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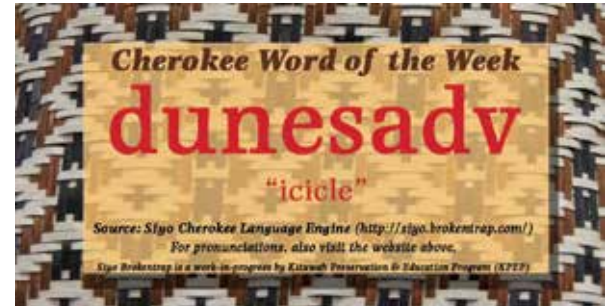
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Chief offers assistance to tribal member federal employees; Native advocates call for shutdown to end

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The Bureau of Indian Affairs' Cherokee Agency remains closed. Great Smoky Mountains National Park still is denying access to facilities, and volunteers have been picking up trash at the Oconaluftee Visitor Center. With more than 800,000 federal employees trying to get by without a paycheck during the federal government shut down, federal employees who are tribal members can get some relief from their tribal government.

Principal Chief Richard Sneed issued a statement offering assistance to those tribal members. "If you are an enrolled member who works for the federal government and you have been furloughed, please call my office for assistance during this difficult time. We want to make sure that your needs are met until you are able to return to work."

The shutdown, which has drawn criticism from Native American advocates and two Native American Reps. Deb Haaland (D-N.M.) and Sharice Davids (D-Kan.), has impacted tribal services in some locations. All called for government to reopen and restore services.

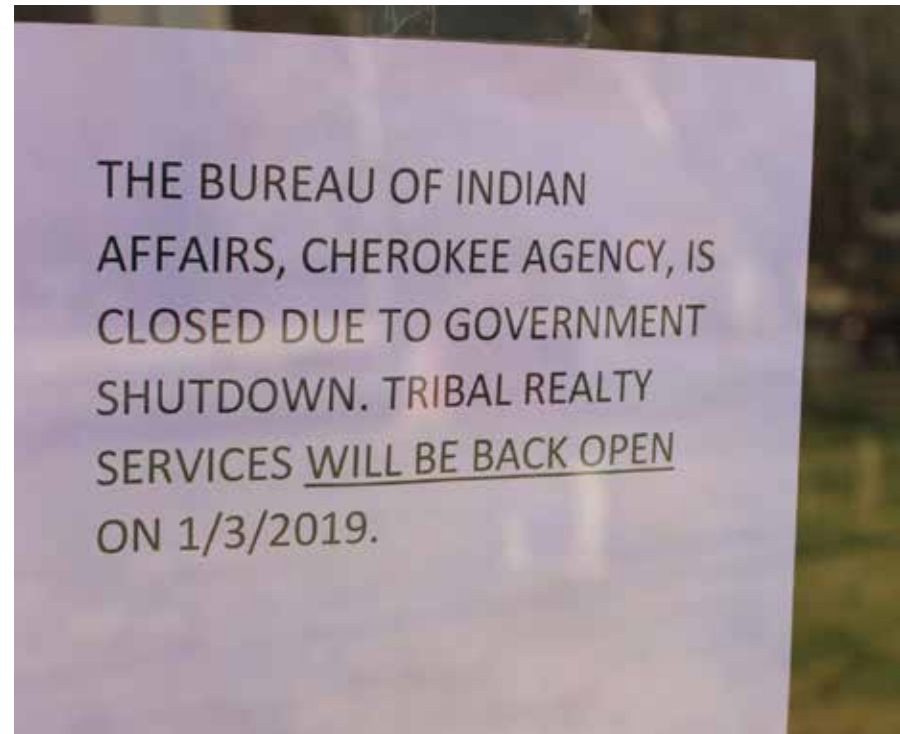
"Like many New Mexicans, I know what it's like to rely on food

assistance to feed my family, and it's important that we get a full understanding of the effects this government shutdown will have on those benefits," said Haaland. "The House passed a bill to fund the government on day one. We owe it to families in New Mexico to solve this crisis and ensure federal workers receive their paychecks."

Davids said that federal workers in her district are bearing the burden for political dysfunction through no fault of theirs. "Our civil servants and contractors need to support their families, and we need to make sure they get paid for the important work they do."

United South and Eastern Tribes President Kirk Francis said, "This shutdown must end now as political gamesmanship has real life negative consequences to native and non-natives alike. Furthermore, the time has arrived for the United States to prioritize its commitments to Indian Country by taking the necessary steps to fully fund its obligations to Indian Country and to make all Indian Country funding non-discretionary by moving it to the mandatory/entitlement side of the federal budget as an advance appropriation across the board. Only then can the United States truly state that it is honoring its promises and fulfilling its obligations."

Other native advocacy organizations called for the shutdown to end, citing numerous negative impacts to tribes. Representatives of the National Congress of American Indians, Native American Contractors Association, Winnebago Tribe of Nebraska, National Council on



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The Bureau of Indian Affairs' Cherokee Agency remains closed due to federal government shut down. The agency's employees can get assistance from the Principal Chief's office.

Urban Indian Health, National American Indian Housing Association, National Indian Child Welfare Association and Self-Governance Communication & Education Tribal Consortium all signed a letter to President Donald Trump, Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.), Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.), Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif) and House Minority Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.). "We urge you to immediately end the partial government shutdown. The shutdown breaks the treaty and trust obligations to tribal governments. Agencies that provide critical government services to our nations are caught up in unrelated politics over funding for a southern border wall and the well-being of our tribal

citizens hangs in the balance," it stated. "America's longstanding, legally mandated obligations to tribal nations should be honored no matter the political quarrels of the moment. Ironically, the Americans most affected by immigration over the last 500 years continue to be the most heavily impacted by the shuttering of multiple federal agencies that are unrelated to securing the homeland. Our communities rely on federal funding to administer key tribal government services, health care facilities, public safety, housing access, nutrition and food distribution programs, and social services. The shutdown is destabilizing these programs and causing fear and anxiety and fear among our members."

Tribal Council introduces child support legislation

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Tribal Council has introduced legislation to provide guidelines for child support enforcement. The ordinance will remain on the table for 25 days, where the proposal could come up for discussion in the Feb. 7 session.

The Child Support Services program was established through an ordinance in 2012. The intent was to provide child support to children within the tribe's jurisdiction, but the Attorney General's office noted there are several required legal components absent from tribal law. "In order to bring our tribal laws up to date, a modification to the tribal child support enforcement law is needed."

In the section of the law referring to amount of payment, monthly basis and termination, the proposal calls for a review of North Carolina child support guidelines every four years on the same schedule the state uses to review and modify guidelines. The ordinance states, "The court shall note any revisions made to the guidelines and ensure that the court's local rules are consistent with the North Carolina Child Support Guidelines if necessary."

In determining income withholding amounts, the proposal is to initiate income withholding from employers through the tribal child support agency through a federal income withholding form. If passed, that agency will also be responsible for refunding amounts that have been improperly withheld.

Casinos both experience growth, exceed projections

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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' last per capita distribution set a record as the largest, and that was due to the performance of Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort in Cherokee and Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino and Hotel in Murphy. That's significant particularly since revenue exceeded expectations for 2018 in comparison to 2017.

"The fiscal year ending Sept. 30, exceeded our original projections with regards to tribal distribution," said Brian Saunooke, Harrah's Cherokee regional vice president of marketing. "We expected a fairly flat year compared to 2017, but instead saw distribution to the Tribe grow by 7.8 percent compared to 2017. We expect next year's distribution to be flat with 2018's."

Saunooke said that distribution at the Cherokee property, which accounts for 76 percent of the total distribution, grew 4.7 percent over 2017. Valley River, which provides

24 percent of the tribal distribution, grew at nearly 19 percent.

According to a statement from Harrah's Cherokee Advertising and Public Relations Supervisor Michael Fisher, the casinos have paid 3,500 employees more than \$180 million in salaries, wages and benefits, and area vendors were paid more than \$38 million in contracts. While both properties have a hotel attached, Cherokee and Valley River contracted with area hotels for more than 47,000 rooms.

The two casinos through their volunteer work have made an impact in Cherokee and Murphy areas as well. Fisher said that when the first property opened 21 years ago, it intended to make a difference. "Harrah's Cherokee Casinos made the decision on what kind of difference they wanted to make, and 2018 further embodied their willingness and dedication in making a positive impact in their communities, to their environment and to their employees," he said.

More than 115,000 volunteer

hours were logged by employees, according to Fisher. Organizations like the Manna Food Bank, Valley River Humane Society, Paws Animal Shelter of Bryson City, REACH of Cherokee County (an organization providing services to domestic violence victims), Pathways Homeless Shelter of Waynesville and Habitat for Humanity benefitted from those hours.

Jo Ray, Regional Vice President of Community Relations and Employee Wellness, is proud of the philanthropic work by employees at Harrah's Cherokee Casinos. "Each year, employees continue to increase their volunteerism in many diverse areas within our communities. This accentuates our commitment to community outreach," said Ray. "Our employees truly care about their local communities and we are proud to have them as members of our family at Harrah's Cherokee Casinos."

The casinos also donated to the Cherokee Indian Fair, Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation and Toys For Tots.

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UKB suspends housing program

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TAHLEQUAH, Okla. – The United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma (UKB) suspended its housing program Jan. 7. The Tribe cited direct and indirect circumstances with funding, including an incomplete audit and federal government shutdown. During the suspension the tribe won't be providing housing services, nor will it accept applications for housing programs.

On the Tribe's Facebook page, Housing Director Nancy McCause

said, "We're not taking any applications for any of our programs at this time. However, we are on standby for emergency issues that might come up. We're still prepared to deal with dire emergencies for tribal members. We do have a little bit of funding set aside that isn't restricted as long as it's used for housing activities."

The suspension affects mortgage, rental and college housing assistance programs. Programs already in place have been put on hold, the tribe said.

