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## New water meters coming to Cherokee

### SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he EBCI Water & Sewer Department is about to start replacing over 2,000 water meters to improve services to its customers. The water meter exchange program will involve replacing outdated Badger positive displacement meters with Kamstrup ultrasonic water meters.

"The main reason for the meter change-

**NEW TECHNOLOGY:** The EBCI Water & Sewer Department is currently exchanging old, outdated water meters with new Kamstrup meters as shown in the photo above. (SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather) Arch noted. "As time goes by, the inaccuracies worsen by 40 percent or more. In many cases, the old meter, which on the Boundary may be up to 25-years-old, doesn't register at all, and an estimated reading is generated. This is not fair to the customer nor to the utility."

Arch says the meter change-out program will not cost customers anything. "If a customer has an increase on their water and sewer bill, it just means the old water meter we replaced had decreased in accuracy."



out is to help identify water loss and to greatly improve the efficiency of our water distribution system as well as staying in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)," said Ethan Arch, EBCI Water & Sewer field technician supervisor. "Water loss from a water distribution system is a significant factor affecting water delivery to customers. Water loss can be either (a) the apparent losses due to meter inaccuracies or unauthorized consumption, or (b) real losses due to leakage at water service lines, breaks or leakage on mains and hydrants/laterals or at storage facilities."

He said a recent EPA survey found a 48 percent water loss within the Cherokee system. "A typical water meter loses 10 percent or more of its accuracy in the first 10 years," The Cherokee Water System includes four distribution systems including Rough Branch, 3200 Acre Tract, Snowbird, and Cherokee with a total of around 2,300 services. Arch related, "We have a goal to have the entire system changed out by the end of May 2017."

When asked how long customers can expect water outages due to these changeouts, Arch replied that it depends on if the meter setter also needs an upgrade. "If the meter setter needs an upgrade, then it may take up to one-and-half hour, but I estimate that at least 80 percent of the meter setters in our system are the S frame type meter setter which allows the pressure reducing valve to have maintenance performed on the meter without having to excavate the meter. Otherwise, the interruptions will only take about five to 10 minutes."

There is a marked difference in the positive displacement meters currently in use and the ultrasonic meters being installed.

"A positive displacement meter is a type of flow meter that requires fluid to mechanically displace components in the meter in order for flow measurement," said Arch. "Positive displacement flow meters measure the volumetric flow rate of a moving fluid or gas by dividing the media into fixed, metered volumes. A basic analogy would be holding a bucket below a tap, filling it to a set level, then quickly replacing it with another bucket and timing the rate at which the buckets are filled or the total number of buckets for the totalized flow. With appropriate pressure and temperature compensation, the mass flow rate can be determined."

Arch said Kamstrup is a world leader in the water meter industry. "An ultrasonic flow meter is a type of flow meter that measures the velocity of a fluid with ultrasound to calculate volume flow. Using ultrasonic transducers, the flow meter can measure the average velocity along the path of an emitted beam of ultrasound, by averaging the difference in measured transit time between the pulses of ultrasound propagating into and against the direction of the flow or by measuring the frequency shift from the Doppler effect."

He added, "The ultrasonic meter has no moving parts and, therefore, is not affected by wear and tear. This means that it maintains its accuracy throughout its entire lifetime, thereby enabling correct billing and better data quality. Intelligent alerts in the ultrasonic meter enable efficient leak detection and lower the amount of non-revenue water because the faster a leak is detected and stopped, the less water is lost as a result of it."

If you have questions, contact the EBCI Water & Sewer Department 359-6100.

## He set them, got paid to put them out

## Tribal firefighter pleads guilty to setting fires in 2010-14

SHEVILLE - Raymond Neal Swayney, 31, of Cherokee, appeared in federal court in Asheville on Monday, Dec. 5 and pleaded guilty to intentionally setting fires on Indian lands, announced Jill Westmoreland Rose, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. U.S. Magistrate Judge Dennis Howell presided over Monday's plea hearing.

According to information contained in filed court documents, the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA) has the authority to hire temporary Administratively Determined (AD) Firefighters for emergencies in progress within the boundaries of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), including to cope with unexpected emergencies caused by fire or extreme fire potential. The hiring of an AD Firefighter is of uncertain, temporary duration.

Once a fire is assigned a fire

code, AD firefighters are paid based upon the number of hours they worked in support of that fire code, which includes not only payment for actual firefighting but also postfire maintenance of equipment, cleaning trucks, etc.

According to court documents, because AD firefighters are only compensated when they are called in for an active fire code, Swayney and others willfully set several wildland fires on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, and received compensation for fighting the fires. According to court documents, between March 5, 2010 and Feb. 25, 2014, Swayney and others intentionally set seven fires, which destroyed more than 420 acres of tribal lands and cost over \$106,661.98 in BIA funds to extinguish.

Swayney pleaded guilty to one count of conspiracy to set timber afire and to defraud the United States. The charge carries a maximum prison term of five years and a \$250,000 fine. Swayney is being held pending sentencing. A sentencing date has not been set yet.

The Bill of Information filed with court documents states that "Swayney and others intentionally

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started" the following fires: • Creek fire – March 10, 2010: burned two acres: total cost: \$5,767.38 in BIA funds • Board fire – March 10, 2010: burned two acres; total cost: \$1.243.97 in BIA funds • Yellow fire – Oct. 22. 2010: burned six acres: total cost: \$21,747.56 in BIA funds • **Possum fire** – May 21, 2011; burned 142 acres; total cost: \$20.409.30 in BIA funds • Soco fire – Nov. 21, 2012: burned 144 acres: total cost: \$29,008.12 in BIA funds • Drama fire – April 6, 2013; burned 7.8 acres; total cost: \$15,502.66 in BIA funds

• **Kituwah fire** – Feb. 25, 2014; burned 120 acres; total cost: \$12,982.99 in BIA funds

In making the announcement, U.S. Attorney Rose thanked the United States Department of the Interior, Office of the Inspector General, for leading the investigation and the Cherokee Indian Police Department, the Swain County Sheriff's Office, and the Bureau of Indian Affairs for their assistance with the case.

Assistant United States Attorney John Pritchard, of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville, is prosecuting the case.

- U.S. Department of Justice, One Feather staff contributed to this report



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## Tenn. fire now 94 percent contained, two arrests made

ATLINBURG, Tenn. – The Chimney Tops 2 Fire, which was first reported in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park near Gatlinburg on Wednesday, Nov. 23 at approximately 5:20pm, is now 82 percent contained according to Park officials. There are now a total of 14 confirmed fatalities and over 176 injuries along with 2,460 confirmed structures damaged or destroyed to the fire.

Two arrests have now been made in the fire which is being hailed as arson.

According to information from the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation, "During the course of the investigation, information was developed that two juveniles allegedly started the fire. Today (Dec. 7), a petition was filed in juvenile court charging the juveniles with Aggravated Arson. Both were taken into custody and transported to the Sevier County Juvenile Detention Center. At this time the investigation is active and ongoing."

As of Monday, Dec. 12, the fire covered a total of 17,136 acres, and had the following firefighting personnel working on the fire: six hand crews, 15 engines, one helicopter, and 209 personnel.

The Southern Area Red Team assumed command of the Chimney Tops 2 Fire on Wednesday, Nov. 30. The Red Team, the Type 3 Grey Incident Management Team from Colorado, and other firefighters and equipment are on site.

The Town of Gatlinburg reopened for business and to the general public on Friday, Dec. 9 at 7am.

Cherokee Orchard Road in the Park remained closed as of Dec. 12. All Park campsites that are normally open this time of year are open, with the exception of Campsite 21 on Huskey Gap Trail.

"Even though the fire is not quite 100 percent contained, the areas opening to the public have been deemed safe," said Incident Team officials. "The area will continue to be monitored and patrolled. Firefighters will continue to provide structure protection and will maintain a presence in these areas until the fire is 100 percent contained."

The wildfire began burning in a remote location (Chimney Tops) of the Park in steep terrain with vertical cliffs and narrow rocky ridges making access to the wildfire area difficult for firefighting efforts. On Monday, Nov. 27, continuous exceptional drought conditions and extreme winds caused the wildfire to grow rapidly, causing numerous new wildfire starts from embers carried miles away and downed powerlines in and adjacent to the Park.

