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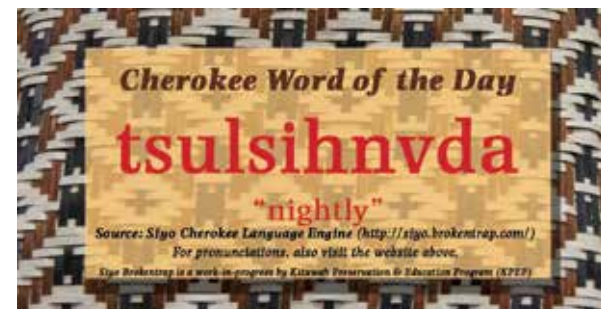
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Chief Lambert impeached, removed from office

ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

Tribal Council found Principal Chief Patrick Lambert guilty of eight of 12 Articles of Impeachment on Thursday, May 25 – the fourth day of an Impeachment Hearing. Immediately following the vote on those articles, Council passed Res. No. 596 (2017) by a vote of 9-3 that approved the immediate removal of Chief Lambert as Principal Chief and the installation of Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed into the top position.

Voting on the Articles of Impeachment went as follows (weighted votes in parentheses):

- Article 1 – Contract between Cherokee Grand Hotel and Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke
- Article 2 – Contract for legal services with Cloninger, Barbour, Searson Jones, PLLC: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke
- Article 3 – Contract regarding time clocks: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke
- Article 4 – Changes made to Tribal Organizational Structure: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke, Crowe
- Article 5 – Allegedly not allowing TERO to use tribal resources: Not Guilty (88-12), voting guilty (Rep. Smith)
- Article 6 – Authorization of salary prior to budget and employee pay adjustments: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke



ROBERT JUMPER/One Feather

HEARING: Rob Saunooke (left), special impeachment prosecutor, asks questions of then-Principal Chief Patrick Lambert during day three of the impeachment proceedings on Wednesday, May 24.

- Article 7 – Invoice for legal services to Cloninger, Barbour, Searson Jones, PLLC: Contract for legal services with Cloninger, Barbour, Searson Jones, PLLC: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke
- Article 8 – Alleged bribe to Reps. Rose and Crowe: Not Guilty (56-20-24), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke, recusals – Reps. Crowe, Rose
- Article 9 – Restriction of Office of Internal Audit to tribal financial records: Guilty (80-20), voting not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke
- Article 10 – Refusal to sign contract for Special Impeachment Prosecutor: Guilty (80-20), voting

not guilty – Reps. McCoy, French, Saunooke

- Article 11 – Holding of Grand Council meeting: Not Guilty (100)
- Article 12 – Alleged use of tribal resources for personal gain in relation to Grand Council meeting: Not Guilty (88-12), voting guilty (Rep. Smith)

After the verdict was read and a short break was taken, Cherokee Chief Justice Kirk Saunooke was brought to the Council House to administer the Oath of Office for Principal Chief to Vice Chief Sneed. A raucous crowd in the Chambers interrupted that from happening, and they moved to the Cherokee Tribal Courthouse where the Oath was administered.

Following the impeachment proceedings, former Principal Chief Lambert addressed some of his supporters from the Council House steps and commented, “I appreciate everyone coming out today and all of the time we’ve had together.”

He said he ran for the Office of Principal Chief to try to clean up corruption within the Tribe and said that led to his impeachment. “What does it boil down to? It boils down to greed, corruption, and money. Because there are a couple of members of Tribal Council there now that think they’re going to become Vice Chief. And, you know what? It’s a violation of the Charter.”

Former Chief Lambert briefly

addressed the installation of a new Principal Chief and cited Section 14 of the EBCI Charter and Governing Document which reads, "In the case of death, resignation or disability of the Principal Chief, the Vice-Chief shall become the Principal Chief and shall serve the balance of the elected term of office until removal or disability or his successor is elected."

He stated, "Now, did that happen today? It did not! I'm still standing here fully capable. I'm not dead...they impeached me saying I violated some sections of the Code, but what they're going to do on their very first act is a violation of the Charter."

The impeachment proceedings began on Monday, May 22 following months of legal wranglings, both inside the Council House and the Tribal Courthouse.

Rob Saunooke, an EBCI tribal member and attorney living in Florida, served as the Special Prosecutor for the impeachment. In his opening statement on Monday, Saunooke commented that he has been a part of every impeachment

proceeding in some capacity. "I think the Council has seen enough, and we have enough information of a pattern of behavior, a method by which the Principal Chief has decided to operate as the Chief of the Tribe that violates not only his Oath of Office but the traditions and customs of our Tribe and threatens the ability of the Tribe to move forward in any manner, way, shape, or form."

Scott Jones, an Asheville-based attorney, represented former Chief Lambert in the proceedings. During his opening statement, Jones said, "I've been coming to Cherokee, as an attorney for 25 years. Today is the saddest of the trips I've made here. Long before I was a lawyer, I was raised by my parents to believe in fairness. When I went to law school, I learned that lawyers call that due process. But, fairness was something that I had with me long before that."

He added, "The reason I say today is the saddest day is because I came here believing that you have already made up your minds before

BACKGROUND

Read the timeline of events in these various One Feather articles on the impeachment to see how we got to where we are today:

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/02/feb-2-tribal-council-session-summary/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/02/chief-lambert-vetoes-impeachment-legislation/>

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<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/chief-suspended-then-unsuspended-impeachment-hearing-scheduled/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/rep-mccoys-impeachment-injunction-denied-in-tribal-court/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/grand-council-halt-impeachment-proceedings/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/court-stays-impeachment-hearing-council-sets-new-date/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/council-adds-more-articles-of-impeachment-court-delays-proceedings/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/04/court-finds-grand-council-doesnt-have-force-of-law/>

<https://theonefeather.com/2017/05/impeachment-proceedings-rescheduled-following-ruling/>

you've heard any evidence. That's not fairness."

Following several days of testimony, the hearing portion concluded on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 24. Tribal Council went into deliberation that afternoon before

dismissing for the day and coming back into deliberation on Thursday at 12pm. A final vote was taken on each Article that afternoon around 3:30pm.



TESTIMONY: Scott Jones (left), defense attorney for then-Chief Lambert, cross examines Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose, who along with Wolfstown Rep. Bo Crowe, alleged that Lambert tried to bribe them.



WITNESS: Saunooke examines Megan Yates, an EBCI Finance employee and key witness of the prosecution, during day one of the impeachment proceedings.

Tribal Gaming Commission announces new exe. director

The Cherokee Tribal Gaming Commission (TGC) recently announced the promotion of Rita Cline Grasty as executive director. In her new role, she will be responsible for planning and directing all regulatory functions relative to the operation of Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort and Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino & Hotel and ensure compliance with all national and tribal gaming regulations.

Grasty began her career with the TGC in 1998 as a gaming inspector. She was promoted to lead gaming inspector, where she became involved with investigatory and day to day operational duties.

She has held leadership positions during her tenure with the commission, first as a supervisor and most recently as a Manager of Enforcement.

"I am pleased to have Rita as executive director of the Cherokee Tribal Gaming Commission," said Robert Saunooke, chairman of the Cherokee Tribal Gaming Commission. "She brings many years of hands-on experience, has demonstrated herself to be well-versed in casino and Indian gaming regulations, and possesses integrity and commitment to the success of the Gaming Enterprise. This industry requires a broad skill set across many disciplines, in-depth

knowledge of gaming and financial operations, as well as the ability to lead and partner with individuals at many different levels. I am confident that Rita will do well and look forward to working with her."

Grasty holds a bachelor's degree in business administration and master's degree in management and leadership from Montreat College. She is a veteran of the U.S. Navy, having served on the USS Acadia. She is a graduate from Cherokee High School and lives in Waynesville with her husband and has two children.

- Harrah's Cherokee



Harrah's Cherokee photo
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COMMENCEMENT: Richard Smith (left), CHS Class of 2017 valedictorian, and Kendra Panther, salutatorian, move their tassels on their mortarboards signifying their graduation from Cherokee High School during commencement ceremonies at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Saturday, May 27.

Making the days count

CHS Class of 2017 graduates

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

“Don’t count the days, make the days count,” was the motto for the Cherokee High School (CHS) Class of 2017. That Class made the day count and took a step towards their future as CHS held its annual commencement ceremony in the Charles George Memorial Arena on

Saturday, May 27.

“Class of 2017, I have known most of you all of your lives,” said Debora Foerst, CHS principal. “And, I’ve been given the privilege of getting to know all of you over the past several years.”

She praised the graduates for how they have grown and matured over the years. “Your Class motto says, ‘Don’t count the days, make the days count’...you Class of 2017 have met every single graduation requirement established by the state of North Carolina and the Cherokee Central School System and you made those days count. Regardless of whether you’re heading

"Although we fell at times, we learned along the way."

- Kendra Panther, CHS Class of 2017 Salutatorian

straight into a career or heading off to college or the military, my prayer and hope for you now is that you will leave Cherokee High School today and still make your days count."

Principal Foerst gave the following account of the upcoming future plans for the Class of 2017, "Nineteen (19) of you are headed to Southwestern Community College, five to Western Carolina University, two to Haywood Community College and one to each of the following: AB Tech, Queens University, UNC – Pembroke, Institute of American Indian Arts, University of Alabama, Appalachian State University, Eckerd College, University of California at Berkeley, Northeastern Oklahoma, and the Marines."

Kendra Panther, salutatorian, commented in her address, "Today is an important event and one that we will never forget. After more than a decade of getting up at 6:30am, getting homework done every night and stressing over tests or assignments, our time at Cherokee Central Schools has now come to an end."

She added, "Although we fell at times, we learned along the way. It all helped us out in the end. The trial and errors we encountered in middle school helped shape our paths through high school. As we entered into high school, we had no idea what to expect. All we knew was that we were starting our last four years of school."

Panther concluded by saying, "Our futures are bright, and we wouldn't be here if it weren't for

our amazing teachers."

Richard Smith, valedictorian, stated, "Today is the start of a new beginning and new opportunities for us."

He said some classmates are going to college, while others are entering the job field or the military, and he thanked those who helped everyone succeed. "We wouldn't be here with the help, guidance, and encouragement from our parents, friends, and teachers."

Smith wished his class well and



AWARD: Lew Harding (right), Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Commander, presents an American Legion Award to David Andrew Griffin.



CELEBRATE: Christus Della Guadalupe Cedillo is all smiles as she lines up with the rest of her class following the opening processional to the traditional "Pomp and Circumstance".

noted, "I hope to see each of you succeed in your future field."

During the program, several awards were given out. Lew Harding, Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Commander, presented the American Legion Award to David Andrew Griffin. Then, Loretta Bolden presented the NAIWA Award to Kendra Panther

and Richard Smith.

The Cherokee High School Class of 2017 included the following: Richard James Smith (highest honors), Kendra Leauana A. Panther-Wildcatt (high honors), Trinity Denali Bean, Sydney Audena Bird, Terrell David Bradley, Christus Della Guadalupe Cedillo, Fabian Kane Crow, Jennifer Aidan

Crowe, Karli Janie Davis, Mary Ann Driver, Chelby Shyann Driver Owle, Stephanie Marie Frame, Reilly Kathryn George, Jeffery Scott Girty Jr., Menoch Runningfox Grant, David Andrew Griffin, Tsa li Waguli Jackson, Livia Marie Lambert (highest honors), Alyssa Mercedes Land, Xavier Cain Locust, John Nathaniel Lossiah, Madison Shirlene McCoy, Teanna Celine McCoy, Steven Jarret Meuse, Lloyd Joshua Mitchell, Louwana Jo Montelongo, Taylor A'Yasti Nelson, Austin Wesley Earl Niccum, Megan Makenna Paugh, Kimmemelah Chontay Perkins, Noah Thomas Pete, Devona Ashlie Reed, Lucy Anita Reed, Oksana Edita Rivera, Aaron Ira Smart, Jacob Colby Smith, Steven Lee Swayney, Ethan Aniyosgi Swearengin, Mikhail Jayan Swimmer, Kyla Ranee Taylor (highest honors), Anthony Ray Toineeta, I-La-Ya-Ni Blake Wachacha, Alex Scott Kahdot Walker, Kendric Jayce Watty (honors), Dylan James West, Tyberius Jon West, Kyleigh Brynn Wiggins, Shyreece Deanne Williams, and Lukus Ray Woodard.



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HONOR: Col. Bob Blankenship (Ret.), U.S. Army, reads a list of names of EBCI tribal members killed in action in various wars as J.D. Arch, EBCI veterans service officer and U.S. Navy veteran, rings a bell in their honor.

“A debt that can never be repaid”

Cherokee honors fallen warriors on Memorial Day

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The headstones at the Yellowhill Veterans Memorial Cemetery were decorated with the red, white, and blue of American flags on Monday morning. The Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 hosted a Memorial Day observance at the site on Monday, May 29.

“This day is sacred with the almost visible presence of our brothers and sisters who have gone before,” said Post 143 Commander Lew Harding. “We honor them here today, and we honor their memory – those who gave their



WREATH: Maj. William Underwood and SFC Clifford Long, both U.S. Army veterans, prepare to lay a wreath during Monday’s ceremony.

lives in the service of their country and the others who have dropped their burdens to the wayside of life and have gone on their eternal rest.”

He added, “Each year, on Memorial Day, our country pauses to remember the Americans who gave their lives to our country. But, in a sense, to the families who have lost loved ones, every day is Memorial Day. May we remember with pride and sadness those family members who paid the price for our freedom in lost dreams and lost lives. On Memorial Day, we should all pause to remember those who gave all of their tomorrows to ensure that ours would be free.”

