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Chief Lambert vetoes investigation on tribal personnel issues

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Tribal Council approved a measure earlier this month to wage an investigation into various personnel issues regarding tribal employees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The investigation, approved during the regular session of Council on Thursday, Aug. 4, was not an official resolution but grew out of a discussion and was not put in writing.

That action was vetoed by

Principal Chief Patrick Lambert one week later. In a letter to Tribal Council Vice Chairman Brandon Jones, dated Thursday, Aug. 11, he wrote, "I received your memorandum dated Aug. 9, 2016 advising that the above stated action and vote taken by Tribal Council would not be reduced to writing. It seems there is a mistaken belief that I cannot veto an act of Council due to an ordinance provision found in Chapter 117 of the Cherokee Code. However, it is clear that the Charter and Governing Document is the overriding power and author-

ity and without question is the law that we all swear to uphold and take an oath to defend."

Chief Lambert cites Chapter 12 of the Charter as well as Chapter 13 which states, "The Principal Chief shall have the power to veto all acts of Council."

In the letter, he goes on to state, "An act of Council was taken as clearly evidenced by a move, a second on the move, a question called on the move and a vote was taken."


Chief Lambert finished his veto letter by saying, "I issue this veto because it violates not only the

Charter and Governing Document on the powers and duties of my office, but also the separation of powers between the Legislative and Executive Branch. The separation of powers is vital to our tribal government and our people, and the actions taken by a few of your members clearly violate this essential balance."

The original measure stemmed from a report by Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed during the Council session Aug. 4. "We're not just coming to a job every day, we're here serving our people. I believe that we have some of the most comprehensive personnel policies in place and that they demonstrate our commitment to the success of our employees and their families."

He said the Tribe believes in the personnel policy so strongly it has been codified into law. "When an employee misses the mark, as we all sometimes do, there are policies in place to bring them back into alignment as part of our team. We recognize that, by doing so, we strengthen our communities and families by helping one another be the very best at work and at home."

Vice Chief Sneed, who related he has no malice in the situation, said he has been approached by numerous tribal employees seeking assistance in various personnel matters. "I have no desire to see anyone punished. The only desire that I have is that an inquiry be made into the concerns of these employees, that their voices be heard, and if there is a wrong, that



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it be righted and that our employees be granted the full measure of their rights under the law.”

Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith made a motion that Tribal Council find a third party to wage an investigation “into the wrongdoings that have been brought to light”.

He said tribal employees frequently contact him with grievances. “I think that the terminations, the hires, the transfers, the demotions, the raises – all of that needs to be looked into. I think that if we look into that and give these people their due diligence and their rights as laid out in the personnel policy, then I think it needs to be made right.”

Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy said that she felt Tribal Council getting involved in personnel matters would be a violation of the newly

“I issue this veto because it violates not only the Charter and Governing Document on the powers and duties of my office, but also the separation of powers between the Legislative and Executive Branch.”

- Principal Chief Patrick Lambert in a letter to Vice Chairman Brandon Jones

passed Ethics Code. “I get concerns brought to my attention by employees, and you know how I handle that? I handle it based on policy that the Vice Chief here is talking about. Apparently, he didn’t read them. So, I suggest that we take the time to sit down and go through this stuff.”

Vice Chairman Jones made a motion, which was accepted, to add to the measure that all hiring, firing, and transfer actions cease until the investigation is completed. “My phone has blown up every day for the last six to eight months. Employees are begging. They’re reaching out for help. They feel like they don’t have any process to go through...Secretaries are telling employees ‘remember who signs your paycheck’. What is that? That’s bullying. That’s intimidation. That’s fear.”

He added that he wants to see work charts for tribal departments and divisions. “We’ve got employees here, on the property today, being paid, and their jobs have never been approved through a work chart. They’ve never been budgeted. It’s rampant, and it

needs to stop.”

Rep. McCoy further stated, “Right now, there’s a personnel policy in place. You tell our employees that’s the policy they follow. They follow the chain of command.”

Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe was in support of the measure and commented, “People are coming to work right now not knowing what’s going on. They are scared right now.”

He implored all tribal leaders to stop bickering and work together. “We’ve gotten out of what we’re here for which is to help people. We’re here to help everyone on the reservation and not sit here and argue back and forth.”

On the measure calling for the investigation, he stated, “If I was being accused of something and somebody wanted to bring in a third party in on me, I wouldn’t mind it. It wouldn’t bother me a bit. I’d let them bring it on. I wouldn’t argue against it. I do agree with Brandon that we’re going to have to start taking up for the tribal employees.”

Chief Lambert stated towards the end of the discussion on Aug. 4, “I get vilified a lot on this stuff, but I can tell you there hasn’t been one person terminated. I’d like to know the name. There’s not been one person transferred outside of what their normal job is. I’ve moved some programs to have better accountability, and it’s working.”

He went on to say, “Look at the streets. Are the streets clean? They weren’t on the Fourth of July so I made a change. A man had that responsibility, and they failed. So yeah, I transferred him, but then he voluntarily chose to resign. There was no termination. That’s been the only one. The employees are safe where they are.”



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Retail development major topic of discussion in Planning Board

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Planning Board Chairman B. Ensley called the August session to order on Monday, Aug. 15 and Kim Deas called the roll. In attendance were Commerce Secretary Mickey Duvall, Finance Secretary Eric Sneed, Rep. Ensley, Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor, Tribal Council Vice Chairman Brandon Jones, Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, Big Cove Rep. Richard French, Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith, Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed, and Principal Chief Patrick Lambert.

Hope Huskey, from the Sequoyah Fund, updated the board on a project with Cherokee artists called Authentically Cherokee. The Sequoyah Fund is attempting to identify true Cherokee artists to the public because there have been people making and selling arts and crafts claiming to be Cherokee who are not. Huskey said that the Sequoyah Fund is assisting artists with a common brand and also with marketing and distribution. As part of the plan, 5 percent of the gross sales will go to the Sequoyah Fund and the rest to the artists. A website has also been developed for the effort. The Commerce Division's Enterprise Development Program and Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Resort are assisting with this project.

Gloria Griffin, Manager of Enterprise Development, stated that Cherokee Bottled Water had \$28,000 in gross sales. She reported on a program called "Accelerator Without Walls" that provides

business services to tribal entrepreneurs. This project is in conjunction with the Sequoyah Fund. Chairman Taylor commented that he had talked with the Pequot tribe concerning using Cherokee Bottled Water in their casino using a private label.

Tonya Carroll, Destination Marketing Manager, distributed the program's August report on tourism's economic impact. She reported concerning her efforts to gain community input on the overhaul of the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Carroll also talked about preliminary planning for a solar eclipse event happening in August 2017.

Chairman Taylor asked about bringing the Festival of Native Peoples event back. Carroll explained that it had not been looked at since the previous administration removed it from the Fairgrounds events plan and that is was an expensive event to execute. She said it would be up to the current administration to decide. Chairman Taylor also inquired about an "agricultural center" and moved that one be studied and developed. Rep. Ensley asked about Pow Wow and Children's Trout Derby numbers. Carroll said that 1,790 children attended the Trout Derby, but she related that no other numbers were available at that time. Chairman Taylor asked about doing additional advertising for the Trout Derby.

Doug Cole, Planning Department manager, said the study continues on the adventure park and downtown revitalization. A grant application for the creation of the strategic economic development

document has been submitted to the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Ground breaking for the bowling alley was deemed a success. The old elementary school site archeological study report states that the project is approximately 33 percent complete. Cole estimates that the "field" work is closer to 66 percent complete. EDA planning assistance grant application preparation is in progress.

Chairman Taylor asked about a study concerning Tribal Gaming Enterprise commission projects and when it would be complete. Cole said that they were about four weeks into a 12-week study. The study includes a hotel and convention center, adventure park, downtown area and retail. The study is to provide insight into the way the individual projects will integrate and be most profitable. It is to provide insight into how to best invest monies into the projects.

Chairman Taylor was concerned that the adventure park and a data center were not moving forward more quickly. Cole and Secretary Duvall stated that the data center was a project that the Commerce Department was not originally tasked with and planning had taken place that the department wasn't brought in on initially. Duvall stated that Commerce was getting up to speed on the data center and was ready and willing to work with it as the leadership directs.

Secretary Duvall reported on the status of retail development efforts. He made three proposals to get interest from Tanger Outlets, and their ownership has expressed that they are not interested. Chair-

man Taylor stated that he had a different contact with Tanger and feels that there is still opportunity with them.

One of the comments from Duvall on a reason for Tanger's lack of interest is the proximity of their east Tennessee outlet and potential revenue erosion.

Chairman Taylor then said, "You made a statement that I don't agree with...I would like to hear it from them." He stated he plans a visit to Tanger's headquarters.

Both Tractor Supply and Whole Foods have also stated that they are not interested in locating in Cherokee.

Duvall stated that the developers of the Biltmore Outlets and "The Island" in Tennessee are interested in meeting and discussing opportunities with the Tribe. He mentioned that "a big-time, world class developer" is still interested developing retail in Cherokee. Efforts continue to bring additional grocery stores to Cherokee.

Rep. Ensley questioned spending additional money on studying the adventure park because the Tribal Council has already decided to move forward. Chief Lambert responded that there is a need to see how the adventure park will integrate with the other plans. Chairman Taylor felt that he could not support other projects until movement is made on the adventure park and data center.

Rep. Ensley reiterated that he feels that the adventure park should move forward. Rep. Smith expressed support for the adventure park and said that it is needed to

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CIPD busts three local drug dens

Throughout the month of August, the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD) was able to serve multiple search warrants on three different residences. The search warrants were obtained after lengthy investigations into the sale, use, and distribution of illegal drugs.

CIPD served a search warrant at 91 Ike Tooni Road in Cheorkee on Tuesday, Aug. 2. Greg Allen Smith and Cheryl Lynn Sequoyah, both of Cherokee, were arrested and charged with multiple offenses:

Greg Allen Smith was charged with:

- Possession of Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Trafficking in Methamphetamine
- Importing of Controlled substances onto the EBCI
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Child Abuse 2nd Degree (three counts)

He was arrested and transported to the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center where he was placed under a \$100,000 cash/secured bond and bonded out on Monday, Aug. 8.

Cheryl Lynn Sequoyah was charged with:

- Possession of Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Possession with Intent to



Greg Allen Smith



Rashonda McCoy Bradley

Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II - Methamphetamine

- Trafficking in Methamphetamine
- Importing of Controlled substances onto the EBCI
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Child Abuse 2nd Degree (three counts)

She was arrested and transported to the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center where she was placed under a \$10,000 secured bond, and bonded out on Wednesday, Aug. 3.

