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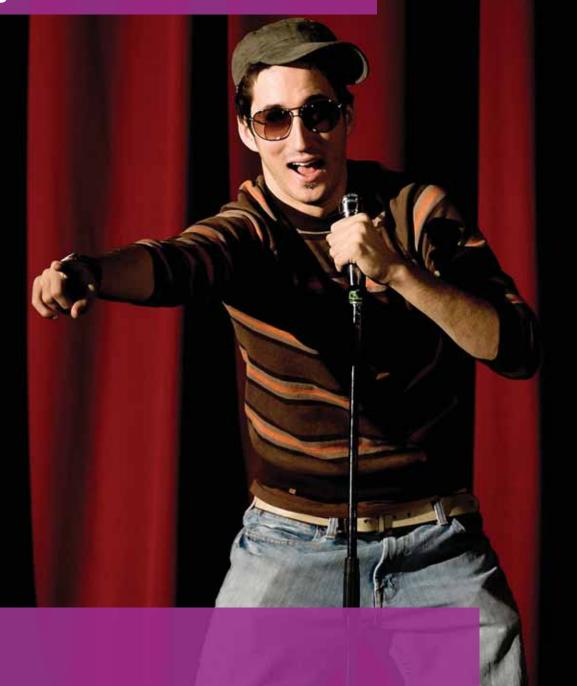
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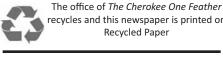
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Capitol Christmas Tree stops in Cherokee



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Miss Cherokee Kristy Hyatt (right) presents an ornament from the EBI to Reva Fuller, a representative from the Tolume Band of Me-Wok Indians as the Capitol Christmas Tree visited Cherokee last Wednesday.

SUBMITTED By LYNNE HARLAN **EBCI PUBLIC RELATIONS**

he United States Capitol Christmas Tree visited Cherokee on Wednesday, Nov. 23. Vice Chief Larry Blythe welcomed the tree to Cherokee and presented an ornament to Reva Fuller, governmental affairs coordinator for the Tolume Band of Me-Wok Indians, who is a sponsor of the tree.

Fuller presented Vice Chief Blythe with a carved stone bowl as a sign of friendship between the tribes. The Cherokee Elementary School Choir, the Cherokee Elementary School Traditional Singers and students from the Kituwah Language Academy entertained with musical presentations.

After the formal presentation, there was an opportunity for visitors to sign a giant banner to accompany the tree to Washington, DC.

The EBCI would like to thank all who helped to make the event a success: The ladies of NAIWA; Robin Swayney; Harrah's HERO volunteers; Todd and Sally Kent and the Sound of Music; Yona Wade; Phyllis Ashenfelter; Howard Wahnetah and the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Staff; Cherokee



Vice Chief Larry Blythe accepts a gift on behalf of the EBCI from Fuller.

Travel & Promotions department; students, staff and parents of the Kituwah Language Academy and Cherokee Central Schools; Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143; the Yellowhill Baptist Church Singers; the Acquoni Baptist Church Choir and the Cherokee Police Department.

This year's tree is a Sierra White Fir (Abies Iowiana) and was harvested in the Stanislaus National Forest in California. It is 118 years old and was 63 feet at harvest according to U.S. Capitol Christmas Tree official website. The tree weighs 8,300 pounds.

The tree caravan itself will cover 4,500 miles in the three-week tour.

Reporter Scott McKie B.P. contributed to this report.

Tribe, State reach compact agreement

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

able games may be on the way to Cherokee. Gov. Bev Perdue and Principal Chief Michell Hicks have come to an agreement on a new gaming compact between the State of North Carolina and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

The 30-year agreement allows Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel to provide live table games and grants the Tribe sole rights to provide those games west of I-26.

"The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians values our partnership with the State of North Carolina and this gaming compact demonstrates the commitment we have to providing economic opportunities for our state," said Chief Hicks on Monday. "We are confident the addition of live dealers will bring more jobs to the region and will provide another dimension to our resort operation. The new visitors to our improved gaming facility will have a tremendous effect on the economy of western North Carolina. I would like to thank Governor Beverly Perdue for her support of this new compact. I would also like to thank the leadership of the General Assembly who have been instrumental their support of our efforts toward expansion. We are excited to execute the compact and look forward to presenting it to the general assembly as soon as possible."

The Tribe will give the state a percentage of gross receipts from the table games that will increase incrementally as such:

- 4 percent for the first five years
- 5 percent for the next five years
- 6 percent for the next five years
- 7 percent for the next five years
- 8 percent for the next ten years.

All of the money received by the state will go directly toward North Carolina public schools.

Gov. Perdue said in a statement, "My top priorities are strengthening our schools and creating jobs, and this



Photo courtesy of Harrah's Cherokee

Harrah's Cherokee may soon be offering live table games thanks to an agreement on gaming compact amendments between the State of North Carolina and the Tribe.

agreement does both. This will mean additional dollars going directly to school districts, and it will provide an economic boost for western North Carolina. I urge the General Assembly to act so that we can quickly start receiving the benefits of this expansion."

It appears as though the support is there in the General Assembly. On a trip to Cherokee in August, State Sen. Phil Berger (R-Guilford, Rockingham), the President Pro Tempore in the State Senate, and State Sen. Tom Apodaca (R-Buncombe, Henderson, Polk) assured that the votes are there in the Senate to approve such a measure.

"There's bipartisan support in the Senate," Berger told the One Feather. "The votes are there."

The Civitas Institute released a poll on Thursday, July 28 stating that sixty-four percent (64%) of North Carolina

voters support the idea of the casino having live dealers for blackjack and poker.

"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

"The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians values our partnership with the State of North Carolina and this gaming compact demonstrates the commitment we have to providing economic opportunities for our state."

- Principal Chief Michell Hicks

opinion on the issue.

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

The original Class III gaming compact between the Tribe and the state was approved on Aug. 11, 1994 and entered into the federal register on Oct. 3, 1994. It was signed by former Principal Chief Jonathan L. Taylor and former Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

An amendment was made to the compact two years later on May 28, 1996 and entered into the federal register on July 9, 1996. It was signed by former Principal Chief Joyce Dugan and former Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

The second amendment to the compact was approved on Nov. 14, 2000 and entered into the federal register on Jan. 17, 2001. This amendment, among other things, raised the gambling age to 21 and established the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. It was signed by the late former Principal Chief Leon D. Jones and former Governor James B. Hunt, Jr.

Traditional relationship of Cherokees and Whitetail Deer

An Archaeological and Ethnographic investigation of Whitetail Deer, Odocoileus virginianus, throughout the Traditional Cherokee Aboriginal Territory

From vital food source to

By TYLER B. HOWE

hitetail Deer, Odocoileus virginianus, was the main food source throughout the prehistoric southeastern United States. It was said that Whitetail Deer was "considered the 'life staff'" of southeastern American Indians (Barkalow 1972 p. 31). As the most important food source, nearly every portion of the animal was utilized. Its flesh was used for clothing, drum heads, and other leather goods. The hooves were rendered into glue, or used as scrapers, while various bones

ioned into projectile drivers of economic trade points, and so forth and between Cherokees and so on. Prior to European contact, "white-tailed tailed deer has played an deer was the integral role throughout the single most important southeastern United States mammal species in for nearly 10,000 years. the Mississippian diet.

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. ." (Muller 1997 p. 229-231).

In terms of the archaeological evidence for whitetail deer, deer skeletal and tool remains have been found throughout the Traditional Cherokee Aboriginal Territory. Archaic period remains, ca. 8000 BC, have been discovered around Guntersville Reservoir, along the Tennessee River, in northern Alabama. Speaking of Alabama, in a 1972 investigation of 23 sites along the Tennessee River Valley in Alabama, white-tailed deer remains were discovered in 92 % of the sites investigated. Roughly translated, white-tailed deer remains occurred in 22 of the 23 sites. They were "found in all cultural levels and constituted the bulk of skeletal material found in almost every collection" (Barkalow 1972 p. 31).

In North Carolina, whitetail deer remains were found at the Warren Wilson site, 31BN29, located in Buncombe County, within features dating to the Middle Woodland period, ca. 200 BC -300 AD. Moreover, whitetail deer was noted as the most numerous mammalian remains at Coweeta Creek, 31MA34. It is evidenced by these discoveries that the 17th century Cherokee people living at Coweeta Creek, in modern Macon County, relied heavily on whitetail deer.

In other regions of the Traditional Cherokee Aboriginal Territory, such as Kentucky, and Tennessee, archaeological evidence illustrates that whitetail deer and wild turkey were the most important game during the Middle Ar-

chaic, while whitetail deer alone became the most prominent food source the European powers, whitethroughout the remainder of time prior to European contact. At the Eva site, in northern Tennessee,

> "around 90% of all the mammal bones ... were from deer" (Hudson 1976 p. 47).

After contact with Europeans, American Indians throughout the southeastern United States became heavily involved in what has become known as the Deerskin Trade. It was not uncommon for Indian and European hunters to encounter herds numbering in the hundreds (Hudson 1976 p. 275). After the founding of Charlestown, modern Charleston, South Carolina, in 1670, southeastern American Indians became heavily involved in both the Deerskin Trade, and slave trade. Southeastern Indians at first became involved on the local level, but economic pressures increased the European desire for deerskins as well as the Indian's indebtedness to the traders. Such pressures from 1699 to 1715 witnessed nearly 54,000 skins



The photo above shows one of the 24 white-tailed deer bucks released by the EBCI Fisheries and Wildlife Program as part of a new white-tailed deer project.

shipped annually. By the close of the Deerskin Trade in the 1740s and 1750s, the white-tailed deer was nearly extinct in the southeast. In 1707 alone 121,355 skins were shipped from Charlestown (Hudson 1976 p. 436).

From vital food source to drivers of economic trade between Cherokees and the European powers, white-tailed deer has played an integral role throughout the southeastern United States for nearly 10,000 years.

Remains from Archaeological Sitges in the Tennessee Valley of Alabama' Southern Indian Studies 1972. Charles Hudson 1976 The Southeastern Indians. The University of Tennessee Press, TN. Jon Muller 1997 Mississippian Political

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Economy. Plenum Publishers, NY.

Howe is the tribal historic preservation specialist for the EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office.

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EBCI Communities honored at regional event

ASHVILLE - WNC Communities announced the winners of the 62nd Annual Honors Awards Program at a luncheon held at The Grove Park Inn Resort & Spa in Asheville on Saturday, Nov. 19. Over 300 community leaders from 14 counties and the Eastern Band of Cherokee attended to recognize and reward exceptional community development programs across the mountains. This year marked the 62nd WNC Honors Awards, a program built on the tradition of recognizing achievements in communities for their work on behalf of their residents. The awards are designed to serve as an inspiration for replicating community success.

"Participating Communities" receive a cash award of \$250 each for their successful projects implemented during the past year. Painttown, Snowbird, Tow String, Wolfetown and Yellowhill were all presented awards for their work in this category.

