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against opioid providers**



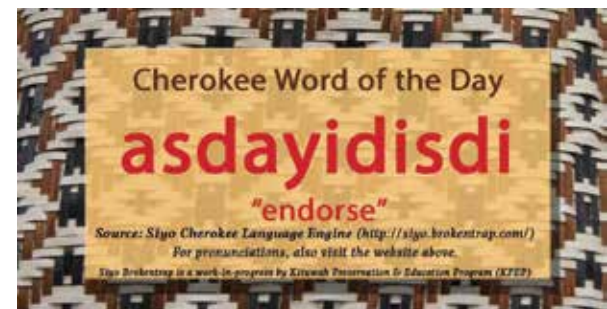
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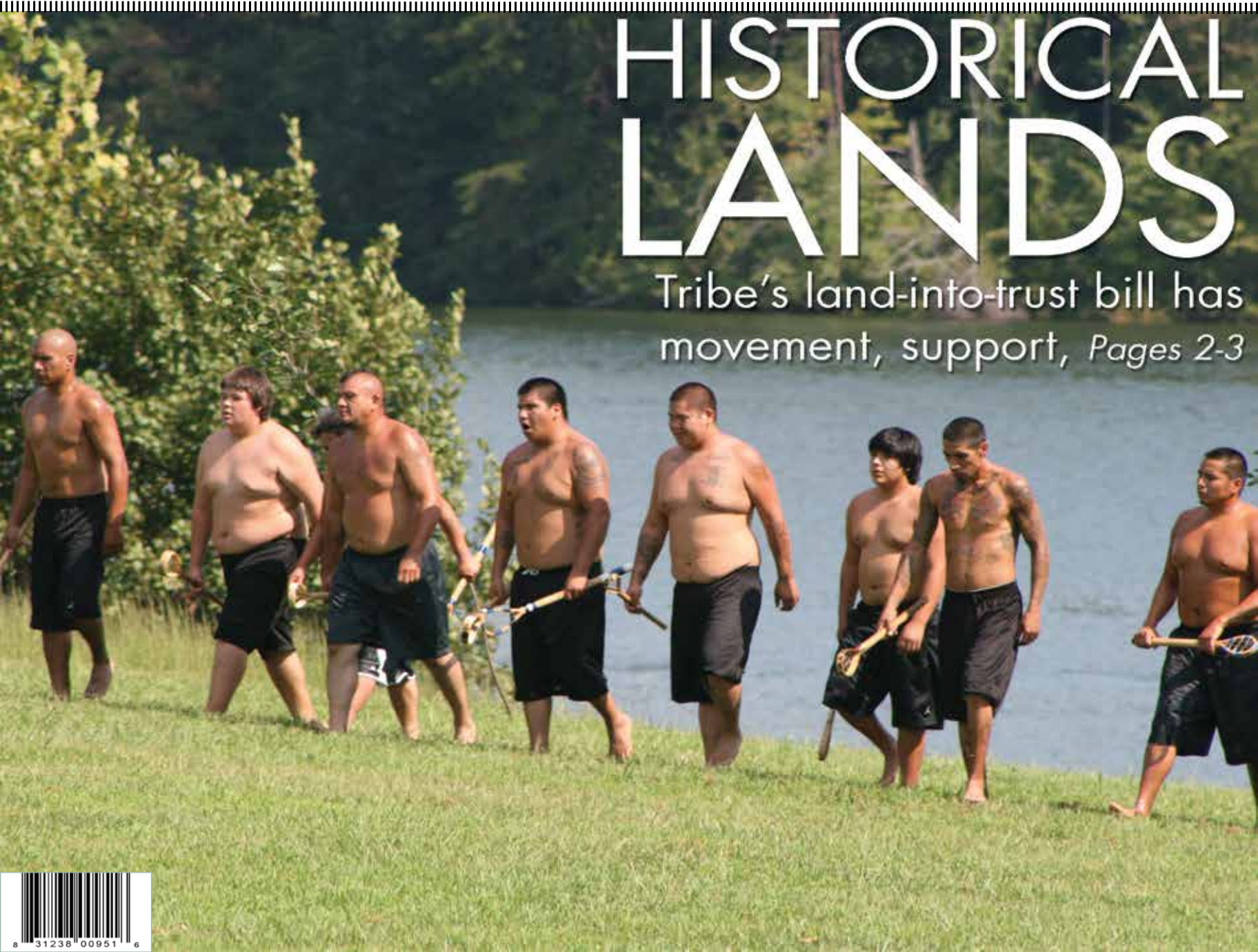
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Historical lands

Tribe's land-into-trust bill has movement, support

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MONROE COUNTY, Tenn. — A bill that would bring several historic Cherokee sites back under the control of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has support from various leaders.

The Eastern Band Cherokee Historic Lands Reacquisition Act was introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives by Rep. Charles J. Fleischmann (R-Tenn.) on Jan. 3, 2017, the first day of the 115th Congress. According to the House Subcommittee on Indian, Insular, and Alaska Native Affairs, "The bill would place approximately 76 acres of Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) land in Monroe County, Tenn., on the shores of Little Tennessee River/Tellico Reservoir into trust for the benefit of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Additionally, the bill places two permanent easements over TVA land to be held in trust."

The 76 acres includes approximately 46 acres at the site of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, around 18.2 acres which includes the Chota Memorial and the Tanasi Memorial, and another 11.2 acres known as "support parcel". Also included in the bill are permanent easements for the Chota Peninsula, which includes 8.5 acres and the Chota-Tanasi Trail which has 11.4

acres.

The Chota Memorial includes a full-scale representation of the Council House and sits in the spot of the original structure at Chota. The Tanasi Memorial, built by the TVA and the Tennessee Historical Commission in 1989, contains a monument with an inscription that states in part, "The site of the former town of Tanasi, now underwater, is located about 300 yards west of this marker."

Rep. Fleischmann told the One Feather, "I was pleased to introduce the Eastern Band Cherokee Historic Lands Reacquisition Act last January after extensive conversations with the Eastern Band regarding the specific lands, which comprise a portion of the southeastern part of my district in Monroe County. After introducing the legislation, I received overwhelming community support as well as the strong support of county leadership. Last year, the Natural Resources Committee included my bill in a hearing, and I am optimistic it will be marked up and go to the Floor for consideration in 2018. I remain steadfast in my commitment to protecting the historic home of the Cherokee Indians and promoting the economic development of the region."

Two local leaders in the area have expressed their support of the project. In a letter to Sen. Lamar Alexander (R-Tenn.), Monroe County Mayor Tim Yates and Loudon County Mayor Buddy Bradshaw express their communities' support for the bill and encourage Sen. Alexander to sponsor a companion



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TENNESSEE: Sonny Ledford, a member of the Warriors of Anikituwah, dances at a past year's Great Island Festival at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The Museum and several other parcels are part of a 76-acre area included in the Eastern Band Cherokee Historic Lands Reacquisition Act which is currently going through the U.S. House of Representatives.

bill in the Senate.

"We believe it is most appropriate for you to sponsor a Senate resolution since the lands involved in the reacquisition are in Tennessee and job growth from the lands will

be Tennessee jobs," the letter states. "TVA has voiced no opposition to this action and will be compensated for any lost hydropower from future development of the lands."

The two leaders also addressed a

town hall meeting that was held at Cleveland State Community College on Dec. 6, 2017. "Principal Chief Richard Sneed made a presentation on the positive economic and culture benefits to our region from this Act," the letter stated. "In attendance at the meeting were Monroe and Loudon County local government and economic development officials, community and academic leadership, and strong representation from numerous businesses. As the County Mayors of the two most positively-impacted counties, we were impressed with Chief Sneed's presentation and the overwhelming community support at the meeting. We are both in full support of the Reacquisition Act and have been so since receiving initial briefings on the subject."

Charlie Rhodharmer, Sequoyah

Birthplace Museum director, noted the importance of the area, "Tanasi was the first Cherokee capital in what is now this area of east Tennessee. It was set up by Moytoy of Tellico in the late 1720s/1730s. Moytoy was the first 'emperor' (spokesman) of the Cherokee. By 1753, Chota had become the mother town of the Overhill. During the 18th century, Chota was the political and cultural capital of the Cherokee Nation. It was known as a peace town."

He added, "Chota was the longest existing Cherokee capital in the east before the Removal. Chota is center stage for Lt. Henry Timberlake's visit. Timberlake wrote his memoirs of his visit to the Cherokee Overhill, which gives us an incredible insight into Cherokee life and culture in the mid-18th century.

By 1788, the Cherokee had moved their capital south to Georgia."

Co-sponsors of the bill included Rep. Mark Meadows (R-NC), who has worked with the Tribe on many issues, as well as Rep. Paul Cook (R-Calif.), Rep. Walter B. Jones (R-NC), and Rep. David Roe (R-Tenn.).

A hearing was held on the bill before the House Natural Resources Subcommittee on Indian, Insular, and Alaska Native Affairs on Oct. 4, 2017 in which Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed testified, "This bill celebrates not only a time in Cherokee history when we lived in Tennessee, but also the return of the Cherokee people – as a modern, living people, with a living culture and language, and traditions that have survived from ancient times – back to Tennessee."

He went on to tell the Sub-


committee that the relationship between the Tribe and the State of Tennessee has "not always been congenial", but he went on to state, "Through all of this, the Cherokee people have persevered and even prospered."

Chief Sneed concluded by stating, "I believe these lands should be returned to our people for the continued protection of important Cherokee historic sites. Our Tribe is committed to improving the educational resources of the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum and to providing a means for economic development for the local community. We will continue our long-valued relationship with the TVA in order to maintain the integrity of the Tellico Reservoir and to preserve the resources of this area for our mutual benefit."

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK


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Percy Jackson Smith, a miniature schnauzer, is shown waiting for presents from Santa before Christmas. He lives with Pam Smith and Lumar Standingdeer in Cherokee.

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Tribe files lawsuit against opioid distributors, manufacturers

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Last summer, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians declared the opioid crisis a public nuisance. Now, the Tribe has filed a civil lawsuit against a list of manufacturers and wholesale distributors of prescription opioids.

The 161-page lawsuit, filed in U.S. District Court in Asheville on Thursday, Jan. 4, fulfills a resolution, submitted by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, that was passed by Tribal Council on Oct. 16, 2017 that directs a Special Counsel to take action “against all manufacturers and wholesale distributors legally responsible for causing or contributing to the opioid epidemic plaguing our Tribe”.

Listed as defendants in the lawsuit are: Amerisourcebergen Drug Corporation; Cardinal Health, Inc.; McKesson Corporation; Purdue Pharma L.P.; Purdue Pharma, Inc.; The Purdue Frederick Company, Inc.; Teva Pharmaceutical Indus-

tries, Ltd.; Teva Pharmaceuticals USA, Inc.; Cephaon, Inc.; Johnson & Johnson; Janssen Pharmaceutical, Inc.; Ortho-McNeil-Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc. n/k/a Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Janssen Pharmaceutica Inc. n/k/a Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Noramco Inc.; Endo Health Solutions, Inc.; Endo Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; Allergan PLC f/k/a Actavis PLS: Watson Pharmaceuticals, Inc. n/k/a Actavis, Inc.; Watson Laboratories, Inc.; Actavis LLC; Actavis Pharma, Inc. f/k/a Watson Pharma, Inc.; Mallinckrodt PLC and Mallinckrodt LLC.

