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Harrah's Cherokee donates van to Post 143

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

Cherokee's Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 is one of the most active organizations on the Qualla Boundary and is seen at many events throughout the year. Now, getting to those events will be easier...and, with more leg room.

Harrah's Cherokee donated a 15-passenger van to Post 143 in a small event at the Council House on Friday, Feb. 1. Lumpy Lambert, Harrah's Cherokee assistant general manager, gave the keys to Post 143 Commander Lew Harding and signed the van's title over to the Post.

"Thank you all very, very much," said Harding.

Harding added, "I would like to thank Lumpy (Lambert) for helping with the initiative, and for being willing to follow through with the initiative."

"Everything that comes to us, we recycle back into the community in the form of service, and we are very grateful for the help from our tribal leadership."

Lambert commented, "It is a great honor for us to be able to donate back to the Steve Youngdeer Post 143. To the veterans, for all they have done, it is just an honor for us to be able to give back to the community just as they continue to give in their volunteer efforts. Part of our commitment is community involvement, and this is another way that we are proud to be a part of the community and proud to donate a tool, a vehicle, that will be utilized within the community to everyone's benefit."

Post 143 is paying it forward with this gift as well. They are giving their current Chevy Suburban to the VFW Post 8013 for their Canines for Warriors program.

During Friday's event, Harding told of a new initiative Post 143 is working on to help position three



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Harrah's Cherokee donated a 15-passenger van to the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 on Friday, Feb. 1. Here, Lumpy Lambert (3rd from right, front row), Harrah's Cherokee assistant general manager, presents the keys to Post 143 Commander Lew Harding (4th right, front row) as tribal officials, Harrah's officials and Post 143 members look on.

flag poles (U.S. flag, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians flag, and North Carolina state flag) in front of the Council House. Harding said that Principal Chief Michell Hicks asked that the flag area be dedicated to American POW/MIAs.

"We are looking forward to getting this done as quickly as possible, definitely by the spring time," Harding said. "It is lighted. It is landscaped and will have stonework around it, and there will be a concrete bench there. Many times we come down here, and the entire world seems to be standing in front of the Council House so we're going to have a place for some people to sit, the ladies anyway."

At the end of Friday's event, Harding presented Chief Hicks, Vice Chief Larry Blythe and Chairman Jim Owle with plaques of appreciation



Steve Youngdeer Post 143 Commander Lew Harding (left) presents Principal Chief Michell Hicks with a plaque of appreciation for his help with bringing the Vietnam Memorial Traveling Wall to Cherokee last October.



Commander Harding (right in both photos) presents plaques of appreciation to Vice Chief Larry Blythe (above) and Chairman Jim Owle (below).



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White House official speaks as USET meeting opens in DC

WASHINGTON - The second term for President Barack Obama is underway and Tribal Nations will be involved with new initiatives according to White House Deputy Associate Counsel Charles Galbraith. Galbraith says Tribal leaders have a lot of credibility with Congressional leaders.

Speaking to the USET Board of Directors on Monday, Feb. 4, Galbraith told Tribal Leaders there is a need to work diligently on issues. He illustrated by discussing the VAWA reauthorization, which is expected to have Congressional discussion this week.

"This bill has 60 co-sponsors (in the Senate). We only needed 60 votes to get this bill (VAWA) to pass. That is thanks to the hard work by Tribal leaders in this room. We're going to be OK in the Senate. This (passage of the bill) is going to take a lot of work on the House side. A lot of people care about what Tribal Leaders think about this issue and others. Your voice is going to get this across the finish line," Galbraith Stated.

The President's domestic agenda include immigration, gun violence, fiscal situation, and climate change. How do these issues make an impact or involve Tribal Nations? Galbraith mentioned the White House has supported Indian Country issues like the Carcieri Fix, and continues to do so. He says the President's agenda includes tackling issues on immigration, gun violence, the nation's fiscal situation, and climate change.

"These national priorities may seem far away, but they make an impact on Indian Country every day," Galbraith told USET. He mentioned that issues like gun violence may not happen as frequently or hit the headlines, but it makes an impact on Indian Country. On issues like gun



White House Deputy Associate Counsel Charles Galbraith speaks on the opening day of the USET Impact Meeting in Washington, DC on Monday, Feb. 4.

violence Galbraith says the President has rolled out a plan that is reasonable. The plan works to close the background check loopholes, banning certain assault weapons and high capacity magazines, and increasing access to mental health services.

Galbraith says the White House is working to avoid fiscal situations that could be happens in the coming days? According to published reports, "Sequestration is broad, automatic, across-the-board cuts to most categories of government spending. These are scheduled to take effect on March 1. Social Security, Medicaid, targeted anti-poverty programs, military pay, and the operational cost of ongoing wars are exempted. Benefits

for Medicare patients won't be touched, but payment rates to providers will."

Galbraith said, "No one here needs to be told how important it is to avoid the sequester. This would be something that would be devastating to programs that affect Indian Country. The President has a concrete plan that will make adjustments to some programs like Medicare that will help future generations. But, we need to do more so that we are not balancing the budget on the backs of programs that serve the needs of people, like education."

Galbraith also mentioned that the country will hear a lot more information and action about immigration. He says the President is



Teen Miss Cherokee Bradley Welch gives the opening prayer at Monday's meeting.

calling for action on a policy that will build the framework that cracks down on undocumented works in America. Another issue is climate change. Galbraith says all of Indian Country is feeling the impact of climate change.

Galbraith promised to Tribal leaders, "I am going to be in touch with many of you as we are working on this to make sure that Indian Country is at the table. To make sure that the policies that we roll out have Tribal input. This is a very complex set of issues and makes an impact on different part of the country in different ways."

Galbraith finished by saying that USET Tribal Leaders and the White House need to do everything they can to work out these issues and more as there are opportunities to shape legislation that will make positive changes to Indian Country for the next decade.

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MIXED MARTIAL ARTS Hornbuckle gets win at LFC17



DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather contributor
EBCI tribal member Dan "The Handler"
Hornbuckle won his fight at Friday's
LFC17.

Dan "The Handler" Hornbuckle, an EBCI tribal member, improved to 23-5 in his mixed martial arts career with a win at the Legacy Fighting Championship 17 in San Antonio, TX on Friday, Feb. 1. Hornbuckle won a unanimous decision (30-27, 30-27, 30-27) over Pete Spratt in the 170lb. division.

Other LFC17 results include:
- Jared Rosholt unanimous decision over Richard Odoms
- Kevin Aguilar unanimous decision over Nick Gonzalez
- Johnny Ray Rodriguez def. Johnny Rodriguez via submission (armbar), Round 1, 3:00
- Patrick Ybarra def. Billy Buch via submission (armbar), Round 1, 1:29
- Reynaldo Trujillo def. James King via (TKO) Round 1, 1:16

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BASKETBALL Rabun Gap sweeps Cherokee

Rabun Gap (Ga.) swept Cherokee's varsity basketball teams on Monday, Jan. 28. The Lady Braves (15-2) lost only their second game of the 2012-13 season. Both losses

have come to teams from Georgia.

The Lady Eagles squeaked out a 62-61 win over the Lady Braves with a 27-point fourth period. The game started fairly even with Rabun Gap leading 16-14 after the first period and Cherokee leading by one point 28-27 at the half.

The Lady Braves outscored the Lady Eagles by 10 in the third period to take an 11-point lead into the final period. But, then Rabun Gap turned it on outscoring Cherokee 27-15 to take the one point win.

Avery Mintz led Cherokee with 23pts followed by Alexis Maney with 20. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Jordyn Thompson 3, Kendall Toineeta 5, Bree Stamper 5, Le Le Lossiah 3 and Deija Burgess 2.

Erica Williams led Rabun Gap with 27pts.

The Braves (9-6) game was not as close as Rabun Gap outscored them 36-20 in the second half to take a 71-43 win. Raven Frankiewicz led Cherokee with 9pts followed by Seth Littlejohn with 6. Other Braves scorers included: Brandt Sutton 4, Jesse Toineeta 6, Hunter Lambert 1, Derrick Ledford 6, Chris Queen 5, Eli Littlejohn 1 and Silas Reed-Littlejohn 4.

Myles Marshall led Rabun Gap with 22pts.