CIPD served a search warrant at 138 Old Mormon Church Road, Cherokee, on Friday, Aug. 12. Two people were arrested at this residence including Owen Randall Pheasant and Rashonda McCoy Bradley, both of Cherokee. The search warrant was the result of an investiga-



Cheryl Lynn Sequoyah



Dennis Brandon Shuler

tion into a weapons offense incident that occurred on Friday, Aug. 5.

Pheasant had an existing arrest warrant for:

- Aggravated Weapons Offense
- Reckless Endangerment
- Criminal Conspiracy

As a result of the search warrant, he was also charged with:

- Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Possession of Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Importing of Controlled substances onto the EBCI
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia
- Violation of a Domestic Violence Protective Order

Pheasant was arrested and transported to the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center where he was placed under a \$10,000



Owen Randall Pheasant



Ryan Ward

cash bond.

Bradley was arrested on a Tribal Court warrant for Failure to Appear and was transported to the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center where she was placed under a \$10,000 secured bond.

CIPD served a search warrant at 3372 Old # 4 Road, Cherokee, on Monday, Aug. 15. The search warrant that was served at this residence was the result of a multi-agency drug investigation. This was the second search warrant served at this residence for the sale and delivery of controlled substances.

Dennis Brandon Shuler, of Cherokee, and Ryan Ward were arrested and charged with multiple offenses.

Shuler was charged with:

- Possession with Intent to

Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule II - Methamphetamine

- Possession of Schedule II - Methamphetamine
- Possession of Schedule II - Morphine (x2)
- Possession of Schedule IV - Suboxone
- Aggravated Possession of Marijuana
- Possession with Intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver Schedule VI - Marijuana
- Importing of Controlled substances onto the EBCI
- Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

There were aggravating factors in Shuler's criminal charges which include:

- Possession, Sale, Delivery of illegal drugs in the sensory perception or dwelling of a child between 13 years of age and 16 years of age
- Possession of a firearm at the time of offense

Shuler was arrested and transported to the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center where he was placed under a \$20,000 cash bond, and bonded out on Wednesday, Aug. 17.

Ward was arrested for a Felony Failure to Appear warrant from Swain County. He was transported to the Swain County Sheriff Department Detention Center and placed under a \$30,000 bond. Ward was permanently banished from EBCI property on June 21. Trespassing charges are pending.

- CIPD

Cherokee man sentenced to 87 months for beating fiancé with bat

ASHEVILLE – U.S. District Judge Martin Reidinger sentenced Lowney Yohnagalegi Crow, 33, an EBCI tribal member of Cherokee, on Tuesday, Aug. 16 to 87 months in prison on charges of assault resulting in serious bodily injury, announced Jill Westmoreland Rose, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. Judge Martin Reidinger also ordered Crow to serve three years under court supervision after he is released from prison.

U.S. Attorney Rose was joined in making the announcement by John A. Strong, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Charlotte Division; and Chief James Dike Sneed of the Cherokee Indian Police Department (CIPD).

“Crow’s then-fiancé suffered unspeakable violence by the man who claimed to love her,” said U.S. Attorney Rose. “Crow beat his victim as she begged him to stop, telling her his intent was to make sure she never walked again. Then afterwards, Crow left the victim to suffer in pain overnight, finally agreeing to call for medical help after he instructed her on what to say about the cause of her injuries.” said U.S. Attorney Rose.

Rose added, “What Crow did to his victim is what millions of others suffer each day: domestic violence and physical, emotional, and psychological abuse at the hands of a loved one. Domestic violence can happen to anyone regardless of race, age, sexual orientation, ethnicity, religion, or gender, and it affects people of all socioeconomic

backgrounds and education. It can also happen to intimate partners who are married, living together, or dating. I urge victims of domestic violence to reach out to my office, to law enforcement, to a local organization, or a loved one to alert them to their situation and to report this heinous crime. Help is available to assist domestic violence victims and to get them on a path to safety.”

According to information contained in filed court documents and Wednesday’s sentencing hearing, on March 30, 2014, officers with CIPD arrived to Crow’s residence in response to a 911 call regarding an attempted rape and assault at that location. The female victim, who was Crow’s fiancé at the time, told law enforcement officers that another individual had come into Crow’s house and attempted to sexually assault her. The officers found the alleged perpetrator laying on the floor inside Crow’s residence unconscious and in need of medical attention.

The following day, on March 31, 2014, the victim called 911 again, this time requesting transportation to the hospital because she was hurt. According to court records, at first, the victim declined to speak in detail to law enforcement and the emergency medical personnel on the scene regarding her severe injuries on her knees and abdomen. Crow also denied knowing who injured the victim when he was questioned. Court records show that later the same day and after Crow had left the hospital, the victim told law enforcement that Crow was the person who had assaulted her, after he accused her of being unfaithful to him. The victim told law enforcement that Crow had used a wooden baseball bat to

hit her the night before, that the beating had lasted approximately 45 minutes, and that Crow only stopped hitting her when the bat he was using broke.

According to court records, the morning after the incident, Crow had carried the victim to the bathroom because she was unable to walk and finally agreed to get her medical attention for her injuries. Crow also told the victim to tell the police that he was not responsible for her injuries. According to court records, the victim suffered multiple fractures in her legs, hands and other parts of her body. She also required several surgeries and physical therapy before she could walk again.

An arrest warrant against Crow was issued in January 2015, following the filing of a federal complaint against him. Crow was located in California where he was arrested in January 2016. He pleaded guilty in April 2016 to one count of intentional assault resulting in serious bodily injury. He is currently in federal custody and will be transferred to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons upon designation of a federal facility. All federal sentences are served without the possibility of parole.

The investigation was handled by the FBI and CIPD. Assistant U.S. Attorney John Pritchard of the U.S. Attorney’s Office in Asheville prosecuted the case.

– U.S. Attorney’s Office

SC man receives 16 years for Smokemont murder

ASHEVILLE – Forrest Dakota Hill, 23, of Easley, SC, was sentenced to federal prison on

Tuesday, Aug. 16 for 200 months for the 2015 murder of a male victim on federal land, announced Jill Westmoreland Rose, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. U.S. District Judge Martin Reidinger also ordered Hill to serve five years of supervised release upon completion of his prison term.

Hill pleaded guilty to a second degree murder charge in April 2016. He is currently in federal custody and will be transferred to the custody of the Federal Bureau of Prisons upon designation of a federal facility. All federal sentences are served without the possibility of parole.

According to court filings, plea documents and the sentencing hearing, on March 29, 2015, Cherokee Indian Police Department received a 911 call alerting officers to a stabbing that had taken place inside Oconaluftee Baptist Church, commonly known as the Smokemont Baptist Church, located within the boundaries of the Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Court records indicate that paramedics responding to the scene determined that the male victim had been stabbed and was deceased.

According to court records, Hill, the victim, and another individual drove to the church together, and over the course of their visit, Hill stabbed the victim with a knife during an unprovoked attack, causing the victim’s death. Following the fatal stabbing, Hill and his companion left the church and returned to Harrah’s Cherokee Casino where they picked up a companion and then departed for another local hotel.

According to court records, the victim was stabbed at least 16

times in the chest, back, neck and elsewhere. Court records indicate that the victim's cause of death was "internal hemorrhage due to multiple stab wounds."

"It takes a depraved person to kill another human being, but an evil one to carry out the murder inside a religious institution founded upon the belief in the sanctity of human life," said U.S. Attorney Rose. "While we can never replace their loved one, we hope that Hill's lengthy prison term will bring closure to the victim's family and friends."

Charge Strong, FBI Special Agent, commented, "Today's sentence ensures that a killer has been taken off our streets. I want to thank NPS and CIPD for their invaluable assistance with this investigation. This case is an example of

federal and tribal law enforcement working together to bring justice to the citizens of western North Carolina."

Steven Kloster, Great Smoky Mountains National Park chief ranger, said, "The National Park Service appreciates the coordination and cooperation of all involved agencies to bring this case to a successful prosecution."

The investigation was handled by the FBI, NPS and CIPD. Assistant U.S. Attorney John Pritchard of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville prosecuted the case.

- U.S. Attorney's Office

Tribal Court Judgment Summary for Aug. 3

LEDFORD, Sonya Rena
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass

– Dismissed on Plea
14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass
– Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 7 days active jail time, credit for time served (7 days), waive court costs and fines

LOSSIE, Cassandra Marie
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty/Responsible, First Offender's Program, defendant to complete Drug Treatment Program and SAA
14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

TEESATUSKIE, Richard Calvin J.
14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

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CIPD Arrest Report Aug. 15-22

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

Caley Jr., William Grant – age 34

Arrested: Aug. 15 at
13:09

Released: Aug. 19

Charges: Assault on a Female (DV)

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Climbingbear, Isaac – age 26

Arrested: Aug. 15 at
12:11

Not released as of press time

Charges: Contempt of Court, Bond
Surrender

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Shuler, Dennis

Brandon – age 43

Arrested: Aug. 15 at
09:52

Released: Aug. 17

Charges: Drugs (five counts)

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Mata, Felisa Benita – age 27

Arrested: Aug. 16 at
01:10

Not released as of press time

Charges: Breaking or Entering

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Hornbuckle, Wil- liam Richard – age 33

Arrested: Aug. 17 at
03:22

Not released as of press time

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive
in Public, Failure to Obey a Lawful
Order of the Court

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Moralis, Joseph A. – age 23

Arrested: Aug. 17 at
17:00

Released: Aug. 17

Charges: Criminal Mischief

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Taylor, Brandon Craig – age 31

Arrested: Aug. 17 at
20:22

Not released as of press time

Charges: Violation of Sex Offender
Restriction (two counts)

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Badillo, Destiny Larae – age 23

Arrested: Aug. 18 at
11:00

Released: Aug. 18

Charges: Criminal Mischief to
Property

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Smith, James David – age 26

Arrested: Aug. 18 at
08:00

Not released as of press time

Charges: Hold for Drug Court

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 3**



Smith, John Patrick – age 32

Arrested: Aug. 18 at
22:38

Not released as of press time

Charges: Unauthorized Use of Mo-
tor Vehicle

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 7**



Burke, Lisa Elaine – age 43

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
21:00

Released: Aug. 20

Charges: Public Intoxication

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Calhoun, Greta Lynn – age 37

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
19:30

Released: Aug. 20

Charges: Child Abuse in the Second
Degree

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Crowe, Ervin Ivan- dale – age 44

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
01:56

Released: Aug. 19

Charges: Failure to Register as Sex
Offender

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Rattler, Cornelia Iona – age 18

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
15:00

Not released as of press time

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Smith, Jack Daniel – age 27

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
19:43

Released: Aug. 19

Charges: Simple Assault

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Wilnoty, Kendall Luanne – age 22

Arrested: Aug. 19 at
20:13

Released: Aug. 20

Charges: Simple Assault

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Swayney Jr., John Wesley – age 69

Arrested: Aug. 20 at
18:38

Released: Aug. 20

Charges: Weapon Offense – Free
Text

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Owle, Olivia Gail – age 28

Arrested: Aug. 21 at
15:20

Not released as of press time

Charges: Larceny, Failure to Appear
on Misdemeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Toineeta, James – age 57 (mugshot not available)

Arrested: Aug. 21 at 15:00

Not released as of press time

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

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Tribal Realty employees back to work

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ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Last week, 11 tribal employees were given administrative leave while a conflict between the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) was resolved. Principal Chief Patrick Lambert issued the executive order that suspended tribal use of the building because, in the opinion of the EBCI Attorney General Danny Davis, a memorandum posted by the Superintendent of the BIA threatened federal, criminal prosecution of “unauthorized” persons or personnel accessing federal documents housed in common records offices within the BIA building. In addition to the employees leaving the building, all land transfers and other realty business were frozen.

