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Local and state businesses were brought together at the 1st Annual Cherokee Business Summit & Expo held Thursday, July 28. Page 6

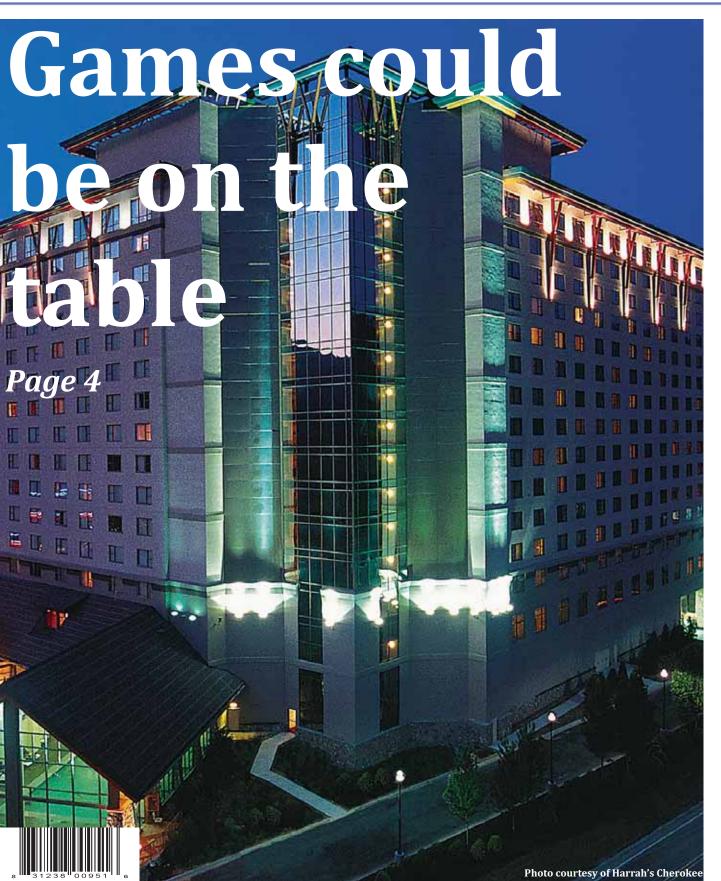




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A Closer Look at Tribal Debt

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\$134 Million

Debt Service Sinking Fund (DSSF)

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

Cherokee Central Schools Construction Loan

Balance Due: \$57.2 Million

Payoff Date: 2014 Paying From: DSSF

Is the Casino Debt considered Tribal Debt?

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

Sequoyah National Golf Course

Balance Due: \$10.8 Million

Payoff Date: 2012 Paying From: DSSF

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

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

Loan Guarantees for Tribal Entities

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

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

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

DSSF Investments



- US Stocks 20%
- International Stocks 10%
- US Treasuries & Bonds 35%
- Global Bonds 5%
- Cash to Pay Debt 30%

Tribal Debt as of July 1, 2011

\$76.9 Million





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Live games could be on the table

State Officials considering gaming compact amendments to allow table games at Harrah's Cherokee

> By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. **ONE FEATHER STAFF**

ames at Harrah's Cherokee Casino have been played on electronic machines since it opened in 1997. Various attempts have been made to bring table games to the property to no avail, but momentum seems to be gaining for

The General Assembly of North Carolina passed a Joint Resolution (938) on Thursday, July 28 declaring which legislation and bills they will consider when they reconvene in September, and "Bills to ratify and make statutory conforming changes pursuant to a Tribal Compact negotiated by the Governor" is included.

"Gov. Perdue is focused on promoting economic development and job creation throughout North Carolina," said Christine Mackey, Gov. Perdue's press secretary. "The Eastern Band of Cherokee approached the Governor's Office because they wanted to negotiate with us to expand the current Compact to allow table gaming. The expansion that the Cherokee proposed could create hundreds of jobs in western North Carolina. To expand the Compact to allow table gaming, the General Assembly would have to act to clarify the law."

"Seventeen years ago, the Governor stood with then Gov. Jim Hunt and other legislators and supported the first Compact the Cherokee negotiated

with the state because of the jobs and economic benefits it promised. Since that time, she has witnessed first-hand the transformation of the area into a world-class entertainment and tourism destination. She visited the area during the construction of the hotel expansion, and she dedicated their new golf course."

"This transformation has led to new hotels, new restaurants and other businesses that have meant many jobs for the region. Under the right circumstances, she supports expanding the Compact because of the potential job growth and other economic benefits to the Cherokee and all of the citizens of North Carolina."

A study released by the UNC Kenan

"The expansion that the Cherokee proposed could create hundreds of jobs in western North Carolina."

- Christine Mackey,

Gov. Perdue's press secretary

Flagler School of Business related that Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel pours over \$380 million into the area economy annually.

"On behalf of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, I would like to thank the members of the General Assembly for offering the opportunity to formally consider an agreement between Governor Perdue and the Tribe regarding amendments to the existing Tribal-State Gaming Compact," said Principal Chief Michell Hicks who noted that the intent of any amendments would be to offer table games.

"The addition of live dealers to the casino would provide an estimated

400 new jobs and further enhance our ability to continue providing economic opportunities throughout our region," Chief Hicks related. "Additionally, members of the Eastern Band would be entitled to increases in their per capita payments, affording them the ability to better provide for their families and community."

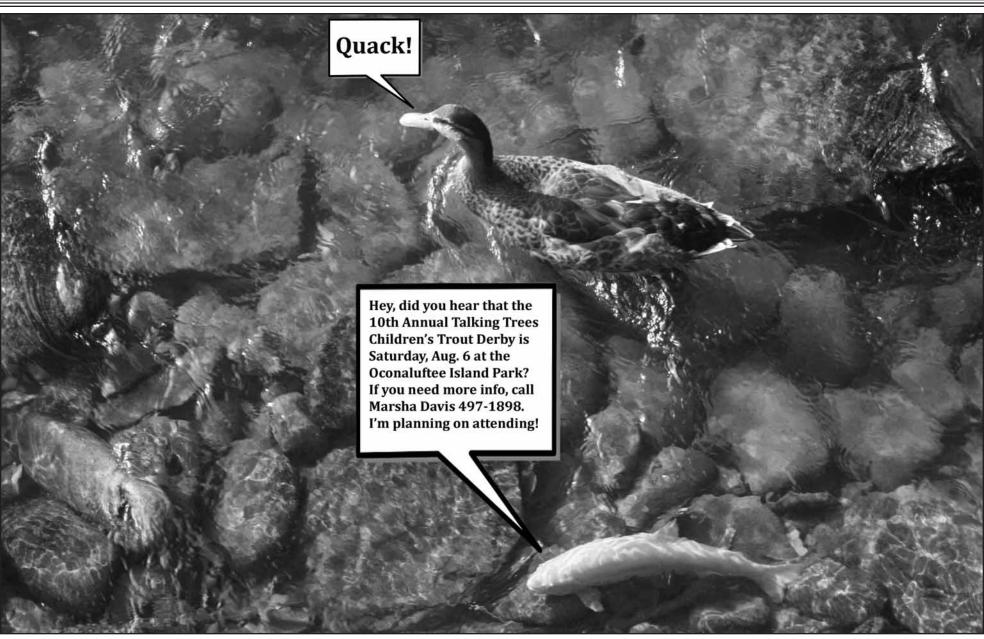
The Civitas Institute released a poll on Thursday, July 28 stating that sixtyfour percent (64%) of North Carolina voters support the idea of the casino having live dealers for blackjack and

"This shows very strong voter support for allowing the Cherokee Nation to negotiate a new compact with North Carolina to allow Las Vegas style gambling," said Francis De Luca, Civitas Institute president. "At a minimum, this poll shows that the lure of jobs outweighs concerns over the social costs. This could be another sign of how much North Carolina has changed demographically and socially."

Out of the 64 percent, a total of 38 percent related that they "strongly support" the idea and an additional 26 percent said they "somewhat support" live dealers. In opposition, 7 percent "somewhat oppose" and 19 percent "strongly oppose" with 10 percent saying they either don't know or have no opinion on the issue.

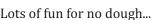
Civitas related that the poll was conducted by National Research, Inc. of Holmdel, NJ of 600 registered North Carolina voters.

Chief Hicks also related, "I would like to offer my sincere appreciation to Governor Perdue and her staff for their willingness to discuss the expansion of table games at the casino. I look forward to finalizing a negotiated agreement in a timely manner so that we may be well prepared to present an amended Tribal Gaming Compact at the start of the Sept. 12 legislative session."



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planet of the apes

The prequel, Rise of the Planet of the Apes, starts at the Cherokee Phoenix Theater on Friday, Aug. 5. The PG-13 rated movie stars James Franco and Draco Malfoy...err....Tom Felton.

a little more





cornhole tournament

If you've never heard of the game cornhole, that's fine. It's a game that is wildly popular in the midwest, especially Indiana and Ohio, that is basically a combination of horseshoes and the old bean bag toss game. The Smoky Mountain Cornhole Tournament is being held Saturday, Aug. 6 at 11am at the Old Mill Square in Pigeon Forge, Tenn. Registration per team is \$50, but you can watch the action for free. The event is being held in memory of the late Sgt. Brett Benton, and all proceeds will benefit the Fallen Officers Fund. Info: msewell@old-mill.com or (865) 406-6558

remembrance day

The Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. is having its annual Sequoyah Remembrance Day on Saturday, Aug. 7 from 12-5pm. Demonstrations will be held throughout the day including the 1809 Cherokee blacksmith shop and Allen Fugate demonstrating silversmithing. Gary Holt will portray Col. William Thomas and Bob Elderidge will tell stories about the Trail of Tears. Info: (423) 884-6246

wellness kickoff

The 1st Annual Cherokee Central Schools Wellness kickoff will be held Aug. 5 from 1-6pm at the Cherokee Central Schools track. Family wellness activities will include: bounce house, zumba, yoga, Cherokee aerobics, step aerobics, drumming, Wii station, and smoothie station. The first 150 families will receive a health pack.

Bringing businesses together

1st Annual Cherokee **Business** Summit & Expo held at Casino

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. **ONE FEATHER STAFF**

BCI tribal member Daniel Tramper is a world champion hoop dancer, a champion fancy dancer and a well-respected person in the pow wow world. But, don't forget one other way to describe him - small business owner. He decided to share his company, Deer Clan Productions, at the 1st Annual Cherokee Business Summit & Expo held Thursday, July 28 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel.

"Actually, this is my first trade show so I'm hoping it'll really improve my business," said Tramper who related that his business is doing well and he hopes the event will help him expand it further.

Four years ago, Tramper started the business whose services range from offering stagehand work to providing theatre-style American Indian dance shows.

"I've actually danced at trade shows before, and this time I'm doing it as a business and I hope it'll help knock some business my way."

The Business Expo was a collaborative effort of The Sequoyah Fund, Cherokee Business Development Center and the North Carolina Indian Economic Development Initiative (NCIEDI).

"We have had a lot of discussions about small business coming to Cherokee," said Kimlyn Lambert, an EBCI tribal member serving on the NCIEDI board, "and, the need for people to be entrepreneurs and come and do small businesses here such as dry cleaning, etc. that a lot of bigger towns have that we don't have here. So, this kind of grew out of the conversations that we had and we've been trying to partner all these people together with everybody to figure out how we can bring more small business and economic development to Cherokee."

Principal Chief Michell Hicks was



A host of local and state officials cut the ribbon to officially open the 1st Annual Cherokee Business Summit & Expo on Thursday, July 28 at Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel. Shown in front (left-right) are Dale Carroll, deputy secretary of the N.C. Dept. of Commerce; Principal Chief Michell Hicks and Tony Hayes, CEO of the North Carolina Indian Economic **Development Iniatiative.**

happy with the event's turnout, "With all of the diversity that we have here, I think it's great, and I think that the further we can reach out and the more folks that are reaching to us, it's just going to help us overall to build a stronger future and to have more opportunity."

"If you look at the companies represented here and the various areas that they are in, I just think it adds strength. Anytime you can build and maintain relationships, whether it's a compression company or an energy company, it's going to help the Tribe. I think it's a great thing."

Chief Hicks said it is especially nice to see businesses from the eastern part of the state represented at the event. "It's good to see them come up here. They here the talk of what Cherokee is doing, but they don't get to see it. By getting up here, they get to see it and they can take it back and spread the word and that's the important thing."

Dale Carroll, deputy secretary of the N.C. Department of Commerce was on hand for the event. "Well, the



3 Sisters Enterprises owners Jonnie Walkingstick, Judy Castorena and Polly Castorena talk with Joseph Riverwind at their booth during Thursday's Business Expo.



Deer Clans Productions owner Daniel Tramper (left) meets with Lynn Blankenship and Kimberly Winchester of the Cherokee Business Development Office.

portunity." custom screen printing and embroidery business on July 1, 2008 and haven't looked back since.

"Our business has been prospertous since day one," Polly related.

"Our business has been prosperous since day one," Polly related. "We've been able to accommodate a service to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians that was not prominent, and this event is going to expose us to



Dale Carroll, deputy secretary of the N.C. Dept. of Commerce, speaks prior to the opening of Thursday's Business Expo.

outside the reservation. We've been isolated and we're going to try to test our wings and see the world."

To learn more about starting a business, visit The Sequoyah Fund at www.sequoyahfund.org or the North Carolina Indian Economic Development Initiative (NCIEDI) at www.ncindian.com.

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(3rd shift) \$9.01

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(shift varies) \$5.25 + tips

Part Time Total Rewards Representative

(shift varies) \$11.79

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(shift varies) \$8.60

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Tribe takes land in Cherokee County

First Descendants lose Life Estate, Land

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

esolution No. 778 (2011), passed 10-2 by Tribal Council on Thursday, July 14, has caused a lot of controversy and leaves four siblings without life estate on their mother's land near Marble.

Gladys A. Wright, an EBCI tribal member, passed away in September 2009. She left a Last Will and Testament in 2003 which did not address possessory holdings or life estate for her non-enrolled children. In 2007, she produced a second will which left her children (Henry Wright Jr., Kathryn Jasper, William Wright and Elizabeth Jo Poscich) "first generation rights for their lifetime my possessor holding in Cherokee County". The land in question, Cherokee County Tract #35, contains 205 acres.

According to the resolution passed on July 14, submitted by the EBCI Office of the Attorney General, the 2007 will is invalid due to the fact that it does not contain witness signatures, only that of the Notary Public.

The resolution further states that

the children of Gladys Wright were not properly given life estate and "the authorization granted by Resolution No. 308 (2010) to purchase Cherokee County Tract #35 be rescinded and that said Tract #35, containing 205 acres, more or less, revert back to the Tribe."

Poscich commented, "I am devastated by the actions taken by the Tribal Council on July 14. The Council voted 10-2 to disregard my mother's will and her wishes to pass her possessory holdings on to her children, who are first generation descendants."

"This will had already been validated by two courts, including the Tribe's own court one year ago. The Council voted to take the land without any compensation or even notification. I found out about this when a concerned community member contacted me."

Poscich said the situation has had a negative effect on her family. "They took my inheritance. I am appalled by this action that has hurt my family and myself. If they can do this to my family, then who or what will stop them from doing this to another family? I am hopeful that morality, honesty, and decency will ultimately prevail."

Poscich and her three siblings have filed a protest to Res. No. 778 asking for a hearing on the matter. According to the TOP Office, the protest is set to be heard in Tribal Council on Thursday, Aug. 4 at 11:20am.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks said in a statement, "It was determined that probate documents failed to comply with the Cherokee Code's inheritance laws, resulting in the ownership of Tract #35 reverting back to the Tribe. The Cherokee Code permits the Tribe to transfer parcels of its trust land to enrolled members by land assignments known as possessory holdings. Nonenrolled children of Tribal members, or First Generation Descendants, are allowed to use and occupy Cherokee trust lands that were validly assigned to their enrolled member parents on the date of their death. However, the Code specifically states a legal requirement that such use shall be permitted only if the enrolled parent assigns the right to a non-enrolled child by a valid, written will."

He continued, "All elected Tribal officials take an oath to uphold our Charter and laws and the Cherokee law was adhered to in this situation. At the same time, this matter has generated a necessary discussion regarding our current inheritance laws and the possible need for Code revisions to prevent the legal dilemmas found in this situation."

According to Chief Hicks, the Tribe is starting a program, effective Oct. 1, that may help remedy future situations like this dealing with wills. Basic wills will be drafted, free of charge, to tribal members and existing wills can be reviewed for free to see if they meet existing tribal laws.

He commented that the EBCI Legal Department is also drafting a document that can be used when dealing with First Generation Descendants inheriting a possessory holding. "All Tribal members should be reassured that every effort will be made to safeguard their possessory holdings and the inheritance rights of their children and families," said Chief Hicks.

Painttown Rep. Terri Henry was one of two Council Representatives that voted to table the issue for further review because Resolution No. 778 was a substitute and not included in their original Council packets.

"I have railed against substitutes since my first session of Council," she said. "When you get a substitute with a whole new intent, that really upsets me to no end."