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Park awards first contract in landslide road repair

Work is progressing to repair the landslide which has closed a section of Newfound Gap Road (U.S. 441) within Great Smoky Mountains National Park. Two key steps are already underway to initiate the reconstruction of the road.

A contract has been awarded for the first phase of work to APAC - Atlantic, Harrison Division to develop an access road to the slide area, remove debris, and stabilize the slope above the work area. This phase is estimated to cost around \$200,000 and will prepare the site for the second phase of work which will involve a complete reconstruction of the

roadway. This first phase began on Monday, Jan. 28, and is expected to be completed in a few weeks.

The contracting piece for the second phase, involving the actual road reconstruction, was initiated on Friday, Jan. 25 when Federal Highways Administration (FHWA) posted a pre-solicitation for qualified contractors with interest in repairing the landslide. The contract for this phase of work is estimated to cost between \$3,000,000 and \$7,000,000, and is expected to be awarded by mid-February. Final construction work will begin soon after.

The schedule of the road reconstruction will be determined by the information received in the solicitation package, but is anticipated to be complete by mid-May to early June. Newfound Gap Road will remain closed to thru traffic during the construction, but visitors are still able to access the park to Newfound Gap from the Tennessee side and to Smokemont Campground from the Cherokee entrance.

BASKETBALL Cherokee blasts past Blue Ridge

Both of Cherokee's varsity basketball teams cruised to wins over Blue Ridge on Tuesday, Jan. 29. The Lady Braves (16-2) won 65-37 and the Braves (10-6) won 80-54.

Avery Mintz and Kendall Toineeta led the Lady Braves with 14pts each. Cherokee jumped out early in this one leading 20-6 after the first period and 48-14 at the half. Blue Ridge scored 17 in the final period, but it was too little as the Lady Braves took the win by 28pts.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Jordyn Thompson 10, Bree Stamper 3, Le Le Lossiah 4, Alexis Maney 12, Miranda Smith 1, Deija Burgess 2 and Brianna Jumper 5.

Darby Hickman led Blue Ridge with 15pts. Other Blue Ridge scorers included: Samantha Zamick 2, Venus Ramirez 2, Diane Ramirez 8, Kaylee O'Dwyer 8 and Natasha Bumgarner 2.

Seth Littlejohn led the Braves

with 17pts followed by Jesse Toineeta with 15. This game started out closer than the girls with Cherokee actually trailing by one (16-15) after the first period. They came back some in the second and took a three point lead (33-30) into the locker room.

The second half was different. Cherokee poured it on in the third period outscoring Blue Ridge 24-9. They kept the momentum going in the final period scoring another 23 points to take the 26 point win.

Other Braves scorers included: Brandt Sutton 3, Raven Frankiewicz 12, Kennan Panther 2, Stephen Swan 2, Hunter Lambert 4, Derrick Ledford 6, Chris Queen 3, Silas Reed-Littlejohn 4 and Eli Littlejohn 12.

Blue Ridge was led by Brian Thommes with 22pts. Other Blue Ridge scorers included: Craig Ezechel 6, Dale Riddle 10, Hunter Stewart 8, Daniel Hickman 4 and Spencer Ferlita 4.

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Friends of the Smokies receives \$2,000 gift

WAYNESVILLE - Friends of Great Smoky Mountains National Park has received a gift of \$2000 from Sustainability for Generations to Come LLC (SFGC).

"We are so fortunate to have the Great Smoky Mountains National Park right here in our back yard. We're honored to lend our support to the Friends and the work they are doing to preserve and protect this very special and treasured place," said SFGC partner Jeff Murphy.

SFGC is a western North Carolina organization formed to support the preservation of open lands and conservation efforts in the mountain region.

For more information about Park projects that donations to Friends of the Smokies from individuals, groups, and businesses support, go to www.friendsofthesmokies.org.

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BASKETBALL

Cherokee teams demolish Andrews

Home court advantage didn't exist for Andrews when Cherokee came to town on Friday, Feb. 1. The Lady Braves (17-2) continued its tear through the Smokey Mountain Conference this year with a 93-32 win. The Braves (11-6) also had a big night with a 65-42 win.

Kendall Toineeta led Cherokee with 19pts following by Jordyn Thompson with 17. This game was never close as the Lady Braves jumped out to a 28-13 lead after the first period and led 60-20 at halftime. Cherokee held Andrews to just 12 points in the second half to take the win by an incredible 61pts.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Bree Stamper 6, Le Le Lossiah 3, Kaycee Lossiah 2, Sabrina Wooten 4, Alexis Maney 14, Miranda Smith 6, Brianna Jumper 9 and Avery Mintz 13.

Staci Self led Andrews with 12 pts. Other Lady Wildcats scorers included: Rachel Moore 9, Jacqueline West 5, Haley West 4 and Courtney Heaton 2.

The Braves were led by Seth Littlejohn who poured in 26pts. This game was relatively close in the first half with Cherokee leading 13-10 after the first period and 30-27 at the half.

But, the second half was a different story as Cherokee outscored Andrews 14-9 in the third period and 21-6 in the fourth to take the 23 pt win.

Other Braves scorers included: Dustin Johnson 17, Derrick Ledford 8, Chris Queen 3, Stephen Swan 1, Darius Thompson 6 and Eli Littlejohn 4.

Seth Pyle and Chase Hardin led Andrews with 14pts each. Other Wildcats scorers included: Josh Oquendo 2, Zack Long 2 and Aaron Devore 10.

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Violence Against Women Act reintroduced

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P./ONE FEATHER STAFF

A group of Senators in the 113th Congress is attempting to do what the 112th Congress failed to accomplish – pass the Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act (VAWA). Senators Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Mike Crapo (R-ID) introduced the legislation together on Tuesday, Jan. 22.

VAWA was originally passed in 1994 and was reauthorized in 2000 and 2005. The Senate passed the VAWA Reauthorization on April 26, 2012, and the House passed a very different version of the bill on May 16, 2012. But, neither side could come together, and the bill died at the end of the 112th Congress.

“This life-saving legislation should be a top priority of the new 113th Congress,” Sen. Leahy said in a statement. “It is our hope that the Senate will act quickly to pass this strong, bipartisan bill to help all victims of domestic and sexual violence.”

Sen. Crapo, the bill’s co-author, stated, “The Violence Against Women Act has helped countless victims of domestic and relationship violence for nearly twenty years. The path to reauthorization in the 113th Congress begins with reintroduction, and I look forward to working with Senate Leahy and my colleagues on compromise language that can garner the necessary support in both the Senate and House to pass this critical legislation.”

The National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) has been touting passage of the Reauthorization Act for several years.

NCAI president Jefferson Keel in a statement. “These narrow provisions are vital to the safety of our Native women and to the Native and non-Native communities where violent offenders are left unchecked if they commit specific crimes of domestic or sexual violence on tribal land.”

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Cherokee Life Center – Wellness and Fitness Program Update

SUBMITTED By JEAN JONES
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

The Cherokee Life Center (CLC) is the wellness and fitness hub of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Their mission: A commitment to offer the Cherokee Indian Reservation and surrounding communities assistance in lifelong healthy living through diverse water and land exercise classes, a clean facility offering cardio and weight room equipment in a safe environment.

The CLC provides continuous care and ongoing service in a group capacity to tribal and medical programs. It also offers various fitness classes on a weekly basis for individuals at any fitness level. The activities are taught by certified personal trainers, certified lifeguards, and certified class instructors.

Membership to the CLC is free of charge for EBCI tribal members for all programs and classes. To enroll, the tribal member will need to present his/her enrollment card. Non-enrolled individuals who are interested in the CLC are encouraged to call the center for fee information or drop by the center for an application.

“Wellness and fitness are all around us. Whether it’s housekeeping, playing with your child or working out in a gym,” commented Lynn Taylor, CLC supervisor. “Only you can decide how you take care of yourself now and your health status later in life; once we stop moving, our wellbeing is at risk for the onset of heart disease, diabetes, high blood pressure, stress, limited mobility and arthritis which will affect how we look and feel as we age. So, get moving. Teach your child the importance of physical activity and set the example...try any of our classes, equipment or use our indoor track to walk, jog or run. If you don’t move it, you will lose it,” she further stated.

The center partners with two tribal health-related programs. The



Austin Sampson (left), Cherokee Life Center fitness assistant, spots Dion Toineeta on a lift in the weightlifting room at the Cherokee Life Center on Monday, Feb. 4.

