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Micah Swimmer, Amanda Swimmer's grandson, sings an honor song for her during Tuesday's event.

Beloved Woman remembered, honored at event

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he life, smile, wisdom, and wit of the late Amanda Swimmer, Beloved Woman of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, were remembered at a memorial event held at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 4.

"I am going to keep it simple and short as Grandma was a humble person and probably wouldn't want us to be making a big deal about her," said Cherokee Tribal Court Judge Shannon Swimmer, Amanda's granddaughter, who opened the program with words from the family. "But, she was a big deal, and she deserves to be celebrated and honored and remembered."

She added, "Grandma was many things in this life. She lived a simple life, but she also lived an extraordinary life. She is going to be remembered for her contributions as a potter,

as an educator, as a bearer of our traditions, and as a Beloved Woman. But, to us, she'll best be remembered for the things that she did best and that was being a grandma and mom."

Dvdaya Swimmer, Amanda's great granddaughter, sang "Amazing Grace" in the Cherokee language followed by a performance by the Aniyvwiya Analsgisgi Singers & Dancers. Micah Swimmer, Amanda's grandson, sang for the group and noted prior to their dances, "Grandma was a big influence and guide in my life." He said she helped him learn various songs and dances including the Eagle Dance which had several parts to it she told him about that he previously was not aware were part of that particular dance including the Peace Pipe Dance portion.

Following those dances, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed spoke stating, "She was a mother to her community and a grandmother to her Tribe. And, like any good mother, she could be gentle or she could be stern – whatever the situation called for. But, no matter what, two things that you always knew when you were in her presence; first, that she genuinely loved everyone that she met and second, that she would be praying for you from that moment forward. She was the embodiment of the values that we hold dear as Cherokee people – compassionate, caring, graceful, and forgiving."

Chief Sneed went on to say, "People like Amanda, who come into our lives, can never be replaced because they were

never meant to be. Instead, it is our duty and our obligation to live out the lessons that she taught each and every one of us. Amanda has left a legacy, and that legacy is you and me. Her life and prayers live on in the hearts and the minds and the lives of everyone in her family and every member of this Tribe. It is my prayer that, during this time of mourning, that you would choose to be filled with joy for she is in the presence of her God and she is rejoicing and we rejoice with her."

Following his remarks, Chief Sneed and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley presented members of the Swimmer family with a tribal flag in her honor.

Dr. Debora Foerst, Cherokee High School principal and lifelong friend of Amanda's, spoke on behalf of her father, Ray Kinsland, and stated, "She loved my parents, visited with them, worshiped with them, sang with them, prayed for them. She loved singing with them."

She said her mother, Jerri Kinsland, once called Amanda "a champion". Foerst noted, "We know that a champion is a person who fights for and defends a cause or a people. She was, first and foremost, a champion for her Lord and Savior. She was a champion for her family. She was a champion for her community and her Tribe. She was a champion for the Cherokee culture, language, and way of life. We know the fire she had within her when she would set out to accomplish a task. She was a champion to get guardrails installed or a road put in to keep her people safe."

Foerst added, "She called my dad her best friend. I took my parents to see her a couple of weeks ago, and when we walked in she said, 'there's my best friend Ray



Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, right, and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, second from right, present a tribal flag of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to family members of the late Beloved Woman Amanda Swimmer during a memorial event honoring her at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Tuesday, Dec. 4. Family members are shown, from left, including: Flora Bradley, Bert Swimmer, and Rena Swimmer.

Kinsland'. They shared a special friendship, a special bond because like Amanda, he too, is a champion. My dad has some sayings that we've all heard time and again, but I want to leave you with this one, one that Amanda would agree with. Let us love and serve each other more, and let us love and serve the Lord more."

Dr. Bill Haggard, UNC – Asheville vice chancellor for student affairs, spoke and said, "In May 2005, UNC Asheville bestowed the honorary Doctorate of Humane Letters to Amanda Swimmer for her talent as an artist and a potter, as a keeper of Cherokee traditions and language, and for being a much-beloved person in her community. Ms. Swimmer dedicated her life to passing on the gifts of knowledge and creativity to the younger generation throughout western North Carolina."

Pamela Meister, WCU Mountain Heritage Center director, told of Swimmer winning the Mountain Heritage Award, bestowed by the Center, in 2009 and commented that her pottery legacy will endure. "I take great joy in knowing that her work will be cherished and preserved, for as close to forever as we possibly can, in the permanent collections of the Mountain Heritage Center, the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Qualla Arts & Crafts, and in many, many other museums. And, those objects will be speaking to us for hundreds of years and to many, many future generations."

Also, during the event, Brennen Foerst, Cherokee High School alumni, sang "How Great Thou Art" with piano accompaniment by Michael Yannette, and the Cherokee Chamber Singers sang "Amazing Grace" in the Cherokee language as well as a Shoshone love song.

Rev. Bo Parris offered the opening prayer as well as closing songs and prayer for Tuesday's event.



The late Beloved Woman Amanda Swimmer demonstrates her pottery technique at the Cherokee Voices
Festival at the Museum of the Cherokee
Indian on June 11, 2016.

Adding to tribal land base

Two EBCI land-intotrust applications are progressing, Cooper's Creek in final approval mode

he United States Department of Interior, per the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, has the authority to put land into trust on behalf of federally recognized tribes across the country. The average application process spans years, and on some occasions decades, due to the bureaucratic systems in place. Factors that increase the speed of the application process include the use of the land for housing or cultural activities.

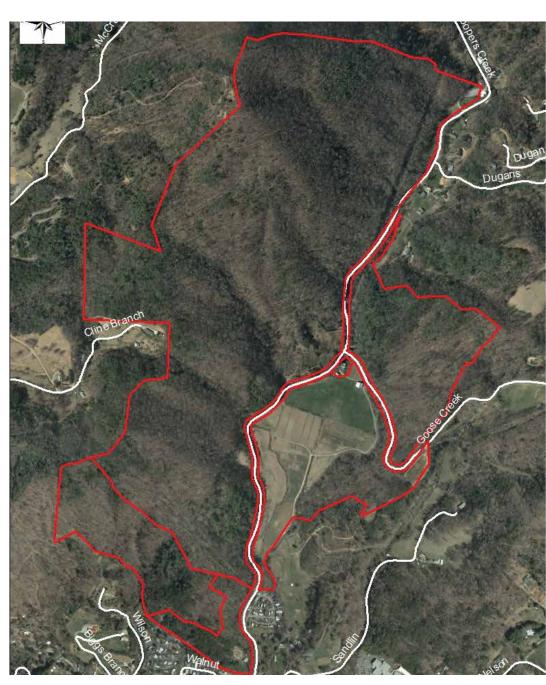
Resolutions #483 (1996), #639 (2001), #1030 (2005) authorized the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to purchase property at Cooper's Creek for the purposes of Housing. Resolution #343 (1996) authorized the EBCI to purchase Kituwah Mound for the purposes of cultural activities. Progress in having these lands put into trust has been slow since these purchases.

The survey for the Cooper's Creek parcel began in 2005, with little to no progress. Upon taking office, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed prioritized this

issue and saw to the completion of the survey for the property. The EBCI Realty Office has now finalized the survey, completed the requested corrections from the BIA, and the survey will go to the Solicitor's Office in Knoxville, Tenn. for approval. The Solicitor has assured the Tribe of approval of the survey, after which the application will go to the BIA in Nashville to receive approval from Bruce Maytubby.

The parcel at Cooper's Creek is approximately 284 acres, providing over 100 house sites according to a 2005 proposal from a development company in Asheville. The approval of the Trust application will give EBCI tribal members that purchase this property the full benefits of living on the Qualla Boundary.

"Upon entering in to the position of Principal Chief I worked to prioritize this application process," said Chief Sneed. "I am proud that the EBCI has realized this significant progress these past several months. At the start of my term, I tasked our Housing Division with assisting 100 Cherokee families realize their dreams of becoming home owners and have made this a priority throughout my term as Principal Chief. I am pleased this land will soon



Graphic contribute

The above map shows, in red, a 284-acre parcel of land known as Cooper's Creek. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is in the final approval process for having this land put into trust by the federal government.

be available to assist in seeing out this priority."