– NPS, One Feather staff contributed to this report

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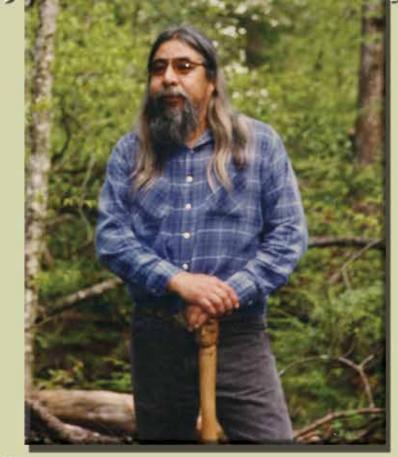


Photo by Brandon Stephens/USET

**BUDGET AFFAIRS:** Members of USET attended the Bureau of Indian Affairs Eastern Region FY 2019 Budget Formulation Meeting at the Inn at Opryland in Nashville, Tenn. on Wednesday, Dec. 7. Approximately 12 tribal nations and leadership from USET were in attendance. The meeting, which extended until Thursday, Dec. 8, covered the budget formulation for FY 2019 with tribal nations who receive funding from the BIA. Principal Chief Patrick Lambert can be seen at far left, third row from the top.



## THANK YOU from John Daniel Larch family



 ${f L}$  irst of all, I'd like to thank the Lord for saving my father's soul! I know one day I'll see my dad agam! Thank you Lord!

We would like to thank the whole community for all the love and support through this difficult time. Thank you to all the churches who came and sang. Thank you to all those who couldn't be with us but sent your love and prayers; they were truly felt.

Thank you Old Savannah Church for coming out to be with the family. It was such a blessing to have the church there. Most of all, thank you for all your prayers, low, and kindness. We are so thankful to the Locust Family Singers, Old Antioch Youth Choir, Old Antioch Singers, Yellowhill Baptist, and Rock Springs Baptist. Your beautiful songe were such a blessing and encouragement.

There were numerous people that came out and helped. Thank you so much Steve Youngdeer Post 14-3, Yellowhill Community Club, Ramily Support, H.E.L.P. Program, John Henry and Deloris Many. Crisp Funeral Home, Old Savannah Church, the Locuss Family Singers, Old Antioch Youth Choir, Old Antioch Singers, Yellowhill, Rock Springs, Wright's Creek, Jack Johnson, Buddy and Debbie Lambert, Eddie Shirrell, Austin Frady, Ben Roed, Denny Crowe, Barb Jones, Boys Club, Skooter McCoy, Zena Wolfe of The Flower Bug, Denise Vish, Joanna from V.A., Frank from All Hospice, Laura, Klina, Savanna Community Health, Harrah's Life Pass, Tribal EMS and first responders coming numerous times. Thank you so much, You'll never know just how thankful my family was.

Old Savannah Church has been such a blessing to my family. I could never thank the church enough for all the love and support they showed to my family and L

Thank you Old Antioch Singers for coming the day of the faneral. Your presence alone was such a blessing. The Lord is all over you ladies! Thank you for shining your lights in such a dark time. Thank you Nonnie and Zena for all your love, guidance, and prayers; love you!

Thank you Wright's Creek Baptist Church for opening the church to my family. It's been a difficult time. The whole church was loving and supportive. The Lord will bless your church in a mighty way.

Thank you Old Antioch Church for coming and supporting the family with love and kindness. Your prayers were felt. Thank you so much Deany Crowe and Ben Reed. Both of you truly blessed my heart. You may never know just how thankful we are for the both of you coming and supporting us. I pray the Lord blesses you both.

Thank you Eddie Sherrill for your willingness to do God work. You were so warm and welcoming to the whole family.

Thank you Austin Frady. Thank you for your love and kindness. You're a humble man who came in with compassion and preached God's word. You were a comfort to the whole family and were supportive. You're a blessing. Thank you!

Finally, thank you Crisp Funeral Home. Thank you for your professionalism. You met every need of the family.

There were numerous friends and family that helped and contributed to the family in one way or another. Thank you so much. The Lord knows who you all are, I pray he blesses every one of you and your homes.

With love, Thank you, The family of John Daniel Larch

### **CIPD** Arrest Report Dec. 5-12

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

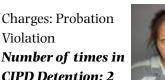
Blanton, Shannon DeWayne – age 34 Arrested: Dec. 5 at 16:25

Released: Dec. 5 Charges: Driving While License Revoked Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4

Frady, Aaron Lee – age 21 Arrested: Dec. 5 at 14:05

Released: Dec. 8 Charges: Violate Domestic Violence Protection Order Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 7** 

Johnson, Maricela Christian – age 24 Arrested: Dec. 5 at 15:16 Released: Dec. 7



Jones, Stephanie Dawn – age 36 Arrested: Dec. 5 at 14:15

Released: Dec. 7 Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance, Communicating Threats (DV), Weapons Offense (DV) Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 7** 

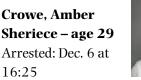
Wilnoty, Kendall Luanne – age 22 Arrested: Dec. 5 at

Released: Dec. 7 **Charges: Probation Violation** Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 3** 

Wilnoty, Michelle Mathis – age 48 Arrested: Dec. 5 at 23:05



Released: Dec. 5 Charges: Theft of Property Lost, Mislaid, or Delivered by Mistake; Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 1** 



Released: Dec. 6 Charges: Failure to Appear Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 7** 

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**Cucumber**, Bobby Joe – age 38 Arrested: Dec. 7 at 04:30

Released: Dec. 7 Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 1** 

**Davis**, Christian Yvonne – age 25 Arrested: Dec. 7 at 04:30

Not released as of press time Charges: Possessing Contraband, Possessing a Controlled Substance Schedule II

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

Petrelli, Tsali Hayes – age 25 Arrested: Dec. 7 at 16:30

**CIPD Detention: 1** 



Released: Dec. 8 Charges: Contributing to the Delinquency, Undiscipline, Neglect, or Abuse of Minors Number of times in

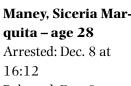


Groenewold, Daniel Bruce – age 44 Arrested: Dec. 8 at 09:00



Not released as of press time Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor Number of times in

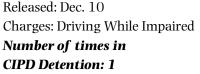
**CIPD Detention: 3** 



Released: Dec. 9 Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property Number of times in

**CIPD Detention: 2** 

Arch, William Edward – age 48 Arrested: Dec. 10 at 08:30



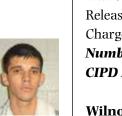
Hoyle, Heather Riann – age 39 Arrested: Dec. 11 at 22:15



Not released as of press time Charges: Possessing a Controlled Substance (two counts), Possession Drug Paraphernalia Number of times in **CIPD Detention: 1** 







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The last issue of the Cherokee One Feather for 2016 will be Thursday, Dec. 22 The first isue of 2017 will be Thursday, Jan.

