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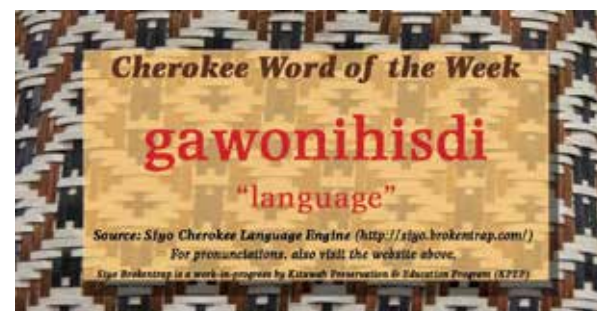
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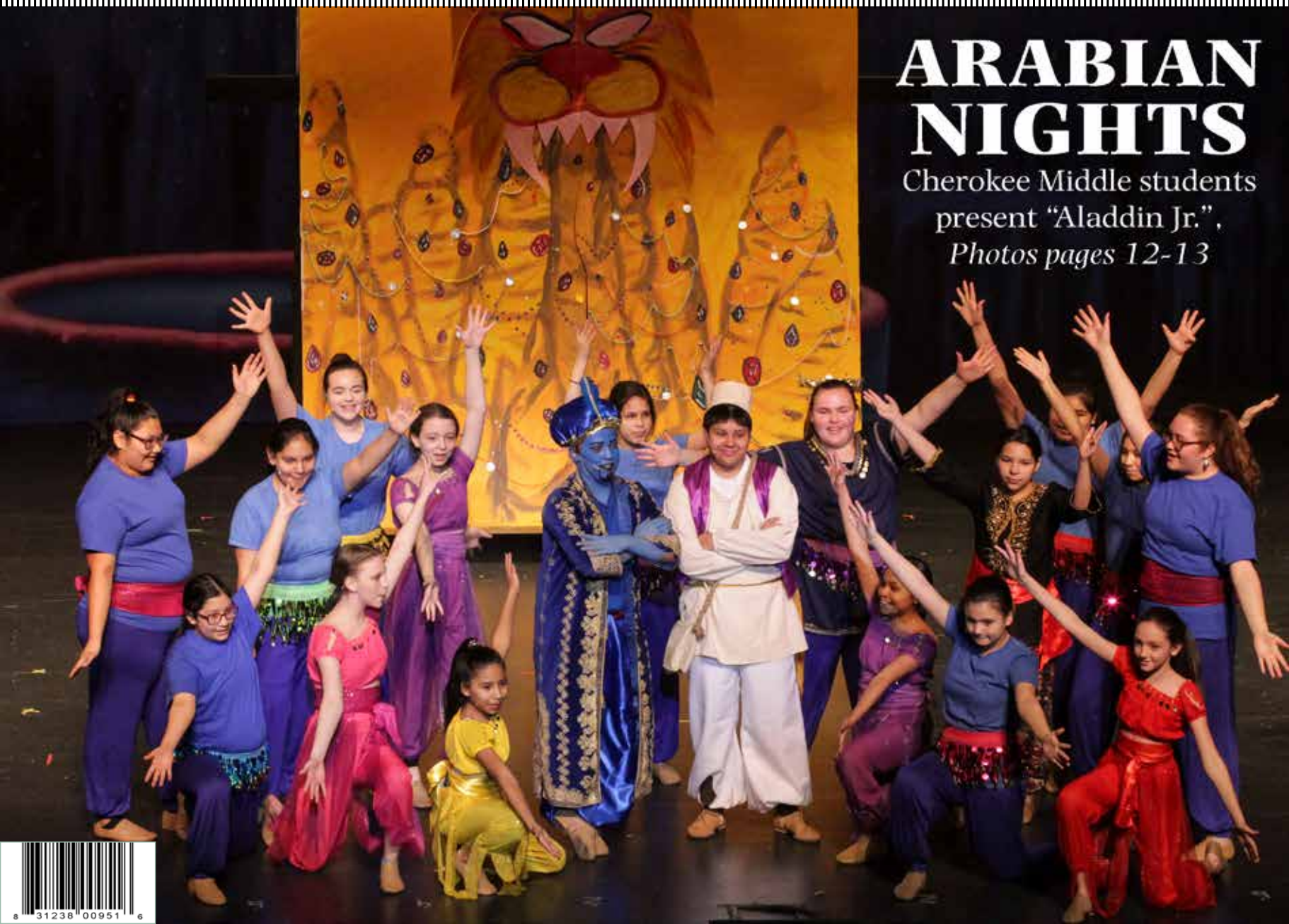
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Mother Town Healing Program showing success rate

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The Mother Town Healing Program (formerly Project) is helping members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in recovery find a new path in life.

“The program provides job skills and education,” said Billie Jo Rich, Mother Town Healing Program supervisor. “The goal is to take folks who are in recovery that may not get chances for employment otherwise and provide those skills and education for them so that we can produce employable community members.”

Overall, around 30 people have gone through the program, under the auspices of the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO), since its inception in April 2017, and Rich reports a success rate of 75 percent – meaning they have gone on to full-time or part-time employment or sought further education by going back to school. Currently, there are 15 participants in the program, five of which are interns in various tribal programs.

“They can go into these programs and provide extra help and the programs don’t have to pay for them so they get extra help with work that they need done and the employees get that hands-on learning work experience,” said Rich. “So, when the positions come open, ideally, our participants will have a better shot at getting those positions because they already have experience doing the work.”

One goal of the program is reducing the stigma surrounding participants and their past drug usage. “We do a lot of volunteering



Photos courtesy of Mother Town Healing Program

Participants work in the Mother Town Healing Program garden near the Kituwah Mound site.

in the community. We do a lot of projects, and that lets the community see these people in a new light. Even though they might have known what they were like in their using days, they see them working hard, participating, volunteering and doing things for the community. That shows them that these people just want a chance.”

Tommy Bradley, Mother Town Healing Project coordinator, said they tackle those stigmas head on. “When they get ready to do an internship somewhere, we tell the departments, ‘Hey, they’ve got records. They’ve got felonies. Some

of them have a bad past.’ But, most of the departments are willing to give it a try...everybody deserves a chance.”

To be in the program, participants must be in recovery, actively engaged in some form of recovery service, and work four days a week (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, and Friday) from 7:45 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Part of the program allows time to participate in recovery classes, “We’re as supportive as we can be,” said Rich. Slots are limited in the program and those interested are encouraged to submit an application, available at the program site.

“They’ve burned a lot of bridges in the past, but they want to make things right.”

*- Billie Jo Rich,
Mother Town Healing Program
supervisor*

Jerilyn Crowe, TERO Office administrator intern, went through the program and is delighted with the direction her life is headed as a result. “It was awesome because I didn’t have to pick between getting a job and continuing to work on my recovery. With this, you still get to come to work and you still get to go to your classes at Analenisgi so I didn’t have to pick.”

She said her intern job has helped with her confidence, “It’s nice that people don’t think of me like that anymore – using and doing bad stuff. Now, I think people see me in a different way... they don’t think that I’m going to relapse like I used to before. I would tell people that I was doing good but I wasn’t and I would go back to the same old thing.”

Crowe said having that community support helps a lot in her



Jerilyn Crowe, who currently works as an officer administrator intern with the T.E.R.O. program, is shown with her certificate of completion from the Mother Town Healing Program.

recovery. “It makes you happier. Before, I was really paranoid worrying, ‘I wonder what they think about me because I know the bad stuff that I’ve done before?’ It’s a small town and everybody talks and knows your business. Now, a lot of people comment that I look good, I look better, and they’re really proud of me. It just makes you happy. It builds your confidence up.”

Bradley said the participants work on a variety of projects in the program ranging from cleaning brush to tearing down sheds to working in the program’s garden near the Kituwah Mound site. Last year, the garden was one acre, and this year will expand to 1.5 acres. “That’s a big garden and it really produces the vegetables.” Most of the vegetables are donated to Tsali Manor.

He said they also help many tribal entities. “In November, we did some weed-eating at the golf course (Sequoyah National). Since

it’s a tribal entity, we saved them money. We went to the greenhouse and did a lot of work for them in three days, and that saves them money and time. It helps their budget.”

Rich added, “We try to help other tribal programs as much as possible.”

She said working in the community helps the participants give back. “They’ve burned a lot of bridges in the past, but they want to make things right.”

Rich said the symbiotic relationship is good for the community. “While these people may have lived a certain way in their active use and addiction, they’re in recovery now and they have something to offer of value to the community. It’s good for our participants also because the more that they reconnect with the community, the more they become stakeholders in the community and the more they’re going to give back to the community.”



Joshua Crowe, Mother Town Healing Program participant, and Tommy Bradley, Mother Town Healing Program coordinator, paint the bridge leading to the Oconaluftee Island Park.

Program staff is very proud of their success rate, but Bradley said it would be a success even if that rate was lower. “I came into the program thinking that we’re going to save 100 percent of those who come to us and then you think you’ll be happy with one, and when we got that first one out there with a full-time job I thought that if that’s the only one we save, it’s worth it. If we only saved one out of the whole program, it was worth it.”

Rich, who has been in successful recovery herself for 21 years after seven unsuccessful attempts,

said that addiction doesn’t just affect the person. “It affects their family. If it affects their family, it affects the community. If it affects their community, it affects the whole Tribe. But, what people don’t always look at is recovery is the same way, it doesn’t just affect that one individual.”

She noted, “Every time an individual gets into recovery and is able to sustain that recovery, you can see the difference. You see them start to reconnect with their family members. They’ve burned those bridges, but they’re starting to mend those relationships.”

