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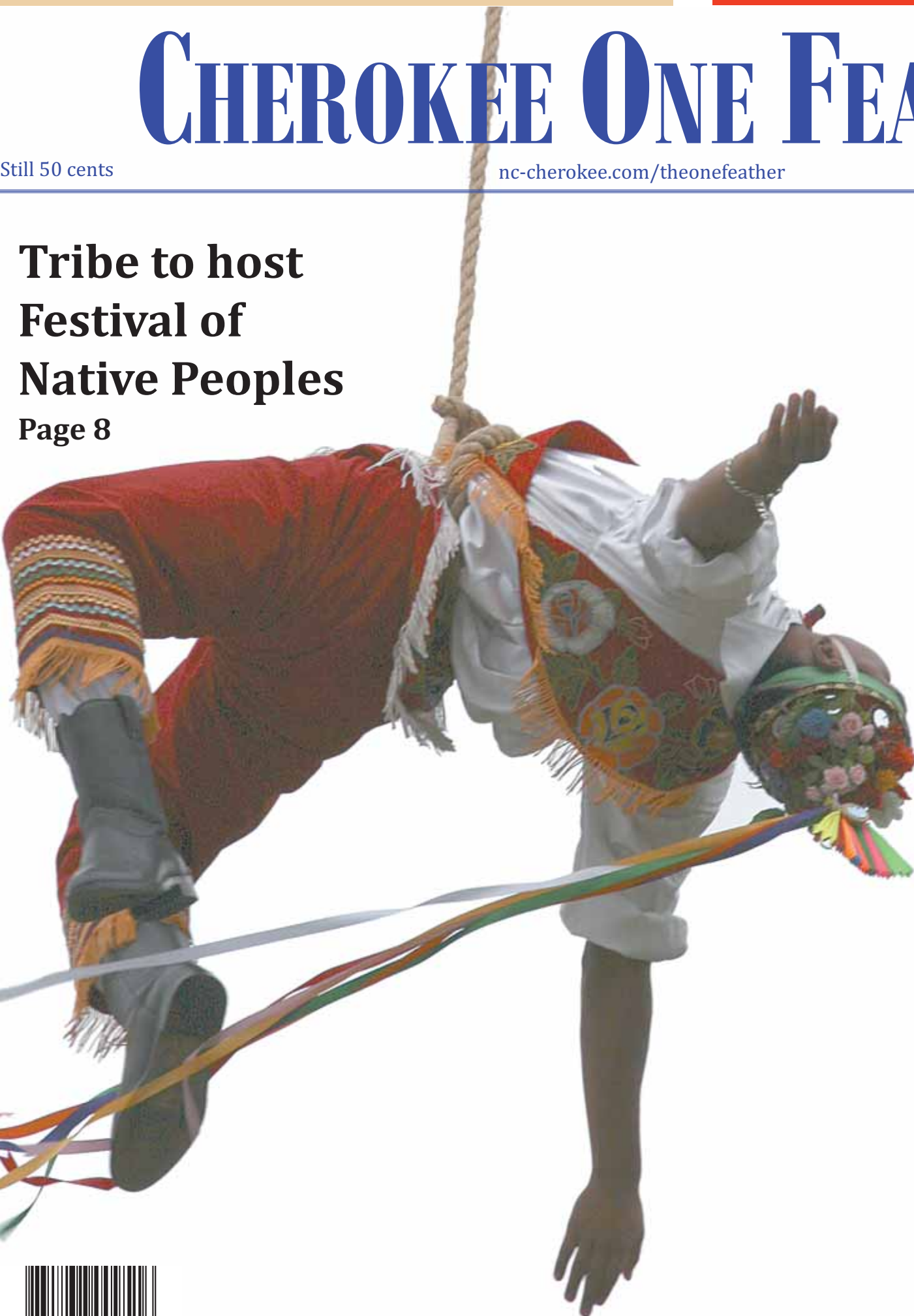
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A Closer Look at Tribal Debt

Value of Debt Service Sinking Fund

\$134 Million

Debt Service Sinking Fund (DSSF)

The Debt Service Sinking Fund (DSSF) is essentially a savings account established by Tribal Law (Section 16C-14) to "accumulate and grow capital for the retirement of the Tribe's debt." The DSSF is funded by a portion of the Tribal Government's share of gaming dollars. The purpose is to secure, minimize, reduce and/or payoff Tribal debts.

DSSF Investments



Cherokee Central Schools Construction Loan

Balance Due: \$57.2 Million
Payoff Date: 2014
Paying From: DSSF

Sequoyah National Golf Course

Balance Due: \$10.8 Million
Payoff Date: 2012
Paying From: DSSF

Loan Guarantees for Tribal Entities

Balance Due: \$8.9 Million
Payoff Date: Ongoing
Paying From: DSSF

Tribal Debt as of July 1, 2011

\$76.9 Million

Is the Casino Debt considered Tribal Debt?

No. The Tribe does not guarantee TCGE debt. The casino is an entity of the Tribe that operates separate from the Tribal Government. Debt of the casino is not considered a long-term liability of the Tribal Government, but is the responsibility of the Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise (TCGE).

If the Casino failed to pay back its loan, would Tribal assets be at risk?

No. The TCGE is responsible for the payback of the loan. TCGE has a financing agreement with Wells Fargo authorized by Tribal Council Resolution No. 859. The limit is \$650 Million and the current amount owed is \$494.3 Million.

Are funds, like the Minors Trust, at risk as a result of debt?

No. The Tribe does not guarantee TCGE debt. Assets of the Tribe, including the Minors Trust are protected by provisions within the loan agreement.



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I AM ASKING FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND VOTE ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2011. ONE MUST BE A WILLING SERVANT OF THE PEOPLE IN ORDER TO BE AN EFFECTIVE COUNCIL MEMBER.

AS YOUR REPRESENTATIVE, I WILL CONTINUE TO KEEP YOU INFORMED AND I WILL KEEP ASKING QUESTIONS, ON YOUR BEHALF, UNTIL WE GET ANSWERS.

YOU ARE IMPORTANT TO ME AND I THANK YOU FOR GIVING ME THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE.

Pol. Ad Paid by Candidate 8/25

What are you doing to our people?

It has become quite clear in the recent weeks that this campaign is going to continue to get vicious. We have endured the lies, the threats, and the vicious attacks against us personally but we also had to point out the personal attacks on the elders within our family. And now you have resorted to attacking our children.

We were called early Tuesday morning and were told that some of Hicks' supporters posted fliers all over town, as well as Bryson City, about our daughter. It is a shame that it wasn't enough to attack our elder family members but now you are attacking our daughter.

Our daughter made a mistake, she was charged and she has suffered the consequences of her actions; a lesson we taught both our children many years ago. They know when they make choices in their lives; they will have to live with those consequences, whether they are good or bad. We never said our daughter was perfect like you are Mr. Hicks. But she has accepted her responsibility and she has moved on. She is attending law school and trying to do well with her life.

I am saddened and also a little angry that the leader of our Tribe, a person that is supposed to lead by example would show the hatred in his heart for one man by attacking a young enrolled member that has done nothing to him and is not a candidate for any office.

How do you sleep at night knowing what you have done? How can you do this to someone? How does it make you feel knowing you have brought dissention, fear, hatred and division to our people? You said one time when the issue of alcohol came up that you believe that a decision to open the door for alcohol would shame our forefathers. Would our forefathers be proud of you now, Mr. Hicks? Would they be proud of what you have done to our Tribe and its members? You need to think about that and while you are thinking, we will be praying because you need a lot of prayer.

You say you won't get in the gutter but you have chosen to throw others in the gutter, including a young lady that has done nothing to you. I guess you never learned the lesson on choices and consequences.

Signed,
Cyndi Lambert

8/25

With over **34 years of public service**, Vice Chief Larry Blythe has the **experience and knowledge** to best serve the people of Cherokee...

Vice Chief Blythe has worked hard to create an **all-inclusive housing plan for Cherokee** that includes: 20-unit project located in Hyatt Cove, the newly opened HIP development in Byrdtown which offers housing for our Senior Citizens and disabled.

An honorable representative of our Tribe, Vice Chief Blythe has worked with state leaders to bring much-needed infrastructure to Cherokee, as well as provided crucial testimony before US Congressional Committees regarding the protection of our natural resources.

Vice Chief Blythe has helped to **improve our greenways and pedestrian traffic** and **bring more tourism to Cherokee**.

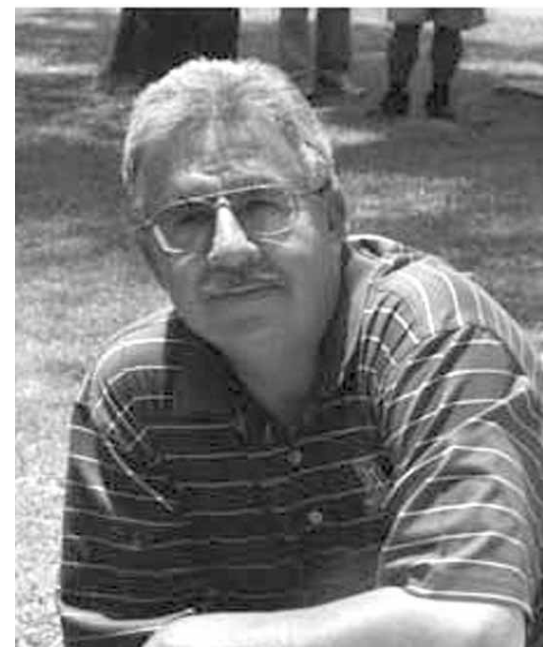
While serving as your Vice Chief, critical upgrades have been made to our waste water treatment plant and improvements are now being implemented to our water treatment facilities.

A staunch supporter of the Cherokee economy, Vice Chief Blythe has worked with the Sequoyah Fund since its inception to provide funding for new business ventures, broadband internet service and sustainable development projects.

Vice Chief Blythe has spearheaded the effort to create a drug and alcohol treatment facility in Cherokee and continues to seek new sources of facility funding.

Vice Chief Blythe has the **experience and wisdom to assume the role of your Principal Chief** should such unforeseen circumstances ever occur.

RE-ELECT VICE CHIEF
LARRY BLYTHE
SEPTEMBER 1st



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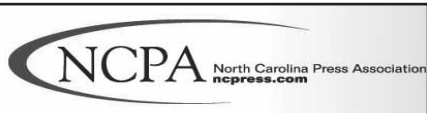
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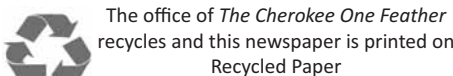
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Dirt flies as ground was broken on the Birdtown HIP Housing Project on Monday, Aug. 22. Shown (left-right) are: Travis Smith, Cherokee Boys Club; Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe; Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe; Vice Chief Larry Blythe; Wolfetown Rep. Mike Parker; Chairman Jim Owle; Vice Chairman B. Ensley; Principal Chief Michell Hicks; Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell; and Tommy Lambert, Cherokee Boys Club general manager.

Groundbreaking held for Birdtown HIP Development

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The new Birdtown HIP Housing Development got underway as a groundbreaking was held at the site on Monday, Aug. 22.

The five-house development, for handicapped and elderly EBCI tribal members, is being constructed by the Cherokee Boys Club Construction and Facilities Department. The project will tentatively take 16 months to complete.

"This will be the second HIP project that the Tribe has funded," said Tommy Lambert, Cherokee Boys Club general manager. "We appreciate the funding that was put forth through the Housing Division for this project."

"The Boys Club is proud to be the ones to construct these houses for the handicapped and elders, and we appreciate the opportunity that we've been given over the years to do these

HIP houses."

The first HIP project of the Tribe was constructed in the Wolfetown Community. HIP projects are in the works for the Big Cove and Yellowhill Communities.

"We just appreciate the Boys Club coming and doing this work for us here," said Chairman Jim Owle. "I appreciate Council and the Tribe for purchasing this property. We didn't really know what we were going to do here with this property, but I think the HIP project is the best project we can do."

Principal Chief Michell Hicks commented, "I've done a lot of home visits over the years, especially recently, and there's a lot of appreciative elders and disabled folks out there."

"It's amazing how fast we can move if we set our minds to it, and this shows you how quickly we can get things done if we get everybody on the same page. I'm pleased with where we're at and where we're going."

Vice Chief Larry Blythe said that housing has been a priority of the administration. "We're working hard to try to secure that future, and everybody's entitled to decent, affordable housing."

He said the Birdtown HIP project is one good step towards meeting the housing needs of the Tribe. "We're blessed, as a Tribe, with the things that we're able to provide. It just feels good when we can do a project like this and impact people's lives. There's a lot of hard work ahead of us to do, but I know we can do it if we all just work together."

Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe commented, "This is a good project to be here for Birdtown. It's going to help out the handicapped and the elderly folks. It's going to be run the same as the one in Long Branch, and we're excited to have one in Birdtown."

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Soco Creek Village Apartments open

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
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Nancy Bradley-Cox, an EBCI tribal member making her living as a basket maker and craftswoman, has had a hard time of it lately with several injuries and a bad housing situation. But, she was on cloud nine as she became one of the first tenants in the Soco Creek Apartments.

The 60-unit apartment complete, located in the Wolfetown Community, officially opened on Thursday, Aug. 18 offering Bradley-Cox and others affordable, nice housing.

"It's clean," she said. "I like it."

Bradley-Cox, who is nursing a fractured shoulder and two knee surgeries, said her previous place was overpriced and unkempt with little maintenance by the landlord. "That place wasn't fit to live in really."

"Here (at Soco Creek), I'm in one of the handicapped buildings and that was a lot of help. There's more room and I can hang onto things when I go take my showers and go to the bathroom. That's a lot of help."

Vice Chief Larry Blythe told the crowd gathered for the grand opening that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is the second tribe nationally to have a development like this on tribal property. "It's been a group effort. This is the result of a lot of blood, sweat and tears."

Vice Chief Blythe thanked Fred Mills, founder and manager of United Property Management, for his work on the project. "Tribal Council saw the benefits. Tribal Council stepped up and authorized the project, and then Fred stepped in and did his due diligence. Personally, I want to thank Fred for having the confidence in us as a Tribe and us as a community."

Vice Chief Blythe said Mills leases the property from the Tribe. "That money is set aside for the Boys and Girls Club so they are beneficiaries of it."

"The Tribe has very little money outlaid in this project. I've always said I would rather spend someone else's money instead of my own money," he joked.

Mills commented, "It's been a labor of love. We've had a lot of fun doing it. We've had a little heartache."

"It worked out and I couldn't be prouder of how it's turned out."

The entire project, around \$6.7 million in all, was funded through three sources including: a first mort-



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Vice Chief Larry Blythe (center) cuts the ribbon to officially open the Soco Creek Village Apartments on Thursday, Aug. 18. Shown (left-right) front row - Boyce Deitz, staff representative for Congressman Heath Shuler (D-NC); Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell; Rachel Sneed, Soco Creek Village Apartments site manager; Vice Chief Blythe; Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke; State Sen. Jim Davis (R-Macon); back row - first two are unknown, Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe, Wolfetown Rep. Bill Taylor, and Fred Mills of United Property Management.

gage from CICCAR (Community Investment Corporation of the Carolinas) for \$969,259; a \$1.5 million North Carolina Tax Credit which is a 30-year deferred loan that will not have to be paid on for that period as long as the housing remains affordable; and the remaining \$4.2 million from an exchange loan from the N.C. Housing Finance Agency.

According to information from the complex, "Each of the 60 units at Soco Creek Village features washer/dryer connections, an energy-efficient heat pump, walk-in closet, dishwasher, and mini blinds. On-site community amenities include resident community center, computer lab, outside grilling area, and playground."

The following floor plans are available:

- * 982 sq. ft. two bedrooms, one full bath - \$342-\$478/month
- * 1,201 sq. ft. three bedrooms, two full baths - \$391-\$550/month
- * 1,369 sq. ft. four bedrooms, two full baths - \$615/month

Info: Soco Creek Village Apartments 497-0066.



Deitz and Rep. Shell check out one of the three-bedroom units prior to the ribbon cutting on Thursday.

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(shift varies) \$15.00

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Highlighting Culture

Tribe to host Festival of Native Peoples

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will play host to several tribal groups at the annual Festival of Native Peoples scheduled for Friday, Aug. 26 and Saturday, Aug. 27 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Groups from seven tribal groups, including two from Mexico, are slated to perform at the Festival.

"The Festival of Native Peoples allows guests of the EBCI the opportunity to interact with tribes from around the continent," said Robert Jumper, EBCI Travel & Tourism manager. "What could take the average traveler months or even years to experience is provided at the Festival of Native Peoples in two exciting and action-packed days."

Jumper said the local economy sees a boost due to the event. "Our local attractions report significant increases in attendance during the Festival of Native Peoples and travelers have come from all over the world to experience the event in previous years. The performers from the various nations also experience the rich culture of the Cherokee people while in town."

"I hope that our friends from native tribes and our guests who come to see the performances have a great time of fellowship and learning at the Festival of Native Peoples. Festival of Native Peoples would not be possible without the continuing support of the Cherokee Preservation Foundation."

The following groups are on the schedule according to EBCI Travel & Tourism: Cherokee Warriors – Cherokee, NC; Tsimshian – Kingston, Wash.; Osage – Pawhuska, Okla.; Aztec – Mexico; Totonac Pole Flyers – Vera Cruz, Mexico; Dine' – Joseph City, Ariz.; and Apache – San Carlos, Ariz.

"Cherokee's Festival of Native Peoples is a great event in a time of the year when tourism to our area begins

to slow down as schools go back in session and the weather begins to turn cooler," said Matthew Pegg, Cherokee Chamber of Commerce executive director. "The festival provides a great late season boost to the hotels, restaurants and shops as participants typically are not local and need their services."

"As far as a tourist draw, the Festival of Native Peoples is one of the best for people who want to experience the culture of various tribes. It is one I look forward to every year."

Schedule of Events

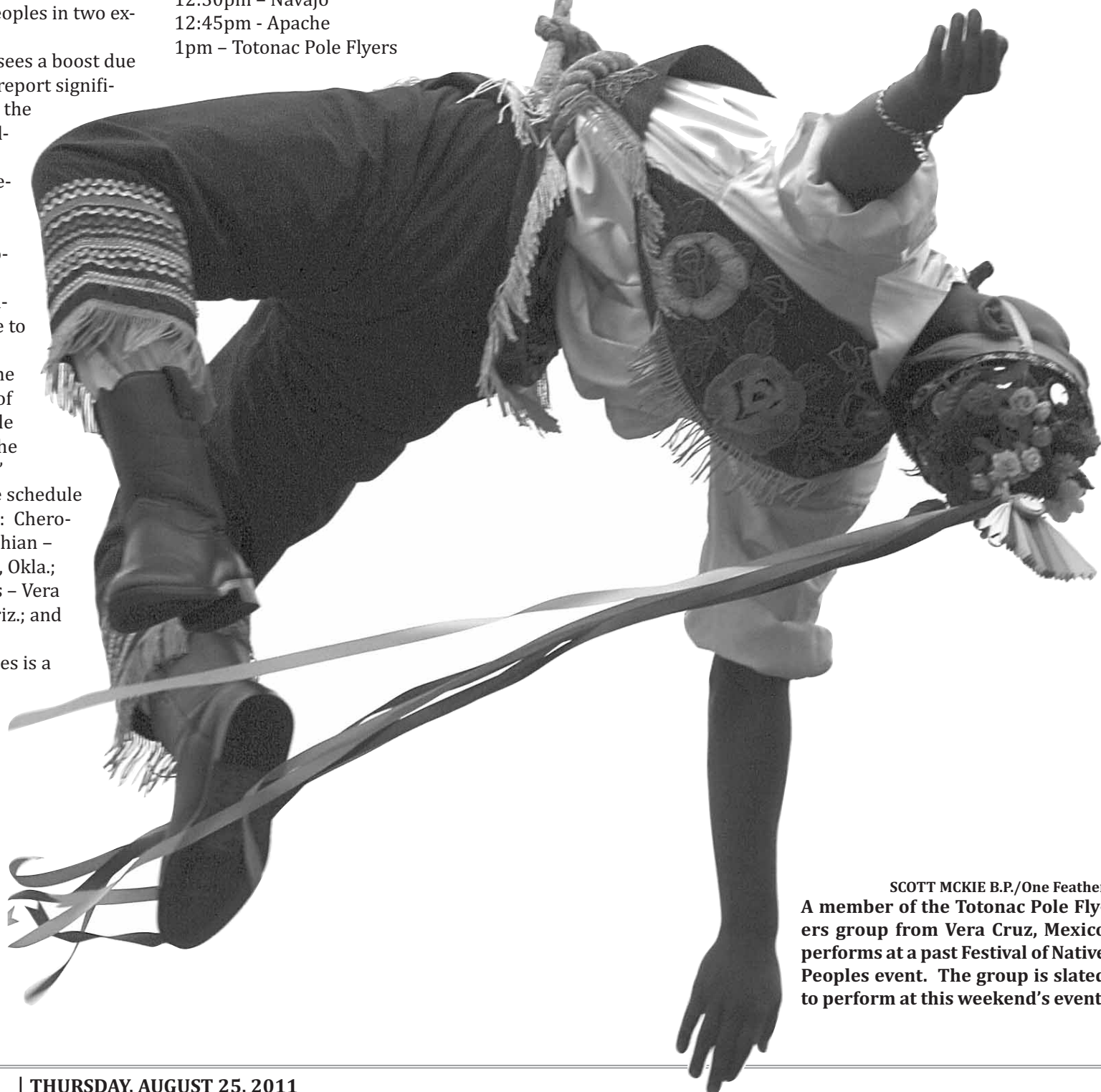
Friday, Aug. 26

11am – Gates open, demonstrations for school children
11:30am – Tsimshian
12pm – Osage
12:15pm – Aztec
12:30pm – Navajo
12:45pm – Apache
1pm – Totonac Pole Flyers

2pm – Cherokee Warriors
3pm – Osage
4pm – Tsimshian
5pm – Navajo
6pm – Aztec
7pm – Apache
8pm – Totonac Pole Flyers

Saturday, Aug. 27

11am – Gates open
12pm – Cherokee Warriors
1pm – Totonac Pole Flyers
2pm – Apache
3pm – Osage
4pm – Aztec
5pm – Tsimshian
6pm – Navajo
7pm – Totonac Pole Flyers



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather
A member of the Totonac Pole Flyers group from Vera Cruz, Mexico performs at a past Festival of Native Peoples event. The group is slated to perform at this weekend's event.

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Aug. 9

BIGWITCH, John A.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$200 fine, \$140 court costs
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BRADY, David
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed

GILLIAM, Brandi Marie
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty/Responsible, 6 months probation, 48 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, Defer Judgment
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed upon Plea
14-95.11(f) Drugs: Advertising Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed upon Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed upon Plea

HORNBuckle, Houston
14-5.2 Communicating Threats (DV) – Dismissed upon Plea
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (4 days), \$250 fine, \$100 restitution, \$140 court costs
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief (DV) – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (4 days), \$250 fine, \$100 restitution, \$140 court costs
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed upon Plea
14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed upon Plea

MCCOY, Timothy Jason
14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

OWLE, Michael Dean
14-40.1 Domestic Violence – Dismissed upon Plea
14-5.2 Communicating Threats (DV) – Guilty/Responsible, Batterer's Treatment, Stay Judgment
14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense (DV) – Dismissed upon Plea

Judgment Summary for Aug. 12

BEN, Henry Allan
14-40.64 Reckless Endangerment – Deferred Prosecution, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second De-

gree – Dismissed upon Plea
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Deferred Prosecution, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Deferred Prosecution
14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Deferred Prosecution, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed upon Plea

BRADLEY, Amber Sneed
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed

BURNEY, Paula Gay
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Dismissed, No Discovery

CROWE, Galanvdi
14-10.40 Burglary – Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-10.60 Larceny - Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-40.40 Burglary - Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief - Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief - Vol. Dismiss after Investigation
14-10.60 Larceny - Vol. Dismiss after Investigation

CUCUMBER, Bobby Joe
14-25.2 Drugs (Poss Schedule II) – Dismissed upon Plea
14-25.2 Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty/Responsible, 14 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$140 court costs, \$100 fine, \$1000 DARE, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, 1st Offender Program, when complete may ask for dismissal

DOALSON, Charles Kyle
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Discovery
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Discovery
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed, No Discovery

GEORGE, Herbert
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, 7 days active jail time, 12 months probation, \$2000 fine, \$1000 DARE, \$140 court costs, 48 hours community service, obtain Substance

Abuse Assessment

GOULD, Amy
14-15.1 Public Intoxication – Guilty/Responsible, \$20 fine, \$140 court costs

HICKS, Freda M.
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Vol. Dismissal, No Discovery
20-154(a) Unsafe Movement – Vol. Dismissal, No Discovery

LOSSIAH, Brenda
20-146(a) Left of Center – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, 7 days active jail time, 12 months probation, \$2000 fine, \$140 court costs, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.7(a)(1) Transporting an Open Container of Alcoholic Beverage – Dismissed upon Plea

MEEKS, Christopher J.
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 48 hours jail time suspended, 6 months probation, \$200 fine, \$1000 DARE, \$140 court costs, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
20-140(a) Reckless Driving (Wanton Disregard) – Dismissed upon Plea

OOCUMMA, Anthony
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Dismissed upon Plea
14-10.11 Injuring Real Property – Guilty/Responsible
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-140(b) Reckless Driving (Endanger Person or Property) – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.7(a)(2) Driving Consuming, amended to Driving After Consuming under 21 years – Guilty/Responsible, 72 hours active jail time, \$100 fine, \$140 court costs
20-138.7(a)(1) Transporting an Open Container of Alcoholic Beverage – Dismissed upon Plea
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Dismissed upon Plea
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Dismissed upon Plea

WALKINGSTICK, Carla T.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$25 fine, \$140 court costs

WARD, Richard Evan
14-20.1 Indecent Liberties Child – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-20.4 Sexual Abuse of Minor Ward – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed with Leave to Refile
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

WATTY, Lindsey C.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 72 hours jail time suspended, 6 months probation, \$200 fine, \$1000 DARE, \$140 court costs, 24 hours community service, SAA and comply, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-146(a) Left of Center – Dismissed upon Plea

WILLIAMS, Savetta R.
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – No Contest, 30 days jail time suspended, 2 years probation, \$100 fine, \$1200 restitution, \$140 court costs
14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – No Contest