Rep. Henry said since the Council session, she has done research into the matter and found that the Tribe had no authority to take the land to begin with. "Mrs. Wright passed away in 2009 and even if you determine that she did not leave a valid will that left that land to her four heirs, she did have an heir, and it would have gone to her brother Lee Craig (an EBCI tribal member) who was alive at the time of her death."

She went on to say that she feels the Council was mislead and ill-advised on the issue. "Council should have at least agreed to table this until the matter was fully fleshed out and until we could have a full discussion on it and ask questions. Instead, I feel it was rushed and the whole point was to take these people's land. What's disturbing about this is that anyone's land can be taken for any purpose. That is one reason why I feel really strongly about getting a Constitution in here."

Girls on the Run Program



Senate Committee passes recognition bills for eight tribes

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. **ONE FEATHER STAFF**

he Senate Indian Affairs Committee took action on Thursday, July 28 on three bills affecting eight groups hoping to garner federal recognition as an American Indian Tribe.

The Committee approved the Lumbee Recognition Act (S.1218); the Indian Tribes of Virginia Federal Recognition Act of 2011 (S.379) that would grant recognition to six groups in Virginia including the Chickahominy Indian Tribe, the Chickahominy Indian Tribe - Eastern Division, the Upper Mattaponi Tribe, the Rappahannock Tribe Inc., the Monacan Indian Nation, and the Nanesemond Indian Tribe; and S.546 that would grant recognition to the Little Shell Tribe of Chippewa Indi-

"I am pleased that the Committee approved these bills which are instrumental in changing the lives of Native peoples," said Sen. Daniel K. Akaka (D-Hawaii), the chairman of the Committee. "I look forward to working with my colleagues from both sides of the aisle to secure enactment."

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- Sen. Daniel K. Akaka (D-Hawaii), Senate Indian Affairs Committee chairman

North Carolina Senators Richard Burr (R-NC) and Kay Hagan (D-NC) cosponsored the Lumbee bill. On Thursday, Sen. Burr related, "Passage of this bill out of the Indian Affairs Committee is a big step forward in providing the Lumbee with the federal recognition they deserve. I am hopeful that this bill will be brought to the floor for a vote so that the Senate can fulfill its commitment to achieve fairness and justice for the tribe."

Sen. Hagan commented, "The issue

of Lumbee recognition is vitally important to North Carolina's economy and to the heritage and cultural identity of more than 40,000 Americans. It is time for the Lumbee to receive the recognition they deserve. Today was an important step forward, and together Sen. Burr, Rep. McIntyre and I will continue to work with our colleagues on both sides of the aisle and across the Capitol to send this bill to the President's desk as soon as possi-

Rep. Mike McIntyre (D-NC) introduced a similar bill in the House in January. The House passed Lumbee Recognition bills in 2007 and 2009, but both bills stalled in the Senate.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has historically been against the Lumbee Tribe seeking recognition through Congressional means. Principal Chief Michell Hicks has testified on the issue several times in Washington.

At a House hearing in 2009, he commented, "The House of Representatives should not pass a bill that allows persons of questionable at best Indian ancestry to be acknowledged as an Indian tribe."

Following Rep. McIntyre's re-intro-

duction of the bill in January, Chief Hicks said, "I remain committed in our efforts to ensure that the federal recognition process takes precedence over political pandering in the new Con-

A request for comment from the Lumbee Tribe went unanswered by press time.

Sen. Jim Webb (D-VA), who cosponsored the Virginia bill with Sen. Mark Warner (D-VA), was happy with Thursday's approval. "After meeting with leaders of Virginia's Indian tribes and years of thorough investigation of the facts, I strongly believe that recognition for these six Virginia tribes is justified based on principles of dignity and fairness."

"We must honor the heritage of our Virginia tribes, a heritage aggravated in the past by racial hostility and state-sanctioned actions that greatly diminished their cultural identity."

A version of the bill passed the House the last two Congresses and the Senate Indian Affairs Committee approved the bill in the 111th Congress, but it never came to a full vote by the Senate.

Tribal Council Agenda - Aug. 4

***Indicates timed item, individual has been notified at this specific time to be

***9:10 a.m. -Tribal Election Board - Request for time - Certification of 2011 Primary Results

***9:20 a.m. - Recognition - Remember the Removal Riders - Principal Chief Michell Hicks

***9:30 a.m. - Wanda Blythe - Request for time

***9:40 a.m. - Francine Watty - Request for time

***9:50 a.m. - Warren Dupree -Request for time - American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143

***10:00 a.m. -Alzheimer's Association - Request for time - Kristy Dotson, Kelly Land & Pepper Taylor

***10:10 a.m. - Report - VOC -Kimlyn S. Lambert

***10:20 a.m. - Marion Teesateskie, surviving spouse of Frank Teesateskie (d), desires to be recognized as the sole owner of Parcel No. 405 located in the Snowbird Community, containing 58 acres, more or less (Item No. 1)

10:30 a.m. – Tabled Ord. No. 707 – Request to rescind 532 (11) - Hunting & Fishing Ordinance (Item No. 2)

***10:30 a.m. - Tabled Res. No. 777 (11) - Center for Cherokee Plants preservation of integrity of community ownership of Cherokee traditional knowledge (Item No. 3)

***10:40 a.m. - Tabled Res. No. 779 (11) - Principal Chief & Chairman of Council request US Attorney for Western District of NC to appoint Tribal Prosecutor as Special Assistant United States Attorney (Item No. 4)

***10:50 a.m. – Tabled Res. No. 781 (11) - Life estate assignments to nonenrolled members (Item No. 5)

***11:00 a.m. - Amy S. Welch - request that Council approve design for Autism Awareness project (Item No. 6)

***11:10 a.m. – Marie Junaluska – request that Council approve Bird Project Curriculum (Item No. 7)

***11:20 a.m. - Protest on Res. No. 778 (11) - Heirs of Gladys A. Wright interest in Cherokee County Tract No.

35 (Item No. 8)

11:30 a.m. - Request to approve John Ayers appointment to Cherokee Police Commission due to resignation of David Blanton (Item No. 9)

11:40 a.m. - Request for Bat Creek Stone for exhibit at Museum of the Cherokee Indian (Item No. 10) ** RE-QUEST TO BE 1ST ITEM HEARD **

11:50 a.m. - Ord. amendment -Professional services provided by private businesses on Reservation (Item No. 11)

1:00 p.m. - Tabled Ord. No. 722 (11) - TERO - economic entity awarded a bid shall pay a 1.75% fee for projects that exceed \$10,000 (Item No.

1:10 p.m. - Res. No. 767 (11) -Budget amendment # 4 for Endowment Fund # 2 (Item No. 13)

1:20 p.m. - Josh Squirrel desires compensation in the amount of \$3,520 for work lost (Item No. 14)

1:30 p.m. - Frank Driver desires compensation in the amount of \$25,000 for encroachment by CDOT (Item No. 15)

1:40 p.m. - Tribal Construction authorized to initiate documentation re: funding of FY 2011 sanitation facilities for scattered housing, Sim Taylor waterline replacement, raw water pumps upgrade, update Tribal HITS data, wastewater treatment upgrade -2, Adam's Ck sewer rehab - 2 (Item No.

1:50 p.m. - Planning & Development be authorized to seek up to \$25,000 from Lowe's Charitable & Educational Foundation for playground equipment in Birdtown (Item No. 17)

2:00 p.m. - Budget amendments # 6 for Cherokee Youth Center (Item

6 for Cooperative Extension (Item No. 19)

6 for Qualla Library (Item No. 20)

5 for Tribal Education (Item No. 21)

#4 for WIC (Item No. 22)

4 for EPA - Resource Management (Item No. 23)

9 for Fisheries & Wildlife (Item No.

4 for Tribal Construction (Item No.

Banishment items

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<u>Obituaries</u> **Cristyn Jade Jones**

Cristyn Jade Jones, age 18, of Robbinsville, NC, went home to be with the Lord, Tuesday, July 26, 2011.

She was born in Buncombe County on August 24, 1992 and was the proud daughter of Carrie Smith Jones of Mur-

phy, NC and James Anthony Bud Jones of Robbinsville, NC.

She will be remembered for her love to sing, laugh, and her ability to love. Cristyn loved her



brothers and sister with all of her heart.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by her brothers, Jaymz Brett Jones and Troy Dane Jones, and her sister, Isabella Nicole Jones, all of Robbinsville, NC; her Maternal grandparents, Dorothy Roberts Smith and Paul Terry Smith, both of Murphy, NC; and her Paternal grandparents, Lou Ellen Jackson and Jerry Roger Jones, both of Robbinsville, NC.

Funeral Services were held at 7:00 pm Friday, July 29, 2011 at Lone Oak

Baptist Church. The Reverends Jeff Cole and Chester Jones officiated. The family received friends from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Church, prior to the services. Committal services were held at 11:00 am Saturday, July 30, 2011 at New Hope Baptist Church Cemetery.

Townson-Smith Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. An online register was available at www.townson-smithfuneralhome.com.

Robert Johnson Wahnetah

Robert Johnson Wahnetah, 73, of Cherokee, passed away at Cherokee Indian Hospital on July 28, 2011 following an extended illness. He was a resident of the Yellowhill community and had served his country proudly as

He was preceded in death by his parents, Robert Austin Wahnetah and Bessie Arch Wahnetah; a son, Robert Johnson Wahnetah, II; grandson, Michael Austin Wahnetah; sisters, Wille Sue Wahnetah Raby and Frances Vivian Ross.

He is survived by his wife of 52 years, Frances Hornbuckle Wahnetah; a daughter, Roberta Frances Wahnetah Long; sons, Howard Keith Wahnetah and Russell Lee Wahnetah; a sister, Phyllis Wahnetah Lambert; five grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

The funeral was be held at the church on Sunday, July 31, 2011 at 2pm. Burial followed in the Wahnetah Family Cemetery.

Pastor Ed Kilgore, Rev. "Bo" Parris and Ray Kinsland officiated. Pallbearers were nephews, Robbie Wahnetah, Don Ross, Tom Wahnetah, Austin Lambert, Steve Lambert and Jeff McCoy.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Nell W. Rattler

Nell W. Rattler, 99, of Cherokee, passed away on July 31, 2011 at Cherokee Indian Hospital following an extended illness. She was born on October 15, 1911, and was a member of Rock Springs Baptist Church. When she was able, she was active at the Cherokee Senior Center, Tsali Manor, and participated in the Senior Olympics and was an avid bowler.

She is survived by her daughter, Mary Jo Rogers and husband Alvin, of Fort Lauderdale, Florida. She is also survived by two grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

Nell was preceded in death by her parents, John Will and Jane Talalah Will, her husband, Wilson Rattler; her son, John Rattler; her daughter, Louise Rattler; her brothers, James Will and David Will; and a sister, Luzene Rattler.

The funeral service was held August 2, 2011 at 2pm with burial following at the Rattler Family Cemetery. The Rev. Greg Morgan, Rev. James "Bo"

Parris, and Al Rogers officiated. Pallbearers were Kevin Bruneel, Matthew Bruneel, Glenn Rogers, Larry Blythe, John Henry Maney and Frank Taylor.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Jonas (Goose) Lossiah

Jonas (Goose) Lossiah, 68, of the Yellowhill Community, passed away unexpectedly Monday, August 1, 2011 at his residence. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of the late Jesse James Lossiah Sr. and Lillian Shell Lossiah. He was a member of Qualla Arts and Crafts. He was preceded in death by his infant sister, Amanda Lossiah; brothers, Charles, John Henry, and Jesse James Ir Lossiah; and one sister, Ann Lossiah Cooper.

He is survived by his special companion, Mary Jane Taylor; three daughters, Heather Lee Taylor, Brittany Jane Washington, and Cassandra Washington; 9 grandchildren; 11 great grandchildren; one brother, Ernie Lossiah; one special niece Ernestine Lossiah; and several nieces and nephews; and one special brother Randy Lossiah all of Cherokee.

Funeral Services will be held at 11:00 AM Thursday at Piney Grove Baptist Church. Rev. J. T. Lambert will officiate with burial in the Lossiah Cemetery #2.

EBCI WIC to celebrate World Breastfeeding Week

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The EBCI WIC Program would like to take a moment of your time to report on current events in our office. This week we are celebrating World Breastfeeding Week (WBW). Breastfeeding is important for newborn baby's growth and development as well as mommy and baby bonding. Being that

encouraging mommies to breastfeed is our

World Breastfeeding Week main goal, WIC strives to create comfort with the discussion and decision.

The week of Aug. 1-7 gives us the opportunity to recognize, celebrate,

and appreciate our Talk to Me! breastfeeding mothers and babies. This year's theme for WBW is "Talk to me! Breastfeeding- a 3D Experience". In the past breastfeeding has been focused on only two topics or two dimensions and they

> are time (pre-pregnancy to weaning) and place (home, community, health care system, etc).

The third dimension which could be considered the

key point in 3D is communication. Communication is an essential part of

protecting, promoting, and supporting breastfeeding. With new technology on the rise plus existing technology today, individuals along with global communities connect to each other at an instants notice via texting, web chat, even social network websites i.e. twitter and facebook. Communication plays such an important role in everyday life and will be used to spread the word of knowledge and experience of breastfeeding to a wider outreach.

Here at WIC we have been utilizing all of these dimensions through a trial breastfeeding class. We have had three (3) successful classes in the past 4 months with pre-natals and their families. If you would like additional information about the Breastfeeding Class,

contact Kimberly Welch at 497-7297. Remember breastfed babies are

healthier babies!

To make an appointment for WIC please call 497-7297. Walk-in clinic is Monday 8:00-11:30 and 1:00-4:00 ONLY Except for holidays. Tuesday-Friday appointments are appreciated Office hours are Mon-Thur 7:30-5:00 Fri 8:00-4:30

- Submitted by the EBCI WIC Program: The special nutritional supplement and breastfeeding support program for women, infants, and children is open to all eligible persons regardless of race, color, sex, national origin, age, or disability.



CLUB SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, August 3 – Staff Meeting/Strategic Planning – 8:30 a.m.

Monday, August 8 - School Starts!

Wednesday August 10 – Deadline for Resolutions

Thursday, August 11 – Children's Home Public Hearing – 5:00 p.m.

Monday, August 15 _ Health Screen - 8:00 to 9:00 a.m.

Wednesday, August 17 - Board Meeting - 8:30 a.m.

Thursday, August 18 - Safety Meeting - 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, August 25 - Sequoyah Classic Golf Tournament

Friday, August 26 - Sequoyah Classic Golf Tournament

BOARD MEETING RESULTS:

Resolution 2454 – Approve revised contract with Padgett & Freeman Architects to provide AE Services, Geotechnical Services and Topographical Survey for the construction of a new Children's Home facility – Passed (Resolution 2453 rescinded).

Resolution 2455 – Approve Administrative Assistant for Children's Home -Passed

THANK YOU FROM AGELINK!!!

Parents, staff of Agelink and the children wishes to thank everyone who participated including those who bought dinners, donated money or donated time to help with the fundraising efforts. With all your support we meet our goal to take the children to Dollywood.

SEOUOYAH CLASSIC GOLF TOURNAMENT!!!

Date: Thursday & Friday, August 25-26

Benefit: Cherokee Children's Home. Bill Taylor Scholarship Endowment,

Cherokee Youth Center

To be a sponsor or to register for this event call Jeannie Arkansas at 497-5645 or Cris Weatherford at 497-5813

PUBLIC HEARING SCHEDULED: There will be a Public Hearing held to discuss the construction of a new Children's Home facility in the Birdtown Community. The meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 11 at 5:00 p.m. at the Cherokee Boys Club Conference Room.

IOB OPPORTUNITY:

Carpenter Helper: The Construction and Facility Department has an opening for a Carpenter Helper. Opening Date: July 28, 2011 to August 11, 2011. For more information see Tiff Reed in the HR Department.

BUS ROUTES:

Cherokee Central Schools start on Monday, August 8, 2011. Bus Routes will be published in this week's *One Feather*. Please contact Allan Oocumma at 497-5126 for information on the bus schedule and routes.

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

With the beginning of school Monday, August 8, 2001 please show extreme caution on the roads. Many children will be waiting for or departing from the buses. It just takes a split second for an accident to happen. Remember the flashing lights of the bus means slow down to stop and the stop sign means to stop.

Author Gary Lear donates book to Qualla Library

Gary Lear, president and CEO of Resource Development Systems, an organizational performance consulting firm that teaches leaders how to be effective and managing the human Side of business donated his book *Leadership Lessons from the Medicine Wheel: The Seven Elements of High Performance* to the Qualla Boundary Library recently.

In addition to his book, Lear has a bi-monthly column in *Management World Magazine*, is a contributing author to *180 Ways to Walk the Customer Service Talk*, and has authored numerous other articles and white papers including "The Dynamics of High Performing Organizations" and "Getting a Seat at the Table: New Perspectives for HR".

If you are interested in reading this book, stop by the Qualla boundary Public Library to check it out.

"Thank you Gary, for donating your book to our library," said Robin Swayney, Qualla Library manager.

- Qualla Boundary Library



Photo courtesy of Robin Swayney, Qualla Library

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Islands Indian Market

The Islands Indian Market is designed to offer the opportunity for enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to showcase their traditional, cultural and unique arts and crafts for the community and visitors in an outdoor setting for selling their items.