The property at Cooper's Creek was prioritized over the Kituwah Mound parcel due to the positive impact on housing for tribal members. The survey for the property at Kituwah Mound has been completed and is awaiting approval in Nashville, Tenn. before being sent to the Solicitor's Office, and significant progress regarding this application process is expected in the next year.

- Office of the Principal Chief release

Tribal leaders discuss lack of workforce housing

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he Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has a lot of economic development projects and expansions in the works, but there is one problem looming on all of them – suitable housing for the workforce to man them. That issue was discussed during Tribal Council requests for time on Wednesday, Dec. 5.

"The main purpose of bringing this to your attention is just so that there is an understanding that as we move forward with economic development and any kind of economic expansion here locally, that we must have workforce housing - that the two are going to have to go hand-in-hand," Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, who brought the issue forward, said during Wednesday's discussion. "We can't continue to plan to expand here if we're not also, at the same time, expanding the offerings of workforce housing..."

He said the biggest need is for housing for the "front-line employees" at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort and said dormitory-style housing might be an option for the future. Chief Sneed said not having proper workforce housing can negatively impact all tribal members.

Once the new convention center at the property is finished and opened, around 400 additional employees will be needed to operate that area.

Chief Sneed said this issue is not unique to Cherokee. "It's not just here. It's across the region. Every time we have a Southwest Commission meeting, that's always the subject of the meeting – workforce housing."

He said apartment complexes are going up in several spots in Cullowhee right now. "They're responding to the need. We have to do the same."

Yellowhill Rep. Tom Wahnetah stated, "Maybe we should look into buying some of these older motels and turning them into apartments. That might be the quickest route to get people in houses."

EBCI Secretary of Housing
Travis Smith said discussions have
been had with casino officials to
determine immediate and longterm needs, "We've had some early,
preliminary discussions about their
needs, what the future needs coming along are...capturing this project and putting it on the ground in
a short amount of time is tough.
There's a timeline there, and it's
hard to meet. We're working as
diligently as possible."

He added, "We are developing a team to work on this."

Secretary Smith said they've looked into the possibility of acquiring some of the hotels, but noted, "Some of these things that we're looking at, they've got the prices jacked up really high and it's hard for us to negotiate on some of these things."

Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell commented, "We've known about this problem for many years. I don't know how this organizational structure is going to be set up to implement the solution to this problem from identifying what the actual need is and what type of houses are we looking at. Are we looking at rentals, home ownership? But, we need to identify the scope of the problem."

Chief Sneed reported on
Wednesday that he has received
word from the BIA that the Tribe's
survey on the Coopers Creek property has been accepted and said the
process is very close to having that
land put into trust. "We've got to
start looking at how we're going
to develop that as there is a lot of
acreage down there as well."

Secretary Smith said that housing is considered "affordable" when it comprises no more than 30 percent of a family's income. "In order to afford a two-bedroom apartment at \$800 per month, a family needs to earn \$34,560...most families

around here make that."

He added that the housing can be located anywhere and doesn't necessarily have to be on the Qualla Boundary. "Right now, my focus is in the surrounding counties to purchase these properties to build housing. There's opportunities, not necessarily for revenue, but our payoff is having people come here to fulfill these jobs and make the casino work or anything else that we build. They have to have a place to live "

Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha suggested moving the issue forward to a full work session for Council to discuss tangible solutions and to develop strategies. He suggested inviting the Kituwah Economic Development Board LLC to the table and noted, "There's a huge opportunity for the Tribe because that's what they're designed to do is to manage businesses."

Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley said workforce housing is an important issue, but noted, "This is just one small segment of our housing issue...this is just one small segment of the overall economy of our town here, and if we're going to grow, we've got to grow in every direction. I think we're headed in the right direction by doing this."

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Honoring Cherokee heroes

EBCI tribal lands designated a Purple Heart Community

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he lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will be designated as a Purple Heart Community thanks to the passage of a resolution submitted by the members of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 and the Post 143 Ladies Auxiliary. Res. No. 439 was passed unanimously by Tribal Council during its regular session on Thursday, Dec. 6.

"It saddens me every day to see veterans that are not being recognized and are being left in the shadows by our communities," said Sgt. Gregory Hunt, Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 and a Marine Corps veteran. "This resolution will help us bring those that gave the ultimate sacrifice in combat for this country and gave us our freedom and help them come out of the shadows and be recognized by all who enter the Qualla Boundary, Snowbird, all Eastern Band Cherokee Indian tribal land. The resolution will be recognizing any Eastern Band Cherokee Indian or anyone in the community that has received the Purple Heart which is the third highest personal combat award or decoration. That means that they were wounded on the battlefield. They were wounded or they gave up their life completely for our freedom."

Hunt said the signs will be paid for by an anonymous donor and



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Reuben Taylor, an EBCI tribal elder, is a World War II veteran and the recipient of both the Bronze Star and the Purple Heart. He and other recipients of the Purple Heart, given to those wounded in combat, will be honored as the lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will be designated as a Purple Heart Community thanks to the passage of a resolution, submitted by the members of the Steve Young-deer American Legion Post 143 and the Post 143 Ladies Auxiliary, during Tribal Council on Thursday, Dec. 6.

will not cost the Tribe nor the Post any money with a total of 10 signs being placed around the Qualla Boundary, Snowbird Community, Cherokee County Community, and anywhere else deemed appropriate.

The legislation states in part, "...throughout the Qualla Bound-

ary there are many veterans that served its country and Tribe with honor and distinction and were wounded in battle defending this nation and Tribe. Some wounded multiple times and having received the Purple Heart, the nation's oldest military award, for their un-



Photo courtesy of Sgt. Gregory Hunt **A total of 10 signs** will be placed around the lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians designating it as a Purple Heart Community.

selfish service. The Purple Heart is awarded to members of the armed forces of the U.S. who are wounded by an instrument of war in the hands of the enemy and posthumously to the kin in the name of those who are killed in action or die of wounds received in action. It is specifically a combat decoration."

According to the legislation, Post 143 officials and the North Carolina Department of Transportation will collaborate to get the proper signage that identifies the Qualla Boundary as a Purple Heart Community.

As part of the legislation, a proclamation was submitted to designate April 13 as Purple Heart Day on tribal lands of the EBCI. Hunt noted, "The reason for that day is that is the birthday of one of

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PURPLE HEART: From page 6

our greatest heroes among our people. That is Chief Robert S. Youngdeer's birthday - being a Purple Heart recipient, former Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and a true American hero not just to Cherokee people but to all people across the country. I think that would be a fitting day to be designated as the annual Purple Heart Day among the Cherokee people."

Yellowhill Rep. Tom Wahnetah commented, "This is will be a great honor recognizing the veterans that have received the Purple Heart. My

grandfather is one of them."

Later on in Thursday's agenda, Council tabled Res. No. 442, to add a veteran distinction on EBCI enrollment cards and to waive the \$10 fee for card processing for all honorably discharged veterans. The legislation garnered unanimous support, but the issue is being sent to the Enrollment Committee to work with Donald T. Thompson, the legislation's submitter, as well as members of Post 143 to come up with a suitable design before bringing it back on the floor for a final yote.

In other veteran news, over 20 names of EBCI tribal members

who served in the U.S. Armed Forces were added recently to the granite memorial at the Cherokee Veterans Park. Those veterans include: Thomas Boyd Harris, James Raymond Walkingstick, Sam Saunooke, Paul Nathaniel West, Gilbert Gregory Cline, Fred Bruner Lunsford, Theodore Cornelius Reed. William Joe Paul, Rex Arron Crowe, Earl Franklin Hubbs, Kina Bernice Swayney, Joshua Rory Welch, Charles Lee Penick, Fred William Penick, George Henry Bushyhead, Perry McKinley Shell, Joseph Adam Wachacha, William Russell Locust Jr., Paula Joe Brown, Henry Harrison Smith Jr., Steve Harrison Smith

Jr., Edward Johnson Rogers, and Israel Milan Rodriguez.

