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EBCI tribal member Yona Wade is congratulated at the end of the Remember the Removal Ride by Cherokee Nation Deputy Principal Chief Joe Crittenden on Friday, June 21 in Tahlequah, Okla. as Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker looks on.

Remember the Removal riders finish journey

By J.D. ARCHCOMMERCE INTERN

AHLEQUAH, Okla. - The 2013 Remember the Removal Bike Ride is one that none of the team members will forget. The Riders left New Echota, Ga., the last capital of the Cherokees, on Monday, June 3 at 8:30 am on the road following a northern route to Tahlequah, Okla.

The team comprised of 22 riders, 15 from the Cherokee Nation and seven from the Eastern Band of Cherokees. EBCI riders included: Yona Wade, Hillary Smith, Joseph Owle, Elias Huskey, Marvel Welch, Kate Cooper and Tighe Wachacha. Cherokee Nation riders were: Benjamin Keener, Blake

Henson, Carter Copeland, Hayden Comingdeer, Heston Lamons, John Ross, Joseph Keener, Christian Carnes, Lane Holcomb, Latosha Atcity, Lilly Keener, Marshall Smith, Noah Collins, Robert Ketcher and Sarah Holcomb. They started the three-week journey that would take them through seven states and over 950 miles.

Four bikes had to go into the shop for the riders to continue and the number of flat tires was too high to count. On Thursday, June 20, the day before entering Tahlequah, the team had over eight flats with several bikes having multiple flats.

The ride ended with the team arriving in Tahlequah on Friday, June 21 at 10:30 am. They were led by EBCI tribal member

Marvel Welch and Cherokee Nation citizen Sarah Holcombe. Welch had a birthday the day before coming into Tahlequah and this was Holcombe's fifth time to make the journey from Georgia to Oklahoma.

Among those that welcomed the riders into Tahlequah were Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Bill John Baker and Cherokee Nation Deputy Principal Chief Joe Crittenden with various members of the Cherokee Nation Tribal Council. Both Chief Baker and Deputy Chief Crittenden spoke at the arrival ceremony giving praise and adoration to the riders and their families for support.





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Seven indicted in alleged drug ring

Many more facing tribal, state charges

criminal indictment charging seven defendants with drug trafficking conspiracy and related charges was unsealed in U.S. District court on Wednesday, June 19, announced Anne M. Tompkins, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. The federal indictment was returned by a grand jury sitting in Asheville on June 4 and remained sealed until June 19, following arrests of the named defendants by law enforcement on Tuesday, June 18.

The indictment is the result of a large scale two-year joint federal, tribal and state investigation targeting the distribution of narcotics, with a focus on prescription drugs, on and around the Cherokee Indian Reservation.

The defendants named in the indictment are charged with one count of conspiracy to possess with intent to distribute controlled substances, including oxycodone, cocaine, marijuana and alprazolam. According to the indictment, the alleged conduct took place between January 2007 and December 2012 in Swain and Jackson Counties.

Those charged are: - Jackie Lee Rattler, 54, of Cherokee - Jacob Hunter Rattler, 21, of Cherokee

- Evan Thomas Norris, Jr., 54, of Robbinsville
- Taryn Krista Elizabeth Toineeta Rattler, 25, of Cherokee
- Timothy Leroy Rattler, 50, of
- Cherokee - Justina Nacole Rattler, 31, of
- Cherokee
- Mark Allen Winstead, 26, of Cherokee

Jackie Lee Rattler also faces six additional counts of possession with intent to distribute controlled substances, and one count of being a controlled substance user in possession of firearms. Jacob Hunter Rat-

tler is also charged with one additional count of possession with intent to distribute a controlled substance.

Cherokee Chief of Police Ben Reed stated, "These arrests have been a long time coming. We go to work every day and see the impact illegal drug use and sales is having on our community, and it's sad. We hear the complaints and take the reports from the community about who is selling drugs and who's using drugs. We feel the frustration of how difficult it is to stop a drug dealer and we constantly analyze and critique the way our agency is addressing the drug problem. By working with local and federal law enforcement agencies, we realize the importance of true interdiction, hitting the drug trade and those involved, in a place that hurts."