Spaces are available at the Islands Indian Market is every day from 8am – 5pm and is on a first come basis; no assigned spaces. Spaces are approximately 12' X 12' and cost \$10.00 a day. The Islands Indian Market is located adjacent to the Oconaluftee Island Park at the intersection of US 441N and US 19. Vendors must be enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. All items for sale must be handmade by an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. All vendors must complete an application form. No produce or food may be sold at the Islands Indian Market. The vendor is responsible for setup and cleanup of the space, vendors must bring heavy duty trash bags to bag their garbage, securing bags properly at the end of the day. Vendors are responsible for bank and sales. Vendor is responsible for obtaining any relevant government permits. A copy of this agreement must be available for inspection at any time and must be kept at the space at the Islands Indian Market.

For more information and to submit registrations, contact the Cherokee Welcome Center at 828-554-6490 or email Josie Long at josilong@nc-cherokee.com.

- EBCI Travel and Tourism Office

American Flag Drop-box

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

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

- Warren Dupree

Bringing attention to dental caries

I just wanted to applaud Melinda Shuler on the work she is doing in terms of asthmatic children in our community. Asthma can be a life-threatening disease and so many of our children are affected by it. However, I wanted to bring attention to the most common chronic disease of childhood - which is actually dental caries. Dental caries is seen 5 times more frequently than asthma, and it too accounts for lost school time (about 51 million hours per year) and if left untreated can also lead to hospitalization

Dental caries is a bacterial transmitted disease. It is caused by bacteria with names like mutans streptococci and lactobacilli. These acid-producing bacteria are fueled by sweets and fermentable carbohydrates (thing like chips) which lead to a breakdown of the enamel and if left untreated become cavities.

Many people think that cavities are a normal part of growing up and that baby teeth don't matter because they fall out anyway. Baby teeth have an important role in the developing adult dentition they hold space for the permanent teeth. They also aid in eating, talking and smiling! Because dental caries in children is so frequent in the Native

American population (over 50% of American Indian/Alaskan Native children aged 2-5 have dental caries), IHS has started the Early Childhood Caries Collaborative to help educate communities and families on this epidemic. What can you do to help your child, grandchild or any little one? Help him/her brush their teeth using a small amount (a smear the size of a pea that you can see through) of fluoride-containing toothpaste from the time the 1st tooth is in his/her mouth; avoid sweets and fermentable carbohydrates - limit juice to meal-time; encourage children to rinse their mouths after eating; bring your child in for routine preventative dental care; and check "yes" for your child to have fluoride varnish treatments at school. For women who are pregnant - make a dental appointment and have any cavities taken care of before your child gets his/her 1st tooth. Poor dental health in pregnant women has been linked to pre-term and low birth weight The American Academy of Pediatrics and the American Academy of Pediatric Dentist recommend a child to have his or her 1st dental visit at a year-old, so don't wait until your child has a tooth ache before bringing them

> Signed, Joyce Biberica, DMD **Pediatric Dentist** Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority

Football teams say thank you

The Braves Varsity and JV football teams just finished up with their annual camp and enjoyed every minute! They want to express their appreciation for all the food, drinks, money and time donated by our coaches, Towstring Baptist Church, football families, our community and Council Members. A special thank you to Melissa Barker and Kathi Littlejohn for coordinating it all!

> Thank You, Varsity and JV Football Players

Deadly disease easily preventable

I am a student at Western Carolina University. For my Parks and Recreation Management Degree I have to spend my summer before graduation fulfilling a 400 hour internship that is meant to help prepare each student for work experience in their particular field. So being the undecided individual that I am I set out to do my internship at the Cherokee Animal Care Clinic.

My time spent here has been incredibly rewarding. It is an incredible learning environment and that is 100% thanks to everyone that works at the clinic due to their willingness and patience to answer my frequent and not always easy questions. One of the things that I've noticed is a constant concern at the clinic because of the lack of information to the public is the Canine Parvovirus, most commonly known as parvo.

So many people are ill-informed about how this deadly, yet easily preventable disease works. Parvovirus is as the name implies a virus, and incredibly contagious. It is transferred through fecal matter because it attacks the gastrointestinal tract.

The symptoms of parvovirus are excessive vomiting, diarrhea, and depression in the dog. Abdominal pain and fever are also frequent symptoms. The diarrhea will often have mucus or blood streaking as well. Once anything comes into contact with canine parvovirus, clothing, dog crates, soil, etc. the parvovirus can remain active for upwards of five months, sometimes significantly more in the right environment, unless it is properly destroyed. detergents and soaps will not kill the parvovirus, however, a mixture of bleach and water brought into contact with the infected surface for approximately ten minutes is the most easily accessible treatment. One could also purchase detergents such as Parvo-O-Way that are specifically designed to destroy the virus. All of this is incredibly effective, but could be equally unnecessary if you have

your dogs properly vaccinated. When your puppy turns six weeks old it is then able to receive its first round of puppy booster shots. This is one of four booster shots it needs to receive in order to ensure that its body has built up a sufficient immunity to the virus. following three boosters will be spaced out and one will be administered every four weeks until all four rounds are complete. It is also best to get another booster shot yearly so that the vaccine continues to be present in the dog's body.

At this point the booster shot is much like a person's flu shot. Parvo is most common in very young dogs from six to twenty weeks of age due to their low immune systems; however dogs much older than that, who haven't been vaccinated, can still acquire parvo if they have low immunity.

Parvo kills so many dogs completely unnecessarily it dehydrates them and causes them malnutrition. So if your puppy does come into contact with parvo, its chance of survival is low, but if it is possible to save them it could cost hundreds even thousands of dollars for the antibiotics and fluids, when the shot just costs \$18 over the counter, or \$30 with an examination to check the health of your puppy.

> Signed, **Tory Ash**

Thank you to Yogi Crowe **Scholarship**

I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Richard Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship committee for supporting me with funding for my first semester of Law School at the University of Tennessee. The grant and tuition waiver will go a long way in providing me with the supplies needed during my first semester of school. this support I can focus fully on my studies and participate in the important networking opportunities available to me. This funding indicates to me that you have great faith in my successful completion of school, and it is my honor and privilege to have the opportunity to be a positive representative of you and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, of which I am a proud member. Education has been a part of my heritage and culture going back more generations than I can research, and to know that this is a legacy set forth by my ancestors makes it more imperative to me to accomplish this latest goal I have set for myself, and with your continued support and prayers, along with the unwavering support of my family I know that this will come to fruition.

> Sincerely, **Sunshine Parker**

Thank you

On Wednesday, July 20, we held a benefit dinner for our Uncle Ben Marmon. After spending several days in Cherokee and Mission hospitals Uncle Ben had his right leg amputated above his knee. This took place on July 15, we were told the surgery went well and we were optimistic about his recovery time. However, on the following Tuesday, after returning from dialysis, he suffered a heart attack and was placed in ICU. We felt that the family needed some financial assistance as someone was staying with him at all times and several family members were visiting daily.

We want to thank the following people for their help and support of the benefit dinner: Mike Parker and Bill Taylor for providing the Yellowhill Community Building, Kathy McCoy for donating the cabbage and to our daughter, Amanda, granddaughter Keelie and Sarah Teesateskie for staying up late helping chop the cabbage for slaw. Our grandsons Kobe and Kaleb along with Shane Sneed and Coot George for staying up all night to keep the grill going and the meat cooking, you all did a great job. Brandon Burgess for the use of his little grill and Joey Owle for helping Poncho at the big grill, he couldn't have done it without

To all the kitchen helpers: our Aunt Brenda Grady, our nieces Melanie and Jessica Lambert, Pat Welch, Lucille Wolfe, Debbie Panther and Melissa Smith. Granny Mary and Tootsie Gloyne for welcoming the public and serving as cashier; Aunt Carol Long and Frances Arkansas for the desserts and to Myra Cloer and Pudd Bradley for the orders and deliveries to Uncle Bens wonderful friends at River Valley Campground and Cherokee Enterprises. To our family Mark, Lumpy, Buddy and Deb for being there and helping with everything that goes into putting a benefit together. And to Tso for being on his best behavior all day while his mom helped.

There are so many friends that made monetary donations please know how much Uncle Ben, Annabelle and the family appreciate you all. They keep telling us we couldn't get by without you - our reply is we couldn't have done it without our family and friends! We are blessed to live in such a caring, supportive community. We thank all that came and supported the family and ask for your continued prayers for Uncle Ben's recovery.

> With sincere appreciation, **Poncho and Denise Ballard**

into the dentist.

Negative campaigning bad for community

On Tuesday, July 26, some Big Cove folks met to discuss the campaign for tribal officials and how it is affecting our citizenry, primarily our children. We do not like the negative behavior shown through actions and spoken words in the newspaper, in our homes when candidates visit, and even before us in meetings.

Many of our children have spoken to parents and kinfolk about the ugly accusations and awful emotions they have heard and seen. Vandalizing of signs, bad mouthing, telling untruths, and other negative acts is exactly what we are teaching our children not to do. By any thinking person's standard it is unhealthy and wrong--and many say this is what sin is. Think what our responses must be to our children when they tell us what they heard and think.

We ask for mature adult behavior to be demonstrated before our children. Not immature mean-spirited hateful deeds and words. Our children are the only future we can count on to keep our tribe alive-and they become what we teach them through both word and deed. We want healthy, strong families, communities, and a tribe we can be secure in and happy to say so--this is what we want now and for the children, grand children on into the future.

For our children and ourselves we want leaders who are kind, mature, and fit to lead us--those are the only people who are true leaders. Those displaying the negative and ugly behaviors we pray for. We encourage everyone to vote.

Signed, **Yvonne Bushyhead**

Thank you Yogi Crowe Scholarship

I would like to take this time to thank the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund for the grant award I received to continue my education at the University of Kansas School of Law.

This coming Fall I will begin my second year as a law student and will start coursework for the Tribal Law certification. After completing my first year law student curriculum I am now able to turn to courses geared towards the practice of Tribal Law and learn about issues especially relevant in Indian country today. I am very excited for the opportunity to pursue this career path and extremely thankful for

the generous funding provided by the Tribe and by the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund. I am also appreciative of the support and guidance offered to me by members of the Yogi Crowe Board of Directors. It is great to know that I have such a great support network.

I look forward to the next two years of my law school career, learning as much as possible so that I can return to Cherokee, represent my people and share the knowledge I have gained through my education and experiences.

Words cannot fully express my gratitude for the opportunities I have had to pursue higher education and the funding possibilities available to enrolled members that have made all this possible for me. I am so very blessed.

Shannon Swimmer

A very special thank you to Officer Tommy Teesateskie

Our family was recently saddened because our dog had gotten lost and could not find his way home. Luckily for us, Officer Teesateskie found him and brought him home. We appreciate him taking the time to do that for our family, and we are all very happy to have our Bassett hound back home where he belongs.

Sincerely, **Dan, Rosie, Connor and Tsini McCoy**

Cherokee Braves Football camp Successful

The Cherokee Braves JV and Varsity football teams wish to thank the following individuals and groups for making the 2011 football camp a great success: Council Members B. Ensley, Bill Taylor, David Wolfe, Perry Shell, Jim Owle, and Mike Parker for their purchase and delivery of power drinks; Erma McMillan and Jason Ormsby for the delicious breakfasts; Food Lion for the lunch meal they prepared and donated; all parents who donated and helped with the meals; and Towstring Church for the beautiful decorations, hospitality and great food. One player said "it was like Christmas and Thanksgiving all together"!!

Braves say Thank you Everyone!

Submitted by, Cherokee Braves JV and Varsity football teams

Teenager asks candidates to act more maturely

My name is Aubrey Little and I am thirteen years old and even though I'm not allowed to vote yet, it still bothers me that people my age can act more mature than some of the candidates.

Even I can see that the people want someone they can trust rather than someone who gambles on our future. It surprises me how they stoop so low and lie to get votes. The people will vote for who they think will be the better person for the job, not who can bribe the most people and this person is definitely not going to win by sabotaging the election. They should be thinking about the good they can do for the Tribe, instead of the bad things they say their opponent did or did not do; it shouldn't matter how many votes you have, it should matter how you got them.

People don't realize how much kids my age understand. Why is it that election time is the "only" time you see some of the candidates? They show up at community events and then disappear when it's over. Then you don't see them for another four years. Change or no change, you should do what is right for all of our people. Best of luck to all the candidates and may the fairest win.

Signed, **Aubrey Little**

Thank You Letter to Chief Hicks

For the past several weeks I have had the pleasure of interning in Chief Hicks' office. This experience has truly been surprising for me. I had no idea so much went on in the Chief's office or how hectic it can get in the Council House. I'd like to tell everyone about my experiences so maybe you can get a better understanding of what the Chief does like I now have.

First of all, I have only even been in a portion of the meetings that the Chief has had, but even that portion has been way more than I thought it would be. I have seen everything from struggling families being guided through the tribal programs to get assistance to meetings about tribal development projects to discussions about our tribal debt.

I have gotten a firsthand view of how Chief Hicks handles each situation. I have seen him be compassionate and worried about tribal members who are having difficulties. I have seen him ask for and rely on others' expertise to make the decisions for our tribal programs and services. And I have seen him be firm when it comes to ensuring our people are getting the best possible service from the Eastern Band.

I have also gotten to sit in on Council sessions, Tribal Court, meetings at Human Resources and I spent two day with Internal Audit. This position has been a great networking experience for me and I now have a greater appreciation for all the services the Eastern Band provides and a greater appreciation for and confidence in Chief Hicks. I would like to thank Chief Hicks for allowing me to intern in his office.

I would also like to thank Chief Hicks and the Higher Education program for all the assistance and funding I have received to help me get my undergraduate degree from Western Carolina University. The Higher Education program has been exceptional. They have provided for every need I have and have been supportive and understanding. They have made the entire process easier and I would like to thank them for everything they have done to help.

Signed, **Eden Brown** WCU Undergrad Student

Letters Policy

The Cherokee One Feather is available as a forum for any opinion or point of view concerning issues of general interest. Letters should be typed, exclusive to the One Feather. Letters must be signed and should include a name, address and phone number. Only the name and town (if writer resides outside of Cherokee) will be printed. Letters critical of specifically-named minor children will not be published. Unsigned letters will not be considered for publication at all. The One Feather will not accept poetry submissions as a letter or requests for pen pals.

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Disagrees with "four per capita checks per year" plan

COMMENTARY By NANCY R. LONG

t has been expressed by some people that when Patrick Lambert is elected Chief they will be receiving four per capita checks per year. I wonder if they truly understand what will happen if the present method of payment is changed or of the detrimental effect it will have on the elderly, the disabled, and the recipients of any social services. i.e. food stamps, commodity foods, Medicaid, WIC SSI, etc.

These programs will be stopped for those four months when the two

payment per year method already creates a hardship on these groups of enrolled members. Is that really what you want?

There other issues to consider, as follows:

1. Because the amount that will be paid to each individual gaming revenues must first be determined by the net proceeds of the gaming revenue, the on feasible thing to do would be to stop all payments for one year of revenue collected then begin payments the 2nd year of the four times per year payments. This four times per year will also mean that the costs of print-

ing and mailing will double. That extra cost is going to come out of your payment also decreasing the money you will be paid.

2. Another thing you are probably not aware of is that Patrick's salary and excessive compensation comes off the top the net revenues before anything else is paid. Simply put that means that every man, woman and child who is an enrolled member of this Tribe, immediately loses approximately \$14.00 of per capita, per year. If you add all of his other perks called compensation that amount increases to approximately \$30.00 per year. Ei-

ther one of these amounts time 14,500 enrolled members adds up to a lot of money.

3. If any politician comes up and promises you pie in the sky, easy come easy go money for any purpose, remember this. They will be using your money and the more they spend the less you get. Learn to budget the money you get and use it wisely. Expect the same kind of stewardship of your Tribal Leaders.

Nancy is an EBCI tribal member residing in the Big Y Community.

Owners address Cherokee Hardware accusations

COMMENTARY By DONNA BALL and SAM BALL

everal years ago my husband and I decided we would build a hardware store. It seemed that it was something the community needed.

We later decided that it would be too much for us to handle, so we ask our children if they would help us.
When we set up the LLC, we had to have three people for that and we used our two daughters and myself.

As this time went on some folks started telling lies and rumors about our daughter, Marsha and her husband

Chief Hicks. Statements were made that being a part of the store Marsha and the Chief were getting kick-backs from the store-another lie. So Marsha withdrew her name form the LLC and quit working for us. Our youngest daughter and her husband ran the store for the next few years.

The economy started slowing down and we struggled for over a year just trying to keep the store open and so wanted to remain in business.

There has been several people in this campaign that have tried to connect Chief Hicks with the hardware store just to get a vote or help someone get a vote. Why attack our children if you have a problem with the Cherokee Hardware?

Patrick Lambert mailed a letter out to the community stating that Chief Hicks got a kick-back from the hardware store and this is very untrue. Mr. Lambert, do you have any proof of this accusation? If you will tell an untruth like this, what else will you tell to make yourself look good?