The project to add the names was paid for by the Office of the Vice Chief and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley commented, "We support the American Legion and the members of all the U.S. Armed Forces and we proudly support the efforts to promote their recognition."

Post 143 officials are currently gathering names to be added in November 2019. If you are an EBCI veteran or know of one who is not currently listed on the wall, contact Warren Dupree 508-2657 or David McQueen 736-9572.

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Further honoring a hero

Tribe to support Medal of Honor petition for the late Sgt. Burgess

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he Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has one member, the late PFC Charles George, who has received the Medal of Honor, the nation's highest military decoration. Now, tribal leaders are pushing for another brave, heroic Cherokee, the late Sgt. John Decator Burgess, to receive that honor.

Tribal Council passed Res. No. 443, submitted by Yellowhill Rep. Tom Wahnetah, unanimously during its regular session on Thursday, Dec. 6 which calls for the Tribe "in conjunction with the office of Congressman Mark Meadows (R-N.C.), 11th District, petition for posthumous decoration of the Medal of Honor for saving several of his comrades at the expense of his own life"."

Rep. Wahnetah said the issue came back to the forefront after he heard Col. Bob Blankenship (Ret.), U.S. Army Vietnam veteran, tell of Sgt. Burgess' heroism in battle at a recent Cherokee Veteran's Day Celebration. "He told of his heroism in sacrificing his own life to save his men and that he deserved the



Photo courtesy of Vietnam Veteran's Memorial Fund

Sgt. John Burgess, an EBCI tribal member, was killed in action (KIA) on April 18, 1969 and was awarded the Silver Star for his gallantry on the battlefield. Tribal officials, joining with Congressman Mark Meadows, are pushing for his actions to be elevated to Medal of Honor status.

Medal of Honor for his sacrifice. So, I got with Bob after that, and he had submitted some paperwork before to get this done, but it didn't go anywhere."

According to the legislation, Sgt. Burgess was drafted into the U.S. Army and served one year in Quang Tri, South Vietnam. "Sgt. John Decator Burgess was killed in action (KIA) on April 18, 1969. He was 22-years-old. Sgt. Burgess was posthumously awarded three medals for his valorous service. He received a Bronze Star citation; an additional Bronze Star with Oak Leaf cluster; and a Silver Star with First Oak Leaf cluster for gallantry in action, involving close combat with an armed hostile force in Vietnam."

Sgt. Burgess served with the 3rd Squadron, 9th Infantry Division, and according to his Silver Star citation, "Sergeant Burgess distinguished himself by exceptionally valorous actions during the period 28 February 1969 to 1 March 1969 while serving as an Armored Vehicle Commander with Troop C, 3rd Squadron, 5th Cavalry Regiment, 9th Infantry Division, on a combat mission in Quang Tri Province. Upon arriving in an area

where friendly forces were heavily engaged with a large enemy element, Sergeant Burgess directed his vehicle into the midst of the hostile emplacements and played a vital role in routing the enemy. Later, when the vehicle immediately to his front was hit by a rocket propelled grenade, injuring several of the passengers, he moved his own vehicle into the line of fire and provided cover as the wounded men were evacuated."

Beverly Elliot, Congressman Meadows' representative, was present during Thursday's Council session and commented, "I consider it an honor to work with the Tribal Council and the Principal Chief to pursue getting a Congressional Medal of Honor on behalf of John Burgess. I think it's something that deserves recognition by the federal government, and I'll do everything I can under Mark Meadows, congressman, to assist you in this mission. I appreciate you passing this resolution to get this moving to honor a true hero as was Charles George."

According to the Medal of Honor Historical Society of the United States, a total of 3,522 medals have been awarded since its inception, and a total of 262 were awarded during the Vietnam War. Sgt. Burgess is listed on the Vietnam Veterans Memorial Wall in Washington, DC on Panel 27W Line 105.

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Swimmer charged with first degree murder

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Attorney Andrew Murray announced on Thursday, Dec. 6 that
a federal grand jury sitting in Asheville has charged Shane McKinley
Swimmer, 18, of Cherokee, with
first degree murder in Indian
Country.

John A. Strong, Special Agent in Charge of the Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), Charlotte Division, and Chief Doug Pheasant, of the Cherokee Indian Police Department, joined U.S. Attorney Murray in making Thursday's announcement.

The charging document alleges that on Nov. 10, in Indian Country, Swimmer, who is an Indian, did unlawfully kill another human being, identified in the criminal indictment as "C.W."

The indictment further alleges that Swimmer killed C.W. willfully, deliberately, maliciously and with premeditation.

Swimmer is currently in federal custody. If convicted of first-degree murder, Swimmer faces mandatory life in prison. An indictment is merely an allegation and the defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty beyond reasonable doubt in a court of law.

In making Thursday's announcement, U.S. Attorney Murray thanked the FBI and the Cherokee Indian Police Department for their investigation of the case.

Assistant U.S. Attorney John Pritchard and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Justin Eason of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville are in charge of the prosecution.

- Department of Justice release

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Nov. 28

Ivey, Bill Edwin

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 1 year jail time suspended, 24 months probation, credit for time served (70 days), attorney fees: \$577.50

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Guilty Plea, 1 year jail time suspended, 24 months probation, credit for time served (70 days), attorney fees: \$577.50, court costs: \$190, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions – Dismissed on Plea 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on

Plea

Jones, Clay

14-40.1 Domestic Violence - Dismissed on Plea
14-40.1(b)(5) Domestic Violence,
Violation of Court Order – Guilty
Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation,
no contact with victim, credit for
time served (32 days), court costs:
\$190, attorney fees: \$225

Keel, Aaron Dayton

14-25.5 Violation of Exclusion Resolutions and Orders – Guilty Plea, 120 days active jail time, credit for time served (6 days) 14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed on Plea 14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

Kirkland, Winnie Mariah

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on Plea

Mahsetky, Patrick

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, Failure of CPD to Provide Discovery, No labs 20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate - Dismissed, Failure of CPD to Provide Discovery 20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed, Failure of CPD to Provide Discovery 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed, Failure of CPD to Provide Discovery, No labs

20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed, Failure of CPD to Provide Discovery

Tolley, Cassandra M.

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

14-80.1 Prostitution – Dismissed on Plea

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest
– Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time
suspended, 12 months probation,
credit for time served (48 days),
court costs: \$190
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct –
Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time
suspended, 12 months probation,
credit for time served (48 days),
court costs: \$190
14-5.4 Filing False Emergency

Report - Dismissed on Plea 14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect

- Dismissed on Plea

Watty, Ariella Jo

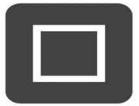
14-34.10 Weapons Offense - Dismissed on Plea

Wolfe, Jasmyn Tiandra

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernlia – Guilty Plea,
60 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation which may be transferred to unsupervised probation once completed with Substance Abuse Recommendations, court costs: \$190
14-70.17 Obstructing Justice - Dis-

14-70.17 Obstructing Justice - Dismissed on Plea





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SPORTS

FOOTBALL

Evans, Coach Briggs receive Shrine Bowl invites

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or the second year in a row, a Cherokee Brave will be on the roster for the Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas which pits some of the best seniors from North Carolina against their South Carolina counterparts. Isaiah Evans, senior running back, will participate in the 82nd Annual game to be played at Wofford College's Gibbs Stadium in Spartanburg, SC on Saturday, Dec. 15 at 1 p.m.

Joining him will be
Kent Briggs, Braves head
coach, who will serve as
an assistant coach for the
North Carolina squad in
the game. Evans is the only
player from the Smoky
Mountain Conference
selected for the game.

Last year, Tye Mintz, former Braves quarterback who currently plays at Kennesaw State University, was selected for the all-star game.

"It's a great honor for Cherokee High School and our football program to have players in back-toback years chosen for the Shrine Bowl," said Coach Briggs. "It is evidence of some great hard work for those two young men, but



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Isaiah Evans (#5), Braves senior running back, has been selected to play for the North Carolina squad in the 82nd Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas to be played at Wofford College in Spartanburg on Saturday, Dec. 15.

it's also a team award because when someone does well it takes a whole team to help that person succeed. It's a great tribute to our entire football team."