"Interdiction is defined as 'to stop or cut off the enemy supply of' and we certainly can't do maximum damage by simply investigating and arresting a drug dealer and then move on to the next one. There's too many. What we have done here, and what we will continue to do, is identify the drug dealer, the drug buyer, the drug user, and every person associated with them and go after all of them, no matter what jurisdiction or state they are in. We are all dealing with the same drugs, same druggies, and same problems. It takes longer but the end result is that we inflict more damage to the drug trade in our community and our neighboring communities."

The indictment includes a notice of forfeiture, which gives notice that the defendants must forfeit to the United States all of the property and currency involved in the offenses charged in the indictment, and all property and currency which are proceeds of such offenses, including approximately \$48,900 in cash, 44 firearms, three vehicles and two Harley Davidson motorcycles seized during the course of the investigation.

Six of the seven defendants charged in the indictment are in custody. Taryn Rattler remains a fugitive. Those arrested were to remain in custody pending their detention hearings, which were scheduled for Friday, June 21.

Each drug offense carries a maximum prison term of 20 years, a \$1 million fine, or both. The user of narcotics in possession of firearms offense carries a maximum prison term of 10 years, a \$250,000 fine, or both.

The charges contained in the indictment are allegations. The defendants are presumed innocent unless and until they proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law. Tribal and state law enforcement officers have arrested and charged more than 25 defendants on tribal and state drug offenses.

Those facing tribal drug charges are: Deborah Smith, Charles Taylor, Austin Gunter, Humberto Corral, Deanna Smith (not arrested), Kevin Smith, Shenna Crowe, Lisa Toineeta, Sam Thompson, Mike Walkingstick (not arrested), Annie Cucumber, Robert Tramper, Ashley Keel (not arrested), Chadwick Feather, Walter Bradley, Thomas Rickman, Victoria Cucumber (not arrested), Delores Cabrera, Sally Bryson, Raymond Whitecotton, Rachel Taylor and Regan Parton.

Those facing state drug charges are: Alea Ohmart, James Murphy, Ceegee Bird (not arrested), Clyde Taylor, Rogelio Cabrera, Eric Dossett, Anthony Dossett (not arrested), Frankie Dyer and Christin Hodgins (Not arrested).

The following individuals were arrested prior to Wednesday, June 19 for their involvement in this case: John Patrick Smith, Michael Keener, Jacob Chase Wolfe, Clifford Brown, Heather Cucumber, Rita Howard, Sheena Standingdeer, Will Howard, Jason Thompson, Charlotte Cabe, Patrick Mahsetky, Kathy Sue Smith Bradley, Taslisa Bradley, Christopher Kirkland, Carl Arch, Josie Owle,

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- Cherokee Chief of Police Ben Reed

Anna Parton, Ontonio Rodriguez, Krystal Pheasant Watty, John Taylor Sr., Katelyn Ledford, Stephanie Taylor, Kogee Postoak, John Patrick Smith Jr., Frances Sequoyah, William Douthit, Nancy Griffin, Paul Stanley, John Cameron George, Kevin Johnson, Jasmine Lossiah, Kandance Griffin, Eudine Wilson, Marie Raymond and William Hatt.

U.S. Attorney Tompkins thanked all the law enforcement agencies involved in this investigation for their continued cooperation and assistance. The prosecution for the case is handled by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney John Pritchard of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville.

