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I want to express my sincere condolences to the people and families of Newtown, Connecticut. The loss of so many young lives and the loss of the teachers who dedicated their lives to children in this senseless act is tragic. The prayers of our Tribal nation are with these families and this community.

- Principal Chief Michell Hicks



Miss Cherokee report for November 2012

By KARYL FRANKIEWICZ
MISS CHEROKEE 2012

Si-yo! I'd like to wish everyone a late Happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas from my family to yours. This month has been busy because this month was Native American month and a special holiday, which is Veterans Day.

I started off this month by participating in many events. First, I participated in the Junaluska wreath laying on Nov. 8 and then made my way to Robbinsville High School for the Veterans Day celebration. On the Nov. 11, I visited Tsali Care to speak to the Veterans. I had the privilege to attend an event that does not come around very often. I took part in the returning of Charles George's medals and met the two young men that found them and brought them home. The next day, I went to attend the Veterans recognition at the Cherokee High School. I walked in the Diabetes Prevention walk with Little Miss Cherokee Marcela Garcia. Immediately following the walk, I went to the Cherokee Youth Center to celebrate Ned Long day. I traveled to Robbinsville Elementary School on Nov. 20 and took part in their Cultural Day activities. The next day, I greeted and talked to the elders at Tsali Care during their Thanksgiving dinner. I started my holiday parades at Franklin on Nov. 25.

I visited our Cherokee Central Schools Nov. 27-30. I visited the classes at Cherokee High School. I talked to the students about life out-



Photo courtesy of Karyl Frankiewicz

Miss Cherokee 2012 Karyl Frankiewicz visits during the annual Ned Long Day held last month at the Cherokee Youth Center.

side of high school and furthering their education. I also helped serve the staff fry bread and chili for Staff Appreciation Day. Cherokee High School, thank you for letting me speak to the students.

I enjoyed visiting the classes in the Kituwah Cherokee Language Immersion Academy. I read a book to some students and later helped take part in the traditional dances. . Kituwah Academy you have a great facility and wonderful staff. Keep up the good work on helping the younger generation keep our lan-

guage and traditions alive.

I'd like to thank the Junaluska Leadership Program for the wreath laying and Ned Long day events. Also like to thank Tsali Care for including me in events and meeting some very special people. Thank you, Warren Dupree, for asking me to be a part of another amazing event for a very incredible person, Charles George.

At the Robbinsville high school, I was excited to see everyone and hope to participate in more events they may have in the future. To my Roy-

alty Board, you all have done such an amazing job helping and organizing my schedule and events. Again thank you very much to all that is making this a great experience.

Please call my Royalty Board if you would like to invite me to attend an event you are having, or a school function where I may assist with an activity relating to Cherokee Indian culture and hands on crafts. Contact information is, Jean L. Bushyhead, PO Box 235, Whittier, NC 28789, or cell number 828-736-4022.

N.C. Supreme Court upholds video sweepstakes ban

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

The North Carolina Supreme Court unanimously upheld a state law banning video sweepstakes in a decision issued Friday, Dec. 14. The decision reverses a State Court of Appeals decision that ruled the ban unconstitutional.

In Friday's decision, Justice Robin E. Hudson wrote, "We are convinced that the ban on video sweepstakes primarily regulates non-communicative conduct rather than protected speech. The statute here makes it 'unlawful for any person to operate, or place into operation, an electronic machine or device' to 'conduct a sweepstakes through the use of an entertaining display.' Operating or placing into operation an electronic machine is clearly conduct, not speech."

The North Carolina Court of Appeals ruled 2-1 in March to throw the entire law out. In their opinion, Judges Ann Marie Calabria and Linda McGee wrote, "The General Assembly cannot, under the guise of regulating sweepstakes, categorically forbid sweepstakes operators from conveying the results of otherwise legal sweepstakes in a constitutionally-protected manner."

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians currently operates the only legal casino in the state of North Carolina.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks commented, "The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians respects the decision by the North Carolina Supreme Court to uphold the ban on illegal gaming parlors. We anticipate that the North Carolina Attorney General and local law enforcement agencies will act quickly to close down these illegal gaming parlors in compliance with the North Carolina Supreme



The N.C. Supreme Court has upheld a ban on video sweepstakes businesses like the Winner's Circle Sweepstakes (shown in photo) located just outside of Cherokee.

SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Court's ruling."

N.C. Senate President Pro Tempore Phil Berger (R-Rockingham) said, "I'm pleased every member of the Supreme Court chose to uphold the law the General Assembly passed overwhelmingly with bipartisan support. Now that the question is settled, I expect our law enforcement officials will begin enforcing the law."

Chase Brooks, president of Internet Based Sweepstakes Operators, said in a statement after Friday's ruling, "We maintain that video sweepstakes games are no different than traditional sweepstakes games offered by restaurant chains, soft-drink companies and publishing houses. We will look at morphing into whatever we need to be under the rule of

law to continue our business."

The North Carolina Family Policy Council (NCFPC) has opposed gambling of any sort in the state. Bill Brooks, NCFPC president, said in a statement, "This decision by the North Carolina Supreme Court to uphold the state ban on video sweepstakes gambling is a huge victory for the citizens of North Carolina who have been plagued by these establishments that prey upon the most vulnerable in our community through the use of video gambling-like machines that are designed to foster addiction. It is time for these mini-casinos to close up shop in North Carolina."

"We anticipate that the North Carolina Attorney General and local law enforcement agencies will act quickly to close down these illegal gaming parlors in compliance with the North Carolina Supreme Court's ruling."

- Principal Chief Michell Hicks

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Tribal members receive IHS awards



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Nashville Area Director of IHS Martha Ketcher (left) and IHS Deputy Director for Management Operations Robert G. McSwain (right) present a Team Service Award to Arthur (Two-Leaf) Sluder from the EBCI Water Treatment Plant. Sluder accepted the award on behalf of the EBCI Construction Team.

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NASHVILLE - The United States Department of Health and Human Services Indian Health Service (IHS) is honoring employees, partners, and members of the Nashville Area Office (NAO). The HIS Nashville services area covers the similar United South and Eastern Tribes (USET) member region from Maine to Florida and the Carolinas to Texas.

IHS Area Director Martha Ketcher states the Honor Awards and Promotion ceremony held at the Sheraton Music City Hotel Friday on Friday, Dec. 14 was is to honor and celebrate extraordinary accomplishments made in the NAO. "This is your day to stand in the spotlight of your accomplishments and receive some well-deserved praise. It is your day to enjoy the celebration and let your family, friends, and colleagues express their appreciation and congratulations. We hope you never forget how much you are appreciated and how we all believe in you and support your goals," Ketcher states. Sheila Hyatt, an EBCI tribal member, received a Self Development



Sheila Hyatt (center) EBCI Water Treatment Plant manager, receives an IHS citation.

Achievement Award citation for attaining her Bachelor of Science Degree in Environmental Science from American Public University.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Team consisting of Glen Bradley and Tribal Construction Responders received a Team Service Award citation for the Tribe's effort and quick response in preventing potential public health disaster at the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

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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 Nation, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Human Resources Department accepts applications Mon. thru Thur., from 10 am - 3 pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to Human Resources Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

Cantwell to head Senate Indian Affairs Committee

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

Sen. Maria Cantwell (D-WA) will head the Senate Indian Affairs Committee for the 113th Congress. She replaces Sen. Daniel Akaka (D-Hawaii) who is retiring after 22 years in the Senate.

"I am honored to be selected to chair the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, following the tremendous leadership of Senator Akaka," Sen. Cantwell said in a statement on Wednesday, Dec. 12. "I am proud of my work with Washington state Tribes on issues such as self-determination, education, health care and environmental issues including salmon restoration."

Sen. Cantwell, who will be the first female chair of the Committee, will continue her membership on the

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- Sen. Maria Cantwell (D-WA) who has been selected as chair of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee for the 113th Congress

following committees: Commerce, Science and Transportation; Energy and Natural Resources; Finance; and Small Business and Entrepreneurship.

Her chair appointment was announced by the Democratic Steering Committee on Dec. 12 along with all of the other committee appointments which are subject to approval by the Democratic caucus and the full Senate.

"I am excited to work with the members of our expanded majority," said Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid. "Our caucus is more diverse than ever, with a record sixteen female Democratic senators serving in the next Congress."

Sen. Akaka gave his farewell address on Dec. 12 and stated, "I am proud to be the first Native Hawaiian ever to serve in the Senate, just as I am so proud to be one of the three

U.S. Army World War II veterans who remain in the Senate today."

"It is our responsibility as a nation to do right by America's Native people, those who exercised sovereignty on lands that later became part of the United States. While we can never change the past, we have the power to change the future. Throughout my career, I have worked to ensure that my colleagues understand the federal relationship with Native peoples, and its origins in the Constitution."

Sen. Cantwell is slated to be joined by the following Democrats on the Indian Affairs Committee: Sen. Daniel Inouye (Hawaii), Sen. Tim Johnson (SD), Sen. Jon Tester (MT), Sen. Tom Udall (NM), Sen. Al Franken (Minn.), Sen. Mark Begich (Alaska), and Sen. Heidi Heitkamp (ND).

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CHS honors Cherokee Elders

Cherokee High School invited five elders to participate in a special ceremony and dinner for Honor the Elders Day held on Friday, Dec. 7. Mrs. Pinnix and the planning committee worked tirelessly to organize the ceremony, dinner, and other arrangements to insure these wonderful individuals felt welcomed, respected, and admired. It is customary for Cherokee Central Schools to set aside a day to honor and respect the elders in the community for the practical lessons, interesting stories, profound knowledge and vast wisdom they pass on to us. This event provides an opportunity to bring generations separated by age and experience together to learn from each other.

Harriet Patricia Walkingstick Hornbuckle was the first elder presented at the ceremony. She resides in the Painttown community on Stillwell Branch. Her parents were Henry Patrick Walkingstick and Elvira Catherine Hornbuckle. She was the seventh of eight children in the family including: Robert Lee Craig, Will Thomas Craig, Charles Elliot Craig, George Howard Craig, Henry Patrick Craig, Lucile Craig, and Naomi Craig. She spoke of the education she received at Whittier School, Swain County High School, and Southwestern Community College. Cherokee language was not allowed in her school, and now she only knows a few words of her native language. She talked about her childhood friends and growing up in Cherokee. A Pepsi was just fifteen cents back then.

