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TCGE takes Cherokee County Casino idea to the communities

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

The Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise (TCGE) board is proposing the construction of a new casino to be located in Cherokee County near Murphy. Board members opened a series of public meetings on the topic in the Yellowhill Community on Thursday, Feb. 21.

"Over the course of the past five or six years, many of you know that the Tribe has looked at a gaming operation in Cherokee County," TCGE board member John Houser said at the opening of Thursday night's meeting. He called the proposal "a really strong opportunity for the Tribe" and said it would create between 500-800 jobs in an area with high unemployment.

Houser said the Cherokee County casino, with a construction budget of around \$110 million, would be around 50,000 square feet and have 1,100 gaming machines, 30-40 table games, a food court, and a 300-room hotel. "This enterprise will help us to significantly impact the bottom line that goes to the Tribe."

Adele Madden, Harrah's Cherokee director of finance, said the project would generate around \$177 million in gaming revenue the first year and over \$200 million in the sixth year. "Obviously, because that property is closer to Atlanta, it would take some revenue from here."

Money that would go to the Cherokee County casino as opposed to the one in Cherokee is factored into the TCGE's Financial Summary on the project as "cannibalized" money. That amount is projected to be over \$47 million the first year and almost \$55 million in the sixth year.

Madden said the cash flow that would be used for distribution and debt reduction - after the cannibal-



TCGE board member John Houser (standing) opens a presentation held at the Yellowhill Community Club Building on Thursday, Feb. 21 on the proposed Cherokee County casino.

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ized figures, management fee and capital withholding is taken out - would be over \$50 million for the first year and close to \$58 million in the sixth year.

"If they go to Murphy, it's still a good thing for tribal members," said Houser. "The funds would go into the same pot of money."

TCGE board member Paula Brown related that a temporary facility will be open within six months of breaking ground. The full facility will be open in 18 months after the groundbreaking she said, and the temporary facility will be converted to a storage facility at that point.

Keredith Owens, EBCI tribal member, asked, "What is the risk of

tourists going to Cherokee County instead of Cherokee?"

Brown said it would actually help relieve some of the flow into the three hotel towers at Harrah's Cherokee. She said they have to issue "denials" to between 5,000 to 7,000 patrons a month which means they do not have room at the three towers and offer them a room elsewhere in Cherokee which is denied by the customer.

Brown said the rooms at Harrah's Cherokee go to the higher ranked players. "It will allow us to go deeper into the database and allow more rooms to more people."

Houser said the current occupancy at the three towers is between

97-98 percent.

Missy Crowe, EBCI tribal member, asked about the debt load this would add to the Tribe.

"Our debt is significant," said Houser. "We've had debt since day one. The debt we have now is only on the expansion. The debt on the first part of the casino and the first hotel tower has been paid back."

Owens commented, "It is our debt. We are the owners of the casino. Whenever we keep accumulating all this debt, common sense tells us to step back a bit."

Several debt reduction packages have been proposed along with this project including one in which 100 percent of the cash flow for debt and

distribution/per capita would go to debt retirement and interest. Under that plan, the Cherokee County casino would be paid off entirely in three years. A second proposal of 50 percent of the cash flow going to debt retirement and interest would see the casino paid for in five years.

If the 100 percent plan is used, TCGE board members related that not only would the Cherokee County casino be paid for in three years, but the current debt would be paid for in nine years saving a projected \$293 million in interest payments.

Brown said that having a casino in Cherokee County would also help to attract more players that are not currently visiting Harrah's Cherokee. She said that within a 180-mile radius, there are currently 2.3 million Harrah's Total Rewards customers. But, only 20 percent (476,000) have visited Harrah's

Cherokee.

She said that equates to a total of \$488 million in revenue for Caesar's overall, but only \$285 million for the Harrah's Cherokee property.

Yellowhill Reps. B. Ensley and David Wolfe both related they were happy with the turnout at Thursday's meeting and the presentation given to the their community.

"It was a nice presentation," said Rep. Wolfe. "One of my thoughts whenever it came to Council was, 'hey, the people need to hear this'. I

wanted my community to hear it before I made my decision. I think they did an excellent job presenting the information, and everyone seems to be happy to have their questions answered."

Rep. Ensley commented, "I think the meeting went excellent. We had a lot of participation; the most we've had in a good while for any event."

He said that debt is always a concern, but he was pleased with the meeting and the fact that the community members got to see the pres-

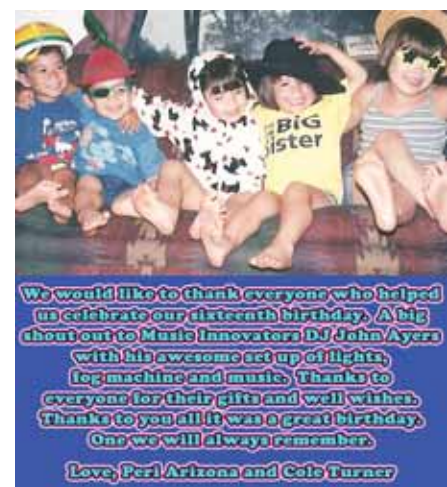
entation first-hand.

Meetings were scheduled earlier this week for Painttown, Birdtown, and Cherokee County.

Meetings are scheduled in other communities per the following schedule:

- Thursday, Feb. 28 at 6pm – Big Y Community (Special Called Meeting)
- Monday, March 4 at 6pm – Wolfetown Community (Special Called Meeting at Wolfetown Gym)
- Big Cove – To be announced

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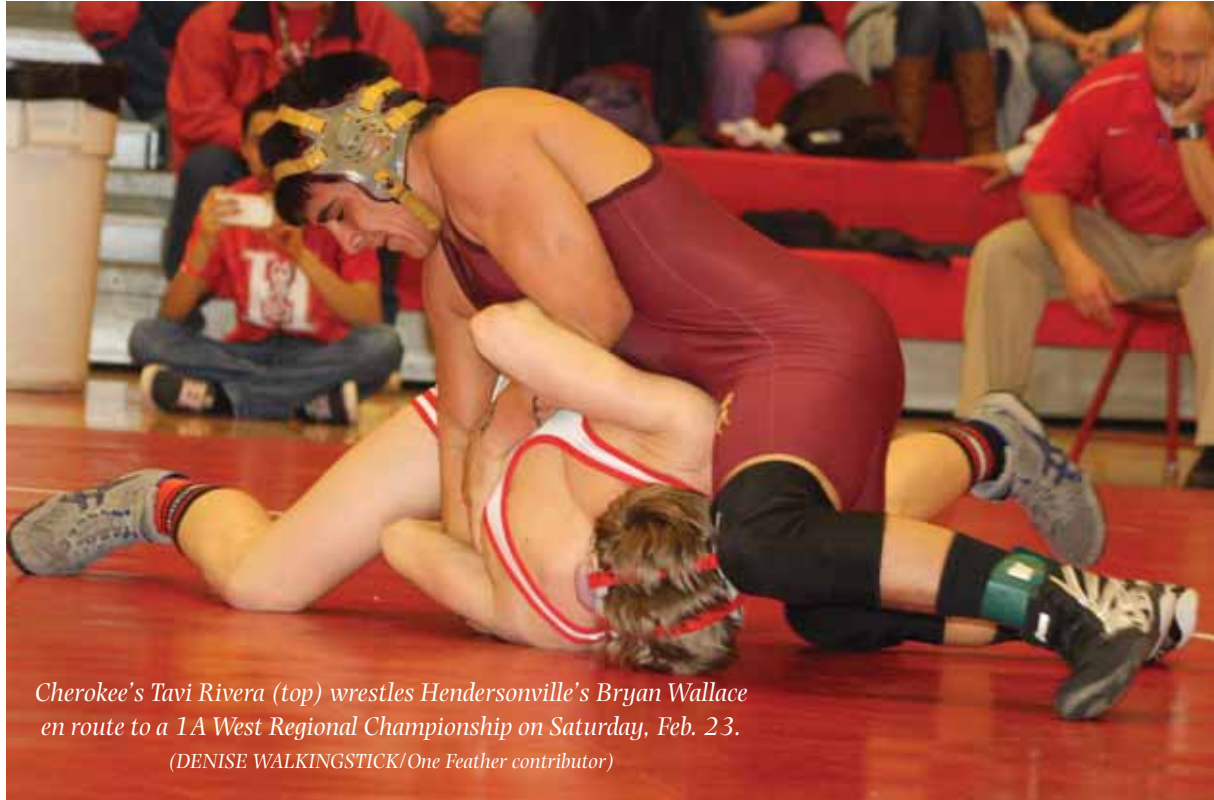
Tribal members win Regional Championships

BCI tribal members Tavi Rivera (CHS) and Spencer McCoy (Robbinsville) won the championship in their respective weight divisions at the 1A West Regionals wrestling tournament held in Hendersonville on Feb. 22-23. West Wilkes won the team championship with 156.5 points followed by Robbinsville 124 and Mitchell 115. Cherokee came in eighth place with 72.5 points.

Rivera, who took first in the 160lb. division, was also named the tournament's Most Valuable Wrestler. Rivera and McCoy, who took first place in the 195lb. division, qualified for the 1A State Wrestling final set for Thursday, Feb. 28 at the Greensboro Coliseum in Greensboro. Also qualifying for state are tribal members Levi Swearingin (CHS), fourth place in the 126lb. division, and Jacob Wildcatt (Swain), fourth place in the 285lb. division.

Tournament results of these four wrestlers are as follows:

- Rivera
 - Pinned Keangan Hoilman (Mitchell) at 1:42
 - Pinned Thomas Bartley (Elkin) at :57
 - Won by major decision (16-0) over Lyle Morian (Central Aca.)
 - Won decision (7-3) over Bryan Wallace (Hendersonville)
- McCoy
 - Bye in first round
 - Won major decision (14-2) over Ryan Sheppard (Avery)
 - Won decision (9-3) over Zaqwan Dobson (Mt. Airy)
 - Won decision (3-2) over Zack Faircloth (E. Wilkes)
- Swearingin
 - Pinned Josh Cochran (Alleghany) at 1:37
 - Won decision (6-4) over Soloman Duncan (Mitchell)
 - Lost decision (14-5) to Alexander Preudhomme (Bishop McGuinness)
 - Pinned Zachary Nelson (Walkertown) at 1:14
 - Pinned by Jake St. Germain (W. Wilkes) at 4:09
- Wildcatt
 - Pinned Andres Villagomez (Rosman) at 1:15
 - Lost decision (10-5) to Eithen Sheets (W. Wilkes)



Cherokee's Tavi Rivera (top) wrestles Hendersonville's Bryan Wallace en route to a 1A West Regional Championship on Saturday, Feb. 23.

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- Pinned Jerry Bennett (Mt. Airy) at 4:13
- Pinned Dylan Camp (Cherryville) at :33
- Pinned Michael Montelongo (Cherokee) at :24
- Pinned by Eithen Sheet (W. Wilkes) at 1:43

Full results of Cherokee's other wrestlers are as follows:

- Michael George, 106lb.
 - Pinned Maria Garcia (Monroe) at 1:14
 - Pinned Peyton Green (Mitchell) at 3:00
 - Lost decision (14-7) to Eddie Nunez (E. Surry)
 - Lost decision (9-4) to Jose Aguilar (N. Wilkes)
- Ethan Swearingin, 113lb.
 - Pinned by Irvan Portugal (Robb) at 3:11
 - Pinned Dalton Williams (Queens Grant) at 4:00
 - Pinned by Dustin Garret (Murphy) at 1:24
- Austin Padilla, 132lb.
 - Lost decision (8-2) to Kade Guffey (Robb)
 - Lost decision (8-2) to Logan Nelson (Walkertown)
- Jaron Bradley, 145lb.
 - Won decision (10-5) over Peter Mantione (Union Aca.)
 - Lost decision (12-8) to Jake Shore (E. Wilkes)

- Pinned by Zack Wagoner (N. Wilkes) at 1:44
- Dorian Walkingstick, 170lb.
 - Won by technical fall (15-0) over Erich Carpenter (Cherryville)
 - Lost decision (5-4) to Luke Johnson (N. Wilkes)
 - Pinned Kane Owensby (Rosman) at 4:19
 - Lost by major decision (10-2) to Frank Ledew (Bishop McGuinness)
- Raymond Taylor, 220lb.
 - Pinned Scot Wiseman (Avery) at :56
 - Pinned by Brandon Stiles (Murphy) at 5:01
 - Pinned Jacob Reeves (N. Wilkes) at :48
 - Pinned by Rhett Hoy (Hendersonville) at 1:02
- Michael Montelongo
 - Pinned Ben Tuttle (S. Stokes) at :42
 - Won by technical fall (18-1) over Raul Hernandez (Monroe)
 - Lost decision (3-1) in overtime to Jackson Price (Central Aca.)
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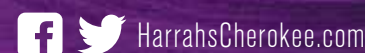
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BASKETBALL

Lady Braves win SMC tournament

The Cherokee Lady Braves (24-2) beat Rosman in the second round and Robbinsville in the finals to win the Smoky Mountain Conference tournament last week. The Lady Braves, who are ranked #3 in the latest Maxpreps.com 1A basketball poll, had already won the conference regular season title. Following are the scores and stats of their tournament games:

2nd Round

Cherokee 80 Rosman 62

The Lady Braves continued their unbeaten streak against Smoky Mountain Conference teams this year with a 80-62 win over Rosman in the second round of the conference tournament on Tuesday, Feb. 19. The Lady Braves earned the top seed in the tournament and a first-round bye.

Kendall Toineeta led Cherokee with 20 points followed by Jordyn Thompson with 18. Cherokee jumped out to an early 18-6 lead after the first period and led 47-29 at the half. The second half was completely even with both teams scoring 33 points, and Cherokee took the game by 18.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Deija Burgess 4, Brianna Jumper 4, Alexis Maney 16, Avery Mintz 12 and Bree Stamper 6.

Lady Tigers scorers included: Lexy Aiken 1, Baylee Bagwell 13, Callie Chappell 12, Bethany Green 2, Selina Hoxit 14, Janah McCall 2 and Candace Petit 18.

Finals

Cherokee 67 Robbinsville 52

The Lady Braves came to the finals to win, and they made that

statement early as they jumped out to a 24-6 lead after the first period in the championship game on Friday, Feb. 22. They kept it up in the second period and led at halftime 39-16.

Robbinsville attempted a comeback in the final period, outscoring Cherokee 26-14, but the gap was too wide and the Lady Braves took the game and the championship.

Kendall Toineeta led the way for Cherokee with 30 points. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Deija Burgess 9, Alexis Maney 9, Avery Mintz 9, Miranda Smith 2, Bree Stamper 3 and Jordyn Thompson.

Lady Black Knights scorers included: Lynsey Crisp 17, Amber Long 16, Erin Maennle 2, Sydney Moody 5, Cheyenne Orr 2, Kinsley Orr 2 and Desiree Williams 4.

BOYS

First Round

Cherokee 87 Andrews 71

The Cherokee Braves varsity basketball team beat Andrews 87-71 in the first round of the Smoky Mountain Conference tournament on Monday, Feb. 18.