Cardiac Rehabilitation at the Cherokee Indian Hospital for cardiac patients. It is designed for individuals who have had a cardiac episode or for those at high risk for cardiac conditions. The Chair Aerobics Outreach which is provided to Tsali Manor twice a week as well as once a month for Tsali Care Center and the Alzheimer’s Unit.

The CLC provides the National Standards for Physical Education class for Kituwah Academy kindergarten-third grade students. Each

class is designed to train the children to warm up to some type of physical activity. It ends with a physical educational game, geared to teach the children about rules, discipline, teamwork, sportsmanship, and skills. The Outreach Program for Kituwah 3-4 year olds is provided once a week, demonstrating basic exercise movements.

Three levels of water fitness classes are offered. Water therapy is a low intensity but highly effective exercise class in the pool. It is ideal

for individuals with hip, knee, or lower back injuries as well as individuals with arthritis. The second level is water aerobics. This non-impact cardio and toning workout in the pool is ideal for individuals with joint problems. Thirdly, the senior water aerobics is a lower intensity water fitness class that will improve muscle tone, flexibility and help maintain mobility. It is designed for senior adults but is open to any age.

Fitness Individual Training Kids (F.I.T. Kids) is a class exclusively for kids from ages 5 through 12. It is designed for kids who want or need to lose weight toward a healthy weight. The child is required to have a medical clearance and a medical referral from their provider before starting the class.

Indoor cycling is an intense cardiovascular workout utilizing the stationary indoor cycling bikes. Cycling builds lower body strength and endurance along with cardiovascular endurance.

Tai Chi is a slow motion and low impact exercise that promotes health, mind, body, and mental relaxation with a series of postures and movements that strengthens the body and improves physical/balance function.

Circuit Circuit is a high intensity but low impact class that utilizes the Reebok Step for a cardiovascular workout, using dumbbells, body bars or resistance bands for strength training. Class participation will burn fat, tone muscles, and improve coordination and flexibility.

The latest upcoming class will be a zumba dance class.

The center offers different ways to exercise such walking lanes, a gymnasium, handball court, swimming pool, weight room, cycling room, aerobic room, and cardio room.

For more information on the CLC programs and classes, contact Lynn Taylor at 554-6496 or Stephanie Maney at 554-6497.

WRESTLING

Cherokee beats Murphy 45-33

Cherokee's varsity wrestling team beat Murphy 45-33 on Thursday, Jan. 30. Following are full match results:

- 106lb. – Michael George (Ch) pinned Sarah Haynes (M) at 2:58
- 113lb. – Ethan Swearengin (Ch) won by forfeit
- 120lb. – Dustin Garrett (M) pinned Sidnie Yanez (Ch) at 1:13
- 126lb. – Levi Swearengin (Ch) pinned Stephen Obryan (M) at 1:50
- 132lb. – Austin Padilla (Ch) won by decision (4-3) over Frankie Whidden (M)
- 138lb. – Eddie Wiley, III (M) pinned Tyler Brown (Ch) at 1:44
- 145lb. – Jaron Bradley pinned Samuel McCoy (M) – no time given
- 152lb. – Graham Swain (M) won by decision (3-2) over Treannie Arch (Ch)
- 160lb. – Tavi Rivera (Ch) pinned John Garrett (M) at 5:42
- 170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Bailey Beaver (M) at 2:50
- 182lb. – Malachi Beaver (M) won by forfeit
- 195lb. – Cody Howard (M) won by forfeit
- 220lb. – Brandon Stiles (M) pinned Raymon Taylor (Ch) at 1:42
- 285lb. – Michael Montelongo (Ch) won by forfeit

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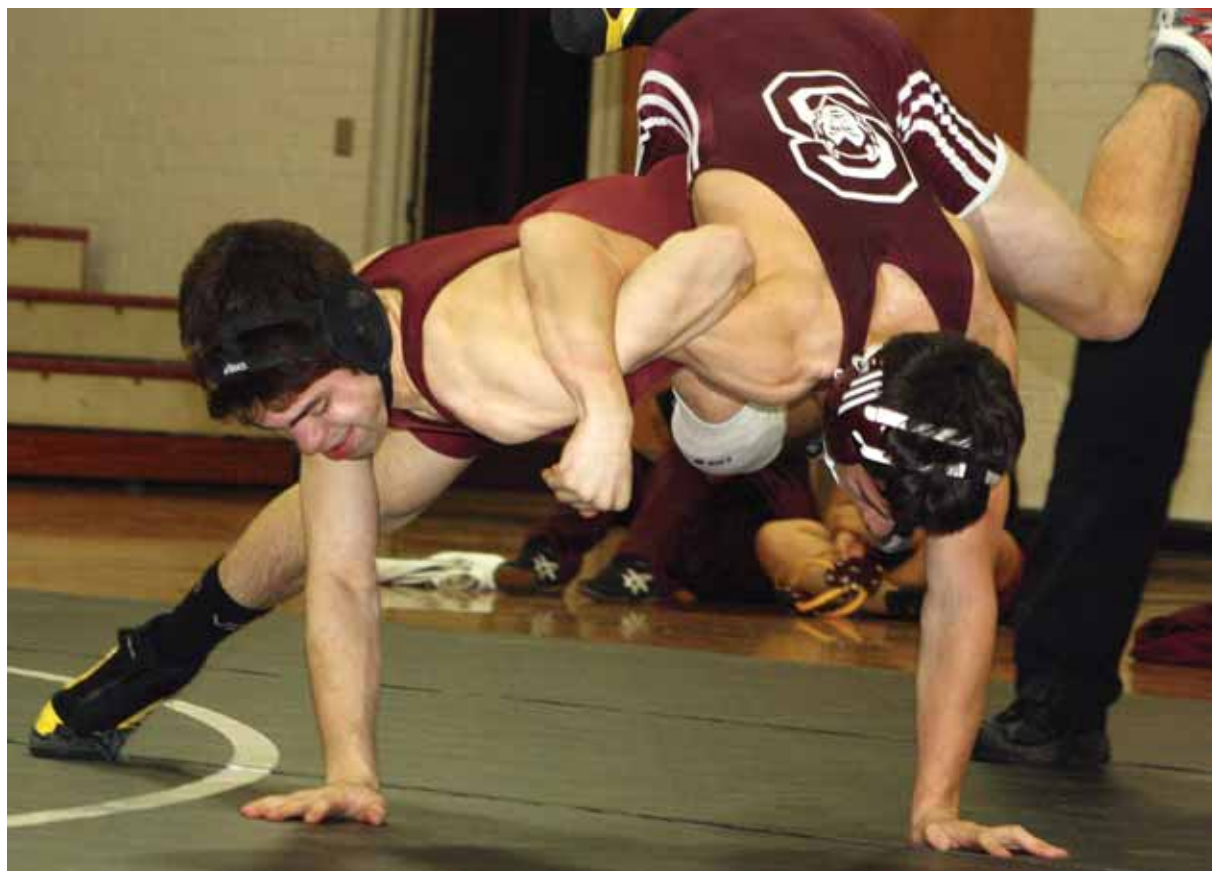
Cherokee blanks Andrews, loses to Swain

The Cherokee varsity wrestling team had two matches on Friday, Feb. 1. They blanked Andrews, who only had two wrestlers on their team, by a score of 72-0. The Braves then lost 41-33 to rival Swain in a hard fought match.

Following are full results:

Cherokee 72 Andrews 0

The following Cherokee wrestlers won by forfeit: Michael George (106lb.), Ethan Swearengin (113lb.), Sidnie Yanez (120lb.), Levi Swearengin (126lb.), Austin Padilla (132lb.), Tyler Brown



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor

Cherokee's Levi Swearengin (left) wrestles Swain's John Miller on Saturday, Feb. 1. Swearengin won by a major decision, but Swain took the team match 41-33.

- (138lb.), Maria George (152lb.), Tavi Rivera (160lb.), Raymod Taylor (220lb.), and Micahel Montelongo (285lb.).
- 145lb. – Jaron Bradley (Ch) pinned Luis Badillo (And) at 2:58
- 170lb. – Dorian Walkingstick (Ch) pinned Skyler Giffen (And) at 4:00

Swain 41 Cherokee 33

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- 285lb. – Jacob Wildcatt (Swain) pinned Michael Montelongo (Ch)

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Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Report



Cherokee Indian Hospital emergency room staff Christina Bryant, Victoria Harlan, Ellen Crowe, Kayla Holland hold a trophy they received by scoring 90 percent in patient satisfaction in a recent Press Ganey survey.

