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Investigation underway into small fire at WCU

ULLOWHEE – The State Bureau of Investigation and the Western Carolina University Police Department are working to determine the cause of a small fire that forced about 400 students and staff members to evacuate Walker Residence Hall for five hours during the afternoon and evening of Monday, Feb. 13.

Smoke was initially reported near the elevator in a lobby area on the fifth floor of Walker Hall shortly after 5 p.m., prompting the immediate evacuation of residents, said Shane Stovall, WCU director of emergency services. No injuries were reported.

Smoke and fire alarms activated appropriately, resulting in a largescale response from firefighters from the Cullowhee, Sylva, Savannah and Balsam fire departments, as well as from numerous other emergency response units.

Campus police officers, who were the first on the scene, smothered the blaze using a hand-held fire extinguisher, said WCU Police Chief Ernie Hudson.

Firefighters and other emergency responders conducted a floor-by-floor sweep of the building to ensure that all students and staff had evacuated the premises and that the fire had not spread to other parts of the nine-story building, said Stovall.

The building was reopened to students and staff at 10:17 p.m.

after staff members from the Office of Facilities Management scrambled to clean up the area that was damaged by the fire.

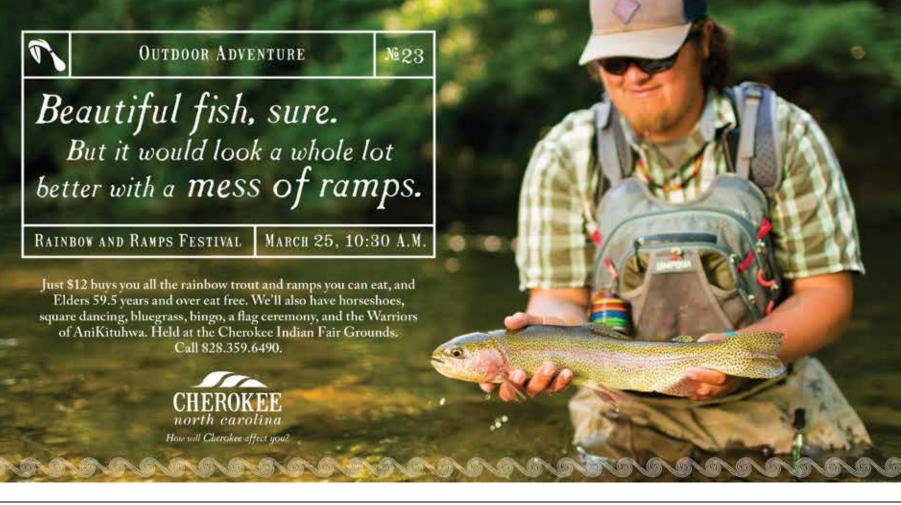
During the evacuation period, the Campus Recreation Center and Courtyard Dining Hall remained opened so that affected students had a place to wait until the evacuation order was canceled, with free food offered to help pass the time, said Keith Corzine, WCU assistant vice chancellor for campus services.

"I am proud of the way that Residential Living staff, other members of the Division of Student Affairs team and our friends across campus, including Facilities Management, responded to this event," Corzine said. "They did some really good work moving the students away from Walker to the rec center and dining hall, communicating with them last night and getting the building back online as quickly as possible."

The Department of Emergency Services sent five emails to the campus community during the time period that Walker Hall was evacuated, and Kevin Koett, WCU dean of students, sent email communications to parents.

As the investigation continues, campus police are increasing their walking patrols and maintaining a high level of visibility around the Walker Hall area, Hudson said.

"Working with the SBI, we are



continuing to conduct interviews in this on-going investigation," he said. "Our primary concern last night was, as it always is, the safety and security of students and staff."

In addition to the four local fire departments, Jackson County Emergency Management, Jackson County Fire Marshal, Harris Emergency Medical Services and WCU Emergency Medical Services also responded to the alarm.

"The emergency processes that we have in place at the university, which we practice through a variety of exercises throughout the year, seemed to work very well last night," said Mike Byers, WCU vice chancellor for administration and finance. "We are especially thankful for our mutual aid partners from across the county who rolled in to provide support, many of Anyone with information about the fire is asked to call University Police (828) 227-7301.

them for several hours."

Contrary to rumors that circulated on social media, there was no water damage to rooms and personal belongings in Walker Hall, Hudson said.

"We encourage students and others against engaging in speculation and sharing misinformation, especially through social media," he said. "As always, official information will come through the appropriate university offices and channels as soon as it is available." - WCU



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Fairfield Inn & Suites

568 Paint Town Road, Cherokee, NC

Topics will include: Overviews of the DMO's Marketing and Media Plans, success stories and data regarding tourism growth on the Qualla Boundary, a special presentation with Q/A from the promoter of the new motorcycle special event, reports from the DMO partners, and an opportunity for meaningful discussion on opportunities for improvement.

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Apply to attend this six-day residential summer program at NC State for American Indian students. This program is free of cost to participants

Application available: February 15 Deadline: April 1

For more information and to apply, visit: go.ncsu.edu/nativeeducationforum





Toineeta wins second ring

REENSBORO - Anthony Toineeta (52-2) is the first two-time state champion in Cherokee High School history. He won the 1A 160lb state championship with a 12-0 major decision over Tanner Whitman from Rosman at the state championship meet at the Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday, Feb. 19. Toineeta defeated Whitman by fall to win the 1A West Regional title a week earlier.

Toineeta did not concede a single point in the state championships winning by technical falls (17-0) over Landen Katz (East Carteret) and (15-0) over Lucas Andrews (Avery).

This is the second ring for Toineeta as he won the championship last season in the 145lb division.

At the state championships, Toineeta was joined by teammate Jesse Queen who qualified in the 138lb division after placing third at the regional meet. At the state meet, Queen lost by fall to Louis Tortual (Rosewood) and to Alexander Gonzalez (Neuse Charter).

Other Smoky Mountain finishers at the state meet included: **126:** Kade Millsaps (Robbinsville), 2nd place

145: Drake Cable (Robbinsville), 3rd place

152: Chris Miller (Swain Co.), 3rd place

170: Cody Swangim (Rosman),2nd place195: Cory Farmer (Murphy), 2nd

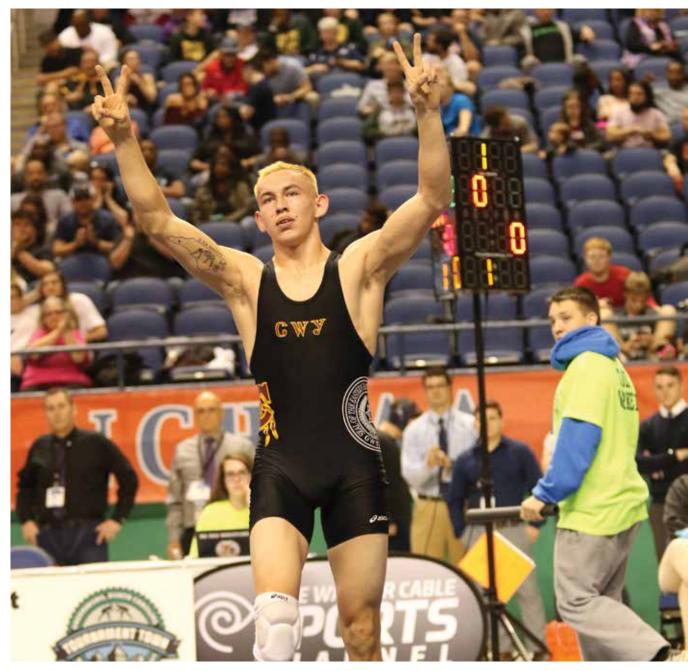


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REPEAT: Anthony Toineeta, an EBCI tribal member and senior at Cherokee High School, raises his hands above his head in victory signifying his second state title in two years. He won the 160lb division at the 1A state wrestling meet in Greensboro on Saturday, Feb. 18.

place; Freddy Romero (Robbinsville), 4th place **220:** Craig Cutshaw (Swain Co.), 2nd place 285: Corbin Wildcatt (Swain Co.), 3rd place - One Feather staff report

ON THE SIDELINES

Look mommy...a dinosaur!

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

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y wife, daughter, and I enjoy watching YouTube videos featuring the paranormal or cryptid creatures. Last night, while watching one entitled "real dinosaur caught on tape", I began to really identify with that fake (really, really bad fake at that...about on par with the SyFy Network) dinosaur that ran across the road.

I'm 45-years-old, and my lower back and knees sometimes hurt from years of playing competitive volleyball. But, that's not why I feel like a dinosaur.

It has to do with that large camera I carry around at each game. It seems that the art of photography with an actual camera is really going by the wayside, especially as it relates to photojournalism and sports photography.

I get asked every now and then to serve as a judge for various news associations contests. Recently, I was a judge for the New York Press Association annual contest in which I judged several sports action photo categories.

One thing that's always interesting about being a judge for these is the varied interests that different communities have. While football and basketball reign supreme here, there it was lacrosse, volleyball and sailing...yes, sailing. I have no idea how anyone would cover sailing. I guess we would have to get the One



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BAG: Dinosaurs frequently carry photography bags such as the one shown above, complete with buttons showing said dinosaur's allegiance to the Green Bay Packers and various fandoms.