"Communities of Promise" were given cash awards of \$1,000 to continue their fine work on community initiatives. Big Cove Community was one of six winners in this category for 2011. Big Cove was chosen because of the initiatives implemented by their community that show promise and can be replicated throughout the region.

Big Cove has developed a website with regular announcements posted as part of their community watch development. Big Cove called a public meeting with the police department, judicial branch, attorney general and the chief's office to ask questions regarding the prosecution of criminals committing crimes in their community. This meeting was broadcast on the EBCI Channel 28 and gave panel members the chance to respond to community concerns and explain how the justice system works. Their community encouraged residents to develop healthier lifestyles by providing oppor-



Photo courtesy of Linda Lam

Lumpy Lambert, VP of Operations at Harrah's presents a Community of Promise Award to Big Cove Community Members Lisa Hardesty, Lester Hardesty, Mary James, James Tooni, Lisa Frady, Phyllis Schell and Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell.

tunities for exercise and weight loss through Healthy Cherokees, as well as planted a community garden in conjunction with the Extension office to promote healthy eating with traditional foods for disease prevention.

Generous sponsorships from Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel, Mission Health Systems, Buncombe County Farm Bureau, First Citizens Bank, Progress Energy, HomeTrust Bank, Carolina Farm Credit and Duke Energy make it possible to award over \$24,000 to 65 communities throughout Western North Carolina for their innovative approaches to addressing community

needs.

"WNC Communities is thankful for the dedication rural communities put into making the mountain region a place we can all be proud to call home." shared Linda Lamp, Executive Director of WNC Communities. "Rural Community Centers in the mountains continue to address critical issues and create innovative programs to impact the daily lives of residents throughout our region. It is an honor to recognize their annual achievements."

Community programs range from addressing basic needs such as a food pantry, an emergency shelter, thrift

stores, or litter sweeps to significant programs focused on education, heritage, economic development, farmland preservation or health and wellness.

Rural Community Centers voluntarily participate in the WNC Honors Awards Program by submitting an application to WNC Communities in September. Communities are judged on projects, fund raising efforts, collaboration with local organizations or businesses, economic development and sustainability, as well as their community future and vision.



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VOC selling Santa Dollars

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

NEWS ka-no-he-da

Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee (VOC) is selling Santa Dollars to raise funds for activities and to purchase Christmas presents for its clients. The Santa Dollars, real U.S. legal currency, are available in both a one- and two-dollar variety.

"All proceeds benefit the client activities program," said Lana Lambert, VOC vocational and community program coordinator. "The funds raised will help make our clients Christmas even merrier and help provide for activities in the future."

Santa Dollars are real U.S. one and two dollar bills with a removable image of Santa Claus over the face part of the bill. Once the Santa Claus image is removed, the bill can be spent normally.

Each bill comes in a decorative Christmas card. The one-dollar bills sell for \$2.50 and the two-dollar bills sell for \$3.50.

Lambert related that she first got the idea when she purchased a Santa Dollar some years ago in Georgia. The idea for Santa Dollars was originally hatched in 1985 by Marketing Productions, a company based in Palm Harbor, FL that helps organizations raise funds. They also offer Bunny Bucks and Cupid's Cash.

Lambert related that VOC sold over 500 Bunny Bucks in the Spring and said they are the only provider of Santa Dollars in the area.

"We have the market on western North Carolina," she said.

VOC will sell Santa Dollars until Dec. 16 and Lambert says people should get them while they'll hot. "I don't want them to wait until the last minute because after the 16th, they'll be gone."

Santa Dollars can be purchased at the VOC office in Cherokee or by contacting Lambert 497-9827 or lanalambert@ymail.com.

Lambert named Asst. General Manager at Harrah's Cherokee

Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel announced on Monday, Nov. 28 that Lumpy Lambert, current Vice President of Casino Operations, will transition into the role of Assistant General Manager of Casino Operations.

"With our expansion almost complete, the long-term experience and proven track record Lambert brings will help us complete our transition to a resort destination," said incumbent General Manager and Senior Vice President, Brooks Robinson.

Lambert, an EBCI tribal member, will have direct oversight of Casino Operations, Table Game Operations, Casino Beverage, Security, Valet, Total Rewards and Casino Marketing. He will lead efforts to finalize the transition of Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel to resort level status and lead the development and implementation of service initiatives designed to exceed guest expectations.

Lambert joined Harrah's Cherokee & Hotel in 1997 and began his career as a Casino Operations Supervisor. He has since held the positions of Casino Games Manager, Casino Manager and Director of Casino Marketing. In 2002, he became Vice President of Operations, directly responsible for all Gaming departments. Lambert was also a critical member of the team who defined the property's master plan expansion project.

Lambert is a graduate of Mars Hill College. Prior to joining the Harrah's Cherokee Hotel & Casino team, he spent ten years with the Cherokee Central School system.

- Harrah's Cherokee

One Feather deadline Tuesday at 12noon

Remember the Removal Bike Ride seeking riders



Photo by Jody Bradley

Haydn Comingdeer (center), a Cherokee Nation citizen, rides into Tahlequah on the last leg of the 2011 Remember the Removal Bicycle Ride.

Sponsored by the Cherokee Nation and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the remember the removal ride is a three-week, 950-mile bicycle journey from New Echota, Ga. to Tahlequah, Okla. following the Northern Route of the trail of tears.

Eligibility requirements:

- You must be at least 16 years of age to ride.
- Open to any enrolled member that is interested and physically able.
- You must be willing to commit to 4 months of training leading up to the ride and the 3 weeks for the ride itself.
- Must be willing to raise money to cover all remaining costs for the trip.
- **Note**: Only a limited amount of slots are available and riders will be selected through an application process and panel interview.

Info: Tara McCoy (7:45 to 4:30) 497-1976. For more information, pictures, and blogs from past riders go to www.cherokeeriders.org.

- Tara McCoy

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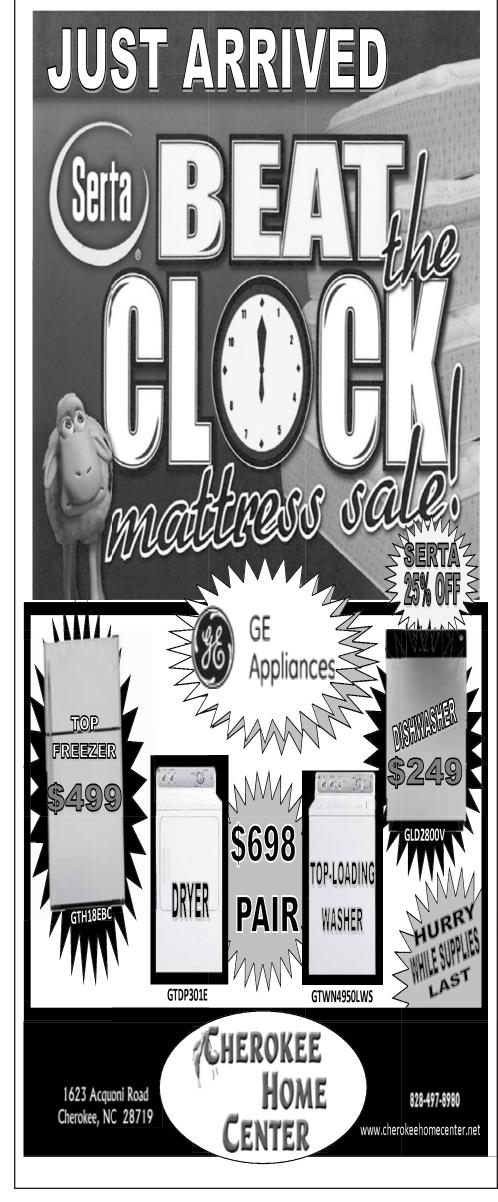
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Cherokee Boys Club **Weekly Report**

CLUB SCHEDULE:

Wednesday, December 7 - Club Staff Meeting - 8:30 a.m. Wednesday, December 14 - Resolution Deadline - 8:30 a.m. Monday, December 19 – Health Screen – 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. Monday, December 19 - School Early Release - 1:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 20 – School Early Release – 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21 - School Early Release - 1:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 22 - School Early Release - 1:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 21 – Board Appreciation Luncheon 11:00 a.m.

Monday, December 26 – Club Christmas Holiday

JOB OPPORTUNITY

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If you need to make changes to your AFLAC coverage, you have to call the AFLAC representative directly - Johnnie Sue Myers (828) 497-2416.

<u>SANTA BRAVES NEWS</u>

Christmas Store and Food Pantry Efforts

The Santa Braves will be working with Club and School Staff on their campaign to raise funds and collect toys for the Family Support Christmas Store and Food Pantry. Chances are you will see these young athletes in the crowd at the Christmas Parade on Saturday evening collecting non-perishable foods and selling "stockings" to raise funds for these programs. Show your support and giving spirit to these young folks as they work to make a difference in the life of a child or family this holiday season. The Boys Club will be sponsoring a

If you would like to donate food, funds or time, please contact Barbara Jones or a member of her staff at the Family Support office in Birdtown at 497-

<u>GOOD LUCK IN THE PLAYOFFS!</u>

Good luck to the Swain County Maroon Devils and Murphy Bulldogs as they vie for the State 1-A and 1-AA Titles this coming weekend in Winston-Salem and Raleigh. It is great to have our neighboring mountain teams and enrolled members represented in these playoff games! We are also grateful to Swain County as they have chartered Cherokee Boys Club coaches for their transportation to the playoffs!

One Feather deadline Tuesday at 12noon

Learn more about Safelink Wireless

A Representative of Safelink Wireless will be at the EBCI Housing Office (554-6900), located at 756 Acquoni Road, on Monday, Dec. 5 from 9am -3pm.

Safelink Wireless

The federal "Lifeline" program was created during the Reagan Administration. Lifeline is a federal program created by the Reagan era Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in 1984. The program was enhanced under Telecommunications Act of 1996, which was supported on a broadly bipartisan basis in Congress. The FCC's Low Income Program of the Universal Service Fund, which is administered by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC), is designed to ensure that quality telecommunications services are available to lower- income customers, seniors, veterans, persons with disabilities, persons receiving state or federal assistance, persons receiving temporary assistance through food pantries or shelters to be able to contact family, friends, doctors, especially to be able to call 911.

Thanks to SafeLink, Lifeline support is now available for wireless phones. Traditionally, the Lifeline program was only available as a discount on a consumer's landline telephone bill. Safe-Link Wireless was created by TracFone Wireless; Inc. The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved the company to offer Lifeline telephone service. SafeLink Wireless provides phones at no cost to each home, Safelink provides up to 250 minutes for free each month. The cell phone offers in-demand features: voicemail, text, three-way calling, call waiting, caller ID and access to 911. There is never a phone bill and there is no credit check

There is no "Obama phone" or other newly created federal program to provide free cell phones. As you may know, this is a myth that is now circulating on the Web via email and blog sites. It has been thoroughly debunked by independent groups. SafeLink phones are not paid for by taxpayers or the federal government. TracFone Wireless pays for the phones and free minutes each month.