'THEY WERE VERY EXCELLENT'

**CHEROKEE INDIAN
HOSPITAL ER EARNS
90 PERCENT ON
PATIENT SURVEY**

The Emergency Room staff at Cherokee Indian Hospital has worked hard the last couple of years to make changes in the service they provide to the community. Those changes have paid off with the highest rating ever from Press Ganey, the company the Hospital uses to survey its patients. The emergency room received a score of 90% in patient satisfaction on the 4th quarter ratings.

The surveys are a requirement of the Center for Medicare/Medicaid Services. Patients rate the services in the emergency room when they receive phone calls from the Press Ganey staff.

Dr. Orlando Nieves is the Medical Director of ER and Victoria Harlan, RN, MSN, is the ER Manager. The emergency room employs 13 RNs, three CNAs, one Unit Coordinator, five Mid-Level

Providers, and 10 Doctors.

Harlan had this to share, "The ER staff have worked hard to improve the process and flow, which allows us to better serve our patients. Traditionally Emergency Rooms are not known for patient satisfaction ratings, but we want to

give our patients the best care and experience we can while meeting their needs".

One patient on the Press Ganey survey said, "I was very pleased with the way they treated me. They were very excellent. I was very pleased with everything they did. They were very kind, and very efficient, and they were very good. What they told me to do afterwards they gave me choices, and they would of kept me all night if I needed to, and do the test over, or I could of gone home, and had the test done within so many hours. They were just very good at what they did. I was so pleased with them. I was really impressed with the way they handled things. They took me immediately, there was no waiting. It was fantastic, my experience, very happy with the way they treated me."

Another said, "Everybody took care of me, and was very concerned about me, and letting my family know. So I was very pleased with the visit."

The Emergency Room staff related they are continuing to explore ideas and ways to provide easier access and quality healthcare to the Cherokee community.

- Cherokee Indian Hospital

Cherokee Indian Hospital Laboratory receives accreditation

Cherokee Indian Hospital Laboratory received accreditation from the College of American Pathologists based on an on-site inspection in November 2012. Cherokee Indian Hospital's laboratory is one of more than 7,000 CAP-accredited facilities worldwide.

"Passing our recent laboratory inspection and receiving our Certificate of Accreditation shows our commitment to our profession," said laboratory manager Chad Cooper, MHS, MT (ASCP). "The Cherokee Indian Hospital has an excellent laboratory. Our team works hard every day to provide high quality services to the Cherokee community. We certainly hope the patients we serve

feel the same way."

During the CAP accreditation process, designed to ensure the highest stand of care for all laboratory patients, inspectors examine the laboratory's records and quality control of procedures for the preceding two years. CAP inspectors also examine laboratory staff qualifications, equipment, facilities, safety program and record, and overall management.

Additional laboratory staff includes: Janet Shuler, Microbiology supervisor; Julie Lossiah, Chemistry supervisor; Brandy Davis, Blood Bank supervisor; John Hughes, Hematology supervisor; Tina Melin, Urinalysis supervisor; Glenn Wolfe,

Immunology supervisor; Juanita McCoy, phlebotomist; Roberta Woodard, phlebotomist/clerk; Katie Locklear, phlebotomist; and Cheryl English, generalist. The facility director is Dr. William L. Selby, Sr.

"Cherokee Indian Hospital would like to congratulate the Laboratory staff for the excellent services that the lab provides our community and the efforts they made toward accreditation," said Cherokee Indian Hospital officials. "They are a valuable asset in the Cherokee health care system."

- Cherokee Indian Hospital



Opinions and Letters

WORD LIMIT FOR LETTERS IS 250 WORDS

Tribal members seeking referendum on Council pay, benefits

To the enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, a signature drive is underway on the petitions posted below. To have the petition put on the ballot, we must collect signatures from 25 percent of the registered voters. If you feel that enrolled members should have the right to vote on these issues and want to volunteer to help with collecting the signatures, need or want to sign the petition or have a question, please contact Ted Rose 736-5191, Nancy Long 497-7906, Robert (Poke) Squirrel 497-5174, Jody Taylor 736-7510 or Loretta Crowe 497-9630.

- For the Tribal Council term immediately succeeding the general election of 2013, and for each term thereafter, Tribal Council members shall receive retirement benefits in the same form, manner and equivalent amount as Tribal employees generally. This same limitation shall apply to the position of Principal Chief and Vice Chief, beginning with the term of those positions first succeeding the General Election of 2015 and for each term thereafter.

- For the Tribal Council term immediately suc-

ceeding the General Election of 2013, and for each term thereafter, Tribal Council shall be paid an annual salary not to exceed sixty-thousand dollars (\$60,000), exclusive of benefits, and adjustments to their salaries shall be in the same form, manner and equivalent amount as Tribal employees generally.

- Tribal Council members shall not serve as voting members of any commission, committee or board formed and operated under Tribal law or policy, with no exception.

Signed,
Ted Rose, Nancy Long, Robert (Poke) Squirrel, Jody Taylor and Loretta Crowe

Thank you

The Family of Anita Driver Ellwood would like to take the time to thank everyone who helped us out during Anita's recent illness. Cherokee Tribal EMS, Cherokee Emergency Room staff, Memorial Mission staff, Cherokee hospital inpatient staff, Cherokee Dialysis Center Staff, Tsali Care Center Staff, Lane Smoker, Lossiah Women singers, the Long Family, Rock Springs Baptist church choir, Joe Wolfe, Ed Kilgore, Big Cove Council Members,

and all those who stopped by to visit. A special thanks to each family member who took turns sitting all hours of the day and night. We could not have done it without all of you. We apologize if we left any names off the list just know that we ask God to send a special blessing to each of you.

Thank you,
Anita Driver Ellwood and Family

A belated thank you

The family of Derwin "Mike" Appleton would like to express a heartfelt thank you to Cherokee EMS, Cherokee Police, Long House Funeral Home, Ray Kinsland, Bo Parris, Cody and Dot Lambert, Tommye Saunooke, Chief Hicks, Vice-Chief Blythe, and so many family and friends during our unexpected loss. It was kindness and prayers that got us through this very difficult time. We were so unprepared and so many did so much to help. Again, thank you for everything!

God bless you all,
The family of Derwin "Mike" Appleton



Photo courtesy of Jean Bushyhead

Tribe wins Parade award

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians took first place in the Best Professional Float division at the 2012 4th of July Parade in Gatlinburg. The plaque was awarded at a recent luncheon. Shown (left-right) are EBCI Pageant Board members Elnora Thompson and Jean Bushyhead accepting the award from Vicki Simms, Gatlinburg Convention and Visitors Bureau interim executive director.



ELVIA WALKINGSTICK/One Feather

Actually, don't enter

High rains brought flooding to the Oconaluftee River and other parts in Cherokee on Wednesday, Jan. 30.



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

Hungry elk

This big boy was spotted last week in a cornfield off of Acquoni Road in the Yellowhill Community.



Photo courtesy of Amy Pete-Ochoa/Tsali Manor

Seniors "Go Red"

Seniors participated in National Wear Red Day on Friday, Feb. 1 at Tsali Manor. The day, designed to bring awareness to heart disease in women, is part of National Heart Month supported by the American Heart Association.



Photo courtesy of Amy Pete-Ochoa/Tsali Manor

Memory quilts

Seniors have been working on memory quilts in the activities area at Tsali Manor. These quilts or wall hangings have been an interesting project as many have shared family photos and displayed them in a traditional quilt style. Shown (left-right) back row – Lawanda Jackson, Glenna Cunningham, Barbara Schuessler, Bessie Wallace and Elsie Rat-tler; front row – Joyce Welch, JoLou Bradley and Marie Swayney.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Hungry elk 2

This big boy was spotted munching in the rain on Friday, Feb. 1 in the same cornfield off of Acquoni Road in the Yellowhill Community as the elk shown on the previous page.