U.S. Attorney Tompkins was joined in making the announcement by Harry S. Sommers, Special Agent in Charge of the Atlanta Field Division of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), which oversees the Charlotte District Office; Jason O'Neal, Deputy Associate Director of the Bureau of Indian Affairs, Division of Drug Enforcement; Wayne L. Dixie, Special Agent in Charge of the U.S. Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF), Charlotte Field Division; Chief Ben Reed of the Cherokee Indian Police Department; Sheriff Curtis Cochran of the Swain County Sheriff's Office; Sheriff Mickey Anderson of the Graham County Sheriff's Office; Sheriff Greg Christopher of the Haywood County Sheriff's Office; and Sheriff Jimmy Ashe of the Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

Sheriff Cochran said, "I am pleased with the hard work, dedication, determination and the working

These are some of the mugshots of those arrested by Cherokee Indian Police Department in connection to an alleged oxycodone ring. Mugshots were not available for those indicted on federal charges. (Photos by Cherokee Indian Police Department)



Alea Ohmart



Annie Cucumber



Austin Gunter



Chadwick Feather



Charles Taylor



Clyde Taylor Jr.



Debbie Smith



Delores Cabrera



Frankie Dyer



Humberto Corral



James Murphy



Kevin Smith



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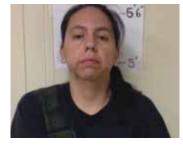
relationship that we have with all the different agencies involved in this operation. This has been a huge success in our fight against the drug trafficking and distribution in Swain and surrounding Counties. The two years spent on this investigation has been a huge payday for the law abiding citizens of this county. It has been, and will continue to be my

commitment to the citizens

of Swain County to make

fighting drugs a top priority for my administration."

Chief of Police Reed added, "Our officers and our law enforcement partners have worked this case well for a long time along with the many other cases they manage. A case like this not only impacts Cherokee, but all of the counties around us. This case signifies things to come. We will use the laws to our advantage in regards to investigating drug use,



Sheena Crowe

sales, and trafficking, and will take down as many people as we can in the process. I thank God for keeping us safe and giving us the health



enough, for our officers and

Thomas Rickman



Walter Bradley

to do our jobs. All things are possible through the Lord.

Pray for all involved. I can't express my gratitude

all the agencies that assisted."

- U.S. Attorney's Office and CIPD releases

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Tribal Forest report stresses need for funding, conservation

BV SCOTT MCKIE B.P. ONE FEATHER STAFF

ccording to the Intertribal Timber Council (ITC), around one-third of all trust lands throughout Indian Country is forest land. Lack of funding is hurting forests in many of these tribal areas according to a report released on Monday, June 17 by the Indian Forest Management Assessment Team

This is the third study completed by IFMAT since the 1991 implementation of the National Indian Forest Resources Management Act which calls for an independent evaluation of Indian forests every ten years.

According to the report, there are 18 million acres of Indian forests located on 305 "forested" reservations in 24 states.

"The low level of funding is hurting the ability of Tribes to care for

their lands and resources," said Dr. John Gordon, leader of all three IFMAT studies. "Unless the United States provides adequate funding to fulfill its fiduciary trust obligations, the forests which are so essential to Tribal communities will ultimately deteriorate."

The IFMAT report states, "The federal government continues to inadequately fulfill its trust obligations as evidenced by the fact that funding and staffing levels are lower now than at the time of IFMAT-1 in 1993 and well below those of comparable public and private programs. In spite of these shortfalls, tribes are assuming greater leadership through self-determination and self-governance."

The report, based on 2011 figures, says that funding for Indian forestry management is around 39 percent (\$100 million) below the \$254 million "estimated as the mini-

mum base level of funding for forest stewardship and timber production."

The report also states that a minimum of 792 staff positions are needed to help bring Indian forestry "up to par with other forest" ownerships. Congressman Mark Meadows

(R-NC) said, "The federal government has a well-documented obligation to Indian forest lands. Unfortunately, due to fiscal irresponsibility, it has not always been able to live up to this obligation. The need to take better care of our natural treasures serves as further evidence of why we must get our entire fiscal house in order. Despite our financial challenges, we cannot lose sight of our duties."

Dr. Gordon stated, "It Tribes received the same level of funding that the federal government provides for federal forests, Tribal forests could serve as valuable models of sustainable stewardship."