SafeLink Wireless is making the vision of universal access to telecommunications services for all Americans a

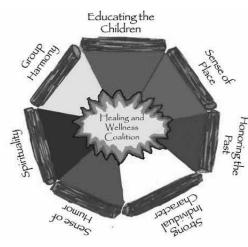
Safelink provides Outreach Coordinators to aid in the application process and assist in one on one customer service. Contact Susan Jacobs, NC Area Outreach Coordinator, to help assist you with this service by phone: 828-243-9809 and email: susan.jacobs@msn.com.

- EBCI Housing Office

Healing and Wellness Coalition meeting scheduled

The next meeting of the Healing and Wellness Coalition is scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 13 from 11:30am - 1pm at Living Waters Lutheran Church on Locust Road off Goose Creek Road. Bring your own lunch.

The Coalition is Cherokee's own grassroots movement for the reduction of substance abuse and other health challenges among our people. There are several subcommittees working on very exciting projects including a Wellbriety Winter Solstice event on Thursday, Dec. 22. Watch for more information about that upcoming



The Coalition is committed to enhancing the lives of the people by honoring and reclaiming the seven Cherokee core values especially by the reduction of substance abuse in a comprehensive manner primarily focusing on youth. The seven core values are: Spirituality, Harmony, Education, Sense of Place, Honoring the Past, Strong Character and Sense of Humor.

If you can't make the Dec. 13 meeting, check out the website (www.cherokeehealingcoalition.org). Info: Beth Farris at (828) 421-9855 with questions or

- Beth Farris, Healing and Wellness Coalition

DOI proposes leasing reform on Indian lands

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

he Department of Interior is proposing changes to its 50-year-old regulations regarding approval of leases on Indian lands. The Department says the old regulations are "antiquated" and a "one-size fits all" approach.

"The proposed changes are the most comprehensive reforms of Indian land leasing regulations in more than 50 years and will have a real impact for individuals and families who want to own a home or build a business," Interior Secretary Salazar said on Monday, Nov. 28. "This reform underscores President Obama's commitment to empower Indian nations and strengthen their economies by expanding opportunities for individual landowners and tribal governments – generating investment, new jobs and revenues."

The Department states that it manages, in a trustee status, over 56 million surface acres throughout Indian Country.

The proposal has already drawn support from some in Indian Country. "The federal government has heard the message of tribal nations to remove barriers stifling tribal economic and renewable energy development," said NCAI president Jefferson Keel. "Until these reforms are enacted though, tribes will continue to wait excessive lengths of time to permit a renewable energy project or approve a mortgage. We don't have time to wait."

Some of the proposed changes include:

- 30-day limit for BIA to decide on residential leases, subleases and mortgages
- 60-day limit for BIA to decide on leases for commercial or industrial developments

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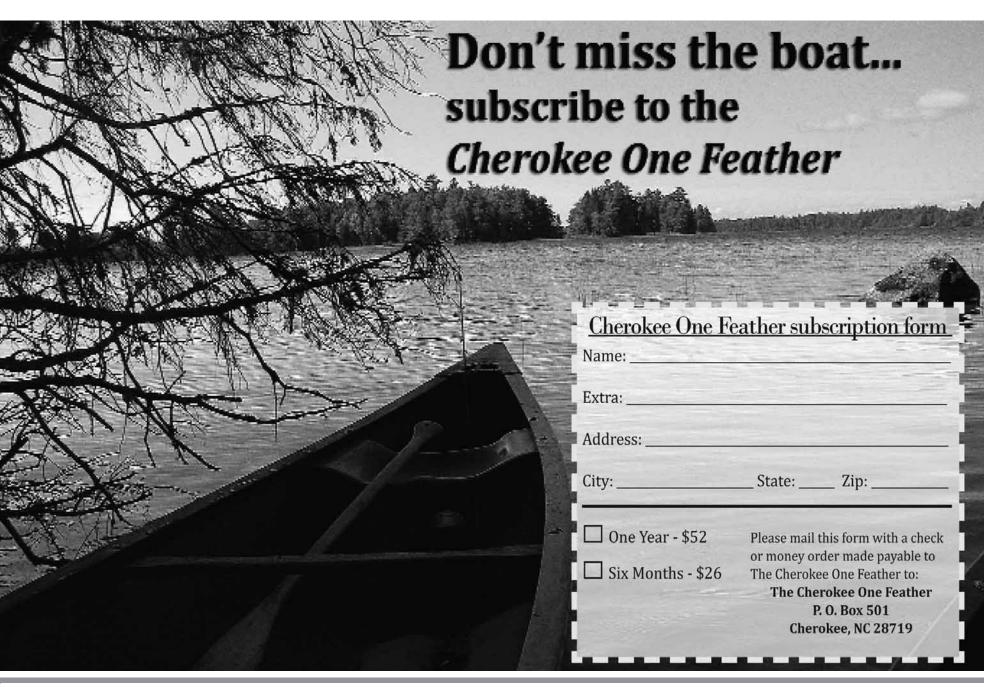
- NCAI president Jefferson Keel

- eliminate approval of BIA for permits for short-term activities such as parades
- require the BIA to approve all leases unless it finds "a compelling reason to disapprove".

Assistant Secretary Larry Echohawk related, "The revised regulations will bring greater transparency, efficiency and workability to the Bureau of Indian Affairs approval process, and will provide tribal communities and individuals certainty and flexibility when it comes to decisions on the use of their land."

The Department related that it received over 2,300 comments from over 70 tribes and federal agencies including HUD and the IRS regarding the proposed changes. The proposal was published in the federal register on Tuesday, Nov. 29 and starts a 60-day comment period.

To make a comment on the changes, email consultation@bia.gov or by mail to: Del Laverdure, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary-Indian Affairs, U.S. Department of the Interior, 1849 C St., N.W., MS-4141-MIB, Washington, DC 20240.



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The EBCI SHIP office, located at 43 John Crowe Hill across from Cherokee Cablevision, is currently available to accept your receipts. The office is open daily 7:45am – 4:30pm.

Regina Brooks, from the Social Security Office, and Denise Bradley, from the EBCI SHIP Office, will set up in the Large Conference Room in the Health & Medical Administration Building to receive your per capita spend-down receipts on Tuesday, Dec. 13 from 8am - 4pm.

- Denise Bradley, EBCI SHIP Office

Kolanvyi Kids raising money

The Kolanvyi Kids will be sponsoring a prayer tree. This tree will be displayed at the Christmas Bazaar on Dec. 8-9. We will be selling ravens for \$1.00 which will have the name of a loved one of your choice. You can put a name of someone you want to remember or honor whether they were lost due to cancer, diabetes, alcohol, drugs, domestic violence, or any other way, or any survivor of one of these devastating accounts that are happening within our tribe.

There will also be a Christmas tree decorating contest. There are 12 trees that for individuals, businesses, or organizations to decorate. The cost is \$20 per tree and you can decorate them however you want and throughout the bazaar the public will make a donation to whichever tree they like the best. The winner will receive \$100.

For any questions, comments, or to reserve a tree, contact Mariah Mahan 497-5853 or 788-4574.

- Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell

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Tribal Council Results - Nov. 17

capped members regardless of age limit - Withdrawn

Tabled Res. No. 1 (11) – Tony Bernhisel requests \$25,907.02 for damages to property in Wolfetown Community – Tabled

property in Wolfetown Community – Tabled Tabled Res. No. 8 (11) – Amendment to Christmas Check gift to include all handi-

Tabled Ord. No. 9 (11) – Request to amend Cherokee Code, Chapter 50B, Domestic Violence – Passed

Tabled Ord. No. 10 (11) – Request to amend Cherokee Code, Chapter 14-34.11, Aggravated Weapons Offense – Passed

Tabled Ord. No. 11 (11) – Request to amend Cherokee Code, Chapter 16B-5(c) – TBE Budgetary and financial authority – Tabled

Tabled Ord. No. 12 (11) – Request to amend Cherokee Code, Chapter 16A-5(c) – TCGE Budgetary and financial authority – Tabled

Tabled Ord. No. 13 (11) – Request to amend Cherokee Code, Chapter 16-2.13 – TGC Budgetary and financial authority – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 17 (11) – Big Cove Community requests pull-offs and parking areas – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 18 (11) – Request for privacy fence, KOA Campground, Big Cove Community – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 21 (11) – TERO involvement in design process of all buildings built using Tribal or federal dollars – Tabled

Tabled Res. No. 28 (11) – Quitclaim agreement approved without signature of Sarah Katherine Taylor Bernhisel – Tabled

Res. No. 31 - Last will and testament of Ear Ray Swayney (d) - Passed

Res. No. 32 – Marion Teesateskie desires to be recognized as sole owner of Parcel No. 405 located in Snowbird Community – Tabled, sent to Lands Committee

No # given – Last will and testament of Reba Mandalean Reagan Rose (d) – Hold for January

Res. No. 33 - Last will and testament of Solomon Queen (d) - Passed

Res. No. 34 - Last will and testament of Edward Johnson Pheasant (d) - Passed

Res. No. 35 - Successors in interest to William Bird (d) recognized - Passed

Res. No. 36 - Mutual-help house assignments - Passed

Res. No. 37 – Request that Marsha Hicks be approved as director of the Madison

Hornbuckle Children's Cancer Foundation – Passed

Res. No. 38 – CDOT authorized to submit application to the BIA HPP Program seeking up to \$1 million dollars for Old River Road reconstruction project – Passed

Res. No. 39 – Cherokee Choices authorized to submit grant application to National Institute of Health for assistance with existing salaries, not to exceed \$150,000 – Passed

Res. No. 40 – Amendment to Res. No. 670 (11) – correction in parcel number and description – Withdrawn

Res. No. 41 – Tribal Council supports and endorses provisions jointly prioritized by the NIEA and NCAI in the reauthorization of the ESEA – Passed

Res. No. 42 – Ronald and Linda Bowman desire Tribal Council approve transfers without signature of Zane Edward Bowman – Amended/Tabled

No # given – EBCI join with the heirs of Dora Saunooke Johnson in a declaratory judgment to be filed in the Cherokee Court to declare the ownership interest of the respective parties – Withdrawn

Res. No. 43 – Appointment of Adele Jacobs Madden to serve on Investment Committee through Sept. 2016 – Killed

Res. No. 44 – Appointment to serve on Investment Committee through Sept. 30, 2013 – Withdrawn

Res. No. 45 – Appointment of Polly Castorena to serve on Investment Committee through March 2013 – Amended/Passed

- TOP Office

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By SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

t may still technically be fall, but it is surely beginning to look and feel like winter outside, especially since Cherokee had snow flurries on Tuesday, Nov. 29. And, now is the time to take precautions to prepare yourself and family for winter weather.

"While the danger from winter weather varies across the country, nearly all Americans, regardless of where they live, are likely to face some type of severe winter weather at some point in their lives," FEMA officials state on their website. "Winter storms can range from a moderate snow over a few hours to a blizzard with blinding, wind-driven snow that lasts for several days."

