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Crews from TRC Solutions work on an archaeological survey at the site of the old Cherokee Elementary School. The work is expected to take several months.

DIGGING THROUGH HISTORY

Archaeological work begins at old elementary site

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Crews are on-site with bulldozers and shovels at the old Cherokee Elementary School site in the Yellowhill Community. Archaeological work, being done prior to development, has currently begun and should be finished in early fall.

“When they did the demolition work at the old elementary school site, the Tribe wanted to be able to use that corner property as prime real estate for some kind of venture in the future, and so they need to have that cleared archaeological-

ly so that they can proceed with whatever kind of construction activity they deem might be best,” said Russell Townsend, EBCI tribal historic preservation officer. “When the school was originally built, the laws that are in place now to protect archaeology and, probably more importantly for us, the human remains, were not in place.”

He said as the school was built, “They plowed through portions of what are probably two large archaeological sites, and that includes the property where the BIA Agency is today.”

At one point in its history, Townsend said the property was a farm for Principal Chief Nimrod Jarrett Smith. “It was farmed for probably 3,000 years there, and it was part of a Woodland Village site around the time of the birth of Christ and it was part of a Mississippian Village site in the 1300s – 1600s. So, it’s a big deal.”

Townsend said before any development can occur at the site, “We need to clear it of any important archaeological data that remains intact.”

Work is currently occurring at the Woodland Period portion of the site. “They are about a quarter of the way through the stripping of the four and a half acres.”

In comparison, the Ravensford Tract site where the current Cherokee Central Schools is located was 54 acres making it the largest archaeological project in North Carolina history according to Townsend.

The archaeological work itself is being done by TRC Solutions, an engineering and environmental consulting firm based in Asheville. The scope of work for the project was developed by the EBCI Tribal Historic Preservation Office.

Townsend praised the work of TRC who he related has done many projects for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians including the new school campus at the Ravensford Tract.

“They have a long history of working with us,” noted Townsend, “and, they do everything our way. They are phenomenal. The level of background work they do before they go into the field is second-to-none. I’ve never seen a firm that I think does better work.”

Townsend said the project itself began several weeks ago and is slated to be finished by the end of September. But, in the meantime, there is a lot of work to be accomplished. “They will basically go in and strip it all, and they will mark and map the archaeological features. You can see those as stains



The site contains evidence of Woodland Period and Mississippian Period occupation according to Russ Townsend, EBCI tribal historic preservation officer.

on the ground.”

He added, “They’re mapping the features as they find them, but then they’re going to have to come back and excavate the features that

are not burial features...they’re got a lot of field work ahead of them. It’s a big project and a multi-component site that has Mississippian stuff on top of the Woodland stuff

in some of the areas. It’s going to really explain to us a lot about how we were living here on the Oconaluftee over the last 2,000 years.”

Once removed, the artifacts will have to be placed somewhere. “For right now, our Museum is full so we are working on trying to build a curatorial facility that will house the Ravensford collections as well as the past 16 years of archaeology that we’ve got off the Boundary and basically don’t have any room for,” said Townsend. “Right now, our contractors, such as TRC, are graciously storing that material for us for free which is a huge benefit, but all of those artifacts are the property of the Tribe.”

Several projects have been discussed for the site, but as of press time there are no specific plans in place.

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Remains from Georgia State to be reburied

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Georgia State University will soon return 23 sets of human remains to four separate tribes in a multi-tribal repatriation effort. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, the Cherokee Nation (Okla.), the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians (Okla.), and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation (Okla.) are all involved in the effort to repatriate and rebury the remains which were removed in the 1970s from several locations.

According to Miranda Panther, EBCI NAGPRA Officer, the Eastern

Band of Cherokee Indians will be involved in 17 of the reburials. "Six of the individuals are from McIntosh County, Ga. which is outside of the traditional Cherokee aboriginal territory. The Muscogee (Creek) Nation will be reburying these remains."

The three federally-recognized Cherokee tribes will all be co-lead on a reburial of eight individuals from site 40GN9 in Greene County, Tenn. related Panther. "The nine sets of remains removed from an unknown site in Georgia will be reburied by the three federally-recognized Cherokee tribes and the Muscogee (Creek) Nation. A lead tribe has not been selected for this

reburial."

According to information from the Federal Register, the nine individuals were removed from an unknown site in eastern Georgia between 1970-75.

The eight individuals were removed from Greene County, Tenn. between 1970-80. "Geographic evidence suggests these human remains to be Cherokee and likely form the town of Canasoga or Canasahaqui," the Federal Register states.

The other six individuals were removed from the Altamaha River basin in McIntosh County, Ga. in March 1971.

On the reburials themselves, Panther commented, "In accordance with our Treatment Guidelines for Human Remains and Funerary Objects, created from input and guidance from our elders, these individuals will be reburied as close

as possible to their original burial location. There are no associated funerary objects present with any of the human remains."

She said planning has commenced for the repatriation and subsequent reburials. "After the required 30-day waiting period is complete following the notice publication (published June 28), we will all move forward in securing appropriate and protected reburial locations. We hope to have the two reburials that we are involved with completed within the next 6-12 months."

Panther praised the working relationships of the tribes with the university. "The EBCI THPO has not worked with Georgia State University prior to this NAGPRA project, but they have been professional, respectful, and thorough. We look forward to working with them again in the future."

This meeting will be hosted by Family Support Services
for more information, please contact
Zae Millsaps at 359-5601

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Cherokee prices based on signage survey of the six convenience gas stations for regular grade gas on Qualla Boundary in the town of Cherokee. National average courtesy of AAA.com and state prices are courtesy of gasbuddy.com. Pump prices are subject to change without notice and are only provided a reference.

Native Women victims to be remembered, honored

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Hanna Harris, a member of the Northern Cheyenne Tribe of Montana, went missing on July 3, 2013. Her badly decomposed body was found five days later near the rodeo grounds on the Northern Cheyenne Reservation in Lame Deer, Mont.

Due to the decomposition of her body, it was impossible to determine an exact cause of death, but Eugenia Ann Rowland, of Pine Ridge, SD, admitted to beating her and pleaded guilty to second degree murder. She was sentenced to 22

years in prison in February 2015, and her husband, Garrett Sidney Wadda, who Rowland said was also involved in the beating, pleaded guilty to accessory after the fact.

Almost 85 percent of American Indian women have experienced some sort of violence in their lifetime according to a report released last month by the National Institute of Justice (NIJ). Now, a resolution has been introduced in Congress to designate May 5, 2017 as National Day of Awareness for Missing and Murdered Native Women and Girls.

The resolution, was introduced on Tuesday, June 28 by Sen. Steve Daines (R-Mont.), Sen. Jon Tester

(D-Mont.), and Rep. Ryan Zinke (R-Mont.). The legislators related they drafted the resolution in the memory of Harris.


Sen. Tester, who serves as vice chairman of the Senate Indian Affairs Committee, said in a statement, "It is critical that we shed more light on the hardships that Native women and their families often face. But, words must be followed up with actions, and I am committed to working with the Montana Congressional delegation and Montana tribes to increase the safety of Native women and ensure they have every opportunity to thrive."

Former EBCI Tribal Council

Chairperson Terri Henry serves as co-chair of NCAI's Task Force on Violence Against Women and commented, "The NIJ's Report is alarming in its information as a snapshot of the life experiences of American Indian and Alaska Natives. As advocates for Native women, this information is somewhat a vindication of our advocacy of safety for Native women. Some folk didn't believe us. Unfortunately, what this report shows is that the perpetration of violence is worse than we thought."

She added, "Native women have been going missing and/or found murdered for a long time now. It is unfortunate that we are only now recognizing this reality in Native women's lives, and it heightens my awareness and concern for my personal safety and the personal safety of other Native women, especially our young Native women. The creation of a National Day of Awareness is desperately needed. Hats off to Senator Daines of Montana for bringing this forward."

The NIJ report states that 56.1 percent of American Indian and Alaska Native women have experienced sexual violence in their lifetime with 14.4 percent experiencing it in the past year. Overall, 39.8 percent have experienced some form of violence in the past year. Most of this violence was by non-Indians according to the report which states, "Among American Indian and Alaska Native victims, 96 percent of women and 89 percent of men have experienced sexual violence by an interracial perpetrator."



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How will Cherokee affect you?

National Park Service to allow traditional gathering in Parks

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The National Park Service (NPS) is making a lot of ramp gatherers in Cherokee happy. Due to a change in NPS regulations, announced on Wednesday, June 29, members of federally-recognized American Indian tribes will be able to perform traditional gathering of plants in National Parks that encompass their traditional territory.

"We are pleased that the federal government recognizes the culturally-significant and sustainable methods of gathering pioneered by the Cherokee people for thousands of years," said Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. "The gathering of native plants and medicines is an important piece of our culture and is still practiced by many Cherokee today. That is why this rule is so important to me and the people of the Eastern Band."

Chief Lambert met with President Obama in February, and this rule was one of the topics discussed. "I want to give my appreciation to President Obama for his commitment to me that solving this problem would be done this year. Also, we are remembering that this was a team effort and was made possible by many folks advocating over the years. Tribal Council had an important role to play in all of this, and I am very thankful for their work."

The Office of the Principal Chief related that the next step in the process locally will be for Chief Lambert to meet with Cassius Cash, Great Smoky Mountains National Park superintendent, "and discuss areas of harvest and methods of enforcement". It was related to the One Feather that this meeting will occur in the very near future.

Cash told the One Feather, "We look forward to working with the Tribe to both honor Cherokee Indian traditions and also carry out our agency's mission to protect these very special resources for future generations. I truly believe that we can achieve both of these goals by working together."