Some of her pastimes included: softball, basketball, car watching, and eating ice cream. While attending Southwestern Community College, she received her CNA certification. She decided on this career because her mother had been sick, and she wanted to know how to help and care for her. In her life, she has worked as an artist for the home-stead, a crafter in variety of craft



Five Cherokee elders were honored at Cherokee High School on Friday, Dec. 7. Shown (left-right) front row – Shadow Long, Kayla Bradley, Cecilia Magana, Tamra West and Taylor Wilnoty; back row – Damon Taylor, Brianna Jumper, Callie Phillips, Ernest Panther, John Ray West, Harriet Pat Hornbuckle, Lillian Saunooke, Paige Locust and Steve Swayney.

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shops, and other jobs for the tribe and schools. She married Vernon Hornbuckle and had three children: Andrew Craig, Everret Craig Hornbuckle, and Laverna “Cookie” Hornbuckle. She has one step-grandchild (Yona Wade), two other grandchildren (Keeyona and Chelby Hornbuckle), and one great-grandchild (Otty Hootowl). She shared struggles she dealt with over the course of her life and how she overcame them. She reminded students of the importance of family and the pain of losing loved ones.

The advice she left with the students: “When you sit down to earth, thank God for your food and your health. Before you go to bed at night, thank God for your day and your life. Always pray. When you get your per cap check, be careful with it. Don’t go blow it on just anything. Put it in a savings account, so you’ll always have money.”

John Ray West was the second elder presented to the students. He was born in the Yellowhill Community. His parents were James Robert West and Ella Miller West. He had two brothers (William Moody and John Wesley West) and one sister (Louwana J. Crowe). He married Donna Donalds of California at a beautiful wedding ceremony in Las Vegas. He added that it was not a drive-thru wedding chapel. It was held in a regular chapel and attended by many friends and neighbors. He has two sons (James and John West, Jr.) and four step-children (Thomas, Frank, Lora, and Kathy Hanks).

He spoke of his early childhood and teenage years. He liked watching the Lone Ranger and Roy Rogers and going to see westerns at the drive-in that was located where the Kituwah mound is today. He recalled packing in as many as twenty

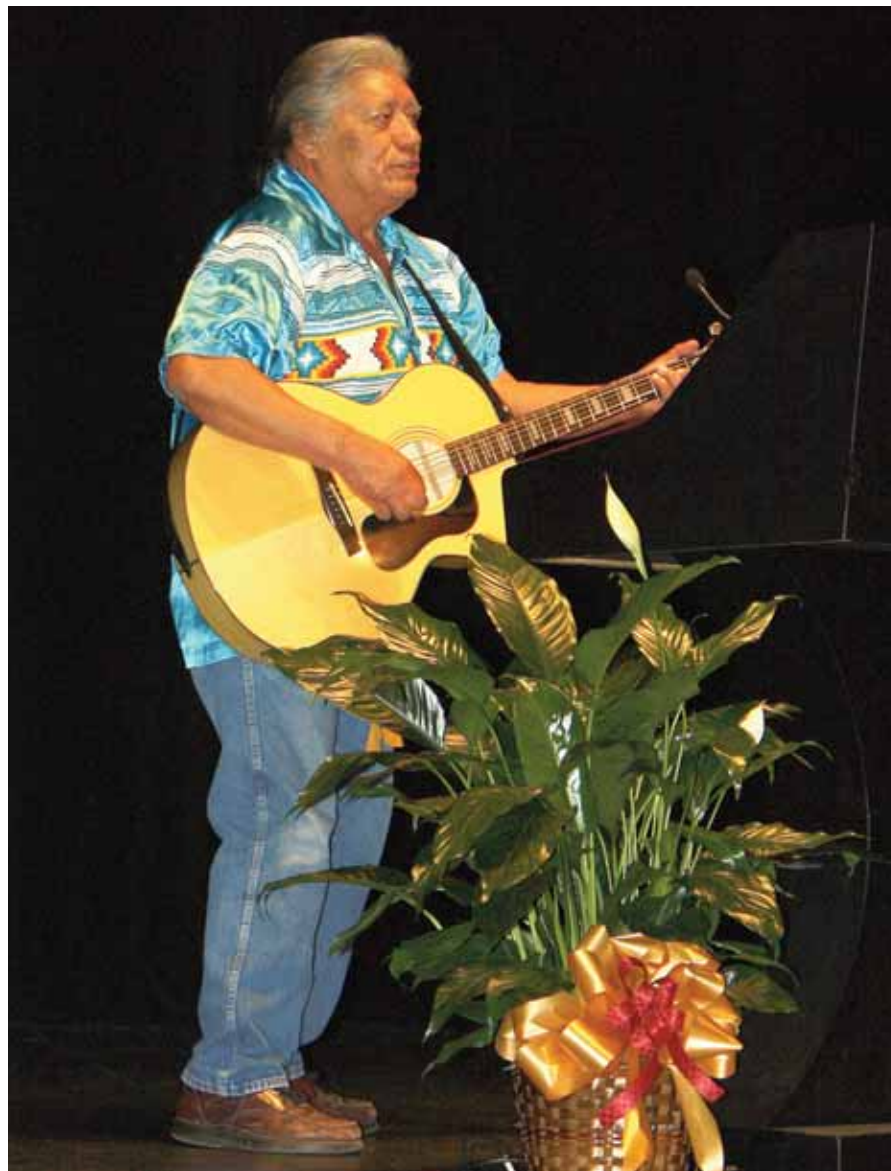
Native Americans into a tiny car because it cost \$5 a carload to get into the drive-in. Some of his pastimes included attending the fair and playing stickball. He also talked about how the Cherokee community changed over time, his military career, and health obstacles. He told the students about one of the sad memories of his life. It was 1952. “One of his friends by the name of Charles George had been killed in Korea. Then in 1955, his best friend Melvin Hill also died.” This was a deciding factor for John, and he decided to carry on the military mantle and served during the Korean War. He was trained to jump out of airplanes, and he still jumps today. He has travelled around the world to places like Hawaii, Asia, Europe, and North Africa. He said “Paris was a lively town.” Although he was discharged from the Army in 1964, he continues to be very active in veteran

activities. Important messages students received though his stories were the value of respect, the ability to overcome obstacles, and the importance of God and service. His advice to students came in two parts: "1. Listen to the elders for they have had a lot of teaching. They have wisdom they have gained throughout the years. 2. Give respect towards the United States flag, and the freedom that is bought for us."

The third elder presented in the ceremony was Ernest Panther. He is from the Big Cove Community. His parents are Samuel Panther and Emmaline Sequoyah Panther. He had seven brothers (Jim, Richard, Sam Jr., Kenny, Snake, and Floyd) and eight sisters (Wilma, Alice, Katherine, Alma, Hattie, Pat Deb, and Gina). He spoke of his early childhood memories with his friends the Swimmer boys – Herbert, Mac, Virgil, and Don. He remembered going fishing, catching crayfish, and sledding in the winter.

He spoke about his education and military career. He attended the day school at Big Cove until he was in the 6th or 7th grade. One of the punishments for Mr. Ralph Hatcliff's class was writing 200 pages of information. He also told a funny story about eating ramps too close to a log that had a skunk in it. Needless to say, they got sprayed; and he hasn't been able to eat ramps since that time.

According to Ernest, most of what he knows today, he learned in the military. He joined the U.S. Air Force and spent twenty-one years in the military. He learned about heavy duty equipment, fabrication, heating and air conditioning, and computer science. Out of all his foreign military exploits, the county he liked most was Japan because it was very beautiful and friendly. He also learned to speak Japanese and some Korean. His most exciting job throughout his life was being a Mo-



Robert Wolfe performed several songs during the event on Friday, Dec. 7.

hawk extra in a Davy Crockett film. He was paid \$100.00 to play dead in a battle scene that was staged on Eugene Littlejohn's property. In the movie, the white soldiers came down the Soco River by the Old Day School. As the soldiers came through, they saw Ernest playing dead. His advice to students was to "get an education. Make sure you want a military career. Get at least two years of college before getting into the military. Strive for the best. [And] overcome your obstacles."

The last to be presented at the

ceremony was Lillian Saunooke Franklin. She was from the Yellowhill Community. Her parents were Margaret Smith Ratcliff and Cain Saunooke. She had two brothers (Adam and Solomon) and three sisters (Golinda, Bell, and Vivian). She recalled growing up with her friends Robert, Ross, Becky, and Marie Arch. She liked to play ball, climb trees, and hike. As a teenager and young adult, she enjoyed going to the movies in Bryson City, church and square dances.

She reminisced about church

and Sunday school. Lillian says Doc Smith "never put anybody down, and never hand anything bad to say about people." She said Lou West, her favorite Sunday school teacher explained in simple terms what life was all about. Lillian grew up and had two children (Doris Sharp and Deb Lee). She now has seven grandchildren, fifteen great-grandchildren, and two great-great-grandchildren. She related her education and her fondest and worst memories to the students in which students could find life lessons. Speaking Cherokee was not allowed when she attended school. If you were caught you were punished by being popped on your hands with a ruler by the teacher. She talked about life's struggles and obstacles. Privacy was one of the main obstacles because everyone was always right there. Her advice to students was to "get a good education and wait to have kids until you get a good education." She also stated "Parents nowadays need to discipline their kids better and teach them to respect elders and respect their parents."

Each of the stories of the elders was presented by Ray Kinsland. Students and family escorted the elders to the stage and joined them after the ceremony for a delicious reception hosted at Granny's Kitchen. The stage was adorned with a beautiful decorated Christmas tree and lighted packages mixed in with real gifts that were presented by Principal Caldwell, Assistant Principal Barker, and students to the elders along with a certificate and white poinsettia. The Cherokee Elementary Traditional singers sang for the elders, and Robert Wolfe played a favorite song of each of the elders. There was some Elvis Presley, Johnny Cash, Merle Haggard, and a little gospel performed.

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National Honor Society coming to Cherokee Elementary

Something brand new is coming to Cherokee Elementary School.

Fourth and fifth graders will soon have the opportunity to be a part of the National Elementary Honor Society starting in January 2013. The purpose of this organization is to promote and recognize scholarship and leadership in our school. The group plans to meet each month during the school day in order to work on service projects for our

school and the community.

In order to be considered for membership in the Cherokee Elementary Honor Society, students must be in the fourth or fifth grade and have an average grade percentile of 90 percent or above in academic subjects for two consecutive nine week periods. For instance, if a student earns an 85 percent in academic subjects the first nine weeks and 95 percent average the second nine weeks then he or she will be eli-

gible for membership because the average of the two consecutive nine week grades is 90 percent. Students are expected to maintain the standard by which they were selected. If a student's average falls below 90 percent, he or she will be removed from active status and be given an agreed upon time to improve the grade.