The suit lists several complaints including: Complaint for Public Nuisance, Violations of Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act, Negligence and Negligent Misrepresentations, Negligence Per Se, Civil Conspiracy, and Fraud and Fraudulent Misrepresentations.

The lawsuit states, “Plaintiff brings this civil action to eliminate the hazard to public health and safety caused by the opioid epidem-

ic, to abate the nuisance caused thereby, and to recoup monies spent because of Defendants’ false, deceptive, and unfair marketing and/or unlawful diversion of prescription opioids. Such economic damages were foreseeable to Defendants and were sustained because of Defendants’ intentional and/or unlawful actions and omissions.”

It goes on to allege, “The manufacturers aggressively pushed highly addictive, dangerous opioids, falsely representing to doctors that patients would only rarely succumb to drug addiction. These pharmaceutical companies aggressively advertised to and persuaded doctors to prescribe highly addictive, dangerous opioids and turned patients into drug addicts for their own corporate profit.”

The suit also alleges that both the distributors and manufacturers “intentionally and/or unlawfully breached their legal duties under federal and EBCI law to monitor, detect, investigate, refuse, and report suspicious orders of prescription opiates.”

An amount is not listed in the suit, but the Tribe is seeking various damages including, “(A) costs for providing medical care, additional therapeutic and prescription drug purchases, and other treatments for patients suffering from opioid-related addiction or disease, including overdoses and deaths; (B) costs for providing treatment, counseling, and rehabilitation services; (C) costs for providing treatment of infants born with opi-

oid-related medical conditions; (D) costs for providing care for children whose parents suffer from opioid-related disability or incapacitation; and (E) costs associated with law enforcement and public safety relating to the opioid epidemic.”

When the resolution was passed by Tribal Council in October, Chief Sneed commented, “Should we prevail in court, any settlement funds would be designated for rehabilitation, education, and law enforcement.”

He went on to state, “This is a manufactured crisis.”

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is one of the first few federally-recognized tribes in the country to file litigation on this crisis.

The Cherokee Nation filed a lawsuit against six companies (McKesson Corporation; Cardinal Health, Inc.; Amerisource Bergen; CVS Health; Walgreens Boot Alliance, Inc.; and Wal-Mart) in April 2017 “charting the companies with failing to prevent the flow of illegally prescribed opioids to men, women, and children in the Cherokee Nation.”

Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker said at the time, “Tribal nations have survived disease, removal from our homelands, termination and other adversities, and still we prospered. However, I fear the opioid epidemic is emerging as the next great challenge of our modern era. As we fight this epidemic in our hospitals, our schools, and our Cherokee homes, we will also use our legal



system to make sure the companies, who put profits over people while our society is crippled by this epidemic, are held responsible for their actions.”

Three tribes in South Dakota including the Rosebud Sioux Tribe, the Flandreau Santee Sioux Tribe, and the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate filed a lawsuit, through trial firm Robins Kaplan LLP, on Monday, Jan. 8 against 24 distributors and manufacturers of opioids.

“The effects of opioids on South Dakota tribes has been horrific,” said Brendan Johnson, former U.S. Attorney for South Dakota who is now a part of the Robins Kaplan LLP team. “This epidemic has overwhelmed our public health and law enforcement services, drained resources for addiction therapy, and sent the cost of caring for children of opioid-addicted parents skyrocketing. This is a crisis that affects virtually every tribal member in the state.”

The One Feather contacted each defendant in the EBCI lawsuit seeking comment. Following are statements from those we heard back from by press time.

John Puskar, Purdue Pharma L.P. public affairs director, commented, “We are deeply troubled by the prescription and illicit opioid abuse crisis and are dedicated to being part of the solution. As a company grounded in science, we must balance patient access to FDA-approved medicines, while working collaboratively to solve this public health challenge. Although our products account for approximately 2 percent of the total opioid prescriptions, as a company, we’ve distributed the CDC Guideline for Prescribing Opioids for Chronic Pain, developed three of the first four FDA-approved

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- Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed

opioid medications with abuse-deterrent properties and partner with law enforcement to ensure access to naloxone. We vigorously deny these allegations and look forward to the opportunity to present our defense.”

Puskar went on to note, “Unlike the past tobacco litigation, our medicines are approved by FDA, prescribed by doctors, and dispensed by pharmacists, as treatments for patients suffering from severe pain.”

John Parker, spokesperson for the Healthcare Distribution Alliance, a national trade group that represents wholesale distributors including AmerisourceBergen, Cardinal Health, and McKesson, said in a statement to the One Feather, “As distributors, we understand the tragic impact the opioid epidemic has on communities across the country. We are deeply engaged in the issue and are taking our own steps to be part of the solution – but we aren’t willing to be scapegoats. Distributors are logistics companies that arrange for the safe and secure storage, transport, and delivery of medicines from manufacturers to pharmacies, hospital, long-term care facilities, and others based on prescriptions from licensed physicians. We don’t make medicines, market medicines, prescribe medicines, or dispense them to consumers.”

He continued, “Given our role, the idea that distributors are solely responsible for the number of opioid prescriptions written defies

common sense and lacks understanding of how the pharmaceutical supply chain actually works and how it is regulated. We are ready to have a serious conversation about solving a complex problem and are eager to work with political leaders and all stakeholders in finding forward-looking solutions.” Sarah Freeman, spokesperson for Janssen Pharmaceuticals, Inc., commented, “Responsibly used opioid-based pain medicines give doctors and patients important choices to help manage the debilitating effects of chronic pain. At the same time, we recognize opioid abuse and addiction is a serious public health issue that must be addressed.”

On the suit itself, she noted, “We believe the allegations in the lawsuits against our company are both legally and factually unfounded. Janssen has acted in the best interests of patients and physicians with regard to its opioid pain medicines, which are FDA-approved and carry FDA-mandated warnings about possible risks on every product label. According to independent surveillance data, Janssen opioid pain medicines consistently have some of the lowest rates of abuse among these medications, and since 2008 the volume of Janssen opioid products always has amounted to less than 1 percent of the total prescriptions written per year for opioid medications, including generics. Addressing opioid abuse will require collaboration among many stakeholders and we

will continue to work with federal, state and local officials to support solutions.”

Heather Zoumas Lubeski, Endo senior director of corporate affairs, said, “Endo is dedicated to providing safe, quality products to patients in need and we share the public concern regarding opioid abuse and misuse. We are committed to working collaboratively to develop and implement a comprehensive solution to the opioid crisis, which is a complex problem with several causes that are difficult to disentangle. Any serious solution must therefore be multifaceted and consider, among other things, the legitimate access needs of the millions of patients suffering from acute or chronic pain who rely on opioids to improve their quality of life.”

She added, “Toward that goal, Endo has taken meaningful action during the past year by voluntarily ceasing opioid promotion and eliminating its entire product salesforce. Endo also voluntarily withdrew Opana® ER from the market following FDA’s request despite having a statutory right to challenge that request, implemented additional anti-diversion measures and terminated its new opioid product development programs.”

She concluded with, “It is Endo’s policy not to comment on current litigation. That said, we deny the allegations contained in this lawsuit and intend to vigorously defend the Company.”

Chief Sneed: Updating the Police Commission

PRINCIPAL CHIEF RICHARD G. SNEED

Since 2009 the tribe has worked with an officially authorized Police Commission to be an impartial board with the oversight responsibility for law enforcement operations on our lands. The Police Commission provides oversight for the Cherokee Police Department, the Alcohol Law Enforcement department, the Natural Resources Enforcement Office, and the Cherokee Animal Control department. The Commission is comprised of members who represent different communities and two at large members all of whom are nominated by the Executive Office and approved by Tribal Council.

The Police Commission is accountable for enacting policy, rules, and regulations for governance of law enforcement functions and that duty includes providing supervision responsibilities for law enforcement personnel. The Police Commission also has budget responsibility. These functions are critical to our community.

These duties are tremendous and through the past administrations these duties have been undertaken to varying degrees with no means to measure success or identify challenges. I am aware of some of the challenges facing the Police Commission and am prepared to act to strengthen the current operating procedures to ensure the Police Commission has

the necessary authority to manage this critical function for the tribe and for the protection of our community.

Some of these changes include the implementation of a biannual reporting system, attend a minimum number of hours in training each year, annually review qualifications for personnel, establish requirements for training for personnel, and review the individual programs budgets. The Police Commission will also have the authority to administer all personnel policies and shall review those policies regularly to ensure those policies conform to tribal policy and best standard practice in the field of law enforcement.

I believe tribal law enforce-

ment agencies should be able to operate independently of political influence. It is imperative that law enforcement agencies continue to comply with the tribe's financial policies and the Police Commission will undertake those responsibilities.

The duty to keep our community safe, provide support for our law enforcement personnel, and increase the integrity of the Police Commission is incumbent on tribal leadership. I believe these changes will begin that process. There will be challenges as we move toward these goals however I am confident this step is necessary to provide a safe community.

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News from the Nations

Cherokee Nation celebrates MLK Jr. Day

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. – For the first time, the Cherokee Nation (Okla.) celebrated Martin Luther King Jr. Day as an official holiday following an executive order signed by Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker. “A Cherokee Nation national holiday honoring Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is a time to celebrate the life and legacy of a man who dedicated his life to serving others and fighting for justice and equality for all people,” said Chief Baker. Cherokee Nation government offices will be closed on the third Monday of each January going forward.

Spokane Tribe opens new casino

AIRWAY HEIGHTS, Wash. The Spokane Tribe opened a 38,000 square foot casino which includes 450 slot machines, 12 gaming tables, a restaurant, and a bar on Monday, Jan. 8. Spokane Tribe Chairwoman Carol Evans told the Spokane-Review, “It’s been a lengthy process, but our tribe has been here forever. We have always been a people of strong will. We are always people who will stand up for our rights. We always knew that we would prevail.” She was referring to a 10-year process the tribe went through in getting approval for the casino because the site of was taken into trust after 1988 which required approval from the BIA and the Washington state governor. Tribal officials noted they plan to expand the facility in the future to include a hotel and convention center.

Sen. Smith added to Committee



Photo courtesy of Harrah's Cherokee

CONSTRUCTION: The construction team has erected 100 percent of the structural steel for the new Multi-tainment Center at Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel as shown in this photo taken recently. That work was completed by the end of December 2017. Also during that month, the team the team also completed 100 percent of the building's underground systems. Once the underground was complete, the team was able to complete two of four total concrete slab pours. The first pour will house the 60-game casino floor expansion and the second will house the future bowling lanes of the Multi-tainment Center. The remaining slab pours will include the restaurant, kitchen, bar, and arcade of the new facility. This month, crews will begin detailing the structural steel and begin placing roof decking in preparation for the roofers to join the team near the end of the month. They will also prepare for the arrival of the exterior framing and exterior finish contractors. While this work continues outside, the electrical and plumbing contractors will be working in the existing facility in preparation for the new facility.

on Indian Affairs

WASHINGTON – Sen. Tina Smith (D-Minn.) was sworn in as the newest member of the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on Wednesday, Jan. 10. “I’m eager to fight for the nurse in greater Minnesota who’s worried about cuts to the rural health budget and the public school teacher who wants to give students a world-class education; for the retirees in Duluth who are concerned about their pensions getting cut, the farmer in Willmar concerned about slumping commodity prices, the tribal leader who demands a response to the opioid crisis in Indian Country, and the local business looking to cut its monthly energy bill,” she said in a statement. Indianz.com reported that Sen. Smith replaces Sen. Al Franken (D-Minn.) who resigned from the Senate on Jan. 2 after allegations of sexual misconduct were made against him.