He went on to say, "I cannot think of a better opportunity for our new administrations to move forward on than this new plant gathering regulation."

Jonathan B. Jarvis, NPS director, said in a statement on June 29, "The changes to the gathering rule support continuation of unique cultural traditions of American Indians and support the mission of the National Park Service. This also respects tribal sovereignty and the government-to-government relationship between the United States and the tribes."

He visited Cherokee six years ago for a Tribal Consultation Meeting with EBCI tribal leaders. During the meeting, tradition-

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Local Wendy's among those hacked

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The Wendy's restaurant in Cherokee is one of over 1,000 nationwide that has been hit by a cyber attack. The Wendy's Company released information on Thursday, July 7 stating that patrons using payment cards may be at risk and should take precautions to prevent damages or losses to their accounts.

Wendy's officials said patrons who dined in the Cherokee restaurant between Dec. 2, 2015 and June 8, 2016 and used a payment card may have been affected. Mal-

ware was discovered on June 9 and disabled.

"Some Wendy's restaurants have been the victim of malicious cyber activity targeting customers' payment card information," Todd Penegor, The Wendy's Company president and CEO, said in a statement on Thursday. "We sincerely apologize to anyone who has been inconvenienced as a result of these highly sophisticated, criminal cyberattacks. We have conducted a rigorous investigation to understand what has happened, and we are committed to protecting our customers and keeping you informed."

He continued, "We recommend that you remain vigilant for incidents of fraud and identity theft by reviewing credit card account statements and monitoring your credit report for unauthorized activity."

Information from Wendy's outlines the situation, "This criminal cyberattack resulted from a service provider's remote access credentials being compromised, allowing access – and the ability to deploy malware – some franchisee's POS (point-of-sale) systems. Soon after detecting the malware, Wendy's



identified a method of disabling it and thereafter has disabled the malware in all franchisee restaurants where it has been discovered."

The malware targeted the payment card's data such as cardholder name, card number, expiration date(s), verification value and service code.

Wendy's stated the company "has worked aggressively with third-party forensic experts and federal law enforcement on this investigation", and they have established free fraud consultation and identity theft services.

Other area Wendy's restaurants affected include Cashiers (Nov. 1, 2015 – Feb. 14, 2016) and Murphy (Dec. 2, 2015 – June 8, 2016).

Those patrons who think they may have been affected by this cyberattack are encouraged to contact Wendy's free fraud service (866) 779-0485 from 8am – 5:30pm (CST) Monday through Friday. North Carolina residents are also encouraged to contact the N.C. Attorney General's Office Consumer Protection Division (877) 566-7226, www.ncdoj.gov, if they have more questions about identity theft.

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CIPD Arrest Report June 27 - July 3

The following people were arrested by the Cherokee Indian Police Department and booked into the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. It should be noted that the following defendants have only been charged with the crimes listed and should be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Bradley, David Alvin – age 27

Arrested: June 27 at 10:13

Not released as of press time
Charges: Probation Violation

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



George, Chadwick Errol – age 42

Arrested: June 27 at 10:13

Released: June 27
Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Jump, Dawnina Maiashae – age 18

Arrested: June 28 at 12:50

Released: June 28
Charges: Called and Failed

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2



Bigmeat, Susanne – age 60

Arrested: June 29 at 00:08

Released: June 29
Charges: Obstructing Justice, Tampering with Evidence

Number of times in



CIPD Detention: 1

French, Jamison Dean – age 43

Arrested: June 29 at 13:00

Not released as of press time
Charges: Contempt of Court

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Huskey, Justin Ryan – age 29

Arrested: June 29 (no booking time given)

Not released as of press time
Charges: Probation Violation

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Kalonaheskie, Gavin Rodrick – age 24

Arrested: June 29 at 12:00

Released: July 2
Charges: Domestic Violence (Bodily Injury)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Lambert, Justin Reeves – age 34

Arrested: June 29 at 22:06

Released: July 2
Charges: Assault on a Female, Criminal Mischief to Property, Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Unauthorized Use of a Vehicle

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Littlejohn, Jasmine Michelle – age 25

Arrested: June 29 at 18:39

Released: June 29
Charges: Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle, Failure to Appear



Number of times in CIPD Detention: 8

Bird, April Dawn – age 37

Arrested: July 2 at 03:05

Released: July 2

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2



Panther, Jordan Phillip – age 26

Arrested: July 2 at 21:22

Not released as of press time
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Domestic Violence

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2



Panther, Mark Adam – age 23

Arrested: July 2 at 05:43

Released: July 2

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Frank, Sheldon Roland – age 30

Arrested: July 3 at 02:45

Not released as of press time
Charges: Assault on a Female, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Decoteau, Cody John – age 24

Arrested: July 3 at 22:42

Not released as of press time
Charges: Criminal Mischief to Property; Injuring Telephone Wires, Wires, or Other Communi-



cation Equipment; Interfering with Emergency Communication; Assault Government Official/Employee (two counts); Simple Assault; Weapons Offense

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2

CIPD Arrest Report for July 5-11

Note: The following people were arrested by the Cherokee Indian Police Department and booked into the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center. It should be noted that the following defendants have only been charged with the crimes listed and should be presumed innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Ardney, Keonta Monteece – age 37

Arrested: July 5 at 15:46

Not released as of press time
Charges: Civil Contempt

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1



Crowe, Stephanie Larch – age 26

Arrested: July 5 at 15:35

Released: July 5

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3



Davis, Carl Robert – age 66

Arrested: July 5 (no booking time given)

Released: July 7

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4



Ramirez, Hugo Gar-
do – age 31

Arrested: July 5 at
10:55

Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Obey a Lawful
Order of the Court
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Saine, Angelica
Chenise – age 21

Arrested: July 5 at
11:20

Released: July 6
Charges: Obstructing Justice
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 3**



Smith , Greg Allen –
age 35

Arrested: July 5 at
12:25

Released: July 6
Charges: Possession Schedule II
Controlled Substance, Possession
Drug Paraphernalia
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**



Zepeda, Travis
Aron – age 20

Arrested: July 5 at
12:25

Released: July 6
Charges: Possession Drug Para-
phernalia
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 6**



Locust, Starlene
Maria – age 35

Arrested: July 6 at
14:00

Released: July 8
Charges: Failure to Appear
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Medford, Graham Ansel – age

24

Arrested: July 6 at
17:55

Released: July 8
Charges: Failure to Appear (three
counts)

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Smith, Krystal Gail
– age 39

Arrested: July 6 at
14:00

Released: July 6
Charges: Driving While Impaired
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Tolley, Cassandra
Marie – age 26

Arrested: July 6 at
05:04

Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor, Second Degree Trespass
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 5**



Tullos, Michael
James – age 26

Arrested: July 6 at
12:00

Released: July 9
Charges: Domestic Violence (Viola-
tion of Court Order)
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Bradley, Jerome –
age 19

Arrested: July 8 at
16:00

Not released as of press time
Charges: Assault on a Female (DV)
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Harjochee, Carl Luke – age 27

Arrested: July 8 at 17:36
Released: July 11

Charges: Child Sup-
port Purge

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Jones, Stephanie
Dawn – age 35

Arrested: July 8 at
10:00

Released: July 10
Charges: Failure to Appear
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Wildcat, Craigan
Stan – age 35

Arrested: July 8 at
03:10

Released: July 8
Charges: Disorderly Conduct, Com-
municating Threats



**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 3**

Blackfox, Cassan-
dra Dawn – age 22

Arrested: July 10 at
18:17

Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Appear (two
counts)

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Ledford, Melvin David – age 43
(mugshot not available)

Arrested: July 10 at 18:40
Not released as of press time
Charges: Obstructing Justice
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



KNOW THE LAWS ON LIGHTS

Per NC GENERAL STATUTE:

§ 20-130.1. Use of red or blue lights on vehicles prohibited;
exceptions.

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Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for June 8

BIGMEAT, Robyn

14-25.12 – Disorderly Conduct – Guilty Plea

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Dismissed on Plea

BROWN, Diamond W.

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed Upon Completion of Deferred Prosecution

CHEKELELEE, Adrian K.

20-166(c) Hit and Run: Failed to Stop at Scene of Accident – Dismissed After Investigation

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed After Investigation

CROWE, Hildegard Louise

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

14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, six months probation, \$100 fine, \$190 court costs, \$80 restitution ordered
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed on Plea

GRIMES, Anthony Lewis

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-10.31 Robbery – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

HUSKEY, Justin

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed on Plea
14-34.10 Weapons Offense - Dis-

missed on Plea

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

14-25.2 Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on Plea

LEE, Brandon

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

LOMAS, Jorge Miguel

14-40.62(a)(3) Simple Affray – Dismissed at Complainant's Request
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

PARSONS, William

14-40.1(b)(5) Domestic Violence – Violation of Court Order – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 36 months probation, enroll in Anger Management program
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14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Guilty Plea, 12 months active jail time

14-40.1(b)(5) Domestic Violence – Violation of Court Order – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 36 months probation, enroll in Anger Management program
14-40.1(b)(5) Domestic Violence – Violation of Court Order – Guilty Plea, 12 months jail time suspended, 36 months probation, enroll in Anger Management program

PLUMMER, Valerie M.

14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (8 days), \$50 fine, \$190 court costs

REED, Seth Payten

20-140(b) Reckless Driving – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea
14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, six months probation, credit for time served (1 day)

SMITH, Christopher Alvin

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

SMITH JR., John Wilbur

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed, Co-De-

fendant Plead

SULPHUR, Robert Williams

20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea
20-313(a) No Insurance – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea
20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea
14-40.62(a)(3) Simple Affray – Dismissed at Complainant's Request
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea
14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree – Dismissed at Complainant's Request
20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea
20-7(a) No Operator's License – Guilty/Responsible, \$50 fine, \$190 court costs

TAYLOR, Tyler

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

TEESATESKIE, Cody

14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

THOMPSON, Steven D.