FEMA recommends an emergency kit to include: battery or hand-crank powered radio, extra flashlights and batteries, a week's supply of food and water, adequate clothing and blankets for warmth, and adequate first aid supplies.

Mollie Grant, EBCI Emergency Management, told the *One Feather* last winter, "Based on past winters, I would like to ask the community to prepare by conducting the following safety tins:

- Prepare for possible isolation in your home by having sufficient heating fuel as regular fuel sources may be cut off.
- Winterize your home to extend the life of your fuel supply by insulating walls and attics, caulking and weather-stripping doors and windows, and installing storm windows or covering windows with plastic.
- Winterize your house, barn, shed or any other structure that may provide shelter for your family, neighbors, livestock or equipment. Clear rain gutters, repair roof leaks and cut away tree branches that could fall on a house or other structure during a storm.
- Insulate pipes with insulation or newspapers and plastic and allow faucets to drip a little during cold

see WINTER page 16

Know Your Winter Terms

Freezing Rain

Rain that freezes when it hits the ground, creating a coating of ice on roads, walkways, trees, and power lines.

Sleet

Rain that turns to ice pellets before reaching the ground. Sleet also causes moisture on roads to freeze and become slippery.

Winter Storm Watch

A winter storm is possible in your area. Tune in to NOAA Weather Radio, commercial radio, or television for more information.

Winter Storm Warning

A winter storm is occurring or will occur in your area.

Blizzard Warning

Sustained winds or frequent gusts to 35 miles per hour or greater and considerable amounts of falling or blowing snow (reducing visibility to less than a quarter mile) are expected to prevail for a period of three hours or longer.

Frost/Freeze Warning

Below freezing temperatures are expected.

- Source: FEMA

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Ice and snow-covered trees sway near power lines in the Yellowhill Community following a winter storm this in January 2010.

Tia Panther: A Girls on the Run Success Story

By YVETTE COLMANT **CHEROKEE CHOICES**

ia Panther is a smart and cautious fourth grade student at Swain East Elementary School. She is a member of Girls on the Run, and has participated in two sessions. She entered her first session much like someone would enter an unfamiliar swimming pool, testing out the temperature first to make sure she wanted to join, and then after one session, she jumped right in. Tia rarely misses a Girls on the Run session, and she always has a good attitude and works really hard. Being ever so cautious during her first season, she observed and didn't speak up much. Girls on the Run has been a wonderful experience.

Her mother, Diane stated, "Before joining GOTR, Tia was extremely bashful and did not engage in conversation with anyone she did not know. Now, she can sometimes be quite a chatterbox. GOTR has been a wonderful experience for her. Her self-confidence is increasing. She is encouraged to better herself and enjoys participating. The activities and exercises are fun and she looks forward to attending the ses-

Tia has made positive life style changes since joining GOTR. Her mother commented, "Tia is more active, chooses healthy foods over junk foods. She has also become very aware of her eating habits and has made a healthy habit of choosing water and 1% milk over soda. She now makes healthy food choices and limits her snacking. She will also choose fruit or vegetables over chips or cookies."



Photo courtesy of Yvette Colmant/Cherokee Choices

Tia Panther, a success story of the Girls on the Run program, balances on an exercise ball.

Tia has blossomed socially. Her mother stated, "She is beginning to let go of my hand and attempt things on her own. GOTR has assisted us in getting Tia to realize she is wonderful just as she is. She also now understands that you have to put forth an effort to attain your goals."

Tia is wonderful just the way she is! Her team wrote on her name poster describing Tia as amazing, smart, fun girl that is a good friend. Tia's second season has been different; she now speaks her mind and shares. Her coach has noticed so much growth and explains it as Tia has blossomed into a beautiful social butterfly!

Tia has great support from her family, at her first 5K celebration; she had seven running buddies to come out to support her in Asheville all the way from Cherokee.

Girls on the Run is an internationally recognized non-profit program focused on the development of girls. The program's objective is to reduce the potential display of at-risk activities among its participants. It includes training for a 3.1 mile running event with self-esteem enhancing, uplifting workouts. As coaches, we encourage positive emotional, social, mental, and physical development in our participants.

This spring, Cherokee Choices Mentors will continue to coach the Cherokee Elementary Girls on the Run and the Swain East Elementary Girls on the Run Programs. For more information on Girls on the Run, visit the WNC Girls on the Run web site at http://www.gotrwnc.org, or call Tara McCoy 497-1976.

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weather to avoid freezing.

- · Keep fire extinguishers on hand, and make sure everyone in your house knows how to use them. House fires pose an additional risk, as more people turn to alternate heating sources without taking the necessary safety precautions.
- Learn how to shut off water valves in case a pipe
- Know ahead of time what you should do to help elderly or disabled friends, neighbors or employees.
- Hire a contractor to check the structural ability of

the roof to sustain unusually heavy weight from the accumulation of snow or water if drains on flat roofs do not work.

- If you have a well house, turn the light on to assist in keeping the pipes warm.
- Keep fresh batteries on hand to use with flashlights and weather radios.
- · Always keep at least a three-day supply of non-perishable food in your home.
- Prepare an emergency kit and store it in your vehicle that includes: blankets, a battery-powered radio

with extra batteries, a first aid kit, a flashlight with extra batteries, batter booster cables and flares, a tire repair kit and pump, cat litter (for tire traction), a tow rope, bottled water and non-perishable high-energy foods such as granola bars, extra clothing to keep dry, and a windshield scraper and brush."

If you have questions about preparing for winter weather, contact EBCI Emergency Management (828) 554-6434 or (828) 554-6433.

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SCOREBOARD

CHS Wrestling

Monday, Nov. 21

Cherokee 54 Smoky Mountain 18

- 120lb. Austin Padilla (Ch) pinned Jacob Scifers (SM) at:19
- 126lb. Levi Swearengin (Ch) pinned Trevor Bartel (SM) at :56
- 132lb. Jaron Bradley (Ch) won by forfeit
- 138lb. Cain Oocumma (Ch) pinned Clinton Porter (SM) at 3:17
- 145lb. Colby Yanez (Ch) pinned Michael Miller (SM) at:46
- 152lb. Shawn Rasnic (SM) pinned Jessica McCoy (Ch) at 5:48
- 160lb. Wesley Long (Ch) pinned Jerrod Deutschman (SM) at 4:00
- 170lb. Reed Carver (SM) pinned Wade Wolfe (Ch) at 2:51
- 182lb. Taylor Davis (Ch) pinned James Grissom at 1:00
- 195lb. Will Bird (Ch) pinned Jordan Davis (SM) 1:00
- 220lb. Lucas Carver (SM) won by forfeit
- 285lb. Sam Wahnetah (Ch) pinned Evan Cagle at 1:36

Tuesday, Nov. 22

Cherokee 54 Mountain Heritage 30

- 106lb. Tony Phillips (MH) won by forfeit
- 113lb. Gabriel Gutierrez (MH) won by forfeit
- 120lb. Santiago Escamilla (MH) pinned Austin Padilla (Ch) at 1:04
- 126lb. Levi Swearengin (Ch) pinned Luis Gutierrez (MH) at 1:27
- 132lb. Jaron Bradley (Ch) pinned Trysten Johnson (MH) at 2:27
- 138lb. Cain Oocumma (Ch) pinned Dakota Williams (MH) at 2:42
- 145lb. Colby Yanez (Ch) pinned Noah Casper (MH) at 2:59
- 152lb. Treannie Arch (Ch) won by disqualification over Trent McPeters (MH)
- 160lb. Wade Wolfe (Ch) pinned Corey Chandler at :21
- 170lb. McKenzie Pauley (MH) pinned Jessica McCoy (Ch) at 1:25
- 182lb. Taylor Davis (Ch) pinned Garland Nelson (MH) at 2:32
- 220lb. Dylan Cook (MH) won by forfeit
- 285lb. Sam Wahnetah (Ch) pinned Nate Autrey (MH) at 1:15

Cherokee 42 East Henderson 37

- 106lb. Martin Guerrero (EH) won by forfeit
- 113lb. Corey Boeh (EH) won by forfeit
- 120lb. Austin Padilla (Ch) pinned Sushaut Magar (EH) at 1:10
- 126lb. Levi Swearengin (Ch) pinned Jimmy Stepp (EH) at :37
- 132lb. Levi Heatherly (EH) won by technical fall (22-6) over Jaron Bradley (Ch)
- 138lb. Josh Haskell (EH) won by major decision (19-8) over Cain Oocumma (Ch)
- 145lb. Colby Yanez (Ch) pinned Marucio Marino (EH) at 3:02
- 152lb. Aaron Moody (EH) won by major decision (12-4) over Treannie Arch
- 160lb. Tae Brown (EH) pinned Jessica McCoy (Ch) no time given
- 170lb. Wade Wolfe (Ch) pinned Brandon Thomas (EH) at 5:37
- 182lb. Taylor Davis (Ch) pinned Nick Siniard (EH) at :58
- 195lb. Will Bird (Ch) pinned Brendon Patty (EH) at 1:51
- 220lb. Brody Buckner (EH) won by forfeit
- 285lb. Sam Wahnetah (Ch) pinned Sammy Fernandez (EH) at 1:32

CHS Basketball

Tuesday, Nov. 29

- Varsity Boys Cherokee 72 Polk County 61
- Varsity Girls Cherokee 71 Polk County 45

One Feather deadline **Tuesday at 12noon**

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Cherokee goes purple

Tribal programs, members participate in "Purple for Preemies" Day

PHOTOS and TEXT SUBMITTED By ROSIE MCCOY

ribal Programs and members stepped up and participated with enthusiasm on Thursday, Nov. 17, to raise awareness for the March of Dimes "Purple for Preemies" Day, and in special support of the Tye Blanton Foundation.

According to information provided by the March of Dimes, babies born prematurely may have increased risks and complications, and may sometimes result in death. Since its inception by Franklin Roosevelt, the March of Dimes has made great strides in assisting with medical research in the prevention of premature births. It also provides information, encouragement, and different resources for families dealing with this issue.

To show Tribal support, many employees wore purple, took pictures, and sent stories in support of World Prematurity Day. The pictures were featured on the March of Dimes-WNC facebook page. Here are just a few quotes from some of our local families of premature babies:

"My son was born at 31 weeks on April 22, 2010 weighing 4lbs and 8 oz. Otter Weston McMillan is now 19 months old & kissing girls...I would fuss, but there was a point in time we didn't know if we would ever see this day."

> - Helen Martin mother of Otter "Tsi Ya" Weston McMillan

"Our preemie was born at 32 weeks, and spent two weeks in the NICU at Mission. He turned four in September and is still small, but huge in spirit."