> The office will be closed from Thursday, Dec. 22 at 12pm to Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017

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### Tribal Court Judgment Summary for Nov. 30

### ARKANSAS, Frances E.

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 33 days active jail time, credit for time served (33 days) 14-70.17 Obstructing Justice

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

14-95.5(a) Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea 14-95.5(a) Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 36 months probation, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (30 days)

14-95.5(a) Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 36 months probation, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (30 days), \$1,000 DARE, \$190 court costs

14-95.5(a) Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with Intent to Sell or Deliver Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with Intent to Sell or Deliver Schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with Intent to Sell or Deliver Schedule VI – Dismissed on Plea 14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on

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

### CROWE, William Ryan

Plea

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation 14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation DECOTEAU, Cody John 14-40.62(a)(2) Assault and Battery – Guilty Plea, 30 days active jail time, sentence to start at the expiration of 16CR1214,1217PV sentence



14-40-51(c) Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer – Guilty Plea, 120 days active jail time, credit for time served (98 days), admits PV 14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense – Dismissed on Plea 14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed on Plea 14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Dismissed on Plea 14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Guilty Plea, 120 days active jail time, credit for time served (98 days), admits PV

### LAMBERT, Allyson Denise

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, Officer Unavailable

### LITTLEJOHN, Michael

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC 12 months waive court costs and fines 14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC 12 months 14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PFC 12 months

### OOCUMMA, Elizabeth Anne

14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Dismissed After Investigation

### PHEASANT, Kogee Postoak

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea 14-40.62(a)(2) Assault and Battery – Guilty Plea, 120 days active jail time, credit for time served (91 days)

14-40.50(b) Assault with a Deadly Weapon Inflicting Serious Injury (DV) – Dismissed on Plea

**POSTOAK, Kogee Louise** 14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed on Plea 20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea

### **SMITH, Gilbert Wesley**

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, three months active jail time, credit for time served (34 days), home detention 14-40.51(c) Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer – Guilty Plea, 12 months active jail time, sentence to run at the expiration of 15CR2012 sentence, home detention, must submit to any drug or alcohol screenings

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Dismissed on Plea 14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed on Plea

14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense – Dismissed on Plea 14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed on Plea

### SWAYNEY, Jeremy Allen

14-34.11 Weapons on Educational Property – Dismissed, Lack of Jurisdiction 14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession or Marijuana – Dismissed, Lack of Jurisdiction

### TAYLOR, Brandon Craig

14-50.26 Violation of Sex Offender Restrictions – Guilty Plea, nine months active jail time 14-50.26 Violation of Sex Offender Restrictions – Guilty Plea, nine months active jail time

### **TOINEETA**, Dion Steven

14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

**VOLKMER, Holly** 14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Co-Defendant Plead

# **SPORTS**



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**TIGHT COVERAGE:** Cherokee's Jamie Lossiah (#5) closely guards Highlands' Emily Crowe (#32) in a game at Charles George Memorial Arena on Tuesday, Dec. 6. On the night, Lossiah had 2 pts, 5 assists, and 1 steal as the Lady Braves opened their season with a huge 83-23 victory over the Lady Highlanders.

C Basketball Box Score						
Tuesday, Dec. 6	1	2	3	4	FINAL	
Lady Braves	23	35	15	10	83	
Highlands	9	10	2	2	23	

Scoring: Cherokee – Raylin Bark 2, Tigger King 17, Carla Wolfe 6, Jamie Lossiah 2, Pooh King 10, Hallah Panther 8, Shelby Wolfe 16, Me-Li Jackson 2, Tori Teesateskie 16, Timiyah Brown 4; Highlands – Amber Reese 2, Madison Lloyd 13, Morgan Olivera 2, Emily Crowe 6 Three-Point Shooting: Cherokee (44 percent) – Pooh King 2-3, Shelby Wolfe 1-1, Tigger King 1-4, Teesateskie 2-3, Carla Wolfe 1-4, Brown 0-1; Highlands – stats not available

**Two-Point Shooting:** Cherokee (61 percent) – Bark 1-2, Pooh King 2-4, Panther 4-7, Shelby Wolfe 6-9, Tigger King 7-8, Jackson 1-3, Teesateskie 5-6, Carla Wolfe 1-2, Lossiah 1-1, Brown 2-7; Highlands –stats not available **Free Throws:** Cherokee (40)



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**TO THE HOOP:** Cherokee's Sterling Santa Maria (#34) takes it strong inside against Highlands' Mattson Gates during Tuesday's season-opening game at the Charles George Memorial Arena. The Braves built a large lead (51-32) by halftime and went on to win 81-65. Statistics were not available for this game.

percent) – Pooh King 0-1, Shelby Wolfe 1-2, Carla Wolfe 1-2; Highlands – stats not available **Rebounds:** Cherokee – Bark 2, Pooh King 2, Panther 3, Shelby Wolfe 6, Tigger King 3, Jackson 1, Teesateskie 5, Carla Wolfe 1; Highlands – stats not available **Assists:** Cherokee – Bark 3, Pooh King 3, Panther 2, Tigger King 2, Jackson 2, Teesateskie 6, Carla Wolfe 1, Jamie Lossiah 5, Brown 1; Highlands – stats not available Steals: Cherokee – Bark 1, Pooh King 3, Panther 4, Shelby Wolfe 3, Tigger King 1, Jackson 1, Teesateskie 2, Carla Wolfe 1, Lossiah 1, Brown 2; Highlands – stats not available

**Fouls:** Cherokee – Bark 1, Pooh King 2, Panther 2, Shelby Wolfe 1, Tigger King 2, Jackson 2, Emma Stamper 1, Carla Wolfe 1, Lossiah 3; Highlands – stats not available



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**BIG WIN:** Cherokee's Tori Teesateskie (#30) shoots over Hayesville's Kimonta Lloyd during a home game at Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Dec. 9. Teesateskie led Cherokee with 24 points as the Lady Braves won big 65-36 over the Lady Yellow Jackets.

C Basketball Box Score						
Friday, Dec. 9	1	2	3	4	FINAL	
Lady Braves	9	21	23	12	65	
Hayesville	11	9	3	13	36	

**Scoring:** Cherokee – Tigger King 4, Pooh King 23, Hallah Panther 2, Shelby Wolfe 6, Me-Li Jackson 1, Tori Teesateskie 24, Timiyah Brown 5; Hayes-ville – Emma Brown 3, Savannah Annis 10, Jade Patterson 6, Emma Cox 8, Hayley Rickett 3, Cassidy Miranda 2, Kimonta Lloyd 4.

No other statistics were available for this game.

SCOREBOARD BASKETBALL Boys Tuesday, Dec. 6 Cherokee 85 Highlands 61 Hayesville 57 Andrews 42 Swain Co. 81 Robbinsville 59 Rosman 69 Blue Ridge 44 Wednesday, Dec. 7

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Franklin 72 Highlands 26 Rosman 65 Mitchell 44 **Friday, Dec. 9** Cherokee 67 Hayesville 28 Southeast Whitfield (Ga.) 56 Highlands 49 Robbinsville 69 Nantahala 9 Swain Co. 86 Rosman 60 **Saturday, Dec. 10** 



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**DROPPING 30:** Cherokee's Tye Mintz goes up for a jump shot over two Hayesville defenders in the second half of a home game at Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Dec. 9. With 30 points, Mintz led Cherokee over Hayesville 67-28.

C Basketball Box Score							
Friday, Dec. 9	1	2	3	4	FINAL		
Braves	12	22	22	11	67		
Hayesville	ó	12	2	8	28		

**Scoring:** Cherokee – Tye Mintz 30, Cade Mintz 5, Josiah Lossiah 10, Blake Smith 2, Holden Straughan 6, Isaiah Evans 5, Joaquin Layno 3, Sterling Santa Maria 6; Hayesville – Trey Anderson 3, Dwain Cook 8, Josh Cottrell 11, Chayton McClure 2, Dalton Whitaker 2, Tevin Slayton 2 *No other statistics were available for this game.* 

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Girls Tuesday, Dec. 6 Cherokee 83 Highlands 23 Robbinsville 50 Swain Co. 42 Wednesday, Dec. 7 Mitchell 66 Rosman 13 Friday, Dec. 9 Cherokee 65 Hayesville 36 Southeast Whitfield (Ga.) 62 Highlands 37 Robbinsville 73 Nantahala 18 Swain Co. 66 Rosman 29 *Saturday, Dec. 10* Mitchell 66 Swain Co. 43

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### TRACK and FIELD Cherokee Invitational Polar Bear meet at Cherokee High School, Saturday, Dec. 3

Following are the athletes from Cherokee H.S. who placed:

### Girls

300M Dash: Jalee Panther, 9th place, 54.96 500M Run: Shelby Wolfe, 4th place, 1:35.05; Dorian Reed, 9th place, 1:42.56 55M Hurdles: Shelby Wolfe, 2nd place, 11.45; Taylin Bowman, 3rd place, 11.72 Girls Long Jump: Shelby Wolfe, 8th place, 9-09.25;