Tribal Council Chairman Bill

Taylor, at the behest of Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, called a work session on Tuesday, Aug. 16 to discuss the situation. BIA Superintendent William McKee spoke to Tribal Council and said that no one was in jeopardy. Rep. McCoy’s primary concern was that employees have an option to work for the entity of their choice. This discussion goes back to a Tribal Council vote in the Aug. 4 session to rescind the negotiating capacity of the Principal Chief for BIA services. As part of the contracting process, Principal Chief indicated that he wanted to have a meeting with the employees and the BIA leadership asked that meeting be put on hold. In the meantime, the vote was taken to rescind on Aug. 4. Rep. McCoy referenced employees that she had talked to who are concerned about job security of a transition from a federal to a tribal position.

A large portion of the discussion centered on “blame” for the tribal realty shutdown. The BIA Superintendent inferred that his office was not properly addressed by the Principal Chief.

McKee stated, “You don’t have to like me, but please respect the Office of Superintendent, because that is the first line of authority for government to government negotiations.”

The discussion became heated to the point of Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe asking the Chairman to expel the next person and anyone who made an accusation with regard to the situation. He further said that everyone should be focused on resolution of the issue and getting the employees back to work.

As a result of the work session, the BIA Superintendent was to receive a letter outlining the guar-

antees needed for tribal employees and the tribal leadership to feel safe from any threat of prosecution from the EBCI Attorney General. And then, the BIA Superintendent was to issue a letter to the Executive Office and Tribal Council that provides those guarantees.

A press release from the Principal Chief’s office on Thursday, Aug. 18 states the following, “Chief Lambert is pleased to announce that the Tribe was successful in leading the reopening of the Tribal Realty Office by requiring Cherokee Agency Superintendent McKee to put in writing an assurance that he would not prosecute Tribal employees for simply doing their jobs. All employees who were sent home last week on Administrative Leave will be asked to report to work beginning tomorrow, Friday August 19, 2016”.

ARREST REPORT:

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White, Shan-non Deann
— age 39



Arrested: Aug. 21 at 23:50
Released: Aug. 22
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

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open Cherokee up to a new clientele. There was a lengthy discussion about what direction the Tribe should go with regard to retail development. The Executive Office discussed a multiple project, strategic approach to development. The Tribal Council representatives discussed some specific, tactical initiatives, such as the adventure park and data center. The Planning Board Chairman entertained a motion to revise a proposed resolution (currently tabled) that had five economic development initiatives down to the two that Tribal Council has approved for implementation. A motion and second was recorded, but a vote was not taken.

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FOOTBALL

Braves win season opener in Tenn.

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

KINGSFORT, Tenn. – Cherokee fans got to see a rainbow, a beautiful sunset, and a season-opening win on Friday, Aug. 19 as the maroon and gold traveled to Tennessee. The Braves (1-0) defeated the Trinity Academy Knights (0-1) by a score of 50-32 in a game held at Don “Log” Martin Field in Kingsport, Tenn.

“It was a hard fought victory,” Kent Briggs, Braves head coach, said. “We had a

lot of adversity, but that’s what football is. Our guys did a really good job to keep fighting. We made good plays. They made good plays. We were tired. They were tired.”

He added, “First games have a lot of mistakes that we made that we can correct, but what I liked was that even though we made the mistakes, we didn’t let it stop us. There were a lot of people that were banged up and had to go while banged up and guys go in that had never played certain positions because we’re low on numbers. So, we just had to adapt on the run. It was kind of ugly sometimes and kind of scrambling

at times, but it’s what we’re going to have to do when we have low numbers.”

The Braves were led offensively by Isaiah Evans, sophomore running back, who carried the ball 26 times for 159 yards and 2 touchdowns. Tye Mintz, junior quarterback, completed 13 of 20 passes for 146 yards and one interception. On the night, Mintz spread the ball around well completing passes to four receivers including: Shane Swimmer 5-45, Anthony Toineeta 2-32, Cade Mintz 4-37, and Evans 3-32.

Trinity got the ball first in the game and started from their own 29-yard line. Cherokee’s defense held the Knights to a three-and-out, and Trinity was forced to punt. During the punt return, the ball bounced up and hit the leg of a Braves player. Trinity pounced on it and took over at the Cherokee 39-yard line.

Cherokee’s defense held again and the Knights were forced to punt giving the Braves the ball at their own 23-yard line. After a three-and-out, the Braves punted. Trinity’s David Aurther fielded the ball at the Knights 40-yard line and 60 yards later was in the end zone for the first score of the game. The extra point was no good and Trinity led 6-0 at the 5:47 mark of the first quarter.

Cherokee got the ball back and started a drive at their own 30-yard line that would take up most of the remainder of the first. The 12-play drive culminated in a 9-yard touchdown pass from Tye Mintz to Toineeta. The two-point conversion failed, and the game was tied at 6-6- with 42.5 seconds left in the first.

Following the kickoff, Trinity started from their own 45-yard line. On the first play from scrimmage, the Knights fumbled the ball which was picked up by Swimmer who ran it back 55 yards down the left side-



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Cherokee’s Isaiah Evans (#5), sophomore running back, jumps over the line to avoid two Trinity Academy defenders during Friday’s game in Kingsport, Tenn. Evans finished the game with 159 yards and 2 touchdowns on 26 carries.

line for the score. The two-point try failed again, and Cherokee led 12-6 with 17.2 seconds left in the first.

Trinity punted on their next possession and Cherokee turned the ball over on downs at their own 42-yard line early in the second quarter. After taking possession, the Knights wasted no time. On first down, Aurther ran 32 yards to the 10. The next play, Grayson Vaughn, Trinity junior quarterback, kept the ball himself and ran for the score. The point-after kick was good and the Knights took a 13-12 lead with 7:56 left before the half.

Cherokee answered quickly though. After starting in good field position at their own 43-yard line, the Braves put together a six play drive that culminated in a 19-yard touchdown run by Tye Mintz. Swimmer made the two-point conversion and Cherokee retook the lead at 20-13 with 6:11 left in the second.

Following a Trinity punt, the Braves set up shop at their own 37-yard line with just over five minutes left in the second. Eight plays later, Evans ran up the gut of the Knights defense for a 3-yard score. He then ran for the two-point conversion to make it 28-13 with 2:21 left before the half.

The Knights wouldn't quit though and managed to get another score on the board before the half as Aurther scored on a 6-yard touchdown pass from Vaughn with 32 seconds left. The two-point try failed, and the Braves took a 28-19 lead into the locker room.

Cherokee came out firing in the third quarter. After starting on their own 23-yard line, the Braves put together a nice 13-play drive that took almost half of the quarter. Evans finished the drive



Cherokee's Byron Locust (#70), Will Davis (#55), Shane Swimmer (#3), and Anthony Toineeta (#18) celebrate a 55-yard fumble return for a touchdown by Swimmer in the first quarter.

with a 10-yard touchdown run, his second of the game, at the 6:02 mark. The two-point try failed and Cherokee led 34-19.

Two drives later, the Braves were back in the end zone as Swimmer ran 14 yards for the score that finished an 11-play drive. The two-point conversion was good and Cherokee took a commanding 42-19 lead at the 10:21 mark of the fourth quarter.

Each team would score once in the fourth. Toineeta scored on a 32-yard run at the 5:31 mark and Trinity's Raequan Jordan caught a 44-yard touchdown pass from Vaughn 21 seconds later to make the final score 50-32.

Full statistics were unavailable for this game by press time.

Cherokee has their first home game of the season as they host the Mitchell Mountaineers (1-0) at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Friday, Aug. 26 at 7:30pm.



Cherokee's Zak Perez (#54), junior defensive lineman, sacks Grayson Vaughn, Trinity's junior quarterback.

When fishing is about more than just fishing

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Henry David Thoreau, a 19th century writer and naturalist, once said, “Many men go fishing all of their lives without knowing that it is not fish they are after.”

So, if they’re not after fish, why do they load themselves down with expensive rods, reels, flies, bait, and waders? If not fish,

what are they after?

They are after peace and a connection to the land.

A group of Cherokee Middle School sixth graders in Mathew Maney’s Wilderness class had a treat on Thursday, Aug. 18. They had a great opportunity to learn fly fishing from one of the best in the state, possibly one of the best upcoming fishermen in the country – Cherokee’s own Michael Bradley.

Bradley, an EBCI tribal member, is soft-spoken and gentle in his demeanor, but he is also incredibly passionate about the sport of fly fishing.

Several years ago, I wrote an article about him as he was climbing the ladder in the Trout Legend League – a title he won in 2014 and 2015. In it, we discussed his enjoyment of fishing and the sense of peacefulness it gives him. “It’s a lot more relaxing than anything I’ve ever done. It just gets me away from everything.”

Bradley also enjoys sharing his sport with others. “One of my favorite things is to watch somebody else catch a fish and for me to help them do it,” he told me during our discussion for the Trout Legend article.

Flash forward to Thursday afternoon, and he is standing in front of a group of middle school students on the bridge over the Oconaluftee River located just across the street from the school. It’s mid-August so the humidity is about 156 percent, but Bradley’s smile never stops peaking through his beard as he patiently talks to the students about fly lines, fly rods, flies, when fish bite, how to find fish, etc.