Constitution to head to work session

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

When the constitution came before Tribal Council on Thursday, Feb. 7, it was tabled for work sessions. Citizens for a Constitution, who put the document together, had hoped to get it set for a vote of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians tribal members with this year's election.

The Tribe currently operates under the Charter and Governing Document, adopted through a Tribal Council resolution passed in 1986. The document remains controversial because it was adopted without a referendum vote. Then-Principal Chief Robert Youngdeer vetoed the resolution, but enough council votes were

there to override it. Since then constitutions have been proposed but never went anywhere. The one constitution to come up for a vote failed.

This constitution came about because of community members banding together and creating a governing document. Now, they seek to educate tribal members and want to get the document before them for a vote of approval.

One of the members of Citizens for a Constitution Bo Lossiah said, "All proposals brought forth were brought forth by the community." The proposed constitution keeps much of the elements of tribal government in place. However, there are some notable differences from the current Charter and tribal code:

- Term limits for council members
- The document limits a represen-

tative to two consecutive four-year terms;

- Staggered terms for council members – In 2021, the first election after adoption, if that happens, the candidate with the second largest number of votes serves a two-year term then will run to serve for four years, which will stagger the terms of council members. In relation to term limits, such a representative will be limited to six consecutive years;

- Oaths would be sworn to protect and defend the newly adopted constitution as oppose to the Charter and Governing Document;

- Impeachment procedures – It spells out procedures for impeachment of elected officials;

- Voter recall procedures – Voters are given the right to recall election officials in special elections;

- A provision for civil rights is recognized.

Another member of the Citizens for a Constitution, Lloyd Arneach Jr., said the wording for the vote question needed to be changed from yes or no to being for or against. "It's you're for the constitution, or you're against the constitution. It's not a yes or no," he said.

Some Council members wanted work sessions to discuss the document. "I don't know if any of you have had any time to even study it," said Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke. "I haven't. I started reading, but I'd like to have some work sessions to discuss this."

Wolfetown Rep. Jeremy Wilson agreed. "I do believe that a working session would be wise because it is a really big deal."



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Council Replays



Tuesdays & Saturdays: Tribal Council: 8:00 am
Budget Council: 4:00 pm

Thursdays & Sundays: Budget Council: 8:00 am
Tribal Council: 4:00 pm

***Other televised sessions will be played as time allows**

Tribe and federal programs caught in border security debate

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Round two of the shutdown debate is now over as President Donald Trump, who sought \$5.6 billion in funding to go toward building a wall on the border of Mexico, announced he would sign the funding bill. The funding is only part of the battle. Some of the land owners can be expected to object as eminent domain may be implemented to take their land. The Tohono O'odham tribe, whose land straddles the border with Arizona and Mexico, has already announced opposition to the wall.

While in principle an agreement has been reached, the amount proposed for border security, which the president argues must include the construction of a wall, is much less than he was requesting. Trump announced he would sign the

bill, but he plans to declare a national emergency to get the wall built.

Federal entities in the region and the tribe were waiting to see how to respond. Neither the National Park Service nor the Bureau of Indian Affairs (BIA), both under the direction of the Department of the Interior, have received any guidance. Both of those entities expressed optimism that a shutdown would be avoided.

As of Monday, Dana Soehn, public affairs officer with the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, said it was too presumptive to make preparations. "At this point, we haven't received any guidance at all."

While the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is in a good position financially to mitigate the effects of any cutoff of funds because of a shutdown, certain functions, like leases, are conducted through the BIA, and during the last shut-

down, a number of tribal operations ground to a halt. Tribal officials were hopeful that long-term effects, such as those on health care provided by Indian Health Service, would not happen.

"We're thinking positively here," said Bureau of Indian Affairs Cherokee Agency Superintendent William McKee. He was hopeful there wouldn't be a repeat of the three-week standoff.

Other tribes, who are more dependent upon the federal government, struggled to make ends meet. While some tribes are less dependent on federal funding than others, the United States has a trust relationship responsibility to tribes, many agreed upon through treaties.

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed offered assistance to tribal members who were federal employees during the last shutdown. Neither Chief Sneed nor Vice Chief B. Ensley could be reached for comment by deadline.

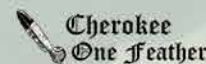


CHEROKEE VETERANS:

We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the "Veterans' Corner". If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don't have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robejump@nc-chokeee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

Thank you for your service and love for your community.



Welcome KITUWAH, LLC

**Press release submitted
by Kituwah, LLC**

Harrah's Cherokee opened in November 1997 with little more than video poker as the only gaming option. This followed the opening of a tribal bingo parlor in the early 1990s, which was quite profitable and led to calls for a full-service casino operation. Today, our casino is a healthy and vital artery to our economic sustainability. Our Tribe has used its casino revenues to build a new high school, a hospital, and public housing, as well as to upgrade public safety services on the reservation, including police, fire and EMS. Part of the casino's revenue is also distributed directly to our population, in a form of basic income.

Historically, gaming is the only industry that has brought true economic prosperity across Indian Country. But Indian gaming, or any gaming for that matter, is not a guaranteed revenue source indefinitely. While gaming across some portions of the United States is still increasing, declining revenue trends in the Midwest where the gaming market is becoming saturated is a glimpse into trends that are projected to come in the industry. Whether the decline comes due to more and more personal technologies such as online gaming or a change in gaming regulations, or simply additional non-tribal gaming in surrounding areas, gaming will stagnate at some point and revenue generated on the Boundary by this industry will then start to peak and then taper off. In order not to find ourselves in



Photo by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Communications

The Kituwah LLC Board is shown, left to right, including - Sam Owl, Adam West, Chrissy Arch, and Stacy Leeds. Not pictured - Lance Morgan

a difficult situation, it is important that we diversify our economy in a much more aggressive manner, starting now.

We are proud to introduce Kituwah LLC. Kituwah LLC, was created with the sole purpose of identifying and implementing revenue sources for the Tribe through the diversification of our income portfolios. Its mission is "To create and acquire profitable and sustainable businesses and investments that provide sustainable opportunities for the members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians."

"For over ten years we have discussed the need for economic diversification. I felt that it was imperative that this project should be a top priority when I took office as Principal Chief, and I am pleased to see the significant progress we have made these past several months. This effort is

not a reaction to whether or not gaming revenues will start to decrease, but to create an insurance policy so there is not a crisis if they do," stated Principal Chief Sneed. "As a Tribe, it is important to start creating an inventory of what industries make the most sense for a diversified economy to ensure long-term sustainability for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians as a whole."

Along with Endowment Funds and Sovereign Wealth Funds, Kituwah, LLC represents a critical component to our overall wealth preservation strategy.

The decision to have Kituwah, LLC developed as a limited liability corporation (LLC) was due to extensive research that has conclusively shown Tribal Enterprises are much more effective when they operate independent of Tribal political bodies. Multiple

studies have concluded that the likelihood of success increases some 400% when this path is taken. "We have read the studies. We know the added obstacles when political bodies directly control businesses. Political realities interfere with good business decisions. We've taken this path with gaming. Our ability to place Directors preserves the necessary government oversight. But the business decisions need to be made by people with extensive tribal economic development experience without operating in a political environment," Principal Chief Sneed added.

The Tribe formed the Kituwah Economic Development Board to manage the company. With over ten advanced degrees in law, economics, business management, operations, accounting, and investments, combined with a collective 100 plus years of experience in gaming, tribal economic development, Indian law, accounting, ethics and justice, hospitality, real estate development, and operations, the Board is well rounded, ensuring that many talents, skill sets, and experiences were brought to direct oversight as well as ensure complete and total transparency of the operation. The Board consists of:

Chrissy Arch, Chairperson. Chrissy is an enrolled member of EBCI and serves as the Chief Operating Officer of the Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration.

Adam West is also an enrolled EBCI member. He holds both a B.A. and an M.B.A. He is the youngest Vice President at Caesars Entertainment, the largest gaming company in the world.

Sam Owl is another enrolled EBCI member. He is a Certified Public Accountant, and has a Certificate in Global Management Accounting. Sam holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, and a Master's of the Arts in Accounting. He comes with extensive experience in a Big 4 accounting background, where he specialized in mergers and acquisition, and is currently a Manager at CliftonLarsonAllen, a nationally recognized CPA firm.

Stacy Leeds is an enrolled member of the Cherokee Nation. She holds a Bachelor's Degree in Business Administration, a Juris doctorate, an LL.M., and an M.B.A. She currently serves as Vice Chancellor for Economic Development at the University of Arkansas. She was also the 12th Dean at the University of Arkansas School of Law, making her the first Native American woman to ever become Dean of a Law School at a

national university. Stacy also served as a Justice on the Cherokee Nation Supreme Court, and as Chair of the Cherokee Nation Gaming Commission.

Lance Morgan is an enrolled member at the Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska. He earned his B.S. in Economics before obtaining his law degree from Harvard Law School. Lance serves as CEO for Ho-Chunk, Inc., the economic development company owned by the Winnebago Tribe. He has been their CEO for over 23 years, where they have won numerous awards for economic development. He also serves as an Owner of a large Native American law firm, serves on numerous boards, both profit and non-profit. He is also an Adjunct Professor of law and economics University of Arizona and Arizona State University.

