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## QUOTE OF THE WEEK

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*- Sheri Tatsch, consultant to  
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**Three consultants** were set up as a panel for the two meetings held as part of the Cherokee Language Symposium on Jan. 30-31 at the Cherokee Youth Center including, starting second to left to right, Sheri Tatsch, Benjamin Frey, and Wyman Kirk.

# ‘The Jumping Off Point’

## Cherokee looks to build from Language Symposium

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

**C**herokee has taken its next step towards language preservation.

On Thursday, Jan. 30 and Friday, Jan. 31, a Cherokee Language Symposium was held at the Cherokee Youth Center. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Education department worked with the Office of the Principal Chief to hire three consultants to come and analyze the

operations of language learning on the boundary. This was a three-day process that ended with two days of meetings.

Both meetings were live-streamed by EBCI Communications. They can be viewed on Channel 28 or the EBCI Communications Facebook page.

“I think the results of this week were pretty phenomenal,” said Sheri Tatsch, one of the consultants for the symposium.

“I’ve never seen a group take suggestions that they heard the day before and make definite plans. I mean, there’s dates, there’s times. They know who’s involved, people are calling in. That’s usual. That’s really unusual to just take that step immediately. We were talking

about these 30-60-90 days, well these folks did it in a day, which shows, I think, the dedication and the love for what they have. What’s theirs,” continued Tatsch.

The overwhelming takeaway from the meeting was a need to increase communication and the sharing of knowledge and materials in Cherokee. That means many things.

Benjamin Frey, another of the consultants, talked about the need for a connected database. He said this would greatly help facilitate the growth and sharing of materials between the language learning programs. He said that it could help instructors build on what was already there and help limit redundant work.

Frey, who teaches Cherokee at UNC-Chap-



el Hill, said that this week was an essential step for moving the language forward as a unit. He focused on what it meant to him to see everyone come together to discuss the future of their culture.

“How much everybody cares and how much healing there is to do. I think that because everybody cares so much, it becomes easy to get mired in the scarcity mindset and lose focus of the enormous value that the language has,” said Frey.

Frey said that community is going to be extremely important for language preservation and that he knows it can be done with the right mindset.

“I think that’s the most important part of language learning, that’s often overlooked, is people have to be at peace. There’s that ‘to-hi’ concept that we have. They talk about the harmony mentality in Cherokee society and thought. That sometimes a conversation won’t even begin until everybody feels at peace and seen,” he continued.

Garfield Axe-Long, a curriculum coordinator at the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program (KPEP), shared a similar sentiment when it comes to the next step that is needed for learning.

“I think, of course, the communication and willingness to work with each other. I think putting differences aside, and for me when I say differences, I’m mainly talking about dialectal,” said Axe-Long.

He said the numerous dialects of the Cherokee language can create barriers; not because of a lack of understanding but because of an unwillingness to for some accept others.

“If we want to continue nurturing the language, we have to

get passed that,” said Axe-Long. “Because I have yet to hear two Cherokee speakers that have been raised speaking the language...tell each other ‘that’s not the way you say it’. But, some of them are quick to tell a second-language learner that. And why, I do not know. And, I think that’s one of the biggest problems we have right now because self-consciousness becomes evident with second-language learners. And, they are reluctant to say anything in the language to a Cherokee speaker.”

Axe-Long said that while a focus on the language is important, he felt he heard some of the information before.

“For me, it was just more like a lot of the stuff was kind of re-hashed from previous symposiums that I’ve attended. I’m not saying that it was bad or good, it’s just I guess I’ve been there more than once.”

Hartwell Francis, who is a curriculum developer at KPEP, said that he wishes the consultants had more time to absorb all the information offered to them.

“They had to see and understand more than humanly possible, and also they were exposed to very little,” said Francis.

“I think that they overemphasized certain things, and they underemphasized other things. They overemphasized single word learning and wordless learning, and speakers working on single words. And, they underemphasized conversational competence and conversations between speakers and learners.”

Francis continued by saying that he was extremely appreciative of the time the consultants put in this week, and that is was a positive experience overall. He said that he was happy that community leaders are giving the time to the

language and doing the analysis that is needed to improve. He also said that he loved seeing how Friday’s meeting progressed. Towards the end, community members became more involved with their ideas, and people made plans to meet on specific topics moving forward.

“I think just bringing us together to have that meeting showed us all again all of the positive things that are happening in this community for Cherokee language and culture learning.”

James Bradley, the director of EBCI Education, was one of the organizers of this event. He said he was thrilled with how the week went.

“I have to admit, I was very tense early in the week, because I didn’t know. ‘I think this is going to work and think this is going to be good, but I don’t know.’ And then yesterday [Thursday], seeing people come in and then start sharing and talking. It relieved all that anxiety. I was just really grateful that everybody showed up, and everybody participated,” said Bradley.

He said that the next step is to get the final report from the consultants, and from there, it will be time to build a plan.

“We have to come up with 30-60-90-day goals, that’s what the Chief wants. When we set our goals, it’s 1-3-5-year benchmarks. So, that’s the structure we’re going to be working in. There’s already great stuff happening.”

Bradley says that there are few ideas they are focused on currently. One is a 25-person language class that takes EBCI employees through a two-week language program. They would be immersive, 8-hour days, and the employees would be paid their regular salary for attending. It would be built as

a cohort system to allow students to grow together and be able to build with the next classes.

Another idea would allow tribal members to go through Higher Education to take online language courses offered through the likes of UNC Asheville and Western Carolina University.

“I’m really, really happy. I’m really excited. I’m hopeful that we can take what we already have and make it even better and more accessible for everybody,” said Bradley

Tatsch said that these kinds of initiatives will help immensely helpful and that she has been encouraged by the tribal government’s willingness to assist both with time and financially.

“It’s huge. That is a stumbling block for a lot of tribes and nations that I’ve worked with in the past. You can do it with no money, but you’re doing it at the kitchen table. And so, the efforts become very small, and again the people become isolated. That’s one of the things that I’m hoping that this week has done, and it was expressed by some people that they feel isolated. And, the isolation now has begun to move away.”

The consultants will have a final report offered to the Tribe by Friday, Feb 7. It was announced that the Tribe would then be sharing that report as well as any follow-up statements within a week of that day.

“We can. We can do it as long as we work together. That’s always what our people have done. I mean, we survived here for 14,000 years with nobody to depend on but each other and the creator. And we did that successfully. We did it because we knew how. We still have that knowledge, and we still have that tradition,” said Frey.

# Working to stop future tragedies

## Presidential Task Force on Missing and Murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives officially launches

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

Federal government officials held an official meeting on Wednesday, Jan. 29 to launch a task force to tackle the generations-long issue of missing and murdered American Indians and Alaska Natives. The task force is co-chaired by U.S. Attorney General William P. Barr and Secretary of the Interior David Bernhardt and includes officials from the Departments of Justice, Interior, and Health and Human Services.

The task force, which is known as Operation Lady Justice, was formed with an Executive Order by President Donald J. Trump on Nov. 26, 2019 which states, in part, “My Administration has heard the ongoing and serious concerns of tribal governments regarding missing and murdered members of American Indian and Alaska Native communities, particularly women and girls. To address the severity of those concerns, top officials within the federal government will coordinate and engage with the tribal governments.”

Secretary Barnhardt said in a statement on Wednesday, “President Trump is committed to addressing systematic challenges within Indian Country, and this task force will develop and implement an aggressive, government-wide strategy to combat the crisis of missing and murdered

American Indian and Alaska Natives. By working together and listening to impacted citizens and tribal communities, we intent to tackle these complex issues.”

In a press conference call on Wednesday, Tara Sweeney, assistant secretary for Indian Affairs and member of the task force, said, “Today marks a giant step forward in addressing the complex challenges in Indian Country and Alaska Native villages. The reality is the epidemic of missing and murdered American Indians continues to cast a necessary spotlight on the dire need for action which is why we’re here today.”

Sweeney, a member of the Native Village of Barrow Inupiat Traditional Government, added, “We need to continue to find our strategies and maximize our partnerships to deliver services within our limited amount of resources. President Trump and Secretary Barnhardt continue to support policies and efforts that empower the Department of the Interior, especially Indian Affairs, to reclaim our Native communities. And, I am especially proud of the Presidential Order that declared May 5 as Missing and Murdered American Indian and Alaska Native Awareness Day. This was in an effort to nationally elevate the awareness as too many of our women, children, and men go missing or fall victim to murder.”

According to information from the Justice Department, the task force is specifically designated to:

- Consult with tribal governments on the scope and nature of the problem; the task force will hold regional consultations and listening sessions at several locations

around the country the task force will also host a listening session at the National Congress of American Indians’ Executive Council Winter Session in Washington, D.C. on Feb. 12.

- Develop model protocols and procedures for addressing both new and unsolved cases of missing and murdered persons in tribal communities;
- Establish a multi-disciplinary, multi-jurisdictional team, which will include tribal law enforcement, to review cold cases;
- Address issues related to roles, authorities and jurisdiction among tribal, local, state and federal agencies; and
- Develop and execute a public awareness, education and outreach campaign for affected communities.

“The disappearance and death of American Indian and Alaska Native people, particularly women and girls, is an especially tragic chapter in a long story of marginalization and trauma suffered by native people,” Attorney General Barr said in a statement on Wednesday. “We are committed to addressing this challenge, to reducing the violence and protecting the vulnerable from exploitations and abuse. The task force is eager to get to work to address the issues that underlie this terrible problem, and work with our tribal partners to find solutions, raise awareness, and bring answers and justice to the grieving.”

According to a report from the National Congress of American Indians Police Research Center in February 2018, “In the United States, violence against AI/AN (American Indian/Alaska Native) women has reached devastating levels on tribal lands and in Alaska

Native villages.” They reported the following statistics garnered from the National Institute of Justice Research Report from May 2016:

- AI/AN women face a murder rate 10 times the national average
- The murder rate of AI/AN women is 2.8 times that of non-Hispanic white women
- 84.3 percent of AI/AN women have experienced violence in their lifetime
- 56.1 percent of AI/AN women have experienced sexual violence in their lifetime
- 55.5 percent of AI/AN women have experienced physical violence by intimate partners in their lifetime
- 48.8 percent of AI/AN women have been stalked in their lifetime

Additional task force members include: Assistant Secretary Sweeney; Katharine Sullivan, principal deputy assistant attorney general; Terry Wade, executive assistant director of FBI Criminal, Cyber, Response and Services Branch; Laura Rogers, acting director of Office on Violence Against Women; Charles Addington, deputy bureau director of BIA Office of Justice Services; Trent Shores, U.S. Attorney for the Northern District of Oklahoma and chair of the Native American Issues Subcommittee of the Attorney General’s Advisory Committee; and Jean Hovland, deputy assistant secretary for Native American Affairs and Commissioner in the Department of Health and Human Services Administration for Native Americans.

The task force will have a progress report due on Nov. 26 and their full report must be filed no later than Nov. 26, 2021.

# Principal Chief's Report for Jan. 31

## PRINCIPAL CHIEF

RICHARD G. SNEED

The month of January, while slow on events, has proven to be a busy month for planning and working towards long-term goals for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI). These long-term efforts include commercial gaming efforts in Virginia, purchasing land in Tennessee, strategic planning for the EBCI, and language preservation. I am happy to have the opportunity to share my efforts on these fronts thus far and look to your feedback regarding these issues.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians became aware of the efforts for Virginia to introduce commercial gaming to the state via legislation that is being considered by the Virginia General Assembly. At this point the Commonwealth of Virginia has a bill before them to grant commercial gaming licenses to operators in five Virginia cities. Following the introduction of this legislation a study was commissioned to determine best practices and future steps for Virginia to enter the commercial gaming market. This study completed by the Joint Legislative Audit & Review Committee, hereafter referred to as the JLARC study, determined that opening commercial gaming via a competitive bidding system would en-

sure fairness and result in a system that better serves the good people of the Commonwealth of Virginia. I am pushing for this legislation to be amended to include that competitive bidding process and that the Virginia legislators consider the EBCI's aboriginal connection to the region, which was also suggested by the JLARC study. I ask for your continued support as we advance this effort, and I look forward to reporting back to the community as this effort progresses.

The EBCI closed on the Dumplin Creek property in Sevier County, Tenn. This property, which contains 197.524 acres, will be transferred to the Kituwah LLC so they may find ways to develop the property. I am very excited about this purchase and look forward to seeing the options developed by the Kituwah LLC Board and staff. The EBCI is looking at many avenues for economic development and I am excited to see what becomes of this venture.

The tribal Secretaries and Executive staff came together last week to complete some strategic planning for the future priorities of the EBCI. I feel incredibly blessed to serve the citizens of the EBCI, but it is only because of the excellent team that has agreed to serve with me that we are able to accomplish anything. There is still work to be done with the strategic plan before it is ready to be shared, but we

will continue to work on this front and share it with you as quickly as it is available. As leaders within the EBCI, we must be accountable for our progress and I look forward to sharing our plans as well as our accomplishments in the future.

Per my instruction, the EBCI Education Division has organized and now completed a Cherokee Language Symposium. We all recognize we are in a state of emergency regarding the language, but what is not clear is the best course of action to see a positive impact quickly and how to sustain any progress seen. The goal of this symposium was to start the dialogue with the many partners working on and interested in language preservation efforts. I appreciate everyone's input and their frank feedback about where we might need improvement. It is only through working together that we stand a chance of being successful in revitalizing our language and I believe in the power of this group. I look forward to continuing this conversation and hope to get any and all suggestions as we move forward.

I would like to remind everyone that my office is always interested in the issues important to you. Please call us at 828-359-7002 if you have questions, comments or concerns you'd like to share with me or my staff. Sgi!

## Tribe closes on property in Sevier County, Tenn.

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SEVIERVILLE, Tenn. — The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) added more property to its holdings as it closed on a parcel of land in Tennessee located off of one of the state's busiest exits on Thursday, Jan. 30.