The report goes on to state a major recommendation, "The benefits of self-governance to Indian forests should be protected by provision of recurring funding and increased technical support where needed for tribal forestry and resource management. A system of base and incremental funding should be implemented."

The report concludes, "To continue the successes in Indian forestry, these steps must be taken: restructuring the evaluation of trust oversight performance, ensuring adequate recurring funding geared to tribal goals, and improving technical assistance and cooperation. Fulfilling these tasks is not only necessary to meet the trust obligations of the U.S. government to Indian tribes, but would yield lasting contributions to the health and productivity of the nation's forests."





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6th Annual Trooper Shawn Blanton Scholarships awarded

By JEAN JONESONE FEATHER EDITOR

Shawn Blanton Memorial Golf Tournament, held on June 14 at the Sequoyah National Golf Club, the family of Shawn Blanton recognized seven female athletes from across western North Carolina as recipients of the Shawn Blanton Scholarship. This athletic scholarship was established in 2008 to keep Shawn's memory alive for it was his love of fast pitch softball that inspired his family to set up the scholarship program in remembrance of

Born and raised in Cherokee, he was the first EBCI tribal member to

serve as a North Carolina State Trooper. On June 17, 2008, he was shot during a routine traffic stop and was rushed to Memorial Mission Hospital in Asheville where he later died

At the time of his death, Shawn had just finished his first year as the head coach for the Smoky Mountain High School JV softball team.

"I think the scholarship would make Shawn proud," David Blanton, Shawn's father, said. "He liked coaching and helping people out, and in a way he's still doing both!" To qualify for this scholarship, the contender must be a female athlete who is a member of her high school softball team. She must be a high school senior and have been ac-

cepted into a 2 or 4 year school.

At the tournament, the Shawn Blanton Scholarship awarded each recipient a \$1,000 scholarship. They are:

- Brianna Smith, Cherokee High School
- Kaylie Leek, Hayesville High School
- Taylor Galyean, Pisgah High School
- Tate Sutton, Smoky Mountain High School
- Jillian Gleeson, Asheville High School
- Jessica Winchester, Swain County High School
- Tori Golden, Hiawassee School.
 To date, 23 female athletes have received scholarships totaling nearly \$25,000.



Trooper Shawn Blanton

The **Cherokee Bonfire** will be held **7–9pm every Thursday, Friday and Saturday night** during the summer at the Oconaluftee Islands Park Bonfire Pit. Relax by the fire and river, roast marshmallows, as you enjoy some of our best storytellers entertain you and your family with Cherokee myths, legends and passed on stories.

As always, the Cherokee Bonfire is FREE for the entire family, including free marshmallows! If you haven't seen this, it's worth the drive!

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Do you want to help strengthen local EBCI communities? Then apply to become a Community Development Coordinator!

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Cooperative Extension Center and Cherokee Preservation Foundation are jointly looking for a Community Development Coordinator who has the skills and experience to help strengthen EBCI communities by working with community clubs to expand community participation and develop their leadership and grantseeking skills.

The Community Development Coordinator will work with all community clubs on a frequent basis and prepare them for annual community development judging, Cherokee Indian Fair opportunities for communities, the annual local Community Development Awards program, and training programs to improve their fundraising, grant writing and other skills.

The Coordinator must have excellent verbal and written communications skills so he/she can develop news releases, success stories and reports, as well as lead or serve as a partner in the creation of events such as the annual Cherokee Day of Caring and Cherokee Preservation Foundation's annual Community Celebration.

The Community Development Coordinator is also responsible for coordinating and chaperoning an annual Costa Rica Eco-Study Tour for local youth and chaperones.

The successful candidate for this position will already have a record of involvement in and familiarity with the communities of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Persons applying for the position must have at least an Associate's degree or experiential equivalent.

No later than July 12, 2013, interested persons should send a resume and a letter of interest with a salary history to Rick DeLoughery at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center at PO Box 456, Cherokee, NC 28719. Phone 828-554-6939.







