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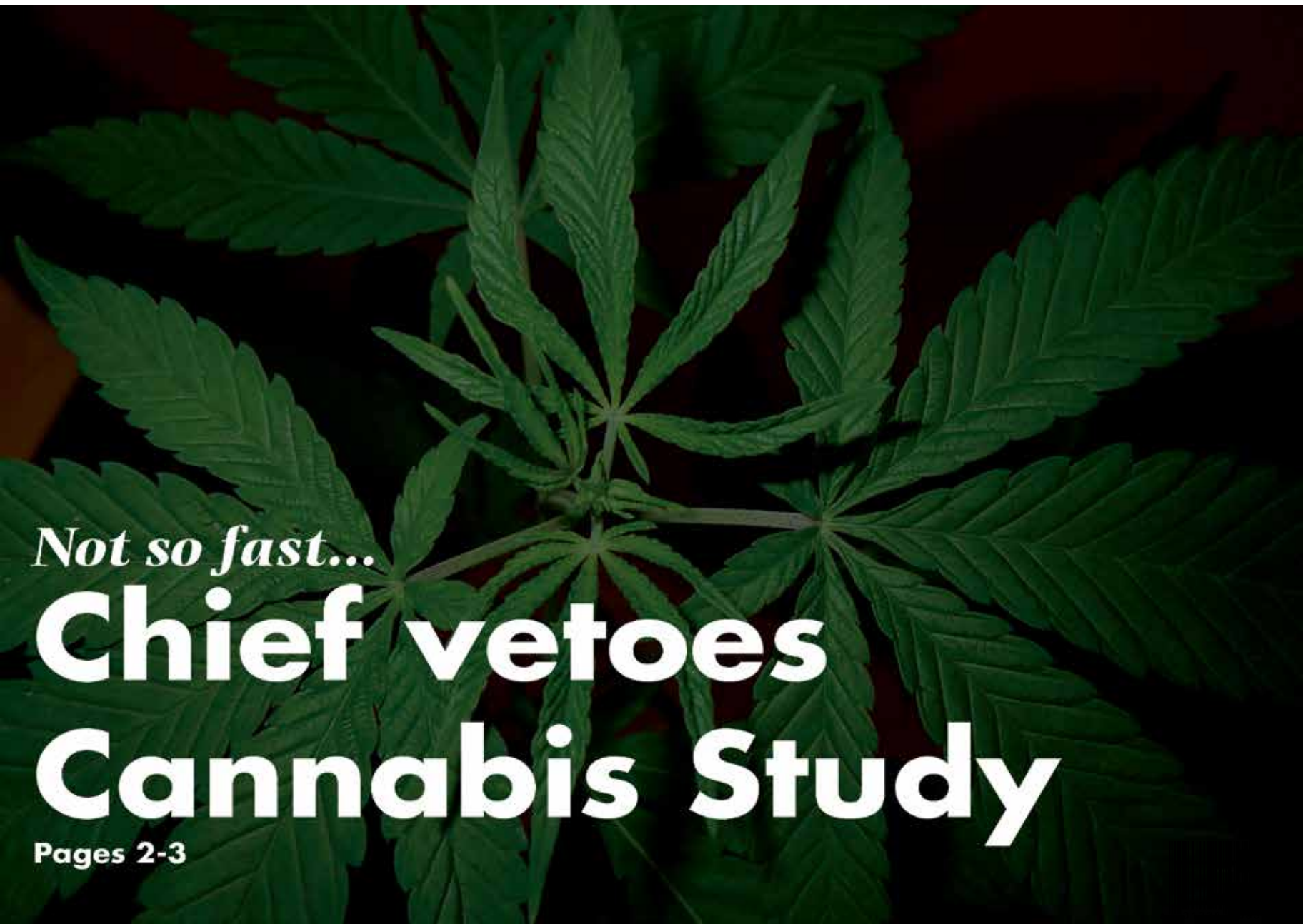


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Chief vetoes Cannabis Study resolution

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

A resolution authorizing a feasibility study to be performed to look into the “issues and impacts associated with legalization of cannabis” on tribal lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has been vetoed by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. Tribal Council passed Res. No. 40 (2015) unanimously during Annual Council on Thursday, Oct. 29, and Chief Lambert issued his veto of the legislation on Monday, Nov. 23.

“I have stated my opposition to the recreational use of drugs

many times, and this includes marijuana,” Chief Lambert wrote in his veto letter to Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor. “At a critical time in our Tribe’s history in dealing with all the human misery associated with illegal recreational use of drugs, I cannot in good conscience sign this legislation. There are some drugs that do have good and solid medicinal uses, but when done for recreation often leads to severe addiction and misery for the user, the family of the user and the larger community.”

He added, “Recreational drug use in our communities is at epidemic proportions. The recreational use of drugs in our community is

having devastating impacts on our Cherokee families. A centerpiece of my entire campaign during the past election is to put our ‘Cherokee Families First’, and in my mind, this certainly does not include any support from me on the recreational use of drugs, which includes marijuana.”



Chief Lambert said legalization for recreational use “would create a haven for outsiders to come onto our Boundary and use an otherwise illegal substance”. He also questioned the lack of a plan outlined in the resolution for the study itself. “Who is conducting the study...who is authorizing the expenditures and what is the ulti-


mate goal for such a study?”

“Our Tribe is currently committing millions of dollars to fight the ill-effects of recreational use of drugs in our communities, and we should not be spending one dime on studying the recreational use of another drug.”

Common Sense Cannabis, a group of EBCI tribal members who submitted the resolution authorizing the feasibility study, issued a statement on Sunday, Nov. 29 on Chief Lambert’s veto. “In Chief Lambert’s veto letter, he solely focuses on the ‘recreational’ marijuana, in which we call personal use. He cites recreational drug use as the problem in our communi-


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ty. While he is right about drug use as a problem, it does not stem from cannabis use. The problem lies with legal prescription pills and other synthetics, such as meth and heroin.”

“Chief Lambert views cannabis legalization as a ‘...detrimental impact...’ that would be ‘...immeasurable in its human toll.’ Common Sense Cannabis, Tribal Council, and a majority of the public, view this issue differently. There are EBCI members who can directly benefit from the medical treatment using cannabis: cancer patients, adults and children who experience seizures, those with lupus, veterans suffering from PTSD and many more. We have also seen the astounding economic benefits in states that have legalized cannabis for personal use.”

The vetoed legislation is expected to be discussed and possibly acted upon at the Tribal Council meeting scheduled for Thursday, Dec. 3.

ational use of yet another drug. Help support the push to uphold the veto.”

Common Sense Cannabis said in their statement, “We would like

line item in the tribal budget and that the feasibility study be managed through the EBCI Public Health and Human Services division. The resolution states that the

“At a critical time in our Tribe’s history in dealing with all the human misery associated with illegal recreational use of drugs, I cannot in good conscience sign this legislation.”