The first induction ceremony is planned for February for all qualified fourth and fifth grade students.

"We are very excited about this new endeavor and hope you will encourage your child to always do their best," Cherokee Central Schools officials related, "We are looking forward to working with this promising group of students."

If you have any questions about the Honor Society please contact the principal, Paula Coker, or the chapter advisor, Linda Thoresen, by calling the elementary office 554-5020.

- Cherokee Elementary School

CES, CMS hold Poetry and Essay Competitions

As part of Native Heritage Month, the Cherokee Elementary and Cherokee Middle Schools held Poetry and Essay competitions. This year's theme was "Cherokee in the 21st Century."

Elementary School winners are:

3rd Grade

1st Place: Isabel Lambert
2nd Place: Jackson Figueroa
3rd Place: Tyra Brown

4th Grade

1st Place: Deante Toineeta

2nd Place: Darius Bigwitch and Dawson George

3rd Place: Jordan Arkansas

5th Grade

1st Place: Tierney Bradley and Juana Lossiah
3rd Place: Jeffrey Bradley

Middle School winners are:

6th Grade

1st Place: Isabelle Saunooke
2nd Place: Amaris Watty
3rd Place: Safiya Daggs
Honorable Mentions: Lori Meuse and Usti Watty

7th Grade

1st Place: Nolan Arkansas
2nd Place: Scarlett Guy
3rd Place: Karson Wildcatt

8th Grade

1st Place: Avery Guy
2nd Place: Cade Carroll
3rd Place: Lou Montelongo
Honorable Mention: Oksana Rivera

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Gettin' Wild: Oyster Mushrooms

By **DR. DAVID COZZO**

It used to be that the only fresh mushrooms you would see in the grocery store would be the common button mushroom. In the past twenty years the portobello mushroom, which is actually the fully mature version of the button mushroom, became an alternative to its younger cousin. With the development of improved culturing techniques, the shiitake mushroom gained popularity in gourmet shops and health food stores. Today, you can go into some of the chain supermarkets and find several varieties of mushrooms in the produce section. One of my favorites, which are gaining in popularity, are the oyster mushrooms (*Pleurotus ostreatus*).

Oyster mushrooms have a flavor that some find mildly reminiscent of sea food and, when cooked, have a texture that one might say resembles oysters. But the name comes more from the growth pattern than the flavor or texture. Unlike most mushrooms whose stalks grow from the center of the cap, the stalk of the oyster mushroom grows to the side of the cap, much like oysters attached to a rock. They also tend to grow in clusters, just like oysters cluster on rocks at the sea shore. This growth habit makes it one of the most easily identified wild mushrooms and it is considered one of the safest for a novice mushroom hunter to gather. The gills on the underside fan out from the stem and have knife-like edges. They generally range in color from a very light tan to a brownish gray. There some inedible mushrooms that resemble oyster mushrooms, but no poisonous look-alikes.

Oyster mushrooms are found in the wild from late summer to well into winter, but are most common in late October through early December. This season has been so warm and dry that I found my first good batch just this week. They are some of the easiest mushrooms to grow at home. While most home-grown mushrooms, such as shiitakes, requires a sterile culture that must be sealed in a log with wax, some have grown oyster mushrooms by just drilling a hole in a log and stuffing a small piece of a fresh mushroom in the hole. They may be the least picky of the mushrooms for home cultivation. They grow on a range of hardwoods, usually on dead or injured standing wood or downed logs. I have found them on birches, beeches, and maples, but most often on tulip



Photo contributed

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poplars. In fact, the Cherokee name I found for this mushroom is tawali tsiyu usta or 'mushroom that sticks to the tulip poplar', and they are known locally by the common name, 'poplar mushroom'. That makes perfect sense. There are a lot more poplars in the mountains than there are oysters.

Oyster mushrooms are delicious and have a nice texture when cooked. However, it is the health-promoting qualities of this mushroom that make it a valuable component of the wild food diet. They contain more protein per serving than

most fresh-water fish, eggs, or cheese; they are low in fat; and they are a good source of minerals and B vitamins. Oyster mushrooms contain natural statins that lower blood cholesterol, have been observed to prevent or reduce cancerous tumors, and exhibit antiviral properties. It is hard to go wrong with this wild treat!

David is the project director for the RTCAR (Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources) organization.

WRESTLING

Cherokee beats Smoky Mountain

Tuesday, Dec. 4

Cherokee 64

Smoky Mountain 18

106lb. – Michael George (Ch) pinned Adam Larcher (SM) at 1:48

113lb. – Isiah Davis (Ch) pinned Junior Thompson (SM) at 1:56

120lb. – Ethan Swearengin (Ch) pinned Jareah Caplinger (SM) at :47
126lb. – Jerico French (SM) won by forfeit

132lb. – Austin Padilla (Ch) pinned Jace Milkey (SM) at :53

138lb. – Levi Swearengin (Ch) pinned Chuck Moore (SM) at 3:20

145lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) won a major decision (18-6) over Zach Smith (SM)

152lb. – Trennie Arch (Ch) pinned Clinton Porter (SM) at 4:50

160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Josh Hannah (SM) at 3:40

170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Carlos Pantoja (SM) at 1:05

182lb. – Brendon Ornsby (SM) won by forfeit

195lb. – Tray Fisher (SM) won by forfeit

220lb. – Raymond Taylor (Ch) pinned Jordan Davis (SM) at 3:03

285lb. – Michael Montelongo (Ch) pinned Noah Kosnic (SM) at :51

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Cherokee's Trennie Arch work for a pin against Smoky Mountain's Clinton Porter in the 152lb. division during a match on Tuesday, Dec. 4.

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Cherokee takes 2nd at Rosman Duals

ROSMAN – Cherokee's varsity wrestling team placed 2nd at the Rosman Duals held in Rosman on Saturday, Dec. 8. Erwin High School took 1st place. Other schools participating included: Rosman, A.C. Reynolds and Hiwassee Dam.

Following are Cherokee's results in each match of the tournament:

Erwin 46 Cherokee 27

106lb. – Gabe Wilson (E) won by injury default over Michael George (Ch)
 113lb. – Ethan Swearingin (Ch) pinned Dale Cearces (E) at 2:52
 120lb. – Isiah Davis (Ch) pinned Christian Santini (E) at 2:14
 126lb. – Bruce Kemper (E) won by decision (6-3) over Levi Swearingin (Ch)
 132lb. – Zachary Wilson (E) won by major decision (12-4) over Austin Padilla (Ch)
 138lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) won by decision (12-7) over Graham Carter (E)
 145lb. – Ashton Spratt (E) won by decision (3-2) over Trennie Arch (Ch)
 152lb. – Mike Ballew (E) won by forfeit
 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Isaac Jimenez (E) at 1:42
 170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) won by injury default over Jake Taylor (E)
 182lb. – Josh Cole (E) won by forfeit
 195lb. – Edgar Jimenez (E) won by forfeit
 220lb. – Hunter Dixson (E) won by forfeit
 285lb. – Chase Buckner (E) pinned Dakota Ward (Ch) at 1:20

Rosman 45 Cherokee 36

106lb. – Michael George (Ch) won by forfeit
 113lb. – Clint McCall (Ros) pinned Ethan Swearingin (Ch) at 3:01
 120lb. – Triston Praytor (Ros) pinned Isiah Davis (Ch) at :37
 126lb. – Levi Swearingin (Ch) pinned Seth Morris (Ros) at 1:28
 132lb. – Breyer Owen (Ros) won by decision (6-2) over Austin Padilla (Ch)
 138lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) pinned Noah Orr (Ros) at 5:10
 145lb. – Trennie Arch (Ch) won by forfeit
 152lb. – Waylon McDevitt (Ros) won by forfeit
 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Adrian Villagomez (Ros) at :43



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor
 Cherokee's Jaron Bradley (left) goes for a dominant position against Isiah Cordell, Hiwassee Dam in the Rosman Duals on Saturday, Dec. 8. Bradley pinned Cordell at the 1:06 mark.

170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Cane Owensby (Ros) at :49
 182lb. – Dartaignian Harding (Ros) won by forfeit
 195lb. – Cody Lupo (Ros) won by forfeit
 220lb. – Christian Davis (Ros) won by forfeit
 285lb. – Andrea Villagomez (Ros) pinned Dakota Ward (Ch) at 2:37

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106lb. – Michael George (Ch) won by forfeit
 113lb. – Ethan Swearingin (Ch) won by forfeit
 120lb. – Isiah Davis (Ch) won by forfeit
 126lb. – Levi Swearingin (Ch) won by injury default over Joe Cantrell (ACR)
 132lb. – Austin Padilla (Ch) pinned Ryder Sparks (ACR) at :48
 138lb. – Matt Wade (ACR) won by major decision (12-3) over Jaron Bradley (Ch)
 145lb. – Robbie Russel (ACR) won by decision (9-6) over Trennie Arch (Ch)
 152lb. – Colten Cox (ACR) won by forfeit
 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Rob Hendrick (ACR) at 3:11



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor
 Cherokee's Trennie Arch (top) wrestles Erwin's Ashton Spratt in the 145lb. division. Spratt won the match by a 3-2 decision.

170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Naja Buchanan (ACR) at :43
 182lb. – Billy Burgess (ACR) won by forfeit
 195lb. – Skyler Close (ACR) won by forfeit
 285lb. – Dakota Searcy (ACR) pinned Dakota Ward (Ch) at :59

Cherokee 60 Hiwassee Dam 6

106lb. – Michael George (Ch) won by forfeit
 113lb. – Ethan Swearingin (Ch) won by forfeit
 120lb. – Isiah Davis (Ch) won by forfeit
 126lb. – Levi Swearingin (Ch) won by forfeit
 132lb. – Austin Padilla (Ch) won by forfeit
 138lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) pinned Isiah Cordell (HD) at 1:06
 145lb. – Trennie Arch (Ch) won by forfeit
 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Zach Bennet (HD) at :40
 220lb. – Jacob Bradford (HD) won by forfeit
 285lb. – Dakota Ward (Ch) won by forfeit

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WRESTLING

Cherokee evens score with Rosman

The Cherokee varsity wrestling team evened its score against the Rosman Tigers with a 60-15 win on Tuesday, Dec. 11. The Braves had previously lost to Rosman in the Rosman Duals, but came back on Tuesday with a full, healthy team.