During the ceremony, Col. Bob Blankenship (Ret.), U.S. Army, read a list of names (see below) of EBCI

tribal members killed in action in World War I, World War II, Korea, and Vietnam. After each name was read, J.D. Arch, EBCI veterans service officer, rang a bell in their honor.

A wreath was laid in the cemetery, in honor of the fallen warriors, by Col. Blankenship, Maj. William Underwood, SFC Alva Brown, and SFC Clifford Long.

“Freedom comes at a price, and many times that price is very high,” Commander Harding went on to say. “For those of us that remain, it is our duty to ensure that those men and women, past and present, are honored for their service and that future generations are inspired by their heroic actions in support of our country. There is nothing more powerful and reverent than

walking amongst the white crosses or white monuments in a veterans memorial cemetery reflecting on the courage and sacrifice of these brothers and sisters – our fallen warriors. We do indeed owe them a debt that we can never repay.”

EBCI Tribal Members killed in action

World War I

- Steve Youngdeer, US Army
- Joe Kalonaheskie, US Army

World War II

- Boyd Catt, US Army
- Jacob Cornsilk, US Army
- Adam West Driver, US Marine Corps
- James R. Lambert, US Army
- Samuel William Otter, US Navy

- Blaine Queen, US Army
- Mark Rattler, US Marine Corps
- Isaac Ross, US Army
- Joshua Shell, US Army
- Sheridan Smith, US Marine Corps
- Vernon George Sneed, US Army
- William Taylor, US Navy
- Enos Thompson, US Army
- Jeremiah Toineeta, US Army
- Robert Austin Wahneeta, US Marine Corps

Korea


- Charles Arch, US Marine Corps
- Charles George, US Army, Medal of Honor recipient

Vietnam

- John Burgess, US Army
- John Edward Oocumma, US Army

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 us at the One Feather Facebook page.

CIPD Arrest Report May 15-22

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.

Mahsetky Jr., Patrick Martin – age 38

Arrested: May 15 at 19:52

Released: May 20

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 7

Raya, Michael – age 27

Arrested: May 15 at 17:27

Released: May 15

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Ward, Brandon Lee – age 35

Arrested: May 15 at 17:04

Released: May 15

Charges: Receiving Stolen Goods, Obtain Property False Pretense, Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (four counts)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Watty, Ariello Jo – age 32

Arrested: May 15 at 13:07



Released: May 15

Charges: Possession of Stolen Goods

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4

Kirkland, Jami Leigh – age 34

Arrested: May 16 at 16:03

Released: May 16

Charges: Financial Card Fraud (two counts), Larceny (two counts)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Maney, Tonya Lynn – age 28

Arrested: May 16 at 11:14

Released: May 18

Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property, Obtain Property False Pretense

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 4

Otter Jr., Oliver – age 47

Arrested: May 16 at 15:52

Not released as of report date of May 22

Charges: Assault on a Female, Assault by Strangulation, Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Watty, Felicia Ann – age 40

Arrested: May 16 at 12:24

Released: May 16

Charges: Child Support Purge

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2

Calonaheskie, Anthony Benson – age 25



Arrested: May 17 at 09:30

Released: May 17

Charges: Breaking and Entering, Larceny

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Lossiah, Rebecca Leann – age 36

Arrested: May 17 at 20:30

Released: May 18

Charges: Driving While Impaired

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2

Parker, Roxanne Klari – age 24

Arrested: May 17 at 09:30

Released: May 17

Charges: Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Standingdeer, Kenneth Lee – age 25

Arrested: May 16 at 21:03

Released: May 17

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3

West, Debrah Jean – age 59

Arrested: May 17 at 03:22

Released: May 17

Charges: Simple Assault (DV), Assault with a Deadly Weapon (DV)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Cucumber, Heather Marie – age 39

Arrested: May 18 at 19:00



Released: May 19

Charges: Domestic Violence – Bodily Injury, Second Degree Trespass (DV)

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Swimmer, Ashley Davada – age 32

Arrested: May 18 at 14:20

Not released as of report date of May 22

Charges: Misdemeanor Larceny
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 5

Lossiah, Jessica T. – age 29

Arrested: May 19 at 10:57

Released: May 19

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

Bradley, Spirit Adondo – age 26

Arrested: May 20 at 09:38

Released: May 20

Charges: Communicating Threats
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 1

Bradley, Thunder – age 23

Arrested: May 20 at 09:34

Released: May 20

Charges: Assault on a Female, Obstructing Justice
Number of times in CIPD Detention: 3

Hicks, Courtney Leigh – age 25

Arrested: May 20 at 09:03



Not released as of
report date of May 22
Charges: Child Abuse
in the Second Degree
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



**Jackson, Alexan-
dria Jade – age 24**
Arrested: May 20 at
23:42
Released: May 21
Charges: Simple Assault
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



**Teesateskie, Storm
Tykane – age 19**
Arrested: May 20 at
20:15
Released: May 21



Charges: Providing Alcoholic
Beverages to, possession of, con-
sumption of alcoholic beverages by
persons under 21 years old; Intoxi-
cated and Disruptive in Public
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

**Brady, David Samu-
el – age 40**
Arrested: May 21 at
11:11



Released: May 21
Charges: Possession Schedule I
Controlled Substance, Receiving or
Possessing Stolen Property
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

**Dugan, Ashley Ma-
ria – age 28**
Arrested: May 21 at
17:45



Not released as of report date of
May 22
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

**Lambert, Jesse Sky-
ler – age 26**

Arrested: May 21 at
01:10

Released: May 21
Charges: Obstructing Governmen-
tal Functions

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



**Welch, Anthony
Dirk – age 47**

Arrested: May 21 at
16:30

Not released as of report date of
May 22

Charges: Assault on a Female

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



**Wildcatt, Jacob
Bodie – age 22**

Arrested: May 21 at
04:03

Not released as of report date of
May 22

Charges: Obstructing Justice,
Receiving or Possessing Stolen
Property, Grand Larceny

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



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Charles Penick –
Yellowhill Tribal Council candidate

Siyo Yellowhill voters and interested Tsalagi people of the other communities constituting the Qualla Boundary.

My name is Charles Penick (Tsali Qunigi). I am an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. I was born here in the old Indian Health Service Hospital in October of 1956. My mother is the former Gladys Roberts, now Penick, who is the daughter of Fred and Alice Roberts of the Birdtown Community. I am related, as are most people here, to many families, most notably the Smith family and George Lewis Smith, the brother of Nimrod Jarrett Smith who was the Principal Chief in the 1880s.

I attended school here in the Cherokee Elementary and Cherokee High School up on the hill where I dropped out in the eleventh grade. That was the wrong thing to do, which I have always regretted, but which I did and intended with the idea of bettering myself and my position in life by lying about my age and joining the U.S. Marine Corps. This again, was the wrong thing to do, although the motivation to do so was of the highest order. The Marines checked my age, 16 at the time in reality, found that it didn't meet the requirements of the law at the time, and asked if both my parents would sign for me to stay. They wouldn't, well, one would, and they sent me home. The following year, I joined the U.S. Army and served more than 20 years on

active duty, no National Guard, no Reserve, and retired honorably in early 1995.

Before retiring, I was recruited by the Department of Defense as a contractor to several Fortune 500 companies where I managed, trained, supervised, and oversaw many projects and personnel involving the national defense for more than 12 years. These activities required, and I have held for many years, a Top Secret (Special Background Investigation) clearance and access to and custody of many highly classified documents and materials. These activities and clearances show that I have exercised the utmost truth and confidence of our country and did so with the highest character of service. You can trust me to safeguard and protect the highest and most precious treasure of our people, the power of the people invested in me as your representative should I be so honored as to be elected.

Let me speak on education for a moment. Previously, I stated that I dropped out of the 11th grade in order to join the Marines and that I was subsequently sent home. As a result, I recognize more than most the importance of getting an education. Therefore, after joining the Army, I studied for and was awarded a diploma for high school from the State of North Carolina. Later still, while in the Army, I studied for and was awarded the degree of Bachelor of Business in Management from Clayton State University and the high degree of Master of Information Technology from American Intercontinental University. I have often remarked that diplomas should be printed in the form of a "key" because it symbolically represents the "key" to the future for everyone who receives one. I paid for an education myself, and in part am still paying for it. The EBCI never paid, in any form, for my education. I say this to highlight that there are now opportunities for an education for every tribal member who so desires, and I heartily endorse both the opportunity and the drive and motivation to do so. It is essential that we educate our youth, train them in the way we would have, then go and provide jobs for them to fulfill their promise here on the Boundary. This leads me to my next topic of economic diversification.

The single greatest threat we face as a people is the loss of that great economic engine which drives our ability to provide every service and

benefit to our tribal members, the tribal casino. It doesn't take experience in managing multi-million dollar projects and activities, although I do have that extensive experience, to realize that if any one or a series of factors effecting the casino and it's revenue to us, then we, as a people, are in dire circumstances. So, how to alleviate and mitigate this risk? There are many ways! And, I will propose several means of doing so if elected. The key to success is to open the mind to the many ways to diversify. To spread risk out to many outside the EBCI, while maintaining safeguards and balances to mitigate risk, enhance revenue, gain influence regionally and nationally and reduce exposure of the EBCI in all business ventures. We don't have to fund, manage, run, maintain, and locate every business venture solely or exclusively on the Boundary or with only our money! I fully realize that every dollar of revenue which is non-gaming derived, relieves pressure on gaming revenue and that subsequent relief can be applied to increases in per capita distribution to our enrolled members.

Let's talk about myself and a vision for the future just a little more. I retired from the U.S. Army after more than 20 years of service. Traveling the world, managing projects, time, money and people. Entrusted with materials, people, money, weapons, and infrastructure totaling many millions, if not billions, of dollars. I am an honest man who has served honorably and well and my extensive performance record proves it. I will stay honest and faithful to all you entrust me with as your representative. I do not have businesses or extensive business relationships on the Qualla Boundary, nor do I owe extensive political favor to anyone. My loyalty and my service is you if elected and no other.

Term limits. I believe in term limits and have, in fact, been one of the first signatories of the Petition to institute term limits for Council members. There is an old saying that "power corrupts and absolute power corrupts absolutely". Two consecutive terms is enough. Let others with fresh minds and new ideas have an opportunity. A politician should never be able to claim a pension solely on the strength of being a politician, and I never will.

Lastly, we need a firm and codified guiding document that identifies the three individual

branches of tribal government – Executive, Legislative, and Judicial. This last (Judicial) is essential to the exercise of your individual rights in regard to tribal member versus tribal member but also in matters regarding tribal members versus tribal government. Additionally, a clear and concise document of this type that states the role and responsibilities of each branch of government would clarify and mitigate against conflicts between branches for supremacy such as Executive against Legislative. As it currently exists, no fair and impartial ruling is possible because Executive Branch has the Judicial function under subordination to and subject to potential influence of the Executive Branch. There should be a separate, equal, independent Judicial Branch, independent of the other branches, and guided by the founding core documents granting power of the people to each branch and empowerment to adjudicate all disputes of such power and it's exercise based upon that document whether that document is a Charter, Constitution or other guidance form the people.

If you elect me, I will faithfully, honestly, and fiercely represent you in all things which are ethical, moral, and legal. No promises of empty rewards or acts are attached to my request for your vote, only my word that I will do the absolute best to fulfill my duties to you with God's help. I am a Christian man, and I ask His Divine blessing upon this undertaking and upon you.

Thank you. Respectfully, **Charles Penick**



Lisa Taylor –
Painttown Tribal Council candidate

My name is Lisa Taylor. I am the daughter of Frank and Charlotte Taylor. I'm a lifelong resident of the Painttown Community. My parents taught me the importance of Jesus Christ, work ethics, community involvement, voting and to love one another. These are a few things my wonderful parents instilled in me.

I am a member of the Rock Springs of Baptist Church, I began working when I was 13 years old. My first job was at the El Camino motel working for Nathan and Ginger Robinson. I have worked in retail, Swain County Sheriff department, Cherokee Dispatch, National Park Service, volunteer fireman, first responder for eight years, and recently retired with 21 years of service at

Cherokee Tribal EMS. I have degrees in Emergency Medical Services and Criminal justice.

I gave serious thought and prayer before deciding to file for Painttown Council representative. I believe the council seat is one of honor and should be treated as such. The people of Painttown places their council member in a seat and that is who the Council member should represent.

My main goal is to place the government back in your hands. I want to be the council member who raises my hand in your favor. I want to leave a legacy of outstanding representation for the people of Painttown and our tribe.

I make no promises that I cannot keep. It takes all of Tribal Council working together to accomplish great things for the people. I will be your voice and your vote as your Tribal Council member.

I am asking for your prayers, support and vote on June 1, 2017.

Respectfully,

Lisa Taylor

If you have questions and concerns please call, (828) 399-0267.

I look forward to hearing from you

Editor's Note: All of the candidate platforms printed in this issue and last week's issue were offered free of charge to all candidates. The One Feather is currently planning candidate debates for July. Stay tuned for more details.