Awee Sequoyah, 9th place, 8-07.50 Shot Put: Naomi Swimmer, 8th place, 23-03.00; Awee Sequoyah, 9th place, 20-06.00 Team: Cherokee, 7th place, 21 points **Boys** 55M Dash: Shane Swim-

mer, 9th place, 7.11 300M Dash: Shane Swimmer, 3rd place, 39.94; Josiah Lossiah, 11th place, 43.88; Jordan Grant, 13th place, 44.72 500M Run: Darius Lambert, 7th place, 1:18.50; Eason Esquivel, 9th place, 1:27.1155M Hurdles: Jordan Grant, 3rd place, 12.04 Long Jump: Shane Swimmer, 1st place, 19-01.25; Jordan Grant, 14th place, 12-03.50

Shot Put: Byron Locust, 1st place, 39-10.00; Julian Rubio, 6th place, 28-06.00; Logan Lequire, 7th place, 24-07.00 Team: Cherokee, 5th place, 44 points - *Results per nc.milesplit.com* 

**Polar Bear indoor track meet at Polk County, Wednesday, Dec. 7** Following are the athletes from Cherokee H.S. who

### placed:

Girls Shot Put: Tierra Toineeta, 6th place, J26-05.50; Naomi Swimmer, 9th place, 23-03; Awee Sequoyah, 11th place, 22-00 55M Dash: Taylin Bowman, 21st place, 9:41

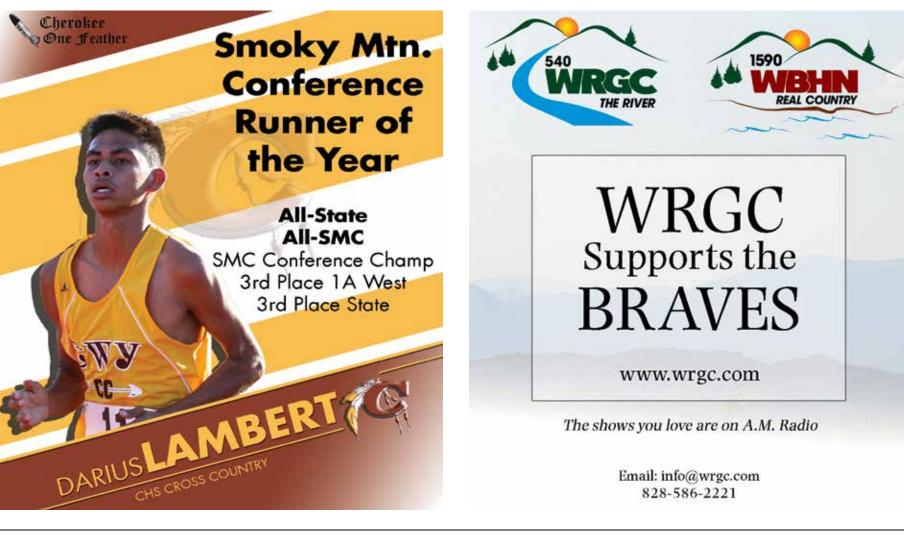




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**ALL-CONFERENCE:** Lynsey Hicks (left) and Phinehas Little, both EBCI tribal members at Swain County High School, have been named All-Smoky Mountain Conference in cross country. They placed ninth and eighth respectively at the SMC championship held at Cherokee in October.

1600M Run: Dorian Reed, 3rd place, 6:39.98 300M Dash: Dorian Reed, 22nd place, 57.01; Taylin Bowman, 26th place, 1:00.64 **Boys** 300M Dash: Jordan Grant, 19th place, 43.93 55M Hurdles: Jordan Grant, 8th place, 11.30 High Jump: Jordan Grant, 2nd place, 5-00.00 Shot Put: Byron Locust, 2nd place, 43-05.0; Josh Driver, 12th place, 28-04.00; Logan Lequire, 14th place, 27-10.50; Julian Rubio, 15th place, 27-04.00 - Results per nc.milesplit.com



### Get ready for all the fun at the amiles CHEROKEE CHRISTM December 2-31, Fridays and Saturdays, from 5-10 p.m. Supporting (closed December 23-24) Stroll through interactive Cherokee legends, eaching and like "How the Bear Our ice rink may be Lost His Tail." synthetic, but the good times are real. Our tree: Your tree: A Does Santa's Imagine all the presents you could place under our 40-ft. tree. beard tickle? Find out with a visit.

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### WINNING FLOATS: The

Birdtown Community float (shown in photo above) took first place in the annual Cherokee Christmas Parade held Saturday, Dec. 10. The Yellowhill Community float (photo at right) took third place, and the Triple Threat Performing Arts Academy took second place. (Photos by Stephanie Maney/EBCI Commerce)





Photo courtesy of Amorie Gunter **PARADE:** Miss Cherokee Amorie Gunter smiles as she rides in the Franklin Christmas Parade on Sunday, Nov. 27.

# Miss Cherokee report for Nov.

### AMORIE GUNTER MISS CHEROKEE 2016-17

iyo, hello the month of November has been very busy for me. I had the privilege of attending the Veteran's Day celebration and see the official unveiling of the Charles George statue. I can't thank the men and women, who have fought for our freedoms, enough for their service. I have been volunteering for the Cherokee Babyface program for many years. This month, I had the honor of attending as Miss Cherokee. It was so fun to see all the kids get so excited to see me. I attended many events at Swain schools to talk about Native American Heritage Month. I was able to speak to and connect with so many chil-

### dren.

I was also in Franklin's parade which was a lot of fun. At the end of November, many fires hit Gatlinburg causing numerous business and family homes to be destroyed. I started a gofundme account and began collecting donations. I raised \$270 in 3 days, which was donated to the town of Gatlinburg. I also bought supplies and collected hundreds of dollars worth of clothes. snacks, water, and toiletries that I took over Friday. Teen Miss Cherokee Jade Ledford also donated a bunch of items to me. I am very thankful to everyone who donated or helped in anyway.

If anyone would like to request me at an event please contact Ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com Sgi, thank you!

### CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK Ganasav hia svdodagwasdi asuyagida SOUI DD RVLIGJ DE OYL



RJ, a 1-year-old miniature chocolate Dachshund, lives with Cindy Wolfe in the Yellowhill Community.



Is your pet your best friend? If you'd like to have your pet (whatever that may be) featured as the **Cherokee Pet of the Week**, send a high resolution photo, type and name of pet to: scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com, or message us at the One Feather Facebook page.

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### COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### 2016 Reservation-wide Christmas Lighting Contest

The Annual Reservation-wide Christmas Lighting Contest will be sponsored again by the EBCI Division of Commerce and the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. Each community club will hold their own respective lighting contest and the first place winners from these communities will be submitted to the Cooperative Extension Office. To enter the contest in your community, please contact your community club officers.

The deadline to enter is Thursday, Dec. 15. The prizes include: \$300 for first place, \$200 for second place, and \$100 for third place. Info: Cooperative Extension Office 359-6939

- Cooperative Extension Office

### Wolftown Community Club

The Wolftown Community Club held its regular scheduled meeting on Monday, Dec. 5. Joey Owle, EBCI Extension Office, and Chris McCoy, Director of Communications for the Executive Office, were the guest speakers. We had a good meeting and a good crowd and a lot of information was exchanged.

The deadline to enter the Community Lighting Contest is Thurs-



Cherokee Central Schools photo

**WINNER:** Acacia Reed (left), a 6th grade student at Cherokee Middle School, is the winner of this year's Scholastic Book Fair Raffle. She is shown with Elizabeth Beamer, CMS media coordinator, who related, "Thank you to all the families who came out to the CMS Book Fair family night on Dec. 8. Cherokee Middle School is committed to creating a lifelong love of reading for all our students."

day, Dec. 15, and judging will be Dec. 16-18. To enter, contact Tuff Jackson 788-4088, Mary Jackson 736-4557, or Tammy Jackson at 788-4098. The first place winner will then be entered into the Reservation-wide Contest which will be judged on Tuesday, Dec. 20.

The Club voted to change the meeting time from 7pm to 5:30pm for the months of February and March due the winter season. We will be hosting the Community Club Council Dinner and Meeting on Monday, Jan. 9, with the potluck dinner starting at 6:30pm and the meeting at 7pm. The place will be announced at a later date. The Community Club Council meeting will take place of our regularly scheduled meeting for January and everyone is invited.