After a few minutes, the group proceeds to the bridge where Bradley lets the students try out their hand at fly casting with a piece of yarn tied to the end without a hook (for safety purposes).

After the first student tries his hand at it, Bradley asks who else would like to try.

“I do,” exclaimed Richard Mata who took the rod and after some brief instruction from Michael was getting into a nice rhythm. “This is fun, can I keep going?” asked Mata.

As Bradley spoke about fishing, the stu-



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Michael Bradley (right) helps Richard Mata with his casting technique during a CMS Wilderness class fly fishing demonstration on Thursday, Aug. 18.



Ellise Stamper and Jaylyne Esquivel take a look at a caddis fly.

Students thought they were learning about fly fishing, but they weren't. They were learning about a sport that will take them into rivers and streams connecting them to the water and the world around them. They were learning about themselves and their place in nature.

Mathew Maney, CMS wilderness class teacher, commented, "We put a lot of science and a lot of culture into the Wilderness class."

He said they use Cherokee language as much as possible when identifying wildlife, plants, and trees. "We identify and name the different things that the Cherokee used...we do talk about trout species and species that live in our streams around here."

Maney said environmentalism is a large component for the class. "We try to teach them about protecting it, taking care of it, hopefully educating them on it and making them want to be out here and be a part of the outdoors. I think that's important today because we know that they don't get outdoors as much as they should."

So, when looking at all of it together, fishing is much more

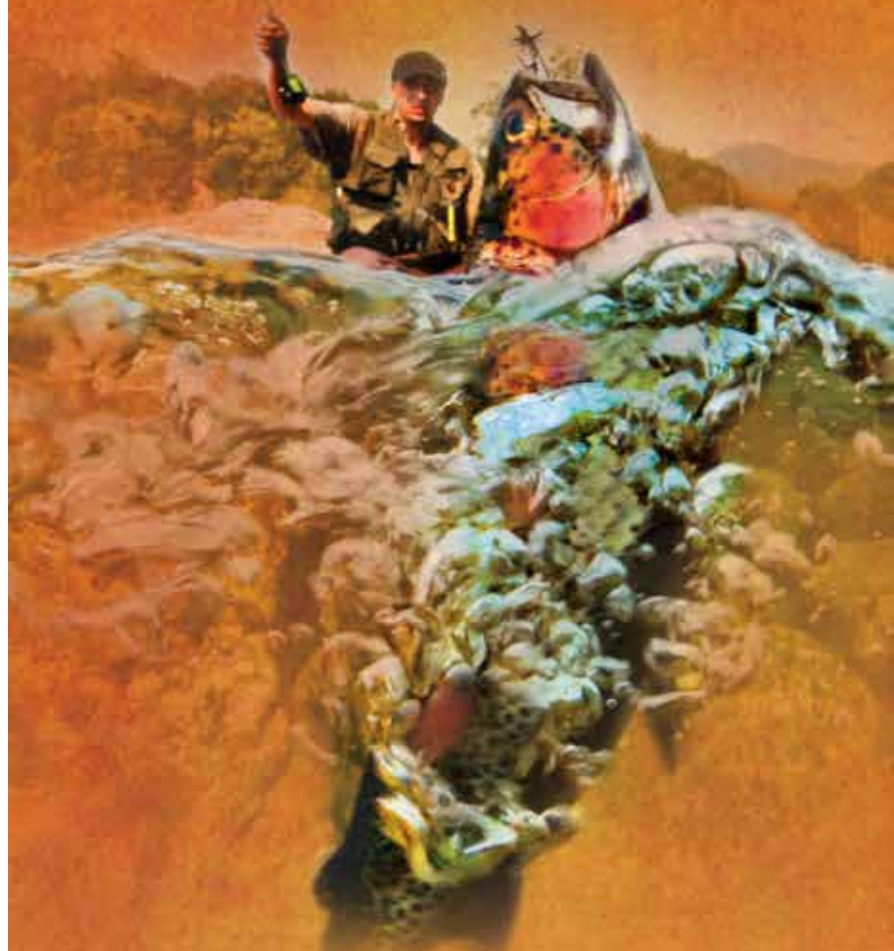


Bradley shows a caddis fly and discusses the different weights of fly line.

than just fishing. It encompasses a lifeway of people coming together to learn from each other, share experiences, getting outside and off the computer for awhile, and just learning to enjoy the quiet and peacefulness that can come from a bluish-green mountain stream.

Kudos also to School Resource Office Tommy Teesateskie and the officers of the CIPD Juvenile Division for helping to set Thursday's event up. It's been proven that participation in sports and outdoor activities like fishing reduces juvenile crime, so job well done to all.

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BASKETBALL

Lossiah signs to play at Warren Wilson College



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With her family looking on, Le Le Lossiah (seated center) signs a letter of intent on Monday, Aug. 15 to play basketball at Warren Wilson College this winter.

AMBLE SMOKER ONE FEATHER STAFF

Lady Brave alumnus Le Le Lossiah plans to continue her basketball career as an Owl at Warren Wilson College in Asheville. Cherokee High School held a special signing ceremony for the recent Cherokee graduate in the Charles George Memorial Arena on Monday, Aug. 16.

"I feel pretty good," said Lele Lossiah after signing. "I had some good coaches, (Coach) Mintz. He pushed me when I wanted to quit. He pushed me to keep my grades up and kept me in shape to play basketball. He talked to me every day about my grades and made me go to tutoring, even when I didn't want to."

When asked how she felt, Sonya Lossiah, Le Le's mother related, "Excited, proud,

and kind of sad."

"I'm just sad," said Eddie Lossiah, Le Le's father, on having his daughter move away to play college basketball. "I thought she did a great job and I am proud of her, even through middle school."

"She had some good coaches throughout her career and she did great," related Sonya. "She is proof that if you go to school, work hard, play hard, you can do anything."

Lady Braves head coach Chris Mintz noted, "It's always gratifying to see a young lady work hard for four years and get to pursue her dream of playing college basketball and go to school. I think she'll do fine (in college), she can shoot the ball and it equalizes a lot of things when you can shoot the three like she can. She hustles like crazy, and I think she is going to do fine out there. It's always good for younger kids



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Lossiah lines up for a three-point shot during this year's Smoky Mountain Conference championship game against Swain.

to see someone fulfill their dream and know it's out there if you want to go do it. Hopefully, they'll (younger kids) see that and we'll have a few more signings in the years to come."

Lossiah began her varsity career during the 2012-13 season as a freshman and helped advance the team to the 1A Western Regional Finals in the NCHSAA State Tournament. During her sophomore season, she helped the Lady Braves advance to the 1A Regional tournament and was awarded a Smoky Mountain Conference All-Conference Honorable Mention. Her junior year, she helped lead the Lady Braves to the NCHSAA 1A Western Regionals Final and was named to the 2014-15 All Smoky Mountain Conference Team. During her senior year, she averaged 8 points per game for a total of 183 points, 90 of which were three-pointers. She was also selected to the Second Annual West vs. Midwest All Star Game at Cherokee High School.

The Warren Wilson Eagles play in the Division II United States Collegiate Athletic Association. The Lady Owls went 17-12 and finished their season with an 80-72 victory over Welch College.

Mission Serve Program volunteers services to Tribe

Special to the One Feather

For the past nine years, the Mission Serve Program has journeyed to Cherokee. Youth members participating in this program come from all over the country to make a difference on the Qualla Boundary. Their goal is this: To lend a helping hand to community members while sharing the gospel of the Bible.

When the program first began, Mission Serve had approximately 175 volunteers. Only 15 projects were completed. The volunteers were housed in the old Cherokee school. Today, the number of

participants has grown to over 600 youth members. Due to this program's hard work and dedication, this summer approximately 50 projects were completed in the Snowbird Community and Cherokee. These home projects ranged from building handicapped ramps, to interior/exterior painting and roofs. Crews also performed general cleanup for homeowners, all with a happy heart and cheerful presence.

Darrell Brown, EBCI Rehab/HELP program manager, has had the pleasure of working with this group since it began traveling and working in Cherokee.

Says Brown, "Because of the hard work and devotion of the Mission Serve Program, this assistance means a lot of free labor to the Tribe. With the economy like it is, many individuals cannot secure the services performed by the Mission Serve Program. They fill a gap for our enrolled members. Working with this program provides approximately \$50,000 worth of free labor. That's a huge help to the Tribe and its members."

Brown enjoys working with the group and is proud of the accomplishments made by Mission Serve. He said the fact that the program has grown over the past nine years is a testament to the goodwill and



Photo contributed

Mission to the World volunteers work on a project in the Snowbird Community.

hard work ethic of the youth participating in the project.

The group returns to Cherokee on a yearly basis to provide assistance and share their Christian activities with the local community. This year, the youth were housed at the Robbinsville High School and the new Cherokee Middle School. Both school gymnasiums were filled with sleeping bags and air mattresses, as the youth members made their temporary homes for the week. A full breakfast, lunch, and dinner is provided to the volunteers, along with sincere thanks and appreciation.

Brown relayed the following about his experience with Mission Serve. "I've had the privilege of watching this program grow since coming to Cherokee. We are blessed to have these volunteers. I am thankful for their work and their help to our members."

The volunteers are treated to a special dinner and closing program once their work is complete. "We look forward to this group coming each year and helping our communities. We're thankful for their assistance," said Brown. "I just want them to know how much we appreciate their efforts."