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Cherokee Middle School Athletic Awards

JV Cheerleading

Most Valuable Cheerleader: Zoe Walkingstick

Spirit Award: Emma Wolfe

Leadership: Aria Foerst

Volleyball

Offensive MVP: Zoe Walkingstick

Defensive MVP: Vivian Ross

Coach's Award: Shaylen Barker

Cross Country

Girls MVP: Maria Reyes

Girls Coach's Award: Rosa Reyes

Boys MVP: Rocky Pebbles

Boys Coach's Award: Richard Welch

JV Football

Offensive MVP: Bobby Crowe

Defensive MVP: Ayden Evans

Coach's Award: Jordan Welch

Girls Basketball

Offensive MVP: Rhyan Girty, Deante Toineeta

Defensive MVP: Jordan Martin

Coach's Award: Vivian Ross

Boys Basketball

Offensive MVP: Jonathan Frady

Defensive MVP: Don Bradley

Coach's Award: A.J. Allison

JV Wrestling

Most Valuable Wrestler: Kaden Pheasant, Dakota Sewumptewa

Coach's Award: Braden Taylor

Softball

Offensive MVP: Destiny Mills

Defensive MVP: Jordan Martin

Coach's Award: Malayah Allison, Shaylen Barker

Baseball

Offensive MVP: Danny Thompson

Defensive MVP: Jonathan Frady

Coach's Award: Tally Bradley

Track & Field

Girls MVP Field: Rosa Reyes

Girls MVP Track: Alexis Bird

Girls Coach's Award: Makala McGaha

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CHAMPS: The Cherokee Mavericks 10U (A) finished first in the USA/ASA Memorial Open softball tournament at the John Crowe Complex on Saturday, May 27. Shown (left-right) back row - Coach Scotty Rogers, Whitney Rogers, Awee Hyatt, Julia Layno, Kaitlyn Tahquette, Creedon Arch, Coach Albert Arch; middle row - Suri Watty, Rylee Rawls, Aaliyah Reed, Selu Swayney, Dvdaya Swimmer; front row - Eve Stamper, Kyla Moore, and Jenna Cruz.



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New superintendent selected at Cherokee Central Schools

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Dr. Scott Penland is set to retire as superintendent of Cherokee Central Schools, and the Cherokee School Board announced his replacement on Tuesday, May 23. Dr. Michael Murray, the current superintendent of Jackson County Schools, has been hired to take the reins.

"I am very excited to begin working for Cherokee Central Schools," Dr. Murray said in a statement. "It will be a privilege to work with the children on the Qualla Boundary to help them achieve their educational goals as well as the cultural aspects of their heritage and the curriculum."

According to information from Cherokee Central Schools, "Dr. Murray completed his B.S. degree at Mars Hill College in 1984, his Masters at WCU (Western Carolina University) in 1988, his Ed.S at



Photo by Jason Farmer/Sylva Herald

AT THE HELM: Dr. Michael Murray has been hired as the new superintendent for Cherokee Central Schools.

WCU in 2005 and his Doctorate in Educational Leadership at WCU in 2008. He is currently a part-time Assistant Professor of Educational Leadership in WCU's Doctoral program and has been an adjunct professor at Mars Hill College."

Dr. Penland said he is very

pleased with the selection of his replacement. "Dr. Murray has been successful in every position he has held, and I think he will continue that success here. I will work closely with him for the next few weeks to ensure a smooth transition. As I leave, I want nothing but the best

for the students and employees of Cherokee Central Schools."

Dr. Murray, who started his educational career as a science teacher at A.C. Reynolds High School, has been the Superintendent at Jackson County Schools for the past six years, and before that he served as assistant superintendent for six years.

Gloria Griffin, Cherokee School Board vice chairperson, commented, "The School Board would like to welcome Dr. Murray. He brings a tremendous amount of knowledge and years of service as a superintendent, and we are so delighted to have him."

Chelsea Taylor Saunooke, Wolfstown School Board representative, said, "It is quite a blessing to bring someone like Dr. Murray on board. I have the confidence that he has the wealth of knowledge and strengths to take on the reigns of our school system effectively."



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ENTREPRENEURS: The EBCI Business Development program celebrated the completion of the Indianpreneurship class on Tuesday, May 23. This class prepares aspiring entrepreneurs for the opportunities and challenges of the business environment. Shown (left-right) front row - Delbert Begay, Toni Tahquette, Jocelyn McNeill, Amanda Tortalita, Jerico French, Mary Wolfe, Cynthia West, Sabrina Arch (Instructor); back row - DeMakus Staton, Gloria Griffin - Enterprise Development manager, Kelsey Jackson, Darrel George, Tracy West, Richard Driver, Dalton West, and Darius West. Not pictured - Adam West, Candice Bedonie, and Johnathon Crisp. (Photo courtesy of EBCI Business Development)

Winners announced from WCU's Judaculla Art Competition

CULLOWHEE – A 15- by 17-inch linoleum print created by an artist who grew up near Jackson County's famed Cherokee petroglyph Judaculla Rock was declared the first-place winner in the recent Judaculla Art Competition sponsored by Western Carolina University's Cherokee Center.

The winning artist, Megan Parker, now lives in Colorado, but she was born and raised on the property in the Caney Fork community where Judaculla Rock is located, said Sky Sampson, director of the Cherokee Center.

An important cultural site for the Cherokee people, Judaculla Rock is a large soapstone boulder that contains some of the best preserved petroglyphs (rock carvings) east of the Mississippi River. The theme of the art competition was centered around Judaculla Rock and a slant-eyed giant known as Judaculla, as described within Cher-

okee legend. Parker's print depicts both the rock and Judaculla.

Mike Crowe of Cherokee won the second-place award for his Speedball linocut on canvas, and Stefanie Kompathoum of Hendersonville received the third-place award for her paper pulp painting. Other area artists submitting entries were Joy HUTCHER, Haley COOPER and Ariyanna Tioneeta.

"Our overall goal in holding this art competition was to give artists in the area a reason to research Judaculla and its historical relevance for our area," Sampson said. "Our hope is to place some of the artwork on the WCU campus in the university's newly constructed facilities."

The artwork will be on display in Gallery 130 of WCU's Fine Art Museum beginning in the fall. Info: Sampson 497-7920 or sns-sampson@wcu.edu.

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SECOND: Mike Crowe won second place in the contest with his Speedball linocut on canvas.



Images courtesy of WCU

FIRST: Megan Parker's linoleum print of Judaculla won first place in the recent Judaculla Art Competition sponsored by Western Carolina University's Cherokee Center.

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- Sky Sampson, WCU's Cherokee Center director



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BELOVED MOMENT: EBCI Beloved Woman Ellen Bird (center) receives an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters degree during UNC Asheville's Commencement ceremony on May 13. She is shown with UNC Asheville Chancellor Mary K. Grant (left) and UNC Asheville Board Chair Pat Smith.



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HONOR SOCIETY: A ceremony was held recently at the Jackson Campus of Southwestern Community College (SCC) to induct students into Alpha Beta Gamma and the National Technical Honor Society. Shown (left-right) are EBCI tribal members who received the honor - Candice Long, Noemi Santoyo, Amelia Owle and Mary Maney. Alpha Beta Gamma recognizes and encourages scholarship among two-year college students in business curricula. To be eligible for membership, students must be currently enrolled full or part-time in a qualifying business-related program; have completed at least 15 hours of college-level academic credit during the previous three semesters; have a program GPA of 3.0 or higher, demonstrate ideals of scholarship leadership and cooperation and be nominated by a program faculty member.



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PINNED: Southwestern Community College's Emergency Medical Science program graduate Larissa Martinez, an EBCI tribal member, was recognized during a pinning ceremony held recently at the Jackson Campus. She is now eligible to take state and/or national certification examinations. Employment opportunities include providers of emergency medical services, fire departments, rescue agencies, hospital specialty areas, industry, educational and government agencies.



Photo contributed

LAW GRAD: Emra Arkansas, an EBCI tribal member, graduated from the University of Oklahoma (OU) School of Law with a master's degree in Indigenous People's Law on Thursday, May 18. She is also a member of the OU School of Law honors program. In 2003, Arkansas graduated with honors from East Tennessee State University with bachelor's degrees in history and psychology. While in the online MSL program at OU, she maintained her position at Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Resort as the Marketing VIP manager. She has a team of 15 casino hosts who tend to VIPs that come to play at the casino. Arkansas is the daughter of John Angel of Ft. Duchesne, Utah and Michelle Bradley Wesley and Bryan Wesley of Cherokee. She is the granddaughter of Mary and Leon Perank of Ft. Duchesne, Utah and Fred and Dovie Bradley of Cosby, Tenn. and Azalea and Jeremiah Oocumma.



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MORE GRADS: Storm Tykane Teesateskie (above), an EBCI tribal member, is set to graduate from Oaks Academy in Murphy, and Brenton L. Teesateskie (photo below), EBCI tribal member, is set to graduate from Smoky Mountain High School.



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THANK YOU LETTER

Thank you for Day of Caring work

Ronnie and Susan Walker from the 3200 Acre Tract Community would like to thank The Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Facilities Management, EBCI, Harrah's and the Sanitation Department employees and Tribal Council members Albert Rose and Travis Smith and any other volunteer who worked hard and did a wonderful job at our home on The Cherokee Day of Caring. You were all great. Thank you.

Cultural and Academic Summer School Bus Routes and Schedules June 1-14

Bus No. 12 – Big Cove

Driver: Aaron Bradley
Leave Club at 6:15am – Big Cove Loop, Driver Road, Straight Fork, Bunches Creek, Galimore Road, Galimore Bridge Road, Soggy Hill Road, Big Cove Road, Mingo Falls Road, Sherrill Cove Road
Note: This bus picks up all students on Big Cove Main Road to school.

Bus No. 13 – Birdtown

Driver: Sarah Smiley
Leave Club at 6:15am – Goose Creek Road, Dewitt Owle Road, Wagon Wheel Gap Road, Locust Branch, Recreation Park Road, Fisher Branch (Wildcatt's), Kallup McCoy Road, Brady Road, Fisher Branch Housing Project, Goose Creek Main Road, Adams Creek Housing (Upper), Adams

Creek Housing (Lower), Herman Lambert Road, Mt. Noble Road, Joe Lambert/John Larch Road, Sim Taylor Road, Adams Creek (Left Side of Loop), Adams Creek (Main Road), Highway 19 to Cherokee

Bus No. 15 – Wrights Creek/Bigwitch

Driver: Justin Buchanan
Leaves Club at 6:15am – Dobson Ridge Road, Wrights Creek Road (turn at Joe Bradley's), Bradley Branch, Thompson Branch, Bigwitch Road, Bluewing Church Road, Mink Branch, Swimmer Branch, Tooni Branch, Old Gap Road, Ginger Lynn Welch/Boys Club, Children's Home Road, Agelink, Acquoni Road, Catolster Road, Grassy Branch

Bus No. 16 – Yellowhill/Painttown

Driver: Randy Lossiah
Leaves Club at 6:15am – Yellowhill, Peavine Road, U.S. Highway

441 bypass and Mary Lambert Road, Olivet Road, Old Mission Road, Hoot Owl Cove/Cucumber Road, Macedonia Road, Lucy Long Road, Standingdeer/Stamper Road, Stillwell Branch, River Road, Lambert Branch

Bus No. 18 – Birdtown/3200 Acre Tract

Driver: Chad Swayney
Leaves Club at 6:15am – Whittier, Conley's Creek, 3200 Acre Tract, Hyatt Creek Road to SAFE, Cooper's Creek, Bertha Saunooke Heights, Old No. 4 Road, Keener Road, Hungry Bear

Bus No. 19 – Wolfetown

Driver: Tim Swayney
Leaves Club at 6:15am – Hyatt Cove, Rough Branch, Old Soco Road, Jenkins Creek, Washington's Creek, Bluewing, Highway 19, Bradley Loop, Long Branch



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HIGH SCORE: Camden Myers, an EBCI tribal member and rising 8th grade student at Summit Charter School in Cashiers is among the students that were honored recently by the Duke University Talent Identification Program (Duke TIP) for their exceptional scores on the ACT or SAT. He was recognized at a ceremony at Elon University on Wednesday, May 24. He is the son of Charlie and Pam Myers of Sylva and the grandson of Johnnie Sue Myers of the Yellowhill Community. Duke TIP's 7th Grade Talent Search identifies students across the country who have scored at or above the 95th percentile on a grade-level standardized test. As part of the program, these academically talented students take above-level college-entrance exams to learn more about their abilities. Duke TIP then hosts annual recognition ceremonies to honor the seventh graders who scored the highest on these ACT or SAT exams.

A Cherokee Gardeners Journal: Dad's favorite

JODY BRADLEY

My dad was in the Army during the Korean Conflict and spent a lot of time in Germany. He learned to eat and love German food. His favorites were wiener schnitzel, german potato salad, and wilted lettuce. As a side note, he also named me after his girlfriend in Germany.

A couple of years before he passed he called and asked me over to his house. A friend he served with in Germany married a German girl and she was going to teach me to cook his favorites. We started with the wiener schnitzel which, not to offend, was like country fried chicken steak, pound into thin pieces. I did like it. The german potato salad recipe was great; although, I prefer buying it.

My favorite recipe, and a family favorite, is the wilted lettuce. It's lettuce season! I plant two varieties of lettuce. One, developed at Clemson called Parris Island COS Romaine and the other ever popular Black Seeded Simpson. I like the Parris Island because of its heat tolerance. Last year we had lettuce into August. The Black Seeded Simpson doesn't last as long but has a great taste. They both work well wilted. There is nothing better than going to the garden early in the morning and filling your basket with leaf lettuce and green onions. The thing I love about lettuce is you can plant it in anything and it will grow. It's easy, affordable, and after you try this recipe you will want to make this an annual project. NOTE: This works great with branch lettuce, mesclun, spinach, etc.

Here's the Wilted Lettuce recipe.

- 1 lb tender Lettuce
- 6 Slices Bacon
- 6 Green Onions
- 1/2 Cup Cider vinegar
- 1/4 Cup Water



Photo by Jody Bradley

GREEN: Bradley's wilted lettuce recipe is a family favorite.