- Principal Chief Patrick Lambert

In a Facebook post on Nov. 29, Chief Lambert stated, “I ask for your support when it is heard by Tribal Council this week. Those who are in favor of the recreational use will be pressuring Council Members to overturn this veto, but my veto was done to stop recre-

to encourage you to call your Council Members to bring this veto up in Council on Dec. 3 and overturn Chief Lambert’s veto.”

The vetoed legislation was amended on the day it was passed to state that the funding for the study come from the grant match

study group “be comprised of three members of Common Sense Cannabis, a representative of the Legal Division, a representative from Public Health and Human Services, two representatives of Tribal Council or the Planning Committee.”

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KEN WILSON



Stanford adds Cherokee Language class

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EBCCI tribal member Constance Owl might go to school across the country, but she still gets to speak and hear her native language. The Stanford University sophomore, a recipient of the Gates Millennium Scholarship, was instrumental in the university adding a Cherokee language class to its curriculum recently.

“When I came to Stanford, I knew that the Cherokee population was pretty large, and I thought that there would probably be an interest for a Cherokee language class,” said Owl who related that the school already had classes for several other native languages including Lakota, Navajo and Native Hawaiian.

Owl approached the staff of the campus’ Native American Center with the idea of adding a Cherokee language class. “I started a petition, through the Special Languages Department, to bring the class here.”

She said that the school was very receptive to the idea and said all they would need is a professor qualified to teach the class. Owl’s sister took Cherokee Language classes at Western Carolina University with

working on developing our Cherokee language textbook and lesson packaging and Constance contacted us about meeting with a class at Stanford to use the textbook and lesson packaging. We meet twice a week via the internet. Stanford has an electronic meeting service called Bluejeans, and it allows us to videoconference screen share.”

He said they also send materials including Cherokee language PDF worksheets and handouts in addition to MP3 sound files to the students. “Their feedback has helped us improve our presentation and packaging.”

The class started during the Fall Quarter with six people in the inaugural group. “There’s already interest in having the course offered next year,” said Owl who chairs the Stanford Cherokee Club. “We’re pretty confident that it is going to continue to thrive at Stanford.”

“A few times Tom and Hartwell have brought in students from their Cherokee

ary or from Snowbird, and so we have found our online classes to be one of the best ways to reach the community.” He said they post electronic lessons and short audiovisual pieces to the WCU Cherokee Language Facebook page ([Facebook.com/WCUCherokeeLanguage](https://www.facebook.com/WCUCherokeeLanguage)).

“The formal class structure that we share with Stanford and the very formal online class structure for credit through WCU is quite different from the informal Facebook posting,” said Dr. Francis, “but, all of these modes help us reach the community and further Cherokee language scholarship.”

Tom Belt, WCU Cherokee Language Program coordinator, said the joint project is part of their community outreach and ongoing research. “It’s been going well. They’re doing well with what we offer them. It’s a really good project, and it broadens out the awareness of what Western Carolina University has to offer.”

Owl said having the language class at Stanford helps keep her grounded. “Having the language class has really shown me the power of Cherokee people.”

She said it has helped in interactions with other native students as well. “A lot of times they view us (Cherokee) as not knowing our culture very well as opposed to these other students who come from very traditional, rural reservations. So, to be able to have our language on campus and having it be spoken in between students is really empowering.”



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- Constance Owl, Stanford University sophomore and EBCI tribal member

Tom Belt and Dr. Hartwell Francis, and Owl contacted them to see if they would be interested. “I gave their names to the director of Special Languages, and it just went from there.”

Dr. Francis, WCU Cherokee Language Program director, commented, “We are

101 class,” said Owl, “and, we’ve spoken with them over the software.”

The joint project is a part of WCU’s Community Outreach programming, and Dr. Francis said the online classes have been beneficial to all. “Even Western Carolina University can be a bit far from the Bound-

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Braves win season opener

KINGS MOUNTAIN – The Cherokee Braves (1-0) got their 2015-16 season off to a good start with a 15-point (79-64) win over Kings Mountain on Saturday, Nov. 28. Seniors Jason McMillan and Logan Teesateskie led the way for Cherokee with 16 and 11 points respectively.

McMillan also played strong defense and garnered 7 steals on

the night.

From the floor, King Mountain outshot Cherokee 44 percent to 41 percent, but the Braves tore it up from the three-point line shooting 41 percent (13 of 32) to Kings Mountain's 13 percent.

Kings Mountain took an early 18-14 lead following the first period, but Cherokee roared back with a huge 35-point second period to take a 49-40 lead into the locker

room. They extended their lead in the third period outscoring Kings Mountain 15-10 and held on in the fourth to take the win.

Other Braves stats include: Justus Day: 9 pts, 4 asst, 2 reb, 1 steal; Tye Mintz: 4 pts, 1 asst, 2 reb; Trace Lambert: 2 pts, 1 reb; Jeff Girty: 3 pts, 1 reb, 2 steals; Steven Straughan: 9 pts, 1 asst, 1 reb, 1 steal; Kennan Panther: 7 pts, 4 reb, 2 steals; Holden Straughan: 10 pts,

2 asst, 1 reb; Isaiah Evans: 1 pt; Cory Junaluska: 7 pts; and Logan Teesateskie: 11 pts, 1 asst.

Jacob Skidmore led Kings Mountain with 30 points followed by Dylan Thrift with 12.

The Lady Braves (0-1) lost to Kings Mountain 64-62. Individual stats were not provided for this game.

- One Feather staff report



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Turkey Strut 5K winners

Cherokee Choices hosted the Turkey Strut 5K in Cherokee on Saturday, Nov. 21. All proceeds from the event went to the New Kituwah Academy Parent Group. Shown (left-right) are the overall female and male winners: Cameron Rice, 1st place; Morgan Ratte, 2nd place; Peyton Wood, 3rd place; Tom Waterson, 1st place; Hunter Craig, 2nd place; and Gabe McCoy, 3rd place.



Shown (left-right) are the overall female and male winners in the 61&Over division: Elnora Thompson, 1st place; Elizabeth Abbott, 2nd place; Jeanne Klinkowski, 3rd place; and John Addy, 1st place.

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Lossiah writes book on everything strawberry

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Everything you ever wanted to know about the fruit named after a berry that isn't actually a berry can be found in "The Strawberry Story: Cultivating to Cupboard".

Written by Lynn K. Lossiah, the book covers

a multitude of subjects from growing and picking your own strawberries to over 200 pages of strawberry recipes.

"It's a simple book for youth gardeners and sustainable living gardeners trying to get a little bit off of the grid," said Lossiah, a master gardener herself who has lived in Cherokee for over 30 years and is married to Ernie Lossiah of the Yellowhill Community.

Several hundred illustrations adorn the book, all done by Lossiah herself. "I've always been interested in drawing. I have a degree in Fine Arts (Vanderbilt University)."

From the foreword of her book, Lossiah writes, "As a master gardener, I use heirloom seeds that I save from year to year, and I enjoy the organically grown produce from my garden. I enjoy sharing healthy foods during the harvest. I do have a favorite, it seems, the strawberries. This could be because of the family memories that come to mind when I first see the strawberries turn bright red in the spring. Each spring, at this time, the family gathered at the strawberry farm for a reunion."