> - Jason Smith proud father of Jonah Smith

"Joi was born in Asheville and weighed 3 lbs and 5 oz. She was eight weeks early, and remained in NICU at Memorial Mission for five weeks. Joi continued to be monitored by the NICU until she was five years old. Each year the NICU conducted a celebration and monitored the progress of the preemie ba-

> - Barbara Owle grandmother of Joi Owle

"The Tye Blanton Foundation is a blessing. It helps parents at Memorial Mission Hospital while their children are in the NICU. We supply gas cards, shampoo, soap, just something to make their lives easier while they are there, because we know firsthand what they're going through. For a grandparent, seeing my grandson hooked up to all these tubes, even holding Tye was a big ordeal because we had to make sure the tubes were situated and taped to the chairs so they wouldn't be shut off. Watching Tye go through what he did, that was the hardest"

> - Jeanell Youngbird grandmother of Tye Blanton



"They were born at 34 weeks at Mission Hospital in Asheville. They stayed there for two and a half weeks. The NICU staff were amazing, and we are forever grateful for their services. Marlee was 4.3 pounds, and Maven was 4.5 pounds. They are six weeks old now and doing amazing. My wife, Kadie, and I also have a 3-year old daughter named Bailey. We are two shy of a basketball team now!"

- Josh Parker father of six-week old twins Marlee and Maven

Brooke Brown is now 28 years old, and to see her it's hard to believe she was born almost three months premature. She is the daughter of Cherokee County - Snowbird Rep. Diamond Brown Jr. and Sandy Brown of the Snowbird Community.

Brooke was born Aug. 18, 1983, but she was not due until Nov. 22. She was born at the Cherokee Hospital, with her parents just making it from Snowbird in time for her delivery. Nothing could be done at the time to stop Sandy's labor, and Brooke arrived at 3:20 a.m. The staff and family feared for her safety, and the doctor on call made the decision to fight for her life. Using a small pump, staff and parents had to manually pump oxygen into her tiny lungs. When one person's hand tired, another individual would take on the task of helping her breathe in this manner. Brooke was stabilized and then sent on to Asheville.

Her father, Diamond, recalls "Her head was the size of a walnut, and her limbs were so tiny. I thank the Creator she was all there."

Brooke was just 13 inches long, and she weighed 1 lb and 11 oz. She then lost down to 1 lb 8 oz before she started gaining. Once in Asheville, she would forget to breathe on her own, and she received special treatment for this health issue. She stayed in the

hospital in Asheville for two and a half months. Diamond's advice to parents, "The more attention and love you can give a preemie, the better off the baby will do."

Michaela Blanton, founder of the Tye Blanton Foundation, was thrilled with the support received from Cherokee. "I just can't get over what an incredible showing Cherokee had for World Prematurity Day! People for Preemies is a way to get everyone involved in raising awareness of prematurity while having fun with it. Seeing then and now pictures pouring in of children who have survived prematurity especially touched my heart. Not every baby is as lucky, and that is why organizations like the March of Dimes and the Tye Blanton Foundation exist. I would personally like to thank all of Cherokee who made purple their passion on Thursday, Nov. 17. Nothing would have been possible without Jeanell Youngbird and Rosie McCoy."

Aggie Alexander, Director of March of Dimes commented, "The March of Dimes is grateful to have the support of so many people in Cherokee. The compassion and interest they have shown, not just in the past few days but ongoing, is a testament to their giving and caring spirit and to their love for the babies we are trying so desperately to save. We are honored to call them our friends."

Perhaps Dan McCoy, former Tribal Council chairman, summed it up best, saying, "We support our people here in good times and bad, and Tye was one of ours too. By just wearing purple, if that helps out, helps someone to make a donation to the March of Dimes or Tye's Foundation, then we need to do it."

Note: The photos are from various sources that were sent to Mrs. McCoy.















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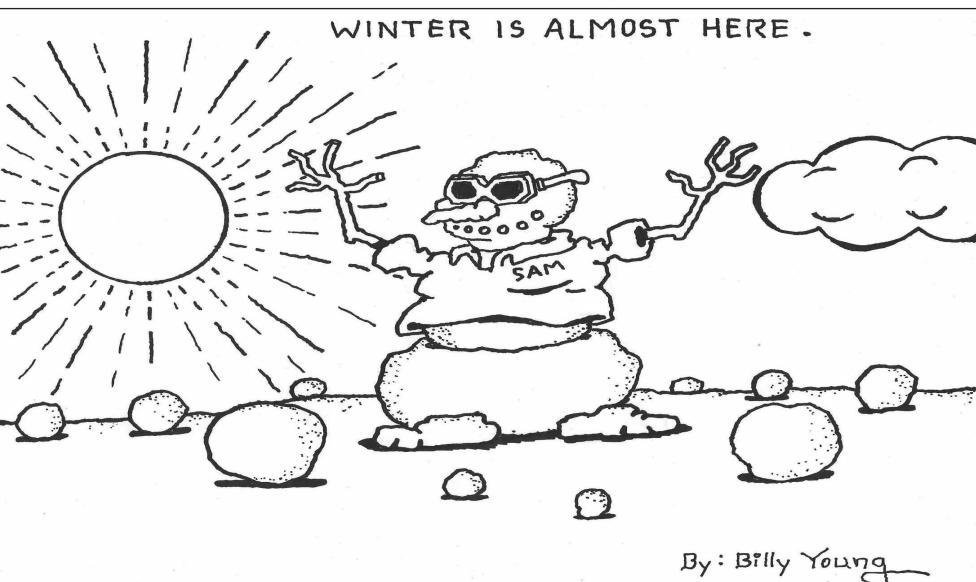
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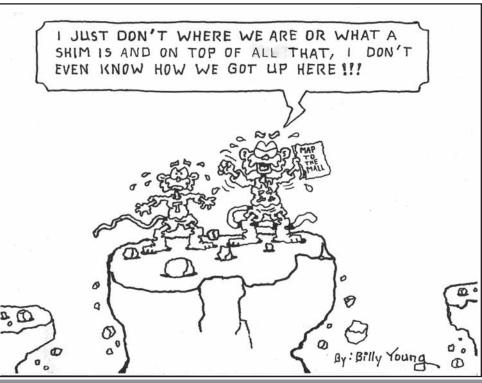












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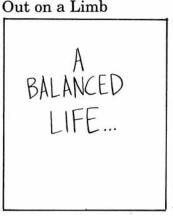




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by Linda Thistle

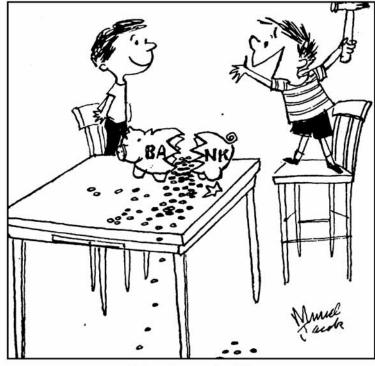
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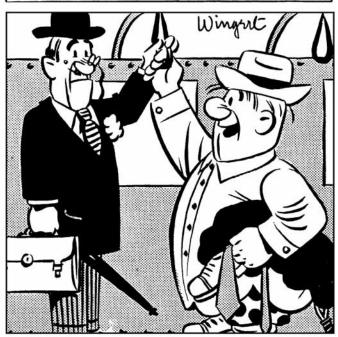
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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: *

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging

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By Dick Wingert **HUBERT**



"No-siree! Haven't missed this bus once in the last three weeks!"

Don TRACHTE



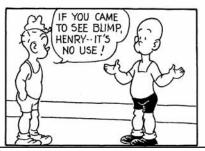












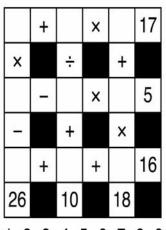


GO FIGURE! by Linda Thistle

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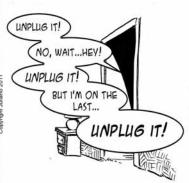






Best In Show







Caring for holiday greenery

Keep wreaths, garlands and other natural foliage displays away from heat and sun, and mist daily. · Be sure to wear gloves as you trim away dead needles, mold, mildew or discolored sections (do this outside if possible). Do not display greenery near any burning candles or electrical connections.

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Trading Post Classifieds, Bids, Legal Notices, and more...

For Rent-1 Bedroom Furnished/Unfurnished Park Model. Nice with all utilities included plus 200 CH. dish and internet. Bryson City. (828) 788-0323 12/15pd

For Rent- 2BR/1BA mobile home. Quiet Park in Ela. No pets, references/background check required. \$400/monthly, \$300/deposit. 488-8752. **12/08pd**

For Rental-3 BR house. No pets. \$650/monthly and \$500/deposit, call 828-458-5460 **12/1pd**

For rent: mobile home in Whittier, 2 bedroom, 1 bath, \$500.00 month. 828-736-1183 **12/8pd**

For Rent- Cherokee/Whittier. For 1 person only! 1BR mobile on farm, W/D, satellite tv, and porch. \$240-395. Call 828.421.9153. 01/05/12pd

SERVICES

AVENUES COUNSELING Beth Farris's new practice for good mental health and substance abuse alternatives acknowledges, "Many Paths, One Journey." Beth welcomes the opportunity to discuss her clinical style and to offer her holistic support to all who are interested. Insurance is accepted and fees or copay can also be discussed prior to sessions. Call for more information 828-421-9855. 12/15pd

Yoga for Folks who think they can't do Yoga. You know there are health benefits to Yoga- yet perhaps you feel like you might not be able to keep up in a traditional class or maybe you just want to move slowly into practicing and moving for whatever reason? Call Beth Farris, certified yoga instructor for more information. Give yourself the Gift of Awareness and Movement. 828-421-9855. **12/15pd**

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

FOR SALE

Turquoise Jewelry Sale! Design your own custom gift baskets for any occasion. The Old Mill1886. 497-6536. 12/1pd

Firewood - \$50/truckload, \$10/delivery, mixed, seasoned hardwood, split. 497-0860, leave message. 12/15pd

Firewood for Sale- All hardwoods. Cut-split and delivered, seasoned green or mixed. 788-0097, 497-6257. Call for prices. 12/1pd

For Sale- 1987 4WD Chevy Scottsdale, long bed truck. \$3,750. Call 828.421.9153. 01/05/12 pd

For Sale- 3 platted mountain lots, 2/3 to 1 acre \$10,000 each, OBO. 828-421-9153. **01/06pd**

Firewood for sale. Call John Smith, 497-7679 or 488-2888. **01/12pd**

Apples For Sale: Bearmeat's Indian Den- To the local folks: We are selling apples by the bushel at cost. We have 10 different varieties. Come and see us. 12/1pd

For sale: Dell laptops, loaded, excellent conditioning, \$250.00-\$275.00. Ela Thrift Store Highway 19 between Teddy Bear and Arrow Head Motels. Open 11:00-5:00 every day except Sunday. 12/8pd

Sale-Pipestone and Carving stone, many colors-15% off. Case knives-15% off. Cherokee baskets and buffalo hide purses-15%, Turquoise jewelry-20%, Gourmet coffee and tea. Sale ends December 30. The Old Mill 1886. Call 497-6536. 12/15 pd

For Sale - 24-inch Devino Rims and tires, \$1,700, fits Chevys, (828) 497-5721, call after 5pm. 12/8pd

For Sale: 96 Toyota Avalon, automatic, 6 cylinder, new tires, brakes, custom green, less than Kelly Blue Book. 828-200-0999. 12/8pd

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

Positions Open

Closing December 9, 2011 @ 4 pm

- 1. Welcome Center Specialist-Travel & Tourism (\$16,480-\$20,600) **Open Until Filled**
- 1. EMT-P (Part-time) EMS
- **Teacher-Tribal Child Care**
- 3. Teacher Assistant-Tribal Child Care
- New Kituwah Academy Elem. Administrator- KPEP

Health & Medical Positions

Open Until Filled

- 1. C.N.A.- Tsali Care Center
- 2. LPN- PT- Tsali Care Center
- 3. C.N.A-Home Health
- 4. CHR-CHR
- Clinical Psychologist- Analensgi

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

For Sale: 97 F-150, automatic, 6 cylinder, raging red, great for Christmas. 828-200-0999. **12/8pd**

YARD SALE

Yard Sale-Come shop at Calamity Jones rummage mart inside building at 2122 Skyland Drive in Sylva. Thursday through Saturday, December 1-3 9am-4pm. Take hwy 23/74 towards Sylva, go past exit 85 and take the next left on Steeple Road. Then follow signs. There will be a variety of items for everyone.