Kelsey Jackson, Asst. Coach for the Cherokee JV girls basketball team announced the team is helping the Public Safety Division collect donations of toys or money for the Cherokee Children's Home until Dec.19. If you would like to donate, you can contact Jackson 788-4732, or drop items off at the Wolftown Gym.

The Community Club will be hosting its Annual Potluck Christmas Dinner on Saturday, Dec.17 at the Wolftown Gym starting at 4pm. The Club will provide the meat and drinks so come out, bring your favorite side dish and enjoy a good meal while visiting with your neighbors! We look forward to seeing you there!

You can also check us out on the Community Club Facebook page for announcements and updates.

> - Tammy Jackson, Secretary Wolftown Community Club

### **THANK YOU LETTER** Thanks for supporting fundraiser

The Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church would like to thank all people who bought chances for the blanket and fifty/ fifty. Congratulations to Cindy for winning the fifty/ fifty and Shelly on the blanket. We are also expecting donations to take out to South Dakota Tribe. Thank you.

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### **OBITUARIES**



Tony Howard "Fatboy" Standingdeer

Tony Howard "Fatboy" Standingdeer, 37, of Cherokee, was called to his Heavenly home Friday, Dec. 2, 2016. Tony is the son of Carl "Toad" Standingdeer and Pam and David Cope. He was born Dec. 6, 1978 in Cherokee.

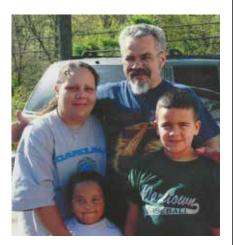
Tony was a hardworking man. He was proficient at carpentry work and hanging drywall. He enjoyed the outdoors. Some of his favorite activities were fishing, camping, and ginseng digging. He was very generous and had no need for airs and graces. What you saw was what you got, and what you got was a big warm smile, genuine and full of love.

In addition to his parents, Tony is survived by his wife, Shena Dale Standingdeer; three children, Tyra Celeste Standingdeer, Dominique Paige Locust, and a son Tony held very close to his heart Briar Daniel Standingdeer; two grandchildren, Camden Ty Standingdeer and Draelyn Harper Saunooke; three stepchildren, Chance and Dason Bryant, and Madison Backwater; one brother, Jared Standingdeer; one sister, Virginia "Beet" Standingdeer; two nieces, Katlin Roberts and McKinsey Cochran, and two aunts, dear and loving Joan Standingdeer, and Mary Jackson.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at Long House Funeral Home with Pastor Foreman Bradley officiating. Burial followed at the Virginia Standingdeer Cemetery.

Pallbearers included: Roy Bradley, Sam Toineeta, Issac "Ike" Long, Mike "Peckerhead" Oocumma, Charles "Charlie" Burgess, June Wolfe, and Neil Owle.

### Jerry "Bimbo" Harlan Long



Jerry "Bimbo" Harlan Long, 62, of Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Dec. 3, 2016 in Haywood County. He was born Jan. 3, 1954 in Cherokee to the late Katherine Long Jumper.

He is survived by his wife, Melissa Owle Long; two children, Jamir Mobley and Jaazaniah Owle; three brothers, Isaac Long and Floyd Long of Cherokee and Harold Long of Murphy; two sisters, Carolyn Mintz of Cherokee and Brenda Christoff of Shreveport, La.

In addition to his mother, Jerry was preceded in death by one brother, James Long; and one sister, Blanda Smith.

Graveside services were held on Friday, Dec. 9 at the Drama Cemetery. Richard Sneed officiated. Long House Funeral Home assisted the Long family.

### Henrietta Irene Lambert

Henrietta Irene Lambert, 58, of the Birdtown community, went home to be with the Lord Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2016. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of Patricia Sneed Lambert of Cherokee and the late Henry Ray Lambert.

She is survived by one daughter, Jasmine Raedean Lambert; two sons, Jesse Ren Lambert and wife Cory Danielle Lambert and their daughter, Jessilyn Arabella Tipton-Lambert, and Jason Lee Cole and wife Cori Debnam Cole and their children, Jadon Henry Cole, Stella James Cole and Samuel Holden Cole; brothers and sisters, Patricia Watkins, Deetra Huff, Patrick Lambert, Angela Gunter and Edwina Lambert all of Cherokee.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Dec. 10 at Cherokee Baptist Church of which she was a member. Rev. Percy Cunningham officiated with burial in the Henry Lambert Cemetery.

### Herbert "Herby" Melvine Mathis

Herbert "Herby" Melvine Mathis, 67, of Sylva, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, Dec. 4, 2016 at Clyde Hospice Center in Haywood County. He was born Jan. 5, 1949 to the late Sherlie Mathis and Willie Alexander Mathis.

Mathis was a veteran of the U.S. Army and a retired mechanic. He loved to play bingo and Casino.

Herby is survived by one son, Melvine Mathis of Sylva; one daughter, Crystal Wilkes of Sylva; one sister, Sue Mathis of Sylva; five grandchildren, all of Sylva; very special friends, Rick and Anita Pannell and Leoda Mathis who took care of him for the past 11 years.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Dec. 17 at the East Sylva Baptist Church from 4-6pm. Rev. Eddie Stillwell will officiate.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Mathis family.

### **Stephen James Ball**

Stephen James Ball, 58 and the son of Bobbi Sneed, went to be with the Spirits on Wednesday, Nov. 30, 2016. A loving husband, a perfect son, a terrific father, a wonderful brother, and great friend will be at his final resting place of Cherokee on Saturday, Dec. 17 at 2 pm at the First Baptist Church of Cherokee.

A reception and celebration of his life will follow the service. All people who knew Steve and would like to pay final respects are invited to join his family as we gather to say our final goodbyes.



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

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) Bible not specific; 4) Herod; 5) Nazareth; 6) Silver

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## The "truth" about drugs

**ROBERT JUMPER** ONE FEATHER EDITOR

ach year, all tribal employees are required to sit through one hour of drug awareness training (supervisors and managers get to endure a second hour of "how to catch a drug user and what to do if you catch one" training). The presenter does her best to make the material interesting and informative, but when you have seen the presentations for the second, or in my case, fifteenth time, it is difficult to concentrate on the material, especially when you know that bottom line: the tribal government is a "no tolerance" employer and if you test positive for drug use, gather your personal effects and leave your workstation immediately. Testing positive for drugs while employed by the Tribe is an automatic termination. Ask if there is any chance for leniency and the answer is "Just say no". There has been an ongoing debate about drug use on the Boundary. Numbers of drug arrests are on the rise, particularly for heroin abuse. Heroin seems to be the new drug of choice. But, many still use a litany of drugs, as my drug awareness trainer explained. Even in the opium-based drugs, there are many offshoots, including heroin.

Marijuana was also on the training list of very bad, very

illegal drugs, along with the quite legal alcohol. I mention this because we, as a Tribe, have been having such a debate over the status of drug abusers and drug merchants. In trying to tackle the real question of how do we reduce the use of legal and illegal drugs in our community, we tend to get into weeds (pardon the pun) by moving the discussion to the debate over criminal actions and disease affliction. When you are talking about beloved sons and daughters, valued members of Cherokee society, assigning accountability and liability can be a very emotional thing. No parent or community wants to hear that their loved one is a criminal. No one raises their children to grow up and abuse drugs.

In a section of the training titled "The Truth about Marijuana", I lapsed into memories of childhood. Back in my day, videos like this were produced to frighten teens who were about to be issued state driver licenses. The film they showed us as prospective new vehicle drivers was titled "Death on the highways". It provided some of the most frightening crash images a young man or woman probably had ever seen in their childhoods. Unfortunately, the state did not use the same rating scale as the motion picture industry. This one would have been given an "R" for violent and graphic content. While the intent of the driver education video was to

showcase the potential horrible results of reckless driving and to encourage those about to take the roadways to drive responsibly, most teenagers nervously laughed off the video, saying that it could never happen to them. Most of them had big brothers, sisters, or other peers that would calm any fears that they might have about the video and tell them that it isn't how driving really works.