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Things to do in Cherokee for September

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Event: Qualla Country Trout Tournament

Date: Sept. 2-4
Where: Cherokee Enterprise Waters
What: This end-of-summer trout tournament is featuring a purse of \$20,000 with some tagged trout being worth up to \$5,000.
Cost: \$11 entry fee
Info: Cherokee Welcome Center (828) 438-1601, travel@nc-cherokee.com

Event: Foster Home Licensing Classes start

Date: Sept. 6 at 6pm
Where: Cherokee Methodist Church
What: Discussion on how to become a licensed foster home in Cherokee, interested parties must sign up beforehand and pass background checks
Cost: Free
Info: Nikki Toineeta 359-1520

Event: 33rd Annual Wings Over the Smokies Convention

Date: Sept. 22-24
Where: Acquoni Expo Center
What: This annual gathering of Honda Gold Wing riders will feature tours, a parade, ice cream socials, exhibitions and more.
Cost: \$15 per person/day

Info: Roy Bryant (252) 883-8738

Event: Concert by Gov't Mule with guests Blackberry Smoke

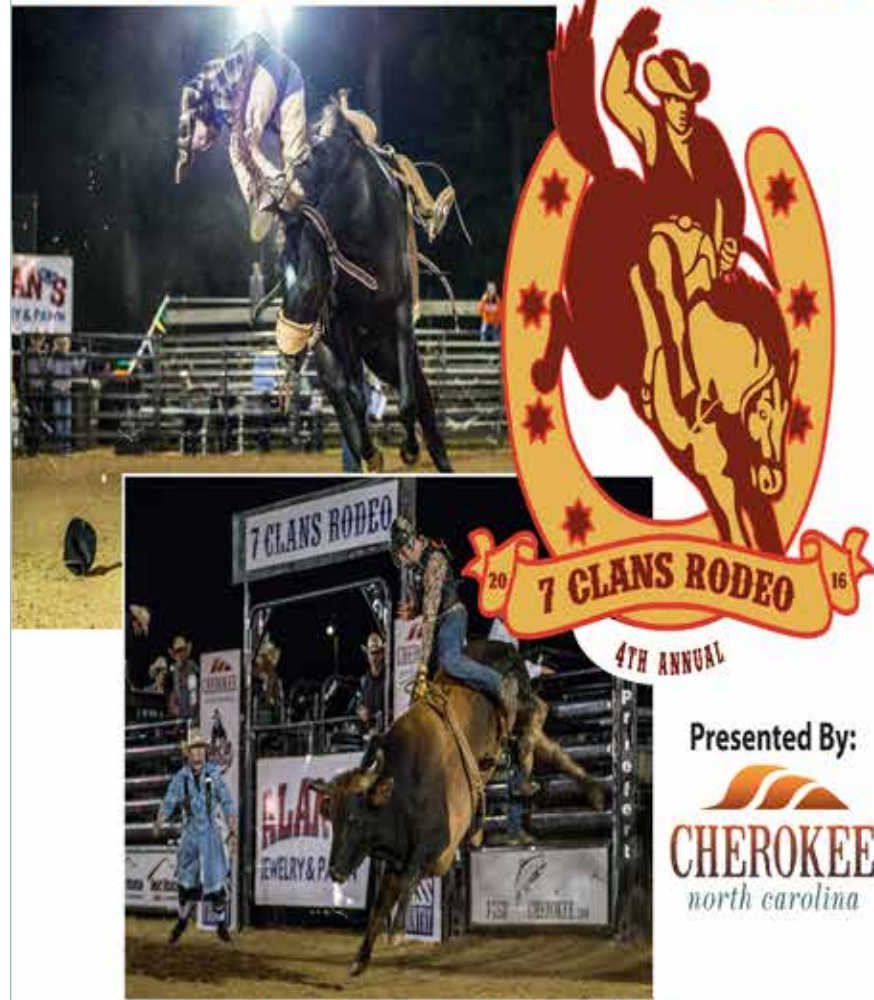
Date: Sept. 30 from 8-11pm
Where: Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Event Center
What: Gov't Mule, a southern rock band including two Allman Brothers Band members (guitarist Warren Haynes and bassist Allen Woody), is joined by Atlanta-based Blackberry Smoke, a southern rock group with give studio albums to its credit.
Cost: Balcony \$24, Upper Floor \$34, Floor \$44
Info: www.ticketmaster.com

Event: 4th Annual Seven Clans Rodeo

Date: Sept. 2-3
Where: Acquoni Expo Center
What: This rodeo is part of the Southern Rodeo Association (SRA) and will feature the following events: Bareback, Saddle Bronc, Bull Riding, Calf Roping, Steer Wrestling, Team Roping, Cowgirls Barrel Racing, and Cowgirls Break-away Roping. The stock contractor for this event is Double Creek Pro Rodeo Co.
Cost: \$8 to \$13, kids 3 and under are free
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Museum hosting Native Writing Contest

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is hosting a Native Writing Contest in three divisions: middle school, high school, and adult. There are three categories including: poetry (maximum 40 lines), research topic (1,000 to 2,000 words on any American Indian theme, bibliography must be included), and short story (maximum 2,500 words). First, second, and third place winners in each category and division will receive certificates and all first place winners will also receive a prize from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Gift Shop. Cherokee actress DeLanna Studi will serve as a special guest judge. Submissions will be taken Oct. 1 through Oct. 14 at 4pm and may be emailed to Dawn Arneach (arneach@cherokeemuseum.org), mailed to Museum of the Cherokee Indian, P.O. Box 1599, Cherokee, NC 28719, or hand-delivered to the Museum Box Office. Winners will be notified on Nov. 1. Info: Dawn Arneach 497-3481 ext. 207

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Attention Miss Cherokee contestants

If you are a female EBCI tribal member between the age of 18-25 and are interested in running for Miss Cherokee 2016, applications may be picked up at the Council House. The application and fee is due by Sunday, Aug. 28. You may turn in the application at the Council House or bring it to the first practice on Aug. 28. Info: Royalty Board ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com

- Miss Cherokee Royalty Board

Cherokee Central Schools Athletic Season passes for sale

Cherokee Central Schools is now

offering 2016-17 Athletic Season passes for the following prices:

- Family Pass (five people): \$200
- Individual Pass (ages 21-59): \$100
- Senior Citizen Pass (ages 60+up): \$75
- High School Graduate or College Student (ages 18-20): \$75
- Cherokee Central School student (PreK – 12th): \$25

This pass is good for all home games of Cherokee Middle and Cherokee High Schools. This does exclude playoff games and conference tournaments. Info: Tina Swimmer 554-5027 or Tracy Swimmer 554-5031

- Cherokee Central Schools

Per Capita notice for new applicants

New applicants must submit a complete EBCI enrollment application to the Enrollment Office by 4:30pm on Thursday, Sept. 15 to be considered for the December 2016 per capita distribution. Enrollment applications received after this date will not be considered for the December distribution. Applications are available at the Enrollment Office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex at 808 Acquoni Road.

Complete applications include:

- a County-certified birth certificate and
- Certified DNA results sent directly from the lab to the Enrollment Office. *DNA Testing must be performed on or before Friday, Aug. 26 to obtain the results before the Sept. 15 deadline.
- Applications for newborns 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.

To schedule a DNA test in Cher-

okee, contact Michelle at the Enrollment office 359-6463. To schedule a DNA test out of town, contact Amber Harrison (918) 685-0478.

The Enrollment Office now accepts Voluntary Assignments of per capita for the cost of DNA Testing. For details, contact Melanie Lambert at the Enrollment Office 359-6465.

To request an application and for all other questions, contact the Enrollment Office (828) 359-6469, 359-6467 or 359-6465.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

Fuel Assistant applications

The H.C.D. H.E.L.P Program will be accepting fuel assistant applications for disabled clients starting Thursday, Sept. 1. You can pick up an application at the H.C.D. H.E.L.P. Office located at 756 Acquoni Road or if you're a home bound client we will be happy to bring you an application to your home and bring it back to our offices for you. The Cherokee Boys Club is the Fuel Oil Company that will be delivering fuel in all five counties (Swain, Jackson, Graham, Haywood and Cherokee) they deliver K-1 and #2 fuel oil. Heritage Propane will be providing propane gas and they deliver in all five counties. Both companies will be leaving tickets after each delivery. This is your copy to keep. Those individuals that use wood will need to contact Family Services 35-6092. You will need to order a load about three days before running out and you will only get a delivery every two weeks. Remember to disconnect your garden/water hose from house spigot. Make sure you have a light bulb in your well house and not an energy saver bulb.

- HCD HELP Program

Cherokee Braves Cheerleaders fundraisers

The Cherokee Braves Cheerleaders are currently doing two fundraisers. In the "Buy a Yard Line" fundraiser, you can purchase a yard line for \$20. A yard line number will be drawn for you at the beginning of the season (1-50) for field house/main entrance gate side (will be specified at time of drawing), and you will have this yard line for every home game during the 2016 varsity football season. During halftime and at the end of the game, whatever yard line the ball ends on, the person owning that yard line will win \$50.

Cheerleaders are also selling chances on two season passes. Tickets are \$1 each or six for \$5. The season passes are good for the 2016-17 athletic season and are valued at \$200. Monies raised will be used to help the Cherokee Cheerleaders travel to a competition in January to compete for a bid to Nationals in Myrtle Beach, SC.

Info: Coach Madison Crowe 736-5064

- Cherokee High School Cheerleading program

WCU Cherokee Center update

Tickets for the Saturday, Sept. 10 football game against Gardner-Webb are available at the Cherokee Center on Acquoni Road. These general admission tickets are \$10 (a discount of \$5). Please join Western students and other community from Cherokee during this evening game (kickoff at 6pm) and tailgate party prior to the game. The first 5,000 people to enter the gate will receive a free t-shirt.

- WCU Cherokee Center

OBITUARIES

Mildred Lucille "Sue" Lossiah Bradley

Mildred Lucille "Sue" Lossiah Bradley, 61, of Cherokee passed away Sunday, Aug. 14, 2016 at the Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Mildred was born in Cherokee on April 21, 1955 to Edna Smith Lossiah and the late Abel Lossiah. She was a traditional artist and a member of the Yellow Hill Baptist Church.

In addition to her mother, she is survived by three daughters, Veronica Bradley, Nakesha Bradley, and Aimee Teesatuskie; two sons, Joshua Bradley and Richard Teesatuskie; four grandchildren, Derrick

Taylor, Damon Taylor, Anela Hornbuckle, and Cheyanne Hornbuckle; four great grandchildren, Zaynon Taylor, Jacoby Taylor, Aniah Taylor, and Kylan Taylor; one sister, Linda Lossiah Welch; Aunts, Ruby Dobbins, Lucille Winchester, and Ethel Cunningham; three nieces, Jolynn Welch, Michale Welch, and Alexandria Arreaga; three nephews, Michael Welch, Brandon Welch, and Juan Diaz; and 12 great nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to her father, Mildred was preceded in death by one brother, Charles Calvin Lossiah.

Services were held on Thursday, Aug. 18 at the Yellowhill Baptist Church with Pastors James "Bo" Parris and Roland Whitaker officiating. Burial followed at the Yellowhill Cemetery. Pallbearers

were Derrick Taylor, Damon Taylor, Michael Welch, Brandon Welch, A.J. Welch, and Richard Teesatuskie.

Althia Ann Lossie

Althia Ann Lossie, 51, of the Wolfstown Community passed away on Monday, Aug. 8, 2016. Althia was the daughter of the late Mary Katherine Lossie.