"We have the money available for us to use, but because our audit

was not completed by June 2018 when it was supposed to be, we were placed on restricted status," McCause said. "This means that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development has to approve everything we draw. With the shutdown, they're just not there to approve it."

Sean Nordwall, UKB executive director of tribal operations, said, "I'm very disappointed that this had to happen because I've been trying to push the audit as much as I could. We got the audit approved early in 2018, but unfortunately it wasn't under my supervision.

We know there are tribal members disappointed about this at a time where they really need services, but we are diligently working towards getting this remedied now."

The Tribe has contacted the National Indian Housing Council to seek other avenues to pursue. "We're putting things in place and just feeling good that we will get through it," said McCause. "Until then, they can go to our Health and Human Services to see if there's any kind of assistance that they can give them."

Park to Restore Accessibility and Some Basic Visitor Services

Great Smoky Mountains National Park has announced that recently closed areas of the park are once again be accessible to visitors. Some basic visitor services, including campgrounds and restrooms, will reopen using revenue generated by recreation fees.

Areas that have been recently closed but that will be accessible to park visitors in the near future include:

- Cades Cove Campground and Picnic Area, including restrooms.
- Restrooms at the Smokemont Campground.
- Restrooms at the Deep Creek Picnic Area.
- Little River Road between Met-

calf Bottoms Picnic Area and the Townsend Wye.

- Foothills Parkway East.

National Park Service officials have determined that by using Federal Land and Recreation Enhancement Act funds to immediately bring back park maintenance crews to maintain roads and some basic services, the park will be able to restore accessibility to the park for visitors while ensuring health and safety. Maintenance crews will reopen and maintain the restrooms listed above in addition to continuing to clean the restrooms that were temporarily reopened last week at Newfound Gap and the Cades Cove Visitor Center by the Friends of the Smokies. Most park facilities will remain closed including Sugarlands and Oconaluftee Visitor Centers. Great Smoky Mountains Association is donating services to reopen the Cades Cove Visitor Center near Cable

Mill. Trash removal from dumpsters across the park will continue through a preexisting contract.

"We greatly appreciate the generous contributions of park partners who have provided funding to staff visitor centers over the holidays and keep bathrooms at Newfound Gap and Cable Mill open during the lapse in appropriations," said Park Superintendent Cassius Cash. "Their efforts have contributed significantly to our ability to restore access and basic services to Great Smoky Mountains National Park."

Roads and trails that are seasonally open will be maintained and remain accessible to visitors on a prioritized basis. Road crews will plow roads, remove downed trees, and clear small landslides along heavily used roadways including the Spur, Newfound Gap Road, Little River Road, and the Cades Cove Loop Road. These operation-

al efforts will be performed with reduced staffing using revenues from recreation fees. Road closures due to weather events may result in significantly longer closures than normal, and some remote, lesser used roads may remain closed until a return of full staffing.

The park website will remain accessible, but it will not be updated with any current information. Park social media accounts will continue to be suspended during the shutdown period. Information and images from webcams, including the Newfound Gap webcam, will remain accessible at <https://www.nps.gov/grsm/learn/photosmulti-media/webcams.htm>.

For updates on the shutdown, please visit www.doi.gov/shutdown.

- National Park Service release

Crowe files protest on Election Ordinance

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A new election ordinance (Ord. No. 408) was passed during a special session of Tribal Council on Dec. 19, 2018. That legislation addressed numerous issues including recounts, referendums, protests and voter irregularities, and more.

Mary "Missy" Crowe, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians from the Yellowhill Community, has filed a protest to Ord. No. 408 claiming its passage violated tribal law. In a letter to Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha, she writes, "With a financial interest in the amount of two thousand and fifty dollars (\$2,500) as a certified candidate for Tribal Council and Principal Chief in the 2003, 2011, 2015, and 2017 tribal elections as well as considering filing as a candidate in the upcoming 2019 tribal elections, I hereby protest the passing of Ord. No. 408 (2018) Elections..."

At the heart of her protest is Ord. No. 173 (2018) which changed the time frame designating an election year. In her protest, filed on Wednesday, Jan. 9, she states in part, "Ord. No. 173 (2018) was amended and passed on Sept. 6, 2018 to amend to extend the time for amending the tribal election law codified at Cherokee Code Chapter 161. This amendment changed the election year to an election period. 'An Election Year shall mean October 1 through September 30 of the year of a regular election. Election Period shall mean the period beginning six months immediately before a

primary election and extending to the end of the six-month period immediately following the general election. In case of a special election, the election period shall be defined as the period beginning six months immediately before the special election and extending to the end of the six-month period immediately following the special election."

Her protest letter continues, "Ord. No. 173 (2018) was submitted and passed on Sept. 6, 2018 and in a non-election year which expired on Sept. 30, 2018. Therefore, the new Election Period would begin in the 2021 Tribal Council Elections."

She asserts that Ord. No. 408 is "null and void and in violation of Cherokee Code 161-20" and states, "The current non-election year will expire in Sept. 30, 2018 as in the original Ord. No. 173 (2018) Election, passed as amended on Sept. 6, 2018 in the regular September session of Tribal Council."

Ord. No. 408 (2018) passed by a vote of 8-3 (For: Big Cove Rep. Perry Shell, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, Yellowhill Rep. Tom Wahneta, Vice Chairman David Wolfe, Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose, Wolf-town Rep. Jeremy Wilson, Wolf-town Rep. Bo Crowe, Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke; Against: Big Cove Rep. Richard French, Cherokee Co. – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Painttown Rep. Lisa Taylor; Absent due to bereavement: Chairman Adam Wachacha).

Following passage of the legislation during the Dec. 19 special session, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed stated, "I would like to thank the Tribal Council representatives

for their due diligence in properly vetting this resolution. The Tribal Council has hosted eight separate work sessions, with one of those including an evening session, allowing community members to provide input. I would like to thank those Tribal Council members that worked on and approved this ordinance, as I believe it is an important part of keeping our election process fair and equitable amongst candidates."

The representatives voting against Ord. No. 408 expressed their thoughts that more work was

needed on the legislation. Rep. Taylor said the day of passage, "I won't support this ordinance as it is. I can't support it until we get it right."

Rep. French made a motion to kill the legislation which wasn't approved and noted, "There's still more work to be done on this ordinance."

Crowe's protest will most likely be heard in the regular session of Tribal Council in February, but that agenda has not been released as of press time.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Taking some time out of your usually busy social life could be just what you need to help you focus on putting those finishing touches on your plans for a possible career change.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) A misunderstanding about a colleague's suggestions could create a delay in moving on with your proposal. But by week's end, all the confusing points should finally be cleared up.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might feel overwhelmed by all the tasks you suddenly have to take care of. But just say the magic word—help!—and you'll soon find others rushing to offer much-needed assistance.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Finishing a current project ahead of schedule leaves you free to deal with other upcoming situations, including a possible workplace change, as well as a demanding personal matter.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Turn that fine-tuned feline sensitivity radar up to high to help uncover any facts that could influence a decision you might be preparing to make. Devote the weekend to family activities.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A state of confusion is soon cleared up with explanations from the responsible parties. Don't waste time chastising anyone. Instead, move forward with your plans.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel obligated to help work out a dispute between family members. But this is one of those times when you should step aside and let them work out their problems on their own.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your ability to resolve an on-the-job problem without leaving too many ruffled feathers earns you kudos from co-workers. You also impress major decision-makers at your workplace.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Newly made and long-held friendships merge well, with possibly one exception. Take time to listen to the dissenter's explanations. You could learn something important.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Be prepared to be flexible about your current travel plans. Although you don't have to take them, at least consider suggestions from the experts in the travel business.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) A problem with a recent financial transaction could lead to more problems later on unless you resolve it immediately. Get all the proof you need to support your position.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Daydreaming makes it difficult to stay focused on what you need to do. But reality sets in by midweek, and you manage to get everything done in time for a relaxing weekend.

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Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Dec. 19, 2018

BOWMAN, Ronald Sequoyah

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

14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

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14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

OWLE, Leigh Ann

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed after Investigation

POWELL, Daymion Tenayiuos

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed with Restitution

PRICE, Paul Adam

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering – Dismissed on Plea

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 24 hours community service, court costs: \$190, restitution ordered: \$75

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea

SWAYNEY, Bruce Hubert

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon - Dismissed after Investigation

SWIMMER, Shane McKinley

14-40.50(a) Assault with a Deadly Weapon with intent to Kill Inflicting Serious Injury – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

WELCH, Kelsey Anne

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty, Amend Charge, 81 days active jail time, credit for time served (81 days)

14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court – Dismissed on Plea

WILDCATT, Janice L.

14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed, Failure of Prosecuting Witness to Appear and Testify

Judgment Summary for Jan. 3, 2019

ARNEACH, Cheyenne R.

20-28 Revoked License – Report Infraction

CLIMBINGBEAR, Henderson

14-25.14 Public Nuisance – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment

DRIVER SR., Michael Ray

14-25.14 Public Nuisance – Guilty Plea, 9 days active jail time, credit for time served (9 days)

ENSLEY JR., Alan B.