Judgment Summary for Aug. 17

JENKINS, Corey Michael
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Guilty/Responsible, 12 months probation, \$140 court costs, \$100 fine, \$1000 DARE, 48 hours community service

MILES, Christopher Allan
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed upon Plea
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed upon Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days active jail time, \$1000 DARE
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed upon Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed upon Plea
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed upon Plea
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed

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upon Plea
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed upon Plea

PARTON, Courtney
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (11 days), \$200 fine, \$1000 DARE, \$140 court costs
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed upon Plea

TAYLOR, Veronica Sue
14-10.61 Receiving or Possession Stolen Property – Vol. Dismiss
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice - Vol. Dismiss

TEESATESKIE, Dawn Rae
14-10.60 Larceny - Vol. Dismiss
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Vol. Dismiss

Judgment Summary for Aug. 19

ALVARADO, Hugo T.
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

ARCH, William H.
20-138.3 Driving after Drinking by Provisional License – Dismissed upon Completion of Deferred Prosecution
20-7(a) No Operator's License - Dismissed upon Completion of Deferred Prosecution
14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 - Dismissed upon Completion of Deferred Prosecution

BEUIS, Arlie Cleo
20-154(a) Unsafe Movement – Dismissed at Request of Prosecution

BIGMEAT, Nicey
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$200 fine, \$140 court costs

CARROLL, Steven C.
20-166.1(a) Failure to Report Accident – Dismissed upon Plea
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Guilty/Responsible, 60 days jail time suspended, 2 years probation, \$400

fine, \$1000 DARE, \$140 court costs, 24 hours community service, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment
20-140(a) Reckless Driving (Wanton Disregard) – Dismissed upon Plea

CONNOR II, Jerry L.
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed upon Plea
20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

CROWE, Kevin Kristopher
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Called & Failed

DELEON, Rolondo Daniel Perez
20-146(a) Left of Center – Guilty/Responsible, \$25 fine, \$140 court costs
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

DIEM, Benjamin C.
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Paid on Waiver, \$15 fine, \$140 court costs

GALLAGHER, Sun Chu
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Paid on Waiver, \$25 fine, \$140 court costs

GEORGE, James M.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$150 fine, \$140 court costs
20-154(a) Unsafe Movement – Dismissed upon Plea

HOYLE, Gracie Hyatt
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Prayer for Judgment Continued, \$140 court costs

KRUPP, Lisa Marie
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Report Infraction

LAMBERT, Jasmine
20-313(a) No Insurance – Called & Failed
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Called & Failed

LITTLEJOHN, Justin Tyrone
20-154(a) Unsafe Movement – Guilty/Responsible, \$15 fine, \$140 court costs

LONG, Autumn Sunshine
20-313(a) No Insurance – Called & Failed
LOSSIAH, Chantele Brea
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Prayer for Judgment Continued, \$140 court costs

MANEY, Jonathan Micah
20-152(a) Following Too Closely – Dismissed upon Plea
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, credit for time served (2 days), 12 months probation, \$150 fine, \$140 court costs

MANN, Kevin C.
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed upon Proof
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Guilty/Responsible, \$25 fine, \$140 court costs

MARTINEZ, Andrey Efren
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

MATHIS, Aletha Melissa
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Called & Failed
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Called & Failed

NORTON, Pamela Lashale
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Prayer for Judgment Continued, \$140 court costs

OOCUMMA, Sara M.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Called & Failed
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Called & Failed

OWL, Elleita N.
20-313(a) No Insurance – Dismissed upon Proof
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed upon Proof

PEREZ, Claudia Lynn
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Called & Failed
20-138.1(a) Driving While Impaired – Called & Failed
20-166(c) Hit and Run: Failed to Stop at Scene of Accident – Called & Failed
20-140(b) Reckless Driving (Endanger

Persons or Property) – Called & Failed

PFAU, Stephen M.
20-141(a) Exceeding a Safe Speed – Paid on Waiver, \$25 fine, \$140 court costs
20-146(a) Left of Center – Paid on Waiver, \$35 fine

PHEASANT, Justin David
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Called & Failed

ROACH, Ester Denise Creamer
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

SAUNOOKE, Ashley Nicole
14-25.2 Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed, Failure of Cherokee Indian Police to Provide Discovery

SAUNOOKE, Jessie Malin
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, \$150 fine, \$140 court costs, 24 hours community service

SNEED, Thad Dustin
20-137.1(a1) Failure to Use Child Restraint – Report Infraction

SWAYNEY, James E.
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed Upon Proof

SWAYNEY, Jill
20-7(a) Failure to Carry License – Dismissed upon Proof

TRAMPER, Kenneth Lee
20-138.7(a)(1) Transporting an Open Container of Alcoholic Beverage – Called & Failed

TRANter, Jordan Elizabeth
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed upon Proof
20-141(e) Speeding in excess of posted speed limit – Prayer for Judgment Continued, \$140 court costs

VASQUEZ-ZAVALA, Erick Omar
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$140 court costs

- Cherokee Tribal Court

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Mistakes costly in Braves' opener

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

SYLVA - Three lost fumbles and a slew of penalties cost the Braves in their season opener against the Smoky Mountain Mustangs on Friday, Aug. 19. The mistakes combined with a 20-point third quarter by the Mustangs, gave Smoky Mountain a 26-14 win.

Greg Tisho caught two touchdown passes for the Braves' two scores. In all, he caught five passes for 60 yards which accounted for almost half of Cherokee's total offense (137yds).

Usually a strong running team, the Braves only gained a total of 45 yards on 32 carries. Logan Woodard was the lead rusher for Cherokee with 40 yards on 15 carries. He also completed 5 of 9 passes for 92 yards.

But, a large part of that equation could have been due to a pre-game injury by Dorian Walkingstick - Cherokee's leading rusher from 2010 and one of the top rushers in the entire state. No word yet on the extent of his injury.

Cherokee got off to a slow start in this game fumbling the ball on the third play of the game. Smoky Mountain's Clay Buchanan recovered the ball, but it was short lived as they fumbled the ball right back to the Braves two plays later.

Tavi Rivera recovered the fumble and Cherokee set up shop at the Smoky Mountain 30 yard line. Then, Ray Smith connected with Tisho for a 26-yard score. Derrick Ledford's kick was good and Cherokee led 7-0 with four minutes left in the first quarter.

A few minutes into the second quarter and the Mustangs would get on the board as Drew Londo hit Zachariah Carter on a 27-yard touchdown pass. The kick failed and Cherokee took a 7-6 lead into the locker room.

Not sure what their coach told them at halftime, but the Mustangs came out running on all cylinders in the third quarter scoring 20 points. Blake Smith got it going on a 54-yard touchdown run just 23 seconds in the half. The two-point conversion failed and Smoky Mountain led 12-7.

Led than two minutes later, Smith was back in the end zone on a 7-yard run. Again, the two-point try failed and Smoky Mountain extended its lead to 18-7.

Later in the quarter, Woodard gave the Braves life again as he intercepted a Londo pass at the Smoky Mountain



Braves tight end Greg Tisho catches the first of two touchdown passes in the game.

SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos



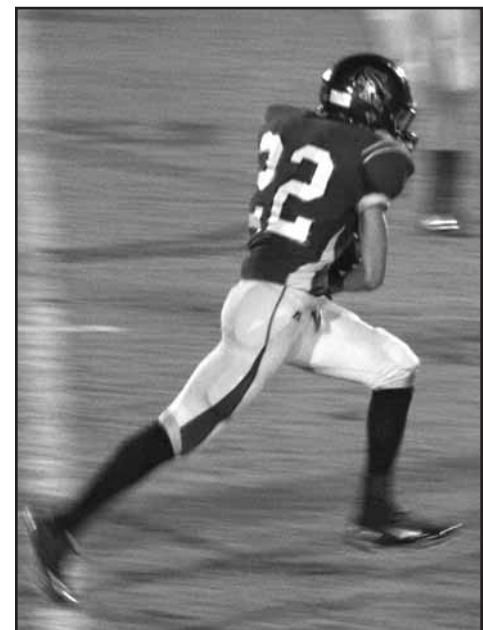
Tavi Rivera tackles Blake Smith (#22) in the backfield in the first half of Friday's game. Rivera recovered a fumble which help set up the Braves first score.

31-yard line and returned it to the 10.

Then, Smith hit Tisho on a 10-yard score for their second touchdown connection of the game. Ledford's kick was good and Cherokee cut into the

lead 18-14.

Just forty seconds later, and Smith put the finishing touches on the game on a 51-yard touchdown run, his third of the game. Nick Gracheck hit Londo



Smoky Mountain's Blake Smith (#22) takes off on a 54-yard touchdown run early in the third quarter.

for the two-point and the Mustangs pulled away to 26-14 which is how the game would end.

The Braves travel to Mitchell on Friday, Aug. 26. Mitchell is coming off a huge opening game win (48-6) over Avery in which they amassed 617 total yards, 534 on the ground. That game is set to kickoff at 7:30pm.

To the People of Big Cove

Siyo,
Thank you for the honor and privilege of serving you the last six years. I am proud to be Cherokee and proud of Big Cove. Being a council member is not an easy job but it is very rewarding when I know I have made a positive difference the lives of my people. The well being of all enrolled members has been at the heart of every decision and action I have taken. I take my oath of office very seriously and understand the importance of the decisions I have made. I feel that I have honored my oath and our Tribe. If reelected I will continue to do so.

I ask again for your vote and the honor of serving you for another term. Thank you for your support and may God Bless you and your family.

Sgi,
Perry Shell - Home: 497-0044, Cell: 269-0926

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Team Lady Killers: back row (left-right) Tiffany Crisp, Sonya Blankenship, Nikki Young, Kim Deas; front row - Erin Worley, Tara Arch and Janet Shuler

The Lady Killers win Women's Volleyball League

The Cherokee Women's Volleyball League at the Birdtown Gym started in June and ran through August. There were 10 teams who entered for competition, and these teams traveled anywhere from Snowbird to Cullowhee to compete. The winners of the Cherokee Women's Volleyball League were The Lady Killers. The official standings are as follows:

1st - The Lady Killers (16-2)
2nd - Kaleidoscope (12-6)
3rd - Piranhas (12-6)
4th - Spiked Punch (11-7)
5th - Scrubs (11-7)
6th - Takers (9-9)
7th - Committed (8-10)
8th - Spankettes (7-11)
9th - Spiking Divas (4-14)
10th - Set Shorty (0-18)

- Kim Deas



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor

Youth Football Jamboree

Luke Woodard (center), Cherokee Midgets youth football team, sprints upfield during a scrimmage game against the Hayesville Midgets on Saturday, Aug. 20 in Murphy. The games were played as part of the annual Smoky Mountain Youth Football League Jamboree.

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It's Bo Time

To the people of Big Cove and Tow String Communities,

I, Bo Taylor, am seeking your support in the upcoming election. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Nation is currently at a crucial point in our history as we face economic issues and an uncertain political future that affects each enrolled member.

I am ready to meet the challenge to represent our communities, as well as the whole of our nation.

I will bring my education and my experience to what is an important position that requires an educated world-view to deal with issues that face our tribe.

I have a proven track record of getting things done as Community Watch Coordinator and Community Webpage developer.

As you go to the polls, remember that a vote for Bo Taylor is a vote for:

- Holding elected officials, and all who work for the EBCI, accountable and reforming the Judicial System so that criminals are punished in a timely and appropriate manner
- Addressing issues at Indian Health Service so that all tribal members receive the best care possible
- Advocating for Big Cove and Tow String to receive same technological advantages as the rest of the Boundary such as High Speed Internet and quality Cell Service, while maintaining our community webpage to share information and to promote unity within our community
- Empowering our community to be self-sufficient using the principles of Gadugi or "Working Together" to strengthen our community, as well as protecting our citizens by expanding on the Community Watch Program
- Adjusting growth of tribal endeavors based on wise financial planning and following an open book policy by providing weekly updates though the newspaper, webpage and any other forums to keep our tribal members informed
- Advocating for protection and management of our natural resources
- Promoting cultural and technology-based education to ensure we maintain our heritage and stay true to the traditions and principles that typify our community while remaining competitive.
- I have recruited over 260 active participants for our Community Watch Program.

Thank you for your support! I welcome the opportunity of serving you!

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Per Capita payments under the past 4 years of Hicks administration

| Date | Amount | Year | Total |
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| 06-2007 | \$4,291.00 | | |
| 12-2007 | \$5,027.00 | 2007 | \$9,318 |
| 06-2008 | \$4,306.00 | | |
| 12-2008 | \$4,473.00 | 2008 | \$8,779 |
| 06-2009 | \$3,892.00 | | |
| 12-2009 | \$4,154.00 | 2009 | \$8,046 |
| 06-2010 | \$3,248.00 | | |
| 12-2010 | \$4,099.00 | 2010 | \$7,347 |

IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE

Elect Patrick Lambert - Principal Chief

Thursday, September 1 - NEXT WEEK !!

Paid for By Committee to Elect Patrick Lambert - Principal Chief

Tribe recognized for supporting members of the Armed Forces

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was recently recognized for their support of members of the Armed Forces. The Tribe was nominated for the 2011 Secretary of Defense Employer Freedom Award by 1SGT Mark Kephart, HHC 105th Military Police Battalion, North Carolina National Guard. Over 4,000 employers were nominated across the United States, and the Tribe was among the 130 semi-finalists selected.

"They allowed me to keep my health insurance on myself and family. The Principal Chief and Vice Chief along with several Tribal Council Members and coworkers have called me on several occasions making sure my family was being taken care of" stated 1SGT Kephart. "My work family is much like my National Guard family and have become very important to me and my family. I feel very blessed to have them support me as we defend the freedom we all love".

Principal Chief Michell Hicks

stated upon receiving the award, "The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is proud of our service men and women. We are happy to support those men and women in any way possible and this award signals to us that we are on the right path."

On a recent visit to Cherokee, Darrell Johnson, of the North Carolina Committee of Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR), awarded the Freedom Award Certificate and Above and Beyond Award to the tribe. Employer Support of the Guard and Reserve (ESGR) is a Department of Defense agency established in 1972. The mission of ESGR is to gain and maintain employer support for Guard and Reserve service by recognizing outstanding support, increasing awareness of the law, and resolving conflict through mediation. ESGR volunteers provide free education, consultation, and if necessary mediation for employers of Guard and Reserve employees.

- ESGR



ESGR Photo

Darrell Johnson (left), ESGR executive director North Carolina Committee, presents the Tribe with two awards recognizing its support for members of the Armed Forces. Receiving for the Tribe were Principal Chief Michell Hicks (2nd from left), Yellowhill Rep. David Wolfe and Vice Chairman B. Ensley.

Tribal Council Results – Aug. 4

No # given – Marion Teesateskie, surviving spouse of Frank Teesateskie (d), desires to be recognized as the sole owner of Parcel No. 405 located in the Snowbird Community, containing 58 acres, more or less – Sent to Lands Committee

Tabled Ord. No. 707 – Request to rescind Ord. No. 531 (11), Hunting & Fishing Ordinance – Killed

Tabled Ord. No. 722 – TERO, economic entity awarded a bid shall pay a 1.75% fee for projects that exceed \$10,000 – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 767 – Budget Amendment #4 for Endowment Fund #2 – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 777 – Center for Cherokee Plants, preservation of integrity of community ownership of Cherokee traditional knowledge – Passed

Tabled Res. No. 779 – Principal Chief and Chairman of Council request U.S.

Attorney for Western District of NC to appoint Tribal Prosecutor as Special Assistant United States Attorney – Passed

Tabled Res. No. 781 – Life estate assignments to non-enrolled members – Amended/Passed

Res. No. 794 – Request for Bat Creek Stone for exhibit at Museum of the Cherokee Indian – Passed

Res. No. 795 – Amy S. Welch requests that Council approve design for Autism Awareness Project – Passed

Res. No. 796 – Marie Junaluska requests that Council approve Bird Project curriculum – Passed

Res. No. 797 – Protest on Res. No. 778 (11), heirs of Gladys A. Wright, interest in Cherokee County Tract No. 35 – Protest Upheld, Amended/Tabled

Res. No. 798 – Request to approve John Ayers appointment to Cherokee Police Commission due to resignation of David Blanton – Amended/Passed

Ord. No. 799 – Ordinance amendment,

professional services provided by private businesses on Reservation – Tabled

No # given – Josh Squirrel desires compensation in the amount of \$3,520 for work lost – Hold for September Council Session

Res. No. 800 – Frank Driver desires compensation in the amount of \$25,000 for encroachment by CDOT – Amended/Passed

Res. No. 801 – Tribal Construction authorized to initiate documentation re: funding of FY2011 sanitation facilities for scattered housing, Sim Taylor waterline replacement, raw water pumps upgrade, update Tribal HITS data, wastewater treatment upgrade – 2, Adam's Creek sewer rehab – 2 – Passed

Res. No. 802 – Planning & Development be authorized to seek up to \$25,000 from Lowe's Charitable & Educational Foundation for playground equipment in Birdtown – Passed

Budget Amendments

Res. No. 803 - #6 for Cherokee Youth Center – Passed

Res. No. 804 - #6 for Cooperative Extension – Passed

Res. No. 805 - #6 for Qualla Library – Passed

Res. No. 806 - #5 for Tribal Education – Passed

Res. No. 807 - #4 for WIC – Passed

Res. No. 808 - #4 for EPA – Resource Management – Passed

Res. No. 809 - #9 for Fisheries & Wildlife – Passed

Res. No. 810 - #4 for Tribal Construction – Passed

Res. No. 811 – Last Will & Testament of Alice Toineeta Littlejohn (d) – Passed

Res. No. 812 – Temporary exclusion of Steel Eugene Frazier – Passed

Res. No. 813 – Temporary exclusion of Angelica Michele Isom – Passed

- TOP Office

DNA testing dates

The Enrollment Office will be scheduling DNA appointments for the following dates: Thursday, Aug. 25; Friday, Aug. 26; Thursday, Sept. 1; and Friday, Sept. 2. Collection may be scheduled between 8 am – 11:30am and 1pm - 3:30 pm in ½ hour increments.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

Bear Harvest information sought

In an effort to better understand the black bear population on Tribal lands, the Cherokee department of Fisheries and Wildlife Management is giving blaze orange hats to hunters who report harvest data and submit premolar teeth for aging. Report forms and tooth envelopes are available at the Fisheries and Wildlife Management office (Tribal Utilities Building, 1840 Paintown Rd.) and the Resource Enforcement office (517 Sequoyah Trail). Info: Mike LaVoie 497-1802

- EBCI Dept. of Fisheries and Wildlife Management

American Indian student count underway

The annual American Indian Student Count is underway in Jackson County Public Schools. Any American Indian student enrolled during the first school month, Aug. 11 – Sept. 8, is eligible. In order to determine eligibility status, an ED506 form must be completed. A form may be obtained from each school or at the Jackson County Board of Education's Federal Program Department by contacting Angie Lovedahl 586-2311, ext. 254 or Kelli Bumgarner, ext. 239.

- Jackson County Public Schools

Attn: Water & Sewer Customers

Effective July 7, the Utilities Commission passed that the overpayments on City Water/ Sewer customers will no longer be refunded. If you have on-going garnishments / payroll deduction and have a credit on your account you will need to stop your ongoing garnishment /payroll deduction until your credit runs out. If you need further information, please call the Water Department at 497-1823/1821 or the finance office at 497-7084/7054.

- Cherokee Water & Sewer



Photo courtesy of Beth Ross Johnson/RTCAR

EBCI tribal member Louise Goings paints a few blocks of the Chief's Daughter pattern for the Cooperative Extension office.

Cherokee Basketry Trails information meeting planned

Expert assistance is available to learn how you or your organization can make a Basketry Trails Square for your community center or organization. Based on the popular Quilt Trails project which has quilt patterns decorating barns in western North Carolina, the Basketry Trails Project is unique to Cherokee and offers Cherokee organizations a chance to make and display an oversized painting of a basketry pattern.

There will be an informational meeting at Cherokee Cooperative Extension offices at 876 Acquoni Rd. on

Tuesday, Aug. 30 at 4:30pm. There will be a demonstration of the gridding and painting process and talk about choosing design and color. Logistics for hanging the painted panels will also be covered.

This will be a fun project for community centers, youth groups, clubs and organizations to be involved in. For more information contact Beth Ross Johnson at 554-6925. This project is sponsored by RTCAR, Revitalization of Cherokee Artisan Resources, and Cherokee Cooperative Extension.

- Beth Ross Johnson, RTCAR

Landmark court decision to aid Native women facing domestic violence

WASHINGTON – An international human rights body has done something that federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court, failed to do — bring justice to a domestic violence survivor.

"This decision is important for Native women who face the highest rates of sexual and physical assault of any group in the United States," said Jana Walker, Indian Law Resource Center attorney. "Although this case did not originate in Indian Country, it has major implications for an ethnic group who rarely sees their abusers brought to justice."

On Aug. 17, the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights issued a

landmark decision in Jessica Lenahan (Gonzales) v. United States. The decision is the first women's human rights case involving domestic violence brought before an international body against the United States.

The Commission determined that the United States violated its obligations under international human rights laws by failing to use due diligence and reasonable measures to protect Ms. Lenahan and her daughters from violence by her estranged husband.

The case was based on a tragic incident in 1999, involving the deliberate failure of the Castle Rock, Colorado po-

see CASE next page

Family Application for Meal Benefits must be completed

Parents and/or Guardians of children attending Jackson, Swain, Graham, Cherokee, and Haywood County schools must complete the "Family Application for Meal Benefits" also known as the "Free and Reduced Application" and return it to their respective school in order to be eligible for EBCI Tribal Lunch Reimbursement. Failure to submit this form to the school could result in disqualification of EBCI Tribal Lunch Reimbursement. To request an application or if you have any questions, please contact the nutrition office of your respective school to ensure that school deadlines for submittal are met.

- EBCI Education & Training

Women Veterans to be honored at fair

The American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 and the EBCI Veterans Honor Team are planning a veterans honors ceremony on Friday, Oct. 7 at the 99th Cherokee Indian Fair.

"We wish to honor all of our women veterans and currently serving females of the armed forces of the United States of America," said Warren Dupree, Post 143 Service Officer. "2011 is the year we will honor our women who have served in the United States military. Thank you for your military service."

If you wish to share your personal military history with EBCI, please contact Post Service Officer Warren Dupree at (828) 508-2657.

- Warren Dupree

Correction

A congratulations ad in the Aug. 4 issue of the *One Feather* contained an incorrect date in the submission. It should have read, "Congratulations to Amble R. Smoker for graduation from International Academy of Design & Technology in Orland, Fla, on July 16, 2011. He graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude in Marketing and Advertising, Bachelor of Science."

Birdtown Community News

- Birdtown Community Club has nominated three women in the community to represent Birdtown for the Grand Marshal in the 2011 Cherokee Indian Fair Parade. Call Charlene Owle 554-6907 or Tara McCoy 497-1976 during business hours M-F, for more information to get the nominee's names and vote for one; or nominate another candidate. If they aren't available, leave a message and a number. The deadline to vote is Friday, Aug. 26 at 4:30pm.
- There will be a "Meet the Candidates" for Birdtown Council Member Candidates and Chief and Vice-Chief Candidates on Monday, Aug. 29 at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. For more information, call Jody Taylor 736-7510.
- If you have any pictures for the Community Club scrapbook, about events or family gatherings that have occurred this past year, please turn them into Tara McCoy before Aug. 31 so we can plan for WNC Community Awards
- Beginning Sept. 1, building rent will be \$50 with a \$20 key deposit. To reserve the building, contact Charlene Owle 497-3993 for your social event.
- Potluck dinner on Tuesday, Sept. 13 at the regular monthly meeting. Please bring a vegetable and/or dessert. The Club will provide meats and drinks. Dinner starts at 5:30pm. The Club will also be electing new Club officers and recruiting volunteers for the Birdtown Free Labor Group.

- Charlene Owle

CASE: Inter-American Commission on Human Rights rules in domestic violence case, from page 18

lice to enforce a domestic violence restraining order. Ms. Lenahan had repeatedly called the police for help after her estranged husband kidnapped her three children in violation of the order. Ten hours after Ms. Lenahan's first call, the husband drove to the police station, where he and the three children were killed in an exchange of gunfire. Ms. Lenahan sought justice in the federal courts, including the United States Supreme Court, for violation of her rights by the police.

After the United States Supreme Court held that women do not have a constitutional right to have civil protection orders enforced by the police, *Town of Castle Rock, Colo. v. Gonzales*, 545

U.S. 748 (2005), Ms. Lenahan filed a petition with the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights alleging that the United States' failure to act with due diligence to prevent violence against women violated its obligations under international human rights law.

In 2008, the Indian Law Resource Center and Sacred Circle National Resource Center to End Violence Against Native Women filed a friend-of-the-court brief with the Commission in support of Ms. Lenahan, on behalf of numerous non-profit organizations and tribal governments working to end violence against Native women. In its decision, the Commission took notice of this brief and acknowledged that domestic violence has a disproportionate impact on Native women and other low income minority women.

"We want our voices to be heard around this case, because the United States Supreme Court decision had vast implications for Native women and the enforcement of tribal protec-

tion orders by state law enforcement officials," said Painttown Rep. Terri Henry who also serves as the co-chair of the National Congress of American Indians Task Force on Violence Against Women and Principal Director of Clan Star, Inc. "Violence against Native women in the United States has reached epidemic proportions. One out of three Native women will be raped in her lifetime, and three out of four will be physically assaulted."

Because the United States has greatly limited tribal criminal jurisdiction and sentencing authority, often the only recourse that Native women have against their abusers is a civil protection order.

"By allowing state law enforcement to choose not to enforce domestic violence protection orders, the United States Supreme Court decision in the *Gonzales* case greatly undermines the security of Native women, because no one else has the authority to enforce these orders outside of Indian country," said Lucy Simpson, Executive Director, National Indigenous Women's Resource Center. "This decision gives Native nations and our communities an instrument to change and improve the lives of Native women."

The Inter-American Commission on Human Rights is an autonomous organ of the Organization of the American States, created by countries to protect human rights in the Americas. The Commission is charged with investigating and determining whether international human rights treaties, declarations, and other instruments have been violated by its 35 member-states, including the United States. If such violations are found, the Commission can make specific recommenda-

tions to the appropriate member-state.

In relation to the *Gonzales* case, the Commission handed down several recommendations which encourages further investigation into the death of Ms. Lenahan's daughters; a review of systemic failures that took place in regards to the protection order; full reparations to Jessica Lenahan; legislation reform to enforce protection orders and to better protect children in the context of domestic violence; and policies and programs aimed at restructuring the stereotypes of domestic violence victims.