106lb. – Michael George (Ch) pinned Ethan Orr (Ros) at 3:32

113lb. – Isiah Davis won a decision (9-8) over Clint McCall (Ros)

120lb. – Ethan Swearengin (Ch) pinned Seth Morris (Ros) at 5:08

126lb. – Sidnie Yazen (Ch) won by forfeit

132lb. – Bryer Owen (Ros) won by decision (12-7) over Levi Swearengin (Ch)

138lb. – Austin Padilla (Ch) won by decision (6-4) over Noah Orr (Ros)

145lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) pinned Matt Cole (Ros) at :59

152lb. – Trennie Arch (Ch) pinned Waylon McDewitt (Ros) at :50

160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned Nicholas McCall (Ros) at 1:10

170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) won by forfeit

182lb. – Kane Owensby (Ros) won by forfeit

195lb. – Dartangnan Harding (Ros) won by forfeit

220lb. – Justice Littlejohn (Ch) pinned Christian Davis (Ros) at 3:14

285lb. – Michael Montelongo (Ch) pinned Andres Villagomez (Ros) at :41

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DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor

Cherokee's Michael George works against Rosman's Ethan Orr during a match in the 106lb. division on Tuesday, Dec. 11. George pinned Orr at the 3:32 mark.

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WHEREAS, Cherokee Code Chapter 102 regulates Land Surveys within the territory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians; and

WHEREAS, the intentional removal of survey flags has created unnecessary resurvey expenses that increase residential and commercial project construction expense; and

WHEREAS, for enforcement purposes, Chapter 102 needs to be amended to make the act of intentional removal of survey flags and unlawful act.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED by the Tribal Council of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians assembled, at which a quorum is present, that Cherokee Code Chapter 117 is amended, to read as follows:

Chapter 102 - LAND SURVEYS

Sec. 102-1. - Intent.
(a) To protect the health, safety and welfare of the members of the Tribe, this chapter is written with the intent of improving the accuracy and consistency of land surveying and mapping activities, and land records, addressing the territory of the Tribe.
(b) Within this chapter, "territory of the Tribe" means all lands held by the United States in trust for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians or its enrolled members, and all other lands owned or acquired by the Tribe, notwithstanding the issuance of any right-of-way.
Sec. 102-2. - North Carolina Coordinate System adopted.
(a) The Tribe hereby adopts the system of plane coordinates known as the "North Carolina Coordinate System" established in N.C.G.S. ch. 102, as the official survey base for the territory of the Tribe.
(b) Persons performing land surveying and mapping activities addressing the territory of the Tribe shall use the North Carolina Coordinate System referenced in subsection (a) when performing those activities.
Sec. 102-3. - Hierarchy of existing corner monumentation.
(a) Persons performing land surveying activities within the territory of the Tribe shall follow the priority assigned in the following list of corner monuments when determining the priority of existing monumentation. The following corner monuments are listed in descending order of priority:
(1) Natural monuments called for on ancient maps or in ancient documents.
(2) Existing U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency concrete monuments with brass caps found undisturbed.
(3) Existing U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency concrete monuments found undisturbed.
(4) Bureau of U.S. Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency markers found undisturbed (iron pipes with brass caps).
(5) Iron pipes set by the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency found undisturbed.
(6) Iron rods set by the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency found undisturbed.
(7) Parker-Kalon or magnetic nails set by the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency found undisturbed.
(b) Persons performing land surveying activities within the territory of the Tribe shall honor positions of found undisturbed monumentation whenever performing resurveys of lines.
Sec. 102-4. - Establishment and use of network of control monuments.
(a) As soon as reasonably possible following the original effective date of this chapter, the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency shall establish or adopt a precise network of control monuments for survey use within the territory of the Tribe, using coordinates provided by the North Carolina Geodetic Survey.
(b) As soon as the primary control monuments are established and their coordinates determined, the control network shall be extended beyond the primary monuments to facilitate coordinate use.
(c) All maps of land surveys shall be prepared to reflect actual surveyed information. The base for bearings shall be the same as that used in the network of control monuments. Use of additional symbols and/or linetypes is permitted and shall be determined by the survey department of the U.S. Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency, as shall the procedure used to perform corner ties.
(d) The responsible surveyor shall show on the face of each map a bearing and distance tie from the nearest control network monument or balanced control network traverse station.
Sec. 102-5. - Physical control.
Any triangulation or traverse station or monument established within the territory of the Tribe according to the North Carolina Coordinate System may be used in establishing a connection between any survey and the above-mentioned system of rectangular coordinates.
Sec. 102-6. - Use of name.
The use of the term "North Carolina Coordinate System" on any map, report, or survey, or other document, shall be limited to coordinates based on the North Carolina Coordinate System as defined in N.C.G.S. ch. 102.
Sec. 102-7. - Legality of use in descriptions.
When describing the location of any survey station or boundary corner within the territory of the Tribe, it shall be considered a complete, legal, and satisfactory description to define the location of such point or points by means of coordinates of the North Carolina Coordinate System.
Sec. 102-8. - Use not compulsory.
This article does not mandate that a person acquiring a right or interest in real property rely wholly on a description based upon the North Carolina Coordinate System.
Sec. 102-9. - Damaging, defacing, or destroying monuments.
Any person who willfully damages, defaces, destroys, or injures a station, monument or permanent mark of a survey, or imposes any obstacles to the proper, reasonable, and legal use of a station, monument or permanent mark of a survey, is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$5,000.00, imprisonment for up to one year, or both, and may be ordered to pay restitution to the injured party.
Sec.102-10. - Removal of Survey Flags.
It shall be unlawful for any person to willfully remove a Tribal or U. S. Bureau of Indian Affairs survey flag within 60 days of placement. Any person who willfully removes a survey flags is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed \$100.00 for each day, and each day any single violation continues shall be a separate violation.

BE IT FINALLY ORDAINED that all ordinances inconsistent with this ordinance are rescinded, and that this ordinance shall become effective when ratified by the Principal Chief.

Submitted by: the Office of the Attorney General for the Tribal Lands Committee

How can I help prevent suicide in Cherokee?

By KATIE ROSS
CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL

Since 2009, Cherokee Indian Hospital has partnered with A Na Le Ni Sgi and other community health providers to reduce the risk of suicide in Cherokee. Strategies include training doctors to recognize and treat depression; increasing the use of depression screenings in medical care; collecting old medicines to reduce access to means of suicide; educating clergy, counselors, first responders, school staff, and other community members; and increasing access to psychotherapy.

CIHA is now entering a part of the project focused on increasing awareness in the community. Look for meetings and public forums where you can learn and share your perspectives on this issue. Reported suicides and suicide attempts have decreased in Cherokee since 2009, but since people are ashamed and don't always report suicide attempts, there are many people still at risk. By being aware of warning signs, you can help keep suffering people from harming themselves and keep your family and friends safe.

People who are thinking about hurting themselves may try to reach out to you. Be alert for warning signs. For example:

- Talking about suicide or death
- Direct verbal clues, like "I wish I were dead" or "Soon I'll be gone"
- Indirect verbal clues, like "I don't know if I can take it anymore" or "No one would care if I were dead" or "What's the point of life, anyway?"
- Withdrawing from friends and family
- Stockpiling medications or buying a gun
- Giving away money or treasured possessions or planning a trip
- A sudden, unexplained improvement in mood after being depressed for a while

Numbers for help:

- Call the Mobile Crisis team any time of day or night: 1-888-315-2880
- To talk to a counselor, call A Na Le Ni Sgi at 554-6550 or drop-in M-F from 1-4 pm
- Call a national hotline to talk to a trained counselor: 1-800-273-TALK
- For emergencies, call 911 or take the person to an emergency room, or call Cherokee Police 554-6600

If someone you know shows these or other signs of imminent self-harm or suicide, it can be difficult to respond. But research shows that once a person has been asked if they are considering suicide, they feel relief and are less likely to go through with it. Starting a difficult conversation is worth saving a life.

Depending on the person and your relationship with him/her, you may start the conversation indirectly ("Have you been unhappy lately?") or more directly ("You seem very upset lately, and I'm wondering if you've been thinking about hurting yourself.") Once you begin talking, listen with your full attention and show care and concern. Do not interrupt, argue, or judge, and do not promise to keep any secrets. Try to persuade the person to get help. You may offer to go with him/her to see a counselor or doctor. You may need to make a phone call or go with your friend to get help. Even someone who refuses help may be involuntarily given treatment. If the person seems to pose an immediate threat to him/herself or has a history of suicide attempts or psychiatric disorders, take immediate action and do not leave him/her alone.

News Briefs

BASKETBALL

Cherokee sweeps Blue Ridge

In what appears to be a trend this season, Cherokee's varsity basketball teams swept yet another team. This time it was Blue Ridge on Tuesday, Dec. 11. The Lady Braves (7-0) kept their perfect season intact doubling Blue Ridge's points in a 76-38 win. The Braves (5-2) won 69-52.

Avery Mintz and Kendall Toineeta teamed up for 45 of Cherokee's points with 24 and 21 respectively. The Lady Braves jumped out early and led by 10 (21-11) after the first period and led 46-17 at halftime. They kept it going in the second half outscoring Blue Ridge 30-21 to take the 38-point win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Bree Stamper 4, Kaycee Lossiah 2, Alexis Maney 10, Brianna Jumper 2, Deija Burgess 7, Angel Saine 3 and Peri Wildcat 3.

Full stats were not available for Blue Ridge.

Seth Littlejohn led the Braves again with 20 points followed by Jesse Toineeta and Dustin Johnson with 10 apiece.

The Braves led 24-11 after the first period and took a 39-24 lead into the locker room at the half. The second half was much closer with the Braves outscoring Blue Ridge 30-28, but the first half lead was enough for the 17-point win.

Other Braves scorers included: Brandt Sutton 4, Kennan Panther 3, Stephen Swan 4, Darius Thompson 7, Hunter Lambert 4, Derrick Ledford 3 and Silas Reed-Littlejohn 2.

Brian Thommes led Blue Ridge with 18. Other Blue Ridge scorers included: Daniel Hickman 6, Cristian Mareles 5, Dale Riddle 2, Spencer Ferlita 7, Craig Ezechel 2, Hunter Stewart 6, Jason Newton 4 and Davin Perez 2.

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BASKETBALL

Cherokee sweeps Mitchell, Andrews

Cherokee varsity basketball teams swept Mitchell on Thursday, Dec. 13 and Andrews on Friday, Dec. 14.

The Lady Braves (9-0) remained unbeaten as they beat Mitchell 81-55 and Andrews 62-24.