Team EBCI is shown (left-right) at the Parade of Nations at the opening of the Jim Thorpe Native American Games held June 9-15 in Oklahoma City: Raymond Taylor, Jack Walkingstick, Tavi Rivera, Bud Smith, Tagan Crowe, and Michael Montelongo.

EBCI represented at Jim Thorpe Games

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. - The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was represented in wrestling and golf at the annual Jim Thorpe Native American Games held June 9-15 in Oklahoma City.

EBCI tribal members Tavi Rivera, Michael Montelongo and Raymond Taylor competed in wrestling and Tagan Crowe competed in the golf tournament. Jack Walkingstick coached the wrestlers and Bud Smith coached Crowe.

Rivera won gold, Montelongo won silver and Taylor took fourth in their respective wrestling divisions and Crowe placed fifth in the golf

competition.

"Thank you to Nancy Wahnetah, Crowe's Sno to Go, Wahnetah and Ned Stamper, Painttown Gym, Bo Crowe, Dick Crowe, Patrick Lambert, Tribal Council, Vice Chairman Bill Taylor, EBCI Gaming Commission, Food Lion, Big Cove Grocery, Stoney Store, Pam Taylor, and Dinah Grant," said Radonna Crowe, mother of golfer Tagan Crowe, on behalf of the EBCI team. "Thank you to everyone who bought a breakfast, sno cone, baked good and 50/50 ticket. Sarah Crowe was the winner of the 50/50 and donated the money to the boys."

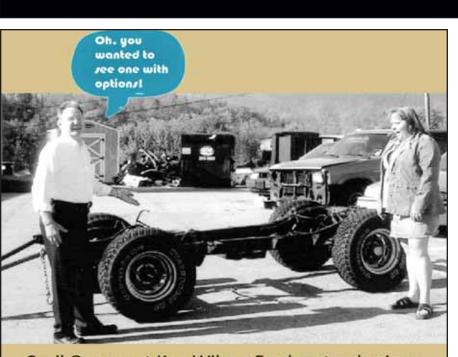
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News Briefs

Smith extradited to Cherokee after arrest in NM

Kyle Jacob Smith, 20, of Whittier, was picked up in Farmington, NM for Assault on June 10. Smith was held in the San Juan, NM Detention Center.

While in custody, New Mexico authorities confirmed that he had outstanding warrants in Cherokee Tribal Court and contacted Cherokee Indian Police Department to begin the extradition process.

As a result, two CIPD officers traveled to New Mexico and transported Smith back to Cherokee.

Smith was taken before a Tribal Magistrate on June 16 on the following charges:

- Seven counts of Domestic Violence, incident on April 1
- One count of Second Degree Child Abuse, incident on April 1
- One count of Providing Alcoholic Beverages to/Possession of/Consumption of Alcoholic Beverages by/Persons under 21 years old, incident on Dec. 8, 2012

Smith is being held in Swain County Jail without bond until his court date on June 25.

- CIPD

Body found at Soco Falls

Cherokee Indian Police Department received a report at approximately 10am on Monday, June 24 of a body at the bottom of the Soco Falls area on US19N in Cherokee. Upon arrival, Tribal Emergency Services located the body of Lynda L. Nichols, 57, of Lexington. Due to the evidence at the scene, no foul play is suspected at this time. The official cause of death will be determined pending the autopsy.

- CIPD

Harrah's Cherokee donates \$30,000 to MANNA

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort donated \$30,000 to MANNA FoodBank's Blue Jean Ball that was held on June 1 at MANNA headquarters in Asheville

For the past 30 years, MANNA has been serving Western North Carolina by providing food to area agencies for distribution. The Blue Jean Ball, this year themed "Putting it on the Table, 30 Years Deep," is one of MANNA's largest fundraising events.