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, 12 months

jail time suspended, no contact with victim, court costs: \$190

LAMBERT, Erica

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

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

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 6 months probation, can be moved to unsupervised once completed, court costs: \$190

14-70.18 Providing Contraband - Dismissed on Plea

OTTER, Kerry Hawk

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, 120 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (39 days), court costs: \$190

14-60.30 False Pretenses - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering - Dismissed on Plea

14-10.11 Injuring Real Property - Dismissed on Plea

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

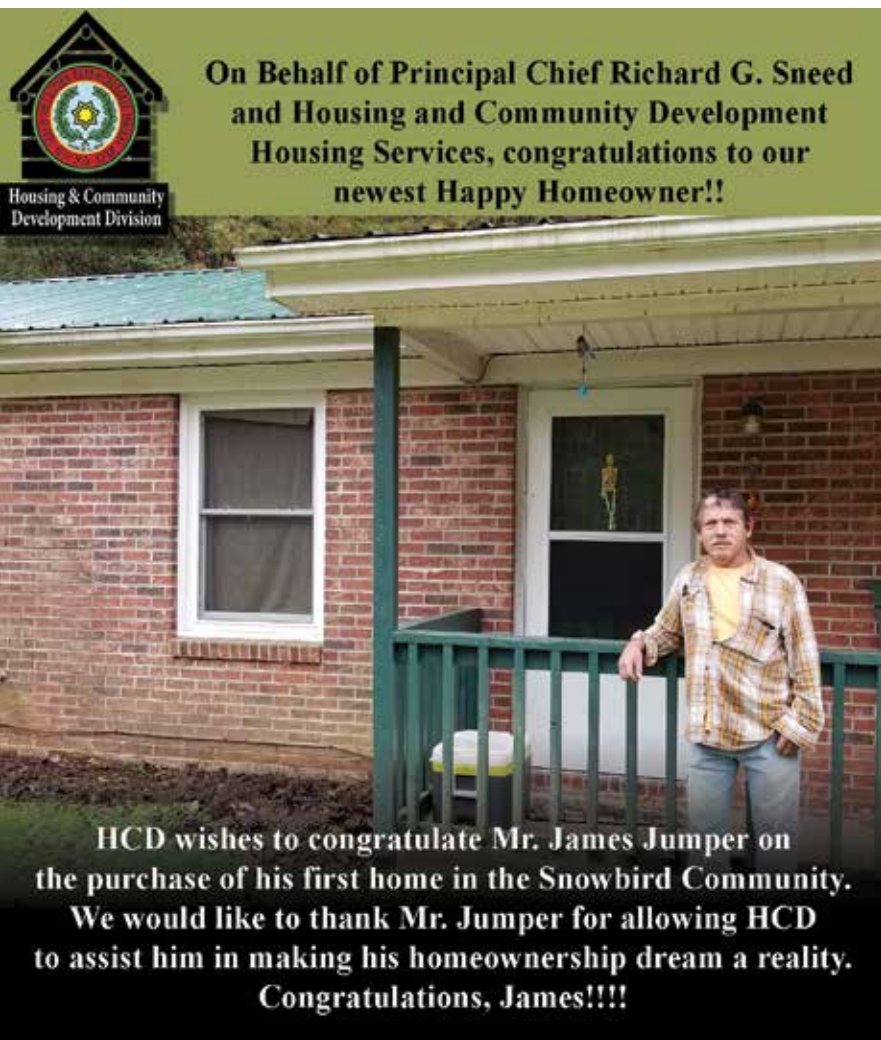
TAYLOR, Margie

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed on Plea

TAYLOR-TOINEETA, Margie Lynn

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed on Plea

14-5.4 Filing False Emergency Report – Guilty Plea, 60 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, not to be on or around Shell Station across from the casino or Betty Brady Road, court costs: \$190



14-70.22 Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court - Dismissed on Plea

Judgment Summary for Jan. 9, 2019

BERNHISEL SR., Tony

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

GEORGE, Maria G.

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 24 hours community service, fine: \$200

LONG, Jeffrey Vaughn

14-5.5(b) Stalking – Dismissed with Leave to Refile, not post anything about prosecuting witness or their family on social media

14-5.5(b) Stalking – Dismissed with Leave to Refile, not post anything about prosecuting witness or their family on social media

14-25.13 Harassment – Dismissed with Leave to Refile, not post anything about prosecuting witness or their family on social media

OTTER, Logan McKenna

14-50.26 Violation of Sex Offender Restrictions – Guilty Plea, No Contest, 12 months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, adhere to all state sex offender requirements/treatment and continue to report

SQUIRREL, Karina Lea-Anne

14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

TEESATESKIE, Bennie Marson

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a

controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed, Failure to CIPD to Provide Discovery

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, 35 days active jail time, credit for time served (23 days)

WHITECOTTON, Raymond Dakota

14-5.4 Filing False Emergency Report – Dismissed after Investigation

Cherokee Tribal Court Criminal Jury List for Monday, Feb. 25

Ashley Elaine Almond, Jon Jeffrey Anderson, Ephleada Anthony, Jasmine Danielle Arch, Nickosia Shantelle Armitage, Frances O. Arneach, Dennis Carroll Ashe, Chelsey Marie Ayen, Ari-Sen Betty, John Albert Bigwitch, Noel James Blakely, Jack Ray Blankenship, Olivia Marie Blankenship, Krystle Dawn Bolden, Ronald Eugene Bowman, Ray Hughie Bradley Jr., Trae Bradley, Brandon Keith Burgess, Chad Eric Carver, John Arthur Chastain, Christopher Gold Crisp, Jarrett Anthony Crowe, Lauren Jean Crowe, Lydia Lynn Crowe, Lilly Diane Driver, Carla Hattaway Fortenberry, Jennifer West George, Gabrielle Erin Hancock, Lucretia Dawn Hicks, Candice Amber Hornbuckle, Dennis Christopher Hornbuckle, Deborah P. James, Michaela Morgan Jenkins, Faye Clarice Junaluska, Ashley Ann Keel, Mark Aaron Kephart, Sandra Price Kirkland, Brian Aaron Lambert, Lavita Loraine Lambert, Kristen Nicole Lee, Michael Jason Lequire, Helen Sue Long, Nancy Diane Long, Robert Allen Long, Kirk Wilson Lossiah Jr., Ni Luh Mia Meirina, Seth Benjamin Millsaps, Bekka Elisabeth Montelongo, Kimberly Denise Gijapon Mosher, Judy

Ann Mousseaux, Samantha Nicole Nelson, Barbara Garrett Owle, Wilbur Paul, George Leighton Peebles, William Kyle Pilkington, Trevin Joseph Poscich, Dustin Lee Price, Jamy Queen, Mara Moody Queen, Brittany Elise Rathbone, Sara Murray Rattler, Justin Christopher Rhinehart, Deborah Sneed Roberts, Kayleen Cree Rockwood, Shayne Michael Rodrigues, Steven Jay Roland, Kim Matthews Sands,

Nanci Lynn Sneed, Edith Elizabeth Stamper, Jill Oliver Stein, Louise Ethel Taylor, Johnnie Allen Teesateskie, Anita S. Thompson, Patricia S. Tramper, Ryan Keith Tranter, Michael James Tullos, Michael Paul Wagner, Andrea Nicole West, Kadek Okta Widiarta, Janice Gayle Wilnoty, Jennifer Nicole Wilson, Paul Thaddeus Wojtkowski, Libby Smith Wolfe, William Nathaniel Wolfe Jr., David Aaron Youngbird

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Cherokee School Board's first meeting of 2019

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Cherokee School Board meetings are open to the public and routinely occur on the first and third Mondays of each month. The School Board met for its first regular meeting of the new year on Monday, Jan. 6. In attendance were School Board Chairwoman Charlotte Saunooke, John (Dick) Crowe, Jennifer Thompson, Karen French-Browning, Sunnie Clapsaddle (Clerk), School Superintendent Dr. Michael L. Murray, Assistant Superintendent Beverly Payne, Howard Wahnetah (Finance), and Deb Toinetta (Human

Resources). Absent from the meeting were Gloria Griffin, Isaac Long, Vice Chairman of Tribal Council David Wolfe and Woltown Rep. Bo Crowe. Those absent had been recorded as excused absences due to illnesses and prior commitments.

After roll call and prayer, there were presentations from those wishing to address the Board. Cherokee High School Principal Dr. Debora Foerst present four of the Cherokee Varsity Cheerleaders for recognition from the Board. The troupe did cheers along the 3-mile parade route during the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade in New York City. The young ladies expressed that it was a fun and interesting trip. They

said that they had a closer bond with each other because of the trip and were glad to be on television. One cheerleader said of New York, "It is a big and exciting totally new world". The Board thanked them for doing a good job representing their tribe in New York and to the millions who watch the parade.

Sylvia King and Kristy Maney represented the Cherokee Paranormal Activity Society (CPAS). They explained that their organization investigates and publicly reports publicly, via their social media page, incidents of paranormal activity. The presented audio and video examples of their work, including a dramatic recording of something controlling an unattended flashlight during an investigation at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Their request was to be allowed to do an investigation of any possible activity at the Cherokee Central Schools. The investigation would take place during the closed hours of the school and would involve audio and video recording to capture any activity. After the presentation, the Board discussed options for allowing the group to perform their investigation. They approved the group to do their investigation with the stipulation that the Board be able to review and approve the group's findings prior to publication.

Another business on the agenda concerned an action titled School Board "Resolution 119-148". The requested regulation asked for the "test pilot program for the SP. ED., E.C.T. program for teacher assistants" continuing education for the SP. ED., E.C.T. student population be approved. C.C.S. employees

participating in this pilot program will continue employment at C.C.S. after completing their degree for four consecutive years or pay a penalty of \$4,000 should they leave employment. For each full year completed, a \$1,000 will be deducted from the penalty payment. After the completion of the fourth year of full term employment, the employee shall not owe any penalty payment". The Board voted to pass this resolution.

Dr. Murray commented, "We are looking at a lot of ways to invest in our school system. We encourage our people to go on and get their degrees and serve here and not lose them to other systems". He said that teacher shortages are an issue in many school systems and fewer people preparing to enter the workforce are choosing to become teachers. "We are going to continue, in our school system, to be proactive about making sure we get a right fit here, and especially if there is somebody that is homegrown that we can work through, and the Board has also directed me to look at mentoring future administrators, because that is another area where there is a leadership void in North Carolina right now".