Similarly, the drug debate continues on the Boundary. When trying to win the war on drugs, we paint the worst case scenario and toss about regulatory solutions to try to force behavior. So, we treat the user and dealer as criminals. And, then we realize that we are talking about sons and daughters of the Tribe and say, "Well it is not the user's fault, it is the supplier that is the criminal." Blame seems to be of paramount importance in the drug debate. It is an emotional battle that leads friends. families and communities to blame the suppliers, fellow abusers and even the drug itself.

One study that I read suggests that it is society itself that is the true cause of drug addiction. Personal relationship is not a priority in today's society. With all of the gadgets that we have at our disposal, communication doesn't have to be face-to face anymore. We Facebook, tweet and pin our lives away

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### Facebook Question Responses

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

If you could choose one thing for Tribal Council to pass into law in 2017, what would you pick?

**Wayne Kalonaheskie:** Maybe mandatory drug testing for Council members...

Ashley Sessions: Term limits for Council

**Danny Owl:** Anyone convicted of drug charges should be banned from the casino/hotel property. Our casino shouldn't be the place where Cherokee's worst are buying and selling dope.

**Charlie Howell:** Better cell phone service for all!

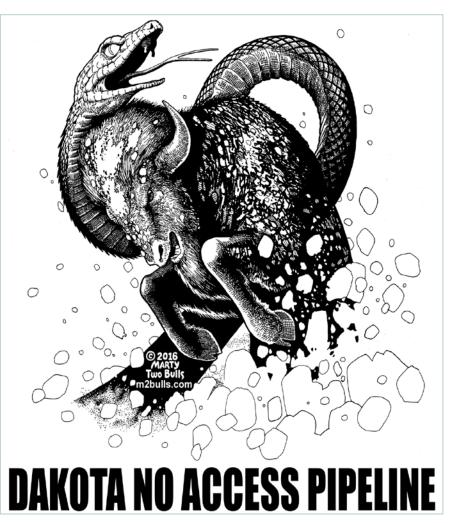
**Moe Hernandez:** High-speed internet throughout the reservation

**Orion Holmberg:** I definitely agree with the internet.

**Kina Swayney:** The Constitution because it will be the foundation for all laws, responsibilities, and rights for members of the EBCI.

**Ursala Stevens-Garcia:** (To) be able to vote on issues if you live off the Rez and out of state, and not military.

**Stacy Smith Ledford:** Yes! I'm a military spouse and I can't vote.



I've brought this up for years and no one listens, if they do, there is no action.

**Roger George:** Vocational Technical College...there will always be a need for mechanics, carpenters, plumbers, electricians...I have always felt after the eighth grade, the curriculum is college-oriented. In all due respect, not everyone is geared for college.

Neil Ferguson: Adopt the new state law that charges drug dealers with second degree homicide if someone dies from drugs they sold to them. There have been two recent convictions in North Carolina for this; one in Buncombe County and one further down east.

**Buck Jackson:** If (someone is) sent to rehab and they don't complete or (they) start using again, let them pay the bill out of their per capita.

Michael Flex Armachain: Upgrade cable

**Keri Brady:** Upgrade the cable and internet...term limits for Council, and fix the jali system. The inmates are being treated worse than they were in Bryson.

**Nicole Page:** I would love for the people who get caught selling drugs to have a mandatory six months - enrolled and non-enrolled. Ban-

App your ride.

ishment for those non-enrolled, another six months if they violate their banishment and a year if they're caught selling drugs on the reservation...

Maney Zacch: Something that would allow better restaurants! And, some know what I'm talking about, but it doesn't bother me what they thing. I'm all for alcohol. It can be 15 miles away, 10 miles away or even .3 miles away, I'll get it. (It) would be better to keep the money on the Rez.

Davis Rezgirl Alana: Term limits for Council

**Wes Hicks:** Open your rolls so people from this area can belong to their nation once and for all.

Michael Slee: Tribal bank

Utsesdi Galanvdv: A law that repeat offenders get an actual punishment and not just a slap on the hand. Why is it that my child, and everyone else's children, have to live in this sort of environment? Ban these members, and keep our streets clean for the sake of our future generations. These innocent children depend on us.

**Candy Wachacha Crowe:** A gas pump for enrolled members so we do not have to pay high tourist gas prices.



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Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.

### Church Events

**Cherokee Baptist Church** Christmas events. Communitv Christmas Eve Communion Service. Dec. 24 at 5:30pm. No special dress. Come as you are. Christmas Day Service. Dec. **25** at 11am. Danny Sweet will conduct the service.

### **General Events**

CES Polar Express. Dec. 15 at 5:30pm in the CES Media Center and 6pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Celebrate the season with Cherokee Elementary School including: Traditional Dancers and Singers, CES Chorus, and the Jumping Braves.

Turkey Shoots. Dec. 17, and 24 at Jess Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. All shoots start at 3pm. Good prizes, good food, and good fun.

Last-Stop Christmas Shopping. Dec. 17 from 11am - 5pm at Birdtown Gym. Numerous vendors will be set up for convenient shopping, free admission, shopping available

Christmas Meal. Dec. 25 from 12-8 at Yellowhill Community Building. Free to the community from the community. Organizers say, "If you want to celebrate the holiday in a clean, sober place and would enjoy a good dinner or just don't want to be alone ... " Info: Jill

### 497-9163 ext. 7558

Indianpreneurship. Starts Jan. 10, 2017 from 6-9pm on Tuesdays at Ginger Lynn Welch Conference Room. This five-week course provides insight on what it takes to start and run a business. Create a mission statement, lay out business goals, and build a business plan. The cost for the class is \$65 and includes the book. To register, visit http://bit.ly/Indianpreneurship-Winter-2017. Info: Sabrina S. Arch 359-6708, sabrarch@ nc-cherokee.com, or Kim Winchester-Rosario 359-6719 kimbrosa@nc-cherokee.com

### Health/Sports



### **Tribal Wellness Calendar for** December

Classes are free and open to everyone. All classes are at the Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room. Info: Robin 359-6785 or robibail@ nc-cherokee.com. Dec. 15: Strength Training for Women 12:05-45pm Dec. 19: Gentle Yoga & Meditation with Rose 12-12:45pm Dec. 20: Yoga All Levels with Robin 12-12:45pm; Yoga with Julie 5-6pm Dec. 21: Maintain Don't Gain Challenge 12-12:45pm; Kayaking 3:30-6:30pm

**Ongoing Events** AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. Nar-Anon (family sup-

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port): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH ence room

### **Life Recovery 12-step Groups meeting information.** Tsalagi Life Recovery Group meets Mondays from 6-7:15pm at Macedonia Church Fellowship Hall at 1182



**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) With the new year's opportunities almost within reach, the Arian's courageous aspects are raring to go. And don't be surprised if a lot of people follow the zodiac's most trusted leader.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Change lies ahead for the brave Bovine who is ready to shuck off the tried and true to try something new. But appearances can be deceptive. Check it all out before you charge into anything.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) This week promises a peek into what the new year holds for the Gemini Twins, both in love and careers. Family matters continue to be a factor in decisions you're going to be facing.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) As you move into the new year, your travel aspects grow stronger, and you might find yourself making decisions about a destination and a traveling companion sooner than you'd expected.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) The new year holds both glitter and gold. This means Leos and Leonas should begin getting the facts they'll need to separate the real thing from the sham in order to make important decisions next year.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) A good way to start the new year might be to arrange for a visit to someone you haven't seen in a long time. You also might want to pick up that project you put off a while back. Wolftown Road in Cherokee. Analenisgi Life Recovery Group meets Thursdays at 8:45-9:45am at Analenisgi Recovery Center. Info: Text or call Deb Conseen-Bradley 226-8498 or Bro. Dan Conseen 508-2629

### Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

*Monday:* Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) As you contemplate the new year's potential, you might want to talk things over with people who are or have been where you want to go. Their experience and advice can be helpful.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) Someone close to you might feel like you have no more room for him or her in your life. This calls for immediate reassurance of your love so you can start the new year on a high note.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) The coming year will bring more people into your life. Some situations might not work out as well as others. But overall, everyone earns something, and that's always a good thing.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) The new year could find you indulging in one or more of the hobbies you've always wanted to take up. And don't be surprised if they ultimately direct you toward a new career.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) The artistic Aquarian should find more opportunities in the new year. You might even make some potentially helpful contacts as you gather to ring in the year 2012.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) The new year offers challenges for Pisceans who want to make better use of the skills they now have and learn new ones. Personal relationships show stronger positive aspects.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Although at times you tend to be a bit judgmental, you are generous and caring and very much beloved.