- 3 Tbsp White Sugar
- 1/4 tsp Salt
- 1/8 tsp Pepper
- 2 Eggs, hard cooked

Directions

1. Rinse, drain, and tear greens into bite size pieces. Place in a large bowl; set aside.
2. In a large skillet, over medium heat, fry bacon until crisp; remove all but 1/2 cups of the bacon drippings (leave bacon in skillet)
3. Add green onions, vinegar, water, sugar, salt,

and pepper to make dressing.

4. Pour hot dressing over lettuce and toss lightly.
5. Sprinkle with eggs (if desired).
6. Serve hot.

If this recipe doesn't get you interested in growing your own lettuce you can Facebook me at A Cherokee Gardener's Journal and I'll give you the wiener schnitzel recipe to make up for it. *Parris Island COS is on Amazon.

Cherokee Elementary School Awards

Braves Achievement Award
1st: Craigan Wildcat, Lilly Lossiah
2nd: Felix Lossiah, Meli Winstead, Sage Bark
3rd: Tsa-li Dv-di-s-di, Mychaela Lambert

4th: Samuel Welch, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, William Epps Welch, Thomas Sequoyah

Traditional Singers
1st Grade: Drake Cruz, Kyam Arch, Audree Edwards, Eva Hill, Maia Lane, Rayden Locust, Emily Sampson-Lossiah, Kiarra Caley, Evan Hoyle, Cora Lightfoot-Underwood, Isaiah Lightfoot-Underwood, Haley Locust, Ivan Morales, Myleigh Parton, Kylana Sampson, Zoe De Los Reyes, Kaidyn Walkingstick
2nd Grade: Emilee Brady, Aya Driver, Daisee Fourkiller-Raby, Kiowa George, Kayla Guillen, Kail yana Hornbuckle-Standingwater, Eloise Frady, Joe Garcia, Adriana Rojas, Denver Porterfield, Nyla Queen, Tayah Bird, Shataya Chambers, Stone Marlowe, Chaz Martens, Cynthia Saunooke, Annie Tramper, Roleana Welch, Livia Crowe, Marley Crowe, Carlito Huerta-Perez, Jamee McMillan
3rd Grade: Marleigh Aguilera, Shona Cole, Payton Driver, Emiliano Garcia, Lilia Jarvis, Rayven Hughes, Josilyn Ledford, Leilah Lossie, Trinity Martinez, Kayla Morgan, Timber Sampson, Aaliyah Voss, Suri Watty
4th Grade: Natalie Bradley, Malachi Driver, Corbin Freeman, Abreana Hornbuckle, Hannah Morgan, Vincent Owle, Zachariah Rattler, Ami ya Lequire-Saunooke, Kai Saunooke, Addi Taylor, Native Walkingstick

Traditional Dancers
3rd Grade: Keith Smith, Jayden

Tramper
4th Grade: Werahe Codynah, Kiri Hill, Arthur Locust, Hunter Mathis, Xain Maney, Ayden Queen, Julianne Smart, Allen Smith, Chanttin Tramp er, Dacia Warrington, Kieran Wolfe

Outstanding Art
Most Outstanding Student
1st: Kaidyn Walkingstick, Craigan Wildcat
2nd: Deanna Long, Stone Marlowe
3rd: Marleigh Aguilera, Jadence Saunooke
4th: Eva Gagama, Samuel Welch, Thomas Sequoyah
Most Improved Student
1st: Nina Montelongo, Jeremiah Locust
2nd: Annie Tramper, Dante Bigwitch
3rd: Taylor Kahze, Jayden Tramper
4th: Isabella Jones, Elijah Squirrel, Brett Elders
Best All-Around Student
1st: William Welch
2nd: Jonathan Rivera-Gomez
3rd: Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Gabby Smith, Logan Biddix
4th: Abbygail Wildcatt

WCU Youth Art Show Award
2nd: Addison Stewart
1st Place: Samuel Welch
2nd Place: Shona Cole
3rd Place: Eli Garcia
Honorable Mentions: Jocelyn Saunooke, Julia Smart, Olivia Arch, Tayvin Bark

CIH Nutrition Poster Contest
1st place: Ayosta Lossie
2nd place: Alexis Davis
3rd place: Elliott Shell

Outstanding Computer
Most Outstanding Student
1st: Alex Antone, Alana Squirrel
2nd: Christian Martinez, Lilliana Pheasant
3rd: Chaske Raines, Mychaela Lam-

bert, Logan Biddix
4th: Kai Saunooke, Kieran Wolfe, Jogeta Panther
Most Improved Student
1st: Ernest Pheasant, Maddalen Mendia
2nd: Beau Wildcat, Annie Tramper
3rd: Calvin Littlejohn, Shawnee Kirkland, Gabby Smith
4th: Samuel Welch, Abbygail Wildcatt, Brett Elders
Best All-Around Student
1st: Taleeah Murphy
2nd: Johnny Long
3rd: Suri Watty
4th: Cheyton Medford, Thomas Sequoyah

Academic Improvement
1st: John Calvin Gloyne, Meikka Pheasant, Vladimir Owle, Lillian Bradley, Rayden Locust, Audree Edwards, Jeremiah Locust, Briann Teesateskie, Aydn Sampson, Maddalen Mendia, Caius Littlejohn, Geli Castro-Wachacha
2nd: Chaz Martens, Tayah Bird, Nyla Queen, Christian Martinez, Albert Toineeta, Ayaisha Driver, Philip Saunooke, Alexis Armachain, Auron Taylor, Shataya Chambers, Sage Bark
3rd: Oscar “Charlie” Swayney, Frankie Armachain, Korbin Sampson, Lilia Jarvis, Fred George Jr., Aaliyah Voss, Leland Locust, Alicia Salas, Jayden Taylor, Alyssa Hoyle, Jack Teesateskie, Kayla Morgan
4th: Sean Henderson, Kiri Hill, Emery Driver, Nevayah Panther, Savian Davis, Alyssa Freeman, Kedrick Panther, Elaina West, Jair Morales, Jada Cruz, Joseph Porter, Addi Taylor, Thomas Sequoyah

100 Book Club for 1st Graders:
Ms. Jones’ Class: Khloe Cucumber, Zoe De Los Reyes, Ledaina French-Bird, John Calvin Gloyne, Justice Hamilton, Tsa-tsi Hernandez, Caius

Littlejohn, Keaton Locust, Camaron Oocumma, Kahmera Pheasant, Meikka Pheasant, Keiarah Queen, Dezmond Shelton, Thomas Levi Smith, Marcelita Swayney, Kaidyn Walkingstick, William Welch, Laranzo Wilnoty, Elijah Youngdeer
Ms. Nations’ Class: Kimberly Crowe, Jeremiah Locust, Karmelita Montelongo, Preston Roach, Miah Sneed, Briann Teesateskie, Aliyah Watty
Ms. Parker’s Class: Jessica Arasana, Kyam Arch, Rayden Locust, Emily Sampson
Ms. Wiggins’ Class: Olivia Huskey, Darian Jenkins, John Morgan, Derick Owle, Ryleigh Postoak, Tomas Soap
Ms. Cornelius’ Class: Kahya Cucumber, Cora Lightfoot-Underwood, Isaiah Lightfoot-Underwood, Haley Locust, Ivan Morales, Wakinyan Raines, Kylana Sampson, Jayanna Thompson, Ezekiel Welch
Top Reader for 1st: Makenzie Sequoyah

200 Book Club for 2nd Graders
Dalton Yates, Marley Crowe, Nicholas Ensley, Reggie Hyatt, Stone Marlowe, Annie Tramper, Roeleana Welch
Top Reader for 2nd: Utsela Saunooke

Battle of the Books
Izzy Fourkiller-Raby, Alyssa Freeman, Ami ya Lequire, Dacia Warrington, Haylie Woodard

Academic Excellence
1st: Camaron Oocumma, Kahmera Pheasant, Darian Oocumma, Laylah Thompson, James Smith Jr., Eva Hill, Drake Cruz, Karmelita Montelongo, Derick Owle, Ryleigh Postoak, Ivan Morales, Gabrielle George
2nd: Stone Marlowe, Roeleana Welch, Kingston Welch, Madigan Welch, Utsela Saunooke, Emilee

Brady, Zaynon Taylor, Aubree Grimes, Jayden Bradley, Aya Driver
3rd: Chaske Raines, Chloe Owle, Owen “Ham” Bird, Samantha Nikki Toineeta, Dayton Wilnoty, Payton Driver, Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Sara Toineeta, Talan Crowe, Kiera Toineeta, Zayden Crowe, Ayianna Locust, Gabby Smith, Logan Biddix
4th: Chanttin Tramper, Falon Welch, Kai Saunooke, Kieran Wolfe, Jessie Hernandez, Dacia Warrington, Tyruss Thompson, Alexis Davis, Elliot Shell, Kaniah Wolfe, Corbin Freeman, Kendra Arch, Jogetta Panther, Brett Elders

**Outstanding
GWY Language**

Most Outstanding Student

1st: Karmelita Montelongo Huer-ta-Perez, Thomas Levi Smith, Rayden Locust, Jessica Arsana, Drake Cruz, Aliyah Watty, Ryleigh Postoak, Aydn Sampson, Khloe Cucumber, Elijah Youngdeer, Cora Lightfoot-Underwood, Kiarra Caley

2nd: Aleiyah Hull, Zaynon Taylor, Carlito Perez, Ayanna Lambert, Christian Martinez, Chloe Locust, Daisee Fourkiller-Raby, Kiowa George, Drallen Ledford, Annie Tramper, Dillon Beam, Lilliana Pheasant

3rd: Samantha Toineeta, Matix Stamper, Conner Junaluska, Lilia Jarvis, Oscar “Charlie” Swayney, Rayven Hughes, Payton Driver, Dayton Wilnoty, Jessie Wildcat, Javon Garcia, Marleigh Aguilera, Tayvin Bark-Cruz

4th: Kai Saunooke, Natalie Bradley, Josiah Teesateskie, Kaniah Wolfe, Kedrick Panther, Joselyn Long, Sadie Rivera-Gomez, Gideon Freeman, Malachi Driver, Kiri Hill, Isabella Fourkiller-Raby, Joseph “JC” Porter, Brett Elders

Most Improved Student

1st: Laylah Thompson, Audree Edwards, Calvin Taylor, Arianna Hernandez, Brendan Wolfe, Nina Montelongo, Kylea Swayney, Derick Owle, Kahmera Pheasant, Camaron Oocumma, Jayanna Thompson, Mason Powers

2nd: Me-li Hornbuckle, Utsela Saunooke, Qinyen Panther, Emily Maney, Jose “Joe” Garcia, Jade Palomo, Kayla Guillen, Kyitan Johnson, Kymani Foalima, Aubree Grimes, Felix Lossiah, Shataya Chambers, Sage Bark

3rd: Spencer Moore, Suri Watty, Dawoni Dvdisdi, Danelle Bushyhead, Kellen Ensley, U-sgwa-ni-gdi A-kwi-na, Josilyn Ledford, Mato Nierhausen, Olivia Arch, Slevin Youngdeer, Dominic Arch, Timber Sampson
4th: Alexis Davis, Malla Bradley, Jair Morales, Hannah Morgan, Tricyus Calhoun, Shalina Blanton, Nevayah Panther, Josiah Sherrill, Sean Henderson, Aaliyah Reed, Dacia Warrington, Cassius Murphy

Outstanding PE

Most Outstanding Student

1st: Layla Thompson, Jay Jay Ledford
2nd: Emilee Brady, Dillon Beam
3rd: Suri Watty, Spencer Moore
4th: Aaliyah Reed, Josiah Teesateskie, Brett Elders

Most Improved Student

1st: Briann Teesateskie, Derick Owle
2nd: Aleiyah Hull, Noah Watty, Sage Bark
3rd: Kieaira Ensley, Tayvin Bark-Cruz
4th: Malla Bradley, Preston Rickman

Best All Around Student

1st: Keiarah Queen
2nd: Jamee McMillan
3rd: Jack Teesateskie, Logan Biddix
4th: Kedrick Panther

**Presidential Physical Fitness
Award**

1st and 2nd: Jamee McMillan, Jade Poloma, Heron Sanchez, Noah Watty, Dillon Beam

3rd: Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Sara Toineeta, Javan Garcia, Nakaiya Hill, Shawnee Kirkland, Jessie Wildcat, Suri Watty, Emiliano Garcia, Kellen Bradley, Rayven Hughes, Matix Stamper, Jack Teesateskie

4th: Aaliyah Reed, Brandon Santiago, Jair Morales, Cameron Squirrel, Josiah Teesateskie, Kaniah Wolfe, Haylie Woodard, Alexis Davis, Kedrick Panther

Outstanding Music

Most Outstanding Student

1st: Shawn Driver, Taleeah Murphy
2nd: Kiowa George, Chloe Locust
3rd: Elijah Sherrill, Shona Cole, Logan Biddix

4th: Vincent Owle, Natalie Bradley

Most Improved Student

1st: Jay Jay Ledford, Geli Caztra-Wachacha
2nd: Houston Hornbuckle, Aniebreigh Mora, Sage Bark
3rd: Krenston Armachain, Kayla Morgan

4th: Gideon Freeman, Joselyn Long

Best All-Around Student

1st: Maia Lane
2nd: Heron Sanchez
3rd: Danelle Bushyhead
4th: Kedrick Panther, Brett Elders

Chorus

Gideon Freeman, Jocelyn Long, Ayo-sta Lossie, Kedrick Panther, Alyssa Freeman

Best All-Around

1st: Zoe De Los Reyes, Isaiah Lightfoot-Underwood, Colton French, Aliyah Watty, Darian “Dot” Jenkins, Autumn Tramper
2nd: Christian Grant, Reginald Hyatt, Aleiyah Hull, Jamee McMillan, Beau Wildcat