Althia is survived by her children, Adrienne Ramirez (husband Jesse), Jewel Staton (husband Demakus), Johanna Petrilli (husband AJ Ledford), Tsali "SaSa" Petrilli, Athena Sadongei, Zia Sadongei, Seven Sadongei, Yay Sadongei and Coon Sadongei; six grandchildren, Julissa Staton, DJ Staton, Mariah Staton, Andreas Ramirez, Ales-

sandra Ramirez, Lightning Bradley and one grandchild on the way; four brothers, Phillip Armachain, Deweese "Bugg" Armachain, Lance Lossie, and Kimmy Lossie; two sisters, Albirda Armachain and Mary Wolfe. Althia also leaves behind 13 nieces and nephews.

Althia is preceded in death by one daughter, Heaven Lee Sadongei.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Aug. 12 at Wrights Creek Baptist Church. Burial followed at the Hayes Lossie Cemetery. Pallbearers were Tsali Petrilli, Yay Sadongei, Jesse Ramirez, AJ Ledford, Seven Sadongei, Coon Sadongei and Demakus Staton. Pastor Eddie Sherrill officiated.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family.

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1. Is the book of Labor in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From 1 Kings 5, how many thousand men comprised the labor force that King Solomon raised? *1, 5, 10, 30*
3. In Ecclesiastes 4, how many are better than one because they have a good reward for their labour? *Two, Three, Five, Seven*
4. From Exodus 20, how many days shalt thou labour and do all thy work? *Two, Four, Six, Seven*
5. What son of Abda was in charge of the forced labor in David's kingdom? *Baal, Adoniram, Cyrenius, Phaneul*
6. From Proverbs 14:23, "In all labor there is"? *Love, Hope, Light, Profit*

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) 30; 3) Two; 4) Six; 5) Adoniram; 6) Profit

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Steven Snyder, of Huntersville, won the first main event of the 2016-17 World Series of Poker (WSOP) at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort on Thursday, Aug. 18. He won \$241,198, a WSOP Circuit gold ring, and he becomes the first official entrant into the 2017 WSOP Global Casino Championship. The circuit returns to Cherokee on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24 – Dec. 5. Info: WSOP.com

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Thank you for Kid's Day support

On Behalf of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, we would like to thank all the parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles that brought kids by the Museum on Saturday, Aug. 20 for a day of Cherokee activities. The staff had a great time face painting, helping kids make little clay medallions, creating woven mats from construction paper, letting them play Chunky and shooting the blowgun. A big thank you to Lloyd Arneach Sr. for sharing stories.

We hope the fun they had inspired them to keep wanting to do more Cherokee crafts.

To end the day, the Big Cove Youth Indian Ball team played two games at the Unity Field. Those on the sidelines brought "bets" to place on either Team Black or Team Blue, which were supplies the boys could use for the upcoming school year. Thank you to Pat Hill for getting the boys together to play.

Museum Staff: Laurel Welch, Taryn Ledford, Lucia French, Kayla Wright, Sonny Ledford and Mike Crowe Jr.
Volunteer: Landon French

Thanks for support

Our hearts are full of gratitude when we say many thanks to family members, friends and community for all acts of kindness and sympathy: food, flowers, donations, cards, visits and kind words spoken to our family regarding the recent passing of a wonderful mother, grandmother, aunt and friend, Althia Lossie (Tata). The family wishes to thank their many friends and relatives who reflected on her life. Your sympathy and thoughtfulness will always be gratefully remembered and deeply appreciated.

Jewel Staton
Wolfetown Community



Photos by Dawn Arneach/Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Museum hosts Kid's Day

Mike Crowe Jr. shows kids the Cherokee game of Chunky during a special Kid's Day event on Saturday, Aug. 20. Kids had a chance to participate in games, crafts, and more.



Left: Tyra Maney (seated) demonstrates the art of basket weaving using construction paper. Above: Sonny Ledford demonstrates the proper way to shoot a Cherokee blowgun.



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It has to be true. I saw it on the Internet.

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Media bias...in national and regional media, the practice of providing commentary as news has become an everyday occurrence. The “liberal” press will accuse the “conservative” media of slanting or spinning stories toward a conservative position and vice versa. Fact-based journalism is taking a back seat to pundits who primarily, if not singularly, only care about making your mind up for you.

Especially since the rise of social media, opinion has begun to take the place of fact. We were discussing this in the office today, and the truth is that rumor sometimes creates reality.

We live in a very tightly knit society as the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. We share a common bond with approximately 17,000 members with a native lineage. Of the 17,000, roughly half that number are living on our trust lands. Many of those people are very active in social media or just socially active in general. It is in these social situations that we are most susceptible to being led by rumor and speculation.

We got to see an example of that during a recent Cherokee One Feather poll. We asked a question about how you would

vote if a referendum was held on alcohol. That was misconstrued by some of the readership to read that there was a vote pending on the alcohol issue. The ensuing discussion that followed centered on why we were having another vote on alcohol instead of the true focus of the hypothetical question.

One of my colleagues talked about how amazing it is that some people will spread questionable information only to come to believe their own story, even though they are basically aware that the information is based on speculation and not fact. Rumor is usually a negative story against someone or something. It stands to reason that those who spread rumor and gossip think at least the person has a propensity to commit the rumored act. From that line of thinking, it is an easy step to believing the rumor itself.

So, it is not unusual to encounter materials on the internet and within social circles that “stretch the truth”. It is also not unusual to find those who will share that elongated truth as fact without checking the validity of it. I am sure we have all watched the insurance commercial that recently aired that shows two people on a sidewalk sharing information that they read or saw on the internet with the caption “It has to be true. I saw it on the internet”. But, as you see what they are discussing, it is obvious

that there is very little truth to what they are seeing.

Back to media bias...there are many examples of how the news media takes liberties with people, actions, product and issues. Many times, they skew their reporting to their own or a corporate agenda. Pick two or three news programs on different channels or pick up two or three different newspapers and locate a story on a particular subject or happening. It is almost assured that you will find the story tainted with some form of bias from the writer, editor or publisher.

This practice in professional news media has gotten so bad that many news organizations either have become desensitized or simply don’t feel a moral, ethical obligation to control it. I was watching a national television newscast and was astonished at the number of times that the anchor of the program used their on-air journalists as analysts or experts on the subjects they were reporting on.

Anytime the anchor asked the journalist, “Do you think...” or “in your opinion...” during a report and the journalist gave an answer, he or she was violating the code of conduct that requires journalists to clearly separate opinion from fact, to report honestly and accurately without bias. Certainly a journalist may

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Poll Responses

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

In the August session of Tribal Council, Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy brought up an interesting idea to hold a Wednesday session of Council between the Budget Council and Tribal Council meetings. The Wednesday session would include all requests for time, reports from Council representatives, and an extended time for public comment on pending legislation for Thursday. What are your thoughts on this idea?

Sheena Brings Plenty: I love this idea! It would give the community more time to speak, and it would help to keep the Thursday sessions concise and under control.

Joey Owle: The more our Council is publicly available in an official capacity, the better. Other than Council and board meetings, what are they to do?

Mary Crowe: Vice Chief Sneed submitted a resolution to Tribal Council to hold a bi-annual community-wide meeting. 1. We have monthly community meetings, and 2. Quarterly Community Club Councils. 3. We have monthly Tribal Council Session. 4. We have Annual Council. 5. We have a

Grand Council. Uh, really?

Lea Wolf: I like that Teresa McCoy is trying to keep the people on the front burner, but for me this would just be more opportunity for some of those who serve as Council members to be disrespectful when someone is at the podium speaking. You know, for once, why don't they put the cameras on the Council member's faces, and then everyone at home can see the eye signals and the not listening and just plain ol' not paying attention when anyone is speaking. Why not put split screens up while someone is speaking? For real, then everyone can see it for themselves.

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express their opinion publicly, but in a forum specifically communicated to the public that it is opinion and not documentable truth. In a world where we are being bombarded with information, it more important than ever to be diligent in vetting what we hear and see. News organizations can no longer be taken at face value or reporters taken at their word. Make sure that those you put your trust in are adhering to an ethical code and challenge them to back their words up with facts. Sadly, just because you heard or saw it on the internet or from your BFF, doesn't mean it will hold up to the truth test.



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Church Events

Raymond Jackson, Furman Wilson, and Emma Garrett Memorial Brush Arbor Gospel Singing. **Aug. 26-27** at 7pm nightly at Jacob Cornsilk Community Center in Snowbird at the Singing Grounds. Everyone is invited and encouraged to bring lawn chairs.

General Events

Cherokee Native American Divine Healing Conference. **Aug. 25-28** from 10am – 7pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Meetings will be daily in the auxiliary building and the amphitheater. This event is free and open to everyone. Info: www.speaktothemountain.com.

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Fundraiser for Praire “Iwodi” Toineeta. **Aug. 26** at 11am at Cherokee Youth Center. Frybread and chili with drink for \$7, Indian taco with drink for \$8. This is a fundraiser to help offset costs for her to run for Junior Miss Cherokee.

Jackson County Democratic Party opening headquarters. **Aug. 27** at 8am on Mill Street in Sylva. The event will start with a pancake breakfast at 8am. After the breakfast, there will be light refreshments until the celebration ends at 1pm. The public is invited to attend.

Benefit for Travis Watkins.

Aug. 27 at Qualla Fire Department Main Station. A Poker Run will be held with registration at 11am and the last bike out at 1pm. All vehicles are welcome, and there are prizes for “Best Hand” and “Worst Hand”. Entry fee is \$25 per person and includes one poker hand, a t-shirt, and a meal ticket. A second poker hand can be purchased for \$10 (includes meal ticket only). A frybread lunch will be starting at 11am. There will also be a Cornhole Tournament for doubles (bring your own partner) and a blind draw. All proceeds from this fundraiser will go to offset Travis’ medical costs associated with cancer treatments.

Summer Bingo. **Aug. 31** at

1:30pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. This event is being sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. Everyone will receive two Bingo cards. If you bring something for the pantry at the Cherokee Children’s Home, you can get two additional cards. Items needed include canned goods, toiletries, or other household limit. There will be a four card limit.

