



**Three resolutions discussed
in work session**



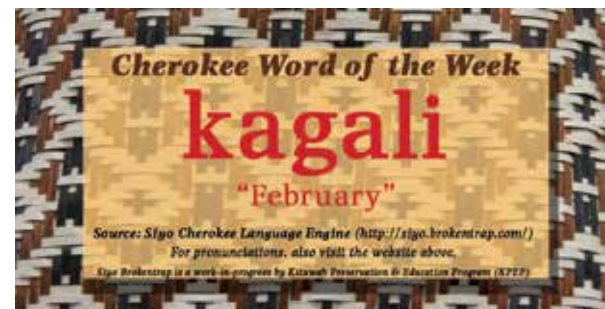
**Congresswoman named vice
chair of House Committee**



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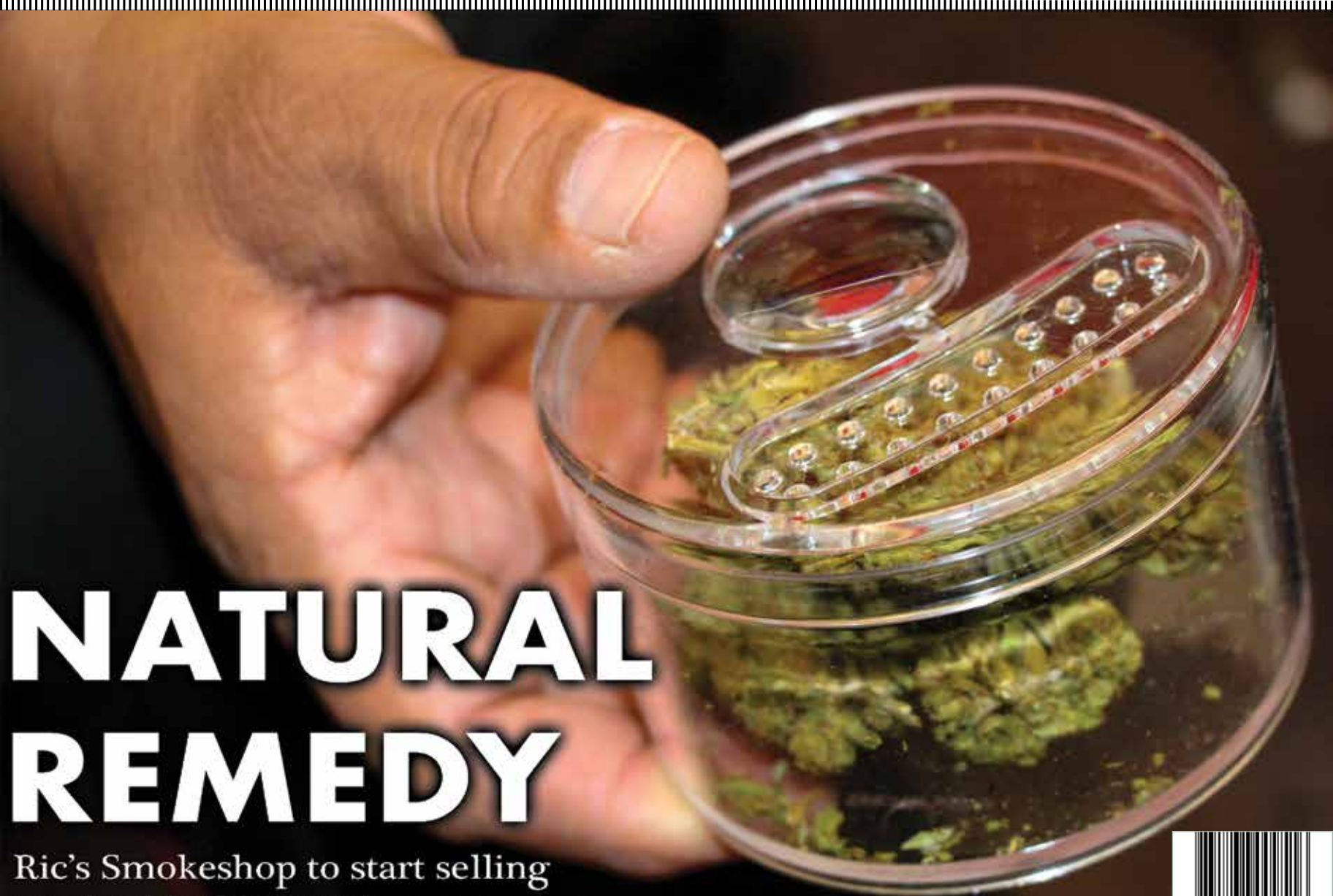
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Industrial hemp flower, or CBD flower, a smokeable version of CBD (cannabidiol) will soon be available for sale at Ric Youngblood's Smokeshop in Cherokee. The product, which contains less than .05 percent THC - the psychoactive agent found in marijuana, has been used to help treat many things from anxiety to chronic pain issues.

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Ric Youngblood's Smokeshop to carry smokeable CBD products

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One local Cherokee business has been carrying multiple products made from CBD (cannabidiol) oils, derived from industrial hemp, since November 2018 and is about to start selling a smokeable version of the product. Ric Youngblood's Smokeshop, owned by Richard Bird, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is set to start selling industrial hemp flower or CBD flower products that can be smoked.

This product is legal and is quite different than recreational marijuana.

"Marijuana and industrial hemp are different varieties of the same plant species, *Cannabis sativa L.*," according to information from the N.C. Industrial Hemp Commission. "Marijuana typically contains 3 to 15 percent THC on a dry-weight basis, while industrial hemp contains less than 1 percent."

According to WebMD, "THC is the main psychoactive agent in marijuana. Its full name is delta 9 - tetrahydrocannabinol. When you smoke cannabis, THC goes from your lungs into your bloodstream and then into your brain. It stimulates the part of your brain that responds to sources of pleasure, like food and sex. That lets loose a chemical called dopamine which causes the high."

On CBD, the site states, "Also called cannabidiol, this is another well-studied compound.

It doesn't make you high. Instead, it can counteract the effects from THC and bring you down from any paranoia or anxiety. It also have been found to have beneficial uses in treatment for the side effects of chemotherapy and treating epilepsy."

Bird will get his new products from the Elite Foundation, a firm based in Asheville.

"Our product has an unregistrable amount of THC," said Anthony Newell, Elite Foundation product manager and sales associate.

Aaron Moss, Elite Foundation chief executive officer, stated, "The Farm Bill stated that anything that wasn't THC delta 9 or didn't contain THC delta 9 at a quantity at or over .3 percent is a commodity good." He said that their products contain less than .05 percent THC.

"It's a commodity good, like buying lettuce at



A pre-rolled CBD flower product from the Elite Foundation resembles a cigarette.



Shown are CBD dummies that are currently for sale at Ric Youngblood's Smoke-shop.

this point.”

Their products come in several forms including pre-rolls similar to cigarettes and natural flower products. “It’s the most natural,” said Newell. “There are tinctures and other stuff, they have stuff they put it in to make it consumable. This is a natural product. It has natural benefits.”

Moss added, “All of our packaging is sealed at point-of-sale. That way, you know that it’s our product, our compliant product, inside the package whenever the customer opens the package. We had concerns about people taking our packaging or pre-rolled vials and using our compliance QR code to try and duck the law. We designed our packaging in a way that it was tamper-evident. If it has been opened or tampered with, you know.”

Bird said customers shouldn’t be leery of the look of the product - in that it very much resembles marijuana.

“Many times if it looks like a duck and quacks like a duck, but we provide lab paperwork with all of our products and a QR code that is unique to that specific phenotype,” said Moss who noted that all of their products have been lab-tested to be compliant with the law.

Bird commented, “The thing that caught me the most was the health benefits. I’ve got people coming here every day testifying to the fact that they have been able to put their pain pills down. And, that’s what’s killing our people - the pain pills.”

Moss said, “Whenever it comes to pain management, it affects the CB1 and CB2 pain receptors in a way that aids the body’s inflammatory system in order to reduce pain and muscle tension.”

Newell added, “CBD encourages the body to produce endocannabinoids naturally whereas pain pills will block those receptors and artificially replace them.”

A recent study from the Brightfield Group and HelloMD found that 80 percent of CBD users found the products to be a “very or extremely effective treatment” and 42 percent of CBD users “have stopped using traditional medications”.

The study reported a pro of CBD is that it “provides medical relief and relaxation without the possible psychoactive effects that can result from THC”. A con reported is that “some users were disinterested because of pricing, availability, or efficacy in the case of hemp”.

Brightfield listed many conditions people use CBD to treat in-

cluding: anxiety, insomnia or sleep problems, joint pain and inflammation, depression, muscle tension or strain, migraines or tension headaches, severe or chronic pain, arthritis, and nausea.

“I really think it is beneficial,” said Bird. “I’ve heard so many testimonies, especially elders. They’ve been taking these pain pills for so long that they’re no longer effective...it’s a natural product that God gave us, a natural plant. These pharmaceuticals are man-made, and it’s already proven that their effects are killing our people.”

Moss added, “This is a native plant, a gift, and our mission is to spread that positivity to help people.”

The tribal government is also looking into cannabis as a possible business opportunity.

Last October, Tribal Council approved a cannabis feasibility study which will be overseen by a group including representatives from the Cherokee Tribal Court, EBCI Public Health and Human Services, the Kituwah LLC Board, EBCI Division of Commerce, and one Tribal Council representative.

Wolftown Rep. Jeremy Wilson submitted the legislation for the

study and said in a statement to the One Feather at that time, “My intent is not to encourage abuse of the marijuana plant to get high. It is to promote the remedy of relief for chronic illness, treatment, and economic diversification.”

The study will only cover the Tribe’s possible foray into a medical cannabis and/or industrial hemp business - not recreational usage.



Richard Bird, Ric Youngblood’s Smokeshop president and chief executive officer and a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, is shown in his shop next to a display of CBD products he has carried since November 2018.

Issues discussed in work session

Council discusses cultural programs, administrative leave, and political appointments in work session

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Tribal Council approved three resolutions during Annual Council on Monday, Oct. 15, 2018 that called for work sessions on three separate issues including political appointments of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), administrative leave for tribal employees, and the organization of tribal cultural programs. A work session was held to discuss those issues, per the resolutions submitted by Mary Wachacha, an EBCI tribal member from the Yellowhill Community, on Monday, Jan. 21, 2019.

The first topic tackled during Monday's work session was Res. No. 378 (2018) that established a work group, comprised of the Tribe's cultural program leaders and experts, tasked with looking into a centralizing those programs, developing accurate Cherokee history books, and working on getting the Tribal Archives facility built.

"I'm saying you're doing your job, but there's a lot more that needs to be done," Wachacha commented.

In discussing her idea for a centralized program, she noted, "I'm not talking about a museum. I'm not talking about just an archive. I'm talking about one central place, here on the Boundary, where we can go and anything and every-

thing that we have would be located there, and we'd have a whole staff to complement the building and the programs."

Wachacha, who works with various committees and organizations such as the Qualla Boundary Historical Society, said, "It's a true love of mine, and I just wish that we were doing more to preserve our culture and our history."

She stressed that her idea is not to eliminate any jobs, just to centralize the operations. "We need to have one central location and one central person. I am a firm believer than when you have limited government and when you have fewer employees, less work gets done."

Micah Swimmer, New Kituwah Academy adult language and education coordinator, commented, "We don't have a way to keep the flow of the language alive. We need a Cherokee Language and Culture Center and History, all of that stuff, in one central location."

He said that, as of the day of the work session, there are 217 fluent Cherokee Language speakers in the Tribe. "If we were to lose our last fluent speaker today, we wouldn't have enough (material) to save our language. Everybody's going to have bits and pieces of language."

Swimmer said that having such a cultural center with the archive element attached would be very helpful for language survival. "We need to do what we can now while we can...we can have basic language classes here and there, but we need to be producing as close to fluent speakers as possible."

TJ Holland, EBCI cultural resources supervisor, said, "We're

all in favor of having a work group that would come in, keep us all within our offices up-to-date on where we need to collaborate where our projects overlap and to help one another."

He did voice one concern, "The way the Tribe's finance policy works, it's programs can only carry so many grants at one time. Funders will only provide so many grant opportunities for a program. That way, down the road, if this is a centralized project, it would put us all in a position to have to fight one another for resources which are already hard to get as it is which would create a new obstacle for us."

Vice Chairman David Wolfe thanked Wachacha for bringing the issue forward and said, "I think everybody is working really hard doing all they can, but we can always still do more in letting our story be told...we look forward to working with you on this."

Wachacha thanked the cultural program representatives for their time at the work session and said, "The Cherokees were one of the greatest tribes on this Earth, and I want to say that I still think that the Eastern Band is the greatest tribe that we have in America, and we need to be a leader in all things."

Up next for discussion during the meeting was Res. No. 376 (2018) dealing with political appointments.

Wachacha said, "In the past, the Chief had a Chief's advisor and they didn't get paid. It was free advice if you will. The Chief chose someone they felt he or she could trust and they went to them for advice, but that was not a paid

position. We can't go on appointing these positions from Council member who don't get back in Council."

She added, "I don't know what the answer is. I just know that a lot of people out there are talking that it seems like when Tribal Council members lose their position or chose not to run, whatever it might be, they get these political appointments and jobs that didn't exist before. Now, it'd be different if it existed."

Although not established as policies yet, Res. No. 376 includes five points Wachacha wanted to be considered in establishing guidelines for political appointments including, "(2) Tribal Council representatives who chose not to run for office and defeated Tribal Council representatives are prohibited from applying for tribal positions for two years after they leave office as they possess knowledge that amounts to 'insider trading' and may exhibit 'undue influence' in their tribal jobs..."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said he doesn't understand why it would be considered insider trading. "That's a financial term. We're not trading anything. Certainly, if you've been on Tribal Council, you have an understanding of the structure of tribal government and how the government operates, how the budgets work, how the organizational chart is created and so forth. I don't really understand why there should be a prohibition."

He went on to say, "You all know that it's a high-risk position that you're in because there's no guarantees. There's no safety net."

Now, what you're saying is you served in a public office and now we're going to punish you for serving in that public office by saying you can't work for the Tribe or one of its entities for two years – based on what?"

"It just doesn't make any sense to me."

Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle agreed, "If you went to school and got an education, there should be a job in the Tribe for you somewhere...a lot of us around here are educated and I think you're taking away the benefit that we could serve the Tribe with that experience and with that education."

Painttown Rep. Lisa Taylor said there is a poor perception in the community surrounding political appointments. "I know I'm probably not the only one who's heard

it, they'll say, 'well, if they don't get re-elected, they'll get some big job in the Tribe.' And, it has happened a lot."

Wachacha clarified her intentions with the resolution and said she was speaking solely about political appointments – not tribal jobs and that she doesn't want a new position created for someone. "I'm not trying to punish anybody. I want to wipe that word out of our vocabulary in this discussion. I clarified in number two that no Council member could step into a political appointment. I didn't say that you couldn't work for the Tribe. This whole resolution is about political appointments. I'm not against political appointments and that's not what this is saying. It's saying that they need to be established prior and be in the

budget."

Chief Sneed said he has actually decreased the amount of political appointments during his term. "There were four director positions that were appointed. So, we converted those to regular positions and we put them out there, we advertised it, had people apply for them and they were filled that way. So, we've actually reduced the number of appointments and we haven't added any new appointees. I haven't created any new appointments at all. I've actually reduced the number of appointments that there were."

He added that political appointees have no rights when it comes to employment as they're considered at-will and serve at the pleasure of the Executive Office. "If you're an employee, you have a whole list of rights that go along with being an employee of the Tribe. If you're an appointee, you have none."

Res. No. 377 (2018) dealing with administrative leave for tribal employees was the last discussed during Monday's work session. "This gets down to the budget," said Wachacha who spoke of the number of days tribal employees received during the past Christ-

mas season. "There should be set amounts of time with each holiday and that would be up to the Chief's office to decide. There's just so many people that need the services of the government."

She spoke of the problems created by the recent federal government shutdown and said, "You're the government, and it creates problems on a smaller scale here when the staff is not there."

I'm not against giving them some admin leave around a holiday, but giving them two or three days or a week or five days, whatever, that just amazes me. You're getting paid to a job, and I want you to do that job."

Cory Blankenship, EBCI Secretary of Treasury, said there are 14 paid holidays per the current EBCI personnel policy. "It's all budgeted; we've budgeted for the full 80 hours of work so it doesn't add any costs to the tribal government. There is some lost productivity because those offices are closed, but we do have a number of services that are on-call."

Chief Sneed added, "I appreciate her concerns, and I'm happy to sit down with her and we can work through some things."



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**Candidate filing for EBCI
Tribal Elections begins on
Friday, March 1, 2019 and
ends on Friday, March 15,
2019 at 4:30 pm.**

Flu ‘widespread’ in state, cases down in Cherokee

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According to the CDC (Centers for Disease Control), influenza activity in the state of North Carolina is considered “widespread” and the number of ILI (influenza-like illness) cases are considered “moderate” as of Saturday, Jan. 19. According to officials at Cherokee Indian Hospital, cases are down from last year.

“This year, we have had a total of 200 cases of influenza (flu),” said Sheyahshe Littledave, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority (CIHA) public relations officer. “There have been 72 cases of type A and 32 cases of type B. Last year, at this time, we had 332 cases, so it

has decreased.”

The North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services reports there have been 23 total flu deaths since Sept. 30, 2018. No deaths have been reported in Cherokee.

Sally Penick, CIHA infection control manager, states, “Taking the influenza immunization not only protects the person that takes it, but it can prevent the spread of the flu to those that are infants, elders, and those with a weakened immune system. And, it is possible to get the flu even if you had the vaccine. Sometimes, you may have symptoms like the flu and your test is negative, but it may be negative early in the development of the flu or it may be a virus that is similar

to the flu.”

She suggests people take the following measures to help prevent the spread of influenza: get a vaccine, wash your hands frequently, stay home when you feel sick, cough into your elbow or a tissue, and dispose of the tissue and wash your hands afterwards.

Littledave said, “The flu vaccine given at CIHA this year was a quadrivalent which means it prevents four different strains of the flu. Each year, the flu vaccine is developed based on the types of flu that people got the year before.”

She noted that the hospital is taking precautions to help prevent the spread of the virus. Visitations for both inpatient and the emergency room are restricted with visitors

not being allowed in patient areas. One adult is allowed to accompany children. Hospital employees have been vaccinated and have received mandatory hand-washing education.

The Cherokee Indian Hospital does walk-in flu shots every day. Littledave said patients should come to the front desk at Primary Care and request a shot. No appointment is necessary.

According to the CDC, symptoms of the flu may include: a temperature of 100 degree Fahrenheit or higher; a cough and/or sore throat; a runny or stuffy nose; headaches and/or body aches; chills; fatigue; nausea, vomiting, and/or diarrhea.

Cherokee Central Schools budget status report for December 2018

(Note: This report was released on Wednesday, Jan. 23 and made available to the One Feather on Friday, Feb. 1.)

As of December 2018, Cherokee Central Schools (CCS) is at the mid-point of the 2018-19 School Year (SY) which runs from July 1 – June 30. CCS should have spent and committed (expenditures, encumbrances) up to the targeted 50 percent of Annual budgetary funds. At this point, the school system stands currently at 47 percent of the SY budget, leaving a 53 percent

balance for the remaining 2018-19 SY. This is lower than SY 2017-18, which stood at 51 percent at this same time last school year.

By Division, the CCS Administration is currently at 41 percent, while Facilities stands at 44 percent. The four schools within CCS are as follows: Pre-School: 46 percent, Elementary School: 48 percent, Middle School: 49 percent, and High School: 45 percent.

Collectively, Departments stand at 51 percent. Individual Departments stand as follows: Cultural: 49 percent, Title VI-Cultural: 49 percent, Title I: 1 percent, Athletics: 72 percent, Performing Arts Center: 34 percent, Technology: 68 percent,

and Food & Nutrition: 47 percent.

Athletics and Technology are the only Departments over the 50 percent guideline. Athletics does the bulk of their purchasing early and they have larger teams in the early school year. CCS has also recently added additional sports teams. Technology is over the 50 percent threshold due to e-Rate charges that will be reimbursed (and has been done in previous years) in the latter part of the SY. Title I has a very small budget and their events are upcoming.

School officials noted, “Overall, at 47 percent, CCS is performing well with the 2018-19 Annual Budget.”

- Cherokee Central Schools release

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Congresswoman Haaland makes history with House Committee position

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Congresswoman Deb Haaland (D-N.M.), a citizen of the Pueblo of Laguna, has made history by becoming the first Native American elected to serve as the vice chair of the full committee for the House Natural Resources Committee. One of the first Native American women in Congress, Rep. Haaland was elected to the committee position on Tuesday, Jan. 29.

"Our deep respect for our land, air, and water are at the heart of why my seat on the House Natural Resources Committee is so important to New Mexico," she said in a statement. "Those issues are even more important because they intersect with job creation through the renewable energy and outdoor recreation economies. I am honored, as a freshman, to be elected to these leadership roles."

Rep. Haaland chairs the House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands and sits on the newly-created Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States (formerly the Indian, Insular and Alaska Native Affairs Committee).

Speaking of her subcommittee chair, she said, "Hiking, camping, and our historic sacred sites are part of who we are as New Mexicans, and also attracts folks from across the globe to our beautiful state. Being chair of the House Subcommittee on National Parks, Forest, and Public Lands means I will be able to work directly on protecting our way of life and important economic drivers."

Congressman Ruben Gallego (D-Ariz.) was named chair of the

House Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States and said in a statement, "As chair of the Subcommittee for Indigenous Peoples of the United States, I look forward to working with my Democratic and Republican colleagues to find solutions to the pressing issues facing our American Indian and Alaska Native communities. We must work together to improve access to health care, justice, education and sustainable economic growth, to safeguard tribal water rights, and to protect sacred cultural and historical lands."

He said he is committed to working with leaders in Indian Country on those goals "while advancing economic self-sufficiency, environmental justice, and tribal sovereignty."

Congressman Raul M. Grijalva (D-Ariz.) will serve as chair of the House Natural Resources Committee, a committee he has served on since 2003. He said in a statement on Tuesday, "Protecting our environment, taking climate change seriously, and putting the public interest first are not optional for this Committee, and that's what Democrats are going to do every day for the next two years. The American people want clean air and water and public lands protected for the future."

The rest of the leadership team for the House Natural Resources Committee is as follows:

- Vice Chair for Insular Affairs: Rep. Gregorio Kilili Sablan (D-CNMI, Northern Mariana Islands)
- Chair of Water, Oceans, and Wildlife Subcommittee: Rep. Jared Huffman (D-Calif.)
- Chair of Energy and Mineral Resources Subcommittee: Re. Alan



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- Congresswoman Deb Haaland (D-N.M.)

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Lowenthal (D-Calif.)
- Chair of Oversight and Investigations Subcommittee: Re. TJ Cox (D-Calif.)

For a listing of current bills before the House Natural Resources Committee, visit: <https://natural-resources.house.gov/legislation/bills>

In other news, Rep. Haaland will co-chair the Congressional Native American Caucus with Congressman Tom Cole (R-Okla.), a citizen of the Chickasaw Nation of Oklahoma. "Long before the United States came to be, tribes greatly influenced the land in which we live. While the federal government has at times have a strained relationship with Indian Country, I am encouraged that efforts have been made to repair and improve it over the years. To ensure that work continues, the Congressional

Native American Caucus remains a vital body in the House for educating members on tribal sovereignty and improving the lives of Native Americans."

Vice chairs for the Caucus were named including:

- Congresswoman Sharice Davids (D-Kan.), a member of the Ho-Chunk Nation of Wisconsin
- Congressman Grijalva
- Congressman Doug LaMalfa (R-Calif.)
- Congressman David Joyce (R-Ohio)
- Congressman Ben Ray Lujan (D-N.M.)
- Congressman Markwayne Mullin (R-Okla.), a citizen of the Cherokee Nation (Okla.)
- Congressman Frank Pallone Jr. (D-N.J.)
- Congressman Don Young (R-Alaska)

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Jan. 17

GARRETT, Cory Jagger

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed at Complainant’s Request

GRIFFIN, Kenny Edward

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule VI – Dismissed, Treatment Complete

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed, Treatment Complete

LOCUST III, William Russell

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, 150 days jail time suspended, 12months probation, 23 days active jail time, credit for time served (32 days), no contact with victim

14-95.5(b) Drugs: Aggravated Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 150 days jail time suspended, 12months probation, 23 days active jail time, credit for time served (32 days), no contact with victim

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed on Plea

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed on Plea

14-70.18 Providing or Possessing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea

LONG, Rayelita Dawn

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Pled in another jurisdiction

LOSSIAH, Johnnie Ray

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Dismissed on Plea

14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Guilty Plea, 180 days active jail time, credit for time served (65 days)

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

OWLE, Christina Lee

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

ROSE Jr., James

14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed on Plea, Possible Bench Trial

14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Guilty Plea, 7 days jail time suspended, 6 months probation, credit for time served (5 days), unsupervised probation, no contact with victims

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

TAYLOR, Edward Dwayne

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 150 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 48 days active jail time, credit for time served

(48 days), obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$600

14-40.54 Assault Inflicting Serious Bodily Injury – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

TAYLOR, Stephanie Nichole

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Dismissed on Plea

14-60.10 Forgery – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 108 days active jail time, credit for time served (48 days)

20-141.5 Speeding to Elude Arrest – Dismissed on Plea

14-5.4 Filing False Emergency Report – Dismissed on Plea

20-28 Revoked License – Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 108 days active jail time, credit for time served (48 days)

THOMAS, Angela Deeanne

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, restitution ordered: \$600
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.10 Transporting Controlled Substance into the territory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians – Dismissed on Plea

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

WOLFE, Angela Deanne

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed on Plea (no sentencing information provided)

Judgment Summary for Jan. 30

CROWE, Carroll Edward

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed on Plea

14-70.18 Providing or Possessing Contraband - Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$240, attorney: \$525

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

JUMP, Dawnin Maiashae

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed, Officer Unavailable

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed, Officer Unavailable
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed, Officer Unavailable

LINCOLN, Ellen Yellowhammer

14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court - Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, credit for time served (12 days), participate with Family Safety, court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$360, attorney: \$300

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed, Treatment Complete, 90 days jail time suspended, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, deferred prosecution for 12 months
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed on Plea

LITTLEJOHN, Michael

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Guilty Plea, 23 days active jail time, credit for time served (15 days)

LOSSIAH, Brent James

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, comply with SAT class, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (50 days), court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$1,500

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing

with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(d) Drugs: Possession with Intent - Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, comply with SAT class, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (50 days), court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$1,500

LOSSIE, Kassandra Marie

14-25.13 Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

TEESATESKIE, James Eric

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Guilty Plea, credit for time served (12 days), restitution ordered: \$540

Judgment Summary for Jan. 31

BIGWITCH JR., Robert Lee

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief to Property - Dismissed on Plea

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) - Dismissed on Plea

14-40.64 Reckless Endangerment - Dismissed on Plea

14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions - Dismissed on Plea

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest - Guilty Plea, 6 months jail time, credit for time served (43 days), court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$1,290

BRADLEY, Nichole

20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed on Plea

20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

20-28 Revoked License - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny - Dis-

missed on Plea

LONG, Rustlina

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed with Leave to Refile if able to locate witness

MORGAN, Frances Armachain

14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court - Guilty Plea, 7 days active jail time, credit for time served (7 days)

RIVERA, Alex

14-40.50(a) Assault with a Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury - Guilty Plea, 90 days active jail time, credit for time served (29 days)

14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering - Dismissed on Plea

SQUIRREL, Joshua Brent

14-5.2 Communicating Threats - Guilty Plea, 17 days active jail time, credit for time served (17 days)



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BASKETBALL

Lady Braves defeat Swain Co., second place in BSMC

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Cherokee Lady Braves are heading into February tournament and playoff time in second place in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference and ranked third in the latest Maxpreps 1A poll (Feb. 1). They defeated Swain County 82-49 on Friday, Feb. 1 at the Charles George Memorial Arena.

“We didn’t press a lot tonight, and we’re trying to work on our half-court man and just getting solid at it as we go forward because I felt like we had some gaps in our defense,” Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, said after Friday’s victory. “We still had some tonight, but we’re getting better at it and the last few games we’ve played pretty good defense. That just makes our offense so much better because we’re really good on offense.”

He said the Lady Braves have been working on reducing their fouls. “That helps out because the game isn’t so frantic and we can play a solid game. Tonight, we didn’t get into foul trouble. We had one girl with three fouls, and that keeps our starters being able to play and that is benefitting us.”

Deante Toineeta, Lady Braves sophomore, led Cherokee with 17 points on the night. Cherokee got going fast in this game and led 24-9 after the first period and 45-27 at the half. A huge third period for the Lady Braves in which they out-scored Swain Co. 25-5 sealed the game as they’d go on for the 82-49



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee’s Tori Teesateskie (#30) and Naomi Smith (#12) play tight defense against Swain County’s Taylor Collins during a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Feb. 1. Cherokee took the win 82-49.

win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Raylen Bark 7, Doodle Lossiah 2, Jamie Lossiah 2, Tigger King 9, Naomi Smith 10, Vivian Ross 12, Jacee Smith 3, Tori

Teesateskie 15, Moira George 2, and Rhyne Girty 3. Swain Co. scorers included: Ashton Younce 3, Hannah Epperson 3, Savannah Smith 4, Ayianna West 2, Bri Ross 3, Mazie Helpman 21, and Taylor

Collins 13.

The Lady Braves have two key conference games coming up including at Murphy (15-4, 7-1) who currently sits in first place and at Andrews (5-14, 2-8).



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Cherokee's Sterling Santa Maria (#34) goes for a shot against Swain County's Bradley Vestal (#25) during a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Feb. 1. Both were their team's leading scorer with Santa Maria having 29 points and Vestal with 22. With a late fourth-period surge, the Maroon Devils topped Cherokee 71-58. The teams were even for the first three periods with Swain leading 13-12 after the first and 33-30 at the half. Cherokee held a one-point (47-46) lead after the third. Other Braves scorers on the night included: Ethan Crowe 4, Bobby Crowe 4, Tino Pete 2, Josiah Lossiah 7, Blake Smith 5, Seth Smith 2, and Nate Crowe 5. Swain County scorers included: Hunter Cochran 4, Jesse Waldroup 12, Gaige Southards 16, Hunter Call 13, and Nick Millsaps 4.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Sterling Santa Maria (right), Braves junior, scored his 1,000th career point during a game at Robbinsville High School on Friday, Jan. 25. He was honored for the accomplishment prior to a home game against Swain County at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Feb. 1. He is shown with Aaron Hogner, Braves head coach.

IMPORTANT NOTICE THOSE PLANNING TO RUN FOR TRIBALLY-ELECTED SEATS

The Cherokee One Feather will be publishing contact information for any person planning to seek office as a Tribal Council Representative, Principal Chief, Vice-Chief, or School Board member. Your contact information will be run periodically in the print edition in the One Feather, as well as posted to our website. We would like your information immediately and we understand that filing has not taken place, so your information will be unofficial. Should you give us your information and either choose not to run or be disqualified, we will remove your name and information at your request or once the official primary candidate list is released by the Election Board and you are not on it. Your information will also be posted if, when it is appropriate, you file as a write-in candidate. Candidates must contact the One Feather Office directly with their contact information. Submissions by third parties that cannot be verified by the prospective candidate will not be published. Please submit your name, seat you intend to run for, mailing address, phone number, and email address. You may also submit your website. We are offering this service so that tribal member voters may engage you directly to ask questions about your candidacy. We will publish your information as soon as we receive it and it has been substantiated.

Tribal Candidate Trivia

Q:

How much does it cost to file for a
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elected seat?

A:

To file for Principal Chief or Vice Chief, the
fee is \$700.

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\$350.

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Principal Chief's Report for Friday, Feb. 1

RICHARD G. SNEED
PRINCIPAL CHIEF

Our Cherokee community has been under immense grief these past few weeks. The number of loved ones lost is heartbreaking and has taken a toll on us all. My thoughts and prayers are with each of those who have lost loved ones. I will continue praying for you and your family. I have had the pleasure of meeting with several organizations and individuals these past few weeks. I had lunch with the clients and staff at Vocational Opportunities of Cherokee. They were able to share their experiences with the programs, and I very much enjoyed spending time with this group. My next visit was with the Dialysis Center in Cherokee. My office had received a request for Tums from the center and were happy to deliver those items and meet with the patients. I understand the process is not easy for many of these individuals and

I hope to do all I can to lessen the burden on those clients. I was able to visit with Miss Swearengen's 2nd Grade class. The school recently celebrated their 100th Day, and I was happy to speak with the kids encouraging them to continue to give their best. These visits remind me of my purpose as Principal Chief. I look forward to continuing meeting with additional organizations to learn of their issues and successes. Lastly, I have enjoyed dining with the winners of the Ugly Sweater Contest from the Employee Christmas Breakfast. This has been a great opportunity to thank these individuals for participating in the contests at the Christmas Breakfast. Representatives from the South Central Foundation are visiting the Cherokee Indian Hospital to complete a training session. This Foundation conducts training programs to help individuals deal with their grief and trauma to better serve their patients. The goal of the Cherokee Indian Hospital is to



Photo courtesy of Office of the Principal Chief

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (standing fourth from right) visits with Mrs. Swearengen's 2nd grade class at Cherokee Elementary School recently.

have some staff learn to provide the training to community members. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians purchased property and a building in Franklin. This property is connected to Nikwasi Mound and provides a potential opportunity to showcase our Cherokee history and culture in Franklin. The Museum

of the Cherokee Indian has been tasked with completing the necessary studies to determine the best use of the property. I would like to thank all the stakeholders that are working on this important initiative and look forward to seeing the results of their work.

(A) Go ask your mother.
(B) Because I said so.
(C) We'll see.

There are no perfect answers in parenting.



Photo courtesy of EBCI Miss Cherokee Royalty Board

Melah Perkins, a member of the Deer Clan from the Wolfstown Community, had an official contract signing on Wednesday, Jan. 23 and is the new 2018-19 Miss Cherokee. "Following the Procedures and Policies set in place for Miss Cherokee royalty, it has become necessary, for undisclosed reasons, to have our current reigning 2018-19 Miss Cherokee step down," the EBCI Miss Cherokee Royalty Board said in a statement to the One Feather. "As our Procedures and Policies state, if for any reason our reigning Miss Cherokee is unable to complete her reign, our runner-up (Perkins) will resume her duties as the reigning Miss Cherokee." On Perkins, the Board noted, "We look forward to working with her and wish her much success as the reigning Miss Cherokee. To request the current Miss Cherokee at an event, please email a request to: ebcmisscherokee@gmail.com. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank Miss Mystikal Armachain for the services she rendered during her reign and wish her much success in her future endeavors."



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Cherokee Middle School Honor Roll - 2nd Quarter

8th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Mahala Allison, Katherine Armachain, Idalis Crowe, Maria Fourkiller-Raby, Adia Frady, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Braylon James, Terrell Locust, Mason Long, Zechariah Maney, Keneil Saunooke, Alexis Smith, Tyler Wolfe

Alpha Honor Roll: William Bailey, Tanin Esquivel, Autumn Green, Jolie Locust-Pheasant, Lilah Reynolds, Darius Saunooke

Beta Honor Roll: Alyxandra Armachain, Anna Bigwitch, Elexia Bird, Davyn Broom, Brianna Carter, Walker Clapsaddle, Tanis Esquivel, Brantly George, William Hartbarger, Kaella Hornbuckle, Jayelyn Lossiah, Rachel Maney, Rachel Maney, Alessandra Martinez, Hayden McCoy, Bitiste Pepion, Acacia Reed, Allyson Reed, Cavan Reed, Kaniah Reed, Cristofer Rivera, Mya Sequoyah, Destiny Siweumptewa, Nessa Smith, Ellise Stamper, Emma

Taylor, Kaden Trantham, Avlin Welch, Fala Welch, Kyra West

7th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Roxi Bark, Jayle Creson, Keegan Crow, Jenna Cruz, Janna Girty, Madison Ledford, DaLaina Mills, Seshadri Prata-ma, Jasmine Robertson, George Saunooke, Shelby Solis, Ann Toineeta, Isaac Welch, Levi Winter
Alpha Honor Roll: Creedon Arch, Adrian Armachain, Preston Davis, Jimya Driver, Leondes Garcia, Carys Holiday, Laura Martinez, Dayvian Pheasant, Emily Swayney, Olivia Swayney, Hermione Ward, Bayley Wright

Beta Honor Roll: Dillon Bigwitch, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Chase Calhoun, Roseanna Correa, Boie Crowe, Ashton Cucumber, Berydan Ensley, Julia Gonzales, Mato Grant, Elias Griffin, Danica Hill, Kaiden Lambert, Robert Lambert, Abigail Ledford, Julianna Maney, Ezequiel Martinez, Jonathan McCoy, Tristen McCoy, Ezra McGaha, Niyahi Mora, Evan Nations, Marla Panther,

Alitima Perkins, Samuel Postoak, Treyton Queen, Makenzie Rattler, Littlehawk Reed, Marty Roach, Cassius Ross, Dyami Saunooke, Evonne Stamper, Dante Taylor, Davisia Teesateskie, Gabriel Terrell, Siddalee Thomason, Tahlaya Thompson, Lupita Toineeta, Sateva Youngdeer

6th Grade

Principal's Honor Roll: Kendra Arch, Lillian Blythe-Ramos, Shawnee Bushyhead, Tricyrus Calhoun, Jada Cruz, Malakai Driver, Brett Elders, Gideon Freeman, Matthew Garcia-Wahnetah, Amiya Lequire, Kyla Moore, Dalan Panther, Neva-yah Panther, Joseph Porter, Aali-yah Reed, Elliot Shell, Luke Smith, Elijah Squirrell, Cecily Swimmer, Kaitlyn Tahquette, Tyrus Thompson, Louiza Walkingstick, Dacia Warrington, Addyson Welch, William Welch, Haylie Woodard
Alpha Honor Roll: Keaton Arch, Malla Bradley, Noqwisi Crowe, Alexis Davis, Emery Driver, Corbin Freeman, Abreanna Hornbuckle,

Isabell Jenkins, Joselyn Long, Amila Lossie, Vincent Owle, Thomas Parsons, Erin Rogers, Xavier Sanchez, Kai Saunooke, Thomas Sequoyah, Andrew Shamonski, Selu Swayney, Falon Welch, Samuel Welch, Eliana West, Kaniah Wolfe
Beta Honor Roll: Shalina Blanton, Natalie Bradley, Dalton Burgess, Si-da-ni Calhoun, Jessie Catol-ster-Wachacha, Julian Catol-ster-Wachacha, Savian Davis, Isabelle Fourkiller-Raby, Sean Henderson, Kiri Hill, Hilarie Howell, Chayton Ledford, Elijah Lineberry, Arthur Locust, Ayosta Lossiah, Xain Maney, Hannah Youngdeer, Cassius Murphy, Thomas Myers, Kendrick Panther, Joshua Phillips, Emerald Quijada, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Brandon Santiago, Josiah Sherrill, Julianne Smart, Cameron Squirrell, Briar Standingdeer, Addi Taylor, Josiah Teesateskie, Chantin Tramper, Justina Watty, Abbygail Wildcatt, Kieran Wolfe



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Photo courtesy of New Kituwah Academy
The following students in the New Kituwah Academy Early Childhood program, shown left to right, had perfect attendance for the month of January: Tsulagula Littlejohn, Wadulisi Bark, Tawodi Winchester, Ani Stamp-er, Shaligugi Tiger, and Elohi Slee.

OBITUARIES

Carol Ann Bottchenbaugh Teesatuskie

Carol Ann Bottchenbaugh Teesatuskie, 62, of the Big Cove Community in Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019.

She is survived by her mother, Helen Wanetta Bottchenbaugh; one daughter, Misty Teesatuskie Callaway and husband Robert Callaway of Cherokee; one son, Richard James Teesatuskie of Cherokee; grandchildren, Gabrielle Teesatuskie (Gabby), Shanali Ann Teesatuskie Taylor (James Taylor), No-la Da-na-li Teesatuskie, Kaos Gsu-da-tsi Teesatuskie, u-we-na-i Kain Teesatuskie, and Logan Ryyd Callaway; great grandchildren, Nickyle Reuben David Teesatuskie and Avaleena Ann Teesatuskie Taylor; brothers, Harold Bottchenbaugh and children, Rick Bottchenbaugh (wife Bernice) and children; one sister, Wanetta Sue Davis; also survived by Glen and Jessica Davis, Vinny Davis (wife Bree) and Benny Davis, Austin Davis (wife Erica) and Nixon Davis, Karli Sue Davis, Kaydince and Xavi Davis.

Carol was preceded in death by her father, Harold James Bottchenbaugh.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 31 at the Long House Funeral Home. Pastor James “Bo” Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Helen Bottchenbaugh Cemetery in the Big Cove Community. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Stephen S. Queen “Bubba”

Stephen S. Queen “Bubba”, 29, passed away on Sunday, Jan. 29, 2019 at Mission hospital in Asheville.

He was born to Loretta A.

Queen and the late Charles S. Queen on July 18, 1989. Stephen resided in the Wolftown Community of Cherokee and he worked at Holiday Inn Express and Suites. He was a loving son, brother, friend, and father. He was a unique soul who was taken too soon, and he will always be loved and missed by many.

In addition to his mother Loretta, Stephen is survived by his son, Galvin Reed; his sister, Amber Sneed and husband Jimmy Farris; one niece, Kaneetha Bradley; one nephew, Cole Bradley; aunts, Rosie M. Hornbuckle (Clyde Locust), Valane “Molly” Bowman, Sue Long, Kate Cooper (John Cooper); uncle, Larry Hornbuckle; great aunts, Mable Frizzell, Frances “Pokie” Cucumber; Nanny Suzanne Hornbuckle; and many cousins.

In addition to his father Charles, Stephen is preceded in death by his grandparents, Martha and Bascom Queen, Calvin and Ollie Hornbuckle, Peggy Hornbuckle, and Jim Hornbuckle; and three uncles, Clarence “Bridges” Cucumber, John Henry Queen, and James “Buggs” Queen.

Funeral services were held at Long House Funeral Home on Wednesday, Jan. 30. Pastor Danny Lambert officiated.

Jamie Everett Reagan

Jamie Everett Reagan, 47, of Whittier, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 29, 2019 at his residence.

Jamie had a wonderful sense of humor and the world was his son.

He is survived by his son, James Reagan of Cherokee; his father, Everett Reagan; step-mother, Shirley Reagan; brothers, Bobby Reagan (Rachel) of Cherokee, Kasey Reagan (Christina) of Lakeland, Florida; sisters, Mary Mata, Felisa

Mata, and Erin Kirkland (Stephen) all of Cherokee; many aunts, uncles, nieces, nephews, and cousins also survive.

Jamie was preceded in death by his mother, Ruth Hornbuckle Mata; brother, Shawn Reagan; maternal grandparents, Ben and Mary Hornbuckle; and paternal grandparents, Emmett and Mary Reagan.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, Feb. 2 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor Randall Miller officiated.

Mary Ann Crowe Rich

Mary Ann Crowe Rich, 74, of Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

She is survived by her children, Robin Lambert, Julie Smith, Richard Smith, Greg Smith, Crystal Rich, Michael Rich, Shawn Rich, and Walter Rich; numerous grandchildren and great grandchildren; and one sister, Martha Sherrill.

Mary Ann was preceded in death by her husband, Franklin Rich; her mother, Katie Jessan; one son, Jon Smith; one daughter, Monica Singer; and brothers, Ossie Crowe, Mike Crowe, and Denny Crowe.

Memorial services were held at Long House Funeral Home on Friday, Feb. 1.

Stanley Tooni Sr.

Stanley Tooni Sr., 87, of the Wolfetown Community, went home to be with the Lord Wednesday, Jan. 30, 2019. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of the late Larch and Agnes George Tooni. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by his first wife, Dorothy; two sons, Ammons and John David Tooni; one brother, Ike Tooni; two sisters, Rachael Reed, and Annie

Driver; and one step-daughter, Bernice.

He is survived by his wife, Dianne Garner Tooni; two sons, Stan Tooni Jr., and Larch Tooni and wife Carolyn; one daughter, Agnes Tooni and companion Rick all of Cherokee; two step-daughters, Brenda of Alabama, and Rebecca of Michigan; two step-sons, Tracy, and Andy both of Georgia; one daughter-in-law, Alyne Tooni; 11 grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; two sisters, Dinah George, and Eva Reed both of Cherokee; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Friday, Feb. 1 at Rock Springs Baptist Church. Revs. Greg Morgan, Dan Conseen, and Keith Carson officiated with burial at Reed Family Cemetery.

Grandsons served as pallbearers.

Special Flute music was played at the graveside by his grandson Matthew.

Krystopher Scott Storm

Krystopher Scott Storm, 52, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Thursday, Jan. 31, 2019. A lifelong resident of Cherokee, Scott was an artist, florist, dancer, and costume designer who loved computers. He was a true southern gentleman.

He is survived by his mother, Wynne Jones of Cherokee and his loving companion Montana of the home.

He had many very close friends who will miss him dearly.

A Celebration of Life for Scotty was held Tuesday, Feb. 5 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Rev. Ben Reed officiating.



SCC photo

SCC will hold its table gaming classes for the first time on its Jackson Campus starting the week of Feb. 4 in Sylva. Pictured are students in an SCC class last fall, from left sitting at the table, Paul Welzbacher of Cullowhee; Gregg Cattanach, from Doraville, Ga.; and dealer Denise Cochran of Marble.

SCC opens table gaming school in Sylva

SYLVA – Starting the week of Feb. 4, Southwestern Community College will offer its blackjack and poker classes on weekday evenings at its Jackson Campus in Sylva. It's the first time SCC has offered the casino-preparation classes outside of the Qualla Boundary since the college became the first in the state approved to offer table gaming in 2012.

Blackjack courses are from 8-11 p.m. through April 25 in the Balsam Center. Meanwhile, poker classes will be held from 5-9 p.m. on Mondays through Thursdays through March 21 – also in the Balsam Center.

Tuition for each is \$180, and all classes are taught in collaboration with Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

"Our goal is to make these classes available to anyone who's

working or already taking daytime college classes," said Scott Sutton, SCC's Dean of Workforce Continuing Education. "Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort has a tremendous need for both full-time and weekend dealers. For an investment of less than \$200 and two months of your time, you can complete this class and land one of the top-paying jobs in our region."

SCC's classes teach participants how to deal the respective games, know the legal and regulatory aspects of gaming, operation of table-gaming tools and equipment – as well as every other skill needed to succeed in the fast-paced gaming industry.

For more information or to enroll, contact Scott Sutton (828) 339-4296 or scott@southwesterncc.edu.

- SCC release



Photo by EBCI PHHS

Mellie Burns (standing center), EBCI Public Health and Human Services Children's Dental Program, shows first grade students at Cherokee Elementary School about proper dental health through a role-playing exercise. Carolyn Lillard (standing left) plays the part of the dentist and Chotky Davis is the patient.

February is National Children's Dental Health Month

February is National Children's Dental Health month, and the 2019 motto is "Brush and clean in between to build a healthy smile." Proper daily toothbrushing - two times a day for two minutes each time, limiting sweet sugary snacks - especially soft/sports drinks, and visiting a dentist on regular basis are key factors in keeping smiles healthy.

"Children's teeth are meant to last a lifetime, and a healthy smile is important to a child's self-esteem," said Mellie Burns, EBCI Public Health and Human Services Children's Dental Program. "With proper care, a balanced diet and regular dental visits, their teeth can remain healthy and strong. As dental professionals we want children to be very comfortable when visiting their dentist. With this in mind, every year I visit all first grade classrooms at Cherokee Elementary school and we role play going to the dentist. The classroom 'dentist' dresses up in dental clothes and puts on gloves and a mask. Seeing these things in a familiar setting is fun and entertaining. The goal is to

help reduce the students' anxiety about visiting their dentist."

According to American Journal of Public Health, October 2011, "Children with poor oral health status were three times more likely than were their counterparts to miss school as a result of dental pain. Absences caused by pain were associated with poorer school performance."

The article concludes. "These findings suggest that improving children's oral health status may be a vehicle to enhancing their educational experience."

Burns states, "It makes sense that children with poor oral health would have difficulty performing well in school. It must be extremely difficult to focus on school work if you are in pain. I would strongly encourage parents/guardians to make sure their children are keeping regularly scheduled dental appointments. It is so much easier on the child if a dental problem is properly treated in the very early stages, rather than waiting until a tooth hurts."

- EBCI Public Health and Human Services release

Free tickets available for Georgia Swarm game

The Georgia Swarm lacrosse team will play the Buffalo Bandits on Saturday, Feb. 9 at 7:05 p.m. at the Infinite Energy Arena in Atlanta. That game is Native American Heritage Night and will feature craft demonstrators, vendors, and a pre-game program showcasing the Swarm's seven Native American players. All employees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and any enrolled member can receive up to four free tickets to this simply. To reserve yours, visit: <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/GSNAHN> If you do not have the ability to reserve tickets online, visit the Cherokee Welcome Center and present verification of tribal employment or enrollment.

- Office of the Principal Chief



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Write the 2019 Cherokee Indian Fair Theme and win a prize

If you are an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, you are eligible to submit the entry form for the 2019 Cherokee Indian Fair theme. The prize for the winning entry is \$100. Here are a few simple rules:

- * Entrants younger than 18 years of age must have a parent or guardian to co-sign the liability release form and submit it with a W-9 form.
- * The theme must be culturally-oriented.
- * The theme must be seven words or less, (last year's theme was: Ga Du Gi, Heartbeat of our Tribe.)
- * Only one entry per person is allowed.

The entry forms will be available to pick up at the Cherokee Welcome Center or online at theonefeather.com, 359-6490, between the hours of 7:45 a.m. till 4:30 p.m., open daily.

Please turn your entry form in at the Cherokee Welcome Center no later than 4 p.m. on Friday, Feb. 15. The Cherokee Indian Fair Committee will meet to choose the winning theme from the entry forms that are submitted.

- Cherokee Indian Fair Committee

Endowment Fund accepting grant applications

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

free to contact: Wells Fargo Bank, N.A.; Attention: David M. Miller; David.m.miller@wellsfargo.com
- Percy B. Ferebee
Endowment Fund

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) available

The 2019 offering of Tax Assistance begins Wednesday, Feb. 6. Appointments can be made now. If your annual income is \$54,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes prepared at no cost at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd, located next to the Yellowhill Community Building and covered basketball court. Please bring with you the following items to your appointment:

- All income related forms such as: W-2, 1099 Misc., 1099-I, SSA-1099, etc.
- Photo I.D. such as Driver's License or enrollment card with picture
- Social Security Card and birth date of every member of the household
- Enrollment Card of Federally Recognized Tribe for NC Tax Exemption
- Bank Account Information if you want tax return direct deposited
- Last year's tax return if possible
- The program does not do Rental Income (Schedule E), Dividend and Investment Income (Sch B) and Complex Schedule C.

To schedule an appointment call the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 359-6939 or 359-6933 and speak to any staff person.

- EBCI Cooperative Extension
Program

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thanks for support

Thank you, I would like to thank Graham County and Tribal EMS, Cherokee Hospital, Mission

Hospital and Tsali Care that helped Eli with his illness. Thanks to Rock Springs Baptist Choir for singing at the funeral. To the ladies that provided food for the family. To Long House Funeral Home and the grave diggers, thank you for all the help and for the comfort provided for the family. God Bless all of you, Eli will be greatly missed.

Thanks,

**Suzanna, Eddie, Ed, Jeanette,
Nathan, T.C, and Melissa**

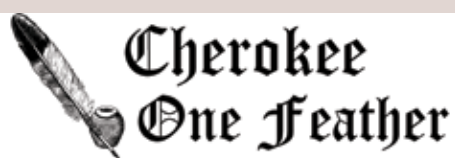
Thank you from the Kevin B. Smith family

Thank you for the love, sympathy and comfort we received. Thank you Methodist church, Dan Conseen, Zena Wolfe, all the singers and beautiful flowers. Thanks to Joanne and Terri Henry, Bea and Chevella, Myrtle and Penny, Yonnie Squirell, Misty and Mika, and thank you Abe and Lou and Lawrence and Sharon. Thanks to Crisp Funeral Home, Grave Digger and Pallbearers. Thank you to the people who stopped by the church. Kevin will be forever in our hearts.

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Step up to the plate

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Next month, filing for tribally-elected seats will begin and end. The window for registering for the primary election is March 1 through March 15. All Tribal Council seats are up for election, as are the offices of Principal Chief, Vice Chief, and half of the Cherokee School Board. Now is the time to ask questions, check records, and listen. In politics, being able to read between the lines is a critical skill.

Throughout the next several months leading up to the election, you will have multiple opportunities to gain insight into the candidates that will be running for office. No one should choose for you who you will vote for in the upcoming elections. It is your right to vote for what and who you please. It is your responsibility to yourself, your family, your community, and your future to make an informed vote. Whether you think we have good governance or believe we need new management, back your thought with substantial evidence. Solid evidence is not hearsay. It is not gossip. It is not social media. It would be an interesting study to find out how many great leaders we have missed out on because someone had a public relations firm or campaign manager who didn't mind slinging mud and destroying reputations for the sake of getting their client elected and promoting their agendas for the sake of a buck or a little power.

Let us make election season a time of truth-telling and transparency, for all candidates, not just the incumbents. There was a recent, although months' long debate in Tribal Council regarding the election ordinance. Part of a long discussion was whether candidates should be held to the same reporting and ethical standards as someone who is already holding a seat and has taken an oath of office. I believe that if we are not going to hold candidates to the same scrutiny as elected officials, then how can we, the constituents, go to effectively gauge these candidates? If the hang-up is that they haven't sworn an oath, then let's create one

that they can take when they pay their filing fee and register as a candidate. A candidate's record and their ethics should be open for all to see. Any candidates. Regardless as to whether they hold a seat. Period.

There is a fine line between the blame game and accountability. In a political season, we, the people, are making decisions that the generations after us will live. We must examine critical decisions made by our leaders and hold them accountable for them. Many of those choices will be something to celebrate, some of the options will cause us to condemn.

There is no clear regulation within the Cherokee Code regarding vote buying. Some of us, sadly, have no problem with being bribed for our vote. With no thought about the future and what that vote might mean to their children and progeny beyond, one of the most valuable privileges in our tribal democracy is traded for what equates to 30 pieces of silver. The good old boy (or girl) system of back scratching for votes is a stumbling block for good governance. In this regard, it is not only candidates who must be held to a high standard. There are those in our community who will engage in manipulative behavior at the cost of high standards. Remember you are constituents of a seat, or position, not an individual.

You set the criteria for the chair that a person is vying to hold, whether it be a Tribal Council representatives' seat, the seat of the Chief or Vice Chief, or a seat on the School Board. It is your moral responsibility to set the standard for the position and to ensure that you select, either through election or re-election, the person who best fits the qualifications you have set for that seat. And no bribe, short term gratification, promise, or compliment should sway you from your obligation. I think vote buying, bribery, or any coercion of that sort should be reported as a potential ethics violation to the Office of Internal Audit, whether it is an elected official or a candidate who doesn't hold a seat. Our tribal leadership should get behind stiff penalties to be placed in law that would deter that behavior.

To speak with someone regarding any suspected violation of ethics, contact the EBCI Office of Internal Audit at (828) 359-7030. The Ethics Officer is Barak Myers (828) 359-7074, baramyer@nc-choke.com and the Ethics Specialist is Donald Parker II (828) 359-7072, donparke@nc-choke.com).

The only excuse for less than 100 percent turnout of registered voters in our tribal elections should be mental or physical incapacity. There is no excuse for voter apathy. The mindset that “nothing is going to change, so why bother” is a copout for the laziness of mind and body. If you are not going to vote, then do not bother to register

to vote. Voting is serious business. It is our foundation. A government of the people, by the people, for the people depends on the citizenry to be active and a part of the process.

If you plan on being a candidate for any of the elected offices of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the One Feather would like for you to provide us with your contact information. Please send your mailing address, a phone number that you don’t mind the community having, and an email address. We want to provide the community every opportunity to talk to you all. We already highlight the contact information of Tribal Council, Principal Chief, and Vice Chief. We

have requested additional contact information from the CCS School Board to share with the public as well. You may start sending your info in now. We will publish it. If for some reason, you decide against filing or are disqualified, we will remove that contact information from our public notices.

We are now taking question suggestions from the community to consider for the 2019 Tribal Government Debate series coming up in June. We hope that you will either submit a question to us at the One Feather, or bring your questions to the debate, or both. We would love to see a full house there at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural

and Performing Arts Center on the CCS campus. EBCI Communications will also be providing cable and streaming access to the debates, as well as replays on the internet and channel 28 as in previous years.

Why do we bother? Because you are important, and you make the difference. We believe that we have the best government when you are informed, you engage, and you make a choice. I always find it sadder than amusing that many of the tribal members who complain about government likely do not vote (based on voter turnout figures) in tribal elections.

You and I have much to think about over the next few months. People will tickle our ears with things we want to hear but are not necessarily good for us in the long run. Listen, be mindful, not just to what they say, but how they say it. Don’t let family feuds or unfounded gossip lead you to poor decisions. Don’t use your vote like a purchase on the impulse aisle at Walmart. They put trinkets there to entice you to buy things you don’t need and will not add value to your life but are cheap and make you think they will take care of an immediate desire in your life, a quick fix. You have instincts, use them. When something sounds too good to be true, question it; research it. Remember that no one person embodies absolute good or perfect evil. You and I must use wisdom and discernment when evaluating the people who will either continue to move the tribe forward or be the new person to carry the tribe forward. Whether you are a potential candidate or constituent, it is time to step up to the plate.

AROUND THE BOUNDARY

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Covington Catholic incident displays major flaws in society

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When I was a young school kid in Missouri, I remember the bullying, much of it based on what I was. Taunts of war whooping and “do a rain dance,” were commonplace. Then came a smirk of one who stood in my face and stated, “What are you going to do about it Tonto?” This went on while teachers watched and did nothing, and I knew if I threw a punch, I’d be the one to get in trouble. These were the same teachers who taught that Indians live in tee pees.

A viral YouTube video sparking outrage showed privileged private school kids taunting an elder native activist, Nathan Phillips, with one kid smirking in his face. It’s hard not to be angry with the kids. Being disrespectful to an elder isn’t something we should tolerate.

However, much of the media coverage didn’t tell the whole story. As for Phillips, the stories about his military service were misleading. The media’s response overall was almost apologetic to the boys, one of whose family had obviously used the services of a public relations agency. The ensuing coverage was calling on us to not rush to judgment, and it also was business as usual when it comes to their coverage of Native Americans.

Two marches happened that day, Jan. 18, the Indigenous Peoples March, which Phillips was attending. The boys who did the taunting were sent by their school, Covington Catholic High School of Park Hills, Ky., to attend the March for Life. While the boys were

waiting at the Lincoln Memorial, the Indigenous Peoples March began to meet at that point. Also, at that location were religious (and I use that term loosely) speakers shouting racial slurs and insults at the boys (and the natives). That’s where the trouble started.

Since that all came out, questions over Phillips’ military service after being led to believe he served in Vietnam also were brought out. He was never deployed to Vietnam, but he did serve in the Marines from 1972-76. Much of what was put out to elevate his status to war hero was misleading, and it’s fuzzy just how much misleading Phillips did himself. The public can make its own determinations about Phillips’ credibility, and as for the group hurling insults at the boys and the natives, they don’t deserve to be heard.

I’ll concede that these are kids. They grow up. However, exactly how much these kids will grow is something I question. How about instead of hiring a PR firm and a libel attorney, teach these kids about consequences, remorse and respect, especially for elders? Whatever anyone else said to them makes no difference. Their behavior was unacceptable, and the chaperones who let it happen bear some responsibility. Make no mistake, those boys have been taught that their culture, race, and identity are superior to others. They need to be untaught, and that’s on their teachers and parents. Everyone involved, the schools, parents, chaperones and students need to be held accountable for their behavior that day, and attorneys and PR agents aren’t the

way to do that.

The media was also irresponsible in not getting the whole story, and their walking things back was equally irresponsible. Their whole treatment of Native Americans in general is irresponsible. The coverage the Indigenous Peoples March got pales in comparison to that of the March for Life, and the whole issue of racism against Native Americans, which was clearly on display in all its ugliness, was mostly ignored by the media in the aftermath. This time, “What are you going to do about it Tonto?” was delivered with a smirk to all of Native America, and the mainstream media just turned its back. I can fill a book about its flawed coverage of other native issues. The media must do a better job of covering Native America. There was a plethora of issues it could’ve covered within the march itself.

All of us need to raise our chil-

dren to be better than this, and that message has astoundingly been lost through all the arguments over social media behavior, Phillips’ reputation and how much the media was supposedly out to destroy the lives of these boys (Trust me; they’ll be fine.). They need to be taught the relationship tribes have with this country and its states. It’s in the Constitution. We all need to teach how the differences in backgrounds and cultures enhance our society. Most of all, children need to learn respect for the elders, all children and all elders. They went through a lot to get us here, and that deserves respect.

While it is important to temper our reactions to what we see and hear while remembering there’s always another side, we also need to call out and correct bad behavior when we see it, and there was nothing wrong with calling these boys out on their behavior.



COMMENTARY

President Trump is the worst president in the history of the United States

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

President Donald Trump is the worst president this country has ever seen. His antics make Gerald Ford look non-clumsy and well put-together.

Ok, do I believe that? No, I don't...to be honest, it would be impossible to judge a "worst" president. There are too many parameters, and it really doesn't matter. This commentary isn't about President Trump at all.

Did I get you? Did you read the headline and topic sentences and start gathering your comments and fake news memes to respond to me before you even read the rest of this?

I'm sure some readers probably did comment on this and have no idea that it's just a test.

How many times do we see, on social media, people commenting on articles that they've never read. It's very, very common to read a comment within a thread on Facebook asking, "Did you even read the article?" Many times, the answer is no.

Ray Bradbury, 20th Century American author and screenwriter, once noted, "You don't have to burn books to destroy a culture. Just get people to stop reading them."

While I'm not talking about reading books in this commentary, his thoughts ring true to this discussion. Too many times people go off on others in online debates without having

any knowledge of what they're even debating. Commenting on an article without reading the entire article is like trying to play basketball without ever having learned the rules. It doesn't make any sense.

We all have opinions, and these days, people's opinions and sides are stronger than they have been in my lifetime. It's not uncommon for discussions on Facebook threads to turn ugly quickly if you have people on different sides of an issue. Mention the worst four-letter word in our dictionary at the moment – race – and you've got a full-scale war brewing.

One news outlet, NRKbeta in Norway, has experimented with an idea that I think is brilliant. They

have been requiring readers to take a quiz on an article before commenting on it. "We thought we should do our part to try and make sure that people are on the same page before they comment. If everyone can agree that this is what the article says, then they have a much better basis for commenting on it," Stale Grut, a NRKbeta journalist, was quoted as saying in an article on Niemanlab.org.

A Forbes magazine article from three years ago entitled "59 percent of you will share this article without even reading it" brought up some interesting points. In the piece, Jayson DeMers wrote, "A recent study ('Social Clicks: What and Who Gets Read in Twitter') confirmed this phenomenon isn't in our heads; in fact, 59 percent of all links shared on social networks aren't actually clicked on at all, implying the majority of article shares aren't based on actual reading. People are sharing articles without ever getting past the headlines."

This isn't surprising, but it is sad. I think we've all seen people share articles and memes that seem to contradict one another as to their message. The above phenomenon would explain such behavior.

In closing, just read the articles or scroll past without commenting on them if you're not interested. And, when commenting, remember to remain respectful – not just here on the One Feather page but everywhere. Hall of Fame baseball player, the late Jackie Robinson summed it up best when he once said, "I'm not concerned with your liking or disliking me...all I ask is that you respect me as a human being."



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First day of our casino business - 25 years ago

PATRICK LAMBERT
FORMER PRINCIPAL CHIEF

I want to tell you a true story. One that I'm sure everyone of us can add to the credits, and visualize our own role in its unfolding. I won't try to include everyone that has had a starring role in this story but I will mention a few from my perspective that has been instrumental in reaching this point in our story.

First I want to point out that it is our nature to commemorate and honor important dates in our lives or in our shared history. Whether those dates are birthdays, anniversaries or milestones tracked by years, we all have a need to acknowledge, remember and reflect upon dates when something important or life changing happened on a particular date.

Surprisingly enough one date just passed last week and not the first person, to my knowledge, even acknowledged it or mentioned it.

On Jan. 25, 1994, twenty-five years ago... our Tribe opened for play our very first "fully compacted and legal" slot machines! There had been some games played prior to that date but not legally; however on that date, 1-25-94, after thousands of hours of work and planning we got our first machines opened that were lawful under an approved NIGC Compact between our Tribe and the State of North Carolina!

There are so many stories leading up to that date that should be told and so many stories after that date that also need to be told and preserved. Stories that involve

political intrigue, legal battles, personal sacrifice, professional efforts and successes, and above all the impacts that date has had on our community and Cherokee Families.

There are many who had a role in that first day, some of whom... are gone now. I can't help but wonder... where would we be now without that first day. Remember the stories of our Tribe borrowing money just to make payroll for the month? Or even asking our business owners to pay their tribal Levy early for the month so we could pay our bills.

I was fortunate enough to have been on the front lines of this pivotal date in our history and have had a front row seat for the past 25 years seeing our advancements and accomplishments. Since that date 25 years ago we have had many enrolled members to step up and give it their all for our Tribe to make us a success and, unfortunately, there have been many who have succumbed to greed and excess and caused major problems for many.

I think back about the times we were arguing over who the management company for our new casino should be and the companies called, "Casino Magic" and "Grand Casinos" along with "Harrah's" each paid \$150,000 for the right to bid on the casino project. There was much political strife and the Tribal Council was split between all three for several months. There are many stories that each of us can remember from those days and how those stories impacted our Casino operations to this day.

I can detail specifically from a legal

perspective how we got to where we are from the early days when we sued Governor Martin and the State of North Carolina in 1992 for bad faith negotiations, to finally entering into a Compact with Governor Hunt in August 1994, to establishing the first Certification Commission and hearings, to drafting all the original gaming, TCGE and Per Capita ordinances, to hiring our first GM in our original Tribal Casino and negotiating the original management agreement with Harrah's to each and every expansion of the Casino Property, Compact extensions and Management Agreement renegotiations and during each of those events how the political intrigue, legal wrangling and power and reach of our Tribe grew and changed!

I feel blessed to have been a big part of all these major milestones and am most happy for the wealth it brought our Tribe. The most important thing we can do now is to find a way to preserve this wealth for our future generations but unfortunately it seems we are more bent on spending than on saving.

The older I get the more I realize that many of our tribal leaders don't worry about yesterday or tomorrow... they only concern themselves with today and how can they better feather their own nests. I think we once again need to step back and think about how much waste, fraud and abuse of our Tribal Resources is being done. But, let me warn you, peeling back that onion can leave tears in your eyes... I know. But, it has to... needs to... be done!

I do hope and pray, that for our

children and grandchildren's sake, we soon begin, or re-begin, the process of thinking ahead for several generations and look at the excesses of our Tribal Government. We must turn away from immediate gratification and self-serving interests that cost our Tribe millions and rob our children.

Someday, but hopefully not soon, those golden eggs may disappear, and we will all look back and think... did we really need to spend all those multi-millions on useless and wasted travel, cars, equipment, credit cards, time clock theft, and general waste? It is a hard stance to take, but do we really need 1000 new cars, trucks, cars, etc., plus all these credit cards with very limited to no oversight on the expenses charged? Or for land purchases that have no benefit for our Tribe or Tribal Members?

I go down that road only to prove the point that some of our leaders don't seem to look to our past for guidance or to even acknowledge where we came from. And, certainly don't appear to have any real plan for our future security and protection of our members tribal resources.

Was an important anniversary, 25 years, not recognized and acknowledged because the current leaders don't even know our recent past? Or, am I just too sentimental and a 25-year milestone is just not that important?

To me that date, 1-25-94, marks a definite time we could all celebrate and look back on as a date when we began down a real

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A wall is a good place to start

JOSH HOLLOWAY
SNOWBIRD COMMUNITY

The recent government shutdown accomplished very little and showed the American citizens just how divisive and tribal we have become. What's even more disturbing is that we have attributed our need, or lack thereof, for border security to be determined by which political party we belong to. Estimates have put the cost of the shutdown to the tune of some \$11 billion but most of this will be recouped via our current strong economy. A bigger fear is that which can't be easily recouped: an ever-growing hostile political landscape that has pitted us against each other with no real resolution in sight.

Those who always look for something to "bash Trump" with did so with the government shutdown club. Those who are his staunch supporters dug in even further and lambasted the idea of open borders. Is Donald Trump to blame for the shutdown? Absolutely. But not any more than the Democrats who have openly voted, on a couple of recent occasions, for walls or fences to be built along our southern border. What changed from 2006 and 2013 till now that caused Democrats to do a 180 on wall building? If a wall is ineffective and "anti-immigrant" are those Democrats that previously voted in favor of wall building anti-immigrant?

One undeniable and indisputable fact that can be answered and vouched for by security experts alike is that physical barriers or "walls"

DO work. They even worked here in pre-Colombian America when tribes would often fight amongst each other. And yes, Native Americans did build defensive walls, usually made of wood and more akin to a palisade structure, to defend villages and important structures from other tribes. Even pre-Colombian Cherokee (and post) built fortified structures for defensive measures; what we would call walls in today's vernacular. Did this make our ancestors "racist" or discriminatory towards other tribes? Hardly. But, it was definitely thought of as a necessity at the time by our ancestors to do what was needed.

Security experts such as the head of the current Customs and Border Patrol agency, Kevin McAleenan who also served in the CBP during the Obama administration, has stated that a border wall system is very much needed to secure our border. Even the former CBP chief during the Obama administration, Mark Morgan, has come out recently advocating for stronger border security including building a wall. And while a wall by itself couldn't serve every single border security purpose, it would be a very important building block in upgrading our border security to the point of keeping people out who aren't supposed to be here.

In cities along the border, wall-like structures that were recently built have already proven their usefulness. In San Diego in 1986, almost 630,000 arrests were made for illegal border crossings. In 2018, that number dropped to 26,086 making San Diego go from one of the easiest places to cross the border to one of the

hardest. A border wall system built in the 90s and frequently upgraded is what happened. In El Paso, another border town, something similar happened once a wall was built in strategic parts of the border. What is unique about El Paso is that it sits directly across from one of the most crime ridden cities in the world, Ciudad Juarez. What is also unique is that much of the violence in Juarez has not spilled over into El Paso even though they are so close in proximity. This, too, is attributed to a wall coupled with strong border security.

And, for those of you still skeptical about border security and building "walls" know that roughly 52 percent of all Customs and Border Patrol agents are Hispanic, mostly Mexican. All are American citizens. And all see the importance of securing our borders.

Any and every type of group of people imaginable relies solely on its future existence on being able to defend its way of life and ensure that the next generation of its people can do the same. It would be unfathomable to think that a lack of security would be the same as maximum security and that somehow these two could have the same results. The fact of the matter is that walls, barriers, fences etc. serve a unique purpose to thwart and even deter illegal border crossings. Should we solely rely on "walls" to secure our borders? Absolutely not. Both sides of the isle have agreed and do agree with this. But a wall is a good place to start.

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path of financial self-determination. We have a real opportunity still ahead of us and it's not too late... we can still begin the process of living like we are fiduciaries and stewards for our Children and Grandchildren's money! We should watch every dime and save everywhere we can... Jan. 25, 1994 will always be important in my mind.

It's the day we legally began this journey in the Casino Business.

Someday I may try to tell the internal stories and the details of how events unfolded. I can share my recollections on how we came to these certain points and decisions, and I can share the political intrigue of the times when these matters were going on. It's a story that I believe will be of big interest to many and is certainly a

story important for our Tribe and our historical accounts.

In the meantime, I implore you to be vigilant, hold our leaders accountable and insist on them being good, honest and faithful stewards for our public money and Tribal resources.

Talk again soon. May God bless our Elders and our Cherokee Families.

Benefits/Fundraisers

Turkey Shoots at Jesse Welch's Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. Feb. 9 at 5 p.m., fundraiser for Jaylinne's 8th grade class trip. **Feb. 16** at 5 p.m., fundraiser for the James Welch family. Good prizes, good fun, good benefit. All are welcome.

Cultural Events

Cherokee Heritage Day. Feb. 9 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Celebrating Kagali "Hungry Month", all-day activities are free to the public. Storytelling at 11 a.m. Other activities include: stamped card making, clay heart-shaped medallions, painting/drawing demonstration, and more. Info:

497-3481

Native Youth Fabric Design Sessions. March 7 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., March 14 from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., and April 4 from 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the EBCI Extension Office. Create a custom fabric design that represents Cherokee culture. Designs will be sent to Durham and made into an actual piece of fabric to use in creating clothing for the Kanasesgi Fashion Show. Info: Sally Dixon 359-6936

Bean Bread Classes for EBCI Members. March 10 and March 17 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at Cherokee Choices Community Room in the Ginger Lynn Welch

Complex. Instructor will be Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver Johnson. All ingredients will be provided. \$15 per person (cash only), two-hour class, 12 people per class. This event is sponsored by the Right Path Adult Leadership Alumni. Info: Tara McCoy 359-5542

General Events

Homebuyer Education Class. Feb. 5 and 7 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Division of Housing Conference Room located at 756 Acquoni Road. Learn what homeownership is all about. Info: Tina Larch 359-6912 or Shelby Hornbuckle 359-6917

"Whispers in the Cemetery: The Stones Tell All" to be presented

at Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society meeting. Feb. 7 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. Karen Marcus, long-time genealogist, will share the history and symbols that can be found on grave stones in the area and discuss how these can be used to solve some genealogical mysteries. This event is free and open to the public and conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. Info: <http://www.swaingenealogy.com>

Swain County Democratic Party meeting. Feb. 9 at 10 a.m. at the United Community Bank at 145 Slope St. in Bryson City

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Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	N/A	All Day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	BWO, Winter Stone, Dark Caddis, Midges	Streamers, Stonefly imitations, Para Adams, Zug Bug, Prince nymph, Pheasant tail
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by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Bethel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
 2. Moses and Aaron were instructed to sacrifice what color of heifer without blemish? *Red, White, Gold, Green*
 3. Which book (KJV) begins, "Paul, an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God"? *Mark, Romans, Galatians, Ephesians*
 4. How many righteous people did Sodom need to keep God from destroying the city? *1, 2, 10, 20*
 5. Which Old Testament woman was buried in a cave in the field of Machpelah? *Eve, Ruth, Sarah, Esther*
 6. From 2 Kings 17, who was the god of the men of Cuth? *Succothbenoth, Nergal, Hamath, Ashima*
- ANSWERS: 1) Neither; 2) Red; 3) Ephesians; 4) 10; 5) Sarah; 6) Nergal
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(entrance in rear of building). All are welcome. Agenda will include planning for 2019. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

ETC Course hosted by EBCI Public Safety Communications Center. Feb. 11-15 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day at the Center. The course fee is \$300, but EBCI tribal members presenting an enrollment card can enroll for \$50. Info: Joshua Turner, course instructor, 497-4131, joshturn@nc-chokeee.com or Atreyu Queen, Public Safety Communications Center manager, 359-6435, atrequee@nc-chokeee.com

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

Health/Sports Events
Cherokee Life Recreation Youth Softball and Baseball registration. Now through Feb. 15 at 4 p.m. Register at the Birdtown Gym. Baseball: 8U, cannot be 9-years-old by April 30; 10U, cannot be 11-years-old by April 30; 12U, cannot be 13 years old by April 30. Softball: 8U, cannot be 9-years-old by Jan. 1; 10U, cannot be 11-years-old by Jan. 1; 12U, cannot be 13-years-old by Jan. 1. If you are

interested in coaching, contact Peaches Squirrel 359-6890 or miansqui@nc-chokeee.com

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

Community Groups
Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule
Monday:
Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Finding Tohi: 10 - 11am
Cherokee Culture: 11am - 12:30pm
Step by Step: 1:30 - 2:30pm
The 12 Steps of Yoga (located at Cherokee Choices): 2:30 - 4pm
Recovery Support: 4:30 - 6pm
Hi-De-Nv (Come with me) Recovery Support Group: 5 - 6pm
Tuesday:
Emotions: 9 - 11am

Life Recovery: 3 - 4pm
Wednesday:
Wrap: 9:15 - 10am
Wild Wednesday: 10:15am - 12pm
Adulting 101: 12 - 1pm
Healthy Boundaries: 1 - 2pm
Soulfit: 2 - 3:30pm
Staff Meeting: 3:30 - 4:30pm
We Belong: 5 - 6pm
Peacemaking Support Circle: 5 - 6pm
Thursday:
Life Recovery: 8:30 - 9:30am
Staff Meeting: 9 - 10am
Mindfulness Crochet: 10:30am - 12pm
Creative Writing: 1 - 3pm
Employment Skills: 3 - 4pm
Friday:
Wrap: 9 - 10am
Creative Recovery: 9 - 11am
Courage to Heal: 11am - 12pm
Fit for Recovery : 12:45 - 2:15pm
Cherokee Language & Culture: 2:30 - 4pm
All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. The only classes that are open to the public are: Life Recovery, Recovery Support, Two Spirit and Peacemaking Support Circle. Info: 497-6892.

CIHA Bariatric Support Group meets every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian

Hospital from 12-1pm in the Soco Gap Training Room. Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. – Nilofer Couture 497-9163 ext. 6459, Linda Johnson ext. 6317, Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean Walborn ext. 7569

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

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

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

Churches and Other Non-profit Organizations

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 deadline
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**Cherokee Central
 Schools Position
 Openings**

(Open until Filled):

- **Middle Grades 6-8 Special Education Autism Classroom Teacher** - Must have a valid NC Teaching license in Special Education or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor's degree in related field.
- **Middle Grades 6-8 Special Education Inclusion Teacher (Two positions)** - Must have a valid NC Teaching license in Special Education or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor's degree in related field.
- **Middle Grades 6-8 Special Education Teacher** - Must have a valid NC Teaching license in Special Education or eligible to receive licensure based on bachelor's degree in related field.
- **Substitute Teacher** - Must have high school diploma/GED with Sub 101 certification; or Associate's Degree; or Bachelor's Degree.
- **Part Time Custodian** - Must have high school diploma/GED.
- **Security Gate Monitor (Part-Time; On-Call)** - Must have high school diploma/GED.

****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 for more information.



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Finance Director – Administration

Opens 02/04/19
Closes 02/19/19

Snowbird Child Development - Teacher's Aide Until filed

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

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.



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EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 359-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

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

Open until Filled

1. Certified Nursing Assistant – Tribal In Home Care Services – PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Part – Time Paramedic (Multiple) – EMS – Public Safety (L8 \$16.40 - \$20.50)
3. Teacher – Qualla Boundary EHS/HS – PHHS (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
4. Utility Worker – Tribal Construction – Operations (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
5. Truck Driver – Tribal Construction – Operations (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
6. Deputy Clerk – Tribal Court – Judicial Branch (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
7. Family Safety Manager – Family Safety – PHHS (L16 \$70,192 - \$87,740)
8. Crew Leader/Operator/Well Technician – Tribal Construction (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
9. Director of Information Technology – IT (L15 \$64,206 - \$80,258)
10. Detention Officer – Corrections – CIPD (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
11. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant – Kituwah Preservation & Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
12. Part Time Childhood Language Specialist Assistant – Kituwah Preservation & Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation (L6 \$13.64 - \$17.05)
13. Kituwah Academy Teacher – Kituwah Preservation & Education Program – Community/Education/Recreation (L11 \$45,018 - \$56,273)
14. Natural Resources Enforcement Officer (Multiple) – Natural Resources Enforcement – Public Safety (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
15. Patrol Officer (Multiple) – Police Department – Public Safety (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
16. Financial Analyst II – Finance – Treasury (L12 \$49,200 - \$61,500)
17. Water Shed Coordinator – Natural Resources – Agriculture & Natural Resources (L9 \$37,474 - \$46,843)
18. Lead Grants and Contract Analyst – Budget and Finance – Treasury (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
19. Certified Medical Assistant – Tsalagi Public Health – Public Health and Human Service (L5 \$25,830 - \$32,288)
20. Office Assistant – Family Support – Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
21. Housekeeper II Heavy Duty – Housekeeping – Support Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
22. Housekeeper I Light Duty – Housekeeping – Support Services (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
23. Driver Transit – Support Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
24. Utility Worker (Sanitation) – Solid Waste – Administration (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at:
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EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist
Dental Assistant II
Physician – Emergency Room
Physician – Primary Care
Cook – Tsali Care Center
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali
Care Center (10 Positions)
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
RN MDS Coordinator – Tsali Care
Center
RN – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)
PTR RN – Tsali Care Center
PTI CNA – Tsali Care Center (3
Positions)
PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (2 Posi-
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PTI LPN – Tsali Care Center (3
Positions)



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Residential Treatment Center (2
Positions)

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

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Respiratory Therapist
Child Services Manager – Analenis-
gi

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close February 14, 2019 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **2/13pd**

Mandara Spa positions Position: Massage Therapist

Job Description: The Massage Therapist role is to provide and maintain the highest standards of massage therapy and recommendations for home care. A massage therapist must provide excellent guest care, and create a feeling of rest and relaxation for spa guests, resulting in high retention and increased treatment and retail sales.

Applicants must possess a current NC massage license, applicants must be self motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays.

Position: Cosmetologist
****Signing Bonus Offered****

Job Description: To provide high quality, professional hair and

nail services to clients. Educate the guest regarding home maintenance and the benefit of additional services.

Applicants must be self motivated and responsible. Required to have open availability, work evenings, weekends, and holidays. Able to maintain a professional appearance at all times. Able to maintain work station in accordance with North Carolina State Board sanitation/sterilization procedures. Must have a current NC cosmetology license. We are currently offering a sign on bonus for this position.

Position: Female Spa Attendants

Job Description: To provide and maintain the highest standards of customer service and create a feeling of comfort and relaxation for our guests that result in repeat client visits and increased treatment and retail sales for Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee. Spa Attendants are responsible for checking in guests, giving guest orientation, and ensuring all linen towels and beverages are always clean, prepared and well stocked. Applicants must be willing to learn our operating Book 4 Time system and be proficient in basic computer knowledge and skills.

Applicants must have an exemplary client service skills. Be able to maintain a professional appearance at all times. Have the ability to empathize with clients. Must be self motivated with "can-do" attitude, have good communication and organizational skills. Must have positive attitude and support Spa directives. Must be tactful, mature and able to get along with diverse personalities.

For additional information contact Bruce Taylor, Spa Director at (828) 497-8552. **2/6 pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Nurse Manager – Behavioral Health
CMS Supervisor – Primary Care
RN – Wound Care
Master Level Therapist – Justice
Center
RN MDS Coordinator – Tsali Care
Center
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close February 7, 2019 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **2/6pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-001

In the Matter of the Estate of Bessie Bird Welch

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
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Agnes K. Welch, P.O. Box 1997,
Cherokee NC 28719. **2/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-005

In the Matter of the Estate of Helen May Dorothy McCoy Smith

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

Travis Kent Smith, 5 Bird Hill Road, Cherokee NC 28719. **2/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-004

In the Matter of the Estate of Cynthia Barnes Crowe

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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

Warren H. Crowe Jr., 121 Super Crowe Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/6pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-079

In the Matter of the Estate of George Henry Lambert

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below.

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

Jennifer Blanton, 860 Union Hill, Whittier, NC 28789. **2/13pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-007

In the Matter of the Estate of Wallace Herbert St. Clair

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

Sharon Bradley, P.O. Box 2048, Cherokee NC 28719. **2/13pd**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS
BY PUBLICATION

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
In the Tribal Court

**In the Matter of K.W.,
File No. CVJ 18-021
TO: The Unknown Father of
Minor Child K.W.**

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.W. is a neglected, dependent and drug endangered child, filed in the Tribal Court on March 7, 2018. A court order from the Tribal Court directing that service of process on you take place by publication was entered on January 17, 2019.

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 respond 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 30th day of January 2019.

Sybil G. Mann, Family Safety Program Attorney, P.O. Box 455
Cherokee, N.C. 28719
(828)359-1559
N.C. Bar No. 16729
2/13pd

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Kevin Brian Smith

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

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS

FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION

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

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Donna Eugeneia Arch

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

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

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

In the Matter of the Estate of Jonathan Nathaniel Toineeta

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

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

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 2019 E 000019
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Nell Beck Crowe**

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
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Robin Darlene Swayney, P.O.
Box 2137, Cherokee NC 28719,
2/20pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-011
**In the Matter of the Estate of
James Richard George**

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
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Donna S. George, P.O. Box 665,
Cherokee NC 28719, **2/20pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-055
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Henry Queen**

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

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
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Joseph Lawrence Johnson "Buddy",
8259 Big Cove Rd, Cherokee NC
28719. **2/27pd**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

Kituwah, LLC is seeks competitive proposals from a qualified and appropriately licensed contractor to design and develop interior office renovations. The qualified vendor will significantly improve the interior workspace and provide construction service. The "stay-put" renovation will allow the work at Kituwah, LLC to continue throughout the duration of the project with minimal scheduled interruptions. The interior renovation will need to be during office hours (M-F 7:45am – 4:30pm). Services needed, but limited to: demolition and removal of interior cabinets in two areas of building, design and construct five (5) offices and a large conference room. Design and construction of kitchen/breakroom area new sink, faucet and cabinets. Office areas will need receptacles, light switches and other devices relocated. Repair and replace of ceiling tile as required for demolition. Walk throughs are recommended and can scheduled by calling Kristin Smith at 828-477-4553.

Interested individuals or companies may request the request for proposals from:
Kristin Smith P.O. BOX 366, Chero-

kee, NC 28719 - 828 477 4553,
kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com

Requirements and submission instructions are in the RFP. Proposals must be submitted before close of business, 4:00 pm EST, February 14, 2019. Submissions sent after this time will not be considered. This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. Kituwah, LLC reserves the right to decline any proposals received.
2/6pd

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

2019 Teen Miss Cherokee Crown

- 9" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)
 - Use any colors/design for personal touch
 - Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.
- 2019 Junior Miss Cherokee Crown
- 7" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)
 - Use any colors/design for personal touch
 - Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.
- 2019 Little Miss Cherokee Crown
- 5" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)

- Use any colors/design for personal touch
- Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.

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

Request for Bids

American South would like to invite you to bid on the Ramsey Activity Center Façade Replacement at Western Carolina University on February 19th, 2019. The project consists of demolition and retrofit of the existing envelope of the Ramsey Regional Activities Center. Work includes retro-fit of the curtainwall, new insulated metal panel facade with cold formed metal framing backup, canopy retrofit and electrical work. Modifications to doors, hardware and louvers will be included. Roof and waterproofing system were both recently replaced, but there will be tie into both. and other Work indicated in the Contract Documents. Please contact Seth Chambers at schambers@americansouthgsc.com with any questions or access to bid documents. **2/13pd**



EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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