3rd: Kieaira Ensley, Leliah Lossie, Nia Sequoyah, Hunter Mathis, Yvonne Saunooke, Adaneti Durham

4th: Louiza Walkingstick, Brandon Santiago, Haylie Woodard, Shalina Blanton, Amiya Lequire, Luke Smith, William “Epps” Welch

Daily Attendance

1st: Ezekiel Welch

2nd: Chaz Martens

3rd and 4th: Alyssa Freeman, Xain Maney, Jair Morales, Kaniah Wolfe

Perfect Attendance

Amiya Lequire

Tribal Council Merit Award

1st: Karmelita Montelongo, Kimberly Crowe, Maddalen Mendia, Derick Owle, Keysa Ann Collins, James Smith Jr., Thomas Levi Smith, Khloe Cucumber, Jayanna Thompson, Wakinyan Raines

Best All Around: Drake Cruz

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Best All Around: Dalton Yates

3rd: Jayvin George, Jocelyn Saunooke, Kiera Toineeta, Gus Burgess, Timber Sampson, Marleigh Aguilera, Trinity Martinez, Adaneti Durham, Fred George Jr., Josilyn Ledford, Logan Biddix, Gabby Smith
Best All-Around: Samantha “Nikki” Toineeta

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Best All-Around: Luke Smith, William “Epps” Welch, Jogeta Panther

Cherokee High School Academic Awards

Top Academic Students

(shown in no particular order)

9th Grade: Raylen Bark, Acecia Lambert, Kimberly Hendrix, Tierney Bradley, Macy Swayney

10th Grade: Joaquin Layno, Juanita Paz-Chalacha, Emma Stamper, Blake Smith, Olivia Jackson

11th Grade: Scarlett Guy, Shelby Wolfe, Kyra Sneed, Robin Reed, Damian Esquibel

12th Grade: Livia Lambert, Richard Smith, Kendra Wildcatt-Panther, Kendric Watty, Kyla Taylor

Mathematics

Math 1 Most Improved: Johanna Bean

Math 1 Highest Achievement: Cade Mintz

Math 2 Most Improved: James Wolfe

Math 2 Highest Achievement: Raylen Bark

Math 3 Highest Achievement: Damion Esquivel

Discrete Math Most Improved: Lloyd Mitchell

Discrete Math Highest Achievement: Camryn Kazhe

Pre-Calculus Highest Achievement: Scarlett Guy

English

Reading Strategies Most Improved: Breanna Mangold

Reading Strategies Highest Achievement: Brandon Wolfe

English 1 Highest Achievement: Raylen Bark, Acecia “Cece” Lambert

English 2 Most Improved: Annie Durant

English 2 Highest Achievement: Juanita Paz-Chalacha

English 3 Most Improved: Marianna Hornbuckle



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CONGRATS WALK: To thunderous applause and through a sea of congratulatory signs, Richard Smith (center in yellow robe), CHS Class of 2017 valedictorian, leads the Cherokee seniors through the halls of the Cherokee Elementary School during the first annual Senior Walk on the morning of Thursday, May 25. School officials related this will become an annual event.

English 3 Highest Achievement: Scarlett Guy

English 4 Highest Achievement: Kendra Panther, Richard Smith

Social Studies

World History Best All-Around: Tori Teesateskie

World History Highest Achievement: Dylan Hart Penick

American History 1 Best All-Around: Marley Bradley

American History 1 Highest Achievement: Anya Walsh

American History 2 Best All-Around: Marley Bradley

American History 2 Highest Achievement: Scarlett Guy

Civics & Economics Best All-Around: Lou Montelongo

Civics & Economics Highest Achievement: Taylor Nelson

Science

Earth & Environmental Science

Best All-Around: Macy Swayney

Earth & Environmental Science

Highest Achievement: Christopher Somersey Gammon

Biology Highest Achievement: Tiffany Walkingstick

Biology Honors Highest Achievement: Joaquin “Jack” Layno

Physical Science Highest

Achievement: Juanita Paz-Chalacha, Anya Walsh

Chemistry Highest Achievement: Kendra Panther

Physics Highest Achievement: Kyla Taylor

Spanish

Spanish 1 Best All-Around: Ethan Swearengin

Spanish 2 Best All-Around: Shalina Little

Cultural

Basket Weaving 1 Highest Achievement: Mary A. Driver

Basket Weaving 2 Highest Achievement: Lataya Taylor

Cherokee Arts 1 Highest Achievement: Taylin Bowman

Cherokee Arts 2 Highest Achievement: Emma Stamper

Woodcarving Highest Achievement: Steven Swayney

Cherokee 1: Latika French

Cherokee 2: Ashley Schaal

Cherokee Language Highest Achievement: Ethan Swearengin

Art

Art 1 Most Creative: Shirley Peebles

Art 2 Most Creative: Richard Smith

Art 2 Best of Show: Elijah Maney

Art 2 Highest Achievement: Dylan West

Career and Technical Education

FACS Chef in Training: Brandon Wolfe, Ashley Schaal

Film Production 1 Highest

Achievement: Landon Messerly

Film Production 2 Highest

Achievement: Natasha Walk

Intro to Engineering Highest

Achievement: Tyler Ledford

Project Management Highest

Achievement: Ietan Reed-Littlejohn

Auto Mechanics Most Improved:

James Tay Lambert

Auto Mechanics Highest

Achievement: Blake Smith

AgriScience Most Improved:

Jacelyn James

AgriScience Highest Achievement:

Anita Trantham

Environmental & Natural Re-

sources Most Improved: Harvey Jacobs

Environmental & Natural Resources Highest Achievement:

Derek Torress

Horticulture Most Improved:

Mykel Lossiah

Horticulture Highest Achievement:

James Wolfe

Health Team Relations HOSA:

Destiny Bernhisel

Health Team Relations Highest

Achievement: Brandon Wolfe

Health Science 1 Highest

Achievement: Dylan Wachacha

Health Science 2 HOSA: Tiarra

Toineeta

Health Science 2 Highest

Achievement: Robin Reed

Nursing Fundamentals Most

Improved: Blake Wachacha

Nursing Fundamentals Highest

Achievement: Kendra Panther

Nursing Fundamentals Clinical Highest Achievement: Richard

Smith

Accounting Highest Achievement: Jarron Lossiah

Business Law Highest Achievement: Mykel Lossiah

Entrepreneurship Highest

Achievement: Kyla Taylor

Fashion Merchandising Highest

Achievement: Tori Teesateskie

Personal Finance Highest

Achievement: Raylen Bark

Sports Marketing Highest

Achievement: Dorian Reed

Physical Education

Girls Physical Education Most

Improved: Bessie Swayney

Girls Physical Education High-

est Achievement: Raylen Bark

Boys Physical Education Most

Improved: Mykel Lossiah

Boys Physical Education High-

est Achievement: Brandon

Lossiah

Speed & Agility Most Improved:

Blake Smith

Speed & Agility Highest

Achievement: Isaiah Evans

Strength & Conditioning Most

Improved: Zak Perez

Strength & Conditioning High-

est Achievement: Tye Mintz

Occupational Course of Study

OCS Best All-Around: Trinity

Bean, Shannon Albert, Jeremy

Swayney



Creative Learning Center

CLC Most Perseverance: Jami K.

Lossie

Sacred Path recipients – 3rd Quarter

Shannon Albert, Chace Andrews, Johanna Bean, Destiny Bernhisel, Joshua Driver, Joshua French, Jordan Grant, Michael Kalonaheskie, Dalericka King, Brian Littlejohn-Bigmeat, Josiah Lossiah, Breanna Mangold, Dylan Mangold, Ella Montelongo, Kendra Panther, Jalee Panther, William Pheasant, Xavier Siweumptewa, Richard Smith, Bessie Swayney, Lataya Taylor, Derek Torres, Amaris Watty, Kendric “Jayce” Watty, Brandon Wolfe; teachers – Sonya Edwards, Tina Farmer, Madison Rogers, Angie Parton, Keahana Sluder



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CERTIFICATION PERIODS:

- ZERO INCOME (LITTLE CHANCE OF CHANGE) – Every 3 months
- ZERO INCOME (FREQUENT CHANGES IN INCOME) – Every month to 2 months
- STABLE (NON-CHANGING INCOME) – 12 months
- ELDERLY/DISABLED (FIXED INCOME) – Up to 24 months. Must be contacted every 12 months to make sure they want to continue services.
- SELF-EMPLOYED – Recertification should fall when they receive the majority of their income.

GROSS INCOME (20% EIC DEDUCTION):

- PAID WEEKLY – Gross amount of check x 4.3 = Gross monthly income (before 20% deduction)
- PAID BI-WEEKLY – Gross amount of check x 2.15 = Gross monthly income (before 20% deduction)

DEDUCTIONS:

- 20% - (0.20 x Gross Income)
- Utility Deduction - \$300.00
- Medical Deductions – Medical costs >\$35.00

Household Size (FDPir Net Monthly Income Standards)

1	(\$1,147)	6 (\$2,941)
2	(\$1,492)	7 (\$3,287)
3	(\$1,837)	8 (\$3,634)
4	(\$2,193)	*Each additional member (+\$347.00)
5	(\$2,567)	

EBCI Per Capita and Per Capita Loans are NOT considered as income at this time. Please, feel free to contact the Tribal Foods Office (828-359-9751) for detailed eligibility requirements and to schedule an appointment.

Thanks from the TFDP Staff.

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Tribal Council Merit Awards

New Kituwah Academy

Seli Sara Reed, Doyanida Jeff Toineeta, Tsisdetsi Aria Toineeta, Tsula Morgan Hernandez, Agaliha Bailey Crowe, Uganasdi Kaileeana Littlejohn, Kaniliya Kaden Stephens, Wataga Alexis Motola, Koga Samuel Hernandez, Atsilv Addyson Welch, Watiyeli Naomi Taylor, Anagalisgi Mato Grant, Walosi Ezra McGaha, Alitami Emma Taylor, Hikanega Kohlton Tyce Neadeau

Swain County Schools

Swain East Elementary: Cyrus Crowe, Annabelle Bradley, Dawson Panther, Chloe Cooper, Amber Hinnant, Levi Climbingbear, James Owle, Tahanan Tahquette, Kale Stephenson, Jade George. Best All-Around: Jailen Powell

Swain West Elementary: Piper Stansberry, Lilly Frizzell, Alexandria Neugin, Noah Lossiah, Rowan Murphy, Ashton Cochran, Silas Stansberry, Kaitlyn Huskey, William Thompson, Ceanna Shepherd. Best All-Around: Trenton Thorne

Swain Middle School: Mahala Bird, Erika Wachacha, Walker Welch, Hunter Reed, Trinity Stephens, Brayden Taylor, Kally Jenkins, Kaytlin Jones, Patrick Welch, Kaiya Vestal. Best All-Around: Dawson George

Swain High School: Cody Long, Olivia Harris-Watty, Jackson Cooper, Asija Myers, Nolan Arkansas, Alyssa Hammond, Lynsey Hicks, Lille Ferguson, Raine Bradley, Haley S. Cooper. Best All-Around: Gabrielle Jones

Jackson County Schools Smokey Mountain Elementary

(K-6th): William Dyer, Braelyn Murphy, Hayden Littlejohn, Brandon Blankenship, Matilde Mayo-Arkansas, Ayden Lambert, Amani Wachacha, Jalen Motola, Logan Wright, Abby Branning. Best All-Around: Amila Lossie

Smoky Mountain (7th-8th): Gabriel Sanchez, Roxanna Gomez, Tishara Sneed, Hataya Maney, Lela Crowe, Roxie Davis, e la Ledford, Michael "Adrian" Davis, Blaine Smith, Scottie Branning. Best All-Around: Nacoma Driver

Smoky Mountain High School: Nataya Charae Huskey, Bryce Lewis Junaluska, Ki Ree French, Treannie Awan Larch, Alannah Tushka, Taryn Rae Ledford, Lorena Lynn Lopez, Austin Cole Saunooke, Samantha Lynn Shelton, Patrick Ernest Sneed. Best All-Around: Callie Brie Ledford

Scotts Creek Elementary: Alexander Smith, Chloe Ledford, Summer Hornbuckle, Rebecca Welch. Best All-Around: Julianna Welch

**Graham County Schools
Robbinsville Elementary:** Braylon Blevins, Avery Brown, Katie-Lyn Gross, Lincoln Rattler, Isaiah Louis Brown, Tytan George Teesateskie, Zoie Michael Shuler, Christian Cole Phillips, Kevin Clarence Fisher, Haden Cyrus Key. Best All-Around: Tayden Bo Rattler

Robbinsville Middle School: Ally Ayers, Tayen Bridges, Madisyn Ellington, Ansley Fink, Kyle Fink, Dallas Garrett, Dasan Gross, Jakob Phillips, Raven Rattler, Westin Smoker. Best All-Around: Jeb

Shuler

Robbinsville High School: Autumn Ellington, Brianna Jumper, Dustin Smoker, Rylen Bird, Madison Orr, Erin Teesateskie, Haylee Garland, Forrest Long. Best All-Around: Lydia Crowe

Cherokee County Schools

Andrews Schools: Cheyanna Rattler, Shashannah Rattler, Shaylon Rattler, Dimitre Ward

**Cherokee Central Schools
Starrs/Dreamcatchers Classroom:** Thomas Elliot Sequoyah, Logal Riley Biddix. Best All-Around: William Epps Welch

Starrs: Gabby Smith. Best All-Around: Jogeta Panther

Pre-K: Emma Lee Milholen, Brayden Michael Lomas, Ale-shaunie Hornbuckle, Michael Ray Driver, Morgan Raelee Wolfe Winchester, Nakisha Lyn Saunooke, Amelia Gabriella Holiday, Adalynn Amaila Taylor, Adrian Taylor Santos, Odie Hoot Owle. Best All-Around: Hayden Allen Cline

Kindergarten: Alaina Hull, Taytem Saunooke, Sophie Crowe, Tyus Watty-Soap, Riley McCoy, Josiah Hull, Lauren Arsana, Cher Crowe-Garcia, Viola Williams, Jeron Martens. Best All-Around: Austin Fourkiller-Raby

1st Grade: Karmelita Montelongo, Kimberly Crowe, Maddalen Mendia, Derick Owle, Keysa Ann Col-



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

Action steps for around your home:

- **CLEAR** leaves and other vegetative debris from roofs, gutters, porches and decks. This helps prevent embers from igniting your home.
- **REMOVE** dead vegetation and other items from under your deck or porch, and within 10 feet of the house.
- **SCREEN** in areas below patios and decks with wire mesh to prevent debris and combustible materials from accumulating.
- **REMOVE** flammable materials (wood piles, propane tanks) within 30 feet of your home's foundation and outbuildings, including garages and sheds. If it can catch fire, don't let it touch your house, deck or porch.
- Wildfire can spread to tree tops. **PRUNE** trees so the lowest branches are 6 to 10 feet from the ground.
- **KEEP** your lawn hydrated and maintained. If it is brown, cut it down to reduce fire intensity. Dry grass and shrubs are fuel for wildfire.
- Don't let debris and lawn cuttings linger. **DISPOSE** of these items quickly to reduce fuel for fire.
- **INSPECT** shingles or roof tiles. Replace or repair the shingles that are loose or missing to prevent ember penetration.
- **COVER** exterior attic vents with metal wire mesh no larger than 1/8 inch to prevent sparks from entering the home.
- **ENCLOSE** eaves and screen soffit vents using 1/8 mesh metal screening to prevent ember entry.