Cherokee Rally for Recovery. **Sept. 13** from 3-7pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Free family event, free food, guest speakers, music, raffles, giveaways, and bouncy houses. On-going AA, NA, Nar Anon meetings. Information on resources and services

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WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseegee River	Hatchery Supported Regulations	Good	Rainbow, brook, brown trout, smallmouth bass	Light Cahill, Caddis-Brown & Grey, Sulphurs, Yellow and Green Stone Fly	No restrictions, Light Cahill, Yellow Sallies, Comparadun Sulphur, Goddard Caddis Little Green Stonefly, Prince Nymph, Pheasant Tails Nymphs, Streamer Patterns
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Not stocking, all wild brown trout and catch and release	Good	Rainbow trout and brown trout	Caddis, Sulphurs, Light Cahill, Yellow Stonefly	Caddis Patterns various colors, Light Cahill, Parachute Adams, Stimulator, Yellow Sally, Prince Nymph, Hares Ear Nymph, Pheasant Tail Nymphs, Stone Fly Nymphs
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations- wild trout	Good. Best early morning and late evening.	Rainbow, Brown and Appalachian Brook Trout	Yellow & Green Stoneflies, Light Cahill, Caddis, Yellow May Fly, Green Drake, Sulphurs	Light Cahill, Yellow Sally, Little Green Stonefly, Jim Charlie, Comparadun Sulphur, Charlie Whopper, Yellow Palmer, Adam Variant, Grey Fox, Tellico Nymph, Stick Bit, Pheasant Tail & Hares Ear Nymphs, Ants & beetles

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AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
4:58 AM-6:58 AM 5:24 PM-7:24 PM	5:51 AM-7:51 AM 6:18 PM-8:18 PM	6:46 AM-8:46 AM 7:13 PM-9:13 PM	7:41 AM-9:41 AM 8:09 PM-10:09 PM	8:37 AM-10:37 AM 9:06 PM-11:06 PM	9:33 AM-11:33 AM 10:01 PM-12:01 AM	10:29 AM-12:29 PM 10:56 PM-12:56 PM

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from local organizations will also be available. This rally is to celebrate National Recovery Month and spread the message that people do achieve sustained recovery from alcohol, drugs, and emotional struggles; as well as other life challenges. Everyone is welcome.

Cataloochee District Tiger Fun Day. Sept. 17 from 9am – 2:30pm at Wolfstown Community Center. Day of events for Tiger Cubs including shooting sports, crafts, games, and lunch. Each Tiger must be accompanied by an adult for the

entire day. The cost per Tiger is \$9 and includes patch, activity, and a meal for Tiger and adult.

Sports Events

Multisport Team Competition Fall Adult League. Tuesday evenings. Registration ends Friday, Sept. 2. Five men/five women per team. \$15/person. This program is being presented by the Cherokee Life – Recreation program. Info: 359-6890



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) As tensions ease on the home front, you can once more focus on changes in the workplace. Early difficulties are soon worked out. Stability returns as adjustments are made.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A new romance tests the unattached Bovine's patience to the limit. But Venus still rules the Taurean heart, so expect to find yourself trying hard to make this relationship work.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) It's a good time to consider home-related purchases. But shop around carefully for the best price — whether it's a new house for the family or a new hose for the garden.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A contentious family member seems intent on creating problems. Best advice: Avoid stepping in until you know more about the origins of this domestic disagreement.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) A recent job-related move proves far more successful than you could have imagined. Look for continued beneficial fallout. Even your critics have something nice to say.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Ease up and stop driving yourself to finish that project on a deadline that is no longer realistic. Your superiors will be open to requests for an extension. Ask for it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You should soon be hearing some positive feedback on that recent business move. An old family problem recurs, but this time you'll know how to handle it better.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Some surprising statements shed light on the problem that caused that once-warm relationship to cool off. Use this newly won knowledge to help turn things around.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your spiritual side is especially strong at this time. Let it guide you into deeper contemplation of aspects about yourself that you'd like to understand better.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Your merrier aspect continues to dominate and to attract folks who rarely see this side of you. Some serious new romancing could develop out of all this cheeriness.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) You're always concerned about the well-being of others. It's time you put some of that concern into your own health situation, especially where it involves nutrition.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Just when you thought your life had finally stabilized, along comes another change that needs to be addressed. Someone you trust can help you deal with it successfully.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a sixth sense when it comes to finding people who need help long before they think of asking for it. And you're right there to provide it.

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Upcoming Pow Wows for Aug. 26-28

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

9th Annual Honoring Traditions Gathering & Pow Wow. Aug. 26-28 in Pala, Calif. Emcees: Ruben Little Head, Bart Powaukee. Invited Drums: Bear Creek, Black Bear, Cozad, High Noon, Thunderhill, Wild Rose, Yellow Spotted Horse, Young Kingbird. Info: (760) 891-3590

25th Annual Gathering at the Falls Pow Wow. Aug. 26-28 at Lilac Bowl in Riverfront Park in Spokane, Wash. Info: (509) 590-5044

Mistawasis Traditional Pow Wow. Aug. 26-28 at Mistawasis First Nation in Leask, Saskatchewan, Canada. Emcees: Howard Walker, Tim Eashappie. Info: (306) 466-4800

15th Annual Santa Rose Day's Pow Wow & Gathering. Aug. 27-28 at Tachi Palace Hotel & Casino in LeMoore, Calif. MC: Carlos Calica. Host Northern: Blackstone. Host Southern: Southern Outlaws. Info: Aurora Cuara (559) 707-

0190, (559) 924-1559

Annual Cosby Native Style Pow Wow. Aug. 27-28 in Cosby, Tenn. Info: Marsha Johnson (865) 774-5626, marsha_n_tn@bellsouth.net

23rd Annual Potawatomi Trails Pow Wow. Aug. 27-28 at Shiloh Park in Zion, Ill. MC: Leonard Malatare. Host Drum: Young Firekeepers. Other Drum: Tha Bucks. Info: Bill Brown (847) 746-5797, wlb99@att.net

Ongoing Events

VFW Bingo. Every Tuesday at the Governor's Island VFW. Early bird at 5:30pm, regular games at 7pm. Info: Billy Whitt 488-3547

AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. Nar-Anon (family support): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room. Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room

Elvis Museum is now open on Hwy 19 (2289 Wolfstown Road). New hours 11 am to 3 pm Tuesday-Saturday.



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Closing August 26, 2016 @ 4 pm

1. Assistant Manager- EMS (\$49,200-\$61,500)
2. Youth Development Professional- CYC (\$21,484-\$26,855)
3. Maintenance Utility- Facility Management (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
4. Business Assistant- Cherokee Life-Wellness (\$21,484-\$26,855)
5. Domestic Violence Intake Technician- DV (\$25,830 - \$32,288)
6. Environmental Compliance Specialist- Natural Resources (\$37,474-\$46,843)
7. Certification/Eligibility Specialist- Tribal Commodities (\$28,372-\$35,465)

Closing September 2, 2016 @ 4 pm

1. Administrative Assistant- Facility Management (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
2. Network Specialist- IT (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
3. Laborer (4 positions)- Help/Rehab (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
4. Sergeant Detective/ Child Victim Unit- Heart to Heart CAC/ CVU (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
5. Utility Worker- Solid Waste Operations (\$21,484-\$26,855)
6. Truck Driver/Crew Leader- Solid Waste Operations (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
7. Family Safety Social Worker (2 positions)- Family Safety (\$41,082 - \$51,353)

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2. Detention Officer - Detention Services (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
3. Part Time- Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
4. RN Supervisor - Tsali Care (\$49,200 - \$61,500)
5. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 - \$24,498)
6. RN - Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
7. C.N.A. - Tsali Care Center (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
8. Accounting Coordinator II - Finance (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
9. Academy Curriculum Developer - KPEP (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
10. Language Specialist Assistant - KPEP (\$25,830 - \$32,288)
11. Language Specialist - KPEP (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
12. Family Partnership/Lead Teacher - KPEP (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
13. Early Childhood Language Specialist - KPEP (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
14. Internal Auditor (3 positions) - Internal Audit (\$41,082-\$51,353)
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NATURAL RESOURCES (FISHERIES) -INTERNSHIP

The EBCI Natural Resources Department is seeking a youth intern to assist in performing a variety of duties related to the trout fishing program. EBCI tribal members (under 26 years of age) that have a demonstrated interest and aptitude for professional growth in fisheries science are encouraged to apply. The intern will be paid a bi-weekly stipend in addition to gaining professional development experience. Please contact Mike LaVoie at (828) 359-6113 or email michlavo@nc-chokeee.com for additional information. **8/25**

Director of the Cherokee Center

Western Carolina University invites applications for a new director for the WCU Cherokee Center, an office for outreach and partnership development established in Cherokee, North Carolina, in 1980. The directorship is a critical position responsible for bridging activities between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) and WCU. The Director has primary responsibility for implementation of the Cherokee Center's Strategic Plan, which was developed jointly with community members from both the EBCI and WCU. The Director will also focus on recurring themes of recruitment and mentorship of EBCI members enrolled or desiring to enroll at WCU. The Director will work closely with other departments on campus including but not limited to Cherokee Studies, Health Sciences, Grants and Contracts, Admissions, Student Affairs and Educational Outreach.

Other Essential Responsibilities

Include:

- Identify, organize and partner to offer training, workshops, and classes to Cherokee students (middle and high school), university/college bound students, parents, teachers, community members, and businesses
 - Participate in and support the university's 2020 strategic direction to build and sustain consistent celebrations of Cherokee history, language, culture and traditions
 - Promote services of the Cherokee Center to the EBCI Community
 - Promote services of the Cherokee Center to the WCU Community
 - Represent WCU at EBCI functions
 - Facilitate collaborative research opportunities
 - Seek grants that support the mission and vision of the University and the Cherokee Center.
- Essential qualifications include superior communication skills and an ability to work effectively with diverse constituencies internal and external to WCU. Facilitation and collaboration skills are also critical. Documented experience in achieving desirable outcomes through a multi-organizational team approach is vital. The successful candidate must exhibit evidence of exemplary leadership in supporting and facilitating strategic initiatives, and excellent management, supervisory, and budgetary skills. Experience in obtaining and managing external funding is desirable.
- Minimum Qualifications
- Bachelor's degree from a regionally accredited institution. At least five years of experience in facilitating programs and projects and managing personnel and budgets.
- Preferred Qualifications
- Master's degree from a regionally accredited institution. Demonstrated experience working with native

communities.

The Director of the Cherokee Center is a permanent, 12-month, EHRA (Exempt from the Human Resources Act), non-faculty position; expected hiring salary range is \$51,234-\$52,886, commensurate with qualifications and experience. The Cherokee Center reports directly to the Provost. Target start date for the director is on or before October 1, 2016.

All applications must be made online. Please follow links from <http://jobs.wcu.edu/postings/5181> to access the online application. You will be required to attach a letter of application that addresses the listed job qualifications, resume and names and telephone numbers of three references.

