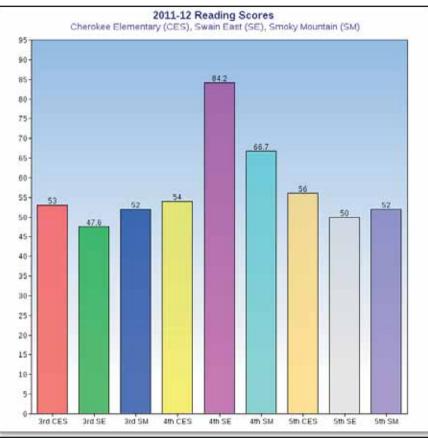
Coker said a lot has changed at Cherokee Elementary since she arrived in the 2010-11 school year. "The atmosphere was a lot different in the building at that time. Even students were saying, 'we can't do this. We've never done that well."

"The second year, the atmosphere in the building was totally different. The kids were focused. They had confidence in themselves. They knew they could do it, and I think that came out of the teachers feeling more confident in what they doing and understanding why we were doing all of those acessments."

Coker related that the confidence and participation continues to grow and improve. "Some classes had 100 percent parent/guardian participation at open house this year. That speaks to how much the parents are supportive of our school."

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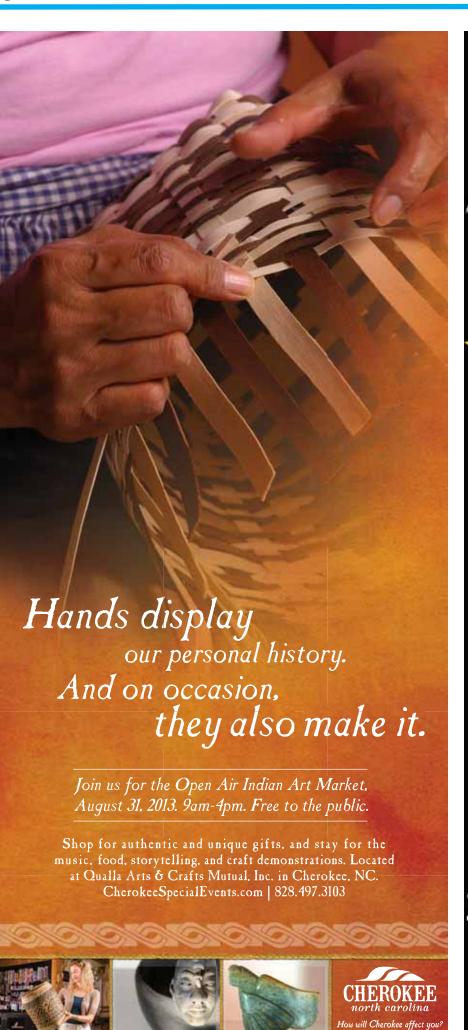
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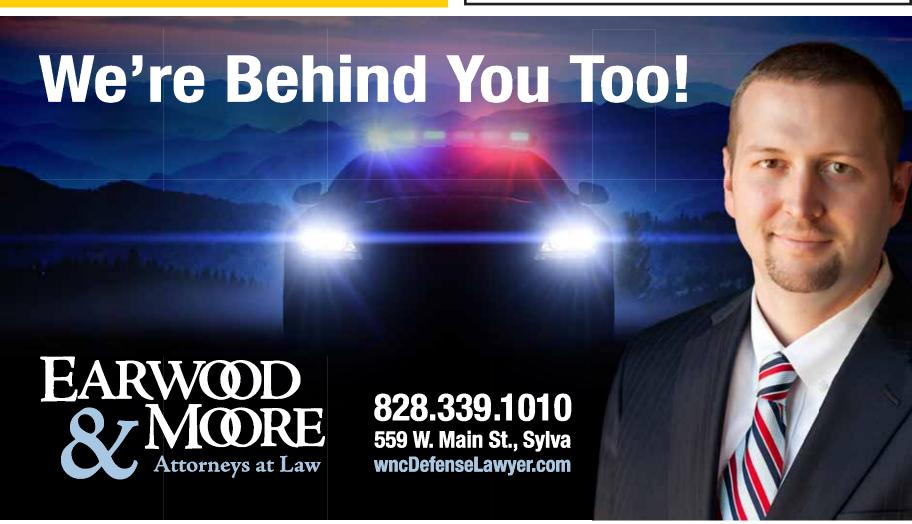
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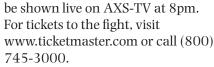
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MIXED MARTIAL ARTS

Hornbuckle has two fights coming up

EBCI tribal member Dan "The Handler" Hornbuckle (24-5) has two fights in the next few months. First, he is set to take on UFC

veteran Dennis Hallman (51-14) at Titan Fighting Championship 26 on Friday, Aug. 30 at Union Station in Kansas City, MO. The fight is scheduled to



Just a little more than a month after, Hornbuckle will defend his Deep Welterweight belt against UFC veteran Ryo Chonan (21-13). That fight is scheduled for Sunday, Oct. 20 at Korakuen Hall in Tokyo, Japan.

- One Feather staff report

Cherokee residents receive recognition at WCU

CULLOWHEE – Two residents of Cherokee were among Western Carolina University students who received academic awards or were rec-

ognized for participating in research exhibitions during the 2012-13 school year.

Sheila Cole Conner received the Department of Social Work's Excellence in Leadership Award



WCU photos Sheila Cole Conner

during the annual student recognition ceremony for WCU's College of Health and Human Sciences. A junjoring in social work, Conner is the wife of Ernest Conner, the daughter of Perry Cole and Glenna Cunning-

ior during the spring semester ma-

ham, and the step-daughter of Gene Cunningham and Tina Cole. She previously earned an associate degree at Southwestern Community College.



Cara Forbes

Cara Amera Forbes presented her project, "Diabetic Warrior: A Study of Diabetes Within the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Population," during WCU's annual Undergraduate Expo research exhibition. She was a freshman in the spring semester majoring in English. She is the daughter of Charlene McCoy and the late Clifford Forbes.