"The recommendations to the United States send a strong message that immediate action is needed to fix systemic failures in the way protection orders are enforced in the U.S. and to reform federal law to protect all women, including Native women, from violence," said Juana Majel Dixon, National Congress of American Indians 1st Vice President, and Co-Chair of its Task Force on Violence Against Women. Restoration of tribal criminal jurisdiction, effective enforcement of tribal protection orders, and meaningful access to justice will be absolutely critical in protecting Native women from domestic and other violence within Indian country and Alaska Native villages. "Such reforms reflect a broken justice system based in a history of colonization that is now recognized as failing to protect Native women."

For a copy of the Inter-American Commission on Human Rights decision and the friend-of-the-court brief by the Indian Law Resource Center and Sacred Circle National Resource Center to End Violence Against Native Women, visit www.indianlaw.org



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Vote TERESA MCCOY For the Office of Vice Chief

We have so much to be grateful for. There are seven billion people in the world, but there are only 14,500 Eastern Cherokee. I believe this makes each and every one of us very special and unique.

It is also my opinion that for our small tribe, we have entirely too much debt. The debt for the casino "IS" Tribal debt. The council voted for it, and the Chief signed off on it. The TCGE is responsible for making sure it gets paid. I have seen the adds in the One Feather trying to separate our debt and I am so pleased that nearly everyone knows the truth. It is our casino so it is our debt.

Truth. Lets talk about that. The truth is that decisions have been made by our government that was not made in the best interest of our Tribe. These include the loss to our children's money, the golf course, moving a mountain for the wal-mart that didn't happen, purchasing land we can't build a casino on, theft and embezzlement that has gone unpunished, employees afraid to disagree because they will lose their jobs, programs told to cut while certain elected officials didn't, our environment being neglected, a court system that lacks community respect, our culture and language not receiving the attention needed to help them thrive, small businesses closing everywhere, and the low moral of our employees who feel helpless sometimes.

The list could go on and on. The other side to this is that I firmly believe that I, with your help can fix some of this. We have the best resource available, and that is each of us. It takes each of us to be responsible and make the right choices on the kind of leadership we have desperately needed for years.

We know what the current Vice Chief has accomplished. Take a long hard look at what he has produced. Are we ready for four more years of his politics, or are we ready for someone who is truly dedicated and ready to work for you with proven leadership skills? At the Wolfe town meet the candidate he talked about the "new hotel" plans for our golf course. He stated, "They will build it and they will pay for it." Seems like every time we hear these words, they build it and the truth is, we end up paying for it. Just like the golf course. Isn't it strange he seems to have all the information about this issue when none of the rest of do?

I will not support any more debt to you. I will not charge travel to your credit card and the hide those charges from you. I will support strengthening stronger relationships with the federal and state governments for more housing, health, education, infrastructure, natural resources, and cultural funding. I will encourage our grant-writing department to write away. I will inform all of you when major decisions affecting you and your family are being discussed. I will ask for advice, suggestions and opinions from you. I will continue to listen to your needs, respect my elders and encourage our young to get best education they can. I will uphold Tribal law, promote our heritage, find ways to deal with the illegal drug issues, seek land and funding for a rehabilitation program for those seeking help with addictions, and be professional, transparent, ethical, and honest and always protect the integrity of our Tribe.

I ask each of you to vote, and I ask each of you to consider what you have now. If you want leadership that places the needs of our Tribe before her own personal needs, then I ask you to vote for me. We are a great Tribe. Cherokee people are tenacious, generous, talented, culturally connected to each other and the land, athletic, and artistic. We just need someone in office who still believes in her people and their future achievements. I am that candidate, I am that leader. I greatly appreciate my Tribal members, and I thank our Lord everyday that I was fortunate enough to be born a proud member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Vote, Teresa McCoy Vice Chief on September 1st, 2011. Sgi.

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**"Strengthening
Government through
Community Involvement"**

As a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, I take great pride in knowing who I am and where I come from. At this very moment we find ourselves as a nation at a cross roads. We must ensure that the individuals we elect on September 1st are those that carry themselves with integrity and hold themselves accountable for the decisions they make. As a candidate for Paint Town council, I hold myself to those very principals. As an elected official, one must hold accountability to a high standard. For those of you that I have had an opportunity to meet, you will know that I have promised three things.

1. **Accountability** is essential to a strong productive government. Paint Town Community Club currently has two offices built for the use of our council members. As those offices have never been used, if elected I can assure you that those offices will be opened and that you can find me there when not on tribal business. The other way in which I intend to be accountable to the community is to hold a monthly meeting where I can update individuals or simply be available for questions. When was the last time your council member asked you what you thought? I feel that it is important that the community be offered a forum in which to participate in government.

2. **Economic diversification** is a must. We must ensure that development not only meets the needs of the visiting population, but also for those of us that call the boundary home. Ask yourself a simple question. If I were unable to leave the boundary, could I purchase everything I needed by using only the businesses on the boundary? Unfortunately, for many of us the answer would be no. This is not a situation quickly remedied, but is a great place to start.

3. Ensuring that I'm **meeting the needs of my constituency** by doing the best job possible is key to being a successful representative. By meeting the needs of my community I am able to make good decisions that will benefit this tribe. With a strong tribe, we are able to continue to develop good relations with our state. Through a strong state relationship, imagine how we can affect native country. But we cannot do any of these without first meeting the needs of our constituency.

Let us ensure that history remembers the Cherokee's of the 21st century not as those that live beyond their means, but as strong Cherokee's who have worked tirelessly to ensure the future of this tribe. **So, I ask that when you go to the polls on September 1st, that you ask yourself three questions. Does this individual carry themselves with integrity? Do they have the best interests of their community at heart? Will they stand accountable for their actions? I ask that you stand with me to "Strengthen Government through Community Involvement."**

VOTE
YONA WADE for Paint Town
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Cherokee Boys Club Weekly Report

CLUB SCHEDULE:

Thursday, August 25 – Sequoyah Classic Golf Tournament
 Friday, August 26 – Sequoyah Classic Golf Tournament
 Thursday, September 1 – Election Day
 Monday, September 5 – Labor Day Holiday (Club, School and Tribal Holiday)
 Wednesday, September 7 – Staff Meeting

CONSTRUCTION AND FACILITIES DEPARTMENT

HOSTS GROUNDBREAKING

The Club's Construction and Facilities Department hosted a Groundbreaking Ceremony for the new HIP development to be located in the lower Bird-town Community at the property adjacent to the Reservation entrance/exit sign on Highway 19. The property will be large enough to construct five houses including two multi-family units and three single-family units. Thanks and congratulations to Travis Smith, Cindi Squirrel, the HIP Committee, Tribal Council, Executive Office, Club C&F Department and everyone who worked toward getting this project off the ground. Construction began immediately on these homes.

SEQUOYAH CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Thursday, August 25
 Friday, August 26
 Proceeds Benefit Cherokee Children's Home
 Bill Taylor Scholarship Endowment
 Cherokee Youth Center

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Boys Club is advertising for three Social Services Assistants for the Job Corps. Please see the Employment Section of this issue of the *One Feather* for more information.

GO BRAVES

Let's Support our Teams!
 Thursday, August 25 – Varsity, JV and MS Volleyball vs. Robbinsville – 4:00 p.m.
 Thursday, August 25 – JV Football vs. Hayesville – 6:00 p.m.
 Friday, August 26 – Varsity Football at Mitchell – 7:30 p.m.
 Monday, August 29 – Varsity, JV and MS Volleyball vs. Haywood Christian – 4:30 p.m.
 Tuesday, August 30 – Varsity, JV and MS Volleyball vs. Rosman – 4:00 p.m.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and best wishes for a speedy recovery are with Barbara King and her family at this time. Barbara is a long-time staff member at the Snowbird Child Development Center in Robbinsville. Please keep them all in your prayers during this difficult time.

Participants sought for Southeast Tribes Festival

EBCI tribal members or members of other federally recognized tribes are invited to participate in the Sixth Southeast Tribes Festival on Sept. 16-17. Food vendors and traditional arts and crafts vendors are welcome. You must provide your enrollment number and two photos of your work. Pick up an application at the front desk of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Fee for a booth is \$25, non-refundable. Fee for food vendors is \$50 non-refundable, and you must arrange for inspection with the Swain County Health Department and pay that fee. Applications must be returned to the Museum by Sept. 1, with no exceptions.

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Harrah's Cherokee opens Food Court

Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel opened its new Food Court on Wednesday, Aug. 17. Conveniently located just off the casino floor, the Food Court includes four new options:

- Dunkin Donuts, the market leader in great coffee, donuts, bagels and muffins, open seven days a week, 24 hours a day;
- Winning Streaks Deli, featuring freshly made hot and cold sandwiches carved to order, and panini and subs made exclusively with the finest Boar's Head ingredients, open 11:00 am until 11:00 pm plus a Grab & Go option 24/7;
- Uno's, serving a variety of hand-tossed pizzas, calzones and freshly-made pasta, open 11:00 am until 11:00 pm daily and until 2:00 am Friday and Saturdays;
- Johnny Rockets, offers all-American food, fun and friendliness with delicious home style Hamburgers, crispy American Fries and thick, rich hand-dipped Shakes and Malts. This timeless slice of Americana has something for everyone and is open seven days a week, 24 hours a day.

- Harrah's Cherokee

Per capita deadline for new enrollees

To be considered for the December 2011 per capita distribution, a complete enrollment application for a NEW APPLICANT must be submitted to the Enrollment Office by 4:30 p.m., Thursday, Sept. 15. 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 an appointment please call Melanie Lambert at 828-497-8109 or Kathie McCoy at 828-497-8111. Out-of-town applicants may contact Christina Bowlin at 918-708-2072 to schedule an appointment in your area.

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 download the application from www.cherokee-nc.com/enrollment. Please call the Enrollment Office 497-8109, 8112 or 8111 if you have any questions.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

Qualla Arts and Crafts to hold Annual Indian Art Market

Members of the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutal, Inc. can pick up vendor applications for the Indian Art Market now. The event will be held on Saturday, Sept. 3 from 9am - 4pm. Plan Ahead Events will be working with us again this year to promote and coordinate the event.

A total of 35 (10' by 10') spaces will be offered for vendors. If you are interested in being a vendor, you must complete an application. Be aware that there are also several rules and regulations in order to participate which include but not limited to: all crafts must be handmade; artists must be at least 18 years old; artists will be required to obtain any necessary business license and pay all necessary taxes on items sold. Qualla Arts and Crafts will provide the tent, one table with a table cloth and two chairs for each vendor's tent.

As always there will be something for everyone at the Indian Art Market. There's everything from a kid zone to cultural entertainment to tunes from Sound of Music and food from NAIWA.

A complete list of rules and/or applications can be picked up at Qualla Arts and Crafts. The deadline for applications is Friday, Aug. 26. Info: Vicki Cruz or Tonya Carroll at 497-3103.

- Qualla Arts and Crafts

Lambert named to 40 under 40 list

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Jason Lambert, an EBCI tribal member, has been recognized as one of the top emerging American Indian leaders. He has been named to the 2011 Native American 40 Under 40 list by the National Center for American Indian Enterprise Development (NCAIED).

"I am extremely honored to have received this award," said Lambert who is the director of the EBCI Planning and Economic Development program. "I feel that it speaks highly of the EBCI and the opportunities that have been developed for enrolled members. This recognition could not have happened if not for the education and employment opportunities afforded me through the tribe. It also speaks to the success of

our tribe's economic development efforts. Overall, it is a great national recognition not only for me, but for our tribe and the path that we are on."

Lambert will receive his award next month at the 36th Annual Indian Progress in Business Awards Event at the Seminole Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood, Fla.

"The Native American 40 Under 40 recognition was incorporated in 2009

as part of the National Center's 40th Anniversary and highlights 40 existing and emerging American Indian leaders under 40 years of age who have demonstrated leadership, initiative and dedication to achieve impressive and significant contributions in their businesses, communities and to Indian Country," information from NCAIED states.

Tribal Members sentenced in federal court

Five EBCI tribal members were sentenced by U.S. District Judge Martin Reidinger on Wednesday, Aug. 17 on various convictions.

- Stephen Russell Dean McCoy, 24, was sentenced to 60 months in prison to be followed by three years of supervised release. He pled guilty to two counts

of robbery on Jan. 19.

- John Ray West, III, 44, was sentenced to 41 months in prison to be followed by two years of supervised release.

He pled guilty to one count of robbery on Jan. 19.

- Citrus U-Gna-St Bigwitch, 25, was sentenced to six months in prison. She

pled guilty to contempt of court on Aug. 4.

- Brandon Keith Martin, 28, was sentenced to 70 months in prison to be followed by three years of supervised release. He pled guilty to one count of possession of a firearm by a felon on April 20.

- Kenneth Randall Owle, 48, was sentenced to time served (having served approximately 21 months in federal custody) to be followed by three years of supervised release. He pled guilty to one count of possession of a firearm by a felon on Nov. 22, 2010.

- DOJ

Elect Charlotte Saunooke Painttown School Board Representative September 1 General Election

As your Painttown School Board Representative **I will** work to:

- Develop a Strategic Planning process to meet the needs of all students, parents, faculty and staff:
 - Establish a long-range vision and achievable goals to allow for measurable success
 - Recruiting, hiring and retaining quality staff
- Develop a Curriculum to meet the needs of all students:
 - To include a vocational program that will interface tribal needs, programs with educational offerings through internships, speakers, etc.
 - Ensure that classes meet the needs of all students.
 - Maximize collection of and utilization of data to provide immediate intervention and follow-through with students. Provide for the distribution of **current** information to parents and community.
- Provide Leadership:
 - The School Board, School Administration, and Tribal Government must become proactive, not reactionary in the leadership and growth of the Cherokee Central Schools.
 - Provide visionary leadership to ensure educational, economic and social success of all students as well as meet the needs of our Tribal Community.

We must conduct ourselves in a manner that will allow Cherokee Central Schools to sustain academic achievement.

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Elect TERESA MCCOY Vice Chief on September 1st

Again I thank each of you who supported me in the Primary Election. I hope all of you will step up to the polls on September 1st and vote for me again. Together we can make a positive change that will bring ethics, honesty and hard work back to the office of Vice Chief.

I will follow the law, I always have. The basic needs of our members start with safe standard housing. I have a plan that will keep all of our housing employees working, add jobs and help get our families in a sound home. Affordable homes that are constructed, managed, and controlled by our Housing Division, not an out side Non-Indian Developer. Housing built by tribal members, and built for tribal members.

Making Indian Health service accountable to the health needs of our people will be my priority. I will not wait eight years and then tell you what my plans are, my hard work and dedication to our Tribe will become apparent from the first year in office. I will report the work of this office monthly to our people; you will not find me travelling around the country playing golf on your money. The Golf Course has set this Tribe back millions of dollars. I ask you, is this wise spending when our New School, Hospital, Infrastructure, Social Services, Education and Housing Programs need financial assistance in order to provide the quality services that we expect?

Accountability, I will not use the Tribal Credit Card as if it's my own personnel credit card. I will provide the Finance Department and all of you with a quarterly audit of my expenditures. I do not plan on travelling unless I need to on tribal issues. I will post travel expenses in the One Feather. Accountability and responsibility, ethics and honesty will be my policy.

We have well trained and educated Tribal members who need to be allowed to do their jobs, who need a fair shot at employment, and need to know their work is valuable and appreciated. The hiring process needs to work for those qualified for jobs and the pick and choose politics needs to stop. I am not interested in directing or managing any program. Directors are capable to manage them. I am very interested in getting them the help they need to provide the best services possible for all of us. I want to help, not micromanage.

I have served the people and our tribe for sixteen years. Not once have I served myself. Leadership, not good old boys politics is my strength. We have serious issues and it will take serious people to resolve them. I will work for every enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and I will continue strong and passionate leadership as your Vice Chief.

It is with great respect to each tribal member that I ask you for your support and your vote on September 1st 2011. Sgi.

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EBCI GENERAL ELECTION

September 1, 2011

Polls Open 6am-6pm

Board of Elections

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Official List of EBCI Candidates for the 2011 General Election

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PRINCIPAL CHIEF

1. MICHELL HICKS
2. PATRICK LAMBERT
3. SUSAN TOINEETA (WRITE IN)

VICE CHIEF

1. LARRY BLYTHE
2. TERESA MCCOY

BIG COVE COUNCIL

1. FRANKIE LEE BOTTCHENBAUGH
2. BO TAYLOR
3. PERRY SHELL
4. LORI TAYLOR

BIRDTOWN COUNCIL

1. GENE "TUNNEY" CROWE, JR.
2. JIM OWLE
3. TERRI LEE TAYLOR
4. FAYE MCCOY

BIG Y/WOLFTOWN COUNCIL

1. DENNIS EDWARD (BILL) TAYLOR
2. MIKE PARKER
3. DWAYNE "TUFF" JACKSON
4. KATHY "ROCK" BURGESS

BIG Y SCHOOL BOARD

1. JOHN "DICK" CROWE

PAINTTOWN COUNCIL

1. TOMMYE SAUNOOKE
2. MARIE JUNALUSKA
3. YONA WADE
4. TERRI HENRY

PAINTTOWN SCHOOL BOARD

1. ANTHONY SEQUOYAH
2. CHARLOTTE SAUNOOKE

SNOWBIRD/CHEROKEE COUNTY COUNCIL

1. DIAMOND BROWN
2. ADAM WACHACHA
3. BRENDA NORVILLE
4. ANGELA ROSE KEPHART

YELLOWHILL COUNCIL

1. ALAN "B." ENSLEY
2. DAVID WOLFE
3. JIMMY BRADLEY
4. JOHN D. LONG

YELLOWHILL SCHOOL BOARD

1. T.W. (PRICE) SAUNOOKE
2. DORIS JOHNSON (WRITE IN)

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MIKE PARKER

**WOLFTOWN
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- *For our Elders and Children's future*
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Vote Right and Vote for Change!!!

September 1, 2011.

Lori Taylor

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Elect Jimmy Bradley Yellow Hill Council Representative

To the Yellow Hill people, I know that many of you are looking for change. You and I want the same thing. We want ETHICAL, HONEST and HARDWORKING representation in our tribal government.

I understand the obstacles that everyday hardworking families face. I am a single father who raised two sons. I couldn't always give my sons what they wanted, but I made sure they had what they needed. This is true in leadership. Our great community will never be able to have everything it wants, but as your council member I will work diligently everyday to help make sure we have what we need.

We need a council member who doesn't take the basic needs of our community members for granted. We need a council member who listens and steps up to assist and be available when needed. We need a focused business oriented representative to read the information, actively participate in council, and never embarrass our community with misconduct at home or away.

Yellow Hill has so much opportunity. We are the central community for small businesses and small business opportunities. I am very concerned to see so many shops in our downtown district out of business. I will seek creative ways to help the shop owners get re-established so they can provide jobs for our people and provide diversity to the public. Cherokee needs to become the tourist haven it once was.

I want our community to become stronger and I am willing to work for it. While I have been visiting in your homes I have learned so much. We have so many community members with concerns and I am proud to say, also offered so many solutions. I am listening to you. I WILL WORK FOR YOU!

My presence will be at our community meetings and when the tribal issues at hand will affect each of us, I will call emergency meetings. All of us need to be included in major decisions and all of us will have the right information.

For the last year and a half, I have been present in the council chambers listening to major issues. Included are the Minors fund, Cherokee County land purchase and recent land taking, Ned Long Constitution Committee, Election ordinance amendments, Kituwah Academy accreditations, and many tribal budget issues. Making the right decisions for Yellow Hill means researching the issues before I vote on them and I WILL ALWAYS do that, and I will ALWAYS ask for your advice and respect your opinions. I will never vote to take any tribal members land, I will follow the law, and I support a constitution.

Thank you all for letting me visit with you. If you are ready for a real voice in council, an ethical and honest hardworking council member, then I ask you to vote on September 1st, and I ask you to support me with your vote. Yellow Hill is an incredible community and deserves a caring, well informed and dedicated council member. Once again, VOTE for JIMMY BRADLEY, your support is appreciated. Working for you, not for myself. Thank you.

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EBCI GENERAL ELECTION THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Polls open from 6am - 6pm

Please have Government-Issued ID

Registered Voters in line by 6pm will be allowed to vote.

All communities will be voting.

Painttown voters will now vote at the Painttown Gym.

All voters registered with the EBCI Board of Elections are welcome and encouraged to vote in their respective townships, REGARDLESS of their legal status.

**As always, the EBCI Board of Elections is here to serve.
Please call 828.554.6360 for questions, comments or concerns.**

A few words from fellow Tribal members...

“We have it better than we ever had before because of Chief Hicks. why would we want to change that? When we have bad weather, the Chief calls me himself or has someone call to check on me to make sure I have food, water, and power. He does that for all the elderly to make sure we are ok.”

Eustie Chandler (Wolfstown)



“I support Michell because he’s trustworthy, he takes care of our funds and elders. He and his people check on our elderly, dialysis patients, and disabled people when we have bad weather or a crisis. He has done many good things for this tribe and I would like to see him continue to do so. Vote for Michell Hicks September 1st.”

Alyne Stamper (Birdtown)



“I am voting for healthy Cherokee families. I am voting for continued economic development on the Qualla Boundary and WNC. I vote for the leader who can best represent our people in Raleigh and Washington DC. I vote for the individual with the knowledge base and skill set to govern our Tribe. I am voting for honesty and integrity. On September 1st I am voting to re-elect Chief Michell Hicks.”

Morgan Owle-Crisp (Birdtown)



“Our current leadership has work left to do, we need to let them finish what they started.”

Jerry Wolfe (Yellowhill)



“Chief Michell Hicks has always been there for the community. No matter the age, Chief Hicks has always helped out, being through the development of our future in our youth to the preservation of our past in our elders. Chief Hicks has and is the man that is here for our people and a man that I proudly call, Chief.”

Jake Swimmer (Painttown)



“When Michell first started I knew he would make a good Chief. He’s a Christian man and loves everybody. I’ve always told him if you going to be a leader you always put God first and let him be your leader. Michell is a person of God and I like to watch him pray. He always checks on me and makes sure I have everything I need, he’s a good man.”

Nicey Rattler (Birdtown)

“I support Chief Hicks because he is a great mentor for our youth. he genuinely cares about the well being of our tribe. He is always there to lend a helping hand and goes out of his way to make sure everyone is taken care of.”

Jaron Ayers (Snowbird)

“VOTE HICKS”



"I feel this is a crucial election, I have not voted in 10 years and I feel like this year has changed. I would not vote for anyone who cannot manage his own personal businesses. Every vote counts and mine is for Chief Michell Hicks."

Emelinda Montelongo (Yellowhill)

"I support Chief Hicks because of his honesty, integrity, accessibility and his desire to serve the tribe in every way possible."

Harold Coleman (Cherokee County)

"I'm supporting Chief Hicks because I like the job he has done for the last 8 years, his record speaks for itself!"

Richard Dockery (Cherokee County)

“I’m voting for Chief Hicks because I have confidence in his ability to secure the future for our children and the well-being of our elders. Chief Hicks is a leader that leads by example through his faith in God and his dedication to his family and Tribe.”

Judy Hyatt (Birdtown)



“I support Chief Hicks because I know he had a hard life. He worked at Holiday Inn when he was a young boy with the pay of \$3.50, not this starting pay of \$70,000 like some people, he was a hard worker and did anything he was asked to do. He didn’t just step up and say he wanted to be Chief he worked hard to get to where he is at. Michell has helped me when I asked for help and I know there are some things the Chief can’t do but I don’t walk off and get mad if he’s not able to help, but I appreciate him trying. He tries to help every one and I respect him for that.”

Bobby Taylor (Painttown)



Emily West (Big Cove)

“I support Chief Hicks because of his belief in God. I am thankful that we have a leader who publicly professes his salvation in Jesus.”

commitment to higher education

honesty Respectful

great financial knowledge

family

DEDICATION

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EXPERIENCE

loyal

unwaivering committment

visionary leadership

CONFIDENCE

“VOTE HICKS”

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Compassionate

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integrity

HONOR

Excellent representative for D.C.

"I've had the distinct honor of working with Chief Hicks for 10 years and I will continue to support him because of his unwavering commitment to improving the health of our people. He exemplifies compassion for our community members through genuine service and visionary leadership."

Vickie Lambert Bradley (Birdtown)

“I am supporting Michell Hicks because this is the first Chief election I have been able to vote in. As a college student I’ve learned the importance of strong leadership in any government. I believe Mr. HICKS has demonstrated strong, sound leadership and will continue to progress our Tribe thru POSITIVE leadership and experience.”

Brittany Watson (Yellowhill)

“I support Chief Hicks because he is a Certified Public Accountant and has great financial knowledge. We can trust him to take care of our money in a responsible manner.”

Betty Hedrick (Cherokee County)

"I support Chief Hicks 100%, he is the best Chief we've ever had. He has genuine concern for all Tribal members regardless of where they live or their degree of blood."

Clara Palmer Spivey (Cherokee County)

“I support Chief Hicks because of his commitment to higher education. Through the services provided I have obtained my Master degree and had the opportunity to represent all tribes on a national board for gifted education. Let’s allow him to continue the good work!”

Sheena Lambert Miracle (Birdtown)

"I'm supporting Chief Hicks because he has the most honesty and integrity of the two candidates and understands the needs of the people for generations to come."

Anna Shuler (Cherokee County)

"Eastern Band voters, your choice is clear! Chief Hicks must be re-elected to continue the tremendous forward progress we have all seen and been witness to. I've always felt it necessary to stay current in all issues pertaining to the Eastern Band. I feel that Chief Hicks is an outstanding ambassador, leader, and representative for ALL enrolled members. His integrity is proven and beyond reproach."

Gene Branson (Cherokee County)

"Chief Hicks has always had an open door policy and he has never failed to help me with any of my needs. He is honest and truthful, with the best interest of the tribe in mind."

Martha Amos (Cherokee County)

Join us on September 1, 2011 as we Re-elect Principal Chief Michell Hicks

"Chief Hicks has the experience to continue to lead this Tribe forward. We need him in there because of his knowledge, leadership, and integrity."

Walter "Bud" Lambert
Birdtown Community



"I support Michell because he has been good to us all. He cares about the senior citizens. When I need help on my house or anything he's willing to make the call and gets people here to help me. He's friendly and he's a Christian man. Everybody needs to wake up, nothings going to CHANGE if the other man gets in there."