Last item on their agenda was a Facilities Use request from Jama Anders to hold an event titled "Iron Braves Games II" on Saturday, Feb. 16 from 7 a.m. to 5 p.m. Chairwoman Saunooke stated that he is anticipating approximately 80 participants for this year's event. Board approved Anders' request for use. The Board adjourned. The next scheduled meeting of the School Board is Tuesday, Jan. 22 beginning at approximately 4:30 p.m.

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FOOTBALL

Braves named to Food City Border Bowl roster

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

SEVIERVILLE, Tenn. — Six members of the Cherokee Braves varsity football team will join top prep players from four states in this year's Food City Border Bowl. Isaiah Evans, Isaiah Armachain, Blake Smith, Seth Smith, Joaquin Layno, and Damian Blanton will play for the North Carolina All-Stars team against the Kentucky All-Stars in the game scheduled at Sevier County High School in Sevierville, Tenn. on Saturday, Jan. 19 at 3 p.m. The Georgia All-Stars will play the Tennessee All-Stars at 12 p.m.

"I'm very proud of these young men and think they're all excellent choices," said Kent Briggs, Braves head football coach. "They all had a good year, and I'm happy that they're getting the exposure and recognition they deserve."

Several other Smoky Mountain Conference players have been invited to play with the North Carolina squad including: Slade McTaggart (Murphy), K.J. Allen (Murphy), Hunter Shope (Murphy), Devonte Murray (Murphy), Robert Bodine (Murphy), Reid Beal (Murphy), and Landon Orr (Robbinsville).



Isaiah Armachain



Isaiah Evans



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BASKETBALL

Cherokee Lady Braves Season-to-Date results

(10-2 as of Friday, Jan. 11)

Dec. 6: Cherokee 56 Franklin 47
Dec. 12: Cherokee 74 Hayesville 59
Dec. 14: Cherokee 79 Swain County 51
Dec. 15: Cherokee 67 Lincoln Charter 54
Dec. 21: Pisgah 68 Cherokee 59
Dec. 27 (Daytona, Fla. Sunshine Classic Tournament): Cherokee 74 Knott County Central (Kentucky) 70
Dec. 28 (Sunshine Classic): White County (Tenn.) 61 Cherokee 59
Dec. 29 (Sunshine Classic): Cherokee 71 Atlantic (Fla.) 51; Lady Braves finished in third place
Jan. 2: Cherokee 88 Rosman 41
Jan. 4: Cherokee 76 Franklin 57
Jan. 9: Cherokee 67 Blue Ridge 28
Jan. 11: Cherokee 89 Andrews 36

Cherokee Braves Season-to-Date results

(5-8 as of Friday, Jan. 11)

Dec. 6: Franklin 89 Cherokee 55
Dec. 12: Cherokee 52 Hayesville 49 (OT)
Dec. 14: Swain County 84 Cherokee 82
Dec. 15: Lincoln Charter 71 Cherokee 52
Dec. 21: Pisgah 73 Cherokee 54
Dec. 27 (Eastern Alamance 11th Annual Holiday Tournament): Burlington Christian Academy 76 Cherokee 48
Dec. 28 (Holiday Tournament): Bartlett Yancey 67 Cherokee 65
Dec. 29 (Holiday Tournament): Cherokee 52 Horizon AU Australian Basketball Group 57
Jan. 2: Cherokee 92 Rosman 70
Jan. 4: Franklin 79 Cherokee 53
Jan. 5: Glenn 77 Cherokee 54
Jan. 9: Cherokee 78 Blue Ridge 55
Jan. 11: Cherokee 80 Andrews 70

Roughest and Toughest Brawl seeking entrants

The Roughest and Toughest Brawl has been

running in the Carolinas for over two decades and over that span the Cherokee community has participated many times and won men's and women's divisions.

The Roughest and Toughest Brawl is coming back to the Haywood County fairgrounds on Friday, Jan. 25 and Saturday, Jan. 26. To sign up or buy tickets in advance, visit RoughestandToughest.com or go to one of three ticket outlets including: Harley Davidson Asheville, Harley Davidson Cherokee, or The Watering Hole Waynesville. Advance tickets are: \$16 adult general admission, \$10 kids 12 and under general admission; or \$20 for adults at the door. This is a two-day Toughman/Toughwoman tournament. Each fight consists of three one-minute rounds of just brawling. No kicks or takedowns. There is a one-minute break between rounds, and headgear, 16oz. gloves, and groin protectors are provided. This event is governed by the North Carolina State Boxing Authority.

- *Roughest and Toughest Brawl*

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Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.
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Yellowhill Baptist Church. 506-0123 or 736-4872

Please contact the church of your choice for meeting times and locations.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee's Naomi Smith goes up for a shot inside against Blue Ridge's Jade Bryson during a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Wednesday, Jan. 9. With 18 points, Smith led Cherokee to a 67-28 win over the Lady Bobcats. The Lady Braves led the entire way in this game. They jumped out to an early 13-0 lead and never looked back leading 53-14 at the half. Due to NCHSAA rules, the clock ran continuously during the entire second half due to Cherokee's large lead. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Doodle Lossiah 6, Raylen Bark 4, Deante Toineeta 17, Vivian Ross 6, Zoey Walkingstick 2, Jacee Smith 1, Tori Teesateskie 2, Tigger King 9, and Moira George 2. Blue Ridge scorers included: Chloe Fowler 3, Dallas Dean 2, Jade Bryson 6, Kaitlyn Stewart 3, Madeline Potts 12, and Selena McCoy 2.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee's Sterling Santa Maria (#34) goes a shot around Blue Ridge's Fisher Druffel during a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Wednesday, Jan. 9. Santa Maria led all scorers with 32 points as the Braves went on to a 78-55 win over the Bobcats. After starting close with the Braves leading 15-14 after the first period, the game opened up in the second period with Cherokee outscoring Blue Ridge 26-11 to lead 41-25 at the half. Other Cherokee scorers included: Tihjah Lossiah 3, Chris Johnson 2, Ethan Crowe 12, Bobby Crowe 4, Tino Pete 5, Josiah Lossiah 18, Blake Smith 2, Chris Hartbarger 2, and Seth Smith 4. Blue Ridge scorers included: Colton Taylor 2, Fisher Druffel 8, Noah Pressler 13, Levi Taylor 15, Jaydon Parris 3, and Mason Baumgarner 9.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Cherokee's Tori Teesateskie (#30) goes for a shot during a game against Andrews at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Jan. 11. With 19 points, she led the Lady Braves to a big 89-36 victory over the Lady Wildcats. Cherokee led the entire way after jumping out to an early 22-4 lead after the first period. Due to the Lady Braves' lead, the clock ran continuously in the second half per NCHSAA rules. Other Cherokee scorers included: Raylen Bark 4, Doodle Lossiah 8, Tigger King 7, Naomi Smith 16, Deante Toineeta 16, Vivian Ross 9, Praire Toineeta 1, Zoey Walkingstick 4, and Jacee Smith 5. Andrews scorers included: Paige Lindley 2, Abby Hedden 11, Emily Mealer 3, Sara Deby 1, Sydney Postell 1, Brooke Newton 16, and Karlie Curtis 2.



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Cherokee's Josiah Lossiah (#12) goes for a shot around Andrews' Landon White in a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Jan. 11. With 27 points, Lossiah led the Braves to an 80-70 win over the Wildcats. The game was tied at 15-15 after the first period, but a huge second period by the Braves, in which they outscored Andrews 29-9, helped put Cherokee on top. The Wildcats cut Cherokee's lead to 10 points (58-48) at the end of the third period, but the Braves were able to hold on for the ten-point victory. Other Braves scorers included: Tihjah Lossiah 5, Bobby Crowe 2, Blake Smith 12, Nate Crowe 10, Seth Smith 9, Sterling Santa Maria 10, and Joaquin Layno 7. Andrews scorers included: Tucker Holloway 3, Zachary Sheppard 2, Kabe Ellis 27, Landon White 3, Eric Maennle 12, Cody Mathis 18, and Xavier Rattler 5.

SCC seeks nominations for Inaugural Distinguished Alumni Award

KAITLYN CARVER-COCHRAN
SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY
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SYLVA- Southwestern Community College is now accepting nominations for the SCC Foundation's inaugural Distinguished Alumni Award.

To be considered, nominees must have graduated with either a certificate, diploma or degree from the institution known today as Southwestern Community College and previously as Southwestern Technical College (1979-1988), Southwestern Technical Institute (1967-1979) or Jackson County

Industrial Education Center, a satellite of A-B Tech (1964-67).

"We are looking for candidates who are truly exceptional in their field," said Brett Woods, director of the SCC Foundation. "Our distinguished alumni recipient will receive this award at our graduation ceremony in May, and will serve as an inspiration of what new graduates can aspire to become."

In addition to being recognized at graduation, the recipient of the Distinguished Alumni award will be recognized on SCC's website, social media, and will receive an award plaque.

The SCC Foundation has part-

nered with the SCC Foundation Faculty & Staff Advisory Council to create the award.

"The SCC Foundation Faculty & Staff Advisory Council has enthusiastically embraced the opportunity to develop the Distinguished Alumni Award," said Dr. Mark Ellison, Chair of the Council. "We are excited to recognize outstanding SCC alumni."

Nominations for the award can be submitted in writing by someone other than a member of the potential candidate's family.

The form for nomination can be found at: <https://tinyurl.com/ycgrb6be>.

Upon completion, forms can be emailed to Kathy Posey at k_posey@southwesterncc.edu, along with any supporting information. Forms can also be sent in by mail, addressed to the Southwestern Community College Foundation; 447 College Drive; Sylva, NC 28779.

Nomination forms will remain on file for three years for future award consideration. After three years, nominations must be re-submitted.

For more information about the Distinguished Alumni award, contact Kathy Posey, at (828) 339-4227.

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TOWN HALL MEETING

At the Cherokee Fair Grounds Auxiliary Building

January 24, 2019

6:00 - 8:00pm

Top Five Proposed Projects

1. Adventure Park and Resort
2. Trout Hatchery
3. Golf Course Hotel
4. Multisport Complex
5. Archives Facility



CEDS - Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy

Agenda of the Meeting:

1. **Panel Representatives acknowledgement- Brief** description of your association and description of your connection to the CEDS project and the department you represent
2. **CEDS committees and the process of development of the current plan-** Explain the process of CEDS committees to determine the priority of the current "project list" and how it was determined that the top five list came about.
3. **Brief Summary of the "Top Five" project List-** History, current studies and requirements, and an update of current status of the project.
4. **Funding Sources-** Provide information as to how the projects will be funded (Grant possibilities, Tribal Funding, Outside sources)
5. **Revenue vs. Community Necessity-** Explain connection between the two and how the current Top Five project list can evolve into providing resources to obtain support to complete other projects on the list.
6. **Community Q&A**

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Local auditions for “Unto These Hills” 2019 season

“Unto These Hills” is getting ready for its 70th season this coming summer. Have you ever had the urge to get on stage with the drama? If so, local auditions are being held Saturday, Jan. 26 from 2 p.m. – 6 p.m. at the Cherokee Historical Association main box office at 564 Tsali Blvd. Individuals of all ages and experience levels are welcome and encouraged to come out for auditions. The first rehearsal for this year’s show is set for May 12. Opening night is June 1 and closing night is Aug. 17. Info: www.cherokeehistorical.org, or visit their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/UntoTheseHills/>

- Cherokee Historical Association

Gaming Conference scheduled for Tulsa

TULSA, Okla. - Oklahoma State University and the University of Nevada, Reno are partnering to offer an innovative gaming leadership conference for industry experts on casino marketing strategies, data analytics and agile project management for casinos. The 2019 Building Business Acumen for Gaming Conference will be Jan. 28-31 at the Hard Rock Hotel & Casino in Tulsa.

A certificate of completion will be awarded following the program, and the 30 hours of instruction can be counted toward the Certificate in Gaming Management accreditation offered at UNR. Registration is now available for the January 2019 session at <https://business.okstate.edu/cepd/>. Hotel accommodations are offered at a discounted rate of \$99 per night by using the code OSU_UNR2019.

- Oklahoma State University release



JOSEPH MARTIN/One Feather

This Red-Shouldered hawk was spotted on the Oconaluftee River Trail in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park on the afternoon of Wednesday, Jan. 9.

Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation launches Fellowship

WINSTON - SALEM – The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation (ZSR) is excited to announce the launch of its All For NC Fellowship. Applications for the Fellowship are now available on the Foundation’s website. The All For NC Fellowship is one of three initiatives that the Foundation is supporting under its Exploratory, Visionary Ideas Strategy as part of All For NC: Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation’s Framework for Grantmaking and Learning.

Through the All For NC Fellowship, the Foundation is seeking to invest directly in young innovators, change makers, visionaries, entrepreneurs and risk takers between the ages of 21 and 35 with bold ideas for how to make a difference in North Carolina and its communities. The Fellowship

is a 12-month program designed to provide funding, coaching and mentoring to young people who have a vision and plan that could contribute to a better life for North Carolina’s people and communities.

Selected Fellows will receive an individual stipend of \$75,000 (pre-tax) for personal and project expenses incurred during the Fellowship.

Applications for the All For NC Fellowship are due by Jan. 25, 2019 by 12 p.m. (noon).

Semi-finalists will be selected to interview and present to a group of panelists during the weekend of March 15-17, 2019. The Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation Board of Trustees will select up to five Fellows in May 2019. Preference likely will be given to Fellows with projects or initiatives that have moved beyond an initial idea and have some momentum.

Learn more about the All For NC Fellowship here: <https://www.zsr.org/all-for-nc>. Questions about the All For NC Fellowship should be directed to info@zsr.org.

- Z. Smith Reynolds Foundation release

UT Graduate School funds available

The Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund has announced that the University of Tennessee Graduate School will soon be notifying them soon of the available funds for a 2019-20 fellowship. UT will provide a fellowship to a graduate or doctoral student recommended by the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund. To apply for the 2019-20 University of Tennessee fellowship, students must apply to the Scholarship Fund by making a request in writing to the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors, P. O. Box 892, Cherokee, NC 28719 by Friday, Feb. 1, 2019 to be considered for this fellowship. If more than one application is received, the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors will make a recommendation to UT Graduate School as to who should receive the tuition waiver based upon need.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship

THANK YOU LETTERS

Dear Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund,

Thank you for the continued support going into the 2019 spring semester of my podiatric medical school education. The classes I am currently taking are neurology, pathology II, podiatric surgery II, pharmacology II, podiatric medicine II, general medicine II, and Radiology II this semester. I am also doing clinical rotations at Highland

Hospital, Laguna Honda Hospital, Jewish Home, Homeless Clinic, and San Francisco General Hospital. Thanks to your support I am able to continue living in a safe neighborhood near my school in the Bay Area.

Last semester Yogi Crowe funding helped me afford extra expenses not covered by the tribal education funding. Gas for my car, apartment utilities (water, electric, recycling, garbage), airline tickets home and back for winter break, phone bills, car insurance, car maintenance, parking passes (for my apartment complex, school, and hospital rotation locations), professional clothing, and academic club dues were all extra expenses that Yogi Crowe funding went toward last semester. Going forward, I will use some of the Yogi Crowe funding this semester to pay for my APMLE boards part 1 study materials and registration for the July 3rd test date.

The funding has helped tremendously and I look forward to giving back in the future.

Sincerely,
Carmen Johnson

Thanks from the family of Charles George

The family of Charles E. George (Charlie) want to express our appreciation to everyone who contributed in some way at the time of his passing. Thank you to Preacher Bo Parris, Tribal Construction workers who dug the grave on their vacation time, Longhouse Funeral Home for the services, Charlie's co-workers at Paul's who came by, our Council members Tom Wahnetah and David Wolfe and Vice Chief B. Ensley for their help and everyone who sent flowers.

Barbara and Suzie George



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OBITUARIES



Winfred Maney

Winfred Maney, age 84, of the Big Cove Community in Cherokee, passed away at his home on Sunday, Jan. 6, 2019.

Winfred was a US Army veteran and was a retired mechanic.

He is survived by his children, John W. Maney Jr. of Cherokee, Rick Maney of Cherokee, Ellen Maney of Hickory, Jack Daniel Maney of Cherokee, and Tosha Maney of Cherokee; step-children, Donna Sue George and William George both of Cherokee; six grandchildren; three great grandchildren; and one brother, Harley Maney of Cherokee.

Winfred was preceded in death by his wife, Elnora Maney; his parents, Richard Maney and Maggie Seay Maney; and one brother, Ralph Maney.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, Jan. 10 at Long House Funeral Home with funeral services to follow at 2 p.m. Pastor James "Bo" Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Winfred Maney Cemetery in the Big Cove Community with military honors provided by the Steve Youngdeer American

Legion Post 143. Pallbearers were among family and friends.



Nell Beck Crowe

Nell Beck Crowe, 73, of Cherokee, left peacefully to be with the Lord Jan. 9, 2019. She was a proud member of the Old Antioch Missionary Baptist Church, "Where everybody is somebody and Jesus Christ is Lord."

She served many years with her loving husband Gilbert Crowe as a Deacon's wife, Church Clerk, and Sunday School Teacher. She loved her Church family very deeply. Nell sold Avon for the past 45 years. She always had a smile on her face and never met a stranger.

Nell was the daughter of the late Tilson and Bessie Bradley Beck. She joined her parents; late husband, Gilbert Crowe; brothers, Jim and Bob Beck; and sisters Patsy Lambert and Bernice Fortner in Heaven.

She leaves behind son, Shawn (wife Sebrina); daughter, Robin (husband Paul); daughter, Susie (husband David); son, Gilbert (wife Becky); daughter, Ashley (husband Taylor); grandchildren, Matthew, Jennifer, Kassie, Jeremy, Seth, Emma "Sweet Pea", Taelynn,

Bessie, Natalie, Ryan, and Madi-lynn Mae Grace; and great grandchildren, Jeron and Addie. Nell is also survived by her sisters, Betty Lambert of Cherokee, Zena Lawhon of Cherokee, and Amanda Lee Bevis from Melbourne, Fla.; special niece, Beth Beck; and special sister-in-law, Charlotte "Woochie" George.

Nell made an impact on the Cherokee Community and will be greatly missed. She loved everyone she met.

Funeral Services were held on Friday, Jan. 11 at Old Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. Revs. Danny Little, Ben Reed and Denny Crowe officiated with burial in the Crowe Family Cemetery.

Bob Owle

Bob Owle, 94, of the Birdtown Community, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, Jan. 5, 2019. A member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, he was the son of the late Lloyd and Lillian Arch Owle and husband of the late Helen Enloe Owle. He was a member of Bethabara Baptist Church.

He was preceded in death by his sister, Jessie Dugan; brother, Henry Owle; and grandchildren, Brock Squirrel, Dalton Scott Gunter, Jessica Denise Owle, and Boyd Leslie Owle Jr.

He is survived by his children, Wayne, Bobby and significant other Sherri Hornbuckle, Boyd (Cathie), Lloyd (Sharon), Jim (Charlene), Donald Richard Lambert (Barbara), Beatrice Taylor (Truman), Vicki Owle; special grandson and caregiver, Robbie Squirrel; 20 grandchildren; 47 great grandchildren; 28 great great grandchildren; and siblings, Lloyd Carl Owle, Dewey, Freeman, Catherine Owle, Annette Fish, Ruby Crowe, Peggy Wolfe,

Frank Bradley, Paul Owle and Frances Arneach.