Coach Briggs said he is most excited to be able to represent Cherokee at the game and really get the Braves out there in the spotlight. "I look forward to working with some really great players, guys that you'll see playing on TV in college and the NFL. It'll be a fun week for us."

He said he's really excited for Evans. "It will be a

great opportunity for him, not only for the experience of playing with some of the best players in the Carolinas, but it also gives him a chance to go out there and compete and give himself some exposure and prove how he can play with the great players in the two states. It'll definitely be a chance for him to showcase what his abilities are."

And, Coach Briggs thinks Evans' skills are just beginning to be honed. "I think he is still an untapped player that has a tremendous amount of potential



Kent Briggs, Braves head coach, has been selected to serve as an assistant coach for the North Carolina squad.

that he hasn't even reached yet. I'm excited. I think he is the type of player where we'll see something really big happen within the next couple of years. I think this is a great opportunity for him to put himself in a good position to do that."

Steven Davis, James B. Dudley High School in Greensboro, will serve as the head coach for the North Carolina squad, and Coach Briggs will be joined by five other assistants including: Mike Palmieri, Mallard Creek High School in Charlotte; Marcus Wall, South View High School in Hope Mills; Antonio Moore, Northeastern High School in Elizabeth City; Reggie Lucas, Wake Forest High School in Wake Forest: and Ernest King, Westover High School in Fayetteville.

According to information from the Shrine Bowl. "The Shrine Bowl of the Carolinas was first played on Dec. 4, 1937 in Charlotte, N.C., making it the oldest high school football all-star game in the nation. The annual game, featuring many of the top high school players from North and South Carolina is played to benefit the Greenville (S.C.) Unit Shriners Hospital for Children and the 21 other Shriners Hospitals for Children across the nation." They state that over \$75 million have been raised since the game's inception.

To purchase tickets for Saturday's game, visit: https://wwwshrine-bowlcom.ticketleap.com/2018shrine-bowl/



Photo by Tom Pantaelo

Cherokee's Tori Teesateskie (#30) and Vivian Ross (#14) guard Franklin's Sydney Williams during a game at Franklin on the evening of Thursday, Dec. 6. The Lady Braves (1-0) got the season-opening win by a score of 56-47 over the Lady Panthers. Statistics were not available for this game.

Cherokee Recreation Basketball -3-4 year old schedule

Sunday, Dec. 16

1:30 p.m.: PJ Masks vs. Supermonsters

2 p.m.: Paw Patrol vs. Trolls

2:30 p.m.: Team Peppa vs. Backyar-

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Sunday, Jan. 6

1:30 p.m.: Team Peppa vs. Trolls 2 p.m.: Backardigans vs. PJ Masks

2:30 p.m.: Paw Patrol vs. Super-

monsters

Sunday, Jan. 13

1:30 p.m.: Backyardigans vs. Paw

Patrol

2 p.m.: Trolls vs. Supermonsters 2:30 p.m.: Team Peppa vs. PJ Masks

Sunday, Jan. 20

1:30 p.m.: Paw Patrol vs. PJ Masks

2 p.m.: Team Peppa vs. Supermon-

2:30 p.m.: Backyardigans vs. Trolls

Sunday, Jan. 27

1:30 p.m.: PJ Masks vs. Trolls

2 p.m.: Paw Patrol vs. Team Peppa

2:30 p.m.: Backyardigans vs. Su-

permonsters

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She wove her history

Acclaimed Cherokee artist Shan Goshorn passes away at 61

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

han Goshorn, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians who was currently living in Tulsa, Okla., passed away on Saturday, Dec. 1 at the age of 61. She was known worldwide for her unique take on traditional Cherokee basketry frequently utilizing photographs and images to make her splints.

Over the years, Goshorn won awards at many art competitions and shows including winning the AT&T Grand Prize at the 25th Annual Red Earth Festival, receiving an Eiteljorg Contemporary Art Artist Fellowship in 2013, receiving a Native Arts and Cultures Foundation Artist Fellowship in 2014, and being named a United States Artists Fellow in 2015.

The day after her passing, SWAIA – Santa Fe Indian Market issued a statement saying, "The Native art world has lost a giant. Shan Goshorn was one of a kind, much like her art."

Following her selection as a Fellow two years ago, she told the One Feather, "Although I did not learn weaving the traditional way of sitting at a relative's knee to learn this skill by observation, I acknowledge and thank all the people whose work I have examined to un-



Photo courtesy of Tulsa World

Shan Goshorn, noted EBCI artist, shown working on a project, passed away at the age of 61 on Saturday, Dec. 1. She was known worldwide for her unique take on traditional Cherokee basketry frequently utilizing photographs and images to make her splints.

derstand the math and rhythm of basketweaving. The Cherokee are known for their exquisite basketry."

She said her love of Cherokee baskets started in her teens.
"These baskets have fascinated me ever since I worked at the Qualla Co-Op as a teenager and learned the lengthy process of gathering and preparing supplies as well as identifying the variety of intricate patterns. I am grateful to all the ancestors who aided and literally directed my research in museum archives. They continue to inspire me" Goshorn received a Bachelor's of Fine Arts degree from the Atlanta College of Art and moved to Tulsa soon thereafter.

"Shan was a wonderfully-talented artist who was very proud of our culture and represented our Tribe in a very creative, emotional, and powerful way," said Robin Swayney, Museum of the Cherokee Indian genealogist and archivist and a friend of Goshorn. "She took her artistic ability to a whole new level. She was a wonderful and passionate speaker, and her inspiration, work, and legacy will live long

in our culture."

Many of Goshorn's works over the years took a stance on various native issues from challenging the idea of stereotypical depictions to raising awareness of historical trauma

In a video produced by Fire Thief Studios several years ago, Goshorn was quoted as saying, "I consider myself a multi-media artist now. I don't consider myself a photographer, or a painter, or a basket maker. I consider myself an artist that chooses the medium that best expresses a statement." In an article in First American Art Magazine, published Fall 2013, JoKay Dowell wrote, "Weaving the history of her Cherokee grandmother's people with spirituality and creativity into beautiful, sometimes haunting, works of art, Goshorn leaves a legacy of activism entwined with art, inciting future generations to stand confident in who they are."

A memorial service is set for Goshorn on Saturday, Dec. 29 at 2 p.m. at the Gilcrease Museum in Tulsa. According to the obituary printed in the Tulsa World, "Goshorn's survivors include her husband of 33 years, Tom Pendergraft; a son, Loma Pendergraft; daughter, Neosha Pendergraft; three stepdaughters, Natalee, Carolee, and Sommer Pendergraft; her mother, Edna Goshorn; and two sisters."



File photo

Goshorn won three major awards at the SWAIA Santa Fe Indian Market in August 2013 with this set of three baskets entitled "They Were Called Kings". She won first place in her division, best of category, and best of classification for the basket inspired by the Emissaries of Peace exhibit at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian which features three members of the Warriors of Anikituhwa including Sonny Ledford, Mike Crowe, and Kody Grant.



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SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

These elk, part of a herd of 40, were spotted grazing and enjoying the afternoon sun on a chilly afternoon at the Oconaluftee Visitor Center just outside of Cherokee on Tuesday, Dec. 4.





SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Snow and ice blanketed Cherokee and most of western North Carolina on Sunday, Dec. 9 as a result of Winter Storm Diego. This turkey (photo at left), part of a rafter of four, was spotted hanging out at the welcome sign to Cherokee in the Yellowhill Community. Debris (photo at right) from a snapped tree blocks part of Drama Road.

Mary Gloyne Byler celebrates 90th Birthday

ary Lou Gloyne, an EBCI tribal member, was born on the Qualla Boundary on Aug. 30, 1928 to Jack and Lula Owl Glovne. Mary grew up in the Yellowhill Community on Old River Road. She attended the boarding school as a day student until high school then attended Swain County High School where she graduated. Upon graduation Mary attended the University of Oklahoma graduating from OU in June of 1952. Mary is the last living child of Jack and Lula Owl Gloyne; her sister, Mollie Blankenship, her brothers Danny and John Gloyne are deceased.