GARAGE SALE

Garage Sale - Indoor Rain or Shine, Saturday, Dec. 3 from 8am to 5pm. Follow signs 441 and Olivett Road to Indian Hills Drive. 12/1pd

FREE

Free- Gospel sermon books by Bro. William Branham. Mal. 4-5; contending for the faith which was once delivered unto the saints. Jude 3; Jesus Christ the same, yesterday, today and forever. Hebrews 13-8. Write- Ed and Jean Watkins, P.O. Box 4636 Beaufort, S.C. 29903. **12/15pd**

AUCTION

Auction - Almond Trading Post, Every Friday at 5pm, Antique sales every 1st and 3rd Wednesday at 9am, Located seven miles west of Bryson City on Hwy19/74 at junction of Fontana and Andrews. Owner - Dwight Burrell 488-3043 or 488-3800. 12/22pd



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE & SEXUAL ASSAULT

EMPLOYMENT

Director of Internal Audit

Western Carolina University, Cullowhee, NC, seeks an experienced professional to lead the university's Office of Internal Audit. Reporting to the Chancellor, the director is responsible for planning, management and reporting for the university's internal audit function. Bachelor's degree required as well as 5 years of experience of CPA, CIA,CFE or CISA certification. For more details and to apply online visit jobs.wcu.edu 12/1

Social Worker in Child Protective Services

The Jackson County Department of Social Services is recruiting for a Social Worker in Child Protective Services for its Cherokee office. This position investigates reports of child abuse and neglect and provides services to families where needs have been identified. It also requires limited availability after hours and on weekends on a rotating basis. The salary range is \$39,869 - \$70,801. Minimum qualifications include a four year degree in a Human Service field. Preference will be given to applicants with a Master's or Bachelor's Degree in Social Work and/or experience providing Social Work services. Applicants should complete a NC State application form and submit it to the Sylva branch of the NC Employment Security Commission as soon as possible. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. The Jackson County Department of Social Services is an equal opportunity employer. 12/1

Vacancy at Swain County Health Department: Public Health Nurse

Position: Public Health Nurse Vacancy Number: 547-50-0269

Location: Health Department/Client's Home

Hours: 40 hours per week

Type of Appointment: Perm Full-Time Compensation: Dependent on Experience

Posting Date: November 18, 2011

Closing Date: Until Filled

Description of Duties (includes but not limited to): Provide Case Management to CAP/DA and PCS clients. Responsible for locating, coordinating and monitoring services to maintain the client's health, safety and well-being enabling client to remain at home; plan of care development and revision if necessary.

Minimum Education and Experience: Graduation from a four-year college or university with a B.S. in Nursing which includes a Public Health Nursing rotation and one year of Public Health Nursing experience; or Master's in Public Health and graduation from a school of professional nursing and one year of professional nursing experience; or graduation from a school of professional nursing and two years of professional nursing experience including one year of Public Health Nursing experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience. Necessary Special Qualifications - A current license to practice as a Registered Nurse in North Carolina by the N. C. Board of Nursing.

Application Process: Applicants must complete State Application Pd-107. Appli cations may be picked up at Swain County Health Department, online at http://www.swaincountync.gov/health.html (under Careers) or http://www.osp.state.nc.us/jobs/pd107ltr.doc

You may also visit your local Employment Security Commission.

Please return completed applications to:

Linda White, Health Director

545 Center Street Bryson City, NC 28713 828.488.3198 x 2002

Swain County Health Department is an Equal Opportunity Employer

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The last issue of the Cherokee One Feather for 2011 will be Dec. 22.

Tribal Bingo Enterprise
Job Announcement
Announcement Date: December 01, 2011
Closing Date: December 08, 2011
At 4:00pm

Name of Position: FT Cashier Number of Positions: 1 Shift: Evening

Summary of Job: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year cashier/cash handling experience required. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Littlejohn.

The Tribal Bingo Enterprise, an enterprise created by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, reserves the right to reject any and all applicants and employment is subject to those terms which the Tribal Bingo Enterprise deem appropriate. Preference will be given to qualified members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. 12/1

Western Carolina University Positions

Western Carolina University is seeking qualified individuals for the following positions:

- Academic Advisor (0389)
- Head Football Coach (1627)
- Director of Athletics (1631)
- Director, Marketing & Promotions (#5161)
- Director for Military Education (2457)
- Program Director for ABSN (School of Nursing) (#1712)
- Faculty Research Support Specialist (#4019)
- Director of Major Gifts (#1681)
- Asst. Director of the Catamount Club (#0081)
- Instructor, School of Teaching & Learning (1383)
- Assoc/Asst Prof. Health & Human Sciences (#0983)
- Asst. Professor, Criminology (2325)
- Asst. Professor, English (1537)
- Assoc. Dean, Education & Allied Prof (0156)
- Hourly Housekeeper (#HOURLY)
- Hourly Clerical (#TEMP)

Please go to jobs.wcu.edu for details and to apply online. AA/EOE

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LEGALS

Legal Notice

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 11-038 Notice to Creditors and Debtors of:

Garnel Lee Craig

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: February 17, 2012. This is the 15th day of November 2011.

Vicki Craig 335 Ela Heights Road Whittier, NC 28789 Lea Ann Craig 230 Ela Heights Road Whittier, NC 28789

12/8 pd

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Domestic Violence Program PO Box 455 Cherokee, NC Phone (828) 554-6830

Proposal: Request for attorneys experienced in domestic violence, child custody/child support and divorce to submit proposals to represent domestic violence victims in court proceedings.

Please include a detailed resume which outlines fields of knowledge and experience, along with an hourly rate.

If you have questions or need more information, please contact us at (828) 554-6830. **12/1**

EBCI HOUSING & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION

Is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to construct a multiple use driveway approximately 1500 feet long to serve 3 homes sites. Contractor must provide all equipment to meet the following minimum sizes: Dozer 30K pound, Excavator 30K pound, Vibratory Roller 10K pound, Dump trucks and smaller equipment as needed, will be included in the proposal. The contractor shall install steel staked, wire backed silt fence under the fill slope of all disturbed areas. Ditch lines shall be Curlex lined with rip rap check dams every ten feet up to 10%slope and full rip rap on any ditches above 10%. All cut and fill slopes will be hay matted and seeded with seed mixtures specified in the erosion control plan. Road bed must be a minimum of 14 feet wide including a 2 foot ditch line with an ABC gravel base 10 feet wide and 8 inches deep. All CMP locations, size specifications and installation instructions will be according to the erosion control plan minimum size 18 inches. Contractor shall supply an Erosion Control Plan drawn and sealed by a Licensed and insured Engineer with the fees to be included in the proposal. The Erosion Control Plan must be approved by the Tribal Environmental Department. All brush, stumps and debris must be removed from the site and properly disposed of at the contractor's expense. Contractor shall supply all materials, labor and equipment necessary to complete required work within 30 calendar days. Contractor must provide proof of insurance with the proposal to include: One million dollars of General Commercial liability insurance as well as State of North Carolina Requirements for Automobile and Workers Compensation insurance. This request for proposals will be awarded according to qualifications and price. The EBCI Housing and Community Development office, working with the Tribal Employment Rights Office, has the right to reject any and all submissions based on lack of required qualifications or the bids exceed the funding

All bid documents must be received as sealed bids at the EBCI Housing Division office at 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719 by 4:30 p.m. on December 7th 2011. Selection will be made based on qualifications and price at a sealed bid opening in the small conference room of the Ginger Lynn Complex at 10 a.m. on December 8th 2011. There will be a required site visit at 10 a.m. on December 5th 2011 at the intersection of Adkins-Hollifield Road and Mountain Creek Road near Robbinsville NC. The work to be performed under this request is subject to Tribal Ordinance 280, Chapter 92 Tribal Business preference law. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given preference.

Submit proposal in person to: Mark Kephart, Housing Services Manager, EBCI Housing & Community Development Division, 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. For more information call: 828-557-4397 or Email: markkeph@nc-cherokee.com Deadline is Wednesday, December 7th, 2011.

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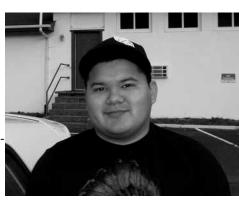
EBCI Youth Speak on National Radio Program

Native America Calling is a live call-in program linking public radio stations, the Internet and listeners in a thought-provoking national conversation about issues specific to Native communities. Each program engages noted guests and experts with callers throughout the United States and is designed to improve the quality of life for Native Americans. Native America Calling is heard on 52 stations in the United States and in Canada by approximately 500,000 listeners each

On November 17th two young members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians had the opportunity to appear as guests on the show. Hunter Thomas (Wolf Town Community), a student at University of Tennessee Knoxville, and Skylar Bottchenbaugh (Birdtown Community), a recent Cherokee High School graduate and recipient of the 2011 Principal Chief's award, both shared their firsthand experiences and insights in a lively discussion concerning Native youth receiving Minor's Trust Fund distributions. "I really enjoyed the opportunity" stated Hunter following the broadcast. "I'm al-



Hunter Thomas



Skylar Bottchenbaugh

ways proud to represent my people, especially regarding an issue of such social, political, and financial relevance".

"I talked about some of the challenges I've faced with managing my minor's trust money, and the smart decisions I've made to safeguard my future. Like buying a house and starting college soon" stated Skylar.

Discussion on the show was engaging with listeners calling in from as far away as Anchorage Alaska to express their views on how minor's trust and per capita programs are positively influencing Native communities by providing financial security and opportunity to individuals and families. Interested in listening to a rebroadcast of the show?