Peggy Hill, you have sent emails to I suppose your so-called friends stating that Marsha and The Chief received money from the hardware store-PROOF? No, they did not get any money from the store.

For everyone information there

was never enough money from the Cherokee Hardware store for any of us to have or to be able to pay all the bills. By the way, maybe we should publish names of those who still owe the hardware store for merchandise they never offered to pay for. This should make some people stop and think.

It is so sad that people have nothing better to do with their lives except go around trying to stir up trouble. One last thing, PLEASE quit hiding behind church doors to do your ugly remarks.

If anyone wants to talk to me about any of this, please feel free to stop by and I will be so glad to answer any of your questions. Have a good day!

Free Press? Not Under This Leadership

COMMENTARY By Joseph Martin

n this recent atmosphere of mudslinging, it's all too easy to lose focus on what's important. What should matter more than anything to tribal members is the ability to hold their elected representatives on Tribal Council and the chief and vice chief's offices accountable.

They need a watchdog, and with a free press there is such a watchdog. There is no free press in Cherokee. Yes, there is a free press law. Yes, there is an open meetings law. Yes, there is a public information law. However, those laws aren't worth the paper on which they're printed if there's no enforce-

ment.

Under our current tribal leadership, there not only is no enforcement, but there have been circumventions, blatant violations, and there were no consequences.

Take a look a the *One Feather* and what it's turned into since Principal Chief Michell Hicks directly took a meddling role in its editorial process:

- * There is no editorial.
- * Rarely, if ever, are there published critiques of the chief or Tribal Council.
- * There is nothing to encourage a free exchange of ideas.
- * The free press act was watered down to remove independent and professional oversight of the paper

through an editorial board.

- * An award-winning reporter and writer has been reduced to writing propaganda designed to puff up a tribal deputy with a vested interest in maintaining the status quo.
- * And as evident in the July 21 edition, the chief can use this publication to denigrate an entire family who did nothing more than to have the chief's challenger as one of their own.

The changes in the publication have not resulted in the community having a better paper. It has lost circulation. It has lost credibility. It has lost respect, and a look at the paper itself will show that advertisers have noticed.

We need elected officials who support a free press and will back up that support with strong legislation to ensure it. We need elected officials who will resist and oppose pressure to censor or shut out the media, whether tribally owned or otherwise. And we need elected officials who realize that the *One Feather* belongs to 14,000 + people, not 14.

Any candidate who doesn't support a free press, open government and transparency does not care about your best interests.

Joseph is an EBCI tribal member living in the Tomotla Community.

Thankful for help following house fire

In the winter of 2009, I lost my home to a house fire. I was one of the few people who had paid my Qualla Housing home and continued to pay insurance on it. The morning after I lost my home I went to see Chief Hicks to see if he could help me. He took time out of his schedule to talk with me and made some phone calls to get the ball rolling on assistance for me and my family. Within six months I was moving into my new home.

During those six months life was not easy. I used several of the programs for assistance to make life as normal as possible during that time. At my temporary home Tsali Manor assisted with replacing a busted water heater and a cooking stove. Tribal DOT had to scrape the road that had washed out. I would not have been able to stay warm without the fuel assistance program that provided help throughout the winter.

His care for our people continues to amaze me as he and his staff called and came to check on me and many other elders during the snowstorms this past winter. It was very comforting to have someone checking to see if you needed anything. He has always made a great effort to make sure the elders and children of this community are taken care of.

The reason I am writing this letter is to thank Chief Hicks for helping me throughout this hard time in my life. I will always respect him for being one of the best leaders and Chiefs this tribe has ever had. We have more programs of assistance than we have ever had in our history and Chief Hicks has been the leader to put these in place. While taking care of us today he is also looking towards our future by providing good education opportunities and taking care of our tribe's financial resources.

We need to look at where we are now compared to where we were. Now is not the time for change. Let us make sure we keep Chief Hicks in office.

Signed, Margaret Lossiah

Pastors supporting Chief Hicks

We, at Rock Table Outreach ministry, are writing this letter to set the record straight. The word is out in the community that if you are voting for Patrick Lambert you will not receive a food box or food on Saturday. We have proof that this is not true. We are for Michell Hicks because he is for the truth and stands for the good of the people. He has always stood by this ministry and has helped it from going under on more than one occasion.

Michell Hicks is of the truth. If you don't believe it, just have the guts to ask him concerning anything. He has the right vision and wisdom to lead our people to the places of growth and full potential in all things.

Signed, Red Woodard Larry Ward

Editor's note: This letter has been edited.

Youth Group saddened by negative campaigning

As the Ko-La-Nv-Yi youth group, we are saddened by the direction the Principal Chief's campaign has taken. We don't get to act crazy in school, so you shouldn't act crazy in this campaign. We want adults to talk about issues that matter to us like the environment, family, education, sports, community service and healthcare

Your actions will always speak louder than your words. We're asking our candidates to do something about these issues. We are asking you to stop the negative campaigning because it makes you look bad and it isn't Cherokee. How about focusing on the issues that matter instead of trying to make yourself look good.

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- Set your cell phone or Blackberry reminder to be sure you dropped your child off at day care
- Set your computer calendar program, such as Outlook, to ask, "Did you drop off at daycare today?"
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- Teach children not to play in any vehicle.
- Lock all vehicle doors and trunk after everyone has exited the vehicle - especially at home. Keep keys out of children's reach. Cars are not playgrounds or babysitters.
- Check vehicles and trunks FIRST if a child goes missing.



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EQIP funding available to local farmers

he Environmental Quality Incentives Program (EQIP) is again available for farmers and agricultural producers on the Qualla Boundary. While the EQIP has a continuous sign up, all landowners interested in assistance must have an active conservation plan in order for their application to be considered for funding. The sign up deadline for plan development assistance for 2012 EQIP funds is Sept. 16.

This USDA program offers financial and technical assistance to eligible farmers and agricultural landowners, including those with woodland tracts, to install certain conservation practices on land they own or operate. These Best Management Practices (BMPs) are designed to protect and sustain the natural resource base on the farm. There are many BMPs available to address soil quality, water quality, pasture and hay land management and even wildlife habitat on the farm.

In recent years, several parcel holders have completed projects which involved the repair of agricultural use roads in Jackson and Swain counties. Such roads can be a major source of erosion and sedimentation on the farm. Such roads may include access to barns, pastures, or other fields. Woodland access roads also qualify.

Other qualifying practices include: seeding and stabilization of critically eroded areas, livestock watering tanks, livestock travel lanes, heavy-use area protection around barns and feeding areas, fencing, pasture management,

wildlife habitat enhancement, and stream bank restoration.

Woodland practices including invasive species management, timber stand improvement, and erosion control are available for timber producers who have a current timber management plan. Crop land conservation practices are also available.

While the EQIP has a continuous sign up, there will only be one batching deadline for 2012 funding. Parcel holders are encouraged to sign up early. Applications are ranked according to resource concerns identified in their conservation plan.

For more information or if you are interested in signing up, contact John McCoy at 497-1858, the USDA Service Center in Bryson City at (828)488-3785 ext.3, the Jackson Soil and Water Conservation District at (828)586-6344, or the Graham Soil and Water Conservation District at (828)479-9268.

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- John McCoy

Tournament raises money for Jr. Golf Program

The Cherokee Chamber of Commerce held the Second Annual Meet Me in the Smokies Golf Tournament at Sequoyah National Golf Club on Friday, July 29. Participants braved the sweltering heat and sun to enjoy a great day on the course to raise money for the Sequoyah National Junior Golf Program. First place in the tournament went to the team of Tim Moore, Andy Shelton, Jeff Moore and Mark Ritchie of Morristown, Tennessee. Second place went to David Treadway, Tony Winstead, Eddie Williams and Greg Rawls from the Cherokee Lodge Team. Greg Rawls won the longest drive contest with a monster drive on hole #12. Tim Moore, Eddie Williams, Crystal Zmuda and Eric Trubicza all won prizes in the closest to the pin contests.

The tournament was organized by the Cherokee Chamber of Commerce with help from: Grannies Kitchen, of Cherokee, which provided lunch and a post tournament BBQ for all competitors and volunteers; EBCI Economic Development and The Sequoyah Fund; beverage sponsor Fairfield Inn and Suites in Cherokee; sponsor Soda Pops in Bryson City; sponsor Choo-Choo Coffee in Bryson City; sponsor Sequoyah National Golf Club; sponsor Waynesville Inn Golf Resort and Spa; sponsor Oconaluftee Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center and volunteers.

- Matthew Pegg, Cherokee Chamber of Commerce

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Women Veterans to be honored at fair

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

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

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

- Warren Dupree

Wolftown Community News

Just a reminder that the Wolftown School give away is Saturday, Aug 6. from 10am to 12pm or until supplies are gone) at the Wolftown Community

The Community will be having the "meet the candidates" event on Thursday, Aug. 11 at the Wolftown Gym. The schedule will be as follows: 5:50pm - Rules and Time limits

6pm -7pm - Wolftown Council Candi-

7pm – 8pm - Vice Chief Candidates 8pm – 9pm - Chief Candidates

Wolftown is asking for issues or concerns that the Wolftown members would like to see addressed at this event. The doors to the Wolftown Gym will be opened at 5pm. Issues or Concerns will be taken until 5:30pm on Aug. 11. Wolftown members can also contact Nancy Pheasant, Wolftown Vice Chair, at 736-3281. It is asked that all candidates be present at least fifteen (15) minutes prior to their schedule candidate time.

- Polly Jo Castorena

Present Day Hero Award nominations sought

Food Lion is accepting nominations for their "Present Day Hero" award. This award is to honor any Tribal member for his or her contribution to keeping the culture and traditions alive. Please send your written or emailed nominations to Janice Wildcatt janiwild@nc-cherokee.com no later than Friday, Aug. 5 at 4pm. This award will be present during the Festival of Native Peoples on Saturday, Aug. 27.

- Janice Wildcatt



Photo courtesy of RMEF

Banquet to raise funds for elk restoration project

By JOYCE COOPER

he Great Smoky Mountains Chapter of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF) will host their 18th annual Big Game Banquet & Auction at the Crowne Plaza Expo Center in Asheville on Saturday, Aug. 13. If you have enjoyed visiting with the elk in Cataloochee Valley or in Cherokee, this is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about the RMEF, to raise funds for the elk restoration project, and to have fun too. This year, they are celebrating the tenth anniversary of the reintroduction of the elk into Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

The evening will begin at 4pm with Joe Yarkovich, Elk Researcher with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, presenting an informative update on the reintroduction of the elk project.

Then the fun and fundraising begins for a memorable evening--all in a spirit of camaraderie shared by folks who love the outdoors. A prime rib dinner with all the fixings will be followed by raffles and drawings, a silent auction and a live auction (at least 13 rifles or shotguns and 2 handguns will be raffled or auctioned). Some of the auction items include: "The Judge", a Smith & Wesson .357 Mag, a John Wayne Limited Edition Browning Winchester Model 92, or a Browning B78 Sporter, .300 H&H to name a few. If you are the lucky winner of the Progressive Rifle Drawing (Remington Model 700 SPS, 7mm), then you are entered in a drawing for a Premium Seven-Day Colorado Elk Hunt for

At least six hunting trips and one pack trip will be auctioned in addition to the special Pro Bull Riders Package which includes two tickets to the "Built Ford Tough" World Finals (all five performances), five night hotel accommodations at the MGM Grand, official host hotel of Cowboys for Conservation, five nights of VIP Pre-Party Passes and 2 VIP Lunch Tickets, including a Meet and Greet with celebrity riders. The event is Oct. 26-30 in Las Vegas at the Thomas & Mack Center.

Monies raised will support the RMEF in saving elk habitat and reintroducing elk in various locations of the United States. If you would like to become a member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation and attend the banquet, contact Joyce Cooper in Cherokee at (828) 506-3308, Tim Queen in Asheville at (828) 273-4085, Joe Treadway in Asheville at (828) 230-6040, Ray & Ramona Bryson in Hendersonville at (828) 891-4455, or Rusty McLean in Waynesville at 828.452.2896. If you would like to join the organization, individual membership is \$35.00. The cost of the meal is \$45.00 per person. Banquet doors open at 5:00 p.m. Dress will be casual.

If you purchase a membership and attend the banquet, you will receive a free Buck knife with the RMEF logo, retail value of \$39.95. You will also receive six issues of the "Bugle" magazine in the coming

Joyce is the RMEF State Chair for North Carolina.

Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market

The Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market is designed to offer the opportunity for enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and area produce vendors to showcase their traditional/cultural/unique arts and crafts, and local produce, for the community and visitors in an outdoor setting for selling of items.

Spaces are available at the Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market is every day from 9 am - 3 pm and is on a first come basis; no assigned spaces. The Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market is located in the front parking lot at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Craft and art vendors must be enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. All craft and art items for sale must be hand made by an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Produce or food may be sold at the Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market as long as it is grown by local producers. The vendor is responsible for setup and cleanup of the space, vendors must bring heavy duty trash bags to bag their garbage, securing bags properly at the end of the day. Vendors are responsible for bank and sales, and securing proper governmental permits.

All vendors must complete an application form and sign a liability release. No fee is required for set up. Equipment may be rented from the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds (\$20 per tent, \$10 per table and two chairs) Monday through Thurday 8am to 4 pm. Equipment is subject to availability. A copy of this agreement must be available for inspection at any time and must be kept at the space during the Handmade Homemade Homegrown Market.

For more information or to complete registration, please contact the Cherokee Indian Fairground at 828-554-6471 or email Howard Wahnetah at howawahn@nc-cherokee.com.

- EBCI Travel and Tourism Office

Teen Miss Cherokee deadline extended

The deadline for applications for Teen Miss Cherokee (ages 13-17) has been extended to Friday, Aug. 12. Applications can be picked up at the Cherokee Visitors Center which is open until 6pm on weekdays. Info: Mollie Grant 554-6434, Ashleigh Brown 497-7029 or Lisa Fowler 497-1845.

- Mollie Grant

Cherokee Language Camp participates in bird survey at Cowee Mound

tudents and teachers from the Cherokee language camp in Robbinsville, led by Shirley Oswalt, participated in a breeding bird sample survey at the Tribe's Cowee Mound property in Macon County on Saturday, July 9. The event proved to be an excellent opportunity for the students to familiarize themselves with native bird species, the traditional Cherokee names for these birds, and with the historic property now owned by the Tribe.

The bird survey was an initial effort in what is hoped to be a long-term monitoring station established at the site. The survey was conducted by staff from Southern Appalachian Raptor Research (SARR), a local non-profit group dedicated to the conservation and protection of birds of prey in the southern Appalachians through monitoring, education and field research.

Mike LaVoie, of EBCI's Fisheries and Wildlife Management program, also participated in the event, as did staff from the Land Trust for the Little Tennessee (LTLT), which has been collaborating with the Tribe on the management of the property.

The survey is part of a nationwide program known MAPS (Monitoring Avian Productivity and Survivorship) that is coordinated by the Institute for Bird Populations to monitor the health of breeding birds throughout North America. Last year, SARR established a MAPS station at LTLT's Tessentee Bottomland Preserve in southern Macon County, and is continuing that work this summer.

According to LaVoie, "We chose the Cowee Mound site due to its diverse mix of early successional habitat along the floodplain. Such habitat has been disappearing throughout the Southeastern U.S., yet is critical for the survival of many of our native wildlife species. A MAPS station located at Cowee can provide us information to improve our management of the property, especially in view of ongoing



Photo courtesy of Mike LaVoie

Mark Hopey (seated center), Southern Appalachian Raptor Research, works with students from the Cherokee Language Camp at a recent bird survey project at Cowee Mound.

changes to our landscape due to climate change."

Cowee is considered one of the most significant archaeological sites of the Mississippian period in North Carolina, when intensive agriculture first became established in the region. Pollen sampling has verified the presence of agriculture on these bottomlands dating back at least 3,000 years.

The mound is thought to date from approximately 600 AD. The council house of the Cherokee town of Cowee

was located on this mound in the 18th century, at which time the town of Cowee served as the principal diplomatic and commercial center of the mountain Cherokee. For this reason, Cowee was also the center of significant historic events on the eve of the American Revolution in the South, including the target of the Rutherford Expedition in September 1776.

The 70-acre Tribal property along the Little Tennessee River encompasses Cowee Mound and Village Site, which was placed on the National Register of Historic Places in 1973. The property was purchased by the EBCI in early 2007 with assistance from the Land Trust for the Little Tennessee and the NC Clean Water Management Trust Fund. The latter holds a conservation easement on the property that permanently protects its conservation values and prevents commercial and residential development.

Mike LaVoie, EBCI Fisheries & Wildlife Management Program

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Just as I have proven in the past, my oaths and promises mean something to me. Here are the promises I make to

- I will faithfully uphold the Duty and Honor of the office of the Principal Chief.
- I will conduct all my dealings as the Principal Chief with the highest level of honesty and truthfulness that is entrusted to me.
- I will work my hardest to bring comfort and hope to our less fortunate and help create and improve the programs that provide this direct support to our families.
- I will guard our Tribal assets and work overtime to make sure we are protected and our assets are not being wasted or squandered; including our Minor's Fund.
- I will protect our Tribal employees by installing safeguards against political fear and intimidation currently being used on them.
- I will work to streamline our HR system so employees can receive the promotions they have worked so hard to earn and I will re-evaluate the pay scale system.
- I will submit or support legislation to reinstate employees COLA.
- I will submit legislation to give you the choice to receive your Per Capita payments 2 or 4 times per year. This will allow each member to decide what works best for their own budget and personal finances.
- I will protect those programs that provide Christmas checks and fuel assistance to our elders and add more resources to those programs to strengthen them.