Upon graduation, Mary worked for a summer as a cast member of Unto These Hills; at the close of the season, a couple of the Unto These Hills cast members talked Mary into moving to New York City to find work. Mary was successful in finding work as an Editor with the American Heritage Foundation. Eventually in New York City, Mary met her future husband, William



Photo courtesy of family

Mary Gloyne Byler (center in sweater), an EBCI tribal member, is shown with family members at her 90th birthday celebration in August.

(Bill) Byler. They married and continued their support of American Indian issues with the Association on American Indian Affairs, Inc., where Bill was Executive Director and Mary was the editor of the Association's newsletter published five times a year. Mary led a long and distinguished career devoted to American Indian literature.

Recognizing the power to effect change lay in Congress Mary and Bill moved to Washington, DC and began a lobbying firm, Byler and Associates with Forest Gerard, who left his position as Commissioner of Indian Affairs to join their lobbying firm. Their lobbying firm was limited to American Indian issues including water-right issues, federal

recognition for Native Alaskan tribes and other American Indian Issues. However, Mary and Bill's passion was a 10-year lobbying effort to successfully get the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) passed by Congress. ICWA is a Federal law that governs jurisdiction over the removal of American Indian children from their families. ICWA was passed in response to the alarmingly high number of Indian children being removed from their homes by both public and private agencies.

Bill died in 2013. After his death, Mary moved back to Cherokee and lived with her nieces, Mary Wachacha and Judy Tiger. She currently lives in the Bryson City Assisted Living Center. Aunt Mary remains a vibrant, intelligent and healthy woman of 90 years. Family was present to help Mary celebrate her 90th birthday and to wish her many more birthdays in the future!

- Special to the One Feather

THANK YOU LETTERS

To the Eastern Band of Cherokee,

The family of Cindy Crowe would like to thank you for all the support and outpouring of love during the loss of my wife and mother of our three sons. There are so many departments and individuals that helped us that we thought thanking the tribe as a whole was warranted as we could see the tribal members showing the love and support to us.

We were impressed on how the tribe helped in the helping getting my grandchildren home and assisted with the funeral. The family can't fully express the feelings that we felt for everyone that helped us at this time. Again, we thank all the Tribe for their assistance during this difficult time. And a special thanks to the Bigwitch Baptist Church of which Cindy loved-to the pastors and the church family, I thank you.

With Love,

The Family of Cindy Crowe

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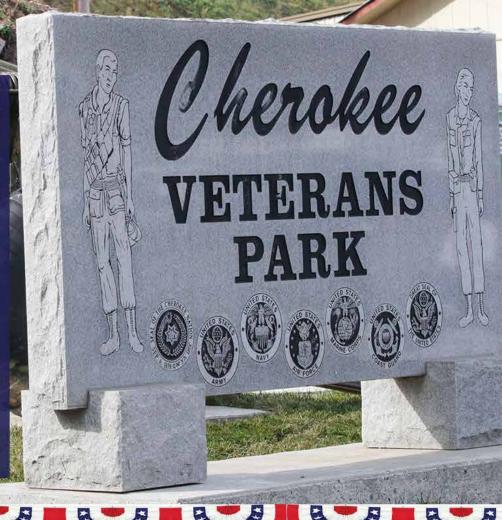
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Love and miss you,

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Wednesday, Dec. 5 was a day for Tsali Manor to showcase some the most talented works of many artists. Senior citizens were selling their crafts that morning in the dining hall. Here Patty Greyfox Cucumber displays her handcrafted items.





Photo by Heath Robertson/Cherokee Central Schools

Several Cherokee High School students, including members of the Close-Up group, traveled to Appalachian State University on Thursday, Nov. 29 to explore the campus and participate in the university's Native American Heritage Month activities. As part of a Native American film series held throughout the month of November, the App State Native American Student Association (NASA) and the Cherokee students viewed "We are Still Here" after which they participated in a discussion panel dealing with issues involved in being young Native American activists. The guest speaker for the panel was CHS alumni Simon Montelongo, and the event was dedicated to the memory of Beloved Woman Amanda Swimmer and Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe. Students are shown, left to right, back row – letan Reed-Littejohn, Dason Bryant, Shirley Peebles, Niobe Redus; front row – Jacob Sneed, Marianna Hornbuckle, and Maya Cruz.

CHS Close-Up group receives sponsorship

The Cherokee High School Close Up group received a donation from TERO on Friday, Nov. 30 in the form of a \$1,000 sponsorship. The Close Up group will be traveling to Honolulu, Hawaii and will be learning about U.S. foreign policy and Native Hawaiian culture. This will be the second group of Cherokee High students taking this trip through the Close Up foundation. Close Up is an organization that offers educational trips in order to better understand U.S. government and how it works.

- Heath Robertson, Cherokee Central Schools



Attention SSI recipients

If you are an EBCI tribal member and you received a per capita check, the deadline for your per capita receipts to be turned in to the Franklin Social Security Office is Thursday, Dec. 13. This deadline has been set in order to avoid a lapse in benefits. Save all your receipts and bring in per capita check stubs if you have any mandatory/ voluntary deductions withheld. All receipts must be dated for December 2018 to be counted towards your December 2018 spend-down. The EBCI SHIP Office, located at 43 John Crowe Hill Road, is available to receive your receipts with office hours Monday – Friday from 7:45 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Regina Wood, Social Security representative, and EBCI SHIP staff will be in the EBCI Public Health & Human Services Administration Building large conference room on Dec. 13 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. to receive your per capita spend-down receipts. Info: 359-6180, 359-6183, or

- EBCI SHIP Office

UT Graduate School funds available

359-6187

The Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund has announced that the University of Tennessee Graduate School will soon be notifying them soon of the available funds for a 2019-20 fellowship. UT will provide a fellowship to a graduate or doctoral student recommended by the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund. To apply for the 2019-20 University of Tennessee fellowship, students must apply to the Scholarship Fund by making a request in writing to the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors, P.O. Box 892, Cherokee, NC 28719 by Friday, Feb.



Photo courtesy of New Kituwah Academy

Following are the students and staff who had perfect attendance for the month of November 2018 at the New Kituwah Academy: back row, left to right – Carolina Oocumma, Rosalene Sneed, Joni Hill; front row – Yona Uwelug Swimmer, Elohi Slee, Amagasg Hogner, Tsoiyani Arch, Tuya Slee, Tsulagula Littlejohn, Koa Grant, and Anatli Pheasant.

1, 2019 to be considered for this fellowship. If more than one application is received, the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors will make a recommendation to UT Graduate School as to who should receive the tuition waiver based upon need.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship

Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation launches Fellowship

WINSTON - SALEM – The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation (ZSR) is excited to announce the launch of its All For NC Fellowship. Applications for the Fellowship are now available on the Foundation's website. The All For NC Fellowship is one of three initiatives that the Foundation is supporting under its Exploratory, Visionary Ideas Strat-

egy as part of All For NC: Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation's Framework for Grantmaking and Learning.

Through the All For NC Fellowship, the Foundation is seeking to invest directly in young innovators, change makers, visionaries, entrepreneurs and risk takers between the ages of 21 and 35 with bold ideas for how to make a difference in North Carolina and its communities. The Fellowship is a 12-month program designed to provide funding, coaching and mentoring to young people who have a vision and plan that could contribute to a better life for North Carolina's people and communities.

Selected Fellows will receive an individual stipend of \$75,000 (pre-tax) for personal and project expenses incurred during the Fellowship. Applications for the All For NC Fellowship are due by Jan. 25, 2019 by 12 p.m. (noon).

Semi-finalists will be selected to interview and present to a group of panelists during the weekend of March 15-17, 2019. The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation Board of Trustees will select up to five Fellows in May 2019. Preference likely will be given to Fellows with projects or initiatives that have moved beyond an initial idea and have some momentum.

Learn more about the All For NC Fellowship here: https://www.zsr.org/all-for-nc. Questions about the All For NC Fellowship should be directed to info@zsr.org.

- Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation release

OBITUARIES

Larry Robert Hornbuckle

Larry Robert Hornbuckle, 59, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Friday, Nov. 30, 2018. He was retired from the EBCI.