Amanda Swimmer
Big Cove Community



"VOTE HICKS because he has experience and an actual plan for continuing to take steps towards improvement for our tribe. He cares about ALL ages and wants to see each of us succeed, not only as individuals but as a people, always offering words of encouragement or a helping hand whenever possible. As a leader, he believes in God and looks to Him for guidance and that is why I'm voting for Michell Hicks for Chief!"

Kristie Hyatt—*Big Cove Community*



"I support Chief Hicks for his dedication to our youth and elders. The higher education opportunities that we have, because of him, are among the best in Indian Country. Financial gain is not a priority for Chief Hicks, his priority is making our Tribe better as a whole."

Drew Grant—*Painttown Community*



"I cannot say enough about how much Chief Hicks has done for our Tribal Elders. I can't remember ever having another Chief that was so caring and giving, especially during times of crisis. I know that no matter what, Chief Hicks has the best interests of our tribal elders at heart. He has my unwavering support"

Lawanda Myers—*Yellowhill Community*



"My family represents 3 generations supporting 3 terms for Chief Hicks. Honest Leadership!"

Rick Bird—*Painttown Community*



"I appreciate Chief Hicks taking a stand for the Ten Commandments and Prayer. This shows a lot about the man that he is."

Truman Taylor—*Birdtown Community*



"He is a genuinely compassionate man that cares about the well-being of our people. I have often seen him sacrifice his time with his family to serve our enrolled members. He puts the needs of our Tribe before those of himself."

Angela Bartmess
Yellowhill Community



"Chief Hicks represents honesty, dignity, and respect. We are all in this together."

Kara Martin—*Wolfstown Community*



"I am supporting Chief Hicks for several reasons. Our senior citizens are very important to him. During severe cold, snow or ice storms he makes sure every senior citizen has heat, food, medicine or any other necessity that is required for their comfort. Chief Hicks has emphasized the importance of higher education to our youth—these are the future of our tribe. Thanks to Chief Hicks we have a school that is the envy of every school board in North Carolina. The most important reason is that Chief Hicks is a visionary and has a plan for our tribe's future. He knows where we came from and where we're going, unlike his opponent who can do nothing but sling mud and negative thoughts and has no plan for our seniors, youth, or tribe's future."

Steve Coleman—*Cherokee County*



"There are numerous reasons that I support Chief Hicks during this election. He is a man of integrity, honesty and values. He has a genuine interest in our elders as well as the future of our children. With his guidance our tribe's future will be secure. Chief Hicks has supplied facts and data reflecting what he has accomplished and his platform for the future. Giving Chief Hicks the opportunity to complete his plans and set in place long range goals for our tribe is an investment in our future and will only strengthen us. We want to move forward in a positive direction."

Richard French—*Big Cove Community*



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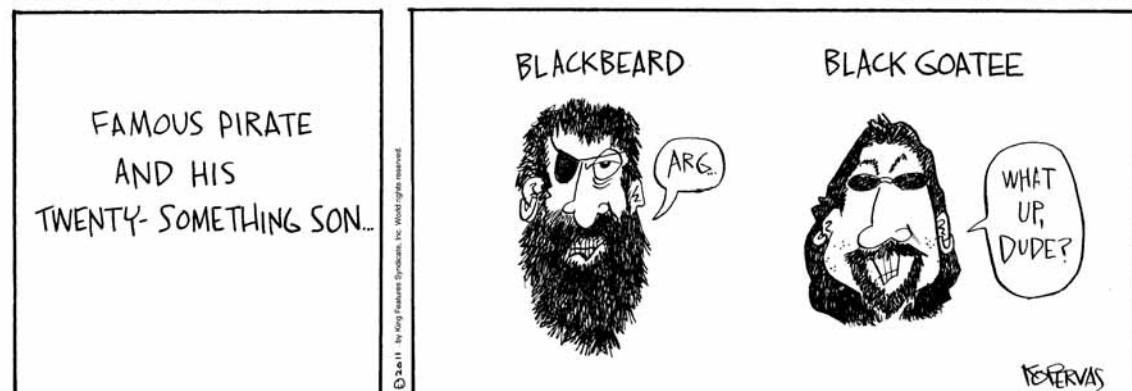
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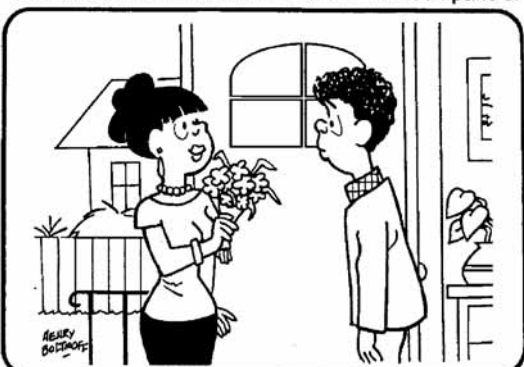


HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTIKOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Bouquet is different. 2. Skirt is black. 3. Stripes on sweater are gone. 4. Window is different. 5. Plant is placed on table. 6. Bush is behind fence.

Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Loony
5 Actress Sorvino
9 "That's a laugh!"
12 Reed instrument
13 Black, in poetry
14 Hearty brew
15 Mouth organ
17 Tier
18 Asset
19 Physician of ancient Greece
21 Was sore
24 Great Lake
25 Carson predecessor
26 "All Quiet on the Western Front" author
30 Blunder
31 Automaton
32 "Born in the —"

- 33 Suave
35 Hastened
36 Terrible guy?
37 Gives temporarily
38 Dr. Salk
40 Entrance
42 Early bird?
43 Teen sibs of whodunit

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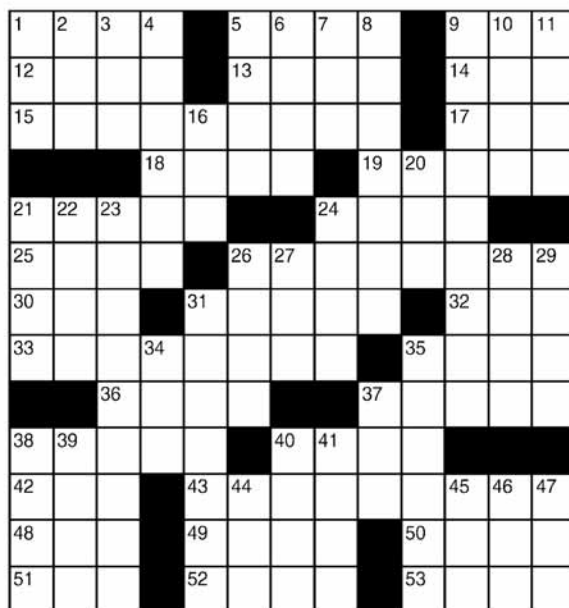
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7 Sinbad's bird
8 Turn of

phrase?

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11 Chopped
16 Antiquated
20 Melody
21 Mimicked
22 Give a darn
23 Omen
24 Like certain
26 Equine coloration
27 Inventor
28 Second-hand
29 George of

"CSI"

- 31 Grinds one's teeth
34 Eggs
35 Kind of tea
37 Myrna of Hollywood
38 Military vehicle
39 Shrek is one
40 Sketched
41 Probability
44 Sailor's assent
45 Japanese sash
46 "Tasty!"
47 Messy place



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LAFF - A - DAY



"Couldn't you just let HER go home? She's on overtime, you know."

HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



"Made four holes-in-one and STILL couldn't break a hundred!"

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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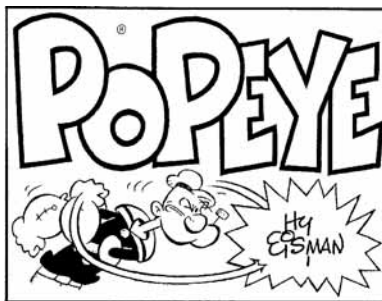
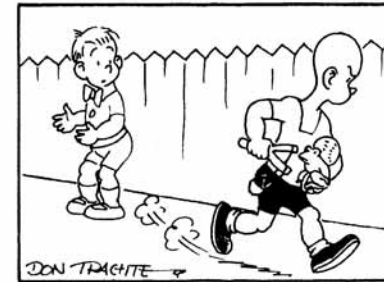
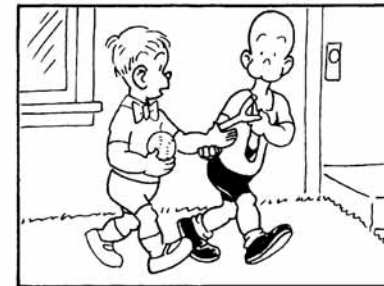
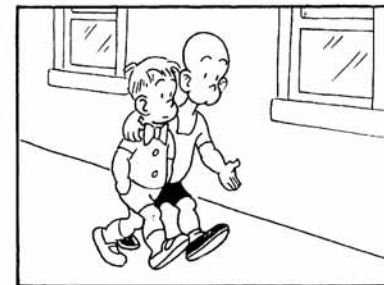
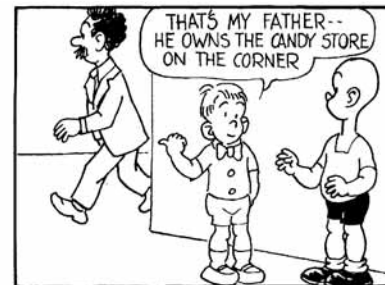
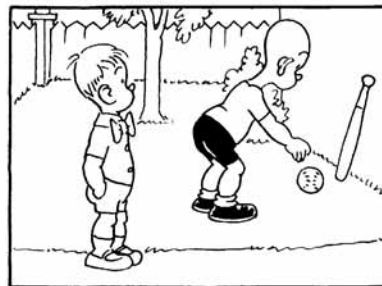
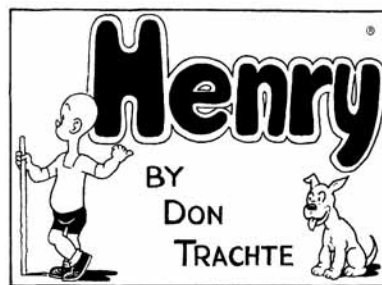
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★★★ GO FIGURE!

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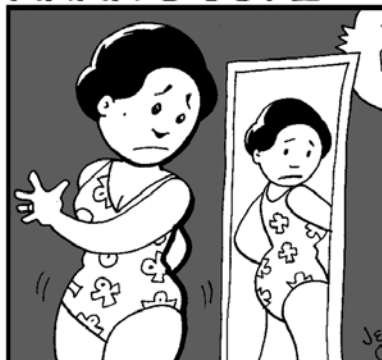
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JERRY CRAFT



The Garden Bug

Planting for fall

Late summer is the time to plant starters or seeds of green onions, carrots, beets, lettuce, spinach, radishes, turnips, rutabagas and winter cauliflower.

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That's Life by Taran Swimmer

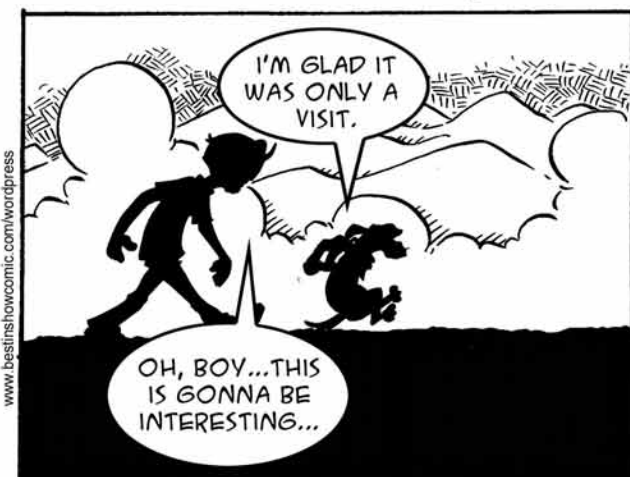


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Project Lazarus: Community Club Meetings Schedule

By JUANITA PLUMMER WILSON

Project Lazarus is a community-based program designed to reduce accidental deaths from abusing or misusing narcotics. Project Lazarus originated in Wilkes County, where narcotics use and accidental deaths from overdose were at an epidemic level. The initiative takes a public health approach by uniting efforts between many community sectors like the hospitals, law enforcement, recovery programs, youth programs, churches, etc. Project Lazarus is now spreading across the 50 counties within the state of North Carolina. A local team of community advocates and Tribal programs have teamed up to bring Project Lazarus specifically to the Cherokee

Community, which is seeing its own epidemic of drug abuse.

At the July Council meeting, Fred Brason, of Project Lazarus, Dr. Mary Anne Farrell, of the Cherokee Indian Hospital, and Juanita Plummer Wilson, representing the Cherokee Healing & Wellness Coalition, gave a presentation on Project Lazarus and were asked to get the message out to the local communities. In response, presentations have been scheduled across all the Cherokee communities:

- * Snowbird, Sept. 6 at 6pm
- * Cherokee Co., Sept. 13 at 7pm
- * Painttown, Sept. 26 at 5:30pm
- * Yellowhill, Oct. 4 at 6pm
- * Birdtown, Oct. 11 at 6pm

Big Cove News update

SUBMITTED By BO TAYLOR

- Step Class Monday 7pm @ Big Cove Recreation Center. 6 week program.
- Aug. 30 Big Cove "Community Social" at Nazarene Church 6:00 PM. Potluck everyone invited.
- Sept. 1 General Election voting will be at Big Cove Recreation Center from 6:00am - 6:00 pm.
- Alzheimer's Area Walk, Oct. 15 at Cherokee Fair grounds, 11am registration, 1pm walk

Community Club

Kolanvyi Kids will be having a membership drive in September for new members. Please call Mariah at 788-4574.

Community Garden is the field just before Big Cove housing. If you would like to participate in helping with this project, please call 538-0044.

Community Watch

Break-in at Big Cove Grocery between the hours of 9:15pm-8:00 am Thursday night. The thief stole about \$200.00 in quarters and \$80.00 in cash. Also a 380 automatic handgun was stolen. Community Watch is offering a \$200.00 reward to information leading to an arrest.

If you have any information about a crime or any other issues that affects the safety of our community please call 828-538-0044 or email kolanvyi@gmail.com. Community watch currently has over 260 individuals taking part in the Community Watch Program.

Bo is the community watch coordinator for the Big Cove Community.

American Flag Drop-box

If you have an American flag that is worn, faded and in need of being retired with full military honors, then please bring these living symbols of a living nation to the American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 on Acquoni Road. The Post now has a red, white, and blue American drop-box by the front door and can be used day or night for flags that need to be disposed of properly.

If anyone has new or gently used American flags to be donated for future use, please leave in the flag drop box. Info: Warren Dupree, Post 143 Service Officer, (828) 508-2657 (cell)

- Post Service Officer
Warren Dupree

Obituaries

Lawrence Reed

Lawrence Reed, 79, of Cherokee passed away at Park Ridge Hospital on August 17, 2011, following an extended illness. He was a resident of the Big Y Community.

He was preceded in death by his parents, Johnson Reed and Dinah Hornbuckle Reed; brothers, Roy Reed, Jonah Reed, and Peter Reed; sisters, Helen Reed Bradley and Selma Reed; and granddaughter, Alannah Ledford; nephews, Jimmy Bradley, Raymond Bradley and Don Bradley; and great nephew, Rusty Wolfe.

He is survived by his son, Allen Edward Reed and wife Anita Ann; daughter, Ida Teresa Reed and Daniel Trampler; adopted brother, Ray E. Kinsland; sister-in-law, Eva Reed, grandchildren, Mary May Ledford, Jessica Rivera, Ce Ann Jackson, Daniel Edward Trampler, Edward Dwayne Sherrill and wife Layla; Kenneth and Victoria S. Hornbuckle, Kimberly Smith, Robert James, Jacob James, John Davis; great grandchildren, Josiah Edward Sherrill, Gabriel Rivera, and Logan Biddix; Joseph Smith-Hornbuckle, Jayden, Jada, Joshua and Jasmine Smith, Angel, Katrina, Billie, Elsa; nephews J. Boy Reed, Morgan Bradley and wife Loretta, and Bob Reed; nieces, Sissy Reed, Martha Wolfe and husband Wayne, and Carol Long; adopted family, Leona Faulker and Ellen Johnson; and several great nieces and great nephews.

The body was taken to the Acquoni Baptist Chapel at 5 PM on Friday, August 19, 2011. The funeral was held at the Acquoni Baptist Chapel at 2 PM on Saturday, August 20, 2011. Burial was at the Reed Family Cemetery.

The Rev. Dan Lambert and Ray Kinsland officiated. Pall bearers were J. Boy Reed, Wayne Wolfe, Diggy Wolfe, Richard Bradley, Stu Bradley, Steve

Smith, Joe Smith-Hornbuckle, and Terri Bradley.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Jerry Lee Maney, Jr.

Jerry Lee Maney, Jr., 21, a.k.a. "The Mortician" of 176 Spirit Mountain Road Dillsboro, NC passed away unexpectedly at his residence Tuesday August 9, 2011. He was an avid professional wrestler for Full Momentum Wrestling and had been in the pro wrestling business for ten years this past July.

He was preceded in death by his paternal grandfather, Jessie A. Maney, Sr.; maternal grandparents, Johnson Sequoyah and Bobbie Cucumber Sequoyah.

He is survived by his mother Kina Elaine (Slugg) Lossie of the home; by his father, Jerry Lee Maney, Sr. of Goose Creek; by grandmother Louise Maple Maney, a brother, Johnson Lloyd Sequoyah of Cherokee; and a sister, Beth Maney Click, a nephew Harley Click and niece Seanna Click. He is also survived by uncles Greg Maney, Sam Maney and Jesse Maney, Jr. all of T.N., aunts Louise Maney, II., Jenny Maney, Rosa Maney and Melissa Maney all of N.C., Anne Maney of V.A. and Lizzie Cucumber of Cherokee, N.C. many cousins whom he loved like brothers and sisters, Booger, Stacy, Deeni, and (Rat) Mike Walkingstick, Jr., and one beloved nephew, Blake Lloyd Sequoyah, and beloved aunt, Liz Sequoyah.

The family will receive friends on August 12, 2011 from 12 PM until 3 PM at the Long House Funeral Home Chapel. The funeral service will follow at 3 PM in the chapel and will be officiated by the Rev. James "Bo" Parris and Rev. Billy Ketcherson.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements.

18th Century Cherokee Clothing Workshops

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian will be offering workshops on 18th century clothing for EBCI tribal members. Cost is \$25 per workshop. Workshops will be held in the Art Studio of the Ken Blankenship Education and Research Center on Hwy 441, from 5 pm to 9 pm.

This is the type of clothing used in the Miss Cherokee pageants, worn by the Warriors of AniKituhwa, and used in 18th century reenactments. Participants need to bring their own sewing machine, scissors, and material. To sign up contact the Museum box office or eswimmer@cherokeemuseum.org

Workshop dates include:

- * Leggings, wrap skirts and match coats - Aug. 30-31
- * Trade shirts - Sept. 7-8
- * Moccasins - Sept. 20 and Sept. 22

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Tribal Member nominated for Seven NAMMYs

Matt Bryant, an EBCI tribal member known as "UNO" in the music industry was recently nominated for seven Nammy Awards: Debut Artist of the Year, Best Producer, Best Male Artist, Best Rap/Hip Hop Recording ("A Strange Revolt"), Song Single of the Year ("Cant' Be Human"), Record of the Year ("A Strange Revolt"), and Song-writer/Composer of the Year.

The NAMMY awards are the Grammy's of Native American traditional, contemporary and Native inspired music. All nominees were voted upon by the national Advisory members of the Native American Music Awards and chosen from more than 200 national contemporary and traditional music recordings originally submitted for nomination consideration.

Bryant ("Uno") wrote, produced, and recorded vocals for the critically acclaimed "A Strange Revolt" CD in his studio located in Cherokee. It was released in 2010 in stores and on iTunes, and features Cherokee's rising country artist, Hoss Howard, who laid down the vocal hook on the single "Breathe."

"It's a huge honor for me to be nominated for the NAMMYS and have my work recognized after 10 years of writing, producing, and recording music," said Bryant. "The music, style and attitude of hip-hop scene has been become a phenomenon in the Native American community. My music incorporates up-tempo, heart-pounding, raw adrenaline injected beats, over lyrics that express my thoughts or life experiences. I really enjoy the energy of creating hip-hop music and sharing it with others." I'm very proud to represent the EBCI and want to thank my family and friends for all their support over the years," added Bryant.

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- Matt Bryant aka "UNO"

The Nammy Awards are unique in that voting is open to the public. You can help Bryant win all seven awards by voting for him (he is listed as "UNO" on the ballot) by Sept. 1. at <http://www.nativeamericanmusicawards.com/votenow.cfm>

Bryant has recently expanded his music career into the Hollywood film industry. He has been tapped as the music supervisor for the announced feature 3D film "SKATEGOD," as well as writing songs for the Cousin Sarah horror film, starring Haylie Duff (Napoleon Dynamite), Linda Blair (The Exorcist), Tom Sizemore (Saving Private Ryan), and Jason Mewse (Jay and Silent Bob Strike Back).

By day, Bryant is a full-time Harrah Casino employee. But, when he's not working or in his music studio, you'll find him making some seriously awesome hot sauce, working in his garden, or hanging out with his wife, Magda, and daughter. He is the son of Carlos and Carmen Queen Bryant, the grandson of Carolyn and Fuzzy Queen, and the great-grand son of Dixie Cooper Arneach and the late Pete Queen and Ethel Bigmeat.

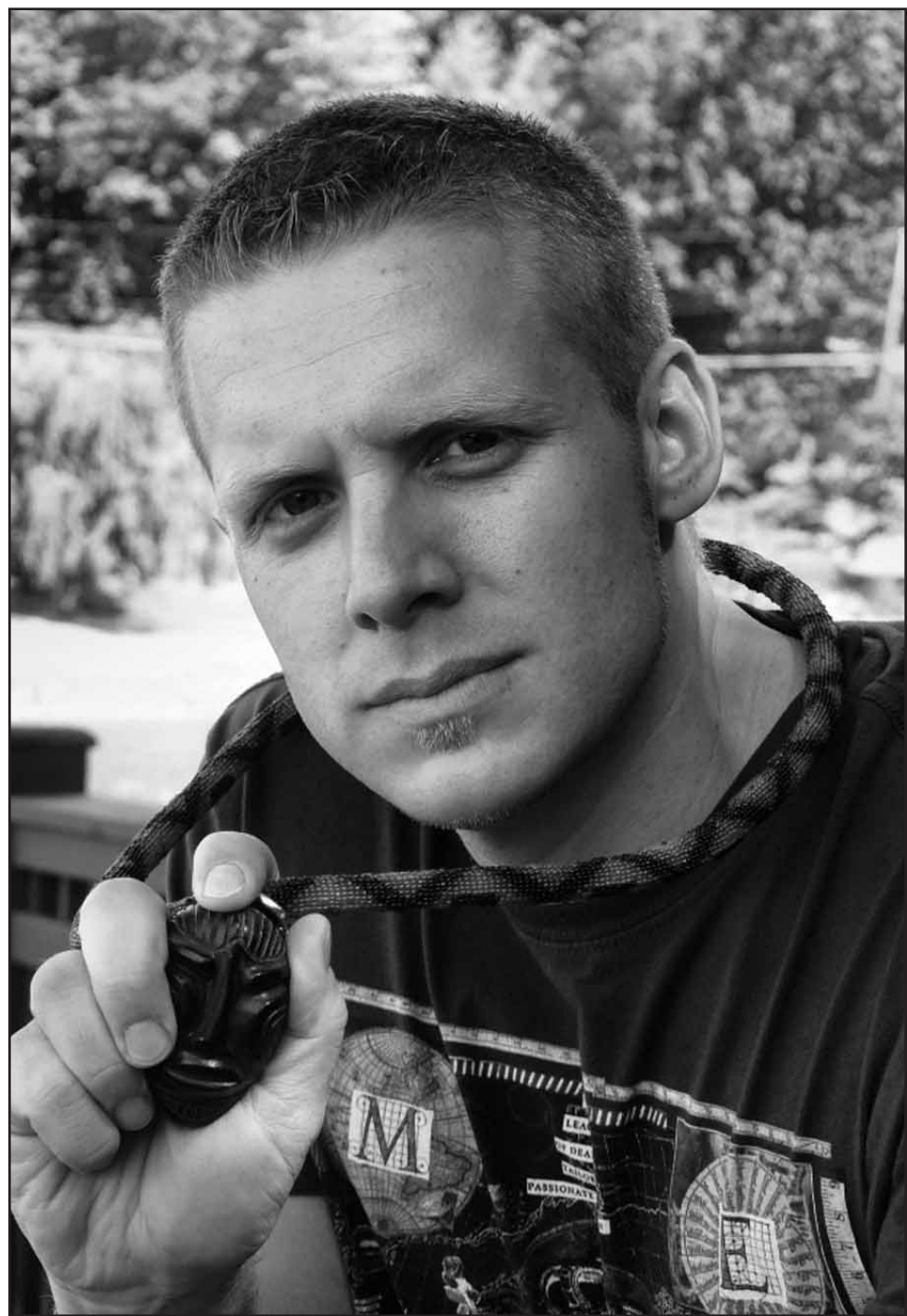


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HEALTHY FOOD CHOICES

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IT'S TIME FOR A CHANGE!

ELECT PATRICK LAMBERT

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

**Next Thursday,
September 1st, 2011**

Celebrating HEALS Kickoff at Oconaluftee Job Corps CCC

Imagine a world where you ate breakfast on fresh whole wheat toast, had broiled lemon pepper fish for lunch, and got moving in the afternoon to a dance video workout. Pretty great right? Healthy eating and an active lifestyle have been part of a nationwide effort to change many troubling statistics including youth obesity, higher diabetes rates, and more. Oconaluftee JCCCC is doing its part to ensure students start and continue the path to health and well-being.

This summer, Oconaluftee launched the HEALS (Healthy Eating Active Lifestyles) Program for all students and staff. The center started with a large kick-off celebration including a 5K Walk Against Tobacco followed by a fun Health Food Cookout featuring Veggie Burgers, grilled chicken, broiled Lemon Pepper Fish, Low Fat Potato Salad, Low Fat Cole Slaw, whole wheat buns and dessert of fresh cold Watermelon.

Throughout the day, 'Get Moving' activities in the gymnasium helped teach new forms of exercise as well as bring back some old favorites. "We had everything from yoga to Zumba to double dutch jump rope like when I was a kid. I'd never done some of that before but it was kinda cool" said student Claudette Nolan. Yoga instruction was led by one of the center's very own staff members, Holly Krake. "Yoga is about body and mind. You can't have a healthy life style without engaging both to work towards your health goals" said Krake.