These are the promises that I make and know that I can keep! You need a Chief who is truthful, honest, compassionate, humble and caring. A Chief who has the best interests of the Tribe and your family at heart. A Chief who will uphold the duty and honor of the office of Principal Chief.

IT IS TIME FOR A CHANGE!

Elect Patrick Lambert—Principal Chief

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"Cherokee in a Changing World" at August Mountain Heritage Center show

he Liars Bench continues at WCU's Mountain Heritage Center in Cullowhee on Thursday, Aug. 4 at 7pm with a "Cherokee in a Changing World: Traditional and contemporary legends, lore, and history" show theme. August's presentation will be the second of the Liars Bench shows at the prestigious Mountain Heritage Center auditorium and a first with a

Native-American theme told through stories, presentations, and songs motif.

Lloyd Arneach and Gary Carden will tell a story about the Legend of the Nunnihi/When the Tourist Came and Paul Iarussi performs his great oldtime claw hammer guitar music.

Special guests include Barbara McRae of the *Franklin Press* presenting the mysteries of the Nikwasi mound on the Little Tennessee river; Jane Eastman, Director of Cherokee studies at WCU with a presentation on the Cherokee village at WCU; Davy Arch demonstrates the Booger Dance and other Cherokee ceremonial dances; Robert Conley, holder of the Sequoyah Distinguished Professor in Cherokee Studies chair at WCU, presents "Cherokee in a

Changing World"; and Garfield Long brings Cherokee language singers from the Oualla Boundary.

Carden said "the Liars Bench is a special cultural event and an opportunity for the audience to learn about the Cherokee in the Southern Appalachi-

Regular cast members include
Gary Carden, Lloyd Arneach, Paul
Iarussi, Barbara Duncan, Dave Waldrop, Steve Brady, and the show's mascot Bodine. The Liars Bench recognizes established regional artists and performers and encourages new talent also. The Liars Bench has been a crowd pleaser from the very first show in June of 2010 promoting any and all aspects of Appalachian culture.

"The Liars Bench is a unique blend of culturally accurate mountain Americana with traditional Southern Appalachian entertainment for everyone. We attempt to treat Appalachian culture with integrity and authenticity and to be an accurate reflection of the Southern Highlanders and their ways. This presentation of The Liars Bench may prove to be the most informative and entertaining show that we have had since our beginning in June of

2010. This show is one you will not want to miss" said Carden.

The Liars Bench was created in the early summer of 2010 by Dr. Gary Carden to promote Southern Appalachian storytelling, music, poetry, drama, and folk arts.

Info:

http://theliarsbenchgazette.blogspot.c om/, http://www.facebook.com/liarsbenchbunch/, The Mountain Heritage Center at WCU: 828.227.7129, theliarsbenchpr@gmail.com, garycarden14@yahoo.com

- The Liars Bench

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In seeking a second term of office, I will continue working to create a Tribal Council accountable to the People by:

- Improving its exercise of authority, including restoring the structure, jurisdiction and function of all Committees and working sessions.
- Restoring accountability in decision-making and full disclosure of issues presented to Council, including management & control of Tribal property and the expenditure of tribal funds.
- · Stimulating a vibrant Cherokee business sector to build our local tribal economy.
- Supporting the voice of the People in the decision-making process on all issues that impact our basic needs & quality of life.

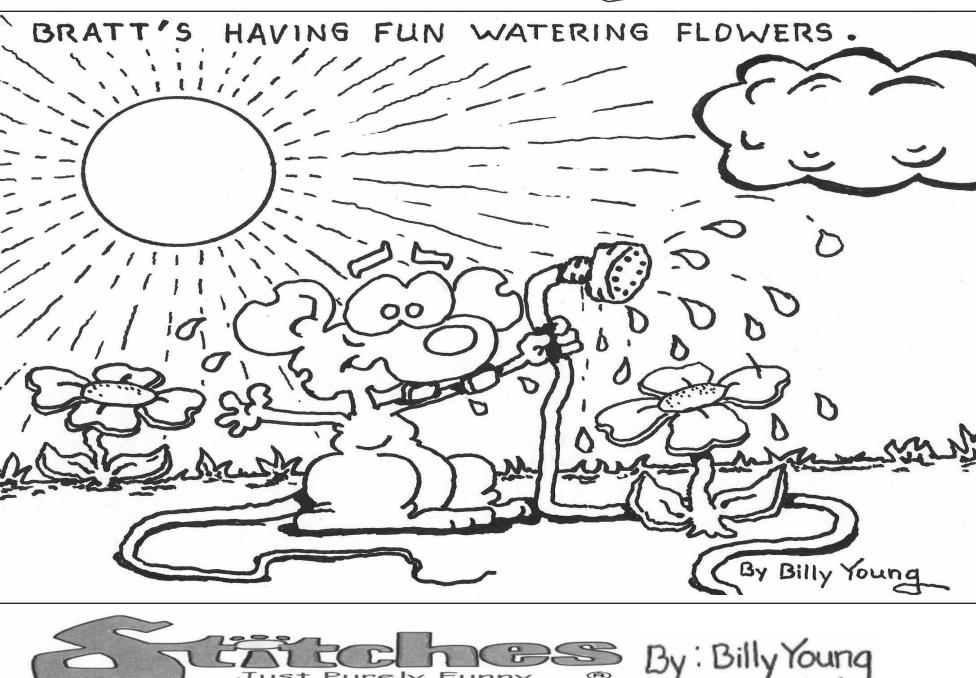
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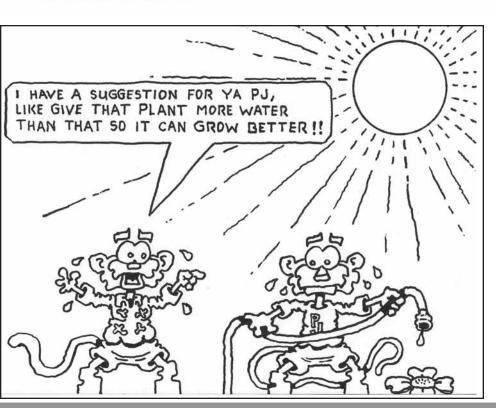
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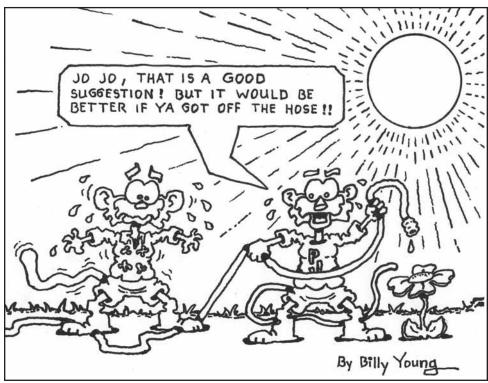
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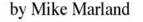
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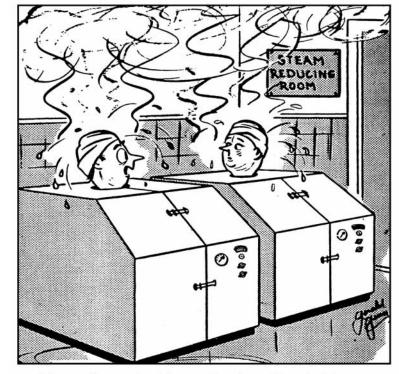
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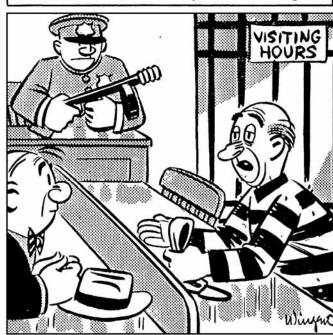
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Differences: 1. Sign added to wall. 2. No bow on girl's headband. 3. Boy's hat is different. 4. Boy's shirt has stripe. 5. Books added on counter. 6. Man's hat is different.

HUBERT - - By Dick Wingert



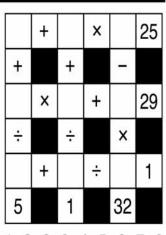
"I'd LIKE to lend you the \$300, but things haven't been going too well for me lately."

GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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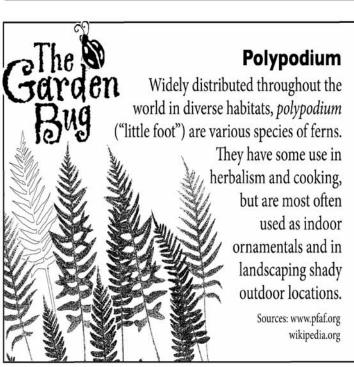
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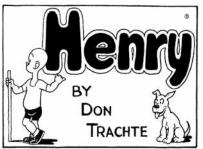


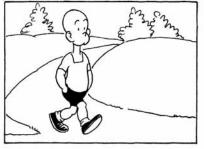
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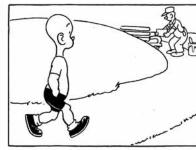
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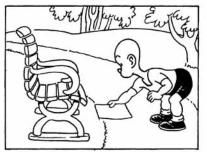


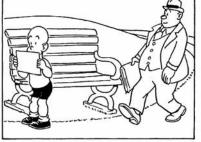
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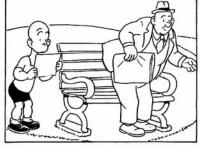


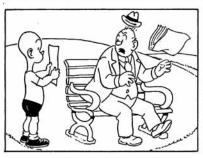


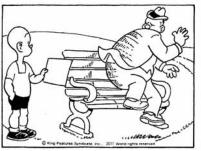


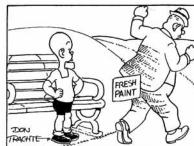


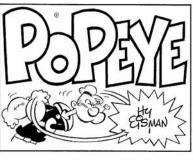








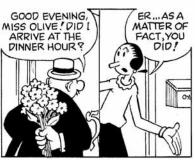






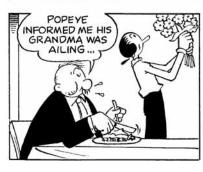
















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Cherokee Churches

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness

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

Cherokee United Methodist Church.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

New Beginnings Independent Baptist Church. 1629 Painttown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Tuesday Bible Study 6pm. Wednesday Service 6pm. Pastor David Wood 736**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 82 Lambert Branch Road. Saturday Service 7pm (July - October). Sunday Service 9am. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Church Events

Revival at Smokemont Church. Aug. 8-12 at 7pm nightly. Homecoming will be on Aug. 14 at 10am. Info: JL Lambert 497-7240

Rock Ledge Singing Park Singing Concert. Aug. 20 at 12noon at the Park located at 5701 Grassy Branch Road in Swain County. Featured singers include: Bruce Weeks Family, Scofields, Sheila Reed, Joan Whitaker, American Thunder, Jamerson Trio, 3 or More for Jesus, Zeke Turner, Jericho, and New Creations. Admission is free

THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

For to this end Christ died and rose and lived again, that He might be Lord of both the dead and the living.

ROMANS 14:9





Detail of "Christ Recumbent Below the Cross" by Hans Holbein the Younger (ca.1520)

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and donations are appreciated. Concessions will be available. Info: 488-3098

Clubs & Organizations

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

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

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

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

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

The North American Indian
Women's Association (NAIWA)
Cherokee Chapter meets the second
Thursday of each month at 6pm at the

Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Bessie Wallace, chapter president, 497-2389 or Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, Carmaleta@msn.com Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Community Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

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

General Events

Fair Food Booth Raffle. Aug. 5 at 12pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. Booths with fryers - \$400, others - \$300. Cash only please and only one booth per family.

WNC Naturally Workshop. Aug. 6 from 9am – 4pm at the Swain Community College at 60 Almond School Road in Bryson City. This workshop will focus on making money from natural products. Cost - \$15/advance registration or \$20 at the door which includes lunch and snacks. Info: Alison Dressler (828) 684-3562, ext. 150, to register – http://wncnaturally2.eventbrite.com

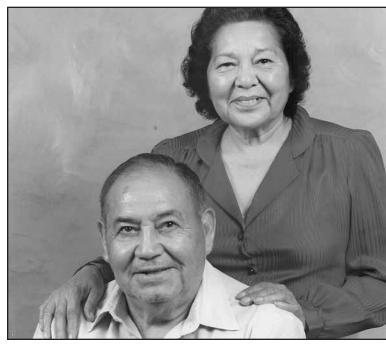
The Catt Family Reunion. Aug. 13 at

1pm in the Tsali Manor Dining Room.
Pot luck meal will be served at 1pm.

Taylor Family Reunion. Aug. 14 from 2-4pm at 3415 Panther Creek Cabins on Wright Creek. Info: Bessie 497-0208

Miss Cherokee Contestants sought.

Application packets for the Miss Cherokee 2011 pageant are now available at Tsali Manor Senior Center and the Snowbird Senior Center. Applications must be EBCI tribal members, age 18-25, never married and no children. The deadline to submit an application is Aug. 21 and the first meeting will be Aug. 21 at 2pm at Tsali Manor. Info: Lou Jackson 736-1511 or Deb West 554-6860



65th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

Mary Jane and Reuben Taylor will celebrate their 65th Wedding Anniversary on Friday, Aug. 12 from 6-9pm at 1167 Wrights Creek Road. The celebration, hosted by their daughters, Fran Walkingstick and Wanda Taylor, will feature good food, good fellowship and entertainment by the grandchildren. No gifts please. Just spend the evening with Mary Jane and Reuben.

Beginner/Advanced Cherokee Stamped Pottery Class. Aug. 22-23

from 5:30-8:30pm nightly at a location to be determined. This class is free of charge and you must be an EBCI tribal member 16 years or older or accompanied by an adult. Space is limited. Info: 497-3103

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

Fall Indianpreneurship. Sept. 13 – Nov. 15 from 6-9pm (Tuesday evenings) in the Ginger Lynn Welch Large Conference Room. This nineweek course is designed to cover all aspects of starting a new business. Participants will cover marketing, pric-

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

Health & Sports

1st Annual Cherokee Central Schools Wellness kickoff. Aug. 5 from 1-6pm at the Cherokee Central Schools track. Family wellness activities will include: bounce house, zumba, yoga, Cherokee aerobics, step aerobics, drumming, Wii station, and smoothie station. The first 150 families will receive a health pack. Please bring your gently worn tennis shoes as donations for those students in need.

Best In Show







Marketplace

FOR RENT

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

For Rent- Cabin for rent. If interested, call 736-2427 or 736-1795. 8/4pd

SERVICES

JW Builders, Inc., Building quality custom homes and log homes. Conventional stick built, any floor plans, very affordable. Also offering remodeling and additions. NC licensed contractor, TERO certified, residential/commercial. Many references and fully insured. 828-736-2018

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

8/25pd

Babysitting - \$4/hr, full-time rate \$3.50/hr., Mon-Sun, flexible hours, includes meals, snacks, craft supplies. 828-736-1089 **8/4pd**

FOR SALE

Blueberries-U-Pick. \$1.50/ LB. Whittier Exit 72 and follow signs. 828-497-6506. **8/4 pd**

For Sale - Parcel No. 82-D Painttown Community, containing 5.251 acres more or less. Adjacent to Harrah's. Please call 586-6271 for more information. 9/8pd

VEHICLES

For Sale- 2007 red Saturn Sky Turbo-Charged Convertible. Perfect condition, only 7,200 miles, automatic transmission, 29mpg, leather interior, XM radio. \$21,000.00 Call 497-0555. 8/11pd

YARD SALES

Yard Sale- August 5-6. 7am-???. Across from Bearmeat's Indian Den at David Smith's residence. 8/4 pd

Yard Sale - Thursday and Friday, Au**gust 4-5**, 9am-2pm on 56 Adams Creek. Come check it out. Lots of good stuff and chestnut bread too! 8/4pd

One Feather deadline Tuesday at 12 noon

LEGALS

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Tribal Court Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 11-040

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of **BJ Laws**

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: October 14, 2011. This is the 14th day of July 2011. John J. Morales

P.O. Box 2402 Cherokee, NC 28719 **8/4pd**

Legal Notice

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

NOTICE OF SERVICE BY PUBLICATION

Tribal Child Support Enf., ex rel; Carmen L. Rosillo-Perez, Plaintiffs,

> Mildred R. McCoy, Defendant.