After a nationwide search, the Kituwah Economic Development Board recruited Mark Hubble as its Chief Executive Officer. Mark is an enrolled member of the Citizen Potawatomi Nation. Mark received his J.D. from Yale Law

School, and his M.B.A. from Stanford University's Graduate School of Business. He also holds a certificate in Public Policy from Stanford, and was a visiting scholar at Yale Law School. He has served as C.O.O. for a tribal development corporation, and the CEO of another. A licensed attorney, Mark has represented several of the largest corporations in the United States, as well as over a dozen tribes and tribal organizations.

"Kituwah, LLC can not only diversify the economy over time. By working collaboratively on projects with the Principal Chief's office, and the departments of Commerce, Housing, Treasury and Education we can accelerate the delivery of key tribal needs," Mark stated.

"The future is bright for the Tribe, and with the development of this new organization, the future will also be secure. Ideally, the vision is to have economic diversification that could replace a larger and larger share of our tribal operations budget should the gaming landscape change," Principal Chief Sneed concluded.



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Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Feb. 7

DRIVER, Jim
14-40.56 Assault on a Female
– Dismissed with Leave to Refile,
waived jury trial

RATTLER, Cornelia
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest
– Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time
suspended, 1 year probation, court
costs: \$190, restitution ordered:
\$1,095

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief to Prop-
erty – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time
suspended, 1 year probation, court
costs: \$190

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass
– Dismissed on Plea

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– Dismissed on Plea

WELCH, Tsisquanida Shay
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive
in Public – Dismissed with Leave to
Refile

WILLIAMS, Savetta Rowena
14-70.11 Tampering with Evi-
dence – Guilty Plea, 146 days ac-
tive jail time, credit for time served
(146 days)

CIPD Arrest Report for
Feb. 3-10

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

Beck, Jaicelyn Dalya – age 19



JOSEPH MARTIN/One Feather

About 1:30 p.m. on Tuesday, Feb. 12, the Cherokee Fire Department
responded to an alarm at Cherokee High School. Students, faculty and everyone
else in the building was asked to evacuate. Cherokee Fire Department Capt. Mike
Rich said the source of the alarm was in a bathroom. Someone had sprayed a
fumigant to cover up the smell, but they couldn’t find the source. “We didn’t find any
smoke or flame, or anything like that,” Rich said.

Arrested: Feb. 3
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Probation Violation

Smith, Brooke Leighann – age 22
Arrested: Feb. 3
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Probation Violation,
Grand Larceny

Smith, Mary Dalena – age 33
Arrested: Feb. 3
Released: Feb. 11
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

**Taylor, Natasha Marie-Lequire –
age 32**
Arrested: Feb. 4
Released: Feb. 4
Charges: False Pretenses, Burglary,
Grand Larceny, Receiving or Pos-
sessing Stolen Property

Bushyhead, Joshua Henry – age 18
Arrested: Feb. 5
Released: Feb. 5
Charges: Driving While License
Revoked

Price, Dustin Lee – age 29
Arrested: Feb. 5
Released: Feb. 8
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Ramirez, Hugo Gardo – age 34
Arrested: Feb. 5
Released: Feb. 5
Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Bird, Stevan Daniel – age 39
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Feb. 9
Charges: Assault on a Female

Bryson, Sally Jo – age 40
Arrested: Feb. 6

Released: Feb. 8
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor, Possession Schedule III
Controlled Substance, Possession
Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Crowe, Jennifer Rai – age 24
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Feb. 7
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

George Sr., David Paul – age 55
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Sexual Abuse of a Minor
or a Ward, Aggravated Sexual
Abuse

George, Michael James – age 44
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Feb. 6
Charges: Receiving or Possessing
Stolen Property, Obtain Property
False Pretense

Jenkins, Jamie Ray – age 34
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Feb. 7
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Smoker, April – age 35
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Watty, Toree Raine – age 27
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Not released as of report
date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

Wilnoty, William Jarrett – age 37
Arrested: Feb. 6
Released: Not released as of report

date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Jenkins, Sierra Salone – age 28
Arrested: Feb. 7
Released: Feb. 7
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Lespier, April Lee – age 36
Arrested: Feb. 7
Released: Feb. 7
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Armachain, Keith Little Wolfe – age 25
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Feb. 11
Charges: Driving While Impaired, Driving While License Revoked

Burgess, Deija Breanne – age 23
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Feb. 13
Charges: Probation Violation

Panther, Rodney Allen – age 32
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Burglary, Larceny, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Sherrill, Amanda Nicole – age 30
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Sherrill, Tameka – age 27
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Feb. 9
Charges: Possession Drug Paraphernalia, Simple Possession of Marijuana

Welch, Emerson Sequoyah – age

41
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Feb. 8
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wildcatt, Wesley Jordan – age 18
Arrested: Feb. 8
Released: Feb. 8
Charges: False Emergency Report

Badillo, Paul Whitewolfe – age 24
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Feb. 9
Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance; Possession with intent to Manufacture, Sell or Deliver Schedule II Controlled Substance; Possession Schedule I Controlled Substance; Possession Schedule IV Controlled Substance

Flippo, Robert – age 22
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

George, Elicio Sanchez – age 22
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Jenkins, Corey Michael – age 26
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Feb. 9
Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Jones, Stephanie Dawn – age 38
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Standingdeer, Virginia Sue – age 44
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Feb. 10
Charges: Public Nuisance

Taylor, Debbie Walker – age 54
Arrested: Feb. 9
Released: Feb. 9
Charges: Driving While Impaired

Najera, Jose Alfredo – age 23

Arrested: Feb. 10
Released: Feb. 13
Charges: Domestic Violence

West, Daniel – age 39
Arrested: Feb. 10
Released: Not released as of report date
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your efforts in behalf of a colleague do not go unnoticed, let alone unappreciated. Meanwhile, arrange to spend more time investigating that troubling fact you recently uncovered.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Devoting a lot of time to a current career move means having less time for those in your private life. But once you explain the circumstances, they should understand and be supportive.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Organizing your many duties in order of importance should help you get through them pretty quickly. Additional information puts that still-to-be-made decision in a new light.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Lingering bad feelings over a recent misunderstanding should fade as reconciliation efforts continue. Meanwhile, vacation plans might need to be revised because of new developments.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Love dominates the Lion's heart this week, with Cupid shooting arrows at single Leos and Leonas looking for romance. Partnered pairs also enjoy strengthened relationships.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) "Getting to Know You" should be the single Virgo's theme song as you and that special person discover more about one another. That workplace situation needs looking into.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might be upset at having your objectivity questioned in the handling of a dispute. But it would be wise to re-examine your feelings to make sure you're being fair with both sides.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) A family dispute creates mixed feelings about how you hope it will be ultimately resolved. Best advice: Stay out of it and let the involved parties work it through by themselves.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Making an effort to smooth over even the smallest obstacles now will go a long way to assuring that things run smoothly once you're set to move on with your plans.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) A challenge to your authority can be upsetting, but your longtime supporters want you to defend your position so you can win over even your most adamant detractors.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Being unable to get involved in a friend's problem calls for an honest approach. Provide explanations, not excuses. Another friend might be able to offer support for your decision.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You find yourself swimming in circles, looking for some way to get back on a straight course. But things get easier once you're able to refocus your energies.

BORN THIS WEEK: You're known for your charm and your wisdom, and there's no one who wouldn't want you to be part of his or her life.

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Boxing is a great sport for Indian Country

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Years ago, Cherokee had a boxing club. This sport, always popular in Indian Country, is growing rapidly in tribes all across the country. It is a sport that demands dedication to fitness, good health, and discipline and would be a great addition to the sports offerings here in Cherokee again.

My cousin, Joseph Brings Plenty Sr., started the Wolves Den Boxing Club on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation in north central South Dakota in 2000. They currently have around 25 youth members who train five days a week.

"We assist our youth in routines, guide them in a healthy lifestyle, and educate them on good foods," he said. "We also educate them on common health issues affecting the Indian communities."

A former chairman of the Cheyenne River Sioux Tribe and currently a member of the tribe's police department, Joseph is well aware of the issues affecting the reservation and the need for programs such as Wolves Den. "We had a positive impact with the community with youth that have reached out, whether it be behavior, addictions, or health issues.

We have been successful for two reasons – we are a consistent program offered year-round, five days out of the week, and our value base in teaching is on Lakota culture, teaching ceremonies, songs, language, and traditional practices to youth who are dedicated to Wolves Den activities."



Photo courtesy of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Cherokee Boxing Team, date unknown, is shown, left to right, front row – Enoch Sampson, Arbary Stuart, Robert Youngdeer (captain), Howard Tiger (Seminole), Warren Crowe, and Oscar Welch; back row – Guy Crowe, Guy George, Alva Whitetree, McAdoo Driver, Sherman Lillard, Charles Bradley, Reginald Thompson, and Russal Ross.

The health benefits of boxing and the workouts associated with the sport are numerous. In an article in Shape Magazine, Jessica Smith and Renee Cherry quote Jessica Matthews, American Council on Exercise exercise physiologist, who noted, "In addition to boosting your strength and cardio, boxing improves a number of skill-related parameters of fitness, including balance, coordination, reactivity, and agility."

Ok, I'll address the elephant in the room. Seven years ago, the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) issued a policy statement in which they "recommend that physicians vigorously oppose boxing in youth and encourage patients to participate in alternative sports in which intentional head blows are not central to the sport".

An article published on health.com, written by Carina Storrs, entitled "Is Boxing Safe for Kids?" addresses this and states, "Youth boxers spar infrequently and spend most of their time stretching, conditioning, and working out on punching bags. Bag-related injuries, such as knuckle bruises and fractures, are the most common type of youth-boxing injury, not the head injuries pediatricians fear most."