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

WELCH, Hunter Adam

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed With Leave to Refile



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Cherokee Chief Justice appears on “Full Frontal with Samantha Bee”

As part of the Cherokee Courts continuing effort to bring attention to the inequities of tribal court jurisdiction and to highlight the US Supreme Court Case of Dollar General v. Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, Chief Justice Bill Boyum appeared on “Full Frontal with Samantha Bee”. The segment aired on June 20 on TBS/TNT, with a viewership of over 1 million people weekly, combining TV and online viewers.

In the episode, Chief Justice Boyum points out that, other than the narrow VAWA exception, non-Indians cannot be prosecuted in tribal court for criminal offenses against an Indian victim. Samantha Bee finds this fact unbelievable and makes it the subject of the show.

“The segment brings to light the unfairness of tribal jurisdiction by satirizing the ironic circumstances in which a non-Indian cannot be prosecuted in tribal court, even



A split screenshot shows Cherokee Chief Justice Bill Boyum talking with Samantha Bee during a recently-aired episode of her talk show.

if the victim is the tribe’s Chief Justice,” Boyum stated. “The show also points out the ridiculous arguments made by Dollar General in their attempts to avoid civil jurisdiction in Choctaw tribal court.”

Dollar General was sued in tribal court for damages that resulted from alleged negligence in a sexual assault on a 13-year-old boy in a

Dollar General store located on the Mississippi Choctaw reservation. Dollar General claimed that, even though they were operating on Choctaw tribal land and had signed an agreement with the Mississippi Choctaw to resolve disputes in tribal court, they shouldn’t have to go to tribal court to resolve the dispute because tribal courts could

not be fair.

The United States Supreme Court ruled in favor of the Mississippi Choctaws on June 23. The divided Court, in a 4-4 tie, let stand the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that the tribe had civil jurisdiction over this damages claim against Dollar General.

A link to the segment can be found at <https://tt.wordpress.com/2016/06/21samantha-bee-on-dollar-general-and-tribal-courts/> or the segment can be found on youtube or the TNT/TBS website.

Samantha Bee, known for her wit and satirical comments honed during 13 years as a correspondent with “The Daily Show”, has long been a supporter of tribal sovereignty. Her show was recently named as one of the 10 best TV shows of 2016 by Rolling Stone magazine.

- Cherokee Tribal Court

PLANT REGS: National Park changes rules on traditional gathering for American Indians, *from page 6*

al gathering of plants was discussed and Director Jarvis expressed his support for changing the rule which he stated was “just wrong”.

The 55-page rule reads in part, “The National Park Service is establishing a management framework to allow the gathering and removal of plants or plant parts by enrolled members of federally-recognized Indian tribes for traditional purposes. The rule authorizes agreements between the National Park Service and federally-recognized tribes that will facilitate the continuation of tribal cultural practices on lands within areas of the National Park System where those practices traditionally occurred, without causing a significant adverse impact to park resources or values.”





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Thompson Brothers Lacrosse instructors pose with some of the younger attendees at a Youth Lacrosse Camp at the Birdtown Gym on Wednesday, July 6.

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Thompson Brothers hold camp in Cherokee

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

For members of tribes of the Haudenosaunee (Iroquois) Confederacy, lacrosse is known as “the Creator’s Game”. Young members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians had a chance to learn more about the game, its history, and fundamentals at a camp, held at the Birdtown Gym on July 5-6, hosted by Thompson Brothers Lacrosse and the National Lacrosse League’s (NLL) Georgia Swarm.

“It’s a huge honor to have the opportunity to come down here and teach a native sport to a group of Native American kids because it’s in their blood,” said Bill O’Brien, a member of the Onondaga Nation who plays for the NLL’s New England Blackwolves. “At the end of the day, these guys all play stickball, and that’s their medicine game. It’s an honor to be able to come



Some of the older kids get ready for drills on Wednesday.

down here and show our medicine game, an Iroquois medicine game, and really give back.”

O’Brien, who started Thompson Brothers Lacrosse with his cousins Miles and Lyle Thompson, said giving back is one of their organization’s missions. “We’ve all had success with lacrosse. It’s kept us all off drugs and alcohol. In Native communities, there are obstacles that face everyone such as obesity, diabetes, drugs, alcohol, poverty, and we truly believe that lacrosse, this medicine game, has the opportunity to heal those things. It can bring entertainment to the community, put a smile on some kid’s face, give them something to work towards, and give them some inner drive to continue striving for goals.”

Jeremy Thompson, a member of the Onondaga Nation who plays for the 2016 NLL Championship team Saskatchewan Rush, was at the camp along with his brothers Miles, Lyle, and Jerome Thompson who all play for the Swarm.

Jeremy commented, “It’s a heartwarming feeling when you can come to a different community and learn about a different culture. While we’re bringing our culture and talking about our roots with the lacrosse game, the same thing kind of goes back to how they’ve introduced us to the stickball game. It’s an amazing thing when you can come together and one of the biggest things that is heartwarming for us is when you can see the smiles and energy levels on the kids and how energetic they are.”

He said giving back is very important to all of them. “It’s the least we can do, and the way we look at it is that if you can spend that one second, that one moment, with a child and inspire them in any way, I think that’s the main thing that makes us feel good.”

Jeremy added, “It’s all about being encouraging and being the best you can be, but yet encourage the people around you and most importantly is to have fun. If you ask anybody, it really comes down to those things. You’ve got to enjoy it.”

The camp was held for beginner players with fundamentals and the history of the game being emphasized. “These guys are very fundamentally sound,” Tim Smith, Cherokee Life Recreation youth sports coordinator, said of the instructors. “They all started at young ages with fundamentals from their fathers and other coaches that they had, and I’m learning just along with these



The Thompson Brothers sign autographs for the young participants.

kids. This is a new sport to us. We do have our stickball.”

He said the instructors were impressed with the Cherokee kids at how quickly they picked up the game of lacrosse. “We got a grant from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation for the equipment, and we want to start putting teams together. Nobody west of Asheville, North Carolina plays. So, we’re trying to build in this area, and then if we have to send teams to travel, then we’re willing to send teams. We want to continue this relationship with the Georgia Swarm and the Thompson Brothers and Bill O’Brien for years to come.”

Harrah’s Cherokee Casino became an official sponsor of the Swarm earlier this year. The team now plays at Harrah’s Cherokee Casino Field at Infinite Energy Arena.

John J. Arlotta, Georgia Swarm owner and general manager, was at the camp and commented, “It’s really important to us because we want to give something back to the lacrosse community in general but very specifically to the Native American community because obviously that’s where the sport started. The history of the sport and the tradition of the sport we think is an important thing to be taught and there’s nobody better to teach it than Native American players.”

“In Native communities, there are obstacles that face everyone such as obesity, diabetes, drugs, alcohol, poverty, and we truly believe that lacrosse, this medicine game, has the opportunity to heal those things.”

- Bill O’Brien, Onondaga Nation

Tullos let go as Braves head coach

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Coach Willis Tullos, who garnered his 600th career win this past season, will not be at the helm of the Cherokee Braves boys basketball team this upcoming season. In a letter he received on Thursday, June 30 from Cherokee Central Schools officials, Tullos was informed that his contract would not be renewed and he was out of a job.

Tullos related that he told school administrators in March that he wanted to coach for two more years. "A week later, I was subbing for Coach Mintz in the Arena and Scott Penland came over and said that Ms. Foerst (Cherokee High School principal) told him that I wanted to coach for two more years and that he was really glad that I had made that decision and that he thought that keeping the continuity in our program going was important."

"That's how I left it," said Tullos. "That was the last I talked with anybody, and that's what I assumed we were going to do."

Tullos coached summer basketball and did the classroom portion of Driver's Education. He said a friend brought two letters to his house on Thursday, June 30 that stated himself and his wife, Tanya Tullos, were not being recommended for renewal.

"We weren't told anything else. We weren't told anything else before that, and still today that's all we've been told. Nobody has talked



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

Willis Tullos, shown in January celebrating his 600th career win, will not be at the helm of the Cherokee Braves boys basketball program this next year as his contract has not been renewed.

to us. Nobody has said a word. Nobody has told us what we did do, what we didn't do...nothing."

Dr. Scott Penland, Cherokee Central Schools superintendent, said in a statement to the One Feather, "With every personnel move we make, our goal is always to improve the quality of education for the students at Cherokee. All personnel decisions are well thought out. There are no 'knee-jerk' reactions. We always look at the pros and cons of every decision, and we do what we feel is in the best interest of our school system."

Tullos said the entire situation came out of left field. "We weren't able to make any provisions because no one said anything. If people tell you something, you can plan for anything, but when people don't tell you anything until it's over, there's no way to plan for anything when it's over."

He was told there was not an appeal process.

"There were a lot of things that weren't done right, but as far as explaining why, I can't because we've not been given a reason."

This past season, Tullos led the Braves to a 25-4 record, a share of the Smoky Mountain Conference regular season title, the Conference Tournament title, a Sectional title, and a state-record for most three-points in a season. Those accomplishments didn't go unnoticed.

"I had an opportunity come up yesterday (Thursday, July 7), and it was in the Smoky Mountain Conference, but we told them that we wouldn't do that."

Tullos and his wife are heading back to Philadelphia, Miss. where Tanya has accepted a position. He previously coached the girls team at Choctaw Central, leading them to three state titles.

"I'll find something to do somewhere," he said. "But, I just don't know about coaching. We'll just have to see what turns up and what happens."