Larry is survived by his children, Jessica Kimberly Hornbuckle George and John Robert Hornbuckle; five grandchildren, Kyla George, Makayla George, Rosa Reyes, Maria Reyes, and Joshua Hornbuckle; two great grandchildren, Addisyn Teesateskie and Hashiya Daxton-Mark Davis; and one uncle, Alex Hornbuckle.

He was preceded in death by his mother, Nora Lou Hornbuckle; son, Nathaniel Shinkman; and special friend, Judith Ollie Roberts Hornbuckle.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Dec. 5 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor James "Bo" Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Hornbuckle Cemetery. Pallbearers were among friends and family.

Laverne Huskey Land

Laverne Huskey Land, age 85, was welcomed into the presence of her beloved Lord and Savior on Monday, Dec. 3, 2018, at the Cherokee Indian Hospital surrounded by her loving family.

Having grown up in the Yellow-hill Community, she graduated from the Cherokee Indian School. During her earlier years she worked for the Cherokees, then, as a young entrepreneur, she managed the old Cherokee Bus Station with her late husband, Ruble. Later, she invested in the Shaklee Corporation and became a lifelong distributor. While working as a teacher at the Qualla Boundary Headstart, she obtained a B.S. degree and retired as the nutritionist from the program.

Laverne was the daughter of the

late Birdie (Hill) and Bruce Huskey; the granddaughter of the late Callie and Wallace Huskey and the late Luzene (Sequoyah) and Blaine Hill Sr. She was previously the wife of Ruble Dunlap. Her brothers, Stanley, Henry, and Mickey preceded her in death.

She is survived by her husband of 36 years, Wayne Land; her sisters, Loretta (Sylvester) Crowe, and Arlene (Fred) Cochran; her brother, Robert Bruce Huskey; many nieces, nephews, and cousins; and one special life-long friend, Tracy Owl.

Monday afternoon graveside services were conducted by her pastor, Tim James at the Huskey Cemetery on Rattlesnake Mountain with her family, her Sequoyah Church family and close friends attending.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Land family.

David Jeff Blackfox

David Jeff Blackfox, 49, of the Wolftown Community in Cherokee, passed away Monday, Dec. 3, 2018.

He is survived by his children, Kristan Blackfox and Cornelia Rattler; grandchildren, Shaelynn Postoak, Hayven Inoli Johnson, Dylan Wachacha, and Ethan Armachain; brothers, Noel Coon Bigmeat, John Allen Bigmeat, and Eddie Bird; great uncle, Wiggins Blackfox; great aunt, Sara Blackfox Wildcatt; and his dog Buddy.

Jeff was preceded in death by his parents, Robert "Bob" Bigmeat and Nancy Blackfox Bigmeat; two daughters, Linda Armachain and Cassandra Blackfox; his companion Minda Armachain; and one brother, Dewayne Bird.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Dec. 6 at the Macedonia Baptist Church. Pastor Dan Conseen and Merritt Youngdeer officiated. Burial followed at the Armachain Cemetery on Swimmer Branch Road. Pallbearers were among friends and family.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Blackfox family.

Tracy Renee Swimmer

Tracy Renee Swimmer, a resident of the Big Cove Community, went home to be with the Lord Tuesday, Dec. 4, 2018.

Tracy was preceded in death by her mother, Jessie Ross Swimmer; grandparents, Lillie Mae Wahnetah, John Wahnetah, McKinley Ross, Amanda Swimmer, and Luke Swimmer; uncles, Ronald, John Wesley, Herbert, and McKinley Swimmer, and Bob Ross; and aunt, Mary Ellen Wolfe.

Tracy is survived by her father, Virgil Swimmer; sister, Tina Swimmer; niece, Taran Swimmer; brother, Jerry Swimmer; fur babies, Leo, Gigi, and Taya; special sisters, Dee Owle, Michelle Lopez, Kelsey Owle, Janet Taylor; aunts, Gig McCoy, Mary Visag and husband Wayne, Rina Swimmer, Flora Bradley and husband HJ, Marilyn Swimmer; uncle Don Swimmer; and many, many friends.

Tracy was so full of life and would bring a smile to everyone she met. Her laughter was contagious and she shared it with all. She loved her Lord and Savior, and her family, friends, and co-workers. She will be missed but never forgotten.

Funeral Services will be held 10 a.m. Saturday, Dec.8 at Yellowhill Baptist Church. Revs. Forman Bradley and James (Bo) Parris will officiate with the burial at Yellowhill Cemetery.

The family will receive friends from 5 p.m. until 11 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7 at the Church.

Pallbearers will be all of her cousins and soccer boys.

Norma R. Molina Bigmeat

Norma R. Molina Bigmeat, age 67 of Flint, Mich., passed away Dec. 2, 2018 at Henry Ford Hospital, Detroit. Mass of Christian Burial was held Monday, Dec. 10 at Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Flint, Mich. A parish Rosary was prayed Sunday, Dec. 9 at the San Juan Activity Center/Hall at the church. Fr. Paul Donnelly officiating. Burial in New Calvary Catholic Cemetery.

Norma was a member of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church (Flint, MI) but loved visiting Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Cherokee. She sang in her church choir, loved U of M football, Detroit Tigers Baseball, wearing the color purple, traveling, and visiting her family and friends in and around Cherokee. Most of all, Norma cherished her children and grandchildren.

She is survived by her daughter, Elizabeth 'Bisket' Bigmeat; son, Matthew Bigmeat; eight grandchildren; two great grandchildren; siblings, Ramon Molina, Fernando (Melanie) Molina, Joseph Molina, Dorothea (David) Berry, Martha (Robert) Gragg, Theresa Molina, Anna (Roger) Adolph; numerous nieces and nephews; best friend and cousin, Lydia Reyes, 'The Taco Supremes' Dalia Reyes, Marylou Gatica, and Stella McDonald.

Norma was preceded in death by her son, James Edward Bigmeat Jr.'Moose'; parents, Ramon and Isabel Molina; sister, Yolanda Suarez; brother, Michael Gerard Molina; and son-in-law, Nevelin Emmitt Logan Jr. "GO BLUE".

Please make donations to the building fund of Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church in Flint, MI. Celebration of Life will be held in Cherokee during the summer of 2019, details to follow.

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Familiarity breeds contempt

ROBERT JUMPER

ONE FEATHER EDITOR

was watching the live feed of Tribal Council and again some of the official video archives of different sessions of government workings, and I came away a little sad at what we are allowing ourselves to be and how we talk to the people we say that we love.

We sometimes forget that we have elected people to office. Yes, they are servants of the people. That is the calling they have chosen. But, we called them. We said these are the people we want to guide our tribe into the future. And we did that whether we cast a vote or not. We did that whether the person won by popular vote or they were installed by legislation because we voted for the people who made that legislation law. So, we are ultimately accountable for every decision that they make or don't make.

Which makes it even more puzzling to me that we must be so rude and discourteous to each other, I can't imagine that being a Tribal Council Representative, Principal Chief, or Vice Chief would be a walk in the park. They spend a great deal of time listening. Don't think that is a tough job? Imagine tens to hundreds of "constituents" meeting you face-to-face, calling you on the phone, texting, and emailing you, with questions about their plumbing, housing, job security, health, and education. From paying a light bill to managing the \$300+ billion-dollar industry that the EBCI has become, you might say that our elected officials have a lot on their minds.

Each elected official carries the weight of all of those who voted for him/her into the Council Chamber. When they make decisions, they are voting for you on each resolution. Imagine every decision that you make being analyzed and scrutinized by hundreds, if not thousands, of your constituents.

The term constituent means, "a person who authorizes another to act in his or her behalf, as a voter in a district represented by an elected official." Again, it is by our choices that the people who are

in those elected seats are in them. That is why, over and over, in our editorials, we have stressed the need for informed voter decisions. It is why we have pleaded that, as a voter, you look beyond immediate gratification that a candidate can provide, to their qualifications and character to pick leaders for this tribe. We said to question them and find out what their positions are on critical issues facing the tribe. We held candidate forums and debates to give the community access those candidates to ask those questions. Based on all the opportunities we constituents are afforded to preselect our elected officials, we should be good with the people we vote into office. We, as a people, have chosen to have a government organized this way. And we should be good with that too.