Leech Lake Tribal College receives \$100K grant

CASS LAKE, Minn. – Leech Lake Tribal College (LLTC) has received a \$100,000 grant from the American Indian College Fund Scholarly Emergence for Environmental Design and Stewardship (SEEDS) Program. Vikki Howard, LLTC dean of academics, told the Brainerd Dispatch, “The grant will assist faculty earning their advanced degrees, integration of traditional ecological knowledge in STEM curricula – or science, technology, engineering, and math – and redevelopment within math and forestry curricula. Additionally, the AICF grant will fund LLTC's summer internship program, supporting students and faculty engaged in place-based environmental research.”

St. Regis Mohawk to install more streetlights

AKWESASNE – The St. Re-

gis Mohawk Tribe, whose land is located in both the United States and Canada, is currently taking community input on the installation of more streetlights on their tribal land. “As the community has grown, we have seen the need to enhance public safety through improved lighting on our roadways,” Tribal Chief Eric Thompson said in a press release reported in the Press Republican. “This project is a continuation of our community infrastructure improvement efforts over the past five years.” New lights will be placed at most intersections and roadways through Akwesasne. The Press Republican reported that National Grid will install the lights at no cost to the St. Regis Mohawk with the tribe being responsible for the electricity costs.

Senate approves recognition bill for Virginia tribes

WASHINGTON - The Senate passed the Thomasina E. Jordan Indian Tribes of Virginia Recognition Act on Thursday, Jan. 11. The legislation, passed by the House last spring, grants federal recognition to six tribes in Virginia including: Chickahominy, Eastern Chickahominy, Upper Mattaponi, Rapahannock, Monacan, and Nansemond. “We can hold our heads high as acknowledge sovereign nations within the United States of America,” Chickahominy Indian Chief Stephen Adkins told the Washington Post. Two years ago, the Pamunkey Tribe of Virginia became the first federally-recognized tribe in the state after receiving their acknowledgment through the BIA process. The current legislation still has to be signed by President Trump before being enacted.

- One Feather staff report

Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for Jan. 3 BECK, Jaicelyn D.S.

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea, complete a drug assessment and follow all requirements
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea, complete a drug assessment and follow all requirements

GEORGE, Darrell

14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

LESPIER, April

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.25 Escape from Imprisonment and Custody – Guilty Plea, one year jail time suspended, three years probation, 45 days active jail time, credit for time served (45 days), restitution ordered: \$995
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Dismissed on Plea
14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny – Guilty Plea, one year jail time suspended, three years probation,

45 days active jail time, credit for time served (45 days), restitution ordered: \$995
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed on Plea

LINEBERRY, Jeffery Wayne

14-40.1 Domestic Violence – Guilty/Responsible, Batterer's Treatment
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Deferred Prosecution for One Year
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Deferred Prosecution for One Year

LINEBERRY, Tabitha

14-30.3 Compulsory School Attendance – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued

LONG, Robert Michael

14-40.1(c)(2) Willful violation of a Court Order – Dismissed, Improper Charge

RATTLER, Harold Robert

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed, Failure of CIPD to Provide Discovery
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Failure of CIPD to Provide Discovery

Judgment Summary for Jan. 10 FLYING, Tristin Byrd

14-15.6(b) Purchasing, Attempt to Purchase, Possession or Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by Persons under 21 – Dismissed for Compliance, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment

LONG, Tristen

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed

on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Dismissed on Plea

SQUIRREL, Joshua Brent

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Guilty Plea, six months jail time suspended, 12 months probation

TEESATESKIE, Brian Elliot

14-15.1 Public Intoxication – Dismissed after Investigation

Judgment Summary for Jan. 11 LONG, Tristen Dwayne

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, five months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (27 days), restitution ordered: \$600
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Guilty Plea, five months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (27 days), restitution ordered: \$600

TEESATESKIE, Summer

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Dismissed at Complainant's Request



Wildland Fire Safety

Every year, wildfires burn across the U.S., and more and more people are living where wildfires are a real risk. But by working together, residents can make their own property — and their neighborhood — much safer from wildfire.

Action steps for around your home:

- **CLEAR** leaves and other vegetative debris from roofs, gutters, porches and decks. This helps prevent embers from igniting your home.
- **REMOVE** dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch, and within 10 feet of the house.
- **SCREEN** in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- **REMOVE** flammable materials (wood piles, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. **PRUNE** trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- **KEEP** your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. **DISPOSE** of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- **INSPECT** shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair the shingles that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
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BASKETBALL

Cherokee sweeps Highlands, teams win fifth in a row

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Cherokee's varsity basketball teams swept visiting Highlands in games at the Charles George Memorial

Arena on the rainy evening of Friday, Jan. 12. - their fifth consecutive wins. The Lady Braves (7-4) defeated the Lady Highlanders 91-60, and the Braves (8-3) beat the Highlanders 86-51.

Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach,

said his team has rebounded from a slow start. "We about killed ourselves early. We were playing some really good teams, so we've kind-of come out of that and we're finally starting to feel like we're pretty good and getting some confidence that's helping us play. Tonight, we didn't play great at times, but we played really good at certain spots in the game and just kept pushing the lead out until it ended up being 30."

Cherokee was led by Deante Toineeta with 20 points followed by Shelby Wolfe 18, and Tori Teesateskie 16.

The first quarter of the game was even with several lead changes. Cherokee led 12-10 at the 4:35 mark and the Lady Highlanders took a slight 17-16 lead by the end of the first. The Lady Braves opened it up more in the second period outscoring Highlands 28-9 to lead 44-26 at the half.

The third period was even with the Lady Braves edging Highlands 23-22, but Cherokee poured it on in the fourth doubling the Lady Highlanders' output 24-12 to take the 31-point (91-60) victory. The win was the fifth in a row for Cherokee which has included wins against Swain Co. (71-63), Polk Co. (81-55), Hayesville (58-51), and Andrews (73-36).

Other scorers for the Lady Braves included Raylen Bark 15 (7 assists, 4 steals), Naomi Smith 6 (3 assists, 4 steals), Jordyn Martin 6, Jacee Smith 2, and Timiyah Brown 8. Stats were not available for the Lady Highlanders.

The Lady Braves, undefeated in Smoky Mountain Conference play this season, have several key conference games upcoming including a date at Murphy on Friday,



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SLAMMED: Cherokee's Justice Day electrified the crowd with three slam dunks on the night as the Braves beat the Highlands Highlanders 86-51.

Jan. 19.

“Right now, at the top it’s us and Murphy, kind-of like it was last year,” said Coach Mintz. “We know it’s going to be a battle down there. We’ve got to beat Hayesville, who we struggled with last time we played them. We have to play them Tuesday before we can get to Friday.”

Aaron Hogner, Braves head coach, commented after their game, “We are still coming out flat. Just trying to get them to understand that we need to play up to our potential every night, no matter who we’re playing, and just coming out and being more consistent.”

He added, “It took us a little bit to get going, but we still can’t be satisfied. But we got a win.”

The Highlanders led the entire first quarter. They led 7-4 at the 5:29 mark, 15-12 four minutes

later, and 19-12 at the end of the quarter. Cherokee grabbed the lead in the game three minutes into the second quarter as Tihjah Lossiah made two buckets in a row to put Cherokee up 25-22 - a lead they would not relinquish. The Braves went on to lead at the half 44-34.

The second half was all Cherokee as the Braves outscored the Highlanders 18-10 in the third and 24-7 in the fourth to take the 35-point (86-51) win.

Coach Hogner said his team is beginning to get into a rhythm. “Practices are getting a little bit better, but we still have a lot of improvement to make. This team is full of potential and I don’t think that we are close to reaching that full potential. We’re still going to work.”

The Braves are also undefeated in conference play with key Smoky




HUSTLE: Cherokee’s Deante Toineeta (#23) brings the ball up the court in the second half of a game against Highlands at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Friday, Jan. 12. She led the Lady Braves with 20 points as Cherokee beat the Lady Highlanders 91-60.

Mountain match-ups coming against Hayesville on Tuesday, Jan. 16 and at Murphy on Friday, Jan.


19.

Individual stats were unavailable for the boys game.




CHEROKEE DAY OF CARING

EVENT DATE: THURSDAY, MAY 17TH 2018.



The Cherokee Day of Caring (CDC) Committee is currently taking nominations for projects now through the last day of February for this coming year's Day of Caring on Thursday, May 17th 2018. This day otherwise known as Ga-Du-Gi or "Free Labor", consists of volunteers from different organizations coming together to help tribal members improve their homes, yards, gardens and other buildings. Once nominations are received the CDC committee will assess nominations and select projects that can be completed within a six-hour window and that meet guideline specifications.




Nomination Criteria:

- Nominated person must be an EBCI enrolled tribal member
- Residence must be located in one of the ten EBCI communities

Please submit all nominations to:

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Comebacks embody the hope of sports

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

This past Monday, most of us sports fans watched the College Football Playoff National Championship Game. The Georgia Bulldogs led 13-0 at the half, only to see their dreams of a first national title since 1980 fly out the door as the Crimson Tide of Alabama came back to win in dramatic fashion in overtime.

That game has spawned a million memes online comparing it to Super Bowl 51 which saw the Atlanta Falcons lose 34-28 to Tom Brady and the New England Patriots after leading 28-3 in the third quarter.

While some look at those games as horrific blown leads by the Bulldogs and the Falcons, I prefer to look at them as incredible comebacks by the Crimson Tide and the Patriots. To overcome deficits like that, you need a complete halftime turn-around of strategy and attitude combined with a fair amount of good calls and proverbial luck.

Those of us who traveled through the snow and ice to the 1-A state championship game in December saw such a comeback. Unless you were just recently thawed out after being encased in ice for 70 years, you know the outcome of that game.

All season long, the Braves played well in the first half – dominating many. They outscored their opponents 324-99 (21.6 – 6.6) in the first half. They only trailed at halftime twice in the regular season. Cherokee trailed Rosman

21-19 before shutting them out in the second half and scoring 18 unanswered points to take the win 39-21. They also trailed Murphy 7-0 at the half in their only loss of the season.

The state championship game had rugged weather. Like I wrote that day, it started out raining, then turned to sleet, then turned to snow. And, it was quite chilly.

It rained off and on for most of the first half, and Cherokee trailed North Duplin 7-0 at the half leaving some to remember the Murphy game. Several journalists covering the game for Raleigh papers came up to me towards the end of the second quarter and asked what my thoughts were and could the Braves come back in the second half..

My answer was simple, of course they can. I told them it just had to snow. The wet conditions affected Cherokee's passing game and ball handling. I told them the Braves were mountain boys; cold weather didn't affect them at all...it was just the wet conditions...it just had to snow.

Well, when the third quarter started, it started sleeting and then turned to snow.