He did want to relate to the Cherokee Braves fans how much he appreciates them. "I want to let the real Cherokee fans know, the people that support us, our basketball teams and athletic programs, and our kids, how much Tanya and I appreciate them and how much we appreciate the opportunity to work with the Cherokee children. We appreciate the opportunity to be here and to have had the experiences that we've had. We're grateful for that."

Tullos went on to say, "The Cherokee people didn't fire us...and, so I have no animosity towards the Cherokee fans. I love them. I love them with all my heart, and I appreciate everything that they've done for us...I would give anything for this not to have happened, but we didn't cause this to happen and the Cherokee fans didn't cause this to happen. We're victims in this situation."

He also commented that he wants people to realize the power that they possess for their school. "If they don't like what's going on and what is being carried out by non-Native people, then they can change it. If they can't change it by letting their representatives know, they can change it by changing their representatives."

The Cherokee School Board declined to comment on this issue.

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Southern Drum Contest

- 1 – Sizzortail
- 2 – Smokey River
- 3 – Silver Cloud
- 4 – Bone Camp

Northern Drum Contest

- 1 – Stoney Creek
- 2 – Storm Boyz
- 3 – Soaring Eagle
- 4 – Killshot

Men's Golden Age

- 1 – Schirra Gray Sr.
- 2 – Justin Yearby
- 3 – Pat Pacheco
- 4 – Apesanahkoat

Women's Golden Age

- 1 – Sharon Partin
- 2 – Sandy Haris
- 3 – Brenda Silva
- 4 – Cheryl Funmaker

Men's Traditional

- 1 – Asia Zant
- 2 – Johnson Taylor
- 3 – Dana Warrington
- 4 – Charlie Backins

Men's Grass

- 1 – Russell Gillette
- 2 – Darulin Charley
- 3 – Josh Richardson
- 4 – Dalton Burridge

Men's Fancy

- 1 – Eric Bird
- 2 – Hunter Burridge
- 3 – Josh Hill
- 4 – Shaundai Poncho

Men's Straight

- 1 – Anthony Monoessey

- 2 – Terrence Todome
- 3 – Aaron Partin
- 4 – Jay Silva

Men's Chicken

- 1 – Marty Thurman
- 2 – Keith Sharphead
- 3 – Luke Swimmer
- 4 – Nathaniel Reed

Women's Northern Traditional

- 1 – Quahna Mars
- 2 – Kendra Eaglestar
- 3 – Hena Josephine Tarant
- 4 – Amanda Tortalita

Women's Jingle

- 1 – Erica Isenock
- 2 – Shaudeen Smith
- 3 – Rebekah Neuaguaya
- 4 – Meredith Hedgepeth

Women's Fancy

- 1 – Katy Isenock
- 2 – Cyndi Harris
- 3 – Lisiana Jones

Women's Southern Buckskin

- 1 – Tara Goodfox
- 2 – Kim Wildcatt
- 3 – Brittany Taylor
- 4 – Tahnee Poafbitty

Women's Southern Cloth

- 1 – Sophia Thurman
- 2 – Heather Hunt
- 3 – Elizabeth Nevaguata
- 4 – Sparrow Plainbull

Teen Girl's Traditional

- 1 – Veronica Delgadillo
- 2 – Tylan Thurman
- 3 – Tahyan Eaglestar
- 4 – Katlyn Begshona



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Rick Bottchenbaugh, an EBCI tribal member, dances at the 41st Annual Cherokee Pow Wow held July 1-3 at the Acquoni Expo Center.

Teen Girl's Jingle

- 1 – Edie Rogers
- 2 – Destiny Whitecloud
- 3 – Shailee Sandy
- 4 – Angelina Larotonda

Teen Girl's Fancy

- 1 – Alexis Hill
- 2 – Hunter Kaili
- 3 – Makayla Richardson
- 4 – Audra Delgadillo

Teen Boy's Traditional

- 1 – Tyler Richardson

- 2 – Padin Partin
- 3 – Kaimari Eaglestar
- 4 – John Joseph

Teen Boy's Grass

- 1 – James Eaglestar
- 2 – Chinodin Atkinson
- 3 – Jaydin Mars
- 4 – Elijah Lalio

Teen Boy's Fancy

- 1 – Tyler Thurman
- 2 – Eric Plainbull
- 3 – Joshua Mowatt

Junior pageant application available

Applications are now available online (<https://the-onefeather.com/2016/06/download-2016-cherokee-pageant-application/>) for those running for 2016 Little Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee or Teen Miss Cherokee. Applications are due by Saturday, July 23 at 5pm and must be turned in at the Cherokee Visitors Center.

- Cherokee Pageant Board

UT establishing Native American Alumni Council

The University of Tennessee is seeking to establish a Native American Alumni Council. The intent of the alumni council will be to support and mentor Native American students enrolled at the university, provide a network between Native American UT Alumni, promote awareness of Native American culture and education at UT, and to assist the Office of Alumni Affairs with the promotion of diversity in all things UT. Info: Kim Smith 788-7183, ksmit102@vols.utk.edu, or visit https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1P2hT-Pqfb-jQbBSd3r9e-of_OuxJl1UauHMPqh-FU-1po/edit#gid=0

- University of Tennessee

WCU Cherokee Center news

The Cherokee Language and Coloring contest is underway with the deadline to turn in the work on July 15. You may turn in your work at the WCU Cherokee Center until 5pm that day. Call (828) 497-7920 if you have any questions. Prizes will be awarded for the best coloring, the best syllabary penmanship and the best syllabary sentence.

An inaugural meeting of the

Cherokee Center Advisory Council will be held at the WCU Cherokee Center on Monday, July 18. Selected members will be led by Dr. Brett Riggs and Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed as co-chairs of this Council. Representation from the Western Carolina University and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians make up the Council.

The Cherokee Center wishes Dr. Hartwell Francis a very heart-felt farewell as he leaves Western at the end of July. In turn, we welcome Dr. Sara Snyder on board to assist with the Cherokee Language Program.

- WCU Cherokee Center

Teen Center taking school supply donations

The Cherokee Teen Center is taking donations for school supplies for children at the Cherokee Children's Home. Their goal is to fill 20 book bags for ages 6-18. The following supplies are needed: book bags, pencils, loose-leaf paper, pencil pouches, composition notebooks (not spiral bound), and tissues. Donations are being taken at the Cherokee Youth Center from July 11-30.

- Cherokee Teen Center

Attention Miss Cherokee contestants

If you are a female EBCI tribal member between the age of 18-25 and are interested in running for Miss Cherokee 2016, applications may be picked up at the Council House. The application and fee is due by Sunday, Aug. 28. You may turn in the application at the Council House or bring it to the first practice on Aug. 28. Info: Royalty Board ebcimisscherokee@gmail.com

- Miss Cherokee Royalty Board

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Miss Cherokee report for May and June

TARAN SWIMMER
MISS CHEROKEE 2015

Siyo, greetings to all, I would like to send my deepest condolences to the family of our former Vice Chief/Wolfetown Rep. Carroll "PeeWee" Crowe. I will continue to lift you all up in my prayers for God's strength, mercy and grace; may God contin-

ue to bless and keep you all.

I want to share with you all the events that I have had the honor of taking part in through the months of May and June.

May 13

Was at the Tribal Council Awards held at the Ceremonial Grounds. I had the honor of assisting the Tribal Council members hand out the Tribal achievement awards to

our tribal members from Cherokee Central Schools, Swain Co., Jackson Co., Graham Co., Cherokee Co. public schools and the New Kituwah Academy. So very proud of all the recipients who received this award.

May 14

I was able to take part in the Cherokee Welcome Center Celebration that was held in the parking lot outside of the Cherokee Welcome Center. There were all kinds of booths set up throughout the parking lot for visitors and locals to visit and purchase craft items and food items. It was a lot of fun and I enjoyed meeting some of the visitors to our boundary and encouraging them to take in as much of the attractions that we offer before they leave.

May 21

I attended the Strawberry Festival that the NAIWA women hold every year and had a blast. I got to work in the arts and crafts area for the children and helped the children make a strawberry key chain out of pony beads. I enjoy being around young children and taking part in activities with them. Thank you to the NAIWA women for letting me take part in this festival, and the strawberries were delicious.

May 23

I had the privilege to help out with the Cherokee Elementary Schools Field Day events. I love being outdoors and I love being around young people and playing games with them. I know how much I enjoyed field day when I was in school and I think these students had fun as well. Thank you Coach Erin Kirkland and Coach Rossa for allowing me to help out.

May 24

I was invited to sing the Cherokee National Anthem to open up the Athletic Banquet. It is always an honor for me to

Miss Cherokee Taran Swimmer waves to the crowd before throwing the first pitch at an Asheville Tourists game on Cherokee Night on June 17.

(Photo courtesy of Tina Swimmer)



take part in any event or activity at Cherokee Central Schools, my alma mater. I played sports since I was in the 7th grade at Cherokee Central and I am a volunteer Volleyball and Soccer coach now and it was nice to take part in this event. Thank you to P-nut Crowe, CHS Athletic Director, for inviting me to be a part of the Athletic Banquet and congratulations to all of the athletes that participated in all of the sports for the school year 2015-2016. From hearing all of the comments from the coaches this night I look forward to what's to come in the School year 2016-2017.

May 25

I had the pleasure of taking part in another field day event for the New Kituwah Academy. I enjoyed being in attendance for their academic awards program and then we had so much fun with the field day activities that the Youth Center put together. Thank you Samantha Hernandez for inviting me to take part in this event, I had so much fun with the games and also taking part in the water events. It was very special to me to be around these young boys and girls and hear our language spoken throughout the day.

May 26

I had the honor of speaking at the Cherokee Middle School 8th grade graduation. To me this a very important time in a young person life, and I am very humbled to have been asked to take part in it. I wish all of the 8th graders nothing but success as they enter into high school and hope that they continue to work hard on their academics and athletics. Let us all keep our young people in our prayers that they will have the desire and

motivation to work hard for their goals and dreams and that we as a tribe will always support our young people and their education.

May 28

The end of May means a lot of things like the end of another school year, summer begins and it also means our Unto These Hills Outdoor Drama kicks off. I had the pleasure of attending the Opening Night Gala at the Unto These Hills and it was very nice. I think it is important that the visitors who come to our boundary get a chance to learn some of our history and what better way than to attend the Unto These Hill Outdoor Drama. Thank you Marina Hunley-Graham for the invite and I really enjoyed the show.

May 30

Memorial Day is a very special holiday and I am glad we have this day set aside to remember all of those who died serving our country but let us all try and be thankful every day for all of the men and women who have served and who are serving now. It was truly an honor to be able to sing the Cherokee National Anthem at the opening of Memorial Day Ceremony. Thank you to Mr. Dupree and the American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 for always inviting me to participate in any event that they take part in. I am very honored to do so.

May 31

When running for the title of Miss Cherokee 2015 for my talent I wanted to sing a song called the orphan child. According to popular belief, Cherokees wrote and sang "Orphan Child" on the Trail of Tears as the American government

removed them from their homes and forced them to relocate in the West. Not only did the Cherokees use the song to console one another on the Trail of Tears, but it was also a song of hope. I was asked to sing this song at the ribbon cutting of the opening of our very own Family Safety Program. This program is in place to help our people and our children. We as a tribe need to protect and take care of our own. I am so blessed to have taken part in event and would like to thank Radonna Crowe for inviting me. I would also like to thank Dvdaya Swimmer for accompanying me with this song.

June 1

I was honored and thankful to have been asked to take part in the ground breaking ceremony for the Snowbird Senior Center. I had the privilege to sing the Cherokee National Anthem at the opening of the ceremony. It was so good to hear all of the comments that were made by the Chief, Patrick Lambert; Vice Chief, Richard Sneed; the Snowbird/Cherokee Co. council members Brandon Jones and Adam Wachacha; Deb West and others who shared what an exciting time this is for the snowbird community. Thank you again, Radonna Crowe for the invite to this event.

June 3

Thank you to Sheena Kanott and Tara McCoy for inviting me to sing at the Trail of Tears bike ride sendoff which was held at the Kituwah Mound. What an amazing opportunity for all of these individuals to take part in riding the trail of tears. From talking to former riders the experience is one they will never forget because they learned so much on the ride and experi-

enced things that made them even prouder of who they are and where they came from. Again, I had the privilege to sing the "Orphan Child" song in honor of the previous bike riders and the present. They are still on their journey and I pray that God will continue to keep them safe and bring them home safely as well. Thanks again I really enjoyed this event.

June 8-13

I traveled to Washington, DC to take part in the 4-day celebration of Cherokee Day's. At this event the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indian, the Western Band of Cherokee Nation and the Kituwah Tribe where all gathered together to share with visitors our culture and arts and crafts. This event took place at the National Museum of the American Indian in DC. On the 9th we had a reception for all three tribes to meet and greet each other and gift exchanges where made among the tribal leaders. It was nice to see all of the members from the three tribes stand and share the many positive changes that where taking place within their tribes. Chief Patrick Lambert gave an amazing statement regarding some of our positive changes that have been made since he took office. As I sat and listened to his statement I was very proud of the direction that our Tribe is heading I pray that God will continue to lead and guide our tribal leaders and to always continue to bless our tribe. The rest of the evening I was able to meet other Council men/women, Chief's and Vice Chief's from the other tribes. I also got to meet other royalty from the Cherokee Nation. I met Cherokee Nation's Miss

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Cherokee, Ja-Li-Si Pittman. It was amazed at how much Ja-Li-Si and I had in common. I have enjoyed every event I have attended so far but having the other EBCI royalty with me at this event made it even better. I was so glad Teen Miss Cherokee, Blake Wachacha; Jr. Miss Cherokee, Abigail Taylor and Little Miss Cherokee, Madison Ledford were able to attend this event as well. The 10th, 11th and 12th we had the opportunity to meet and greet the visitors that came to the National Museum of the American Indian. It was nice spending time with Miss Cherokee Nation, Ja-Li-Si Pitman, and all of the other craft demonstrators, story tellers, The Cherokee Nation Youth Choir and traditional dancers I am very thankful to God for this opportunity and for giving everyone a safe trip back to their homes.

June 15

I attended an event at the Hunter Library at Western Carolina University where the Special Collections Department was presented a copy of the Cherokee Language Version of Charlotte's Webb by Mr.

Bo Lossiah from the New Kituwah Academy. In return the Mr. Bo Lossiah was presented with a board game that is all in the Cherokee Syllabary that the Art 371 Graphic Design I class developed. I am very proud to say that I took part in creating some of the board game pieces and it was an honor to take part in presenting this board game to the New Kituwah Academy. It makes me so proud to be a part of this because I know how hard our tribe is working to keep our language alive. What an amazing step this is for our tribe. I was very honored to take part in this event and I am also very proud to be a student at Western Carolina University. Thank you Rosanna Belt for inviting me to take part.

June 17

I attended the Asheville Tourist Baseball game in Asheville, which was also EBCI night at McCormick Field. At this game I had the honor of singing the Cherokee National Anthem and the American National Anthem. I am always honored when asked to sing these two anthems, they both hold a special place in my heart. I also had the honor of throwing out the 1st pitch of the game. It was a little difficult

trying to throw the baseball in a Chemise and my crown but I was glad that I got it right to the catcher's glove. Thank you to Little Miss Cherokee, Madison Ledford and Jr. Miss Cherokee, Abigail Taylor for standing with me out on the mound while I threw the first pitch and thank you Ogana Swimmer for accompanying me with the turtle rattle for the Cherokee National Anthem. It was a lot of fun and I enjoyed the game. Thank you Sharri Pheasant for setting this all up and inviting met to take part in this event, I had a blast.

My journey as Miss Cherokee has been an awesome experience and I encourage our young women to run for this title. It is a lot of work but the experience and the things that you learn on the way are worth it all. I really hope that

this year we get a lot of interested young native woman to run for the title of Miss Cherokee. This title gives you more than a sash and a crown, it gives you pride within yourself to be a better person and it also gives you the determination and drive to make sure that our tribe only grows stronger. Our tribe is very strong and we need to work together and support each other so we can continue to stay strong. We are a very proud people and we need to always remember where we came from.

If there is an event that you would like for me to attend please feel free to email me atebci-misscherokee@gmail.com or if you do not have access to the internet you can call or text my mother Tina Swimmer at 828-497-6303 or 828-736-6624.

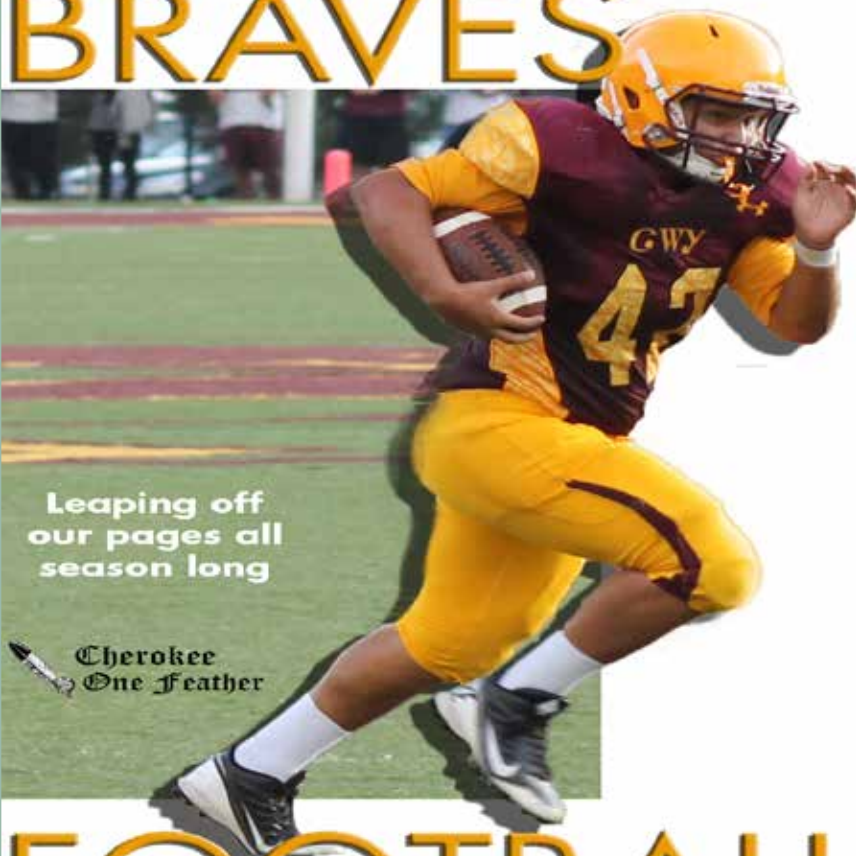
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Sandra Locust Gunther

Sandra Locust Gunther, 66, of Cherokee passed away Tuesday, July 5, 2016 at her residence.

She was born May 28, 1950 in Cherokee to the late William Russell Locust Sr. and Caroline S. Lambert Locust Robinson.

Sandra is survived by her husband, Rory Gunther; one daughter, Victoria Ann Duncanson; and two brothers, William "Bill" Locust and Johnny Carter.

In addition to her parents, Sandra was preceded in death by two brothers, Raymond Bobby Carter and Dallas Ray Martin; and one sister, Marcella Ann Melvin.

Memorial services will be held

at a later date.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Gunther family.

Betty Singletary-Spray

Mrs. Betty Singletary-Spray passed away quietly on Monday, July 4, 2016 at Harris Regional Hospital in Sylva after a lengthy illness. Betty was 71-years-old. Betty is survived by her husband, Charles; her sister, Jan Schaniel; sons, Richard Lewis and Reverend Ryder Lewis; step-son, Michael Spray; step-daughter, Virginia "Ginny" Spray-Arce; two daughter-in-law's, one son-in-law, 15 grandchildren, and two great-grand daughters.

Betty was born Feb. 3, 1945 in Marianna, Fla. to Aylene Hill-Sin-

gletary and Wiley Singletary, now both deceased. Betty was preceded in death by her brothers, Ronnie Singletary, Albie "Buddy" Singletary; and daughter-in-law Kathy Lewis.

When Betty was young, her family relocated to Thomasville, Ga. where she lived for most of her life. Betty graduated from Thomasville High School and attended nursing school at Valdosta Technical Institute, working as an Licensed Practical Nurse for much of her adult life. Betty worked as a home health nurse for Archbold Hospital for several years providing care for patients in Thomas and surrounding counties.

Betty and Charles were married in Thomasville in June 1999. They relocated to Bryson City in 2001

where Betty worked for several years at Mountain View Manor Nursing Home. Betty retired in 2014. Charles is a staff nurse at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Betty was a special kind of lady who was kind and helpful to everyone. She loved life, her family, friends, and Jesus. Betty is well loved by her family and friends. She will be missed dearly. Betty has gained her angel wings and no longer has to suffer from pain and illness. Guest may sign the online register at whiddonshiverfuneralhome.com. Whiddon-Shiver Funeral Home in charge of arrangements.

Services were held Saturday, July 9 at Whiddon-Shiver Funeral Home with interment following at Laurel Hill Cemetery.



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Arch recognized by Veterans Affairs official

J.D. Arch (right), the EBCI's new Veteran Services Affairs officer, is recognized on Thursday, July 7 by James Prosser, Assistant Secretary for the N.C. Department of Military Affairs, and Sam Lambert of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143.

THANK YOU LETTERS

Scholarship recipient says thank you

Cherokee One Feather,

I would like to thank the members of the Chief John Alfred Tahquette Educational Trust Scholarship Committee and First Citizens Bank and all who are involved in the process for choosing me as a recipient for the scholarship for 2016-2017. Again this means so much to me, as a Higher Education student finishing up my last year for my Master's degree in Art Therapy & Counseling. I've had an amazing first year in the Art Therapy Program here at Southwestern College, in Santa Fe, New Mexico. Thank you Cherrie Nelson again for patiently receiving all my paper work each quarter and responding with such swift responses. Thank you so Much! Oh and the EBCI Higher Education team, Sandy Owle for supporting my efforts with encouraging words and supportive every quarter.

Sincerely,
Laura Walkingstick

Cherokee Dispatch
497-4131
Cherokee Switchboard
497-7000

Church Events

Vacation Bible School. July 16 from 8:30am – 3pm at Antioch Baptist Church on Cooper's Creek Road. Info: 497-2197

Vacation Bible School. July 18-22 from 6:30-8:30pm nightly at Waterfalls Baptist Church. Info: Pastor Red Bradley 497-9680

General Events

Jackson County Democratic Party monthly meeting. July 19 at 6:30pm at party headquarters on Mill Street in Sylva. The meeting is open to all Democrats. The agenda will include plans for Dem headquarters Saturday summer hours, candidate forums for local and state offices, and a Democratic Women's Council of State September event. Info: jacksondems.com

Storytelling Workshop. July 23 from 10am – 3pm at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. This workshop will introduce community members to the creative processes of storytelling in order to help contemporary Cherokee people to tell their own stories. This workshop is sponsored in part by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, the Cher-

okee Historical Association, and The Kenan Institute for the Arts at the University of North Carolina School of the Arts in cooperation with Native Voices and the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Lunch will be served. Workshop faculty will include Cherokee actress DeLanna Studi among others. Info: Susan Brittain (336) 406-5342, brittains@uncsa.edu

WNC Youth Entrepreneurship Camp. July 25-28 at Wolftown Gym. Info: 359-5005, www.se-quoyahfund.org/youth-camp.html

Sports Events

Cherokee Youth Football sign-ups. Registration has started for players, coaches, and cheerleaders for the upcoming 2016 football season. Call any of the three gyms to sign up: Birdtown Gym 359-6890, 359-3891, 359-6892. Wolfetown Gym 359-4728, 359-4822. Big Y Gym 497-9649

Upcoming Pow Wows for July 14-17

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.

135th Annual Otoe-Missouria Summer Encampment. July 14-17 at Otoe-Missouria Encampment Grounds in Red Rock, Okla. Info: John Arkeketa (918) 636-8231 or Pat Moore (580) 352-4836

Mandaree Celebration. July 14-17 in Mandaree, ND. Emcees: Howie Thompson, Casey Wallace. Host Drums: Northern Cree, Stoney Park, Young Bear, Mandaree, Oakdale. Info: James Phelan (701) 421-3623

Drums of Painted Mountain Pow Wow. July 15-17 at Southwest Virginia Community College in Cedar Bluff, Va. MC: Ken Cloud-walker. Host Drum: Red Fire. Info: Rick Strong Bear Clifton (276) 596-9281 or Lorie Lady Hawk Clifton (276) 210-4034

Kainai Pow Wow and Celebration. July 15-17 in Standoff, Alberta, Canada. Info: Lydia First Rider (403) 593-9101

Marvin Joe Curry Veterans Pow Wow. July 15-17 at Veterans Park in Salamanca, New York. MC: Vince Beyl. Info: Heath Garlow (716) 532-8333, senecaveteranspowwow@gmail.com

Miigwitch Mahnomen Days Traditional 54th Annual Pow Wow. July 15-17 at Veterans Memorial Grounds in Cass Lake, Minn. Info: Rose Wilson (218) 398-2893, rosewilson133@yahoo.com

Robert Woolery Sr. Memorial Pow Wow. July 15-17 at Missouri State Fair Agriculture Building

in Sedalia, Mo. Info: (660) 826-5608, dwoolery@aol.com

8th Annual Colorado Springs Native American Intertribal Pow Wow. July 16 at Mortgage Solutions Financial Expo Center in Colorado Springs, Colo. MC: Alvin Long Soldier. Host Northern: Plenty Wolf. Host Southern: Cozad Jrs. Info: Al and Rhett Walter (719) 559-0525, rhett_walter@hotmail.com, www.coloradospring-spowwow.com

Ongoing Events

VFW Bingo. Every Tuesday at the Governor's Island VFW. Early bird at 5:30pm, regular games at 7pm. Info: Billy Whitt 736-4146

AA and NA meetings in Cherokee. Nar-Anon (family support): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room. Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room

Elvis Museum is now open on Hwy 19 (2289 Wolftown Road). New hours 11 am to 3 pm Tuesday-Saturday.

Note: Listings in the Happenings section are free of charge. Send your event information (name of event, date(s), time(s), place, cost of admission, brief description of event, and contact information) to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or message us on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page.



A representative from Congressman Mark Meadows' office will be at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex community room from 10am - 4pm every **fourth Tuesday** of the month.



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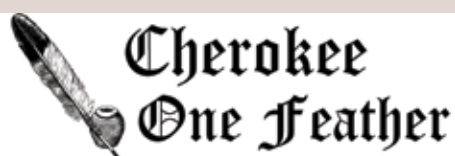
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Who is accountable?

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

When we talk about high government office, whether tribal, national or state, we usually talk about power, authority and privilege.

For decades in tribal government, historians and the One Feather have documented the process and progress of those who are the leadership of tribal government. But, as we have discussed before, civil servants are just that...servants. Because of the complexities in organization and execution that make a society function, we elect and hire people to organize and execute for us. The election process is a selection process to determine who will carry out the will of the people.

Whether it is the Tribal Council (legislative branch) or Principal Chief, Vice-Chief, Secretaries and all those who are employed under them (executive branch), all are elected or employed to serve you and me. And, even though the Tribal Court system is not a true judicial branch, it functions as such. The employees are tribally-paid and are therefore at your service. Sounds weird doesn't it? To say that they do not run the show and you, as a tribal member, hold the reigns of accountability, responsibility and power? But, it is the truth. And, we the people of Cherokee, have a lot of work to do.

Just in case you missed it last Thursday, an Office of Government Ethics was created by a vote of the Tribal Council during its July session. Also presented and approved was a revised ethics policy which may lay a foundation for future governing actions and documents, like a Cherokee Constitution. Since at least 1995, there has been a code of conduct for elected officials (Section 117-45 in our municipal code). It even had a defined penalty section for those who violated it. The revisions to the Code modify and clarify some of the ethical considerations, but leave enforcement and penalties to this new office.

The importance of a clear and executable set of standards for elected officials cannot be overesti-

mated. Without those standards and enforcement mechanisms, a seat in tribal government becomes a thing of manipulation by a select few. The power of these offices can be staggering; capable of manipulating the lives of individuals and entire families with the raise of hand or the stroke of a pen. Whether an elected official would tap into that power or not, there is current perception that unless you stay on the "good side" of elected officials, your job, your home and your family could be at risk. And, that is not how it is supposed to be. Not in government. Not in democracies. Not in the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Fairness and equality should not be begged for from a position of weakness among the people of the tribe. It should be demanded by the powerful citizenry who are this great nation unto themselves. Not one tribal member should trade the future of the Tribe, your future, for personal temporary gain.