Dustin Johnson and Darius Thompson led Cherokee with 18 points each. The Braves led the Wildcats 26-13 after the first period and 35-27 at the half. Both teams scored 23 in the third period, and Andrews edged Cherokee 21-19 in the final period, but it wasn't enough as the Braves took the win.

Other Braves scorers included: Raven Frankiewicz 5, Derrick Ledford 8, Seth Littlejohn 9, Eli Littlejohn 11, Silas Reed-Littlejohn 6,

Chris Queen 4 and Jesse Toineeta 9.

Josh Oquendo led Andrews with 24 points. Other Wildcats scorers included: Logan Allen 7, Michael Carpenter 2, Aaron DeVore 10, Cameron Hancock 5, Chase Hardin 6, Zack Long 6 and Seth Pyle 3.

Second Round

Swain 58 Cherokee 52

Swain, whose team includes several EBCI tribal members, defeated Cherokee 58-52 in the second round on Wednesday, Feb. 20.

Seth Littlejohn led Cherokee with 20 points.

Cherokee fell behind early as Swain led 19-8 after the first period and 33-19 at the half. But, the Braves came back in the third period outscoring the Maroon Devils 16-9. Cherokee would also outscore Swain in the final period 17-16, but it was

not quite enough.

Other Cherokee scorers included: Raven Frankiewicz 9, Dustin Johnson 7, Eli Littlejohn 6, Silas Reed-Littlejohn 4, and Jesse Toineeta 6.

Swain scorers included: Tanner Burrell 5, Matthew Maennle 20, Corbin Panther 12, Raymuis Smith 8, Greg Tisho 6 and Clay Young 7.

Finals

Swain would go on to win the tournament with a 51-46 win over Hayesville in the finals on Friday, Feb. 22. EBCI tribal member Raymuis Smith led the Maroon Devils with 22 points. Fellow tribal members Corbin Panther and Greg Tisho would add 12 and 6 points respectively.

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Powell pleads guilty in Littlejohn case

Ladybird Powell has pleaded guilty to several charges, including involuntary manslaughter, in the 2011 death of her 15-month-old niece Aubrey Littlejohn. Powell made her plea in Swain Superior Court on Monday, Feb. 18, and was sentenced to at least nine years in prison by Judge James Downs.

Powell also pled guilty to extortion, possession of drug paraphernalia, and two counts of felony child abuse.

The plea and sentencing brings to close a tragic case that has included accusations that DSS officials allegedly ignored reports of abuse by Powell and then, following Littlejohn's death, worked to falsify reports in their favor.

A Swain DSS supervisor and her former subordinate were indicted in February 2012 on charges relating to an alleged cover-up of the incident leading to Littlejohn's death.

Candice Lassiter was indicted by a grand jury and charged with three counts of Obstruction of Justice and three counts of Forgery and Craig Smith was charged with three counts of Obstruction of Justice.

Both were named, along with other DSS officials, in a lawsuit filed in June 2012 by a representative of Littlejohn's estate.

A civil complaint was filed in N.C. Superior Court in Bryson City that states, "During the time that Ladybird had custody of Aubrey in 2010 and 2011, Aubrey was assaulted and beaten, was deprived of food and milk or water, was abandoned and left alone for hours at a time, and was kept in a trailer with little or no heat, as needed according to the weather. The abuse and neg-

lect of Aubrey occurred and continued during the times in which SCDSSS was investigating, or by law should have been investigating, complaints of abuse and neglect involving Aubrey and Ladybird."

An autopsy report released in May 2011 states the cause of Littlejohn's death as "Undetermined Sudden Death". While the report was nonspecific about her death, there were questions about hypothermia as Littlejohn's core temperature was documented the night of her death by Cherokee Indian Hospital officials as 84 degrees Fahrenheit. "The nonspecific findings of hypothermia are not present in this case; however, it is not possible to exclude death from hypothermia," the report states.

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Trail of Tears Association donates to Remember the Removal bike ride

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

The North Carolina Chapter of the Trail of Tears Association has donated \$5,000 to the Remember the Removal bike ride. Chapter vice-president Carmaleta Monteith, an EBCI tribal member, presented the check to Principal Chief Michell Hicks on Thursday, Feb. 21.

"This donation is greatly appreciated," said Chief Hicks. "The ride is a great opportunity for tribal members to enjoy the history and put themselves into where we were at a point and time. We appreciate it."

Monteith said that the idea for the donation arose from a Chapter meeting in which Jeremy Wilson, an EBCI tribal member who participated in last year's ride, spoke about the ride and its meaning to him. "It just sort of emerged as a good thing to do," said Monteith.

Anita Finger-Smith, Chapter treasurer, commented, "The North Carolina Chapter of the Trail of Tears Association's mission is to promote the remembrance of the removal, and the Remember the Removal ride has that same mission. And, we thought that a joint effort in that would broaden the awareness in



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The North Carolina Chapter of the Trail of Tears Association donated \$5,000 to the Remember the Removal bike ride on Thursday, Feb. 21. Shown (left-right) are Jeremy Hyatt, 2012 rider; Sheena Kanott, 2011 rider; Principal Chief Michell Hicks; Carmaleta Monteith, Chapter vice-president; Tara McCoy, 2011 rider; and Anita Finger-Smith, Chapter treasurer.

the western North Carolina area."

This year's Remember the Removal ride is set to start in June at New Echota, Ga. Seven EBCI tribal members have been selected to represent the Tribe on the ride including: Gerri Grady, Kate Cooper, Tighe Wachcha, Joseph "Joey" Owle,

Dakota Brown, Marvel Welch and Elias Huskey.

The Trail of Tears Association is made up of nine chapters representing the states the Trail went through including: Alabama, Arkansas, Georgia, Illinois, Kentucky, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma and Ten-

nessee.

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Contract awarded for Newfound Gap Road Repairs

Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) awarded the contract to repair the Newfound Gap Road landslide to Phillips & Jordan, Inc. (P&J) of Robinsville. The contract was awarded for the submitted bid of \$3,989,890.00 with a completion date set at May 15.

P&J will mobilize as early as Friday, Feb. 22 to begin Phase 2 of the reconstruction project which will include rebuilding the paved roadway and filling the area washed away during the landslide with crushed stone. The design will allow for the drainage of water which will protect the road and park resources from future damage. The fill area will be naturally sloped and planted with native seed. APAC—Atlantic, Harrison Division recently completed Phase 1 of the reconstruction project by developing an access road to the slide area, removing debris, and stabilizing the slope above the work area.

The contract includes a monetary incentive of \$ 18,000 per day to the selected contractor for each day of completion prior to May 15, 2013, up to a maximum of \$ 500,000 offered jointly by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians and the National Park Service. The amount donated by the EBCI will apply to the first 14 days of the incentive period at the above rate. In addition to the monetary incentives, the contract also includes monetary disincentives. The contractor will be charged \$18,000 per day past May 15 to help insure the project is completed on schedule.

Newfound Gap Road will remain closed to thru traffic during the construction, but visitors are still able to access the park to Newfound Gap from the Tennessee side and to Collins Creek Picnic Area from the Cherokee entrance.

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APAC—Atlantic, Harrison Division recently completed Phase 1 of the reconstruction project by developing an access road to the slide area, removing debris, and stabilizing the slope above the work area.

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News Briefs

School Board members nominated to BIE Committee

Two members of the Cherokee School Board have been nominated to the Bureau of Indian Education's Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) Rulemaking Committee. School Board chairperson Lori Blankenship, who represents the Big Cove Community, and Wolfetown School Board member Jessica Daniels were nominated for the Committee by USET.

"It is a great honor to be nominated to the AYP Rulemaking Committee," said Blankenship. "The Adequate Yearly Progress is very important to our school systems. However, because most regulators do not know our schools or Native students, the required regulations can and do put us at a disadvantage. Serving on the AYP Rulemaking Committee will not only allow us to represent our school system, but also the other 15 federally recognized tribes who receive BIE funding."

She continued, "Service on the committee will give us the opportunity to be accountable for our schools and put us on an even playing field. AYP is required of all 3rd grade through 12th grade students in the following areas: reading/language arts, mathematics, either graduation or attendance rates, arts and mathematics."

"Being part of the committee to revise the AYP rules is an excellent way to have input from our school system," said Blankenship. "By serving, we are better able to be accountable to our teachers, staff, students and parents. It is my goal to show everyone what a great school system we have here on the Qualla Boundary."

Daniels commented, "I'm excited to be serving on the Bureau of Indian Education's AYP Committee, along with fellow Cherokee Central Schools School Board member Lori Blankenship. I think this is a great opportunity for our school system. Lori and I will be working for and in conjunction with all USET tribes and their educational leaders to advocate the needs and concerns facing our schools in relation to AYP standards and expectations. In serving on this Committee, we will be representing the largest geographical area of the BIE representing 16 different schools in five different states."

- Cherokee Central Schools along with One Feather staff reports

Park visitation down slightly in January

Total visitation to the Great Smoky Mountains National Park for January 2013 was down 1.4 percent as compared with January 2012. During January 2013, a total of 265,633 visitors came into the Park as compared with 269,282 in 2012, a decrease of 3,649 visitors.

Visitation for Entrances:

- Gatlinburg: 92,938
- Townsend: 42,353
- Oconaluftee: 55,147
- Outlying Areas: 75,195

Visitation for January 2013 was 3.5 percent below the five year average, and is the second lowest visitation rate for the month in 5 years.

An above average amount of precipitation, and subsequent road closures, likely contributed to the decrease in the park's January visitation. The park averages around 5-7 inches of rain during the month of January, but received 14-17

inches during January 2013.

Many flooding events occurred which washed away gravel from roadways, damaged trail bridges, and most notably washed away approximately 200 yards of roadway on Newfound Gap Road during a landslide. This landslide has temporarily prohibited all through traffic from driving across the park between Gatlinburg, Tenn. and Cherokee. The road reconstruction process is currently underway to repair the road and open it to traffic by mid-May.

- NPS

Issa reintroduces Violence Against Indian Women Act

WASHINGTON – Rep. Darrell Issa (R-CA) reintroduced the Violence Against Indian Women Act (VAIWA) as HR 780 on Friday, Feb. 15. The bill authorizes American Indian tribes to exercise jurisdiction over crimes of domestic violence that occur in Indian Country.

"The current law enforcement system for Native American women is broken," said Rep. Issa. "Too many victims of domestic violence cannot get access to law enforcement during times of emergency and more will continue to suffer unless Congress acts. VAIWA fills this jurisdictional black hole so that appropriate police and courts can prevent and solve domestic abuse crimes in Indian tribal lands while still ensuring that the accused's constitutional rights are protected."

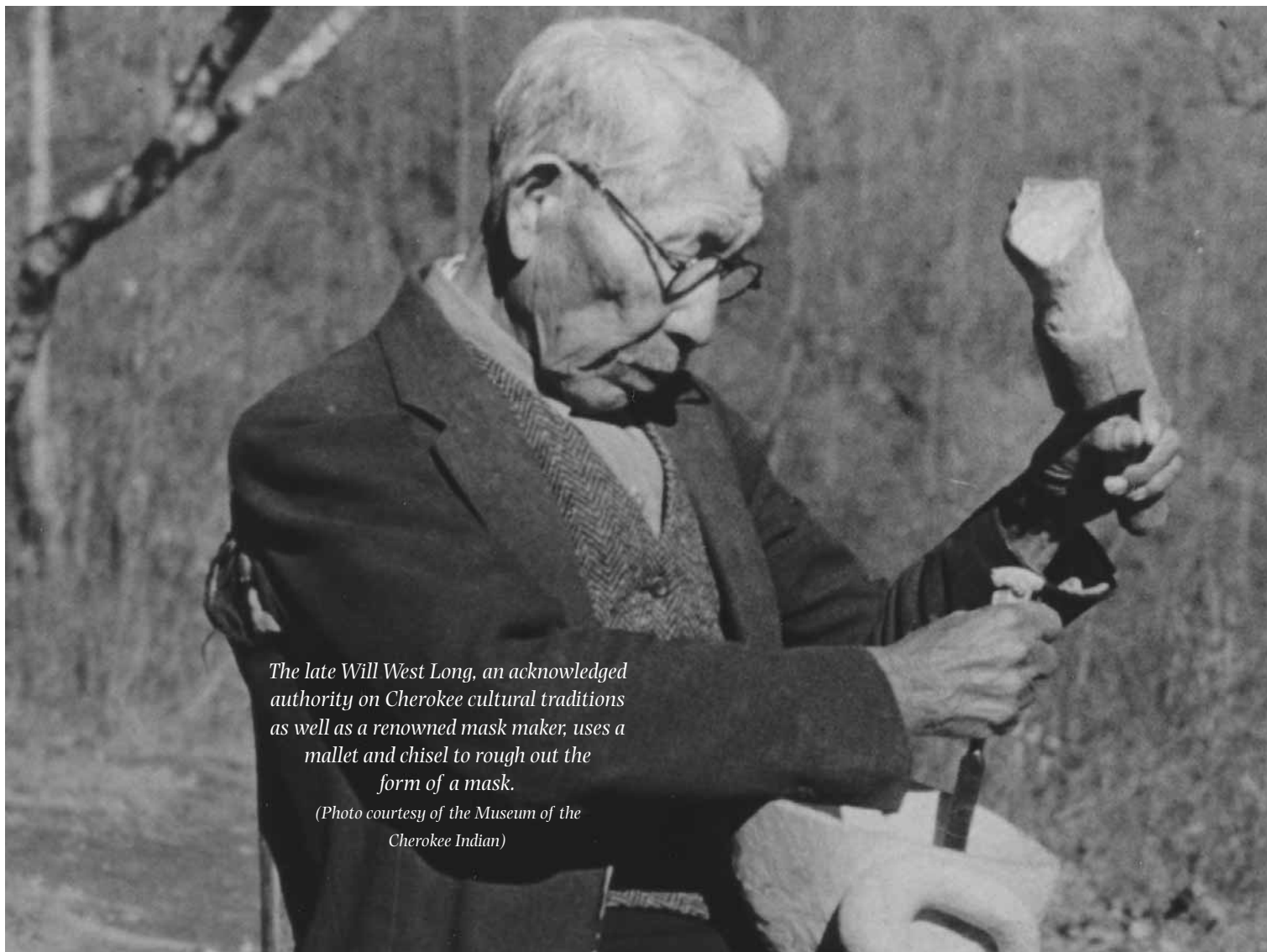
Bill cosponsors include Reps. Mark Amodei (R-NV), Tom Cole (R-Okla.), Jeff Denham (R-Calif.), John Kline (R-Minn.), Patrick McHenry (R-NC), David Schweikert (R-Ariz.), and Michael Simpson (R-Idaho).

- Rep. Issa



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A HISTORY IN CARVING

New carving book concludes Fariello's trilogy on Cherokee arts and crafts

A new book by Anna Fariello of Western Carolina University's Hunter Library examines carvers active among the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in the early to mid 20th century.

The 66-page "Cherokee Carving," on sale through the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual and the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, gives an overview of carving as a Cherokee tradition, including the creation of pipes, masks and figures, and touches on the bas relief technique, which produces a two-dimensional image on a flat plane. The last half of the book is devoted to short biographies of nine individual Eastern Band carvers.