Feather schooner.

But, I digress...some of the photos in the contests were just amazing while others looked like I took my glasses off and drew them with a dull crayon. As I was judging, I got a little sad though thinking about how our industry is changing and that my fellow sports photographers seem to be going by the wayside more and more.

According to the U.S. Bureau of Labor Statistics, there were 124,900 professional photographers in the year 2014. In the next ten years, BLS predicts that the overall number will rise 3 percent with portrait photographers seeing a rise of 9 percent. But, those of us in the photojournalism and sports photography fields who work for news agencies will see a 41 percent drop.

That is already being felt. Sports Illustrated, as the name has always implied, has been at the forefront of the visual sports game since its inception. Their sports images are what all of us aspire to...

In 2015, Sports Illustrated laid off all six of its staff photographers. That came as a shock to me on two fronts – one being that they laid off their entire staff and two being that they had trimmed down to only six. SI spokesman Scott Novak said in a statement at the time, "It was a strategic decision to approach photography in a bold new way that will give us access to more resources around the world and to maintain the standard of quality that Sports Illustrated fans are used to."

In other words, they have begun using more photos from services such as the Associated Press and Getty Images and would rather pay freelancers to cover games than pay for their staff photographers to attend the games.

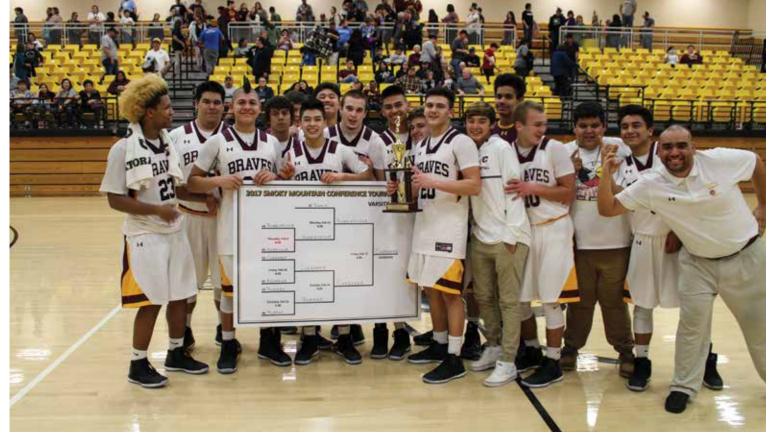
Two years earlier, the Chicago Sun-Times laid off every single one of its 28 staff photographers. They did hire back four of them, but that was a bold move and one that seems to be the norm rather than the exception.

Sports photography is tough. It takes a ton of practice to know where to be and when. And, it oftentimes takes a ton of luck to be in the right place at the right time and take the photo at the right time.

With the ever-evolving cell phone camera, more and more people are taking photographs at events, and we have a new generation coming up that many times doesn't really see a difference in a cell shot or a perfectly-framed, in-focus sports shot. They want to hit like on both photos and keep scrolling on their social media.

I'm hoping that the art, yes art, of photography doesn't die, and maybe it won't, and those of us still toting around camera bags and lenses and monopods at games and news events will keep on polishing our dinosaur scales so as to make sure it's around at least a little longer.

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CHAMPS: The Cherokee Braves won the Big Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament with a 65-57 win over Robbinsville on Friday, Feb. 17 at Hayesville High School.

Braves win conference tournament, Lady Braves second in girls

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AYESVILLE – The Cherokee Braves (18-8) won their second consecutive Big Smoky Mountain Conference tournament title on Friday, Feb. 17. After finishing second in the conference in the regular season, the Braves put together three wins in the tournament, played at Hayesville High School, including a 65-57 win over the Robbinsville Black Knights in the finals on Friday.

"It feels good because we got a little redemption," said Sonita Warren-Dixon, Braves head coach, after Friday's championship game. "The two teams (Rosman and Robbinsville) that beat us to keep us from winning the regular season conference title, we were able to knock them off

"It feels good because we got a little redemption."

- Sonita Warren-Dixon, Braves head coach

the second time around, and I think that's the thing that we felt the best about."

In the tournament, Cherokee defeated Andrews 68-59 on Friday, Feb. 10 in the first round and then won 76-69 over Rosman in the semi-finals.

Led by Holden Straughan, junior forward, with 18 points, a total of three Braves were in double digits in scoring in the finals including Tye Mintz (14) and Sterling Santa Maria (13). On the tournament, those three were very close in production with Straughan having 47 points followed by Mintz 46 and Santa Maria 45.

In the finals on Friday, Cherokee jumped out



MIDDLE: Sterling Santa Maria (#34), Braves freshman guard, goes for a short jump shot in the middle of the key against two Robbinsville defenders. Santa Maria scored 13 points in the final and 45 in the tournament.

early on the Black Knights and led 8-0 just a few minutes in. Mintz scored 11 of his 14 points in the first period before getting into foul trouble, and the Braves led 18-12 after one.

Cherokee started the second period in very similar fashion to the first one and went on an 8-1 run in the first two minutes to lead 26-13. But, the Black Knights got some offense going and pulled to within four (34-30) by the half.

The third period was pretty even with Cherokee edging Robbinsville 11-10 to take a 45-40 lead into the final period.

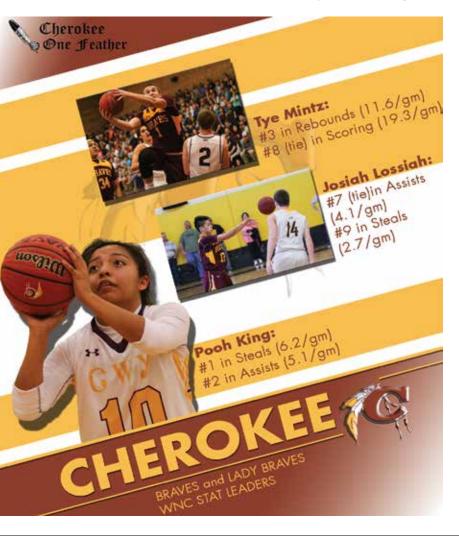
The Braves pulled away some in the fourth, leading by as much as 12 as one point, and went on to take the 8-point (65-57) win and the tournament title.

The Braves start the 1A state

playoffs on Tuesday, Feb. 21, and Coach Warren-Dixon is happy with where the team is at, but is hoping to make a few adjustments. "We weren't as efficient as I'd like us to be on offense." she said of the team's overall play in the tournament. "Somehow, our offense is getting stagnant, and that's a thing that we've been trying to work on. We'll have good stretches, and then we'll revert back to 'me, me, me' and we don't play as a team. So, if we can curtail some of those mistakes. I like what we're doing defensively, but we've got to fix some things offensively."

Lady Braves take second in girls tournament

The Cherokee Lady Braves (23-2) lost only their second game



of the season in the finals of the Big Smoky Mountain Conference Tournament on Friday. The 64-58 loss to Murphy, whom Cherokee defeated twice in the regular season, broke the Lady Braves' 32-game conference win streak.

"We didn't make enough plays," Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, said after the Murphy game. "Our free throws went south on us. We played a good team, it was a close game, and those things matter. They were putting their free throws in, and we didn't."

After receiving a first round bye, Cherokee defeated Robbinsville 66-56 on Monday, Feb. 13 in the semi-finals to advance to Friday's final against Murphy. Murphy (25-2) led the entire first half of Friday's final. It was close for the first six minutes with Cherokee trailing by one (9-8) at the 2:14 mark. The Lady Bulldogs then went on an 8-0 run to end the period and lead 17-8.

Jamie Lossiah, Lady Braves junior guard, hit two three-point shots early in the second to pull Cherokee to within four (18-14). Murphy kept a constant inside game going and was able to extend their lead to nine (29-20) at the half.

Cherokee came out for the third period on fire. Led by Shelby Wolfe, junior forward, who scored nine of her 15 points on the night in the first few minutes of the third, Cherokee was able to take a 31-29 lead three minutes in, and the Lady Braves led 42-41 at the end of the third.

The first five minutes of the fourth period were back-and-forth, and Murphy didn't lead again until just under three minutes left in the game (51-49). They extended that lead to six (56-50) with 1:28



GOING UP: Shelby Wolfe (#14), Lady Braves sophomore forward, goes up for a shot against Murphy's Emma Stroup during the finals of the Big Smoky Mountain Conference tournament at Hayesville on Friday, Feb. 17. Wolfe led Cherokee with 15 points in the final.

left. The final 88 seconds was a score fest with both teams racking up eight points for a final score of Murphy 64 Cherokee 58.

Shelby Wolfe led Cherokee in the final with 15 points followed by Pooh King 9, Lossiah 8, and Raylen Bark 7. For the tournament, Wolfe led with 25 points with King and Tori Teesateskie both scoring 22.

Coach Mintz is looking forward to the 1A state playoffs that start Tuesday, Feb. 21. "I told them that the regular season and the tournament are something that we've done and we put it up on a shelf. It's nice, and it'll always be there. But, Tuesday starts a whole new season. Everybody is 0-0. If you win, you get to move on to the next game. If you loose, your season is over. It doesn't matter if you were conference champion or you weren't conference champion now. You've got to step up, and let's play."