"The EBCI's purchase of the Dumplin Creek property, 197.524 acres located off Exit 407 of Interstate 40, is an exciting oppor-

tunity to further our economic development interests within our aboriginal territories," said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. "As Principal Chief of the EBCI, I am excited about this new venture, and I look forward to working with our partners in the region to bring new offerings to the citizens of and visitors to Sevier County, Tenn. The Kituwah, LLC, an organization tasked with vetting and pursuing economic development opportunities for the EBCI, will manage

this property and I am eager to see what proposals they come up with."

Tribal officials noted there are no immediate plans to pursue gaming on the property and declined comment on the amount paid for the property.

Mark Hubble, Kituwah LLC executive director, said, "The purchase closed yesterday (Jan. 30) along with the transfer to the LLC. We can now begin the process to determine the highest and best use

for the property. We have already been approached by several prospective tenants, but some just wanted to purchase parcels. We expect that a mix of restaurants, hotels, and entertainment options will be the primary focus of development."

He added, "The key is finding the anchor draw attractions. We have been in contact with some potential consultants and brokers

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## WRESTLING

## Catolster, Pheasant win conference titles

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Cherokee High School played host to the Smoky Mountain Conference High School and Middle School Wrestling Tournament, and two of its varsity wrestlers walked away with championship medals around their necks. Caden Pheasant (170lb.) and Masih Catolster (285lb.) won their respective divisions at the event held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Saturday, Feb. 1.

"It feels pretty good, especially in the environment we're in," said Pheasant moments after winning the championship. "I love this sport because it's like a brotherhood. Everyone is here to watch you - your family and others. I just love the environment."

Pheasant, who won by fall over Jaret Panama (Robbinsville) in the championship match, said his main goal for the season was to improve along the way. "There were little things I needed to work on, and I figured them out as the year progressed. We're still working on stuff now, always improving, always moving forward."

When asked his thoughts on the upcoming regional and state tournaments, Pheasant noted simply, "It's grind time."

Catolster, who won by fall over Nick Graham (Andrews) in the championship match, said after winning the title, "I feel like I've accomplished something. This is my first year back in wrestling, and it has gone really well. All I can do is continue moving forward."

He is also looking towards the future tournaments, "All I have to do is keep on succeeding and keep on grinding until I get there."

It was announced at the end of the tournament that Pheasant's pin (49 seconds) in the championship match was the fastest pin of the tournament.

Several other members of the Braves varsity wrestling team placed at the event including: Jacob Norton, second place, 113lb.; Braden Taylor, second place, 160lb.; and Ian Crowe, fourth place, 182lb.

Robbinsville won the team varsity title with a score of 226.5 followed by Swain County 159, Andrews 107, Hayesville 90, Cherokee 78, Murphy 52, and Rosman 14.

Several members of the Cherokee Middle School Braves placed in their tournament including: Josh Philips, second place, 106lb.; Elija Lineberry, third place, 126lb.; Kellen Ensley, second place, 138lb.; Julius Pepion, third place, 152lb.; Jaron Lineberry, second place, 160lb.; and Chase Calhoun, first place, 170lb.

Swain County won the middle school team title with a score of 246 followed by Robbinsville 236, Cherokee 86.5, Rosman 61, Andrews 58, Murphy 52, and Hayesville 45.

Full results, per trackwrestling.com, are as follows:

#### High School 106lb.

- 1 - Micah Smith, Robbinsville
- 2 - Logan Hyde, Murphy
- 3 - Brandon Ropp, Rosman
- 113lb.



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**Cherokee's Caden Pheasant**, left, wrestles Robbinsville's Jaret Panama during the Smoky Mountain Conference Wrestling Tournament at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Saturday, Feb. 1. Pheasant won by fall over Panama to claim the 170lb varsity conference title.



**Cherokee's Masih Catolster** wrestles Andrews' Nick Graham in the 285lb varsity championship match. Catolster won by fall at the 52-second mark in the first period.



- 1 - Kevin Cook, Hayesville
  - 2 - Jacob Norton, Cherokee
  - 3 - Luke Wilson, Robbinsville
  - 4 - Josh Parton, Swain County
- 120lb.**

- 1 - Mason Cook, Hayesville
  - 2 - Case Beasley, Robbinsville
  - 3 - Sean Padgett, Andrews
- 126lb.**

- 1 - Jayden Nowell, Robbinsville
  - 2 - Jonas Trejo, Swain County
  - 3 - Zane Lucksavage, Hayesville
  - 4 - Jeremiah Miller, Andrews
- 132lb.**

- 1 - Dhruv Senghani, Swain County
  - 2 - Cade Vaughn, Andrews
  - 3 - Nick Anderson, Robbinsville
  - 4 - Marcus Kephart, Murphy
- 138lb.**

- 1 - Nathan Fisher, Robbinsville
  - 2 - Nathan Brock, Swain County
  - 3 - Reid Dockery, Murphy
- 145lb.**

- 1 - Lucas Brown, Swain County
  - 2 - Wade Hamilton, Robbinsville
  - 3 - William Wimpey, Hayesville
  - 4 - Asher Brinke, Murphy
- 152lb.**

- 1 - Kamron McGuire, Robbinsville
  - 2 - Hunter Craig, Swain County
  - 3 - Anthony Woody, Murphy
  - 4 - George Page, Andrews
- 160lb.**

- 1 - Justin Stewart, Robbinsville
  - 2 - Braden Taylor, Cherokee
  - 3 - Damian Lossiah, Swain County
  - 4 - Tyrell Luther, Murphy
- 170lb.**

- 1 - Caden Pheasant, Cherokee
  - 2 - Jaret Panama, Robbinsville
  - 3 - Charlie Lambert, Swain County
  - 4 - Gabriel Abernathy, Andrews
- 182lb.**

- 1 - Cody Long, Swain County
  - 2 - Samuel Wood, Andrews
  - 3 - Ben Wachacha, Robbinsville
  - 4 - Ian Crowe, Cherokee
- 195lb.**

- 1 - Kyle Fink, Robbinsville
- 2 - Thomas Allen, Swain County
- 3 - Jimmy Miller, Andrews
- 4 - Joshua Whited, Rosman

**220lb.**

- 1 - Ethan Taylor, Hayesville
- 2 - Ethan Neal, Andrews
- 3 - Carlos Lopez, Robbinsville
- 4 - Kohlton "Tyce" Neadeau, Swain County

**285lb.**

- 1 - Masih Catolster, Cherokee
- 2 - Nick Graham, Andrews
- 3 - Lawson Robert, Robbinsville
- 4 - Kelton Crawford, Hayesville

**Middle School**

**76lb.**

- 1 - Kale Stephenson, Swain County
- 2 - Mason Phillips, Robbinsville
- 3 - Noah Carter, Hayesville

**83lb.**

- 1 - Jayden Reynaldo, Rosman
- 2 - Adair Panama, Robbinsville
- 3 - Jason Maffett, Swain County
- 4 - Jack Dockery, Murphy

**90lb.**

- 1 - Adam Cook, Hayesville
- 2 - Creed Smith, Rosman
- 3 - Loxston Hooper, Robbinsville
- 4 - Dalton Farmer, Murphy

**98lb.**

- 1 - Owen Craig, Swain County
- 2 - Elvin Tigueros, Andrews
- 3 - Luke Hyde, Murphy
- 4 - Mason Galloway, Rosman

**106lb.**

- 1 - Shaun Durham, Swain County
- 2 - Josh Phillips, Cherokee
- 3 - Ethan Webster, Robbinsville
- 4 - Neiko Wiley, Andrews

**113lb.**

- 1 - Juan Rios, Robbinsville
- 2 - Clay Seagle, Swain County

**120lb.**

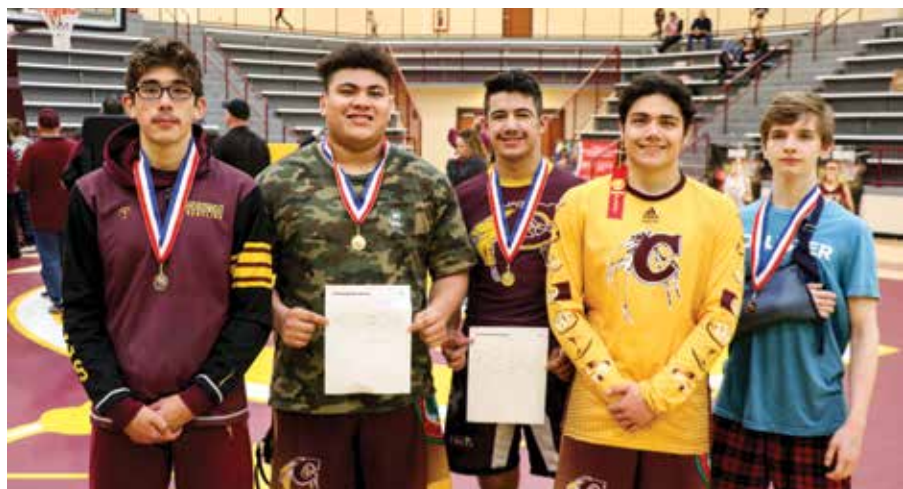
- 1 - Lawson Woodard, Swain County
- 2 - Ryelon Waldroup, Robbinsville
- 3 - Malachi Hines, Andrews

**126lb.**

- 1 - Isaac Picon, Robbinsville
- 2 - James Stroman, Swain County
- 3 - Elija Lineberry, Cherokee
- 4 - Jayden Sheffield, Rosman

**132lb.**

- 1 - Dalton Hill, Robbinsville



**Several members of the CHS Varsity Wrestling team** placed at the SMC Wrestling Tournament including, left to right: Braden Taylor, second place, 160lb; Masih Catolster, first place, 285lb; Caden Pheasant, first place, 170lb; Ian Crowe, fourth place, 182lb; and Jacob Norton, second place, 113lb.



**Cherokee's Kellen Ensley**, left, wrestles Swain County's Carter Hayes in the championship match of the 138lb middle school division.

- 2 - Wayne Barter, Hayesville
- 3 - Kevin Jones, Swain County
- 4 - Leithan Stewart, Rosman

**138lb.**

- 1 - Carter Hayes, Swain County
- 2 - Kellen Ensley, Cherokee
- 3 - Grant Phillips, Andrews
- 4 - Murphy Shanahan, Robbinsville

**145lb.**

- 1 - Jamie Owle, Swain County
- 2 - Hunter Stalcup, Murphy
- 3 - Whelan Sellers, Robbinsville

**152lb.**

- 1 - Anjelo Fierro, Robbinsville
- 2 - Cole Wickle, Swain County
- 3 - Julius Pepion, Cherokee

**160lb.**

- 1 - Lucas Sutton, Swain County

- 2 - Jaron Lineberry, Cherokee
- 3 - Kyler Branham, Robbinsville

**170lb.**

- 1 - Chase Calhoun, Cherokee
- 2 - Gabe Chastain, Murphy

**182lb.**

- 1 - Nse Uffort, Swain County
- 2 - Owen Blevins, Robbinsville
- 3 - Brad Simmons, Murphy
- 4 - Vincent Owle, Cherokee

**195lb.**

- 1 - Kage Williams, Robbinsville
- 2 - Blaken Bateman, Andrews

**220lb.**

- 1 - Koleson Dooley, Robbinsville
- 2 - Matt Ferguson, Swain County
- 3 - Kurtis Cochran, Andrews

**250lb.**

- 1 - Kaylee Cox, Murphy



# Lady Braves, Braves get conference wins at Swain Co.



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**Cherokee's Vivian Ross** lines up for a three-point shot during the first half of a game at Swain County High School on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 28. With 14 points, including three 3-pointers in the second period, she led Cherokee to a 63-39 win over the Lady Maroon Devils. Cherokee led throughout garnering a 22-8 lead after the first period and leading by 30 points (43-13) at the half. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Raylen Bark 13, Aiyanna Lambert 6, Tigger King 5, Naomi Smith 5, Deante Toineeta 9, Rhyann Girty 6, Kamia Wiggins 3, and Tierney Bradley 2. Swain County scorers included: Mazie Helpman 9, Maddie Spates, 8, Savannah Smith 15, Amaya Hicks 5, and Bri Ross 2.



**Players fight for a rebound** including, left to right, Toineeta (Cherokee), Hicks (Swain Co.), Bark (Cherokee), and Helpman (Swain Co.).



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**Cherokee's Sterling Santa Maria (#34)** shoots above Swain County's Aiden Pond (back) and Nick Millsaps, center, during a game at Swain County High School on the evening of Tuesday, Jan. 28. With 21 points, Santa Maria led Cherokee to a 76-72 victory. The game started out very even with both teams exchanging baskets, and the Braves led 19-17 after the first. Cherokee edged out a 6-point (38-32) lead by the half. At one point in the third period, Cherokee led by 17 points, but the Maroon Devils cut into that lead eventually tying the game midway through the fourth period. The game went back and forth in the last few minutes, but Cherokee was able to edge the Maroon Devils by hitting 5 of 6 free throws in the last 1:11 (Don Bradley 3 of 4, Santa Maria 2 of 2) to seal the victory. Other Braves scorers included: Chris Johnson 7, Jordan Arkansas 3, Ethan Crowe 4, Sarron Johnson 14, Bobby Crowe 8, Treannie Larch 9, and Bradley 10. Swain County scorers included: Judaiah Littlejohn 31, Aiden Pond 2, Donnavin Groenwold 18, Gaige Jones 2, Isaiah Collins 13, and Nick Millsaps 6.



**Swain's Donnavin Groenwold (#12)** tries to drive to the basket in the second half as Cherokee's Sarron Johnson defends. Johnson finished the game with 14 points and Groenwold had 18.



# Wolfe named to Special Olympics North Carolina Board

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One of the most active members of the Qualla Boundary Special Olympics program has been named to the state board. Tony Wolfe, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was one of six new members elected to serve a term on the Special Olympics North Carolina (SONC) Board of Directors. His term will run from Jan. 1, 2020 through Dec. 31, 2022.

"It's a really important title, and I look forward to working with them," said Wolfe. "When you work hard to accomplish a goal, it makes it very meaningful. It's important to put a goal out there and try to accomplish it."

Wolfe, who is currently serving as a member of the SONC Athlete



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**Tony Wolfe**, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, was one of six new members elected to serve a term on the Special Olympics North Carolina (SONC) Board of Directors.

Council (2019-20), has competed in several sports in Special Olympics since 1999 including athlet-

ics, basketball, and bowling. He was also recently elected as the Sergeant of Arms for the Athlete Council.

"I think this opportunity for Tony speaks volumes to his character and his continued support and advocacy for people with intellectual disabilities," said Kamiyo Lanning, Qualla Boundary Special Olympics coordinator. "He is bringing a voice from years of experience as an athlete participating in Special Olympics and as a representative on the Athletes Council. He excels at representing Qualla Boundary Special Olympics and our community."

She added, "His accomplishments say something very important, that no matter your ability, you can stand up for those who can't and be a voice on the stage of advocacy. His appointment

and participation has brought attention to Qualla Boundary Special Olympics, especially from the SONC headquarters. There are several who have expressed that they will be attending the Far West Games on Thursday, April 23 at Cherokee Central Schools. We look forward to great things with Tony on the SONC Board of Directors."

In addition to Wolfe, the following new Board members were added recently, Katie Nordeen, Winston-Salem; Allen Oliver, Kure Beach; Leslie Packer, Raleigh; Ken Smith, Raleigh; and Catrina Thompson, Winston-Salem.

Wolfe thanks the Cherokee community for their support of him. "I appreciate the entire Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' support as well as the support from my family and friends."

**PROPERTY:** Tribe closes on land in Sevier County, Tenn., *from page 5*

but now that we have closed, we will begin the process of sending out RFPs for various services. We have had discussions with the company that helped demolish the mountain and have some very preliminary estimates of what the site preparation budget might look like, but once we get the full site planned out we will be in a position to budget the cost and revenue projections from a mixture of projects that we will operate and leases on parcels. We are very confident that the site will be a very successful development that will benefit the Tribe for decades."

According to Mark Nagi, TDOT community relations officer, "Approximately 10 to 12 million vehicles per year utilize the I-40 Exit 407 interchange."

The Tribe purchased 122 acres in 2019 off the Exit 407 and just north of the Tennessee Smokies stadium. Tribal Council approved purchase of that property in February 2019 and the sale became official in late spring. The One Feather reported at the time that property was appraised for around \$10.5 million with property owners asking \$7.5 million which is what the Tribe paid.

"It is at a fraction of what the surrounding and adjoining properties area," Chief Sneed said during Budget Council on Feb. 5, 2019. "This is a great opportunity for economic development in that region. The land is an outstanding commercial property that can be developed in other ways."







## Cherokee students presenting “Braves on Broadway”

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

The Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center will be filled with the sounds of Broadway on the evenings of Feb. 27-28. Students in the Cherokee Performing Arts Program at Cherokee Central Schools will present “Braves on Broadway”, a selection of songs from various musicals, at 7 p.m. each night. Tickets to the show are \$5.

A total of 16 solo performances will be held along with a few group presentations. Most of the performers will be Cherokee Middle School (CMS) students, so they can gain valuable stage time, with a few Cherokee High School seniors being invited to perform as well.

“Solo time is actually huge,” said Michael Yannette, Cherokee Central Schools director of musical theatre and chorus, who added that being able to do a solo on stage is a huge self-esteem booster. Of the CMS students, he noted, “At the beginning, there were probably two of the students that were ready to get up and do a solo because it’s terrifying. It’s probably more terrifying for them to do it in front of each other than it is to even do it for their parents. There is that process of accepting who you are, and being ok with it, and then opening up.”

Yannette said this experience will help them going forward. “As they develop into the high school program, they would have already had that first time of doing that in such a big way.”

Song selection was very individual. “A lot of these guys because they haven’t had a musical



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**Shown are some of the Cherokee Middle School students**, all members of the Cherokee Performing Arts program at Cherokee Central Schools, who are preparing for an upcoming show, “Braves on Broadway”, set for Feb. 27-28 at 7 p.m. nightly at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. They are shown, left to right, seated – Julianna Smart, Naomi Taylor, Brody Barker, Ailey Reed; standing – Shalina Blanton, Falon Welch, Lily Blythe-Ramos, Emerald Fire Quijada, Hilarie J. Howell, Joselyn Long, and Addi Taylor.

theatre class were learning about musical theatre by searching for songs.”

Since the students will be performing songs from musical theatre, there is the acting aspect, and they received help from Valerie Tissue, Cherokee Performing Arts Program dance instructor.

“We’ve tried to work in small groups because it’s a very vulnerable place to go for these young kinds,” said Tissue, who also helps with overall performance choreography. “Even as adults it’s vulnerable but especially when you’re in front of your peers in middle school – that’s intimidating. So, we pull them out in these small groups and then we ask them to go places that maybe they’ve haven’t gone before as far as tapping into what your real life is like. Can you

use that in your song? Because, that is what theatre and art is really all about.”

She added, “We’re trying to go to that next level where they’re not just standing and singing a song, but they can use this as a form of expression and as a catharsis to help them deal with whatever it is.”

Tissue stressed, “I just adore working with these kids. I am just having a great time working with these kids. They’re great.”

Brody Barker, a CMS eighth grader, is set to perform “What It Means to be a Friend” from “13 the Musical”. “Yannette showed it to me, and it was really relatable.”

He is one of the students not new to the stage as he played the part of Young Simba in the school’s recent production of “Lion

King Jr.”. Stage fright is not on his mind. “I’m excited,” he said of his upcoming solo.

Joselyn Long, a CMS seventh grader, will perform “This is Me” from “The Greatest Showman”. “It is one of my favorite songs from the movie,” she noted. “I think a lot of people can relate to it. I can relate to it because I have very few close friends, but they like me for me.”

It will be Long’s first time alone on stage. “I’m a little nervous and a little excited.”

Emerald Quijada, a CMS seventh grader, will sing “How Far I’ll Go” from “Moana”. One of her friends suggested she try the song, and Quijada decided to try it for the show. “It is very relatable but has different meanings even than what you see in the movie.”



# RECYCLING **IS** CREATING

When you recycle, you create something new.



## OBITUARIES

### Debbie Laws Burrell

Debbie Laws Burrell, 56, of Sylva, passed away Friday, Jan. 24, 2020, at her residence from health complications. A Bryson City native, she was born on March 29, 1963. She was a loving mother, grandmother, aunt, wife, and friend. She is truly gone way early in life and will be missed by many.

She was preceded in death by her mother, Iretha Proctor Laws; father, Walter Laws; brother, Larry Proctor; and sister, Brenda Davis.

She is survived by ex-husband, Jeff Burrell; her son, Drew Burrell and his wife Stacie; daughter, April Bird; stepson, Rocky Burrell; grandchildren, Kasia Bird, Titan

Burrell, Andrew Burrell, Alexas Burrell; step-grandson, Hunter Burrell; step-granddaughter, Trista Burrell; niece, Olivia Davis(husband Joel King); brother-in-law, Tommy Davis; sister-in-law, Dot Proctor; nephew, Jay Proctor (wife Dena) and their daughter Morgan. She is also survived by her spouse, Jonnie Ray Arch.

She wished to be cremated and for her son Drew to build her a memorial so people could visit her! Debbie was in the nursing field for a very long time until her health would no longer allow her to work. She had a kind heart and never knew a stranger. She has many friends across the state, but her closest friends were where she grew up in Bryson City and in Sylva, where she lived for the last 10 years. A member of Rock Creek

Baptist Church, Debbie was a God fearing woman and a faithful Christian. She loved her church and her church family. She always let everyone know that when she died she was gaining her wings for a one-way ticket to Heaven!

Services were held on Sunday, Feb. 2 at Rock Creek Baptist Church, 21 Dove Road, Bryson City with Rev. Justin Hunt and Rev. Terry Taylor officiating.

An online registry is available at [www.appalachianfuneralservices.com](http://www.appalachianfuneralservices.com).

### Betty Jane Lambert

Betty Jane Lambert, 81, of the Towstring Community, went home to be with the Lord Wednesday, Jan. 29, 2020. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Tilson and Bessie Bradley

Beck.

She was a member of Towstring Baptist Church.

Betty was preceded in death by her brothers, Jim and Bob Beck and her sisters, Patsy Lambert, Nell Crowe, and Peg Fortner.

She is survived by her husband of 63 years, Rev. Ray Lambert; children, Tony Lambert (Susan), J.T. Lambert (Angel), Ray Lambert Jr. (Gasiya), Danny Lambert (Krista), and Bobby Lambert (Alysia); 14 grandchildren; and sisters, Zena Lawhon and Amanda Lee Bevis.

Funeral services were held Saturday, Feb. 1 in the chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Revs. Glen and Jerry Bradley officiated with burial in the Towstring Cemetery.



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• A squirt of shaving cream can help release latex paint specks on your hands from using a roller brush. Just rub over hands and rinse.

• Baked apples (or stuffed peppers) will stay perfectly upright if you set them into the wells of a muffin tin.

• Make your own bath oil by mixing a couple of drops of your favorite perfume with a bit of baby oil. Just rub on post-bath or add to your bathwater.

• "Recently I cooked a big batch of broccoli in the afternoon. The house had that cabbage smell. I don't like air fresheners because the strong smell gives me a headache. My neighbor told me to boil a couple of cups of vinegar and let it simmer for 10 minutes. At first, the vinegar smell replaced the cabbage smell, but then it totally disappeared and all the smells were gone too." — *E.Y. in Pennsylvania*

• "Use your vegetable peeler to make strips of butter if it's cold and you need to spread it on bread. The strips' large amount of surface area help the butter to soften quickly, making it easy to spread." — *M.M. in Texas*

• "Get king-size pillowcases from a thrift store to cover a diaper changing pad. They are the right size and cheap!" — *D.L. in Florida*

*Send your tips to Now Here's a Tip, 628 Virginia Drive, Orlando, FL 32803.*

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# SYRINGE SERVICES PROGRAM

Beginning November 12, 2019 Syringe Service Program Hours will be as follows:

**WHEN**  
Mondays: 9:00am—5:30pm  
Tuesdays: 9:00am—5:30pm  
Thursdays: 9:00am—5:30pm  
Fridays: 9:00am—5:30pm

**WHERE**  
174 John Crowe Hill Drive  
(above the Beloved Women & Children's Building)  
Cherokee, NC 28719

A syringe service program is a community-based public health program for people who use drugs by injection. Communities with Syringe Service Programs have a reduction in the number of improperly discarded used syringes, decreased transmission of HIV, Hepatitis C, and other blood borne diseases.

**828-359-6879**  
**WWW.CHEROKEE-PHHS.COM**

### SERVICES PROVIDED

- ♦ Syringes
- ♦ Safer Injection Supplies
- ♦ Biohazard Containers/Sharps Containers
- ♦ HIV/HCV Testing & Referrals for Care
- ♦ Naloxone by referral
- ♦ Safer Injection Education
- ♦ Referrals for Drug Treatment, Medical Care, and Community Resources per request
- ♦ Community Syringe Disposal






# Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



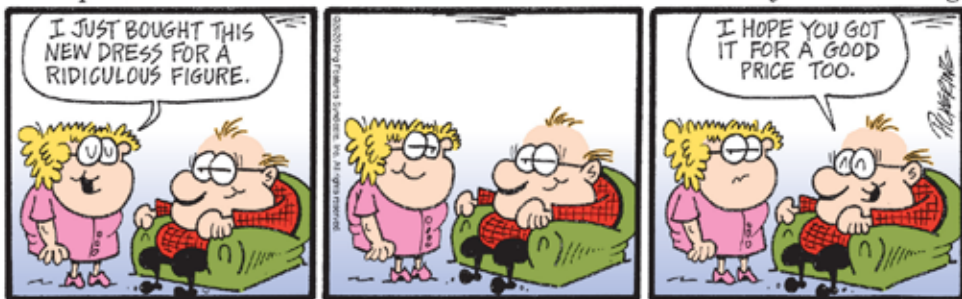
## R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



## The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



## Weekly SUDOKU

by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging  
♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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## HOCUS-FOCUS

BY HENRY BOLTINOFF



Find at least six differences in details between panels.



Differences: 1. Apron is longer; 2. Earuffs are removed; 3. Fence is shorter; 4. Door window is lower; 5. Footprint is missing; 6. Bow is added.

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# King Crossword

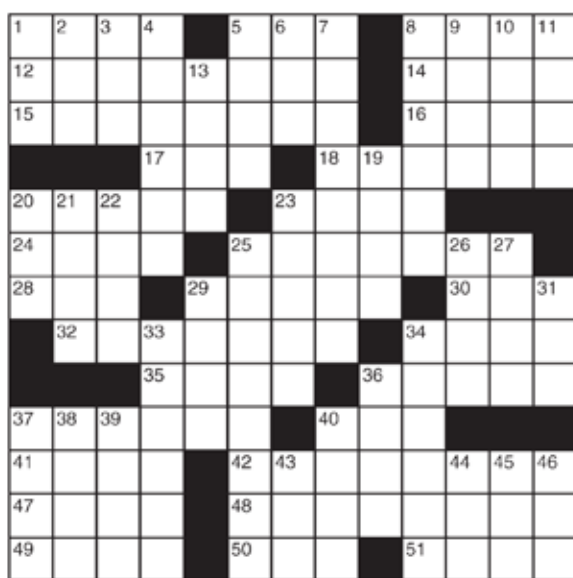
## ACROSS

- Move like molasses
- High card
- Judicial garment
- Place for sports reporters
- Vivacity
- Aware
- Flex
- Do sums
- Kindle downloads
- Sew loosely
- Liveliness, in music
- Wheelbase terminus
- Obama's old title

- de Janeiro
- Hawaiian dances
- Deity
- Dakar's country
- Salver
- Bacchanalian blast
- Yonder
- Hallux, more commonly
- That girl
- "Superfood" berry
- Mexican miss
- Showroom

## DOWN

- Wife of Saturn
- Raw rock
- Buddhist sect
- Mansion and its surroundings
- Sleeping
- Opposed
- Outer
- sample
- One of three rulers
- Paradise
- Tree fluid
- Harmonization
- Start the PC up again
- Bread spread
- Savings institution
- Make — meet
- Faction
- Prejudice
- Tavern
- Line of symmetry
- gin fizz
- Stop, at sea
- Hints at
- Shrek is one
- Bellow
- Medal earner



- Coloring agent
- Idea
- Gas bill units
- Commandment starter
- Commanded
- On the rocks
- Chess or checkers
- Use scissors
- Historic time
- Wall climber
- Can metal
- Joan of —

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## BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

## Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

- LITERATURE: Which novel introduced the character of Lisbeth Salander?
- MOVIES: What was the name of Bill Murray's character in the 1984 "Ghostbusters" film?
- HISTORY: Roughly how many people migrated from drought-stricken Dust Bowl states in the United States in the 1930s?
- ENTERTAINMENT: What was the title of the first arcade video game?
- FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which American humorist once observed, "In the spring, I have counted 136 different kinds of weather inside of 24 hours"?
- MUSIC: Which 1980s movie featured the theme song "Don't You (Forget About Me)" by Simple Minds?
- TELEVISION: What was the name of Michael Knight's car on the series "Knight Rider"?
- GEOGRAPHY: Which country lies between India and China?
- PSYCHOLOGY: What fear is represented in the condition called "heliophobia"?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What is the name of the pound sign on a keyboard?

- Is the book of Galatians in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- Which book could be summarized, "Pay attention, God has a master plan in the works we need to be a part of"? Isaiah, Jeremiah, Lamentations, Ezekiel
- From Judges 7, who had the barley-cake vision tumbling into an army camp overturning a tent? Shepherd, Soldier, Peasant, Steward
- After an angel delivered them from a Jerusalem prison, where did the apostles go? Temple, Fields, Mountaintop, River
- Who had his servants set barley crops on fire because he refused to meet with Absalom? Job, Joab, Jethro, Jehoshabeath
- From Acts 12, where did Peter encounter an angel? Tent door, Prison, City gate, Temple

Sharpen your understanding of scripture with Wilson's Casey's latest book, "Test Your Bible Knowledge," available in bookstores and online.

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See puzzle answers page 27

## **Park announces temporary Cataloochee Area Road closures**

Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials have announced that the main access road into the Cataloochee area, Cove Creek Road, will be closed by the North Carolina Department of Transportation to conduct road repairs from Feb. 10 through May 20.

The county roadway will be closed to stabilize a hillside just outside the park. The secondary access road into the area, Highway 284, will also be closed in the park throughout the duration of the construction project. Both roadways will be closed to all vehicles, cyclists, and horseback riders. The secondary access road into the Cataloochee area, Highway 284, is a narrow, winding gravel road leading from the Big Creek area of the park into Cataloochee Valley. This gravel route is often seasonally closed during the winter months due to hazardous conditions and is not recommended for low clearance vehicles or trailers. This road will be closed throughout the closure period at the park boundary, approximately 2 miles north of Mt. Sterling Gap. During the closure, there will not be any potable water, restrooms, trash removal, or camping provided in the Cataloochee area.

Backcountry trails and campgrounds will remain open throughout the closure, but there will be no access to trailhead parking beyond the Big Creek area. Hikers and horseback riders should plan to start their itineraries from the Big Creek area or other areas across the park. The Cataloochee Campground, Group Camp, Horse Camp, and all services are expected to be operational by Memorial Day weekend.

For more information about

the Cove Creek Road repair, please visit the North Carolina Department of Transportation website at <https://www.ncdot.gov/news/press-releases/Pages/2020/2020-01-24-cove-creek-closed-cataloochee.aspx>. For more information about road closures, please follow SmokiesRoadsNPS on twitter or visit the park website at [www.nps.gov/grsm](http://www.nps.gov/grsm).

– *National Park Service release*

## **108th Cherokee Indian Fair Theme contest**

The Cherokee Welcome Center is now accepting entries for the 2020 108th Cherokee Indian Fair. You can go by the Welcome Center to pick up the form to submit your entry for the theme from 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or download it here. All Fair theme entries need to be submitted by Friday, Feb. 14. The winner will receive \$100.00. Info: Lisa Frady (828)359-6471

– *Cherokee Welcome Center*

## **Sochan permit applications for Great Smoky Mountains National Park being accepted**

A total of 36 permits will be available for EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) tribal members to gather sochan in Great Smoky Mountains National Park this spring. The gathering season will run from March 1 to May 31 and allow each permittee to gather up to one bushel of sochan per week.

Only enrolled EBCI members with a 2020 permit may gather sochan in the Park. In order to receive a permit, you must 1) submit an application by Feb. 5 and 2) attend a half-hour training with EBCI and Park staff to review details of the gathering agreement. Training dates are as follows:

\* Thursday, Feb. 6 at 12 p.m.,

Cherokee Choices Classroom (downtown Cherokee)

\* Thursday, Feb. 6 at 5 p.m., Cherokee Choices Classroom (downtown Cherokee)

\* Monday, Feb. 10 at 5 p.m., Cornsilk Center (Snowbird)

If more applicants complete the training than there are permits available, permits will be awarded based on the order in which applications were submitted.

Applications are available on the EBCI Natural Resources website (<https://cherokeeenatural-resources.com/sochan-gathering/>) and can be returned to Maria Dunlavey at [maridunl@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:maridunl@nc-chokeee.com) or handed in at the Brad Building (1840 Painttown Road). Hard copy forms are also available at the Brad Building.

Sochan gathering by EBCI members in Great Smoky Mountains National Park began last spring under a General Agreement signed on March 25, 2019. Currently, the Park is working to amend that agreement to allow harvest of whole sochan leaves (rather than just the “turkey foot,” or last three lobes, as was permitted last year). This amendment will hopefully be in place in time for the 2020 gathering season.

– *EBCI Natural Resources release*

## **Call to EBCI artists and collectors**

The Museum of the Cherokee Indians is putting a call out to EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) artists and collectors of Cherokee art for Cherokee masks for an upcoming exhibit. The masks must be made by a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. They can be contemporary or old masks. If the masks are coming from a collection, we will need certification or proof that they were made by an EBCI tribal

member. The last day for submission will be Friday, Feb. 14. Info: Jennifer Wilson at [Jenn.Wilson@CherokeeMuseum.org](mailto:Jenn.Wilson@CherokeeMuseum.org) or 497-3481 ext.1014.

– *Museum of the Cherokee Indian*

## **Veterans sought for Honor Flight opportunity**

If you are a veteran of the Korean War or the War in Vietnam, and you would like to go on a one day trip to our Nation’s Capital, Washington D.C., and visit the military memorials and monuments that are dedicated to you for military service with fellow veterans of that time period, then please speak up. This is a one-day flight from Asheville, hosted by the Blue Ridge Honor Flight, and is at no cost to you. This guided tour is to honor you for your military service to this great nation. Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657

– *Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143*

## **Call for vendors for 23rd Annual Greening Up the Mountains**

The Greening Up the Mountains Festival, set for Saturday, April 25 in downtown Sylva from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., is a heritage arts festival that celebrates the arrival of Spring through both traditional and contemporary forms of Appalachian art, music, food, and beverage which honor our community and local artisans. The Greening Up The Mountains Festival is now in its 23rd year and is inviting applications from artisans and food vendors. The festival is sponsored by the Town of Sylva and the Main Street Sylva Association and typically enjoys crowds upwards 12,000 attendees and has 175 vendor booth spaces. In addition to a variety of arts, crafts, and food vendors, attendees can enjoy a 5k run, youth talent contest, beverage



arts featuring local craft breweries, and live music throughout the day.

Applications will be accepted through March 15 and can be downloaded at [www.greeningupthemountains.com](http://www.greeningupthemountains.com). Info: Kendra Hamm, event coordinator, at [greeningupthemountains@gmail.com](mailto:greeningupthemountains@gmail.com)

- *Greening Up the Mountains*

### National 2020 Census update

The National 2020 Census Day is just around the corner - only 65 days away. The following is an update on what the residents of the Qualla Boundary, can expect:

The 2020 Census has already begun in Alaska and will begin soon in other areas in February. The process will begin with group quarters such as: nursing homes, children's homes, jails, prisons, etc. Opportunities for employment with the 2020 Census will run until July. Pay rate is \$17.00 per hour plus mileage .58 per mile. Opportunities for full-time and part-time employment are available. To apply go to [2020census.gov/jobs](http://2020census.gov/jobs) to apply.

How will the 2020 Census work?

- By mid-March households will receive official 2020 Census information (not at your post office box). By April 1, every home should have received an invitation to participate in the census. In this information you will find a Census ID Number. You will be instructed to go to the census website, enter the ID Number, and complete the 2020 Census form. Keep in mind that everyone in your household must be counted. Young children (ages 0-4) are the most under-counted members of the population. Please include them. They count.
- You can respond online, by phone, or by mail.

- If you do not respond after receiving the first notice. You will receive another reminder with a Census ID Number. Once again, you will be encouraged to respond online, by phone, or by mail.

- If you do not respond after the second notice you will receive a paper form at your home, which you can complete and mail back to the census bureau. It will also include a Census ID Number, so if you chose not to submit the paper form you can still respond online or by phone.

- If you still do not respond to these efforts, then you can expect a visit from a census worker. Official Census workers should always identify themselves as an employee of the US Census Bureau. No one from the Census Bureau should ask for your social security number, money or a donation, anything on behalf of a political party, credit card, or banking information. If they do, then this is a scam. Please report this to the US Census Bureau immediately!

Each year, the federal government distributes hundreds of billions of dollars to states and communities based on Census Bureau data. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians receives 10 percent in federal funding with some tribal programs receiving 70 to 100 percent in federal funds - Cherokee Central Schools receives 70 percent and Cherokee Indian Hospital 32 percent.

The 2020 Census Cherokee Committee will be hosting a 2020 Census "Kick-Off" Event on Thursday, April 2 beginning at 11 a.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Committee members will be available to assist individuals with responding to the census and answering any questions they may have. T-shirts will be given to those who show proof of partici-

pating in the 2020 Census. Community Garden Kits will also be given out by the EBCI Extension Center.

This information is submitted by the 2020 Census Cherokee Complete Count Committee. If you have any questions on the census or employment opportunities please contact any of the following committee members: Tammy Jackson, EBCI Cooperative Extension Center; Kim Smith, Census Bureau regional representative; Zena Rattler, Snowbird Library and Cherokee County; Adam Lambert, Qualla Boundary Public Library); Hope Huskey, Sequoyah Fund; Judith Welch, SW Council Agency on Aging; Melanie Lambert and Nakeysha Welch, Tribal Enrollment; William Maney, Tribal Childcare; Lisa Parker, BIA/Realty Office; Tamara Jackson, Tribal Housing; Kelsey Jackson, EOC Public Safety; Heather Owle and Stephanie Maney, EBCI Communications; and Jessica Winchester, Tammie Welch, Amanda Moore, Kelsey Owle, Cherokee Central Schools.

Info: Visit the group's Facebook page at: [Census 2020 EBCI](https://www.facebook.com/Census2020EBCI) or go to [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov)

- *2020 Census Cherokee Complete Count Committee releasee*

### Cherokee Day of Caring nominations sought

The Cherokee Day of Caring Committee is currently taking nominations for project now through Feb. 29 for this years Day of Caring which is scheduled for Thursday, May 14. This day, otherwise known as Ga Du Gi or "Free Labor", consists of volunteers from different organizations coming together to help tribal members improve their homes, yards, gardens, or other buildings. Once nomination are received, the Committee

will assess nominations and select projects that can be completed within a six-hour window and that meet guideline specifications.

Nomination criteria: nominated person must be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), and the residence must be located on one of the 10 EBCI communities.

To receive a nomination form, contact Deb Owle, Cherokee Preservation Foundation, 497-5550 or [dowle@cpfdn.org](mailto:dowle@cpfdn.org).

- *Cherokee Preservation Foundation*

## Good Housekeeping

### Chocolate Pudding

For a Valentine's treat, we tweaked this chocolate classic from our 1927 cookbook. Now with a double dose of antioxidant-packed bittersweet chocolate and cocoa, it will satisfy any sweet tooth.

*1/2 cup sugar  
2 cups whole milk  
4 ounces bittersweet chocolate  
1/4 cup unsweetened cocoa  
3 tablespoons cornstarch  
2 large eggs  
1 teaspoon vanilla extract  
Sweetened whipped cream and chocolate shavings (optional)*

1. In 3-quart saucepan, with wire whisk, combine sugar and 1 1/2 cups milk; heat on medium-high until bubbles form around edge of pan. Remove from heat and add chocolate. Let stand 1 minute, then whisk until chocolate melts.

2. Meanwhile, in medium bowl, whisk cocoa, cornstarch and remaining 1/2 cup milk until smooth. Whisk in eggs until blended. Whisking constantly, add 1/2 cup hot chocolate mixture in slow stream.

3. Heat chocolate mixture remaining in pan on medium-low. Whisking constantly, gradually add egg mixture to pan. Cook, whisking constantly, 10 minutes or until mixture becomes very thick and begins to bubble. Whisk in vanilla. Divide among 6 small serving cups.

4. Refrigerate until cold, 4 hours or up to 2 days. Top with whipped cream and shaved chocolate.

- Each serving: About 255 calories, 11g total fat (6g saturated), 82mg cholesterol, 65mg sodium, 36g total carbohydrate, 3g dietary fiber, 7g protein.

For thousands of triple-tested recipes, visit our Web site at [www.good-housekeeping.com/food-recipes/](http://www.good-housekeeping.com/food-recipes/).

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## COMMENTARY

# We are all getting older

**ROBERT JUMPER**  
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

I am at that age. I am looking and thinking more elderly. As one of my old pastors used to say about his hair, "What hasn't turned grey has turned loose!"

More hurts. More visits to the doctor. More tests. More dental procedures. More waiting and lectures about dos' and don't dos of eating and exercising. It is becoming an everyday occurrence to hear of a friend who has been hospitalized or who has passed away. I remember being amused at going to my elder relatives houses, where the conversations of our grandparents would start with the most current aches and pains that they had, routinely ending up with sharing all of those friends and loved ones who were either dead or in various stages of dying. Later in my life, it would be my parents turn to lead the hospital and funeral list. And, now it is my turn.

It is a gut-wrenching process in many ways - watching the ones you love age. Partly because you are emotionally attached to them; partly because you come to realize that you are looking at your future.

Aging forces you to think about things like retirement, third party care, and final arrangements. You want to work those things out for yourself, before you are not able to and must rely on someone else to do it for or to you. If you have a spouse or children, you think about how you will continue to take care of them when you are slowly losing the ability to take care of even yourself. Time marches on regardless of your attention to planning. Ready or not, here it comes. I am much like my parents in that I have always wanted to make sure that I don't become a burden to my loved ones as I get older. As they knew, I don't have complete control over when or how I might become that burden, thus planning starts when some would say it might be premature. After all, golden years and end of life planning is usually not fun or exciting. Most of us would much rather be doing most anything else.

The Tribe has provided a Legal Assistance Office to help us navigate some of the legal hurdles associated with this type of planning. Included in their work are helping people create living wills

see **COMMENTARY** next page

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

### Support Mother Town Healing Program

Mother Town does a wonderful job cleaning the graves off for people. They need all the support for what they do.

Signed, **Dede Davis**

### New management, same theater

I understand that the Cherokee Cinema is under "new management". I went there on Jan. 30 at 6:30 p.m. to watch "1917". Our room had no heat until the movie was half over. There was no picture for previews. The bathrooms were horrible and the urinals were stuffed with what appeared to be tobacco. New management, but same theater.

Signed, **Ron Dundore** , Commerce, Ga.



**COMMENTARY:** We are all getting older,  
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and wills, which will give loved one's peace of mind and direction when the time comes. Losing a loved one is traumatic enough without having to bear the burden and expense of final arrangements. We shouldn't leave additional heartbreak and tension behind by not planning properly. Your loved ones should be focused on mourning, remembering, and recovering. End of life preparation is something we should do before we are not in a position to do so.

And, then there is the care of the elderly. From assisted living facilities, nursing homes, home care and all other options for elder care, come unique challenges. We know the tragic stories of assisted living and nursing home mismanagement and abuse from all over the country. According to the most recent U.S. Census, "Slightly over 5 percent of the 65+ population occupy nursing homes, congregate care, assisted living, and board-and-care homes. Six percent of U.S. born seniors live with relatives, while 25 percent of foreign-born seniors live with relatives. Nearly 29 percent

of the 46 million community-dwelling older adults live alone."

It makes sense that the largest population of the elderly are loners. Having children does not guarantee that people will be taken care of by them. Children make lives for themselves and many times they are unprepared mentally and physically to take on an aging family member. Combine that with the elderly desire to remain independent and not be a burden, and you will find why there are so many trying to live out their days alone. But, it is a costly trade off. Being alone for the aged may be a scary, depressing, and dangerous thing. Minds do not function as a young mind would. Bodies are not as strong and fit as young bodies are. A routine walk from the bed to the bathroom might result in a broken bone, a bruise and battered body, or a life-threatening situation. And the older we get, the higher the possibility of accident. Poor memories make the common chore of taking life-sustaining medications a challenging and daunting task.

Professional elder care has its own challenges. It is a very specialized field and people must be trained in it. And the need far out-

strips the number of qualified, willing caregivers. Caregiving takes much more than education. It takes a special person to provide proper care to elders, many of whom have special medical and physical needs. Some have limited movement. Some have dementia or Alzheimer's. Some have wounds to be dressed and some have special feeding needs. And a caregiver must attempt to provide quality of life to all. There are many who take on this responsibility and put their hearts into it. I lack the words for the respect and admiration I have for those who do this work. If anyone could claim that they are "overworked and underpaid", it would certainly be the ethical professional caregiver. I am equally impressed by individual family members and families who share the care of their elders.

Unfortunately, not everyone is an ethical caregiver. The National Center on Elder Abuse estimates that between one and two million Americans over the age of 65 have been abused (through exploitation, injury, mistreatment, or neglect) by a loved one or caregiver.

"In 1996, approximately 450,000 adults over the age of 60 were abused and/or neglected in domestic settings. In 2000, states were asked to report the number of elder abuse reports received. Based on those figures, the total number of reports was 472,818. In 2008, the Long Term Care Ombudsman state programs investigated nearly 21,000 complaints of abuse, exploitation, and gross negligence among nursing home residents."

This site listed "abuse" to mean any of the following: physical, emotional or psychological, sexual, neglect, abandonment, and financial/material exploitation. And the documented cases range from professional caregiver to family member to house guests to fellow residents in care facilities as the perpetrators of the abuse.

We have all heard the old saying, "There but for the grace of God go I." Unless you leave this life earlier, you are going to be an elder, and you may be one for a good while. While we still can, shouldn't we be making life better for everyone who will be or already are in their Golden Years? As you can see, there is much to be done. From your personal preparation to making sure others are taken care of, we need to be about the business of elder care. Hurry up! We aren't getting any younger, you know.



# North and South Carolina U.S. Attorneys call upon Congress to permanently ban fentanyl analogues

**ROBERT J. HIGDON JR.,  
MATTHEW G.T. MARTIN,  
R. ANDREW MURRAY, and  
A. LANCE CRICK**

In 2017, nearly 50,000 Americans died from an opioid overdose. In 2018, synthetic opioids accounted for over 28,000 overdose fatalities across the United States. Hundreds of those victims died here, in the Carolinas. They were our friends, our colleagues, our neighbors. And while we are encouraged by a recent decline in the reported death toll, the untimely loss of any life to this drug scourge is too great of a tragedy.

As law enforcement leaders, this epidemic requires our continued and sustained attention.

One of the deadliest synthetic opioids is fentanyl, a drug 50 times more potent than heroin, and 100 times more powerful than morphine. Incredibly small quantities – measured like the grains of salt – can kill the average person. Illegal fentanyl is manufactured in high-volume labs in China and Mexico, and its chemical structure is easily altered to create new drugs, called fentanyl analogues. Those who manufacture these increasingly dangerous drugs flagrantly skirt our laws and cause

devastation in our communities. In 2018, the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) used its authority to temporarily ban all fentanyl-related substances and closed a loophole used by drug traffickers to exploit our laws and profit off our people. But, the DEA's order expires on Feb. 6, and, unless Congress acts, many fentanyl analogues will become legal. Congress's inaction will deliver a serious blow to our efforts to prosecute drug organizations and dealers who traffic in fentanyl. Further, it will make it more difficult to put behind bars those responsible for the deaths of our loved ones.

The United States Senate recently approved a temporary extension of the DEA's temporary order. That is a good start. But, in order to stem this deadly epidemic, we need Congress to act decisively and permanently declare all fentanyl analogues illegal. Congress' action will permanently arm law enforcement with the tools necessary to protect our communities from these deadly illicit drugs.

Critics of a permanent ban argue that the bill does not include a public health approach to the overdose crisis. We wholeheartedly

agree that only a comprehensive approach will stem the tide of this public health crisis. Indeed, each of our U.S. Attorney's offices collaborates with health care professionals, social services providers, and a wide range of community groups to implement comprehensive solutions to address this problem. But, strong criminal laws are a critical component of the Nation's response to this crisis, and time is short. Mexican and Chinese drug traffickers eagerly await the expiration of the DEA's temporary order to flood our communities with their increasingly deadly analogue poisons.

We join U.S. Attorney General William Barr and our fellow United States Attorneys across the country in calling upon Congress to permanently ban all fentanyl-related drugs. The lives of countless Carolinians depend upon swift and decisive action.

*Higdon, Martin, and Murray are the United States Attorneys for the Eastern, Middle and Western Districts of North Carolina, respectively. Crick is the Acting United States Attorney for the District of South Carolina.*

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## SPEAKING OF FAITH

# Righteousness, his part...our part, developing holiness

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“The Word is Spirit—and is Life. Read His Word for yourself. Be like Him in Spirit and in Truth. Holiness is on you—it’s your part. He has already saved us and has given us His Righteousness if we have made Him our Lord and Savior. This is known as the Process of Sanctification—‘being changed’ by the renewing of our minds. Repentance begins and ultimately results in our developing holiness. As we choose not do things that are sin, really believing Him, and doing as He says in His Word, we begin its development. It is fully turning away from what causes ourselves and others so much pain. It becomes the lifestyle through which we can truly live,” explains Pastor Melton.

“Understand that God does not forgive us with the, ‘I’m sorrys’, we may be offering Him. God only forgives what actions or words of which we have truly repented. If we have done something for which we now feel guilty and ashamed, and being convicted by our knowledge of righteousness, (wishing it had never happened) we need to say ‘no’ to sin and never do it again. When we say ‘no’ to sin, it is ascribed to us as holiness—being fully penitent. In our knowing it’s something that hurts and causes Lord Jesus pain, since He’s touched by our ‘infirmities’, it can help strengthen our resolve not to do so again. However, our very words can kill us. The more times that one can say ‘no’ to sin, makes it harder for the devil to get under our defenses. Keep your defenses up, reminding yourself by reading His Word out loud, so that any foul spirit also hears it. Psalm 91 is great for this!

“In 2 Corinthians 7:7-12 we can see how the church family in Corinth handled their collective sorrow for sin—that was ‘unto repentance’—for the whole church. To overcome any sin, hate it! Scripture tells us, ‘to love what

God loves, and to hate what God hates’.

“Be more Christ-like. If we do not behave in a more godly manner, it can cost us. It can cost us our witness, or a raise, or even our job, and it can cause us to suffer heavenly damage, too. Actions do speak louder than words. We are also to have a healthy ‘Fear’ of God. This ‘Fear’ means ‘to hold so powerful a being ‘in reverential awe and great respect’. After all, He holds our very next breath... Repentance is brought on as we develop a healthy ‘fear’ and respect of and for the Lord. Repentance gives one a ‘vehement desire’ or ‘zeal for the things and ways of God’ as we walk closer with Him. By this action of true repentance, we are ourselves vindicated, being cleared of everything concerning the matter. Our vindication can also come as a result of it being also His revenge against the devil through our display of true repentance and our salvation. With our being totally cleansed, we can be joyful in our Lord. The sorrow which had come, brought on by the true repentance, now becomes a virtual joy for us.

“Then if my people who are called by my name will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, I will hear from heaven and will forgive their

sins and restore their land.

“My eyes will be open and my ears attentive to every prayer made in this place.”

2 Chronicles 7: 14-15 (NLT)

“This is not just a one-time event. Every part—the sin of commissions and those of omissions, must be repented of in order to change attitudes, actions, words spoken, and life issues by praying as we should, even repenting for a lack of prayer.

“People who conceal their sins will not prosper, but if they confess and turn from them, they will receive mercy.”

Proverbs 28:13 (NLT)

“Also, read five Psalms each day, (150) and one chapter from Proverbs, (31), so one can read through Psalms and Proverbs once each month. Even that can change a life with their wisdom and wonderful word pictures of God, His Creation, and advice in dealing with the types of people around us.

“Lord, work on me, too... What is He working on in your life?” asks Pastor Tim. “Become more grateful to God, to parents, leaders, and teachers, as you see your own life attitudes change. Read Matt. 4:17; 5:28; James 4:8; 2 Peter 3:9; 2 Chronicles 30:9; Rev. 3:19.



## THE ILLUSTRATED BIBLE

*Whoever mocks the poor  
shows contempt for  
their Maker; whoever  
gloats over disaster  
will not go unpunished.*

PROVERBS 17:5

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# HAPPENINGS

## Benefits/Fundraisers

**Father-Daughter Sweetheart Dance. Feb. 14** at 6 p.m. at the Yellowhill Community Building. The cost is \$25 per father/daughter and includes dinner, dancing, photo, and one entry to door prizes. \$5 for additional daughter/father figure. This is a fundraising event for the New Year's Eve Pow Wow Committee. Info: Amanda 269-8063 or Crystal 736-5185

**Turkey Shoot. Feb. 15** at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Sponsored by "Big Injun Race Team". Good fun, good prizes, good benefits. All are welcome.

**Bingo & Auction Fundraiser for the Cherokee Speakers Council. Feb. 22** at 6 p.m. at

the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This event is hosted by the Kolan-vyi Indian Ball Teams. Concessions will be available. Handmade crafts and baked good items for auction. All proceeds will go to the Cherokee Speakers Council (CSC) emergency fund. The CSC consists of all Cherokee fluent speakers. Info: Michelle Long 736-9852 or Bo Lossiah 736-4178

## Cultural Events

**Cherokee Language Class. Thursday evenings** at 6 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. The instructor will be Wiggins Blackfox.

**Pottery Class. Feb. 13-15 and Feb. 27-29** at 53100 Big Cove Road. Beginner, intermediate, and advanced welcome. This will

be taught by Mary Ann Welch Thompson. Info: 497-5533, [maryannthompsonwelch@outlook.com](mailto:maryannthompsonwelch@outlook.com)

## Cherokee Artist Breakfast.

**Feb. 19** from 8 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This will be an update on the Cherokee Cultural Technology Innovation Incubator. Food will be provided by the Sequoyah Fund. This event is being sponsored by the EBCI Division of Commerce, Chief Strategy Group, and the Sequoyah Fund.

**Refresher Cherokee Language class. March 2, 9, 16, 23** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum's Multi-purpose Room in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is \$40 for all four evenings. The class

is a beginner, intermediate, and advanced refresher course and will be taught by Lou Jackson, Brett Jones, and Joel Turner – all members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Register by Jan. 13 by calling (423) 884-6246 or [seqmus@tds.net](mailto:seqmus@tds.net)

## Cherokee Beadwork Class.

**March 14** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The class will be taught by Betty Maney, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and the project will be a bracelet. The cost is \$15 for the class plus a kit fee of \$45 which includes a loom, beads, thread, and needle that students will be able to take home after the class. Bring a bag lunch, and the class is limited to eight students. This class is sponsored, in part, by the Tennessee Arts Commission ABC Grant. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246, [www.sequoyahmuseum.org](http://www.sequoyahmuseum.org).

## General Events

**Forum for Democratic candidates for N.C.-11 seat for U.S. House of Representatives. Feb. 6** from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the community room of the Jackson County Public Library Complex in Sylva. This event is organized by Indivisible Common Ground – WNC. Several community groups, service providers, and elected officials in the far western North Carolina counties were asked to submit questions. The forum will be moderated by Professor Chris Cooper of the WCU Political Science faculty. There will be an opportunity for questions from the audience as well. Info: Betsy Swift 507-1678

**Documentary film presentation of "Fontana Lake:**

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<b>Tuckaseegee River</b>	Stocked Tuckaseegee River in Webster Nov. 5 and 7 2019.	Mid-morning to afternoon	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout	Dark Winter Stone, Black Caddis, Blue Wing Olives, Midges	Pat's Rubber Legs, Pheasant Tail, Streamers size 2-10, Prince Nymph, Eggs and worms, Zebra Midge, and Sucker Spawn
<b>Chattooga &amp; Whitewater Rivers</b>	N/A	Mid-morning to afternoon	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	Dark Winter Stone, Black Caddis, Blue Wing Olives, Midges	Pat's Rubber Legs, Pheasant Tail, Streamers size 2-10, Prince Nymph, Eggs and worms, Zebra Midge, and Sucker Spawn
<b>Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River &amp; Small Streams</b>	N/A	Mid-morning to afternoon	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, and Brook Trout	Dark Winter Stone, Black Caddis, Blue Wing Olives, Midges	Pat's Rubber Legs, Pheasant Tail, Streamers size 2-10, Prince Nymph, Zebra Midge, and Sucker Spawn

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AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	GOOD	BETTER	BEST	SEASON'S BEST
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**Broken Promises, Delayed Resolution". Feb. 6** at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. This event, sponsored by the Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society, is free and open to the public. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. The film narrates the endeavors and struggles resulting from the displacement of some residents of Swain County by the TVA construction of Fontana Lake and Dam.

**Swain County Schools Native American Parent Meeting. Feb. 14** at 5:30 p.m. in the East Elementary cafeteria. A brief meeting will be followed by a Cherokee Language Valentine-themed Bingo game with prizes, Valentine's Day treats, and subs from Ingles.

**Swain County Democratic Party Whittier/Cherokee Annual Precinct meeting. Feb. 15** at 10 a.m. at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Feel free to come early for a Dutch-treat breakfast buffet. Agenda will include selecting delegates for the county convention and collecting money for sustaining fund. Info: 497-9498

**Swain County Democratic**

**Party Almond Annual Precinct meeting. Feb. 15** at 10 a.m. at Southwestern Community College at 60 Almond School Road in Bryson City. Agenda will include selecting delegates for the county convention and collecting money for sustaining fund. Info: Luke, Calhoun House Hotel, 488-1234

**27th Annual Organic Growers School Spring Conference. March 6-8** at Mars Hill University in Mars Hill. There are various tracks to take at the conference including: Community Food, Cooking, Earth Skills, Beginning Farming, Experienced Farming, Beginner Gardening, Experienced Gardening, Herbs, Homesteading, Livestock, Mushrooms, Permaculture, Poultry, Soils, Sustainable Forestry, Sustainable Living, and Thinking Big. Several members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are presenting including Mary Crowe ("Traditional Foods of the Cherokee") and Tyson Sampson ("Cherokee Staple Foods"). Info: [www.organicgrowersschool.org/conferences/spring/](http://www.organicgrowersschool.org/conferences/spring/)

**Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) Spring Employment Expo. March 19-20** from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds multi-purpose building. Info: 359-

6421, [tero2@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:tero2@nc-chokeee.com)

#### Health Events

**Strong & Healthy Heart Community Event. Feb. 11** from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room. Free health screenings (blood pressure, blood sugar, BMI), fitness demonstrations, cooking demonstrations, on-site dietician and provider, fitness and health class information, and door prizes. This event is being sponsored by Tsalagi Public Health and Cherokee Choices.

#### Sports Events

**PREP BASKETBALL: Cherokee at Highlands. Feb. 7** at Highlands High School in Highlands. JV Girls at 4 p.m., JV Boys at 5 p.m., Lady Braves at 6:30 p.m., Braves at 8 p.m.

**PREP BASKETBALL: Cherokee at Tuscola. Feb. 8** at Tuscola High School. JV Boys at 12 p.m., Lady Braves to follow

**PREP BASKETBALL: Cherokee at Hayesville. Feb. 11** at Hayesville High School in Hayesville. JV Girls at 4 p.m., JV Boys at 5 p.m., Lady Braves at 6:30 p.m., Braves at 8 p.m.

**PREP BASKETBALL: Big Smoky Mountain Conference**

**Tournament. Feb. 13-21** at Rosman High School in Rosman. Check the One Feather Facebook page for brackets and game times.

**WCU Catamount Basketball EBCI Appreciation Night. Feb. 22** at the Ramsey Center. Women's Basketball at 5 p.m., Men's at 7:30 p.m. WCU Senior Night including Cherokee High School Alum Jason McMillan. Youth 12 years old and younger receive free admission with their youth jersey. Tickets: \$5. Tribal discount discounts are only available at the WCU Cherokee Center until Feb. 21. Info: WCU Cherokee Center 497-9720 or [snsampson@wcu.edu](mailto:snsampson@wcu.edu)

#### Upcoming Pow Wows for February 2020

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

**Seminole Tribal Fair and Pow Wow. Feb. 7-9** at Seminole Hard Rock Event Center in Hollywood, Fla. Northern MC: Howard Thomson. Southern MC: Juaquin Hamilton. Info: [semtribefairand-](http://semtribefairand-)

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**30th Annual Heard Museum World Championship Hoop Dance Contest. Feb. 8-9** at the Heard Museum in Phoenix, Ariz. Info: Cassandra Lofgreen (602) 252-8840, [clofgreen@heard.org](mailto:clofgreen@heard.org)

**9th Annual Two Spirit Pow Wow. Feb. 8** at Festival Pavilion at Fort Mason in San Francisco, Calif. Info: [www.baaits.org](http://www.baaits.org)

**Thunder on the Beach Pow Wow and Native American Experience. Feb. 14-16** at Indian River County Fairgrounds in Vero Beach, Fla. Host Northern Drum: Medicine Horse. Host Southern Drum: Ottertrail. Info: (772) 519-7888, [www.FIHA.us](http://www.FIHA.us)

**Spirit of the People Family Day Pow Wow. Feb. 15-16** at Chilliwack Secondary School in Chilliwack, British Columbia, Canada. MC: Chris Wells. Host Drum: Wild River. Info: (604) 845-5234

**Honoring Our Elders Winter Wacipi. Feb. 21-23** at Treasure Island Resort & Casino Event Center in Welch, Minn. Info: Natalie Nielson (952) 412-3315, [nlwnielson@gmail.com](mailto:nlwnielson@gmail.com)

**6th Annual Princess Place Pow Wow. Feb. 22-23** at Princess Place Preserve in Palm Coast, Fla. MC: Rick Bird. Host Drum: Medicine Tail. Info: (386) 313-4144, [www.flaglercounty.org](http://www.flaglercounty.org)

**2nd Annual Arizona Two Spirit Pow Wow. Feb. 29** at the Performing Arts Center Amphitheater at the South Mountain Community College Campus in Phoenix, Ariz. Info: Iann Austin (520) 610-6004, [TwoSpiritPowWowAZ@gmail.com](mailto:TwoSpiritPowWowAZ@gmail.com)

## Support Groups

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

## Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Mondays

Be Assertive, Not Aggressive: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Parents Supporting Parents: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Acceptance (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Tuesdays

Abstract Recovery: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Strong Hearts: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Life Recovery (open to community): 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesdays

W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Creative Writing: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Adulting 101: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m.

Communication 101: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We Belong – Two Spirit (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Peacemaking Support Circle (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Thursdays

Life Recovery (open to community): 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Putting off Procrastination: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Radical Acceptance: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Healthy Boundaries: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Fridays

W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.



## Don't Wait to Spay or Neuter Your Pet

**DEAR PAW'S CORNER:** I received a puppy last fall from a friend whose dog had a surprise litter. "Tara" is a super-cute girl of unknown breed, very smart and growing fast. I haven't taken her to the veterinarian yet, but I know she needs to be spayed. When will it be too late to get her fixed? — *Jessica C., Asbury Park, New Jersey*

**DEAR JESSICA:** It's never too late to spay or neuter a pet, but the veterinarian will recommend that the procedure be done soon. Shelter pups are often neutered as young as eight weeks, but with dogs already in a home, vets sometimes prefer to wait a few months until they've developed more. This helps prevent potential problems of early spaying like urinary incontinence, hip dysplasia and even cancer when a dog is older.

You should take Tara into the vet as soon as possible anyway. She needs to start getting some key vaccinations that will keep her healthy as she grows up. She shouldn't be around other puppies until she's had her first few rounds of shots.

Some of those vaccinations are required by your city and state, and she will need to be licensed — all of which the vet can get you set up with. If you're worried about the cost, check around with different veterinary practices to see if they have introductory specials for new pet owners that include a checkup, core vaccinations and the spaying procedure.

*Send your comments, questions or tips to ask@pawscorner.com.*

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1. When was the last time the Pittsburgh Pirates won 100 or more games in a season?

2. The 1933 New York Yankees had nine future Hall of Famers on their roster. Name four of them.

3. Which two college football teams hold the record for most points (70) scored in a bowl game?

4. Who is the Portland Trail Blazers' all-time leader in career blocked shots?

5. Goalie Jordan Binnington set a St. Louis Blues franchise rookie record with 24 victories in the 2018-19 season. Who had held the mark?

6. When Germany was split into two countries that competed separately in the Olympics (1968-88), which one captured the most medals?

7. Name the last Australian female golfer before Hannah Green in 2019 (Women's PGA Championship) to win an LPGA major.

## Answers

1. It was 1909, when they went 110-42.

2. Earle Combs, Bill Dickey, Lou Gehrig, Lefty Gomez, Tony Lazzeri, Herb Pennock, Red Ruffing, Babe Ruth and Joe Sewell.

3. Army (2018) and West Virginia (2012).

4. Mychal Thompson, with 768 blocked shots (1978-86).

5. Jake Allen had 22 wins as a rookie in the 2014-15 season.

6. East Germany won 519 total medals; West Germany 243.

7. Karrie Webb, in 2006.

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Creative Recovery: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.  
Depression and Anxiety: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.  
All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. Classes open to the community are noted. Info: 497-6892

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

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

**Cherokee Alzheimer's Support Group** meets the first

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

**Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Family Support Group** meets on Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

**Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Bible-based 12-Step** meets on Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. and on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. at Analenisgi.

**Recovery Bible Study, One Step to Jesus** will meet weekly on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Christian Acts Church at 257 East Alaska Road in Bryson City. All are welcome to participate in a safe, encouraging environment. It is for any addiction or spiritual or emotional healing need. Info: Pastor Melanie 488-2432

**Community Clubs**  
**Big Y Community Club** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community

Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Brianna Lambert 788-3308. The rental fee is \$75 and \$25 will be returned after cleaning.

**Big Cove Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairperson Cindy West, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. Chairman: Stephan Watty, Vice Chairman: Joi Owle, Treasurer: Deb Slee. Secretary: Sasha Watty. The community building is available for rent.

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

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

**Wolftown Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088; Jesse Sneed, vice chairman

**Yellowhill Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Yellowhill Activity Center unless it's a holiday. Officers: Keredith Owens, chairperson; Reuben Teesatuskie, vice chairperson; Virginia Johnson, secretary; Dawn Arneach, treasurer. Info: Virginia Johnson 788-8659

*Happenings listings are FREE of charge. Submit your event information to Scott at scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com or message us at the One Feather Facebook page.*

## Post 143 seeking contact info for EBCI service men/women

The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 is seeking contact information for active duty EBCI (Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians) troops currently deployed overseas.

All information will be held in the strictest confidence. The Post and Ladies Auxiliary wants to send care packages and notes of encouragement to the troops.

**Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657  
or David McQueen 736-9572**







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# MARKETPLACE

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For Lease - 2 bedroom, 1 bath house. Fireplace, washer/dryer. One-year lease. No pets. \$450/month, \$100 deposit. First month may be free. Please call me so we can discuss terms (828) 341-1939

Business Opportunity - Building for lease, formerly known as Motion Makers Bike Shop. Located at corner of Saunooke Village in Cherokee, N.C. For information, call Charles Saunooke (828) 506-3646. 2/19pd

## FREE

Free gospel books! (Malachi 4:5 and Revelations 10:7.) Are you searching and hungering for more of the Living God? Then, there is more for you! Send for your free books at P.O. Box 1894, Beaufort, S.C. 29901 UFN

## FOR SALE

Daycare for Sale - Great business opportunity. Only serious inquires

please. No confidential records or information will be given until closing of the sale. Call for more details. Children already enrolled and established; staff will stay if needed. (828) 507-9009. 2/19pd

German Shepherd puppies for sale, ready in 2wks. (828) 341-5552. 2/12

## SERVICES

Taxes by Sandi - Due to uncontrollable circumstances, I will not be doing taxes this year. Sorry for the inconvenience. 2/19

## YARD SALES

Granny's Kitchen Yard Sale - Feb. 7, 8, 14, 15, 21, and 22. Cash only. 8 a.m. until 2 p.m.

Indoor Yard Sale. Feb. 28 from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Feb. 29 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This is a benefit for the NAIWA Cherokee Chapter. Indian dinners will be served starting at 11 a.m. on Feb. 28. Breakfast will be available on Feb. 29. Spaces for the yard sale are available at \$10/day. Info: Lucile Wolfe 497-0271 or 736-5285



## Soursop

The soursop tree only grows where there are no freezing temperatures.

Take some seeds directly from its fruit, soak them in warm water overnight, plant them in potting soil and place in a sunny spot. Keep the mix damp and they should germinate in 2-4 weeks. Plant your soursop seedling in full sun in an area where it is protected from wind. It should produce large, spiky, sour-tasting fruits in three to five years and can grow as high as 30 feet in about 6 years. - B. Weaver

Sources: [www.gardenguide.com](http://www.gardenguide.com), [homeguides.sfgate.com](http://homeguides.sfgate.com), [davesgarden.com](http://davesgarden.com)







## Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

### (Open until Filled unless otherwise indicated):

- **Accounts Payable Processor** - Must have an Associate's Degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education in business, accounting, or similar field; minimum five years previous experience in finance.
- **School Psychologist** - Master's Degree in psychology and have at least 3 year's experience working in a school setting. Must hold state license to practice school psychology.
- **High School Nurse** - An RN is preferred, but will consider an LPN, who would be supervised by an RN on staff.
- **High School JROTC Instructor** - Must have Associate's degree. All applicants must have an excellent record of military performance, be within one year of retirement or have retired within the last three years. Please visit the website for full job description and requirements.
- **Full Time Custodian (Evening Shift)** - Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- **Special Education Teacher Assistant** - Must have an Associate's degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education. Must be willing to obtain CPI certification.
- **Cultural Coordinator** - Must have a bachelor's degree in business or related field. Must have experience in budget and finance.

**\*\*Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.\*\***

### APPLY ONLINE at:

<https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/>  
or visit [www.ccs-nc.org](http://www.ccs-nc.org) for more information.



## Tribal Employment Rights Office

Are you unemployed and looking for a job? Or are you interested in a new career path?

If you are (1) an enrolled member of the EBCI, (2) a spouse or parent to an enrolled member of the EBCI, (3) or an enrolled member of another federally recognized tribe, then you are eligible to join TERO's Job Bank. Our Job Bank Coordinators can assist you in finding employment and/or training for your career. Come by TERO's office to fill out a Job Bank Application. We are located in the TERO Suite at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Our office is open Monday through Friday from 7:45am - 4:30pm. We close from 12:00pm - 12:45pm for lunch.

For more information, please call our office at (828) 359-6421 or email us at [tero2@nc-cherokee.com](mailto:tero2@nc-cherokee.com).

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## IT'S JUST A SHORT DRIVE TO A REALLY LONG CAREER.

We're hosting a hiring event in our Employment Office February 17, from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. It's not far to go, and it'll go a long way toward getting you the job you always wanted. Join us, or apply at [HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com](http://HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com).

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## Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Application and job description can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Boys Club Information window between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday (828-497-9101).

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

**Cherokee Boys Club**  
**P.O. Box 507**  
**Cherokee, NC 28719**

**Open Until Filled**  
**Bus & Truck**  
**Department**  
**PT School Bus**  
**Drivers**

**Agelink**  
**Childcare**  
**2 - Teacher's Aide**  
**Positions**  
**FT Maintenance**  
**Worker**



## EMPLOYMENT

### Hiring at Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee:

Full-time Finance Coordinator  
(Bookkeeper)  
Part-time Outreach Worker  
Temporary Full-time Receptionist  
(2 Positions)  
Call 828-497-9827 for information,  
or apply at [www.cherokeevoc.org](http://www.cherokeevoc.org). Indian Preference does apply.  
**2/12pd**

## LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina Estate  
File No. 19-076

### In the Matter of the Estate of Lizzie Sequoyah Poe

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

from their recovery.

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

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

Stacy Fouts, P.O. Box 1020, Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina Estate  
File No. 20-001

### In the Matter of the Estate of Velma Wolfe Taylor

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment

to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.

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

James D. Taylor, 801 Indian Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.  
**2/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina Estate  
File No. 19-113

### In the Matter of the Estate of John Douglas Bird Sr.

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

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

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

Darlene Lossiah, 23 Booger Thompson Dr., Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina Estate  
File No. 19-119

### In the Matter of the Estate of Alexander Hornbuckle

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

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

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

Alexander Hornbuckle Jr., 705 West Locust Street, Tecumseh, OK 74873 and Buddy Allen Hornbuckle, P.O. Box 276, Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/26pd**

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT  
BEFORE THE CLERK  
CHEROKEE, NC

FILE NO.: SP 20-01

In Re M.J.P.

TO: The father of a male juvenile born on or about March 7, 2015 in Jackson County, North Carolina, respondent.

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 Kinship Guardianship of the aforementioned minor child. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than March 2, 2020, said date being 40 days from the first date of this



CHEROKEE INDIAN  
HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

# EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

### Closing Thursday, February 6, 2020

Residential Technician – Kanvwtiyi (2 Positions)  
Master Level Therapist – Child – Analenisgi  
LPN/CMA – Primary Care  
Closing Monday, February 10, 2020  
Computer Specialist I – MCO  
Clinical Dietitian – PTR

### Closing Thursday, February 13, 2020

Optical Assistant

### Open Until Filled

Master Level Therapist/Family Safety  
Master Level Therapist - Child  
Medical Lab Technician  
Medical Technologist  
Dental Assistant II (2 positions)  
Master Level Therapist – grant position  
Cultural Coordinator - Kanvwtiyi  
Dietary Services Supervisor (Multiple)

Medical Social Worker –Primary Care  
Provider network Manager – MCO  
Director of Managed Care  
RN – Tsali Care Center (multiple)  
PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (multiple)  
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center (Multiple)  
PTI LPN – Tsali Care Center  
Licensed Practical Nurse – Tsali Care Center  
Certified Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center  
PTI CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center (multiple)  
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care Center (multiple)  
PTI Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care Center  
PTI RN – Inpatient  
RN – Inpatient  
Psychiatrist – Inpatient/Outpatient  
Physician – Emergency Room  
Physician – Primary Care

To apply, visit [careers.cherokeehospital.org](http://careers.cherokeehospital.org)

If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at (828) 497-9163 ext. 6343.



publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for kinship guardianship over the minor child.

This is the 22nd day of January 2020.

Stephanie-Lyn S. Lepre  
Attorney for Petitioner  
EBCI Legal Assistance Office  
PO Box 2280  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
828.359.7400  
N.C.G.S. \_1A-1, Rule 4(j1).

**2/5pd**

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

IN THE CHEROKEE COURT  
FILE NO. SP-19-059  
IN RE: T.L.T., a minor child born  
12/31/2018  
TO: SHAUL LEVY, FORMER  
SPOUSE OF MINOR CHILD'S

MOTHER

TAKE NOTICE THAT a pleading seeking relief and naming you as a respondent has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is:

LEGITIMATION OF MINOR CHILD T.L.T., a male juvenile born to your former spouse on Dec. 31, 2018 in Haywood County, North Carolina  
Filed November 21, 2019 in The Cherokee Court, Cherokee, North Carolina.

A written answer to the petition must be filed with the clerk of The Cherokee Court within 40 days of the first publication of this Notice of Service of Process by Publication. You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than March 9, 2020. Your failure to do so may result in the Petitioner receiving the relief he

seeks.

This the 23rd day of January, 2020.  
By Legal Aid of North Carolina, Inc.,  
Attorneys for Plaintiff  
P.O. Box 426, Sylva, NC 28779  
(828) 586-8931

**2/12pd**

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT  
CHEROKEE, NC  
FILE NO.: \_CV 19-701  
MARIO ESQUIVEL v. KAMI E.  
ESQUIVEL COREY ALLEN OWLE  
TO: Kami E. Esquivel and Corey  
Allen Owle

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 child custody. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than March 9, 2020 said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 29th day of January 2020.  
Mario L. Esquivel  
Shira Hedgepeth, plaintiff's attorney, P.O. Box 514, Cullowhee, NC 28723  
(828) 585-5044, (828) 554-0217  
N.C.G.S. \_1A-1, Rule 4(j1).

**2/12pd**

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT  
CHEROKEE, NC  
FILE NO.: \_18-279  
CASSIDY KOLONAHESKIE  
(plaintiff's name) v. KENNETH  
ROACH v. KELLI WALKING-  
STICK AND JACK WACHACHA  
TO: Kenneth Roach

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 child custody. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than March 9, 2020 said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 29th day of January 2020.  
Kellie Walkingstick and Jack Wachacha  
Shira Hedgepeth, plaintiff's attorney, P.O. Box 514, Cullowhee, NC 28723  
(828) 585-5044, (828) 554-0217  
N.C.G.S. \_1A-1, Rule 4(j1).

**2/12pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina Estate  
File No. 19-118

## In the Matter of the estate of Quincy Watty

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

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

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

Evangelene M. Watty-Hyatt, 32  
Rachel Watty Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/19pd**

## NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
In the Tribal Court  
In the Matter of K.C., A Minor  
Child, File No. CVJ 19-026

## Puzzle Answers



ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Isaiah; 3) Soldier; 4) Temple; 5) Joab; 6) Prison



1. "The Girl with the Dragon Tattoo"
2. Dr. Peter Venkman
3. About 2.5 million
4. Pong
5. Mark Twain
6. "The Breakfast Club"
7. KITT (Knight Industries Two Thousand)
8. Nepal
9. Fear of the sun
10. Octothorpe

## — King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 21 mins.

OOZE	ACE	ROBE
PRESSBOX	ELAN	
SENTIENT	BEND	
ADD	EBOOKS	
BASTE	BRIO	
AXLE	SENATOR	
RIO	HULAS	GOD
SENEGAL	TRAY	
ORGY	THERE	
BIGTOE	SHE	
ACAI	SENIORITA	
DEMO	TRIUMVIR	
EDEN	SAP	SYNC

## — Weekly SUDOKU — Answer

1	4	3	8	5	9	6	7	2
6	8	7	4	3	2	5	9	1
9	5	2	6	7	1	4	8	3
8	6	1	7	4	5	2	3	9
4	2	9	3	1	6	8	5	7
3	7	5	2	9	8	1	4	6
2	9	8	5	6	3	7	1	4
5	3	4	1	2	7	9	6	8
7	1	6	9	8	4	3	2	5

TO: The Unknown Father of  
Minor Child K.C.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled juvenile action. The nature of the relief being sought is the adjudication and disposition of a petition alleging the minor child, K.C., born on June 7, 2007, is a dependent child, filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court on June 27, 2019. A court order from the Cherokee Tribal Court directing that service of process on you take place by publication was entered on January 29, 2020. You may know the mother of the minor child by the name of Amber Crowe.

You must answer or otherwise respond to the pleading within forty (40) days of the date of first publication of this Notice. If you fail to answer or otherwise re-

spond within the time prescribed, the matter will proceed to adjudication and disposition. If you are not already represented by appointed counsel, you are entitled to appointed counsel in this matter, and to that end, provisional counsel will be appointed for you in this matter, and the appointment of provisional counsel shall be reviewed by the court at the first hearing after service of process in this matter.

You are advised to IMMEDIATELY contact the Clerk of Tribal Court for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at (828) 359-6213, to obtain further information about this case, including a copy of the pleadings filed herein and the date(s) and time(s) of scheduled hearings.

First published this the 5th day of February 2020.

Sybil G. Mann  
Family Safety Program Attorney  
P.O. Box 455  
Cherokee, N.C. 28719  
(828)359-1559  
N.C. Bar No. 16729  
**2/19pd**

#### **BIDs, RFPs, etc.**

#### **RFQ – 4-Co & Center for Craft**

4-Co Collaborative & the Center for Craft seek a contractor to build and fabricate an approx. 265 SF parklet in front of the Center for Craft at 67 Broadway Street in downtown Asheville. Constructed mostly from wood and steel, the parklet project has unique design and installation constraints as the first parklet in a NCDOT right of way. Project scope includes pre-construction design and detailing assistance from a contractor + steel fabricator team while also providing for the fabrication, assembly, and installation of curved steel elements and connections to wood elements.

We anticipate pre-construction to begin April 8, 2020 with construction beginning October 2020. Phase 1: pre-construction services working with the Center for Craft and 4-CO Collaborative providing budget estimates, value engineering, and constructability reviews. Phase 2: General Contractor and Steel Fabricator team contract with the Center for Craft via a Design/Build Contract for final drawings and implementation. We are now accepting quotes for this project; please send all information and questions to Joel Osgood at joel@4costudio.com. **2/12pd**


#### **NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: Jacob Cornsilk Community Complex**

BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUEST: Vannoy Construction has been selected as the

Construction Manager at Risk by the Cherokee Central Schools and is seeking to pre-qualify Contractors to submit bids for furnishing labor, materials, tools & equipment for the Jacob Cornsilk Community Complex project in Robbinsville, North Carolina.

#### **PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**

This project consist of demolishing some existing structures on site and constructing a new two-story multi-use community services/recreation center (approximately 50,000 SF) and waste water treatment system. The space is to house multiple programs including library, clinic/dental, community health, family support, police, and transportation, community meeting area, administration offices, shared classroom space, war / historic memorial, recreation, fitness, indoor basketball court and an elevated track. There will be an early release package for construction of temporary spaces prior to demolition and sitework. This will include the placement of a modular office structure and build out of 6,000 sqft space adjacent to the Ingles in Robbinsville, NC. Also included in the early package will be site work, demolition, and sewer plant construction that is scheduled to bid mid-April 2020 with work beginning in the summer. The remaining packages will go to bid in the third quarter 2020 with work beginning in the fourth. **TENTATIVE BID PACKAGES:**  
BP220 - Turnkey Site Development  
BP220 - Demolition  
BP238 - Deep Foundations  
BP280 – Segmental Retaining Walls  
BP290 - Landscaping  
BP390 - Turnkey Concrete  
BP400 - Turnkey Masonry & Stone Veneer  
BP500 - Turnkey Structural Steel



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 BP790 - Caulking and Waterproofing  
 BP800 - Doors, Frames, Hardware  
 BP840 - Glass and Glazing  
 BP860 - Translucent Panels  
 BP920 - Metal Studs, Drywall, Insulation  
 BP925 - ACT and Interior Ceilings  
 BP940 - Wood Floors  
 BP960 - Hard Tile  
 BP965 - Resilient Flooring & Carpet  
 BP990 - Painting and Coatings  
 BP1000 - Division 10 Accessories  
 BP1010 - Signage  
 BP1050 - Awnings/Canopies  
 BP1140 - Food Service Equipment  
 BP1160 - Athletic Equipment  
 BP1200 - Furnishings  
 BP1240 - Window Treatments

BP1400 - Conveying Systems  
 BP1530 - Fire Sprinkler Systems  
 BP1540 - Plumbing Systems  
 BP1550 - Mechanical Systems  
 BP1600 - Electrical Systems  
**PREQUALIFICATION FORMS**  
 CAN BE OBTAINED from Rhonda Sawyer at  
 HYPERLINK "mailto:rhonda.sawyer@jrvannoy.com" rhonda.sawyer@jrvannoy.com  
 IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT James Young at  
 HYPERLINK "mailto:James.young@jrvannoy.com" James.young@jrvannoy.com  
**PRE-QUALIFICATION CUTOFF DATE:** February 11th, 2020 @5:00pm  
 Interested contractors shall submit their completed prequalification submittals to:  
 Rhonda Sawyer & cc... James Young

Vannoy Construction Co., Inc.  
 551 Brevard rd., Suite 111  
 Asheville, North Carolina 28806  
 Phone: (828) 575-1300  
 Fax: (828) 575-1301

Only Pre-Qualified contractors will receive bidding documents and will be allowed the opportunity to bid on this project. If you should have any questions or comments please contact the Vannoy Construction representative listed above. **2/5pd**

### **NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS: CCS Renovations and Additions**

**BIDDER PRE-QUALIFICATION REQUEST:** Vannoy Construction has been selected as the Construction Manager at Risk by the Cherokee Central Schools and is seeking to pre-qualify Contractors to submit bids for furnishing labor, materials, tools & equipment for the CCS Renovations and New Construction project in Cherokee, North Carolina.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**  
 This project consist of the construction of 5 new structures, 2 new parking areas, and selective renovation of 8 existing buildings on campus. Work is expected to start in the summer of 2020 with multiple phases to avoid impacting activities on campus.