Review of applications will begin immediately and will continue until the position is filled. Western Carolina University is an Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action Employer. All qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity or expression, national origin, age, disability, genetic information, and veteran status, consistent with applicable federal, state and local laws, regulations, and policies, and the policies of The University of North Carolina. Additionally, the University promotes the realization of equal employment opportunity for minorities, women, persons with disabilities, and veterans through its affirmative action program. Persons with disabilities requiring accommodations in the application and interview process please call (828) 227-7218 or email at jobs@email.wcu.edu. For more information, contact Brett Riggs at 828-227-2443 or

bhriggs@wcu.edu. **9/1pd**

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

PTI RN – IN PATIENT
EMERGENCY HIRE RN / IN PATIENT
FT EXPERIENCED CLINICAL PHARMACIST
FT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT SPECIALIST
FT RN FLOAT (week-ends) IN PATIENT
FT HOUSEKEEPER
FT PHARMACY TECH
FT LAB CLERK
EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER
PTI PHYSICAL THERAPIST

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila Brown or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on August 26, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **8/25pd**

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT DEPARTMENT MANAGER RAY KINSLAND LEADERSHIP INSTITUTE

ORGANIZATION: Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507 – 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, N. C. 28719
DEPARTMENT: Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute (Acts as Manager of the affairs of all leadership programs founded and funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation under the general oversight

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of the Cherokee Boys Club General Manager and Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors).

OPENING DATE: August 17, 2016

CLOSING DATE: August 31, 2016

Job Requirements: Must have an advanced degree in Business Administration, Social Sciences or related field. Experience required in leadership and management, grant writing, programming, philanthropy, higher education, supervision, or community and economic development. Must have knowledge of Cherokee history, culture and core leadership values.

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory.

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

Outreach/Recruitment

Cherokee Agency, Bureau of Indian Affairs. Advertising two GS-3/4 Wildland Firefighter positions. These two positions will be working directly on a Wildland Fire Engine Module as crewmembers. The Engine Module will be stationed in Cherokee, NC at the Fire Management Building. These positions will be advertised on www.USAJOBs.gov shortly. The vacancy announcements will have further details of what the job consists of.

If you have additional questions about the positions, contact Jonathan Lee, Fire Management Officer at 828-497-3629. **9/1pd**

**Cherokee Central Schools
Position Openings (open until filled):**

- High School Guidance Administrative Assistant-Must have AA Degree in secretarial, business, or office related field; OR specialized training or work experience in business office management and related technical skills area.
 - Special Education Teacher Assistant-Must have Associates Degree or 48 semester hours of study at an institute of higher education; knowledge of Cherokee language and culture.
 - Head Varsity Men's Basketball Coach-Previous successful experience preferred.
 - Special Education Teacher - NC Teaching license required.
 - Food Service Worker-Part Time as needed; HS/GED Diploma required.
 - Custodian-Part Time as needed; HS/GED Diploma required.
 - Security-Part Time as needed; HS/GED Diploma required.
- APPLY ONLINE at: <https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/> or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information. **8/25pd**

**JOB ANNOUNCEMENT
CARPENTER/MASON**

POSITION: Carpenter/Mason
ORGANIZATION: Cherokee Boys Club, Inc., P. O. Box 507 (52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop), Cherokee, NC 28719
DEPARTMENT: Construction and Facilities
OPENING DATE: August 24, 2016
CLOSING DATE: September 8, 2016
REQUIREMENTS: GED or High School Diploma preferred. Must

have a valid NC Driver's License and have adequate training, skill, and experience to perform all duties required of position and be competent and reliable.

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

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FT PHARMACY TECH
FT LAB PHLEBOTOMIST / CLERK
EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER
PTI PHYSICAL THERAPIST
FT DENTAL ASSISTANT II

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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-050

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Juanita W. Hornbuckle**

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

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

Date to submit claims: Nov. 18, 2016

Kurt Stewart, 46 Wa-Lel-La Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/8pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-052

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Byrdie Junaluska**

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

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

Date to submit claims: November 23, 2016

Kevin Hart, II, 2695 Old #4 Rd, Whittier, NC 28789. **9/15pd**

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-051

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Lula R. Owl**

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

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

Date to submit claims: November 23, 2016

Lucille Wolfe, PO Box 878, Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-053

**In the Matter of the Estate of
John Squirrel**

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

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

Date to submit claims: November 23, 2016

Beulah E. Benfield, Box A-5 Tsalagi Manor Street, Cherokee, NC 28719. **9/15pd**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Juvenile Public Defender on a contractual basis. These services will be paid on a contractual basis from the Chero-

kee Tribal Court.

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:

1. Name and contact information.
2. Copies of certifications
3. Relevant work experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before August 26, 2016 will receive priority over later submissions. Please mail or fax proposals to Donna Toineeta-Lossiah, Court Administrator, Post Office Box 1629, Cherokee, NC 28719. Fax 828-359-0012.

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **8/25pd**

Advertisement for Bids

Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting subcontractor and material proposals for the Snowbird Recovery Center from certified TERO vendors. This phase of work generally consists of survey, clearing and grubbing, grading, excavating, paving, site improvements, trucking and site utilities. All proposals should be in our office by Monday, August 1, 2016 at 1 p.m. Proposals can be mailed or faxed to our office, 828-497-5566. Project plans and specifications can be viewed at our office located at 1371 Acquoni Road in Cherokee, N.C. with prior appointment. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability insurance are required from all subcontractors. Bonding may be required of sub-contractors dependent upon the size of the submitted scope and in accordance with the owner's requirements. Please contact our office at 828-497-5617 with questions or for

additional information. **8/28pd**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

Qualla Housing Authority (QHA), an Indian Housing Authority, with offices in Cherokee, North Carolina is soliciting proposals from independent auditors to perform a comprehensive financial and compliance audit of its financial statements as required under the Single Audit Act. This audit will be performed on the fiscal year October 1, 2015 - September 30, 2016 with the option of extending the contract for one to two years. The following program accounts will be included in this audit:

- * 265 Mutual Help homeowner units
- * 144 Conventional rental units
- * 25 HOME Units
- * 325 Mortgage/Rehab Loans

This audit is to be conducted in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards and the requirements of the applicable HUD Audit Guide and other HUD handbooks. Prime considerations in selecting the best proposal will include, but not be limited to, the auditors' previous experience in conducting PHA/IHA audits, and the auditors capacity to conduct such audits, including those involved with automated accounting systems.

In addition, preference will be given to those auditors who qualify under the Indian Self Determination and Education Assistance Act which requires that, to the greatest extent feasible (1) preference and opportunity for training and employment shall be given to American Indians and (2) preference in the award of contracts and subcontracts shall be given to American Indian organizations and American Indian-owned economic enterprises.

All qualified auditors presenting a proposal must present appropriate proof of insurance and be licensed to conduct audits in the State of North Carolina. Selection of an auditor shall be in accordance with QHA procurement policy and HUD regulations regarding PHA/IHA entities. In addition, QHA reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or to waive any irregularities in this Request for Proposal.

Proposals should be submitted to Charlene Owle, Housing Director, Qualla Housing Authority, P. O. Box 1749, Cherokee, NC 28719. Proposals will be accepted up to 4:00 p.m., September 23, 2016. Proposals received after this time and date will be rejected. **9/15pd**

**Request for Proposals
General Notice**

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting proposals from all interested qualified subcontractors for Construction Services and labor for Qualla Housing Authority Rentals and Properties on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, (Swain, Jackson, Graham and Cherokee Counties). Proposals Due Date: August 26, 2016

Qualla Housing Authority Bid Packages include:
HVAC on Call Services, Plumbing and Plumbing on Call Services, Electrical and Electrical on Call, Services, Licensed Carpentry, Drywall, Lawn Services, Pest Control, Fire Extinguisher/Inspections/, Sales/Services, Porta Jon Services, HVAC Preventive Maintenance, Service, Sprinkler Monitoring Services, HVAC TSALAGI, Siding/Gutters TSALAGI

Bid Packages can be picked up

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at the QHA Main Office located at 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee North Carolina 28719, QHA Warehouse 2234 Old Mission road, Cherokee or electronically by emailing to henrmcco@nc-cherokee.com ask for proposal. Contractor License or State License will be required for some of the trades. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required for all contractors. Qualla Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Qualla Housing is a Drug Free Workplace. Please be advised that Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office) applies for this contract. **8/25pd**

Request for Proposals General Notice

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting proposals from all interested qualified subcontractors for Propane Gas Services and labor for Qualla Housing Authority Rentals and Properties on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, (Swain, Jackson, Graham and Cherokee Counties). Proposals Due Date: September 9, 2016

Qualla Housing Authority Bid Packages include:

- Supply Propane Gas to approximately one hundred and fifty units
- Propane Gas on Call Services

Bid Packages can be picked up at the QHA Main Office located at 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee North Carolina 28719 or electronically by emailing to macebrad@nc-cherokee.com or charowle@nc-cherokee.com ask for proposal. Contractor License or State License will be required. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required for all contractors.

Qualla Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Qualla Housing is a Drug Free Workplace.

Please be advised that Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office) applies for this contract. **8/25pd**

Request for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Housing and Community Development (H.C.D.) 756 Acqoni Road Cherokee N.C.28719

Phone 828-359-6910

Rehab on 230 Rocky top Lane Cherokee N.C 28719

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians H.C.D Office is requesting sealed proposals FOR the rehab listed as 230 Rocky top lane Cherokee N.C. TO the TERO office on or before September 2- 2016 at

4:00 pm Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, tribal procurement policies, applicable 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 through the H.C.D. office .If you have any questions or comments contact H.C.D. @ 828-359-6910 **9/1pd**


Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Old Gap and Welch Road
Retaining Walls

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed proposals for structural wall construction services. The Deadline for submitting proposals will be September 7, 2016 at 4pm.

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

You may request the full Request for Proposal requirements through the CDOT office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828) 359-6530. **9/1pd**

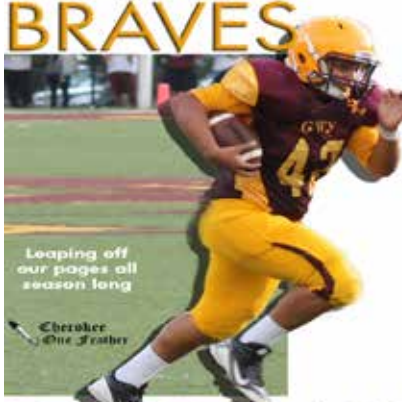


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- National Park Service



For more information:

<https://www.nps.gov/subjects/centennial/index.htm>