To: Mildred R. McCoy, the above named Defendant: Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: That the Defendant be required to pay ongoing child support for two minor children to wit: Paul W. Badillo and Aiden J. Wolfe, according to the NC Child Support Guidelines and have income withholding from Defendant's wages or other income, with payment to NCCS Centralized Collec-

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

This the 18 day of July, 2011. Collins & Hensley, PA Attorneys for Plaintiffs 217 Iotla St. Franklin NC 28734 (828) 524-0017 8/25pd

INTENT TO FILE

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Revenue Department PO Box 537 Cherokee, NC 28719

Re: Complaint for Money owed

Lillian Allison, Phillip Armachain, Jr., Brittany Berryman, Kevin Crowe, Tashana Cunningham, Janene Flying, Geoffrey Gloyne, Selena Lee, Alyssia Lindsey, Robin Locust, Angela Mckinney, Meredith Miles, Carlos Quinones, Vita Reed, Charity Sampson, Hannah Santiago, Maricela Sanchez, Jessica Silva, Sheena Stand-

ingdeeer, Danny Swayney, Josephine Teesateskie, Jamie Thompson, Marlena Toineeta, Kyle Voss, Darlene Wachacha, Sharman Wachacha, Willard Warren III, McKinnley Watty, Jr., Amanda Wildcatt, Tara Wood, Tracy Wolfe,

Freddie Youngdeer, Jarrett Youngdeer Take notice that the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indi-

ans is seeking relief for money owed. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than the 18th day of August 2011 said date and upon your failure to do so the party seeking against you will apply to the court for the relief sought.

This the 26th day of July 2011 Winnie Jumper Billing & Credit Clerk, PO Box 537, Cherokee, NC 28719 (828) 497-1024 8/18

Legal Notice

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

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of Roderick Lee Taylor

All persons, firms, and corporations, having claims against, this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary (s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary (s) listed below. Deadline to submit claims: November 4, 2011. This is the 28th day of July 2011. John J. Morales, P.O. Box 2402, Cherokee, NC 28719 8/18pd

EMPLOYMENT

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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

Positions Open

Closing August 12, 2011 @ 4 pm

- 1. Lab Tech II- Water Treatment (\$23,740-\$30,280)
- 2. Lead Teacher- Tribal Child Care (\$26,140-\$33,340)

Closing August 5, 2011 @ 4 pm

- 3. Homebuyer Services Coordinator- HCD (\$28,790-\$36,710)
- 4. Carpenter Helper- HELP (2 Positions) (\$16,480-\$20,600)
- 5. Fire Control Specialist Level 1- Fire Dept (2 Positions)(\$23,740-\$30,280)
- 6. Early Childhood Behavioral Specialist- Tribal Child Care (\$28,790-\$36,710)
- 7. Housekeeper I- Tribal Housekeeping (\$18,140-\$22,680)
- 8. New Kituwah Academy Elem. Administrator- KPEP (\$46,580-\$59,390)

Open Until Filled

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

Health & Medical Positions

- 1. C.N.A.- Tsali Care Center
- 2. LPN- Tsali Care Center
- 3. Cook-Tsali Care Center
- 4. Physician- Diabetes Program
- 5. LPN- PT- Tsali Care Center
- 6. Staff RN- Tsali Care Center
- 7. Program Assistant- REACH/Cherokee Choices
- 8. RN/Data Manager- Women's Wellness
- 9. Program Director- Cherokee Choices/REACH
- 10. WIC Processing Coordinator- WIC

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

REQUEST FOR RESUME

The Kituwah Preservation & Education Program is requesting resumes for the following:

Music Education (K-2)

English Language Arts (1 and 2)

These positions will be contracted through the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and are part-time.

Questions may be directed to Renissa Walker at 554-6410.

Resumes may be faxed to 828-497-0328, emailed reniwalk@nc-cherokee.com or hand delivered to New Kituwah Academy 60 Water Dam Road

CONTRACT POSITIONS WILL REMAIN OPEN UNTIL FILLED 8/4

EMPLOYMENT

Intensive In-Home staff needed in Swain County

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

PTR CNA/Clerk

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: PTR CNA/Clerk (wk-end days). Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close August 5, 2011. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **8/11**

Carpenter Helper

POSITION: Carpenter Helper

ORGANIZATION: Cherokee Boys Club, Inc., P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719

(52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719)

DEPARTMENT: Construction and Facilities

OPENING DATE: July 28, 2011

CLOSING DATE: August 11, 2011

REQUIREMENTS: Must have GED or High School Diploma.

DESCRIPTION:

To obtain a complete Job Description, please see Tiffani Reed, HR Coordinator, at the Cherokee Boys Club, Monday through Friday from 8:30 am. to 4:30 pm or call (828) 497-9101.

Must complete a pre-employment and ongoing random drug tests. Must comply with drug-free workplace rules and CBC Board policies in regards to the drug-free policy.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **8/4**

REQUEST FOR RESUME

New Kituwah Academy is seeking resumes for qualified individuals to submit resumes for substitute teaching.

Please send resumes to:

Elementary Administrator

New Kituwah Academy

P.O. Box 486

Cherokee, NC 28719

Resumes may also be faxed to:

(828)497-0328

Deadline for submission is August 5, 2011. 8/4

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 1840 Paintown Road P.O. Box 2400 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (020) 407 1000

Phone: (828) 497-1890

Projects: 2011 Guardrail Installation/Repair

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the completion of Guardrail Installation and repair. The deadline for submitting proposals will be August 18th, 2011 at 2:00p.m.

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

You may request the full request for bids and bid requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-497-1890. **8/11**

Swain County accepting Bids

The Swain County Department of Social Services is accepting bids for lawn care (mowing and edging) for a residence in Cherokee. A written bid will be accepted at the Swain County Department of Social Services office until 12:00 noon on August 20, 2011. For information on the lawn you may call 488-6921 from 8:00 AM till 5:00 PM. **8/18**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Department of Transportation 1840 Paintown Road P.O. Box 2400 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

Phone: (828) 497-1890

Projects: Henry Bradley Bridge Construction

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids for the completion of the construction of Henry Bradley Bridge. The deadline for submitting proposals will be August 18th, 2011 at 2:00p.m.

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

You may request the full request for bids and bid requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-497-1890. **8/11**

CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB ANNOUNCES A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME FACILITY

The Cherokee Boys Club, Children's Home Department, will hold a public hearing on Thursday, August 11, 2011, on the proposed construction of a new facility to serve as a full-time residential home for children a/k/a the Cherokee Children's Home.

The hearing will begin at 5:00 p.m. EST in the Cherokee Boys Club's Conference Room, located at 52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC. This hearing will be open to the general public. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Children's Home Manager by letter, in person, or call (828) 497-5813. **8/11**

Advertisement for Bids

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Department of Transportation invites qualified firms to submit an offer under seal for General Contract for the construction of Cherokee Cultural District Streetscape Project. The project is located in the Cultural District, certain retail portions of US 441, and two sites along Acquoni Rd. The project consists of Site Demolition, Concrete, Paving, Electrical, Signage, and Landscape work.

Bid documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

TERO Office

Ginger Lynn Welch Center 810 Acquoni Rd. Cherokee, NC 28719 Proctor-Hodge Architecture 15 Painttown Rd. Cherokee, NC 28719 (828-497-

A \$100 plans deposit will be required. Specific questions should be addressed to Proctor-Hodge Architecture, phone (828-497-7972). The contact is Bob Proctor.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid conference will be held Thursday, August 11 at 2:00 pm local time in the Cherokee Department of Transportation conference room, 1840 Painttown Road in Cherokee.

Sealed bids Complying to Tribal Employment Rights Office regulations and NC State law are due in the office of Proctor-Hodge Architecture by August 25, 2011 at 2:00 PM local time. **8/18**

One Feather deadline Tuesday at 12noon

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Public Notice for Proposed Wireless Internet Towers

The Office of Planning & Development and the Office of Public Safety, would like to notify all interested parties and abutting land owners of the proposed Wireless Internet Tower that is seeking a tower permit at this time. This tower will be part of a comprehensive wireless internet network for the Cherokee Broadband Enterprise.

The proposed tower will be located at 401 Calhoun Rd. Parcel 388-A in the Big Cove Community, Swain County, NC. The notice period will run until the next scheduled Planning Board Session, which will be 1:00PM, August 15, 2011, in the Council Chambers, at which time, the Planning Board will review for ap-

All input will be documented and taken into consideration when developing this idea. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact Kim Deas in the Planning Office at 828-497-1678. Or send an email to kimfisc@nc-cherokee.com. You may also express your concerns in the scheduled Planning Board Session.

If you would like to learn more in regards to the Tower Ordinance 287. You may request a copy from the Planning Office or the Tribal Legal Office. You may also access this ordinance online at www.municode.com. It is referenced in Chapter 62, Article 3, in the Cherokee Code Book. 8/11

REALTY

Birdtown Community

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

Linda Amanda Sneed Bridgeman, Michael Edward Brown, Roberta Joan Mccoy Fowler, Charles Earl George, Kandace Rhean Griffin, David Lawrence Jay Huskey, Lewis Clinton Ledford, Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis, John Dewitt Long, James Myron Long, Ray Barton Long, Jeanette Miller McCoy, Joseph Curtis McCoy, Kallup Earl McCoy, Timothy Jason McCoy, Angela Montelongo, Gloria Jean Griffin Rattler, Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan, Terence Howard Roach, Kenneth Marcell Roach, William Presten Roach, Suzi George Saenz, Kyle Walelu Sampson, Barbara Roland Shook, Doris Alyne Long Stamper, Franklin Terry Taylor, John Phillip Taylor, John Phillip Taylor, Jr., Steven Douglas Teesateskie, Eugene Thompson, William Thomas Thompson, Wilson Thompson, Jr., Aminta Brittany Wade, Katherine Bonnie Welch, Edison Wildcatt, Janice Lenore Kekahbah Wildcatt

Proposed Land Transfers

Timothy Robert Talalah to Tommy Ross Talalah, Jr. Lower Cherokee Community parcel no. 43 containing 2.4 acres more or less

Rachanda Bigmeat Waldroup to Lucy Frances Taylor Bigmeat Painttown Community parcel no. 576 containing .510 acres more or less together with all improvements located thereon

Patrick Henry Lambert and Cynthia Gay Ledford Lambert to Patrick Nelson Lambert and Kimberly Hope Welch Birdtown Community parcel no. 485-J (part of parcel no. 485) containing 5.008 acres more or less, together with all improvements located thereon

Ruth Marie Sequoyah McCoy to Malinda Ann Driver Mahan Birdtown Community parcel no. 846-YG (part of parcel no. 846-YF) containing .500 acres more

Joanna Lee Parris to David Keith Tranter Big Cove Community parcel no. 280-B (remainder of parcel no. 280) containing .452 acres more or less together with all improvements located thereon

Frances Judy Caroline McCoy to Franklin Donald McCoy Birdtown Community parcel no. 289 (part of parcel no. 35) containing .934 acres more or less

Merritt Edson Youngdeer, Sr. to Lauren Leigh Youngdeer Armachain Wolfetown Community parcel no. 20-B (part of parcel no. 20) containing .112 acres more or less together with improvements

Lucy Frances Taylor Bigmeat to Sonya Lee Junaluska Wachacha Painttown Community parcel no. 92-H (part of parcel no. 92-C) containing .500 acres more or less

Betty Jean Allison Isom to Timothy Ray Taylor Birdtown Community parcel no. 728-A (part of parcel no. 728) containing .169 acres more or less

Betty Jean Allison Isom to Timothy Ray Taylor Birdtown Community parcel no. 728-B (part of parcel no. 728) containing .576 acre more or less

Betty Jean Allison Isom to Timothy Ray Taylor Birdtown Community parcel no. 294 (part of the Lillian Roland Holding) containing .958 acres more or less together with all improvements located thereon

Velma Jane Bark Tafoya to Phylicia Kaye Tafoya Wolfetown Community parcel no. 692-A (part of parcel no. 692) containing .500 acres more or less

June Chester Welch to Bessie Jean Bird Welch Wolfetown Community parcel no. 1267-L (part of parcel no. 1267-G) containing 1.000 acres more or less

Robert Osley Saunooke to Heather Louise Saunooke Upper Cherokee Community parcel no. 84 containing .45 acres more or less together with all improvements located thereon

Elsie L. Rogers Kimsey to Wanda Lee Rose Weldin Upper Cherokee Community parcel no. 38 containing 10.3 acres more or less

Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan to Kent Elliot Cucumber and Wanda Sue Murphy Cucumber Wolfetown Community parcel no. 394-G (1st remainder of parcel no. 394-D) containing .498 acres more or less

Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan to Jesse Ray Rose Birdtown Community parcel no. 764-IB (part of parcel no. 764-I) containing 1.151 acres more or less

Kelly Elaine Long to Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan Wolfetown Community parcel no. 625-J (remainder of parcel no. 625-D) containing 1.500 acres more or

Elsie L. Rogers Kimsey to Wanda Lee Rose Weldin Cherokee County parcel no. 114 (part of parcel no. 66) containing 4.578 acres more or less

Steven Douglas Teesateskie to Kyle Walelu Sampson Birdtown Community parcel no. 83-0 (part of parcel no. 83) containing 1.628 acres more or less

Tansi Elaine Long to Allen Ramsey Wolfetown Community parcel no. 872-C (remainder of parcel no. 872) containing .848 acres more or less

Samuel Lloyd Owle to Trista Lane Welch Painttown Community parcel no. 503-F (part of parcel no. 503-E) containing 1.000 acres more or less

Mary Loretta Mata and Felisa Benita Mata to Paul Ensley, Sr. Wolfetown Community parcel no. 461-B (part of parcel no. 461-A) containing .567 acres more or

Kathryn Alaina Rattler Haney to Michael Brandon Rattler Snowbird Community parcel no. 177 (part of parcel no. 38 and tract no. 91) containing 1.003 acres

Allyson Denise Lambert to Rose Marie McCoy Birdtown Community parcel no. 284-R (part of parcel no. 284-C) containing .942 acres more or less

Judith Kay Welch Biello to Sherry Yvonne Welch Birdtown Community parcel no. 210 containing .509 acres more or less

James David Sneed to Gene Crowe, Sr. and Sarah Lynn Powell Crowe Birdtown Community parcel no. 537-H (part of parcel no. 537-E) containing .389 acres more or less

Rachel Dianne Reed Bradley to Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan Birdtown Community parcel no. 764-JA (part of parcel no. 764-J) containing 1.006 acres more or less



Message to Cherokee Central School Parents from the Director of Education

By JOYCE DUGAN

herokee Central School staff sends warm greetings to all of our parents and other supporters in the community! We hope your children are excited about coming back to school on August 8. We are anxious to see them!

This school year we are implementing several changes in the system. The major change is in the attendance policy, which the School Board passed on July 5, 2011. A brochure outlining the changes will be sent home with your child next week, and is also included in your child's student handbook. The policy states:

- High school students cannot miss more than 10 days per semester with no more than 5 unexcused days during
- Middle School students cannot miss more than 20 days per school year with no more than 10 unexcused day per school year.
- Elementary students cannot miss more than 20 days, excused or unexcused, per school year.

Why the change? The previous policy allowed students to have too many excused absences, and when children are not in school, they get behind, and once behind, they have a difficult time catching up. Most high school drop-outs were behind when they dropped out, and had probably gotten behind as far back as the early grades. Dropping out does not start when the student is 16. It often starts in the early grades when they are allowed to miss days when they're not ill. To state it in a positive way, students who are here every day earn better grades and higher test scores.

What should you do when your child wants to stay home and not come to school? Please let the teacher, Principal or guidance counselor know. There could be many reasons he/she doesn't want to come, and if it is something at school, we will do everything we can to fix it. But if it's because they're tired from not getting to bed early, you will have to fix that. We promise to do our part but we need your help. Let your child know that you value education and why it is important to you and to your child to be in school every day.

This year we've had a decrease in our federal funds, and to make up the deficit, each employee will be furloughed once a month and school will be closed on those days. The school calendar is in the One Feather, which will show you when the furlough days are scheduled. We regret the inconvenience this may cause some parents, but we did this rather than cut personnel so we could continue to provide adequate staffing for our classrooms. Spreading these days out over 10/12 months has less of a negative impact to the employees' paychecks. Be assured that this will not affect the required 180 day school year. (We are bound by the Bureau of Indian Education requirement of 180 school days, not the 185 day school year recently adopted by the North Carolina legislature.)

Another important change is the Booster Club will no longer be purchasing shoes for athletes this year. The Club has elected instead to assist the athletic program with major program needs within each sport.

The Food Service program is constantly evolving and striving to improve. We receive USDA funding so we must comply with the recommended daily allowance (food quantity) recommended by the USDA. Your child may purchase extra food, but may choose a second helping of fruit or vegetable at no cost! Encourage your child(ren) to eat fruits and vegetables.

The national economy is affecting education throughout this country. You have all heard the stories on the news about North Carolina's education being cut. Until we see a major upswing in the national economy, we will have to make sacrifices in our budgets, but I want to assure you that we will do everything in our power to insure that direct educational services (books, supplies, materials, staffing, etc.) to your child will not be sacrificed. Your support is appreciated.

Help us help your children. Get them to school every day, make sure they do their homework, encourage them to eat breakfast which is provided free of charge to them, teach them how harmful and hurtful bullying is and to report it if they are bullied or see others bullied, and most importantly, constantly encourage them and give them praise when they do good! Cherokee Central Schools is making great strides in improving test scores, decreasing the drop-out rate and increasing the graduation rate. These are the three areas on which we are evaluated to determine our Annual Yearly Progress, and yes we are making progress. We still have a lot of work to do, but with your support, we can continue to do more!