Cherokee opened it up and the rest is history.

The snow combined with a can-do attitude and a never-quit mentality from the players and coaches came together in a perfect storm, pun intended, for the Braves to bring home their first state championship trophy.

Boston Celtics great Larry Bird once stated, "Push yourself again and again. Don't give an inch until



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CHAMPS: Holden Straughan, Braves senior, celebrates as time expires in the 1A state championship game won by the Braves last month. Cherokee overcame a halftime deficit to take the trophy.

the final buzzer sounds.”

That’s what great teams and

great comebacks are made of.



Photo courtesy of Mike Viver

MOTO: Isaac Teasdale, an EBCI tribal member, competes on the Amsoil Arenacross circuit. There are several upcoming races in the general area including: Jan. 27-28 at Greensboro Coliseum and Feb. 17-18 at Florence Civic Center in Florence, SC. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit: www.arenacross.com.



Photo contributed

HONOR: Cameron Parker (left), an EBCI tribal member and senior at Tuscola High School, has been named to the Western Mountain Athletic (3A) All-Conference team as an offensive lineman. He helped anchor a line that led to the Mountaineers averaging 434 total yards per game.

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Naval aviator

Tribal member flew 80 combat missions in Vietnam, awarded Distinguished Flying Cross

Lt. Lewis H. Harding, an EBCI tribal member, enlisted June 1957 in the United States Navy Reserve, and he completed basic

training at Bainbridge, Md. He was then assigned to the Naval Reserve Station located in St. Petersburg, Fla.

In 1960, he applied for and was accepted to Officer Candidate School at Newport, Rhode Island. After six months of training, he was commissioned as an Ensign in the United

States Navy on Aug. 17, 1960.

Ensign Harding attended Judge Advocate General School at the University of Virginia, and upon completion, he was assigned as a legal officer aboard the U.S.S. Shangri-La CVA 38. This involved sea duty aboard a ship that was home-ported at Mayport Naval Station. This duty was for an almost two-year duration. During this time period, he took a competitive exam for Naval Flight School and was accepted for Aviation Flight School at the Pensacola Naval Air Station in Pensacola, Fla. He completed Advanced Flight School at Corpus Christi, Texas.

In August 1963, he was designed a Naval Aviator and then attended Gunnery School at Lemoore Naval Air Station in California.

Upon completion of Naval Gunnery School, he received orders for Attack Squadron 165, Naval Air Station, Allameda, Calif. A request to Bureau of Naval Personnel to trade orders was approved, and Ensign Harding was then assigned to

Attack Squadron 176 stationed aboard the U.S.S. Shangri-La CVA-38 which was operating in both the Atlantic and the Mediterranean Sea. It was during this time that Ensign Harding flew several months of training flights in the Douglas A1H Skyraider.

In 1964, Carrier Air Wing 10 and Attack Squadron 176 were transferred to the U.S.S. Intrepid CVA-11 at which time the ship deployed to the waters off the coast of the Republic of Vietnam to conduct combat operations in support of ground forces. Once on Dixie Station near Cam Ranh Bay, Attack Squadron 176 flew combat sorties and trained in the use of 20MM cannon and deployment of napalm canisters.

The time period conducting combat missions while on Dixie Station was mostly preparation for the more intense combat to be faced when they arrived on Yankee Station in the Tonkin Gulf of the South China Sea.

Once on Yankee Station, combat sorties consisted of flying missions in A-1 Sky- raiders and A-4 Skyhawks in the skies over both South and North Vietnam. Many of these missions were flown over Hanoi and Hai Phong Harbor which,



DECORATED: The Distinguished Flying Cross (inset above) is awarded to a service member who distinguishes themselves by "heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in an aerial flight".



AVIATOR: Lewis H. Harding, an EBCI tribal member who served in the United States Navy as a Naval Aviator, is shown at the Naval Air Station in Jacksonville, Fla. in February 1965. (Photo contributed)



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LEADER: Commander Lewis H. Harding speaks at the Cherokee Memorial Day observance in May 2017 at the Yellowhill Veterans Memorial Cemetery. He has served as Commander of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 for 20 years.

at the time, was considered the most heavily defended air space in the world.

Combat sorties also consisted of missions flown over the Ho Chi Minh Trail which was a major supply route south for the North Vietnamese Army.

At the end of the U.S.S. Intrepid CVA-11 seven-month tour of duty, the U.S. Oriskany CVA-34 suffered a shipboard fire which resulted in severe damage and tragic loss of life. The U.S.S. Intrepid CVA-11 was extended to cover for the badly damaged U.S.S. Oriskany CVA-34 which was pulled from combat operations for repairs. Upon completion of the second back-to-back tour of duty, the U.S.S. Intrepid CVA-11 returned to the Mayport Naval Station in Florida.

In 1967, he attended Flight Instructor School, Landing Signal Officer School, and Nuclear Weapons Schools. Lt. Harding was honorably discharged from the United

States Navy on Nov. 4, 1968.

Lewis H. Harding has been the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Commander from 1997 through 2017, a period of 20 years of faithful devotion to duty.

During his time in the military, Harding received various decorations and awards including: Distinguished Flying Cross, Air Medal, Navy Commendation Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Service Medal, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Naval Reserve Medal, and the Presidential Unit Citation. He was awarded a total of eight Air Medals for the 80 combat missions he flew.

The Distinguished Flying Cross is awarded to a service member who distinguishes themselves by “heroism or extraordinary achievement while participating in an aerial flight”.

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Jones-Bowman Fellows deliver backpacks over holidays

For many, the holiday season is a time to be spent in the company of friends and family celebrating honored traditions; for the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Fellows, their tradition is their annual group service project. Every year, the Fellows are charged with creating, planning, and executing a group service project of their choosing that they feel will benefit the community. This project is planned over the summer and then completed sometime throughout the school year.

The Jones-Bowman Fellows delivered 50 backpacks to the Family Safety program for their Comfort for Kids group project, on Dec. 18, 2017. The supplies and bags will be used for children that are placed in foster care as a way to alleviate some of the financial burden of the foster parents and to help the children cope with the transition.

This year, for the first time in program history, the Fellows chose to repeat a project because of the impact it had on the community. Last year, the Fellows filled 30 backpacks with basic necessities and



Photo courtesy of Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program

GIVING: The 2017-18 Jones-Bowman Fellows are shown delivering backpacks to the EBCI Family Safety staff. Shown (left-right) back row – Elizabeth Fyvolent, Nicholas Squirrel, and Nikki Toineeta; middle row – Cruz Galaviz, Sasha Jumper, Barbara Parker, Chloe Blythe, Kayla Johnson, and Faith Long; front row Shana Lambert and Brantly Junaluska. Not pictured: Michael Thompson, Taran Swimmer, Zane Wachacha, and Rebecca Griffith.

comfort items for children. By June 2017, fewer than 10 backpacks remained. In order to address this need the Fellows chose to repeat

the project and expand it to fifty backpacks.

The Fellows want to thank the Destination Marketing program,

under the EBCI Division of Commerce, for allowing them to set up and sell 50/50 tickets during the 105th Cherokee Indian Fair. Their share of this funding was used to purchase supplies for the backpacks. Additionally, donations were provided by the Cherokee Indian Hospital, the Sequoyah Fund, New Kituwah Academy, and The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute.

“The project was so successful last year we wanted to do it again and make it bigger because we knew the demand was high,” said second year Fellow, Faith Long. “Knowing that we were able to give back as busy college students, and have so much support, really shows me the strength of our community and the importance of what we’re doing.”

The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program is a program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute; a department of the Cherokee Boys Club and is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

- Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program



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DONATION: The Brothers in the Wind delivered gifts to students at the Cherokee Elementary School just before the Christmas break. Shown (left-right) back row – Amanda Wolfe Moore; Ned Stamper, Brothers in the Wind; Dr. Mike Murray, Cherokee Central Schools superintendent; Paula Coker, Cherokee Elementary School principal; Lisa Cucumber; and Big Cove School Board Rep. Karen French Browning.

OBITUARIES

Samuel Brady Jr.

Samuel Brady Jr., 82, of Whittier, passed away Tuesday, Jan. 2, 2018 at his residence following a brief illness.

Samuel was a U.S. Army veteran and a member of the Bethabara Baptist Church. He retired from the DOT.

He is survived by his wife, Laury Kay Brady; his children, Sam Brady (wife Sheryl), Misty Brady Buchanan (husband Omer Buchanan Jr.), Wendy Brady, Nathan Brady (wife Jessica), and Jonathan Brady; 13 Grandchildren, Jason Brady, Christy Jones, Glenn Jones, Samantha (Tuffy) Buchanan, Cody Buchanan, Mandy (Boogie) Buchanan, Omer Buchanan III (Boy), Santanna (Peek) Buchanan, Megan (Sassy) Wolfe, Eric Wolfe, Jaylynn (Bug) Brady, Bradix (B-rad) Brady, Domnix (Domie) Brady, Tanner (Tannie) Brady; four great grandchildren, Lucy Brady, Jacoby Jones, Julian Jones, and Journey Buchanan; one brother, Daniel Brady; one sister, Dorothy Owle; and many very special friends also survive.

Samuel was preceded in death by his parents, Samuel Brady Sr. and Mattie Patterson Brady; one son, Larry Brady; and two sisters, Jesse Welch and Julie Welch.

Services were held on Wednesday, Jan. 10 at the Goose Creek Baptist Church. Rev. James Gunter officiated, and military honors were provided by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Brady family.

Robert Lee Queen

Robert Lee Queen, 65, of the Soco Community in Cherokee, passed away Saturday, Jan. 6, 2018 at his residence.

He is survived by one aunt, Lydia

Queen; cousins, Maggie Catolster Armachain, Trina Sneed, Dennis Ray Sneed, Darin Sneed, Dinah Grant, Nellie Smith, Eddie Catolster, Marty Catolster, Mark Parker, Mike Queen, Karen Queen, Kathy Queen, Charlie Queen, Danette Queen, Daniel Queen, Hugh Queen, Steven Queen, Joel Queen, Lori Queen, and Reba Queen.

Robert was preceded in death by his wife, Frances Saunooke Queen; his parents, Sam Queen and Amanda Catolster Queen; and one brother, Jerry Queen.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Jan. 12 at the Macedonia Baptist Church. Pastors Dan Conseen and Jim Parks officiated. Burial followed at the Queen Cemetery.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Queen Family.

Davina Jean "D.J." Swayney Ricco

Heaven gained an angel on Wednesday, Nov. 15, 2017, after Davina Jean "D.J." Swayney Ricco, 38, of Surprise, Ariz. lost a courageous battle with cancer.

Davina "D.J." was a native of the Big Cove Community in Cherokee. She was the daughter of the late David Swayney Jr. of Cherokee and Shirlene and David Loyer of Sylva.

Left to cherish her memories are her loving family including husband, Sal Ricco; her two sons, Gray and Gunner; one brother, Chris Swayney and wife Rose of Sylva; in-laws, Sal Ricco of Surprise, Ariz., and Linda Seckeler of Brentwood, NY; as well as many loving aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

There was not one soul that was left untouched by D.J., as she was loved by many.