Oconaluftee hasn't stopped at a one time event either. Wellness Manager, Trudy Crowe, stated that many other changes have been made to im-



Photo by Holly Krake/OJCCCC

Students at the Oconaluftee Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center learn yoga basics.

plement HEALS across all areas of campus life. "We added more juice options, switched to many low fat choices in the cafeteria, and made more activities available in recreation such as dance video games and dedicated 'ladies hours' in the weight room and gym" said Crowe. Tracking booklets have also been made available for those wanting to learn to food diary and keep track of activities- and have been a huge success.

The local North Carolina Cooperative Extension program through NC

State University was also on hand to teach students how to make their own sodas. In this activity, fruit juices were turned into great tasting 'fizzy' drinks- giving the look and feel of soda but without the high sugar content.

The Oconaluftee Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center is associated with the National Forests of North Carolina. It is accredited by the Council On Occupational Education and currently serves 68 students. The mission of the USDA Forest Service is to sustain the health, diversity, and productivity of

the Nation's forests and grasslands to meet the needs of present and future generations. The Agency manages 193 million acres of public land, provides assistance to State and private landowners, and maintains the largest forestry research organization in the world. For more information about the Oconaluftee JCCCC, visit oconaluftee.jobcorps.gov

- Oconaluftee JCCCC

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Join us For a Final Rally
Before Election Day

Tuesday, August 30th
In the field above our house
under the Big Tent

6:00 pm

Bring your favorite covered dish
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This is an appreciation Dinner for you!
Our volunteers, staff, friends and supporters!
Thank you for a well run campaign!

Everyone is welcome!

Elect Patrick Lambert
For Principal Chief

Get Out the Vote
On Thursday,
September 1st.



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**ELECT PATRICK
LAMBERT**

PRINCIPAL CHIEF

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RE-ELECT



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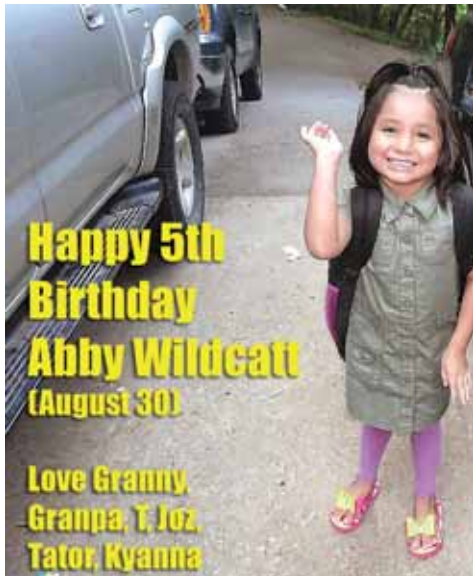
PAINT TOWN TRIBAL COUNCIL

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Andrew Cooper Cabe

Born to Samantha and Drew Cabe of Chapel Hill, NC on June 9. Andrew Cooper Cabe. Proud grandparents are Barbara and Andy Cabe of Sylva, Diane Hyatt of Cherokee and Jake and Jenny Hyatt of Bryson City.



Happy 5th Birthday Abby Wildcatt (August 30)

Love Granny, Granpa, T. Joz, Tator, Kyanna

Happy 5th Birthday A-qui-ge-la



love you, Mommy

Welch

Harper Annalie Welch born on August 10 to James and Rachel Welch of Cherokee in Swain County, weighing 8 pounds, 11 ounces.

Locust

Ernest Locust III born on August 6 to Clyde Locust and Brittane George of Cherokee in Swain County, weighing 6 pounds, 8 ounces.

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Next Week

THURSDAY September 1st

VOTE 4 CHANGE!!

ELECT PATRICK LAMBERT

Principal Chief

King Crossword

Answers

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Congratulations to Amble R. Smoker for graduating from the International Academy of Design and Technology in Orlando, Florida on July 16, 2011. He graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude in marketing and Advertising with a Bachelor of Science.

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Photo by Billie Jo Rich/KPEP

Friends of Kituwah

The Kituwah Preservation & Education Program (KPEP) presented the Friends of Kituwah Award to Ray (center) and Teresa (left) Williams of Granny's Kitchen on Thursday, Aug. 18. The award was presented by Billie Jo Rich and Cynthia Grant (pictured right) of KPEP. "The business has long been a great supporter of the Cherokee language and culture revitalization efforts, as well as having been a provider of fantastic service," KPEP officials stated.

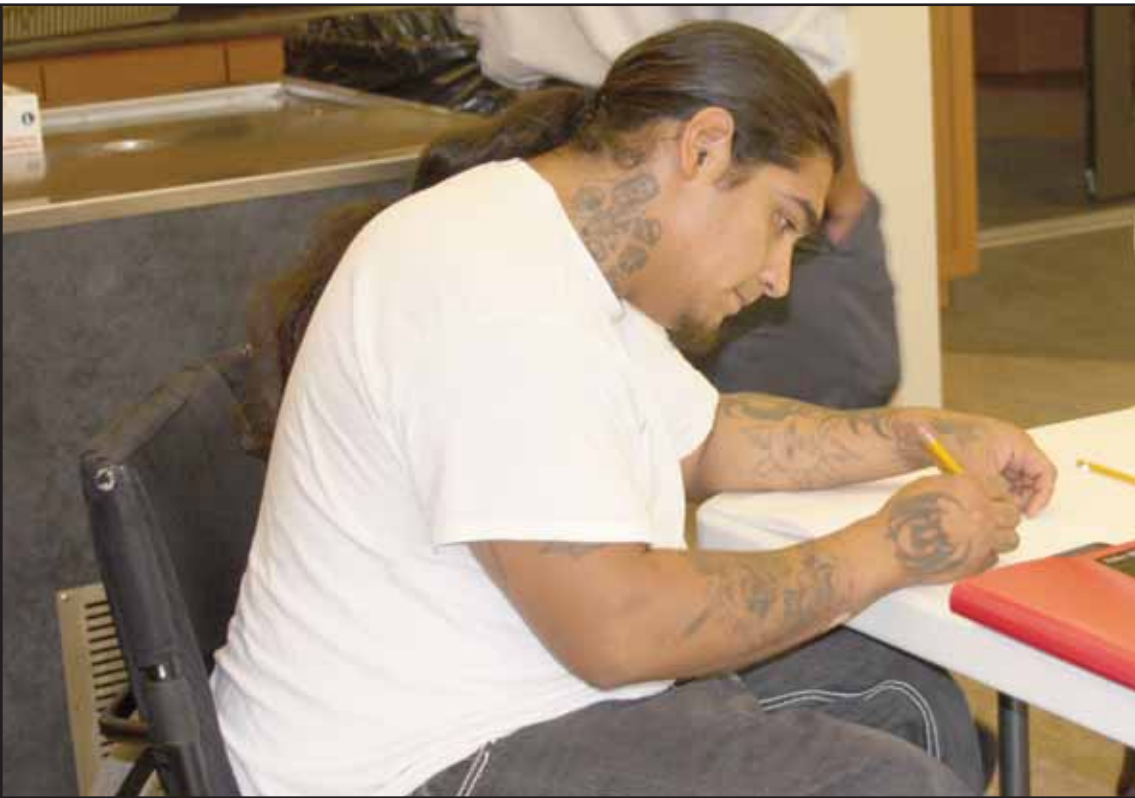


Photo by Billie Jo Rich/KPEP

Teaching Illustrators

Reuban Santiago works diligently at an Illustrators Workshop held Aug. 4 at the New Kituwah Academy. The intent of the workshop, sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program (KPEP), was to facilitate the creation of original books and reading materials written in the Cherokee language for use by the students at New Kituwah Academy who read books in the Cherokee Syllabary. Published professional children's book illustrator Deborah Durland DeSaix was on hand to give tips and advice on storyboarding, reader perspective, illustrating tips, the differences between fine art and illustrating and much more. Based on the technique of each artist, they were assigned an original story from previous KPEP Writers Workshops. By the end of the day, each participant had created a "dummy" book with preliminary sketches and ideas for how they would illustrate their book.

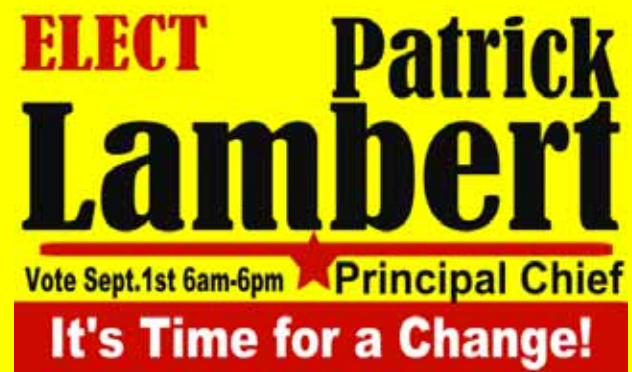


VITA NATIONS/One Feather contributor

White Crane

This white crane was photographed on Thursday, Aug. 18 in the Oconaluftee River near the Whitewater Road area.

My Top Priority Is You



As we draw near to the close of this Campaign I want to say that I have truly enjoyed getting to know many of you personally and I have been blessed with many new friends and supporters. Words can't express how grateful I am for each of you.

This campaign has been eventful and I have spent a lot of my time quelling rumors and lies about me and my family. One last rumor I will address briefly is the supposed "hit list". It is amazing to me that Hicks & crew think you are gullible enough to believe that is a list that was produced by me or my campaign. This is just another fear and intimidation tactic they are trying to pull on you. Don't fall for it, it's silly. Let them know you are smarter than that! Vote for a leader who will treat you with respect and not try to rule by fear.

I think with the proper leadership our employees and programs can once again thrive. I believe in our tribal employees, and believe they want to do a good job for our tribe, and WANT TO help our tribal members. I believe our regular tribal employees are the real heroes of our Tribe; The men and women who show up to work and dig the trench, lay the lines, work in the hot sunshine or cold rain, drive the trucks or work as teachers, police, firemen, medical staff or secretaries and assistants, and do this everyday for service to our Tribe. Those are the people that I want to help! Those people who are the real backbone of our Tribe and the real workers who deserve to be treated with respect!

Under a Lambert Administration the work atmosphere will shift to one of respect and concern for individual rights of employees and tribal members. We will begin the process of healing our Tribe and bringing us back to the stature we once maintained in the State and Nation. **It is time for a new direction, It is time for new hope and vision, It is Time for a Change!**

I humbly ask for your vote and support [next week on September 1st](#) to begin this process of healing and bringing our Tribe back to its potential for Greatness! Thank you for all your hospitality over the past year and I want to especially Thank You for your prayers and words of encouragement.

Patrick Lambert

IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE!

ELECT PATRICK LAMBERT

Principal Chief



Paid for by Committee to Elect Patrick for Principal Chief

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Football Sunset

A beautiful late-summer sunset appeared just before halftime at the Cherokee - Smoky Mountain football game in Sylva on Friday, Aug. 19.

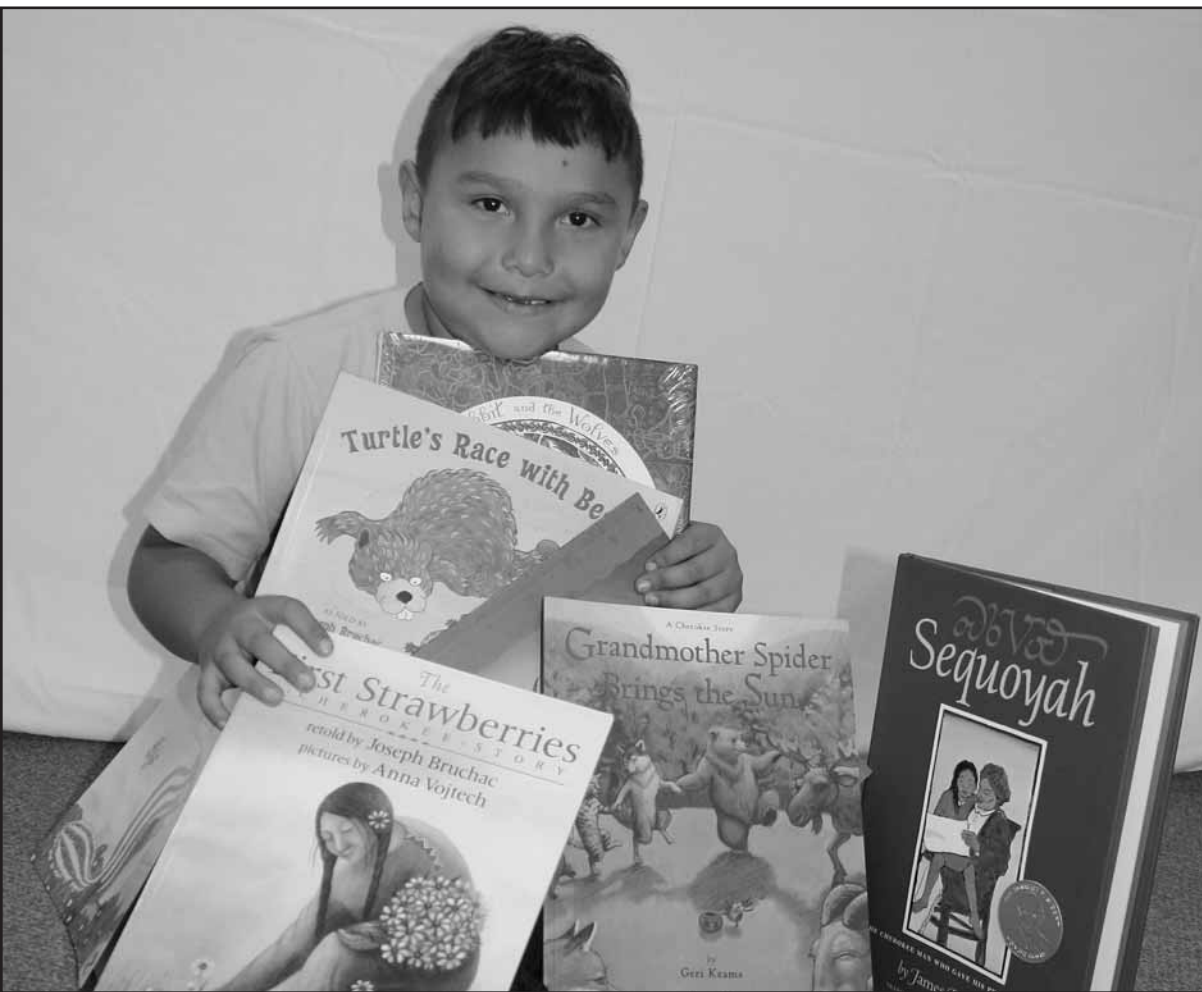


Photo by Robin Swayney/Qualla Library

Top Reader

Carl "Mater" McCoy was the top reader again this summer at the Qualla Boundary Public Library. With the help of his family, he read 156 books. Roberta McCoy, his mother, said, "He probably would have read more, but he has started reading on his own and that slowed him down". Carl is the son of Carl and Roberta McCoy.



Photo by Billie Jo Rich

Pinned for Vet School

Lindsay Hornbuckle (right), an EBCI tribal member, is shown with her grandparents Jim and Suzanne Hornbuckle at the pinning ceremony for Veterinary Medical Technology students at AB Tech Community College on Friday, Aug. 5. Lindsay is the daughter of Mike and Billie Jo Rich, of Paint-town, and Jamie Hornbuckle, of Murphy. Lindsay related that she would like to thank the EBCI Education Program for all of their assistance.

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Tribal Member publishes magazine

SUBMITTED By GERRI GRADY

"Tsa La Gi" has been edited and published by Faolan Grady, a student at Warren Wilson College and an EBCI tribal member. The magazine includes poetry, short stories and artwork by local residents some of whom are enrolled Tribal members.

Poetry contributors include Jeff McCoy, Hannah Burke, and Natalie Smith. Short stories were written by Robin Wolfe Swimmer and Jody Bradley, among others.

The magazine was compiled as a project to complete coursework for Grady's creative writing major at Warren Wilson.

He stated, "I was so excited by the contributions from the community. There was a good cross section of generation and gender, as well as short story verses poetry. To round out the design of the magazine, Helen Smoker Martin's beautiful artwork was perfect."

Copies of the work will be mailed



Photo courtesy of Gerri Grady
EBCI tribal member Faolan Grady holds a copy of "Tsa La Gi", a magazine of poetry, short stories and artwork he published as part of a college course.

to contributors later this week. Grady related that he extends appreciation to all contributors and invites anyone to post a short story or poem to his website:

<http://www.mtnwriter.com/flog/>.

Tribe wins parade award

By JEAN BUSHYHEAD

GATLINBURG, Tenn. - The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians placed third in the category "Best Professional Float" in Gatlinburg's Fourth of July parade.

The theme for this year's July 4th parade was America's Heroes. Tonya Carroll, Miss Cherokee 2010, stood center stage on an elevated platform looking radiant dressed in red Cherokee clothing fashioned in the 1700's. A spotlight directed on her, caused her silver crown to reflect in brilliant light. She engaged the large crowd with her lovely smile while waving a United States flag. She set the stage for the presentation of the rest of our American Heroes.

Cherokee veterans, fully dressed in appropriate military uniform, surrounded the outer edges of the float. The focus was on PFC Charles George, deceased. Five feet by four feet photographic enlargements of him were displayed and also included enlargements of his Medal of Honor and his Congressional Citation.



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PFC Reuben Taylor, United States Army, was featured beside enlarged photographs of him in full military dress. The 85-year-old stood at attention during the entire length of the parade, depicting a true warrior. He saluted and waved to the thousands of spectators from all over the world who saluted him in return.

As the float proceeded down the main street of Gatlinburg, Warren Dupree, Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Service Officer, recited with a dramatically thunderous voice, the history of these two veterans, while stirring patriotic music played in the background.

Supporting these two Cherokee military veterans and riding on the float were Lee Taylor, Jack Saunooke, Ernie Panther, SPC Carrie Wade and SSGT Lee Herman.

Tabled Ordinances

Tabled Ord. No. 799 (2011)

WHEREAS, Enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians receive per capita distributions twice a year; and
 WHEREAS, the Tribal law prohibits adult members from utilizing certain private contractual agreements, namely assignments, of their own present and future interests in the per capita payments except when the assignment benefits the Tribe; and
 WHEREAS, this law is unfair for many tribal members who have a great need and would like to utilize an assignment agreement as a form of payment for professional services (defined as services the provision of which requires a professional license) such as legal services and funeral services but are prohibited from this otherwise legal contractual agreement; and
 WHEREAS, a change in the law to allow adult tribal members full rights to make legal decisions about their interests in their per capita income as it concerns professional services is warranted when professional services are often unforeseen and significantly emergent in nature; and
 WHEREAS, such a change in the law would not likely create an excessive burden on the Tribe's budget and fi-

nance office if the assignments were allowed for true professional services and the license for the service could be attached to the assignment form provided to the budget and finance division.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present, that Chapter 16C section 16C-5 be amended to allow assignment agreements between the enrolled members for professional services provided by private businesses licensed to do business on the reservation and to read as follows:

(e) Voluntary assignment. This subsection shall apply only to debts owed to the Tribe or to a Tribal entity listed in section 16C-2 or professional services from licensed professionals doing business on tribal trust property. A member who owes an obligation to the Tribe or a Tribal entity or professional service provider may enter into a voluntary assignment agreement for all or part of the amount of the scheduled disbursement, subject to the following limitations:

(1) The Office of the Attorney General shall develop a voluntary assignment agreement form. Voluntary assignments shall not be enforced unless they are completed on the proper form, notarized, and filed with the

Tribal Finance Office at least 30 days prior to a scheduled per capita disbursement.

(2) A Tribal entity or person requesting a voluntary assignment shall first pay a fee of \$35.00 to the Tribal Finance Office to defer the costs of administering the voluntary assignment, which fee will be charged to the member.

(3) A voluntary assignment may cover past and/or future obligations owed by the member to the Tribe or Tribal Entity. A single assignment may obligate multiple per capita distributions, such as to ensure repayment on a monthly basis of a tribally guaranteed home mortgage loan, however a separate fee shall be administered for each per capita distribution.

(4) Voluntary assignments, unless they expressly state otherwise, convey to the Tribe or professional service provider, all present and future right, title and interest in per capita distributions, they shall remain in effect and are irrevocable until the debt for which the assignment is made is paid in full.

(5) A Tribal member who receives a Tribal guarantee of a loan to purchase, refinance, construct or improve a home under a loan guarantee program approved by the Tribal Council may assign his or her per capita in advance to the Tribal division, program or entity charged with administering the guar-

antee program, or have his/her per capita garnished by the Tribe or Tribal Entity under subsection (d), for repayment of the debt owed to the Tribe or the lender, maker, holder, successor or assign of the mortgage.

(f) Priorities. In the event there are multiple garnishments or assignments against a member, priority for disbursement of funds shall be as follows:

(1) Garnishment under subsection (d) for child support;

(2) Garnishment under subsection (d) for debts to the Tribe or a Tribal Entity; and

(3) Assignments under subsection (e) for debts to the Tribe or a Tribal Entity. Within each category above, priority shall be determined by the date of the garnishment order or the grant of the assignment.

(4) Assignments under subsection (e) for debts to a professional service provider. Within each category above, priority shall be determined by the date of the assignment, earlier assignments getting priority until paid.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief and that all ordinances that are inconsistent with this law are rescinded.

- Submitted by Bruce Martin, Jr.
 and Bruce Martin, Sr.

Girls on the Run Program

Girls on the Run (GOTR) is an after school, experiential health and wellness program for girls in 3rd-8th grades. Their mission is "inspiring girls to be joyful, healthy and confident using a fun, experience-based curriculum which creatively integrates running."

Since the program's inception in 2002, GOTR of WNC has served over 5,000 girls in Western North Carolina including girls at Cherokee and Swain East Elementary programs.

In Fall 2011, Girls on the Run (3rd-5th grades) will be offered at Cherokee, Swain East, Swain West, and Smokey Mountain Elementary schools and Girls on Track (6th-8th grades) will be at Swain Middle school.

For more information on registering a participant at one of these schools, please contact Tara McCoy at 497-1976 or Yvette Colmant at 497-1978.



Marketplace

FOR RENT

For Rent - 2 bedrooms. 1 bath mobile home in a quiet park in Ela. No pets, references, and a background check required. \$400 a month, \$300 deposit. Call 488-8752. **9/1pd**

For Rent - 2 bedroom, full bath mobile home. No drinks, No pets, No parties. If interested call, 736-2262. **9/1pd**

For Rent or Sale- 4 Bedroom, 2 bath. Soco Area. Call Blanche McCoy Vickers for information: 865-429-7244, 828-497-6285. **8/25**

For Rent - three bedroom house. No pets. \$700.00. \$350.00 Last. \$500.00 Deposit. 828-458-5460 **8/25pd**

For Rent - 2BR Log Cabin, partially furnished, located on Thomas Valley Road - Whittier, central heat/air, easy access, adults preferred. \$600/month, \$300/security deposit. Call for appointment (828) 269-6565 **9/15pd**

Trailer for Rent- If interested call 736-2427 or 736-1795 **8/25pd**

For Rent- 2 cozy streamside apartments located on Camp Creek Rd near Whittier. 1 apartment- 1 bed/bath with fireplace. 1 apartment- 2 bedroom/ 1 bath with large kitchen, great room, and w/d hookups. Available September 1. 828-788-9319. **9/1pd**

For Rent - 3 bedroom Log Cabin/1 bath in Cherokee. No inside pets. 828-497-3950, after 7:00pm and 828-506-4216. **9/1pd**

FOR SALE

Tribal Land for sale - 10 acres on Old #4 Road; 22,000 - great view from mountain, serious buyers only. Ask for Christine (828) 736-6560, owner finance, Tsalgi Trail entrance, Please call for appointment. **9/15pd**

For Sale- GoodYear tires. Call 507-2422. **9/1pd**

YARD SALES

Yard Sale on August 27, 7-11am. 55 Johnson Arch road, located across from Burger King, 2nd driveway on left. One family with NB-preschooler clothing, bassinet, playground toys & much more. Baby Gap, Banana Republic, Juicy Couture, Stride Rite, baby Uggs, Pediped, Morgan & Milo, Kid Express, Trumpette, too many to list. If raining yard sale will be cancelled. **8/25pd**

Garage Sale- Friday & Saturday, August 27-28 on Bryson Street in Bryson City. All riding, push mowers, and chainsaws must go. We have 2 tillers, knives, and tools. Don't miss this sale. Call 488-8951. **9/1pd**

3 family yard sale will be held on August 27 at the Birdtown Community Building from 8:00 to 2:00. There will be many items including plus size men's and women's clothes and TUPPERWARE. This will be held rain or shine. **8/25pd**

Yard Sale - Saturday, August 27 starting at 8:00 till? At Josh's Place beside the Cherokee Church of God. **8/25pd**

FREE

Free- Malachi Ch. 4- Behold I send to you Elijah the prophet, to forerun my second coming. Even as John the Baptist foreran my First coming. Read what he has to say. Gospel Sermon books. Write to: Ed and Jean Watkins, P.O. Box 4636, Beaufort, South Carolina 29903. **9/8pd**

WANTED

Buying Wild Ginseng every Thursday and Sunday 2:00pm - 4:00pm starting September 1st at the Gateway Flea Market. Green only until September 15th then green or dry. Call Ricky Teem (828) 371-1802 or (828) 554-7748. **9/15pd**

VEHICLES

For Sale - 2001 GMC Safari Cargo Van. Very good condition. V-6 4.3 \$4,500.00. Also a 2003 Rockwood 5th Wheel Camper \$4,500.00. Call 508-2441 for more information. **8/25pd**

FOR LEASE

Creek Front House. 2BR, den, 1.5BA on Shepherd's Creek. New kitchen cabinets and appliances, W/D hookups, carpet and ceramic tile, carport with utility shed. 2 Adults. Senior discount. Last and Security. 1 year lease. \$600/month. 488-9160. **8/25pd**

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Pet Grooming - by Jannessa, Certified Master Groomer with 30yrs exp., at Pawsitively Pampered in Bryson City. Call (828) 788-0599. **12/29pd.**

Avenues Counseling - Beth Farris, a Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Clinical Addiction Specialist has 25 years experience addressing various issues. Group work is a specialty since I advocate for clients to have peer support. Recently Certified as a Yoga teacher; I am combining sound mental health counseling with mindfulness and body mind connectedness. Call for information about groups or Ind. Counseling. 828-421-9855. **9/1pd**

Babysitting - \$4 an hour or full time rate \$3.50 Mon. - Sun. flexible hours, includes meals, snacks, and all craft supplies. Call 828-736-1089, Marianne, Age 44. **8/25pd**

LEGALS

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-045

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Robert Johnson Wahneta

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 11, 2011. This is the 2nd day of August 2011.