Jordyn Thompson and Bree Stamper led Cherokee against Mitchell with 17 points each. Cherokee jumped out to an early 25-12 lead after the first period and led 48-27 at halftime. They outscored Mitchell 33-28 in the second half to take the win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Kendall Toineeta 16, Miranda Smith 5, Alexis Maney 3, Avery Mintz 11, Brianna Jumper 2, Deija Burgess 9 and Angel Saine 1.

Sarah Robinson led Mitchell with 15 points followed by Madison Spurling with 12. Other Mitchell scorers included: Tayler Duncan 1, Faith Bailey 6, Kennedy Atwood 5, Monique Anderson 7, Cassie Bufferson 2 and Caitlin Blevins 7.

The next night, against the Lady Wildcats of Andrews, Cherokee's Avery Mintz outscored the entire Andrews team as she poured in 26 points.

Andrews actually led 9-7 after the first period, but the Lady Braves turned it on from there and outscored the Lady Wildcats 22-2 in the second period to lead 29-11 at halftime. Cherokee continued their run in the second half outscoring Andrews 21-9 in the third period and 12-4 in the final period to take the win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Bree Stamper 3, Jordyn Thompson 6, Kendall Toineeta 15, Deija Burgess 3, Le Le Lossiah 2, Alexis Maney 6 and Miranda Smith 1.

Rachel Moore led Andrews with 9 points. Other Andrews scorers included: Carleigh Davis 2, Marissa Reid 2, Staci Self 4, Tori Trammell 6 and Jacqueline West 1.

The Braves (7-2) beat Mitchell 73-60 and Andrews 81-58.

Seth Littlejohn poured in 25 points to lead Cherokee against Mitchell. The first half was close with Cherokee leading by three (34-31) at halftime. The Braves outscored Mitchell by 10 points in the second half to take the 13-point win.

Other Braves scorers included: Jesse Toineeta 4, Raven Frankiewicz 19, Darius Thompson 8, Dustin Johnson 9, Derrick Ledford 5 and Silas Reed-Littlejohn 3.

Michael Vaughn led Mitchell with 16 points followed by Austin Mask with 12. Other Mitchell scorers included: Blake Davis 3, Sam McKinney 3, Cody Willis 3, Cory Blevins 8, Jennings Greene 8 and Dylan Forbes 7.

Cherokee jumped out early against Andrews and led 24-11 after the first period and 45-28 at halftime. Dustin Johnson led the Braves with 19 points followed by Seth Littlejohn with 16.

Other Cherokee scorers included: Jesse Toineeta 8, Darius Thompson 12, Raven Frankiewicz 7, Chris Queen 8, Silas Reed-Littlejohn 3, Dillon Bird 3 and Eli Littlejohn 5. Dakota Bateman led Andrews with 25. Other Andrews scorers included: Josh Oquendo 10, Logan Allen 3, Michael Carpenter 10 and Aaron DeVore 10.

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Harrah's Cherokee implements policy on minors in Showroom

With new shows being added to the lineup at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort's Event Center that include acts for all ages, the property announced on Wednesday, Dec. 12 its Minors in Showroom Policy. The policy states that a ticketed adult must accompany all minors under the age of 16 while in the showroom, as well as all other locations at the resort. This policy will be enacted and enforced to ensure a safe environment when underage children are on the property. Minors are not

permitted on the gaming floor.

Minors 16-20 years of age who possess a ticket will be allowed to attend the show without adult supervision. However, any guest under age 21 must be accompanied and picked up by an adult at the Event Center entry prior to and immediately following the show. Dropping off minors in the parking lot, at main doors or other locations is not permitted. Entry to and exit from the Event Center may only occur at the main entry doors next to the box office.

- Harrah's Cherokee

Christmas Light winners announced

This year's winners for the Reservation-wide Christmas Lighting Contest are:

1st place - Donna Sue Wolfe, Big Cove Community

2nd place - Joshua Turner, Snowbird Community

3rd place - Patsy Lambert, Birdtown Community

"Congratulations to all the winners including the ones in each community that came in first place," EBCI Extension Center staff related. "If you get a chance, please ride by their homes and look at the wonderful light displays. The staff at Extension would like to thank the Eastern Band Division of Commerce for sponsoring this yearly event and to the Big Y Community for doing the judging. Congratulations to all and have a wonderful holiday season!"

- EBCI Extension Center Staff

Correction

A submitted article entitled "Moose Lodge donates to Family Support Services" that appeared in the Dec. 6 issue of the *One Feather* needs clarification. The People Helping People Toy Run was held by the People Helping People and the Moose Riders 1985. People Helping People is a collaboration of the Moose Riders from the Moose Lodge in Sylva and EBCI tribal members who wanted to give back to the children of Jackson County.



Photo courtesy of Melissa Garcia

Little Miss attends CYC Christmas event

Little Miss Cherokee Marcela Garcia attended the Cherokee Youth Center 2nd Annual Christmas Event on Thursday, Dec. 6. She is shown with Santa and her little brother, Emiliano.



Photo by Melissa Garcia

Little Miss in parade

Little Miss Cherokee 2012 Marcela Garcia waves to the crowd at the Bryson City Christmas Parade held on Saturday, Dec. 8. Garcia related, "Thank you to Travis Joslin for your car and driving."



Photo courtesy of Cherokee Central Schools

BabyFACE holds Pamper You Party

Katie Haigler enjoys a hand massage from Parent Educator Alissa Lambert at the recent BabyFACE Pamper You Party. This is the 2nd annual Pamper Party BabyFACE has held where moms and their little girls can come enjoy a meal, and four pampering stations: hand massages, nail painting, sugar hand scrub, and make a bag of bath goodies.



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Vice Chief delivers Christmas Stockings

Vice Chief Larry Blythe (2nd from right) delivered Christmas Stockings to patients at the Seven Clans Dialysis Center on Monday, Dec. 17. He is shown with (left-right) Phyllis Ashenfelter, Office of the Vice-Chief; Nancy Long of the Big Y Community; Vice Chief Blythe; and Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke.

Obituaries

Edward Louis "Ed" Grady

COLUMBIA, SC - Edward Louis "Ed" Grady, 89, of Columbia, S.C., died Monday, Dec. 10, 2012, at Palmetto Richland Hospital. Born in Kinston, N. C., he was a son of the late Eddie Jones Grady and Maude Clara (Hodges) Grady.

After graduation from Grainger High School in Kinston, Grady entered the Air Force Cadet program in WWII and was trained as a cryptographer. He served in Ie Shima off the coast of Okinawa receiving the Soldier's Medal for heroism while

pulling a pilot from a burning P-47.

When the war was over, Grady studied Theater and English at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, was a member of the Carolina Playmakers and graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree. He worked with young people as a teacher and mentor in New York where he taught English and operated a Columbia University photo workshop. He taught English, Drama & TV Production at Freedom High School in Morganton, and at Keenan High School in Columbia, SC where he served as a volunteer in art classes, in drama productions and with the yearbook staff.

A talented professional actor, Grady worked on stage, in movie and television productions and in outdoor drama. His credits include, "A Simple Twist of Fate", "In the Heat of the Night", "Old Man", "To Dance With the White Dog", "I'll Fly Away", "Matlock", "The Notebook", and the Cherokee drama "Unto These Hills" where he played Drowning Bear for

3 seasons. He was a member of Screen Actors' Guild.

Mr. Grady was preceded in death by his first wife, Jayne Elliott Grady and his sister Mary Elizabeth Connors (Jack).

He is survived by his wife of 27 years, Carolyn F. Ramsay of Columbia; two children, Marta Grady, of Snellville, Ga., and Sean Grady and wife Gerri Wolfe of Cherokee; two step children, Caroline Hattrich of Columbia, SC, and Stephen Hattrich and wife Melissa Joyner of Irmo, SC; a brother, Robert L. Grady and wife Irene of Warner Robins, Ga.; six grandchildren, Jennifer J. Clark and husband Eric of Tucker, Ga., Kaitlyn Jackson of Tucker, Ga., Keenan O Grady of Cherokee, Faolan O Grady of Asheville, and Brandon T. Hattrich and Ryan C. Hattrich, both of Irmo, SC; one great grandson, Joshua Clark of Tucker, Ga.; as well as several nieces, nephews and many friends.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday, Dec. 15, 2012, at Green-

lawn Funeral Home in Columbia, SC, with Reverend Dr. Dale B. Welden officiating.

Friends are invited to view this obituary and share condolences or memories at www.greenlawn-columbia.com.



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Their old familiar carols play,
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good will to men.

I have passed the birth scene loud and deep:
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Which peace on earth, good will to men."

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Kituwah drawing winners

The New Kituwah Parent Association held a drawing for two gift cards on Dec. 7. The winners were Jen Oocumma-Driver and Lynn Taylor! We would like to thank everyone who purchased tickets and congratulate the winners!

Thank you,
**New Kituwah Academy
Parent Association**

Thank you

People Helping People would like to take this time to say a huge thank you to everyone that donated time, food, and monetary donations to the "People Helping People" Toy Run held on Nov. 3. This toy run could not happen without the generosity that you have showed. We want to thank you so much and may you be blessed this Holiday Season. We want to give thanks to our Creator who made this event happen and who kept everyone safe. We appreciate everything that our

Sponsors did for us this year. We are very grateful for you! I would like to say Sgi Sgwisti Nigada who helped put their time into this toy run and who helped make it so successful.

Sincerely,
**Keredith "Tooter" Owens
Mona Seago**

What to do with all those leftovers

SUBMITTED By EBCI WIC PROGRAM

With the holidays around the corner, here are some ideas for leftovers and health holiday baking! Many families have traditional sweets that they love to bake and eat. Make healthy choices when baking for the holidays. Choose recipes that have ingredients with nutrition (peanut butter, dried fruits, breakfast cereals, and oatmeal). You can also bake smaller batches of your favorite sweets. Avoid the temptation to double or triple recipes. You can also bake less variety. If you usually bake six different types of cookies and candy, choose your family's favorite three or four. We tend to eat more when there is a large variety because we 'want to taste them all'.

Use leftover turkey to make turkey noodle casserole.

You will need:

2 cups cooked turkey pieces

- 4 cups cooked noodles
- 1 can (10 ¾ ounce) Healthy Request condensed cream of chicken soup
- 1 cup skim milk
- 1 cup frozen peas
- 1. Combine the cooked noodles, turkey, soup, milk, and peas in a large casserole dish.
- 2. Bake in a 375° oven for 30 to 40 minutes.

Serve this casserole with a glass of skim milk and fruit.

Try canned mandarin oranges—they have lots of Vitamin C for your child.