The recipes shared in the book are categorized and include: butters, preserves, jams, jelly, marmalade, preserves, biscuits, breads, cakes, cheesecakes, cobblers, crepes, gelatins, muffins, mousse, pies, salads, and more.

Lossiah also includes many tips (gardening, baking, harvesting, etc.) and interesting facts such as, "The average strawberry has 200 seeds" and "Greeks

had a taboo against eating anything red, including strawberries."

The book itself has a "hostess" that takes you through the different sections in the form of a strawberry fairy from a 1608 shipping logo.

"The Strawberry Story" can be purchased at any of the following locations: Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Medicine Man Craft Shop, Bearmeat's Indian Den, Talking Leaves Native American Bookstore, Bee Log Farms in Burnsville, Magnolia Salon in Bryson City, and the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (Vonore, Tenn.).

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Written and illustrated by

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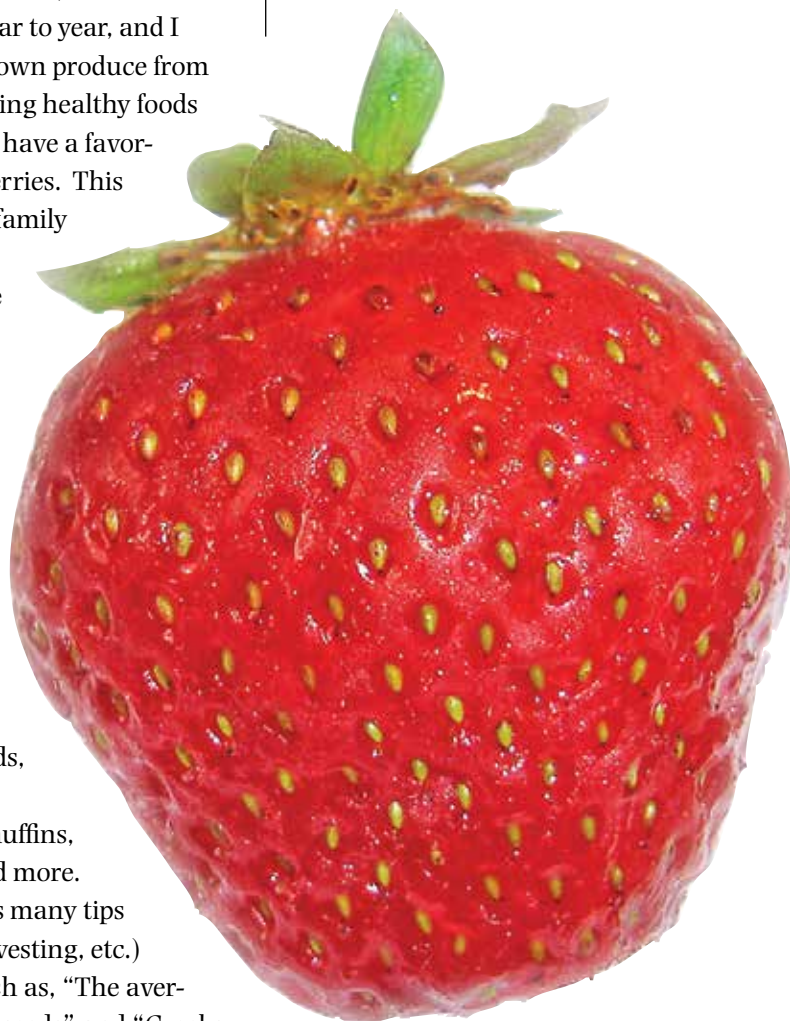




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Tribal member kills first buck

James Arch, 8, an EBCI tribal member from the Big Cove Community, is shown with his first buck that he killed. He was hunting two weekends ago in Tennessee.


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To enter the contest in your community, please contact the following community officers:

- Big Cove – Butch Hill
- Big Y – Bunsey Crowe
- Birdtown – Jody Taylor
- Painttown – Lula Jackson
- Snowbird – Roger Smoker
- Tow String – Raymond Matthews
- Wolfstown – Tuff Jackson

- Yellowhill – Reuben Teesateskie
- Cherokee County – Frank Herron
- 3200 Acre Tract – Renissa McLaughlin

Judging for this contest will be Thursday, Dec. 10. Prizes include: first place, \$300; second place, \$200; and third place, \$100.

Info: Tammy Jackson, community development coordinator at EBCI Cooperative Extension Office, 359-6934

- Tammy Jackson

Upcoming DNA testing schedule

The following dates are available to schedule appointments for DNA collection:

- Friday, Dec. 4
- Wednesday, Dec. 9
- Thursday, Dec. 10
- Friday, Dec. 11

- Wednesday, Dec. 16
- Friday, Dec. 18
- Monday, Dec. 21
- Monday, Dec. 28
- Tuesday, Dec. 29

Please check with the EBCI Enrollment Office 359-6465 prior to scheduling to make sure you are eligible for enrollment. The local collection site is at the EBCI Tribal Enrollment office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Appointments will be scheduled by the staff of 1 Family Services from 9-11:30am and 1-3pm.

To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, contact Michelle, Tribal Enrollment, 359-6463. To schedule an out-of-town appointment, contact Amber (918) 685-0478. All DNA questions should be directed to the staff of 1 Family Services.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

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Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.

To make an appointment, 586-8931 and ask for "December pro bono clinic". An appointment is not required, but priority will be given to those who call ahead.

- Legal Aid NC, UNC Law

Cherokee Indian Hospital announces Veteran's Memorial Re-dedication

Cherokee Indian Hospital will hold a re-dedication of the veteran's memorial on the new facility campus on Monday, Dec. 7 at 1pm. The American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 will host the ceremony, which includes a flag raising, along with the Cherokee Indian Hospital and the Charles George Veteran's Administration Center (VA). Staff from the Veterans Administration will also be available to enroll veteran's for benefits.

"The Veteran's in our community have served our country well and we look forward to the re-dedication of the memorial which they built, said Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital chief executive officer. "We are also fortunate to announce a partnership with the Veteran's Administration which allows veterans to enroll for services and receive medical care through the Cherokee Indian Hospital. This partnership will allow our veteran's to receive services at home."

The public is invited to attend this event. Veterans who bring their DD214 can enroll with the VA and will be eligible for prizes.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital

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The One Feather will not print issues on Dec. 24 or 31.

OBITUARIES

Arthur Hugh "Huey" Roberts

Arthur Hugh "Huey" Roberts, 73, of Cherokee passed away Thursday, Nov. 19, 2015. He was born Jan. 19, 1942 to the late Fred William Roberts and Alice Annalou Norvell Roberts.