She continues, "Youth boxers must wear protective headgear, which covers most of their head and face and reduces the risk of cuts and serious injuries..."

And, this isn't the only sport that the AAP has addressed. In 2015, the AAP made strong recommendations on youth participation in football stating that "players

must decide whether the benefits of playing outweigh the risks of possible injury" and encouraging non-tackling leagues.

The thing is – sports are dangerous. Last week, I saw two members of the Cherokee Braves varsity basketball team collide and end up with minor head injuries. This can happen in any sport. My daughter used to participate in roller derby, and there were numerous minor injuries there.

Boxing coaches care about the youth and teens they coach. Many times, such as the case with the Wolves Den Boxing Club, the boxing club becomes a second home. Boxing can be dangerous, but coaches like Joseph and others take the needed precautions to make sure their boxers, who are their friends and sometimes their blood relatives, are safe.

Boxing has been an Olympic sport since 1904 (with the exception of 1912 because it was banned in Sweden where the games were held) with women's boxing being added in 2012.

This gives many Indian youth an incredible goal to shoot for.

Another wonderful program is running on the Navajo Nation. John Bahe, of Chinle, Ariz., runs Damon Bahe Boxing, a club that his grandfather started in 1963. Currently, around 12 boxers are training at the Club with John's daughter, Mariah, being the only one currently competing.

But, she's competing well. A few weeks ago, Mariah, a member

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Photo courtesy of Phoenix Racing Honda

Isaac Teasdale, left, an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Snowbird Community, took second place in the Kicker Arenacross Series Open and 250 Pro races at the Greensboro Coliseum in Salisbury on Sunday, Feb. 10. A member of the Phoenix Racing Honda team, his teammates Jace Owen, center, and Fredrik Noren placed first and third respectively in both races. "I felt really good tonight," said Teasdale. "I had to get around Freddy, and then there were only three laps to go. We'll capitalize on our two podiums this weekend and come into the next one hot."

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of the Navajo Nation with Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians heritage, won her weight division at the Silver Gloves National Championships in Independence, Mo., and last December she took second place at the USA Boxing Elite and Youth National Championships held in Salt Lake City, Utah.

For her, boxing is about fitness, fun, and girl power. In a previous interview with the One Feather, Mariah commented, "My goal is to compete at the 2024 Paris Olympics – to show every girl out there that anything is possible."

On the sport, John noted, "Boxing is a great way to be healthy. It also instills confidence and a no quitting attitude. To be a good boxer, it takes dedicated individuals and great support from family and friends. I love this sport!"

Boxing champion Sugar Ray Leonard, who won title belts in five weight divisions in his career, once said, "Boxing is the ultimate challenge. There's nothing that can compare to testing yourself the way you do every time you step in the ring."

Places of Worship

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Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road.

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 497-7770

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 497-6918

Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church. 488-9202

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

Cherokee Bible Church. 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 497-4190, 497-5977

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Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. 674-2690

Cherokee United Methodist Church. (336) 309-1016,
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Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.

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

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 736-9383

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prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

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Piney Grove Baptist Church. 736-7850.

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meeting times and locations.*

ARABIAN NIGHTS

Cherokee Middle students
present "Aladdin Jr."

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One Feather



Keegan Crow (left), as Jafar, speaks
to Iago, played by Brody Barker.



The Genie, played by William Baily IV, introduces the play to the crowd at the
beginning of the show.



The Sultan, played by Rachel Maney, and Jasmine, played by Alitama Perkins,
have a conversation.



Prince Ali aka Aladdin, played by Dominyk Arch, makes his royal entrance.



The Genie is summoned.



Jasmine and Aladdin



Isir, played by Dvdaya Swimmer, sings "These Palace Walls" with other members of the ensemble.



A celebration at the wedding

Enrollment deadline for new EBCI applicants

In order to be considered for the June 2019 per capita distribution of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, completed enrollment applications for new applicants must be submitted to the EBCI Enrollment Office by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, March 15. Enrollment applications received after this date and time will not be considered for the June 2019 distribution.

An application will only be considered complete with a county or state certified birth certificate, certified DNA results and certification of all other Indian blood. To schedule an appointment for DNA, call Michelle Stiles (828) 359-6463.

DNA testing must be collected by Thursday, Feb. 28 in order for the results to be in by March 15. Any DNA collected after this date is not guaranteed to be returned by the deadline. Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered complete without a social security card. However, an enrollment card will only be issued upon receipt of the social security card of a new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Office located at 808 Acquoni Rd. or at www.ebci.com. Info: Enrollment Office (828) 359-6465

- EBCI Enrollment Office

Endowment Fund accepting grant applications

The Percy B. Ferebee Endowment Fund will be accepting grant applications through July 31, 2019. For information and to apply online, please visit the Wells Fargo Philanthropic Services Private Foundations website at <http://www.wellsfargo.com/private-foundations/ferebee-endowment>.



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Tigger King, second from left, a junior at Cherokee High School, was recently crowned Miss CHS 2018-19. She was recognized during basketball games held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Monday, Feb. 11. She is shown with three ladies who formerly held the title of Miss CHS including Mattie Maney, far left; Dr. Debora Foerst, Cherokee High School principal, second from right; and Melissa Smith, far right.

www.wellsfargo.com/private-foundations/ferebee-endowment. If you need further assistance please feel free to contact: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.; Attention: David M. Miller; David.m.miller@wellsfargo.com

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EBCI Fishing Tournament schedule

Tournaments

- March 30-31; Opening Day Tournament; \$20,000 cash prizes
- May 25-26; Memorial Day Tournament; \$10,000 cash prizes
- July 12-13; Tim Hill Memorial Tournament; \$10,000 cash prizes
- Qualla Country Tournament; Sept. 6-7; \$20,000 cash prizes
- Rumble in the Rhododendron; Nov. 2-3; \$10,000 cash prizes

Opening Day: Saturday, March 30
Tournament Permit Requirements: Daily Tribal Fish Permit for each day fished and tournament registration \$11, covers both days

of respective tournament

Fishing Hours: One hour prior to sunrise and one hour after sunset
Event Coordinator: Paula Price, EBCI Natural Resources Program/Fisheries & Wildlife Management 788-3013, paprice@nc-chokeee.com, or www.fishcherokee.com
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Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship availability

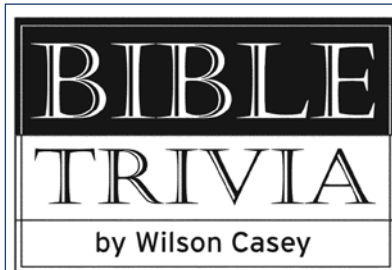
Applications for the Bill Taylor Scholarship are now being accepted by the Eastern Band Community Foundation. This scholarship is available to all enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians or their immediate family members who study Business/Business related curricula. The deadline to apply is June 1.

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Coun-

cil Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$48,022 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under "Qualla Reservation". For further information contact Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on the North Carolina Community Foundation.

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1. Is the book of Pharissee in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. In Matthew 21, to what type of tree did Jesus say, "Let no fruit grow on thee henceforward for ever"?
3. From 2 Corinthians 6, what did Paul warn Christians about being "yoked" with?
4. In biblical times, what was a tambourine or small hand drum called?
5. How many days and nights was Jonah in the belly of the great fish?
6. Who was the father of Michal?

ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Fig; 3) Unbelievers; 4) Timbrel; 5) Debt; 6) David, Titus, Saul, Stephen
Comments? More Trivia? Visit www.TriviaGuy.com

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Ned Stamper, fourth from right, was honored by the Cherokee Central Schools for his dedication to the school and Cherokee families during basketball games at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Monday, Feb. 11. Shown, left to right, Dr. Jennifer Thompson, Yellowhill School Board Rep.; Wolfstown Tribal Council Rep. Bo Crowe; Dick Crowe, Big Y School Board Rep.; Karen French-Browning, Big Cove School Board Rep.; Ned Stamper; Charlotte Saunooke, School Board Chairperson; Tribal Council Vice Chairman David Wolfe; and Isaac Long, Wolfstown School Board Rep.



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Dean Bradley, fourth from left, and **Terri Bradley**, third from right, were honored by the Cherokee Central Schools for their dedication to the school and Cherokee families during basketball games at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Monday, Feb. 11. Shown, left to right, Dr. Jennifer Thompson, Yellowhill School Board Rep.; Wolfstown Tribal Council Rep. Bo Crowe; Dick Crowe, Big Y School Board Rep.; Dean Bradley; Karen French-Browning, Big Cove School Board Rep.; Isaac Long, Wolfstown School Board Rep.; Terri Bradley; Charlotte Saunooke, School Board Chairperson; and Tribal Council Vice Chairman David Wolfe.



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OBITUARIES



Joann "Jobee" S. Kalonaheskie

Joann "Jobee" S. Kalonaheskie, 79, of the Wolfstown Community in Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Feb. 9 at Tsali Care Center after an extended illness.

She was a member of Wrights Creek Baptist Church.

She is survived by her children, Wanda Kalonaheskie, David Kalonaheskie (Luchene), Kathryn Kalonaheskie, and Jerry D. Sampson (Doris); grandchildren, Billy Wachacha, Jack Wachacha, Joanna Kalonaheskie, John Perry Sampson, Dustin Sampson, Jordan Sampson, Cherice Huskey Parker, Chase Kalonaheskie, Zane Kalonaheskie, Cassidy Kalonaheskie, Stephanie Maney, and Donnie Maney; 17 great grandchildren, and two great great grandchildren; one sister, Gwen Wildcatt; and a special niece, Stacy S. Ledford.