In addition to her father, D.J. was preceded in death by all her grandparents, including Katie Calhoun

Swayney of Cherokee, who was a hero to D.J.; her loving aunts, Kathy Swayney Wolfe and Brenda Swayney Sluder, both of Cherokee.

Palm Valley Funeral Home of Sun City, Ariz., is assisting the family. There will be a celebration of D.J.'s life at a later date in her home of Cherokee.

In lieu of flowers, donations to help the Ricco family may be made at GoFundMe #SupportTheRiccoBoys.

Catherine Edna Hunt Powell Lockman

HICKORY – Catherine Hunt Powell Lockman, 100, of Hickory, passed away on Jan. 10, 2018 at Catawba Regional Hospice. Born on April 13, 1917 in Catawba County, she was the daughter of the late Peter and Amanda Roper Hunt. Kat was a member of West Hickory Baptist Church, and she taught Sunday school in the 3-year-old class for over 20 years. She was a loving wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother, and great great grandmother. Kat loved the color red and she loved to dance. She celebrated her 100th birthday last year with her family and received the keys to the city of Longview and Hickory.

In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by her first husband and father of her children, William Tate Powell; infant son, William Darryl Powell; second husband, Mack Blair Lockman; three brothers; and one sister.

Survivors include her children, Larry Joe Powell and wife Martha of Conover, Doris LaRue Huffman and Jerry Sampson of Cherokee, Sheila "Chi Chi" Lail of Hickory; grandchildren, Tim Powell (Debbie), Tammy Adams (Dennis), Rev. Michael Huffman (Genia), Darren Huffman (Debbie), Jason Lail, Cory Lail (Katy); great grandchildren, William Powell, Brandon

Powell (Jennifer Hollar), Luke Adams, Joshua Huffman (Denise), Faith Gaffney (Carl), Catherine Huffman, Jesse Huffman, Jami Huffman, Zachary Huffman, Atticus Lail, Penelope Lail; great great grandchildren, Jack Huffman, Anya Powell; and numerous nieces and nephews across the United States.

A Celebration of Life Service was held on Sunday, Jan. 14 at Catawba Funerals & Cremations with Pastor Scott Frady officiating. Burial followed at Fairview Cemetery.

Condolences may be left at www.catawbamemorialpark.com.

Kat's Family was under the care of Catawba Memorial Park, Funerals & Cremations.

Emmaline Lambert

Emmaline Lambert, 86, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Friday, Jan. 12, 2018. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Mark and Belva Smith Owle. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by one son, Nick Lambert and several brothers and sisters.

Emmaline loved flower gardening, and was a lover of all animals especially dogs and cats.

She is survived by one son, Verlin Lambert and fiancée Beverly Beasley; one daughter, Charmin (Stormie) LeQuire and husband Darrell; one brother, Raymond Owle and wife Helen; and four special young men, Stan, Heath, Brett, and Chip Robertson.

The family would like to say a special thanks to Tsali Care Center. Emmaline was at Tsali Care for three years and loved all the CNAs and Staff.

A memorial service will be held at a later date.

Crisp Funeral Home is assisting the family.

January is National Stalking Awareness Month

January is National Stalking Awareness Month, a time to focus on a crime that affects an estimated 6.6 million people a year.

Stalking is a crime in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, the U.S. territories, and the federal government. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has also incorporated stalking and cyberstalking into their Code of Ordinances. The definition of stalking, the elements, and penalties can be found in section 14-5.5 of the Cherokee Code. The definition of cyberstalking, the elements, and penalties are located in the subsequent section 14-5.6. As many as 1 in 4 women and 1 in 13 men have experienced stalking victimization at some point during their lifetime - most often the stalker is someone the victim knows – an acquaintance, a relative, or a current or former partner.

Stalking is often an indicator of other forms of violence. Eighty-one (81) percent of women who were stalked by a current or former husband or cohabitating partner were also physically assaulted by that partner, while 31 percent were sexually assaulted. People aged 18-24 have the highest rate of stalking victimization.

Not only is stalking often an indicator of other forms of violence, it has been linked to femicide (murder of women and girls). Seventy-six (76) percent of women murdered by an intimate partner were stalked first, while 85 percent of women who survived murder attempts were stalked. Eighty-nine (89) percent of femicide victims who had been physically assaulted before their murder were also stalked in the last year prior to their murder, and 54 percent of femicide

victims reported stalking to the police before they were killed by their stalkers.

Stalking is not a single, easily identifiable crime but a series of acts, a course of conduct directed at a specific person that would cause a reasonable person to feel fear. It can occur in many forms such as assaults, constant monitoring, threats, vandalism, animal cruelty, receiving unwanted gifts, calls or visits to the victim's school, home or office. Some victims have reported that their stalker used technology such as, computers, GPS devices, social media, or hidden cameras to track their daily activities.

Victims may experience a wide range of emotions such as fear, anxiety, anger, frustration, depression, and suffer social dysfunction. One (1) in eight (8) employed

stalking victims lose time from work as a result of their victimization and more than half lose five (5) days of work or more. One (1) in seven (7) stalking victims move as a result of their victimization. Communities that understand stalking, can support victims and combat the crime. If more people learn to recognize stalking behaviors and become proactive, it may offer an early intervention for victims that could prevent an unnecessary tragedy.

If you or someone you know is experiencing stalking, have questions, need assistance, or would like to talk to someone, please call The EBCI Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program (Walkingstick Shelter) 359-6830 or the Stalking Resource Center 855-484-2846.

- EBCI Domestic Violence & Sexual Assault Program

Closing of tribal backroads

According to the Cherokee Department of Transportation, gates to the following backroads will be locked from Jan. 9 until March 15:

- Bunches Creek (above last bridge, on the top end, Main Creek/ Parkline)
- Mile High (Glen's Campground)
- Leaving Blue Ridge Parkway to Hyatt Cove
- At the last house on Hyatt Cove
- At the last trailer on Jenkins Creek
- Intersection of left hand prong of Jenkins Creek and Dobson Ridge
- Above Chief Youngdeer's
- Cow Mountain Road

- Top of Washington Creek
- Cherokee DOT

The Heart to Heart Program is moving

This month, the Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Center is moving to a new location within the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. The Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Center works with a team of professionals who coordinate the investigation, prosecution, and treatment of child abuse. The center provides licensed therapists specializing in child related trauma, court accompaniment, court school, community prevention presentations, on site

forensic interviews, trauma therapy for child victims, and family therapy for non-offending caregivers.

The confidentiality of the clients utilizing the services of the Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Program are paramount to fostering a safe and welcoming environment.

The program faced challenges with many issues in the former location and the move will provide better facilities to accommodate administrative offices, children interview rooms, counseling rooms, and medical treatment facilities. The phone numbers and email ad-

resses will remain the same. The program will be located adjacent to the Qualla Boundary Public Library at the Ginger Welch Complex in the previous Human Resources Suite.

Feel free to contact the Heart to Heart Program with any questions. Program officials noted, "It is essential to the success of the Heart to Heart Program to protect the confidentiality of our most vulnerable population and the relocation of the program offices will accomplish that goal."

- Heart to Heart Child Advocacy Program

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Cherokee Middle School 2nd Quarter Honor Rolls

6th Grade Honor Rolls

Principal Honor Roll: Jasmine Robertson, George Saunooke, Jenna Cruz, Carys Holiday, Seshadri Pratama, Ann Toineeta, Siddalee Thomason, Isaac Welch, Roxi Bark, Janna Girty, Evan Nations

Alpha Honor Roll: Shelby Saunooke, Hermione Ward, Adrian Armachain, Jayle Creson, Dayvian Pheasant, Jimya Driver, DaLaina Mills, Dyami Saunooke, Leondes Garcia, Collin Ledford, Madison Ledford, Laura Martinez, Samuel Postoak, Kyria Swayney, Niyahi Mora, Olivia Swayney, Danica Hill, Ezekiel Martinez

Beta Honor Roll: Julia Gonzales, Awee Watty-Ivey, Bud Mathis, Ezra McGaha, Littlehawk Reed, Evonne

Stamper, Ileyeni Wolfe, Boie Crowe, Alitama Perkins, Emily Swayney, Creedon Arch, Brody Barker, Trevan Lambert, Triniti Littlejohn, DJ Hornbuckle, Gabriel Terrell, Bailey Wright, Phillip Garcia-Calhoun, Marianna Martinez, Alexzaya Lossie, Javian Martin, Awee Walkingstick, Lupita Toineeta, Emily Blankenship, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Ashton Cucumber, Breydan Ensley, Marla Panther, Tahlaya Thompson, Jamaya Balderas, Liliana Bigmeat, Jaylynn Brady, Marty Roach, Dillon Bigwitch, Carl McCoy Jr, Dante Taylor, Kaiden Lambert, J'ron Lineberry, Jonathan McCoy, Tristen McCoy, Cassius Ross, Angelyn Kalonaheskie, Chase Calhoun

7th Grade Honor Rolls

Principal Honor Roll: Mason Long, Mahala Allison, Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Keneil Saunooke, Nessa

Smith, Alexis Smith

Alpha Honor Roll: Braylon James, Jolie Locust-Pheasant, Zechariah Maney, Ellise Stamper, Katherine Armachain, Brandon Martinez
Beta Honor Roll: Terrell Locust, Acacia Reed, Walker Clapsaddle, Idalis Crowe, Alessandra Oocumma, Cavan Reed, Kalina Blanton, Nora Garcia, Alyxandra Armachain, William Bailey IV, Brantley George, Alessandra Martinez, Hayden McCoy, Bitiste Pepion, Jaden Armachain, Dominyk Arch, Adia Frady, Joseph Smart, Fala Welch, Rachel Maney, Lilah Reynolds, Mya Sequoyah, Oztin Swayney, Xavier Otter, Walika Sexton, Tanin Esquivel, Jaelyn Lossiah, Kyra West, Hezekiah Bird, Dasgigidi Hill, Cristofer Rivera, Brystyn Littlejohn, Destiny Siweumptewa, Autumn Greene, Tyler Wolfe, William Hartbarger, Kenneth Welch

8th Grade Honor Rolls

Principal Honor Roll: Rayna Ricks, Caedance Smith, Evan Caley, Takota Sexton, Kaelin Jones, Eli McCoy, Tehya Littlejohn, Kegan Curtice
Alpha Honor Roll: Mason Ledford, Johnny Bradley, Vivian Ross, Makala McGaha, Abigail Taylor, Summer Crandall, Miranda Lopez, Jamice Mora
Beta Honor Roll: John Queen, Chandler Shelton, Joshua Smith, Lucian Davis, Gabriel Jarvis, Aaliyah Queen, Kyler Queen, Keeifer Taylor, Mylisa Mathis, Tevy West, Marcus Armachain, Aria Foerst, Donna Thompson, Danasia Toineeta, Donald Bradley, Makala Davis, Betty Lossiah, Phoebe Rattler, Derek Reynolds, Malakai Raby-Fourkiller, Jesus Luna, Alayna Morgan, Mackenzie Reed, Kyanna Brady, Caidyn French, Olivia Bernhisel, Timothy Woodard

NATIVE AMERICANS MONTH AT MARS HILL UNIVERSITY
The Native American Students Association (NASA) at Mars Hill University would like to Thank Pat Hill and The Big Cove Men's stickball team and Calhoun's Frybread, Pat and Matilda Calhoun for their time and participation on campus during Native American's Month.
Your time and involvement with the school and students is truly appreciated and allows us a way to teach others a little about our culture and heritage.



Pat Calhoun (left) shakes hands with Dr. Dan Lunsford. Also pictured is Amy West, NASA President.



Pictured are The Big Cove Men's stickball team along with several members of the school's Lacrosse team. Also pictured are members Dre Crowe and Amy West and on far right end, Dr. Dan Lunsford, MHU President.



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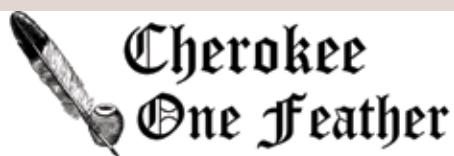
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The right to speak your mind - What are you doing with it?

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians recognizes and respects the civil rights of its enrolled members. The Federal Indian Civil Rights Act of 1968, 25 USC 1302, has formally by resolution been adopted by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Therefore, the principles of free speech and free press, the rights of the people to assemble and petition for redress of grievances shall not be abridged.

*- Cherokee Code Section 75, Article 2,
Subsection 52*

Congress shall make no law respecting an establishment of religion, or prohibiting the free exercise thereof; or abridging the freedom of speech, or of the press; or the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.

*- First Amendment to the United States
Constitution*

Freedom of speech. The privilege to speak your mind; to say your piece; to put in your two cents worth. Did I say privilege? We have a right; defined under Cherokee Code and in the federal constitution, to free speech. Does that mean we get to say anything, anytime we want, in any way we want?

Obviously not. I can't broadcast misrepresentations, also known as lies, about someone without risking prosecution. I can't dial up 911 and have emergency responders come out to a fake emergency without violating law against it. Yes, physically I could, but legally, I cannot. I cannot damage a building, a public display, or harm a fellow citizen and call it freedom of expression without consequence or penalty of law.

Indian tribes and other peoples have struggled

with the concept of free speech since people began to have independent thought. Battles have been fought and blood have been shed over words. It is because we know the power of words and the expression of our thought through acts that, as civilizations, we make laws to prevent the control of them.

We, along with other indigenous nations, enjoy a "domestic dependent nation" status with the federal government. In attempting to further define our sovereignty, legal definitions (Wilkenson, "Indian Tribes as Sovereign Governments", 1988) have been provided like "territorial sovereignty" which says that "tribal authority on Indian land is organic and is not granted by the states in which Indian lands are located" (WAG, "American Indian Law Deskbook", 2004); "plenary power doctrine" stating that, "Congress has ultimate authority with regard to matters affecting Indian tribes" (Dulthu, "American Indians and the Law", 2008); and the "trust relationship" says that the federal government has a 'duty to protect' tribes (McCarthy, "The BIA and the Federal Trust Obligation to American Indians", 2004).

We are as sovereign as federal law allows. Even if we did not have tribal regulation that provided for free speech protections, federal law would supersede that omission through the First Amendment of the Constitution.

You have a right to speak your mind. What are you doing with it? Some use the media to make their position known. The One Feather receives a few letters of comment. We also get significant response from our posts to the web and social media. Some choose to go to the government's public meetings, like Tribal Council sessions. Since those are televised and streamed (and broadcast live), many

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use that opportunity to share their views.

Of course, as you may have heard in gangster movies and reality shows, you also have the right to remain silent. But, remaining silent on certain issues may speak more loudly than using words. Silence may sometimes be used as a statement. I fear that if we remain silent too long on too many issues, others will push through agendas that are not in keeping with the will of the people. Sometimes a few

voices speaking loudly will be heard and cause law to be created for a majority that may quietly disagree.

An English statesman once said, "The only thing necessary for the triumph of evil is for good men to do nothing."

I know that the good versus evil is debatable as a separate issue and I am certainly not implying that just because someone is, in my opinion, extremely vocal about their opinion, that they are, by default, trying to do something neg-

ative. But, the premise is workable. If those who hold an opinion stay silent, those who yell their opinion long and loud will prevail and set the standard. Sometimes, that will be a good thing and then there will be those other times when most of our lives will be negatively affected by the actions, and voices, of a few.

I have concern when an individual comes before our governors and proports to speak for me and the rest of our people. You and I have a right to represent our individual views. You or I may be elected to represent a group's views. It is doubtful that my views will exactly match your views on many things. No one should take liberties with another's views. No one should try to press his or her position by implying a consensus of people that they

may not have even spoken to.

I don't know of many members of our Tribe that will not tell you what they think about an issue if you ask them. They may not stand in front of a group or write something for public print, but they will share their views with you one-on-one. Unless you are willing to ask everyone's position, then it is impossible to represent an all-encompassing position and attribute it to the masses.

I hope that more of our people will engage when public issues arise.

I hope that more of our people will alert us to issues that must be addressed when they impact the health of our communities. You may have a right to remain silent, but you have a duty to your people to speak out.



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You're eager to take on that new opportunity opening up as January gives way to February. Now all you need to do is resist quitting too early. Do your best to stay with it.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Doff a bit of that careful, conservative outlook and let your brave Bovine self take a chance on meeting that new challenge. You could be surprised at how well you do.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) You might not want to return to the more serious tasks facing you. But you know it's what you must do. Cheer up. Something more pleasant soon will occupy your time.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) As you dutifully tidy up your end-of-the-month tasks, your fun self emerges to urge you to do something special: A trip (or a cruise, maybe?) could be just what you need.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Your achievements are admirable as you close out the month with a roar. Now you can treat yourself to some well-earned time off for fun with family or friends. (Or both!)

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Be sure you know the facts before you assume someone is holding back on your project. Try to open your mind before you give someone a piece of it.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) You might feel comfortable in your familiar surroundings, but it might be time to venture into something new. There's a challenge out there that's just right for you.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Your love of things that are new gets a big boost as you encounter a situation that opens up new and exciting vistas. How far you go with it depends on you.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) That recent workplace shift might not seem to be paying off as you expected. But be patient. There are changes coming that could make a big difference.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) While few can match the Goat's fiscal wizardry, you still need to be wary in your dealings. There might be a problem you should know about sooner rather than later.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Easy does it when it comes to love and all the other good things in life. Don't try to force them to develop on your schedule. Best to let it happen naturally.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A surprise decision by someone you trust causes some stormy moments. But a frank discussion explains everything, and helps save a cherished relationship.

BORN THIS WEEK: Sometimes you forget to take care of yourself, because you're so busy caring for others. But you wouldn't have it any other way.

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Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to our weekly question:

Should the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians allow members to have dual citizenship in other federally-recognized tribes?

Elsie Calhoun: No

Janice Sutton: No

Janis Owl: Yes. Members eligible in two tribes should not be forced to choose between two important aspects of both their identity and cultural association. If my daughter marries her current boyfriend, a child of their union would be eligible for membership in both the EBCI and the Crow tribe. Why should they be forced to only enroll in one or the other? It makes no sense. What could be the justification for having to choose between one or the other? If it's financial benefits, then have them choose from which to receive but to ask that they only be eligible to enroll in one or the other denies them a right of membership important to both sides of their tribal identity.

Jessica Davis: Yes, my husband shouldn't have to choose, Cherokee or Choctaw, he is both.

Debi Lee: No, it's one or the other; always has been that way.

Carrah Shawnee-Swimmer: Yes, of course... it only makes sense since to keep the blood line of the two most dominate tribal affiliations in our society. Example...

my three children are 45 percent EBCI, 25 percent Cherokee Nation, 29 percent Shawnee, and 1 percent non-native. Now, in the government's eyes, they are only 45 percent native, but yet they are really 99 percent. Its important to not allow blood quantum, set by the government, to allow our identity die out. Something does need to change which can based on tribe preference. The card is what sets us apart along with language and culture from non-natives. It sounds hypocritical I know, but without the identity of the card I would be just a brown person. I do not speak either of my languages. I do not get to participate in our tribal dances because I do not live in my home state. The language and culture my children are learning is what I have decided to learn, which is EBCI.

I am not EBCI. I am Cherokee from Oklahoma and Absentee Shawnee. So, my children's grandchildren may not marry an EBCI member so their ability to be recognize as EBCI, on a card, would not exist, Even though my great grand children may speak EBCI and do the EBCI ceremony, they could not be enrolled due to blood quantum. Things could change to a citizenship of the EBCI which could allow the entire quantum to be included. ...Cherokee is Cherokee right? If that were the case, my children would be nearly 75 percent Cherokee on card.

Charmane DuPree: Historically, it's come from the BIA as a result of Andrew Jackson's Indian Reorganization Act. As we have become citizens of the USA, the state of North Carolina, and EBCI tribal members, then formally acknowledging our other tribal affiliations is a reasonable request.

Makisha Denny: Yes, it gives us all a chance to say to the government of the U.S. that we aren't going anywhere soon. Numbers will continue to drop as we have relationships with other races and other tribes. And, at some point, those that are left may find it difficult to marry within our Tribe because we would be related.

Yona Sequoyah: Yes

Karla Winstead: If it were to be allowed, what would the harm be?

Wilson Johnson: Yes, people are getting short changed on their blood quantum by choosing one tribe especially if both parents are full blood. By not allowing that child to claim both, by racial standards we are cutting them in half and that effects every generation down.

Scott Lambert: Yes they should. People have dual citizenship with other countries. To be pigeonholed is another example of genocide by blood quorum.

Kina Armachain: No

Keri Brady: Yes. Who cares if they benefit financially. It would be theirs. Why is everybody worried with what others have?

Jamie Pusch: Yes! Because of this rule I am a first decendant of EBCI even though I have enough blood to be enrolled Cayuga-Seneca. My grandpa was forced to choose so he wouldn't lose his land in Cherokee and now because of lack of "direct ancestry" I am ineligible to enroll with my tribe in Oklahoma.

John Toineeta: Yes, that way their other tribe can help foot their medical, dental, housing, child care, and any other tribal assistance they may receive and that would lessen the burden on the rest of us.

Debi Fisher Martin: Yes. Given that a member may have a mix from two tribes and wishes to honor both. They shouldn't have to choose.

Consie Girty: Yes! If getting benefits from two tribes is their concern, then have them relinquish their rights to one of their enrolling tribes. But, I agree with Carrah Shawnee-Swimmer. It isn't fair that they are not being recognized fully for their native bloodlines and, in turn, (it) makes it look like their nation is dying out. My child is another example. She is close to 7/8 Cherokee, but her daddy, who is full-blooded Cherokee, is on a different roll than I am. Therefore, in print, she looks less than half. I know we aren't the only ones with this scenario.

Rod Hampton: Yes, I'm a Cherokee in Oklahoma.

Lois Dunston: No, be one or the other.

Ashley Anderson: Yes

Tosh Welch: I would approve of all three Cherokee bands to be able to consolidate blood quantum for a Cherokee child. Enrollment in which band would be at the discretion of the biological parents and remain until the child became an adult and could choose which band they would want to be enrolled with permanently. Just an opinion.

Bambi Armachain Sneed: Yes, I have grandchildren not getting credit for all of their blood, their father being Western Cherokee and their mother Eastern Cherokee.