Arthur Hugh "Huey" Roberts was a Christian man who loved to fish and hunt. He was a professional wrestler in his younger years often partnering with Josh Squirrel, and a proficient house painter in his later years with wife Cathy Roberts. Huey loved family, food, and a good joke and he knew many of them. Huey was always ready to lend a helping hand, crack a joke or go hunting or fishing. He will be

sorely missed in the mountains, on the streams, and in the councils of his people and family.

Huey is survived by his wife, Cathy Drye Roberts; one brother, Paul Roberts of Alabama; two sisters, Gladys Roberts Penick of Chapel Hill, Tenn. and Betty Roberts Birchfield of Bryson City; four grandchildren, J.R. Hornbuckle, Candace Hornbuckle, Nathaniel Shinkman, and Kaitlyn Roberts; and several nieces and nephews also survive.

In addition to his parents, Huey was preceded in death by his first wife, Hazel Welch Roberts; one son, Edgar "Eddie" Roberts; two daughters, Allison Shinkman and Judy Hornbuckle; one granddaughter, Tamara Shinkman; one brother, George Roberts; and two sisters, Lodeema Roberts Collette and Mary

Roberts Murphy.

Funeral services were held on Monday, Nov. 23 at the Bethabara Baptist Church with Revs. Phillip Ellington and Greg Morgan officiating. Burial followed at the Birdtown Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons and nephews.

Joseph Feather

Joseph Feather, 72, of Cherokee, passed away Tuesday, Nov. 24, 2015 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

He was born Sept. 11, 1943 in Cherokee to the late Jonah Feather and Minnie Smith Feather.

Joe was a vibrant character. When he entered a room, his presense was demanded, not only by his size and build, but also by his colorful personality. He was a great storyteller and artist by nature. In his younger days, he played stickball, football, and boxed. He was said to have been the best football player in Swain County having only played one game he said. A favorite memory shared with his son, Dane, and granddaughter, Jatanna, was when they went to Phoenix, Ariz. to compete in the world Hoop

Dance competition. It was the first time a grandfather, a son, and a granddaughter competed in the same year. He placed fourth. Joe can be remembered best for his paintings, storytelling and flute playing.

He is survived by the love of his life, Carol Love; his children, Jonathan Dane Feather, Corinna Feather, Plumita Feather, Chadwick Tyler Feather, and Birdie K. Feather; five grandchildren; favorite sister, Ella Lee Lossiah; sisters, Darlene Ledford, Betty Sue Feather, Elsie Feather, Mary Lou Taylor, and Rosanne Feather; and the family dog Geetle U-gi-da-li.

In addition to his parents, Joe is preceded in death by sons, Joseph Lee Feather and the twins; brother, David Robert Feather; sisters, Julie Ann Feather and Nancy Feather.

The funeral service was held at Piney Grove Baptist Church on Saturday, Nov. 28. Rev. James "Blue Jay" Sequoyah and Rev. Noah Crowe officiated. Burial followed at the Feather Family Cemetery.

Pallbearers were among family. Long House Funeral Home assisted the Feather family.

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Cherokee Choices says thanks for Turkey Strut help

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and Catcuce Tiger. If someone was left out, our apologies.

Littlejohn says thanks

Thank you from the bottom of my heart Lou Johnson, Dinah H., Stinker, Emelia, and Fern for cooking and preparing the meals for the fund raiser that you gave me! I'm so glad I have sisters in Christ that love and thought about me and my family who are going through this difficult time. I want to say thank you everyone who came by, bought a meal, gave a donation, or food. May God Bless you all. I thank God for the love you shown to me. It means a lot to me.

Thank you,
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KICK THAT BALL!!

1st Annual 5th Grade students versus Staff Kickball Game

By Ahanu De Los Reyes

The game occurred on Oct. 16 at 9am in the softball complex.

Ms. Colvin, Ms. Cook, and Ms. Harlow started the game off by singing The National Anthem. Then it was time to play ball!

The first class up to kick was Ms. Harlow's class. They played pretty good. Next was Mrs. McGaha's class followed by Ms. Greene's and last to kick was Ms. Arch's. In the beginning of the game, the staff was leading by a few points.

There were some great plays. Coach Mitchell scored a home run. The crowd was cheering. The 5th grade arose to lead the game. Then, finally, the 5th grade won!



Afterschool clubs

By Walika Sexton
and Brandon Martinez

Our school offers students to participate in activities after-school. We learn a lot and get to have fun with our friends. We have listed the clubs below and described what happens in the club. New clubs will start again in January.

Newspaper: They write about the news in Cherokee Elementary School.

Running: They run around the school.

Drama: They do plays.

Garden: They plant and work in the school garden.

Arts and crafts: Create new things.

Basketball: Practice basketball skills and play games.

Stem: Science club, do experiments.

Nature: Take walks and find big bugs.

Chorus: They sing songs.

Battle of the books: Read books and figure out questions about them.

Cherokee club: Practice the Cherokee language and make crafts.

Jokes

Why did the cow cross the road? to get to the other side

What does a ghost eat for dessert? Ice cream

What do you call an alligator in a vest? An investigator

Did you hear about that Italian chef who died? He pasta away

Foods

By Ahanu De Los Reyes

In the past we grew our own food such as carrots, potatoes, tomatoes, cabbage, squash, corn, winter



green onions, berries, and apples. We hunted animals like Deer, Bears, Squirrels, Turkey, and other game. Fishing is another way we hunted. The food we grew and the animals we hunted were used to make delicious meals.

We still have gardens and hunt but we also have stores and restaurants we go to.

Some of my favorite meals are fried chicken, bean bread, fried trout, pot roast, and corn.

We also can foods. The most common fruit to can is strawberries and the most common vegetable to can is green beans.

During the school year, we have a tasting day in Cherokee language. This year, I tried bear meat, strawberry cake, and watermelon.



Healthy Halloween Celebration

Healthy Halloween was held on Oct. 29 from 9am to 2pm. It was held in the CES gym because of poor weather. All Cherokee Elementary students and teachers were invited to enjoy some healthy fun. We had 13 vendors participate. They created healthy alternatives instead of passing out candy. Among the vendors we saw were the tooth fairy lady who told us about our teeth and how it is very important to brush your teeth. There was a yoga section. The spooky yoga was very relaxing if I say so myself. The egg relay race was put on by Devlin from the Hope Center and the haunted house was put on by the food and nutrition staff. It was very spooky.

Fun and Games at the Harvest Festival!

By Alexis Smith and Dali Crowe

The Harvest Festival was held from 5-7pm on Nov. 5 inside the Cherokee Elementary School. The staff sold tickets which were used to play the games and purchase food items. There were many games to play. There was the dish toss, lollipop game, fish for a surprise, treasure hunt, bean bag toss, basketball, the cake walk, Bingo, and other sport games inside the gym. They served hotdogs with sides, hot and cold drinks, and desserts. They had two auctions at the end of the evening. They auctioned off baskets that were donated by grade-levels and they also had a silent auction that consisted of items that were donated by families and staff. My favorite game was the basketball game.