Jobee was preceded in death by her husband, David J. Kalonaheskie; her mother, Leauna Crowe Littlejohn; son, Sgt. John Earl Sampson; brother, Duffy Sampson; sisters, Lily Wolfe, Elsie Martin, Micky Sampson, Tunnie Catt, and Wanda Maney; and granddaugh-

ter, Maverick Sampson.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Feb. 14 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastors Dan Conseen and Foreman Bradley officiated. Burial followed at the Leauna Crowe Littlejohn Cemetery. Pallbearers were Billy Wachacha, Dustin Sampson, Jack Wachacha, Chase Kalonaheskie, John Perry Sampson, Jordan Sampson, and other grandsons and nephews.



Lucille Cucumber

Lucille Cucumber, 73, of Cherokee, passed away on Monday, Feb. 11, 2019 after battling a terminal illness.

Lucille was a fluent speaker of the Cherokee language and was a fan of the UNC Tarheels and Cherokee Braves. She enjoyed gathering greens, mushrooms, and visiting her friends.

She is survived by her children, Clement Cucumber Jr., Lisa Youngdeer (Bopper Youngdeer), and Tammy Cucumber (fiance' Boo Davis); nine grandchildren, Lukas Arch, Kenny Rodriguez, Devon Cucumber, Chad Cucumber, Nickolas Cucumber, Eva Gagama, Danielle Toineeta, Kyle Pete, and Noah Pete; four great grandchildren; special friend, Debo Toineeta; and her pet

baby girl (Chihuahua).

She was preceded in death by her husband, Clement Cucumber Sr.; her parents, Henry Calhoun and Amanda Driver Calhoun; brothers, Robert Lee Calhoun and John Calhoun; sisters, Annie Marie Swayney and Stacy Lambert.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 15 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor James "Bo" Parris and Joe Wolfe officiated. Burial followed at the Clement Cucumber Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Xavier Ryan French

Xavier Ryan French, 30, of the Wolfetown Community, passed away Friday, Feb. 8, 2019.

He is preceded in death by his parents, Mike French, Diann Bark and John Henry Watty; grandparents, Guy and Martha Bark and

Roy and Mary French; uncles, Peanut French and Don Reed; and aunt, Lawanda Myers.

Xavier is survived by his sister, Monika French Toineeta (husband Ben); nephew, Jesse Toineeta (wife Jordyn); great nephew, Easton Toineeta; aunts, Ruby, Thelma, Velma and Roberta Bark, Genevive Lambert, and Karen and Sharon French; and uncles, Goodlow Bark, Richard and Walter French.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Feb. 13 at Macedonia Baptist Church. Burial followed at the Bark Family Cemetery. Dan Conseen and James Bear Lambert officiated.

Pallbearers were Brandon Bark, Woodrow Teesateskie, Chris Sun Rhodes, Darius Lambert, Hunter, Trace and Tay Lambert.

Long House Funeral Home is assisted the French family.



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Earlier this year, the Yogi Crowe Scholarship Fund had a 50/50 raffle to raise money to increase our endowment fund. We raised \$892 and the winner of the raffle was Joey Owle, a past grant recipient. Joey donated his portion to the Scholarship Fund for which we are thankful. The Board of Directors decided to have another 50/50 raffle in a few years. Thanks to all who contributed.

Donations by PayPal:

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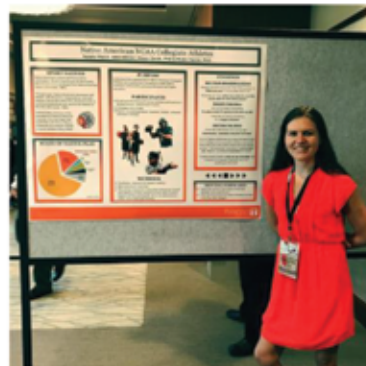
Congratulations



Jan Smith, past recipient and current board member completed the 2018 Remember the Removal Ride

Carmen Johnson, current recipient at her white coat ceremony

Doctor of Podiatric Medicine, California School of Podiatric Medicine



Natalie Welch, current recipient, PhD in Sports Management, University of Tennessee

2018 Scholarship Recipients

A total of 101 Eastern Band of Cherokee Tribal Members have received the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship since 1986. This 2017-2018 year six recipients received a total of \$27,459 raising the total grants given to students over the years to \$325,238. Here are the following scholarship grantees:

Lucretia Hicks Dawkins-Masters Degree in Human Resources, Western Carolina University

Carmen Johnson-Doctor of Podiatric Medicine, California School of Podiatric Medicine

TsaLiDi Sequoyah-Masters of Social Work, University of Kansas

Megan Smith-PhD Counseling Psychology, University of North Dakota

Luke Swimmer-Masters of Business Administration, University of Kansas

Natalie Welch-PhD in Sport Management, University of Tennessee

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Remember the Removal Bike Ride 2018

By Jan Smith, past grant recipient and current board member

I was honored to be a part of the Remember the Removal Bike Ride 2018, and it was an adventure let me tell you! At age 62, I wonder how many people thought I was crazy to want to be a part of something so physically and mentally challenging. The bike ride was that and so much more. Now that I have completed the ride and can reflect on my experience, I don't remember the grueling climbs, very hot, hot weather, standing on the side of the road in the pouring rain, or the muscle aches and cramps. What I do remember is standing on the actual removal trail, hearing the names of our people who passed through there and the conditions they went through, many dying right there and how sad I felt. Resiliency has a new meaning to me.

I know now how resilient our people were and are. What I went through was a very, very small part of what they went through; even on my toughest day I had it better than our people did on the Removal. We had support staff that ran up to us with water and food to give us energy to continue. We had a trainer roll our muscles out at night and stretch others who were cramping. We had EMS and trainers to tape us up and if needed give us an IV. Marshals were there for our safety. We stayed in a motel most nights, so who am I to complain about any tough conditions? What I did leave with was a sense of gratitude and respect for our people who stayed behind, those who made the journey and those who died along the way. They all struggled, but somehow through tough conditions made it and kept our culture alive.

I am thankful for those who thought to maintain and protect our culture even in secrecy. So that Western and Eastern Cherokees can be here today. We remember them and are constantly reminded of what they went through each day of the ride. Our presence out there not only reminded our own Tribe to remember the removal, but the many people who saw us or read about us too. I am thankful for my teammates who watched over this elder and made sure she was able to complete a goal of a lifetime. I received so much respect from the other riders and so much help on the actual road, all of them blocked the wind for me and made it so much easier. I saw the two nations come together as one to accomplish this tremendous journey who now are new members of my family. I miss seeing them so much! I want to thank my family for their understanding, support and encouragement. Soon there will be a new group chosen to continue this ride, safe travels to you and I hope your heart receives as much as I did on this incredible journey.

For more information about Yogi Crowe and the Scholarship Fund, go to

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To donate to the scholarship fund, please send in the pledge card located below.

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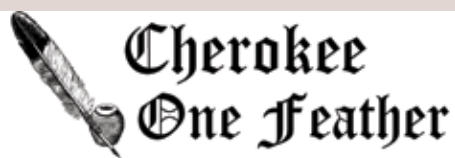
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That's your opinion

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

We don't always agree. You may say tomato or potato differently than I do. It's ok. We don't have to part ways because we disagree on the pronunciation of a vegetable, or possibly a fruit, or maybe a root. In fact, that we continue to have the debate over the disposition of these veggies is a sign that we have something in common, a passion for our edibles. In a weird sort of way, our differences spark engagement and communication, some things that we desperately need in our community.

Our Public Health and Human Services (PHHS) Department has been hard at work to address arguably the most significant health challenge to our community since the fight against diabetes in Indian Country began. The foe in this battle is in the minds of its victims and the sometimes precipitated by the those charged with their care and health. It is addiction to mind-altering drugs or chemical dependency. The PHHS has stepped up to the plate, taking on a challenge that the tribe desperately needs answers to and that is inherently controversial.

The stance of PHHS and Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed's administration, in my opinion, is that drug dependency is an illness. Their approach is to provide emotional support, medical treatment, and rehabilitation. The psychology of drug dependency is undeniable. There is also clinical evidence to support the idea that even short-term use of certain "pain-killers" begins to create a chemical dependency. There is no doubt in my mind that, based on what they know, they feel they are doing the very best they can for the addicts, for their families, and the community. There is not an end-all solution to the problem of rampant drug use, short of a societal overhaul; but God bless those, like PHHS, who try to stem the tide.

There are those in our community who also

have the first-hand experience in dealing with addiction, who have opinions about the effectiveness of treatments and solutions. Their personal experience may come from the pain of living with a chemically dependent family member. Because of their experience, they may have a different opinion on treatment. They may see efforts toward providing certain health services and supply provision as facilitation, based on their dealing with family members. Their reality is that they have family members who they have tried to empathize with, and found that instead of rehabilitation, they have ended up with heartbreak and disappointment. During this long tribal discussion that we have had about the chemical dependency problems our people face, there have been as many opinions about treatment, and accountability, as we have fingers and toes. Many are still of the belief that much addiction is a choice, a choice that should have criminal consequences.

We all agree that something needs to be done, we vary on what needs to be done. Depending on your personal dealings with addictions, your opinion on it may be different than mine. I believe that we are stronger when we know each other's views, regardless of how "opposite" they may be. Opposing views are opportunities for education. Education is the key to correcting the course.