Most of the carvers concentrated on wood, al-

though one, the self-taught John Julius Wilnoty (b. 1940), is famed for his work in stone. Many spent their formative years on the Qualla Boundary while others, such as Goingback Chiltoskey (1907-2000), Amanda Crowe (1928-2004) and Will West Long (1870-1947), spent years away from Cherokee while they honed their skills. Crowe, for instance, the lone female featured in the book, studied sculpture in Mexico with Jose de Creeft, the artist who created the Alice in Wonderland statue in New York's Central Park.

The study "does not intend to produce a comprehensive account of carving on the Qualla Boundary, as such a survey would require a more lengthy pursuit," said Fariello, an associate research professor

who oversees the digital archives housed at Hunter. "Instead, this publication aims to initiate and inspire the next generation of scholars to learn from local tradition bearers, discover their stories, and reflect on their values."

"Cherokee Carving" is the third and final installment of the "From the Hands of our Elders" series authored by Fariello to document Cherokee arts. First in the series was "Cherokee Basketry," published in 2009, followed by "Cherokee Pottery" in 2011. The basketry and pottery books are available locally and have both recently been reissued as electronic books available for purchase through Amazon.

"Research for each book produced some surprises and a better understanding of the crafts it portrayed. It has been my pleasure to uncover the traditions, artistry and stories of many of Cherokee's best craft-makers. As it should be, the Cherokee language makes no distinction between art and craft," Fariello said.

As she did with her previous works, Fariello drew heavily on the archives and collection of the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, an artists cooperative for members of the Eastern Band, for information included in the carving book. Vicki Cruz and Tonya Carroll of the Qualla Arts and Crafts Mutual, which has more than 250 members and aims to preserve and promote the traditional arts and crafts of the Eastern Band, worked closely with Fariello and other Hunter Library staff and family members of the carvers to ensure the accuracy of personal biographies.

The books are a valuable resource and have been embraced in the community, said Cruz, manager of the cooperative. In addition to their role as histories of craft, the books serve as a reference for collectors and as companion pieces to pur-



Photo courtesy of the Southern Highland Craft Guild
Johnson Catolster and daughter Sarah demonstrate at the Craftsman's Fair of the Southern Highlands in 1949.

chased artwork. They also have helped Arts and Crafts Mutual staff identify the artists, or family of artists, behind unsigned work brought in by collectors, and such identifying information adds values to a piece, Cruz said. Community members value the books for their information about family relations. "They enjoy going back and tracing who they may be related to. It's like a genealogy book, too," she said.

The book is dedicated to Betty DuPree, a longtime manager of the arts cooperative who tirelessly promoted Cherokee artisans.

Many at WCU contributed to the production of the carving book. Tom Frazier and Clint Hardin of the University Print Shop assisted with the book's design and printing. Tom Belt and Hartwell Francis of the Cherokee Language Program provided translations of chapter headings.

"As it should be, the Cherokee language makes no distinction between art and craft."

- Anna Fariello,
author of "Cherokee Carving"

Robert Conley, the Sequoyah Distinguished Professor of Cherokee Studies, along with Conley's wife, Evelyn, and Roseanna Belt, director of the Cherokee Center, assisted with clarifying cultural interpretation. Hunter Library reference librarian Ann Hallyburton and library technician Bob Strauss copyedited the book. Lucas Rogers, a digital production technician at Hunter Library, took many of the contemporary photographs and produced the initial documentation on each object in the Qualla Arts and Crafts collection. Some of the book's numerous archival images came from Hunter Library's Special Collections.

Hunter Library and the Cherokee Preservation Foundation provided funding for the series. As with the first two books in the series, teachers at Cherokee Central School and the Eastern Band's language immersion school, Kituwah Academy, each will receive a copy of "Cherokee Carving" for the classroom.

Images and more information about Cherokee carving can be found in the "Cherokee Traditions" digital collection at www.wcu.edu/library/DigitalCollections. For more information about the "From the Hands of our Elders" series, contact Fariello at 828-227-2499 or fariello@wcu.edu.

- WCU



VITA NATIONS/One Feather contributor

License renewal at 98!

Sallie Smith Bradley, 98, an EBCI tribal elder from the Big Cove Community, got her North Carolina driver's license renewed for another five years on Friday, Feb. 15.

Bradley turns 99 years old on March 7.



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

Yes...may I help you?

This elk was one of several spotted in the field adjacent to the Oconaluftee Visitor Center on Wednesday, Feb. 20.



Photo by Melissa Garcia

Little Miss gives Valentine's at Tsali Care

Little Miss Cherokee Marcela Garcia brought Valentine's Day cards to senior citizens at Tsali Care Center on Thursday, Feb. 14. She is shown here with Sarah Smythe. Garcia also sang for the patients during her visit.



Harrah's Cherokee photo

Harrah's Cherokee donates to dog rescue

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort donated \$5,000 to the Georgia English Bulldog Rescue (GEBR) at the organization's fourth annual Bully Ball. Shown at the ball (left-right) are Lauriel Leonard, Bully Ball committee chair; Janna Hyatt, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort community relations specialist; Ruthann Phillips, GEBR founder/director; Brooks Robinson, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort general manager and senior vice president; and Kelly Hollowell, Bully Ball event chair. The donation will be used for the care and treatment of rescued bulldogs that are admitted to the GEBR. The GEBR is not the only animal rescue organization that holds a special place in Harrah's Cherokee employees' hearts. Through sponsorships and volunteering, Harrah's Cherokee has supported PAWS animal shelter in Bryson City, Cherokee Animal Hospital in Cherokee, Brother Wolf Animal Rescue in Asheville, and Catman 2 Shelter in Sylva.

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Feb. 13

COLE, Brad Kelly

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty plea, 30 days jail time, \$1000 DARE
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

DRIVER, Randall Damian

14-15.1 Public Intoxication – Guilty Plea, credit for time served (8 days), \$190 court costs
14-70.17 Obstructive Justice – Dismissed on Plea

LEE, Brandon W.

14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny – Guilt Plea, No Contest, six months jail time suspended, one year probation,

no contact with victim, \$2000 restitution ordered
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed on Plea
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed on Plea

MARR, Maranda Leigh

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Guilty Plea, Judgment Stayed, 12 months jail time stayed, transfer to Drug Court, run consecutive with 12CR1542, \$100 fine, \$190 court costs, \$1000 DARE
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed on Plea

20-140(b) Reckless Driving – Dismissed on Plea
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed on Plea
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Guilty Plea, Judgment Stayed, 12 months jail time stayed, transfer to Drug Court, run consecutive with 12CR1353
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with Intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed on Plea
14-40.64 Reckless Endangerment – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.14 Obstructing Governmen-

tal Functions – Dismissed on Plea
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed on Plea

ROANEAGLE, Francella E.

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Dismissed on Plea
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Guilty Plea, No Contest, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, unsupervised probation, not to be on premises of Harrah's Cherokee, \$300 fine, \$190 court costs

SQUIRRELL, JR., Joshua

20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$190 court costs

TOINEEA, Jennifer Dawn

20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed with Leave to Refile



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The TCGE Board of Advisors will be presenting information on Cherokee County Casino at the following times:

- Monday, March 4 at 6pm – Wolfetown Community (Special Called Meeting at Wolfetown Gym)
- Monday, March 4 at 6:30pm – Snowbird Community (Snowbird Complex)
- Big Cove – To be announced



EBCI Cooperative Extension News

Cherokee Youth Council represents at UNITY meeting

Six youth were selected, out of 40, to represent both the Cherokee Youth Council and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at the national UNITY Meeting in Washington last week. The meeting was coordinated to prepare and select activities for the UNITY Conference in Los Angeles this coming summer. The six youth included: Louwana Montelongo, Seth Ledford, Simon Montelongo, Keanu Crowe and Kyle Chapa.

"These six youth have really demonstrated their commitment and determination without our program, and we are very proud to present them nationally as young leaders within our community," Sky Kanott, Cherokee Youth Council program manager.

During their visit, the group went to many historical sites including: Holocaust Memorial Museum, Washington Monument, National Museum of the American Indian, the Lincoln Memorial and more.

"The youth did express their concern for the extremely small display for the EBCI represented at the National Museum of the American Indian," said Kanott. "To be one of the biggest tribes in the United States, our display only amounted to a small corner within the four-story building. Let's educate people about us!"

- Cherokee Youth Council



Six members of the Cherokee Youth Council attended the national UNITY Meeting in Washington last week including (left-right): Louwana Montelongo, Seth Ledford, Simon Montelongo, Keanu Crowe and Kyle Chapa. (Photo by Sky Kanott)

Think Different!

Learn to Be a Leader and Help Make Your Community Even Better

If you are a college undergraduate, you could become a Jones-Bowman Fellow and enjoy outstanding leadership and professional development opportunities with the help of a stipend and an EBCI Mentor.

Candidates must be nominated by community members no later than May 6. For more information, visit Cherokee Preservation Foundation's website at www.cpdfn.org/jonesbowman.html, or call 828/497-5550.



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Cherokee Boys Club Report

www.cherokeeboysclub.com (828) 497-9101

CLUB SCHEDULE

March 4-8 – Nominations accepted for vacant Board position
 Wednesday, March 6 – Club Managers' Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Wednesday, March 13 – BOD Resolution Deadline – 8:30 a.m.
 Tuesday, March 19 – Health Screen 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (Lobby)
 Wednesday, March 20 – Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Thursday, March 21 – Safety Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m.
 Friday, March 29 – School Furlough Day

MISSION STATEMENT AND HISTORY OF THE BOYS CLUB

The Cherokee Boys Farm Club was established at the Cherokee Boarding School in 1932. Two years later the Cherokee Motor Club was founded. When the Boarding School closed in 1954, the Cherokee Day School continued the two Clubs. The Clubs were combined in 1958 and continued to grow. On May 4, 1964, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians incorporated The Cherokee Boys Club as a non-profit, self-supporting Tribal Enterprise.

The Club's mission has concentrated on the core needs of the Cherokee Community and has been very successful in implementing programs and services to that end. The specific objectives outlined below have been the Club's top priority and pursuing these goals in a fiscally responsible approach has enabled the Club to prosper for the past 80 years to provide educational opportunities, vocational and leadership training for Cherokee people, especially the youth; to provide employment for Tribal Members; to provide services for the Tribe and its communities; and to provide a Children's Home and services to children and families.

The Club has a Social Services division. The key areas of service provided by this division include Residential Services for long term and emergency care; Child Care Services for children from birth to 12 years of age; Family Support Services to assist families in crisis; Parents as Teachers, Social Services and Emergency Food and Shelter programs.

The Club has also developed many programs that support the School system, other Tribal entities, and the community. Many of these programs serve as a means to provide training and to further the skill sets of the current employees. The programs considered to be Enterprise Activities include Housing and Construction; Graphic Arts and Printing; Charter Bus and School Bus Transportation; Fleet Maintenance, Garage and Body Shop; Trucking for Short Haul and Solid Waste transportation; Roadside Maintenance and Building Rental.

BOYS CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The Cherokee Boys Club has a vacancy on their Board of Directors. According to the Club's Bylaws, the process below will be followed to fill the vacancy. Nominations will be accepted for the vacancy beginning Monday, March 4 at 7:30 a.m. and will be accepted through Friday, March 8 at 4:30 p.m. in the Club Lobby. To nominate a Board member, you must have attended Cherokee High School or Middle School and be a current member of the Boys Club. To receive a current membership card, see the Receptionist at the Club's Information Window.

Board Members shall be elected every two years in each even-numbered year. Board Members will be elected by Club Members. Five of the

Board's members shall be elected; two of the Board members are outside business people selected and approved by the new Board; one Tribal Representative is appointed by Tribal Council and one Student Representative is elected by student election.

The Board serves a two-year term from October 1 of the first year to Sept. 30 of the second year. If a Board member resigns before the term expires, replacement will be made by holding a special election. The Board Member elected in this special election would serve the remainder of the term (through Sept. 30, 2014) until the next regular election.

The current Board of Directors consists of President Wilbur Paul, Vice President Robert Lambert, Secretary Tiffani Reed, Assistant Secretary Terry Bradley, Perry Shell, Cole Wildcatt, Wanda Lawless and Albert Arch. If you have any questions, please call Jeannie Arkansas at 497-

9101.

CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S COALITION MEETING

Per Tammy Bradley, the next Coalition meeting will be Feb. 26 at 11 a.m. at the School Age Conference Room. This will be the last Tuesday of the month not the last Thursday of the month. The coalition members are trying to find the best date to meet so that everyone can be present and to determine who can help plan the Week of The Young Child's fair coming up on May 2, 2013.

CORN HOLE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, March 16
 Birdtown Gym
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EBCI Health & Medical Division Report

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT

Children's Dental

Program description

The Children's Dental Program is committed to enhancing the lives of children by reducing and or eliminating dental decay.

The program is designed to reduce barriers to care by providing prevention and educational services to children in familiar settings.

IN SCHOOLS

The Public Health Dental Hygienist works with the schools and daycare/headstart centers to provide dental screenings, fluoride varnish applications and classroom dental health education in the school setting. Offering these services on-site allows the students to have a dental experience in a non-intimidating environment. The goal is to build trust and confidence so the students will be more comfortable when they access the dental clinic for other services.

WORK & COMMUNITY

Routine dental hygiene services are provided at the three CIHA dental clinics by the Public Health Den-



Mellie Burns (also known as the Tooth Fairy), program manager Children's Dental, is shown presenting classroom education at Dora Reed Childcare Center

tal Hygienist. Participation in local health fairs and community club meetings can also be arranged.

Services provided:

- On-Site Dental Screenings/Referral and follow-up
- On-Site Fluoride Varnish Applications

- On-Site Dental Sealant Clinic (Cherokee Elementary School)
- Classroom Education
- WIC Prenatal Education
- Clinical Dental Hygiene Services
- Referral for orthodontic (braces) program

Contact person

Mellie K. Burns, RDH
Program Manager, Children's Dental
Office Phone: (828)554-6197
Email: mburns@nc-cherokee.com

Location -where is service provided

• Physical Address:
Health and Medical Administration Building, 43 John Crowe Hill, Cherokee, NC 28719

• Mailing Address:
P.O. Box 666, Cherokee, NC 28719

• Website:
<http://www.cherokee-hmd.com/childrens-dental/index.html>

Hours of services

Monday - Friday
7:45am - 4:30pm

(Note: Hours of operation can vary due to program activities, etc.)

Eligibility requirements

On-site services are offered to all students enrolled in Cherokee Elementary School and daycare/head start centers on the Qualla Boundary.

Orthodontic Services are for EBCI tribal members ages 6-17.

- EBCI Health & Medical

Sippy cups and your child's teeth

As soon as teeth appear in the mouth, decay can occur. One of the risk factors for early childhood caries (sometimes called baby bottle tooth decay or nursing mouth syndrome) is frequent and prolonged exposure of a baby's teeth to liquids, such as fruit juice, milk or formula, which all contain sugar.

Tooth decay can occur when a baby is put to bed with a bottle. Infants should finish their naptime or

bedtime bottle before going to bed. Because decay can destroy the teeth of an infant or young child, you should encourage your children to drink from a cup by their first birthday.