Language applications

New Kituwah students use Cherokee language while shopping

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he aisles of Cherokee Food Lion were alive with the sounds of the Cherokee language being spoken on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 15. Students in the early childhood program at New Kituwah Academy practiced their language skills and learned some new words and phrases as they shopped for various items with their families.

Kelly Murphy, New Kituwah Academy family partnership/lead teacher, said the idea for the shopping outing came from a training session she attended in New Mexico. Other immersion schools have used a similar program they call "Taking Back Your Domain".

Murphy commented, "Families come into grocery stores all the time, and



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LANGUAGE SKILLS: Students in the New Kituwah Academy early childhood program, along with their parents, participated in a program at Cherokee Food Lion on the evening of Wednesday, Feb. 15 in which they shopped using the Cherokee language.

we thought it would be cool for them to come to the grocery store and use their language skills. This is something that we wanted to do for the parents that they could use with their children after school and on the weekends."

She said this outing is the first of future trips with the next one being going out to eat. "We want to stay in the language while we eat, talk about the day, little stuff like that while we're eating, and explain the food that we're eating – all in the language." Renissa McLaughlin, Kituwah Preservation and Education Program director, noted, "We could do language classes, and we haven't seen a lot of success because people are distracted at the end of the day. So, Kelly and I brainstormed on ways to get the parents more involved because we've always had a strong parent group. They're very involved."

The idea of an evening trip to the supermarket took shape and worked well she said. "This gives us an opportunity to have the kids and the parents together doing an activity so it just sort of reinforces what our school is about. Kituwah is a family, and these outings help reinforce that."

McLaughlin was thrilled with the turnout and participation during Wednesday's event. "We're really excited. It's 6:30pm on a Wednesday, and they're taking time out of their day to come learn Cherokee language and support their kids at the school. It's awesome and more than we could ever hope and pray for, and I'm really happy."

Prior to the shopping excursion, Murphy distributed hand-outs with the following Cherokee phrases and words that were used throughout the night:

• Al(i)sday(v)di Adananv Hinena – Let's go into the grocery store (you and I)

Usdi Dagwalela Wiyahaga

– Get in the buggy

• Doiyusd(i) Al(i)sday(v) di Tsaduli? – What kind of food do you want?

• Dousd(i) Tsaduli? Which one do you want?

• Hi, Osd(a) Tsayelask? – Do you like this?

• Wisagi – Go get one

• Wisagi – Go get more than one

• Antsi Sogwo Hiligi – Get one orange

• Svgta Tsoiga Tiligi – Get three apples

• Akinigvga – I need ____

• Dakinigvga – I need (plural) ____

• Akiwasga – I'm buying

• Dakiwasga – I'm buying (plural) ____

- Antsi Orange
- Svgta Apple
- Ani Strawberry
- Hawiya Meat
- Gadu Bread
- Unvd(i) Milk
- Tsuwetsi Eggs

CHS student selected to attend science, technology event

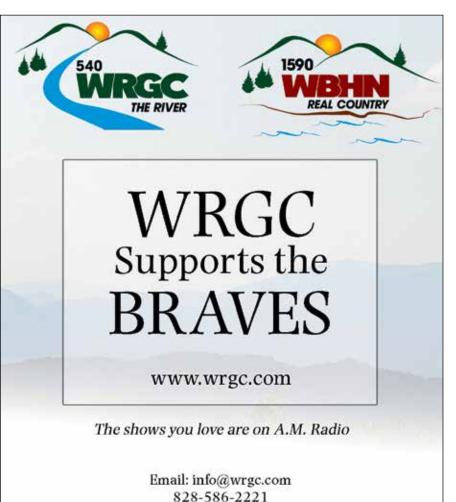
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ivia Lambert has aspirations of joining the science field and study human and animal behavior. The EBCI tribal member and senior at Cherokee High School will represent her Tribe and school as a North Carolina delegate to the Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders event being held in Lowell, Mass. near Boston on June 29 – July 1.

"It's a program to give people as much guidance as they can if they want to go into the science and technology programs in life," said Lambert of the event which is being hosted by the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists.

Lambert has already been accepted to six of the eight colleges she has applied to, and she's awaiting word next month on the other two before she'll make her final selection of a school, but she's already pretty certain what her field of study will be. "I'm very interested in human behavior and animal behavior and those types of sciences. I just haven't decided which I'll study yet, but for sure in that area."

She's very much looking forward to her trip in June for the science opportunities as well as other reasons. "I've never been to Boston



before, and I've always wanted to go so I'm super-excited about that. Anytime I get to go to a big city, I love it."

According to information from the National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists, "The purpose of this event is to honor, inspire, motivate and direct the top students in the country who aspire to be scientists and technologists, to stay true to their dream and, after the event, to provide a path, plan and resources to help them reach their goal."

Lambert said she's looking forward to hearing the speakers at the event and learning about all the different fields of science and technology. "I'm always excited to learn more. I like the engineering and editing of computer science. I don't have a ton of experience in the STEM (science, technology, engineering, and mathematics) area, just what I've learned through high school, so whatever they have to offer will be good."

Lambert was nominated for the opportunity by Susan Reiser, UNCA lecturer and associate dean of natural sciences. Reiser has been Lambert's instructor in an Introduction to Multimedia and Computer Science class that she took as part of a joint program between UNCA and Cherokee High School.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather **FUTURE SCIENTIST:** Livia Lambert, an EBCI tribal member and senior at Cherokee High School, has been chosen to serve as a North Carolina delegate to the Congress of Future Science and Technology Leaders event being held in Lowell, Mass. near Boston on June 29 – July 1.

Richard Rossi, National Academy of Future Scientists and Technologists executive director, commented, "This is a crucial time in America when we need more nimble-minded and creative scientists and technologists who are even better prepared for a future that is changing exponentially. Focused, bright and determined students like Livia Lambert are our future and she deserves all the mentoring and guidance we can give her."

One Feather deadline Friday at 12noon

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 EBCI tribal members 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 Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$36,312 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". 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.

Info: Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

> - Eastern Band Community Foundation

Vendors sought for Spring Garden Fair

Vendor applications are now being accepted for the Spring Garden Fair scheduled for Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Vendors are being sought who sell garden items including: seeds, plants, seedlings, yard art, tools, bees, farm-related subjects, dried or canned products, or other food products. They are also seeking educators to share information about composting, recycling, mulches, beekeeping, etc. All are welcome. This event is being sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. Info: Check Facebook – Spring Garden Fair or email legendweaverstudios@gmail.com

- Jody Bradley

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) available in Cherokee

The 2017 offering of Tax Assistance has begun. If your annual income is \$54,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes prepared at no cost at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd, located next to the Yellowhill Community Building and covered basketball court. Please bring with you the following items to your appointment:

- All income related forms such as: W-2, 1099 Misc., 1099-I, SSA-1099, etc.

Photo I.D. such as Driver's License or enrollment card with picture
Social Security Card and birth date of every member of the household

- Enrollment Card of Federally Recognized Tribe for NC Tax Exemption

- Bank Account Information if you want tax return direct deposited

- Last year's tax return if possible - The program does not do Rental Income (Schedule E), Dividend and Investment Income (Sch B) and Complex Schedule C.

To schedule an appointment,

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK Ganasav hia svdodagwasdi asuyagida SOUI AD RVLTOJ DEOYL



Chester, a 1-year-old Chihuahua, lives with Gloria Vargas in the Big Cove Community.



359-6930 or 359-6933 and speak to any staff person.

– EBCI Cooperative Extension

Cherokee Elementary Yearbook pages for sale

Cherokee Elementary School is currently selling spots for their 2016-17 Yearbook. All yearbook pages will be printed in color and prices are as follows: Full Page - \$100, ½ page - \$50, ¼ block -\$25. Send photos or quotes to Natalie Grant, Cherokee Language, ngrant@cherokeecentral.gaggle. net or Erin Kirkland, P.E., ekirkland@cherokeecentral.gaggle.net. Info: 554-5020

- Cherokee Elementary School

Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Committee meetings

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds has started their 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair Committee meetings. They will be taking ideas on this year's theme and planning the 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair.

Everyone is welcome and ideas and input are encouraged. These meetings will be held every second Tuesday of the month at 2pm at the Fairgrounds.

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds



OBITUARIES

Justin Chase Wolfe

Justin Chase Wolfe, 34, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Friday, Feb. 10, 2017. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of Jasper Wolfe of Cherokee and the late Katherine Swayney Wolfe.

He is survived by a fiancée, Dakota Crowe; several aunts, uncles and cousins.

Funeral Services were held on Thursday at Acquoni Baptist Chapel. Revs. Charles Ray Ball and Dewayne Kirkland officiated with burial in Swayney Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Noah, David, June, Wade, Jackson, and Sam Wolfe, and Kenneth, and Kensen Davis.

Margaret Teesateskie Welch

Margaret Teesateskie Welch, 71, of Robbinsville, passed away Saturday, Feb. 18, 2017 at her residence following a brief illness.

She was born June 7, 1945 in Graham County to the late George Teesateskie Sr. and Sarah Jumper Teesateskie. Margaret was a homemaker and a member of the Baptist faith.