6 servings (1 cup serving) – 210 calories, 10 grams of fat, 42% calories from fat and 1.3 grams of fiber in a serving.

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



Cherokee Center Report

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The Western Carolina University Cherokee Center wishes a pleasant holiday to all. Students, enjoy the holiday break.

Grab a One Feather for your job search

Read the *Cherokee One Feather* each week for full job listings on the Cherokee Indian Reservation.

GETTING THE FACTS ON THE FLU!

A MESSAGE FROM CHEROKEE COMMUNITY HEALTH

WHAT IS THE FLU?

- * **VERY CONTAGIOUS!**
- * Respiratory illness that infects the nose, throat and lungs

SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS OF THE FLU

- * Fever
- * Cough
- * Sore Throat
- * Runny/stuffy nose
- * Muscle/body aches
- * Headaches
- * Fatigue - very tired
- * Vomiting/Diarrhea

Spread:

- * Spread by droplets (spit) made when people with flu cough, sneeze, or talk.
- * By touching anything a person with the flu has touched.
- * Can be infected beginning one day **BEFORE** symptoms even appear and up to 5-7 days **AFTER** becoming sick.

Prevention:

- * Get your flu shot
- * Wash your hands
- * Use hand sanitizer
- * Cover your cough

Control the spread

- * Wear a mask if coughing and going into public places.
- * Clean surfaces that could have been infected (Clorox wipes, Lysol wipes/spray)
- * Stay out of public areas if you have signs or symptoms.

Cherokee Community Health 554-6882

Cherokee Boys Club Report

www.cherokeeboysclub.com (828) 497-9101

CLUB SCHEDULE

Friday, Dec. 21 – School Early Release – 11:30 a.m.

Monday, Dec. 24 – School Furlough Day

Tuesday, Dec. 25 – Christmas Holiday (School, Club and Tribal Holiday)

Wednesday, Dec. 26 – 31 – School Christmas Vacation

THE BOYS CLUB WISHES EVERYONE A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!

SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING CANCELLED

The Safety Committee Meeting scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 20, has been cancelled due to scheduling conflicts. The Safety Committee will meet again on Thursday, Jan. 17.

ZAXBY'S FUNDRAISER

Zaxby's in Sylva is sponsoring a fundraiser for the 12 Days of Christmas with a portion of the proceeds each day being donated to local non-profit agencies. On Friday, Dec. 21, the proceeds from this event will benefit our own Cherokee Children's Home. Please encourage everyone you know to visit Zaxby's with their families on Friday!

CHILDRENS HOME STAFF RECEIVES UPDATE

On Thursday, the Children's Home staff took part in a one-hour question and answer session with Scott Donald of Padgett and Freeman Architects. The staff was able to review the plans for the new Children's Home Campus and ask questions. According to Cris Weatherford, Children's Home Man-

ager, "overall the staff seemed pleased and the recurrent theme was 'when do we move?'"

ADMIN STAFF RECEIVES TRAINING

Last week three of the Club's Administrative Staff also received training for updated information regarding Human Resources. The training was held in Asheville and was attended by Tiffani Reed, Beth Bradley and Martha Brindle.

CLUB EMPLOYEES HONORED FOR YEARS OF SERVICE

The Boys Club has always been fortunate to have good and loyal employees. Many of the Club's employees began their employment right out of school and have not worked anywhere else. The following shows a list of employees and their departments along with their years of service as of June 30, 2012:

Five Years

James Collins – Body Shop
Marilyn Dent – Children's Home
J. T. Lambert – Construction and Facilities
Randy Saunooke – Construction and Facilities
Jerry Sherrill – Bus Department
Trista Welch – Graphics Department

Ten Years

Martha Brindle – Administration
Frank Cooper – Administration
David Cryan – Shop Department
Clyde Dull – Bus and Truck Department
Tiffani Reed – Administration
Jesse Sneed – Bus and Truck Department
Cris Weatherford – Children's Home
Jess Welch, Jr. – Construction and Facilities

15 Years

Randy Lossiah – Bus Department

20 Years

Tammy Bradley – Child Care Department
Ronnie Long – Graphics Department
June Wolfe – Bus and Truck Department

25 Years

Nancy Taylor – Bus and Truck Department

The Boys Club Board and Managers appreciate the service and commitment from all Club employees each and every day.

2013 DATE LOGS STILL AVAILABLE

The 2013 Cherokee Boys Club Executive Desk Calendars are now available. If you would like to receive a calendar, please see the Receptionist at the Information Window of the Club. There will be a limit of two calendars per person. We apologize but we will not be able to mail calendars.

Smoky Mountain Mustangs and WCU mens and womens basketball is live on

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A limited number of sponsorship availabilities remain. Call the sales department at 586-2221.

**See you
Jan. 10, 2013!**

Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Updated DNA testing schedule for December

The following dates are available to schedule appointments for DNA collection. The local collection site is at the Tribal Enrollment Office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Appointments will be scheduled by the staff of 1 Family Services from 8-11:30 am and 1-3:30 pm. Please contact Amber Wilson toll free 855-295-4372. Please direct all DNA questions to the 1 Family Service Staff.

- Friday Dec. 28

- **EBCI Enrollment Office**

Holiday One Feathers

There will be no One Feathers for the weeks of Dec. 27 and Jan. 3. The last One Feather for 2012 will be Thursday, Dec. 20 and the first one for 2013 will be Thursday, Jan. 10.

VOC selling Angelic Notes

Angelic Notes are real \$1 bills with an angel sticker placed over the presidential face. The bills are then placed in a tri fold card with artwork specifically designed for these new cards in 2012. Each Angelic Notes sell for \$2.50 each (but remember you are getting \$1 back).

All proceeds benefit the client activities program at VOC. The client activities program provides social and communities inclusion opportunities for individuals with developmental disabilities. The program also helps individuals develop and maintain independent living skills while sometimes providing basic daily needs such as food and clothing. If you want to spend the \$1 bill, all you have to do is peel the angel sticker off. Get these adorable collector's items while they last. Info: Lana

497-9827, email

lanalambert@ymail.com or contact on her facebook.

Here's a few examples of how Angelic Notes have been used:

- inside holiday cards
- gifts for teachers
- tokens of appreciation to medical staff
- for church staff and members
- as part of tips for your wait staff in restaurants
- gifts for coworkers
- secret santa presents
- stocking stuffers
- great as part of tips for your hair stylist, manicurists, etc
- surprises for the your mail person or paper delivery person
- tokens of appreciation to others who provide services to you/your family
- used in place of nametags on holiday gifts
- holiday party host/hostess gifts
- keepsakes for children, grandchil-

dren, nieces, nephew, etc.

- VOC

Need a Will drafted?

Free for all EBCI tribal members and their spouses. Call for appointment 554-6721.

- **EBCI Office of the Attorney General**

Cherokee Central Schools dates

Cherokee Central Schools will have early release on Friday, Dec. 21. The Cherokee Elementary School will release at 11:30am and the Cherokee Middle School and Cherokee High School will release at 11:45am. All students will return to school on Thursday, Jan. 3.

- **Cherokee Central Schools**



If the doomsday preppers are right, then it has been a pleasure serving you since 1966.

If not, then we will see you with our first issue of 2013 on Thursday, Jan. 10.

Cherokee Churches

SUBMIT NEW LISTINGS OR CHANGES TO SCOTMCKIE@NC-CHEROKEE.COM.

Acquoni Baptist Church. 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm.

Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

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

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

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

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee Language class for adults. Sunday

Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm. Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.

7710 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Thursday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Doris McMillan 497-4220

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

Cherokee Baptist Church. 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Supper is provided at 5:30 each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

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

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

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

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

Cherokee Healing Waters Mission. New Hours Tuesday night Bible Study 7pm, Pastor Tony Bernhisel 497-2122, Tony11110@frontier.com

WE WANT YOU TO WRITE THE 2013 CHEROKEE INDIAN FAIR THEME!

It is just that simple. If you are an enrolled member of the EBCI, you are eligible to submit your entry for the theme. Here are a few simple rules....Entrants younger than 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian to co-sign the liability release and submit the W-9 form. Theme must be culturally oriented. It must be 7 words or less (Last year's theme was "Timeless Traditions and Culture"). Bring your completed entry form to the Cherokee Welcome Center between the hours of 8 am and 4 pm (open 7 days per week except holidays) or mail it to Cherokee Welcome Center c/o Fair Theme Contest POB 460, Cherokee, NC 28719. You may reach the Welcome Center at 828-554-6490. Cherokee Fair Committee will determine the winning theme. Contest closes January 31, 2013-4 pm. No exceptions.

NAME _____ SIGNATURE _____
 GUARDIAN _____ SIGNATURE _____
 ADDRESS _____ DATE _____
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(attach another sheet of paper if needed)

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Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. 135 Long Branch Road. Wednesday night, 7pm; Sunday school, 10am; Sunday worship service, 11am; Sunday night service, 6pm., Pastor Donald Ensley 497-5829

Cherokee United Methodist Church. Hwy 19 – Soco Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday night family night starting with dinner at 6pm then Bible classes for all ages. Pastor John Ferree (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org

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

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

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

Ela Missionary Baptist Church. Hwy 19 South. Sunday school 10am, Sunday worship 11am, Sunday evening worship 7pm, Wednesday evening worship 7pm. All visitors welcome. Pastor Larry W. Foster

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

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Food Pantry Open 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 1-4pm. Pastor Jack Russell 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolfstown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, 828-508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

Olivet United Methodist Church. 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. John Ferree, www.gbmg-umc.org/olivetumnc-whittier/

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. Sunday Mass 9am. Sunday Spanish Mass 4pm. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

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

Potter's House of Prayer. Inez Welch Residence on Adams Creek. Sundays at 9:30am and 6pm, Wednesdays at 6pm. Preacher: William Cornwell. Everyone welcome. Come as you are. Info: William 736-6925, Charlene Cornwell 736-2232 or Deacon John Biddix

Rock Hill Baptist Church. 736-6334. Sunday Services 11am. Thursday Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Red Woodard (828) 356-7312

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

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

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Dr. Norma H. Hanson (828) 277-7399

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

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

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

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

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Clubs/Organizations

SUBMIT NEW LISTINGS OR CHANGES TO SCOTMCKIE@NC-CHEROKEE.COM.

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at the Big Y Community Building.

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Charlene Owle, secretary, 788-3723 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit). Info: Jeanne Crowe Lira, chairwoman, 736-2017

The Cherokee Cancer Support Group is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Boundary, indiscriminately. Their objective is to support, educate and provide individual services as needed. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. SAFE HAVEN is staffed from 10am – 2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Appointments can be made for additional assistance. Personal fittings can be arranged during these times as well. Info: 497-0788, email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com, P.O. Box 22220, Cherokee.