We recently reported that the proposal submission process had begun for a tract of land to be used for housing. This development would include workforce housing that, ultimately, will help the Tribe maintain the revenue flow for the sizeable tribal budget that provides for all the service provided to our community. The Housing Division brought this idea forward because they know that continuing to expand economic drivers like the casino, retail outlets, adventure parks, and other projects will require housing for workers that will facilitate revenue generation so that more of our community may enjoy continued and better services. The Housing Division did this, not to the exclusion of community housing, but to aide in providing financial support for more community housing. Despite the opinion of some, both workforce and community housing can and should be developed in unison.

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Stopping one or the other defeats both.

Then there are those in our community who have firsthand experience with the frustration of trying to get their families in homes to be faced with layers of red tape, long wait times (days and months, not hours), and being bounced from committee to committee for resolution. Families are literally begging for help from their elected officials to get their families into a home. It is difficult for them to look at the big picture when their families cannot get into a house. So, they publicize their cry for help. They don't understand, and they are hurting. Again, opposing views are opportunities for education. Education is the key to correcting the course.

These are just two examples.

There are many more of people expressing their thoughts in letters to the editor, commentary, and on our social media site. It also shows the enormous opportunity for engagement and transparency we have through communicating within our community.

We take a little heat for some of the opinions we put in the One Feather. Some feel that airing those opinions will cause the community to get the wrong impression about efforts. On my personal page, I expressed an opinion about an incident at a public meeting regarding a stance on faith (religion). Someone who rarely communicates with me commented on how vehemently she disagreed with me based her understanding of what I said. I could have shut her down and removed her from my page.

After all, I was the expert on my page, and I was "in the right." But, instead of ignoring her, I engaged in a lengthy conversation about the issue. Listening to her, I found that she misunderstood why I held the position that I did. I was able to provide my reasoning for my statements. Don't get me wrong; my first instinct was to be defensive and to tell her to "speak to the hand." But, age and experience prevailed. I instead thoughtfully considered her opposition and provided her with the rationale for my position, in addition to references for her to be educated on the subject. We didn't come to agree entirely with each other's beliefs, but we were able to understand each other and come to some agreement. And, many times, that is the best that you may hope for.

I have preached transparency in government for a long time. I also think we need the openness of our community. I believe that we gain so much more by having an open forum for discussion in the One Feather than we would have otherwise. People are not going to agree on everything; maybe not even most things. People are not going to understand the inner workings of government. They will not understand why things are the way they are. I believe those are opportunities for education. Our leaders do not need to take offense. They need to be on the offense. Part of the job of public service in communication with the constituency; communicate at our level of understanding and keep talking until we get it. If you feel that you are providing us with the right path, then there must be a justification for taking that road. Transparency. It is not something to fear. I would be more afraid of a constituency that is in the dark than I would be of a community in the know. I understand that we have seen government cultures of silence and sometimes secrecy. I also realize that much of that is because we don't necessarily want the "outside world" to be in our business. At times, we sacrifice too much among our people for that mentality.

I am a big advocate for the free flow of thought, even when the opinions that flow are very different and even opposite from my own. I don't go into a discussion with the idea of winning someone over to my side or vice versa, mostly because that never works. But reasoned debate will provide insight, and that will allow us to move forward despite our differences.

AROUND THE BOUNDARY

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Physical attacks on media never acceptable

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

One of the United States' founding fathers, Thomas Jefferson wasn't always a fan of the media. However, he did have this to say. "Were it left to me to decide whether we should have a government without newspapers, or newspapers without a government, I should not hesitate a moment to prefer the latter." In those days there was no radio, TV. There was no internet, no social media. Still his words apply.

The late Sen. John McCain, a presidential candidate who also had his irritation with the media, said this. "If you want to preserve democracy as we know it, you have to have a free and many times adversarial press. And without it, I am afraid that we would lose so much of our individual liberties over time. That's how dictators get started. They get started by suppressing free press. In other words, a consolidation of power. When you look at history, the first thing that dictators do is shut down the press." McCain was in a position to know. He was held prisoner by the North Vietnamese government, who, to this day, remains one of the world's most repressive when it comes to a free press.

At a pro Trump rally in El Paso, Texas, a man attacked a BBC

camera operator while screaming "F*** the media." Other supporters chanted "let him go" as he was detained.

Playing devil's advocate here, yes Trump supporters get threatened, harassed, even assaulted, and that's wrong. Members of Trump's cabinet also get to deal with harassment, refusals of service, and White House Counselor Kellyanne Conway alleges she was assaulted at a restaurant. All of this is wrong. But is the leadership of President Trump's opposition calling for and encouraging this? Aside from Rep. Maxine Waters (D-Calif.), no. And not even Waters is calling them the enemy of the state and pointing them out consistently the way Trump is to journalists.

Trump regularly singles out the media working his events, knowing full well it's a hostile crowd whipped up by his "enemy of the state" rhetoric. It was he who branded long-time reputable news organizations as "fake news." It was Trump who praised Rep. Greg Gianforte (R-Mont.) for assaulting a news reporter. "Any guy who can do a body slam, he is my type," he stated at a rally to cheers. Then there was the president's Tweet depicting Trump beating someone outside of a wrestling ring with a CNN logo covering their face.

The media hasn't been his only target. He's gone on record de-

fending the use of violence against opponents, including statements like "knock the crap out of them," and offering to pay the legal fees of anyone charged in assaulting a protester.

While most Trump supporters have been peaceful, even while vehemently joining in on criticizing the press, there have been some unhinged among his crowd that have been willing participants in his war against the media. Last October Cesar Sayoc was arrested and charged with interstate transportation of an explosive, illegal mailing of explosives, threats against former presidents and other persons, threatening interstate communications and assaulting current and former federal officers. Sayoc's van was covered in pro-Trump decals, along with one reading "CNN Sucks" with pundit Van Jones depicted in crosshairs. CNN and several Democratic politicians received mail bombs allegedly tied to Sayoc. Sayoc has also been spotted at Trump rallies.

Trump's propensity to encourage violence is easy to document. In fact, it's as easy to document as his racism (check out his 1993 testimony about Indian gaming). Just use Google, and it's non-partisan in how it retrieves results despite ridiculous assertions (Somehow algorithms and metadata are biased?) to the contrary.

It is the job of the media to hold elected officials accountable. How well we do that, and whether we do it without bias is a matter of opinion. But it's our job, and it's a job that responsible, respectable elected leaders will support, even when it could paint them unfavorably.

For those who will sympathize or even agree with Trump's assessment of the media, know this. We are your neighbors. Our kids go to your schools. We go to your churches. We buy cookies from your daughter's Girl Scouts troop. Our kids play on the same sports teams as yours. We're not your enemy, and we're certainly not the enemy of the United States. We don't deserve to be targets of violence. I hope that when an elected leader, like the president, goes out of the way to discredit and even demonize the media, that you all would be immediately suspicious of their motives. In other words, ask what they have to hide. If you don't trust the medium's reporting, get a second opinion.

Any elected leader who believes in democracy and freedom will cherish and defend the rights of the press and would rightfully condemn attacks on those who work in the media. If Trump truly wants to be a great leader, he'll deal with the media in a matter more akin to Thomas Jefferson and less like Hugo Chavez.

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Call to me and I will answer you and tell you great and unsearchable things you do not know.

Jeremiah 33:2-3 (NIV)

This is a promise to everyone. The promise is made to provide assurance to all hearts who call to Him for His answers, and He is the very God who provides the answers to them. He will answer. He is not a man, He is God. He would never lie to them. He will answer them even more fully and completely than they may have asked of Him, always in His timing. He wants everyone to understand the full expanse of ways in which He may choose to express Himself. He is a

totally limitless God, One who is in all places omnipresent, even in the very air they breathe. He knows all things. His Power is unlimited and creative. He always knows and hears even the softest whisper of a heart of one searching for Him, to know Him—and His answers. The question could be asked, “Is the person asking, truly wanting HIS answer?” Do they want an answer that causes the seeker to know Him better—even as a friend? He is the One who knows all things...

Answers may come to a seeker in so many ways. They may come as one word, a thought, in a song reminded of or just heard, a mind picture flashing through their thinking. Would they be prepared to receive it as His answer from a God who really loves them? Wanting to know the real answer, from His Heart, is the best way to reach His true Heart. Seeking Him to learn His ways draws Him as nothing else can. He may even test

a person's heart to see if they will obey what He gives them to do—perhaps an assignment. A person cannot help but get to know Him better as they develop a relationship with Him.

Reading and studying in the Bible how others were able to “hear” from Him, is really the best way to “hear and see” Him for oneself. When one receives His answer to a question, and since you know the answer is His, you begin to trust Him. He may even “highlight” an answer right there in His Word as a person is reading. That way, there is a peace that comes from deep inside a person when an answer is received from Him, they can trust that as their own gut feeling—a deeper knowing—it is the answer.

The Bible, easily the most widely distributed book in history, can be said to contain His Words written down by over 40 of His most faithful servants over a period of 1,600 years.

The remarkable thing is the way it presents to people a picture of God as all powerful, all knowing and presents Him as always there when He is called upon. He enters in conversations with all types of people. Talking with scholars, priests, shepherds, kings, men, women, young boys and girls, servants, He has spoken what He wanted to tell them—even once using a donkey actually speaking to a prophet to get His point across!

He hears. He answers. He also knows the seeking heart of a person. Is the person asking Him for His answers? He knows the difference when someone is asking a heartfelt question of Him and who is in a relationship with Him and one who is not.

“Und dann es war Licht, ”—meaning ..”And then there was Light”—Gutenberg’s Family Crest. (He was the one who first printed the Bible) It is located just outside his Museum in Mainz, Germany.