Margaret is survived by her children, Freelin (Tracie) Welch of Cherokee, Freeman Welch of Coleman, Fla., Shane (Jessica) Welch of Robbinsville, Sally Anderson of Robbinsville, and Samantha Anderson of Cartersville, Ga.; 14 Grandchildren; 10 Great Grandchildren; and one brother, Willie Teesateskie.

In addition to her parents, Mar-



EBCI Town Hall Meeting On Proposed Tribal Constitution

Please join us as we discuss the proposed constitution and take public input, questions, and comments.

Thursday, February 23, 2017 6:00 p.m. Birdtown Gym

* Light refreshments will be provided

garet was preceded in death by two brothers, George Teesateskie Jr. and Woodrow Teesateskie; one sister, Lucy Ann Teesateskie Swimmer; and one great granddaughter, Addison Grace Beasley.

Services were held on Tuesday, Feb. 21 at the Zion Hill Baptist Church in Robbinsville. Pastors James "Bo" Parris, Michael Rattler, and Tom Comacho officiated. Burial followed at the Little Snowbird Baptist Church Cemetery. Pallbearers were Darryll Teesateskie, Woodrow Teesateskie, Reginald Welch, Paden Welch, Corey Teesateskie, and Brian Jeffery.

Waneema Littlejohn Driver

Waneema Littlejohn Driver, 82, of the Big Y Community, went home to be with the Lord, Thursday, Feb. 16, 2017. A native of Cherokee she was the daughter of the late Eugene and Encie George Littlejohn, and wife of the late Sequoyah Driver. In addition to her husband and parents, she was also preceded in death by two daughters, Barbara Faye Driver and Ann Driver Bowman.

She is survived by one daughter, Eugenie Saunooke of Cherokee; two sons, Tommy Driver, and Tom (June Bug) Driver and wife Ernestine of Cherokee; 13 grandchildren; 34 great grandchildren; 14 great great grandchildren; and one sister, Juanita Bradley and husband Jack of Cherokee.

Funeral Services were held on Sunday, Feb. 19 at Big Witch Baptist Church. Revs. Jimbo Sneed and Denny Crowe officiated with burial in Bradley-Littlejohn Cemetery. Pallbearers were grandsons.

THANK YOU LETTER Thank you to Yogi Crowe Scholarship

Hello, this is Nelson Lambert of the Birdtown community. My parents are Patrick and Cyndi Lambert, my wife is Kimberly Lambert, and my son is Rhett Lambert. I want to take a moment to thank the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund ("YCMSF") for supporting me financially throughout the majority of my legal educational career. I received my Juris Doctor in May, 2016. The YCMSF graciously supported me during my final J.D. semester spring 2016 and this spring semester 2017.

I am completing my LL.M. degree in Gaming Law and Regulation at UNLV School of Law in Las Vegas, Nevada. I will be the first Native American in the world with this degree, and the first member of the EBCI with an LL.M. My choices to seek the degrees that I have so humbly attained were all motivated with the intention of giving back to the EBCI.

I will graduate this May and I am looking forward to moving back home, settling down in Birdtown, growing with my family through Christ, and being a strong advocate against injustice not only for the members of my community but for every member of the EBCI because we deserve competent community representatives free of prejudices and/or personal veiled agendas. As I have stated before, much thanks to the late Mr. Crowe himself. Mr. Crowe's family should be very proud and know that his legacy is an inspiration to those of us pursuing advanced degrees for the betterment of the EBCI.

P. Nelson Lambert

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Alternative truth and wrestling

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ONE FEATHER EDITOR

ack in the day, I would watch professional wrestling with a certain amount of awe and fascination. It was almost like an old western showdown, black hats and white hats symbolized evil and good, respectively. I think we like our lives like that. We like to be able to clearly see who the bad guy is and who the good is. Professional wrestling was fake. That's right...fake. I am not saying that the men and woman who performed were fake. Many were superior athletes and all had to be great actors to pull off making professional wrestling a success. But, the matches were staged and their "in the ring" personas were picked for them by the producers of professional wrestling. And, based on what the producers thought would please the crowd-and make them more money, your favorite wrestler might wear a white hat one night and a black hat the next.

Many fans of the art form of pro wrestling were so in to the sport that they believed it to be the real deal. Grannies would swing their purses at Black Jack Mulligan if he dared get close enough for them to have a go at him. Men, women and children would cuss, spit and kick at the Undertaker as he entered the arena. And, on the flipside, women would swoon as Rick "The Nature Boy" Flair pranced and "Wooooh'd" his way into their hearts (Rick played the role of good and bad boy intermittently during his long career).

The point is, people believe this stuff; so much so that, as in other professional sports, we will buy products, not based on the quality of product, but how much we like the entertainer who endorses it. This individual may not have any knowledge of the quality of the product or even have used it at any time. We are so enamored with the actor or athlete, we are willing to buy-in to anything they promote. I am not saying that these entertainers (and I lump all into one pot, both actor and professional athlete practice their craft to gain the approval and payment of patrons) are stupid or unethical. I am just saying that their motivation to promote a particular product or cause may not be what you think it is.

There are a number of entertainers that are coming out to speak on subjects ranging from the political to the moral. And, it is their right as citizens to voice their opinion about any and all subjects. After all, we all search for validation in different ways.

Several weeks ago, we discussed the topic of situational truth and, sure enough, the topic has risen to the forefront in the modern political arena. To the top rungs of the political ladder, the term "alternative truth" has become the new phrase used to contest a certain worldview. And, yes, it is also being touted as a way to "lie" about a situation without admitting to a lie. But, situational truth goes beyond intent.

People's perspectives will color what they see as truth. The current debate over immigration is a good example. One faction believes that regardless of how a person immigrated to America, if they are being productive and as long as they do not commit crime, they are good citizens of America. And, that is their truth. Another faction believes that if a person immigrates to America without following the processes prescribed by government, then they enter the country as illegal and criminal, and are not good citizens of America. And, that is their truth. Who is right and what is the truth in that situation?

In the search for the truth, you will hear many voices, all telling you that they know the truth and are more than happy to share it with you. The problem is that many of the people behind those voices have little or no clue what the truth is and, if they do, will twist that truth to serve themselves. Don't let entertainers, who have a bully pulpit, but do not have any more insight into truth than you do, manipulate you into believing their positions, their alternative truth. Keep in mind that many of these actors and professional athletes are multi-millionaires who made their money by performing for you. They won a popularity contest,

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ecently there was a Super Bowl. Super Bowl 51. LI in roman numerals. For approximately three hours that day no one thought of Trump, Bannon, Spicer and/or Kellyanne Conway. Well, I was still laughing about Saturday Night Live and their political skits skewering those I just mentioned but for everyone else the game was in the spotlight that day. And if you haven't heard what happened...spoiler alert!... the Atlanta Falcons jumped out to a 21-3 halftime lead, scored early in the second half to make it 28-3, then responded to a Tom Brady led New England Patriot onslaught by choking and losing in OT 34-28. Yep...they choked so bad a Heimlich maneuver would have been futile. Heck, even a much preferred Hindlick maneuver would have been in vain. I didn't care who won, didn't want anyone to win but desired especially that the Patriots wouldn't win and almost got my wish with the tie, too bad there's OT. In honor of the newly retired Michael Vick I made the statement, "I don't have a dog in this fight."

Super Bowl news: The Patriots set NFL records for the Championship game by coming back from the largest deficit, 25 points; offense (Tom Brady: 43-62 passes for 466 yards; James White, 14 receptions, 20 points scored). They also appeared in their ninth Super Bowl with their 5 wins tying the Dallas Crybabys and the Pittsburgh Squealers (substitute a Sh for the P and it sounds so much better). All in all it was a pretty impressive showing.

More Super Bowl news: Funny stuff. Atlanta could've put the game out of reach with 4:40 on the clock and them in possession of the ball at the NE 22-yard line in field goal range. All they had to do was run some clock and kick the field goal for an 11-point lead. Too bad that Kyle Shanahan, offensive coordinator for Atlanta. believed his press clippings and thought that he was a genius. The so-called genius called two passing plays resulting in a sack for a 12-yard loss and a holding call moving the Falcons out of FG range. It was all over. The funny part? Shanahan is the new head coach of the San Francisco 49ers. Not a good way to show your new bosses that they made a wise decision. He now joins Marty Schottenheimer and Pete Carroll in the list of coaches made to look foolish by the Patriots.

Observation: I believe there should be a new NFL rule stating that if the Falcons win the NFC in the future, leave them behind and let the other team go to the Super Bowl. I truly believe that my beloved Packers could have beaten the Patsys.

I keep saying that I won't write about Trump or his people anymore but they just won't stop. This week, in addition to the "voter fraud" scandal (still being mentioned without any documented proof) that allowed Hillary Clinton to win the popular vote by nearly three million people, we have terrorist attacks that were "under-reported" by the "fake" news outfits, CNN, MSNBC, ABC, CBS, and NBC and an ignored terrorist "massacre" in Bowling Green, Ohio. And a "so-called judge" in Washington State that had the audacity to block Trump's immigration "ban" that is not a ban but is a ban. These clowns publicly state that they don't find SNL funny but provide so much hilarious material for the show that I believe they secretly do. Keep watching.