Art better than ever

By *Amiya George*

I love art. I love making things, drawing pictures, coloring, and more. Our Art teacher, Ms. Hansen, loves making art. Ms. Hansen works with over 600 children on a weekly basis. We should be thankful for her and all the hard work she does for us to have such a great art program. If you see Ms. Hansen, give her a nice warm hug to say thanks for everything she has done. We might get a nice "thanks" back. No matter how good our art looks, she still will be proud.



A needed thanks!

By *Walika Sexton*

I think school lunches are great and kids love it. I would say that the most famous lunch would be hamburgers. When you get your lunch you should thank the lunch ladies and men. Their hard work allows us to be able to eat something for lunch every day. Preparing lunch for about 600 kids is a lot of work. If you don't like the main dish there is another choice. You can choose a Peanut-Butter sandwich or Ham and Cheese. They also sell snacks Monday through Thursday and on Friday they sell ice cream. The snacks and ice cream are an additional 75cents. We are very fortunate to have such amazing lunch workers at our school!



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Spotlight on a 5th Grade Student: Kaden Smith

By Dominyk Arch

Kaden Smith loves playing Football. Kaden is 10 years old. He was born on Dec. 1, 2004. Kaden goes to Cherokee Elementary School. Kaden is in the 5th grade. He is in Mrs. McGaha's homeroom. He lives in the Birdtown community. He has a hunting dog named Bo. Kaden has three brothers and four sisters. He is the most athletic kid I know.

The Annual book fair

*By Kyla Moore and
Maribel Armachain*

The theme this year was, "Reading will give you Goosebumps." It was held in the CES library. Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Dehart organized the event. The Book Fair was amazing! It had hundreds of books to choose from. They also sold toys, pens, pencils, and erasers. They held a Family Night on Tuesday, Oct. 20. Many parents came with their children. Everyone had a great time and purchased lots of books, toys, and pens.

We had the chance to interview Mrs. Taylor, the librarian. She was very pleasant and answered some questions we had for her. She stated that it takes a whole day to set up

the book fair.

Mrs. Taylor said that over 600 students came to the book fair. The grades ranged from Pre-K to 5th grade. She even had classes from the Kituwah Academy come and visit. She said the most popular book this year was Goosebumps. We asked her what her favorite book was and she said, "Elephant and Piggy Books' by Mo Willems are my favorite."

We can't wait to see what next year's book fair will have for all of us to see!

Spotlight on a teacher: Jonnie Walkingstick

By Zoe Walkingstick

Jonnie Walkingstick is a teacher for 2nd grade at Cherokee Elementary School and has taught for 32 years. She was born in Nuremberg, Germany and grew up in Texas and then later her family moved to Oklahoma. When she was young, her father, Jose Castorena, was in the U.S army. She met Edbert Wilson Walkingstick, my grandfather, while visiting here Cherokee. She also had family growing up here. She also runs the Sacred Path Committee. Our school believes in the sacred path which is being responsible, respectful, truthful, and caring to all. We are very fortunate to have Mrs. Walkingstick as a role model for our students.

**The Cherokee One Feather
would like to congratulate the CES
Gazette on their inaugural issue.**

CES Gazette Staff

Kensen Davis

My name is Kensen Davis. I



live in Wolfetown, and I was born in Sylva on Jan. 26, 2005.

Walika Wind Sexton

My name is Walika Wind Sexton and I am 10-years-old. I was born in Cherokee on Dec.



7, 2004. My dad is T.W Saunooke, my mother is Heather Sexton and my step-mother is Yolanda Saunooke. I have four sisters and three brothers. I am in the fifth grade and am in the Honor Society and on the Principal's list. I live in the Yellowhill community.

Alexis Cheyenne Smith

My name is Alexis Cheyenne Smith. I am 11 years old. I was born on Sept. 11, 2004 in Sylva.



I live in Yellowhill. My parents are Will and Katina Smith. I have two brothers named Tait and Blake Smith. I like to play guitar, X-box 1, and basketball. My brothers and dad taught me how to play basketball.

Kyla Sienna Moore

My name is Kyla Sienna Moore. I am 9-years-old. I was born in Sylva on Aug. 28. I go to school at Cherokee Elementary School. I am in the 4th grade. I play basketball. My family celebrates every holiday or game we won. I live in Big-Y. I



love doing flips and playing with my friends. My mom and dad both work here at the school. I have one sister named Kennedy. I also have one brother named Spencer. My mom's name is Brittany. My dad's name is Spencer. My dad named my brother after him because he acts just like him.

Amiya George

I was born in Asheville Hospital on Aug. 6, 2005. I'm 10-years-old. I was named by my Aunt Carol who was my grandma's sister. My dad's name is Simon George and my mom's name is Sammi Sequoyah. I live in Big Cove and Birdtown. My sisters are Noriah George and DJ Sequoyah

Idalis M. Crowe

My name is Idalis M. Crowe. People call me Dali. I was born at the Harris Regional Hospital in Sylva on Dec. 27, 2004. I have two

brothers, Ian and Joseph, and I



have two sisters, Riley and Livi. I live in the Big Y Community with my parents and siblings. I am in the 5th grade and a member of the Elementary National Honor Society. My favorite color is purple. My favorite sports are softball and basketball, and I love to play my Wii U.

Maribel Armachain

I like basketball and football. I want to play basketball with my brothers. My favorite movie is "Inside Out", and my favorite song is "Trap Queen". I am 10-years-old. I have six friends, and I love them as friends.



Tanin Wilson Esquivel

My name is Tanin Wilson Esquivel, and I'm 10-years-old. My birthday is on Dec. 31. I go to Cherokee Elementary School, and my home



room teacher is Ms. Arch. I live in Painttown and Wolfetown communities. My family has split up. My mom has a family of four and my dad has a family of

eight. My favorite sport is soccer.

Zoe Addison Walkingstick

My name is Zoe Addison Walkingstick. I am 10-years-old, and I am in fourth grade at Cherokee Elementary School. I live in Sylva. I have three family members; my mom, stepdad, and little brother, Kale. I also go to my real



dads too. I am a competitive dancer at Triple Threat Performing Arts Academy also known as TTPAA. I am very girly. My favorite type of food I enjoy eating is Japanese food. My favorite restaurant is Kobe's Express. I enjoy listening to pop music. My favorite music artist is Ariana Grande. My favorite movie is "Inside Out". My favorite actress is Maddie Zigulor, and my favorite actor is Johnny Depp. Some of the shows I enjoy are: "Dance Moms", "Dancing with the Stars", "McKenna an American Girl Doll", "Star Wars", and "Full House". A role model for me would have to be Bindi Irwin. I would call her the perfect dancer on "Dancing with the Stars". I love my family. I love to spend time with them. I enjoy when we go to the movies, go shopping,

or just spending time in our living room.

Ahanu Joaquin De Los Reyes

I was born in the Sylva hospital on Feb. 24, 2006. My favorite sports are football and basketball. I live in the Yellowhill community and I go to Cherokee Elementary School. And, I'm 9-years-old and I'm in the 4th grade. I have one little sister. I have six cousins in Georgia named Decklend, Amya, Ariana, Monessa, Monique and Matthew. I'm planning to go to California next year.



Dominyk Ean Arch

My name is Dominyk Ean Arch. I was born in the Sylva Hospital on July 26, 2004.

My dad's name is Justin Arch. My mom's



name is Jennifer Welch, and my grandma's name is Alice Mae. I go to Cherokee Elementary School. I live with my aunt and uncle. I enjoy playing with my cousins. My favorite sports are football, basketball, and baseball.

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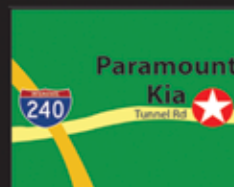


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Pow Wow time at CCS

The annual Cherokee Central Schools Pow Wow was held on Wednesday, Nov. 25 in the Charles George Memorial Areen. The Awohali Singers, a northern singing group from Cherokee, provided the music for the event.

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General Events

Jan's 2015 Christmas Bazaar for Dec. 3-4 at the new Painttown Community Building. Middle School will attend on Thursday, Elementary School on Friday. Info: Jan 497-2037

Cherokee Community Chorus Christmas Cantata. Dec. 6 at 3pm at Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. The Cherokee Community Chorus will present "Mary, did you know?" The performance is free and open to all. Info: Mary Wachacha 788-1196, Frela Beck 736-4181, or Terresa Sweet 736-1256

Cherokee Indian Hospital Veterans Memorial Re-dedication. Dec. 7 from 1-4pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital. The Charles George VA Medical Center will also host an enrollment for all veterans. Bring your DD214 to enroll for VA benefits and receive a chance to win prizes.

Swain County Democrat Cherokee-Whittier Precinct Potluck and Meeting. Dec. 7 from 5-6:30pm at Birdtown Gym. Ham, rolls and drink will be provided. Please bring a side dish or dessert. All Cherokee-Whittier Precinct Democrats and Independents are welcome. Info: Bob Catt, president, 736-9500 or 497-4119

Holiday Bazaar. Dec. 10-11 from 3-9pm daily at Barkers Creek Community Building. Admission is free. Info: (828) 226-7814, <https://www.facebook.com/events/868630886585238/>

December 2015 Per-Capita Spend Down. Dec. 15 from 8am - 4pm at 43 John Crowe Hill Road. This event is sponsored by the Supplemental Health Insurance Program. Bring in your per-capita stub if you have any voluntary deductions withheld through the tribe.

Indianpreneurship Business Course. Jan. 9 - Feb. 9 from

6-9pm every Tuesday evening in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. This five-session course covers business essentials to business start-up. Participants will learn marketing research, finances, tax information, and much more. Upon completion, participants will have written a complete Business Plan, Marketing Plan, and a Cash Flow to help you start your business. If you need a loan for startup monies, you may be able to obtain a business loan from The Sequoyah Fund. There is a \$60 non-refundable fee to purchase the Indianpreneurship Book. Info: Kimberly W. Rosario 359-6719 or kimbwinc@nc-cherokee.com



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Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 7710 Big Cove Road. 497-4220

Calico Church of Christ. Big Cove Community. 497-6549

Cherokee Baptist Church. 812 Tsalagi Road. 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

Cherokee Bible Church. Olivet Church Road. 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 21 Church of God Drive. (828) 400-9753

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. 497-2819

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. Located behind the Wolfetown Gym. 674-2690

Cherokee United Methodist Church. Hwy 19 – Soco Road. (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Hwy 19 across from Happy

Holiday Campground. 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.

Ela Missionary Baptist Church. Hwy 19 South.

Goose Creek Baptist Church. 631-0331 or 497-3512

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 1921 US 441 N. 736-9383

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 30 Locust Road. 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 1181 Wolf-town Rd. 508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

Olivet United Methodist Church. 811 Olivet Church Road. 497-5249

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 82 Lambert Branch Road. 736-5322

Piney Grove Baptist Church. Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850.

Rock Hill Baptist Church. (828) 356-

7312

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Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 3755 Big Cove Road. 497-7644

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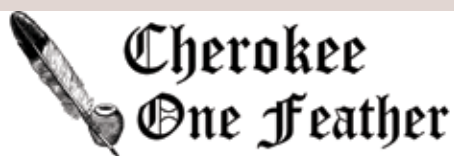
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What must it be like to be banished?

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

According to the Municode for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Section 2-1, Subsection B, "The Tribal Council shall have the power to exclude other persons from Cherokee trust lands when necessary to protect the integrity and law and order on Tribal lands and territory or the welfare of its members". Subsection A talks about the "exclusion" or banishment of enrolled members who are deemed sex offenders or drug traffickers.

Also by the Code, beginning in January 2007, a report was to be submitted to Tribal Council every six months by the Cherokee Clerk of Court providing a current listing of all people banished from tribal lands. Section 2-8 states that the report provided in January should list all banishments beginning April 1, 2000 to current.

I decided, as a part of One Feather's duty to report to the public, to publish this list. We, at the newspaper, assumed that the list would be very easy data to retrieve because ensuring that those who are

banished did not violate the law would be an ongoing process requiring frequent use of a current copy of the banishment list. I attempted to get a current copy from the Tribal Court, Cherokee Police Department, Attorney General's Office, Tribal Operations Program and the Tribal Finance Office. The results in each case were the same. Either they did not have a copy or they did not have a current copy (one office stated that theirs was current through 2012).

As I visited these offices, I began to realize that there does not seem to be an official mechanism or procedure in place to prevent those who are banished from re-establishing themselves on tribal land. For example, there is no public portal for tribal members who are renting homes or apartments to check (and no directives from the tribe to do so) a person to see if they are banished before renting out property to them. Tribal services, like water and sewer, do not have access to a list to prohibit a person getting these services as a banished individual. Since Finance did not have access to a list, what would prevent a banished individual from obtaining a

business license? Since fishing permits are issued at local retail outlets, it is doubtful that a banished person would even be stopped from fishing on tribal land if they were checked by our Fish and Wildlife officers.

I had an opportunity to speak with an individual in a program who received a phone call from someone who had been banished. This person wanted to know what the procedure is for removing or repealing his banishment. The program personnel did not know but told the caller that if they would supply their address, they would be happy to find out the procedure and sent the proper information to him in a letter. The banished individual gave a Cherokee address.

Section 14-70.24, Subsection B, of the Code states, "Aiding the unlawful obtaining of services by an excluded person shall be punishable by a fine of \$5,000.00, and by imprisonment for a term not to exceed one year, and by exclusion for a term equal to the exclusion term originally imposed upon the banished person for which aid or assistance was attempted or secured". With this law,

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it is possible that you could unknowingly provide a service to a banished individual and wind up with a \$5,000 fine, imprisonment and even be banished yourself.

Tribal law takes the idea of banishment very seriously. The template for individual banishment resolutions reads that "the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (Eastern Band or Tribe) has the sovereign authority to exclude persons from lands of the Eastern Band in order to protect the integrity, law and order of those lands and the welfare of the

members of the Tribe". For a person to be excluded, they have been deemed to pose a significant threat to tribal members and/or tribal lands.

Without an up-to-date banishment list, I and other tribal members have no way of identifying persons that our government has removed from our lands because of malicious behavior. The tribe needs an easily-accessible listing, with photos, of those who have been banished from tribal lands so that service providers, renters and community members may help law enforcement by reporting when someone trespasses on tribal land.

People who are convicted of sex crimes go on a list, accessible on the internet, so that anyone can check for a predator in their neighborhood. Checking the banishment list should be just as easy.

I know that the tribal law enforcement, judicial system, legal team, tribal operation and finance teams are working diligently to ensure the safety of the people and assets of our tribe. It is time to bring the banishment list current and provide it to them and the people as another tool for the continued prosperity and security of the Eastern Band.

Next generation now

When you look at the outside world from through your front door, one has to wonder where are we going? Who is going to lead? Who is going to make decisions? Who will step up? Who will do the work?

A generation of technogeeks are growing up. Writing in cursive is not taught and respect for others is questionable. When we have workers wanting \$15 an hour to work in a burger place, but yet we cannot find money to help veterans, it is a little topsy-turvy.

We are more humane towards animals than people, worrying about an animal's welfare rather than a whole race's culture.

I was watching a TV show the other day, and they kept implying that for the kids going through problems, it starts at home with the parents; either the parents are not available, around, or even care. When do we, as parents, give our children what they need to be well-balanced adults ready to be our next leaders? Can you look at your child now and say, "Yes, they are ready"?

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Dawn Arneach, Yellowhill Community



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Do you think the United States should accept Syrian refugees?

Yes **26%**
No **74%**

Question of the week now up on theonefeather.com:
What do you think should be done on the Acquoni Expo Center (aka old High School) property?

Poll Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page and website to our weekly poll question: **Do you think the United States should accept Syrian refugees?**

Debi Bourgeois: Mixed emotions...hate to see the little children not being helped.

Jeffrey Long: It's a long, vetted process. It's not like they will be flooding the U.S. in droves. It usually takes a couple of years to be granted entry. Is this a serious question or have any of you actually educated yourself about this?

Rosalyn Mays: A million people who won't stand up for themselves! Hooded men who have no respect for their mothers or children! Can we honestly help them? Once again, they invade our country to persuade us their way is better? I'm sorry, we can't help many of our own!

Sherry Welch: We should take care of homeless at home before we take on another country's problem.

Alana B. Davis: Nope... American vets and homeless before Syrian refugees!

Zacchaeus Maney: No

Neil Ferguson: No,

especially when the super-wealthy Arab nations won't open their borders and resources.

Sheena Brings Plenty: I'm torn on this issue because we do have so many people in our country who are in need of services and help. However, I don't think we should turn these people away simply because people are afraid of their religion. How many lives have been taken in the name of the "loving" Christian religion? If these people need help and a place to live, and we are capable of helping them, then I think we should.

Roman West: No!

James Smith: No

Theresa Jones: No

Timothy Bradley: No, bringing them so-called refugees in here in itself is an act of terrorism.

Donnie Smith: Never

Shannon Ross: We need to help ourselves before we

help others. Now, that may sound selfish, but dang, our country has been helping others and neglecting it's own for too long.

Teresa Craig: Yes, but in a secure way.

Israel Rodriguez: Nope

Sandra Lynn Gilbert: Only after we provide a home for every homeless veteran and child of the U.S.

Jamile Shaheen: Who will end up paying for them in the end? No.

Bonnie Locust: No!

Mickayla Solorio: No... they are already demanding things when they should be grateful for receiving food, a safe shelter and clothes.

James Arterburn: No way

Sue George: No

Kelly Long Sampson: No

Mary Crowe: No

Amy Comer Carlile: No

Ellen Pitt: No, not until every American has a home, health care and food.

Joe Cable: No. Drive to Asheville and look how many homeless. We can't take care of our own people. Believe it or not, a lot of vets are homeless. That's even worse.

David Braswell: No, not until they can pass an extensive background check and a six-month to year waiting period and prove they are who they say they are. We have to have a little compassion. There are some that are good people as with any nationality. We cannot condemn some because of the bad ones.

Lena Salazar: No!

Monica Walk: We have too many internal problems to spend so much time worrying about external situations.

Mattie Long: No

Linda Radcliff: No!

Vicki Troth: No

Michael Zepeda: First, I just want to say I hate when people say something along the way of we need to help our needy. Just because most (not all) of our needy put themselves there

in some way. The problem I have with refugees is we seem to keep them. To me, after the fighting is done, they should go back.

Pamela Marks: All vets and children receive assistance to basic needs first.

Robert Waldroup: I don't care about the homeless in this country as much as I do about helping someone else who legitimately is living with the fear that they could be harmed any second now. There is a truth universally acknowledged, a universal fear of the other. I will never understand the hypocrisy of the American people, a country whose dominant religion is Christianity. Christians saying no to this proposal are the same as those who denied shelter to Mary and Joseph in Luke 2. My question is that do you think economically it would be beneficial to be xenophobic?

Sheree D. Peters: No

Taylor Cheyenne Day: No

Donna Lambert: Absolutely not!

Pat Kephart: Absolutely not!

Butch Overcash: No!

Sara Bird: No, I don't...we have too many homeless people we need to take care

of first.

Janett Swisher Owens: No

Donna Rogers: No, not at all... remember our history and how that ended up.

Kendra Michal Hyatt: No

Clint Hyde: Absolutely not

Stormie Lequire: No

Nicole Joy Kilby: Nope, no way.

Vickie Graham: No way!

Carissa Jordan Maney: No

Janice Griffin Jenkins: No

Mickey Barker: No...we can't take care of our own displaced.

Rosalie Cabe Lewis: Yes

Becky Ann Martin Dabdoub:

Of course we should because, after all, the United States is the melting pot country of the world. We also took possession of it the same way the Israelis are taking over the West Bank and Gaza. If we are fair to all the people of the world, they way we should be, then there should be no question what we should do.

Gabrielle Teesatuskie: No

Tina Marie Hyatt: No

Mary-Lenna Zigomala: All I want to know from all of you people who are saying no, particularly you who say we can't afford to and we need to take care of our own, where was your concern before the Syrian refugee crisis happened? What have you done for one homeless person

or one veteran in this country to date?

Brenda Monceaux: No! No! No!

Brenda Huskey: No!

Linda Barrechia: No, relocate them close to their homeland. The U.S. is in so much debt with other countries, let's repay our debt and take care of the many homeless people we already have. And, we already have millions of illegals. We don't have enough funds to help the people already in the U.S.

Donna Decker: No, we shouldn't. We have homeless people here that need help. It's too dangerous to let them in as well.

Kayla Climbingbear: No. I think a lot of people are saying no because of Isis and can you blame them? People have their own opinions, but in the end, it would be up to any of us if they decided to let them come. So, it's not like it matters what any of us say.

Sis West: Nope...

Jenny R. Williams: Yes!

Linda LaRose: I am all for helping people, but I think we have opened our doors way too many times... when we saw the first white people, we should have built a wall then. I don't mind women and children, but healthy able-bodied men should be in their own country fighting.

James Channing Sawyer: No

Virginia Davis: Yes, but like everyone who comes to this country, they should be screened.

Stephen Williams: Until something is done by the federal government to provide more confidence in our screening process, I am in favor of a moratorium. I also feel this should not be a burden plances on state and local governments. Let us not forget recent events in Paris with their open border policy.

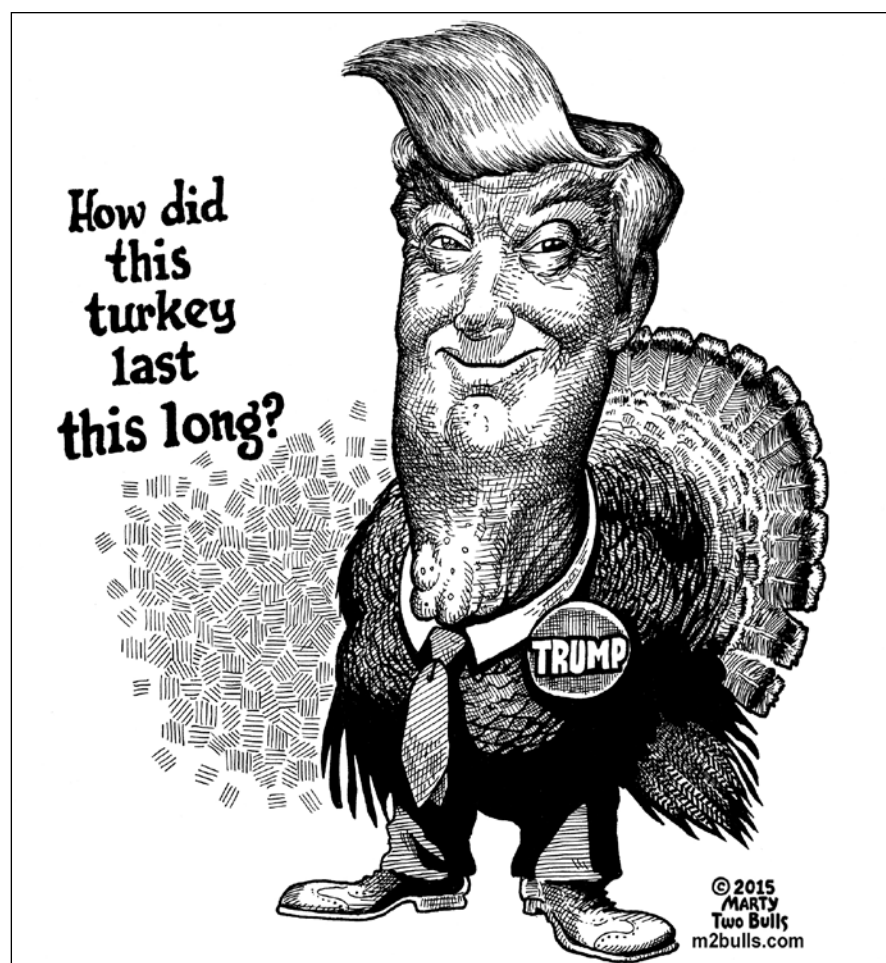
Shell Nelson: Yes, the screening process is and always has been in place. Compassion is key. It seems everyone is forgetting the Golden Rule...it could be us seeking refuge again one day. We have been displace by war. Families here should remember this. Remember the Removal is way more than merely a cycle ride. It is to evoke a person's thoughts on ancestral displacement and the effects of being removed from one's homelands.

Erin Olshan Boyer: Yes. The level of xenophobia is staggering. So soon we forget the evil of Japanese internment camps and the same reluctance to let my own people come here to escape Hitler's wrath. Rise above, people!

John Cam: I say no, but when have they ever listened to Native Americans? But, hey, we've been accepting refugees since Columbus.

Catherine Marie: I think yes

Wayne Beaver: According to some sources, upwards of a quarter of a million Syrians will be here within the next two years. That is a lot more mouths to feed, more people to house, clothe, educate, etc. This country's system can't even take care of it own...



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bert, Jerry Lossiah, Jr., Eloise George
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Bradley Williams, Charles Wolfe,
Anna Lee Swimmer Youngdeer, John
Irvin Youngdeer

Agreement to Divisions

Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Dennis
Ray James, George Milton James,
Jacob Pete Johnson, Jackie Lee
Johnson, Buddy Thomas Lambert,
Doris Earlene Lambert, Eric Thomas
Lambert, James Dewayne Lambert,
Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert,
Peggy Rosalie Lambert, Melissa Ann
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cio, Mary Edith Reed Smith, Howard
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munity Parcel No. 377-U (Part of
Parcel No. 377-T), containing 0.136
acres, more or less, Birdtown Com-
munity Parcel No. 377-F (Part of
Parcel No. 377-C), containing 0.139
acres, more or less, Birdtown Com-
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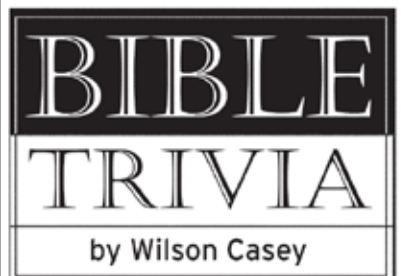
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1. Is the Book of Numbers in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. What book of the Bible mentions the word "holiness" the most times, at 152? *Genesis, Exodus, Leviticus, Numbers*
3. From John 13, who said to Jesus, "No, you shall never wash my feet"? *Paul, Simon Peter, Andrew, Thomas*
4. How many different foods are mentioned in the Bible (KJV)? *26, 49, 61, 80*
5. Who was Jonah's father? *Eli, Joppa, Tirzah, Amittai*
6. How many children did Hannah have? *0, 5, 11, 20*

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TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: December 2, 2015
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ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: December 02, 2015
CLOSING DATE: December 09, 2015 At 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: Part Time Floor Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
SHIFT: Evening

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ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: December 02, 2015
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NAME OF POSITION: Full Time Floor Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
SHIFT: Evening

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Alfred Welch, PO Box 1522, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/2pd**
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Estate File No. EST 15-066
In the Matter of the Estate of Marcella Wilnoty Saine
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Estate File No. EST 15-068
In the Matter of the Estate of Martin Armachain, Sr.
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Date to submit claims: December 16, 2015
Marlene Armachain, 429 Swimmer Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **12/16pd**

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Estate File No. EST 15-069
In the Matter of the Estate of

Maggie Lossiah
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In the Matter of the Estate of Charles E. Buchanan
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Date to submit claims: March 7, 2016
Hollis Bird, 14 Wayneview Drive, Waynesville, NC 28786. **1/7pd**

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