"MANNA has been one of our community partners for years, and we fully support its mission

and values," Janna Hyatt, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort community relations specialist, said. "The Blue Jean Ball is a fun way for community members to come together and raise a lot of money for a great cause."

The \$30,000 donation was used to fund the Blue Jean Ball and will also be used for MANNA's fall fundraiser, Empty Bowls, and the organization's 30th Anniversary Celebration.

A DJ, live music, and an 80s dance group entertained a crowd of nearly 900 at this year's event. More than 20 area restaurants, including Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort's Chefs Stage, served bite-sized culinary creations.

The Blue Jean Ball is not just a fundraiser. Each year, the event brings together businesses and people from across the area. Food, equipment, and labor are all donated, and more than 100 volunteers work at the event.

- Harrah's Cherokee

Wolftown Community news

Attention Wolftown Gardeners: Please call Tuff Jackson, 788-4088, if you have a garden (flower and/or vegetable garden). The Community Club wants to take pictures of your garden to place in their community scrap book and fair booth. "Let us show off your hard work and beautiful gardens," said Polly Castorena, Wolftown Community Club.

The Community Club will be hosting the Community Tribal Council meeting on July 1 at the Wolftown Gym beginning at 6pm. The Club is responsible for the meat and drinks. The rest of the menu will be potluck. Any assistance from the community is appreciated.

At the July 8 Community Club meeting, Cherokee fluent speakers will be honored. All Wolftown fluent Speakers are invited to a dinner hosted by the Wolftown Community club at the Wolftown Gym beginning at 6:30pm.

- Polly Castorena, Wolftown Community Club

Big Y Community Club Meeting Minutes from June 11, 2013

Community Club Chairman Don Long welcomed 13 community club members to the June meeting.

The first order of business was a Cherokee School Board report presented by Dick Crowe. The End of Grade results will be forthcoming in September, the schools are hiring new principals and there is a new head football coach, many staff are on break for the summer, the school is seeking new finance and human resources personnel, there are budget cuts which will lead to cutbacks,

the streamlining of some processes and increasing class size in some curricula, last year's attendance was approximately 300 students in grades 9-12 and overall attendance was around 1200, the next school board meeting discussion will be held regarding staff's children's attendance at Cherokee Central Schools.

Old Items:

- * Secretary read May's minutes. Voted and accepted.
- * Vicki Long Reported: there we several Food Lion Purchase and the current fund balance is: \$1,564.45, this report was voted on and approved.
- * Other business: community member to be reimbursed for gas used on mowing the lawn of the Big Y CC Building, a report on all-community gettogether meeting last month, Vacation Bible School planned for building, planning an upcoming July 4 dinner, advertise in *One Feather* for Cornhole tournament, Silent auction, cook-out to take place weekend before the forth –June 29 Saturday 3pm, invite community and political candidates, Wolfetown to support a drug resolution before tribal council, community to work on scrapbook.

Tim Smith Report on Building Activities: Building is being rented question of accountability of funds, hiring a new person for weekends, recreation can possibly split cost of re-keying, outstanding keys need to be returned, building Line telephone number: 497-9649.

Report from Jeremy Wilson, political candidate for Wolfetown tribal council seat, campaigning is hard, trying to get to all the homes, uses Facebook, appreciative for all the help.

There are 400 registered voters in Big Y. Primary Turnout: 149(35 percent)

Other Items Discussed: Money making ideas? \$50 gas ticket auction? Remember the Removal Bike Riders –Jeremy to join up with the ride for the last 3 days Meeting Adjourned

- David Lambert

Local educator attends NCCAT Seminar

CULLOWHEE - Kelly J. Muse, of Cherokee Middle School, attended a seminar held recently at the North Carolina Center for the Advancement of Teaching, a recognized national leader in professional development programming for our state's teachers.

NCCAT provides teachers with new knowledge, skills, teaching methods, best practices and information to take back to their classrooms. Info: www.nccat.org or (828) 293-5202.