LETTER TO THE

EDITOR

The *Cherokee One Feather* is your community newspaper. We want you to feel like you are a part of the *Cherokee One Feather* family because you are. From pictures to writing, the newspaper was created to inform you and to share your thoughts. We invite you to share your thoughts on community issues, send appreciation, let people know about your concerns and celebrate your victories. Someone in our community may need the information you have. Share it. Someone may be thinking they are alone in their thoughts. Let them know that they are not alone. Make your voice louder by writing to the *Cherokee One Feather*.

Write to The Editor, *Cherokee One Feather*, P.O. Box 501, Cherokee, 28719 or email at robejump@nc-cherokee.com

Benefits/Fundraisers

Senior Citizens Fundraiser.

March 9 from 7 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Tsali Manor. Breakfast, auction, yard sale. All proceeds will go towards the Senior Citizens' Annual Trip.

Church/Faith Events

Antioch Baptist Church Revival.

Beginning March 3 at 7 p.m. nightly at the church located at 1301 Coopers Creek Road. Preaching will be by Glen Bradley, of Rogersville, Tenn., and Jerry Bradley, of Bulls Gap, Tenn. Everyone is welcome. Info: 788-0993

Cultural Events

Free Syllabary Class. Mondays from March 4 - April 29 from

6 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Cherokee Choices Community Room. Limited slots available. Please bring a writing utensil and a pack of index cards to class. This is for members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ages 10 and up. This is not a Cherokee language class. To sign up, call Tara McCoy 359-5542

Native Youth Fabric Design Sessions. March 7 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., March 14 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., and April 4 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the EBCI Extension Office. Create a custom fabric design that represents Cherokee culture. Designs will be sent to Durham and made into an actual piece of fabric to use in creating clothing for the

Kananesgi Fashion Show. Info: Sally Dixon 359-6936

Bean Bread Classes for EBCI Members. March 10 and March 17 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Cherokee Choices Community Room in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Instructor will be Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver Johnson. All ingredients will be provided. \$15 per person (cash only), two-hour class, 12 people per class. This event is sponsored by the Right Path Adult Leadership Alumni. Info: Tara McCoy 359-5542

Kananesgi Pottery Festival. May 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Storytelling, vendors selling pottery, and presenters on Cherokee pottery. Info: 359-5542, 359-5005, or 359-5545

General Events

Free Couples West Coast Swing Dance Lessons. Thursdays Feb. 21 through March 21 at 5:30 p.m. at the Yellowhill Activity Center. All ages welcome and no dance experience required. Info: 788-0502

Ramp Giveaway. Feb. 21 at three locations. EBCI Cooperative Extension Office in Cherokee at 10 a.m., Cherokee County Community Pavilion at 12:30 p.m., and Snowbird Complex at 4:30 p.m. Please fill out a survey about this program when you pick up your ramps. Info: 359-6939

WCU Master of Social Work Program meeting. Feb. 21 from 4:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m. at Qualla Java Café' at 938 Tsalagi Road in


Cherokee. The Western Carolina University College of Health & Human Services Department of Social Work invites the public to this session to meet and talk with faculty members and students to discussion a change in an admission requirement to the Master of Social Work program, Behavioral Health Workforce Education and Training with \$10,000 stipend, and funding opportunities for MSW graduate students.

Indivisible Swain County NC meeting. Feb. 25 at 6 p.m. at the United Community Bank at 145 Slope St. in Bryson City. Agenda includes planning goals and strategies for 2019-20. All are welcome to join. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

3200 Acre Tract Community Meeting. Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. Guest presenter: Barak Myers, ethics awareness. Election of officers.

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier/Cherokee Precinct meeting. Feb. 26 at 6 p.m. at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Agenda will include election of 2019-2021 precinct officers and planning. All are welcome. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. March 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. "Needmore: A River Community in the 1920s" is the topic of presentation at the meeting. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This is free and open





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WCU Cherokee Center Purple Playdate. April 4 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the UltraStar Entertainment Center at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. All Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians tribal member alumni of Western Carolina University are invited to enjoy bowling, food, drinks, and the arcade. RSVP before March 11 by calling 497-7920 or email enhuskey@wcu.edu

22nd Annual Greening Up the Mountains Festival. April 27 in downtown Sylva. Heritage arts festival that celebrates the arrival of spring through both traditional and contemporary forms of Appalachian art, music, food, and beverage. Arts, crafts, food vendors, 5K race, youth talent contest, beverage arts featuring local craft breweries, live music on two stages. Applications for vendors will be accepted through March 15 and can be downloaded at: www.greeningupthemountains.com. Info: Kendra Hamm at greeningupthemountains@gmail.com

Health/Sports Events

Pitch Slap Fastpitch Try-out. Feb. 24 at 1 p.m. at Cherokee High School Softball Fields. 8U, 10U, and 12U. Travel teams, tournaments March – November. Info: 788-3612 or 8thgenathl@gmail.com

Cherokee Recreation Co-Ed Volleyball Tournament. March 30 at Birdtown Gym. \$40 per team, deadline to enter is Monday, March 25 at 4 p.m. (no refunds). Must be out of high school and 18 years or older. Eight-person roster, three females must be on court at all times. Info: Bree Lambert 736-6781,

brialamb@nc-chokeee.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for Feb. 22-24

Note: This list of pow wows was compiled by One Feather staff. The One Feather does not endorse any of these dances. It is simply a listing of ones occurring throughout the continent. Please call before traveling.

21st Annual Cherish the Children Traditional Pow Wow. Feb. 23-24 at Central High School in St. Paul, Minn. Emcees: Jerry Dearly, Reuben Crow Feather. Host Drum: Iron Boy. Invited Drum: Oyate Teca. Info: (651) 227-4184

Carolyn Tall Bear Levi Birthday Dance. Feb. 23 at Concho Community Hall in Concho, Okla. MC: Willie Bullcoming. Head Singers: Creg Hart, O.T. Sankey. Info: George Levi (405) 301-1956, Lisa Levi (405) 696-3387, or Christine Levi (405) 301-6460

Last Bear Moon Winter Celebration Pow Wow. Feb. 23 at Winnavegas Event Center in Sloan, Iowa. MC: Chris Grezlik. Host Drums: Winnebago Family Drums. Info: Garan Coons (402) 878-3130, garan.coons@winnebago-otribe.com

Conestoga College 9th Annual Traditional Pow Wow. Feb. 23 at Conestoga College Recreation Centre in Kitchener, Ontario, Canada. Info: Christina Restoule (519) 748-5220

Community Groups

Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are

welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

Support Groups

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Monday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am

Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am

Cherokee Culture: 11am - 12:30pm

Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm

The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm

Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm

Hi-De-Nv (Come with me) Recovery Support Group: 5 - 6pm

Tuesday:

Emotions: 9 - 11am

Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm

Wednesday:

Wrap: 9:15 - 10am

Wild Wednesday: 10:15am - 12pm

Adulting 101: 12 - 1pm

Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm

Soulfit: 2 - 3:30pm

Staff Meeting: 3:30 - 4:30pm

We Belong: 5 - 6pm

Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 - 6pm

Thursday:

Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am

Staff Meeting: 9 - 10am

Mindfulness Crochet: 10:30am - 12pm

Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm

Employment Skills: 3 - 4pm

Friday:

Wrap: 9 - 10am

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

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

CIHA Bariatric Support Group meets every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap Training Room. Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. – Nilofer Couture 497-9163 ext. 6459, Linda Johnson ext. 6317, Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean Walborn ext. 7569

Cherokee Cancer Support

Group meets the first Thursday of each month at Betty's Place at 40 Goose Creek Road. A pot luck is held at 5:30pm, and the meeting is open to all. Betty's Place is also open M - F 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

Cherokee Alzheimer's Support

Group meets the first Tuesday of every month 1 p.m. at In-Home Care Services in the Beloved Women's & Children's Center second floor). This group is presented by The Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860

Event listings are FREE of charge. Send event information to Scott at scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com and include: event name, date(s), time(s), place, and contact info.

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- **Middle Grades 6-8 Special Education Autism Classroom Teacher** - Must have a valid NC Teaching license in Special Education or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor's degree in related field.
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- **Middle Grades 6-8 Special Education Teacher** - Must have a valid NC Teaching license in Special Education or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor's degree in related field.
- **Substitute Teacher** - Must have high school diploma/GED with Sub 101 certification; or Associate's Degree; or Bachelor's Degree.
- **Part Time Custodian** - Must have high school diploma/GED.
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4. Detention Officer – Corrections – CIPD (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
5. Teacher – Qualla Boundary EHS/HS – PHHS (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
6. Utility Worker – Tribal Construction – Operations (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
7. Kituwah Academy Teacher – Kituwah Preservation & Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation (L11 \$45,018 - \$56,273)
8. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer (Multiple) – Natural Resources Enforcement – Public Safety (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
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10. Truck Driver – Tribal Construction – Operations (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
11. Deputy Clerk – Tribal Court – Judicial Branch (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
12. Family Safety Manager – Family Safety – Public Health & Human Services (L16 \$70,192 - \$87,740)
13. Crew Leader/Operator/Well Technician – Tribal Construction – Operations (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
14. Lead Grants & Contract Analyst – Budget & Finance – Treasury (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
15. Certified Medical Assistant - Tsalagi Public Health - Public Health and Human Services (L5 \$25,830 - \$32,288)
16. Watershed Coordinator – Natural Resources – Agriculture & Natural Resources (L9 \$37,474 - \$46,843)
17. Office Assistant – Family Support – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
18. Housekeeper II Heavy Duty – Housekeeping – Support Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
19. Housekeeper I Light Duty – Housekeeping – Support Services (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
20. Driver – Transit – Support Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
21. Utility Worker (Sanitation) – Solid Waste – Administration (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
22. Family Safety Social Worker – Family Safety – Public Health & Human Services (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
23. Officer Coordinator – Family Support Services – Public Health & Human Services (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
24. Electrician Helper – Facility Management – Administration (L5 \$25,830 - \$32,288)
25. Part-time Recreation Aide – Cherokee Life Recreation – Community/Education/Recreation Services (L3 \$10.33 - \$12.91 per hour)
26. Operator & Maintenance Mechanic – Waste Water Treatment Plant – Operations (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
27. Medical Social Worker – Tribal In-Home Care Services – Public Health & Human Services (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)

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Residential Technician – Snowbird Residential Treatment Center (2 Positions)
Master Level Therapist – Justice Center

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply.