Thank you for entrusting your children to us.

Joyce is the director of education for the Cherokee Central School System.



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EMERGENCY Call 911

Tabled Ordinances

SUBMITTED By TOP OFFICE

Tabled Ordinance No. 722 (2011)

WHEREAS, The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) has enacted the Tribal Business Preference law to ensure that enrolled members and members of other federally recognized Tribes receive a preference in employment and Tribal contracts; and WHEREAS, most Tribes charge a fee to finance operational costs and program services and provide services for clients and job bank participants; and WHEREAS, Tribal Council has the authority to access a fee to contractors conducting business on the Qualla Boundary and this fee could be a valuable source for helping fund the preference program; and WHEREAS, assessing this fee to all con-

tracts for projects which exceed \$10,000 would help the TERO program be self-sustaining and not so dependent on Tribal general funds. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Council

assembled, at which a quorum is present, that the following section be added to Section 92-25 of Chapter 92 as follows:

92-25(n): The certified economic entity that is awarded a bid shall pay a 1.75% fee, payable to TERO, for all projects that exceed \$10,000. BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this ordinance shall be effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief, and all prior ordinances and resolutions that

are rescinded.
- Submitted by the TERO Commission and the Office of the Attorney General

are inconsistent with this ordinance

Tabled Ordinance No. 768 (2011)

WHERAS, The Tribal Council established Cherokee Code Chapter 18B to govern the regulation of alcoholic beverages (Chapter 18B is attached); and WHEREAS, The North Carolina Legislature has enacted changes to its ABC laws to allow the Tribe to self regulate the purchase, possession, consumption, sale and delivery of alcoholic beverages at retail that require changes to Cherokee Code Chapter 18B. NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Chapter 18B is amended to read as follows:

or online at the One Feather website.

- Submitted by TCGE Board of Advisors

Tabled Ordinance No. 782 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise (TCGE) was established in the public interest to provide an organizational business plan directing the Tribe's Class III gaming operations; and

WHEREAS, the TCGE has the power and duty to approve annual operating, capital, and working capital budgets which fund both short and long-range goals of the Tribe's gaming operations; and

WHEREAS, as a Tribal enterprise and instrumentality, the TCGE should be subject to the same financial accountability as Tribal divisions, programs, commissions, and other enterprises; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) should be amended to add a section which requires that the annual budget of the TCGE shall not exceed the yearly percentage allowed by the EBCI Tribal Administration for every other Tribal program; and WHEREAS, this section shall also be amended that any all salaries, benefits,

amended that any all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be kept in line with the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) be amended as follows:

(c) Budgetary and Financial Authority. (New section as deemed by Attorney General of EBCI)

The annual operating budget of the TCGE shall not exceed the yearly percentage established by the EBCI Tribal Administration, and shall be in line with what Tribal programs are mandated to abide by for fiscal budget preparation. Any and all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be within the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other sections of Cherokee Code Chapter 16A – Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise – shall remain in full force and effect, and that all other ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

- Submitted by Solomon "Slick" Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 783 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Bingo Enterprise (TBE) was established in the public in-

terest to provide an organizational business plan directing the Tribe's Class II gaming operations; and WHEREAS, the TBE has the power and duty to approve annual operating, capital, and working capital budgets which fund both short and long-range goals of the Tribe's Class II gaming operations; and

WHEREAS, as a Tribal enterprise and instrumentality, the TBE should be subject to the same financial accountability as Tribal divisions, programs, commissions, and other enterprises; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) should be amended to add a section which requires that the annual budget of the TBE shall not exceed the yearly percentage allowed by the EBCI Tribal Administration for every other Tribal program; and

WHEREAS, this section shall also be amended that any all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be kept in line with the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) be amended as follows:

(c) Budgetary and Financial Authority. (New section as deemed by Attorney General of EBCI)

The annual operating budget of the TBE shall not exceed the yearly percentage established by the EBCI Tribal Administration, and shall be in line with what Tribal programs are mandated to abide by for fiscal budget preparation. Any and all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be within the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other sections of Cherokee Code Chapter 16A – Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise – shall remain in full force and effect, and that all other ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

- Submitted by Solomon "Slick" Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 784 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Gaming Commission (TGC) was established to regulate all forms of gaming on the Tribe's Indian lands; and
WHEREAS, the TGC's budget is partially funded by the TCGE as an operat-

WHEREAS, the TGC's budget is partially funded by the TCGE as an operating expense, by the Tribal Bingo Enterprise for actual direct expenses related to the regulation of its gaming

activities, and by licensing fees, regulatory fines, or additional funding from the Tribal Council; and

WHEREAS, as a Tribal commission, the TGC should be subject to the same financial accountability as Tribal divisions, programs, commissions, and other enterprises; and WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) should be amended to add a section which requires that the annual

budget of the TGC shall not exceed the yearly percentage allowed by the EBCI Tribal Administration for every other Tribal program; and WHEREAS, this section shall also be amended that any all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be kept in

amended that any all salaries, benefits program expenses, etc. shall be kept ir line with the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Section 16A-5(c) be amended as follows: (c) Budgetary and Financial Authority.

(c) Budgetary and Financial Authority (New section as deemed by Attorney General of EBCI)

The annual operating budget of the TGC shall not exceed the yearly percentage established by the EBCI Tribal Administration, and shall be in line with what Tribal programs are mandated to abide by for fiscal budget preparation. Any and all salaries, benefits, program expenses, etc. shall be within the fiscal limitations established by the EBCI Tribal Administration.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other sections of Cherokee Code Chapter 16A – Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise – shall remain in full force and effect, and that all other ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by Solomon "Slick"
 Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 785 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is a Sovereign Indian Nation with the authority to impose taxes on goods and services within its boundaries; and

WHEREAS, Article I, Section 105 defines the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Sales Tax, also known as Tribal Levy, and

WHEREAS, The Tribal Levy Rate has remained unchanged since the year 2000 despite increasing costs and demands upon Tribal infrastructure and resources; and

WHEREAS, The State of North Carolina approved a temporary sales tax in-

Note: This 25-page ordinance may be

viewed in its entirety at the TOP Office

crease of one percent (1%) in 2009 making the sales tax rate in surrounding counties temporarily higher than that of the Qualla Boundary having a significant impact on the state budget; and

WHEREAS, An efficiency study conducted in 2009 stated: The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians should "evaluate the financial and political impact of raising fees, even slightly, in developing areas of the Tribe. EBCI should focus on increasing fees in areas serving large numbers of non-enrolled members."; and

WHEREAS, priorities have been identified within the current budget for the purpose of levy generation that require changes to the levy rate and funding schedule, to include Greenway's Maintanence, Cherokee Historical Association (CHA), and the "Old High School" property also known as the Acquoni Expo Center.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in Council assembled, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Article I, Section 105-1 – Tribal Levy Imposed be amended to read as follows:

Note: This 6-page ordinance may be viewed in its entirety at the TOP Office or online at the One Feather website.
- Submitted by the Office of Budget &

Finance Office of the Treasurer

Tabled Ordinance No. 786 (2010)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has the inherent and sovereign authority to make and change the laws that govern it and its membership; and

WHEREAS, from time to time it is necessary to make changes to laws to become current in modern practices and the administration of justice.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present, that the following changes shall be made to the laws below and the amended Cherokee Code shall read as follows:

Sec. 7-1. Composition of the Judicial Branch

(d) The Court shall maintain a list of temporary justices, judges and magistrates available for assignment to particular cases or duties by the Chief Justice. Prior to assignment by the Chief Justice, temporary justices and judges must be nominated and confirmed in accordance with subsection

(c) of this section.

(Ord. No. 29, 4-1-2000)

Sec. 7-3. Powers and Duties of the Judicial Branch.

- (a) The judicial power shall be vested in the Judicial Branch. The Judicial Branch shall have the power to interpret and apply the Charter, laws, customs, and traditions of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The Chief Justice of the Supreme Court shall administer the Judicial Branch.
- (b) The Judicial Branch shall develop a system of precedent based on the common law, customs and traditions of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The Judicial Branch shall not adjudicate the same matter twice. The Judicial Branch shall have the power to assess fees and costs in accordance with law. (c) The Judicial Branch shall make projections of judicial revenues and propose an annual budget for the Judicial Branch. The Chief Justice shall have the power to administer funds

appropriated by law for the Judicial

Branch.
(d) With the exception of appointed Judges, Justices and temporary Justices, Judges and Magistrates, the Judicial Branch personnel shall have all rights afforded to tribal employees and be, subject to the Tribe's personnel policies and procedures except that personnel hired by the Judicial Branch shall not require approval by the executive committee. Approvals for hiring Judicial Branch personnel shall lie solely with the Chief Justice.
(Ord. No. 29, 4-1-2000)

Sec. 15-1. Search warrants.
(a) Every judge of the Cherokee Courts shall have authority to issue warrants for search and seizure of any premises or property within the jurisdiction of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

(e) No member of the Cherokee Indian Police shall search or seize any property without a warrant unless he shall have reasonable cause to believe that a legal exception to the warrant requirement exists.

Sec. 15-4. Probation Officer.

- (a) The position of Probation Officer is hereby authorized and created.
- (b) Such person shall maintain records for all persons convicted of misdemeanors or felonies in the Cherokee Court who are assigned to probation as a part of their judgment and shall assign and supervise the community service work for all such persons.
- (c) Persons assigned to community services shall perform work for the

benefit of the Tribe and community. (d) The position of Probation Officer shall be funded through the Cherokee Courts.

(Res. No. 187, 3-22-1982)

Sec. 15-5. Community Services program.

- (a) The Cherokee Courts shall administer a community services program.
- (b) The program may assume jurisdiction over and responsibility for individuals released by courts of the United States and the State of North Carolina upon such agreements with those probation officers and under the terms of such agreements.

(Res. No. 87, 1-8-1976)

- Submitted by Cherokee Tribal Court

Tabled Ordinance No. 787 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is a sovereign entity with the authority and powers to establish and regulate membership and enrollment in the Tribe; and

WHEREAS, in 1995 Tribal Council established Cherokee Code Chapter 49 to govern membership in the Tribe; and WHEREAS, Cherokee Code 49-5(g) imposed a temporary cessation of Enrollment until determined appropriate, except for children ages 0-3 and adults 18-19 years old, set to expire within one year or upon completion of the Enrollment Audit; and

WHEREAS, such temporary cessation expired on June 8, 2011; and WHEREAS, in furtherance of the protection of the Tribe's membership the Enrollment Committee has determined that it would be advantageous to reinstate a permanent age requirement for enrollment purposes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, in Council assembled, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Section 49-2 is amended to read as follows:

Sec. 49-2. Qualifications for enroll-

ment. [Subsections (a) through (c) remains

unchanged]
(d) All direct lineal descendants of persons identified in 49-2(a) who apply for membership after December 1, 2011, who possess at least 1/16 degree of Eastern Cherokee Indian blood, and apply for enrollment prior to their nineteenth (19th) birthday. This section does not apply to adopted individuals

(e) All direct lineal descendants of persons identified in 49-2(a) who have

been legally adopted outside the membership of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, who apply for membership after December 1, 2011 and who possess at least 1/16 degree of Eastern Cherokee Indian blood, provided they:

(1) were legally adopted as infants;

(2) have lived their entire lives in a place sufficiently removed from the Qualla Boundary to preclude their contact with or knowledge of the Tribe; and

(3) were unaware of their eligibility for membership in the Tribe.

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that this amendment shall be effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief, and all prior ordinances and resolutions that are inconsistent with this ordinance are rescinded.

- Submitted by the Enrollment Committee of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Tabled Ordinance No. 788

WHEREAS, The Cherokee Fire Department has seen the need to modernize the Fire Codes to ensure the safety for the public and its tribal members; and WHEREAS, The Cherokee Fire Department has proposed guidelines for annual inspection and Fire Codes similar to Asheville's Codes and rates which are attached to this ordinance; and WHEREAS, The Budget and Finance has requested that the businesses be given an appeal process and added a reference to this ordinance to Section 106-22. Appeals; and

WHEREAS, The revenue generated from the inspection fees should cover any additional cost related to annual inspections.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED

by Tribal Council of the EBCI, assembled in Council at which a quorum is present, that chapter 143-10 is amended to include the fees and permit and code compliance.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RE-

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT FINALLY RE-SOLVED, that the Principal Chief along with the Finance Officer carry out the intent of these amendments to Chapter 143-10.

Note: This 9-page ordinance may be viewed in its entirety at the TOP Office or online at the One Feather website.