Here is a recent exchange from the July 7 session of our Tribal Council. The subject was the election laws and amendments to be made. Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith was concerned about early voting and criteria for being allowed to early vote and pointed out, "The problem I see with this is some potential vote buying at some time. You know, where you get all these people who haul all these voters".

Denise Ballard, Chairperson of the Election Board responded, "I think that happens every election. I'm sorry, there is no enforcement in this. I don't know what we do about it. We have these police officers that we point out some things that happened at Birdtown. I did. Nothing ever... He didn't even approach the vehicle...so...I don't know".

Earlier in the discussion, Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy also alluded to vote buying. There was no further discussion on the issue of candidates and elected officials using short term gratification of a constituent to garner votes to become your public servant.

Is this where we want to be as a Tribe, a sov-

foreign nation? I consider my vote a right and privilege to make a positive impact for our Tribe. Don't you? We are entrusting our future to our elected officials by essentially giving them our "proxy", to govern on our behalf. We have more "agents of change" in tribal government than there have been in a long time, maybe in the history of the Tribe. If we have politicians who are attempting to buy seats in our government, shouldn't it be a top priority of our leadership to put measures in place to stop it?

Speaking of ethics, how do you think your selected, elected public servant will govern if he/she is willing to violate law and offer you the price of a few happy meals, a bottle of MD 20/20, or a job for your vote?

If you pay attention to the Council sessions and work sessions, you will inevitably hear a program manager, Secretary, Chief or Council Representative allude to conflicts in different sections of our municipal code. This happens when legislation is passed without research being done to see if there is any other existing law that addresses a particular issue within a section or subsection of the Code.

In the Code of Ordinances Section 161-3-B-3, election law states that the minimum time you may reside in a community prior to being eligible to run for a tribal council seat is 90 days. A council representative stated that his community would like to see that changed to one year. The amendment was voted on and passed by

the Council. The only issue is that no one checked to see if any other parts of law speak to the issue of electing tribal council members.

The Charter and governing document of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in section 9 states, "In order to run for or serve as Principal Chief, Vice-Chief or Tribal Council member, a candidate must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band. For the offices of Chief and Vice Chief a candidate must also be at least thirty-five years of age by the date of the election and have resided on Cherokee trust lands continuously for at least two years immediately preceding the date of the election. For the Tribal Council a candidate must be at least eighteen years of age by the date of election and have

resided in the township which he is to represent for at least ninety days immediately preceding the date of the election".

The Code is in great need of overhaul. Not because lawmakers necessarily had any bad intent in the creation of laws, but that many laws were put into effect based on opinion and conditions at a certain time and new laws created that were never researched against existing law. It is unethical to continue to make laws that contradict existing law if the existing law is allowed to stand, whether by commission or omission, the law becomes moot.

Who do you and I hold accountable for these things? Ultimately, we have no choice but to hold ourselves accountable. We decide who sits in the seats of government power, or servitude. The time is now to change the way we look at our government and expectations of leadership. We begin by expecting more from ourselves. Every member of this Tribe has value. Realize your value. After all, we are only 14 months away from our next tribal election. Demand to be treated by your elected officials and public servants as more than just a vote.

If you would like to look at the draft version of the ethics policy and the resolution creating the Office of Government Ethics, go to theonefeather.com and open the Tribal Council agenda, scroll down to items 4 and 5, then click on the attachments. I wholeheartedly commend those community members who served on the Ethics Committee. As you move forward to the executive phase of your plans, our Tribe owes you a debt of thanks for moving us forward to a hopefully bright future for the Tribe.

THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS THE

WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT

JULY 11-17, 2016




WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseegee River	Hatchery Supported Regulations	Good	Rainbow, brook, brown trout, smallmouth bass	Light Cahill, Caddis-Brown & Grey, Sulphurs, Yellow and Green Stone Fly	No restrictions, Light Cahill, Yellow Sallies, Comparadun Sulphur, Goddard Caddis Little Green Stonefly, Prince Nymph, Pheasant Tails Nymphs, Streamer Patterns
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Not stocking, all wild brown trout and catch and release	Good	Rainbow trout and brown trout	Caddis, Sulphurs, Light Cahill, Yellow Stonefly	Caddis Patterns various colors, Light Cahill, Parachute Adams, Stimulator, Yellow Sally, Prince Nymph, Hares Ear Nymph, Pheasant Tail Nymphs, Stone Fly Nymphs
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations- wild trout	Good. Best early morning and late evening.	Rainbow, Brown and Appalachian Brook Trout	Yellow & Green Stoneflies, Light Cahill, Caddis, Yellow May Fly, Green Drake, Sulphurs	Light Cahill, Yellow Sally, Little Green Stonefly, Jim Charlie, Comparadun Sulphur, Charlie Whopper, Yellow Palmer, Adam Variant, Grey Fox, Tettico Nymph, Stick Bit, Pheasant Tail & Hares Ear Nymphs, Ants & beetles

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Poll Responses

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

Do you think elected officials of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians should have term limits?

Charles Penick: Yes, to prevent nepotism, cronyism, abuse of power, privileged business deals based on insider information, and to bring in new ideas and attitudes to the people's business and government dealings. Longevity leads to an assumption of arrogant power

Cherokee One Feather Poll of the Week Results

Do you believe elected officials of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians should have term limits?

Yes96%

No4%

Questions of the week now up on theonefeather.com:
In the past two EBCI tribal elections, have you been solicited by a candidate for your vote with money or favors?

and the undue, and sometimes illegal, accumulation of wealth and resources by those who are doing the governing. If you want an example of this, look at our current

U.S. national government.

Connie Welch: Absolutely yes... term limits allow for new people and new ideas...it would also stop

the practice of people making a career out of politics...two terms should be the max for anyone serving in tribal government.

Dawn Russell: Yes. There should be a maximum number of terms in order to prevent nepotism and political favoritism in the community.

Nat Crowe: Yes...all officials need term limits including Chief of Police, Chief Justice, District Attorney and Judges. After so long, they get a sense of entitlement, and it's no longer about the job or our people.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Trump and Indians

With Cherokee blood surging through my veins and as an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokees, I sit here this morning wondering how the USA government got by with carrying out atrocities against certain groups of the USA Americans.

In 1452, with the discovery of "the new world" the question arose whether Native Americans were truly human. Then, Pope Nicholas authorized King Alfonso V of Portugal to "attack and conquer pagans and, therefore, enemies of Christ wherever they may be found."

With the realization that the Americas represented regions of the Earth with which the Europeans were not aware of earlier, there arose intense speculation over the question whether the natives of these lands were true humans or not. A substantial party of the North American conquerors believed that these newfound peoples were not truly human. This party speculated that since Christendom was not permitted by God to become aware of their existence and thus bring the Gospel to them until so late, it was only because they were not human or possessed no

souls, so they could not attain salvation. Therefore, the killing of upwards of 100 million of these newly discovered people was no crime, just like killing an animal. So, is the past thinking the reason Donald Trump gets away with making fun of Native Americans? Maybe, because, just maybe, he is reflecting how many USA people feel, mainly Trump supporters.

Leonard Lambert
Pittsburgh, Pa.

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Observations and random thoughts. Volume 10

Children's stories, tall tales, ESP and clairvoyance issue

WILLIAM LEDFORD

This is part II of II.

Politic x 3. The GOP created scandals have taken a life of their own. Republicans love to talk about indictments but the only mention of an indictment was a comment made by a Fox News commentator. Go figure. Nothing there. The Benghazi thing? Six GOP-led hearings, nothing to show for it. By the way, an unnamed Republican Congressman was the individual who leaked the news for both scandals. Republicans apparently have been scheming and planning for 20 years and created an anti-Hillary campaign that now has a life of its own. No real facts or actual crimes, just innuendo and smears. Much Hillary-fear GOP? OK, now to the main event. I have been keeping track of the council sessions, two and counting, and the disputes regarding the Last Will and Testament recorded by my father which have been aired reservation-wide and streamed nationwide. Remember way back when I mentioned clairvoyance? A remark made in Session 1 expressed an observation during the discussion

that Dad was "turning over in his grave" because of the condition of the lawn at his house. Slightly angered by this ill-chosen and highly insensitive remark, I threw something at my TV, I don't remember what it was, it was kinda heavy, might have been the cat. That's a joke because cats aren't that easy to throw. How could this individual attempt to speak for my deceased father? If he knew my father at all he would have known that my father cared for the well-being of his widow first and his lawn second. And then there was an offhand comment made by an old friend of mine regarding "enough time for my father's widow to get her affairs in order". I wasn't aware that this particular Councilor had any experience with the actuality of being a grieving widow but now I'm very afraid for her husband as she seems well-prepared to be a widow. Another joke. I do want to graciously thank the member of Council who showed wisdom and restraint and wasn't obviously pre-disposed like the other bunch to revoke a life estate without first issuing a warning. Tribal ordinances are so often violated and cleared up with a warning, so why make an example here? I already know the circumstances behind the discussion and I'd like to let Council know something important here,

they have leapt with both feet into a dispute between step-daughter and step-mother for no valid reason. Ugly, ugly family business but just step-daughter against step-mother. It's as simple as that. And family business should never have been introduced into a public forum, especially the Tribal Council meeting of the Eastern Band of Cherokee.

I wasn't going to end with a joke, this opening of the family closet and the rattling of the skeletons has left me with great frustration, but I've changed my mind. My friends, ponder these questions until we meet again.