DENISE WALKINGSTICK/One Feather contributor

Snowy drive

It snowed and snowed and snowed and snowed on Saturday, Feb. 2. This photo was taken on Hwy. 19 beside Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Resort.



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

Snowy bear

Snow piles on top of one of the Cherokee bears across from the Cherokee Welcome kiosk in downtown Cherokee on the night of Saturday, Feb. 2.



Photo by Jeremy Wilson

Snowy elk

This bull elk was spotted enjoying the snow this past weekend.

Cherokee Boys Club Report

www.cherokeeboysclub.com (828) 497-9101

CLUB SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Feb. 6 – Managers' Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Wednesday, Feb. 13 – Board Resolution Deadline – 8:30 a.m.
 Friday, Feb. 15 – School Early Release – Sacred Path – 1:30 p.m.
 Monday, Feb. 18 – Presidents' Day – Club, School and Tribal Holiday
 Wednesday, Feb. 20 – Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.
 Monday, Feb. 25 – School Make-up Day

THANKS

Thanks to everyone for their long hours of hard work and cooperation during the recent snow, ice, flooding, and power outages. Everyone's cooperation made these difficult situations better. Thanks to all the Police, Fire, Rescue, Dispatchers, EMS and Boys Club personnel and School staff for their long hours. Thanks to Cherokee DOT for their work on the roads and highways and thanks to the many agencies and individuals who gave their time and energy to keep us safe.

Dora Reed Center news

In observance of Martin Luther King Jr., some of the teachers at the Dora Reed Center took this holiday as an opportunity to teach the children about the importance of being kind and caring for one another. Some of the children shared their ideas of how to love and show respect for all of our differences and unique qualities.

They also expressed their feelings through art by painting hands and body shapes in different colors. The children also enjoyed listening to a story about Martin Luther King Jr. These lessons on acceptance and being kind to one another are ones that the children can take with them and use in their everyday lives.

- Pat Swayney,
 Literacy Coordinator

We also thank Duke Energy and their contracted agencies for helping to restore power to the many homes and businesses that lost power during the inclement weather.

CHILDREN'S HOME THANKS

The Cherokee Children's Home would like to thank Winnona Rich from Georgia and Granny's Kitchen for their recent contributions. Thank you for sharing from your heart and taking time to think of our children.

MORE THANKS

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Anita Driver Ellwood is a family member of many Club and School employees. The Club also wishes her a quick and complete recovery.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The staff of the Boys Club sends it condolences to the friends and family of Hank Littlejohn who passed away Monday morning. Hank was the father of Mark Littlejohn who works in the Club's CBC Printing Department. Please keep this family in your thoughts and prayers.

NANCY TAYLOR TO RETIRE

Nancy "Jim" Taylor is retiring from the Boys Club after more than

25 years of service. Nancy currently serves as the Administrative Assistant for the Bus and Truck Department. Her last day with the Club will be Friday, Feb. 8. We congratulate Nancy and wish her well in her retirement. Nancy, her daughter Kitty, and her husband Mernie, reside in the Birdtown Community.

CLUB STILL NEEDS YOUR USED COOKING OIL

The Boys Club still needs your used cooking oil for the production of biodiesel fuel. If you cannot bring it by the Shop, call Donnie Owle to make arrangements to have it picked up (497-9101). Do your part to recycle!

GET WELL WISHES!

Please keep Martha Brindle of the Club's Administration Department; and Roy Mathews of the Club's Construction and Facilities Department, in your thoughts and prayers. We wish them a speedy recovery!



1st Dental Visit by 1st Birthday

CIHA Dental Clinic 497-9163

Sponsored by EBCI Children's Dental Program



EBCI Health & Medical Division Report

Are you prepared for a dental emergency?

Thousands of dental emergencies - from injuries to a painful, abscessed tooth - take place every day. Would you know what to do if your child broke a tooth or had a tooth knocked out while playing outdoors? What if you had a bad toothache in the middle of the night and couldn't get to the dentist until the next day? Knowing what to do can lessen the pain and save a tooth that might otherwise be lost.

Keep your dental clinic phone number and an emergency number for a local hospital with other emergency numbers, such as your family doctor, and fire and police departments. Some families post these numbers on the refrigerator or inside a kitchen cabinet door near the phone. Call the dentist or hospital

immediately for instructions on how to handle a dental emergency.

Toothache: Rinse the mouth with warm water to clean it out. Gently use dental floss or an interdental cleaner to remove any food or other debris that may be caught between the teeth. Never put aspirin or any other painkiller against the gums near the aching tooth. This could burn gum tissue. If the toothache persists, try to see the dentist. Don't rely on painkillers. They may temporarily relieve pain but your dentist should evaluate the condition.

Knocked-out (avulsed) tooth:

Try to find the tooth! This may not be as easy as you think if the injury took place on a playground, basketball court or while skateboard-

ing, so try to stay calm. Hold the tooth by the crown and rinse the root in water if the tooth is dirty. Don't scrub it or remove any attached tissue fragments. If it's possible, gently insert and hold the tooth in its socket while you head to the dentist. If that's not possible, put the tooth in a cup of milk and bring it to the dentist. Time is critical for successful reimplantation, so try to get to your dentist or hospital immediately.

Broken tooth: Rinse your mouth with warm water to clean the area. Use cold compresses on the outside of the cheek to help reduce the swelling.

Tongue or lip bites or wounds: Clean the area gently with a clean cloth and apply cold com-

presses to reduce any swelling. If the bleeding can't be controlled, go to a hospital emergency room or clinic. You may be able to reduce bleeding from the tongue by pulling it forward and using gauze to put pressure on the wound.

Objects caught between teeth: Try to gently remove the object with dental floss. Never use a sharp instrument to remove any object that is stuck between your teeth. If you can't dislodge the object with floss, contact your dentist.

Possible broken jaw: Apply cold compresses to control swelling. Get to the hospital emergency room immediately.

- American Dental Association

February is American Heart Month

The Cherokee Diabetes Program-Healthy Heart Initiative would like to invite everyone to celebrate American Heart Month in February.

American Heart Month is a time to battle cardiovascular disease and educate individuals on what we can do to live heart-healthy lives. Heart disease, including stroke, is the leading cause of death for men and women in the United States. These diseases, the nation's No. 1 and No. 3 killers, claim more than 865,000 American lives a year.

Taking good care of your heart means controlling your risk factors for heart disease, such as high blood pressure, high blood cholesterol, diabetes, smoking, physical inactivity, and being overweight. Having just one risk factor increases your risk of developing heart disease, and your risk skyrockets with each added risk factor.

The Walk for Heart Health is scheduled for Wednesday, Feb. 20 from 10am - 4pm at the Acquoni Expo Center track. The first 50 people will receive a t-shirt. "Help us pass our record of 124 walkers at this event," said Cherokee Diabetes Program-Healthy Heart Initiative officials.

For more information on American Heart Month or Go Red for Women, go to:

<http://goredforwomen.org>

<http://www.nhlbi.nih.gov/educational/hearttruth/>

- Cherokee Diabetes Program - Healthy Heart Initiative

New Norovirus causing illness

By ANDREA CRISP, RN, BSN
CHEROKEE COMMUNITY HEALTH

Norovirus is a common cause of gastroenteritis-or as most people call it-"stomach bug". A new strain that was first discovered in Australia is now the leading cause of this virus in America. Whether you are dealing with the old or new strain, the symptoms, treatment and prevention methods are all the same.

"It is the time of year when people are often crowded together indoors which causes it (Norovirus) to spread rapidly," said Andrea Crisp, RN, BSN, of Cherokee Community Health. "It is important to know that people who have this type of illness should not prepare food or return to work for three days after they are well if they work with food."

The symptoms of norovirus include: suddenly feeling sick, nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, and less likely - fever, muscle aches, fatigue

One of the dangers of Norovirus is becoming dehydrated. The disease is very contagious, and a sick person is contagious for three days after they get better. There is no vaccine to prevent Norovirus, and a person can get it more than one time.

To help prevent Norovirus it is important to wash your hands with soap and water, wash raw fruits and vegetables before eating them, cook oysters and shellfish, clean surfaces where sick people may have touched with a bleach solution (one part bleach to ten parts water), and do not prepare food or work with food if you have been sick for at least three days after you are better.

Call Cherokee Community Health 554-6882 for more information or your contact healthcare provider.