AND DON'T FORGET...

The more actions a community takes, the more fire adapted it becomes. Learn how you can make a difference in your community. Visit www.fireadapted.org and www.firewise.org for more information.

FACT

- ① There are more than **45 million** homes near or in the wildland.
- ① More than **72,000** U.S. communities are now at risk from wildfire.

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4th Grade: Falon Welch, Chant-tin Tramper, Emery Driver, Kieran

Wolfe, Joseph Porter, Shawnee Bushyhead, Kaniah Wolfe, Joselyn Long, Xain Maney, Jessie Hernandez. Best All-Around: Luke Smith

5th Grade: Shelby Solis, Miylaya Pratama, Creedon Arch, Dalaina Mills, Roxi Bark, Evonne Stamper, Jimya Driver, Dayvian Pheasant, Kayd-Lynn Bradley, Ileyeni Wolfe. Best All-Around: D.J. Hornbuckle

6th Grade: Ariyonna Hill-Maney, Katherine Armachain, Alessandra Oocumma, Oztin Swayney, Idalis Crowe, Maria Fourkiller-Raby, Cavan Reed, Jadan Armachain, Jacklin Lossiah, Dominyk Arch. Best All-Around: Alexis Smith

7th Grade: James Reed, Caedance Smith, Evan Caley, Abigail Taylor, Tehya Littlejohn, Marcus Armach-

ain, Keeifer Taylor, Eric Salazar, Lucian Davis, Noland Queen. Best All-Around: Kaelin Jones

8th Grade: Teja Littlejohn, Destiny Mills, Ayden Evans, Rose Reyes, Haley Keever, David Bushyhead, Rianne Junaluska, James Davis, Keelie Smoker, Trent Wolfe. Best All-Around: Emma Wolfe

9th Grade: Kimberly Hendrix, Acecia Lambert, Brandon Wolfe, Tierney Bradley, Logan Lequire, Macy Swayney, Maiya Davis, Sterling Santa Maria, Destiny Bernhisel, Christopher Gammon. Best All-Around: Raylen J. Bark

10th Grade: Blake Smith, Emma Stamper, Jarron Lossiah, Malakai Tooni, Oliva Me-Li Jackson, James Wolfe, Tori Teesatskie, Derek

Torres, Syllas Davis, Josiah Lossiah. Best All-Around: Juanita Paz-Chalacha

11th Grade: Shelby Wolfe, Kyra Sneed, Macie Welch, Anya Walsh, Samuel Eason Esquivel, Samantha Lee, Jerome Thompson, Riley Crowe, Lidia Ramirez, Shanenon Wolfe. Best All-Around: Scarlett Guy

12th Grade: Kyla Taylor, Kendra Wildcatt-Panther, Kendrick Jayce Watty, Mikhail Jay Swimmer, Anthony Toineeta, Louwana Montelongo, David Griffen, Taylor Nelson, Jennifer Crowe, I-La-Ya-Ni Blake Wachacha. Best All-Around: Richard Smith

- List provided by TOP Office

RE-ELECT

BEING A COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE FOR PAINTTOWN COMMUNITY AND THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS IS A PRIVILEGE BECAUSE WE SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF OUR PEOPLE.

I BELIEVE YOU MUST CARE FOR AND LOVE THE PEOPLE YOU SERVE WITH A CHEERFUL AND HOPEFUL ATTITUDE, EVEN IN THE FACE OF SETBACKS AND CRITICISM.

WHEN YOU ARE FACED WITH TOUGH ISSUES, YOU MUST SHOW COURAGE AND MAKE WISE DECISIONS THAT WILL BENEFIT ALL OUR PEOPLE... AND, FINALLY, I BELIEVE YOU MUST HAVE A CLEAR CONSCIENCE. PERSONAL INTEGRITY IS VITAL BECAUSE LEADERSHIP IS BUILT ON TRUST.

I AM ASKING FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT AND VOTE ON JUNE 1...THANK YOU.

Rosemary Lossiah

Paul for by Candidate

Congratulations for finishing high school. Your family is watching you proudly

Mina, Joshua, Saul, Mother, Nicky

EBCI Garden Judging Contest information

The EBCI Garden Judging will begin Monday, June 19. You must register between now and June 9 to be eligible for competition. Come by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd or call 359-6939.

Judging will be done as follows:
June 19 – Wolfetown, Big Y, Birdtown and 3200 Acre Tract
June 20 – Big Cove, Towstring, Yellowhill, and Painttown
June 21 – Cherokee County and Snowbird
Youth Gardeners (up to age 18) and Community Gardens judging dates will depend on the number of entries. *Most likely done along with the main judging dates.

Please provide clear driving directions to the garden. Other questions: age of the gardener and if the garden is organic or conventional.

A team from the EBCI Cooperative Extension office will bring judges to visit the gardens. Judges are Master Gardeners from surrounding counties. They will score the gardens in the following areas:

- General appearance
- Planning for Season-long food production
- Evidence of exceptional gardening practices such as soil preparation
- Plant selection
- Pest control and season-extending techniques
- Creativity such as creative design, unique plants or other features.

Winners will be announced at the EBCI Cooperative Extension's Community Awards Program in September.

- Ronald "Chumper" Walker, EBCI Cooperative Extension director

105th Annual Cherokee Indian Fair Food Vendor Information

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds is taking names for the food vendor drawing for this year's Cherokee Indian Fair until Friday, June 9 at 4pm. Food vendors must be 18-years-old to qualify for spaces or booths. Submit your food vendor application and menu to Lisa Frady, lisafrad@nc-chokeee.com, 359-6471 by the deadline above. No exceptions will be made. The drawing for booth space will be held on Tuesday, June 20 at 5:30pm. You must be present at the drawing and pay in cash for your booth on the spot if one is awarded. A receipt will be issued at the time of payment. The fee for the food vendor spaces are the total amount for the five-day event. Preference will be given to EBCI tribal members for the food booths; there is an exception for spaces outside of the booths for first come first serve basis. There is also a deposit of \$125 for booth key return and booth clean-up. Deposit will be returned upon key return and clean-up. The deposit is required with the payment on the day of the drawing. The prices for the spaces are below:

- Food vendor space outside of the booths 10' x 20' = \$250.00
- Booth without fryer = \$300.00 plus \$125.00 deposit = \$425.00
- Booth with fryer = \$400.00 plus \$125.00 deposit = \$525.00

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

Summer Day Camp applications

Painttown and Birdtown Gyms are taking applications for Summer Day Camp. Applications can be obtained at either gym. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, June 2 at 4:30pm. Info: Taylor Bird

359-3345

- Cherokee Recreation

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship availability

Applications for the Bill Taylor Scholarship are now being accepted by the Eastern Band Community Foundation. This scholarship is available to all EBCI tribal members or their immediate family members who study business/business-related curricula. The deadline to apply is June 1.

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$36,312 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under "Qualla Reservation". The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on the North Carolina Community Foundation.

Info: Norma Moss at normah-moss@gmail.com

- Eastern Band Community Foundation

Important dates for SSI Recipients

If you are an EBCI tribal member and you received a per capita check, June 16 is the deadline for your per capita receipts to be turned in to the Franklin Social

Security Office. This deadline has been set in order to avoid a lapse in benefits.

The EBCI SHIP office is currently available to accept your receipts. Their location is 43 John Crowe Hill Road (across from Cherokee Cablevision), and their office hours are Monday – Friday from 7:45am – 4:30pm.

Regina Wood, Social Security Representative and EBCI SHIP staff, will set up in the EBCI Public Health & Human Services Administration Building Large Conference Room on Tuesday, June 13 from 8am – 4pm to receive your per capita spend down receipts.

It is also receipt time again. This is a reminder to save all your receipts. Wood will be in Cherokee to pick receipts up on Friday June 16. All receipts will be accepted at the EBCI Public Health & Human Services SHIP Office.

All receipts must be dated for June 2017 to be counted toward your June 2017 spend down. Info: 359-6183

- EBCI SHIP Office

Swain Arts Center hosting Juried Photo Competition

The Swain Arts Center will host its first Open Juried Photography Competition on Saturday, Aug. 19. The theme is Nature Photography. Submissions should be made online no later than July 17 (jpg format). Participants will be notified on July 22 if their submissions have been accepted for the competition.

The submission fee is \$15 per single entry. If you submit four or more images, the fee is \$60. The application is available at swainartscenter.com.

- Swain Arts Center

Cultural Events

Cherokee fingerweaving workshop. June 3 from 10am – 5pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The workshop will be taught by Sharon Enslinger and costs \$15. Bring a small box (about 12" x 12") and two skeins of heavy weight yarn of different colors (one light, one dark). Bring a bag lunch. Class size limited to 15. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246

Tennessee Statehood Day. June 3 from 9am – 4pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. This event is in celebration of the admission of Tennessee as the sixteenth state of the Union on June 1, 1796. Blacksmith shop,

living history exhibits, corn husk doll making, and more. Info: (423) 884-6246

Cherokee History Talk. June 8 from 11am – 1:30pm at Cowee Mound in Macon County. Cherokee Nation citizen Tom Belt will lead a walk lecture to the Mound entitled "A Walk Back in Time: Cherokee History in the Southern Blue Ridge". Tickets are \$5/person. An optional lunch can be purchased for an additional \$10. Info: Sharon Burdette (828) 524-2711, ext. 301

Church Events

Church Homecoming. June 5 at 11am at Macedonia Baptist Church.

Vacation Bible School. June 11-15 from 6-8pm nightly at Straight Fork Baptist Church. Everyone is invited to attend and fellowship with the church and friends from Big Cypress First Baptist Church in Florida including Brother Salaw Hummingbird. There will be an adult class also.

Fundraisers/Benefits

Turkey Shoot. June 3 at 5pm at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This is a benefit for Norman Walkingstick. Good prizes, good food, and good fun. Info: Jesse Welch 497-2434

3rd Annual Cherokee Cancer Support Prime Rib Dinner. June 10 from 5-7pm at Cherokee

Indian Fairgrounds. Menu: Prime Rib, salad, baked potato, vegetable, rolls, tea, coffee and water for \$15. Cancer Support group members are asked to return their tickets (both sold and unsold) to the office at Betty's Place by Monday, June 5 so that the number of people attending can be determined. Info: 497-0788

Show & Shine event. June 23-24 from 10am – 3pm daily at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Car show, car wash, and silent auction all benefiting the Speak to the Mountain 2017 Divine Healing Crusade. Info: (727) 439-8010, www.speaktothemountain.net

General Events

"Unto These Hills" Opening weekend dates. June 1 – Merchant Night. June 2 – Alumni/Local Night. June 3 – Opening Night for all. Pre-show begins at 7:30pm with the main show at 8pm.