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

PTR Peer Support –Analenisgi
PTI CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center (3 Positions)

CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center
Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center
Housekeeper – Tsali Care Center
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close February 21, 2019 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **2/20pd**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Natural Resource Program is seeking applications for multiple paid intern positions for the spring-summer of 2019. The ideal candidates will have interest and/or experience working within a variety of disciplines including water, air, forestry, and fish and wildlife management. Positions will be open until filled. Please email a cover letter and resume, as well as any questions to Mike LaVoie, EBCI Natural Resources Manager at: michlavo@nc-cherokee.com; (828) 359-6113. **3/27**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

PTI Phlebotomist
HR & Finance Administrative Assistant
Business Analyst
Child Services Manager - Analenisgi
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close February 28, 2019 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **2/27pd**

**TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE
JOB ANNOUNCEMENT**
ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February

13, 2019
CLOSING DATE: February 20, 2019 at 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: FT Concession Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2
SHIFT: Evening
SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Must be able to oversee concession area. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One-year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Driver's License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE, AN ENTERPRISE CREATED BY THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS, RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL APPLICANTS AND EMPLOYMENT IS SUBJECT TO THOSE TERMS WHICH THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE DEEM APPROPRIATE. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. **2/20pd**

TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February 13, 2019
CLOSING DATE: February 20, 2019 at 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: FT Cashier
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2
SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around

people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One-year cashier/cash handling experience required. Must obtain a valid NC Driver's License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

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TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February 13, 2019
CLOSING DATE: February 20, 2019 at 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: Full Time Floor Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2
SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One-year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Driver's License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to

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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-010

In the Matter of the Estate of Kevin Brian Smith

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Kayla Cherell Garcia, 122 Victoria Dr., East Flat Rock, NC 28726, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-009

In the Matter of the Estate of Donna Eugeneia Arch

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Marigeun Arch, P.O. Box 972, Cherokee, NC 28719, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-008

In the Matter of the Estate of Jonathan Nathaniel Toineeta

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Jordan Nicloe Toineeta, 1928 Yellowhill Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 2019 E 000019

In the Matter of the Estate of Nell Beck Crowe

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Robin Darlene Swayney, P.O. Box 2137, Cherokee NC 28719, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-011

In the Matter of the Estate of James Richard George

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Donna S. George, P.O. Box 665, Cherokee NC 28719, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-055

In the Matter of the Estate of Henry Queen

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Joseph Lawrence Johnson “Buddy”, 8259 Big Cove Rd, Cherokee NC 28719. **2/27pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-014

In the Matter of the Estate of Abraham Wachacha

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

O J Adam Wachacha, P.O. Box 2443, Robbinsville, NC 28771; or Eugene J. Wachacha, 101 Santeetlah Rd., Robbinsville, NC 28771.

3/6pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-012

In the Matter of the Estate of Iva Lucille Gentry

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Tracy Tiger French, 484 Old Soco Rd., Cherokee NC 28719. **3/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-013

In the Matter of the Estate of Ougeequay A-Ka-Ti Walkingstick

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this

estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Daniel Walkingstick, 1246 Tooni Branch, Cherokee NC 28719.

3/6pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-015

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Garfield Henry Long, Sr.**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them

to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Gail Panther-Long, P.O. Box 932, Cherokee NC 28719. 3/13pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-016

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Mary S. McCoy**

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

their recovery.

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

Lisa F. Penick, 90 Russell Smith Place, Cherokee, NC 28719.

3/13pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

**Bids are being accepted for
2019 pageant crowns**

2019 Teen Miss Cherokee Crown

- 9" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)

- Use any colors/design for personal touch

- Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the

crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.

2019 Junior Miss Cherokee Crown

- 7" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)

- Use any colors/design for personal touch

- Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.

2019 Little Miss Cherokee Crown

- 5" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)

- Use any colors/design for personal touch

- Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.

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Bidders must be prepared to present designs to the Board on Monday, Feb. 22 at 5pm at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Info: Yona Wade 554-5032 or email cherokeepageantboard@gmail.com **2/20**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS BATHROOM CLEANING

2019BRC

The EBCI PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM is requesting proposals from qualified firms to maintain three separate outdoor public restrooms located at Oconaluftee Island Park, Big Cove Ponds (beside KOA), and Acquoni Rd Family Park (across from Cherokee Skate Park).

All bids must be submitted by March 01, 2019, 12:00PM (EST). TERO certified companies will receive preference as TERO rules and regulation will apply

Contact Polly Kelley at 828-359-6530 or email pollcast@nc-chokeee.com, to request a copy of the RFP. **2/20pd**

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Project Management Program
Ginger Lyn Welch Bldg.
810 Acquoni Road
P.O. Box 1328
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
Ph. (828) 359-6120

Project Title: Hazardous Materials Clean Up at Former Riverview Campground Service Station

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Construction Program is requesting separate sealed bids for the services of a licensed general contractor with experience and certification in hazardous materials remediation for the purpose of remediating contaminated soils at the former Riverview Campground Service Station site.

The project area is located on the Cherokee Indian Reservation at 552 Whitewater Drive, Cherokee, NC. An estimated 470 tons of soils will be excavated and properly disposed of at an approved disposal site. Prospective bidders must be familiar with project location and processes used for remediation of hydro-carbon contaminants. Bidding documents will be provided to any licensed contractor upon request. Contact Ken Green at (828)359-6120 or by email at kengree@nc-chokeee.com with any questions or to request a bid package.

Bid packages should be addressed to Mr. Green at the address above and must be received by 11:00 a.m., March 14, 2019 at which time bids will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered.

Please be advised that Indian Preference (TERO) regulations apply for award and execution of this contract. **2/20pd**

Request for Proposals

The Natural Resource Management Office is seeking Request for Proposals (RFP) to complete EPA Brownfield Grant work. If Interested, and would like a packet to submit a proposal please contact: Derek Tahquette, Natural Resource Management, 828-359-6118 johnhahq@nc-chokeee.com, **2/20pd**

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS LANDSCAPING SERVICES 2019 CCBF Landscaping

The EBCI PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM is requesting proposals for Cherokee Central Business District/Landscaping. In an effort to provide a more appealing and beautiful

appearance in Cherokee Business District to the general public, the PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM seeks proposals from qualified firms to provide landscaping services.

An Expectations Meeting will be held on February 27, 2019 at 10:00AM. The meeting location is 680 Acquoni Road, Cherokee Transportation Center, CDOT Conference Room. Attending the meeting is a requirement in the bid process.

All bids must be submitted by March 11, 2019, 12:00PM (EST). TERO certified companies will receive preference in accordance with TERO rules and regulations.

Contact Polly Kelley at 828-359-6530 or email pollcast@nc-chokeee.com, to request a copy of the RFP. **2/27pd**

RETAIL DISPLAYS AND ASSORTED CHAIRS AND STOOLS UP FOR BID

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking bids for assorted used retail displays and chairs/stools. Contact cm Myers1@harrahs.com or call 828-497-8315 for a bid packet. Completed bids must be received by 4:30pm on Monday, February 25, 2019. Serious inquiries only. **2/20**

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Harrah's Cherokee Casino is requesting bids for showroom lights, stage risers, commercial grade doors, and restaurant chairs and tables. Contact cm Myers1@harrahs.com or call 828-497-8315 for a bid packet. Bids must be received by 4:30 PM, Monday, March 4, 2019. Serious inquiries only, please.

2/27pd

Request for Proposals General Notice

Cherokee Preservation Foundation is requesting bids from all interested qualified custom design t-shirt vendors for event t-shirts for Cherokee Day of Caring.

Please call Deb Owle, Cherokee Preservation Foundation at 828-497-5550, or email dowle@cherokeepreservation.org to receive a bid package. All bids received from interested vendors must be submitted in a sealed envelope; please include 10 copies of the bid. The deadline for submissions is 4:00 p.m. on March 15, 2019. Bids received after this time and date will be rejected. **2/27pd**

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While it certainly has been a challenge to have to assume the role of Principal Chief under these circumstances, it has been my honor to fulfill this role over the past two years.

For this reason, I am eager to join with you and continue to represent a culture of **RESILIENCE, RESPONSIBILITY, AND RESPECT**. I ask not only that you support me in the upcoming election as your Principal Chief, but also that you join with me to promote an environment that fosters collective reasoning and respectful dialog throughout the campaign process--one that carries us to the next level of prosperity.

We, as Cherokees, have a storied history of leadership. Elected officials or not, each one of us is called to **REPRESENT** our nation on a daily basis.

If we join together, we represent the values of our culture and community with strength and resolve.