That is not to say we won't have disagreements as our leaders hear from their constituents and attempt to find the consensus within the hundreds and thousands of people they must consider when formulating a position. Sometimes, they will have to make an unpopular decision, because they have access to more information than the average constituent, and the report goes against the will of the majority. It doesn't mean that they have turned their backs on the constituency. It says that they are trying to do the right thing based on the information that they have that maybe we don't.

I imagine there is not one Tribal Council representative or one member of the Executive Committee who doesn't want to hear what the people have to say-what they have to say. It is difficult for me to listen to some of the people who come to the podium in the Council Chambers sometimes. They many times claim to speak for "what the people want." I can't recall the last time any of those people asked me what my position was on any issue. On the other hand, I have had a few Council members and Chiefs ask me about my thoughts on a matter (not so much since I became the editor of the newspaper). Knowing what the majority wants is the bread and butter of any elected official and, ultimately, that is what they get paid for - to ensure

see **EDITORIAL** next page

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Tribal member addresses housing issues

We will soon be the proud recipients of a tribal government that has, for the first time in our people's history, decided to use tribal resources to directly benefit people who aren't even citizens of the US.

Workforce housing is the cloak being used. It is (my opinion) that the casino and other tribal revenue entities are implementing a foreign workforce that primarily operates under a federal government program designed for temporary job placement. "H-2B", is a type of visa program

used to import foreign workers on a temporary nonimmigrant status to fill American jobs that are "unfillable" or "undesirable" by American workers.

Funding for workforce housing is currently being introduced in tribal council. The proposed version is that workforce housing is going to benefit enrolled members by providing a cheaper alternative to our traditional methods of home ownership. What is being glossed over is that this housing is also going to be available for casino workers regardless of citizenship status. (More importantly) let's say the casino needs 100 jobs (or more) filled and the only way they can do that is under the federal visa program. Those people need housing, correct?

For those who are still on waiting lists for housing, I am baffled beyond belief as to how there is still a waiting list while something like this is being considered. For those who are against frivolous spending, records are currently being set on the boundary and not in a good way. And for those who simply care about our tribe and way of life, is this what we have become? The bottom line of the casino's annual report?

Josh Holloway

Snowbird Community currently living in Chattanooga, Tenn. (original edited due to length)

EDITORIAL: Familiarity breeds contempt, *from page 24*

that their people have a voice and power in the government.

Most of us have computers now or have access to someone who does. So, we are all capable of seeing the rules for public comment at our Tribal Council sessions. If you have read them, you know that they are quite liberal compared to those at say a county commissioners' board meeting, the state legislature, or a meeting of the U.S. Congress. If those bodies are conducting business, public comment is usually limited to a single, confined time, specified by the chairperson or a consensus of the board, and is not allowed item by item, unless the body is holding a public hearing. People are given a time limit, usually two or three minutes,

and the board hears them. The board is not required to respond to any question that a person may bring up and usually does not.

We also tend to get informal in our meetings here on the Boundary. After all, everybody knows everybody, and there is a good chance they may be kin to us. But that familiarity leads us down a slippery slope at formal meetings. For example, it is not uncommon for our community members to address our elected officials by the first name when addressing them in Tribal Council sessions. I think, consciously or not, that calling our leaders by their first name during these formal sessions leads us to not respect the people and proceedings in a way that would normally. Referring to our Principal Chief as "Richie" in a formal meeting has led to some very negative engagements in the Chambers. Referring to our Vice Chief as "B" doesn't show him the courtesy of recognizing his office and the responsibility he has taken on. If you notice, our legal folks, attorneys from the Attorney General's office and others who show up in our Council Chamber from time to time, are very careful to refer to our tribal leaders by their titles, such as "Chairman," "Representative," and so on. That is partial because they work in the courts, where a lack of proper respect and decorum can put you behind bars. Next time you're in court, try calling the judge by his/ her first name during a session and see how that goes over.

Don't get me wrong. I disagree with the decisions made by our government at times. That doesn't mean that I am right, and it doesn't say that they are either. It just

means that we don't see eye to eye on a subject. But you can bet that if I am going to express my disagreement that I will do so based on the laws that our people voted into place, either directly or through their elected officials. Not because I necessary respect the persons in those positions, but I respect the title that they hold because most of the registered voters, representing all the people, put them in place. We have seen the chaos and pain that results when we do not treat each other with respect and courtesy. If we disagree with our leadership, let's make it known and use the legal paths within our laws to fight for what we think is right, but let's do so with the character and dignity that makes us so proud of our ancestors.

Next week's issue, coming out Wednesday, Dec. 19, will be the last One Feather for 2018. Thank you to all of our loyal readers here in print and online for a great year!



Benefits/Fundraisers

Turkey Shoots at Jesse Welch's Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Dec. 15 at 5 p.m., sponsored by Bill Driver. Dec. 22 at 5 p.m., sponsored by Tracy West. Good prizes, good fun, good benefits. All are welcome.

General Events

Wolftown Community Club Evening of Christmas Music.

Dec. 20 from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. Any singers who would like to participate, contact Tammy Jackson 788-4098 or Mary Long 506-2857. Refreshments will be served. All are invited to join in an evening filled with music and fellowship.

Community Groups

Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6-8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

Support Groups

Cherokee Living Well and Diabetes Talking Circle. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12 - 1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital. org.

AA and NA meetings in Cher-

okee. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room. Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room.

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Monday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am Cherokee Culture: 11am -12:30pm

Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm Hi-De-Nv (Come with me) Recovery

Support Group: 5 - 6pm

Tuesday:

Emotions: 9 - 11am

Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm

Wednesday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am

Wild Wednesday: 10:15am - 12pm

Adulting 101: 12 - 1pm

Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm

Soulfit: 2 - 3:30pm

Staff Meeting: 3:30 - 4:30pm

We Belong: 5 - 6pm

Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 -

6pm

Thursday:

Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am

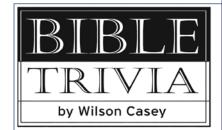
Staff Meeting: 9 - 10am

Mindfulness Crochet: 10:30am -

12pm

Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm





- 1. Is the book of Luke in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From Matthew 1:18, when Mary became pregnant, she and Joseph were ... ? Married, Engaged, Just friends, Strangers
- 3. For the journey to Bethlehem, how did Mary and Joseph travel? Bible not specific, Walked, Rode donkey, Boat
- 4. At the birth of Jesus, who was king of Judaea? Solomon, Herod, Balak, Belshazzar
- 5. What was the home city of Mary and Joseph? *Capernaum*, *Nazareth*, *Aphek*, *Shechem*
- 6. Which of these wasn't a gift from the wise men (Magi)? Silver, Myrrh, Gold, Frankincense

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Engaged; 3) Razareth; 6) Silver

Looking for a great Christmas gift? "Test Your Bible Knowledge," featuring 1,206 multiple-choice questions by columnist Wilson Casey, is available at bookstores and online.