Many training cups, also called sippy or tippy cups, are available in stores. Many are "no spill" cups, which are essentially baby bottles in disguise. "No spill" cups include a valve beneath the spout to stop spills. However, cups with valves do not allow your child to sip. Instead the child gets liquid by sucking on the cup, much like a baby bottle. This practice defeats the purpose of using a training cup, as it prevents the child from learning to sip.

Don't let your child carry the

training cup around. Toddlers are often unsteady on their feet. They take an unnecessary risk if they try to walk and drink at the same time. Falling while drinking from a cup has the potential to injure the mouth.

A training cup should be used temporarily. Once your child has learned how to sip, the training cup has achieved its purpose. It can and should be set aside when no longer needed.

Tips

For sipping success, carefully choose and use a training cup. As the first birthday approaches, encourage your child to drink from a cup. As this changeover from baby

bottle to training cup takes place, be very careful:

- what kind of training cup you choose
- what goes into the cup
- how frequently your child sips from it
- that your child does not carry the cup around

Talk to your dentist for more information. If your child has not had a dental examination, schedule a —well baby checkup for his or her teeth. The American Dental Association says that it is beneficial for the first dental visit to occur within six months of the appearance of the first tooth, and no later than the child's first birthday.

- American Dental Association

Scottish nursing students visit EBCI Health & Medical

Three nursing students from Scotland visited the EBCI Health and Medical Division on Wednesday, Feb. 6 as part of an international program, sponsored by Western Carolina University. The students spent a total of two weeks in western North Carolina participating in different areas of health care.

Their first week was spent at Mission Hospitals and the second week was spent on the Cherokee Indian reservation where the students were able to observe and participate in patient care at Cherokee Indian Hospital on Feb. 4-5. The students then spent the remainder of their time with the many programs of the EBCI Health and Medical Division. The students started their day on Feb. 6 by spending the morning with the team at Cherokee Community Health where they performed home visits and participated in a health screen at Tsali Manor. Later that same day, they assisted Catcuce Tiger and Tinker Jenks, both of Cherokee Choices, at Cherokee Central Schools, as part of the after school program.

February 7 and 8 were spent in different programs, one-on-one with providers, nurses and other team members. These programs included, Cherokee Diabetes Program, Wound Care, Healthy Heart, Women's Wellness, and Cherokee Home Health. While here the students learned how the Cherokee people are supported and served through their healthcare needs. The students were amazed at



EBCI Health & Medical staff pose with students from Scotland who recently visited Cherokee. Shown (left-right, bottom to top) Jessie Wildcat, Elizabeth Postlethwaite (student), Emily Blyth (student), Sarah Marshall (student), Gwen Thompson, Sheree Johnson, Sheila Cox, Cyndi Lambert, Becky Squirrell, Belinda Wilson, Michelle Raby, Jackie Raby, Megan Terrell, and Melanie Ashe.

the number of resources available to each member of the Cherokee Community.

Elizabeth Postlethwaite, one of the visiting students, reported, "It is really brilliant how someone in the tribe can be cared for by the doctors, hospital and other health programs from before birth to the end of their

live."

Elizabeth has a personal appreciation for healthcare as she as struggled with Diabetes since she was 10 years old. She states she can truly relate to children who are faced with Diabetes every day.

The EBCI Health and Medical Division related they would like to

thank Dr. Sharon Metcalf (WCU) for coordinating this international opportunity. The Health and Medical Division would also like to thank the members of the community for welcoming these students into the clinics as well as their homes.

- EBCI Health & Medical

Dress in Blue Day.

March 5. Cherokee Women's Wellness (CWWC) and the EBCI Health & Medical Division is encouraging everyone to wear blue on March 5 to bring attention to colon cancer and to support all who have been affected by this disease. CWWC will be selling beaded ribbon earrings representing colon cancer and other cancers at their office. The proceeds from the sale will go to Relay for Life. Info: CWWC 554-6240

EBCI WIC announces National Nutrition Month in March.

This year's theme is "Eat Right, Your Way, Every Day". National Nutrition Month is a nutrition education and information campaign created annually by the Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics. The campaign focuses attention on the importance of making informed food choices and developing sound eating and physical activity habits. Eat Right, Your Way, Every Day encourages personalized healthy eating styles and recognizes that food preferences, life style, cultural and ethnic traditions and health concerns impact individual food choices. <http://www.eatright.org> Academy of Nutrition and Dietetics

2013 Moccasin Run held by Cherokee Runners

By GERRI GRADY
CHEROKEE RUNNERS

The Cherokee Runners staged the 2nd annual Moccasin Run on Saturday, Feb. 24. The run started at the Straight Fork Bridge in Big Cove and ended at the old high school track on Acquoni Road for a total of 9.2 miles.

The first place finisher was Todd Burkhalter at 1:06:11, followed by John Vogler at 1:10:57, Jimmy Oocumma at 1:45, and Seth Holling at 1:20:35. The final runner completed the course in 1:57:15. The success of the event was due to the help of the Cherokee Indian Police Department, Tribal EMS, volunteers from family and friends, and the Big Cove Community. The Cherokee Runners sends a big thank you to everyone that helped out.

Elnora Thompson completed the Frostbite 5K in Fletcher and the Chilly Challenge in Asheville in February as well as volunteering for the Moccasin Run. She often places in her age group which she did at the Frostbite 5K. Other runners completed the Frostbite 5K or 10K from the Cherokee Runners including Robin Swimmer, Stephan Swimmer and Julie Dixon-Lambert.

The Cherokee Runners meets twice a month at the Age Link Con-



Photo courtesy of Gerri Grady

Participants in the 2nd Annual Moccasin Run are (left-right) back row – Todd Burkhalter; middle row – Angel Squirrel, Dawna Paul, Jimmy Oocumma, John Vogler, Seth Holling, Robin Swimmer and Katie Ross; front row – Skye Littledave, Charlie Myers and Stephen Swimmer.

ference Room. Membership is open to anyone, no matter their fitness level. Walkers are definitely welcome to join. Immediate plans include a

Couch to 5K program for early April, the annual Board Meeting and the Cherokee Runners membership Annual Meeting. If you're interested,

please send an e-mail to ger-grady@yahoo.com.



Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Cash for ramps

EBCI Fairgrounds will buy 70 gallons of ramps for the Rainbows and Ramps Festival in March. EBCI tribal members are invited to sell your ramps on Monday, March 25 at 9am at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall (enter at side door). There is a three-gallon limit per adult (must be 18+ years of age). \$40 per "packed" gallon for all white and \$30 per "packed" gallon for green (no more than 2" of green). After the quota is met, the Exhibit Hall porch will be available to sellers until 12pm to sell any remaining ramps. No frozen ramps will be accepted. Info: Frieda Huskey 554-6492 or Josie Long 554-6491.

- EBCI Fairgrounds

Per capita notice

To be considered for the June 2013 per capita distribution, completed enrollment applications for NEW APPLICANTS must be submitted to the Enrollment Office by 4:30 p.m., Friday, March 15. Enrollment applications received after this date will not be considered for the June 2013 distribution.

An application will only be considered complete with a COUNTY certified birth certificate, certified DNA results, and certification of any other Indian blood. To schedule an appointment for DNA collection, please call Michelle Maness at 828-554-6463. Out-of-town applicants may contact Amber Wilson at (855) 295-4372 to schedule an appointment in your area. The following dates are available at the Enrollment Office in February: Friday, Feb. 15; Tuesday, Feb. 19; Friday, Feb. 22; Tuesday, Feb. 26; Friday, March 1 – Last day to meet March 15 deadline.

Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered for enrollment

without the social security number. However, an Enrollment Card will only be issued upon receipt of the social security card of the new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Please call the Enrollment Office at (828) 554-6467, 554-6465 or 554-6466 if you have any questions.

- EBCI Enrollment Office

Prenatal program taking applications

The Dora Reed Tribal Child Care is currently taking applications for their prenatal program. The prenatal program is available to pregnant teens, first time parents and low income expectant mothers. This service uses a curriculum that is geared toward first time pregnancies and taught on a monthly basis. Second time mothers will be re-evaluated according to the need/risk. If you are interested you can pick up an application at the Dora Reed Center. Info: Raquel Youngbird, prenatal coordinator, 554-6592

- Dora Reed Tribal Child Care Center

Supplies needed for Cherokee Historical Association

Cherokee Historical Association (CHA) is in need of mulch or wood chips for their garden trails as well as locust poles or trees for handrails and stockade. They need 6-8" poles and can cut them if necessary. If you know of anyone or a company that may have these materials, please contact Chris 497-2111. "Your donation is great appreciated," CHA officials stated.

- CHA

2013 Cherokee Pow Wow

Head Staff announced

Host Northern Drum: Medicine Tail
Host Southern Drum: Scissortail
MC – Rob Daugherty (Cherokee Nation)
Head Dance Judge – Will Tushka (EBCI)
Head Singing Judge – Shannon Ross (EBCI)
Arena Director – Randy Medicine Bear (Lakota)

Raffle winner

The winner of the Big Y Community Raffle for the half side of beef was Robbie Craig of Cherokee. He works for Tribal Construction.

- Big Y Community Club

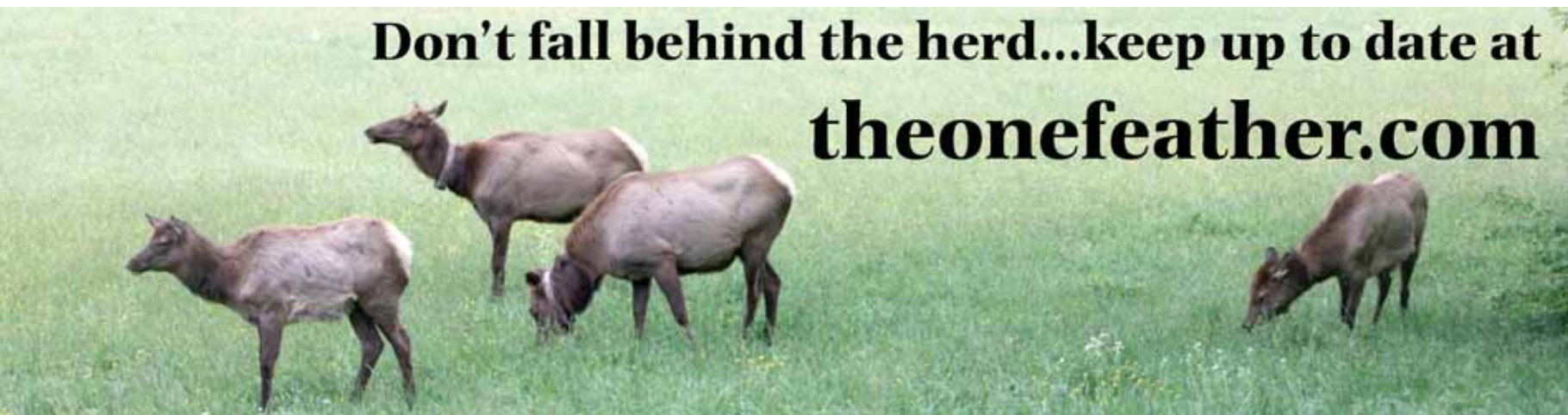
Lawn Maintenance guidelines have changed

Law Maintenance applications and guidelines are now available at Tsali Manor, Snowbird Senior Center and the John Welch Senior Center. To qualify, you must be a senior citizen age 70 and above (and spouse) living alone or with anyone under the age of 18. You must turn 70 by April 1. Or, you can be age 60-70 and must be immobile and/or disabled; incapable without use of wheelchair, walker, cane or other device.

The client is responsible for getting the yard clear of any trash/debris. The residence must be on tribal lands within the five-county service area including: Swain, Jackson, Graham, Cherokee and Haywood. Lawn maintenance is seasonal (April 1 – Sept. 27). Mowing and weed eating will include a 50 foot perimeter around the home including carports. Lawns mowed outside the 50 foot perimeter will be the homeowner's responsibility.

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 26.

- Tsali Manor HELP Program





A student works on a pine needle basket in a recent class hosted by Qualla Arts & Crafts.

*(DAWN ARNEACH/
One Feather contributor photos)*

HANDS ON CULTURE

Tribal members learning art of river cane mats, pine needle baskets

By DAWN ARNEACH
QUALLA ARTS & CRAFTS

Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual has recently hosted classes for EBCI tribal members to learn the art of making river cane mats and pine needle baskets. The classes were funded by a grant from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

River cane and Jim Long are becoming synonymous. Demands for mat classes taught by Long are heard almost every week at Qualla Arts & Crafts.

He just finished a week-long class the week of Feb. 4. Students in that beginning mat class learned to read graph paper to make a mat with the Cross on the Hill design.

Long prepares the river cane prior to the class by dyeing the splints and cutting them down to size.

Once everyone had about four rows of their mat completed, they would begin to see the design taking shape. Long would walk around the room and help when needed, or hold up their mat so they could

Stephanie Maney smiles as she holds a pine needle basket she was working on during a recent class.



see the design.

During the class, there was not much talking going on. Everyone was too busy counting "one up, two down, three up, five

down" etc.

With finished mats in hand, people were all smiles and some even asked for kits to begin making mats with the Noon Day Sun design.

One student commented, "When you hang Jim's mats up at Qualla, make sure to put mine right next to it so people can see how well his students learn from him."

Nancy Hornbuckle taught a pine needle basket class the week of Feb. 18 at the Wolfstown Community Building.

The first day, all of the students began their center ring in which the needles would wind around. Learning how to thread raffia through a needle was the hardest part. Once everyone had a few rows built, Hornbuckle showed everyone how to start rounding the rows to start making the sides of the basket.

The students made sure to end the top row evenly with the beginning of the basket, then use the rest of the raffia to edge the top row with an "X" design to finish it off.

After four evenings of working with raffia and long pine needles, students were proud of their finished baskets.

Comments were heard such as, "I am taking Best of Show" or "this will win me a Blue Ribbon."

Hornbuckle even stated, "I guess I need to start making baskets for the Fair."



Marcia Hollifield and Judy Blevins proudly hold up their finished river cane mats.

Heart to Heart Child Advocacy awarded re-accreditation

The Heart To Heart Child Advocacy Center has been awarded re-accreditation by the National Children's Alliance following an extensive application and site review process. As the accrediting agency for Children's Advocacy Centers (CAC) across the country, National Children's Alliance awards various levels of accreditation and membership to centers responding to allegations of child abuse in ways that are effective and efficient, and put the needs of child victims of abuse first. Accreditation is the highest level of membership with National Children's Alliance and denotes excellence in service provision.

Accredited CACs must undergo a re-accreditation process every five years to ensure that best practices are continually being applied. With accreditation standards being updated in 2010, re-accreditation this year reflects Heart To Heart's commitment to providing evidence-based methods practice. As an Accredited Member of National Children's Alliance, Heart To Heart is dedicated to providing comprehensive, coordinated and compassionate service to victims of child abuse.

National children's Alliance awards Accredited Membership based on a CAC's compliance with ten national standards of accreditation to ensure effective, efficient and

consistent delivery of services to child abuse victims. Accredited Members must utilize a functioning and effective Multidisciplinary Team approach to work collaboratively in child abuse investigation, prosecution, and treatment. National Children's Alliance also considers standards regarding a center's cultural competency and diversity, forensic interviews, victim support and advocacy, medical evaluation, therapeutic intervention, and child focused setting.

"The re-accreditation process is long and involved and the application is very in-depth. As a team of individuals dedicated to responding to child abuse, we recognize the importance of maintaining Accredited status from the National Children's Alliance. Re-accreditation not only validates our center's dedication to proven effective approaches of child abuse intervention and prevention, but also contributes to consistency across the child advocacy center movement as a whole," said Lois Dunston, acting Program Supervisor of Heart To Heart. "The re-accreditation process could not have been completed without our staff working diligently as a team. We are proud to be an accredited center of the National Children's Alliance and to be able to provide the children in our area with services that have been recognized as being of such a high

level of excellence. It takes true teamwork to achieve something of this caliber and I commend our staff for giving their best during this process. The fact that we passed the re-accreditation with no improvements needed is a tribute to the dedication of our team"

"Heart To Heart is to be commended for its continued commitment to effectively serve victims of child abuse. As the national association and accrediting body for Children's Advocacy Centers across the country, our goal is to ensure that every victim of child abuse has access to high quality services that result from professional collaboration. By requiring Accredited Centers to undergo re-accreditation every five years, we ensure that evidence-based practices are being implemented and the highest quality of service is being provided," remarked Teresa Huizar, Executive Director of the National Children's Alliance.

Heart To Heart serves the children of Cherokee and the surrounding areas regardless of ethnicity, economic status, religious affiliation, or any other demographical status. The Center operates under the auspices of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and follows the motto "Children are to be seen, heard, and believed." The Heart To Heart Child Advocacy Center is located at 75 John Crowe Hill in Cherokee.

(Phone: 828.554.6313)

The National Children's Alliance is the national association and accrediting body for the over 750 children's advocacy centers serving each of the 50 states and the District of Columbia. Dedicated to helping local communities respond to allegations of child abuse in ways that are effective and efficient, and puts the needs of child victims of abuse first, National Children's Alliance provides support and advocacy to its accredited membership, as well as numerous developing centers, multidisciplinary teams and child abuse professionals around the country and the world. As the national authority on multidisciplinary approaches to supporting child victims of abuse, the purpose of National Children's Alliance is to empower local communities to provide comprehensive, coordinated and compassionate services to victims of child abuse. Founded in 1998, National Children's Alliance provides accreditation opportunities, financial assistance, training, technical assistance, research and education to communities, child abuse professionals and children's advocacy centers throughout the United States in support of child abuse intervention, advocacy and prevention.

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- Heart to Heart



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Cherokee Central Schools Report

Cherokee Elementary School attendance policies

Greetings Cherokee Elementary School Parents and Guardians! We work very hard to insure your child receives the best education possible. Good attendance is a key component to every child's success in school. Please make a strong effort to send your child to school daily and on time. Much of our academic instruction takes place in the mornings so being here by 8 am each day is critical to success.

Our overall attendance rate thus far this year is 90.84 percent. Attendance rates per grade level are listed below:

• PreK	85.15%
• Kindergarten	88.10%
• 1st grade	90.26%
• 2nd grade	92.46%
• 3rd grade	92.07%
• 4th grade	93.58%
• 5th grade	91.97%

Please review the attendance requirements stated below for Cherokee Elementary School students.

The objectives of our attendance policy are:

1. To encourage maximum class attendance.
2. To encourage students to apply seriously their time and attention toward obtaining the maximum benefits for their education.
3. To place the primary responsibility for school attendance upon students and parents.
4. To provide teachers, counselors, and administrators more time to accomplish their primary responsibilities as educators.
5. To eliminate excessive absenteeism.
6. To provide alternative consequences for excessive absences.
7. To reward good and perfect attendance.

Reasons for a Lawful Absence

1. Illness or injury: An illness or injury which prevents the child from being physically able to attend school.
2. Quarantine: When isolation of the child is ordered by the local health officers or the State Board of Health.
3. Death in the immediate family of the child: Defined to include, but not necessarily limited to, grandparents, parents, brothers, and sisters.
4. Medical or dental appointments: When approved by the appropriate school official in advance, except in the cases of an emergency.
5. Court or administrative proceedings: Attendance at the proceedings of a court or an administrative tribunal if the child is a party to the action or under subpoena as a witness.
6. Religious observances: When the tenets of a religion to which a child or his parents adhere require or suggest the observance of a religious event unless the religious observance or the cumulative effect of the religious observance is of such duration as to interfere with the education of the child.
7. Educational opportunity: When the absence clearly is to take advantage of a valid education opportunity, such as travel. Approval for such an absence must be granted prior to the absence by the principal.

Unexcused Absences

Absences for reasons other than those listed above may be deemed unexcused. Unexcused absences include, but are not limited to, missing the bus, oversleeping, inclement weather, babysitting, working at a location other than the home or

farm, etc. Schools shall develop specific consequences related to such absences.

Elementary Requirements

Research shows that there is a strong correlation between time on task and student achievement. Academic success demands regular school attendance. While the primary responsibility for school attendance rests with students and parents, schools have a continuing responsibility to make schools warm and inviting. The following requirements address these issues:

1. Individual School Improvement Plans shall include strategies to promote regular school attendance and provide appropriate attendance incentives.
2. Continued non-compliance shall result in the notification of Tribal Court System, that the parent/guardian is not cooperating with the school system in addressing the attendance problem.
3. Cherokee Elementary School will require students arriving late or requesting early dismissal to be accompanied by a parent/guardian directly to the designated check-in /check-out location in the school.

Make-up work

We appreciate the interest and concern of parents who come to get their child's schoolwork when they are sick. All work is available after 3:15 p.m. the day the student is absent. Students who are absent from school (excused or unexcused) are required to make up the work they have missed.

If you have further questions regarding attendance or absentee policies, please call:

- Ms. Paula Coker, CES Principal (828) 554-5020
- Ms. Nicki Bradley (828) 554-5100

- Cherokee Elementary School

CHS attendance policies

Attendance rates for the month of February, 2013:

9th grade	- 87.45%
10th grade	- 88.26%
11th grade	- 88.15%
12th grade	- 88.24%

Our goal is 93% attendance for all grades in Cherokee High School

Research shows that few factors within students' and families' control are more closely associated with academic success than school attendance. Students need to be in the classroom to benefit from the teacher's instruction, and from

interaction and exchange of ideas with peers. Excessive absences affect the culture of the classroom, where the faculty seeks to build a community of learners. A student's excessive absences or tardiness can lead to incomplete and unsatisfactory work, a reduced capacity to meet curricular standards, and lower course grades. Please be aware of the following information concerning attendance requirements for students enrolled in Cherokee High School.

ATTENDANCE

Students are expected in attendance each day school is in session. Classroom instruction starts at 8:00 a.m. The parent/guardian has the legal

responsibility to ensure that a child attends school regularly. The School will cooperate in every way with the parents. Time spent on learning in the classroom cannot be replaced. Once enrolled in Cherokee Central Schools, the attendance policies will be enforced for grades Pre-K-12.

Regular attendance by each student is mandatory. When a student is absent from school, a written excuse signed by the parent/guardian or doctor should be presented to the attendance office on the day the student returns to school for re-admission to classes. Without an admit slip from the office, a student may

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not return to class. A parent/guardian, or valid doctor's statement, must be given to the attendance office at this time or within three days to be acceptable. After the third day, if no parent/guardian or valid doctor's statement has been turned in, the student will receive an irrevocable unexcused absence.

Excused Absences:

1. Illness
 - Student must present a doctor's note after two days of absence.
 - For a prolonged or ongoing diagnosed illness or injury the parent/guardian must provide medical documentation to the attendance office. This diagnosis may require the school to implement a 504 plan for the student. It will be the responsibility of the student and/or the parent to make arrangements for making up work.
 - Students sent home by the school nurse.
 2. Medical or Dental appointment
 - Students must submit appropriate information to the attendance office.
 3. Subpoena from the court system. (Student must be a party to the action.)
 - Student must submit proper documentation to the attendance office upon returning to school.
 4. Death in the immediate family: father, mother, legal guardian, siblings, grandparents, aunt, and uncle. Prior approval from the school administrator may be granted for extenuating circumstances.
 5. Religious Observance.
 6. Educational events off campus with prior approval from the school administrator. (Cultural Events will not be recognized as an excused absence.)
- The student and/or parent must make arrangements with the teacher for make-up work. Upon returning to school the student will be given

Families Making the Connection

Be a Star with School Breakfast

Celebrate National School Breakfast Week
Between March 4th and 8th, schools will be highlighting the importance of breakfast. School breakfast sets kids up with the fuel they need to be a star in the classroom, on the playing field or in life. Help your child's strengths shine—encourage school breakfast!

Kids who eat breakfast are more likely to:

- Be able to pay attention longer.
- Demonstrate better behavior in the classroom.
- Perform better on tests.
- Make fewer trips to the school nurse.
- Have a better overall diet.
- Be at a healthy weight.

Why school breakfast?

- School breakfast provides children with 1/4 of the recommended daily amounts of protein, calcium, iron, vitamin A and vitamin C.
- School breakfast offers a connection to learning. Children who eat a healthy breakfast closer to instruction time can focus better on lessons. Participating in school breakfast also gives children the chance to practice nutrition lessons they learn in the classroom.

Learning to make healthy food choices contributes to student success. School breakfast can make a difference in the lives of students. School breakfast is a healthy, convenient choice for families.

March

- National Nutrition Month
- School Breakfast Week (4th-8th)



Cherokee Central Schools

Menus for March 2013



Families Eating Smart and Moving More

Research points to seven key behaviors that can help children, youth and adults eat healthier and be more active:

- Prepare and eat more meals at home.
- Taste the tube.
- Choose to move more every day.
- Right-size your portions.
- Re-think your drink.
- Enjoy more fruits and vegetables.
- Breastfeed your baby.

By promoting good nutrition in the places where our children eat – at home and at school – we can have a greater impact on their health. Encourage your child's healthy eating habits by supporting school meals!

Monday, March 4	Tuesday, March 5	Wednesday, March 6	Thursday, March 7	Friday, March 8
Blueberry Piggie-stick Pears Baked Barbeque Chicken Sweet Potato Applesauce Corn Bread Milk 1%	Cinnamon Roll Fresh Strawberries Spaghetti w/ meat sauce Bread Stick Steamed Broccoli Orange Slice Skim Milk	Pancakes w/ syrup, sausage link, peaches Breaded Pork Chop OR Yogurt Plate Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans Biscuit Applesauce Skim Milk	Blueberry Muffin Yogurt Banana Pizza OR Yogurt Plate Romaine Salad w/ dressing Sliced Pears	Cinnamon Toast Yogurt Applesauce Summer Sizzler w/ mixed vegetables Brown Rice Mandarin Oranges Milk 1%

Fit Foundations

Stir Fried Green Rice, Eggs and Ham

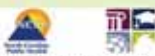
Makes 6 servings
Serving size: about 1/2 cup

Ingredients

- 5 ounces frozen spinach, thawed
- 3 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon water
- Nonsstick cooking spray
- 1 tablespoon canola or vegetable oil
- 2 ounces ham
- 3 cups cooked brown rice
- 1/3 cup chopped green onions
- 1 teaspoon sesame oil

Directions

1. Squeeze excess water out of spinach. Chop finely and set aside.
2. In a small bowl, whisk together eggs and water until well combined.
3. Spray small sauté pan with nonsstick cooking spray. Pour half of egg mixture into pan and sauté over medium high heat until cooked through. Set aside.
4. In a medium skillet, warm canola or vegetable oil over medium high heat. Add ham and cook for about 2 minutes or until ham begins to brown.
5. Add rice to skillet. Stir to mix with the ham. Reduce heat and cover. Cook until rice is hot, stirring frequently.
6. Add remaining uncooked egg mixture to the skillet. Stir frequently until the egg mixture is cooked through.
7. Add spinach, cooked egg, green onions and sesame oil to skillet. Stir until heated through. Serve.



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Monday, March 11	Tuesday, March 12	Wednesday, March 13	Thursday, March 14	Friday, March 15
Breakfast Pizza Mandarin Oranges Ham & Cheese on Whole Wheat Bread Cucumber and Cauliflower Sticks w/ dressing Fresh Apple	Very Merry Berries Milk 1% Chicken Nuggets Whole Grain Macaroni & Cheese California Mixed Vegetables Fresh Fruit	Whole Wheat Toast Boiled Egg Orange Juice Pinto Beans Collard Greens Cornbread Applesauce	Trail Mix Yogurt Banana Salisbury Steak Seasoned Carrots Creamy Mashed Potato Spiced Apples Whole Grain Roll	Blueberry Muffin Grapes Grilled Chicken Sandwich Lettuce/tomato Potato Wedges Cantaloupe Milk
Monday, March 18	Tuesday, March 19	Wednesday, March 20	Thursday, March 21	Friday, March 22
Whole Grain Waffles w/ syrup Strawberries Beef and Bean Burrito Refried Beans Tossed Romaine Salad w/ dressing Fresh Orange Slices	Scrambled Eggs, Grits Whole Wheat Toast, Juice Pork Chop Scalloped Potatoes Green Beans Biscuit Applesauce	Pancakes w/ syrup, sausage link, peaches Chicken Penne Pasta w/ Broccoli florets Whole Wheat Roll Grapes	Cinnamon Raisin Toast Fruit Mix Hamburger or Cheeseburger on Whole Wheat Bun Lettuce/Tomato Sweet Potato Fries Watermelon	Chicken Biscuit Applesauce Pizza OR Yogurt Plate Romaine Salad w/ dressing Corn on the Cob Fruit Cocktail
Monday, March 25	Tuesday, March 26	Wednesday, March 27	Thursday, March 28	Friday, March 29
Pancakes w/ syrup Sausage Link Blueberries Chicken Noodle Soup w/ Cheese Toast OR Yogurt Plate Cucumber and Carrot Sticks w/ dip Fresh Apple	Whole Grain, Fruit Turnover Sliced Strawberries Beef-a-roni OR Ravioli or Chef Salad or Yogurt Plate Garlic Bread Green Peas Sliced Pears	Bagel w/ cream cheese Banana Breakfast for Lunch Scrambled Eggs OR Yogurt Plate Potato Rounds Sausage Patty Biscuit Applesauce	Cinnamon Roll Banana Roasted Turkey Breast OR Yogurt Plate Seasoned Squash Sweet Potatoes Applesauce Biscuit	Sausage Biscuit Sliced Pears Hot Dog w/ or without chili and onions OR Yogurt Plate Baked Beans Cole Slaw Sliced Pears



Cherokee Center Report

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Why celebrate Black History?

Black History is American History. More importantly, it provides an opportunity to honor the contributions of African Americans across the nation and around the world.

When was Black History Month founded?

Originally called Negro History Week, Black History Month was created by Dr. Woodson after he noticed the lack of attention paid to Black Americans in the history books. The month of February was chosen because Frederick Douglass and Abraham Lincoln had birthdays in that month.

Why celebrate Black History at Western Carolina University?