Funeral services were held Wednesday, Jan. 9 at Bethabara Baptist Church. Rev. James (Bo) Parris officiated with burial in the Owle Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Nat Taylor, Danny Owle, Jim Bob Owle, Kevin Owle, Todd Taylor and Christian Owle.

Timothy Jeffrey Locust Jr.

Timothy Jeffrey Locust Jr., infant son of Timothy Jeffrey Locust Sr. and Nalisha Watty Guerrero passed away Saturday, Jan. 5 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

In addition to his parents, Timothy is survived by one brother, DJ Guerrero; three sisters, Emiley Guerrero, Elisabeth Guerrero, and Xerena Locust; paternal grandparents, Sadie Locust and Jeremiah Locust Sr.; maternal grandparents, Gloria Vargas and Deyve Vargas; and many aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held on Wednesday, Jan. 9 at Long House Funeral Home. James Locust Sr. officiated, and burial followed at the Wolfe Cemetery in the Big Cove Community. Pallbearers were Willie Arch and Brandon Locust.

Julie Freeman Howard

Julie Freeman Howard, 63, of Bryson City formerly of Mascotte, Fla., went home to be with the Lord Sunday, Jan. 13, 2019.

A native of Mascotte, Fla., she was the daughter of Bernice Boseman Freeman of Mascotte, Fla. and the late Charles Freeman. She was also preceded in death by multiple siblings.

She is survived by her children, Kristen Osterhout of Bryson City, Rachel Patterson of Walhalla, SC, Regina Wood and Matthew Free-

man; two grandchildren, Kiana Patterson and Korrin Patterson; and many nieces and nephews.

A memorial service will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18 in the chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Pastor Larry Hargrove will officiate.

The family will receive friends from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. Friday at the funeral home.

Alice (Tootie) Virginia Lee Lambert Owle

Alice (Tootie) Virginia Lee Lambert Owle, 67, of the Birdtown Community, went home to be with the Lord Friday, Jan. 11, 2019. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Willard and

Ethel Murphy Lambert. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by two brothers, Bill Lambert and Robert Lambert; one sister, Shirlene Lambert McCoy; and one granddaughter, Erika Nicole.

She is survived by her husband of 51 years, Sammy Wayne Owle; two daughters, Angie Swayney, and Tonya Mitchell and husband John; one son, Randal Owle; many grandchildren and many great grandchildren; one brother, Walter (Bud) Lambert and wife Sheila; and three sisters, Shirley Step, Inez Huskey, and Caroll Dene Higgins.

Funeral Services were held Sunday, Jan. 13 at Crisp Funeral

Home Chapel. Rev. Charles Ray Ball officiated with burial at Birdtown Cemetery.

Pallbearers were Raymond Neal Swayney, Douglas Swayney, Zane Hicks, Killian Ruth, Felicia Owle, and Christina Owle.

Molly Teresa Littlejohn

Molly Teresa Littlejohn, 57, of the Yellowhill Community, went home to be with the Lord Thursday, Jan. 10, 2019. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Jim and Mollie Taylor Littlejohn.

She was also preceded in death by her sister, Elsie Wolfe; and brothers, Mike, Leonard and Jim Daniel

Littlejohn.

Molly is survived by her daughter, Misty Littlejohn (Elrod); grandchildren, Aiyana, Nathaniel, Hunter and Isaiah; sisters, Charlotte and Nellie Littlejohn, Mary Jane Smith (Alan); brothers, David Taylor, Burton Littlejohn; and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Jan. 13 at Acquoni Baptist Chapel. Rev. Jim Park officiated with private burial to follow.

Pallbearers were nephews, DD, Micky, Travis, Cricket, Taylor, David and Smurfy.



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Time to retool the rules

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Our law is frequently adjusted. Every two years a new set of government representatives adds, deletes, and amends our laws. That is their job, their responsibility. Because of the size and scope of the Cherokee Code, it is difficult to create new law without impacting other areas of the Code. Either proper research is potentially lacking, or a sense of urgency allows for opposing statutes to be written into law. Sometimes, in trying to clarify or plug gaps in regulation of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians via the Cherokee Code, our representatives include language that opposes existing law. Maybe a mandatory 30-day tabling of the proposed legislation is no longer enough time to research the Code to prevent laws being made that are, in effect, canceled out by another law.

We have discussed, as a Tribe, having a constitution to replace the Charter and possibly the Cherokee Code. We have considered it for a very, very long time. Try as we might, we still have not gotten anything together to present to Tribal Council for consideration to show to the people. In the meantime, Tribal Council has tasked the Attorney General's office with sifting through the Cherokee Code to find inconsistency or ambiguity in the law and bring them before Council to resolve issues. Some positive movement has been seen throughout the year, as, for example, the Election Board requests changes to their codified procedures. This came because of a contentious past election execution, not because of the directive to clean up the Code.

All regulations requiring some form of execution should have a timeframe outlined by the legislation. A wall honoring the Beloved Women and Men of the Tribe, designated for just outside the Council chambers, has not yet been established, and no date was assigned for completion. Many of our legislators have mentioned that projects have been approved for months, years, and decades that are still on the drawing board or in various stages of evolution.

Our governing documents leave much to be desired about the rights and powers of the tribal community. Personal protections will come from the constitution when it happens. For now, we must try to negotiate via ordinance and resolution proposals to Tribal Council to maintain at least the illusion of people's rights.

As I have mentioned in previous discussions with the readership, I don't believe that our representatives are intentional, personally circumventing our will as a community. Just as our tribal "sovereignty" is not true sovereignty at all, because it is dependent on another government's blessing on our ability to govern and we cannot independently stand against regulations made by the federal government, the community cannot stand against the rulings of our government. For example, a tribal member's last will and testament detailing his/her previous wishes for the property has been successfully overridden by our government. More than once.

Some of our laws are so vague regarding procedure and consequence that Tribal Court has had to make rulings governing procedures for specific actions. Many of the actions taken over recent years have been made based on the precedent of previous steps from the minutes of prior government meetings. When governmental leadership needs to act where no procedure is outlined in Charter or Code, precedent is used to do the work. Several times, when an action of the government has been questioned, the response has been "well, that is the way we have always done it" or "that is the way it was done in the past."

Tribal Council and the Executive Office are moving to address those gaps they find as they move through processes. As a tribal member outside the process of lawmaking, I wish that cleaning up the Code, or "retooling the rules," was more of a priority for our government.

During the last two previous campaigns, our representatives indicated that transparency was high on their priority lists for the government. They

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promised more information would be reported to the people. It used to be a famous slogan during federal presidential campaigns to say, "Are you better off today than you were before the last election?" So, I ask you, do you feel that the government is more transparent since the last election? If not, it may be because while there are laws in place to facilitate the press and public to acquire public records, there is no penalty specified for not providing them. And going to court to enforce your right to them is costly in time, money, and reputation.

Reporting of current information from the government is sporadic. I recently asked the public library about their collection of

annual program reports, since the Code requires that all tribal programs submit their annual reports to the Tribal Operations Program (TOP) and the public library. The government requires those reports to be submitted by a date certain. That date had passed when I made my request of the library. I was told that they would be happy to show me "the ones that they had received." They told me that not all programs had submitted their reports to the library. They were unsure who would be responsible for ensuring that they received all the reports. The library personnel did not know who that would be. I asked others in the government and got similar answers.

I told one of our leaders of the past that strategies are doomed to fail without attention to detail. Big

picture thinkers are needed to provide structure for a strategic plan and execution, but you also need people who are expert in managing and executing. It is the attention to detail in the performance that makes a strategy successful. Many of our issues stem from system-

atic failure to attend to detail. A well thought out plan and strict adherence to the plan is the key to, not just completion, but excellent completion. That is what "the people" want in its laws and from our governors. Retool the rules.

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AROUND THE BOUNDARY

By JAKE SWIMMER



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The One Feather welcomes cartoonist Jake Swimmer

Jake Swimmer is a Native American cartoonist and

graphic designer and enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. His comics are motivated by the observational humor and opinions derived from the Qualla Boundary and Indian Country. Swimmer's art and drawings have been displayed in various forms across Cherokee and the surrounding areas. He has provided his graphic designs to various programs and functions. His most recent designs have been used for the Didanisiigi Pottery Festival, the National Native Health Research Conference, and a decal design that is worn on the helmets of the Western Carolina University football team during their annual EBCI recognition game. Swimmer is a graduate of Cherokee High School and Western Carolina University where he attended on an athletic scholarship for Cross Country and Track. Swimmer now resides in the Snowbird Community with his wife and three children where he is the Cherokee Language Specialist at Graham County Schools.



Harm reduction treads close to enabling

JOSEPH MARTIN
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Addiction has plagued our Tribe for decades. Alcoholism has been one of our oldest battles, but certain drugs have arrived on the scene, and that has made for new and probably uglier battles. While the drugs and the impacts on the users themselves are damage enough, it's the collateral damage that makes addiction so heartbreaking.

Addiction doesn't just hurt the user. It hurts the user's family, children in particular. It also hurts neighbors and others around the users who have to cope with their behavior. So, it should seem that helping addicts recover would be a top priority, and it is. However, among the collateral damage, particularly with drugs that are injected, like methamphetamine and heroin, is the spread of bloodborne diseases like HIV and hepatitis C.

This is where the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians' syringe service program comes in. Programs like this have been around since the 1980s. Where many drug users will share needles, and therefore end up spreading bloodborne pathogens to other users, the practice of providing unused, clean syringes to users to reduce the spread of disease came into practice.

With hepatitis C being widespread among the Tribe, and HIV infections still being problematic, it's been shown to reduce these infections. The program offers unused syringes, alcohol wipes, a bottle of water, biohazard contain-

ers for disposal, a card that provides immunity from paraphernalia charges, and supplies that include cooking tins and tourniquets. They also offer referrals for drug treatment, medical care and community resources when requested.