Howard K. Wahneta, P.O. Box 1463, Cherokee, NC 28719 **8/25pd**

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court,
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-043

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Roderick Lee Taylor

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 4, 2011. This is the 28th day of July 2011.

Robert J. Taylor, 422 Wintergreen Place,
San Marcos, CA 92069 **8/25pd**

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-048

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Barbara Joyce Crowe

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 25, 2011. This is the 15th day of August 2011.

Enoch N. Climbingbear, 2100 Otis Dellinger Road,
Lincolnton, NC 28092 **9/15pd**

Notice of Service of Process by Publication

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
The Cherokee Court Cherokee,
North Carolina File No. 11-SP-124
In Re Matter of: Baby Girl Doe.

To: Unknown Father of Baby Girl Doe

TAKE NOTICE THAT an adoption proceeding has been filed regarding a minor child, born on the 5th day of January, 2008. It is alleged that you are the biological father of said child. Be further advised that if you do not respond to this notice by September 27, 2011, said date being forty (40) days from the date of first publication of this notice, the adopting Petitioner shall request that the Court enter an Order allowing this adoption to proceed without your consent and also provide that you will not receive any further notices of this adoption including the time and place of any further hearings. Your response to this notice should be sent to the Clerk for the Cherokee Tribal Court in Cherokee, North Carolina and a copy sent to the undersigned attorney. THIS the 8th day of August, 2011. Signed- LAWRENCE NESTLER, Attorney for Petitioner
LEGAL AID OF NC, INC. -Sylva Office
P.O. Box 426
Sylva, NC 28779

Telephone: 828/586-8931 **9/1**

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-046

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Irene Crowe Cooper

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 18, 2011. This is the 15th day of August 2011.

Casey Cooper, 79 Sam Brady Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 **9/8pd**

Legal Notice

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS
THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, QUALLA BOUNDARY, (NC)
FILE NO CV 11-242

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Tribal Child Support Enf., ex rel;
Carmen L. Rosillo-Perez,
Plaintiffs,
vs
Mildred R. McCoy,
Defendant.

To: Mildred R. McCoy, the above named Defendant:

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: That the Defendant be required to pay ongoing child support for two minor children to wit: Paul W. Badillo and Aiden J. Wolfe, according to the NC Child Support Guidelines and have income withholding from Defendant's wages or other income, with payment to NCCS Centralized Collections.

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than the 29 day of August, 2011, said date being 40 days from the first publication of this notice, and upon your failure to do so the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 18 day of July, 2011.

Collins & Hensley, PA
Attorneys for Plaintiffs
217 Iotla St.
Franklin NC 28734
(828) 524-0017 **8/25pd**

LEGALS

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-047

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Carol Sue Trampler

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 18, 2011. This is the 15th day of August 2011.

Robert L. Trampler, 133 Hornbuckle Driver, Cherokee, NC 28719 **9/8pd**

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 11-055

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Nell Rattler

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 25, 2011. This is the 18th day of August 2011.

Mary Jo Rogers, 2424 N.E. 9 St. Apt. 311, Ft. Lauderdale, FL 33304 **9/15pd**

EMPLOYMENT

Intensive In-Home staff needed in Swain County

Qualified Professionals needed for IIH team to provide services to children/adolescents. QP's must have Bachelor's degree plus experience dependant on degree. Preference will be given to those with prior Substance Abuse experience. Email resume to Tracey Elliott at telliot@jcpsmail.org or fax to 828-586-6601 **8/25**

Applications sought for Tsa-La-Gi Touring Program

Cherokee Historical Association is looking for applicants for the Tsa-La-Gi Touring Program. Applicants must be willing to travel and should be knowledgeable in Cherokee Arts and Crafts as well as be willing to learn or perform traditional dances. Applications are available at the Main office or contact Philenia Walkingstick for more information at (828) 497-2111 ext. 204 **9/8**



Cherokee Central Schools positions

Cherokee Central Schools is taking applications for the following positions:

Head Wrestling Coach

A North Carolina teaching license is required for all teaching positions:

High School Homebound Teacher

Birth thru Kindergarten Teacher

Elementary Teacher State position

Middle Grades Language Arts

Deaf Educator

Substitute Teachers

All positions are opened until filled

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Phone – 828-554-5096

Email – nachiltoskie@gmail.com **9/1**

Seeking Experienced Caregivers

Now searching for experienced caregivers in the following categories: Nanny/babysitting/child care workers, elderly caretakers, housekeepers. Call 1-888-856-8642 for an interview. Go to www.tempsations.org for more info. **8/25**

Three (3) Social Services Assistants - Night

ORGANIZATION: Oconaluftee Job Corps, (Cherokee Boys Club Contract – U.S. Forest Service), P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, N. C. 28719 (52 CBC Loop)

DEPARTMENT: Oconaluftee Job Corps

OPENING DATE: Thursday, August 18, 2011

CLOSING DATE: Thursday, September 1, 2011

REQUIREMENTS: Application and job description can be picked up from the Club Human Resources Coordinator, Tiffani Reed at the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 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 mandatory.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **8/25**

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

Closing September 2, 2011 @ 4 pm

1. Heavy Equipment Operator- Transfer Station (\$23,740-\$30,280)
2. Carpenter Crewleader- QHA (\$31,700-\$40,420)
3. Patrol Officer- CPD (\$28,790-\$36,710)(2 Positions)
4. Corrections Officer- CPD (\$28,790-\$36,710)
5. Juvenile Officer- CPD (\$28,790-\$36,710)
6. Sergeant Detective-CVU- CPD (\$38,410-\$48,980)
7. Marketing Research Analyst- Travel & Promotion (\$38,410-\$48,980)

Closing August 26, 2011 @ 4 pm

1. Early Childhood Behavioral Specialist- Tribal Child Care (\$28,790-\$36,710)
2. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer- (\$28,790-\$36,710)

Open Until Filled

1. EMT-P (Part-time) – EMS
2. Teacher- Tribal Child Care
3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care

Health & Medical Positions

1. C.N.A.– Tsali Care Center
2. LPN- Tsali Care Center
3. Cook- Tsali Care Center
4. Physician- Diabetes Program
5. LPN- PT- Tsali Care Center
6. Staff RN- Tsali Care Center
7. WIC Processing Coordinator- WIC
8. Administrative Assistant- WIC
9. RN Supervisor- Tsali Care Center
10. Public Health Nurse- Women's Wellness
11. Community Coordinator- Healthy Cherokee

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

Part-Time Housekeeper Urgent Care

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: Part-Time Housekeeper (evenings) Urgent Care. Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close September 2, 2011. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **9/1**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Public Meeting Notice

Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation

(828) 788-2474

Public Meeting

Hiawassee Watershed Management Plan for Tribal lands/waters in Cherokee County

Cherokee County Community Center, Aug. 29, 2011 at 5:30pm

Please Contact Josh Parker, EBCI environmental compliance officer, if needed (828) 788-2474, EMAIL: joshpark@nc-chokeee.com **8/25**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.**Request for Bid**

The Tsali Care Center will be accepting bids until 5:00pm on Tuesday, August 30th, 2011 for the following project;

Repairing and repaving the service road that extends behind the facility and expanding the parking lot at the end of the road. In addition the bidder will need to show a separate price to seal and re-line the parking lots in the front.

All bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope and marked "Tsali road project". The bids will be opened at Tsali Care Center on Wednesday August 31st, 2011 in the presence of a TERO Officer. All bidders will be notified in writing of the results.

A bid package may be obtained by contacting Allen Smith or David Hunt at Tsali Care Center, 55 Echota Church Road, Cherokee, NC (828) 497-5048.

Please be aware that preference will be given to certified Native American-owned businesses in all stages of this project. Please contact the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) at (828) 497-1989 for details. **8/25**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation
1840 Paintown Road
P.O. Box 2400
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 497-1890

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the Fiscal Year 2012 Streetlight Maintenance. The deadline for submitting a letter of intent will be August 25th, 2011 at 4:00p.m. Proposals are due by 2:30pm September 1st, 2011.

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 RFP and bid requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828) 497-1890. **9/1**

ATTENTION:

With the fiscal year-end fast approaching it will be time for Tribal Construction-Inventory to conduct a complete inventory count. The staff of TCP-Inventory needs for this count to be complete and accurate for the implementation of the new Inventory Software. The count will take place September 19th-September 21st. During this time it is imperative that the closed dates are adhered to and no movement of inventory be allowed until the count is complete.

Please take this time to mark your calendars and remember that TCP-Inventory & the Transfer Station Stockyard will be CLOSED to ALL customers (Tribal & the public) & Vendors September 19th-September 21st.

Thank you

9/15

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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the completion of Highway Enhancement / Litter Pickup for FY 2012. Proposals are due September 1st, 2011.

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.

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TEFAP Distribution for Cherokee Reservation

The TEFAP Distribution for this quarter will be held, Tuesday, August 30, 9:00-11:45 and 1:00-3:45. This distribution will be held at the commodity building on Old Mission Road. Foods will be served on a first come, first serve basis. This TEFAP distribution is ONLY for residents of the Qualla Boundary. If you do not reside on the Qualla Boundary, but live in Jackson or Swain Counties, you should seek assistance from the Department of Social Services in those counties. The TEFAP guidelines are different from the regular commodity program in this manner. The regular commodity program allows you to live off the Qualla Boundary in Jackson and Swain counties and still get assistance if you have an enrolled member residing in your household and meet the other guidelines, this program you must live on the Qualla Boundary.

Guidelines for the TEFAP program remain the same as in the past. If you receive assistance from food stamps or commodities you are eligible to receive the TEFAP foods. If you do not receive food stamps or commodities and meet the income guidelines at the bottom of the page you will also be eligible. Any questions please call 497-9751.

People wishing to apply for the food products MUST come prepared to provide the following information: Name and address of household, total number of household members, total household monthly gross income, if not receiving food stamps or commodity foods. Very Important: If the head of household is not present when the application is made, a note from them must be presented giving you permission to apply on their behalf. If a spouse or another person living in the household is applying then the head of household on the Food Stamp case must send a note giving that person permission to pick up their food. Authorized representatives may only pick up for two households. They may pick up for themselves and one other household or they may pick up for two households and not themselves. Available items for this distribution: Applesauce, cereal, whole frozen chicken, whole kernel corn, cream corn, grapefruit juice, peaches, peanut butter, potatoes, mixed vegetables, and vegetable oil. These items are served on first come first serve basis.

Monthly income guidelines for TEFAP Program

- (1) \$1,815.00
- (2) \$2,452.00
- (3) 3,089.00
- (4) 3,725.00
- (5) 4,362.00
- (6) 4,999.00

8/25

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REALTY

Big Cove Community

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

Lelia Leona Lambert Bales, Robert Leonard Bowman Jr., Zane Edward Bowman, Cynthia Anne Crowers Boyer, Gaynell Johnson Bradley, Isaac Climingbear Sr., Isaac Climingbear Jr., Renee Long Cole, James Kenneth Crowers, Leonard Edmund Crowers, Robert John Crowers, Joseph Robinette French, Kathy Linda Ross Galanick, Oneva West Garcia, Viola Yvonne Shell Garnett, Jennifer Dawn West George, Lavinia Blanche West Hicks, Gloria Etta West Hyatt, Jackie Lee Johnson, Frances Ann Wolfe Maney, Cleto Alfonzo Montelongo, Daniel Adam Owle, Deborah Sue Panther, Freida Ann Welch Panther, Samuel Patrick Panther, Sharon Lenell Welch Panther, Charla Deann Reed, Riana Eileen Marie Rich, Shannon Patricia Lynn Rich, Wendy West Ricks, Ernest Lynn Ross, Letina Renee Saunooke, Lisa Ball Saunooke, Rynda Lynn Marie Saunooke, Steven Lewis Saunooke, Elliot Clark Shell, Meroney George Shell, Michael Jay Shell, Vivian Shelby West Solis, Robert George Standingdeer, Betty Lou Taylor, Howard James Taylor Jr., Brianne Bolemainem Tsavatewa, Anna Louise Watty, Brandy Nicole Watty, Regina Watty, Charles Adam Welch, Davis Welch, Joe Welch, Abraham Welch, James McKinley Welch, Thomas Edward Welch, Mickey Stanley Welch, Samuel Lee Welch, Shirley Jean West Welch, Robert Isaac Welch, Jennifer Beth Welch, Jeremy William Welch, Alexander Tommy West, Angelo Willard West, Nathan Faymer West, Caren S. West, Donovan Phillip Woodard West, Villareal Abel West, Abel Wolfe, Deweese Wolfe, Edwin Wolfe, Jane Wolfe, Jasper Wolfe, Jonah Wolfe

Divisions

James Daniel Arch, Donald Ray Davis, Roberta Ann Davis, Jackie Lee Johnson, Kirk Wilson Lossiah Sr., Maury Estes Lossiah, Velma Jean Ledford Lossiah, Melissa Ann Maney, Joanna Lee Parris, Jamie Ophelia Parris Tranter, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Vanessa Lossiah Welch

Proposed Land Transfers

Jerry Michael Jenkins to Casandra Marie Tolley Birdtown Community Parcel No. 374-D (Remainder of Parcel No. 374-A) containing 0.432 acres, more or less.
Kelly Elaine Murray guy to Anne Wright Holt Birdtown Community Parcel No. 422-F (part of Parcel No. 422-C) containing 1.031 acres, more or less.
Nellie Ann Thompson Driver to Carolyn Louise Driver Tooni Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 343 containing 1.123 acres, more or less, together with all improvements thereon.
Jack Eldwood Gloyne, John Francis Gloyne, Judy Kay Gloyne Tiger and Mary Ann Gloyne Wachacha to Cody Harris Gloyne Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 26-A (part of Parcel No. 26) containing 1.000 acres, more or less.
Roberta Ann Davis to David Eugene Davis Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 167-B (Remainder of Parcel No. 167) containing 1.075 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

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HAPPENINGS

Cherokee Churches

Acquoni Baptist Church. 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Youth Meeting 5pm. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Tuesday Women's Bible Studies 12noon and 7pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm. Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Denny Lambert

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. Sunday Worship 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Wesley Stephens (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 1088 Birdtown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 7pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Youth Meeting Wednesday 7pm. Pastor Eddie Sherrill 497-7770

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee Language class for adults. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm. Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 7710 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Ben Tapp 497-9726

Calico Church of Christ. Big Cove Community. Contact information Sallie Bradley 497-6549

Cherokee Baptist Church. 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

Cherokee Bible Church. Olivet Church Road. Sunday Service 10am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Randy Miller 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. Sunday Bible Study 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 6pm. Minister Jim Sexton 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 21 Church of God Drive. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Charles Griffin (828) 400-9753

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. Sunday Morning Service 11am. Continental Breakfast served Sunday 10:30am. Sunday Evening Prayer Service 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7pm. Food and Clothing Ministry M-Th 4-8pm. Pastors Lester and Lisa Hardesty 497-2819

Cherokee Healing Waters Mission. Sunday Evening Services 6pm, Tuesday Services 7pm, Pastor Tony Bernhisel 497-2122, Tony11110@frontier.com

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. Wolftown Gym. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Pastor Donald Ensley

Cherokee United Methodist Church. Hwy 19 - Wolftown Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Praise and Worship 7pm. Wednesday Family Night 5:30- 7:30pm. Thursday Bible Study 6:30pm at Ramada Inn. Rev. Larry Ousley 497-2948

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday Camp-ground. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship 11am, followed by Fellowship Dinner second Sunday of each month. Sunday Evening Kids Club 5pm. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm (except third Wednesday of Month at Tsali Care 6:30pm). Rev. Patricia Crockett 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints. Hwy 441S. Sacrament Service 10am. Wednesday Meetings 6:30pm. 497-7651

Goose Creek Baptist Church. Sunday School - 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Sunday Evening Services 6pm. Pastor - Bro. Arthur Locust, Asst. Pastor - Bro. James Gunter

Living Waters Church. 30 Locust Road. Sunday School 10:15am. Sunday Service 11am. Food Pantry Open Wednesdays 1-4pm. Pastor Jack Russell 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolftown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, 828-269-2885

Olivet United Methodist Church. 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. Dr. Larry Ousley 497-5249, www.gbgu-umc.org/olivetumnc-whittier/

New Beginnings Independent Baptist Church. 1629 Painttown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6pm. Wednesday Service 6pm. Pastor David Wood 736-5917

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. Saturday Service 7pm (July - October). Sunday Service 9am. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

Piney Grove Baptist Church. Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Worship 6pm.

Rock Hill Baptist Church. 736-6334. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Thursday Service 6pm. Pastor Red Woodard

Rock Springs Baptist Church. 129 Old Gap Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Greg Morgan 497-6258, 736-1245 (cell)

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Baptist Church. 3755 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10:15am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 1pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Tim James 497-7644

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Michael Jones 497-2854

Waterfalls Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Road. Sunday Morning 10am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6:30pm. Pastor James "Red" Bradley


Wrights Creek Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Rd. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6pm. Visitors welcome. Pastor Dan Lambert.

Yellowhill Baptist Church. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Foreman Bradley 506-0123 or 736-4872

Church Events

Archie Watkins live in Concert. Aug. 28 at 6pm at the Cherokee Baptist Church.


Homecoming at Antioch Baptist Church. Aug. 28 at 10am. The church is located on Cooper's Creek Road.



THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*Look at the birds of the air,
for they neither sow nor
reap nor gather into barns;
yet your heavenly Father
feeds them. Are you not of
more value than they?*

MATTHEW 6:26



Preaching, singing, and fellowship. Everyone is welcome.

Clubs & Organizations

Birdtown Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Info: Tara McCoy, chairwoman, 497-1976 or 736-7695

The Cherokee Cancer Support Group is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Qualla Boundary, indiscriminately. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. General SAFE HAVEN hours are 10am -2pm, Monday through Friday. Info: 497-0788. Email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com.

Cherokee Native Plant Study Group meets the third Monday of each month (March to Oct.) from 11am - 12pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension office. Info: Sarah 554-6925

The Cherokee Runners meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 5pm at the Age Link Conference Room. If those dates happen to fall on a Sunday, they will meet the following day. Info: Gerri Grady gerrigrady@yahoo.com or visit www.cherokeerunners.com

Local Foods Network meets the last Tuesday of each month (Jan. to Oct.) from 11am - 1pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension office. Info: Sarah 554-6935, Tammara 554-6936 or Heather 554-6932

The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA) Cherokee Chapter meets the second

Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Bessie Wallace, chapter president, 497-2389 or Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, Carmaleta@msn.com

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Community Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

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

General Events

Forum for Principal Chief, Vice Chief and Tribal Council Candidates for General Election. Aug. 25 at 6pm at the Snowbird Community Gymnasium. This event is being hosted by the Snowbird and Cherokee County Community Clubs. Refreshments will be served. Everyone is invited to attend.

Jackson County Court Operations numbers to change. Effective Aug. 26, the Jackson County Court System numbers will change. Updated numbers include: Clerk of Superior Court: 631-6400, Jury Alert System: 631-6405, District Attorney's Office: 631-6410, Magistrate: 631-6419.

Long-Rattler Family Reunion. Aug. 27 from 1-6pm at Chenoa Beach on Lake Santeelee in Robbinsville. Pot luck dinner. Bring your favorite dish. Come and enjoy fellowship with family and friends.

Jumper Family Reunion. Aug. 28 at 2pm at the Wolftown Gym. All friends and relatives are encouraged to attend.

Bring your favorite covered dish for an afternoon of food, fun and fellowship. Also, bring you family photos. Info: Mary Jumper Hornbuckle 736-7493, Reva Bird 788-8811, Stacy Rogers 508-0392, Glenn Jumper 788-2689

Birdtown Meet the Candidates. Aug. 29 at 6pm. All Chief, Vice-Chief and Birdtown Council Candidates are invited. Info: Jody Taylor 736-7510

Cherokee High School Senior Portraits are scheduled for Aug. 30 and 31 on the CHS campus. Please disregard any information you may have received from Lifetouch Studios/Prestige Portraits.

Big Cove Community Social. Aug. 30 at 6pm at the Nazarene Church. A potluck will be held and everyone is invited.

French Family Reunion. Sept. 3 at 2pm at the Rock Springs Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. A pot luck dinner will be held. Info: Dolores 497-2972 or 736-3213, Perry 269-0926

Annual Rogers Reunion. Sept. 3 at 1pm at the Cherokee Community Center in Marble. Doors will open at 10am. Please bring covered dish and drinks.

16th Annual FireSide Circle Campout. Sept. 8-11 at Yogi in the Smokies Campground. Info: Herb W. (828) 788-0195 or firesidecircle@yahoo.com

Fall Indianpreneurship (date change). Sept. 12 - Nov. 21 (Monday evenings for nine weeks) from 6-9pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. This course is designed to cover all aspects of starting a new

business. Participants will cover marketing, pricing, insurance, TERO, legal structure, taxes, financials, and more while creating a business plan. Registration is required and this training is a requirement for a Sequoyah Fund Loan. Info: Kimberly Winchester 497-1666 or kimbwinc@nc-chokeee.com

Health & Sports

Kent Huskey Memorial Horseshoe Tournament. Aug. 27 at Connie Cooper's Campground. Registration starts at 10am, pitching starts at 12noon. 1st - \$300, 2nd - \$200, 3rd - \$100. \$10 per person entry fee, draw for partners. Indian dinners for sale.

Back to School Healthy Breakfast Cooking Demo. Aug. 29 from 4-6pm at Cherokee Food Lion. This free event is sponsored by the Cherokee Food Lion and the Community Wellness Team. Learn about the health benefits of eating breakfast and receive a free 14-day healthy families meal plan. Info: Robin 497-1975

Tai Chi at Cherokee Life Center. Every Tuesday and Thursday from 10:05-10:45am. A slow motion, low impact class that promotes health, balance, strength, flexibility, mental relaxation and joint mobility.

Semi-Pro Football in the Mountains. Feel like you missed your chance? Are you still in peak shape? Want to strap up and go again? Do you have the guts to try? The GDFL, Gridiron Developmental Football League is gauging the interest level in the five surrounding counties about the possibility of starting a new team right here in WNC. Info: Don Craig (828)550.8900 or email to doncraig007@yahoo.com

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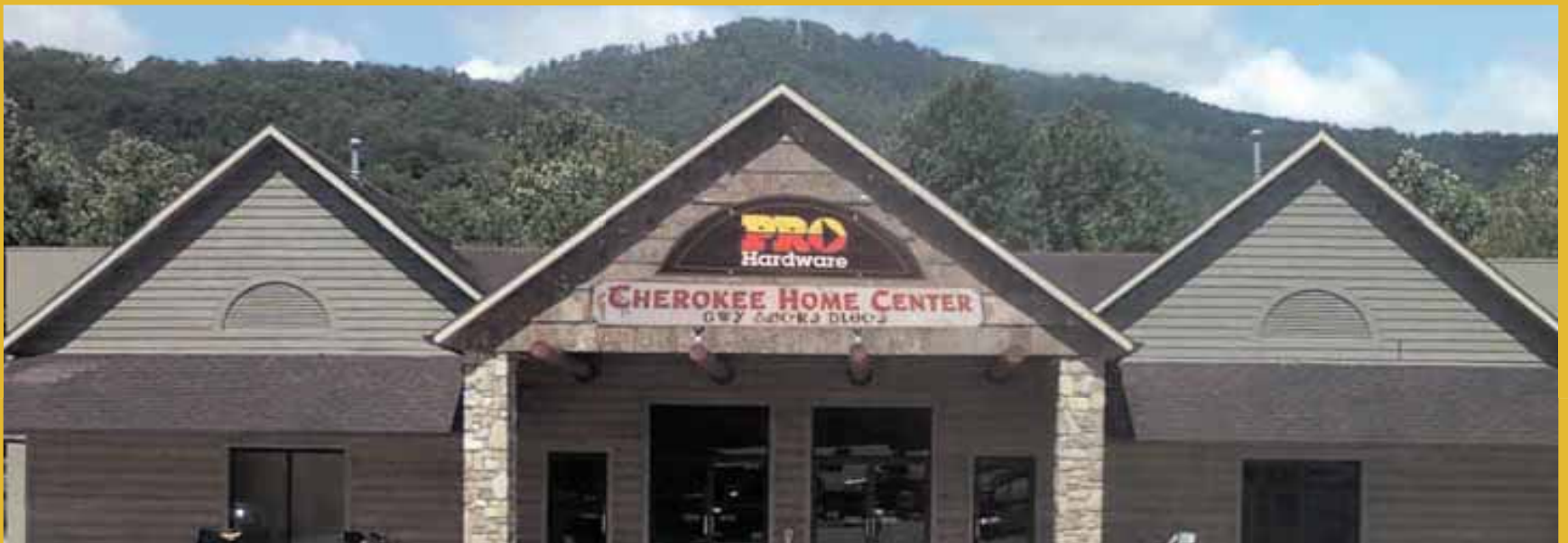
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OPINIONS & LETTERS



**CHEROKEE ONE FEATHER
SPECIAL SECTION**

Get the facts right about Chief Hicks

Patrick Lambert continues to complain about dirty politics, about the lies Chief Hicks has told and how he has been needlessly attacked. I wonder how many people look at Patrick's hands to see how clean they are. He certainly pretends they are clean, and he is just a victim in this campaign. He pretends as though everything he has said about the Chief is verifiable fact.

He has come forward with attacks about Chief Hicks bullying employees, I have worked in this office for the past two years and have not once seen any employee bullied or threatened. In fact, Chief Hicks goes above and beyond to ensure that every employee is treated fairly. He has accused Chief Hicks of personally destroying his property, which is completely untrue. Chief Hicks has been fair, honest

and decent throughout his 8 years in office and is not going to stop that now.

What Chief Hicks has done is expose some verifiable FACTS about Patrick Lambert and about the state our Tribe is in. Chief Hicks cannot sit idly by while our enrolled members are misled and lied to by Patrick. Everything Chief Hicks has printed can be backed up with documentation, which every tribal member has access to if they would like to know the truth.

If you have questions, please come and ask us. We will show you the truth.