Indivisible Swain County NC meeting. June 8 at 6pm at Bryson City Senior Center at 125 Brendle Street in Bryson City. All are welcome. Topics being discussed include environmental and health care issues. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Cherokee Bluegrass Festival. June 8-10 at Happy Holiday RV Village and Campground. Numerous acts all three days including: The Crowe Brothers, Breaking Glass, VW Boys, Deeper Shade of Blue, The Harris Brothers, and more. Info and for tickets: Adams Bluegrass, LLC (706) 864-7203 or

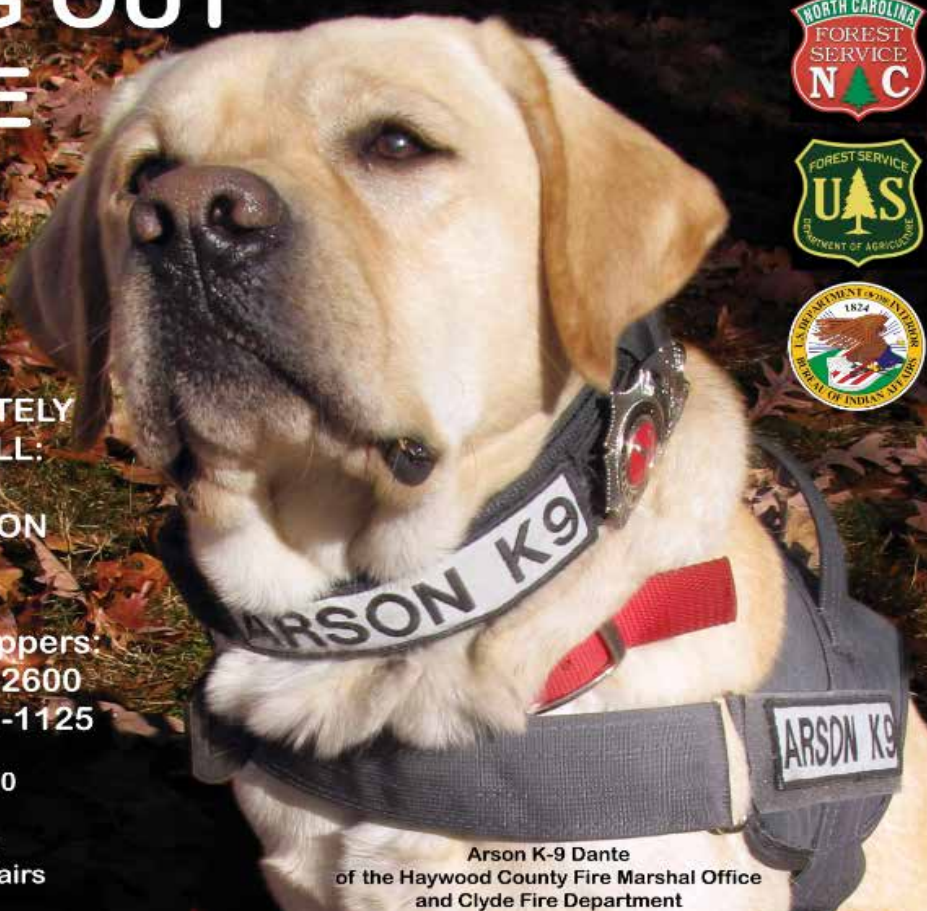
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Upcoming Pow Wows for June 2-4

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.

Saa Gii Ba Gaa Traditional Pow Wow. June 2-4 at Bois Forte Reservation Tribal Government Building in Nett Lake, Minn. Info: Louise Isham (218) 757-3267, lisham@boisforte-nsn.gov

Taylorville Blackhorse Pow Wow. June 2-4 at Taylorville Lake Marina in Taylorville, Ill. Info: (217) 823-6878, blackhorse@consolidated.net

14th Peace River Pow Wow. June 3-4 at Peace River Agriculture Grounds in Peace River, Alberta, Canada. MC: Elmer Rattlesnake. Host Drum: Cree Confederation. Info: Wendy Goulet (780) 624-6316, Wendy.Goulet@gov.ab.ca

Delaware River Bears Circle Intertribal Festival Pow Wow. June 3-4 at Village Pavillion in Margaretville, New York. Host Drum: Nimham Mountain Singers. Info: Don Gibson (607) 746-6833, gibsondc47@yahoo.com

36th Annual Yuba-Sutter Pow Wow. June 3-4 at Yubba-Sutter Fairgrounds in Yuba City, Calif. Info: Pat Bennett (530) 749-6196, pbennett@mjuds.k12.ca.us

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the

second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879. Rent is \$60/day for gym and community room with \$25 returnable clean-up fee.

Big Cove Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club

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

Paint Town Community Club

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

Snowbird Community Club

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

Wolftown Community Club

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

Yellowhill Community Club

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

Community Groups

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

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

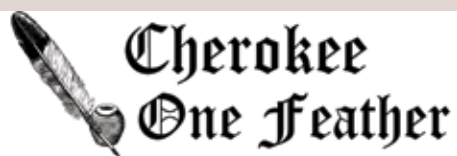
Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm
Wednesday: Managing “Monkey Mind” 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)
Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene’ Brown 10-11am; Managing “Monkey Mind” 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm
Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm
Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

meet every second Thursday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

Cherokee Cancer Support

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



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Let's try to get this right

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

It has been and continues to be a historic journey for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. We are witnessing a government evolution and maybe even a revolution. Just in the past month alone, we have seen our government in the hands of courts and federal agencies. Men and women of our Tribe who have stepped into leadership roles have been accused of misconduct, including mishandling of funds and credit, manipulation of the personnel policies of the Tribe, inappropriate and criminal practices in the dissemination of housing, bribery and various violations of the Cherokee Code.

Much of the work of the Tribe has ground to a halt because Business Committee meetings and Planning Board meetings have been cancelled for months on end. And, we just witnessed one of the most painful episodes that an Indian tribe will face, the impeachment of a Principal Chief.

Emotions are high and many feel like their last nerve is being trampled on. On all sides of the issues, and there are many issues and leaders' actions for the people to consider, there are passionate people who feel that injustice has been done to someone. And, a few are very vocal in their outrage.

I believe there is power in a free voice of the people. In my four years with the One Feather as editor, I and the staff have done our best to open the channels of communication for the people of the community of the Qualla Boundary. We have done our best to engage you in the print edition, social media, and wherever we could along the way to make your voice heard by your fellow Cherokee citizens, tribal leadership, and the general public.

We have also attempted to provide you with the news of the tribal government and community, free from governmental manipulation and without any bias or commentary in our news stories. For the most part, we have been successful on all but a few rare occasions. It has become a common practice in local, regional, and national news for so-

called journalists to give opinion in news reports. When the reporter cannot get the facts, they will generalize or make assumptions, using words like "probably", "likely", and "presumably" to caveat an assumption or opinion by the writer. I don't "presume" to know the motives of these writers, but I would say that it is "likely" that they are thinking about how many more papers they will sell, how many additional advertisers they may attract, or how many more viewers they will pick up. The difference at the One Feather is that not only are we mandated by Code to provide you with government news and information, we have personal investments in this community because we are members of it. We know that you look to us for the truth and we don't do things that will break that trust. It continues to be more important for us to get it right than to be popular.

Because the events of the recent past have been so emotionally energized, we have been forced to take precautions to limit some types of speech on the channels where we invite you to comment. We do our best to make the forums we offer places of free expression. But, we do protect the readers from hate speech of any kind, including name-calling, vulgarity, defamation, and threatening language. These types of communication do not convey a position on issues and they do not further any argument. They are just expressions of rage and ignorance; maybe worse than that, they are distractions from the real and serious issues at hand.

It is heartbreaking to be where we are today as a Tribe. We have had disagreements in the past, but we always knew that the situation and not the persons were the enemy. For example, it is my belief that we have seen the tragic events of the day not because of individual leaders within our government, but a breakdown in our system of law. The Charter is so outdated and the Cherokee Code so convoluted that, as one of my colleagues put it, they may have to be scrapped and redone from scratch. At the minimum, I hope that, as leadership moves forward, the Executive Office and Tribal Council will move quickly to instruct the Attor-

ney General to do a complete and thorough overhaul of the Code, eliminating conflicting and contradictory laws and language, and either revise the Charter to meet the current wishes of the people and spell out clear guidelines for roles and functions mentioned within it.

The idea of a constitution for our Tribe has been bounced around for several years now. No one knows how much longer it may take to develop one. While we are waiting on that process, let's be idle

no more. There is no better time than now to demand clear and definitive law in our Charter and Code from your public servants.

Moving forward, I hope that you feel empowered to be the change you want to see. We will gladly continue to be a voice for truth, fight for transparency in government, freedom from governmental censorship, and share your voice on issues important to you and our community.

Financial Exploitations:

If it's Not your Money, It's a Crime

Public Health and Human Services Family Safety Program Adult Protective Services Unit (PHHS FSP APS) spotlights the importance of safeguarding EBCI Tribal elders and disabled adults by keeping a watchful eye for signs of financial exploitation and promptly reporting possible abuse.

FSP Adult Protective Services Unit suggests watching for the following warning signs of suspicious behavior that may indicate potential elder and disabled adult financial exploitation:

- Sudden changes in bank account or banking practice.
- Unexplained withdrawal of a lot of money by a person accompanying the victim.
- Adding additional names on a bank signature card.
- Unapproved withdrawal of funds using an ATM card.
- Sudden changes in a will or other financial documents.
- Unexplained missing funds or valuables.
- Providing substandard care.
- Unpaid bills despite having enough money.
- Forged signature for financial transactions or for the titles of property.
- Sudden appearance of previously uninvolved relatives claiming their rights to a person's affairs and possessions.
- Unexplained sudden transfer of assets.

**If these sound familiar, contact the
Public Health and Human Services**

Family Safety Program Adult Protective Services Unit:

Daytime hours: 7:45 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Daytime phone (828) 359-1520

After hours contact Cherokee Dispatch at (828) 497-4131 and ask to speak to an **Adult Protective Services On-call Worker**.

Helping yourself to the property of people who are elderly or disabled is a crime. Preventing financial exploitation is everyone's business.

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20th Annual Cherokee Voices Festival

June 10, 10 a.m.–5 p.m.

Discover ancient Cherokee crafts, dance, storytelling, and more as we explore "Passing the Knowledge—the Rising Generation," the theme for this year's Cherokee Voices Festival. It's free, and held at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian.



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TRADING POST

FOR RENT

Rentals Units Available: Qualla Housing Authority currently has two bedroom rental units available. Applications are available at the main office located at 687 Acquoni Road. Office hours are 7:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Once qualified and selected, please be advised that there is a \$200 cash deposit due at lease signing. Additionally, the tenant is responsible for Duke Energy and Tribal Water & Sewer accounts placed in their names. You may have a co-signer, but the account must be in the tenant's name. QHA adheres to HUD standards & regulations in selection/qualifying potential customers. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call

828-359-6320. Please make sure that you have completed the checklist on the front page of the application that pertain to your needs. QHA is taking applications for our TSALAGI Program. Do you have your own land and an approved site form, and you meet the income guidelines? Give Jonathan Rattler, QHA Housing Services Manager a call for more information at 828-359-6320. UFN

Apartment For Rent. Studio aptt. 14 miles from Cherokee. Sewer, water, heat, electric, laundry, trash pickup all furnished. Located in a good neighborhood. Singles only. No HUD. Contact 226-1231, 736-8344, 586-6097.

FOR SALE

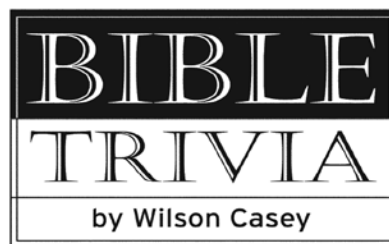
2010 Silver Ford Focus SES, interior in great shape, leather, 74,000 miles, some minor scratches. Brand new tires, car runs great. \$8,000 O.B.O. 828-508-1629 text or call. 6/15

Hotel Furniture Sale: Dressers, night stands, headboards, desk and chair, lamps, pictures, etc. Holiday Inn Express. 497-3113. 6/15

House for Sale - 3 Bedroom, ½ bath, at 174 Stillwell Branch. 788-0730. 6/8

YARD SALES

Huge indoor garage sale – Saturday, June 2 and Sunday, June 3 from 8-4pm. Whittier, follow signs on 441, ½ mile south of Food Lion at Olivet Church Road. Tools, household, tech stuff, and more. Rain or shine. 6/1



1. Is the book of Ezra in the Old or New Testament or neither?

2. From Daniel 4, who had the vision of a tree growing higher and higher until it could be seen by everyone? *Silas, Josiah, Nebuchadnezzar, Solomon*

3. Which Book could be summarized, "God, why don't you stop bad things from happening"? *Habakkuk, Zephaniah, Haggai, Malachi*

4. What hour mentioned in the Bible means the last possible moment something can be done? *1st, 3rd, 11th, 12th*

5. From Judges 6, where did Gideon encounter an angel? *Prison, Oak tree, Temple, Well*

6. What was Adam's occupation in Eden? *Preacher, Shepherd, Carpenter, Gardener*

ANSWERS: (1) 12th; (2) Nebuchadnezzar; (3) Habakkuk; (4) 11th; (5) Oak tree; (6) Gardener

Comments? More Trivia? Visit www.TriviaGuy.com

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Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Grants Coordinator
Administration

Opens: May 18, 2017
Closes: June 8, 2017

Teacher's Aide
Agelink

Opens: May 24, 2017
Closes: June 8, 2017

Right Path Leadership Specialist

Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute
Resume and cover letter required with application

Opens: May 25, 2017
Closes: June 8, 2017

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

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate.

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



Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is hosting a Job Fair at the Hotel Pool

Tuesday, June 6th
9am-1pm

In case of inclement weather the Hiring event will be held in the hotel ballroom.

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F&B Cashier
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Room Attendant (FT/PT)
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Security Officer
Table Games Dealer Training School (PT)
Valet Parker (PT)
Valet Parking Clerk
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*Eligibility restrictions do apply for hiring bonus positions. Please see Talent Acquisition Department for details.

If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur. from 8am - 4:30pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

Scan this code to connect with us instantly by using Facebook Messenger!