- WCU

Wolftown Community news

On Thursday, Aug. 22, Wolftown Community Club is hosting a "Question and Answer" event with the Wolftown Council Candidates at the Wolftown Gym. The event will begin at 6:30pm and end at 8:30pm. Written questions will be taken between 6-6:30pm. All candidates should be at the event by 6:15pm for an update on how the event will be held. We encourage everyone to come, submit questions and hear what is said by each candidate. Remember, we vote on Sept. 5.

On Tuesday, Aug. 27, Wolftown Community Club is hosting their annual "School Supply Give Away" event. The event will be at the Wolftown Gym from 6:30-8pm. A bag of supplies will be given to the first 50 Wolftown students. Students must be in attendance to receive their bag of school supplies. We will also provide hot dogs, chips and a drink for the students and their family (while food lasts). Come and have a good time!

Our next Community Club meeting is Sept. 9.

- Polly Jo Castorena

RE-ELECT **DENNIS E. "BILL" TAYLOR** Wolftown Tribal Council Member



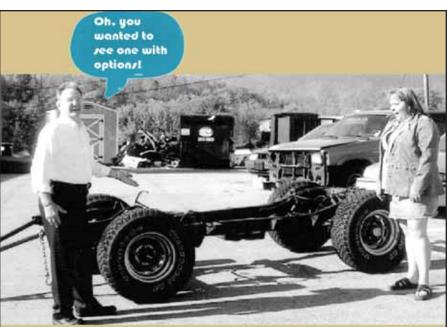
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Entrepreneurship Project Slated for New School Year

By SHAWN SPRUCE

oogle, the world's most popular website, defines an end organizes and manages any enterprise, especially a business, taking on financial risk to do so.

Plenty of folks in Cherokee fit this description. In fact, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has a proud tradition of hardworking, successful business people. Students at Cherokee High School will soon have an opportunity to learn more about these enterprising individuals and families as part of an exciting video project managed by Sequoyah Fund in partnership with CHS. The goal is for students to film a documentary that tells the story of economic development on the Qualla Boundary by conducting interviews with local entrepreneurs such as hotel and restaurant owners, contractors,

artists, and others who provide a variety of high quality products and services to the community.

CHS Business Teacher, Sharon Bradley, came up with the idea for the documentary several years ago. "For years I've shown videos to my business students about famous American entrepreneurs, like Henry Ford and Bill Gates," explained Bradley. "But, I've always wondered why we don't have a video to feature some of our own Cherokee people who can share their business expert-

Bradley's students will perform most of the research for the documentary by creating a timeline that explores an early Native economy based on agriculture and trade, and tracing it to the thriving and diverse entrepreneurial community that exists in and around Cherokee today.

According to Hope Huskey, Program Development Director at Seguovah Fund, a key objective of the project is for students to gain an appreciation of entrepreneurship as a career choice while celebrating accomplished local business people, both past and present.

"Sequoyah Fund partners closely with Cherokee High School on a number of initiatives designed to inspire entrepreneurial spirit in young people, such as our annual student business plan competition and an experiential business skills curriculum known as Rural Entrepreneurship Through Action Learning," stated Huskey. "So, naturally a video that showcases homegrown business is a great way to build on that foundation."

Funding for the documentary project is made possible through First Nations Development Institute, a Native led non-profit, that offers grants to innovative financial education programs throughout Indian

Country. Along with covering basic production costs such as meals, supplies and transportation the \$15,000 grant will enable the school to obtain several pieces of much needed equipment for its audio visual lab which can be kept after the project is completed.

"My students are really looking forward to applying their creative skills towards this project," commented CHS Audio-Visual Instructor Rob Johnson. "We've got some great ideas for how to handle filming, editing, and other production tasks. We also really appreciate the support from Sequovah Fund and First Nations."

Info: Shawn Spruce 359-5004 (sspruce@sequoyahfund.org) or Hope Huskey 359-5005 (hopehuskey@sequoyahfund.org).

Shawn is a consultant for the Sequoyah Fund.

Elect Cameron Cooper



I will be reliable I will work hard for our people I will not run from any issue I will vote on all issues

I have made a commitment to myself and my family to strengthen our Tribe and the Painttown Community. The need for a sustainable future for our people is paramount. Make that commitment on September 5th 2013

I humbly ask for your vote to be your Painttown Council Member.

VOTE **Cameron Cooper** SEPTEMBER 5TH 2013 Phone: 828-736-2611





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- -I will not support raises for Chiefs or Council Representatives when our employees are struggling to make ends meet.
- -I will not support spending millions on projects, unless our people vote to do so in referendums. Remember, increased debt reduces financial resources available for services, including per-capita distributions.
- -I stand against wasteful spending on projects such as Casino expansions while drug abuse, housing and education needs remain unmet. The social protection of our Tribal members will be a priority.
- -Big Cove deserves economic growth, a new community center, and a representative that looks out for the best interest of the community and not a select few.

Let's all VOTE for Change on September 5th, and give the govenment back to the Cherokee people.

Sgi Big Cove! - Teresa Bradley McCoy

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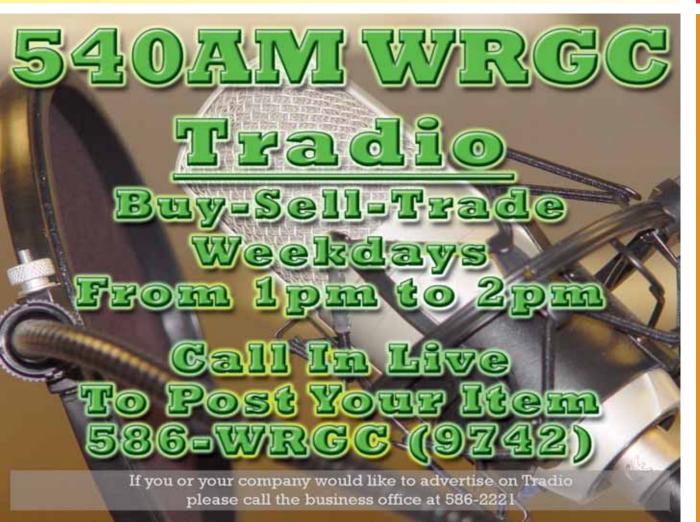
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Alumni Night at Braves football game

The Cherokee Braves and Lady Braves fall sports teams, and the Cherokee Braves Booster club are inviting Cherokee High School Alumni to be recognized at Ray Aug. 23 at the Cherokee vs. Tuscola football game. All be eligible for drawings throughout the evening and alumni will be recognized at half time. Make sure to pick up your raffle ticket at the alumni table when you come out to support the Cherokee Braves kick off game at 7:30pm.

Cherokee in a Snap submit your photos to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com



LYNNE HARLAN/EBCI Public Relations **Tribal leaders visit Chota**

Vice Chief Larry Blythe (far right) and members of the EBCI Tribal Council journeyed to the Cherokee Village site of Chota near Vonore, Tenn. on Friday, Aug. 16 to tour the former capital of the Cherokee Nation and to discuss the EBCI projects in the area with the Friends of Sequoyah Board members. Shown (leftright) are Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell, Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe, Chairman Jim Owle, Cherokee County — Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha, Vice Chairman Bill Taylor, Yellowhill Rep. B. Ensley, Big Cove Rep. Bo Taylor and Vice Chief Blythe.



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Meet the Braves

Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Report

A year in review: The completion of my pharmacy residency

By CHRIS MCKNIGHT

any of you may know me as one of the tall guys in the uniform that works in the pharmacy. What you might not realize is that my role since last July was one of the pharmacy resident. A pharmacy resident is usually a pharmacist that recently graduated from school and is looking for more education in an intensive, hands-on environment. I was pleased and honored that Cherokee Indian Hospital allowed me to join them for the year, especially since it was my (and more importantly my wife's) choice.

Throughout the year, I was able to play an active role in many clinics, such as Healthy Heart, Anticoagulation, and Pain Support Group. I assisted in creating a new Hypertension program with Dr. Farrell's team. I also worked with a cou-



Chris McKnight just completed his pharmacy residency at the Cherokee Indian Hospi-

ple of committees, including Pharmacy and Therapeutics and Infection Control. My residency project

was to create a new protocol that allows pharmacists to dose certain medications based on kidney func-

tion. I also updated the hospital's infectious disease treatment recommendations. All of these activities are on top of staffing the pharmacy. While the year was extremely busy, I was able to further my knowledge and sharpen my skills as a pharma-

I would like to thank the pharmacy staff, employees of Cherokee Indian Hospital, and the community for accepting me, being patient, and always being kind. I could not have made it through my residency without your help. I am pleased to say that I have accepted a pharmacy position here at the hospital that allows me to remain active in some of the roles I played as the resident. Also, this position allows me to stay longer than a year. I would also like to introduce Adam Walters as our new pharmacy resident, and I hope his experience is as enjoyable as mine.



Cherokee Center Report
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Conley set to release another novel



obert J. Conley, the Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies at Western Carolina University and the author of over eighty publications is about to release yet another novel, The Brothers, on Oct. 15. Conley is a three-time Spur Award winner, the latest in 1995 for his novel The Dark Island published by Bantam Doubleday. Goldminds Publishing was recently honored by the National Cowboy Hall of Fame with the West-

ern Heritage Award.

The Brothers depicts the story of a half Cherokee and Civil War veteran, Captain Skylar Garret. Garret returns to the home of Phillip Garret, his white father, seeking an inheritance that he believes to have belonged to his late mother. Intertwined now into the lives of his three half brothers - one a vocal atheist. one an aspiring minister, and the other a black slave boy who Phillip Garret doesn't claim – Skylar finds

himself in more than a quarrel for money, but also in the middle of a love triangle with his own father, and ultimately on trial for patricide.

The Brothers is based on the classic Russian novel Brothers Karamazov will be released in hardcover and eBook. It will be available for early review through NetGallery.

For more information, contact Steven Anderson, Director of Marketing and Publicity, at steven.anderson@goldmindspub.com.



The Net Generation goes to college

hose of us born between 1977 and 1997 represent the generation known as the Net Generation. We've grown "side by side" with our over-achieving sibling called technology. We use laptops, smart phones, Hi-Def television, ipods, tablets, ebook readers, and affectionately give honor and respect to our patriarch, Bill Gates. In return, Bill Gates and his wife Melinda, want to see each of their progeny succeed in their academic pursuits; to that end, the Gates Millennium Scholars Program was developed has evolved into one of the foremost supporters of Native students pursuing higher education.

The Gates Millennium Scholars Program, funded by the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation, selects 1,000 talented students each year to receive a good-through-graduation scholarship to use at any college or university of their choice. Recipients benefit from personal and professional development through leadership programs, as well as, academic support throughout their college ca-

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Meeting. Aug. 22 at
6pm at the Chief Joyce
Dugan Cultural Arts
Center at Cherokee Central Schools. Everyone
is invited.

reer. Eligible students are often the underserved and include African American, American Indian/Alaska Native, Asian Pacific Islander American or Hispanic American. Prospective students must be a United States citizen, and seeking college entrance for the fall of 2014. Academically, students must have attained a cumulative high school GPA of 3.3 or higher on an un-weighted 4.0 scale, and must entering college as a fulltime, degree-seeking, first-year student. First-time college enrollees can also be GED recipients. Additional attributes for consideration include a demonstrated quality of leadership through participation in community service, extracurricular, or other activities. Applicants must also meet the Federal Pell Grant eligibility criteria as part of the selection process. Your support system is an important aspect of your application packet. Students are nominated by an individual who can speak to the student's academic record. A recommender is also involved which provides an evaluation of the stu-

I humbly ask for your vote on September 5th. ~ Jeremy Wilson

dent's community service and leadership activities. One of the largest contributors to the college financing strategies of American Indian and Alaska Native students, the Gates Millennium Scholars Programs requires Native students to provide proof of tribal enrollment or certificate of descent from a U.S. Federal or State recognized tribe if selected as a GMS finalist. This outstanding and prestigious award opened for application submission this month with the deadline established for January

15 at 11:59 p.m. Plan your application carefully by visiting the website at www.gmsp.org. What better way for the Net Generation to thank its lofty patriarch! Good luck to those applying.

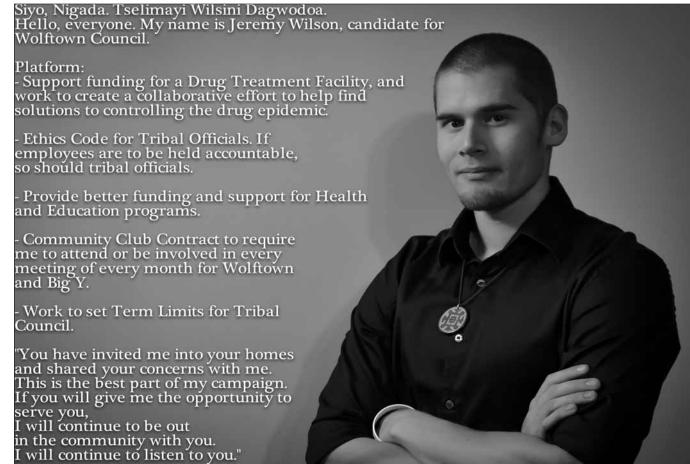
Extra Tip: Remember to keep a separate folder for each scholarship you may be seeking. Also try to have extra copies of your certified transcript, recommendation letters, and personal essay ready to go. Great organization makes this overwhelming process less stressful.

Elect Lula "Lou" Jackson

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Record rainfall may dampen fall color show, says WCU's foliage forecaster

ULLOWHEE – Abundant rainfall during one of the wettest summers in Western North Carolina history may portend a dampening of the intensity of the fall color show this year unless autumn brings vastly drier conditions, predicts Kathy Mathews, Western Carolina University's fearless fall foliage forecaster.

"With record rainfall during July, the trees in the mountains look healthy and green at the moment, and that's a good thing for the trees," said Mathews. "But leaf-lookers need to keep their fingers crossed for some drier weather in the next couple of months in order for us to see the development of vibrant fall leaf color."

An associate professor of biology at WCU who specializes in plant systematics, Mathews bases her annual prediction in part on weather conditions, including rainfall, during the spring and summer growing season. She believes that the formation of



WCU photo

Kathy Mathews is Western Carolina University's fearless fall foliage forecaster.

higher levels of pigments in the leaves correlates with dry weather throughout the year, especially in September. The drier the climate, the more brilliant the fall leaves tend to be, with bright red colors especially dependent upon dry conditions, she said.

"There always will be plenty of color in the yellow and orange hues," Mathews said. "However, if the days remain cloudy throughout September, there won't be as much of a pop of bright reds on the leaves."

Yellow and orange hues result from pigments that the leaves make year-round, hiding under the green color of chlorophyll, she said. As days get shorter and nights get colder, the chlorophyll will break down to reveal the pigments underneath.

On the other hand, the red pigments – anthocyanins – are manufactured by leaves mainly in the fall in response to cooling temperatures and excess sugar production caused by lots of sun, Mathews said. "Dryness also causes production of more red pigment," she said. "Studies have shown that trees stressed out by dry soils and nutrient deficiency produce more red pigment in the fall. Ample sunshine and dry weather is the combination necessary for brilliant fall foliage."

Another factor in the annual fall color show is temperature. "Cool nights in September, with temperatures dropping into the low 40s, release the yellow, orange and red

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colors because chlorophyll degrades faster at lower temperatures," Mathews said. "Temperature may work in our favor this year, as we have seen relatively cool summer months. If this trend continues, colors may be more vivid despite the rainfall."

In any event, visitors to the WNC mountains this fall should expect good yellow coloration in the tulip poplars, birches, beeches, and hickories, and oranges in the buckeyes, maples and oaks, she said.

And there is an upside to all the rainfall, even if it means less-vibrant fall colors – the leaves should hang around longer, "With healthy, well-watered trees, we should not see much early leaf drop," Mathews said.

Depending upon the timing of the first frost, the peak of fall color should arrive during the second week of October in the higher elevations, and during the third week of October in the mid-elevations, Math ews said. Because freezing temperatures quickly degrade chlorophyll, leaves peak in color intensity about five days after a frost, she said.

The color change should begin at the higher mountain elevations in late September and continue through mid-November in the lower levels of WNC.

Regardless of when the peak is and how intense the hues are, visitors always can find good fall color somewhere in the WNC mountains, with more than 100 tree species in the Southern Appalachians. That means not only many different colors of leaves in the fall, but also a lengthy fall color season, Mathews said.

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Park names new Deputy Superintendent

reat Smoky Mountains National Park Superintendent Dale Ditmanson announced on Tuesday, Aug. 13 that Patricia M. Wissinger has been selected as the next Deputy Superintendent. She replaces Kevin Fitzgerald, who retired earlier this year. Wissinger is currently the superintendent of Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area in Atlanta, one of the busiest recreation areas in the United States. She is scheduled to report to her new assignment in mid-September.

"Patty brings a broad base of park operational knowledge and experience to the Smokies having served as a Superintendent, Deputy Superintendent, Division Chief, and in the Regional Office," said Ditmanson. "Patty has been recognized for her leadership with partners as well as employees and I look forward to having her on our team."

Wissinger is a career National Park Service (NPS) employee who began her career in 1980 as a seasonal campground ranger on the Blue Ridge Parkway and moved up through the Park Service ranks. In addition to Chattahoochee River, she has served in management positions at the Blue Ridge Parkway, Shenandoah National Park, Cape Hatteras National Seashore, Wright Brothers



NPS photo

Patricia Wissinger has been named the new Deputy Superintendent for the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

National Memorial, and Fort Raleigh National Historic Site. She has served in extended acting assignments as Superintendent at Vicksburg National Military Park and Deputy Superintendent at Shenandoah National Park. She also served twice in the NPS Southeast Regional Office – once as the Region's Chief of Partnerships for over 63 parks and once as manager for the National Heritage Area Program, including twelve areas dispersed throughout the southeastern states and the Caribbean.

Wissinger has extensive experience in building partnerships, major museum design and construction, land acquisition planning, viewshed management, road and bridge construction projects, exhibit design, educational outreach, general management planning and managing large national park visitor services. She was recognized with numerous awards including Southeast Region Superintendent's Award for Science and Resource Management Excellence and, under her leadership, Chattahoochee River NRA was recognized for Excellence in Interpretation and Education.

"Words cannot express how excited I am to join the staff, partners, volunteers and the communities of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, one of the crown jewels in our nation," Wissinger said. "I feel like the most blessed person in the National Park Service right now. This park is unsurpassed by its natural beauty, diversity of resources, and cultural heritage. In my opinion, it is absolutely the most beautiful place on earth. I am so proud to join the committed cadre of citizens

who together will protect this incredibly special place as we also connect it to a new generation of Americans to preserve and enjoy."

A native of North Carolina. Wissinger received both a bachelor's of science degree and a master's degree in public administration from Western Carolina University. She spent many years in Asheville where she volunteered extensively for the Buncombe County School system, and served on the Boards of the Appalachian Consortium, the Haw Creek Neighborhood Association and the East Asheville Recreation Association. She and her husband Gordon both have a connection to the Great Smokies; he served as the Cades Cove District Ranger for five years in the 1980's. He currently serves as a Deputy Regional Director for the NPS Southeast Region and will retire soon to join his wife in a place he "can't wait to return to." Patty and Gordon have five grown children between them, three of whom reside in western North Carolina, one in Colorado, and one working in Glacier National Park in Montana.

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Per capita notice for new EBCI enrollees

To be considered for the December 2013 per capita distribution, a complete enrollment application for a new applicant must be submitted to the Enrollment Office by 4:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 16. Enrollment applications received after this date will not be considered for the December distribution.

An application will only be considered complete with a county certified birth certificate and Certified DNA results sent directly from the lab to the Enrollment Office. To schedule a DNA test in Cherokee, contact Michelle at the EBCI Enrollment office 554-6463. To schedule a DNA test out of town, contact Amber Harrison (918) 685-0478. DNA Testing must be scheduled on or before Aug. 30 to obtain the results before the Sept. 16 deadline.

Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered for enrollment without the social security number. However, an Enrollment Card will not be issued until the Enrollment Office receives the social security number for the new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex or you may call the Enrollment Office 554-6467, 554-6465 or 554-6466.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

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THURSDAY, AUG. 22, 2013

* Cherokee Announcements tidbits affecting ebci tribal members and the community

REMINDER FROM THE EBCI BOARD OF ELECTIONS:

Tribal General Election Sept. 5. Polls open 6 am-6 pm

ABSENTEE VOTING NOW OPEN! In-office requests for Absentee ballots will end Aug. 30 at 4:30pm.

Requirements for tribal members Absentee are as follows:

ALL Registered voters who are unable to return to Cherokee to cast their votes who

- Are on Active Military duty OR
- Employed by the Federal Government OR
- Students enrolled in institutions of higher education OR
- Tribal employees whose employment requires absence OR
- Because of illness are in a hospital, nursing home, or other treatment fa-
- nursing nome, or other treatment iacility & whose physical condition & course of treatment prevents return to Cherokee to cast their votes OR • Physically reside on Cherokee trust
- lands

ALL Applications for an Absentee ballot will require proof of which of the above criteria the voter meets.

There is NO early voting, ONLY Absentee in Cherokee Tribal Elections. ALL absentee applicants must meet one of the 6 criteria listed above.

Please contact 828-554-6361 for more information.

Hall Mountain Tract meetings

The Cherokee Tribal Office of Environment & Natural Resources is having a series of public meetings to discuss the management efforts of the Hall Mountain tract in Macon County on the following dates and times:

- Aug. 27 at Cowee School in Franklin
- Sept. 3 in Cherokee (Location TBA)
- Sept. 17 at Cowee School in Franklin
- Sept. 24 in Cherokee (Location TBA)

All meetings will be held at 6-9pm. Info: Tommy Cabe 554-6225 or tommcabe@nc-cherokee.com

Cherokee Idol seeking contestants

The Cherokee Idol Contest will be held at the Cherokee Fairgrounds in the Amphitheatre. A three night elimination is planned beginning Tuesday, Oct. 1 at 8:30pm. Phase two will be held on Thursday, Oct. 3 at 9pm and the finale is scheduled for Friday, Oct. 4 at 9:30pm.

Contestants will perform three different musical styles-R&B/Hip Hop, Country and Rock. Contestants will be asked to prepare a song from each genre for each night of the performance. Each night, the MC will randomly draw the style of music each artist will perform.

A random draw for the line -up of contestants will determine the order the contestants will perform each night. Contestants will be required to have their music for any of the three categories ready to go one hour before show time with it labeled clearly so that the sound technicians will have it ready for the performance.

Contestants will be judged on: stage presence, vocal performance and crowd reaction. Contestants must be an EBCI tribal member.

A grand prize winner and runner up will be selected. Grand prize is \$1000 and the runner up will receive \$500.

There are a limited number of slots available. To register as a contestant, call or email Chris Watty at 828-554-6486 or email at chriwatt@nc-cherokee.com.

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

Miss Cherokee 2013 contestants sought

Qualifications, Rules and Application packets are now available at Tsali Manor. Deadline is Aug. 25.

Unto These Hills Performing Arts School seeking fall students

If you have an interest in acting, singing and theatre world, then join the Unto These Hills Mountainside Theatre Performing Arts School located at 564 Tsali Blvd. in Cherokee. This is located across the street from

the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Applications are now being accepted, and scholarship are available for the fall semester. There are a limited number of scholarships available. The semester will start on Tuesday, Sept. 10.

Class will be:

- Tuesdays from 6-7pm: Acting 1/Intermediate (ages 8-up)
- Thursdays from 6-7pm: Musical Theatre 1 (ages 5-up)
 For those interested in Community Theatre, it will resume on Sept. 10 at 7pm and continue every Tuesday and Thursday from 7-8pm. You must be at least 14 years old.
 Info: Marina Hunley-Graham, artistic director, 497-3652 or Linda Squirrel, program specialist 497-1125

- Cherokee Historical Association

Seeking former Miss Cherokees for photo

The Cherokee One Feather is putting together the 2013 Cherokee Indian Fair program that will be inserted into the Sept. 26 issue as well as handed out at the Fair itself. The paper is seeking all former Miss Cherokees for a group photo to be displayed prominently in this program. A photo shoot is planned for Sunday, Sept. 15 at 3:30pm at the Homestead adjacent to the Oconaluftee Visitor Center. You may wear traditional Cherokee clothes if you wish, but it is not required. Wearing your sash and crown is encouraged though. Info: Scott 554-6263 or scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com

Cherokee Language Classes

Cherokee Language classes will be held at New Kituwah Academy on the following days and times: Tuesdays and Thursdays from 5-7pm, Mondays from 5:30-7pm, and Thursdays (lunchtime class) from 12-1pm. The Tuesday and Thursday evening class will be taught by EBCI Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver and will be an advanced Cherokee class. The Monday evening and Thursday lunchtime class will be taught by Garfield Long Jr. and is better suited for beginners. The classes are sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program.