I got my material in the mail requesting suggestions and thoughts for a tribal Constitution. This is long overdue. The Charter, our waaaaaaa old governing document is like a chain love letter, it has been updated and edited so much that there are too many xoxo's and swak's. It's also as obsolete as me but at least my software will update. Let's take that final leap into the 21st century, offer some input and vote yes on this Constitution. It's more important than you know, especially in these days and times. As for the other current tribal news I have no other thoughts about the actions in Council regarding talk and actions involving impeachment of our duly elected leaders other than it's a serious waste of tribal resources and production time in all departments. Nothing gets done because people pay more attention to the live feed on TV than to their work. Nonsense. Hurt feelings and sore toes.

Ledford is an EBCI tribal member currently living in Albuquerque, NM.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Tribal elder upset with video

In the recent days, I have been told and finally have seen the You Tube video that some young man produced demeaning Chief Patrick Lambert's visits at the New Kituwah Academy and Tsali Manor. It is upsetting to see the lack of respect for our children and dishonoring our elder population. This young man did not have my permission to use my photo or video.

One of our Cherokee traditions and unwritten law was to honor and respect and do no harm to our elders and children. It is saddening that this young man had to disrespect and show a lack of integrity to our Cherokee people. It is saddening that he thinks that it is ok.

Has this young man been raised to blatantly disregard the integrity of our Cherokee children and elders? Is he setting the example for his own children?

Chief Patrick Lambert was here to support the senior population of the Qualla Boundary and holding the meaning of taking care of our elders as Cherokee people. That is what we are to do as a community. Thank you, Chief Lambert, for the support of our senior population. And, thank you New Kituwah Academy for uplifting the educational values of our children.

Judith Smith EBCI tribal elder

Facebook Weekly Question Responses

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

Share your recent experiences with the carnival at the Cherokee Indian Fair. Do you think that all carnival workers should be drug-tested prior to working at the Fair?

Citrus Bigwitch: Yes, and a background check for any and all child-related crimes.

Mary Crowe: I believe we should contract with a respectable entertainment company that already drug tests their employees...and, please house them somewhere other than at the parking lot at the bottom of Yellowhill Rd. My daughter and I witnessed an assault and drug deal gone wrong.

Joey Owle: Contract with a company that has the highest standard for vetting their employees. As for drug testing, we are talking about a carnival company. They're not exactly going to attract grade A candidates.

Sierra Hornbuckle: Yes. They are setting up rides and operating rides that have our children on them! Last year's crew was scary!

Pam Henderson: Yes, all should be tested every day. No one needs that kind of stuff going on. Protect the children.

Sharla Wolfe: Yes. They're running machines, and if they aren't in the right state of mind, they could potentially put those children's lives and the lives of others at risk.

Sheena Brings Plenty: We didn't even go to the carnival last year after the meth heads and zombies we saw walking up and down the road at the parade! They were scary and there was no way I would let my kid on a ride that they're running! What kind of parent would? I think the tribe should hire a reputable company and have all the employees drug tested. All tribal employees have to be drug tested, so why not these people? There are literally hundreds of fairs and carnivals all over the country in the summer and fall every year. The companies hired by the Fair committee are the bottom of the barrel and the worst I've ever seen. They should invest in a quality carnival.

Shell Nelson: Just do away with carnivals and rides during the Indian Fair altogether. Entertain the kids with cultural activities and games that will actually enrich their lives with cultural knowledge and family/community fun. With the carnival rides gone, there would actually be room available to make our Indian Fair as awesome as it used to be. A Fair our western relatives might want to come home for again. The Indian Fair used to be called a homecoming event of sorts, and people would come home and we all would dress up in our Native finery!

Faye McCoy: Yes! We entrust them with the lives of our children and grandchildren when we put them on those rides, so they should be in their right statebof mind. And, get off the being rude to the people and the children. And, the Fair grounds need to be looking into getting more updated rides as well not rides that are falling apart and have holes in the floors. This past year, those rides were scary they were so darn old.

Brandi West: And, no drinking on the job!

Danielle Billy Hicks: Who's going to pay for the drug test? And, everybody that goes or has a booth or working there should be drug-tested. Let's just drug test everybody... sounds good.

Tammy Tice: Absolutely! The kids are in their hands!

Beverly Trantham: Yes, please.

Stephanie Welch: Yes, with background checks for sex offenders.

Kyle Gene Chapa: Working with children should already answer that question.

William Dover Jr.: Yes, drug test and background checks, and I would suggest contracting with a different company also. This is supposed to be a good, clean venue for children and families. Also, I would suggest moving the location to the old high school. It has more room for rides and booths. We really need to upgrade this function. It has gone downhill in the last few years.

Raz Lemmons: Yes, and then test your car mechanic and your plumber and the kid that bags your groceries and your insurance agent. You have a choice whether to go to the carnival or not. If you don't trust them, don't go.

Rita Hornbuckle: Yes, do both drug test and do a background check on (them).

Debra Hoppe: I cannot believe you ask this question. Just like any other place that children attend, they are entitled to a safe environment.

Teresa Lambert Wolfe: Drug test and background check...

Lisa M. Young: Yes, they should be tested, and we should also know if they are sex offenders or wanted. I always worry about some of those carnival workers and our children.

Tabitha Gatlin: Yes, yes, they should be drug-tested! I, like many other parents, will be bringing my children, and I don't want them to be hurt by someone's neglect!

Kayla Danielle Welch Haney:

Maybe not just drug tests. CPD had to arrest one of the kiosk workers for inappropriately touching my sister. I've watched the male workers pervertedly look at younger girls. Get some background checks and actually have people posted around the grounds to not only watch the people, but your workers as well.

Quetseli Baker Truesdell: Yes, each worker should be tested because they are dealing with the public and with people's lives. A firm stand on drugs needs to be taken. If folks see that it will be difficult to get a job or participate in tribal festivals, perhaps they will reconsider the damage drugs will do to their lives. The lesson of becareful

More Poll Responses

Ben Swayney: The carnivals that come to the Rez are not state-inspected, but they should be!

Rissy J. Plott: Yes, make sure that the company has insurance too.

Donnie Smith: I think that the Tribe needs to bring in a carnival company that isn't falling apart.

John Tahquette: Ha, ok, a drugfree carnival...what's next? Drugfree construction sites and restaurant staff?

Reno Qcumber: Yes, it's their job to keep the customers safe.

Wilson Johnson: Do not ever bring that bunch of doped-up

misfits back on this Rez. Please. The fights and altercations that happened in their camp across the river should have been enough to bar them from the reservation. It's hard enough to shield our children from bad things that happens locally must less bringing it in from the outside.

Greta Lane: Yes! And, really talked to about how they interact with people, especially kids. I've seen way too many swearing at kids - I do say something when I hear it or just being very rude to the kids.

Nicole Page: I'd rather see the people who put the rides together drug-tested and background-checked before the people who push the buttons. I don't want them at the bottom (of) Yellowhill



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either. It was starting to look kinda shanty...

Jaye Simmons: Of course, they coming into your home. If not drug-free, you don't want your children's safety in jeopardy.

Damion Kalonaheskie: What kind of question is that?! Yes, they all should be drug-tested, background checks, everything to keep our children safe!

Jim Parker: While waiting to ride the little roller coaster one year a pin kept falling out of the track coupling. The worker would hammer it back in and run the coaster a few rounds and then hammer it back in again. I got my kids out of line and left.

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which does not guarantee that they know very much more than how to manipulate money out of your pocket. And, if they are speaking to you about an ethical or moral topic, that should give you pause.

From news anchors to pro basketball stars, the entertainment industry is making a play for your attention. And, when they get your attention, they are now not only reaching into your pocket for ticket money, they are trying to drive the social agenda, and where they drive you will be based on their world view, not necessarily yours.

Next time I am tasked with casting a vote or making a decision on an important social issue in my life, I think I will ask Rick Flair. Then again, I better check to see which hat he is wearing before I ask.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Statement from poster of YouTube video

Siyo nigada. Last week, I posted a political satire video on my YouTube and Facebook page of our Chief Patrick Lambert. I had no malicious intent when I recorded my voice over the video. I was using satire, humor, and wit to be thought-provoking.

This video received about 6,000 views in just one week. I have no political agenda or affiliation with anyone at the government level. The result of my video has exposed bullying in our tribal government. I feel like a change is coming and is much needed for our Tribe.

I am a very strong believer in free speech, and I want you all to recognize that we all have this right. The threatening comments I received are unacceptable. A government that suppresses their people's right to free speech is a government that will not stand. I am hoping this inspires other tribal members to express their opinions in a non-violent, thought-provoking manner without the fear of being retaliated against.

These are the sentiments of hundreds of people who have reached out to me. Do not let this distract you from the real political issues going on in our Tribe and government.

> **Matt Bryant**, Paint Clan



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

Cultural Events

Pine Needle Basketry class.

Feb. 25 at 10am at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. Tonya Dockery, a life-long resident of Tellico Plains, Tenn., will be the instructor. The cost of the class is \$15 and includes materials. Bring a bag lunch. Drinks are available for purchase at the Museum. Info: (423) 884-6246 or stop by to register.