Go online to www.nativeamericacalling.com and click on "Past NAC Programs: show date 11/17/11.

-Native America Calling

Raby named New Director at the Cherokee Tribal Child Care Services

SUBMITTED BY GREG OWLE

Cherokee Tribal Child Care Services has a new director! Ms. Christy Raby has assumed the leadership position. She comes to us from her home in Franklin,

Christy graduated from Liberty University with her Master's Degree in Human Services after also completing her undergraduate degree in Education and Social Science.

Christy holds her Level 3 Administration Credential, which is the highest credential available in child care, and more than 20 years experience in working with

She is the mother of 3 children and enjoys hiking, softball and photography.



Christy Raby



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1/8 page - \$50

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Classifieds are \$5.00 for 30 words.

Bid, RFPs, job announcements, etc. are billed at \$8.00 per column inch.

Call (828) 497-1750 for more info

Deadline for All Ads is Tuesday at noon. No Exceptions!

<u>Happenings</u>

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 Doris McMillan 497-4220

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday 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 6:30pm. 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 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 6pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, (828) 508-2629

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/

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

Wilmot Baptist Church. Thomas Valley Road. Sunday school: 10am, Worship: 11am, Sunday night worship: 6pm, Wednesday prayer service: 7pm, every other Thursday night (Youth night) singing, bible study and crafts: 6pm. Pastor: Johnny Ray Davis

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

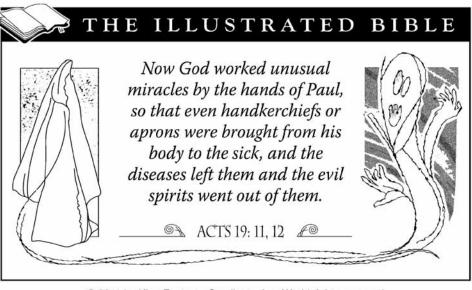
Yellowhill Baptist Church. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship Serv ice 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Foreman Bradley 506-0123 or 736-4872

Clubs & Organizations

Big Cove AA meets on Monday nights at 7:30pm at the Nazarene Church (old Big Cove School House). All are welcome. Info: Robert 497-3144

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Info: Sarah Sneed, chairwoman, 269-4493

The Cherokee Cancer Support Group is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Qualla Boundary, indiscrimi-



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nately. 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 Children's Coalition meets the last Thursday of each month at 11am at the Agelink School Age Conference Room.

The Cherokee Runners meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 7pm 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

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

Snowbird Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 735-2533, smoker7@frontier.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 Event

Christmas Bazaar 2011 Dec. 1st and 2nd. Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. For more information call Jan, 497-2037.

Christmas Bazaar 2011 Update
Dec 1 open at 9-?, Dec 2 open at 84:30. Kindergarten & 1st grade will be attending on Fri. Everyone come shop, visit and eat. Info only Jan 497-2037.
Bring 3 or more non-perishables for the Food Pantry Food Drive.

Cherokee Middle School Book Fair.

Dec. 1-13 at the CMS Media Center.

Family night is Dec. 8 from 3:30-7:30pm. If you can't make the fair, shop online. The online fair runs Nov. 22 – Dec. 9 and online orders will ship to the school at the fair ends on Dec. 13. Info: http://www.scholastic.com/school-

Big Cove Pentecostal Church Benefit for our building fund Dec. 2 Indian dinners \$7 and a rummage sale at the Yellowhill Community Building at 11am-6pm Call, 788-2189 or 788-2939. We will deliver in town for 5 or more call ins.

bookfairs/2917565

2nd Annual One-Stop Christmas Shop. Dec. 3 from 9am-12pm at the Birdtown Rec. Center. Independent

Consultants from the following companies will be represented: Scentsy Wickless Candles, ThirtyOne, Mary Kay and Pampered Chef. Gift for all ages. Door prizes. Free gift wrapping. Free Refreshments

Old Mill 1886 Open House. Saturday, December 3, 10, 17, and 24. You can register to win the following: Gourmet gift basket, Pendleton, Turquoise jewelry and your choice between a Case knife and a Stetson hat. Drawings will be held on December 17. Call 828-497-6536 for more information. 12/30

Birdtown Youth Pizza Party. Dec. 6 from 5:30-8:30pm at the Birdtown Gym. This is for ages 10-17. The group will also be decorating Christmas cards to distribute to the Cherokee Dialysis Center, Tsali Manor and Tsali Care Center. Info: Trista Welch 736-0352, Tonya Carroll 507-1520 or Chunky Jumper 736-7306

Cherokee Elementary Harvest Festival Dec. 8 at 5:00-8:30 pm. Punch Cards for purchase to participate in events: cost for punch card worth 20 punches is \$10.00. Punch cards can be purchased in advance at the CES front office beginning December 5. Games, prizes, jumping houses, popcorn, snowcones, coffee shop, hair feathers, and Santa will be here!!!

Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee (VOC) and Cherokee Tribal Vocational Rehabilitation Program (CTVRP) Dec 8 will be hosting their Annual Open House from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Join us in appreciation to everyone for their involvement and continued support of our organization.

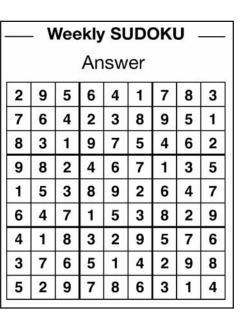
1st Annual Santa Braves Christmas Bazaar-Dec. 8 and Dec. 9 at the Ceremonial Grounds from 8am-5pm. The Cherokee Central Schools will be attending and all proceeds will benefit the Santa Braves Program. To reserve a table and for more information please contact Tonya at 269-2697 or Lisa at 269-8076 and 497-0395.

Visit with Santa. Dec. 10 from 9:30am – 12pm at Crowes Barber Shop in downtown Cherokee. Pictures available upon request for \$5 with proceeds going toward Relay for Life.

FREE! FREE! FREE! Cherokee transit has four free trips to Pigeon Forge: -December 1st leaving at 2:00 from the transit ticket booth on Tsali Blvd. For shopping; supper on your own -December 2nd leaving at 2:00 from the transit ticket booth on Tsali Blvd. For shopping; supper on your own -December 3rd leaving at 9:00 from the transit booth on Tsali Blvd. For shopping; lunch on your own -December 10th leaving at 5:00 pm from the transit ticket booth to see the lights; supper on your own. Call 497-5296 to reserve your seat pd.12/1

Jackson, Swain and Qualla Boundary Autism Chapter Parent Meeting. Dec. 13 at 6pm at Agelink on Acquoni Road. Info: Amy Welch (828) 342-4750 or amysue@hotmail.com

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Tabled Ordinances

Tabled Ordinance No. 11 (2011)

WHEREAS, the Tribal Bingo Enterprise (TBE) was established in the public interest 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 operation; 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;

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Section 16B-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 and 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 16B-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 Administra-

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED that all other sections of Cherokee Code Chapter 16B-Tribal Bingo Enterprise – shall remain in full force and effect, and that all other ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded. BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief. Submitted by Solomon "Slick" Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 12 (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;

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 operation;

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;

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 and 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 Administra-

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 this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief. Submitted by Solomon "Slick" Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 13 (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 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, enterprises, and other commissions; and

WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Section 16-2.13 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 and 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 16-2.13 be amended as follows: Sec. 16-2.13. Budget.

(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 16-2.13 - Tribal Gaming Commission - shall remain in full force and effect, and that all other ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED this ordinance shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief. Submitted by Soloman "Slick" Saunooke

Tabled Ordinance No. 26 (2011)

WHEREAS, Tribal Council passed Ord. No. 903 on August 6, 2009, entitled "Chapter 18B. Regulation of Alcoholic Beverages," and WHEREAS, Article 5., Sec. 18B-500 specifically pertains to Law Enforcement agents and the existing language directs that "(a) Appointment. The Attorney General of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians shall appoint alcohol law-enforcement agents and other enforcement personnel. Alcohol law-enforcement agents shall be designated as 'alcohol law enforcement agent'"; and

WHEREAS, this section of the ordinance is not being adhered to, and the current law enforcement agent represents himself as "Chief" of the Alcoholic Law Enforcement Department;

WHEREAS, the supervisory authority

of the Alcoholic Law Enforcement Agent should rest with the Chief of Police, Cherokee Police Department, and not with the Attorney General of the EBCI, as this is a "Tribal officer" position as stated in the existing language, (c) Sec. 18B-500, which specifically reads "(c) Territorial Jurisdiction. - An alcohol law-enforcement agent is a Tribal officer with jurisdiction throughout the lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians." NOW, THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indi-

which a quorum is present, Chapter 18B. Regulation of Alcoholic Beverages, Article 5, Sec. 18B-500, shall be amended to strike the Attorney General from the following sections, and shall read as follows: "(a) Appointment. The Chief of Police, Cherokee Police Department, of the

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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians shall appoint alcohol law-enforcement agents and other enforcement personnel. Alcohol law-enforcement agents shall be designed as "alcohol law-enforcement agents."

"(b) Subject Matter Jurisdiction", the last sentence of the paragraph, replace "Attorney General" with "Chief of Police, Cherokee Police Department." Sentence shall now read: "The primary responsibility of an agent shall be enforcement of the Tribal ABC laws; however, an agent may perform any law-enforcement duty assigned by the Chief of Police, Cherokee Police Department."

BE IT FURTHER ORDAINED any prior resolution and/or ordinance inconsistent with this legislation is hereby rescinded.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED this legislation shall become effective upon ratification by the Principal Chief. Submitted by Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe

- TOP Office

Prepare for Power Outages

Winter weather often causes power outages. The Red Cross recommends that families prepare for a potential lack of services of at least 3 days, or 72 hours. Do you know how to keep your family healthy and safe if the power goes out? Here are some simple things you can do to be prepared for possible power outages.

Heat: In the winter, heating your home is usually the first concern. Vented heaters like propane, gas and wood stoves are idea because they work without electricity and will continue to heat your home. Ventilation is required for all heaters that burn fuel. The most common types of heating fuels are heating oil, natural gas, propane, and wood. Carbon monoxide and other deadly fumes are released as these fuels burn so the fumes must be vented outside. For this reason and the possibility of fire, heating your home with a gas stove or oven is not safe.

The Environmental Protection Agency says, "to follow all of the instructions that accompany any fuel-burning device. If you must use an unvented gas or kerosene space heater, carefully follow the cautions that come with the device. Use the proper fuel and keep doors to the rest of the house open. Crack a window to ensure enough air for ventilation and proper fuel-burning."

If you have a wood stove for back-up heat, plan ahead and have a fire ready to light in case the power goes out. Keep a supply of dry kindling and firewood handy.