- Submitted by B&F Office for the Cherokee Fire Department's Steve Smith

CHEROKEE SCHOOLS 2011-2012 SCHOOL BUS ROUTES AND SCHEDULES

	SCHOOL BUS ROUTES AND (Revised July 19, 20		EDULES
BUS NO./DRIVER TIME LEAVE CLUB	MORNING RUNS 1 Swimmer Branch	1	AFTERNOON RUNS Old River Road
Brian Plummer	2 Wrights Crk Rd - Swimmer Br to Don Maney Rd	2	Standingdeer Road
6:50 a.m. SOCO	3 Tooni Branch 4 Old Gap Road		Old Gap Road Wrights Crk Rd - Don Maney Rd to Swimmer Br
Service and the Service of	5 Standingdeer Road 6 Casino Trail (Bypass)	5	Tooni Branch
	7 Old River Road	۰	Swimmer Branch
2 Jesse Sneed	1 Galimore Road 2 Katie Davis Road	1 2	441 North Lambert Branch
6:45 a.m.	3 Lambert Branch Road	3	Katie Davis Road
BIG COVE/CHER.	4 441 North 1 Jenkins Creek	1	Galimore Road Soco Hwy. from Wrights Creek to Don Craig Rd.
Randy Lossiah 6:45 a.m.	 Soco Hwy. (Jenkins Creek to Church of God) Soco Hwy. (Heritage Housing to Bradley Lp) 	2	Don Craig Road Soco Highway (Don Craigs to Macedonia Road)
soco	4 Bradley Loop	4	Macedonia Road
	5 Soco Hwy (Bradley Loop to Macedonia Road) 6 Macedonia Road		Soco Highway to Bradley Loop Bradley Loop
	7 Soco Highway to Don Craig Road 8 Don Craig Road	7	Soco Hwy. (Bradley Loop to Heritage Housing)
	9 Soco Highway to Wrights Creek Road	9	Jenkins Creek
4	Dobson Ridge Wrights Creek to Joe Bradley's	1 2	
Jody Saunooke 6:55 a.m.	3 Bradley Branch	3	Big Y Intersection Thompson Branch
soco	4 Thompson Branch	4	Bradley Branch
	5 Wrights Creek Road down to Big Y Intersection and from Don Maney Rd to Highway 19	6	Wrights Creek Road to Joe Bradley's Dobson Ridge
5	6 Soco Highway from Wrights Creek to Cherokee 1 Bunches/Indian Creek Roads	1	Go down 441, cross bridge at Museum & unload
Jason Owle	2 Stop at Lobo Wolfe Road		students going up Acquoni Rd and Piney Grove
6:40 a.m. BIG COVE/CHER.	3 Sherrill Cove 4 Go down 441, cross bridge at Museum & pick up	2	
	students going up Acquoni Road & Piney Grove	4	Bunches / Indian Creek Roads
6 Matt Moore	 Old Soco Road (Up Hwy 19 and down Old Soco) Soco Hwy. Church of God to Parkers Trailer Pk 	1 2	
6:45 a.m.	3 Stillwell Branch	8.73	Old Soco Road (Up Old Soco/Down Hwy. 19)
80C0 7	1 Straight Fork Road	1	Big Cove Main Rd. from School To Mingo
Aaron Bradley 6:35 a.m.	2 Soggy Hill Road 3 Big Cove Main Road from Soggy Hill to Mingo	2	
BIG COVE	4 Mingo Road	4	
8	5 Big Cove Main Road from Mingo to School 1 Olivet Housing Project	5	Straight Fork Road Hospital Road (and Indian Village when open)
Jerry Swimmer	2 441 Bypass	2	Adams Creek left side first
6:45 a.m. BIRDTOWN/	3 Adams Creek Loop right side 4 Herman Lambert Road	4	Rattler Road Sim Taylor Road
PAINTTOWN	5 Mt. Noble Road 6 John Larch Road		John Larch Road Mt. Noble Road
	7 Rattler Road 8 Sim Taylor Road	7	Down Adams Creek Road Herman Lambert Road
	9 Down Adams Creek Road	9	441 Bypass
-	10 Hospital Road	10	Olivet Housing Project
9	1 Wildcatt's		Kate Lambert Road
Emest Sneed 6:50 a.m.	2 Kallup McCoy Road 3 Brady Road		Goose Creek Rec. Park Road Fisher Branch Housing Project
BIRDTOWN	4 Fisher Branch Housing Project	4	Wildcatt's
	5 Goose Creek Rec. Park Road 6 Kate Lambert Road		Kallup McCoy Road Brady Road
10 David Stamper	Driver Road Big Cove from Driver Rd. to Soggy Hill Rd.		Big Cove from Soggy Hill Rd. to Driver Rd. Driver Road
6:45 a.m. BIG COVE			
11 John Crowe	 Big Cove Loop(up right side to Myrtle Driver's then down left side) 	1	Big Cove Loop(up right side to Myrtle Driver's then down left side)
6:45 a.m. BIG COVE			
12	1 Washington's Creek Road		Lucy Long Road
Jasper Wolfe 6:50 a.m.	2 Long Branch Road 3 Lucy Long Road		Washington's Creek Road Long Branch Road
soco			
13 Bob Price	1 Towstring Road 2 Park Ranger Residence Circle		Lower Adams Crk. inc. both Housing Projects McCoy Branch
6:30 a.m.	3 Owl Branch	3	Wolfe Campground (coming back to Owl Br.)
CHEROKEE/ BIRDTOWN	4 Lower Adams Crk. inc. both Housing Projects 5 McCoy Branch		Owl Branch Road Hwy. 19 Above Owl Branch
	6 Wolfe Campground (coming back to school) 7 Hwy. 19 Above Owl Branch	6	Park Ranger Residence Circle Towstring Road
14	1 Blue Wing Road		Casino Trail (Bypass)
Michael Bradley 6:40 a.m.	2 Old Mission Road 3 Hoot Owl-Cucumber Road	_	441 to Old Mill Olivet Road
soco	4 Old Mission Road to turn @ Fergusons		Old Mission Road turn @ Fergusons
	5 Olivet Road 6 441 from Old Mill to Cherokee via Old 441		Hoot Owl-Cucumber Road Old Mission Road
15	1 Yellowhill Road and Peavine	7	Blue Wing Road Ginger Welch Ctr, Boys Club, Childrens Home
Clyde Dull	2 Grassy Branch Road		Age Link
6:55 a.m. CHEROKEE	Catolster Road Acquoni Road, Childrens Home and Age Link		Yellowhill Road and Peavine Catolster Road
	-	4	Grassy Branch Road
16 Dee Dee Bradley	Down Old #4 Road to Keener Road Keener Road		Old US 441 to Hungry Bear Mary Lambert Road
6:50 a.m.	3 Old #4 Road to Butch Goings' and Return	3	Tee Pee Road
BIRDTOWN/ CHEROKEE	4 Mary Lambert Road 5 Tee Pee Road		Old #4 Road Keener Road
	6 Old US 441 to School	6	Old #4 Road to Butch Goings'
17	1 Mink Branch		Return via Jenkins Bridge and Hwy. 19 Downtown Cherokee
Robert Lambert 6:50 a.m.	Bigwitch Road to Mark Crowe's Reed Road (Bluewing Church Road)	2	Wrights Creek Road between Swimmer Branch and Big Y Intersection
SOCO	4 Wrights Creek Road, between Swimmer Br.		Mink Branch
	and Big Y Intersection 5 Downtown Cherokee		Bigwitch Road to Mark Crowe's Reed Road (Bluewing Church Road)
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BUS NO./DRIVER TIME LEAVE CLUB		MORNING RUNS		AFTERNOON RUNS
18	1	441 to Gateway and Whittier	1	Birdtown Main Hwy to Bertha Sauncoke Hts.
Chad Swayney	2	Conley's Creek Road to Golf Course	2	Bertha Saunooke Heights
6:45 a.m.	3	Ollie Jumper Road	3	Hwy 19 and both SAFE Houses
BIRDTOWN	4	3200 Acre Tract	4	Governors Isl. Brdge - Walker Woody Rd.
	5	Walker Woody Rd - Cross Governors Isl. Brdg	5	3200 Acre Tract
	6	Hwy 19 and both SAFE houses	6	Ollie Jumper Road
	7	Bertha Saunooke Heights	7	Conley's Creek to Golf Course
	8	Main Highway to School	8	Return to School by Whittier and Gateway
19	1	Hyatt Cove Road	1	Soco Hwy. 19 from Jenkins Creek to Rough Br.
Jerry Sherrill 6:25 a.m.	2	Rough Branch (J Bradley Dr, G Crowe Dr, turn at entrance to J Crowe Dr, to Junes Loop)	2	Rough Branch (J Bradley Dr., G Crowe Dr, turn at ent. to J Crowe Dr, to Junes Loop)
soco	3	Soco Hwy. from Hyatt Cove to Jenkins Creek	3	Hyatt Cove Road
20	1	Goose Creek Road from Cooper's Creek Road	1	Goose Creek Main Road
Connie Davis	2	D. Owle Road	2	Locust Branch Road
6:50 a.m.	3	Wagon Wheel Gap	3	Wagon Wheel Gap Road
BIRDTOWN	4	Locust Branch Road	4	D. Owle Road
	-	Goore Creek Main Pond	5	Goose Creek Road to Conner's Creek Road

MORNING

Each driver should report to work 15 minutes before bus departure time. During the 15 minutes, driver should check their bus thoroughly making sure it is safe and clean and the inside temperature satisfactory for students. All buses arrive at school between 7:30 a.m. and 7:35 a.m. using the North Entrance behind the School. Only four buses will unload at a time. Middle and High School students will unload at the first designated area with Elementary (Pre-K through 5) students unloading at the second designated area.

AFTERNOON:

2:35 p.m. - Drivers report to buses and check buses 2:45 p.m. - Buses leave Boys Club (Go up Acquoni Road) 2:55 p.m. - Buses arrive at School Loading Area 3:00 p.m. - Elementary students load 3:10 p.m. - Middle School and High School students load 3:20 p.m. - Buses Leave Schoo

BOTH MORNING AND AFTERNOON:

Following loading and unloading, all buses will make a U-turn at the lower end of the bus loading area and leave the campus by

In addition to the above routes, the following are included Bus 38 (Jack Davis) and Bus 42 (Melanie Hyatt) - SPED Bus 24 - Youth Center

Each bus driver should take their bus monitor back to the school following the afternoon run and should use the road behind the school to avoid traffic and activities in front of the school.

Cherokee Central Schools School Year Calendar for 2011-2012

August

- 1-3 Staff Development Days
- 4-5 Teacher Workdays/Principal Meet-
- 8 First Day of School Year Students Return
- 29 Furlough Day

September

- 5 Holiday Labor Day
- 14 Early Dismissal Sacred Path All **Schools Gathering**
- 23 Early School Dismissal Staff Development
- 26 Furlough Day

October

- 5 Holiday Cherokee Heritage Day
- 21 Early School Dismissal Staff Development
- 24 Furlough Day

November

- 11 Holiday Veterans Day
- 24 Holiday Thanksgiving Day
- 25 Holiday Tsa li Day
- 28 Furlough Day

December

- 14 Early School Dismissal Sacred Path All schools Gathering
- 22 Christmas Vacation Begins Early Release
- 23 Furlough Day
- 26 Christmas Holiday Observed
- 27-30 School Vacation Days

January

- New Year's Day Holiday Observed
- School Vacation Day
- Students Return From Christmas Holiday
- 16 Holiday Martin Luther King, Jr.
- 30 Furlough Day

February

- 20 Holiday Presidents Day
- 14 Early School Dismissal Sacred Path All Schools Gathering
- 27 Furlough Day

March

- 16 Early School Dismissal for Staff Development
- 19 Furlough Day

April

- **Spring Break** 2 - 5
- 6 Furlough Day

<u>May</u>

- 22 Last day of school
- 23 Furlough Day
- 24 25 Teacher Work Day

Required Attendance for Staff Development Days Early Dismissal: 11:30 at Elementary; 11:40 at Middle and High School, EX-CEPT for Sacred Path All School Gatherings, which will be at 1:45 pm.

- Cherokee Central Schools

Abby

You are a beautiful and special girl. We love and miss you so much!

Nancy Jim, Mernie, Kitty and Meeko



Hope you get out of the Children's Home soon!!

Congratulations to Amble R. Smoker for graduating from the International Academy of Design and Technology in Orlando, Florida on July 16, 2010. He graduated with honors, Magna Cum Laude in marketing and Advertising with a Bachelor of Science.

We love you, the Amble R. Smoker family.



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King Crossword **Answers** Solution time: 25 mins. UPOFTEA ORD BOXS

RE-ELECT VICE CHIEF LARRY BLYTHE **34 YEARS OF PUBLIC SERVICE EXPERIENCE - DEDICATION - COMMITMENT**

1977 – Hired as Forest technician, BIA Forestry – Cherokee Agency

1978 - Appointed Board of Directors Cherokee Federal Credit Union

1983 - Hired as Forest Manager - Cherokee Agency (20 years in position)

1985 - Appointed to NC Resource Conservation and Development Council (Still serving)

1987 - Elected to Tribal Council Painttown Community

1989 - Re-elected to Tribal Council Painttown Community

1990 - Appointed to Intertribal Timber Council Board of Directors (continue to serve)

1991 - Appointed to Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee (V.O.C.) Board of Directors (Continue to Serve)

1991 - Re-elected to Tribal Council Painttown Community

1993 - Re-elected to Tribal Council Painttown Community

1995 – Appointed to Agricultural Extension Advisory Board (continue to

1997 - Elected to Tribal Council Wolfetown Community

1999 - Re-Elected to Tribal Council Wolfetown Community

2001 - Re-elected to Tribal Council Wolfetown Community

2003 - Appointed to Cherokee Child and Family Services Board of Directors

2003 - Elected Vice Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

2004 - Appointed to Haywood Community College Foundation Board of Directors (Continue to serve)

2007 - Re-elected Vice Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

2010 – Appointed to Graham County Economic Development Commission

2011 - CANDIDATE FOR RE-ELECTION FOR VICE CHIEF OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIAN

ON SEPTEMBER 1, 2011 **VOTE TO RE-ELECT VICE CHIEF LARRY BLYTHE** There is no substitute for EXPERIENCE

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CHEROKEE IN A SNAP

Email your high-resolution photos for inclusion in "Cherokee in a Snap" to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or call 497-1752 for more information.



Photo courtesy of Amy Pete-Ochoa

River Cane Mat Class

A river cane mat class was held last week at Tsali Manor. Shown (left-right) bottom row – Delores Maney, Mary Jo Rogers, Maxine Studer, Bertie Revis, Pat Hornbuckle; top row – Keyona Watty, Luwizie Calonaheskie, Nancy Bradley, Elsie Rattler, Joyce Welch, Jodie Taylor and Bessie Wallace. "Tsali Manor would like to thank the following for helping make this class a success: teacher Jim Long and volunteers, Kissie Hornbuckle and Leo Pete," said Amy Pete-Ochoa of Tsali Manor. "We would like to thank Tonya Carroll and the Qualla Arts and Crafts Cooperative for their assistance in making this class a success."



Photo by Robin Swayney/Qualla Library

Royal donates to Qualla Library

Gail Royal (left), of Cleveland, SC, donated her personal collection of Native American books on Saturday, July 30 to the Qualla Boundary Public Library. Along with the books, she also donated her collection of various encyclopedias, reference books and a mixture of VHS tapes. "Thank you Gail for thinking of our library," said Robin Swayney, Qualla Library manager. "Your books will be here for years to come." Royal is pictured above with her sister-in-law Toni Yount (center) and brother Tim Yount.



Photo courtesy of Lori Blankenship

First Bear

Lexi Gilmore killed her first black bear recently. She shot it with a 30-06 about 120 yards away. Lexi, her husband Cody and son Brett live in Seward, Alaska. They are in the process of building their first home, a log cabin, and doing all the work themselves. Lexi is the daughter of Robert Blankenship, of Cherokee, and the late Betty Blankenship and granddaughter of Robert and Laura Blankenship, of Cherokee.

ATTENTION:

ABSENTEE VOTERS!

Absentee voting requests will be taken until August 15th at 4:30 pm for the upcoming Tribal Executive General Election. Once your ballot is approved, you may vote by mail or in person. Ballots will need to reach Board offices by 4:30 pm the Friday before the General Election, which will be held

THURSDAY September 1st, 2011.

If you have any questions, call the Board of Elections at (828) 554-6360.

Re-Elect

* Terri Henry *

TRIBAL COUNCILWOMAN ~ PAINT TOWN EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

★ A Government for the People ★

Having the honor to represent Paint Town in the House of the People for the 2009-2011 term, I am determined that our government can do better to serve our People in the interest of our Tribe's greater good. I co-spansared two resolutions, discussed below, aimed at restoring tribal government to its proper function — accountability to the People.

A Charter and Governing Document, alone, cannot protect the Rights of Tribal members, nor can an independent third branch of government, the Judiciary, be properly established. The Charter and Governing Document grant our government the authority to govern, but the People have not ratified these documents. Instead Tribal government, in recent years, has governed the EBCI by "divine right". Under established principles of democracy, government authority comes from the "consent of the governed".

The Governing Documents Review Committee. Tribal Council authorized a community-based Committee to examine the Charter and Governing Documents in Resolution No. 271 (2010) to research the governing documents of the Tribe, to clarify the role and function of the branches of our tribal government and to make such recommendations to Tribal Council that will affect the goals of the findings. The Committee presented its final report to Tribal Council on June 2, 2011. Its report contained five Statements of Finding and five Recommendations, one of which specifically recommended that a Constitutional system be developed to include independent branches of government, separation of powers and protection of individual members' Rights.

Under a Constitution, the ability to govern is a grant of authority from the People it represents. The People design the standards for governance and the limitations on the grant of authority to the government. Under a Constitution, the branches of government are developed according to the needs of the governed. Most constitutions create a government containing three branches: Executive, Legislative and Judiciary.

• The Ned Long Constitution Project Task Force. On July 14, 2011, the Governing Documents Review Committee and I co-sponsored a resolution to create a Constitutional initiative. Tribal Council authorized a community-based Task Force to establish a Constitution Project, a Task Force to accomplish the work and referendum initiative for approval by Tribal members in Resolution No. 774 (2011). We are organizing this project and invite tribal members to be involved when announced. Once the work begins, the Constitution Referendum will be put forward at the end of the Project. My hope is that by 2013 or sooner we will have a document ready for Referendum Vote of the People.

Our real test is to use the strength we have gained as a People to change this government to serve the People it represents. I ask for your support to continue this important work and your vote on September 1, 2011. 6DV

Councilwoman Terri Henry, Paint Town Community

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Transformational Leadership: My Plan for Wellness



In the last year, there have been life-threatening circumstances that have jeopardized the welfare of children and their families. Regardless of where they occurred, many of us asked, "How could this happen? How can our loved ones fall through the cracks?" Unfortunately, many of us also know first hand exactly how large those cracks are.

Under my administration we have evaluated potential opportunities for improving our social services system. My plan for our tribe over the next four years, in part, targets the areas of Healthcare, Security and Justice. These Social Services directly impact the lives of every enrolled member and it is the responsibility of the Principal Chief to insure that they are as efficient, effective, and accessible as possible. We must focus on the Wellness of the Whole Person., not singularly their substance addiction, or history of domestic violence, or need for financial assistance. We can no longer piecemeal healing. When lives have been shattered, we must fuse them back together. To achieve this I have proposed:

- A Central Intake point for all clients, and consistent follow-through
- ¬ Case Management System that monitors all aspects of the wellness process
- Increase case manager to client ratio to better service the needs of our community
- Coordination and accountability of tribal, county, and national agencies

We can accomplish this by aligning Community Health, Adult Protection, Child Protection, Foster Care, Vocational Rehabilitation, Family Violence Prevention, and Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention services

Our needs are vast and our opportunities are unlimited. Eight years of service experience provides insight and wisdom into the complex, emotional needs of this community. We must focus on the Wellness of the Whole when lives have been shattered, we must come together as a NATION and embrace our responsibility to

Person and create a holistic approach to healing. strengthen our community.

While everyone takes a different path to wellness, they should never have to walk that path alone. The foundation for healing has been laid before us. These critical times requires an experienced leader.

VOTE MICHELL HICKS FOR PRINCIPAL CHIEF ON SEPTEMBER 1ST

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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August 1, 2011

PUBLIC NOTICE

Cherokee Business Owners,

The Division of Budget & Finance has presented legislation to Tribal Council regarding an increase in the Tribal Levy rate from 7% to 7.5% effective October 1, 2011.

In the fall of 2010, our office was asked to study increasing both the Tribal Levy Rate and Privilege Tax Rate in order to provide additional funding to Tribal Programs through taxation. In the 2012 Annual Budget, three priorities were identified to receive funding from the increase in addition to the programs currently funded by Tribal Levy. Those priorities are; Greenways Maintenance, Acquoni Expo Center and the Cherokee Historical Association. Each of these priorities enhances the Cherokee experience for visitors and impacts levy generation.

Ordinance number 785 (2011) is on the table for consideration of Tribal Council and will be heard with the regularly scheduled budget hearings for 2012. This ordinance will raise the Levy Rate from 7% to 7.5%. The Privilege Tax Rate will remain unchanged at 3%.

For more information and to view the full text of the ordinance please visit www.nc-cherokee.com/finance or call 828.497.7062 for Donald Walker, Revenue Auditor.

Cory M. Blankenship, Tribal Treasurer Division of Budget & Finance

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians