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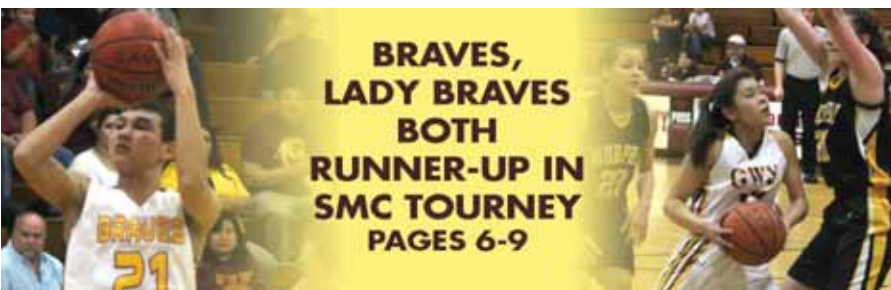
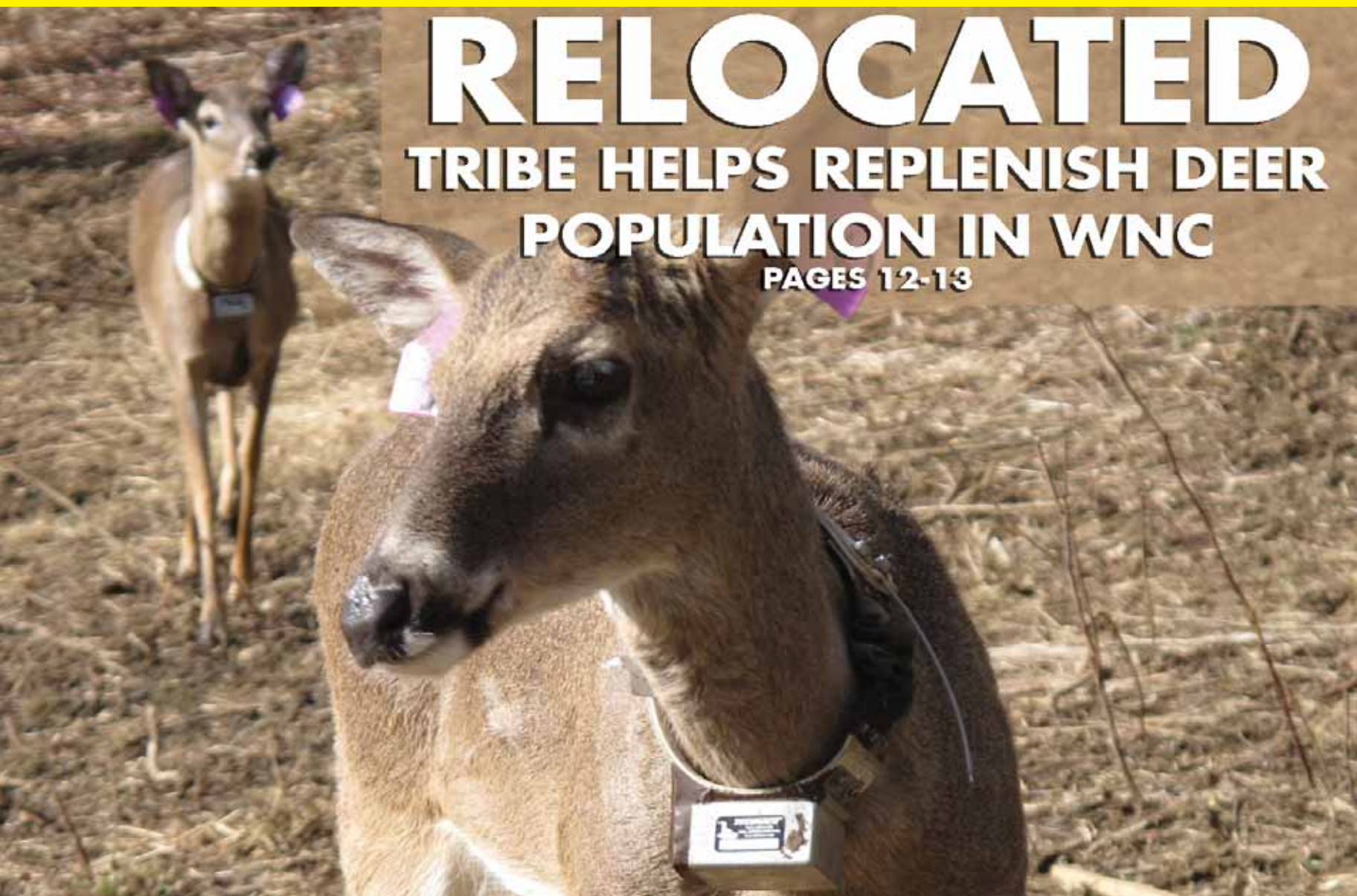
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Cherokee fans cheer on the Lady Braves during the Smoky Mountain Conference tournament championship game at Swain County High School on Friday, Feb. 21. Fans packed the house for each of the boys and girls games during the tournament.

POPULAR LAST WEEK on theonefeather.com

1. Conley

An article on the death of noted Cherokee author Robert J. Conley was tops on the site last week.

2. Lady Braves

An article on the Lady Braves being the runner-up in the SMC tourney was quite popular. See full coverage pages 6-9.

3. SMC finals

The Braves and Lady Braves advanced to the finals of last week's SMC tournament.

WORTH QUOTING

"Everybody is involved in changing a life."

- Principal Chief Michell Hicks at last week's unveiling of the new Cherokee Public Health and Human Services Division



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Health Division unveils new name, branding strategy

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

The EBCI Health and Medical Division is no longer. The new Cherokee Public Health and Human Services Division is taking its place and was officially introduced to the public during an event at the division's administrative building on Tuesday, Feb. 18. The new division includes the programs from the old Health and Medical Division as well as a new Social Services office that will handle those responsibilities on the Cherokee Indian Reservation now.

The new division will consist of the following main programs which will contain numerous smaller programs under their umbrella: Heart-to-Heart, Juvenile Services, Commodity Foods, Domestic Violence and the Ernestine Walkingstick Shelter, Emergency Housing, and Family Services.

"We started this endeavor many years ago, and it's happened in several phases," Principal Chief Michell Hicks said during the event. "There started to be some doubt and frustration, but through diligence, commitment, dedication, and hard work, we were able to get to today where we have a new division that is going to handle all of the social services issues related to the Tribe."

He praised the staff of the division and commented, "Everybody is involved in changing a life. As we look at where we're going with this new division, that's what it's going to be about, our responsibility to change lives. If we change one, that's awesome, but I anticipate that we're going to change a lot of lives."

Chief Hicks said one of the main reasons behind the new division is to bring programs together. "We have a lot of good programs, but we have



Vickie Bradley, EBCI Deputy Health Officer, explains the logo of the new Cherokee Public Health and Human Service Division during an event launching the new division on Tuesday, Feb. 18.

a lot of silos. With the new division, we're going to do our best to take these silos away, and there will be a better sense of cooperation. They will be working closer together, be housed closer together, and I truly think there's going to be new results in a few months and a few years."

He ended by saying, "We've got a responsibility to generations ahead, and we want to make sure we're putting our best foot forward. This decision has not been easy, and it's not going to be easy going forward...but, I'm confident with the expertise we have here that they're going to get the job done."

Chairperson Terri Henry noted, "On behalf of Council, I would like to thank you all from the very bottom of our hearts for all of the effort and everything that you put into making this happen. I know that we, as Council members, are the ones who get the phone calls whenever fami-

lies are in crisis, and a lot of times it's been hard for us to tell people who to go see because the system was sort of fragmented."

She continued, "Our families really should be number one. They should come first. Those children that are living in whatever situation they are living in; they need to come first."

Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, who serves as the chairperson for the Tribal Council Social Services Committee, said, "It's been a long time coming. I know it started with Leon Jones' administration, and we've plugged along. No county will ever be able to do what we can do for our own people."

Wolfetown Rep. David Wolfe, who serves as the chairperson for the Tribal Council Health Board, commented, "I'd like to thank everyone that helped do the planning. When I first heard of the idea for a



Principal Chief Michell Hicks speaks during Tuesday's event.

new division, I was thinking, 'wow, are we going to take all of this on at one time?' But, they broke it down into a timeline, and that was a little more acceptable to me."

Vickie Bradley, EBCI Deputy Health Officer, related, "We have so many partners that will help us succeed and continue to help us."

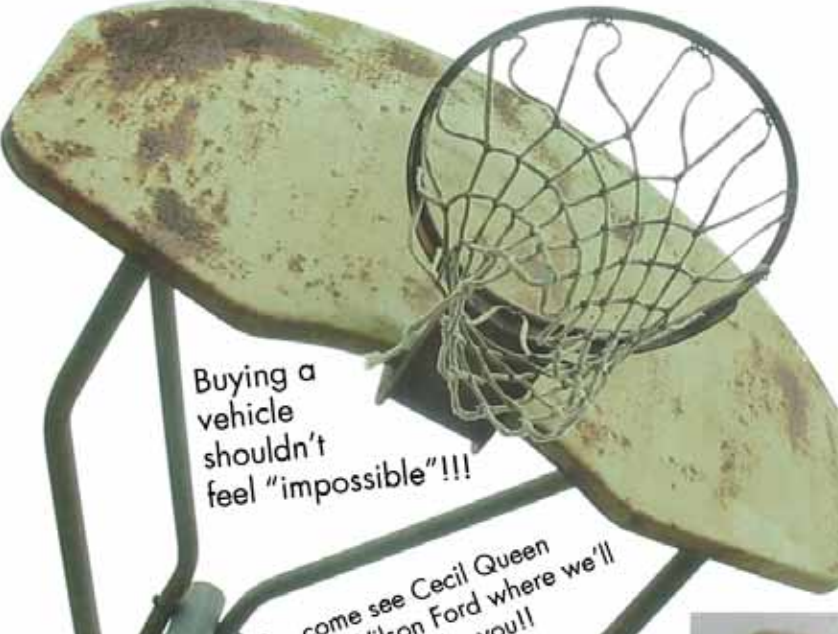
"I've said many times before, we are honored to work with our leadership and to have so many committed individuals to this cause because families are first."

Bradley said the logo for the new division was completed with input from employees and community members. The sassafras leaf was used for the healing nature of the plant, and water was used to symbolize the traditional use of water in Cherokee life. "Water is also very cleansing and purifying, and the ripple effect is the effect we want to have on our families."

The mountains represent the Cherokee people and the families that the division will help.

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BASKETBALL

Braves are runner-up in SMC tourney

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

BRYSON CITY – The Cherokee Braves (15-10) were the runner-up in this past week's Big Smoky Mountain Conference tournament held at Swain County High School. After defeating Andrews 51-45 in the semi-finals, the Braves ran into shooting issues in the finals against Robbinsville on Friday, Feb. 20 losing 66-52.

Robbinsville 66 Braves 52

The Braves only shot 28 percent from the field and 16 percent on three-point shots (4 of 25). When asked after the game what his team might be able to take from the game, head coach Willis Tullos replied, "Nothing. It's a totally worthless night. There's nothing you can get out of this...you've got to score to win a basketball game, and we shot terribly so there's nothing you can take from this except a loss."

Coach Tullos said his team needs some confidence going into the playoffs. "They need to learn to play big games. Big games are different from the regular season, and we haven't been in any big games."

Robbinsville didn't shoot much better from three-point range at only 20 percent, but their field goal percentage was much better at 45 percent. That said, the first half was very close as the Black Knights led 12-8 after the first period and only led by two (27-25) at the half.

They did begin to pull away in the second half outscoring Cherokee 17-10 in the third and 22-17 in the fourth to take the 14pt win.

Jesse Toineeta led the way for Cherokee with 22pts followed by Dustin Johnson with 12. Johnson also had 16 rebounds and 5 steals.

Other Cherokee scorers included: Jason McMillan 7, Brandt Sutton 2, Kennan Panther 5, Darius Thompson 2, and Silas Reed-Little-

john 2.

Robbinsville scorers included: Cruz Galavis 4, Jesse Franks 6, Cole Huskey 26, Skyler Matheson 14, Tyler Long 5, Brett Crowe 10, and Colby Hemphill 1.

Robbinsville defeated Hayesville 40-33 on Thursday night to advance to the finals.

Braves 51 Andrews 45

After a first round bye due to their #1 seed, the Braves faced Andrews in the semi-finals on Thursday, Feb. 20.

This game was tight in the first half with the Braves taking a slim 12-11 lead after the first period. The second period was deadlocked at 11pts each, and Cherokee took that 1pt lead into the locker room.

The third period was a different ballgame. Cherokee came out on fire and doubled Andrews' points in the period 16-8 to go up 39-30.

Andrews came back and got to within 3pts at several times in the fourth period. The game changer came with 12 seconds left. Cherokee was up 49-45 and Andrews had the ball when Darius Thompson stole the ball and drove down for a layup with 9 seconds left to seal the game for the Braves.

Thompson led the Braves with 16pts followed by Jason McMillan with 13. Cherokee had 14 steals in the game including 4 by McMillan and 3 by Thompson.

Other Cherokee scorers included: Brandt Sutton 4, Jesse Toineeta 3, Dustin Johnson 11, and Silas Reed-Littlejohn 4.

Andrews scorers included: Chase Hardin 8, Dakota Bateman 2, Jacob Whitaker 9, Seth Pyle 11, and Aaron DeVore 15.

To advance to the semi-finals, Andrews narrowly defeated Murphy 49-48 in the first round. Other first round games included: Hayesville 72 Rosman 35 and Robbinsville 66 Swain County 58.



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Darius Thompson (#20) drives against Robbinsville's Jesse Franks (#5) during the SMC finals on Friday night.



Kennan Panther drives to the basket against Robbinsville's Jesse Franks (#5) during Friday's final.



Dustin Johnson (#22) goes inside for a lay-up in the first period of Thursday's semi-final game against Murphy.

BASKETBALL

Lady Braves are runner-up in SMC tourney

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

BRYSON CITY – The Lady Braves (22-3) were the runner-up in this past week's Big Smoky Mountain Conference tournament following a tough 55-49 loss to Hayesville in the finals on Friday, Feb. 21. After blowing out the Murphy Lady Bulldogs 73-52 on Thursday, the Lady Braves came against a scrappy Lady Yellow Jackets team that shot 51 percent from the field in the finals.

Hayesville 55 Lady Braves 49

The Lady Braves showed a lot of heart in this game. They were down by as many as 15pts in the third period, but came back and actually took a 1pt lead with about three minutes left in the game with great hustle and deafening cheers from Cherokee fans.

Hayesville led 16-12 after the first period and then outscored the Lady Braves 15-8 in the second to take a 31-20 lead into the locker room. Cherokee came back outscoring Hayesville 15-14 in the third and 14-10 in the fourth, but a couple of missed shots and a late turnover sealed the game for Hayesville.

"They showed their heart," head coach Chris Mintz said after the game. "They played with a lot of heart. They could have folded."

He is optimistic about his team going into the playoffs. "Tough games like this make you tougher so hopefully it'll help us out and we can get back to Greensboro and have a shot at it."

Avery Mintz led Cherokee with 26pts followed by Kendall Toineeta with 16. Mintz added 10 rebounds and 2 steals. Toineeta had 7 rebounds and 2 steals as well.

Other Cherokee scorers included: LeLe Lossiah 3, Bree Stamper 2, Brionna Jumper 1, and Peri Wildcatt 1.

Hayesville scorers included: Meghan McQuade 26, Courtney McNabb 2, Hannah Long 3, Savannah Anderson 4, Amanda Thompson 10, Rachel Benson 3, and Stephanie Patton 7.

To advance to the finals, Hayesville defeated Robbinsville 59-54 on Thursday.

Lady Braves 73 Murphy 52

Following a bye in the first round due to their #1 seed, the Lady Braves faced #5 seed Murphy in the semi-finals on Thursday, Feb. 20.

The Lady Braves came out running in this game and built up a 28-10 lead after the first period. The Lady Bulldogs got a little more offense going in the second quarter, but not much more as Cherokee took a 47-24 lead into the locker room. The second half was a little more even with Murphy actually outscoring Cherokee by two points, but the first half lead was too much for them to overcome and the Lady Braves won by 21.

Avery Mintz led Cherokee with 19pts followed by Kendall Toineeta with 14. Toineeta also had 7 assists and 7 steals in the game. Overall, Cherokee had 17 steals in the game. That, combined with Murphy's 29 turnovers, made for a nice possession game for the Lady Braves.

Other Cherokee scorers included: LeLe Lossiah 9, Bree Stamper 8, Miranda Smith 3, Brionna Jumper 10, Peri Wildcatt 5, and Taran Swimmer 5.

Murphy's scorers included: Amy Trull 1, Katie Moss 2, Mich King 2, Leah Palmer 2, Sarah Nicely 6, Haley Chastain 8, Emma Stroup 7, Hannah Carson 16, Hannah Setser 3, and Kendra Henry 5.

To advance to the semi-finals, Murphy defeated #4 seed Rosman 67-53 in the first round. Other first round games included: Robbinsville 63 Swain 39 and Hayesville 61 Andrews 23.



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Kendall Toineeta shoots a jump shot over Hayesville's Savannah Anderson (#12) during Friday's final. Toineeta finished the game with 16pts, 7 rebounds and 2 steals.



Avery Mintz (#22) drives between two Hayesville defenders including Amanda Thompson (#20) and Stephanie Patton (#32) during Friday's final. Mintz finished the game with 26pts, 10 rebounds and 2 steals.



Taran Swimmer (#34) goes for a lay-up against Murphy during the semi-finals on Thursday. She ended the game with 5pts.

BASKETBALL

Braves' shots fall in 1st round win over Bessemer City

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

The Braves have found their range again. Following a rough shooting game (28 percent) in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference championship game last week, Cherokee, the #7 seed in the western Section, shot a much better 40 percent on Monday, Feb. 24 as they defeated #10 seed Bessemer City 72-56 in the first round of the 1A state playoffs.

"It was a great win for us," said head coach Willis Tullos. "They (Bessemer) are a pretty athletic team. We played a lot better than last weekend."

He said looking forward in the playoffs they have to be "ready to go and play our best ballgame".

Dustin Johnson led the way for Cherokee with 23pts followed by Eli Littlejohn with 16. Littlejohn helped man the inside for the Braves against a tall, athletic Bessemer City team. In the process, he grabbed down 10 rebounds and had 3 blocked shots.

The Braves also had 9 total steals in the game with Jason McMillan, Darius Thompson, Jesse Toineeta, and Dustin Johnson having 2 each.

Cherokee started out strong in this game and led 16-9 after the first period. Bessemer City got things going in the second period though and outscored the Braves 24-15 to take a 33-31 lead into the locker room. That was short-lived however as the Braves came out in the second half firing and outscored the Yellow Jackets 20-11 in the third period and 21-12 in the fourth.

Other Braves scorers included: Jason McMillan 9, Brandt Sutton 4, Darius Thompson 8, and Jesse Toineeta 12.

Individual stats were not available for Bessemer City.

The Braves traveled to Avery County for the 2nd round on Wednesday, Feb. 26. Check next week's *One Feather* for details on that game.



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Eli Littlejohn (#35) is fouled as he goes inside for a shot by Bessemer City's Ronnie Webber (#35). Littlejohn had 16pts, 10 rebounds and 3 blocked shots on the night.



Dustin Johnson (#22) does a lay-up as Bessemer City's Michael Meeks (#11) tries to block his shot. Johnson led the Braves with 23pts.



Dustin Johnson (#22) and Eli Littlejohn (#35) contest a shot by Bessemer City's Trevon Oglesby (#55).

BASKETBALL

Lady Braves rout Mitchell in big 1st round playoff win



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos
Peri Wildcatt (#32) and Taran Swimmer (#34) guard Mitchell's Kennedy Grindstaff (#44).

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Lady Braves proved why they received the #1 seed in the western Section of the 1A state playoffs with a signature win over the Mitchell Lady Mountaineers on Monday, Feb. 24 at the Charles George Arena. Cherokee won big 77-37 behind 23pts by Avery Mintz and 16 by Kendall Toineeta.

"We came out kind of flat because we had just played a really emotional game last Friday, but we turned it on when we needed to and ended up winning the game by a large amount," said head coach Chris Mintz.

In looking ahead, he said there is still a lot of stiff competition, "Nothing's going to be easy this time."

Monday's game did start out a

little flat for the Lady Braves and Mitchell even led by a point very early on, but after that it was all Cherokee. The Lady Braves ended up leading 25-6 after the first period and 44-14 at the half.

Every player on the Cherokee roster got playing time in this game which will help going down the stretch as players coming off the bench frequently make much-needed contributions during playoff time.

The Lady Braves got a whopping 18 steals in this game with Mintz having 5 and Toineeta and LeLe Losiah each having 4.

Other Cherokee scorers included: Kendra Panther 3, LeLe Losiah 9, Bree Stamper 3, Miranda Smith 1, Brionna Jumper 7, Kayla Pheasant 2, Peri Wildcatt 9, and Taran Swimmer 4.



Avery Mintz (#22) drives past Mitchell's Jacque Wiseman (#24). Mintz led Cherokee with 23pts on the night.

Mitchell's scorers included: Katie Parkins 2, Tayler Duncan 3, Whitney Tipton 2, Monique Anderson 3, Jacque Wiseman 6, Breanna Jackson 3, Sarah Robinson 11,

Kennedy Atwood 2, and Kennedy Grindstaff 5.

Cherokee hosts #9 seed Robinsville for the 2nd round on Wednesday, Feb. 26 at 7pm.

WRESTLING

Five Tribal Members compete at State Meet

By **AMBLE SMOKER**
ONE FEATHER STAFF

GREENSBORO - Five tribal members from Cherokee, Swain and Robbinsville High Schools traveled to Greensboro to participate in the NCHSAA tournament on Feb. 21-22 with several individuals walking away with medals.

Spencer McCoy, Swain, took first place in 195lbs, Nathan Craig, Robbinsville, took third in 170lbs, Levi Swearingin, Cherokee, took fourth in 126lbs, Russell Bigmeat, Swain, took fourth in 138lbs, and Chris Miller, Swain, represented the 126lbs.

In a rematch from the close showing a week prior during the finals of the 1-A western regionals tournament, McCoy (29-0) collected his second state championship by pinning Avery County's Ryan Sheppard at the 1:24 mark in the third round.

McCoy seized control of the bout early by racking up take down points and jumping out to a 10-2 lead going into the third round. However, it was during the third and final round when McCoy was in the down position, down blocked on a shot by Sheppard, kept ahold of his arm and whipped Sheppard over to put McCoy in position to gain the pin.

"It was just one of those positions where he's pretty familiar with it, so he knew what to do. By doing so, he secured himself a second state championship," said Swain coach Adam Jaimez.

McCoy finished out his illustrious junior season undefeated. This was his second championship title in two years as he won his first as a sophomore with Robbinsville in 2013. He also placed fourth as a freshman in 2012.

Coach Jaimez noted, "We are very proud of him, he's very deserving. We're fortunate to have him, he's a hard worker and everything's that he's gotten this year is well earned."

Swearingin was able to overcome a second round loss to finish fourth in the tournament. He took the victory in convincing fashion during the quarterfinals as he pinned Grant Plyler from Albemarle at the 1:03 mark of the second round. In the second round,

Swearingin came out of the gates firing on all cylinders. At one point in the match, he had the eventual winner of the tournament, James Dagget, on his back with a near fall. However, the effects of a head cold became too great during the second round as Dagget was able to secure the win with a pin.

Cherokee coach Will Lambert stated, "He



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Cherokee's Levi Swearingin wrestles Chatham Central's James Dagget, the eventual state champion, in the 126lb division at the 1A state wrestling finals in Greensboro.

came in and did a real good job. He had the competitor who actually won the championship on his back in the first period. We were really excited about that, but he eventually ran out of gas."

Swearingin won another nail biter in the semi-finals of the consolation match by pinning Marlon Macintyre of Pamlico, but he ultimately finished fourth with a loss to Rosman's Tanner Whitman.

Full results of the five EBCI wrestlers are as follows:

126 – Levi Swearingin (Cherokee) pinned (Grant Plyler (Albemarle) at 3:03

126 – James Dagget (Chatham Central) pinned Levi Swearingin (Cherokee) at 4:34

126 – Levi Swearingin (Cherokee) pinned Marlon Macintyre (Pamlico) at 1:34

126 – Tanner Whitman (Rosman) defeated Levi Swearingin (Cherokee) 6-5

126 – James Dagget (Chatham Central) pinned Chris Miller (Swain) at 3:22

126 – Grant Plyler (Albemarle) pinned Chris Miller (Swain) at 2:54

138 – Russell Bigmeat (Swain) defeated Arie Freeman (Granville Central) by decision 15-5

138 – Chris Jaeger (Chatham Central) defeated Russell Bigmeat 22-7 by TF

138 – Russell Bigmeat (Swain) defeated Kittipong Phothisane by decision 7-1

138 – Nicholas Trego (Bishop McGuinness) defeated Russell Bigmeat by decision 13-7

170 – Nathan Craig (Robbinsville) defeated Connor Hough (Pamlico Co.) by decision 12-7

170 – Josh Drew (Rosewood) defeated Nathan Craig (Robbinsville) by decision 6-5

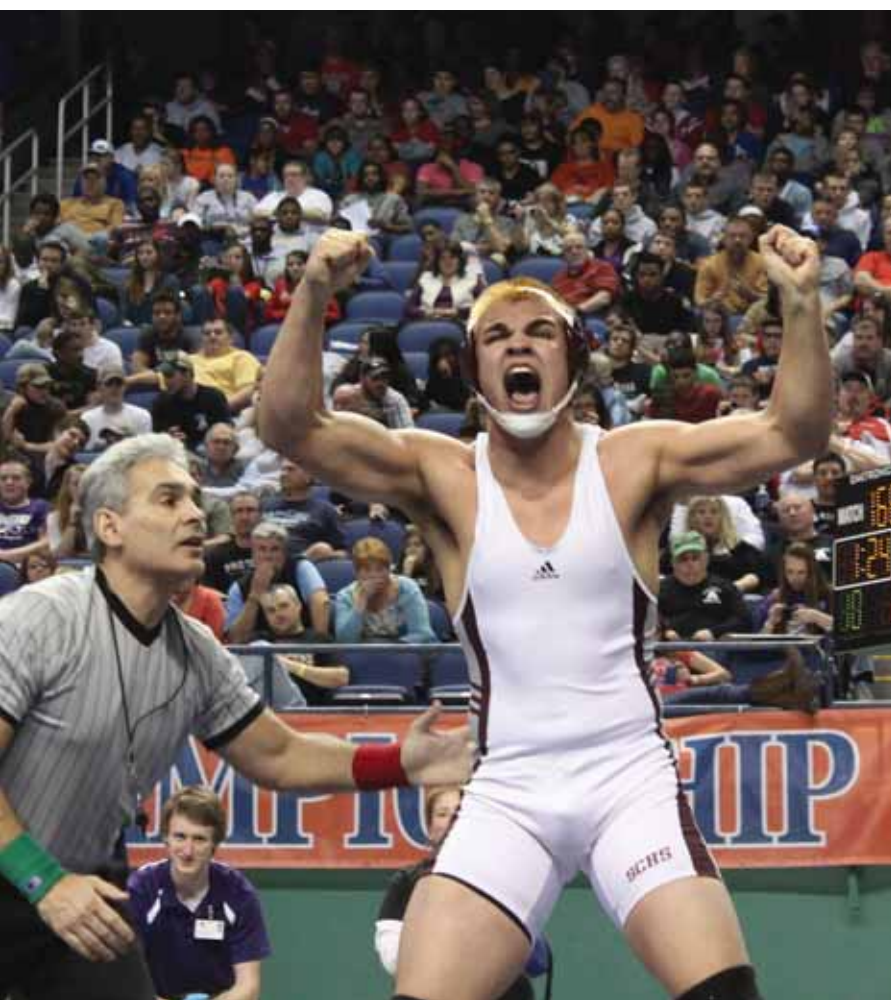
170 – Nathan Craig (Robbinsville) pinned Landon Mumford (Mt. Airy) at 3:03

170 – Nathan Craig (Robbinsville) defeated Matthew Chilton (East Carteret) by decision 11-7

195 – Spencer McCoy pinned Benjamin Ammons at 2:49

195 – Spencer McCoy defeated Creed Lovin by decision 8-1

195 – Spencer McCoy pinned Ryan Sheppard at 4:36



Spencer McCoy is shown just after he defeated Avery County's Ryan Sheppard in the finals of the 195lb division to claim his second consecutive state title.



Russell Bigmeat is shown with his fourth place medal he won in the 138lb division.



Levi Swarengin is shown with the medal he won in the 126lb division.

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18 – at Hayesville, 4:30pm
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21 – vs. Murphy, 4:30pm
25 – at Swain, 4:30pm
28 – vs. Blue Ridge, 4:30pm

April

8 – at Hiwassee Dam, 4:30pm
11 – at Andrews, 4:30pm
15 – vs. Rosman, 4:30pm
17 – at Robbinsville, 4:30pm
22 – vs. Hayesville, 4:30pm
25 – at Murphy, 4:30pm
29 – at Gatlinburg, 6pm

May

2 – at Blue Ridge, 4:30pm
6 – vs. Hiwassee Dam, 4:30pm
8 – vs. Swain, 4:30pm

Lady Braves Softball

February

26 – at Rabun Gap, 4pm

March

4 – at Polk Co., 4pm
7 – at Rosman, 4pm
10 – at Gatlinburg, 4pm
11 – vs. Robbinsville, 4:30pm
14 – vs. Andrews, 4:30pm
18 – at Hayesville, 4:30pm
20 – vs. Polk Co., 4:30pm
21 – vs. Murphy, 4:30pm
25 – at Swain, 4:30pm
28 – vs. Highlands, 4:30pm

April

7 – vs. Rabun Gap, 4:30pm
8 – vs. Hiwassee Dam, 4:30pm
11 – at Andrews, 4:30pm
15 – vs. Rosman, 4:30pm
17 – at Robbinsville, 4:30pm
22 – vs. Hayesville, 4:30pm
25 – at Murphy, 4:30pm
29 – vs. Gatlinburg, 4:30pm

May

2 – at Highlands, 4:30pm
6 – at Hiwassee Dam, 4:30pm
8 – vs. Swain, 4:30pm
14 – First Round of Playoffs

Lady Braves Varsity Soccer

February

28 – vs. Mitchell, 4pm

March

4 – at Smoky Mountain, 5pm
10 – at Tallulah Falls, 4pm
17 – vs. Swain, 4pm
21 – vs. Mitchell, 4pm
25 – at Haywood Christian, 4pm

April

8 – vs. Highlands, 4pm
10 – vs. Haywood Christian, 4pm
14 – vs. Tallulah Falls, 4pm
21 – at Swain, 6pm
30 – at Highlands, 6pm

CHS Track

March 12 at Andrews (Murphy, Swain, Cherokee, Nantahala, and Hiwassee Dam)
March 19 at Cherokee (Andrews, Hayesville, Rosman, Nantahala, and Hiwassee Dam)
March 26 at Hayesville (Swain, Cherokee, Hiwassee Dam, and Nantahala)

April 9 at Murphy (Cherokee, Rosman, Hayesville, Highlands, An-

draws, Nantahala, and Hiwassee Dam)

April 16 at Robbinsville (Cherokee, Swain)

April 23 SMC Championship at Cherokee

April 26 SMC rain-date at Cherokee

May 3 Regional Track Meet at A.C. Reynolds

May 9 State Championship Meet at NC A&T

CMS Track

March 10 at Hayesville (Cherokee, Robbinsville, Rosman, and Swain)

March 17 at Cherokee (Andrews, HDR, and Swain)

March 24 at Hayesville (Andrews, HDR, Cherokee)

April 7 at Murphy (Andrews, Cherokee, Hayesville, HDR, Rosman, and Martins Creek)

April 14 at Cherokee (Robbinsville, Rosman, and Swain)

April 21 SMC Championship at Swain



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FISHING REPORT

By EUGENE SHULER

Use February to catch up on fishing tackle

Sudden warmer temperatures this week may have you ready to head outside and go fishing, but have you looked at that tangled mess of fishing tackle in the corner? When was the last time you changed the line, oiled your reels, or sharpened your hooks? How many of your favorite lures do you have left? Maybe you're ready to go fish, but your gear isn't. The last thing you want is to lose that first big fish of the season because of old line or rusty hooks, and heaven forbid you don't have the right lure.

A little known fact in fishing; February is a great month to catch big sales on fishing tackle. Manufacturers are shipping pre-season orders of the latest and greatest tackle to stores who still have last year's models on the shelves. Retailers in turn try and generate sales for a slow January and early February by having massive clearance sales, all in effort to rid the old and make room for the new. Now might be just the time to get some new line, lures, and maybe even a new rod or reel. The

fish don't know the difference between 2013 and 2014, however your wallet certainly will. Remember to properly discard old fishing lines. Birds, animals, fish, and even humans can become entangled in old fishing lines with often fatal results. It takes 600 years for Nylon line to decompose, and over 4,000 years for Fluorocarbon lines to decompose.

The best trout fishing this week will be from 9am until just before dark. The portions of rivers and streams which get full sun will offer the best fishing as the water tends to warm here first, and the best insect hatches will occur here. The overcast skies this week and warmer temperatures will bring Blue Winged Olives out in force. They will be best matched is sizes #16-20. Anglers should see some good dry fly activity later in the afternoon until dark. Other productive fly patterns will be Little Black Caddis in #16-18, Black Caddis Pupae in #16-18, Little Winter Stonefly nymphs in #16-20, Little Winter Stonefly dries in #14-18, Blue Winged Olives in #18-22, egg patterns in #10-12, Rainbow Warriors in #14-20, and black midges in #22-26. For Streamer patterns try black and olive Woolly Buggers in sizes #6-8, dark brown Sculpins in #6-8, and black Rabbit Strip Zonkers in #6-10. Work your streamer flies slowly through likely holding water with short strips and make sure to cover every inch of real-estate, often times the biggest Brown trout will be holding in shallow water close to the banks just waiting to crush your fly. Midafternoon, actively feeding fish



Photo courtesy of Eugene Shuler

Jen Haines, from Ormond Beach, Fla., is shown with a monster Rainbow Trout from the Ravens Fork Catch and Release Trophy Trout water.

will be in the tail-outs of long pools and riffle water looking for Blue Winged Olives, Little Winter Stoneflies and black Caddis.

The hottest trout fishing this week will be found on the Ravens Fork, Catch and Release Trophy Trout section, and both the upper and lower Nantahala River. The streams in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park could also fish well this week. The Oconaluftee River and Deep Creek are top choices, and should have consistent hatches of Caddis and Blue Winged Olives.

Fontana Lake is still the best lake this week in the area. Fontana is fishing well for Walleye, Smallmouth, and Spotted Bass right now. Lake surface temperatures are expected to

rise a couple degrees and should turn the bite on this week. This weekend especially after the heavier rains on Friday and Saturday, try throwing Texas rigged worms, and football jigs down muddy banks and points. Work them slowly and hold on! Walleye are best caught right now by jigging live night crawlers deep near rock walls, or trolling deep running crank baits and plastic minnows. Anglers are also catching Walleye with jigging spoons and fire-tiger colored ice jigs.

This week's warm spell should feel Springlike at times, and bring most fish into a feeding frenzy that's seldom seen during Winter months. Take advantage of it, that ol' ground hog a few weeks ago may have lied! See you on the water!

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RELOCATED

and it feels so good

Tribe replenishing western North Carolina deer population

When the fur trade depleted the population of white-tailed deer in western North Carolina, nobody anticipated the consequences. Now, centuries later, the

Cherokees who have inhabited the region for more than 10,000 years are hoping to bring back this prized native species.

“The white tail population native to the Qualla Boundary, home to our tribe for centuries, has dwindled,” says Principal Chief Michell Hicks, “and we are committed to restoring the population of this native species as part of our commitment to environmental preservation.”

Thirty eight youthful white tails from Morrow Mountain State Park in the Uwharrie Mountains in south-central North Carolina have lived in a special 4-acre compound high in the Smoky Mountains near Cherokee since mid-January.

since mid-January. The deer are carefully examined and tagged before confinement in the holding area, prior to a soft release into the wild. On Monday, Feb. 24, twenty one deer were returned to their native habitat.

According to Chief Hicks, this is about more than restoring the native deer population. “This is an important, cutting-edge scientific study to see if these animals will survive and proliferate. We will track and monitor them carefully and, hopefully, in a few years they will again become a viable and self-sustaining species in our mountains just as they were centuries ago.”

The Eastern Band’s Fisheries and Wildlife Management Department is supervising the Cherokee deer release program in cooperation with the U.S. National Park Service, N.C. Wildlife Resources Commission, N.C. State Parks and the N.C. Department of Agriculture.

At the forefront of the replenishment project is Dr. Caleb Hickman, an EBCI tribal member and the supervisory biologist on the project. “We are tracking these deer and others released earlier to determine their movement patterns, whether they will form family groups, and if they will prosper in the years ahead. Like the successful elk reintroduction that took place 12 years ago, these deer represent a stock in the future of wildlife on the Qualla Boundary.”

The deer were released into the Eastern Band’s 5,130-acre natural preserve on Cherokee tribal lands where they will be carefully tracked and observed by scientists and tribal

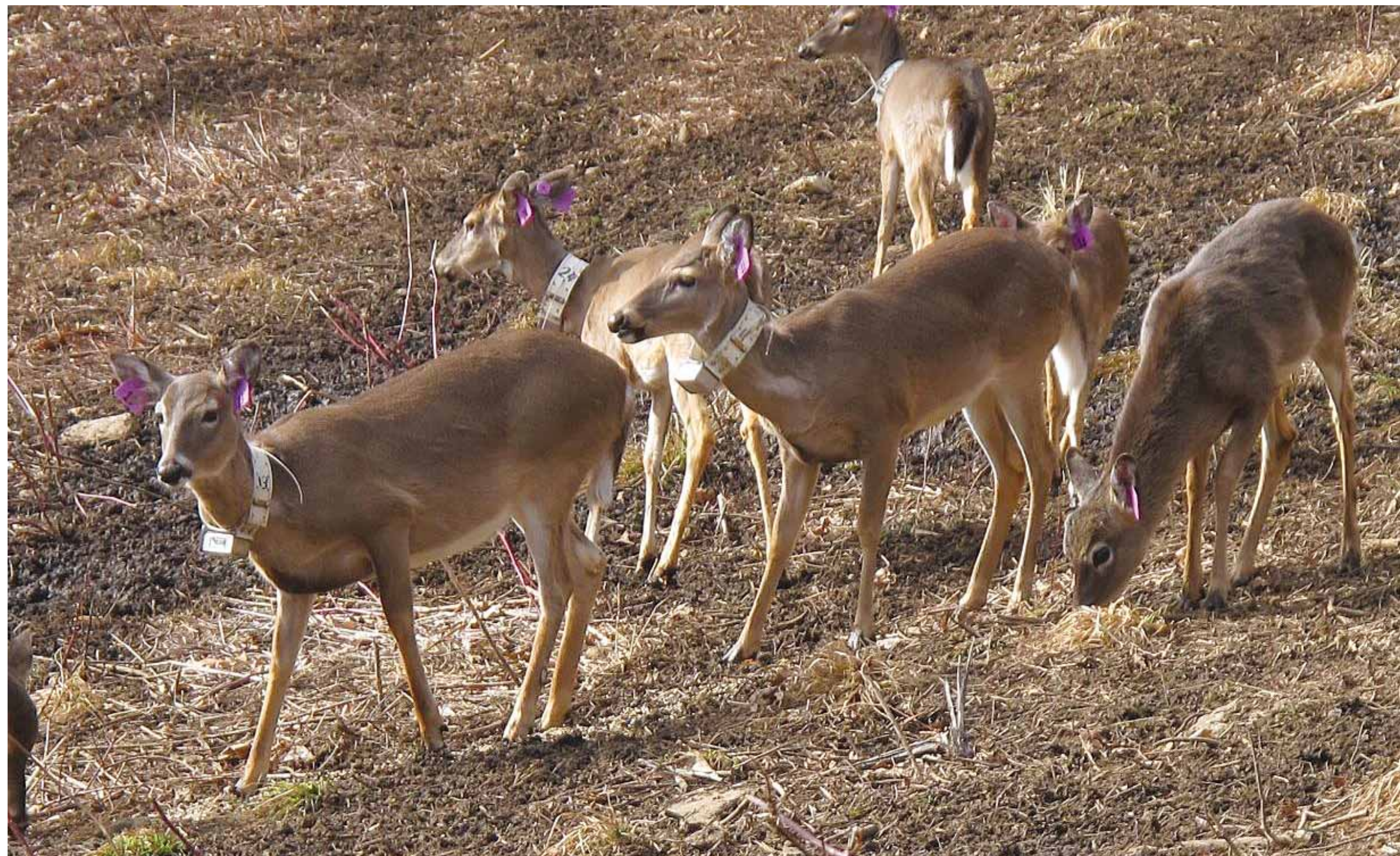


Photo courtesy of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

A portion of the 38-animal white tail deer herd awaiting reintroduction into the wild on the 5130-acre Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians natural preserve in western North Carolina.

members residing in the area. “We rely a lot on ‘citizen science’,” says Hickman. “People living in the area observe the deer and send us reports of their sightings. This is critical to helping us determine their whereabouts, their condition and their socialization habits. This is one of the most controlled species enhancement programs ever undertaken in North Carolina and we are learning a lot.”

By year’s end, Hickman projects that more than 50 white tails will have been processed through the Cherokee program. Twenty nine of the current Cherokee white tail herd are females and many are expected to give birth to fawns following the winter breeding season, according to Hickman.

- EBCI Public Relations

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- Principal Chief Michell Hicks



Photo courtesy of Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Principal Chief Michell Hicks opens the gate to release the deer on Monday, Feb. 24. Thirty eight youthful white tails from Morrow Mountain State Park in the Uwharrie Mountains in south-central North Carolina have lived in a special 4-acre compound high in the Smoky Mountains near Cherokee since mid-January.

RUNNING

19 brave the cold for the Moccasin Run

By **GERRI GRADY**
CHEROKEE RUNNERS

The Cherokee Runners staged the 3rd annual Moccasin Run on Sunday, Feb. 23 with 19 runners completing the 10 miles from Straight Fork Bridge to the Acquoni Expo Center track. Safety for the race was provided by the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Tribal EMS and Tribal Natural Resource Enforcement.

Jimmy Oocumma finished first with a time of 1:14:37 followed by Vanessa Grant at 1:16:15, while Charlie Myers came in third with 1:16:27. Gabe Crowe placed fourth with a time of 1:17:41 and first-time Moccasin Runner, Chad Cooper, placed fifth with 1:18:05.

Susan Paul, the second female to finish, came in with a time of 1:29:42. Overall, finishers for the males were Jimmy Oocumma, Charlie Myers and Gabe Crowe, while Vanessa Grant, Susan Paul and Skye Littledave were the top three female runners.

Volunteers for the event included Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell, Pam Sneed, Elnora Thompson, Christi Climbingbear, Lamont Squirrel, Stephan Swimmer, Eddie Swimmer and Gerri and Sean Grady. The group would like to recognize the cooperation and assistance of the



Photo courtesy of Gerri Grady

Cherokee Runners participants in the 3rd Annual Moccasin Run are shown (left-right) - Skye Littledave, Vanessa Grant, Charlie Myers, Chad Bowman, Andrea Wackerle, Julie Lambert, Angel Squirrel, Alicia Jacobs, Chad Cooper, Dez Crowe, Tyler Wachacha, Gabe Crowe, Jim Oocumma, Susan Paul, Donna Nelson, and Robin Swimmer. Not pictured: Richard Sneed, Arlyce Watkins, Cliff Maul.

Tribal Building Rental program for allowing the race to finish at the Expo Track, and a big thank you to Big Cove Community for supporting this annual event. The group also thanks Robin Swimmer for donating funds to purchase this year's event tee-shirt.

There were several first time runners including Donna Nelson, of

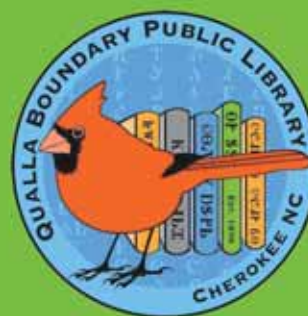
Winter Park, Fla., who stated, "This was such an awesome race! I can't wait to come back. All the Cherokee Runners are tremendous people. And of course, thank you my friend, Susan, for introducing me to a whole new world."

The Cherokee Runners will begin a new Couch to 5K in April in preparation for the annual Sunset

5K that will be held on July 4. Anyone interested in the Cherokee Runners or its programs may email gerrgrady@yahoo.com, check out the Cherokee Runners Facebook page, or visit the website at www.cherokee.runners.com.

WIA SUMMER YOUTH WORKFORCE TRAINING PROGRAM

The higher education and training program will begin accepting applications for the WIA Youth Workforce program beginning FEBRUARY 27, 2014 THRU MARCH 13, 2014. This program is an income based program and follows the 2014 poverty guidelines established by the Health and Human Services. Applications are available at the Education and Training Office, located at the Ginger Lynne Welch Building, and at the Snowbird Library. Applicants must be 16-21 years of age and currently attending school to be eligible to apply. Additional information available with the application. **2/27**



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News Briefs

NCDOT awards contract for Casino Bridge Construction

SHELBY – The N.C. Department of Transportation has awarded a contract to begin construction on a bridge that will create access to a new casino in Cherokee County. Once completed, the bridge will connect US-19/74/129 near Murphy to the new Harrah's Casino owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and managed by Caesar's Entertainment Corporation. The casino is expected to create hundreds of jobs and bring millions of dollars to the area.

Simpson Construction Company, Inc. was awarded the \$2,520,623 contract. Construction is expected to begin the first week of March and should be finished by mid-November. At a later date, the NCDOT will award another contract for construction of a road near the casino. A groundbreaking for the casino was held last fall.

Traffic control will be needed during construction, but the impact to motorists traveling through the area should be minimal.

This was one of 28 contracts worth \$282.3 million recently awarded by NCDOT for highway, bridge and ferry projects across North Carolina. NCDOT awarded the contracts to the lowest bidders, as required by state law. The winning bids for the projects came in almost five percent, or \$14.2 million, below NCDOT estimates.

- NCDOT

Six from Qualla Boundary graduate from SCC for fall semester

SYLVA – At the conclusion of the fall semester, 143 Southwestern Community College students – including six from the Qualla Boundary – earned their associate's degrees, diplomas and certificates. The following list includes grad-

uates, field of study, type of academic credential earned and – when applicable – academic honors. Cherokee - Ari-Ben Betty, Human Services Technology, Associate in Applied Science; Sidney Crowe, College Transfer, Associate in Arts; Brit-tany Shae Fuller, Early Childhood Education, Associate in Applied Science; Rebecca Leann Lossiah, Phlebotomy, Certificate; Duke E. McCoy, Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration, Diploma; and Jessica Cher Smith, Early Childhood Education, Associate in Applied Science.

- SCC

Correction

A name was omitted from a photo cutline on page 17 in the Feb. 13 issue of the Cherokee One Feather. In the photo entitled "TABCC donates to Cherokee Soccer Team", Cherokee soccer coach Sebastian Brun was accidentally omitted. The *One Feather* apologizes for the error.



Chief Hicks speaks to CDC and ATSDR

ATLANTA, Ga. – Principal Chief Michell Hicks spoke with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and the Agency for Toxic Substances and Disease Registry (ATSDR) in Atlanta this week. The 2014 TAC Meeting and Tribal Consultation Session provides another

opportunity for Tribal leaders to speak openly about the public health issues affecting their communities. Discussion topics included Native specimens, behavioral risk factors, and disease-specific topics. A listening session with the CDC Director/ATSDR Administrator and another roundtable discussion with CDC and ATSDR leadership is also being held. Most importantly, this forum provided an opportunity to for Tribes to submit testimony regarding the public health issues. Chief Michell Hicks is the Nashville Area regional representative speaking for more than 26 federally recognized Tribes.

In 2011-2012, CDC began revising its existing Tribal Consultation Policy (issued in 2005) with the primary purpose of providing guidance across the agency to work effectively with American Indian/Alaska Native (AI/AN) Tribes, communities, and organizations to enhance AI/AN access to CDC resources and programs. Within the CDC Consultation Policy, it is stated that CDC will conduct government-to-government consultation with elected tribal officials or their authorized representatives before taking actions and/or making decisions that affect them.

CDC Deputy Director, Office for State, Tribal, Local and Territorial Support Judith Monroe, MD explains in a letter to Tribal leadership explains the importance of input at this meeting, "Your input is very important to us as we work to improve Tribal access to CDC and ATSDR programs and services and strengthen partnerships with Tribes and American Indian/Alaska Native community-based organizations. CDC and

ATSDR remain committed to respecting Tribal sovereignty while working together to leverage capacity, expertise, and resources to achieve the greatest impact on the health issues affecting American Indians and Alaska Natives."

- USET

PRO WRESTLING Clown Town to appear at March 1 event

Reservation Championship Wrestling has announced that "Clown Town", the original Peanut Butter & Jelly are scheduled to appear and wrestle at the Wolfetown Gym during an event on Saturday, March 1.

"It's so exciting to have these two back in our show," said Ric Youngblood, promoter. "The kids love them, and they are great ring performers. This show just keeps getting bigger and better so we have decided to lower ticket prices."

General admission: Adults \$8, children (12&under) \$5

Ringside: Adults \$12, children (12&under) \$6

"We also have confirmation that High Time, Flying Brian and Playboy Michael Greene will also be in action," said Youngblood. "But, it gets even better. Buy your tickets before Friday, Feb. 28 and get them for ½ price."

You may purchase your tickets at the Smoke Shop 1 or 2 or call 736-3229, 497-3556, 497-0178 or email birdchopper@frontier.com.

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Cherokee Nation, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians partnering on historic event at NMAI

For the first time in intertribal history, the Cherokee Nation and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are partnering to host “Cherokee Days,” a public educational program that shares the true Cherokee story.

The historic event is April 3-5 at the National Museum of the American Indian in Washington, D.C.

The Cherokee Nation and Eastern Band will share the Cherokee story that spans time immemorial to the Trail of Tears to the successes of the modern tribes. The educational program includes an exhibit showcasing a timeline of historical milestones, live cultural art demonstrations and scheduled cultural performances.

“Partnering with the National Museum of the American Indian is a significant opportunity to showcase Cherokee heritage and history at a national level. We will showcase our cultural artisans and historians from the Cherokee Nation, United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians,” said Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker. “It is important for the Cherokee Nation to participate in this unique event with our Cherokee brothers and sisters. We all come from one fire and we are one people. While we were once divided, today we are unified and our respective sovereign governments are stronger than ever. A critical part of our cultural preservation is embracing and sharing our rich and storied narrative in America’s history and its future.”

Cherokees originally inhabited the lands in what are now present-day Tennessee, North Carolina, Alabama and Georgia. Following the



Bo Taylor (front) and Ty Oocumma (back), members of the Warriors of Anikituwah, are shown dressed in traditional clothing.

Photo contributed

1838 forced removal of 16,000 Cherokees to present-day Oklahoma, many defied the relocation and remained in North Carolina.

The Cherokees forced along the Trail of Tears were led by Principal Chief John Ross. They established Tahlequah as the Cherokee Nation’s capital in 1839. The Eastern Band, which resides in Cherokee, N. C., became federally recognized in 1868. In 1984, the tribes met in Red Clay, Tenn., for the first time since the tribe was divided. During the last 30 years, the Cherokee Nation and Eastern Band have worked together on numerous projects, including maintaining a unified language.

“Cherokee Days at the National Museum of the American Indian is a

great event for us because we can come together with our family, the Cherokee Nation, to celebrate our shared history and heritage,” said Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Michell Hicks. “Our tribes have been meeting for more than 25 years to collaborate on issues important to our people, and this event is another opportunity for that collaboration to continue.”

This historic joint endeavor will occur at the National Museum of the American Indian as it celebrates not one, but four exciting milestones: the 25th anniversary of the signing of the charter establishing the museum; the 20th anniversary of the opening of the museum in New York City; the 15th anniversary of the

opening of its Cultural Resource Center; and the 10th anniversary of the opening of the museum on the National Mall in Washington, D.C.

A diverse and multifaceted cultural and educational enterprise, the National Museum of the American Indian is an active and visible component of the Smithsonian Institution, the world’s largest museum complex. The NMAI cares for one of the world’s most expansive collections of Native artifacts, including objects, photographs, archives and media covering the entire Western Hemisphere, from the Arctic Circle to Tierra del Fuego.

Info: www.nmai.si.edu.

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Obituaries

Sister Roberta McKinnon

Sister Roberta McKinnon passed away on Feb. 14, 2014 at the age of 92 at the St. Francis Convent in Tiffin, Ohio, where she had spent the last 16 years. As a member of the St. Francis Order, she had dedicated her life to ministries of many kinds which she pursued to the end.

Her early academic career includes her Masters of Music Education from the University of Notre Dame, Southbend, Indiana. As a teacher and organist, she taught religious education and social services in various elementary schools in Ohio; at St Francis Convent High School in Tiffin, OH; and at Cherokee Public School. She taught music education for extension courses for various colleges, and served for 10 years in the Diocese of Toledo as the supervisor the diocesan schools.

In 1973, she became the Pastoral Associate at Our Lady of Guadalupe Roman Catholic Church on the Qualla Boundary where she was involved in all levels of pastoral presence in Cherokee and Bryson City. Together with a fellow sister companion, they began an era steeped in outreach ministry and community involvement that would extend over 25 years.

There was no limit to Sister Roberta's diverse involvement in religious, cultural, governmental and social aspects of life in the Cherokee Community. She took part in inter-faith studies with local ministers and ecumenical gatherings which promoted cooperation among denominations. Her broad education and musical talents enabled her to fill



needs in schools for children and adults. Hispanic ministry Outreach and tutoring were also important issues. She initiated various social programs and served on numerous boards. Spiritual lives were enriched by incorporating Native American rituals into Mass and Prayer Services at Our Lady of Guadalupe. In turn, her love and dedication for the people has been rewarded by the acceptance, respect and confidence the Cherokees showed her. Her Legacy remained with all people who had become good friends and experienced her counseling and love.

In 1992, Sr. Roberta received the Peace Maker Award given by the Third Order Franciscan Federation.

After she returned to the motherhouse in 1998, in her semi-retirement, she continued to be active by active by teaching English to Mexican immigrants, serving as the director of the Wholistic Eldering Project in Tiffin, and serving the community as a minister of prayer.

On Feb. 18, Sr. Roberta's Funeral Mass and Burial took place on the St. Francis Convent grounds in Tiffin, OH. She has lived her Faith.

Memorial contributions may be made to St. Francis convent, 182 St. Francis Ave. Tiffin, OH 44883.

Lucinda Lambert Sampson

Lucinda Lambert Sampson, 91, passed away on Feb. 16, 2014, surrounded by family, at Tsali Care Center following a brief illness. Lucinda is the daughter of the late Charlie Lambert and Encie Feather Lambert.

Lucinda is preceded by her husband Enoch Sampson and children, Don Lambert, Charles David Sampson and Cynthia Marie Kersey; as well as three grandchildren and one great-grand child.

Surviving children are Kenny Lambert of Cherokee, JoAnn Notargiacomo of Lancaster, Penn., Marietta Toineeta of Cherokee, Dorothy Sampson of Staunton, Va., Enoch Crowe Jr. of Cherokee, Bunny Sampson of Cherokee and Amber Cruz of Cherokee. Lucinda also leaves behind seven grandchildren, 10 great-

grandchildren and two great-great grandchildren.

A visitation was held on Feb. 18 at the Cherokee Wesleyan Church starting at 4pm. Lucinda remained at the church to await the hour of service on Feb. 20 at 11am. Burial followed at the Oocumma Cemetery with pallbearers: Enoch Crowe Jr., Landon Crowe, Yohna Crowe, Spirit Lossiah, Thomas Lossiah and Alex Cruz. Pastor James "Bo" Parris and Pastor Patricia Crockett officiated. Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Howard McMillan

Howard McMillan, 57, originally of the Hyatt Creek community went home to be with the Lord Saturday, Feb. 22, 2014 in a Cherokee health care facility. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late Clifford and Mary Brady McMillan. He was preceded in death by one brother, Alfred Brady and his wife Januita and their infant daughter, Judy; and his great niece, Kali Cochran.

He is survived by his siblings, Jerome Brady, Hermon McMillan, Wayne McMillan, Leola McMillan, Larry McMillan, Earl and Tommy McMillan, and several nieces and nephews.

The family will have a private memorial service at a later date.

Crisp Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Kenneth "Kenny" Cuthbertson

Kenneth "Kenny" Cuthbertson, 76, of Morganton and Bryson City, went to be with his Lord and Savior on Friday, Feb. 21, 2014. Born in Burke County on June 7, 1937, he was the son of the late Wilson Edgar Cuthbertson and Ruby Irene Mull Cuthbertson. Kenny was a life-long member of Glen Alpine First Baptist Church. He owned and operated Western NC Fur Company, several gift stores in Cherokee, and the Cherokee Inn. He was an avid golfer, was a fan of UNC, enjoyed getting together with his family, and loved his

dog, Baby.

Kenny is survived by the love of his life, Blanche Orders Cuthbertson; sons, Craig K. Cuthbertson and his wife, Catherine, of Bryson City and Brad W. Cuthbertson of Knoxville, Tenn.; grandchildren, Dustin and Dillion Cuthbertson; sisters, Lenada Williams of Bostic, Margaret Curtis of Greensboro, and Winn Fernandes of Plymouth, Mass.; nephews and nieces, Kim W. Hollifield, Brooke C. Urmann, Stephen Curtis, Jake Fernandes, and Andrew Fernandes; and his step-mother, Sadie Cuthbertson of Plymouth, Mass.

The funeral will be held at 2pm on Tuesday, Feb. 25 in the Colonial Chapel of Sossoman Funeral Home and Crematory Center with the Rev. Dennis Maples officiating. Burial will follow in Forest Hill Cemetery. The family will receive friends at the funeral home from 1-2pm prior to the service.

Memorial contributions may be made to Glen Alpine First Baptist Church, P.O. Box 557, Glen Alpine, NC 28628 or to the American Cancer Society, 4-A Oak Branch Dr., Greensboro, NC 27407.

Condolences may be made online at www.sossomanfuneralservice.com.

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CES students receive Special Science Awards

During the recent Western Regional Science Fair at Western Carolina University, two Cherokee Elementary School students received special awards. Kalista Luther (left), from Mrs. Saavedra's class, received the Best Geosciences Project Award, and Rhyan Girty, from Ms. Cody's class, received the Chemistry and Physics Award.



Photo courtesy of Shay Driver

CMS wrestlers attend State Meet

These are the 2013-14 Cherokee Middle School wrestlers who went to the 32nd Annual Jr. High State Championships in Winston-Salem on Feb. 7-8. Shown (left-right) top are Coach Frank McCoy, Seth Sneed and Kevin Jackson; bottom row – Scarlett Guy, Will Paul (4th place, 8th grade 172lb), Will Davis (3rd place, 8th grade 252lb), Julian Rubio (3rd place, 7th grade 252lb), and Josh Driver (2nd place, 7th grade 252lb).



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Former Congressman visits Cherokee

Principal Chief Michell Hicks (left) is shown with former Congressman Charles Taylor. Taylor was instrumental in the return of the Ravensford tract to the EBCI for the new school and visited Cherokee and Tribal Council on Thursday, Feb. 21.



Photo courtesy of Cherokee Indian Hospital

Cherokee Indian Hospital recognized by State

Casey Cooper (right), Cherokee Indian Hospital CEO, accepts the Governor's Award of Performance Excellence in Healthcare award recently on behalf of the hospital. The North Carolina Awards for Excellence, facilitated by the N.C. State University's Industrial Extension Service (IES), is modeled after the National Malcolm Baldrige Quality Award. "The reason we pushed for it is because we understood what Baldrige was about," said Dr. Michael Toedt, executive director of clinical services at Cherokee Indian Hospital. "Taking the Baldrige journey gave us the framework for everything else we were doing."

Cherokee Boys Club Report

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CLUB SCHEDULE:

Thursday, Feb. 27 – Safety Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m.
 Wednesday, March 5 – Managers' Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Friday, March 14 – CCS – Early Release – 11:30 a.m.
 Wednesday, March 12 – Resolution Deadline – 8:30 a.m.
 Wednesday, March 19 – Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Thursday, March 20 – Safety Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m.
 Friday, March 28 – CCS – Early Release – 11:30 a.m.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers are with the friends and family of John Henry Driver, former Boys

Club employee, who passed away last Tuesday. Our thoughts and prayers are also with the friends and family of Mary Mathews Treadway who passed away on Feb. 17. Please remember these families during this difficult time.

JOB OPPORTUNITY

Part-Time Weekend Resident Counselor
 Cherokee Children's Home
 See the Employment Section of this edition of the One Feather for details

CONGRATULATIONS LADY CARDINALS!

A large group of fans from Cherokee traveled to Louisville Sunday to watch the Louisville Lady Cardinals basketball team. They were treated to a good game with the Lady Cardinals coming out on top to defeat Rutgers 73-58. Shoni and Jude Schimmel, Umatilla Indians from the Umatilla

Reservation in Oregon, both play for Louisville.

Boys Club President Wilbur Paul beaded a pair of key chains bearing Shoni and Jude's names to present to the two girls after the game.

CHILDREN'S HOME NEWS

Site work is nearing completion for the new Cherokee Children's Home. A photo was posted Friday on the Boys Club's Facebook page showing the site on Goose Creek in the Birdtown Community.

Cris Weatherford, Children's Home Manager, will be meeting with different programs in the near future to encourage community participation in the construction fund-raising effort by donating through payroll deduction. Employees of the Boys Club are already participating in the payroll deduction plan.

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Cherokee Center Report

Roseanna Belt, director | rbelt@wcu.edu | 828-497-7920
 cherokeecenter.wcu.edu

GWY JESCTBY D&P

A memorial gathering will be held this Saturday, March 1, beginning at 11am at the Museum of the Cherokee Indians for Robert J. Conley, in the Ken Blankenship Education Wing.

WCU student news: Tishina Maxine Carroll is a senior studying Social Work at Western Carolina University. She is a non-traditional student in her last semester of undergraduate work. Social Work is part of the College of Health and Human Sciences. Mrs. Carroll is an outstanding student who plans to continue on to earn a Master of Social Work at WCU immediately following graduation. Having already

been accepted to the MSW Advanced Standing program, she will be able to complete that degree in one year instead of the usual two years. By qualifying as Advanced Standing, the first year foundation course requirements are waived. Upon completion of the master's program, she plans to work with EBCI members as a clinician in the field of mental health and substance abuse.

Tishina is also a fellow with the Jones-Bowman Leadership program which is a highly competitive opportunity for undergraduates who are committed to developing their leadership skills. The program honors the memory and leadership of Prin-



WCU photo

Tishina Maxine Carroll

cipal Chief Leon Jones and James Bowman, who were great leaders of the Eastern Band and were also founding members of the Board of Directors for the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Each year of participation, a fellowship is awarded, and a mentor assigned, for individual leadership-learning, based on Cherokee culture and values.

She is the 30-year-old daughter of Paul and Cindi Sequoyah Ayers and the late Max Kaler. She is married to Colt Carroll and they have a 5-year-old son, Seth. They reside in Sylva.

One Feather deadline - Monday 12pm

Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Spring Beekeeping School set for April

A Beginners Beekeeping School will be held on April 5 at the Southwestern Community College. Registration starts at 8:30am and the course runs from 9am -3:30pm. The fee is \$25 and includes an annual membership in the Smoky Mountain Bee Association and lunch that day. Preregistration is \$20.00 by sending a check to Betty Jean Hartsell, 125 Gassaway Rd, Bryson City, NC 28713. Current members can attend for \$5.00 which covers their lunch.

If you have any questions contact the Club's president, Bill Williams, at bwlliams@frontier.com or 488-1391. The club is also looking for volunteers who can help by presenting a program or helping with the food.

Club meeting dates begin Thurs-

day, March 13 at 7pm and will be held on the second Thursday of each month for the rest of the year. Meetings are held at the Southwestern Community College in Almond just west of the intersection of Rt 74 and 28 south (west of Bryson City).

- Sarah McClellan-Welch,
EBCI Extension

Volunteers needed to staff Information Center at Clingmans Dome

Great Smoky Mountain National Park is recruiting volunteers to staff the Information Center at Clingmans Dome, from April 1 through Nov. 30. The center sits at an elevation of 6,300 feet and is a source of information for the national park. Volunteers are needed to provide educational, recreational and trip planning information.

Until recent years, visitors to this

popular destination did not have a chance to regularly obtain information about the park. With the help of volunteers staffing the center and walking along the Tower Trail, visitors can inquire and learn about the trails and interesting facets of the high elevation spruce-fir ecosystem. Other helpful services provided include the ability to purchase guides, maps, outdoor apparel, and other products sold by the Great Smoky Mountain s Association (GSMA). GSMA is a primary park partner and is involved in a number of projects to improve the visitors' experience.

Volunteers will be working alongside GSMA employees and each volunteer is asked to work at least one four-hour shift per week, either 9:30 am until 1:30 pm or 1:00 pm until 5:00 pm. Volunteers are needed to fill all days of the week, but especially Friday through Sunday. Interested persons will be provided orientation and training before their tour of duty.

Volunteers will be needed during peak season, from April 1 through November 30. Training will be held at the Oconaluftee Administration Building north of Cherokee, North Carolina on Thursday, March 13. To sign up for this volunteer program or for more information, please contact Florie Takaki 497-1906 or Florie_Takaki@nps.gov Monday through Friday.

- NPS

Extension's Fruit & Berry Plant Sale

EBCI Cooperative Extension is taking orders for the annual Fruit & Berry Plant Sale until March 21. The plants will be available on April 15 from 8am 5pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center at 876 Acquoni Road, Cherokee. Receipt of payment places your order so orders cannot be placed over the telephone.

Prices are the same as last year: Asparagus (Jersey Night) \$1.00 ea; Blackberries (Triple Crown – trailing, thornless type) \$3.00 ea; Black Raspberries (Jewel) \$3.00 ea; Red Raspberries (Heritage) \$3.00 ea; Blueberries (hardy, high bush varieties) \$5.00 ea; Strawberries are sold in a bundle of 25 plants for \$5.00 and \$18.00 for 100 plants if all are the same variety (Seascape Strawberry – Ever Bearing, very productive, large fruit, and disease resistant) & (Earliglow Strawberry – June bearing, medium-large fruit, great taste).

Planting and care instructions are available from the Extension office. These are high quality, bare-root plants that will need to be planted after they are picked-up on Tuesday, April 15 from 8am - 5pm. Info: Sarah McClellan-Welch at 554-6935 or saramccl@nc-cherokee.com.

- Sarah McClellan-Welch,
EBCI Agriculture Agent

Memorial for Robert J. Conley



A memorial service will be held for noted Cherokee author and WCU Sequoyah Professor Robert J. Conley Saturday, March 1 at 11am Museum of the Cherokee Ken Blankenship Education Wing 589 Tsali Blvd. Cherokee, NC

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Info: Scott (828) 554-6263, scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com



Opinions and Letters

WORD LIMIT FOR LETTERS IS 250 WORDS

Thank you

A great big thank you to all the people who came and helped during the loss of my two sons and son-in-law. We appreciate all of you. May god bless each and every one of you.

*Thank you,
Katie Jessan and family*

Thank you

Thank you for all the prayers, kind words, texts, emails, Facebook messages, phone calls, visits, flowers, plants, cards, and food given/sent to us at the loss of our dad, Joe Castorena. The overwhelming generosity by people of all communities showed such respect and honor for him. . Thank you for the selfless work of Free Labor and the people

who fed them. May God bless each and every one of you.

*Blessings,
The Castorena Family
(Polly, Jonnie, Judy, Kenneth)*

Remembering "Gramus"

Today, I am remembering Feb. 19, 2014. To most people, it is just another day, but for my family it is the one year anniversary of my "Gramus". It has been a year of firsts without her, but nonetheless a year of laughing, loving and remembering, just the way she would have wanted it to be.

I remember that night a year ago when my mother called me with pain and hurt in her voice and said,

"Skye, she's gone."

My heart stopped and my world came to a halt. I'm not sure which hurt more, seeing her leave or watching her go. I keep close to my heart the wisdom she shared with me and of her playing bingo. She was go many things to so many people and I'm glad she was my "Gramus". She will always be missed by those who know her best. Heaven gained another Angel, and I look forward to seeing her again one day. I love you "Gramus" and miss you all the time. You will never be forgotten.

*I love you always,
Skye*

Thank you

Hello, as many of you may recall

on Jan. 28 we had a big snowstorm. Well, that evening my 4-year-old daughter Jayanna Thompson fractured her elbow horse playing with her sister and cousin in their room. I would like to express my appreciation for Tribal DOT, Tribal EMS, and Cherokee Police Department for making her trip to the emergency room on the snow covered road and back home a safe one. Also, thank you Papaw Randy Lossiah for watching Ayden, Nyree, and Jaelyn while we went to ER. To the ER staff, a big thank you for keeping her calm and comforting her. She is doing well, and her arm is healed up. Thank you again to everyone for all you do!

Jaime Lossiah-Lassiter



Cherokee Happenings

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

Church Events

Winter Benefit Supper. March 7 at 6pm at the Whittier United Methodist Church. The purpose for this preseason supper is to help replenish funds for the many local Outreach programs in which the Whittier United Methodist Church is involved. Due to the excessively cold weather this winter, there were more requests from families for assistance with fuel and electric than usual so funds are already very low. All of the monies raised will stay in the area to assist with medicine, heat, and other emergencies. The cost of the dinner is \$8 and take-out is available. Info: Gloria Nolan 497-2393

Southern Gospel Singing. March 8 from 5-8pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Info: Yona Wade 554-5124

General Events

Turkey Shoot. March 1 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This will be a benefit for Kara Martin who is running for the Miss Indian World title. Grilled food and drinks will be sold.

Hunter Safety Course. March 3, 4 and 6 from 6-9:30pm at the Shawn Blanton Emergency Operations Center in Cherokee. The EBCI Natural Resource Enforcement, in conjunction with the North Carolina Wildlife Commission, is offering this course. The class is limited to the first 25 to be registered. To register, visit www.ncwildlife.org. Info: Connie Cooper 554-6166

Homebuyer Education Class. Tuesdays from March 4-25 from 5:30-7:30pm. Thinking about Building or Buying Your Own Home and Don't Know Where To Start? Housing and Community Services will be conducting Homebuyer Education

Class for individuals interested in becoming financially prepared to purchase their own home, as well as introduce potential homeowners to the home buying/construction process. Materials will be provided and classes will be free of charge. Info: 554-6916

25th Annual Cherokee County Indian Festival & Mother's Day Pow Wow. May 10-11 at Boling Park in Canton, Ga. Tickets: Adults (13+) \$15, kids (6-12) \$5, children 5 and younger are free. Info: Chipa Wolfe (770) 735-6275, chipa.wolfe@yahoo.com, visit www.rthunder.com

Health/Sports Events

Roller Derby. March 1 at 6pm at the Swain County Rec. Center. Smoky Mountain Roller Girls vs. G-Force. This event benefits Hawthorne Heights and the Cherokee Children's Home. Cost: \$5 at brownpapertickets.com or \$7 at the door.

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March is National Nutrition Month: Enjoy the Taste of Eating Right

Principal Chief Michell Hicks and Vice Chief Larry Blythe have proclaimed March as National Nutrition Month in Cherokee. In the proclamation, Chief Hicks states that he encourages "all citizens to join the campaign and become concerned about nutrition and the nutrition of others in the hope of achieving optimum health for both today and tomorrow".

Cherokee Indian Hospital is proud to celebrate this month-long commemoration of nutrition and good health with hospital staff and the public.

National Nutrition Month® is a nutrition education and information campaign celebrated annually in March by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. The campaign focuses on the importance of making informed food choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits. Registered Dietitian (RD) Day, celebrated on March 12 this year, increases awareness of registered dietitians as the indispensable providers of food and nutrition services and recognizes RDs for their commitment to helping people enjoy healthy lives. The Nutrition Department at Cherokee Hospital includes five RD's that provide nutrition services in different clinic areas from pediatric and diabetes to outpatient and inpatient care.

The 2014 National Nutrition Month theme is "Enjoy the Taste of Eating Right." Good health requires a healthy lifestyle, sustainable eating, and physical activity. Registered Dietitians can help

the public translate the science of nutrition into helpful, easily understood information.

To celebrate National Nutrition Month, the Nutrition Department at Cherokee Indian Hospital has planned a month-long celebration. The Cherokee community is invited to participate in all of them. Activities include:

- A weekly Lunch & Learn series every Thursday from 12 -1 pm in the inpatient conference room with dietitians Linda Johnson, Susan Bogardus and Nilofer Couture.
- Jean Walborn, RD at the Cherokee Diabetes Program will hold a cooking demo on March 14 from 11-1 pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room.
- The Cherokee WIC Program will host a WIC Breakfast on March 18 from 8-10 am in the hospital cafeteria. A free breakfast highlighting WIC cereals and juices will be provided.
- On March 19 at 2:30 pm, the Nutrition Department will serve a healthy snack in the cafeteria as hospital staff and the public judge the Cherokee Elementary School 4th grade Nutrition Month art contest.
- Department dietitians will join the Cherokee Community Wellness Team at Food Lion on March 24 from 4 – 6 pm to promote National Nutrition Month and encourage shoppers to read food labels.
- March 25 is the American Diabetes Association

Alert Day to inform the public about the seriousness of diabetes. In support of this day, the dietitians at CIH and the Diabetes Program will provide information and answer nutrition related questions in the lobby of the hospital and the Diabetes Program from 9:30- 11:30am.

- Snow Bird Clinic will have their Health Fair on March 25 and Chrystal Haire, the department pediatric dietitian, will provide information on healthy eating and physical activity.
- The Nutrition Department is encouraging budding chefs to participate in their Healthy Dessert Contest on March 26 at 11am in the hospital cafeteria. Winners will receive cash prizes of \$30, \$20 and \$10 and lots of recognition! Winning desserts will be delicious, creative and healthy.
- End the month with a Walk for Health on March 31 from 12:15-12:45pm around the hospital grounds (meet in the hospital lobby). There will be door prizes.

During the coming weeks, look for more articles by CIH dietitians. Join us as we celebrate good nutrition and good health.

Visit the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics at www.eatright.org.

For further information on any of these events, contact Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE at nilofer.couture@cherokeehospital.org or 497-9163 X 6459.

- Nilofer Couture, Cherokee Indian Hospital

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FEBRUARY IS NATIONAL CHILDREN'S DENTAL HEALTH MONTH

Oral Piercing: Not as Safe as You Think

Piercing, like tattooing, is just one of today's popular forms of —body art|| and self-expression. Piercing may seem daring, cool and totally safe because some celebrities use piercing to flaunt their particular style or attitude. But piercing the tongue, lips, cheeks or uvula (the tiny tissue that hangs at the back of the throat) is not as safe as some would have you believe. That's because the mouth's moist environment—home to huge amounts of breeding bacteria—is an ideal place for infection.

An oral piercing can interfere with speech, chewing or swallowing. That may seem like a mere inconvenience until you consider that it may also cause:

- Excessive drooling (something you won't see in hip fashion magazines!)
- Infection, pain and swelling
- Chipped or cracked teeth
- Injuries to the gums
- Damage to fillings
- Increased saliva flow
- Hypersensitivity to metals
- Scar tissue
- Nerve damage

These harmful effects can happen during the piercing, soon after, or even long after the procedure.

An infection can quickly become life threaten



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ing if it's not treated promptly. For example, oral piercing carries a potential risk of endocarditis, an inflammation of the heart valves or tissues. Bacteria can enter the bloodstream through the piercing site in the mouth and travel to the heart, where it can colonize on heart abnormalities. This is a risk for people with heart conditions and, in the worst of cases, results in death.

After a piercing the tongue may swell. There have been reports of swelling serious enough to block the airway. And it's very possible to puncture a nerve during a tongue piercing. If this happens, you may experience a numb tongue—nerve damage that is sometimes temporary, but can be permanent. The injured nerve may affect your sense of taste, or how you move your mouth. And damage to the tongue's blood vessels can cause serious blood loss.

In addition, piercing jewelry can sometimes cause allergic responses to the pierced site. The jewelry can even get in the way of dental care by blocking x-rays.

Don't pierce on a whim. The piercing will be an added responsibility to your life, requiring constant attention and upkeep. Talk to your dentist for more information.

Info: Mellie Burns, Cherokee Children's Dental Program, 554-6197



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\$33,500. New Clayton 3br, 2 bath home, full of upgrades, includes delivery! Call Jenny 456-2822. **3/6pd**

Under \$40,000! 16 wide, 3br, 2 bath Clayton Homes, including delivery, three to choose from. Call Jon now for details 456-2822. **3/6pd**

\$35,900. 2br, 2 bath Clayton Home! Includes delivery! Also had two glamour baths! Call Jenny now for information 456-2822. **3/6pd**

Clayton Home. 16 wide, 3br, 2 bath home, glamour bath, island kitchen with dining space! Awesome floor plan only \$41,600 including delivery. Call Jon now. This one won't last. 456-2822. **3/6pd**

\$24,900. New 2br Clayton Home! Call Jenny for details at 456-2822. **3/6pd**

\$27,512. Includes delivery on this new 2br Clayton Home with Thermo-pane windows and fiberglass tub, and more! Call Jon at 456-2822. **3/6pd**

Great starter home! 32br, 2 bath Clayton. Only \$33,500 including delivery. Quality with a great price! Call Jenny and start owning your home today. 456-2822. **3/6pd**

Cabin fever single-wide home sale! Stop renting and own your home today! We are overstocked and ready to help you kiss your landlord goodbye. Call Jon and get details. 456-2822. **3/6pd**

1996 Chevy S10 4x4, runs good, \$2,500. Call 506-9252. **3/6pd**

Land for Sale 4 tenths of an acre. Has been approved for 3 bedroom, single story Home or Mobile Home \$12,000. Call 828-736-5171 **2/27pd**

2007 Suzuki Hayabusa GSX1300RZZ GSX-R Sport Bike. In excellent condition with no dents or dings, 100% mechanically okay. If interested please contact me for pictures, I bought the Motorcycle for my grandson as his birthday gift last august and giving it out to a good home. Contact me at johnstark227@yahoo.com **3/6pd**

FOR RENT

House for rent – unfurnished, 3BR, 2 bath, 1-car garage. Hwy 19 between Bryson City and Cherokee. New carpet, water and septic included, river access. \$875/mo plus security. (850) 527-5085. **2/27pd**

For rent – Mobile homes, 3 bedrooms and 2 bedrooms, minutes from Casino in quiet neighborhood. If interested, call 736-2262. **3/13pd**

3BR, 1 bath mobile homes, quiet park in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. \$450/month, \$300/deposit. 488-8752. **4/10pd**

Tribal Land for Lease: 9.1 acres Birdtown Old #4 Rd. Will only be leased as commercial. ONLY serious inquiries. Call for info and restrictions 828-507-9009. **2/27pd**

SERVICES

Tutoring - Are you home schooling? I can supplement your curriculum. I also have some opening for late afternoon tutoring in reading and math. 20 years teaching and tutoring experience. In addition, I have been trained in use of an educational tool that can open brain pathways. The technique can help people with sensory processing disorders, ADHD and academic struggles. For more information, www.integratedlistening.com Joyce Parker 828-788-7100. **2/27pd**

Avenues Counseling with Beth Farris, Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Clinical Addiction Specialist seeing clients during a variety of hours including evenings and Sat morning. Trained in Motivational Interviewing and EMDR both evidence-based practices. Also trained in Emotional Brain Training For stress reduction, greater freedoms and ease in life. Addressing depression, anxiety, weight issues and relationship concerns. Most Insurance accepted with Copays – or call with questions 1-421-9855 or see www.bethfarris.com. **2/27pd**

H&R Block Tax Service - 497-4077. Teepee Village, Big Cove Rd. M-F 9 am to 6 pm. Sat. 9 am to 5 pm. Closed Sun. This year, the Cherokee H&R Tax office will be open until APRIL 15! **4/10pd**

Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 828-497-4128. **4/10pd**

PIZZA INN for your GROUP or PARTY events – We have special rate packages for all size parties. Call us today for more information (828) 497-9143. **3/13pd**

DAIRY QUEEN CHEROKEE– Let us know you saw this in the One Feather and GET \$1.00 OFF A BANANA SPLIT. – Located on Tsali Boulevard. **3/13pd**

WANTED

Buying scrap metal & junk cars. Will come to you. Call Nelson (828)488-9848 or (828)269-3292 **3/13pd**

EMPLOYMENT

RESIDENT COUNSELOR (PART-TIME WEEKEND)

Organization: Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719; (52 Boys Club Loop)
Department: CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME
Opening Date: February 24, 2014
Closing Date: March 7, 2014

REQUIREMENTS: Must have a valid North Carolina Driver's License with a verifiable driving record. Must have a High School diploma or GED. Experience in a residential care setting preferred. Must be able to relate well to children, youth and their family members. Must have good writing and verbal communication skills and be able to complete daily reporting requirements. Must have the ability to lift 50 pounds and be physically mobile to conduct required physical demands of the job. Must be 21 years of age.

Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at the Information Desk of the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or call 828-497-9101 for more information.

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

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **3/6**

Maintenance/Custodian- Full-time – Apply at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian - Hours 9-5 daily. **3/6**

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EMPLOYMENT

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians



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

Positions Open

Please attach all required documents

eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has the following positions open:

Closing March 7, 2014 @ 4 PM

1. Driver- Transit (\$23,040-\$28,800)
2. Computer Specialist- IT (\$40,080-\$50,100)
3. Fitness Center Manager- Cherokee Life (\$48,000-\$60,000)
4. Lead Teacher- Tribal Child Care (\$30,320-\$37,900)
5. Special Education Teacher- KPEP (\$48,000-\$60,000)
6. Crewleader Equip Operator/Sawman- Sanitation (\$36,560-\$45,700)

Open Until Filled

1. EMT-P (Part-time) – EMS
2. Teacher- Tribal Child Care
3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care
4. Manager- Internal Audit
5. IT Auditor- Internal Audit
6. Attorney General- Legal

Health & Medical Positions

Open Until Filled

1. C.N.A-Tsali Center
2. RN-Tsali Care Center
3. LPN- Tsali Care Center
4. CHR- Community Health
5. Housekeeper- Tsali Care Center

Download Applications/Job Descriptions at the following website!

<http://www.nc-cherokee.com/humanresources/employment/jobopportunities>

Maintenance/Gardener Position

The Cherokee Historical Association is looking to hire a gardener/maintenance worker for the Oconaluftee Indian Village and Botanical Trail. The main purpose will be gardening, but will require some maintenance duties as well. The position is seasonal and the deadline for applications is on March 14th. The job will begin on March 27, 2014. Please come by the Admin. Building across from the Museum for an application and job description. For more information please call 828-497-1126. **3/13**

TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February 26, 2014

CLOSING DATE: March 06, 2014
At 4:00pm

NAME OF POSITION: PT Concession Attendant

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1

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 Drivers 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 Littlejohn.

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. **2/27**

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring a seasonal Operations Manager. Applicants

can pick up a job description and an application at the CHA main office. Applicants must submit a completed application, resume, and 3 letters of recommendation by C.O.B March 14, 2014. Call 828-497-1126 for more information.

Guidelines:

- Indian preference applies, must show proof.
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays.
- 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.

3/6

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is looking to hire a Seasonal Assistant Manager for the Oconaluftee Indian Village 2014 Season. This position requires a person who is diligent, dependable, and possesses strong leadership skills. Applicants can pick up a job description and application at the CHA main office, resumes are a plus.

Guidelines:

- Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe.
- Be available to begin work in April and work through November.
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays.
- Must make it through the interview process.
- Associate's Degree or equivalent management experience required.
- Must have knowledge of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians culture and about the culturally based tourism industry.
- Must be able to work with individuals and groups alike.
- Requires the ability to coordinate activities and events, market and promote, communicate effectively, both verbally and in writing.

Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission has the following job available: Administrative Assistant. Anyone interested should

pick up an application and Position description from Katina Price at the Tribal Alcohol Beverage Control Commission Office between the hours of 8:30am - 4:00pm Monday-Thursday. This position will close 3/4/14 at 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current Job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be Accepted in lieu of TABCC application. **2/27**

EMPLOYMENT

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available:

FT DENTIST / CHEROKEE COUNTY CLINIC
PTI HYGIENIST / CHEROKEE COUNTY CLINIC
FT CERTIFIED BILLING TECH III
PTI PHARMACY TECH I
FT COOK
FT QUALITY MANAGEMENT / TRAINING DIRECTOR
FT PERFORMANCE IMPROVEMENT SPECIALIST
FT HOUSEKEEPER
FT CNA / Case Management Support - OPD

Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday – Friday. These positions will close February 28 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **2/27**

Positions available: Tour Guides-Greeters/Craft Workers/Historical Re-enactors

The Oconaluftee Indian Village is seeking workers for the 2014 season. We are looking for people willing to educate the public about Cherokee history and culture in fun, exciting ways. We need applicants who take pride in Cherokee culture and possess good work ethics. Applications and job descriptions can be picked at the front office. For information please call Michael Lambert at 497-2111 ext. 215.

Guidelines:

- Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe (Except specific historical reenactment roles)
- Must be able to show up at 8:45am and work until 5:00pm when required.
- Needs to be dressed in OIV clothing and ready to go at 9am
- Age requirement: 17yrs or older

(except for Mentoring Program)
 • Be willing to work weekends and holidays

Must make it through the interview process if selected **3/27**

The Office of Budget & Finance has an intern position available.

To be eligible for the internship you must be an enrolled member of the EBCI and enrolled in a degree program (associates, undergraduate, or graduate) preferably in a finance related field (accounting, finance, business, etc.). The internship is for up to 520 hours, working full-time or part-time to accommodate class schedules, and is compensated at an hourly rate. For more information about the internship, please visit www.nc-cherokee.com/finance or call 828.497.7031. Applications are available online or in person at the Finance Office. Deadline to apply is Friday February 28, 2014. **2/27**

REALTY

Painttown Community

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

Letisha Nicole Bird, Leslie Shannon Swimmer Bryant, Freda Charlene Wolfe Cisneros, Robert Arnold Cooper, Daniel Lamar Hornbuckle, Michael Thorton Hornbuckle, Thurman Hornbuckle III, Michael Doc Lambert, Samuel John Lambert, Ted Major Lambert, Kara Ann Little, Patricia Ann Maney Little, Jerry Los-siah Jr., Eloise George Maney, Johnnie Ruth Maney, Madge Elizabeth Lambert Owle, Sally Ann George Shehan, *Rowena Smith, Sandra Helen Lambert Sneed, Marion Louise Tooni Teesateskie, Robert Ray Teesateskie, Charles Wolfe, Elizabeth Ann Wolfe, *Anna Lee Swimmer Youngdeer, *John Irvin Youngdeer, Parent or guardian of: David Isaiah Maney, Charlotte Ann Saunooke, Wanda Sue Whitetree Bruce, Lucinda George McCoy, Donna Roberta George Walkingstick, Wanda Lee Smith Bradley, Nick

Bradley Jr., Rebecca Smith Bridges, Wesley Goings Bigmeat, Aubry Anne George Bigmeat, Ahniwake Standley Littledave

Proposed Land Transfers

Gary Francis Driver to David Lee Hicks for Big Cove Community Parcel NO. 669-A (Part of Parcel No. 669), containing 1.000 Acre, more or less. Subject to Residential Lease.

Howard James Taylor, Jr. to Summer Dawn Priester Adams for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 682-B (Remainder of Parcel No. 682), containing 38.732 Acres, more or less. Undivided Interest

Debra Gail George Bush to Ronda Dell Reed for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 80-B (Remainder of Parcel No. 80), containing 0.834 Acres, more or less.

Debra Gail George Bush to Michael James George for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 503 (Part of Parcel No. 102), containing 0.194 Acres, more or less.

Debra Gail George Bush to Michael James George for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1129 (Part of Parcel No. 102), containing 0.097 Acres, more or less.

Will Thomas Lambert to Roberta Vanessa Lambert Sneed for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 389-A (Part of Parcel No. 389), containing 1.00 Acre, more or less.

Charles Edward Taylor to Harry Taylor for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 720 (Part of Parcel No. 74), containing 1.000 Acre, more or less.

Nancy Elaine Wilnoty to James Francis Long and Carol Elaine Fuller Long for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1370-E (Part of Parcel No. 1370), containing 1.063 Acres, more or less.

Glen Joseph Bradley, Jr., Helena Ann Bradley, Sharon Elizebeth Bradley and Judson Gregory Bradley to Susan Bradley Jones for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 356-F (Part of Parcel No. 356-E), containing 1.500 Acres, more or less.

Joseph Curtis McCoy to Timothy Jason McCoy for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 172-F (Part of Parcel No. 172-D)), containing 0.501 Acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Advertisement for Bids

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
 Water and Sewer Operation and Maintenance Program
 Tribal Utilities Building
 PO Box 547
 Cherokee, NC 28719
 Ph (828) 554-6105

Project Title: Sewer Cleaning, Smoke Testing, Surveys and Mapping and Continuing Services

The EBCI is requesting separate sealed bids for a contractor to perform sanitary sewer cleaning, inspections and video recording, smoke testing of sewers, surveys and mapping in ARCGIS as well as a two year continuing services contract. Contractors wishing to bid should contact Calloway Ledford, Sr., at (828)554-6105 or by email at calledf2@nc-cherokee.com for a copy of the request for proposals.

Bid packages must be addressed to Calloway Ledford, Sr. at the address above by 4:00 PM March 31, 2014 at which time they shall be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after this time will not be considered.

This work is being funded by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Please be advised that Indian preference (TERO) applies to this contract. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) documentation required by executive order 11246 as amended and regulations (41 CFR part 60-4) shall be applicable throughout the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Ledford at (828)554-6105 or by email at calledf2@nc-cherokee.com. **2/27**

Per EBCI Budget & Finance

Garnishments began on Jan. 2 and will run through April 1, 2014.

LEGALS

Notice of Service of Process by Publication

Cherokee Tribal Court Regulations
In Cherokee Tribal Court
Mountain Credit Union
Vs

Raymond Neal Swayney (CV 13-540)
Michael Robert Bradley (CV13-518)
Denise Ashenfelter (CV 13-517)
Jason L. Thompson (CV13-510)
Cora L. Bernhisel (CV13-509)

Take Notice that a Pleading seeking
relief against you has been filed in the
above entitled action. The nature of the re-
lief being sought is as follows:
Complaint for Money Owed and/or Repossession

Your are required to make defense of
such pleading no later than the 3rd day of
March 2014 and upon

Your failure to do so the Party (Moun-
tain Credit Union) seeking service against
you will apply to the Court for the relief
sought.

This is the 3rd day of February 2014
Agent for the Plaintiff: Sarah Davis
PO Box 241
Cherokee, NC 28719
828-497-6211 Ext. 2507
2/27pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 14-015

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of: Frankie Marlene Junaluska

All persons, firms and corporations
having claims against this estate are noti-
fied to exhibit them to the fudicary(s) listed
on or before the date listed or be barred
from their recovery. Debtors of the dece-
dent are asked to make immediate pay-
ment to the appointed fudicary(s) listed
below.
Date to submit claims: May 27, 2014

Dennis Ray Junaluska
P.O. Box 1942
Cherokee, NC 28719
3/20pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 13-091

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of: Frances Lorraine Littlejohn Smith

All persons, firms and corporations
having claims against this estate are noti-
fied to exhibit them to the fudicary(s) listed
on or before the date listed or be barred
from their recovery. Debtors of the dece-
dent are asked to make immediate pay-
ment to the appointed fudicary(s) listed
below.
Date to submit claims: March 9, 2014

Stephanie Arneach
PO Box 85
Cherokee, NC 28719
3/13pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 14-016

Notice to Creditors and Debtors of: Nick Bradley Jr.

All persons, firms and corporations
having claims against this estate are noti-
fied to exhibit them to the fudicary(s) listed
on or before the date listed or be barred
from their recovery. Debtors of the dece-
dent are asked to make immediate pay-
ment to the appointed fudicary(s) listed
below.
Date to submit claims: May 27, 2014

Frankie Ann Bradley
PO Box 383
Cherokee, NC 28719
3/20pd

Lost husky dog.
Small husky, mostly
white with orange
collar, last seen in
the Union Hill area.
Please call 497-
8950

ATTENTION EBCI HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

EBCI High School Seniors who are planning to attend
college in the 2014-2015 school year are required
to attend 3 mandatory training sessions presented
by the EBCI Higher Education Department staff in
order to qualify for funding from the Tribe.

ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY A PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

These training sessions are designed to provide
students and parents with important information
regarding education department funding requirements
and to assist them as they plan this important step
towards meeting their future educational goals.

The second mandatory training sessions will be held as follows:

Friday March 7th from 6-8 pm
(Large conference room near library
@ Ginger Lynn Welch Complex)

Saturday March 8th from 10-12 am, 1-3 pm, or 3-5 pm
(Community room next to Life Center
@ Ginger Lynn Welch Complex)

Sunday, March 9th from 1-3 pm
(Community room next to Life Center
@ Ginger Lynn Welch Complex)

**Please call the receptionist at 554-6650 to schedule
an appointment.**
(You only need to attend 1 of the above meetings.)

**The 3rd mandatory training session will focus on college
requirements, college orientation and class schedules,
and E.E.R.P.A. law.**
(Dates and location to be announced)

Visit us online: www.tsalagied.com
"Like" us on Facebook: EBCI Education

**One Feather deadline
Monday at 12noon**

YOU ARE INVITED SALLIE SMITH BRADLEY'S

100th BIRTHDAY



Friday,
March 7th,
2014
At Cherokee
Indian
Fairgrounds
12 Noon - 2PM
Food &
Refreshments
will be
served.