Light: Keep flashlights and headlamps in places where you can always find them, even in the dark. Have extra batteries on hand. Oil lamps and candles are other options, but create a fire danger. The new battery operated candles are a

Water: If your water comes from a well with an electric pump, at the first sign of a serious storm, fill jugs of water for drinking, washing, cooking from your tap. Plan to have 1 gallon of water per day per person. This recommendation assumes that ½ gallon is for drinking and the other half is for washing and cooking. To save space, bottled water can be stored inside a cooler, to prevent freezing, and kept outdoors. For sanitary flushing of the toilet, fill the bathtub with water to dip-out with a bucket for filling the toilet tank. The toilet will flush if there is water in the tank.

Hand Washing: For health's sake, it is important for everyone to wash their hands even during a power outage. Set-up sanitary hand washing stations with a jug of water, soap, paper towels and a trash can in the bathroom and the kitchen. Hand sanitizers & wet wipes are useful but, hand washing with soap and water is recommended.

Food: Have plenty of food on hand that does not need to be refrigerated. Bread, crackers, dry cereal, peanut butter, fruit, nuts, and canned meat are quick, easy emergency foods. If you have an electric stove consider another way to cook such as a wood stove, outdoor grill or camp stove. Cook foods ahead of time like soup or chili that are easy to warm up.

Medicine & Health: Have enough supplies to last for at least 3 days. Consider purchasing a back-up generator, if medical equipment is required.

Personal Comfort: Warm clothing is important. Wool and synthetic fleece are the warmest fabrics. They will keep you warm even in damp weather. Most of your body heat can be retained with a hat and warm slippers.

Family Fun: When the power is out, it's a great time to tell stories and play games. Break out a deck of cards, a board game or book. Kids, used to electronic entertainment, may need a little help to get through a day without power. There really is a certain excitement to reading by flashlight!

A little planning now will make life more enjoyable if the power goes out! Keep at least a half a tank of gas in your vehicle so you can check on other family members and neighbors. Planning ahead will help keep your family healthy, safe and comfortable in the event of a power outage.

-EBCI Agriculture Extension

One Feather deadline Tuesday at 12 noon

CMS Junior Beta Club Induction

SUBMITTED BY BETTE FITZGERALD, CMS SPONSOR

Cherokee Middle School proudly inducted a total of 89 Junior Beta Club members from the sixth, seventh and eighth grades on November 8, 2011. The ceremony was held in the Cultural and Performing Arts Center at 8:30am, with over 120 family members in attendance. The ceremony was led by Beta Sponsor, Ms. Bette Fitzgerald, former President Cole Wildcatt and the new 8th grade officers: President Bree Stamper, Vice President Tyra Standingdeer, Secretary Lidia Flores, and Treasurer Trace Lambert. Beta club members were selected based on the following criteria: making the honor roll, good behavior, strong attendance, teacher recommendations and principal approval. All Beta members must maintain these high standards and complete 20 hours of family/community service by May to remain active members of the club. The eighth graders will now begin preparing for the North Carolina State Convention in February.

6th Graders

Shannon Albert, Nolan Arkansas, Tristin Bottchenbaugh, Isiah Bowman, Marley Bradley, Raymond Bradley, Timiyah Brown, Anna Cabe, Riley Crowe, Ayla Cruz, William Davis IV, Josilynn Driver, S. Eason Esquivel, Nathan Evans, LaTika French, Zabayon George, Logan Wren Gunter, Scarlett Guy, Becca Jackson, Kaneesha Jackson, Kevin Jackson, Joanna Kalonaheskie, Samantha Lee, Christina Littlejohn, Kaley Locust, Jami Lossie, Elijah Maney, Jordan Maney, William Paul, Lidia Ramirez, Robin Reed, Breece Saunooke, CeAnna Saunooke, Kyra Sneed, Gavin Squirrell, Gillian Strong, Aleshia Tisho, Natasha Walk, John A. Watty, Macie Welch, Anna Williams, Shanenon Wolfe, Shelby Wolfe

7th Graders

Toby Brady, Cade Carroll, Fabian Crowe, Jeffery Girty, Menoch Grant, D. Andrew Griffin, Avery Guy, Megan Howell, KLynn Jackson, Xavier Locust, John Lossiah, Kendra Panther, Megan Paugh, Lucy Reed, Raul Robles, Richard Smith, Jayan Swimmer, Anthony Toineeta, Juliann Welch, Kara Welch

8th Graders

Isiah Davis, Justice Davis, Brittney Driver, Kristen Driver, Lidia Flores, James George, Virginia Grant, Emilie Kayonnie, Trace Lambert, Faith Long, Jacob Long, Kristin Mathis, Annleata Montoya, Cilina Murphy, Joely Queen, Samantha Rauch, Tysha Sampson, Augfeustina Saunooke, Danica Sequoyah, Gabby Squirrell, Bree Stamper, Tyra Standingdeer, Steven Straughan, Corey Tolley, Laurel Welch, Shaderick Wolfe

Honoring World AIDS Day on December 1st

Cherokee Health and Medical invites you to join us in raising HIV/AIDS awareness on December 1st for World AIDS Day. To show support for those who are living with HIV/AIDS, or to honor all those worldwide who have lost their lives to this illness, we ask that you wear red on December 1st. You may also purchase tickets for a 50/50 raffle at the following locations: Cherokee Health and Medical building, Qualla Youth Health Center, or the Cherokee Youth Center. Donations are also welcomed. The drawing will be held on December 1st at the Cherokee Health and Medical building. All profits will be donated on World AIDS day to the Western North Carolina AIDS Project at the candlelight vigil in Pack Square in Asheville from 7-9 that evening.

HIV/AIDS does not discriminate based on age, race, gender, sexual orientation, education level, or any other criteria. It affects every continent on the planet and is not confined to a certain population. Know the facts and know your status. The following are just a few fast facts about HIV/AIDS:

- There are currently over 33 million men, women and children living with HIV/AIDS
- Advances in treatment have greatly increased the life expectancy of those living with HIV/AIDS
- The number of new infections has begun to decrease due to global prevention efforts
- HIV/AIDS is treatable, but there is still no cure
- You can find more information on HIV/AIDS at: www.aids.gov, or www.cdc.gov

A Big Heartfelt Thank You

"People Helping People" Jackson County Toy Run would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the following people and businesses. Without your help we would have not been as successful as we were. We managed to raise over \$3500 and collected well over 150 toys for Cherokee Family Supports' Christmas Stocking and the Jackson County Christmas Store. Thank you! First and foremost I want to thank the Creator for allowing us to do his work. He allowed us the will, strength, and a wonderful day to make this event happen for our most precious and sacred beings, our children. If we have left anyone out please know we apologize from the bottom of our hearts...THANK YOU SO MUCH!

Sylva Moose Riders, Cherokee Harley Davidson, Precision Cycle, Cycle Tech., Tim Sutton, Sylva Moose Lodge, Women of the Moose, Sylva, Avenger's M/C, NC, Robbie's, Tow String Comm. Club, Indian Ink Tattoo, 1873 Tattoo, Food Lion, Sylva, Bone Shak, Birdtown Enterprises, I Creek Construction, Hurley's, Maggie Valley, Ric Youngblood's Smokeshop I, Pedro Blankenship, Talking Leaves Bookstore, Native Street Machines, Cherokee Rodders, Royal Blue, Amsoil, Pure Romance by Adrienne, Outdoor Expressions, Jackson Paper-Maintainence Crew, Simply T's, Andy Shaw Ford, Middleton's Pawn,

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All the Motorcycles and Vehicles that rode:

Last but least, we want to thank all of our volunteers who helped during this whole project:

Mona Seago, Mimi & Santa Clause, Brandon Burgess, Annie Pace, Connie Cooper, Ronnie Long, Jaunita McCoy, Brian Matthews, Val & Phillip Pheasant, Cree Yellowbird, Tamara & Scott Cooper, Douney Arrwood, Crash Nicholson, John Diloucia, Pam & Tommy Stovall, Sharrie Pheasant, Tosh Welch, Kenny Long, Kade Huskey, Mary Pheasant, JC Wachacha, Bob & Dodie (T-shirts), Gwen Hooper, Becky Woodard Sincerely, Keredith Owens

Thank you

The family of Keith Martinez, Sr. wishes to express our gratitude to those who helped us with our Dad: the doctors at Mission Hospital, Kidney doctors, 7 Clans Dialysis, Dr. Granning, Dr. Shell, the in-patient staff at Cherokee Hospital and the physical thera-

Also, thanks to the singers from Rock Hill who came to sing for him while in Cherokee. You guys touched him and raised his spirits. Thanks to Old Antioch who welcomed him home by coming to sing for him at home. Even though he was tired, he welcomed you guys and greatly appreciated it.

Thank you to the ladies from Hospice who helped explain things towards the end. Thanks Rhonda Lynn for being there for all of us, trying to keep us together. Thanks Reva Bird and ladies of Rock Hill for helping with the feeding of the Wolfetown gravediggers.

Thanks to Tosh Welch and Education for helping with Chelsea and Family Services for bringing Mr. home to say his goodbyes. Thanks also to Judge Saunooke, Fred Pennick, and Dondi Cline for allowing Justin to come also.

Thanks to Old Antioch Church for his farewell get-together and to Denny Crowe, Danny Little and Cliff Barker for preaching the word as Dad re-

quested. Thank you also to Long House Funeral Home. Thank you all and sorry if we missed anyone.

Even though our Dad was not originally from here, he called Cherokee home for more than 42 years. Signed,

Keith Jr., Angie, Trish and Ben, grandkids and great-grandchildren

Thank you

We would like to thank everyone who prayed for us, sent gifts, cards, or monetary help during Lester's mom's sudden illness and passing. We would like to give special thanks to the staff of Mountain Credit Union and members of the Big Cove Community Club for the special help and flowers. All of you are great. Thanks Mary for making the phone calls for us and being an initial contact when we had to leave town so suddenly even though you were going through your own similar crisis.

We were able to have a few final hours with mom in which she was conscious and able to communicate with us before her passing. We know that she is with the Lord and that we will see her again, someday. Sincerely, Lester & Lisa Hardesty

Panozzo inducted into Sorority



Photo courtesy of Vickie McMahan

Tavish L Panozzo, Supervisor in the Home Health Agency of Cherokee, NC, has been acknowledged for her outstanding academic accomplishments and leadership qualities while obtaining her Master's Degree in Nursing Administration. She has been nominated and inducted into the Sigma Theta Tau International Sorority Eta Psi Chapter, Western Carolina University. Induction ceremony was conducted on Saturday November 12, 2011 at the School of Nursing AB Tech Enka Campus.

Dora Reed Head Start Parent Group attend Training



Tosh Welch explains the options that are available for families who plan to continue or complete their education using Tribal Education funding.



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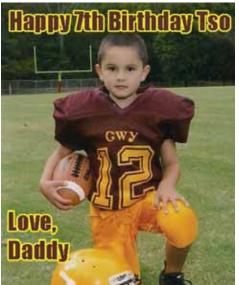
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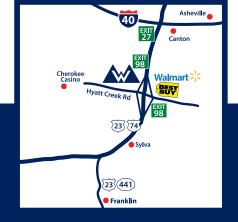
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