101st Annual Cherokee Indian Fair Vendor information

A drawing was held on Monday, Aug. 19 at 5pm for food booths.

The Cherokee Fairgrounds also took names for arts and crafts vendor spaces at the 101ST Cherokee Indian Fair. You will be contacted by Friday, Aug. 23 as to whether you receive a space or not. Payment will be expected in cash by 4pm on Friday, Aug. 30 or your space will be forfeited to another vendor. No exceptions will be made. Spaces are 10'x10' and will be located on the Exhibit Hall porch at the Cherokee Fairgrounds. The fee is \$200 total for each space for the entire five-day event. Booths must remain open during stated daily hours of the Fair.

If food or craft spaces are available after the deadline, the remaining spaces will be first-come, first-served until they are gone.

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds



Public input sought for management of Hall Mountain Community Forest

he Cherokee Tribal Office of Environment & Natural Resources is having a series of public meetings to discuss the management efforts of the Hall Mountain tract in Macon County. The purchase of this tract by the EBCI was made possible by an Aug. 28, 2012 inaugural round of grants awarded by the United States Forest Service Community Forest and Open Space Conservation Program (CFP).

As part of the CFP, the 108-acre Hall Mountain tract will stay in forest use that could include public recreation resources such as trails and a pavilion, a demonstration site for practicing traditional community-based Cherokee land management, and a source for traditional artisan resources. The community is invited to attend the upcoming public meetings to learn more about the Community Forest and submit input for potential uses of this resource.

The Hall Mountain tract, six miles north of Franklin, North Carolina, is the view shed of the historic Cowee Mound Site. The Cowee Mound's significance lies in its role as the diplomatic and commercial center of the Cherokee people until the Revolution when the town was destroyed.

Meetings will be held on the following dates:

- Aug. 27 (Cowee School in Franklin)
- Sept. 3 (Cherokee Location TBA)
- Sept. 17 (Cowee School Franklin)
- Sept. 24 (Cherokee Location TBA)

All meetings will begin at 6pm through 9pm.

If you have any questions or would like to submit additional comments, contact Tommy Cabe 554-6225 or

Tommcabe@nc-cherokee.com.

- Cherokee Tribal Office of Environment & Natural Resources



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An aerial view of the Cowee Mound and Little Tennessee River from Hall Mountain.

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Church Events

Homecoming at Antioch Baptist Church. Aug 25 at 10am on Cooper's Creek.

Class for those interested about the Episcopal Church. Sundays in September at 2pm at the St. Francis Episcopal Church Parish Hall on Old River Road. The parking lot is between the parish hall and the church at the bottom of the hill. DVDs will be shown, and then there will be a time for discussion and questions. Each session will last one

Blessing of the Animals. Oct. 6 at 2pm on the lawn next to the St. Francis Episcopal Church Parish Hall on Old River Road. All animals are welcome. Dogs should be on a leash; cats in a carry cage and others however they can be kept in check. All are welcome with or without animals.

General Events

Smokey Mountain Elementary School Open House. Aug. 22 from 5-6pm.

Congressman Meadows to host Town Hall Meeting. Aug. 22 at 6pm at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center at Cherokee Central Schools.

Cherokee Speakers Gathering. Aug. 22 at 6pm at the Snowbird Recreation Center. Please bring a side dish for the pot luck dinner. Bring a dessert to auction for the Speakers Fund. If you need a ride from Cherokee, call 554-6405. If you need a ride from Snowbird, call 479-4727. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6406 or bjrich@nc-cherokee.com

Benefit dinner for Wolftown Indian ball team. Aug. 23 from 11am – 2pm at the Cherokee Methodist Church. Hickory Smoked pork barbecue dinner (pork, baked beans, cole slaw, bun, dessert, drink) for \$8. For carry-outs, call 736-7615 (leave number of orders, time and place to deliver and name)

Relay Idol. Aug. 23 at 10pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. The Native Honey Badgers will host the event during the Cherokee Relay for Life. The entry fee is \$10 with all proceeds going to the Cherokee Relay for Life. There will be a teen division and an adult division. Each contestant needs to bring a CD with two song tracks. Info: Alissa Lambert 788-7145

Choosing the Right Legal Structure. Aug. 29 from 6-7:30pm in the Sequovah Fund office in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Choosing the legal structure of your business is one of the most important decisions you will make. The right legal structure can protect you from risk and reduce your tax liability. The wrong legal structure can set you up for potential disaster. This seminar will give you the basics of the different types of legal structures available, and you'll learn the questions you need to answer to find the right legal structure for your specific business. No legal advice will be dispensed at this seminar, but you'll have the tools you need to make good choices, and you'll learn the legal vocabulary that will help you converse with an attorney, should you choose to engage one to help you set up your legal structure. The cost for the seminar is \$5 and seating is limited, so pre-registration is required. Info: Russ Seagle (828) 359-5003 or John Ross (828) 359-5006

Annual Rogers and Arch Reunion. Aug 31 at the Indian Community Center in Marble. All relatives and friends are urged to attend and bring a covered dish. Doors will open at 10am, and lunch will be served at 12 noon.

Cherokee Homecoming: Running Water Pow Wow and Ripe Corn Festival. Aug 31 and Sept. 1 at the North Shoals area of Ridge Ferry Park in Rome, Ga. Gate will open to the public at 10am each day and close at 10pm on Sat night and at 6pm on Sun afternoon. Indian Food, crafts & arts, educational and cultural programs. Info: Frank Blair 706-509-8119 or FMBlair@aol.com; Gertrude Dobson 706-629-0057 or TDBRONSON3@aol.com; Ann Cook 706-777-8763

Memorial for Bill Reed. Sept. 2 from 5:30-9pm at the Wolftown Indian ballfield. 6pm - Indian ballgame, 7pm send-off of balloons, 7:30pm singing, 8pm pot luck dinner – please bring a covered dish to share. Everyone is invited. Bring a lawn chair. Info: Frances Reed 497-9837 or Lori Reed 736-2584

Refresher Training Course covering OSHA Hazardous Waste **Operations and Emergency Re**sponse. Sept. 11 at the Shawn Blanton Emergency Operations Center 2nd Floor EOC/Training Room. This 8-hour course offers the resources required for an 8-hour HAZ-WOPER refresher/awareness class. The class, sponsored by the EBCI Emergency Management Agency, is open to the first 25 to respond. Reserve your spots by contacting Mollie Grant mollgran@nc-cherokee.com or David Wachacha daviwach@nccherokee.com

Will and Roxie Wachacha Family Reunion. Sept. 28 at 1pm at Ella Bird's house. In case of rain, the event will be held at the Snowbird Complex. All descendants of the following children are invited: Charlie, Susie, John Wayne, Posey, Winnie, Sara, Nessie, Jarrett, James, Jack, Nancy, Oney, Jessie and Joe. Bring old photos of Wachachas. There may be a person with a scanner to scan photos for a small fee. Bring

your favorite dish to share. Plates and forks will be provided. Info: Onita Bush (828) 346-4040 or Herbert Wachacha (828) 506-8563

Cherokee Women's Day. Nov. 2 from 10:30am – 2pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Exhibits, fellowship and presentations on women's roles in tribal government, cultural ceremonies, language preservation and gadugi. Free admission, lunch and goody bags provided for all participants. Info: Nikki Crisp acrisp7304@comcast.net or Lana Lambert lanalambert@ymail.com

Health/Sports Events

Cherokee Healing and Wellness Coalition monthly meeting. Aug. 22 at 11:30am at the Commons Area of the Snowbird Complex. If you are interested in traveling to Snowbird from Cherokee, contact Beth Farris (828) 421-9855 or Mary Herr 497-9498 as a carpool is being planned.

Smokey Mountain Stampede Championship Rodeo. Aug. 30-**31** at 8pm nightly in Sylva. Three event rodeo including bulls, bucking horses and barrel racing. The stock contractor is Ernie Treadway Rodeo Company, and the event is sanctioned by The National Cowboy Tour. Directions: Exit 83 off Hwy 19/23 to Skyland Drive in Sylva. Info: (865) 933-8588

Smoky Mountain Roller Girls benefit bout. Aug. 31 at the Birdtown Gym. First bout starts at 5:30pm with the Smoky Mountain Roller Girls taking the track at 7pm. Proceeds from the bout will benefit the Hawthorn Heights and Cherokee Children's Home. Tickets are \$5 ahead of time or \$7 at the door and can be purchased at www.brownpapertickets.com. Children under 5 are always free.

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Thank you

The Cherokee Life Center-Wellness Staff would like to give a huge thank you to all who helped make our 2nd Annual Youth Track Meet a success. We had nearly 135 children participate this year. Thank you to The Cherokee Youth Center, Matt Hollifield and Candy Crowe for the tents, water and helping sign kids up. Thank you to the volunteers Peaches Squirrell, Pat Hill and Tim Swayney. Shawn Crowe for the stereo system and announcing our winners, also thank you to Agelink for bringing your kids to participate. The Food Lion produce department donated fruit to event again this year. The Wellness staff strived to offer a healthy, fun and exciting day of competition to the youth, and hope all the children had a fun day.

Thank you, Ahli-sha Stephens CLC Exercise Physiologist

Letter of Appreciation

I would like to express my gratitude to the Richard Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund for awarding a grant to me for fall semester at Middle Tennessee State University. I will be beginning my first year of graduate education in the Clinical Psychology program at MTSU and as a graduate student I have incurred many more expenses than that of an undergraduate. The grant that I have received will help alleviate some of those costs and will allow me to focus more clearly on my studies.

The members of the scholarship board were very helpful and pleasant to interview with. Thank you all for being so welcoming and taking an interest

in my graduate studies. Scholarships like the Yogi Crowe fund afford me and other Tribal members with the opportunity to purchase or pay for items that would otherwise be out of our means. Personally this scholarship will allow me to further maintain my independence and has helped make the transition to my new environment easier.

Thank you for the opportunity and the support you have given me thus far and I look forward to continuing our relationship in the future.

Thank you, Megan Smith

Thank you

I would like to thank the following for all the donations to help me with a back to school project for all the children at Soco Creek Village Apartments: Cherokee Diabetes, WIC, Women's Wellness, Qualla Housing, Forestry, Cherokee Fire Department, Cherokee Dare Program, Beth McCoy, Bill Taylor and Mike Parker with Tribal Council and Mission to the World Church Group/ Tammy Jackson.

I have enjoyed doing this type of project here, and next year I want to start a bigger project for Back to School kids on the reservation.

Once again, thank you from me and all my kids here at Soco Creek Village Apartments!

Rachel Sneed Property Manager

Obituaries

Justina N. Rattler

Justina N. Rattler, 31, of the Birdtown Community, passed away unexpectedly in a Buncombe County Hospital, Thursday, Aug. 15, 2013. A native of Cherokee she was the daughter of Gloria "Punkin" Griffin of Cherokee, and Jody Rattler of Cherokee. She was a member of Boiling Springs Baptist Church. She was preceded in death by her grandfather Frank Griffin and grandmother Julia Griffin and one uncle Mack Griffin.

In addition to her parents she is

survived by two children, Timber and Kylana Sampson Rattler, both of the home; Paternal Grandmother, Elsie Rattler of Cherokee; Paternal Great Grandmother, Lula Rattler of Cherokee; one sister Kandace Griffin of Cherokee; one brother Kenny Griffin of Cherokee; seven uncles, Frank Griffin Jr., Riley Griffin, Mickey Rattler, Jackie Rattler, Timmy Rattler, Harold Rattler, and Sammy Rattler; and three Aunts, Polly Rattler, Nancey Griffin, and Martha Ledford.

Funeral Services were held on Thursday, Aug. 22 at Bethabara Baptist Church. Rev. Dan Conseen officiated with burial in the Birdtown Cemetery.

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BUYING

Buying Wild Ginseng – 4:00pm – 6:00pm on Sunday, September 1st at Jenkins Grocery, then every Sunday and Thursday at the same time. Green only until September 15th then green or dry. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or (828) 524-7748. 9/12pd

Buying scrap metal and junk **cars.** Will come to you. Give us a call (828) 488-9848 or (828) 269-3292. 10/10pd

YARD SALES

Huge Multi-family vard sale at 2511 Camp Creek Rd. Sat. 08/24/13 8 until 4 Very nice little girls' clothes, 6-10, ladies, all sizes, young male L & XL. Lil Tykes toys, books, household, bicycle, tricycle, plus a big variety of everything. A great sale! 8/22pd

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Help for Academic Struggles. In addition to my teaching and private tutoring experience, I have been trained in use of an educational tool that can open brain pathways. The technique can help people with sensory processing disorders, ADHD, academic struggles, and autism. For more information, check www.integratedlistening.com or call Joyce Parker (828) 788-7100. 8/29pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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

Positions Open

Please attach all required documents

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

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has the following positions open: Closing August 23, 2013 @ 4 pm

- 1. Housekeeper II- Housekeeping (\$19,980-\$24,980)
- 2. Intervention Project Coordinator-Domestic Violence (\$31,700-
- 3. Driver-Transit (\$22,000-\$27,500)
- 4. Carpenter-OHA (\$23,740-\$30,280)
- Truck Driver CDL-A- QHA (\$23,740-\$30,280)
- 6. Manager- Destination Marketing (\$56,460-\$71,990)
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- 1. EMT-P (Part-time) EMS
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- 1. C.N.A-Tsali Center
- 2. RN-Tsali Care Center
- 3. Cook Supervisor-Tsali Care Center
- 4. Nutritionist/Community Outreach Coordinator
- 5. RN Supervisor-Wound Care Treatment/Prevention
- 6. RN Supervisor-Tsali Care Center
- 7. Nutritionist-WIC
- 8. Staff RN- Home Health

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

One Feather deadline Monday at 12noon

EMPLOYMENT

Cherokee Central Schools is accepting applications for the following vacant positions:

School Nurse

Interim Middle School Art (state position)

Elementary Teacher

Cultural Instructor (AA Required)

Math Teacher

Please come by Cherokee Central Schools Central Office to pick up an application. Please contact Neyani Long at 828-554-5096 or email cswimmer@cherokeecentral.gaggle.net if you have any questions. Reminder: Cherokee Central Schools will be closed on Fridays during the month of July. Download applications at Cherokeecentral.sharpschools.com. All vacant positions are opened until filled.

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REALTY

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

Cherokee County

David Allen Coffey, Debbie Coffey, Jerry Wayne Coffey, John Timothy Coffey, Kay L. Coffey, Carol Sue Palmer Hogsed, Debra Patricia Murphy Gibby, Lonnie Earl Murphy, Allen James Rattler, Joshua Bryant Rattler, David Eric Rogers, Nathan Scott Rogers, Maria Queen Smith

Divisions

Jerry Wayne Coffey, Debbie Coffey, David Allen Coffey, John Timothy Coffey

3200 Acre Tract

*Carolyn Ann Murphy, Sally Anita Rogers, Sandra Leigh Ledford Robbins, Sonya Rena Ledford, Stanley Ray Ledford, Christine Ledford Walkingstick, Sheena Roxana Walkingstick, Glenn Gilbert Wolfe

Divisions

Joseph Lloyd White

Proposed Land Transfers

Jenny Rae Locust Maney to Ivy Kay Locust for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 111, containing 0.97 Acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon. Undivided interest.

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Notification of Wastewater Spill in Jackson County

House Bill 1160, which the General Assembly enacted in July 1999, requires that a municipality, animal operations, industries and others who operate waste handling systems issue news releases when a waste spill of 1,000 gallons or more reaches surface waters.

In accordance with that regulation, the following news release has been prepared and issued to media in the affected county:

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians had a wastewater spill July 30, 2013 of an estimated 1,000 gallons from a manhole near the Tribal Transfer Station. The untreated wastewater spilled into an unnamed tributary of Shoal Creek in the Little Tennessee River Basin.

The Division of Water Quality was notified of the event on August 2, 2013 and is reviewing the matter. For information contact the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (828) 497-7000.

LEGALS

EASTERN BAND OF THE CHEROKEE INDIANS CHEROKEE COURT CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA FILE # CV 13-004

CORA LEE STARLIN ALTMAN,Plaintiff,)
COMPLAINT FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE
AND EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION
ROBERT LANCE ALTIMAN, Defendant.

The Plaintiff, CORA LEE STARLIN ALTIMAN, complaining of the Defendant,

ROBERT LANCE ALTIMAN, alleges and says that

- 1. That the Plaintiff, CORA LEE STARLIN ALTIMAN, is a citizen and resident of The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Reservation, Cherokee, North Carolina. PLAINTIFF is an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. PLAINTIFF HAS RESIDED ON THE Reservation, within the State of North Carolina, for a period of at least thirty (30) days next preceding the institution of this action.
- 2. That this Court has jurisdiction pursuant to Chapter 50-10 (a), (b), and (c);

Whereas (a) the Plaintiff has resided within the territory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for at least thirty (30) days and (b) the Plaintiff has been separated from the Defendant, ROBERT LANCE ALTIMAN, for at least thirty (30) days preceding the institution of this action and (c) the Plaintiff believes the bonds of marriage between the parties is irretrievably broken.

- 3. That the Plaintiff and Defendant were duly married on or about the 10th day of August, 1990, and did live together as man and wife until approximately the 8th day of August, 2006, at which time the parties separated, and have since that time, continued to live separate and apart, never having resumed the marital relationship which formerly existed between them.
- 4 Plaintiff believes the bonds of marriage between the parties is irretrievably broken
- 5 That the Plaintiff and the Defendant have no minor children born of said relationship.

WHEREFORE, the Plaintiff prays judgment as follows:

- 1. That the Court accept this verified pleading a an affidavit upon which to base all further orders of the Court.
- 2. That the Plaintiff be granted an Absolute Divorce from the Defendant upon the grounds of thirty (30) days separation and the Plaintiff's belief that the bonds of marriage are irretrievably broken.
- 3. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper. This the $3\,$ day of Jan, $2013\,$

Cora Lee Starlin Altiman, Pro Se 9/5pd



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