Qualla Boundary Historical Society meeting. Feb. 28 at

6pm at Qualla Boundary Public Library. Learn about the building of the Blue Ridge Parkway and the role the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians played in the final completion of the project. Mary Wachacha will present this aspect of EBCI history. Info: Qualla Library 359-6725

Free Cherokee Syllabary Class. Every Thursday March 2 – April

27 from 7-8pm in the Cherokee Choices community room. Limited slots are available. This is not a Cherokee language class. EBCI tribal members ages 10 and up only. Bring a writing utensil and a pack of index cards to class. Info: Tara McCoy 359-6783

Fundraisers/Benefits

Turkey Shoots. Feb. 25 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. The Feb. 18 shoot will benefit the Big Cove Free Labor group, and the Feb. 25 shoot will benefit the Tracy West family. Shoots will be held every Saturday until April. Good prizes, good food, good fun. Info: Jesse Welch 497-

2434

Fundraising Lunch. Feb. 28 from 11am – 3pm at Granny's Kitchen. Proceeds will go towards Scottie, Abby, Reese, and Elle's competition cheer team. Menu: BBQ sandwich, baked beans, cole slaw, chips, drink, and cake. \$10/meal (cash only and carry-out only). To pre-order dinners, call 736-0392

United Christian Ministries Fundraiser. March 5 at Jack the Dipper at 170 East Sylva Shopping Center in Sylva. Ten percent of the proceeds will go to United Christian Ministries to help Jackson County families in need.

General Events

EBCI Town Hall Meeting on Proposed Tribal Constitution. Feb. 23 at 6pm at Birdtown Gym. Discussion will be held on the proposed Constitution including public input, questions, and comments. Light refreshments will be provided.

Indivisible Swain County NC meeting. Feb. 23 at 6pm at the Seniors Center at 125 Brendle Street in Bryson City. This organization defines itself as "bi-partisan dedicated group of concerned citizens in Swain County committed to applying peaceful, persistent pressure on government officials for the common good". Topics being discussed include environmental and health care issues. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

#DefundDAPL rally. Feb. 24 at 3:30pm at Wells Fargo Bank, 733 Main Street, Sylva. This rally is to invite people to move their money out of the banks that fund the Dakota Access Pipeline.

Jackson County Democrat Party annual meetings. All precincts of the Jackson County Democratic Party will hold their annual meetings over the next two weeks. On Saturday, Feb. 25 at 12pm, there will be a combined meeting for most precincts, including Qualla. The event will be held at the Jackson County Family Resource Center, in Webster (in the back part of the old Webster school building), beginning at noon with a \$5 fundraiser lunch. After lunch, the individual precincts will hold breakout sessions for planning and election of officers and convention delegates. Cashiers and Glenville precincts will meet Thursday, Feb. 23 at 5:30pm at the Cashiers Recreation Center. All local Democrats are encouraged to attend these annual meetings and participate in precinct-level organization. Info: www.jacksondems.com

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier-Cherokee Precinct. Feb. 28 at 5:30pm at Whittier Community Building. Everyone is welcome. Agenda items include: voting for precinct officers, determining delegates to the County Convention, attending the 11th District Meeting, and ways to get people involved in the Swain

County Indivisible movement. Info: Brenda 488-1118 "Black and White and Blues" program. March 5 at 3pm at

Swain Arts Center. In this varied program, Scott Ainslie and Reggie Harris will tour the music of the American South where European

and African musical traditions cross-pollinated to create the powerful musical hybrids that have long dominated American popular music. With a variety of instruments, stories, and song, Scott and Reggie will explore the Africanization of old-time mountain music and African musical and cultural retentions in the Blues, Gospel, and work songs of our African American communities. \$10/adults, student admission is free. Info: Rachel Lackey, Swain Arts Center director, 488-7843 or rlackey@ swainmail.org

Indianpreneurship class. Starting April 25. Tuesdays from 6-9pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Conference Room. This five-week course provides insight on what it takes to start and run a business. Create a mission statement, lay out business goals, and build a business plan. Cost is \$65 and includes the book. To register, http://bit.ly/Indianpreneurship-Spring-2017. Info: Sabrina S. Arch 359-6708, sabrarch@nc-cherokee.com, or Kim Winchester-Rosario 359-6719. kimbrosa@nc-cherokee.com

Health/Sports

3rd Annual Stress and Healing Arts Retreat. March 24-25 at Cherokee Central School. Learn about stress and healthy ways to manage it. Learn about grief and trauma and how to process it within your life. Experience massage, aromatherapy, healing touch, yoga, Tai Chi, and more. Must be 18 years of age or older. Info: Tara McCoy 359-6783, taramcc@ nc-cherokee.com; Robin Callahan 359-6785, robibail@nc-cherokee.

com; Rose James 359-6787, rosejame@nc-cherokee.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for Feb. 24-26

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.

Flagler County Native American Festival. Feb. 25-26 at Princess Place Preserve in Palm Coast, Fla. Info: Flagler County Parks & Recreation (386) 313-4020 (option 1), eyates@flaglercounty.org

Indigenous Peoples' Pow Wow. Feb. 24-26 at Middle Tennessee State University Tennessee Livestock Center in Murfreesboro, Tenn. MC: Ron Colombe. Host Northern: Prairie Thunder. Host Southern: The Bandits. Info: Melissa Shelby (615) 705-8462, tribalproducts@yahoo.com

OKC Princess Honor Dance. Feb. 25 at Heart of Oklahoma Expo Center in Shawnee, Okla. MC: Chad Tahchawickah. Host Drum: Comanche Little Ponies. Info: Neil Colbert (405) 664-5202

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879 Rent is \$60/ day for gym and community room with \$25 returnable clean-up fee.

Big Cove Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club

meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the new Painttown Gym. Info: Lula Jackson 736-1511, Lois Dunston 736-3230, Abe Queen (Free Labor) 269-8110, Jennifer Jackson (building rental) 269-7702

Snowbird Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 361-3278,rogersmoker@yahoo.com

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

Yellowhill Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben 497-2043 to be scheduled.

Community Groups

Big Y Archery Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm at the Big Y Community Club Building. Indoor targets and 3D game targets available. This is free of charge to all and everyone is welcome. Instruction is available.

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer. Couture@cherokeehospital.org

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 ence room

Life Recovery 12-step Groups meeting information. Tsalagi Life Recovery Group meets Mondays from 6:30-7:30pm at Macedonia Church Fellowship Hall at 1182 Wolftown Road in Cherokee. Analenisgi Life Recovery Group meets Thursdays at 9-10am at Analenisgi Recovery Center. Info: Text or call Deb Conseen-Bradley 226-8498 or Bro. Dan Conseen

508-2629

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays) Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am - 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm Wednesday: Managing "Monkey Mind" 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/ AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays) Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene' Brown 10-11am; Managing "Monkey Mind" 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every fourth Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dieticians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459



You can't fix a pedestrian at a body shop.

Slow down and watch for pedestrians.

TRADING POST

FOR SALE

For Sale - 1,001 acres in the Big Cove Community Parcel No#698, Sherrill Cove Rd. (910)464-2228. 3/8

SERVICES

Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 828-497-4128. 4/13

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Birdtown Community

The following is a list of tribal

members that have documents to sign in the Tribal Realty Services Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolutions Angie Christine Owle Swayney, Ardina Bobbie Walkingstick, Bernard David Wilnoty, Bobbi Lynn Smith, Christopher Dean Dugan, Curtis Lee Wildcatt, Daniel Trent Winchester, David Eugene Mc-Coy, David Lawrence Jay Huskey, Dennis Brandon Shuler, Donald Carl Cline, Edith Pauline Cooper Fisher, Elsie Addiline Wolfe Rattler, Eugene Thompson, Frank William Bradley, Jr., Franklin Terry Taylor, Frieda Louise Otter Jenkins, Gail Lynn Crisp Dehart, Harry Taylor,

Jeanne Beck Stamper, Jerry Russell Blankenship, Joseph Curtis McCoy, Kandace Rhean Griffin, Kathleen Wildcat, Kevin Edward Nations, Kristy Ann Nations, Lauren Christian Goings, Leigh Ann Owle, Leslie Lee Taylor, Lillie Marlene Tolley Cline, Luther George Goings, Lydia Louise Taylor Goings, Margaret Ethel McCoy Crowe, Mary Winona Wolfe Youngbird, Melissa Renee Cline, Michele Annette Mathis Wilnoty, Ned Julius Taylor, Patricia Ann Lambert, Philip Sampson Armachain, Phillip Charles Pheasant, Ray Anthony McCoy, Reena Lashanda Murphy, Reggie Scott Stanberry, Richard Thomas McCoy, Ruth Marie Sequoyah McCoy, Samuel Quinton Frankiewicz, Sarah Allen Ben, Sarah Rosalie Cabe Lewis, Timothy Ray Taylor, Tyler Simeon Taylor, Victoria Ann Frankiewicz, William Lawson Smith, William Preston Roach, William Thomas Thompson, Zachariah Lightening Rattler, Zachary Alexander Smith, Parent or Guardian of Anna Grace Cabe, Parent or Guardian of Eli Timothy McCoy

Agreement to Divisions

Mary Edith Reed Smith, Dennis Ray James, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, George Milton James, (Doris Earlene Lambert), Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dwayne Lambert, Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Howard Vincent Sneed, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Jackie Lee Johnson

If you've submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please visit the Tribal Realty Office to update your survey application.