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**Tuesday:** Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm **Wednesday:** Managing "Monkey Mind" 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/

### **DRUGS:** Editorial from page 16

because it is convenient. Why go to a friend's house or public gathering place when all that is required is an internet connection to communicate with anyone in the world? The study suggests that the lack of intimate relationship is the primary reason that people seek other forms of satisfaction. Drugs are used to fill the void created by lack of personal relationship. If this is true, than ostracizing and isolating abusers will only fuel their desire to find a numbing agent for their emotional pain.

I don't know the answer to the debate over drug users and suppliers. As the old saying goes in business, "If there were no demand, there would be no call for supply". Many of those who deal drugs are doing so to feed their own addiction. And, many of those drug abusers who don't turn to selling drugs will lie, steal, and even kill to get the resources needed to get their fixes. So laying this at the drug dealer's feet is not going to stop the flow or stop our kids from getting addicted.

Wouldn't it be ironic if the real answer to the drug problem on the Boundary lies with the amount of time you are spending with your children and how engaged our AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays) **Thursday:** Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene' Brown 10-11am; Managing "Monkey Mind" 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm **Friday:** Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

society is in providing opportunity for personal interaction? What if true love and concern for people and keeping them focused on that would stem the tide of heroin. marijuana and a host of other pacifiers that are used to replace affection? We each need to define for ourselves how we feel about drug abuse. Yes, society must be protected from the actions of those who are addicted, or anyone else who would do harm to others for their own gain. But, we need not think that punishment alone will solve the problem. Rehabilitation centers are fine, but those must be closely regulated and monitored to ensure that emotional concerns are being addressed as well as medical or chemical dependency. Cleaning a person up chemically and then sending them back into the social situation they came from that nurtured their dependency in the first place will only lead to recurrence. Love and respect doesn't always mean giving someone what they want. It is not excusing behavior or assessing blame elsewhere. And, we must realize that, in the war on drugs, community and societal change may be the only ways to truly impact the rising tide of drug abuse.

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For Sale: Assortment of furniture; dressers, nightstands, desks/chairs, lamps. All reasonably priced. Hol-



iday Inn Express across from the Casino. 497-3113. 12/22

For Sale: 2006 KYMCO Moped, mileage – 8,888; speed 100mph; \$1,800 obo. 269-5105. 12/15

1979 Shovel Head FXS Dyna, good condition, lots of engine work, Electronic-ignition, Electric-start, kick start, also to instell lots of extra parts. \$5,500.497-3695. 12/15

For Sale: 1994 Chevy S-10, V6, 4X4, Automatic, Air windows & locks, customized, new tires asking \$5,500, pictures available. (828)341-5552 Tom Cunningham. 12/22

The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute is seeking a marketing firm to develop Brand DNA for use by program staff in public presentations, marketing materials, social media and website design, and logo materials. The Brand DNA should have a look which reflects each program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute as well as the Cherokee Boys Club, Cherokee traditions, and other elements defined by the Brand DNA process.

For the full RFP please contact Tonya Carroll, Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute Department Manager at (828) 359-5545 or tonycarr@nc-cherokee.com. **12/22pd** 

### FOR RENT

For rent: Studio apartment. Completely furnished. Heat, electric, Direct TV, water, sewer furnished. Singles only. Call 226-1231, 736-4388, 586-6077. 12/22

### **BUYING/WANTED**

Attention: still buying junk cars and scrap metal. I pay in cash. Call (828)269-3292. 12/15

### EMPLOYMENT

CNA NEEDED - Cherokee Area / Part-Time 78 hrs a month Monday through Friday good starting pay. Call 828-524-6444. 12/22

## Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

 Middle School English/Language Arts Teacher - NC Teaching license required.

Full Time Custodian - Requires HS Diploma or GED.

High School Science Teacher - NC Teaching license required.

 Special Education Teacher (3rd Grade) -NC Teaching license required.

 Substitute Security (Multiple Positions) - Requires HS diploma or GED.

 Substitute Custodian (Multiple positions) - Requires HS diploma or GED.

Severe and Disabled (STARS) Teacher Assistant \*\*

- Transition Teacher Assistant\*\*
- Alternative School Teacher Assistant\*\*
- Elementary Teacher Assistant\*\*

 Cultural Teacher Assistant\*\* - Must have some previous knowledge of Cherokee Culture & History.

\*\*Teacher Assistants serving in Title 1 schools, in an instructional capacity, must have an Associate's Degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education.

APPLY ONLINE at: https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/ or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.





Cherokee Boys Club P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719

#### Cherokee Youth Council Leadership Specialist Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute

Opening Date: Nov. 30, 2016 Closing Date: Dec. 15, 2016 Job Requirements: Bachelor's Degree is required, Master's Degree preferred. Must have at least one year of experience working with youth groups. Youth empowerment experience is a plus. Please submit a letter of interest and resume with your application.

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

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

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





Cherokae Boys Club P.O. Box 507 Cherokae, NC 28719 \*Bus and Truck Department Manager \* Driver's Education Teacher (Job Corps) Shop Service Technician \*Part-Time Resident Counselors (Children's Home)

Opening Date: Dec. 14 Closing Date: Dec. 29

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

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HARRAH'S CHEROKEE CASINO RESORT Barbelp Casino Cocktail Server (PT) Casino Services Representative (PT) Cleaning Specialist (FT/PT) Cook I (Tamp/Seasonal) Dining Attendant Drop Court Staff

EMT/Security Officer F & B Cashier (FT/PT) \*5500 hiring bonus Room Attendant (Temp/Seasonal) Security Officer (FT/PT) Senior Cook \*5400 hiring bonus Stoward (Temp/Seasonal) Surveillance Officer Table Games Dealer Training School (PT) HARRAH'S CHEROKEE VALLEY RIVER CASINO Room Attendants (PT)



Visit HARRAHSCHEROKEEJOBS.COM or call 828.497.8778 for a complete listing of jobs. "Eligibility restrictors do apply for hiring bornia positions. Please see Talent Acquisiton Department for detail

If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians, managed by Coesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from Bam - 4:30pm. Call 828:497:8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828:497.8540.



Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in



## POSITIONS OPEN

\*Please attach all required documents\* \*eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates\*

#### Closing Friday, Dec. 16, 2016 at 4pm

lieu of a Tribal application.

- 1. IT Project Management Support Specialist- IT (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 2. OSP Lineman Installer- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 3. Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 4. Audio Visual Technician- Communications (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 5. Security Life Safety Supervisor- Security & Surveillance (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 6. Surveillance Technician- Security & Surveillance (\$34,112-\$42,640)
- 7. Recreation Coordinator- Senior Citizens (\$28,372-\$35,465)
- 8. Family Safety Grant Coordinator- Family Safety (\$34,112-\$42,640)
- 9. Evidence Based Intervention Specialist- Family Safety (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 10. Supportive Housing Case Coordinator- Family Safety (\$37,474-\$46,843)
- 11. Community Health Representative (Re-advertisement)- Community Health (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 12. Domestic Violence Program Manager (Re-advertisement)- DV (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 13. Cook (Re-Advertisement)- Tsali Care Center (\$23,616 \$29,520)

### Closing Friday, Jan. 6, 2017 at 4pm

- 1. Administrative Assistant- Eligibility Program (\$28,372-\$35,465)
- 2. Income Maintenance Eligibility Specialist (5 positions)- Eligibility Program (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 3. Billing Processor- Revenue (\$25,830-\$32,288)
- 4. Labor (3 positions)- Housing (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 5. Electrician Helper/ Generator Maintenance- Facility Management (\$28,372-\$35,465)
- 6. Maintenance Mechanic/ HVAC- Facility Management (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 7. Electrician- Facility Management- (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 8. Administrative Assistant- Facility Management (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 9. LPN- Tsali Care Center (\$37,474-\$46,843)
- 10. Nutritionist- Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$37,474-\$46,843)
- 11. Early Childhood Immersion Instructor- KPEP (\$31,078 \$38,848)