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Employment Skills: 3 - 4pm

Friday:

Wrap: 9 - 10am

Creative Recovery: 9 - 11am
Courage to Heal: 11am - 12pm
Fit for Recovery: 12:45 - 2:15pm
Cherokee Language & Culture:
2:30 - 4pm

All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. The only classes that are open to the public are: Life Recovery, Recovery Support, Two Spirit and Peacemaking Support Circle. Info: 497-6892.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups
meet every second Tuesday of the
month at Snowbird Library from
11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank)
and every second Thursday of the
month at Cherokee Indian Hospital
from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap
Training Room. Groups are led by
registered dietitians. Info: CIHA
Nutrition Dept. – Nilofer Couture
497-9163 ext. 6459, Linda John-

son ext. 6317, Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean Walborn ext. 7569

Cherokee Cancer Support

Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty's Place at 40 Goose Creek Road. A pot luck is held at 5:30pm, and the meeting is open to all. Betty's Place is also open M - F 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and

meals. Info: 497-0788

Cherokee Alzheimer's Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month from 5:30 – 6:30pm at In-Home Care Services in the Beloved Women's & Children's Center second floor). This group is presented by The Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) The arts are a strong part of the Arian aspect, with music becoming more dominant. An important decision looms as a longtime relationship takes an unexpected turn.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Surrounding yourself with beautiful things helps restore the Taurean soul. Enjoy an art exhibit, for example. Or redecorate your personal space with something truly splendid.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Some colleagues might try to talk you out of what they insist is a risk, but which you consider an opportunity. As usual, follow your own good sense when making your decision.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A workplace change you might have worried about soon proves to be highly favorable for the clever Crab who is ready to take advantage of new opportunities opening up.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Congratulations. Your Leonine pride is polished to a dazzling new brilliance thanks to your success in winning support for your new project from even the most doubtful of detractors.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) An unsettling rumor about a colleague's apparently regrettable behavior is soon proved groundless, allowing you to enjoy the upcoming end-of-year festivities in a happy mood.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Your success in helping to create a harmonious environment out of a chaotic situation earns you the admiration of someone who could become an important new presence in your life.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your Scorpion's sense of loyalty could find you leading a passionate defense of a loved one you feel is being unfairly treated. The week's end brings long-awaited family news.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your keen instincts are once more on high alert as you find yourself being pressured to make a quick decision about a certain matter. More facts come to light by week's end.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) An unexpected workplace development could disrupt some family plans. A full explanation, however, averts domestic discord. A financial matter continues to need attention.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Spend time away from distractions to reassess some recent moves that might not have worked out as you had hoped. What you learn could be invaluable for future decision-making.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A recent act of kindness is a reminder of how important your friends are to you. You might want to show your appreciation by hosting a special pre-New Year's party just for them.

BORN THIS WEEK: You always try to do your best, which sometimes causes you to be critical of those who don't live up to your standards.

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Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- School Psychologist Minimum requirement of a Master's Degree in psychology and have at least three year's
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- · Varsity Women's Basketball Assistant Coach
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PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (3 Posi-

PTI LPN – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)

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Residential Treatment Center

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MANDARA Spa Job Postings Position: Massage Therapist

Job Description: The Massage Therapist role is to provide and maintain the highest standards of massage therapy and recommendations for home care. A massage therapist must provide excellent guest care, and create a feeling of rest and relaxation for spa guests, resulting in high retention and increased treatment and retail sales.

Applicants must posses a current NC massage license, applicants must be self motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Position: Cosmetologist

Job Description: To provide high quality, professional hair and nail services to clients. Educate the guest regarding home maintenance and the benefit of additional services.

Applicants must be self-motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays. Able to maintain a professional appearance at all times. Able to maintain work station in accordance with North Carolina State Board sanitation/sterilization procedures. Must have a current NC cosmetology license. We are currently offering a sign on bonus for this position.

For more information, contact Bruce Taylor, Spa Director 828-497-8550. 12/20pd

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CMA/LPN - Primary Care

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NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT CHEROKEE, NC

FILE NO.: DV 11-028 **CLEO DYER**

DANIEL DYER

TO: DANIEL DYER

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is the RENEWAL OF A DO-MESTIC VIOLENCE PROTECTIVE ORDER. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than December 24, 2018, said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 14th day of November,

Tim Lewis, Attorney for Plaintiff, EBCI Legal Assistance Office, PO Box 2280, Cherokee, NC 28719 828.359.7400 N.C.G.S._1A-1, Rule 4(j1). 12/29pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-080

In the Matter of the Estate of Cassandra Blackfox

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION

David Blackfox, P.O. Box 20, Cherokee, NC 28719, 12/20pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-075

In the Matter of the Estate of **Jess Alvin McCov**

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.

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION

Doris Sharp, P.O. Box 755, Cherokee, NC 28719, 12/20pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-082

In the Matter of the Estate of Dianne Sue Wildcatt

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.

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION

Dianne Sue Wildcatt, 118 Field Rd., Whittier, NC 28789, **1/3pd**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PRO-CESS BY PUBLICATION

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS TRIBAL COURT IN THE MATTERS OF CODYNAH, MINOR CHILDREN TO DEWEESE BUSHYHEAD:

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled actions. The actions were filed on July 20, 2018 in the Tribal Court, Cherokee, North Carolina, Case No. CVI 18-50, 51, 52. The nature of the relief being sought is ADJUDICATION OF NEGLECT/DEPENDENCY/MENTAL-LY OR EMOTIONALLY INJURED FOLLOWED BY AN APPROPRIATE DISPOSITION. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than January 28, 2019 in the Cherokee Tribal Court and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, Family Safety Program, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the 27th day of November 2018. /S/

Sybil Mann, (N.C. Bar # 16729), Attorney for Petitioner, EBCI Public Health and Human Services Department of Human Services Family Safety Program, PO Box 666 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719, (828) 359-1559. **12/20pd**

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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS TRIBAL COURT IN THE MATTERS OF CODYNAH, MINOR CHILDREN.

TO JERRY LEE LOSSIAH JR: TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled actions. The actions were filed on July 20. 2018 in the Tribal Court. Cherokee. North Carolina, Case No. CVJ 18-50, 51, 52. The nature of the relief being sought is ADJUDICATION OF NEGLECT/DEPENDENCY/MENTAL-LY OR EMOTIONALLY INJURED FOLLOWED BY AN APPROPRIATE DISPOSITION. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than January 28, 2019 in the Cherokee Tribal Court and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, Family Safety Program, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. This the 27th day of November 2018. /S/ Sybil Mann, (N.C. Bar # 16729). Attorney for Petitioner, EBCI Public Health and Human Services Department of Human Services Family Safety Program, PO Box 666 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719. (828) 359-1559. 12/20pd

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RFP for a Licensed North Carolina General Real Estate Appraiser

The Eastern Band of Cherokee

Indians is seeking proposals from licensed North Carolina General Real Estate Appraisers to do multiple appraisals on the Qualla Boundary and in surrounding counties. The goal is for the selected appraiser to perform high quality accurate appraisals in a timely manner at a reasonable fee. Respondents will be asked to develop their proposal as detailed in the complete RFP packet.

For a detailed copy of the complete RFP packet, please contact:
Jay Gallinger
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General, Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians, 257 Tsali Blvd., P.O. Box
455, Cherokee, NC 28719
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The deadline for submitting proposals will be at 4:00 PM EST on January 11, 2019.

The selected entity shall be required to follow any and all requirements of the Tribe and the Tribe's Employment Rights Office (TERO) and other applicable rules and regulations. 12/13pd

REQUEST FOR OUALIFICATIONS

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Housing & Community Development Office (HCD) is seeking Requests for Qualifications from qualified firms who can demonstrate experience and expertise in Architectural Design and Engineering of Housing Developments. Work will be completed in the Campcreek area of Jackson County, N.C., the property is in close proximity to the Qualla Boundary of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Work will include a Master Plan for 205 acres that will include Low/Moderate income housing. workforce housing, retail space,

mixed use areas and greenspaces to be included. Please use reference EBCI-CAMPCREEK-1001, a hard copy of the RFO documents can be obtained from the EBCI HCD Office at 756 Acquoni Road Cherokee. N.C. 28719, as well a PDF copy can be sent upon request if submitted to the email below. Questions regarding RFQ requirements or scope of services may be directed to: T.W. Saunooke, Housing Production Manager, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Office: 828-359-6903, Cell: 828-788-4824, thomsaun@nc-cherokee.com. 12/20pd

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Guardian ad Litem Attorney Advocate. This GAL Attorney Advocate will assure the protection of a child's legal rights by taking all action necessary to zealously represent the child's best interest. This service will be paid on a contractual basis from the Cherokee Tribal Court. Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following:

- 1. Name and Contact Information
- 2. Copies of Certificates and Licenses
- 3. Relevant Work Experience
 Proposals may be submitted at any
 time, but those received on or before
 December 31, 2018 will receive priority over later submissions. Please
 mail or email proposals to: Amber
 Shuler, Court Administrator
 Cherokee Tribal Court, PO Box
 1629, Cherokee, NC 28719
 ambeshul@nc-cherokee.com

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. 12/20pd



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