I've seen and heard on TV that

four out of five people suffer from diarrhea, does that mean that one of the five enjoys it? If you spin an Oriental person around several times does he become disoriented? In World War II why did Japanese kamikaze pilots wear helmets? Why does Goofy get to stand while Pluto walks like a normal dog? And...finally, is Goofy a dog? What exactly, is Goofy? Reminds me of another joke involving Mickey, Minnie and Goofy. When next you see me, ask and I'll tell it because, it ain't for the pages of the One Feather.

Ledford is an EBCI tribal member living in Albuquerque, NM.

One Feather deadline Friday at 12noon

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR National Park Service Gathering of Certain Plants or Plant Parts by Federally Recognized Indian Tribes for Traditional Purposes

SUMMARY: The National Park Service is establishing a management framework to allow the gathering and removal of plants or plant parts by enrolled members of federally recognized Indian tribes for traditional purposes. The rule authorizes agreements between the National Park Service and federally recognized tribes that will facilitate the continuation of traditional cultural practices on lands within areas of the National Park System where those practices have occurred, without causing a significant adverse impact to park resources or values. The rule also provides for those tribal cultural practices, furthers the government-to-government relationship between the United States and the tribes, and provides system-wide consistency for this aspect of tribal relations.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Gathering and removing plants or plant parts by enrolled members of federally recognized Indian tribes is authorized by federal statute or treaty and is regulated by regulation codified at 36 CFR 2.1(c). This rule authorizes the National Park Service to allow for the gathering and removal of plants or plant parts from National Park System areas for traditional purposes. Only enrolled members of a federally recognized tribe may collect plants or plant parts, and the tribe must be traditionally associated with the specific area. The rule must predate the establishment of the park. The plant gathering must meet the criteria of being a practice rooted in the history of the tribe and is important to the tribe. The gathered plant gathering must be sustainable and may not require the removal of plants or plant parts. The rule is consistent with NPS regulations at 36 CFR 2.1(c)(3)(v).

This rule does not affect the gathering and removal of plants or plant parts by enrolled members of federally recognized Indian tribes. The rule may occur within a National Park System area. The tribe may submit a request to the Superintendent to begin negotiations with the tribe. The rule is consistent with federal statute and NPS regulations. The rule is consistent with the assessment of the impact of the rule. The rule is consistent with the significant adverse impact of the rule. The rule is consistent with the before any plan or design is submitted to the Director and the terms and conditions of the rule. The rule is consistent with the scope of the rule.

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Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings (open until filled):

- Special Education First Grade Teacher-NC Teaching license required.
- High School/SPED Teacher Assistant-Must have Associates Degree or 48 semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.
- Elementary Teacher-NC Teaching license required.
- Volleyball Coach - Previous experience preferred.
- High School Math Teacher-NC Teaching license required.
- Athletic Trainer-Must have a Bachelor's Degree in health related field. Must be a National Athletic Trainers' Association BOC certified and posses or be in the process of acquiring a license, certification, or registration from the state of North Carolina.
- Elementary School Nurse Assis-

tant - Must be a registered CNA or LPN

- Middle School Counselor - Must be eligible for NCDPI License in Counseling.
- Cultural Teacher Assistant-Must have Associates Degree or 48 semester hours of study at an institute of higher education; knowledge of Cherokee language and culture.
- Elementary Assistant Principal-NC Teaching license required; Must have a minimum of 5 years experience working at the elementary school level with students as well as elementary Curriculum and Instruction, specifically with the Common Core standards. **7/14pd**

Sales Clerk needed, full time & part time at Buck & Squaw Crafts in Cherokee. (828)497-9351 contact George. **7/21pd**

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

PTI RN – IN PATIENT
FT CERTIFIED CODER / MEDICAL RECORDS
FT PHYSICIAN / ER
FT MID-LEVEL PRACTITIONER
FT PHLEBOTOMIST
FT RN CASE MANAGER / OPD

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila Brown or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on July 22, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **7/21pd**

828-497-6574 Cherokee www.smgrm.com

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EMPLOYMENT

Needed immediately...Dependable, mature help at our very busy campground. \$8.00 per hour. Must be willing to work evenings and week-ends. Apply at Happy Holiday RV. 828- 497-9204 7/21pd

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

FT RN / OPD
FT SUPPLY WAREHOUSE CLERK
EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER
Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call 828 497-9163 and ask for Teresa Carvalho, Sheila Brown or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on July 15, 2016 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **7/14pd**

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking NC Licensed Massage Therapists and Licensed Cosmetologists to meet our growing business demand! Also seeking energetic individuals for the following hourly positions: Senior Concierge, Male Host, and Female Host. Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspa.com for consideration. **7/14pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. EST 16-0040 **In the Matter of the Estate of William Kanott**

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

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

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

Patricia Lambert, PO Box 53, Cherokee, NC 28719. **7/14pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-0038

In the Matter of the Estate of Henry James Bradley Jr.

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

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

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

Keanan Bradley, 3983 Wrights Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **7/21pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-0045

In the Matter of the Estate of Velma Jean O'Kelley

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

before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

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

Nancy McConnell, 365 McCoy Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **7/21pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-044

In the Matter of the Estate of Johnny D. Bigwitch

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

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

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

Danny Bigwitch, 34 George Bigwitch Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **7/21pd**

CHEROKEE TRIBAL COURT JURY LIST

FOR AUGUST 15 – 19, 2016

Addy, Judy Murphy; Anderson, Tina Carswell; Bird, April Wolfe; Bradley, Lillian Michelle; Bradley, Connie Lynn; Bradley, Sadie Wolfe; Brady, Bray De Aurora; Brown, Reva Cucumber; Crowe, Jr., Carroll Joseph; Crowe, Toby Alexander; Crowe, Jr., Warren Harding; Dominguez, Margaret Nora; Ellington, Hannah Rhea; Fleming, Johnathon Caleb; Grant, Antonio Lorenzo; Grant, Mark

Montgomery; Johnson, Daniel William; Jumper, Glen David; Kanott, Edward Bradford; Kent, Sally Julia; Lambert, Damon Allen; Lambert, Jessica Rose; Lambert, Verlin Eugene; Lane, Amanda B.; Lebron, Lourdes Elena; Ledford, Loretta Dixon; Lespier, James Ernest; Lovelace, Margie Simons; Lubinska Welch, Izabela Halina; Luther, Richard Steve; Marler, Rosie Owl; Martinez, Rosemary Lynn; McCoy, Carl Lamont; McLaughlin, Lucy Lee; McNabb, COUNEY Tecumseh; Morales, Jose Adolfo; Morgan, Stephen Ray; Mousseaux, Charles Russell; Nyima, Lobsang; Oocumma, Patricia Ann; Pantle, Arturo Colex; Plott, John Shannon; Powell, Jackie; Quinones, Carlos Robert; Reed, Benjamin Lee; Richardson, Jennie Deneill; Rios, Joel; Roberts, Cathy Drye; Rodriguez, Daniel Steve; Romans, Brandy Natasha; Saunooke II, John Stevenson; Saunooke, Soloman Levi; Sexton, Heather Dawn; Shephard, Cecil James; Smoker, Dawn Marie; Solis, Chasity Dawn; Squirrel, Arlene Frances; Standingdeer, Shena Dale; Standingdeer, Vicki; Swanson, Goyla Casey; Taylor, Daniel Aaron; Thompson, Jefferson Daniel; Tingle, Brenda Kay; Wahnetah, Clara Parker; Walker, Amber Millsaps; Walkingstick, Lorenzo Dwight; Ward, Delbert Carlsyle; Watty, Elsie Thompson; Weeks, Israel Paul; Wood, Deetria Heleena

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-043

In the Matter of the Estate of Henry Queen Littlejohn

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

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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: October 5, 2016

Henrietta Littlejohn, P.O. Box 2428 Cherokee, NC 28719, **7/28pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 16-041

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Joseph Russell Parker**

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

the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

Date to submit claims: October 5, 2016

Myra Cloer, P.O. Box 471
Cherokee, NC 28719, **7/28pd**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

The Tribal Alcohol Commission is seeking proposals for a Web Site Administrator of the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Website. Please turn your sealed Proposals in to the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage Control Commission Office by July 28 at 4 pm or mail to the Tribal Alcoholic Beverage

Control Commission, PO BOX 1804 Cherokee NC, 28719. Any Proposals received after the above scheduled closing time will not be considered or returned. **7/21pd**

**Advertisement for Bids
Project Title: Big Cove Road,
Curb and Gutter and Sidewalk**

The EBCI CDOT is requesting proposals from qualified Engineering Firms for the design of curb and gutter, drainage and sidewalk along Big Cove Road, from north of Acquoni Road to the entrance to the K-12 School, in Swain County. Consultants wishing to submit proposals should contact Manuel Maples at (828) 359-6532 or by email at manumapl@nc-chokeee.com to request a copy of the Request for Qualifications.

Proposals must be addressed

to Manuel Maples, CDOT Planner, CDOT, 680 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. Proposals must be received by 3:00 PM, July 25, 2016. Any proposals received after this time will not be considered.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Mr. Maples or Polly Castroina at (828) 359-6530 or by email at pollcast@nc-chokeee.com. **7/21pd**

Southwestern Community College Campus Signage Seeking Designer Services. Scope: Develop and design monument, wayfinding, building, and directory signs at all SCC locations. Contact Tyler Norris Goode at (828) 339-4394. Closing dates: July 27, 2016 – t_goode@southwesterncc.edu **7/21pd**

CAMP MEETING! *at the*

Dora Reed Day Care Center

(Beside the Cherokee Fire Department, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC)

Monday, July 18 through Friday, July 22, 2016
7:00 PM Nightly

Speaker: Evangelist David Morris
Singing by Local Church Choirs, etc.

I Cor. 1:21 “...It pleased God by the foolishness of preaching to save them that believe.”

Hosted by: The Cherokee Indian Missionary Baptist Association



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