### Open Until Filled

- 1. Detention Officer Detention Services (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 2. Part Time- Paramedic Tribal EMS (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 3. RN Supervisor Tsali Care Center (\$49,200 \$61,500)
- 4. Cook Aide Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 \$24,498)
- 5. RN Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 6. C.N.A. Tsali Care Center (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 7. Accounting Coordinator II Finance (\$41,082 \$51,353)
- 8. Associate Attorney General IV- Civil Law (\$91,348-\$114,185)
- 9. Tribal Prosecutor II- Criminal Law (\$83,722-\$104,653)
- 10. Teacher Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$28,372-\$35,465)
- 11. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law (\$76,670-\$95,838)

Download Applications & Job Descriptions NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities

### EMPLOYMENT

### CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist Emergency Hire Optometrist Dental Assistant II Case Management Support RN Case Manager

Emergency Hire Food Service Worker

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on December 16, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **12/15pd** 

### CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

PTI Physician – Emergency Room PTI RN – Emergency Room Housekeeper

Master Level Therapist

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#### application. 12/22pd

### LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-067 In the Matter of the Estate of Jacqueline J. Porter

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

James Porter, 286 J. Bradley Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/8pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-071 In the Matter of the Estate of

### Harry M. Cooper

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

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

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

Tammy M. Holtzclaw, 2162 Kings Tree Way, Acworth, Ga. 30101. **12/22pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina

### Estate File No. EST 16-054 In the Matter of the Estate of David W. Swayney Jr.

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

Christopher Swayney, PO Box 421, Balsam, NC 28707. **1/12/17pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-072 In the Matter of the Estate of James Raymond Nix

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

Richard Jenkins, PO Box 956, Cherokee, NC 28719. 1/12/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-076 In the Matter of the Estate of Lillian Thompson

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

Patricia Welch, 94 Junaluska Rd, Whittier, NC 28719. 1/12/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians The Cherokee Court Cherokee, North Carolina CV-16-078

Affidavit of Circumstances Warranting Service by Publication – Complaint for Absolute Divorce and Custody Christy Lou Wachacha, Plaintiff v. Nicolas Caztro-Jimenez, defendant I, Christy Lou Wachacha, being duly sworn, depose and say:

1. That service was performed upon Defendant by publication of a Notice in the Cherokee One Feather, a newspaper qualified for legal advertising in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 1-597, 1-598 and published for a period of three consecutive weeks, beginning on Thursday, Dec. 8 and ending Thursday, Dec. 22. The Notice required Defendant to answer or make defense no later than Jan. 18, 2017, a period of forty (40) days from the date of first publication.

2. That personal service was attempted by the Cherokee Indian Police Department but Defendant was not found at his last known address.

3. That the cause of this service by publication was that the Plaintiff has had no contact with the Defendant; the Defendant's

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whereabouts were unknown and could not with due diligence be ascertained;

4. That the Plaintiff was unable to mail a copy of the Notice of Service of Process to Defendant because Plaintiff has no knowledge of post office address for Defendant and Plaintiff could not with reasonable diligence ascertain such address;

5. That the necessity for Service by Publication having been established and the publication procedure of Rule 4(j1) and Rule 4(j2)(3) having been complied with, as evidenced by the attached Affidavit of Publication, the Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court grant the Plaintiff the relief sought.

### 12/22pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-075

### In the Matter of the Estate of Phyllis S. Sequoyah

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

Patricia S. Tramper, P.O. Box 1109, Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/12/17pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-068

### In the Matter of the Estate of Clyde Douglas Toineeta

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

Linda Gail Parker, Big Cove Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. 1/12/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-070

### In the Matter of the Estate of Mary W. Montelongo

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 Montelongo, PO Box 993, Cherokee, NC 28719. 1/12/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-073 In the Matter of the Estate of Skye Lorenzo Owl

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

Debtors of the decedent are

asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

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

Marguerite Owl, 778-A Owl Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/19/17pd** 

### BIDS, RFPs, etc.

#### **Requests for Proposal**

For: Technical Assistance of writing for the DOE FOA: DE-FOA-0001660 grant Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Commerce Division EBCI Commerce Division At ATTN: Dr. Michael N. Duvall, M.P.A., Ph.D.,

810 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719, mickduva@nc-cherokee. com, 828-359-6710 Or At EBCI Commerce Division, ATTN: Cameron Cooper, 810 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719, ccooper@nc-cherokee.com, 828-359-6713

Until December 22rd, 2016 at 11:00am Eastern Time

The EBCI is interested in pursuing a clean energy system on a community scale. According to FOA, this system is required to have a minimum of 250kW while providing a substantial percentage of the total community energy load, affecting no less than 3 buildings. The EBCI would like to create a solar farm to accomplish these goals for the purpose of selling electricity production back to the area, and possibly provide energy to offset electricity costs of our casino or tribal government buildings.

The EBCI is interested in

contracting with a company to assist in writing this grant. Once a company is chosen and upon receiving the contract, said company will be retained to provide implementation of the solar farm and tracking of the project, if the EBCI is successful and receives grant DE-FOA-0001660. Upon receiving the DOE grant, the EBCI will contract with the assisting company to implement the solar farm and is also requesting that said company track the performance of the solar farm per the FOA guidelines. **12/15** 

### **Request for Bids/Qualifications**

Project Title: Cherokee Life Center Bathroom & Showers Remodel

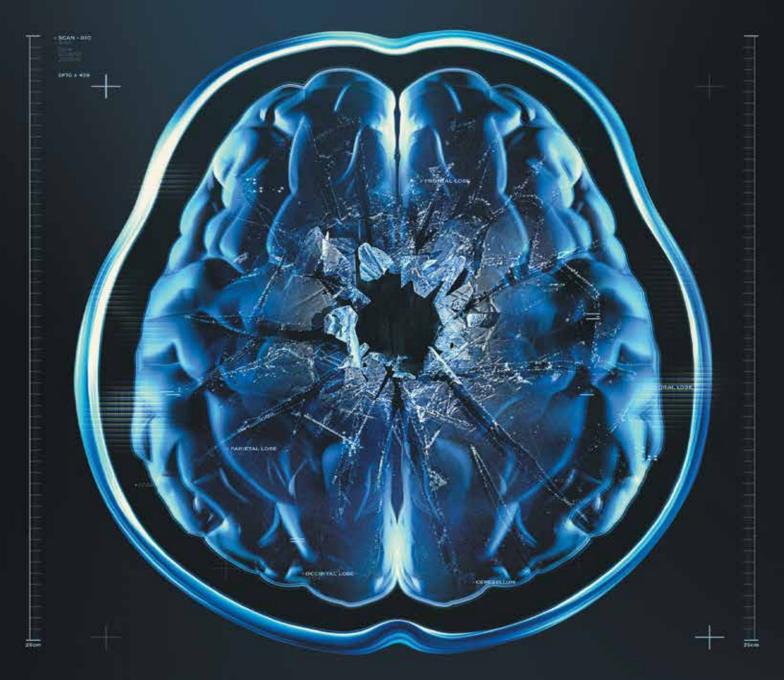
This is a "Request for Bids/Qualifications" from General Contractors or teams with experience in design build construction.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Project Management Program, is soliciting proposals for the design and construction of a remodel project for the Cherokee Life Center located at 810 Acquoni Rd., Cherokee, NC. The project will include renovation of men's and women's bathrooms, showers and lockers.

The full project description and solicitation will be provided to any interested firm upon request. All questions, comments or requests for materials should be addressed to Chris Greene, Program Manager at 828-359-6703 or by email at chrigree@nc-cherokee.com. The deadline for submitting proposals is 2:30 p.m. on 01/04/2017.

Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office, TERO) applies for this RFQ. **12/22pd** 

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