African Americans have long been a part of the fabric of the university as well as Western North Carolina. Victoria Casey, resident historian and community activist, traced the roots of African Americans in Jackson County as far back as the end of the Civil War and Reconstruction. African Americans also represent that largest population of underrepresented students who attend the university. Black History month is a time to celebrate those African Americans who have, and continue to blaze a trail of success on campus and the community.

What were some of the events sponsored this month?

The department of Intercultural Affairs sponsored its second annual African American Expo. It

was a three day festival of speakers, discussions, and films on the African and African American Diaspora. The featured event was a program by Carl Moore called Got Swagga? Exploring Social Justice Using Hip Hop Elements. Participants learned about the five elements of hip hop to and its roots in social justice movements.

In addition, there were several film series sponsored by the Organization of Ebony Students, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc., and the Sociology Club. Some of the movies included: The Great Debaters, Red Tails, and Rosewood. Further, the National Pan-Hellenic Council of sponsored their annual "Meet the Greeks" program to present the history and contributions of the Black Greek-Lettered organizations at Western and across the nation.



Lawanda Jane Sampson Maney

Lawanda Jane Sampson Maney, 69, of 6 Dillard Maney Rd. in Cherokee passed away unexpectedly at the Cherokee Indian Hospital on Monday, Feb. 18, 2013.

She was the daughter of the late Guy Littlejohn and Leauna Sampson Littlejohn both of Cherokee. She was a bus driver for the Jackson County School System for Twelve years and was a member of the Wright's Creek Baptist Church.

Lawanda is survived by her children, sons, Jon Mark Maney and Samuel Allen Maney; one daughter, Una Lea Sampson; two sisters, Gwen Wildcatt and Jo Be Kalonaheskie; six

grandchildren, Charity Sampson, Ryne Sampson, Dallas Walk, Latyra Maney, Jonah Maney and Josiah Maney; six great-grandchildren, Cameron, Timber, Maia, Kylanna, Rily and Eli all of Cherokee.

She was preceded in death by grandson, Jacob Noah; brother, Duffy Sampson; sisters Lil Wolfe, Elsie Martin, Mickey Sampson and Tunie Catt all of Cherokee.

A funeral service was held at Wright's Creek Baptist Church in Cherokee on Thursday, Feb. 21 starting at 2pm with Pastors Dan Lambert, Roland Whittaker and Patrick O'Dell officiating. An immediate burial followed the funeral service in the Crow Family Cemetery with David Jumper, Jerry Sampson, Johnny Wildcatt, Leon Sampson, Andy Gloyne and Ryne Sampson acting as Pall Bearers.

Long House Funeral Home as-

sisted the family with the arrangements of services.

Geneva Rose Sneed (Momma Gene) Jackson

Geneva Rose Sneed (Momma Gene) Jackson, 82, of Cherokee went home to be with the Lord Tuesday, Feb. 19, 2013 in Tsali Care Center. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Samuel Blakely and Naomi Tucker Sneed and wife of the late Elijah (Truck) Jackson. She was a pediatric nurse having worked for many years at Swain County Hospital, Cherokee Indian Hospital, and Harris Regional Hospital. She was preceded in death by a brother, Samuel Sneed.

She is survived by two daugh-

ters, Mary Littledave of Cherokee, Martha St. Clair and husband Wallace of Cherokee; three sons, Mark Howard Jackson and wife Sherri of Anchorage, Alaska, Harlan Leverne Squirrell of Cherokee, James Bud Smith of Cherokee; 15 grandchildren; 14 great grandchildren; six sisters, Emma Catherine Sneed of Cherokee, Doris Lee Wilkerson of San Antonio, TX, Sue McManus of Jonesboro, Tenn., Rita Ann Divelbiss of Melbourne, Fla., Daphne Hambrook of Washington, Judy Cook of Cherokee; and one brother, Daniel Keith Sneed of Cherokee.

Funeral services were held at 2pm on Saturday, Feb. 23 at Old Antioch Baptist Church of which she was a member. Revs. Denny Crowe and James (Bo) Parris officiated.

Crisp Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.



Opinions and Letters

WORD LIMIT FOR LETTERS IS 250 WORDS

In honor of Geneva Rose "Mamma Gene" Sneed Jackson

Although servants are always met with opposition, The Latter-day Saint Kit'Yowa Cherokee Family Clan expresses thanks to the One's Above for the small, yet very impor-

tant part, that Mamma Gene played in the comfort she gave and the faith that she portrayed to this small Cherokee Family.

This week, the Cherokee Nation lost one of its most beneficial and helpful sisters to live in Cherokee, North Carolina, who worked with her whole soul's diligence throughout her life for the youth, the down

trodden and those in need. She lived true in 'Gagudi' and 'Duyaktv'.

S'gi, Momma Gene.

Lanora Grondel, Family Clan Head Voice

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Against restraining and caging animals

To the Editor:

I am against restraining and caging animals on the Qualla Boundary or anywhere on Cherokee lands! Why? Hello? Where do we live? Uh, we live in the most beautiful place in the world.

IT'S SO COOL to watch the elk walk on the sidewalk when I take my kids to school and to see the wild turkey in the big fields.

IT'S SO COOL to stop my car to let mamma pheasant and her babies cross the road to go up to the laurel thicket and to watch baby mink play hide and seek in the rocks at the swim hole in Big Cove with Cherokee families spending a wonderful afternoon swimming and sharing the river together.

IT'S SO COOL to sit at Peter's Pancake and look up on the hill across the street and see the groundhog holes, and then there they are. MAMMA BEAR AND HER TWO CUBS. The bears are brave enough to go down behind Newfound Lodge Restaurant because it smells so good. I think they come down when "Indian dinners" are the daily special. Cherokee legend tells us the animals became angry at the humans for treating them badly, and the animals brought sickness to the humans. Creator made plants to cure the sickness to save the humans. WE ARE TPPETA. The Principal People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals. Cherokee legend continues to say that we humans promised the creator and the animals to be TPPETA.

Sgi,
Signed,

Missy Crowe

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1-Ate.....**OPALBO**
2-Fork/needle/nail.....**BY**
3-Spoon.....**DIVJ**
4-Meat.....**400**
5-Milk.....**OCJ**
6-Corn bread.....**4M SS**
7-Indian.....**DB00**
8-Rug.....**DB00J**
9-Fire Place.....**ATJ**
10-Picture.....**44600**
11-Trash.....**06 CJOJ**

12-Crayon.....**400VJ**
13-Pencil.....**4A0GJ**
14-Another.....**440T**
15-Asleep.....**SC4**
16-Fence.....**DKBT**
17-Furniture.....**SPKJDOJ**
18-Table.....**400J**
19-Did.....**400J**
20-Steps.....**400J**
21-Telephone.....**400J**
22-Slow.....**00SZP**

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Ke Du Ga Lu Se Ku Tv Ya Te Ki Go Ti Ho Ha Kv Tsi Hi Di
S No Se Se Si O Li Wi Sa Ho Mu Mo Tli He Li A Da Nv
Li Mu I Yv Tso A Hu Ha E Go A Ga Tli Go Di Nv U Di

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

KITUWAH PRESERVATION EDUCATION PROGRAM

Did you know?

The Cherokee Phoenix newspaper was first published on Feb. 21, 1828.



Cherokee Churches

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

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

Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

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

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

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

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

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

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Part-time Gaming Host (shift varies) \$5.25 + tips

Part-time Retail Sales Clerk (2nd shift) \$9.01

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**To the 99th Birthday Celebration of
Sallie Smith Bradley of Big Cove**

**Saturday, March 29
12:30pm-4:00pm
at Sallie's house**

Contact Vita @ 497-9605 to RSVP

If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Nation, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Human Resources Department accepts applications Mon. thru Thur., from 10 am - 3 pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to Human Resources Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Pastor Jack Russell

497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

Straight Fork Baptist Church. Big Cove Loop. Sunday school 10am. Sunday morning worship 11am. Sunday evening worship 6pm. Wednesday night prayer service 7pm. Youth group meetings also. Pastor Charles Ray Ball 488-3974

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

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

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

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

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Clubs/Organizations

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Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building.

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

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

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

The Cherokee Runners meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 7pm at the Age Link Con-

ference Room. If those dates happen to fall on a Sunday, they will meet the following day. Info: Gerri Grady gerrgrady@yahoo.com or visit www.cherokee.runners.com

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

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

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

Paint Town Community Club meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Commu-

nity Building. Info: 497-3731, ChairPTCC@gmail.com

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

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

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

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

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



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Cherokee Happenings

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Church Events

2nd Annual Community Family Bingo Night. March 15 at 6pm at Living Waters Lutheran Church. It is free to play, and there will be prizes. There will also be food items for sale including: hot dogs, Frito pies, snacks, drinks and desserts. Everyone is welcome.

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

General Events

N.C. Commission of Indian Affairs meeting. Feb. 28 from 10am - 3pm at the Joseph S. Koury Convention Center in Greensboro. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the 38th Annual N.C. Indian Unity Conference. Info: (919) 807-4440

Turkey Shoot. March 2 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This event is a fundraiser for Sam Panther. There will also be Indian Dinners and baked goods for sale.

Robert Conley lecture. March 3 at 2pm at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The lecture is free and open to the public. Conley, a member of the UKB and WCU professor, will be speaking on the 175th anniversary of the Trail of Tears. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246

Cherokee Language Class. Mondays in March (4, 11, 18, 25) from 6:30-9pm at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is \$40 for all four evenings. If you have taken the class before with the Museum, a discount of \$5 will be given. A beginning and an advanced beginner class will be offered. The class will be taught by EBCI tribal members Shirley Oswalt and Mary Brown. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246

Lunch 'n' Learn: Doing Business with the Government. March 5 from 10am - 12pm at the Ginger Lynn Welch complex large conference room. Learn how to: get the basics of contracting, identify sales opportunities, register your business, find assistance resources, and more. Attendance and lunch are free, but registration is requested. This is sponsored by The Sequoyah Fund and the

NC Small Business & Technology Development Center/Procurement Technical Assistance Center. Info: John Ross (828) 359-5006

KPEP "Lunch and Learn" series.

- March 6 - History: Treaty of 1819. This program looks at the most important treaty to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the circumstances that lead to the treaty and the formation of the Qualla Boundary.
- March 13 - History: The Trail of Tears/Removal in western North Carolina: This program covers the fort locations and the Army movements in the five western counties of North Carolina.
- March 20 - History: The Trail of Tears - The Resistance: This program covers how around 1,000 Cherokees in North Carolina avoided the removal and remained in their homeland. More dates will be added later. Bring your own lunch. The program will be held from 12-12:30pm in the Community Room at the New Kituwah Academy. Info: B.J. Rich 554-6406 or bjrich@nc-chokeee.com.

Digali'I Native American Student Organization (at WCU) recruitment dinner.

March 13 at 6pm in the Blue Ridge Conference Room on the WCU campus. Special guests will include: Cherokee speakers, Cherokee Studies, Cherokee Language Program, WCU Cherokee Center, and the Native Health Program. RSVP by March 8 at 12pm to jrlocklearl@catamount.wcu.edu

Soup Luncheon and Silent Auction. March 22 from 11am - 2pm at the Cherokee EMS Building. This is a fundraiser for the Right Path Adult Leadership Alumni. Money raised will be used for community projects such as purchasing needed items for Tsali Care patients and dialysis patients and helping the Cherokee community. Potato soup, taco soup, vegetable soup and more. \$5 for a bowl of soup, bread/crackers and drink. \$7 all you can eat soup, bread/crackers and drink.

2nd Annual Little Owl Music and Arts Festival. March 23 at Audubon Acres in Chattanooga, Tenn. This event, hosted by The Audubon Society of Chattanooga, is to raise money for the Cherokee Arboretum and Bird Sanctuary. Organizers are looking for original Cherokee jewelry, arts and crafts vendors for the event. Info: Tim Anderson (423) 504-8408, LittleOwlFestival@chattaudubon.org or at www.facebook.com/LittleOwlFest

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

Health/Sports Events

Cornhole tournament. March 16 at the Birdtown Gym. Registration starts at 10am and bags fly at 11am. Entry fee: \$40/per team. Cash prizes: 1st - \$500, 2nd - \$300, 3rd - \$200. Double elimination with cancellation scoring. The first to 21 points. Bring your own bags or use bags provided. Bring your own chairs. Boards are 27' apart. Food and drinks will be for sale on location. All proceeds will help build a new Cherokee Children's Home. Info: 497-5539 or 497-9101

Hoop for a Cause! 18+ Open Men's Basketball Tournament. March 22-23 at the Birdtown Gym. Entry fee is \$350 and must be paid one week before tournament, no exceptions. Teams will have a maximum 12-man roster, and a minimum of ten teams must enter to host. All proceeds will go to the Cherokee Cancer Support Group. Concessions will be for sale along with raffle tickets and t-shirts. Info: Keiah West 788-3345, keiahwest_44@yahoo.com or Michelle "Darci" Long waski08@gmail.com

Snowbird Health & Information Fair. March 26 from 10am - 2pm at the Snowbird Gym. This event is being hosted by Snowbird Community Health and the Snowbird Health Clinic. To reserve a table and chair or for information, contact Lisa Denzer (828) 479-3924, Jennifer Wachacha 554-6990 or Margie Wachacha 554-6992.

Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event. April 19. Registration begins at 10:30am, and the walk begins at 11:30am. The walk will start at the Cherokee Bear Zoo in downtown Cherokee and will end at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This event is hosted by the EBCI Domestic Violence Program in conjunction with the International Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault and Gender Violence. High heels and t-shirts will be provided. Everyone is welcome. Registration for participating men is required by March 29 so heels can be ordered. Info: EBCI DV program 554-6830



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Trailer Hitches and wiring. Tag, Gooseneck and 5th Wheel hitches available. We can supply you with all your trailering needs! Anglin's in Otto. (828) 349-4500. **2/28**

Vent-free gas wall heater AND tank, ¾ full. Only used for 2 months. Must sale both. Excellent condition. Paid \$900, asking \$650 OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

2 winter coats. (1) men's size 42, knee-length, fur lined from JC Penny's. Excellent condition. \$20, OBO. (2) women's size 8Petite, ankle-length. Excellent condition as well. \$30, OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Panasonic DVD/VCR, home theater sound system, woofer & sub-woofers. Excellent condition. Paid \$300, asking \$165, OBO. Also, 12' aluminum ladder with feet. \$40 OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

2 pairs of Army issue over-shoe boots. Combat vinyl, waterproof, slip/oil/fuel resistant. Brand new. Size 11 & size 10. \$10/pair, OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Graco child's car seat with deck. Like new. Eddie Bauer diaper bag, 18"x12", 4-inside pockets, 5-outside pockets. Like new. Value \$120, asking \$48, OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Queen air mattress, fleece top. With pump. Excellent condition. \$38, OBO. Also, King bedspread with matching curtains and pillow shams. 7 colors, no a busy print. Excellent condition. \$48, OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Shutters. All black, but paintable. 1 pair, 63", brand new, \$28. 4 pair, 63", \$18 each. 2 pair, 59", brand new, \$24 each. 1 pair, 55", \$15 each, OBO. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Flea market items. 89 pieces. No clothing. Value \$269.50, asking \$125. Also, 36-piece blueware, valued at \$280, Cracker Barrel, never used, asking \$125 OBO. Must sale. Call 404-952-0084 for more information. **2/28pd**

Lift Kits, Mild to wild, body and suspension, Rough Country, Skyjacker, Fab Tech and more. We install it all! Anglin's in Otto. (828) 349-4500. **2/28**

Must sale items to pay medical bills. Maytag Washer and Dryer; fairly new, excellent condition, \$500 for both. Love seat with chair; barely used, \$300. Armoire; \$100. Call 497-4009 for more information. **2/28pd**

FOR RENT

One bedroom cottage, furnished and includes washer/dryer and water. Close to Casino. \$550 deposit and \$550 rent plus electric. Contact 828-497-3809. Leave message if necessary. **3/1pd**

For rent. 2 bedroom trailer. Serious inquiries only! No pets, no drugs. Call 497-7350 or 736-8654 for more information. **2/28pd**

House for rent. 3 bedroom/2 full bath house; gas fireplace and furnace; dishwasher, fridge and stove included; paved driveway, w/d connection. Birdtown area. \$650/month plus deposit, \$25 application fee and references. Call 778-2959 for more information. **3/7pd**

Reserve your new apartment at Balsam Mountain Apartments in Waynesville! With your apartment, you can enjoy the community pool, fitness center and trail. Only 20 minutes from Cherokee, 30 minutes from Asheville, and a great place to call Home! 828-454-5505. **2/28 pd**

2br, 1 bath, mobile home. Quiet park in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. \$400/month, \$300/deposit. Call 488-8752 for more information. **4/4pd**

SERVICES

Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 828-497-4128. **4/11pd**

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AVENUES COUNSELING. w/ Beth Farris, Licensed Professional Counselor and Licensed Clinical Addictions Specialist addressing Depression, Anxiety, Trauma, Addiction and Relationship issues. Welcomes discussing her holistic approach to finding truth and joy. Call 1-421-9855. **3/14pd**

EMPLOYMENT

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

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



Positions Open

Closing February 25, 2013 @ 4 pm

1. Office Coordinator- Destination Marketing (\$26,140-\$33,340)
2. Receptionist/Secretary- Tribal Child Care (\$18,140-\$22,680)
3. Lead Mechanic- Facility Management (\$28,790-\$36,710)
4. Receptionist- KPEP (\$19,980-\$24,980)
5. EM/911 Planning & Training Coord.- Emergency Mgt (\$28,790-\$36,710)
6. Mobility Supervisor(Snowbird)- Transit (\$23,740-\$30,280)
7. Library Assistant- Qualla Public Library(Snowbird)- (\$19,980-\$24,980)
8. Truck Driver CDL-A- QHA (\$23,740-\$30,280)
9. Family Support Coordinator- CTCC (\$26,140-\$33,340)
10. Utility Worker- Composting (\$18,140-\$22,680)
11. Academy Teacher- KPEP (\$34,900-\$44,500)
12. Language Specialist- KPEP (\$28,790-\$36,710)

Closing March 08, 2013

1. Equipment Operator-QHA (\$28,790-\$36,710)
2. Telecommunicator-Public Safety (\$23,740-\$30,280)
3. Senior Buyer-Finance (\$34,900-\$44,500)
4. Accounting Coordinator I-Finance (\$26,140-\$33,340)
5. Buyer (x4)-Finance (\$28,790-\$36,710)
6. Finance Clerk-Finance (\$18,140-\$22,680)
7. Utility Worker-Sanitation (\$18,140-\$22,680)
8. Water Dept. Assistant Manager-Water & Sewer (\$42,300-\$53,930)
9. Utility Worker-Recycling (\$18,140-\$22,680)
10. Housekeeper II-Housekeeping (\$19,980-\$24,980)
11. Temp. Maintenance Utility Worker (x3)-Facility Mgmt (\$19,980-\$24,980)
12. Carpenter Helper-Facility Mgmt (\$16,480-\$20,600)

Open Until Filled

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

Health & Medical Positions

1. C.N.A-Tsali Care Center
2. RN-Tsali Care Center
3. LPN-Tsali Care Center
4. Cook Supervisor-Tsali Care Center
5. Assistant Cook-Tsali Care Center
6. Housekeeper-Tsali Care Center

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

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is looking to hire a Seasonal Manager for the Oconaluftee Indian Village 2013 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 mid-March through October.
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays.
- Must make it through the interview process.
- Must have manager experience.
- Associate's Degree 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.

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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS KITUWAH PRESERVATION & EDUCATION PROGRAM

Is seeking resumes for contract work for the following: Recording audio "English version" for the Cherokee language translation version of Charlotte's web.

Qualifications:

- Must have good vocal skills
 - Experience working in recording studio required
- (an interview with interested persons will be conducted and recording sample taken)

Please submit resumes and or cost proposals to

Renissa McLaughlin, Manager

Kituwah Preservation & Education Program

PO Box 438 – Cherokee, NC 28719

Or email: renimcla@nc-cherokee.com

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THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: FT CERTIFIED BILLING TECH. Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will March 1, 2013 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **2/28**

Cherokee Central Schools Position Opening:

Women's Soccer -Head Coach, 5 yrs. Coaching Experience required.
 Food Service Worker, 6 hour position-High School diploma required
 Log onto: cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com
 Opened till filled. **3/7**

One Feather deadline
Monday at 12noon

EMPLOYMENT

TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February 28, 2013

CLOSING DATE: March 07, 2013

At 4:00pm

NAME OF POSITION: PT Cashier

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 cashier/cash handling experience required. 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.

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TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: February 28, 2013

CLOSING DATE: March 07, 2013

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.

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ANTICIPATED VACANCY AT SWAIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT: PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE II

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

Location: to work in the clinic setting; will also be required to provide services during home visits

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

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

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

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

Posting Date: February 18, 2013

Closing Date: Until Filled

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

Family Planning Program Coordinator: Plan, supervise, manage and work Family Planning Clinic, including establishing clinic goals, policies, procedures, and guidelines with the nursing supervisor; follow-up of medical records regarding patient's abnormal lab results and care plans; make referral as necessary. Manage and coordinate contraceptive method supplies for patients with orders from the clinic provider. Provide education regarding contraceptive methods and other preventative health behaviors and referrals for abnormal test results. Coordinate, educate, and refer male patients for vasectomies through the State Vasectomy Program.

Pregnancy Care Management (PCM): Tracking program by a nurse for prenatal patients who need help with access to medical, social, educational or other services in the community. Pregnancy Care Manager initiates care with a patient and develops a care plan based on the patient's identified needs, then makes contact with patient by phone, clinic or home visit to review progress with identified goals. Make referrals to resources in community to meet patient's goals and needs. Develop and implement teaching plan for childbirth education classes offered to prenatal patients. Perform Newborn/Postpartum Home Visits.

General Staff Nurse: Answer nursing phone calls; obtain, height, weight, fingersticks, venipunctures, urine samples for lab testing, nutritional assessments for WIC (occasionally), vital signs, immunizations, TB skin testing, assist in other Health Department clinics, assist Health Educator, school nurse, and other non-clinical nursing staff with outreach programs within the county, etc.

Minimum Education and Experience:

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

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

Closing Date: Until filled

Application Process:

Applicants must complete a State Application PD-107. A State Employee Application (PD 107) may be obtained online via the following address:

<http://www.osp.state.nc.us/jobs/general.htm#app> (MS Word Version), at our website:

http://www.swaincountync.gov/health_vacancies.html, or the Swain County Health Department. Resumes will not be accepted unless accompanied by a completed application form.

Please return completed applications to:

Swain County Health Department, Amy Smith, RN, 545 Center Street, Bryson City, NC 28713, Attn: Nursing Supervisor, (828) 488-3198 x 2022

You may also visit your local Employment Security Commission

Interview Selection Process:

Applications will be reviewed to select the best-qualified applicants for admission to the interview. Selection will be chosen by structured interview. **2/28**

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**One Feather deadline
Monday at 12noon**

EMPLOYMENT

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

- Adjunct Faculty – various depts.
- Distinguished Professor Entrepreneurship (132736)
- Distinguished Professor Ed Leadership (0478)
- Distinguished Professor Human Services (1703)
- Lecturer, Forensic Anthropology (0548)

Asst or Assoc Professor for the following:

- Animal Biology (1203)
- Anthropology & Sociology (1353)
- Broadcasting (1291)
- Comm Sci (131841)(131843)
- Comparative Politics (1486)
- Computer Science (131844)
- Elem & Middle Grds (2024)
- Eng & Tech (06072949)
- Entrepreneurship (132737)
- Health, P.E. & Rec (131845)
- History (131842,2052)
- Hosp & Tourism (2031)
- Human Resources (1508)
- Human Services/MSA & PMC-PSL (1384)
- Librarian – Metadata (2949)
- Management (1434)
- Modern Foreign Languages (0171)
- Natural Resource Conservation (0723)
- Physical Therapy (131840)
- Political Sci/Public Affrs (1486)
- Public Relations (1725)
- School Psychology (1180)
- Special Ed (2329)
- TESOL (4757)

Assoc Dir, Intercultural Affairs

Bld Env Svc Tech – Hskp

Chief of Staff (0002)

Counselor/Psychologist (5300)

Dean of Health & Human Sciences (1891)

Dir, Counseling & Psych Svc (0279)

Dir, Intensive English (0178)

Dist Prof, Gerontological Soc Wk (130241)

Please go to jobs.wcu.edu for details and to apply online. AA/EOE. **2/28**

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: FT CERTIFIED MEDICAL CODER, FT RN/OPD & FT FOOD SERVICE WORKER. Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will March 8, 2013 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **3/7**

ANTICIPATED VACANCY AT SWAIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT FOR WIC NUTRITIONIST

Position: WIC Nutritionist

Vacancy Numbers: 547-52-0152

Location: Swain County Health Department, 545 Center Street, Bryson City, NC.

Hours: 40 hours per week - 7:45 am – 4:45 pm Monday – Friday. Some flexibility of hours can be negotiated. (Some later evening and occasional weekend hours may be required)

Type of Appointment: Perm Full-Time

Compensation: Salary Dependent upon classification from Office of State Personnel, training and

years of experience Swain County provides a comprehensive employee benefit package, including membership in the NC Local Government Employees' Retirement System.

Posting Date: February 18, 2013

Closing Date: Until Filled

Description of Duties (includes but not limited to):

General Duties:

To provide basic nutrition services to clients eligible for the Special Supplemental Food Program for Women, Infant, Children (WIC) program. Work requires the employees to independently complete a program eligibility statement and a basic nutrition assessment. Employees are responsible for providing individual and small group nutrition counseling which is typically limited to such topics as the food groups, child developmental nutrition needs, and programmatic services. Work requires analyzing clinical and nutritional data in order to prescribe appropriate supplemental foods based upon the clients' nutritional needs and food preference. Employees may also execute contracts with vendors to honor the program food voucher and handle any problems that may occur. Employees may also train vendors and perform vendor monitoring. Employees may supervise the clerical support function associated with the program. Work may include other related assignments as determined by management.

Minimum Education and Experience:

Graduation from a Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education- approved Didactic Program in Dietetics; or Dietetic Technician, Registered with the Commission on Accreditation for Dietetics Education with a Bachelor's degree in any subject area from an accredited four-year college or university; or a Bachelor's of Science degree in Dietetics, Public Health Nutrition or Community Nutrition from an accredited four-year college or university. Candidates should provide documentation of registration status from the Commission on Dietetic Registration, provide university or college transcripts or CADE verification statement.

Application Process:

Applicants must complete State Application PD-107. A State Employee Application (PD 107) may be obtained online via the following address: <http://www.osp.state.nc.us/jobs/general.htm#app> (MS Word Version), at our website: http://www.swaincountync.gov/health_vacancies.html, or the Swain County Health Department. Resumes will not be accepted unless accompanied by a completed application form.

You may also visit your local Employment Security Commission.

Please return completed applications to:

Alison Cochran, Interim Health Director

545 Center Street, Bryson City, NC 28713, 828.488.3198 x 2002

Interview Selection Process:

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EMPLOYMENT

Seasonal Grounds / Maintenance Workers Needed

We are looking for seasonal workers to assist with the upkeep and maintenance of our facilities from April through October. Duties include grass and trail maintenance, some janitorial, as well as regular labor as needed. Employees should be prepared to work from 8am-5pm, and on Weekends. These are seasonal full-time positions. Pay range is \$8.00-\$8.50/hr. For an application or answers to questions please visit the Cherokee Historical Association at 564 Tsali Boulevard (beside Museum) or call Chris at 828.497.2111 ext. 213. **3/14**

Seasonal Janitorial Worker Needed

We are looking for a seasonal worker to assist with the upkeep and maintenance of our facilities from April through October. Duties include cleaning facilities and managing disposal of materials, as well as regular labor as needed. Employees should be prepared to work from 8am-5pm, and on Weekends. This is a seasonal full-time position. Pay range is \$8.00-\$8.50/hr. For an application or answers to questions please visit the Cherokee Historical Association at 564 Tsali Boulevard (beside Museum) or call Chris at 828.497.2111 ext. 213. **3/14**

Seasonal Concession/Retail/Box Office Workers Needed

We are looking for seasonal workers to assist with the sales and operations of our Oconaluftee Indian Village from April through October. Duties include ticket sales, retail craft shop sales, and concession cooking and sales. Employees should be prepared to work from 8am-5pm, and on Saturdays. These are seasonal full-time positions. Pay range is \$8.00-\$8.50/hr. For an application or answers to questions please visit the Cherokee Historical Association at 564 Tsali Boulevard (beside Museum) or call Chris at 828.497.2111 ext. 213. **3/14**

LEGALS

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD

FILE NO. 11-JT-65

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE JUVENILE, AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD

Filed December 19, 2012 in the District Court in Jackson County, North Carolina

TO: APRIL NATIONS AND NICHOLAS DANIEL BIRD, PARENTS OF A FEMALE JUVENILE, AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD, BORN DECEMBER 24, 2011 IN JACKSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENTS.

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than April 9, 2013 and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, the Jackson County Department of Social Services, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for an order terminating your parental rights. Your parental rights to the Juvenile will be terminated if you fail to make a defense.

You are summoned and notified to answer the petition filed herein to terminate your parental rights to the child named above. Any written answer to the petition must be filed within forty (40) days after the first date this notice is published. A copy of your answer must be served on the Petitioner, the Jackson County Department of Social Services, or their attorney named below.

The Court will conduct a hearing to determine whether one or more of the grounds alleged in the petition for terminating parental rights exist. If the Court finds that one or more grounds exist, the Court will proceed at that hearing or at a later hearing to determine whether parental rights should be terminated. Notice of the date, time and location of the hearing will be mailed to you by the Petitioner after you file an answer or after service of the petition by legal publication, if your mailing address is known to the Petitioner.

If you do not file a written answer to the petition filed herein, with the Clerk of Superior Court within 40 days after the first date this notice is published, the Court may terminate your parental rights.