Hornbuckle joins EBCI WIC team



Health & Medical photo

Tina Hornbuckle has joined the EBCI WIC team as a breastfeeding peer counselor.

EBCI WIC has announced that Tina Hornbuckle is the newest member of their team as the WIC breastfeeding peer counselor. She related she is looking forward to working with the Cherokee community.

"I have had the opportunity, experience and blessing to breastfeed two of my three children. Within the past four years of breastfeeding, I have noticed a remarkable difference within my own children I breastfed and the one that I didn't have success with."

She went on to say, "The ones that I breastfed didn't have as many

ear infections, were healthier, and learned things a whole lot faster than the one I formula fed. These are just to name a few differences. Please call me and I'll be happy to go into full details on the benefits of breastfeeding.

Looking back now I can see the mistakes that I had made with my first child, in which I was not successful at breastfeeding. How easy it would have been to fix if only had someone that would have encouraged and given me the support that would have helped me succeed."

"With all that being said, I have

become very passionate about encourage and helping women to breastfeed their children."

She is married to Pokey Hornbuckle, and they reside in the Big Y community with their four children, Josh, Joey, Me-Li and Savannah Hornbuckle.

Hornbuckle's office hours are Monday – Thursday 7:30am – 5pm and Friday 7:45am – 4:30pm. She may be reached at 497-7297 or fax 497-5848.

- EBCI Health & Medical

Analenisgi program using WRAP program

By RALPH MURPHY, MDIV, MSSW, ACSW, LCSW

There is an open group discussion about successful self-maintenance of a healthy path to recovery every Monday at 1pm at Analenisgi. Anyone is welcome to join the group no matter what issues they bring to the table. The focus of the group is development of a personal Wellness Recovery Action Plan (WRAP).

WRAP was developed by Mary Ellen Copeland as a way to take charge of her own behavioral health. She developed a way to organize a plan that attends to her symptoms every day and promotes

wellness.

Copeland, MS, MA, was a masters level therapist working with persons with behavioral health challenges, and she found her "many years of high achievement and life enjoyment turned into confusion, frustration and pain."

She was diagnosed with manic depression, and in an attempt to take control of her own symptoms, she "uncovered ideas and strategies that, while often very simple and very safe, have the capacity to create major life change."

There are five 5 elements in the plan: 1. Daily Maintenance, 2. Triggers, 3. Early Warning Signs, 4.

When Things Are Breaking Down, and 5. Crisis Planning.

"I use the WRAP plan consistently myself," said Copeland. "It works for me. When things are starting to go down the drain, my friends ask, 'where's your WRAP?'"

Members use the group to help and support each other in developing ideas for each section in their WRAP workbook. The group discusses what personal choices have been most effective in the past, and encourage each other to stay with their plans.

Group members take a good look at their strengths and focus on how to use their unique personal skills to

maintain on the wellness path. The group has also found that there are many traditional rituals in the Cherokee culture that have been a source of strength and assurance. The key to success is discovering personal strengths and focusing on positive outcomes.

Anyone wanting further information about this group can contact Analenisgi 554-6550, or drop in to the group meeting on Mondays at 1pm.

Ralph is a child and family therapist with the Analenisgi program.

VITA program offering free tax preparation

The EBCI Cooperative Extension Center and Tsali Manor are hosting the VITA program that provides free tax services. If you make \$57,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes done at no cost. For married couples filing jointly, the maximum income is also \$57,000. This year will see a return to "live return" where taxes are completed

in one appointment. Unfortunately, they will not be able to do returns with rental income, investment or dividend income or complex business/self-employment income.

If you or someone you know is interested in having your taxes done for free, please call to make an appointment.

- Valorie Welch 554-6939, Cooperative Extension
- Trish Calhoun 554-6933, Cooperative Extension
- Kathy Smith 554-6860, Tsali Manor

What to bring to the appointment:

- A copy of last year's tax return
- Taxpayer's proof of identity
- All forms, W-2, 1098, and 1099
- Information for other income
- Identification number for Child Care Provider
- Information for deductions/credits
- Proof of account for direct deposit of refund (voided check)
- Social Security cards and/or ITIN notices (cards for you, your spouse, and dependents)

- EBCI Cooperative Extension

Cherokee Central Schools Report

Cherokee Language and Cultural Program: An overview

By **LAURA PINNIX**
DIRECTOR

Cherokee Language is offered to all students attending the Cherokee School System. Depending on the grade level, varying times of 15 to 90 minutes of Cherokee Language is offered daily.

In the Elementary School, 15 minutes of instruction is given daily to Pre-K and Kindergarten, 20 minutes to the first grade students, and 25 minutes to fourth and fifth graders.

In the Middle School, 55 minutes of instruction is given daily. For the High School 90 minutes is offered to students.

Cherokee I is the requirement for graduation, taken during the junior

Year. Cherokee II is offered as an elective and can now be used as a college admission course. Cultural and Cherokee Language Integration is required in all disciplines.

Cherokee History is now integrated into the US History course. The Cherokee Language classes are using the North Carolina Essential Standards along with the school's Cherokee standards.

Cherokee Immersion Program

Students are accepted in the Pre-K Immersion Program per parent request and are accepted on a first come first serve basis. This was designed to accept students based on criteria set by the Hope Center. Enrollment packets must be fully completed and turn into the school. A waiting list is kept on file and the

slots are filled when a vacancy occurs in the program. In all situations, Cherokee School students are given priority in the placement with the Cherokee Language Program.

If a student does not progress to the next grade, he/she does not remain in the program. The student can be placed on the waiting list for his/her current grade.

Cultural Activities

The artisans and craftsmen of the community are invited to demonstrate their skills and crafts to the students. In November, a school wide Pow Wow is held with several members of the Community participating. Blowgun competitions, basket games, Quiz Bowls, literary (cultural) writings, as well as cultural door competitions are held

throughout the year. In the Spring, the High School Art Department hosts the Annual Art Show in the Cultural Arts Center. The Elementary students will have their "Amazing Hearts Aglow" art show on Tuesday, Feb. 12. The viewing of the art will be from 5-6pm, and the performances will be held 6-7pm pm in the Cultural Arts Center.

Students have been active with traditional dancing as well as traditional singing. In the early part of June, the Cultural Department hosts the Cultural Summer School for Grades one to high school. The emphasis for the summer program is to promote Cherokee Arts and Crafts.

Info: Laura Pinnix or Heather Driver 554-5004.



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100 days of giving

The 2nd grade students from Cherokee Elementary took items to Tsali Care as part of their participation in the 100 days of giving program. Shown (left-right) front row: Nick Cole, Dacian Tafoya, and Kensen Davis; middle row - Jade George, Walika Sexton, Madison Backwater, Makyla Hernandez, Jaelyn Lossiah, Chayme Cucumber, Mags Colvin, Amiya George and Ally Reed; back row - Faith Cline, Alexis Smith, Dali Crowe and Samantha Shelton.

Cherokee Central Schools Development Office

The Development Coordinator is a new position to Cherokee Central Schools and was created to provide additional opportunities for our students through grant writing, grant management, and partnerships within the realm of our schools' mission and vision.

Today's economic crisis has led to the slashing of school budgets across the country, and ours is no exception.

"Even though our funding has been cut, we do not want to reduce the services and opportunities we provide for our students," said school officials. "Fundraising through grant awards is vital in maintaining our current offerings, expanding our services, and increasing student advantages."

"We currently operate several programs and activities through grant funds, including Burroughs Wellcome, Cherokee Preservation Foundation, and the North Carolina Arts Council, to name a few. The Development Coordinator assists the departments and activity sponsors in maintaining compliance and accountability through timely reporting and grant closing."

The third focus of the Development Office is to establish, renew, and maintain partnerships with tribal departments, local community organizations and entities, and regional colleges and universities. A few of their partnerships are detailed

below:

Communities in Schools (CIS) – CIS is the nation's largest dropout prevention organization, and their mission is "to champion the connection of needed community resources with schools to help young people successfully learn, stay in school and prepare for life" (www.communitiesinschools.org). CCS is preparing to be the first school system in the CIS Great Smoky Mountains region to earn CIS-accreditation.

Southwestern Community College (SCC) – CCS and SCC have an articulation agreement that ensures certain college credits for qualified CHS career and technical education courses. SCC also offers Career and College Promise, which allows qualified CHS students to "begin their two- or four-year college work, tuition free, while they are in high school allowing them to get a head start on their workplace and college preparation" (www.careercollegenc.org).