Proposed Land Transfers

Quincy Watty, Sr., to Robert Leroy Blankenship and Laura Jane Blankenship for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 37-C (Part of Parcel No. 37-A), containing 2.51 acres, more or less.

Randale Maurilio Hernandez to Jennifer Wachacha for Snowbird Community Parcel No. 338-S (Part of Parcel No. 338-I), containing 1.213 acres, more or less.

Henderson Climbingbear, Jr., to Simpson Queen, Jr., for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 375, containing 6.083 acres, more or less.

Ralph Moses Smith to William Lawson Smith for Painttown Community Parcel No. 272, containing 5.24 acres, more or less. (Undivided Interest)



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Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

Varsity Girls Softball
Head Coach- Must have
previous coaching experience.
Maintenance Worker I - Must
have High School diploma or GED,
with experience related to field.
Special Education Teacher NC Teaching license required.

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



HAMPAGE CHARGENES Configer Internet Cleaning Specialist (FT/PT) Cook I (FT) Cook II (FT) Dising Attendant Dual Rate Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced Food & Beverage Cashier Front Service Attendant Pit Clerk Poker Dealer - Experienced (PT) Room Attendant (PT \$10.00) Senior Cook *\$400 hiring bonus Table Games Dealer Taning School (PT) Table Games Dealer Training School (PT) Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced Valet Parker (PT) HARRAM*S CHEROKEE VALLEY RIVER CASINO Cook (PT) Front Desk Clerk (PT & FT) Room Attendants (PT) Security Officer/EMT (FT) Stoward, EDR (PT)





Visit HARRAHSCHEROKEEJOBS.COM or call 828.497.8778 for a complete listing of jobs. "Eligibility restrictions do apply for Aning bonus positions. Please see Telent Acquisition Department for details.



If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-garning positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/datg test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Garning Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from Barn - 4:30pm, Call 828,407.8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828,497.8540.

Scan this code to connect with us instantly by using Facebook Messenger!





For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

POSITIONS OPEN

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

Closing Monday, March 6, 2017 at 4:00pm \$51,353) 1. TOP/Council Assistant- TOP (\$23,616 -\$29,520) 2. Assistant Court Clerk- Tribal Court (\$34.112 -\$42,640) \$56,273) 3. Laborer (2 positions)- HCD (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 4. Recreation Coordinator- Tsali Care Center (\$31.078 - \$38.848) 5. Cook Supervisor- Tsali Care Center (\$25,830--\$38,848)\$32,288) 6. Cook- Senior Citizens (\$23,616 - \$29,520) -\$38.848) 7. Assistant Manager- Transit (\$45,018 - \$56,273) 8. Housekeeper II (2 positions)- Housekeeping \$38,848) (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 9. Quality Improvement Coordinator- Regulatory & (\$49,200-\$61,500) Compliance (\$49,200-\$61,500) 10. Driver/ Receptionist (Snowbird)- Transit (\$23,616 - \$29,520) \$56,273) 11. Telecommunicator (2 positons)- Public Safety (\$31.078 - \$38.848)12. Probation Officer- Tribal Court (\$34.112 -\$42,640) 13. Housekeeper II (2 positions)- Tsali Care Center (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 14. Physician Extender (Level 3)- Womens Wellness (\$58,794-\$73,493) 15. Benefits and Compensation Manager- HR (\$70,192-\$87,740) 16. Employee Relations Coordinator- HR (\$37,474-\$46,843) 17. Benefits Coordinator- HR (\$37,474-\$46,843) 18. Organizational Development Specialist- HR (\$45,018 - \$56,273) 19. Retirement Specialist- HR (\$45,018 - \$56,273) 20. Mechanic (2 positions)- Motor Pool (\$34,112 -\$38,848)\$42.640) 21. Utility Worker (2 positions) (Re-advertisement)-\$42,640) Tribal Construction (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 22. Truck Driver/ Crew Leader (2 positions)- Solid \$61,500) Waste (\$34,112 - \$42,640) 23. Recreation Aide (3 positions)- Cherokee Life \$24,498) (\$21,484-\$26,855) 24. Recreation Supervisor- Cherokee Life (\$31,078 \$38,848) 25. Park Maintenance Technician (2 positions)-Cherokee Life (\$31.078 - \$38.848) 26. Supervisor Social Services- Senior Citizens \$104,653) (\$41.082-\$51.353) 27. Processing Specialist (Re-advertisement)- WIC (\$28,372-\$35,465) (\$23,616 - \$29,520) Closing Monday, February 27, 2017 at 4:00pm (\$76,670-\$95,838) due to Presidents Day Holiday 1. Firefighter (2 positions)- Fire & Rescue (\$34,112 \$51.353) \$42.640) 2. Property Control Officer- Finance (\$41,082-(\$34,112-\$42,640) \$51.353) 3. WIC Nutrition Coordinator- WIC (\$41,082-

4. Laborer- CDOT (\$25,830-\$32,288) 5. Equipment Operator- CDOT (\$34,112 - \$42,640) 6. Construction Manager- CDOT (\$45.018 -7. Receptionist- Transit (\$21,484-\$26,855) 8. Driver- Transit (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 9. Safety & Training Coordinator- Transit (\$31,078 10. Mobility Support Secretary- Transit (\$31,078 11. Education Supervisor- CYC (\$31,078 -12. Finance Management Specialist-QHA 13. Supply Coordinator- OHA (\$28,372-\$35,465) 14. Information Security Specialist- IT (\$45,018 -15. Infrastructure Services Manager (Re-advertisement)- IT (\$53,792-\$67,240) 16. Early Childhood Immersion Instructor (Re-advertisement)- KPEP (\$31.078 - \$38,848) 17. Stocking Coordinator- Natural Resources (\$31.078 - \$38.848)18. Lead Environmental Laboratory Technician-Natural Resources (\$34.112 - \$42.640) 19. Youth Development Professional (2 positions)-CYC (\$21,484-\$26,855) 20. KPEP Receptionist (Re-advertisement)- KPEP (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 21. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant-KPEP (\$25,830-\$32,288) **Open Until Filled** 1. Detention Officer - Detention Services (\$31,078 2. Part Time- Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34.112 -3. RN Supervisor - Tsali Care Center (\$49,200 -4. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 -5. RN-Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 - \$56,273) 6. C.N.A. - Tsali Care Center (\$23,616 - \$29,520) 7. Associate Attorney General IV- Civil Law (\$91,348-\$114,185) 8. Tribal Prosecutor II- Criminal Law (\$83.722-9. Teacher - Dora Reed Center/OBHS/EHS 10. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law 11. Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41.082-12. Family Safety Grant Coordinator- Family Safety 13. C.N.A. (3 positions) - Home Health (\$23,616 -\$29,520)

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

ATTENTION ALL HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

The Tribal Higher Education Program will be holding

MANDATORY MEETINGS

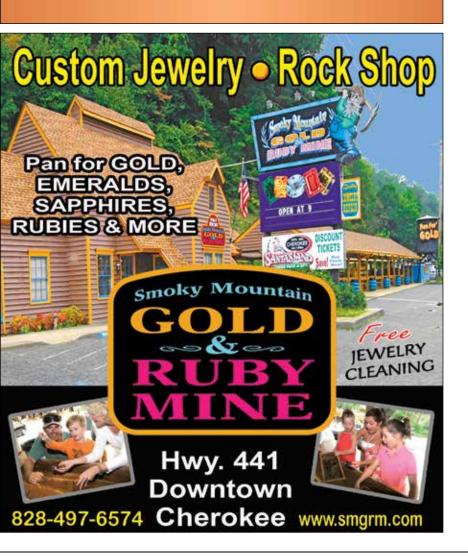
FOR STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENTS/GUARDIANS TO DISCUSS TRIBAL FUNDING PROCESSES

Thursday, March 9th - 5:30 pmSaturday, March 11th - 10:00 amThursday, March 16th - 5:30 pmSaturday, March 18th - 10:00 am



You must call the Higher Education office to reserve a time and date to attend one of these meetings.

(828) 359-6650



CHEROKEE STRONG

ПРСМА САУЭАЛ

A Diabetes Prevention Program that supports you in making healthy lifestyle changes includes nutrition, physical activity, goal setting, and stress management



THE PROGRAM:

- FREE group classes weekly, Wednesdays 12-1 or 4:45-5:45 for 16 weeks starting March 8th 2017. Held in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex Community Rooms, 806 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC OR starting March 7th Tuesdays, 12-1 at Snowbird Community Complex, 54 Snowbird Rd, Robbinsville, NC.
- Free healthy meal, child care, gas gift cards for attendance and prizes!
- Team Competition OPTION for a chance to win a grand prize!
- Each participant will have a Lifestyle Coach to offer ongoing support on their journey towards a healthy lifestyle.