Patrick has also accused Chief Hicks of forcing his staff, me and my two co-workers of campaigning for him. Yes, I have helped Chief Hicks with the campaign, not because my job is on the line, but because I work with him every day and I see the respect,

courtesy and honesty he lives by. I believe in him and his leadership. I have never and will never do this work on the time clock. I always take annual leave or complete the work after hours.

I'll be the first to tell you, he is not perfect. He has made mistakes, and probably will in the future. But he puts everything he has into this Tribe and making sure our people have every opportunity and service possible. Yes, this Tribe does spend money. But it is so our people can have a higher quality of life. We spend money on fixing people's roads and repairing their houses and ensuring they have all the medical services they require.

Chief Hicks has done an excellent job making sure this Tribe has all the resources we can get; we are stable despite everything that is going on around us. Our neighboring counties,

states and the entire US has suffered dramatically from this recession. Even through all of this we have not cut one single job or service to our enrolled members. We have worked tirelessly to ensure our people are still provided for. It has not been easy, but due to the leadership, planning and forward thinking of Chief Hicks we have come through this and we will continue to thrive under his direction if he is re-elected as Principal Chief.

I wholeheartedly believe that Chief Hicks is the best candidate for Principal Chief and I strongly encourage you to vote for Michell Hicks on September 1st.

Respectfully,
Signed
Jeremy Hyatt,
Birdtown Community

Long weighs in on candidates

How do you respond to a person's rhetoric when it is so venomous that it is almost scary? Change for the better is always good, but change just for the sake of change could harbor an undesired outcome.

We have heard much about more per capita payments and the way I look at it, I would prefer only one check per year, in December. However, I am only one person and I believe that when the Tribal Council worked out a payment schedule, they came up with the best plan for all the people. The June payment comes at a time when the children are out of school and will need to buy new school clothes and supplies for the upcoming year. The December payment comes just in time for Christmas and those holidays.

Reading Mr. Lambert's comments in *The One Feather* and on his "MySpace" on the computer, leaves the uncomfortable feeling of just having read an article by a person teetering on the brink of absolute insanity. His outrageous accusations are certainly not what I would expect from a North Carolina, Licensed Attorney.

I have attended several of Chief Hick's weekly planning meetings and I have never heard any of these types of negative attacks planned at those meetings. The Chief has always encouraged his people to keep things in a pos-

itive light and he has been an excellent leader and example to follow. He has carefully explained his plans for the future and his plan for getting there. That simply put is following our tribal traditions of securing the future of our people for the next seven generations.

Submitted and signed by,
Nancy R. Long

Proud WIC Employee

I have been an employee of the WIC office for 11 years. I love my job because of the clientele- I get to work with our people.

I am proud to work for the tribe as a tribal employee, it is hurtful to read the negative things which sometimes appear in the *Cherokee One Feather*. WIC stands for women, infants and children

As a WIC employee, I am not here to judge why people do or do not work. I have many clients who do not work yet they qualify for WIC because they are left to care for their grandchildren and great grandchildren. That is a primary reason the number of unemployed people are qualifying for WIC. The number of grandparents being left to care for their children's children is alarming.

WIC is a great program. I was a former recipient of WIC and I worked at one time. I was a single parent trying to raise four children. I do not think I would have made it, had it not been

for WIC. I am a proud member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and an employee with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Signed,
Mary E. Maney
Wolftown community member

Thank you

We would like to take this time to thank everyone for your love and support during the loss of our loved one, Morgan Wolfe. A special thanks to all those who came to visit and spend time with him during his stay at Tsali Care Center, Cherokee Hospital, and Haywood County Hospital. A special thanks to the staff and the Doctor at Tsali Care who made his stay there as comfortable as possible. To all the people who brought food to the church, the Pall bearers, and the preachers, and all of your prayers. Our prayers are with you, may God keep you in his care.

Signed,
The family, friends, and loved ones of Morgan Cain Wolfe
May he rest in peace.

Thank you Chief Hicks

Chief Hicks, I would like to say thank you for all you have done to help my mother, Lillian Franklin and myself, Deb Lee, while we were traveling to Charlotte for tests needed to do a Kid-

ney Transplant. We did the transplant and everything was going good until she got sick again. I called the Chief for more assistance.

We had to stay in Charlotte for 30 days so she could get better. Chief Hicks made sure we had a room, food, and gas to get back and forth to the hospital. If I was scared or worried or just needed someone to talk to, all I had to do was call him and he took the time to talk with me. I have heard about all the lies about Chief Hicks and I know you are not like that. If it takes being called names to be your friend and supporter, so be it.

Thank you from the bottom of our hearts for everything you have done for us. Thanks again.

Signed,
Deb Lee and Lillian Franklin

Thank you

Chief Hicks, I would like to say thank you for all the help you have given to me during my battle with breast cancer. Also for the Pendleton blanket you donated to us to assist with raising money for the things I needed. The day I had surgery you called and checked on me and to see if there was anything I needed. If we thought of anything later, just call. Thank you for the visits. Thank you.

Signed,
Doris Sharp

Long-time friend defends Vice Chairman Ensley

I don't usually get too involved in politics and I don't think I have ever written a letter to the paper. I feel strong enough about this issue, I figured I should speak out especially after I read Ms. Peggy Hill's letter last week. There is talk right now about one of my council member's, Alan "B" Ensley. I am glad more people are feeling the same as me. But I was bothered when I read Ms. Hill's letter because I have known B. Ensley for a long time, even before he became a council member. Since B. has been on the council he has ALWAYS helped me and my family when we needed it. He's assisted several of people, and not only in the Yellowhill community, but in other communities also.

I am speaking as a man and no matter what the situation is; I believe every man has a right to be at his own home and able to protect his own property. The *Asheville Citizen* said, "Ensley said he removed Smith from his property after Smith became belligerent." I don't blame him! I would do the same thing and I don't know many men who wouldn't! The *Asheville Citizen* also said, "Smith said he had been drinking alcohol that night." And "Smith was told he would have to wait until Saturday to file a complaint." Should we put much merit in Smith's accusations?

Now some of you might say that our council members are not supposed to act out and are held to a higher standard but my feelings are protecting your

home and your family comes before anything else. B. has been through lots of elections and I'm sure he didn't support at least one of the people running for Chief and hasn't beaten anyone up in the past for supporting someone that he didn't. I find the stories about the magnets and the signs very, very hard to believe. B. has been in politics long enough to know everyone has a right to vote the way they want too. B and I haven't always agreed on politics but he's never tried to beat me up over it. I say that with some humor because the whole situation is absurd. I don't understand why someone contacted the *Asheville Citizen Times* and WLOS. To me, it looks like a set up and like I said, I have known B. Ensley for a number of years, and he's

not one who goes around beating people up. People, when a man is at his home and minding his own business he should not be criticized and put down for that. I support B. Ensley for what he has done for our community and the tribe. The fact that he has a backbone just makes me support him even more.

P.S. to whomever called the newspaper and 13 WLOS, next time call them for something good we are doing in Cherokee, like the Trout Derby or Elders Day at the Fair... at least give them something worth reporting about. Vote for B!

Signed,
Dennis Walk

Lambert gives compassion new meaning

If any of you readers are like me, you are tired of all of the negativity surrounding the Chief's election.

Every four years we must brace ourselves for what might happen during each election year, and most of the time - It's not good! But what won my vote and amazed me about this particular election is the amount of love, forgiveness, and compassion that Patrick Lambert and his family have displayed through all of it!

The events that rolled out over these past few months were both childish and cruel, but very hard to forget about. Let's take a look at a few of the incidences that have happened; 1) The news reveals the senseless paint damage that was done to Patrick Lambert's home, driveway, and billboards, 2) A "Bogus" Facebook site was developed out of cruelty and hatred for

Patrick and his family, 3) Most of Patrick's signs were allegedly stolen during the night from enrolled member's yards in Snowbird, Cherokee County, and Cherokee, 4) Lambert's Christianity Is attacked because his daughter made a mistake, and 5) A bogus "Hit List" (one of the oldest political tricks in the book) is developed and they allegedly sign Patrick's name to it.

When we approached Patrick and asked, "Where have you been?" and "Why aren't you doing something about all of this?" It was then that we found out that while most of these things were happening, his sister had suffered a massive stroke and was fighting for her life. Patrick and his entire family stood by her every step of the way, while the election pranks and cruelty continued on.

When asked, "How do you suggest we retaliate?," Here is what Patrick Lambert shockingly advised us do, "Pray for them, If there is one thing I have learned since Cindy and I have been going to church, it is that when things like this happen and you are wrongfully persecuted and become victim of cruel intentions, Give it all to GOD!" "There is nothing we can do to change what has happened, it is out of our control, but it is not out of God's control!" "God will continue to reveal or bring into light what has been hidden over the last eight years, and Lord willing, we will see God's hand at work on September 1st, as we head to the polls." For me, his reply was nothing short of AMAZING!

Thank you Patrick Lambert! Had you not kept the faith and stood your ground during this election, we

would have missed out on a valuable lesson about the true meaning of love, compassion, and forgiveness. Most importantly, just because we support one candidate, that does not give us the right to hate the other. These are hard lessons learned for most of us, but we need to remember that God is in control!

Signed,
Mary Jumper Hornbuckle
Daughter of the late Nellie Jumper (Wolftown), granddaughter of the late Stancil Jumper Sr. (Snowbird), Jess Teleeski (Snowbird), Nola Long Teleeski (Wolftown), and great granddaughter of Polly Rising Smoke Long, (Wolftown).

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Deception from the inception

The defamatory and untrue accusations of the Chiefs opponents campaign in last week's *One Feather* are further evidence of an out of control obsessive lust for power. The half truths and outright deceptions in his "do anything, say anything to get elected" campaign are again on display for all to see - further evidence of why not to vote for him.

We must say it is quite a contrast to the easy going, smiling handshaking on display at his meet-and-greet get togethers. This very disarming behavior belies the utter ruthlessness just below the surface. The false and misleading ferocious attack ads and mailings are just one example. Patrick's goals seem to be to undermine the integrity and creditability of our Chief at any cost, including a bitter assault against the truth. A campaign based on deception from the outset would lead to an administration with the same set of moral values. Hiding behind pious platitudes with spiritual overtones about the "will of God" does not show moral values, it betrays them while trying to appeal to people of faith.

Look at the blood quantum

issue. Patrick sets up straw dogs, knocks them down, and then criticizes the Chief for vacillating on the issue. Nonsense. We are both 7/64th, one living on and one off the boundary. The Chief has always treated us and all lower blood quantum enrollees with equality and fairness. We believe he always will.

Another phony issue is his constant reiteration of changing the per cap distribution schedule, regardless of the many families and individuals that would lose funding assistance. Veterans, DSS and Commodity recipients and others would be affected. It would cause an inordinate and unnecessary administrative burden to our tribal finance office, yet Patrick continues to pander shamelessly to those in need of more assistance on a monthly basis, common sense be damned!

Another issue is land acquisition. What we have here is a candidate for Chief accusing the Chief of not upholding the law. That is not true. The Chief acted under the law for the benefit of all the tribal members. This was perhaps to the temporary disadvantage of four first generation descendants. Three of these descendants had already signed contracts to sell their

land to the tribe. The wisdom of our legislators tossed the issue to the court system where it properly belongs. The legal dilemma posed by the wordings in the charter and the code was not caused by the Chief. The North Carolina state law regarding Will validity adopted by the tribe can be studied, amended and/or redefined, and it will be. Patrick's accusing the Chief of "taking" a first descendants land is another phony issue and he knows it. Under the code and existing tribal law, as adopted by the Tribal Council, the land "reverted" to the tribe under the law of intestacy. The Will was invalid. It had an insufficient number of signatures. The Chief performed a service to the Tribe in bringing to light an inconsistency in our law that should be and will be addressed. As hard as that decision was and as emotional as the issue is, he did his job and we applaud him for it. Now the court can do theirs.

Last Saturday night the Chief had dinner with Governor Bev Perdue and Governors from five other states. Some of the topics of discussion were the direct result of his leadership excellence during the last eight years. 95 percent of what he promised during the last two campaigns has been ac-

complished. Any of the Governors there would be overwhelmingly re-elected if they could say the same.

Let's show the elected leadership off the boundary that we value accomplishment, productive achievement and forward looking leadership, not accusatory and deceptive campaigning.

From the outset Patrick has conducted a campaign of half-truths, deception, and fear-mongering. Nothing has changed. But now the people see. We understand. We will not elect this type of leader. On the first of September what Patrick has been building will come crashing down. We will have to clean up the mess. But the deception will be gone and we will all be the better for it.

Signed,

Donald B. Lambert

Retired Lockheed Martin Executive
Retired United States Air Force

Helen Lambert Harding

Cherokee Business Owner

Doesn't agree with Lambert's per capita plan

I know most of you are getting tired of reading all the ads and more than once I've heard folks say this is the most negative election we have seen in many years as far as the "mud-slinging" goes. So we have only ONE week until the election. Let's put all the negative campaigning aside. We as enrolled members and registered voters need to take a close look at where the future of OUR tribe is headed. Are we willing to put our Tribe in the hands of someone just because their promises sound good?

What proof do we have these promises will be fulfilled?

Mr. Lambert promises a per-capita option in the "Lambert plan." According to Patrick Lambert this plan is suppose to be designed so enrolled

members will have the option of receiving per-capita once a year, twice a year, four times a year, or once a month. How will this be accomplished? Will new staff be hired? Will the Tribe have to create a Per Capita Department? Were our past administrations and Tribal Councils so incompetent that they didn't think of this brilliant idea? No! In his promises to rescue the Tribe from financial deterioration it looks like just this ONE promise alone will cost the Tribe money.

Aside from the cost of staffing a new department to manage the disbursement for 14,000 plus enrolled members this cannot be done by the Chief alone. Tribal Council has to pass the legislation...it doesn't matter who the Chief is. Without Council's ap-

proval this CANNOT happen.

Also, how does he plan to increase per-capita? I agree that once his current salary as Executive Director of the Tribal Gaming Commission is added back to the pot, it probably will increase some. Which brings me to another point, Mr. Lambert has served as Executive Director of Tribal Gaming Commission for a number of years. If it's possible and so easy to increase per-capita, why hasn't he done it in his capacity of Executive Director? Although audits were refused access to Mr. Lambert's salary records, I think by now we all know what he has been compensated is more than most of us will see in a lifetime.

We are all attracted to the promise of more money, but before we

go to the polls let's take a close look at this promise. Is it realistic? We received our first per-capita payment in 1995...if Mr. Lambert's promises were realistic or possible it would have already happened. But more importantly, if it could so easily be done then MR. LAMBERT should have presented this in his capacity as Executive Director, not as a ploy to gain your vote. For those of you that want a change, I agree sometimes change is good. But before we vote let's make sure the change will be positive one for the future of OUR Tribe.

Signed,

Solomon Saunooke

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Former supporter weighs in on campaign, Chief Hicks

I, like so many Cherokees here in Cherokee Country, am so engrossed in this campaign and most certainly desire a change in our tribal administration. You all know that I have not been silent in matters of government, especially when I observed actions of our elected officials with which I didn't agree, or in a matter that I felt needed advocacy. For so long, the voices of our people have been silenced by a sense of hopelessness, helplessness, despair, and an attitude of "things aren't going to change", and I felt that I could speak for those who could not speak many of whom feel just as I do about our governmental workings.

Eight years ago, my friend and I were discussing who could be encouraged to run for Chief. In our discussion Michell Hicks' name came up and since he had made such an impression on us in his position as Director of Finance, we concluded he would be a good steward for watching out for and administering the affairs of the Tribe. He was definitely educated, demonstrated sound judgment, was financially astute, modeled good values and had a pleasant personality. As my friend and I were leaving a local establishment, and as Creator would have it, here came Michell walking across the parking lot. Calling him over, I explained what we had been discussing and said to him, "we think you should

run for Chief." He replied that he had been thinking about it, and would pray about it. We encouraged him to do that and assured him that we would pray for this also. We supported him during his first campaign!

However, during his first four years in office (perhaps as what happens with so many of our people when once in a position of power), the illusions of prominence clouded his objectivity and his personal agenda overshadowed the people's needs of health, safety, justice and security. Economical development took priority over our wellness: the increase of drug & alcohol abuse, violence in our families, not providing safety and care for our children (negligence in our tribal social service program), loss of money to fund our children's education, funding & actual support of (not just words) our language Immersion program, a program to recruit, train, and hire Cherokee workers to fill positions within our tribal program especially our police force and our Emergency Services, promoting ethics within tribal administration, injustices within our court system and failure to prosecute, advocating for fair and equal processing of housing for our people. These are only some of the many issues that Chief Hicks could have addressed, but did not as he was thinking of his things rather than his People.

Now, Chief Hicks has given us a

Comprehensive Plan for Progress (8/18 issue of the *One Feather*) which highlights some of these areas, but only superficially. Some he does not even mention and notice that education, behavioral health and social services have the least number of objectives, and the housing problem is not even mentioned! But note that Economic Development still is the priority and with the increase of our tribal levy from 7-7.5 percent, some of this will be accomplished! Many if not most of the issues the Chief has outlined in this ad should've already been addressed. He's had eight years!

One last thing I want to address. Remember the man who said to our tribal council during the session regarding the land purchase in Cherokee County? He said to the council "trust me!" I don't want to assume that there is anything underhanded going on with this man, or that he has been promised anything should he be re-elected. But he is the man responsible for the handling of the Cherokee land purchase, he is the man behind the veterans' sign that wants you to believe the Cherokee veterans presented Chief Hicks with a leadership award, and one of his latest deceitful acts is the article from the Lambert family that is wanting you to believe Patrick Lambert's campaign is a "Projection Campaign!" If you have been following and reading some of the articles and newsletters

that have been written rebutting the Hicks campaign, you will note that what is being said in this Lambert article is exactly what has been said of the Hicks campaign. Now we can say that Mr. Harding is turning this campaign into a Copy Cat campaign.

He also wants you to recognize the outstanding attributes of this Lambert family by having their titles identified as if to say, we are so experienced and so much more intelligent than you all are, so you really must believe what we are saying. Just for fun, read the article and replace Patrick's name with Michell's and do the same with Michell's, reading Patrick's name instead. The sadness of this whole approach by Mr. Harding is that the residences of this Lambert family are questionable. Where do they live?

Finally, mark this down and remember... why are Rob Saunooke, Lewis Harding, Bob Blankenship, and the Cogginses wanting Chief Hick's re-elected? Could it be that there is something in the making with the land acquisition for gaming in Cherokee County and an Indian tribe from Florida?

Respectfully,
Amy Walker
3200 Acre Tract
BS, MSW, Retired BIA

Clearing up misconceptions about TGC

My main goal in writing this is to take the opportunity to clear up some misconceptions that have been circulated regarding salaries within the Tribal Gaming Commission.

In 2000, the Tribe hired the Gallagher-Burgess firm to conduct a wage survey of each tribal department. The purpose was to establish a wage scale for each position based on education, experience, responsibility and job requirements as compared to similar jobs across the country. The Tribal Gaming Commission also contracted with Gallagher-Burgess to establish a duplicate wage scale based on the exact criteria used by the Tribe. This survey has been approved and adopted by tribal council and used throughout the Tribe to determine appropriate

and consistent wage scales.

For anyone to imply in an ad campaign that Patrick Lambert has any control in setting his own salary is totally false. Mr. Lambert is an employee of the Gaming Commission. ALL TGC salaries are set in compliance with the Gallagher-Burgess scale and are advertised accordingly. The Gaming Commission insures that all salaries, including Mr. Lambert's salary, fall within the mandated parameters of this salary scale which was done with the approval of the Chief and council Chairman at that time.

But more importantly - what type of message is being sent in this ad, that hard work and a good education are something to be ashamed of? I sure hope not. All tribal employees should be proud of what they have accom-

plished through their education and should be compensated fairly. Our Tribe has a lot to offer and we should encourage our people to work here, not discourage them by attempting to diminish their achievements.

Mr. Lambert has a law degree from UNC-Chapel Hill and has 18 years of service to this Tribe. He has helped successfully negotiate compact amendments under Chief Dugan and Chief Jones. Many of you may not know this, but Mr. Lambert also developed the concept of raffle machines, which now comprise over 75% of the slot machines used at the casino. Through his efforts, the Gaming Commission has had a budget surplus every year since its inception with the balance given directly to the Tribe. There is also an external audit performed annually on the

TGC operations as mandated by the gaming ordinance. Every year the TGC has been graded as having a "clean audit" which is defined as "being in total compliance with any rules or regulations as they relate to Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)". These are all positive achievements.

Our Tribe would be well served to encourage all of our youth that hard work and a good education are the foundations for success. Success in life can be measured in many ways and is something to be proud of.

At some point in every campaign each candidate must run on his/her own record, not by slandering the opponent.

Signed,
Robert "Birdie" Saunooke

Susan Toineeta

Grandparents: Arneach & Mattie Youngdeer Toineeta

Parents: Nick A. “Junior” Toineeta (deceased) and Phyllis Toineeta Lambert (former EBCI Community Health Nurse)

Education: The University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill (B.A.) (credits toward M.A.)

Previous Elected Positions:

2005- 2007 Tribal Council English Clerk

2006 Interim Secretary, Wolfetown Community Club

2007-2009 Tribal Council Representative – Wolfetown Township

The question most asked by our tribal members: “Why did you wait so long?”

Our Tribal law allows write-in candidate(s) only during the General Election (scheduled for September 1, 2011). I am thankful that our Tribal law permits write-in candidates since this provides a fresh opportunity for our people to make a positive difference in the history of our Tribe. It is not too late for you to decide that you are going to go to the election poll and write in your vote for Susan Toineeta to represent the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians as Principal Chief for the next four years.

Are you affiliated with any other candidate(s) for Tribal office?

I am not affiliated with any other candidate(s) for Principal Chief, Vice Chief or Council Representative. However, I welcome the opportunity to work with other elected representatives to serve the common good of our people, our Tribe. I do not seek personal gain.

What are your thoughts about campaign contributions?

I have not accepted campaign contributions from anyone because I am in it for our people, our Tribe. By not accepting campaign contributions, I am guaranteeing that I will be able to fulfill my obligation as Principal Chief to serve in the best interest of our Tribe and not become servant to special interest groups, industry, or individuals. I will not be bought and I will not sell out our Tribe.

Why do you want to be Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians?

I envision a strong, healthy, prosperous Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians into the future as well as today and decisions made accordingly. I believe that we must try to meet the needs of our people today, without compromising the capabilities of our future generations to meet their needs spiritually, economically, socially, and culturally. I will be a Chief who provides strong, consistently positive leadership, direction, focus and re-direction/re-focus regarding our main priority.

I am convinced that we share this common vision and that we should reclaim our Tribal government and get it working for all of our people before it's too late to do so.

We must not allow our power to be usurped by special interests. We must not be led by others who only have their interest and their bottom line in mind at all times. We must stand firm and protect our Tribal interests. We cannot assume nor expect special interests to have our best interest in mind. As Principal Chief, it is imperative not to be led by someone or others who don't have a genuine interest in the well-being and longevity of our Tribe.

Throughout my service to you, I have demonstrated that I will do the work that's required to represent the best interests of the Tribe as a whole and not self-interests. We, the people, have to take responsibility and be the ones who determine what we would like to see in/for our own Tribe and this happens through the people we elect to public office. Our people need to have a say in determining what is allowed/invited into our homelands. We should not allow special interests to dictate to us what they think is in our best interest. We are the ones who will have to live with the consequences of any actions taken. Together, we can determine our future.

If elected to serve as Principal Chief, I will work to make sure that you will have a say in such matters. I will strive to see that all sides (and not a heavy-handed, slanted, one-sided view that is sure to be alluring in a present moment) of an issue are presented to the people before you are asked to make a decision.

I believe our Tribe should re-focus on our main priority/resource which is our people. All the money in the world will not amount to anything if we don't make more prudent, wise decisions that will help ensure that we have a strong, healthy Tribe of people to carry us as a Tribe into the future, as our ancestors did for us. Let us put our Tribal interests and the future generations of our Tribe ahead of personal interests.

I am willing to do the work that's required to address and solve the complex and challenging issues our Tribe faces for the benefit of our entire Tribe. I will not just give lip service and push things to the side in hopes that you will forget about it. I know that you don't forget about the issues/challenges/problems because you are the ones who feel the effects. Doing nothing does not make problems go away; doing nothing just makes the issues more difficult to address later on. Working together our Tribe can achieve great, great things and overcome seemingly insurmountable obstacles. We have much knowledge, many gifts, skills, talents, and abilities among us.

I don't seek personal fame or personal fortune, but I do seek the well-being of our Tribe today and into the future for our future generations. Neither money alone nor what may be the easiest thing to do in the present moment will take precedence over consideration of you and helping to ensure that we have a strong, healthy, prosperous Tribe into the future. You can be assured that I will continue to put the best interest of our people ahead of any desire to get elected or re-elected to any position as I plan to continue carrying out my duties as Principal Chief throughout the full term that you elect me. This means that I will not stop working on your behalf just because an election season appears. The work must continue.

I have a genuine care and concern for our Tribal members, our Tribal government, and the direction in which our Tribe is moving. I seek to provide good, solid, quality, consistent representation to/for Tribe. I have a personal and ultimate accountability to my Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. I believe that I can make a positive contribution to our Tribe as Principal Chief, and am willing to help lead our Tribe in a positive direction for the good of our people.

It is only after much prayer, many requests, and thorough deliberation that I am heeding the call and asking you to elect me to serve as Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

What do you view as the responsibilities of the Principal Chief?

According to the Charter and Governing Document, the Principal Chief, along with the Vice Chief, shall execute and carry out tribal laws and administer the daily operations of the Tribe. In addition, according to Cherokee Code Chapter 117-2, the Principal Chief and the Vice Chief are authorized to represent and defend the rights, interests, lands and funds of the Tribe before any legislative committee or body of the federal or state governments. Additional roles and responsibilities, as outlined in Chapter 117, are just as important.

In addition to the power and authority of Principal Chief specified in the Charter and Governing Document and in the Cherokee Code, I believe that the Principal Chief has a responsibility to make wise and FULLY INFORMED DECISIONS on behalf of and in the best interest of our entire Tribe.

Furthermore, although I feel that it is appropriate for Principal Chief to seek expertise assistance/information, I think that the elected Chief must step up and embrace the responsibility and trust that the voters bestow, and make wise decisions on behalf of our own Tribe for our Tribe. We should not let special interest individuals, special interest groups, and/or special interest industry that may not have the best interest of our Tribe in mind dictate to us what should or should not occur in our homelands. Moreover, I believe that the Principal Chief has a responsibility to be impartial and to help make decisions that will benefit the Tribe as a whole and not himself/herself or a select few. As Principal Chief, I understand that I have a responsibility to every Tribal member because decisions made impact all of us.