Western Carolina University (WCU) – Having recently renewed our relationship with WCU, we are focusing on a variety of benefits through what we can offer each other. CCS is hosting more WCU students completing internships and field experiences while WCU plans to offer a college credit English course on our campus for CHS students for the 2013-14 school year. They are also providing opportunities for pro-

fessional development for our staff, and we are providing seminar sessions on cultural sensitivity and diversity in the classroom.

Appalachian State University (ASU) – ASU is currently in the development stages of creating a teacher education program for CHS students, which will include an articulation agreement between the two schools. ASU will be offering a college credit course on our campus this coming fall on the history of education and the EBCI.

University of North Carolina-Asheville (UNCA) – UNCA is reaching out to our students through campus tours and offering professional development for our teachers. Some of our history teachers will be attending a seminar at UNCA in March presented by Dr. James Loewen, who wrote *Lies My Teacher Told Me: Everything Your American History Textbook Got Wrong*.

University of Tennessee (UT) – CCS benefitted from a butternut project grant awarded to UT and Notre Dame. This project enabled the planting of butternut trees on our campus, and curriculum modules have been created for use in science classrooms for 3rd, 6th, and 10th grades.

Great Smoky Mountains National Park (GSMNP) – The GSMNP offers a variety of opportunities for our students in a variety of settings. Their education rangers are pre-

pared to come to our campus and offer lessons both in and out of the classroom. They also have learning activities available in the park for our students. The GSMNP rangers have invited our rising sixth grade class to join a sixth grade class from Pi Beta Phi Elementary in Gatlinburg to engage in an assortment of activities over the next several years to commemorate the National Park Service's 100th anniversary in 2016.

SHAC Members – The School Health Advisory Committee is comprised of a variety of tribal and community representatives who are interested in the promoting the health and wellness of our students. SHAC members are responsible for organizing events like the back-to-school health fair, the healthy Hal-loween for Cherokee Elementary, the spring Wellness Workshop for all students, gardening club, hand-washing lessons for elementary students, and prom promise, to name a few.

If you or your organization would like to contribute to the achievement and success of Cherokee Central Schools students, please contact the Development Coordinator, Debora Kinsland Foerst, at 828-554-5028.

- Cherokee Central Schools



828-497-4028

Cataloochee Dental Group
16 Cherokee Crossing, Suite 2
Whittier, NC 28789, located next to Food Lion

We would like to welcome Dr. Donald Guilford, DDS to our Cherokee location. Dr. Guilford has been in practice for 30+ years.

General Practice offering:

Preventive Dental Care, Composite Restorations, Root Canal Therapy, Extractions, Crown & Bridge, Cosmetic Dentistry, Denture, Partial, and Periodontal Care.

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Hours: Monday - Thursday
9:00am - 4:00pm



Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Car seat distribution schedule

Healthy Cherokee is now making appointments for car seat distribution as follows: Mondays 1-4pm ; Tuesdays 8-11:30am; Thursdays 8-11:30am; and Fridays 1-4pm

- **Healthy Cherokee**

Cash for ramps

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

- **EBCI Fairgrounds**

Per capita notice

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

An application will only be considered complete with a COUNTY certified birth certificate, certified DNA results, and certification of any other Indian blood. To schedule an appointment for DNA collection, please call Michelle Maness at 828-554-6463. Out-of-town applicants may contact Christina Bowlin at (855) 295-4372 to schedule an appointment in your area. The following dates are available at the Enrollment Office in February: Friday, Feb. 1; Tuesday, Feb. 5; Friday, Feb. 8; Tuesday, Feb. 12; Friday, Feb. 15; Tuesday, Feb. 19; Friday, Feb. 22; Tuesday, Feb. 26; Friday, March 1 – Last day to meet March 15 deadline.

Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered for enrollment without the social security number. However, an Enrollment Card will only be issued upon receipt of the social security card of the new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Please call the Enrollment Office at

(828) 554-6467, 554-6465 or 554-6466 if you have any questions.

- **EBCI Enrollment Office**

DNA testing schedule for February

The last day to be DNA tested to meet the March 15 deadline for Tribal Enrollment will be March 1.

The following dates are available to schedule appointments for DNA collection:

- Friday, Feb. 1
- Tuesday, Feb. 5
- Friday, Feb. 8
- Tuesday, Feb. 12
- Friday, Feb. 15
- Tuesday, Feb. 19
- Friday, Feb. 22
- Tuesday, Feb. 26
- Friday, March 1

The local collection site is at the EBCI Tribal Enrollment office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Appointments will be scheduled by the staff of 1 Family Services from 9-11:30am and 1-3:30pm. To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, contact Michelle at Tribal Enrollment 554-6463. To schedule an out-of-town appointment, please contact Amber Wilson, toll free (855) 295-4372. All DNA questions should be directed to the 1 Family Service staff.

- **EBCI Enrollment Office**

Family Support coordinates Food Pantry

Providing help to the communities has been a tradition for years in Cherokee. Occasionally, some families may face a crisis or emergency situation and need help. A way for these families to get help to feed or clothe their families is through donations or a food pantry.

The Family Support team at the Cherokee Tribal Childcare Services Dora Reed Center is coordinating a Food Pantry to help with emergency situations that may arise. They are requesting donations of basic food items such as canned foods, rice, beans, flour, sugar, crackers, cookies, cereal, pasta, and cake mixes, etc. Paper goods such as toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates and cups would be greatly appreciated. Info: Family Support staff 554-6592

- **Pat Swayney,**

Dora Reed Center literacy coordinator

Girl Scout cookie booth schedule for Cherokee

Feb. 9 – Cherokee Food Lion, Troop 1811
Feb. 15 – Mountain Credit Union, Troop 1811
Feb. 22 – Mountain Credit Union, Troop 30455
Feb. 23 – Cherokee Food Lion, Troop 1811

- **Girl Scouts**

Healing and Wellness Coalition to meet

The Cherokee Healing and Wellness Coalition will meet on Thursday, Feb. 14 from 11:30am – 1:30pm at Living Waters Lutheran Church on Locust Road just off of Goose Creek Road.

According to Healing and Wellness Coalition Chair Beth Farris, "The Coalition has started our meetings again after several months sabbatical. We continue to have as our mission statement being, "committed to enhancing the lives of people by honoring and reclaiming the seven Cherokee Core Values, especially by the reduction of substance abuse in a comprehensive manner primarily focusing on youth".

The seven core values are: Spirituality, Harmony, Education, Sense of Place, Honoring the Past, Strong Character, Sense of Humor.

If this isn't a great time for you but you are interested in joining the group, call Beth (828)421-9855 to propose a different time. The group hopes to travel several times in the upcoming months to the Snowbird Community. Bring your own lunch; all are invited.

Info: Beth Farris (828)421-9855 or www.cherokeehealingcoalition.org



Prenatal program taking applications

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

- **Dora Reed Tribal Child Care Center**

Pre-Columbian Contact with Native Americans and the Bat Creek Stone



A talk by Scott Wolter
Sunday, February 10, 2013 at 2pm
at the Museum of the
Cherokee Indian
589 Tsali Blvd., Cherokee, NC

Wolter, a forensic geologist, appears on the series America Unearthed on the History Channel and is the author of several books presenting evidence that Europeans visited America before Columbus.

For more information: 828-497-3481
www.cherokeemuseum.org

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

Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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Clubs/Organizations

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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



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Church Events

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

General Events

Sock knitting class. Thursdays beginning Feb. 7 from 5:30-6:30pm at the Cherokee Youth Center. Size is limited for this six-week class. The instructor is Kelly Thomas-Hill, and the class is being sponsored by Healthy Cherokee and the Cherokee Youth Center. People taking the class should know how to cast on, knit, purl and cast off. Info: Healthy Cherokee 554-6181 or Cherokee Youth Center 554-6276

Turkey Shoot. Feb. 9 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's resident in the Big Cove Community. \$7 Indian taco, drink and dessert. This is a fundraiser for Linedrive Softball.

Wolftown Community Meeting. Feb. 11 at 7pm. Agenda to include: School Board Rep. Jessica Daniels, Tonya Jenks with information on starting youth gardens, and discussions for youth activities.