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

The Cherokee Runners meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 7pm at the Age Link Conference Room. If those dates happen to fall on a Sunday, they will meet the following day. Info: Gerri Grady gerrgrady@yahoo.com or visit www.cherokee.runners.com

Cherokee Speakers Gathering is normally held on the fourth Thursday of every month. All Cherokee speakers and Cherokee language learners are welcome to enjoy a potluck dinner and an evening of fellowship in the Cherokee language. These events are sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation & Education Program and, in part, by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6404 or bjrigh@nc-cherokee.com

Girl Scout Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont. Serving girls in Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary. This program is for girls in grades K-12. Info: Karen Bartlett, membership manager, 488-6537 or KBartlett@GirlScoutsP2P.org

The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA) Cherokee Chapter meets the second Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Carmaleta

Monteith, chapter treasurer, Carmaleta@msn.com

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Community Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

Solid Rock Outreach. Monday -Closed; Tuesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Wednesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Thursday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Saturday - 9am-1pm Food Distribution

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

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

Yellowhill Judo Club meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-8pm at the old Cherokee High School weight room. Classes are free. Info: Will Lambert 736-1600



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Cherokee Happenings

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Church Events

Shoal Creek to present "Silent Night! Holy Night". Dec. 21 at 7pm and Dec. 23 at 11am at Shoal Creek Baptist Church in Whit-tier. Celebrate the miraculous story of Jesus' birth with a musical built around the most beloved and cherished Christmas carol of all time. With classic carols and hymns, along with stirring new songs and a visually powerful video the true Christmas story is brought to life. "Silent Night! Holy Night" was created by Russell Mauldin and Sue C. Smith. Info: Choir Director Shirley Sutton 488-3532, Pastor Steve Jamison 788-0355.

Live Nativity scene. Dec. 22 from 6-8pm at Old Antioch Baptist Church on Wrights Creek Rd.

Christmas at Acquoni Chapel. Dec. 23 at 5:30pm. "One Holy Night", a Christmas cantata will be presented by the audit choir. The youth choir will also be singing selected Christmas songs at this program. A fellowship meal will follow the song service. The youth will have a program to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Christmas Program. Dec. 23 at 6pm at Cherokee Wesleyan Church. After the program, there will be a time of fellowship and refreshments. All are invited to bring a snack to share. Info: Pastor Patricia Crockett 586-5453

Special Christmas Worship Service. Dec. 25 at 11am at Cherokee Wesleyan Church. After the service, there will be a time of fellowship and a Christmas brunch. Info: Pastor Patricia Crockett 586-5453

Christmas Play. Dec. 23 at 6pm at the Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. The theme is the Birth of Jesus.

Solid Rock Outreach Food Box Distribution. Wednesday- 9am-3pm, Thursday 9am - 3pm and Friday 9am - 3pm. Info: (828) 356-7312

Community Prayer. Cherokee Baptist Church Sanctuary will be open for silent individual prayer every Monday in November from 11:30am - 1pm. It is an opportunity to take a few minutes of your day to stop for a prayer for your family, your neighbors, your community and our world. All are welcome.

General Events

Shawn Blanton EOC Open House. Dec. 20 from 9am - 3pm.

Yellowhill Community Bazaar. Dec. 20 at the Yellowhill Community Building. Breakfast is \$5/plate and starts at 8:30am and includes biscuits, gravy, eggs and sausage. Lunch is \$4 and starts at 11:30am and includes vegetable soup, chili, hominy and chicken. The Christmas Bazaar will start at 8:30am.

Benefit Turkey Shoot. Dec. 29 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. Concessions will be available.

New Year's Eve Fireworks. Dec. 31 at 8pm at the Acquoni Expo Center

Manage your EBCI money course

Minors Trust Fund deadline for completion is Dec. 31. To complete the online course:

- * From a computer with internet service type in the following address:
www.manageyourebcimoney.org
- If you do not have access to the internet, call the Extension Center

- * Set up your personal account and follow the prompts

- * Log into your account and begin the course

- * Once you have passed the course your certificate can be issued at the EBCI Extension Center

In order to receive your trust fund the following must be completed:

- Completed and passed the online course
- Be 18 years old or older by Dec. 31, 2012
- Received your diploma or GED
- Filled out an application at the Enrollment Office

If you have any questions, please call Janet Owle 554-6934.

Free General Legal Clinic. Jan. 3 from 9am - 5pm at the Cherokee Courthouse. Law students and Legal Aid attorneys will be available to an-

swer legal questions about housing, debtor/creditor problems, consumer issues, custody, wills, etc. To make an appointment, contact Teresa Poor 1-800-458-6817 or 586-8931 and ask to make an appointment for the "January 3 pro bono clinic". An appointment is not required, but priority will be given to those who call ahead and schedule an appointment.

Upcoming Qualla Arts & Crafts classes

Qualla Arts & Crafts and Cherokee Talents are hosting several upcoming classes:

- Honeysuckle Basket making with Pam Conseen

Adams. Jan. 17-18 (Thursday and Friday) and

Jan. 24-25 from 5-7pm at Qualla Arts & Crafts

- Pine Needle Basket making with Nancy Horn-

buckle. Jan. 14, 15, 17, 18 from 5-7pm at the

Qualla Public Library

- Pottery for parent/child with Lucy Dean Reed.

Jan. 19-20 from 3-6pm at Wolfetown Community Building.

- Finish your Woodcarving with Dewey Owle.

Feb. 2 from 11am - 1pm at Qualla Arts & Crafts

- Mat Class with Jim Long. Feb. 4, 5, 7, 8 from 5-

7pm at the Qualla Public Library

There is no charge for these classes as they are

funded by a grant from the Cherokee Preservation

Foundation. Info: Qualla Arts & Crafts 497-3103

Cherokee VFW Bingo, located by the old race track, on Monday nights in Whittier. Early birds 6pm, regular program 7:10pm. Info: 488-1706 or 788-2176.

Health/Sports Events

Healing & Wellness Coalition meeting.

Jan. 8 at 11:30am at the Living Waters Church off of Goose Creek Road in the Birdtown Community. Bring your own lunch and contribute some of your time and ideas toward community healing. Info: www.cherokeehealingcoalition.org





Cherokee Trading Post

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For sale. 24' Devino rims and tires. 5 or 6 lug has center caps. Great condition! 9 months wear only. Fits Chevy's. \$800. Call (828)736-7542 for more information. **12/20pd**

1993 Ford Taurus for sale. AC/heat, radio/tape player. Almost new tires. Only 94,000 miles. Runs good, looks good, drives good and dependable. \$1800. (828)736-5171. **12/20pd**

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REWARD

Reward Offered for the return of our Australian Shepard which was taken from our residence at 73 Swimmer Branch on Saturday, December 8. She is white with light black spots, has bright blue eyes and is wearing a purple collar. She is deaf and needs special care. Please help bring her back home to us. We love her and miss her very much. Contact: Frances Taylor Walkingstick at (828)736-6527.

FOR RENT

Mobile Homes for rent. No drugs, no parties, no drunks. If interested please call 736-2262. **12/20pd**

3 bedroom 2 bath mobile. Quiet park in Ela. No pets. References./background check required. \$450 month, \$300 deposit. 828-488-8752. **UFN**

3 bedroom, 2 bath mobile home for rent. 2 miles from Casino, Macedonia Road, Cherokee. \$600/month, \$300 deposit. Furnished or unfurnished. Good neighborhood and private. Call (828)736-8731 for more information. **12/20pd**

Mobile homes for rent. 2 bedroom, 2 bath and 3 bedroom, 2 bath. No pets. Private lots. Call (828)506-0578 for more information. **12/20pd**

Room for rent. For more information please call (828)736-5558. **12/20pd**

SERVICES

New resale shop, Blast From the Past, 2122 Skyland Dr. Sylva. Tues-Sat. 10:00- 5:00. New mattresses, NIB Southern Living at Home, china cabinet, table, entertainment center, washer/dryer, refrigerator, dresser, chest of drawers. Bag Sale. 506-1416 or 226-0045. **12/20pd**

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EMPLOYMENT

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

- Adjunct Faculty – various depts.
- Distinguished Professor Entrepreneurship (132736)
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- Animal Biology (1203)
- Biochemistry (0930)
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- Computer Science (131844)
- Elem & Middle Grds (2024)
- Health, P.E. & Rec (131845)
- History (131842,2052)
- Hosp & Tourism (2031)
- Political Sci & Pub Affairs (1834)
- Public Relations (1725)
- School Psychology (1180)
- School of Art & Design (0609)
- Technical Writing (0497)
- TESOL (4757)

Asst Football Coach
Counselor/Psychologist (5300)
Dean of Arts & Sciences (1891)
Dir, Budgets & Financial Plng (130239)
Dir, Fine Art Museum (1738)
Dir, Intensive English (0178)
Dist Prof, Gerontological Soc Wk (130241)
Public Communications Spec (112734)

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

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EMPLOYMENT

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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



Positions Open

Closing January 4, 2013 @ 4 pm

1. Administrative Assistant- EMS (\$22,000-\$27,500)

Closing December 28, 2012 @ 4 pm

1. Telecommunicator- Public Safety (\$23,740-\$30,280)
2. DV Intake Worker- Domestic Violence (\$18,140-\$22,680)
3. Disbursements Manager- Treasury (\$42,300-\$53,930)

Open Until Filled

1. EMT-P (Part-time) – EMS
2. Teacher- Tribal Child Care
3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care
4. Language Specialist Assistant- KPEP

Health & Medical Positions

1. C.N.A.– Tsali Care Center
2. Clinical Psychologist- Analenisgi (2 Positions)
3. RN- Tsali Care Center
4. LPN- Tsali Care Center
5. Masters Level Therapist- Analensgi

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

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: FT RN / ER, Emergency Hire LPN/CMA Immediate Care Center & Emergency Hire RN / ER. Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close December 28, 2012 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **1/10**

Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

High School Principal
 School Security Guard - High School Diploma required
 Special Education Teacher - NC teacher license is required.

cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com Opened till filled. **12/20**

VACANCY AT SWAIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE II

Position: PHN II position. Position is full-time, permanent.

Location: To work in the child care facilities and clinic setting; will also be required to provide services during home visits

Hours: 7:45 am – 4:45 pm Monday – Friday. Some flexibility of hours can be negotiated.