South building (approx. 15,284 SF) and gathering place (approx. 3,569 SF):  
 Scope will generally consist of the removal of the existing gathering Place (GP) and construction of a new south building to complete the Elementary school ring. New building will be two story and will connect to building a with a two story breezeway. Elements from the existing gathering place will be salvaged and used to the extent possible in construction of a new gathering place at the south courtyard.

yard. New paved fire truck access will be constructed to access the existing courtyard area upon construction of the new south building. Refer to the civil documents for additional information regarding site work and utilities.  
 North building (approx. 19,361 SF):


Scope will generally consist of the construction of a new north building and associated sitework. New building will be two story and will connect to the existing field house (FDH) with a two story breezeway. Refer to the civil documents for additional information regarding site work and Utilities.

Field facilities:

Scope will generally consist of the construction of two standalone structures at the south athletic fields and associated sitework. Refer to the civil documents for additional information regarding site work and utilities. Concessions building to north will house restroom, storage and food service functions. Press box to the east will consist of a single room for field activity observation with it and storage closets.  
 Campus renovations (approx. 24,905 SF):

Scope will generally consist of the following:


- D - Interior renovations at the upper level will subdivide existing curriculum space to provide an office within the space. Interior renovations to the lower level will subdivide the existing storage space to create new restroom and laundry facility. Renovations are major in nature and will alter the existing layout, egress and utility configurations. Server room alterations at D122 will be done to correct existing conditions and D218 will be dedicated to it.
- G - At the upper level of the me-




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dia center the existing conference room will be dedicated to elder's room programming. Interior renovations to the lower level will convert the existing chorus space into a classroom. These renovations are minor in nature with no alterations to the existing layout.

- GH - Interior renovations at the upper level will convert portions existing open walkway into two offices with shared break out space. New area of rescue assistance shall be provided to replace existing. Renovations are major in nature and will alter the existing layout, egress and utility configurations.
- H - Reprogramming at the lower level the existing sped offices will convert into classroom space. Provide allowances for cleaning and new interior paint following

move out.

- M - At the upper level the existing culinary facilities will remain and be used by new programming. Provide allowances for cleaning and new interior paint following move out. Interior renovations at the lower level will expand middle school programming and include converting the existing band rooms into a culinary arts facility. These renovations are major in nature and will alter the existing layout, utility configurations and service demands.
- P - Interior renovations at the lower level will convert the existing ISS space into middle and high school chorus and piano facilities. Renovations are minor in nature and require no significant alterations to the existing layout.

- R - Interior renovations at the upper level will convert the existing classroom and support space into band facilities with practice and storage areas. Interior renovations at the lower level will convert existing office and support spaces into classrooms. Renovations are major in nature and will alter the existing layout, egress and utility configurations.

- S - Repairs and renovations to the elevated bleachers at the north athletic field. New storage facilities will be constructed below the elevated bleachers and leaks remediated at the bleachers.

#### TENTATIVE BID PACKAGES:

- BP100 – General Trades
- BP220 - Turnkey Site Development
- BP220 - Demolition
- BP238 - Turnkey Aggregate Piers / Micropiles
- BP290 – Landscaping
- BP390 - Turnkey Concrete
- BP400 - Turnkey Masonry
- BP500 - Turnkey Structural & Misc. Steel
- BP610 - Heavy Timber Construction (Gathering Place)
- BP640 - Finish Carpentry and Casework
- BP740 - Roofing
- BP746 - Fiber Cement Siding
- BP790 - Caulking and Waterproofing
- BP800 - Doors, Frames, Hardware
- BP840 - Glass and Glazing
- BP865 - Translucent Panels
- BP920 - Metal Studs, Drywall, Insulation
- BP924 - Portland Cement Plastering (Stucco)
- BP925 - ACT and Interior Ceilings
- BP960 - Hard Tile
- BP965 - Resilient Flooring & Carpet
- BP990 - Painting and Coatings
- BP1000 - Division 10 Accessories
- BP1010 – Signage
- BP1130 – Athletic Gym Equipment

- BP1140 - Food Service Equipment
- BP1240 - Window Treatments
- BP1310 – Turnkey Prefabricated Press box & Concession Stand
- BP1400 - Conveying Systems
- BP1530 - Fire Sprinkler Systems
- BP1540 - Plumbing Systems
- BP1550 - Mechanical Systems
- BP1600 - Electrical & Low Voltage Systems

Additional Packages may be added and/or deleted at the discretion of the Construction Manager. TERO Contractor & Historically underutilized business participation is encouraged.

PREQUALIFICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED from Rhonda Sawyer at

HYPERLINK “mailto:rhonda.sawyer@jrvannoy.com” rhonda.sawyer@jrvannoy.com

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT James Young at HYPERLINK “mailto:James.young@jrvannoy.com” James.young@jrvannoy.com

PRE-QUALIFICATION CUTOFF DATE: February 11th, 2020 @5:00pm

Interested contractors shall submit their completed prequalification submittals to: Rhonda Sawyer & cc... James Young

Vannoy Construction Co., Inc  
551 Brevard rd., Suite 111  
Asheville, North Carolina 28806  
Phone: (828) 575-1300  
Fax: (828) 575-1301

Only Pre-Qualified contractors will receive bidding documents and will be allowed the opportunity to bid on this project. If you should have any questions or comments please contact the Vannoy Construction representative listed above. **2/5pd**

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**ARIES** (March 21 to April 19) Your natural Arian leadership qualities make you the person others will follow in tackling that important project. But don't get so involved in the work that you neglect your personal life.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Aspects favor sorting through your possessions, both at work and at home, to start giving away what you don't use, don't need or don't like. Relax later with someone special.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) The issues are not quite as clear as they should be. That's why you need to avoid getting involved in disputes between colleagues at work or between relatives or personal friends.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) You'll get lots of support from others if you own up to your mistake quickly and include a full and honest explanation. Learn from this experience so that you don't repeat it.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) There might be some early confusion over a major move, whether it's at work or at home. But once you get a full breakdown of what it entails, it should be easier to deal with. Good luck.

**VIRGO** (August 23 to September 22) Creating order out of chaos, even in the most untidy spaces, should be no problem for organized Virgos. So go ahead and do it, and then accept praise from impressed colleagues.

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) Whether it's for business purposes or just for leisure, a trip might be just what you need right now. You would benefit both from a change of scenery and from meeting new people.

**SCORPIO** (October 23 to November 21) While things generally go well this week, a romantic situation seems to have stalled. But you can restart it if you want to. Then again, maybe this is a chance to reassess the situation.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) A meeting that was promised quite a while back could finally happen. So be sure you're prepared with everything you'll need to make your case sound convincing and doable.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22 to January 19) A workplace blunder could create a problem down the line unless you deal with it right now to see how and why it happened. Don't be surprised at what you might learn.

**AQUARIUS** (January 20 to February 18) This is a good time to re-sort your priorities and see if adjustments are called for. Be honest with yourself as you decide what to keep, what to discard and what to change.

**PISCES** (February 19 to March 20) Letting yourself be bathed in the outpouring of love and support from those who care for you will help you get through a difficult period sooner rather than later. Good luck.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** You have an uncanny gift for reaching out to all people and creating bridges of understanding among them.

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ly-Grant/Barnhill, a 50/50 Joint Venture is the Construction Manager @ Risk for The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians ("Owner") on the EBCI Youth Center to be built at 1570 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, North Carolina. We are seeking to pre-qualify First Tier construction trade and specialty contractors who wish to submit bids for furnishing labor, materials, equipment and tools to perform the work as described in specific Bid Packages which together make up the work to be performed in its entirety.

**PROJECT DESCRIPTION:**  
The EBCI Youth Center consists of the construction of a two level, 53,800 square foot, steel frame building with administrative offices, classrooms, library, multipurpose room with a gym and

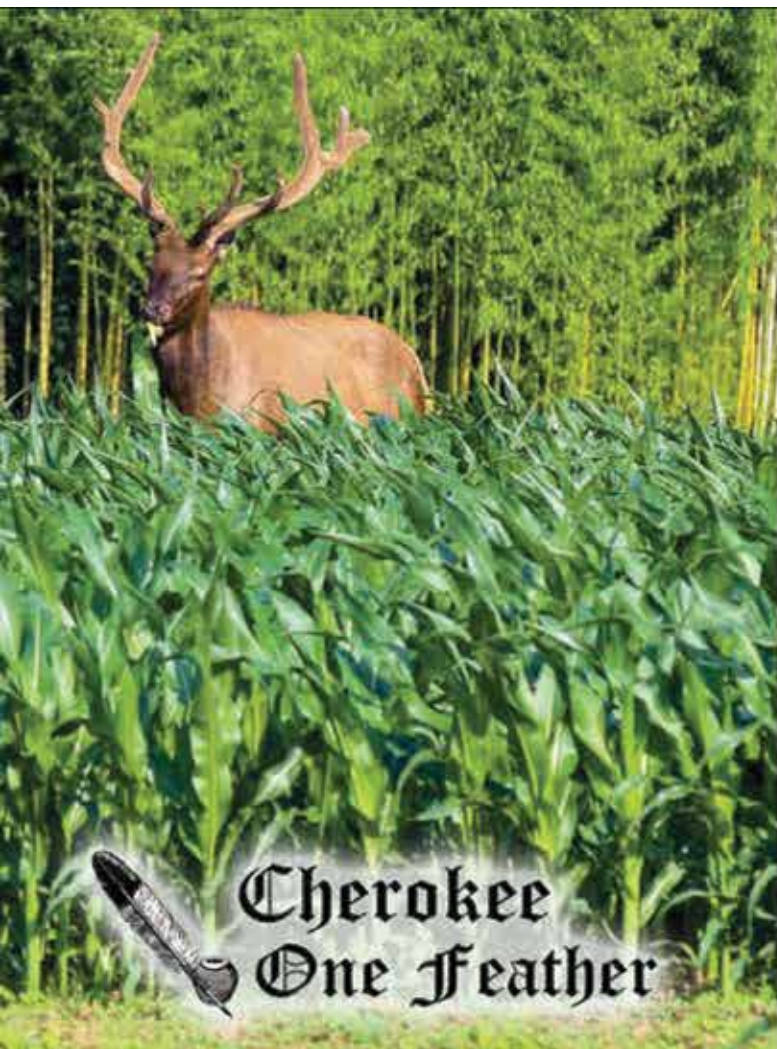
a kitchen with an open cafeteria. The project also includes an intensive site package including earthwork, site utilities, storm drainage, landscaping, paving and hardscape. Construction is scheduled to start in April 2020 with a completion date in June of 2021. Bid Packages: BP-001 General Inclusions, BP-100 General Trades, BP-105 Final Cleaning, BP-390 Turnkey Concrete BP-400 Turnkey Masonry, BP-500 Structural & Misc. Steel, BP-642 Millwork & Casework, BP-740 Roofing & Sheet Metal, BP-750 Metal Wall Panels, BP-790 Caulking & Waterproofing, BP 791 Spray Foam Air Barrier, BP-800 Doors Frames & Hardware, BP-833 Coiling Doors & Grills, BP-840 Curtainwall / Storefront / Glass & Glazing, BP-925 Metal Studs & Drywall,

BP-930 Ceramic Tile, BP-960 Carpet-Resilient-Base, BP-965 Wood Athletic Flooring, BP-980 Acoustical Ceiling Systems, BP-990 Painting & Wallcoverings, BP-1005 Toilet Specialties-Acc-Div. 10, BP-1010 Identifying Devices & Signage, BP-1015 Markerboards, BP 1065 Operable Partitions, BP-1110 Stage Equipment, BP-1140 Food Service Equipment BP-1145 Residential Appliances, BP-1148 Athletic Equipment, BP-1250 Window Treatments BP-1400 Elevators, BP-2100 Fire Protection BP-2200 Plumbing, BP-2300 HVAC, BP-2600 Turnkey Electrical, BP-3100 Earthwork, BP-3200 Asphalt Paving, Curb & Gutter, BP-3213 Concrete Paving & Sidewalks, BP-3231 Fences & Gates, BP-3290 Landscaping, BP-3298 Athletic & Recreational Surfaces,

BP 3299 Playground Equipment, BP-3300 Site Utilities, BP-3400 Turnkey Sitework,

Interested contractors should submit their completed prequalification submittals, by March 6, 2020 to Carie Lamson at clamson@barnhillcontracting.com or mail a hardcopy to Barnhill Contracting Company PO Box 31765 Raleigh, NC 27622 or drop it off at 4325 Pleasant Valley Road, NC 27612.

**PREQUALIFICATION FORMS CAN BE OBTAINED** from our online plan room, [www.barnhill-planroom.com](http://www.barnhill-planroom.com), by clicking on the EBCI Youth Center project under the Public Jobs tab or by contacting Carie Lamson at clamson@barnhillcontracting.com or call 919-781-7210. Target bid date: April 2020. **2/5pd**



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