A-Maze-ing Arts Aglow. Feb. 12 at Cherokee Elementary School. A viewing of student art work will take place from 5-6pm, and performances by the CES chorus, traditional singers, traditional dancers and the CES jump ropers will be from 6-7pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center.

Valentine card and candy making. Feb. 12 at 6pm at the Yellowhill Community Building. All ages are invited. Parents should accompany small children. This is a free activity.

Valentine breakfast. Feb. 14 at 7am at the Yellowhill Community Building. Strawberry pancakes, sausage or bacon, coffee or juice. \$5.

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

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

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

Health/Sports Events

Jackson County Little League baseball and softball signups. Feb. 9 from 9am - 3pm at the Jackson County Recreation Dept. Cost: \$65 (one child) or \$50/each for two or more children. Info: Dave McCoy (828) 226-5640

Blood Drive. Feb. 13 from 9am - 1:30pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital. Info: Doris Bonilla 497-9163 ext. 6498

Little League signups. Sign-ups for Little League are currently underway and will end on Saturday, Feb. 2. Baseball (7-8, 9-10, 11-12) and Softball (7-8, 9-10, 11-12). Sign up at any Cherokee recreation center, and they are entering in a draft with Bryson City.

Family-to-Family Education Program. Feb. 12 - April 30 on Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30pm in Franklin. This 12-week course is designed for family members of individuals with serious mental illness and is free for families and friends with clinical depression, OCD, PTSD, Borderline Personality Disorder and Co-occurring Addictive Disorders. Info: Ann (828) 369-7385 or Mary Ann (828) 524-1355

Tee ball signups are underway for ages 5-6. Registration forms are available at any gym. The deadline is Feb. 23. Info: Kool-Aid 497-0149 or Birdtown Gym 554-6890.

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

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Fax: (919) 367-2097

Contact: Tim Heule

Please be advised the above bid date and time is the deadline for the General Contractor's bid. We encourage you to provide us your "Scope of Work" at least 24 hours prior to this date and time so that we can clearly understand and evaluate your bid to us. Complete plans and specifications may be viewed at Crowder Construction Company at the address listed above. Contact us at the above phone number for a list of other locations where plans are available. **2/7**

QUALLA HOUSING AUTHORITY Request for Proposals - General Notice

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting proposals from licensed contractors who specialize in Plumbing and Electrical work to include but not limited rough in and finish work; general repairs of the Qualla Housing Authority properties. Contractors will be subject to an on call status as requested for emergencies. All work will require an inspection by Qualla Housing Authority; EBCI Building Department as required by NC and Tribal building codes. Qualla Housing Authority may elect to utilize more than one vendor.

Proposals must be received on or before Friday, February 22, 2013 by 4:00pm. Proposals can be submitted by mail to PO Box 1749, Cherokee, NC 28719; electronically to henrmcco@nc-cherokee.com; or submitted in person at Qualla Housing Authority Main Office, 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 by the required deadline. Proposal packets will be available to pick up on Thursday, February 7, 2013 at Qualla Housing Authority Main Office, 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Notification of bid recipient will be contacted by Wednesday, February 27, 2013. Upon receipt of notification, recipient shall have 24 hours to accept or decline contract. Recipient must be willing to enter a contract agreement with Qualla Housing Authority and submit the required documentation as included in Attachment B-General Conditions. Qualla Housing Authority reserves the right to waive any informality and to reject any or all proposals.

Qualla Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given preference.

Proposals must be complete and include the following information at the time of submittal.

** Proposal Form

** Attachment A-Bid Sheet

For questions and more information contact Henry McCoy at (828) 554-6348 or (828) 505-2353. **2/14**

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LEGALS

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 13-004

In the Matter of the Estate of

Clifford Gerard Parker

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: April 10, 2013

Barbara Lambert

PO BOX 801

Cherokee, NC 28719

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STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA, CLAY COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

DISTRICT COURT DIVISION 12 SP 59

JERRY DEAN HANEY

SUSAN GAY DEWATTER HANEY - Petitioner

NOTICE (for child)

IN RE ADOPTION OF: Rhegen Amandah Haney

TO: Jeri Deane White

Cherokee, NC 28719

TAKE NOTICE that a Special Proceeding has been commenced in the above referenced court and file. The petitioner is seeking to adopt a female child, born November 17, 2003 in Blairsville, GA to Jeri Deane White.

YOU MUST file a response within forty (40) days of service of this Notice in order to participate in and to receive further notice of the proceeding, including notice of the time and location of any hearing in this matter.

UPON FAILURE to respond, any parental rights you may have will be terminated upon issuance of the Final Decree of the Adoption.

This the 10th day of December, 2012

Jerry Dean Haney

Susan Gay DeWatter Haney

Post Office Box 1221

Hayesville, NC 28904

(828) 389-3129

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REALTY

Proposed Land Transfers

Ronald Keith Blankenship to Robert Allen Blankenship, Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 53, containing 5.388 acre, more or less.

Elizabeth Ann Driver Ensley to Devin Ryan Crowe, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1389-B (Part of Parcel No. 1389), containing 8.028 acres, more or less.

Painttown Community

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

Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Terri Jo George Beck, Letisha Nicole Bird, Leslie Shannon Swimmer Bryant, Freda Charlene Wolfe Cisneros, Robert Arnold Cooper, Linda Diane Hornbuckle Fortner, *Bernadine Hicks George, Denise George, Letitia Cheryl Biddle George, John William George, Gracia Marie Hornbuckle Harrison, Satin Fawn Trampler Hinnant, Aaron Elton Hornbuckle, Daniel Lamar Hornbuckle, Michael Thorton Hornbuckle, Thurman Hornbuckle, Iii, Patricia Ann Rose Kramer, Michael Doc Lambert, Samuel John Lambert, Ted Major Lambert, Lillian Bernadine Hornbuckle Littlejohn, Jerry Lossiah, Jr., Eloise George Maney, Lucinda George McCoy, Madge Elizabeth Lambert Owle, Stella Mandalean Rose Patrick, Sarah Ashley Perry, Jeffrey William Rose, Marshall Eugene Saine, Sally Ann George Shehan, *Rowena Smith, Sandra Helen Lambert Sneed, Vicki Faye Standingdeer, David Obidiah Swimmer, Frances Adaline Taylor, William Trampler, Donna R. George Walkingstick, Charles Wolfe, *Anna Lee Swimmer Youngdeer, *John Irvin Youngdeer, Parent Or Guardian Of: David Isaiah Maney

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Claims Must Be Filed By March 1, 2013 In \$3.4 Billion Indian Trust Settlement

What is This About?

The *Cobell v. Salazar* Settlement is approved. The Settlement resolves a class action lawsuit that claims that the federal government violated its duties by mismanaging trust accounts and individual Indian trust lands. Payments to the Historical Accounting Class are underway. The process of considering claims for the Trust Administration Class is ongoing.

The final deadline if you need to file a claim form for the Trust Administration Class is March 1, 2013.

Am I Included?

The Trust Administration Class includes:

- Anyone alive on September 30, 2009, who:
 - Had an IIM account recorded in currently available electronic data in federal government systems anytime from approximately 1985 to September 30, 2009, or
 - Can demonstrate ownership in trust land or land in restricted status as of September 30, 2009.
- The estate (or heirs) of any deceased landowner or IIM account holder whose account was open or whose trust assets had been in probate according to the federal government's records as of September 30, 2009.

Do I Need to File a Claim Form?

You must file a claim form if you believe you are a member of the Trust Administration Class and you have not:

- Received IIM account statements at your current address anytime between January 1, 1985 and September 30, 2009 and continue to receive statements; or
- Received a payment as a member of the Historical Accounting Class. If you did, you will receive a second payment automatically as a member of the Trust Administration Class; or
- Filed a claim form already using your current address. If you have, the Claims Administrator will contact you.

You must fill out a claim form and mail it to Indian Trust Settlement, P.O. Box 9577, Dublin, OH 43017-4877, postmarked by **March 1, 2013** in order to receive a payment.

How Much Money Can I Get?

Members of the Trust Administration Class will likely receive at least \$800 or more. The actual amount will depend on the number of claims and the costs of administration.

For a claim form or to update your contact information:

Call Toll-Free: 1-800-961-6109 or Visit: www.IndianTrust.com