Amy Postoak: Yes, my children are pretty much 50/50 Cherokee EBCI and Muskogee Creek. We now live in Oklahoma, and they have more opportunity to learn their Creek traditions, but many of the events are only for Creek citizens, which they can't claim. They are also only seen as 50 percent native when they are really about 90 percent native.

David G. Jumper: Yes! My cousin is enrolled with his dad's tribe and gets their benefits, but he wanted to do the Remember the Removal bike ride and was denied and told he'd have to enroll here in order to do it.

His mom was full-blood Cherokee yet he's denied even the chance to apply for the bike ride?

Meekamarkiya Denny: Honestly, I'd rather read why some of our tribal member's kids aren't able to be tribally-recognized - that aren't allowed by the blood quantum from our tribe (EBCI) than to hear and read arguments about dual citizenship with other federally-recognized tribes.

LeeAnn Coons: Yes, they should. EBCI members are not going to lose anything nor change the quantum they are enrolled as in the tribe. You get half and half of your parents. It shouldn't be that those who have mixed with other tribes somehow be less accepted from either. It's discriminatory and shameful to say the least that any should deny

or be denied the opportunity to claim and enroll who they are.

James Hatfield: If children are allowed to have dual tribal enrollment, then shouldn't they only get half a per capita check? That wouldn't be fair to the rest of us.

Vangie Stephens: Would the blood be consolidated if (you are) both EBCI and Western Cherokee? I have no problem with this. How would this be handled if two different tribes such as Cherokee and Creek? Would this blood be consolidated too? Would this apply only to federally-recognized tribes? I have family that is part Navajo and Cherokee. Some are registered Navajo.


Robert Waldroup: Blood quantum is a white invention made to

destroy native culture.

Mystical Parker: Uh, no.

Keri Brady: Cherokee is Cherokee. Western or Eastern doesn't decide what you are. Remember, the Cherokee were taken to the west, but they were still Cherokee! I have lived many places, but I'm still Cherokee. Geography doesn't make up your blood line. Mixed blood lines is just that..and, you should be able to claim both and benefit from both. It always comes back to financial benefits. Somebody's afraid somebody else is going to get more than the other. All tribes that have mixed members of other tribes should share the burdens of any cost of that tribal member.

Nita Hill Wolfe: Yes



So, as he let go of the mic, he said, "All you really need is One Feather" and then he just walked off the stage.

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Benefits/Fundraisers

Big Y Community Indoor Yard sale and Breakfast fundraiser. Jan. 20 at 8am at Big Y Community Center. All 50 tables are already reserved, so there should be a lot of good items. Breakfast plates are \$5 each.

Turkey Shoot Benefit for Lupe Solis. Jan. 20 at 3pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This is to help with medical expenses. The West Girls will be selling Indian Dinners, hamburgers, and hot dogs. All donations are appreciated. Info: 736-2469

Cultural Events

Cherokee Syllabary and Intro to Cherokee Class. Every Monday and Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the 3200 Acre Tract Community Center at 1000 Old Bryson City Road in Whittier. Everyone is welcome. Info: <https://www.facebook.com/3200-Acre-Tract-Communit>

nity-Center-1589774257745245/

General Events

Big Y Old fashioned Bingo. Jan. 20 at 6pm at Big Y Community Center. Prizes and concessions. Cards are \$.25 (cents) each for 15 games. You can play one card or as many as you want.

Congressman Mark Meadows staff time in Cherokee. Jan. 23 from 9-12am in the Ginger Lynn Welch Conference Room. A staff member for Rep. Meadows (R-NC) will be present to answer questions and discuss issues.

"Unto These Hills" local auditions. Jan. 27 from 2-4 at the main Cherokee Historical Association (CHA) office at 564 Tsali Blvd. People coming to audition should bring a monologue, 16 bars of a song, a headshot, and a resume. Cold reads are also accepted. Technicians need to provide a resume and headshot if available. Ap-

plications will be available for those who do not have a resume. The CHA will be continuing the revival production of the original Kermit Hunter script of "Unto These Hills" for the 2018 season. Rehearsals will begin on May 14 with the season running from June 2 – Aug. 18. Merchant Night will be Thursday, May 31; Local Night is Friday, June 1; and Opening Night is Saturday, June 2.

Snowbird Day School Reunion kick-off event. Jan. 27 from 6-7:30pm at Snowbird Youth Center. Bring your Snowbird Day School photos and other memorabilia. Food and refreshments will be provided. Info: Gilliam Jackson (828) 269-7030

Cherokee Business Training "A Native American Journey into Small Business". Tuesdays (starting Jan. 30) from 6-9 pm. This five-week course costs \$65. To register, call 359-6708 or visit www.bit.ly/CBT-Winter-2018

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the Book of 2 Timothy in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. From Ruth 1, who called herself Marah, a name meaning "bitter"? *Priscilla, Miriam, Naomi, Deborah*
3. What did Malachi say the people of Judah were stealing from God? *Servants, Unrighteous miracles, Holy Grail, Owed tithes*
4. Which was a city of Ephraim and home of the Ark of the Covenant? *Ai, Sardis, Gaza, Shiloh*
5. What Old Testament word means "anointed"? *Bishop, Messiah, Jehovah, Salvation*
6. Ahasuerus was also known as ...? *Noadiah, Agrippa, Joash, Xerxes*

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) Naomi; 3) Owed tithes; 4) Shiloh; 5) Messiah; 6) Xerxes

Visit Wilson Casey's new Trivia Fan Site at www.patreon.com/triviaguy.

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Meet and Greet with Miss Cherokee 2017-18 Faith Long. Feb. 3 from 10am – 1pm in the Museum of the Cherokee Indian Ken Blankenship Education Wing multi-purpose room. Info: 497-3481 or www.cherokeemuseum.org

Talk by Sarah Sunshine Manning. March 8 from 12-1pm at Laurel Forum at UNC – Asheville. Manning, a citizen of the Shoshone and Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation and a descendant of the Chippewa-Cree of Rocky Boy, Mont., is a write, journalist, speaker, and social science education. She will give a talk entitled “We are the Earth, We are the Land”.

Health and Sports Events

Catamounts Basketball EBCI Basketball Appreciation Night. Feb. 3 at 7:30pm at the WCU Ramsey Center. WCU will host Samford. Free admission for youth 12 years and younger wearing a basketball jersey. For those 13 years and older, purchase your tickets at the WCU Cherokee Center to receive a \$5 tribal discount. Info: WCU Cherokee Center 497-7920 or snsam-son@wcu.edu

Upcoming Pow Wows for Jan. 19-21

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

19th Annual Pow Wow Portland Community College. Jan. 20 at Portland Community College - Sylvania Campus, Portland, Ore. Info: Miguel Arellano (971) 722-4112, miguel.arenosanchez@pcc.edu

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Brianna Lambert 788-3308. The rental fee is \$75 and \$25 will be returned after cleaning.

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove

Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

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

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

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

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

Community Groups

Big Y Archery Club meets every Tuesday at 7:30pm at the Big Y Community Club Building. Indoor targets and 3D game targets available. This is free of charge to all and everyone is welcome. Instruction is available.

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee 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@cherokeehospital.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 ence room

Analenisgi Recovery Center

weekly schedule for Fall/Winter 2017/18

*NOTE: All classes/groups are open to all Analenisgi clients. Support groups marked with ** are open to the community.*

Mondays

Safety WRAP: 9 -10am


Cherokee Culture: 11:15am - 12:30pm

Still Waters: 2-3pm

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**Family Support: 5-6pm

Tuesdays

Native Plants: 8:30-10:30am

Employment Skills: (second and fourth Tuesdays 11am -12pm)

Taming Salolis (Squirrels): 11am – 12pm

Emotions: 1-2pm

**Self-esteem: 2-3pm

**Life Recovery: 3-4pm

Wednesdays

Safety WRAP: 9-10am

Strong Hearts Women's Group:

11am – 12pm

Healthy Boundaries: 1-2:30pm

Creative Writing: 2-3pm

**Family Support: 5-6pm

**Agape LGBT Group: 5:45-6:45pm

**HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group: (second and fourth Wednesdays 5:45-6:45pm)

Thursdays

**Life Recovery: 8:30-9:30am

Connections (Brene' Brown):

10:30-11:45am

Finding Tohi (Peace/Balance):

1-2pm

Uncle Skills Men's Group: 3-4pm

Fridays

Creative Recovery: 9:30 am - 12pm

Cherokee Language and Culture:

1-2:30pm

Popcorn and a Movie: 2:30-4pm

Info: Analenisgi Recovery Center 497-6892.

Times and dates may be subject to change.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

meet every second Thursday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank)

and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture)

and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson).

Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept.

497-9163 ext. 6459

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 Monday – Friday 10am – 2pm and provides counseling and support services to cancer patients that may include supplies, travel, and meals. Info: 497-0788

Search for thousands of Cherokee words at:
<http://siyo.brokentrap.com/>




CHEROKEE VETERANS:

We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the "Veterans' Corner". If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don't have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robejump@nc-chokeee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

Thank you for your service and love for your community.

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One Feather

FOR RENT

2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. \$450/month, \$450/deposit. 488-8752. UFN

Building for Lease at Saunooke Village in Cherokee. Approximately 3,800 sq. ft., formerly known as Four Seasons Christmas Shop, prime location, heavy foot traffic. Contact: Charles Saunooke (828) 506-3646. 2/1

FOR SALE

LAND FOR SALE – Blackrock Creek Community; Great home sites and acreage available 15 minutes from Harrah's casino. 1.6 to 9 acre tracts just outside the Reservation

in Jackson County, NC. Seller financing available at great terms. Contact Bruce Nelson (954) 232-8375. 2/8pd

SERVICES

Law Office of Shira Hedgepeth, Tribal Legal Advocate, For representation, call 828.585.5044 or email shira@legal-decisions.com. Find us on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/legaldecisions>. 2/1pd

YARD SALES

Yard Sale at Granny's Kitchen - Friday and Saturday starting January 26 and 27, Open at 8:30am; also on February 2, 3, 9, 10, 16, 17, 23 and 24.



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- **Middle School Pathseekers Special Education Teacher** - Must have valid NC Teaching license.
- **Cherokee Language Teacher** - Must have an Associate's Degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education. The instructor must have experience working with students.
- **Substitute Custodian** - Requires HS diploma or GED.
- **Substitute Security** - Requires HS diploma or GED.

Applicants who have retired from EBCI or other affiliated entities must wait a period of 6 months before applying for employment. Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.

APPLY ONLINE at:
<https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/>
 or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.

Places of Worship

Acquoni Baptist Church. 497-6521 or 788-0643

Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road.

Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. (828) 226-4491

Bethabara Baptist Church. 497-7770

Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 497-4141

Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 497-4220

Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church. 488-9202

Cherokee Baptist Church. 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

Cherokee Bible Church. 497-2286

Cherokee Church of Christ. 497-3334

Cherokee Church of God. 497-4190, 497-5977

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 497-2819

Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. 674-2690

Cherokee United Methodist Church. (336) 309-1016,

www.cherokeemission.org

Cherokee Wesleyan Church. 586-5453

Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.

Goose Creek Baptist Church. 631-0331 or 497-3512

Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 736-9383

Living Waters Lutheran Church. 497-3730,

prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

Macedonia Baptist Church. 508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

Olivet United Methodist Church. (336) 309-1016,

www.YouTube.com/user/OlivetUMC, www.Olivet-UMC.org

Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 736-5322

Piney Grove Baptist Church. 736-7850.