You have the right to be represented by a lawyer in this case. If you want a lawyer and cannot afford one, the Court will appoint a lawyer for you. If you are represented by a lawyer appointed previously in an abuse, neglect or dependency case, that lawyer will continue to represent you unless the Court orders otherwise. If you are not represented by a lawyer and want a court appointed lawyer, you are encouraged to contact immediately the following lawyer, who has been temporarily assigned to represent you. At the first hearing, the Court will determine whether you qualify for a court-appointed lawyer. If you do not qualify, the lawyer named below will be released. (NOTE: If a lawyer is appointed for you and if the Court terminates your parental rights, you may become liable for repayment of the lawyer's fees, and a judgment in the amount of the fees may be entered against you.)

You are entitled to attend any hearing affecting your parental rights. As described above, the Petitioner will mail you notice of the date, time and location of the hearing, if your mailing address is known to the Petitioner.

Name and Address of April Nations' Lawyer: Graham Duls, PO Box 187, Sylva, NC 28778, Telephone: 828-586-4010

Name and Address of Nicholas Daniel Bird's Lawyer: Jeff Goss, PO Box 965, Sylva, NC 28779, Telephone: 828-586-3131

This the 28th day of February, 2013.

Mary G. Holliday
Attorney for Petitioner
Jackson County Department of Social Services
PO Box 597
Webster, North Carolina 28788
(828) 631-0346
NC Bar No. 14004
3/21pd

LEGALS

Qualla Housing Authority Tenant Recertification Final Notice!

As stated in section 28 of the signed lease agreement, tenants must participate in an annual recertification process. This process is to serve both the tenant and QHA's needs in maintaining accurate tenant information and ensuring that both parties are informed of any changes to ensure the HUD policies and guidelines are being met. Failure to participate in the annual recertification process is considered non-compliance to the lease agreement and is grounds for commencement of the eviction process. The tenants listed below have been informed on several occasions of their need to participate in the recertification process and have failed to do so as of February 25, 2013. This posting will serve as an additional final notice. Upon failure to schedule AND participate in the recertification process by Friday, March 8, 2013, QHA will commence the eviction process.

Johanna Driver	Miriam Fuller	John Toineeta
Nancy Walk	Jonna Bird	Nathaniel West
Kassie Lossie	Nikki Key	Kerra Welch
Mary Evans	Linda Armachain	Mary Smith
Stephen Little	Angela Arsana	Tiara Smith
Anthony Lossiah	Twila Reed	Ashlea Plummer
Linda Bradley	Darlene Davis	Rena Wachacha
Davina George	Renee Ledford	Dawn Gloyne
Rhonda Ledford	Delores Ellington	Richard Maney
Isaac Teesateskie	Rita Lequire	Jami Kirkland
Rowena Tolley	Jeffrey Ellington	Samantha Driver
Charles McCoy	Velva Powell	William Driver
William Reed	Carolyn Pilkington	

The names listed below have commenced their recertification but as of February 25, 2013 have failed to provide the additional documents required to complete their recertification. Failure to complete the recertification is considered ground for eviction.

Sonya Bigmeat	Linda Owl	Lewis Queen
Evangeline Watty		

If you have already contacted QHA and participated in the Recertification Process prior to this posting, please disregard this notice. If you still have not completed your Annual Recertification, please call the Rental Occupancy Specialist, Kim Smith, at 497-9161 and schedule an appointment for recertification by Friday, March 8, 2013. **2/28**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 13-014
In the Matter of the Estate of
Randolph Scott Pheasant

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

Date to submit claims: May 28, 2013

Randalena Pheasant
PO BOX 604
Cherokee, NC 28719
3/21pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 13-011
In the Matter of the Estate of
David Norman Hardin

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

Date to submit claims: May 14, 2013

Norma Rae Hardin Taylor
PO BOX 353
Whittier, NC 28789
3/7pd

One Feather deadline Monday at 12noon

Effective March 2, 2013 agent Blake Allman is concluding his relationship with Nationwide Insurance after 46 years of service in Bryson City and surrounding communities. We sincerely thank Blake and his staff for their years of dedication and service to both our policyholders and our company and we wish him nothing but the best according to Regional Vice President Lee Morton. Nationwide Insurance Company is committed to providing the same high level of support to our members currently serviced by the Allman Insurance Agency. Effective March 2, 2013 Nationwide Insurance Company will open a new office at 230 Main Street, Bryson City, NC, Phone 866-619-2929 Nationwide members can also speak to a service representative 24 hours a day, 7 days a week by calling 1-877-669-6877.



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REALTY

Proposed Land Transfers

Sam Saunooke to David Joseph Saunooke, Jr., Birdtown Community Parcel No. 469 (Part of Parcel No. 176), containing 2.124 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Cynthia Ann Taylor Meuse to Amy Lorraine Meuse, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 246-A (Part of Parcel No. 243), containing .500 acres, more or less.

Eugene J. McGillis to Kathy Ann McGillis Hasler, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 26-C (Remainder of Parcel No. 26), containing 1.051 acres, more or less.

Eugene J. McGillis to Mary Joleen Studer, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 26-B (Part of Parcel No. 26), containing .500 acres, more or less.

Vincent Dexter Smith to Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 195-D (Remainder of Parcel No. 195-A), containing .793 acres, more or less.

Vincent Dexter Smith to Shirley Jean Lambert Reagan, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 195-C (Part of Parcel No. 195-A), containing .501 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Janet Marie Owle Combs to Erin Desert Wind Taylor, 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel NO. 233-T (Part of Parcel No. 233-R), containing 3 acres, more or less.

Emily Yvonne Walkingstick West to Rachel Louann Pheasant Welch, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 45-B (Remainder of Parcel No. 45), containing .301 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Ruby Lorraine Hornbuckle Lossiah to Paul Anthony Lossiah, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1418-M (Part of Parcel No. 1418-J), containing 1.568 acres, more or less.

McKinley Edwin Swimmer to Stephan Ray Swimmer, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 544-A (Part of Parcel No. 544), containing 3.938 acres, more or less.

Jessie Louise Armachain Lopez to Marcelina Dawn Armachain Palma, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 609-D (Remainder of Parcel No. 609-B), containing 13.010 acres, more or less.

Jessie Louise Armachain Lopez to Marcelina Dawn Armachain Palma, Big Cove Community Parcel No. 42, containing .5 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Charles William Bigwitch to Lechay Raelyn Arch, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 628-O (Part of Parcel No. 628-G), containing 1.986 acres, more or less.

Joel Queen to Alexandria Jade Jackson, Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 272 (Part of Parcel No. 97), containing .022 acres, more or less.

Mary Jane Walkingstick Taylor to Ethel Mae Walkingstick Smith, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1492 (Part of the Tribal Reserve), containing 1.000 acres, more or less.

Jack Elwood Gloyne, John Frances Gloyne and Judy Kay Gloyne Tiger to Mary Ann Gloyne Wachacha, Lower Cherokee Community Parcel No. 25-A (Part of Parcel No. 25), containing 4.242 acres, more or less.

James Raymond Owl to Jacob Andrew Reed, 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 233-X (Part of Parcel No. 233-J), containing 2.00 acres, more or less.

James Raymond Owle to Janet Marie Owle Combs, 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 233-W (Part of Parcel No. 233-J), containing 2.00 acres, more or less.

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to Rozina Marie Cruz Hendrix, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1459-K (Remainder #8 of Parcel No. 1459), containing 0.160 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Cherokee County

David Allen Coffey, Debbie Coffey, Jerry Wayne Coffey, John Timothy Coffey, Kay L. Coffey, Debra Patricia Murphy Gibby, Lonnie Earl Murphy, Allen James Rattler, Joshua Bryant Rattler, David Eric Rogers, Nathan Scott Rogers

Divisions

Jerry Wayne Coffey, Debbie Coffey, David Allen Coffey, John Timothy Coffey

3200 Acre Tract

Jason Robert Roost Beck, Robert Everett Beck, Robert Everett Beck, Jr., Skyler Lee Beck, Janet Marie Owle Combs, Julie Angline Wade Frady, *Carolyn Ann Murphy, Missy Virginia Brady Payne, Sally Anita Rogers, Sandra Leigh Ledford Robbins, Sonya Rena Ledford, Stanley Ray Ledford, James Raymond Owl, Erin Desert Wind Taylor, Christine Ledford Walkingstick, Sheena Roxana Walkingstick, Glenn Gilbert Wolfe

Divisions

Joseph Lloyd White

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians invites qualified firms to submit an offer under seal for a Contract for the construction of the EBCI Building Energy Efficiency Retrofit Project. The project is made up of energy modifications for 9 buildings located in various areas of the Qualla Boundary. The buildings are the Women's Wellness Center, the Kituwah Immersion Academy, Fire Station #1, the EBCI Maintenance Facility, the Cherokee Fish Hatchery, the Fresh Water Treatment Plant, and three buildings at the Cherokee Fair Grounds.

The project consists of two contracts:

Package #1-HVAC, including all electrical connections to HVAC equipment (sub EC) and the insulation work/patching (sub GC) at the Fire Hall and:

Package #2-Lighting, EC only.

Bid documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

TERO Office

Ginger Lynn Welch Center

Cherokee, NC 28719

497-7972)

ProctorHodge Architecture

15 Painttown Road

Cherokee, NC 28719 (828-

To purchase plans, a \$50 fee will be required. Specific questions should be addressed to ProctorHodge Architecture, phone (828-497-7972). The contract is Bob Proctor.

A Mandatory Pre-Bid conference will be held Tuesday, March 5, 2013 at 2:00 pm local time in the Ginger Lynn Welch Building, Economic & Community Development, Division of Commerce conference room, 810 Acquoni Road in Cherokee.

Sealed bids complying to Tribal Employment Rights Office regulations and NC State law are due in the office of ProctorHodge Architecture by Tuesday, March 19 at 2:00 pm local time.

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one week (7 calendar days) to complete and re-turn assignments to teachers. In case of extenuating circumstances arrangements may be made by the teacher and/or principal.

Students cannot miss more than ten (10) days per semester with a maximum of five (5) unexcused days during the semester. REMINDER: HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE IS TAKEN FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL CLASS.

- On the second (2nd) unexcused and/or excused absence, the attendance officer will send a letter to the parent regarding the student's attendance. At the end of each month during the school year, the attendance committee will review those students whose records indicate excessive absences. These students will need to meet with the attendance committee to discuss the situation and reasons causing these absences.

- On the fourth (4th) unexcused absences the attendance officer shall notify the parent, guardian, or custodian that they may be in violation of the Compulsory School Attendance Law and may be prosecuted if the absences cannot be justified. The attendance officer will meet with the student and contact the parent/guardian to set up a meeting with the mediation center to determine a plan of action designed to improve the student's attendance. At this point, if the plan of action fails to improve the student's attendance, then court action will be taken.

- On the sixth (6th) unexcused absence, a certified letter is mailed to the parent, explaining that the student has exceeded the allowed unexcused absences and may not receive credit for classes.

- On the sixth (6th) absence, the attendance office will send a letter to the parent regarding the student's attendance. At the end of each month during the school year, the attendance committee will review those students whose records indicate excessive absences. These students will need to meet with the attendance committee to discuss the situation and reasons causing these absences.

- On the tenth (10th) absence, the attendance office shall notify the principal, parent, guardian, or custodian by mail that they may be in violation of the Compulsory School Attendance Law if any more absences occur, if the absences cannot be justified. The attendance committee will review those students whose records indicate excessive absences. These students will need to meet with the attendance committee to discuss the situation and reasons causing these absences.

- COPIES OF ALL CORRESPONDENCE WILL BE MAINTAINED IN THE ATTENDANCE OFFICE AS DOCUMENTATION.

Staff must document early departure in the attendance office for students participating in extra-curricular activities. Coaches and other staff in charge of trips requiring early departure from school will be required to turn in a list of all students participating on any given day prior to leaving campus, so these absences can be recorded as an ACT in NASIS.

A student may be checked out ONLY by his/her parent/guardian or the approved emergency contact.

Emergency situations will be dealt with on a case by case basis by administration.

ATTENDANCE REVIEW COMMITTEE

All appeals pertaining to these policies or op-

posing views must be made to the School's Attendance Review Committee which meets as requested by the student and parent/guardian when needed. Students absent because of extenuating circumstances, who wish to appeal their case to the Attendance Committee will be required to appear before the Attendance Committee with their parent or guardian. This committee consists of a cross-section of the school staff from the High School to hear matters regarding extenuating or mitigating circumstances that are contributing to the excessive absences. Decisions to grant exceptions to the five (5) unexcused day rule and the ten (10) total absences rule for the High School, will be based on matters submitted for consideration, student declared intentions, and quality of makeup work as determined by the teachers.

A student/parent or guardian requesting an appeal for attendance matters will be given a decision from the attendance committee within two days. If a student/parent/guardian does not agree with the committee's decision, the student may request a hearing with the School Board to review the decision. In addition to the school board, and Director of Education, a representative from the Attendance Committee will be required to be present. All paperwork for appeals must be turned in to the Attendance Committee by the last Monday, of the last week of school.

Woodreen Caldwell, EdS
Principal
Cherokee High Schools
Office#: 828 554 5091



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Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Board of Elections 2013 Election Notice of Changes & Dates

Filing for Candidacy March 1-15*, 2013 all Tribal Council Positions open as well as Big Cove, Birdtown, and Wolfetown School Board Representatives. Filing fees: Tribal Council \$500.00, School Board \$350.00.

Primary Election THURSDAY JUNE 6, 2013

EBCI Enrolled members who will be 18 years of age on or by this date may register to vote. Voter registration/community changes will CLOSE May 7th at 4:30 PM.

General Election THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 5, 2013

EBCI Enrolled members who did not turn 18 years of age by the Primary Election date but will be 18 years of age on or before 9.5.13 should register to vote after the voter logs are re-opened. This occurs the Monday after the next regularly occurring council session certifying the PRIMARY ELECTION. Voter registration/community changes for the GENERAL ELECTION will CLOSE July 31 at 4:30 PM.

Deadline for Absentee Ballot application for Primary Election: April 1st -May 15th 2013.

Ballots must be returned by 4:30 pm, May 31st.

Deadline for Absentee Ballot application for General Election: July 1st- August 15th 2013.

Ballots must be returned by August 30th.

Enrolled Members who are registered to vote will need to meet one of the following requirements in order to receive an absentee ballot:

1. Active Military Duty
2. Employees of the Federal Government assigned to duties outside of the Cherokee Indian Reservation
3. Students of higher education or scholastic institution
4. Tribal Employees whose employment will cause absence from Cherokee on Election Day
5. Residents of nursing, hospital, treatment facilities
6. Tribal Members who reside on trust land but will be away on Election Day.

Once registered to vote in Tribal Elections, always registered.

If you are unsure of your status, please contact The EBCI BOE.

Every enrolled member who will be 18 years of age by the date of the upcoming election will be eligible to vote. Those who past convictions may prohibit entering a polling place need to seek counsel from the appropriate authorities before doing so.

Qualified voters may request and complete an absentee ballot IN OFFICE until 4:30pm
May 31 and August 30th.

The BOE cannot advise on these matters. Remember, the Board has moved to the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex, Suite 140. You may contact us by phoning 828.554-6361/6362. As always, we are here to serve. Please let us know how we may assist you with special needs/hours concerning registration, etc.

You may also email: kellyguy@nc-cherokee.com or fax 828.554.6365.