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

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

Closing Friday, June 9, 2017

1. Library Aide - Snowbird Community Library - Snowbird & Cherokee Co. Services (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Security Life Technician I (Re-Advertisement)- Security & Surveillance - Executive (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
3. Security Life Technician II (Re-Advertisement) - Security & Surveillance - Executive (\$37,474 - \$46,843)
4. Recreation Supervisor - Cherokee Life Recreation - CERS (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
5. Senior Games Coordinator - Cherokee Life Recreation - CERS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)

Closing Friday, June 2, 2017

1. Receptionist - Senior Citizens - PHHS (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
2. Family Safety Supervisor - Family Safety - PHHS (\$49,200 - \$61,500)
3. Minimum Data Set Coordinator - Tsali Care - PHHS (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
4. Housekeeping Supervisor - Tsali Care - PHHS (\$28,372 - \$35,465)
5. Emergency Management Specialist - Emergency Management - Emergency Services (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
6. Organizational Development Specialist - Employment - Human Resources (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
7. Human Resources Generalist - Employment - Human Resources (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
8. Youth Development Professional (Re-Advertisement) - Snowbird Youth Center - Snowbird/CC Services (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
9. Maintenance Tech (X 2) - HELP Program - Snowbird/CC Services (\$31,078 - \$38,848)

Open Until Filled - PHHS

1. Family Safety Program Manager - Family Safety - PHHS (\$64,206 - \$80,258)
2. Family Safety Social Worker (X 4) - Family Safety - PHHS (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
3. Social Worker - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$41,082 - \$51,353)
4. RN Supervisor - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (\$49,200 - \$61,500)
5. C.N.A. (10 positions)- Tsali Care Center - PHHS (23,616 - \$29,520)
6. C.N.A. - Part-time (1 position) - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (23,616 - \$29,500)
7. C.N.A. (3 positions) - Home Health (\$23,616 - \$29,520)
8. Family Safety Grant Coordinator- Family Safety (\$34,112-\$42,640)
9. RN - Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 - \$56,273)
10. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 - \$24,498)
11. Teacher Assistant - Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
12. Teacher - Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$28,372 - \$35,465)
13. Recreation Coordinator - Senior Citizens - PHHS (\$28,372-\$35,465)

Open Until Filled - All others

1. Detention Officer - Detention Services (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
2. School Resource Officer - Police Department - Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
3. Patrol Officer - Police Department - Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
4. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law (\$76,670-\$95,838)
5. Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
6. Part Time- Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
7. Full Time - Paramedic - Tribal EMS (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
8. Corrections Officer (X 2) - Corrections - Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
9. Natural Resource Enforcement Officer (X 9)- NRE - Public Safety (\$34,112 - \$42,640)
10. Education Supervisor - CYC- Education (\$31,078-\$38,848)
11. Recreation Aide Part-Time (X 2) - Cherokee Life Program - Education (\$21,484-\$26,855)
12. Elementary Immersion Instructor (X2) - Kituwah Academy - CERS (\$31,078 - \$38,848)
13. Finance & Investment Analyst - Financial Assets - Treasury (\$41,082 - \$51,353)

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EMPLOYMENT

For Hire - B&S Crafts needs seasonal & part time help, clerks, people friendly, subject to Drug Testing. (828) 497-9315 **6/1**

ATTENTION: EBCI Natural Resources Intern position open for applicants

The EBCI Natural Resources program is seeking applicants for a paid youth internhsip (18 to 25 years old) to assist with trout propagation and stocking duties at the EBCI Trout Hatchery. Please contact Mike LaVoie at (828) 359-6113 or michla-vo@nc-chokeee.com for additional information. **6/8pd**

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking dependable, energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions: Senior Concierge (shift leadership position), Female Host. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed positions: NC Licensed Massage Therapist, NC Licensed Cosmetologist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more.

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. **6/1pd**

Cherokee Language Summer Camp positions available.

Camp Director
Requirements: At least 4 years of experience in a Cherokee Language Program working with youth 8 hours a day from 8:00 until 3:00 p.m. for six weeks.

Teacher and Teacher's Assistance
Requirements : at least 2 years of

experience in a Cherokee Language Program. working with youth 8 hours a day for six weeks.
Location: Robbinsville High School.
For more information please contact: Mary Brown @ 735-4253. **6/1**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Registration Receptionist Clerk – ICC
Dental Assistant II
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 Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson, Chantelle Smith or Elle Bradley. These positions will close on June 1, 2017@ 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. **6/1pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Child Services Manager - Analenisgi
Registration Receptionist Clerk – 30 hr
Registered Nurse – Inpatient
Registered Nurse – Night Weekend
Float - Inpatient
Targeted Case Manager – Behavioral Health
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These positions will close on June 8, 2017@ 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. **6/8pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-028

In the Matter of the Estate of Ned David Smith, Sr.

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 FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Mary R. Smith, 766 Blue Wing Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/1pd**


Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 11-033

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Hazel Lambert

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 FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Pamela Lambert, P.O. Box 433, Whit-tier, NC 28789. **6/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 11-032



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- **Elementary Teacher K-5 (Multiple Positions)** - NC Teaching license required.
- **High School English Teacher** - NC Teaching license required.
- **Pre-K Teacher** - NC Teaching license required in Birth-Kg.
- **Pre-K Teacher Assistant**- Requires Associate's degree or 48 completed semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.
- **Security (Part-Time)** - Require HS diploma or GED.
- **SPED Teacher Assistant (2 positions)** - Requires Associate's degree or 48 completed semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.
- **Special Education Teacher K-12** - NC Teaching license required.

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

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

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Thomas Jay McCoy**

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
FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Jayson Crusenberry, P.O. Box 394,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 11-030

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Wilbur Long**

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
FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Garfield Long Sr., 506 Long Branch
Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians



Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 11-031

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Waneema Littlejohn Driver**

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

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Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) A recent spate of confusion regarding decision-making begins to clear up. But caution is still advised. Continue to check details. An old friend has important news.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) You're anxious to see your ideas move from concept to development. But trying to force the issue right now could backfire. Wait for movement to resume shortly.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Keep your thoughts focused on the positive as you deal with an unexpected turn of events in a personal or professional relationship. This could be the start of a welcome change.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Health matters take on added importance at this time. Deal with them before they interfere with your summer plans. A relationship that cooled off could soon warm up again.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) While a few details involving upcoming decisions still need your attention, you fun-loving Felines can begin to spend more time enjoying your lively social life again.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) That long-sought-after career change could require you to move to another city. Weigh your decision carefully before either accepting or rejecting the offer out of hand.

FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Eugenie Saunooke, P.O. Box 2415,
Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/14pd**

In the Cherokee Court
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, Qualla Boundary, North
Carolina

**Notice of Service of Process
by Publication**

CV-16-368

Tribal Child Support Enforcement;
o/b/o Muriel M. Morgan, plaintiff
Vs Rebecca Lynn Jenkins, defendant

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A workplace situation can be awkward for Librans who prefer to keep their problems private. But you might have to "tell-all" if you hope to see it resolved in your favor.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Although your financial situation starts to improve this week, you still need to be cautious about money matters. Avoid major obligations, for now.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your overall aspects continue to brighten, allowing you to tackle long-deferred challenges. A change in travel plans could work to your benefit.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Things seem to be slowing down for the usually restless Sea Goat. But wouldn't a bit of respite be just what you need right now? Activity picks up by the weekend.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Personal relationships take a positive turn for both married and single Aquarians. Professional commitments, however, could be complicated by newly emerging events.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A decision you thought was final might be reopened as new facts are discovered. This could lead to a short-term problem, but ultimately might prove beneficial.

BORN THIS WEEK: Your keen interest in pursuing global events could lead you into a career as a politician or journalist.

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TO: Rebecca Lynn Jenkins, 59 Rock Hill Church Road, Whittier, North Carolina 28789 (last known address)

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above entitled action. The nature of the relief being sought is as follows: Establishment of child support

You are required to make defense to such pleading not later than 10 July 2017, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This the 31st day of May 2017.
COLLINS & HENRY, P.A., JOSSEPH M. COLLINS, Attorney for the Plaintiff,
217 Iotla Street, Franklin, North
Carolina 28734. (828) 524-0017.

6/15pd

In the Cherokee Court
Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, Qualla Boundary, North
Carolina

**Notice of Service of Process
by Publication**

CV-16-404

Tribal Child Support Enforcement;
o/b/o Antonio Sanchez, plaintiff
Vs Rebecca Lynn Jenkins, defendant
TO: Rebecca Lynn Jenkins, 59 Rock Hill Church Road, Whittier, North
Carolina 28789 (last known address)

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see **LEGALS** next page

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COLLINS & HENRY, P.A., JOSEPH M. COLLINS, Attorney for the Plaintiff, 217 Iotla Street, Franklin, North Carolina 28734. (828) 524-0017. **6/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-021

**In the Matter of the Estate of
Priscilla S Cooper**

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

FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Lawana Cooper Almond, P.O. Box
546, Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/22pd**

There are personal items that are currently being held in the property room at the Cherokee Indian Police Department. As of today, May 10, 2017 you have 60 days to contact our evidence personnel at 828-359-6609 or 828-359-6618. After July 12, 2017 any property not picked up will be destroyed or turned over to the Cherokee Indian Police Department.

Evidence personnel will arrange a date and time with you to collect your property. They will also instruct you on necessary documents to bring in order for the property to be turned over to you.

The following need to contact our evidence personnel: Bryan E. Shell,

Azrael Watty, Bradley Dale Waycaster, Charlie Reed, Jose Morales, Jody Brown, Cynthia Diane McSparan, Dennie Ervin Jackson, Candido Martinez, Ryan N. Smith, Brandon Waldroup, Owen Randall Pheasant, Larry Ward, Dawn Dee Davis, Ursula Huskey, Tracy Weir, Sarah Marie Thompson, Dwanna Parker, Joel Daniel Toineeta, Ben Swimmer, William Joseph Brady, Reggie Queen, Zachariah Lightening Rattler Jr., Cory Matthew Davis, Justin M. Arch, David Hornbuckle, Allen E. McCoy, Dusty Lyn Jones, Adam Chris Lambert, Kenneth Lee Brooks, Steven Daniel Bird, Joseph William Leavell, Jeffery D. Catt, Jacob Jackson Ivey, Nikki Lambert, Benny Lee Welch, Moses Lossiah, Dustin Tramper, Shira McCoy, Zachariah Gale Rattler, Angelic Isom, Brian William Armachain, Franklin George Sanger,

Callie May Biddix, Leanna Marie, Winchester, Vicky Jo Channell, Annie Young, Brandy Sherrie Dupuis, Moses Reed, Elbert Parris, Calvin Murphy, Jason Smith's (Mary Jackson Smith), Rueben Teesatuskie, Hunter Rattler, Doris Ann Snow, Tessa Dawn Jagnandn, Julie A. Smith, Keonta Ardrey, Megan Wilnoty, Raymond Joseph Burle III, Dazi Buchanan, Angelica L. Lumpkins, Eddie Bird, Kenneth James Huffstetler, Amy Matthews, Terrie Fuller, John Taylor Sr., Christina Yvonne Davis, Robin or Jimmy Locust, Bryan James Lilly, Jerry Donald Justice, Keith Martinez Jr., Furman Jason Roberts, Matthew Watty, Cecelia Bigwitch, Amanda Ray Thompson, Charles Shippe, Hannah Roxanne Johnson/Reed, Marilyn Swimmer, Joshua Warren McDowell, B. Jay Bigwitch, Tracy Parker, Tracy Parker or Jason Dyer. **7/6**

Birdtown Council Candidate Michael James Youngdeer



- **Utilize and develop comprehensive addiction programs**
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- **Strategize for increased tourism to our area**
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 2014 DODGE GRAND CARAVAN Pre. p.d., 100-hp, 3.6L engine, leather interior. \$19,995	 2014 FORD FUSION SE Pre. p.d., 180-hp, 2.0L engine, leather interior. \$14,995	 2011 FORD F150 XLT CREW CAB Pre. p.d., 180-hp, 4.0L engine, leather interior. \$21,995	 2014 DODGE RAM 1500 QUAD CAB Pre. p.d., 180-hp, 4.0L engine, leather interior. \$30,995
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 2013 SUBARU WRX STI 4-door, 4-cyl., 205-hp, 2.5L engine, leather interior. \$20,995	 2010 FORD FOCUS S 4-door, 4-cyl., 125-hp, 2.0L engine, leather interior. \$9,995	 2004 NISSAN 350Z 2-door, 4-cyl., 240-hp, 3.5L engine, leather interior. \$9,995	 2013 FORD EXPLORER LT 4-door, 4-cyl., 180-hp, 2.7L engine, leather interior. \$23,995
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-George Hicks, November 4, 1838

EBCI Send-Off Ceremony

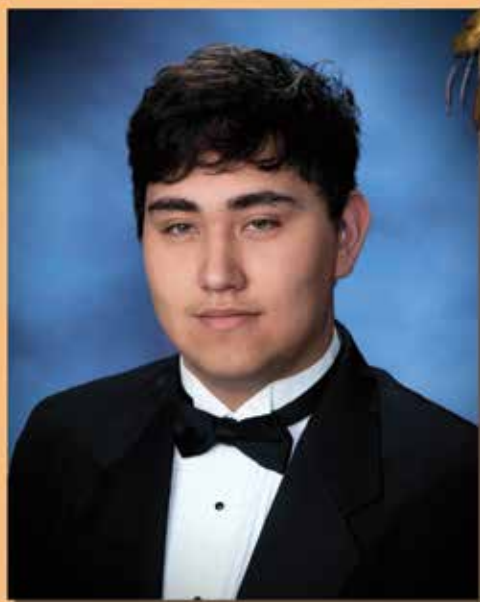
Friday June 2, 2017 - 5:00pm at Kituwah Mound

Riders will finish the ride in Tahlequah, Oklahoma on

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Ricardo por tu Graducion que tengas mucho exito en tu vida y logres tus metas te lo desea tu familia Torres Cedillo



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