Rock Hill Baptist Church. (828) 356-7312

Rock Springs Baptist Church. 497-9455, 736-1245

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 497-7644

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee.

280-0209, cherokeepiscopal@gmail.com

Straight Fork Baptist Church. 488-3974

Waterfalls Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Road.

Whittier United Methodist Church. 497-6245

Wilmot Baptist Church. 554-5850

Wrights Creek Baptist Church. 497-5262

Yellowhill Baptist Church. 506-0123 or 736-4872

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



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Cook – Oconaluftee Job Corps Cherokee Boys Club (USFS Agreement)

Truck Driver/Equipment Operator
Construction and Facilities Department

Carpenter Laborer
Construction and Facilities Department

Food Manager
Snowbird Child Development Center

Teacher
Snowbird Child Development Center

Part-Time Bus Drivers
Bus and Truck Department

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

Opening Date: Jan. 11, 2018
Closing Date: Jan. 25, 2018

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.

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Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply. Please see Talent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID. An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. ©2017, Caesars License Company, LLC.

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

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

Closing Monday, January 22, 2018

1. Maintenance Utility - Facilities - Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Recreation Aide - Snowbird Recreation - Snowbird/Cherokee County Services (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
3. Disbursements Processor - Disbursements - Treasury (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
4. Buyer - Purchasing - Treasury (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
5. Driver - Transit - Administration (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
6. Receptionist - Transit - Administration (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
7. Public Health Preparedness Coordinator - Administration - PHHS (L12 \$49,200 - \$61,500)
8. Secretary/Receptionist - Qualla Boundary HS/EHS - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
9. Secretary/Receptionist - Qualla Boundary HS/EHS Big Cove - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
10. I.T. Administrative Services Coordinator - I.T. (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)

Closing Monday, January 29, 2018

1. Laborer (Multiple) - H.E.L.P. - Housing & Community Development (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Maintenance Tech - H.E.L.P. - Housing & Community Development (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
3. Paralegal/Victim Witness Coordinator - Criminal Law - Office of the Attorney General (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
4. Family Safety Paralegal - Civil Law - Office of the Attorney General (L9 \$37,474 - \$46,843)
5. Cook Aide - Tsali Care - PHHS (L2 \$19,598 - \$24,498)
6. Breastfeeding Peer Counselor - WIC - PHHS (L2 \$19,598 - \$24,498)

Open Positions

1. Paramedic Part-Time - EMS - Operations (\$16.40 - \$20.50 per hour)
2. Paramedic Full-Time - EMS - Operations (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
3. Traffic Officer - Police Department - Public Safety (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
4. Patrol Officer - Police Department - Public Safety (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at:
www.ebci.com/jobs

EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Hospitalist - Inpatient
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Mid-Level (PA/FNP/NP) – Emergency
Room
Part –Time Mid-Level (PA/FNP/NP) –
Emergency Room
Optometric Assistant
Targeted Case Manager – Behavioral
Health

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close January 18, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **1/18pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist
Physician- Emergency Room
Pedodontist
Masters Level Therapist- Snowbird
Residential Treatment Center (2
positions)
Part Time Regular Registered Nurse
- Snowbird Residential Treatment
Center
RN – Tsali Care Center (4 Positions)
Emergency Hire RN – Inpatient

Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply. **1/18pd**

**WANTED: Receptionist at the
H&R Block in Cherokee.** Applicant will be expected to answer the phone, maintain client files and keep the office clean. The Job will be a seasonal position and will pay \$10 dollars an hour. Please call Seth Holifield at 828-497-4077 to apply and for any further questions. **1/25pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Medical Laboratory Technician
Certified Nursing Assistant Clerk –
Inpatient
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close January 18, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **1/18pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Dental Hygienist
Dental Hygienist – Part Time
Dental Assistant II (3 Positions)
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali
Care (14 Positions)
Certified Medication Aide - (3 Posi-
tions)
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close January 25, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **1/25pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Optometrist
Physician- Emergency Room
Pedodontist
Masters Level Therapist- Snowbird
Residential Treatment Center (2
positions)
Part Time Regular Registered Nurse
- Snowbird Residential Treatment
Center
RN – Tsali Care Center (4 Positions)
RN Supervisor – Tsali Care Center
Emergency Hire RN – Inpatient
Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II
(2 Positions)

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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-73
**In the Matter of the Estate of
William Perry Pheasant**
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
Melissa Queen, P.O. Box 1017,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **1/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-75

In the Matter of the Estate of Judith Kay Biello

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
Jennifer S. Nelson, 2800 Summit
Hill Court, Norman, OK 73071.
1/25pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-70

In the Matter of the Estate of Arnessa Littlejohn Wilnoty

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.

Enclave Supervisor

VOC currently has a job opening for a part time Enclave Supervisor. Must have high school diploma, one year of supervision experience and experience working with clients with developmental disabilities. Indian preference does apply, but all applicants are welcome to apply. Must be able to pass drug test and background check. The VOC office is located on Highway 19 directly behind Tribal Bingo.

Office hours are 8:00 to 4:30 M-F. For information you may call 828-497-9827.

Deadline is January 27th at 4:00pm.

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-
TION

Frances L. Littlejohn, P.O. Box 33,
Cherokee, NC. **2/1pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-76

**In the Matter of the Estate of
David Lamar Wachacha**

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

Gail Wachacha, P.O. Box 1028,
Cherokee, NC. **2/1pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-74

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Joseph Saunooke Sr.**

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

Joseph Saunooke Sr., P.O. Box 847,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **2/1pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-078

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Ronald Garfield Lambert**

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
Garfield Burnett Lambert, P. O. Box
150, Cherokee, NC. **2/1pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
The Cherokee Court
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File Nos.: EST 13-014; EST
13-027;
EST 13-032; EST 13-035; EST
13-036

**In the Matter of the Estates of:
Randolph Scott Pheasant (d.**

1/8/2013);

James Willard Smith (d.

3/19/2013);

Rose Ann Driver (d. 1/1/2013);

David Norman Watty (d.

3/27/2013); and

Wesley Driver (d. 3/7/2013)

All persons, firms, or corpora-

tions having outstanding claims or
interest in these estates are hereby
notified of a hearing to settle the
above named estates at the follow-
ing date and time or be barred from
making any further claims against
the estate.

EBCI Justice Center

February 22, 2017 at 1:30pm

2/8pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The EBCI Office of the Attorney
General seeks competitive proposals
for a Grant Project Manager on a
contractual basis.

This project requires: (1) the
development of an integrated,
data-driven, results-based ac-
countability or outcome-driven
framework for two stakeholder
(multi-agency) groups and analysis
for software solutions to achieve
data-driven management for
outcomes for domestic violence
and child abuse cases; and (2)
the training and implementation
of trauma-informed systems to
enhance victim safety and increase
offender accountability. Consul-
tants will require expertise in
integrated approaches to social sys-
tems and project management to
design multi-system performance
measures, and provide technical
support and training for the initial
operation of the Integrated Domes-
tic Violence Intervention Program
and the child victim MDT, federal
grant reporting, and coordination
of the training of tribal staff.

Qualifications include:

- Education: Graduation from an
accredited college or university
with a Master's Degree or higher
degree in either Law; Counsel-
ing; Social Work; Psychology; or
other behavioral science and three

(3) years of paid, professional
post-graduate experience in social/
behavioral services.

- Experience: Previous experience
managing grant projects effectively,
including all required grant report-
ing and deliverables. Must have
experience designing performance
measures and data collection for
multi-agency systems. Specific
experience with domestic violence
and child abuse systems preferred.
Interested individuals should sub-
mit a brief letter proposal including
the following information:

- Name and contact information

- Copies of certifications

- Relevant work experience

Proposals due by January 20,
2018.

Please email proposals to Bon-
nie Claxton, Manager of the EBCI
Legal Assistance Office, [bonnclax@](mailto:bonnclax@nc-chokeee.com)
nc-chokeee.com.

This is a solicitation of propos-
als and not an offer to contract.
The EBCI Office of the Attorney
General reserves the right to decline
any proposals received. **1/18pd**

**Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians/CDOT**

Request for Qualifications

Bridge Designs

Dugan's Road over Coopers Creek.

Range Drive over Soco Creek and

Old Pigeon Creek Road

over Pigeon Creek

Engineering, Design and Permitting
On the Qualla Boundary in Chero-
kee, North Carolina

For a copy of the RFQ contact
the CDOT Transportation Planner,
Darrell Brown, at:

Phone: (828) 359-6534/359-
6530 - Cell 828-736-2273

Email: darrbrow@nc-chokeee.com

Submission deadline is March
7, 2018 at 3:00PM CST. **1/25pd**



The ABC's

of submitting letters, press releases and articles to the Cherokee One Feather for publication.

A Advertisements are not articles. If you are selling something in the body of your submission, you will be asked to pay our advertising rates. Your articles should be about a public service or be at least related to community members.

B Brief is better. We want your reader to be engaged and interested in what you are saying. Our 250-word limit is not to keep you from speaking your mind. It is to ensure that you communicate in a way that will capture even the shortest of attention spans.

C Cherokee-centric is the ticket! Your material should take into account who the Cherokee One Feather audience is and be relatable for them. If you value them with your words, our community will value what you write.

The Cherokee One Feather wants to be your voice and your source for information relevant to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and those who are interested in our culture, history, and lifestyle. We love sharing your opinions, views, and public service information. Please submit your letters, releases, and articles to Robert Jumper, One Feather Editor, at robejump@nc-chokeee.com or bring them by our offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. To send them via snail mail, our address is PO Box 501, Cherokee, NC 28719. Happy writing!

WANTED:

Religious Commentary

The Cherokee One Feather is soliciting columns for publication from leaders of organized religious organizations. These organizations must have a home institution on the Qualla Boundary. Commentary may be on social or religious viewpoints. Each organization may submit multiple commentaries. One commentary will be featured each week during the year in the print edition and online.

All content will be reviewed and be subject to editing by the Cherokee One Feather for grammar and/or length. The Cherokee One Feather reserves the right to reject any written commentary at the editor's discretion (subject to the Society of Professional Journalists Code of Ethics).



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Make Your Voice Heard!

Community Meeting on Economic Development Goals and Projects

Honoring the traditional core value of Group Harmony, we are holding a community meeting for EBCI members. We will share economic development goals and projects being considered by the Division of Commerce, and ask community members for their advice.

The final list of goals and projects will become part of the 5-year Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Come and share your thoughts!

Meeting organized by BWB Solutions, contractor to the Division of Commerce. Questions? Contact Doug Cole, Strategic Planner, EBCI Tribal Planning Office. P: 828-359-6709. Email: dougcole@nc-chokeee.com.

Tues. Jan 23, 2018

6:30-8:00 pm

**Ginger Lynn Welch
Community Room**

**** Dinner will be served ****

**** Children welcome ****

**Please rsvp by Sunday,
January 21 so we know how
much food to order.**

**To RSVP, click here:
<http://bit.ly/2mgadcN>**

**Please invite other
EBCI members !!!**

Funding generously provided by the
Cherokee Preservation Foundation.