I believe that, throughout every deliberation and while making decisions, the Principal Chief also has a responsibility to keep in mind our future generations. It would be unwise to consider only how decisions being made today will affect/benefit “we who are alive today”. I am willing to take a higher, far-sighted view in order to consider the potential long-term impacts of decisions on “those not yet born”. We cannot afford to overlook long-term implications and make arbitrary decisions that only provide an immediate advantage.

It is important to meet the needs of today without compromising the capability

of future generations to meet their needs economically, socially, spiritually, and culturally. Always, we need to be cognizant that we desire a strong, healthy, prosperous Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in the future as well as today, and then make wise decisions accordingly.

Do you believe tribal government should be more accountable to the people it represents? If so, how could it improve?

I believe that accountability (or lack thereof) from Tribal government as a body originates from each of the individuals who are elected to hold office. I think that if an elected Official possesses a *personal* willingness to be accountable him/herself, then this will in turn have a positive influence on Tribal government being accountable in practice. Therefore, I think that one way that accountability from Tribal government could improve is *if* the voters will take the opportunity on September 1 to elect candidates who have a *personal* willingness to be accountable.

Offering more transparency about governmental considerations, financial status, and responding to the public’s inquiries, in general, could also improve accountability. However, I also recognize and respect that some things have to be kept confidential. Accountability could also improve *if* the voters will elect the candidates who are willing to apply high expectations of a leader to *themselves* and then provide quality representation for our Tribe by example.

Briefly discuss some ideas that you have to improve operations and/or services of tribal government.

We are privileged that our Tribe provides so many services to its members. Having said that, I feel that it is important for the Tribe not only to continue to provide essential services *but also* to enable and encourage tribal members to fulfill their potential.

Operations and services that are running right and providing benefit will not need to be changed. However, in operations, services, and programs where there is room for improvement, I am willing to provide the necessary leadership and to work together with employees, elected officials, and with other branches of government to improve the overall operation and services of tribal government.

I will be a good steward of our Tribal and other resources. Before it’s too late, we need to re-focus and get our Tribal government back to working for the common good of all of our people.

Our tribal employees will be free to do the jobs they are hired to do. Tribal employees will not be misled into thinking that they are employed to serve elected officials and the agendas to get re-elected. Tribal employees should be empowered and know that they are employed to serve in the best interest of the people from providing good customer service to helping our people get the help needed with the services and resources the Tribe provides. Our Tribal employees will know that that the work they do is worthwhile and beneficial not only to those seeking service but also to themselves. There will be no room for territorialism among programs/departments that must necessarily work together in order to properly and effectively serve our people.

As a result, our people will experience and appreciate improved service from the Tribal employees who serve them. Our people will also have an avenue of recourse in the event that there are issues.

I firmly believe that we have a community supportive towards these endeavors and that we can achieve great things for our people by working together in the best interest of our Tribe. I will encourage, support, facilitate, and help to make our employees successful in serving you. I will welcome feedback and any information that will help me serve you better.

In addition, we need to work to maximize the number of people who receive services from the resources that the Tribe is able to provide and that the Tribe manages. Generally speaking, when opportunities are made available to one or some people, then the same or similar opportunities should be made available to all people. However, I do recognize that sometimes there are extenuating circumstances in life.

I am willing to continue to work to address and solve the complex and challenging issues our Tribe faces for the benefit of our entire Tribe. I will not just give lip service and push things to the side in hopes that you will forget about it. I know that you don’t forget about the issues/challenges/problems because you are the ones who feel the effects. Doing nothing does not make problems go away; doing nothing just makes the issues more difficult to address later on.

- *No new taxes—our people who reside here all year will feel the effects most dramatically; we will bear the brunt of the burden; so, you get per cap but then they raise your taxes—the money is not staying in your pocket
- *Health Care; better and improved with the resources that are available; prepare for while working to prevent the diabetes tsunami that elected officials and the public was warned about several years ago
- *Education; top quality education in our schools; support traditional and non-traditional students seeking higher education at trade schools and college- and university-level institutions

- *diversify Economic development; inviting things that will build us up, strengthen us and not diminish our power; making sure infrastructure is in place to support the development; not invite development that will put a drain on our natural resources (which are limited) or that will be a hardship on our people; making sure that businesses are committed to the project as evidenced by their contribution to the project; the Tribe should not have to make all the concessions when diversifying our economy
- *Law & Order; not just building a new complex but also implementing proven programs that will help solve the problems rather than perpetuate them
- *Housing; mending fractured policy which will help take the politics out of it and allow consistent application of the policies to everyone and allow the employees to do their jobs; affordable, quality housing; single & single-parent housing; scattered house sites with yards; land for individual family homes; closing the loopholes that allow the system to be used
- *Senior Citizens; continue and strengthen services
- *Culture; my grandparents and parent were full-blood Cherokee and fluent speakers of our Cherokee language so of course I support Cherokee language preservation; hiring a Cherokee Language Interpreter PRN in the Office of the Principal Chief to ensure that our fluent, first language speakers have the same access to the Principal Chief and staff; will work toward fulfilling the Tribes obligation to build a repository as agreed to as part of the Ravensford land exchange
- *Will work to give you a say as to whether you want live dealers as part of gaming expansion; our people are the ones who will pay the price of living with the associated effects of it in our communities and on our streets so we are the ones who should have a say; you have been told that you are the “owners” of this business and if this is true, then you should have a say in the matter; there has been a slow, but persistent penetration of things that have negative consequences into our society; I’ve seen the doors open one by one because some leaders are only considering the immediate monetary advantage and perhaps thinking that this little bit and that little bit won’t hurt; however, when we get farther down the road and we are reaping the consequences of what’s been sown then it may be too late to reverse the negative effects; as Principal Chief, I won’t allow us to lose any more ground on standing up for what’s good, right, and just
- *Technology; finding a way to get affordable, hi speed service to the remote areas where there currently is no service rather than duplicating services in the areas where service is already available
- *Enrollment; looking out for the members of this Tribe and for the continuation and perpetuation of our people as a strong and healthy and prosperous God-honoring nation for which we were created; however, no room for racism
- *ensuring that our trash pick-up services remain free of charge
- * working to ensure that our Tribal lands don’t become dumping sites

These may seem lofty goals. However, they are achievable. As Principal Chief it will be my responsibility to provide the leadership that will get us moving in a right direction to better and more effectively serve our people. Working together our Tribe can achieve great, great things. We have much knowledge, many gifts, skills, talents, resources and abilities among us.

What are your views on current Tribal debt?

The Tribe needs to spend less, save more, allocate wisely and re-evaluate/re-prioritize focus and efforts. I feel that it is important to try to meet the needs of today without compromising the capability of future generations to meet their needs economically, socially, spiritually, and culturally. It is important that we build and maintain a strong financial base; however, ensuring a strong financial base should never be at the expense of the well-being of our Tribe today and a strong, healthy prosperous Tribe in the future.

Excessive or wasteful spending is simply not prudent. Money should not be the dominating factor when trying to make the wisest decisions for our Tribe. We must not be interested only in short-term gains. As Tribal leaders, we must also consider the long-term implications on this and our future generations before making any final decisions.

In addition, I firmly believe that transparency about Tribal finances (including enterprises of the Tribe) within and throughout elected Tribal leadership is essential as is transparency to our membership. In deliberations, I believe that all of our Tribal elected leaders should know and be kept informed about current financial status and about debt obligations that the Tribe and its entities has committed to or will commit to but that have not come due yet. This is essential to good stewardship of Tribal and other financial resources and is essential to good budgeting and good planning. During my time as a Tribal Council Representative, I observed all too frequently and questioned the smoke screens and mirrors and manipulation of the numbers that can be used for budgeting purposes.

As Principal Chief, I pledge to deliver straight up substance. It will be a refreshing day in our Tribal government when all Tribal Council Representatives have equal access to the financial information they need to be able to do what you elect them to do. This is in the best interest of our people.

What is your view on whether Casino debt is Tribal debt?

Debt is debt and the facts reveal that these are intertwined because it could affect the EBCI positively or negatively even though the casino “operates separately” from the Tribe.

Within the “Comprehensive Ordinance Approving TCGE Financing”, it clearly states that “Upon execution and delivery of the Second amended and Restated Loan Document as authorized by this ordinance, the Second Amended and Restated Loan Agreement, the Second Amended and Restated Tribal Agreement and the other Second Amended and Restated Loan Documents are under the laws of the Tribe, *legal, valid and binding obligations of the TCGE and/or the TRIBE (COLLECTIVELY* the “Tribal Signatories”) who are parties thereto, *enforceable against the Tribal Signatories* in accordance with their terms including the waiver of sovereign immunity, ...”(continues on).

It goes on to state that “Upon the execution and delivery of the second Amended and Restated Loan Documents as authorized by this ordinance, the Administrative Agent, *for the benefit of the Lenders* under the Security Agreement shall continue to have under the laws of the Tribe *a valid and perfected first priority security interest in and lien on all collateral described in the Security Agreement superior to the claim of any other creditor of the TCGE, or of the Tribe, whether such creditor is the Tribe itself, the TCGE, any other instrumentality or agency of the Tribe, or anyone else.*

It also clearly states the “Authority of the Principal Chief”: “The Second Amended and Restated Loan Documents are hereby approved and the Principal Chief is hereby authorized and directed to execute and deliver the Second Amended and Restated Tribal Agreement and any other Second Amended and Restated Loan Document to which the *Tribe is a party*, on behalf of the Tribe, and take such other steps and to execute and deliver such other documents that may be appropriate or required to implement the Second Amended and Restated Loan Documents, and/or to accomplish, complete and provide for the continued development, construction, financing, refinancing, and operation of the Permanent Casino and the improvements thereto of the Master Plan Projects.”

To get at the facts on the issues that are being so-called “made public”, you have to read between the lines and not overlook pertinent things. Be encouraged, as you know I did while serving as a Tribal Council Representative, you can be assured that as your Principal Chief I will continue to assist you and strive to make you an informed membership as any good leader should.

Another key component that I have not heard either of the other candidates speak to the people about is the “Revolving line of credit” not to exceed \$650 million. In the EBCI brochure entitled: “A Closer Look at Tribal Debt” FAQ’s section, it mentions that “The Revolving credit limit is \$650 million...”. This is easily overlooked by a general public. Revolving line of credit allows that as the borrower repays a portion of the loan, an amount equal to the repayment can be borrowed again under terms of agreement. One could think of it like a personal credit card, you use the credit card to purchase something and then you make payments to the banking institution, and then you can use the credit card over and over again up to a certain limit as long as you keep paying on what you owe. It is worth asking what will be the true cost of expansion. Have they repeatedly borrowed and repaid upon this revolving line of credit?

I firmly believe that our people should have been given a say as to whether we wanted our Tribe or casino to be exposed to such huge debt. Yet, only when it is in the industries best interest to do so are we told that it’s our business. If it truly is our business, then I think you would agree that it would be in order to give our people a voice on this matter and also on the matter of whether live dealers should be permitted at the casino.

As your Principal Chief, I strongly support giving you a say in such matters that have huge implications on the well-being and quality of life of our people and future generations.

What do you view as the major differences between you and the other candidates for Principal Chief?

I don’t wish to compare myself to others. However, I would like to mention the following:

I believe that I am well prepared to assume the leadership role of Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. I am the only candidate who possesses the unique experience of having served in all three branches of our Tribal government, including as Executive Secretary in the Office of the Principal Chief and most recently as a Tribal Council Representative from 2007-2009. From all of this experience, I gained a deep knowledge of the inter-workings of our Tribal government and observed first-hand areas that need improvement and that can be improved, without costing the Tribe any money, to better serve our people.

I will embrace the roles and responsibilities of Principal Chief and provide strong, consistent leadership that is required in order to get our Tribal government working for all of our people.

Elected leaders will inherit issues that were not addressed by previous elected

leaders, and I bring a willingness to try to address and solve the complex issues for the benefit of the entire Tribe.

I will be proactive and unbiased in matters that come before me. I am willing to consider various points of view during deliberations, including your input. I am not shy about asking pertinent and relevant questions, seeking answers, researching information, providing direction, and doing the hard work that is required. I am willing to speak up and stand up on behalf of our Tribe. I have the best interest of our Tribe in mind, heart, and actions.

In addition, as a youth, I served as southeastern delegate for Save the Children Day and testified in front of U.S. Congressional Caucus on Capitol Hill in Washington, DC plea-ing for the Federal government to help our Tribe/community overcome the alcohol problem that was plaguing our people. I later served as an intern in the U.S. Senate, Capitol Hill, Washington, DC. I think that all of this service and other experiences not mentioned will also contribute to a successful transition into serving effectively as your Principal Chief.

What message do you want to send to the voters?

It will only take a small effort (to write in your vote for Principal Chief) on your part to make a large, lasting, and positive impact on our Tribe. Thank you for your prayers and your willingness to be a part of helping to ensure a strong, healthy, prosperous EBCI today and into the future and getting our Tribal government working for all of our people. It is not too late to decide that you are going to be a part of making positive impact on our Tribe. It is not too late to decide that you are going to write in your vote for Principal Chief. I urge you to take advantage of this opportunity. There will be a blank space on the ballot for Principal Chief where you will need to write in Susan Toineeta .

I firmly believe that I am the best qualified to serve as Principal Chief because I not only have relevant experience but also because I have the right motivations and plans and these motivations can endure and the plans can be successfully implemented throughout the term in office. I have the right heart, mind, and actions for this service.

Serving as Principal Chief is not an entitlement. No one is “entitled” to be elected just because he spent the most money to get re-elected or elected, he campaigned the longest, he has served in this office the longest, or he ran for office the most number of times. None of these things can “produce” a leader who is genuinely interested in and will take a firm stand for the well-being of our great Tribe.

I urge you to use your vote wisely and to write in your vote for Susan Toineeta because I am the candidate who most reflects what good Tribal government should be as demonstrated by my record of leadership. I have a good, strong, consistent record of solid leadership (please refer to the postcard that was mailed to you). I have demonstrated that the common good of our people is more important than any personal political agenda of getting re-elected or elected. On behalf of our entire Tribe, I stood up and went head to head with Tribal attorneys and other elected officials seeking personal gain when it was in the best interest of our people to do so and prevailed; I stood firm for you and our people won! I remain committed to standing up for the best interest of our people not only during publicly held meetings but also during non-public private meetings and even in the face of great adversity.

Please write in your vote to elect Susan Toineeta as Principal Chief because I have proven that I will embrace and responsibly perform the duties and obligations that such an elected office requires. I am not afraid of hard work and I don’t look down upon those who do hard work. I am willing to lead and to work to make a positive difference and to help make needed improvements in our Tribal government. I am willing to work with Tribal employees, our people, and other elected officials to bring about a government that we can be proud of and a government that truly works for the people. We cannot give up. We must continue our efforts in honor of our ancestors and in anticipation of our future generations. I have confidence that you will do all you can do to spread the word and to elect a Principal Chief who has the courage, backbone, and professional manner to do what’s right even in the face of adversity.

It would be a delight and honor to serve as your Principal Chief. I remain committed to being a leader who serves with the best interest of our people in mind, heart, and actions and a leader who does not lose sight of you, our people, our Tribe after a few years in office. Let us reclaim our Tribal government for our people (not for self-interest or special interest) before its too late. YOU CAN WIN by writing in. Please write in your vote for Susan Toineeta, Principal Chief, when you cast your vote.

There will be a blank space on the ballot for Principal Chief where you will need to write in Susan Toineeta . Be sure to print both first and last name like this: Susan Toineeta .

Former Council Rep. discusses ads, Cherokee County land issue

I am not a subscriber of this newspaper because of the past malicious slander that was published, and claimed “freedom of speech.” However, in the past couple of years as I have been provided copies, I have noticed a remarkable, better type of journalism.

Just recently, after hearing much discussion on the political ads, I requested copies from different people so I could read them for myself, and may subscribe. What disappoints me are all the incorrect, slanderous ads that have been printed concerning one of the Principal Chief candidates. Mr. Lambert has overwhelmingly complained, criticized, and done nothing but slander Mr. Hicks with his incorrect statements, yet has had nothing positive to say about his plans or platform. His statements have proven that he knows nothing about accountability, finances, or responsibilities of good quality leadership. He just happens to condemn many of the constituents he would be serving for, if elected.

The Tribal Finance Department has been audited many, many times and the tribe has much financial expertise that manages our monies for the best investments. To not be aware of this and to dump all accusations on the Principal Chief proves gross ignorance.

If people would watch the finance reports, they could learn so much about investing and how our money is used. Anyone with money knows that it is not always wise to pay off debts if the account they’re taking the money from is drawing a high interest rate. If you would study your annual report on the tribe’s money this is easy to understand. This is just one of Mr. Lambert’s unknowledgeable statements he’s been making. But as for criticizing Principal Chief Hicks, just look at last week’s paper at himself in his ad. Who would want to support a candidate for vicious accusations such as his? Is this the qualities of a good leader? How would he treat constituents who didn’t agree with him? On the other hand, Mr. Hicks only clarifies and proves facts about the tribe’s best interest.

To touch on the subject of the property in Cherokee County. This is one heck of a “bent out of shape” situation! First of all, this is not the first time the tribe has reclaimed land belonging to a tribal member because of an invalid will. This goes back to 1994 of an incorrect will and the council tried to compensate the descendant but Teresa McCoy voted against it, and several other similar wills of the same situation, that is, until she became a

candidate for Vice-Chief. Whoa! She never supported wills that left property to a descendant! Besides, there is a long process of the tribe purchasing property. There is a Lands Acquisition Committee which researches all proposals. This committee then presents their recommendation to Tribal Council. The Tribal Council then votes on their recommendation. With a group of 12 council members voting on the issue and 10 of those 12 voting for the resolution and 2 objecting, what chief would veto such a resolution, and what do you think his chances are of having a veto upheld? So the blame on this particular issue cannot be placed on the Principal Chief!

I am truly sorry that this has happened to one of my dear friend’s children. In fact, I advised Gladys Wright to make her will, along with other tribal members who have nonenrolled descendants. It’s really unfortunate that it could not be carried out. I also have learned that this is not the only will lacking the proper signatures and the people have already corrected them. It is nice to know Principal Chief Hicks has ordered provisions for all of us to have our wills done through the tribe’s Legal Department.

Another thing, one of Mr. Lambert’s non-Indian supporters in Cherokee

County is badly misconstruing the information about this to many non-Indians through her facebook, when, in fact, she and her husband had submitted a proposal for the tribe to purchase their land at a much, much higher price than was negotiated for the Georgia Trull/Gladys Wright property, which in fact, adjoins Mr. Lambert’s tribal property. This proposal is on file, something like 7.6 million for 80 acres and 4 replacement homes versus the proposal for the Wright property being \$500,000.00 for approximately 205 acres, if the will could have been carried out. It is so sad to see what can happen in an election year. What’s sad is most of the incorrect statements are very damaging to all tribal members.

Think positive folks, about the best interest of the tribe, not who said what or what you don’t like about a particular candidate. I am reminded of the Bible scripture: Isaiah 40:31 “But they that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength; they shall mount up with wings as eagles; they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk, and not faint. Congratulations Mr. Hicks!

Very Sincerely, Signed,
Glenda Sanders Fisher

Traditions and tragedy

COMMENTARY
By WILLIAM D. ROBERTS

I am proud and honored to call myself Cherokee as I am sure my family has been for centuries past and hopefully to come. There have always been events that make us change our direction in life but generally it is for the better. In my years I have been forced on several occasions to have to leave the reservation and my family for occupational reasons, yet I have always returned to call this my home. I have observed various positive changes for the people each time that I return, but I also see areas of improvement that would benefit our people.

We should all be proud of who we are and not who people feel we

should be. When the whites first came to our hills, we befriended them and tried to live in peace. That to this day has not been a fulfilling prospect we have embarked on but we still persevere. We should be proud that we can remain here and that we can govern ourselves in the manner we do.

It is election time again, and we need to sit back and carefully decide who we wish our next Principal Chief, Vice Chief, and Council members to be and carefully think who will do the best for our people.

However, we also need to open our eyes and hearts to clearly see how our traditions are forcibly disappearing. I recently attended the drama “Unto These Hills” in which my Great-Grandfather Samuel Owle devoted 20

years of his life to educating people of our past. I must say after not being in the outdoor theater for some 15 years it was uplifting for me. Then the performance began with the preshow and I must say I don’t know who in the historical society made the changes that I saw but I was very disappointed. Several of the most important scenes are gone, there are less Indian actors in the performance, and even our cultural dances have been changed. I went wanting to see what I had seen years before back in the 90’s, and since I was a child and get a cultural reminder of what my people went through. Instead I felt like I was at an outdoor version of “Cats.” Our stories of our tragedy and removal cannot be told by song and dance. We didn’t dance our way to

Oklahoma. Our people died on their way there!

Must our culture and traditions still continue to be taken from us? Why after years of having our powwows and gatherings at the ceremonial grounds have they been moved? Why is our “Ceremonial Grounds” now called the “Fairgrounds”? Whose bright idea was it to cover the ground with gravel? The whole idea of our cultural dances and that of other tribes is to be in contact with “Mother Earth.” These are just some questions that I ask myself when I ride through town and look out the window. If we don’t protect our heritage, ceremonies, and cultural traditions now, we won’t have to worry in the future because it will be too late by then.

Let's Get Real

I am writing this letter, as I can no longer sit back and ignore all of the negativity from our current Chief and his supporters and their attacks against my brother, Patrick, our mother, our family and recently a personal attack on his daughter. Gina is an adult; therefore, she has free will and free choice. She made a mistake plain and simple. But she has many accomplishments. She graduated from UT with a degree in journalism. She also attended and recently graduated from the Aveda Institute in Charlotte with a cosmetology license and she is now attending Law School in North Dakota. She is not running for Chief. So why attack an innocent young adult and defame her character in her absence? Haven't we all made mistakes in our past that we aren't proud of? So why are the Chief and his supporters seeking re-election by personally attacking our family with lies, half-truths, and viciousness? This attack is just one in a long list of attacks against my brother and his family! I'm sure that some of you aren't even aware of these attacks, which can be considered immoral, unethical and unlaw. If all enrolled members knew the information that could

be used against Chief Hicks, his wife, and his contract buddies, you would have second thoughts about supporting him. But instead my brother has said many times that he will not condone any attacks against his opponent and has asked his supporters to do the same. He has run a clean campaign, one of honesty and integrity, while focusing on the REAL issues that this tribe is facing. So, I ask Chief Hicks and his supporters why can't you run a campaign without throwing our family in the gutter every chance you get? The answer to that shouldn't be too hard to figure out people.

As enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, we should all be concerned with the real SERIOUS issues that our tribe is facing like the massive debt that this tribe has incurred in 8 years, the secret deals with special interest groups, illegal activity, and corruption within our government. How can we survive 4 more years with Chief Hicks and his current administration? WE CAN'T. It's time to wake up and pay attention to what is really going on! Open your eyes and your ears, and you too will see the real truth. Enough is enough!

We should encourage our people to get a good education, shouldn't we? But instead, the Chief despises people that do have a good education and make a good living because of it. If we employ educated people than our tribe is better off. Don't most of us who do go to college, grad school and beyond do it so we can support our families with better pay? Not everyone has that goal, but a lot of us do.

Just like my niece, my brother has accomplished much in his life to get exactly where he is today. He got his GED at a young age, attended a community college in Washington at the age of 16 so by the age of 18 he completed 2 years of college. He then attended a university in Tennessee and graduated with a double degree. He enlisted in the army and was honorably discharged when his tour was over. In 1990, he attended UNC School of Law, graduated and in 1993 passed the bar exam to receive his law license. He was the Tribal attorney for a couple of years and then became the Executive Director of the Gaming Commission shortly after. He has worked in that job for 18 years and is now a candidate for Chief. So, I just want to let the young

people know that you can accomplish many things with a good education, hard work, and dedication. Don't let ANYONE tell you it's impossible. That's the message we should be sending our people. One of hope, not fear.

I am asking each member of this tribe to quit focusing on the negative ads, the lies, and the personal attacks against our family. Start paying attention to the REAL SERIOUS ISSUES that our tribe is facing and realize that this tribe cannot survive four more years with Chief Hicks and his current administration!

It is time for change. It is time for an honest leader, one who knows tribal law and is well educated. This is absolutely imperative for our tribe's future! It is time to end the dictatorship! It is time for us to get our tribe back on track, and remember that our leaders work for us; we aren't here to serve them. It is time that we give our children and grandchildren a future that looks bright and promising, not dismal and depressing! It's time...

Sincerely,
Signed
Angela Lambert Gunter



NEVER leave a child alone in a car — even for a minute!



Almost 50 children died this way last year.

- Dial 911 immediately if you see an unattended child in a car. EMS professionals are trained to determine if a child is in trouble.
- Never leave a child unattended in a vehicle, even with the window slightly open.

Believe it or not, routines and distractions have caused people to mistakenly leave children behind in cars.

- Place a cell phone, PDA, purse, briefcase, gym bag or whatever is to be carried from the car on the floor in front of a child in a backseat. This triggers adults to see children when they open the rear door and reach for their belongings.
- Set your cell phone or Blackberry reminder to be sure you dropped your child off at day care.
- Set your computer calendar program, such as Outlook, to ask, "Did you drop off at daycare today?"
- Have a plan that if your child is late for daycare that you will be called within a few minutes. Be especially careful if you change your routine for dropping off little kids at day care.

Prevent trunk entrapment.

- Teach children not to play in any vehicle.
- Lock all vehicle doors and trunk after everyone has exited the vehicle — especially at home. Keep keys out of children's reach. Cars are not playgrounds or babysitters.
- Check vehicles and trunks FIRST if a child goes missing.

Outside
Temperature
101° F

Inside Vehicle
Temperature
140° F



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EBCI GENERAL ELECTION THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 1

Polls open from 6am - 6pm

Please have Government-Issued ID

Registered Voters in line by 6pm will be allowed to vote.

All communities will be voting.

Painttown voters will now vote at the Painttown Gym.

All voters registered with the EBCI Board of Elections are welcome and encouraged to vote in their respective townships, REGARDLESS of their legal status.

**As always, the EBCI Board of Elections is here to serve.
Please call 828.554.6360 for questions, comments or concerns.**