The Tribe is in a catch 22 here. Does it work toward harm reduction through reducing disease transmission? Or, does it take a strong, no-tolerance stance, particularly necessary with the opioid trade? No one wants to see an increase in hepatitis or HIV, but no one wants to see growing numbers of addicts either.

I'm willing to place a wager that there isn't a single family on the roll who hasn't been touched by addiction, and I mean opioids or methamphetamine. In my family's case, it's both. That's on top of past family members' addictions that have included cocaine on top of alcohol. I know three things about addiction based on what I've dealt with. One is the addict has to want to quit and change. It can't be forced.

Two is that most addicts don't reach that point until they've hit rock bottom, and that's different things for different people. For


some, it's getting arrested, and/or seeing their mugshots on TV or in the papers. For some, it's a near overdose. For others, it's the look of shame in a child's eye. Tragically for some, rock bottom is death, and my family has been through that too.

The third thing is, the worst thing you can do for an addict is enable and coddle.

Some of my opinion is from having to cope with the behavior of addicts and users around me. Call me cold-hearted, but I don't care whether the man I caught attempting to break in my car, at the house where my children were sleeping, is struggling with addiction. I want him to face the consequences. His being obviously high is not an excuse. It certainly doesn't bring out any feelings of sympathy, and I have every right to prohibit that element from being around my children. Given my experience, it should also be understandable that I feel we are coddling and enabling addicts, and I don't just mean the Tribe. Refer addicts to treatment and work with them sincerely to get clean and sober, but don't let them off the hook or hand out cushy punishments for criminal behavior.

I also find it incredibly sad that we have gotten to the point where we hand out clean needles to drug addicts to combat what could be a greater scourge in HIV and hepatitis C. When local resident and grandfather David Jumper stood before Tribal Council on Wednesday, Jan. 9 and demonstrated how his grandchildren play, which mimicked the use of a tourniquet and injecting drugs, it now appears as though addiction has become normalized. This can't be the new normal. Jumper, being a tribal detention center employee, has seen the ravages of addiction first hand. While the needle exchange is a necessary evil, emotionally for me it doesn't sit well. It feels a lot like enabling. In fact, I could argue that it is enabling.

Yes, I support the exchange program's efforts to reduce the spread of disease, but I don't feel good about it. I also feel far too many drug offenders (including dealers and traffickers) get off way too easy on a justice system conveyor belt. We need to change something, because what we've been doing isn't working, and the problem is getting worse.



LETTER TO THE EDITOR

The *Cherokee One Feather* is your community newspaper. We want you to feel like you are a part of the *Cherokee One Feather* family because you are. From pictures to writing, the newspaper was created to inform you and to share your thoughts. We invite you to share your thoughts on community issues, send appreciation, let people know about your concerns and celebrate your victories. Someone in our community may need the information you have. Share it. Someone may be thinking they are alone in their thoughts. Let them know that they are not alone. Make your voice louder by writing to the *Cherokee One Feather*.

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Benefits/Fundraisers

Frybread and Chili Benefit. Jan. 18 from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Cherokee Pentecostal Church Fellowship Hall. Reed's Frybread & Chili w/drink \$7.00; Indian Taco w/drink \$8.00. Proceeds will go to Mike Fulford and Kandi Roland. Mike had to have surgery in December and has and will be unable to work for another four months.

Big Y Breakfast Fundraiser and Indoor Yard Sale. Jan. 19 at 8 a.m. at Big Y Community Building. Sellers can set up the evening before from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. in the gym and doors will be locked until you arrive in the morning. All tables are \$5 each and there will be 50 tables available. All proceeds

from the table rentals goes to support the Cherokee Animal Rescue, a non-profit, no-kill shelter in Cherokee. The breakfast will be the "best gravy on the Rez" and will be \$5 a plate. To reserve a table, contact Brianna Lambert 788-3308

Souper Bowl Fundraiser. Feb. 1 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Cherokee Choices Community Room. All proceeds will go to fund the Community Syllabary Class. \$5 for a bowl of soup, break/crackers, and drink. \$7 for all you can eat soup, bread/crackers, and drink. Soups include: potato, taco, tomato, vegetable, zuppa toscana, and more.

Church Events
Multi-faith Spiritual Gather-

ing. Jan. 12 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Qualla Java Café meeting room. Join in to share a prayer, song, poem, story, or inspirational reading in a spirit of mutual respect and unity. Open to members of all faiths and spiritual traditions and to those of no particular faith. Sponsored by the Baha'is of the Southern Mountains. No donations requested or accepted. Info: Grant at gwolf19@yahoo.com

Cultural Events

Cherokee Heritage Day. Jan. 19 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Blowgun demo at 2 p.m., flute music and storytelling at 3 p.m. All day – lobby demonstrations, make a pinwheel, learn about "The Very

Windy Day", museum tours, and more. Nikki's Frybread will be set up all day in front of the Museum.

Cherokee Language Class. Jan. 21, 28; Feb. 4, 11 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is \$40 for all four evenings. The class will be taught by Lou Jackson and Brett Jones, both enrolled members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Info: Sequoyah Birthplace Museum (423) 884-6246, seqmus@tds.net

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

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WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseigee River	N/A	All Day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout	BWO, Winter Stone, Dark Caddis, Midges	Para BWO, Zebra Copper John, Stonefly, Soft Hackle Pheasant Tail, Prince Nymph, Woolly Bugger
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
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations-wild trout	All Day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, and Brook Trout	BWO, Winter Stone, Dark Caddis, Midges	Stonefly imitations, Para Adams, Zug Bug, Prince nymph, Pheasant tail, Para BWO, Peacock Caddis

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BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, JAN. 14	TUESDAY, JAN. 15	WEDNESDAY, JAN. 16	THURSDAY, JAN. 17	FRIDAY, JAN. 18	SATURDAY, JAN. 19	SUNDAY, JAN. 20
AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	BETTER	BEST
6:44 AM-8:44 AM 7:07 PM-9:07 PM	7:30 AM-9:30 AM 7:54 PM-9:54 PM	8:19 AM-10:19 AM 8:45 PM-10:45 PM	9:12 AM-11:12 AM 9:41 PM-11:41 PM	10:10 AM-12:10 PM 10:40 PM-12:40 AM	11:11 AM-1:11 PM 11:43 PM-1:43 AM	N/A 12:14 PM-2:14 PM

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1. Is the book of 2 Kings in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Acts 6, which one of the seven "deacons" did great wonders and miracles among the people? *Nicanor, Philip, Timon, Stephen*
3. What apostle was a disciple of John the Baptist when Jesus recruited him? *Andrew, Simon Peter, Thomas, James*
4. From Revelation 6, what color was the sun when it became like a sackcloth of hair? *Red, Black, White, Green*
5. Who was Saul of Tarsus waiting for while he fasted three days in Damascus? *Darius, Zenas, Ananias, Apollo*
6. From Isaiah 63:2, what color of garments does the Lord wear? *Purple, Red, White, Gold*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Stephen; 3) Andrew; 4) Black; 5) Ananias; 6) Red

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

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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 Kananesgi Fashion Show. Info: Sally Dixon 359-6936

General Events

NAIWA dinner. Indian Dinners, Jan. 18 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Yellowhill Activity Center. W/chicken, bean bread, fat back, beans and hominy, cabbage, potatoes, dessert and drink for \$10.

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier/Cherokee Precinct meeting. Jan. 21 at 6 p.m. at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Agenda will include recruiting more members, planning for election of 2019-21 precinct officers and broadening community outreach. All are welcome. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Thinking about starting a business? Pre-venture orientation session. Jan. 30 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m. in the Ginger Lynn Welch conference room. Register here: <http://bit.ly/PVO-Jan2019>. Info: Sabrina Arch 359-6708

Health/Sports Events

Catamount Basketball EBCI Appreciation Night. Jan. 17 at The Ramsey Center in Cullowhee. Women's game at 5 p.m. and Men's game afterwards at around 7:30 p.m. Free admission to all youth league basketball players wearing their team jerseys to the game. Everyone is welcome. Tribal discount tickets (\$5) available only at the WCU Cherokee Center until Jan. 16. To reserve tickets, call 497-7920. Info: same number or email

Sky Sampson at snsampson@wcu.edu

Cherokee Choices Open House and Mega Health Screen. Jan. 23 from 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex community rooms. Free light lunch and snacks, healthy recipes, 2019 Cherokee Choices Calendar and raffle prizes. Mega health screen including blood pressure, hemoglobin A1c for diabetes risk, BMI and body fat review, learn more about fitness and health opportunities, and more. This event is sponsored by EBCI Public Health & Human Services, Cherokee Choices, and Mountain Wise. Info: Shelby 359-6783, shelpark@nc-choerokee.com, or Robin 359-6785, robibail@nc-choerokee.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

Cherokee Living Well and Diabetes Talking Circle. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12 - 1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@choerokeehospital.org.

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 Groups meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Library from 11am - 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and 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 from 5:30 - 6:30pm 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.

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- **School Psychologist** - Minimum requirement of a Master's Degree in psychology and have at least three year's experience working in a school setting. Must hold state license to practice school psychology.
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rest and relaxation for spa guests,
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creased treatment and retail sales.
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must be self motivated and respon-
sible. Required to have open avail-
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Position: Cosmetologist

Job Description: To provide
high quality, professional hair and
nail services to clients. Educate
the guest regarding home mainte-
nance and the benefit of additional
services.

Applicants must be self moti-
vated and responsible. Required to
have open availability, work eve-
nings, weekends, and holidays. Able
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Position: Male Spa Attendant

Job Description: The Spa At-
tendant's overall responsibility is
provide premier quality service to
the spa clientele by efficiently and
properly cleaning the spa and main-
taining it so that it is fully function-
al. Spa Attendants will perform any
combination of general/industrial
cleaning duties to maintain a clean
and orderly environment.

For questions please contact
Bruce Taylor, Spa Director 828-
497-8552. **1/16pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Accounting Technician
Physical Therapy Assistant II
Emergency Hire EVS Technician
Emergency Hire Food Service Work-
er (2 Positions)
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions,
contact the Cherokee Indian Hos-
pital HR department at 828-497-

9163. These positions will close
January 24, 2019 at 4:00pm. Indi-
an preference does apply. **1/23pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-083

In the Matter of the Estate of Barbara Ann Hornbuckle George

All persons, firms and corpo-
rations 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-
TION

Jason Ray George, 39 Hornbuckle
Dr., Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/16pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-084

In the Matter of the Estate of Amanda Mabel Swimmer

All persons, firms and corpo-
rations 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
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Donald Lee Swimmer, P.O. Box 790,
Cherokee NC 28719, **1/16pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-005
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Lorenzo Dwight Walkingstick**
All persons, firms and corpo-
rations 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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Frances Louise Luther, 4 Shirley's
Way, Leicester, NC 28748. **1/23pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-085

In the Matter of the Estate of William Phillip Standingdeer

All persons, firms and corpo-
rations 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
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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
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Bernice Standingdeer, P.O. Box
1792, Cherokee, NC 28719.
1/30pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-087

In the Matter of the Estate of Dorothy P. Swimmer

All persons, firms and corpo-
rations having claims against this
estate are notified to exhibit them

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

Kina M. Swimmer, 242 Ike Swimmer Road, Cherokee NC 28719. **1/30pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-086

In the Matter of the Estate of Larry Robert Hornbuckle

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

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

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

Jessica George, P.O. Box 1677, Cherokee NC 28719. **1/30pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 18-081

In the Matter of the Estate of Mickey Edward Rattler

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

Elsie Rattler, 180 Elsie Rattler Road, Cherokee NC 28719. **1/30pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-002

In the Matter of the Estate of Patsy Sue Ledford Maney

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

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

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

Sherry Maney, P.O. Box 843, Cherokee NC 28719. **1/30pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 19-003

In the Matter of the Estate of Tracy Renee Swimmer

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

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

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

Tina Swimmer, P.O. Box 148, Cherokee NC 28719. **1/30pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 19-004

In the Matter of the Estate of Cynthia Barnes Crowe

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

Warren H. Crowe Jr., 121 Super Crowe Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/30pd**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA
SWAIN COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF

S. BUSTOS, a Minor Juvenile
FILE NO. 18 JA 18

TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled action.

The nature of the relief being sought is as follows:

ADJUDICATION OF ABUSE, NEGLECT, AND/OR DEPENDENCY FOLLOWED BY A DISPOSITION CONSIDERING THE NEEDS OF THE JUVENILE WITH ENTRY OF AN ORDER DESIGNED TO MEET THOSE NEEDS AND THE OBJECTIVES OF THE STATE

Filed October 17, 2018, in the District Court in Swain County, North Carolina.

TO: JOHN BUSTOS

You are required to make a defense to such pleadings no later than 45 days from the date of first

publication of this notice January 17, 2019, and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, the Swain County Department of Social Services, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

If you are indigent you are entitled to appointed counsel. Counsel may be appointed to you by the Court at the first hearing after service. You should contact the Swain County Clerk of Court at 828-488-7400 for information regarding how to request and apply for counsel.

A dispositional order or a subsequent order may require certain actions of you or may terminate your parental rights.

Upon service, failure to comply with any order of the Court may cause the Court to issue a show cause order for contempt.

This the ___ day of January, 2019.

Kristy L. Parton

Attorney for Petitioner

Swain County Department of Social Services, PO Box 194

Bryson City, NC 28713

828-226-2367. **1/30pd**

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 PUBLICATION

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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**

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

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

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

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

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Advertisement for Bids

Cherokee Enterprises, Inc., an Equal Opportunity Employer, is soliciting subcontractor and material proposals for the CIHA Phase II Project from certified TERO vendors. This phase of work generally consists of survey, clearing and grubbing, grading, excavating, paving, site improvements, trucking and site utilities. All proposals should be in our office by Friday January 25th 2019 at 1 p.m. Proposals can be mailed or faxed to our office, 828-497-5566. Project plans and specifications can be viewed at our office located at 1371 Acquoni Road in Cherokee, N.C. with prior appointment. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability insurance are required from all subcontractors. Bonding may be

required of sub-contractors dependent upon the size of the submitted scope and in accordance with the owner's requirements. Please contact our office at 828-497-5617 with questions or for additional information. **1/23pd**

Request for Proposals

The EBCI Public Health and Human Services Division (EBCI PHHS) seeks competitive proposals for a Project Manager for the Tribal Action Plan (TAP) for multi-disciplinary, collaborative, community-wide response to the opioid epidemic. This Project Manager will support the planning for and implementation of the TAP. This is a 1-year opportunity that may be extended. Interested individuals or companies may request the request for proposals from: Martha Salyers, 43 John Crowe Hill, Cherokee, NC 28719, 828 359 6185, martsaly@nc-cherokee.com

Requirements and submission instructions are in the RFP. Proposals must be submitted before close of business, 4:30 pm EST, January 18, 2019. Submissions sent after this time will not be considered. This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. EBCI PHHS reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **1/16pd**

Cherokee Department of
Transportation (CDOT) of the
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
**Request for Qualifications
(RFQ)**

The CDOT is requesting qualifications for Roadway Design Services for Old #4 Road on the Qualla Boundary in Cherokee, NC. Engineering firm shall propose a team with Engineers specializing in surveys, roadway design, hydraulics/hydrology, structural design

(retaining walls), traffic control, utility design and permitting.

For a copy of the RFQ, contact Eden Brown, CDOT Manager, PO Box 2400, Cherokee, NC or 828-359-6532, or ebrow@nc-cherokee.com. **1/16pd**

Cherokee Department of
Transportation (CDOT)
Of the Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians

**Request for Qualifications
(RFQ)**

The CDOT is requesting qualifications for Roadway Design Services for Welch Road and Meetinghouse Cove Road on the Qualla Boundary in Cherokee, NC. Engineering firm shall propose a team with Engineers specializing in surveys, roadway design, hydraulics/hydrology, structural design (retaining walls), traffic control, utility design and permitting.

For a copy of the RFQ, contact Eden Brown, CDOT Manager, PO Box 2400, Cherokee, NC or 828-359-6532, or ebrow@nc-cherokee.com. **1/16pd**

Request for Proposals

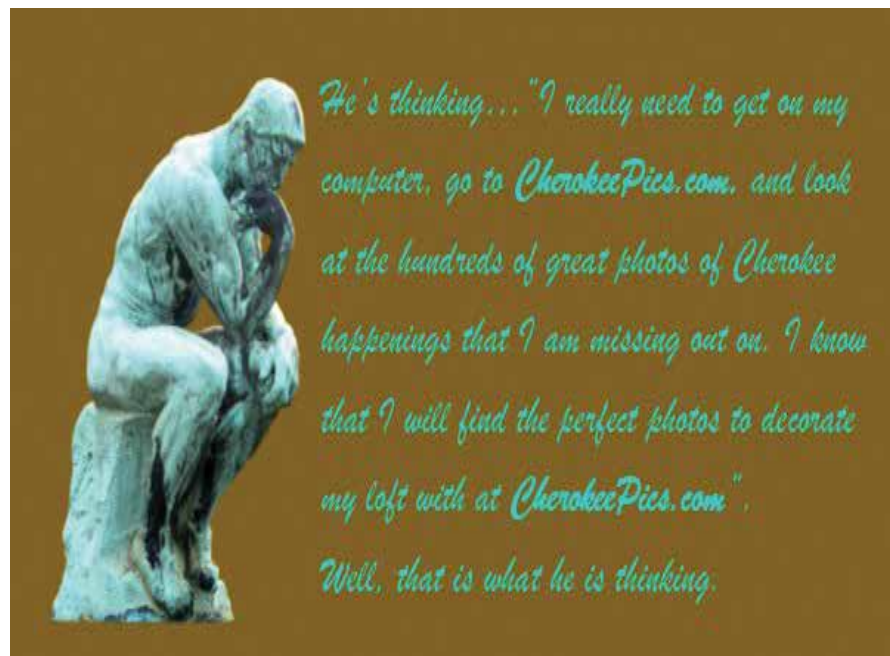
Kituwah, LLC seeks competitive proposals from a qualified and appropriately licensed contractor to design and develop various types of signs (one for top of building and one along roadside) to include sign dimensions, types of materials to be used and total cost for completion of the necessary detailed construction documents.

Interested individuals or companies may request the request for proposals from:

Kristin Smith, 1158 Seven Clans Lane, Whittier, NC 28789, 828 736 2365, kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com

Requirements and submission instructions are in the RFP. Proposals must be submitted before close of business, 4:00 pm EST, January 31, 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.

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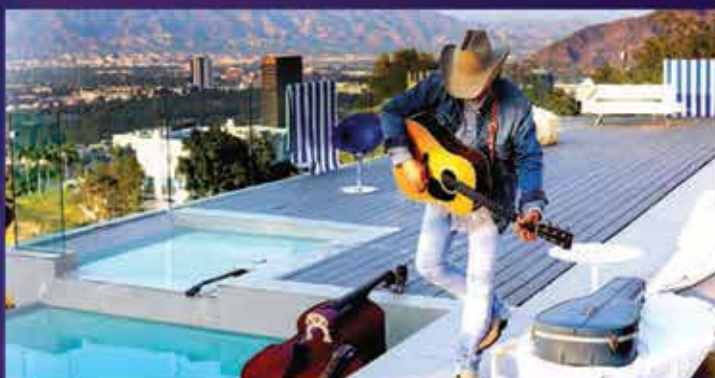
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