(Some late evening and occasional weekend hours may be required)

Compensation: \$34,539 - \$39,702, depending on training and years of experience

Comprehensive employee benefit package, including membership in the NC Local Government Employees' Retirement System.

Description of Primary Duties (includes but not limited to):

Smart Start Nurse/Child Care Nurse Consultant: Provide health and safety education, advocacy, and screenings to Swain County child care centers' teachers, children and parents by assisting with policy and procedure development; providing continuing education programs; monitoring and tracking immunizations; providing health-related screenings for hearing, vision, and dental; develop rapport with other community agencies on behalf of young children and their families; become a National Child Passenger Safety Technician to assist families with proper use and instillation of car seats and booster seats; provide educational information and packets to new and expectant families regarding community resources, newborn care and safety issues.

Adult Health Clinic Coordinator: Plan, manage and work Adult Health Clinic, including establishing clinic goals, policies, procedures, and guidelines with the nursing supervisor; follow-up of records regarding abnormal lab results and care plans; make referral as necessary.

General Staff Nurse: Answer nursing phone calls; obtain heights, weights, finger sticks, venipunctures, urine samples for lab testing, nutritional assessments, vital signs, immunizations, etc.

Minimum Education and Experience:

Graduation from a four-year college or university with a B.S. in Nursing which includes a Public Health Nursing rotation and one year of Public Health Nursing experience; or Master's in Public Health and graduation from a school of professional nursing and one year of professional nursing experience; or graduation from a school of professional nursing and two years of professional nursing experience including one year of Public Health Nursing experience; or an equivalent combination of training and experience.

A current license to practice as a Registered Nurse in North Carolina by the North Carolina Board of Nursing.

Closing Date: Until filled

Application Process: A State Employee Application (PD 107) may be obtained online via the following address:

<http://www.osp.state.nc.us/guide/localgovmt/forms/htm> then click on "State Application for Employment"

(MS Word Version) or at our website:

http://www.swaincountync.gov/health_vacancies.html

A State Employee application (PD 107) must be submitted to:

Amy Smith, Nursing Supervisor, Swain County Health Department, 545 Center Street or Swain County Employment, Bryson City, NC
 Security Commission, Attn: Nursing Supervisor, (828) 488-3198 x 2022

Resumes will not be accepted unless accompanied by a completed application form. **12/20**

LEGALS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 12-071

In the Matter of the Estate of Rosalee Lambert Robinson

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: March 6, 2013

L. Ray Robinson
38 Wenonah Digh Road
Cherokee, NC 28719

1/17pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 12-063 In the Matter of the Estate of Francis Terry Welch

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: February 22, 2013
Glenda Dale Owl Welch, 120 Tom McCoy Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

1/10pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 12-069 In the Matter of the Estate of James David Griffin

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: March 7, 2013
James David Griffin, Jr., 561 Bradley Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

1/10pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 12-070

In the Matter of the Estate of Jessie Margaret Cooper Clement

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: March 6, 2012
James L. Bruner, PO BOX 61110, Columbia, SC 29260

1/10pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Soliciting Quotes

Please be advised that Owle Construction, LLC, an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting TERO subcontractor quotes for site work and masonry for the construction of the "Cherokee Theater 4 Screen Addition."

Sealed quotes should be in our office by Friday, December 28, 2012 4:00 PM and delivered in the following manner:

MAIL: 120 Hoot Owl Road

Whittier, NC 28789

FAX: 828-497-4843

Project plans and specifications are available in our office located at 120 Hoot Owl Road, Whittier, NC, 28789 with prior appointment. Please call 828-497-8900 to setup an appointment. Plans should also be available at the Eastern Band of Cherokee plan room located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex.

Workers compensation, auto, general liability and umbrella insurance are required from all subcontractors.

For more questions, contact Dean Weber or Jodie Cook at 828-497-8900. **1/10**

REALTY

Proposed Land Transfers

Elizabeth Ann Driver Ensley to Noland Crowe and Kema Meredith Owens Crowe, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1389-B (Part of Parcel No. 1389), containing 8.028 acres, more or less.

Cherokee Community

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

*Ireta Lynn Thacker Arkansas, Christina Marie Biello, Mary Ellen Catt, Remy Denise Catt, Stephanie Michelle Catt, Robert Warren Cooper, *Mary Ella Crowe, Willis Demetric Davis, *Mary Jane Smith Giles, *Laura Amanda Lambert Hoyle, Calvin Truman James, Jr., *Anita Elizabeth Welch Johnson, Charles Kenneth Johnson, *Doris Lee Johnson, James Marvin Johnson, Virginia Cheryl Johnson, Alice Mae Catt Lewis, Kenneth Malcom Lewis, Jr., Billy Joe Lossie, Wanda Ruth Welch McLendon, *April Lynn Johnson Mellinger, *Larry Leland Miller, James Matthew Powell, *Vera Lynn Davis Rickman, Carolyn Sue Johnson Riddle, Letina Renee Saunooke, Rynda Lynn Marie Saunooke, Verlin Sequoyah, Keith Salolaneeta Shell, Marella Louella Shell, *Edwin James Smith, Jr., Michelle Dawn Standingdeer, Matthew Nicholas Drake Starlin, Mary Jane Walkingstick Taylor, Sonia Denise Taylor, Michael Thompson, Arnold Wachacha, Stacey Elkin Saunooke Washington, Matthew Gideon York, Sarah Lynn York

www.theonefeather.com



Advertising Rate Card

PRINT DISPLAY ADS (full color available for all display ads at no extra cost)

Full Page
9.5" x 10.5"
\$400

Back Page
9.5" x 10.5"
\$600

Banner for front page
9.5" x 1.5"
\$300

3/8 page
7.1" x 5.25"
\$150

Half Page (horizontal)
9.5" x 5.25"
\$200

Half Page (vertical)
4.67" x 10.5"
\$200

1/4 page (vertical)
2.25" x 10.5"

1/8 page (vertical)
2.25" x 5.25"

1/4 page (regular)
4.67" x 5.25"
\$100

1/8 page (horizontal)
4.67" x 2.5"
\$50

1/16 page
2.25" x 2.5"
\$25

1/4 page (banner)
9.5" x 2.5"
\$100

Classified Ads

\$5.00 for 30 words and \$.05 for each additional word
\$5.00 - classified will be posted online
\$5.00 - put a border around classified
\$5.00 - add color to classified

Bids, RFPs, and job announcements are billed at \$8/column inch
Legal Notices are a flat fee of \$100.
Celebration and Birthday Ads (2.25" x 2.5") - \$6.50

The deadline for all advertising is Monday at 12noon.

Web Ads

Header Ads - 468x60 pixels - \$100/month
Sidebar Ads - 125x125 pixels - \$50/month
Footer Ads - 468x60 pixels - \$75/month

see theonefeather.com for examples

Visit the One Feather office in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex at 801 Acquoni Road in Cherokee to place classified ads or celebration ads.

Call 554-6263 or
email scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com
for more information about print display ads and web ads.

Cherokee Community Health launches campaign to increase HIV/AIDS Awareness on Reservation

Nearly 3 out of 4 Americans living with HIV do not have their infection under control (source: CDC- Vital sign report)



Cherokee Community Health staff lead a walk and release balloons on WORLD AIDS DAY, in order to help bring awareness to the nearly 1.2 million people living with the disease.

Human Immuno Virus (HIV) is a manageable condition. By bringing people with HIV into treatment, you can help stop the viruses transmission.

Please help CHEROKEE COMMUNITY HEALTH bring more people to treatment by increasing awareness and testing on the reservation.

TSALAGI WORD FIND / MISCELLANEOUS

1- Rug.....ayesdvdi
 2- Picture.....didatsilosdanv
 3- Trash.....uyowadinvdi
 4- Highway.....ayesdavganvvnv
 5- Crayon.....disuwisdodi
 6- Another.....nudale
 7- Fence.....atsoyvi
 8- Shoes.....dilasulo
 9- Box.....kanesai
 10- Road/Path.....nvnohi
 11- Empty.....usiwi

12- Telephone.....ditlinohedi
 13- Electricity.....anagalisga
 14- Light.....atsvsdi
 15- Lawyer.....ditiyohihi
 16- Prepare.....advnvisdodi
 17- Scissors.....dilisdodi
 18- Tenor.....galvladi.kanogisdi
 19- Cowboy.....waga.dikahegi
 20- Knife.....hayelasdi
 21- Heavy.....gageda
 22- Wagon.....dagwalela

di da tsi lo s da nv no wi gi he ka di ga wa v ga
 li dv u na da tli sa di da mi sa wi si u di lv ha
 s di s mo ti wo ga tli gv gwa gv a yi ha la nv ye
 do la s ye di ha s no wo i le li ga di da ti la
 di v si lv a da o he lv yv s la ka ne sa i s
 di ti yo hi hi se hi di sa tso do no ma ge da yu di
 nv ti ga s li ga na a di a gi de so gv a si do
 di yu a de ga su ho di do s i nv dv a qi a s
 wa do tsv su s ge no hi di la su lo wu wo tso nu wi
 yo te s ti na da da du no du v gv lv ge da na su
 u me di a ye s da v ga nv nv go ka le ma a di

This puzzle will have words up, down, across, diagonally, backwards. If you're a student of our Cherokee language this will assist in your learning the phonetic sounds and pronunciation. There are some words that may differ and this being the differences of community speakers "pronunciation". Have Fun!



Sign up now for the The Remember the Removal Ride Sponsored by the Cherokee Nation and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

The remember the removal ride is a 3 week, 950 mile bicycle journey from New Echota, Georgia to Tahlequah, Oklahoma following the Northern Route of the trail of tears. While on this ride, you will retrace the steps of your ancestors as they were forced to march through the wild into an unknown land. You will in some ways get to relive a part of that terrible experience and yet celebrate the human triumph of our people. Learn and utilize traditional Cherokee values to reconnect with your heritage, culture and tradition as you follow the path of ones that came before you.

Eligibility requirements:

- You must be at least 15 years of age to ride.
 - The ride is completely supported and funded, and open to any enrolled member that is interested and able.
 - You must be willing to commit to 4 months of training leading up to the ride and the 3 weeks for the ride itself.
 - You must be willing to commit up to 40 hours of education specific to Cherokee history and values.
 - 7 slots are available and riders will be selected through an application process and panel interview.
- If you have the desire to take on this life changing opportunity, apply today!

For further information, please contact Tara McCoy (7:45 am-4:30pm) at 828-554-6783

APPLICATIONS DUE JANUARY 18, 2013 AT 3PM