REQUIREMENTS:

- · Committed to attending 10 out of 16 classes
- Pay a \$5 entry fee (funds will go towards the winning team)
- · At risk for developing Type 2 Diabetes, risk factors include:
 - · Cherokee or other minority race
 - Parent or sibling with diabetes
 - Diagnosis of gestational diabetes
 - Gave birth to baby weighing over 9#
 - Pre-diabetes
 45 years of age or older

- Inactivity
 Ourseusisht or
- Overweight or Obese
- High Blood Pressure
- High Cholesterol or Triglycerides
 - Dark skin around my neck or armpits (acanthosis nigricans)

SPACE IS LIMITED. CHEROKEE: Robin 828- 359-6785, <u>robibail@nc-cherokee.com</u>, Karen 828-359-6498, <u>karewalt@nc-cherokee.com</u> SNOWBIRD: Contact Lisa 828-479-3924, Lisa.Denzer@cherokeehospital.org or Jennifer 828-346-6990, jennwach@nc-cherokee.com

OPEN HOUSE: Drop in Wed, Feb 22nd 11:30-1 OR 3:30-5 pm- Food, Prizes & Enrollment in the GLW Community Rooms, Cherokee, NC

Sponsored by PHHS, CIHA, Cherokee Choices, Cherokee Fitness Complex & Mountain Wise

EMPLOYMENT

Now Hiring: The Cherokee Historical Association is looking to hire a seasonal Gardener. Applications and job description can be picked at the CHA main office. Applicants must submit a complete application by the C.O.B on March 3rd, 2017. Position starts on March 13th, 2017

Guidelines:

- Indian preference applies, must show proof.
- Must have knowledge of gardening
- Be available to begin work in mid-March through October
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays

• Must make it through the interview process if selected. **2/23pd**

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring an Operations Manager. This

position requires a person who is creative, retail oriented, and a fast learner. Applicants can pick up a job description and an application at the CHA main office. Applicants must submit a completed application, resume by C.O.B March 10, 2017. Position starts on March 20, 2017.

- Guidelines:
- Indian preference applies, must show proof.
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays.
- Must make it through the interview process.
- Requires great guest service skills.
- Be available to begin work in
- March and work through November.
- Associate's Degree or equivalent management experience required.
- Retail management experience is preferred.

• Have good knowledge of Cherokee craft appraisal.

• Must have knowledge of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians culture and about the culturally based tourism industry.

• Requires the ability to coordinate activities and events, market and promote, communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing. **3/2pd**

CNA NEEDED – Cherokee Area / Part-Time 78 hrs a month, Monday through Friday good starting pay. Call 828-524-6444. **3/16**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Housekeeper – 3rd Shift Registration Receptionist Clerk – ICC

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on February 24, 2017 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **2/23pd**

TRIBAL CHILD SUPPORT SER-VICES has the following position available: Child Support Court Clerk.

The Child Support Court Clerk contributes to the clerk's office and assists the Child Support Manager in the operation of the court filings and daily operations of the office. Applications and full job description are available at the Tribal Child Support Services office located at 1526 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC. Monday-Friday 7:45 AM to 4:30 PM. This position will close on March 3, 2017 at 4:30 PM. **3/2pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Maintenance Technician

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on March 03, 2017 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application.**3/2pd**

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions: Senior Concierge (shift leadership position), Concierge, Female Host. Male Host. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed position: NC Licensed Massage Therapist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more. Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspa. com for consideration. 3/2pd

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 16-006 In the Matter of the Estate of

Sarah Wayne Catolster

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

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

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

Billy Jo Miller, 45 Catolster Johnson Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/23pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-001

In the Matter of the Estate of Sharon A. Sequoyah

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION Kerry Penland, 43 Wilbur Se-

quoyah Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/23pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-008 In the Matter of the Estate of

Mike Leroy Thompson All persons, firms and corpo-

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

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

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

Sarah Thompson Toineeta, P.O. Box 43, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-005 In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret (Margie) Crisp Howard

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

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

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

Floyd Howard, 760 Birdtown Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-010 In the Matter of the Estate of Allen Dale Rowland

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery. Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

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

James Rowland, 744 Wagon Wheel Gap Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-069 In the Matter of the Estate of

Elsie W Watty

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

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

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

Rebecca Watty, 89 Steve Watty Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/2pd**

Notice to All Parties with outstanding POKERPRO balances at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort

Due to the discontinuation of the Pokerpro Poker system, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will disburse any remaining Pokerpro funds to their rightful owners until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Pokerpro funds will no longer be available after midnight on May 12, 2017.

The above mentioned Pokerpro balances may be withdrawn by the person named on the Pokerpro account at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Poker room cashier. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

Notice to All Parties in Possession of Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips

This is notification of the retirement of Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips that were in use prior to August 31, 2012. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will redeem all outstanding \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, from any persons/parties possessing such until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, will be deemed to be of no value, and will no longer be accepted or redeemed after midnight on May 12, 2017. The above mentioned chips can be redeemed for cash at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort cashier cages. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. 5/11pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File Nos.: EST 11-002; EST 11-003; EST 11-008; EST 11-016; EST 11-018.

In the Matter of the Estates of: Leonard Ray Swayney (d. 11/17/2010); Calvin Ray Swayney (d. 12/6/2010); Dave Lossiah (d. 1/12/2011); Adonna Lynn Wolfe (d. 1/14/2011); Paul Stephen West (d. 4/11/2011). All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby notified of a hearing to settle the above named estates at the following date and time or be barred from making any further claims against the estate.

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center, March 9th, 2017 at 1:30pm **3/9pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-011

In the Matter of the Estate of Edison Thompson

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

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

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

Amanda Strohm, P.O. Box 1983, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/16pd**

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

Affidavit of Circumstances Warranting Service by Publication – Complaint for Absolute Divorce and Custody Christy Lou Wachacha, Plaintiff v. Nicolas Caztro-Jimenez, defendant I, Christy Lou Wachacha, being duly sworn, depose and say: 1. That service was performed upon Defendant by publication of a Notice in the Cherokee One Feather,

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a newspaper qualified for legal advertising in accordance with North Carolina General Statute 1-597, 1-598 and published for a period of three consecutive weeks, beginning on Thursday, Dec. 8 and ending Thursday, Dec. 22. The Notice required Defendant to answer or make defense no later than Jan. 18, 2017, a period of forty (40) days from the date of first publication. 2. That personal service was attempted by the Cherokee Indian Police Department but Defendant was not found at his last known address.

3. That the cause of this service by publication was that the Plaintiff has had no contact with the Defendant; the Defendant's whereabouts were unknown and could not with

due diligence be ascertained; 4. That the Plaintiff was unable to mail a copy of the Notice of Service of Process to Defendant because Plaintiff has no knowledge of post office address for Defendant and Plaintiff could not with reasonable diligence ascertain such address; 5. That the necessity for Service by Publication having been established and the publication procedure of Rule 4(j1) and Rule 4(j2)(3) having been complied with, as evidenced by the attached Affidavit of Publication, the Plaintiff respectfully requests that the Court grant the Plaintiff the relief sought. 2/23pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 17-013 In the Matter of the Estate of



Monday through Friday (828-497-9101). The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.

BERNADINE H. 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 PUBLICA-TION

Denise George, 895 Stillwell Branch Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-007 In the Matter of the Estate of Donald 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 PUBLICA-TION

Donovan Crowe, P.O. Box 1341, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/16pd**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Bids are being accepted for 2017 pageant crowns 2017 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.

2017 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.

2017 Junior 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.

Bidders must be prepared to present designs to the Board on Monday, Feb. 27 at 5pm at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Info: Yona Wade 554-5032 or email cherokeepageantboard@ gmail.com . **2/23**

Request for Proposal

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Facility Management Program Landscaping for 21 Tribal Buildings for 2017 Proposal pack can be picked up at Facility Management, 120 Lee Taylor Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 Proposal can be hand delivered to the following address: Facility Management, PO Box 455, 120 Lee Taylor, Cherokee, NC 28719, ATTN: Justin French, justfren@nc-cherokee.com 828-359-6957/736-1266 Deadline: February 24, 2017 at 12N Eastern Time. 2/23pd

SEQUSYAH FUND TRAINING FOR BUSINESS OV We're celebrating National

Entrepreneurship Week!

●LUNCH & LEARN

Wednesday, February 22 11:30-1:30pm

"Free Website Builders"

Have lunch with us and learn about free tools to help get your business online and sell to the world. Seating is limited for this event, so register today.

OPEN HOUSE

Thursday, February 23 1:30-4:30pm

Come hang with Sequoyah Fund and learn more about us. We will have food catered by Lil Harvey's, artwork by artists in Authentically Cherokee Program, Star

Beans Coffee, freebies, and you can tour the new photo/video studio. Free 10 min. chair massages available--By appointment only. 359-5005

• PROFESSIONAL HEADSHOTS Thursday, February 23 9-1pm

Professional photographers (and Sequoyah Fund clients) will be on hand to take your professional headshot or group photo. These are great for your website, brochures, signs, and other media. You will receive two digital copies-FREE

By appointment only. 359-5005

CHECK YOUR PERSONAL CREDIT Friday, February 24 Anytime!

Your ability to obtain credit depends on the information in your personal credit report. Drop in anytime on Friday, and let Russ or Hope check your credit and help you decipher all the information. It only takes a few minutes.

For more information or to schedule an appointment/registercontact us: 828-359-5005/ hopehuskey@sequoyahfund.org











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