- NCCAT

USET develops work group to address violence against Native women

NASHVILLE - United South and Eastern Tribes, Incorporated (USET) is setting goals and taking action to be a facilitator to national efforts to build capacity within Tribal nations to carry out the new Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) initiatives. During its Semi-Annual Board of Directors meeting, USET adopted a resolution which creates a workgroup on violence against Native women to monitor policy, identify best practices, provide technical assistance, and provide public education and awareness to Indian Country.

"This is an effort to preserve the legacy of our community," said USET president Brian Patterson. "The backbone of that legacy is held by our earth mothers to the mother earth. USET wants to reinforce and build upon the work that is being done by so many to improve Tribal



USET photo

Painttown Rep. Terri Henry, a national advocate on Native women's rights, speaks to the USET Board of Directors on VAWA issues during a meeting in May.

capacity to effectively enforce the new laws and initiatives that have been given to us through the VAWA reauthorization so that we are not just building safe neighborhoods, but healthy neighborhoods. Once again we owe this work to our Native women, because they nurture our families and give us life in so many ways. When our mothers and daughters live in fear, this creates an unstable community and destroys our community health. That is why creating this workgroup is so important."

Painttown Rep. Terri Henry, cochair of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) Task Force on Violence Against Native Women, informed members of the USET Board of Directors in May that DOJ is going to offer assistance for Tribes in the form of grants. Grants to Indian Tribal Government Programs could help Tribal government and courts build programs for code and legal policy development, prevention of sex trafficking and youth victimization. Rep. Henry says this is one resource that will really help Indian Country build capacity to handle domestic violence and sexual assault with respect to law enforcement, Tribal courts and incarceration.

"We have to make sure our I's are dotted and T's are crossed," she said. "There is a lot at stake and we have to be better and exceed expectations."

Rep. Henry added, "We want all Tribes to be a part of the collective problem solving and solution finding that will create an effective system of justice to carry out this new law (VAWA). Our ultimate goal is safety for our Native women, which is an important aspect of our Tribal sovereignty. With USET's effort to develop a workgroup, that's ensuring we meet the unique needs of our Tribes which will make VAWA effective."

- USET



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Annual blanket giveaway

Thirty nine EBCI tribal members who turned 80 years old this past year were honored with a Pendleton blanket in the Annual 2013 Blanket Giveaway at Tsali Manor on Friday, June 21. The blanket featured the seal of the Eastern Band of Cherokees and the Cherokee syllabary. In attendance were (left-right) Walter Rattler, Jack Bradley, John Squirrell, Edna Hubbs, Sue Cooper, Frances Studer, Dewalt Hyde, Jean Ward, Maxine Hyde, Ray Lambert, Laverne Land, Willard McCoy, Elizabeth Bryson, Clarence Welch, Edna Hornbuckle, and Kenneth Smith. Not pictured were: Wilma Pheasant, Shirley Greene, Glenn Ladd, James Bradley, Doris Wilkerson, Mary Widenhouse, Clarice Long, Annie French, Jean Arch, William Owle, Lydia Queen, Marcell Cline, Yonnie Hill, Elizabeth Hughes, Emma Garrett, Melvin Murphy, Daisy Williams, Mary Youngbird, Anna Owle, Charles Murphy, Osceola Smith, Betty Nave, Tom Cole, and Joyce Cable.





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USA Mission Experience members visit Qualla Arts

Presbyterian women from all over the United States visited Qualla Arts & Crafts Mutual, Inc. on Sunday, June 23. The women are affiliated with USA Mission Experience, and their hostesses for the Cherokee visit were Frella Beck and Edna Goshorn. Note: Names were not available for the women pictured.



Photo by Dakota Johnson



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Huskey retires

Eddie Huskey (center) is shown at his retirement party on Friday, June 21 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds with Principal Chief Michell Hicks (left) and Vice Chief Larry Blythe. Huskey was the EBCI Deputy Operations Officer.

Elk welcome

Dakota Johnson, 12, of Asheville, shot this at the kiosk across from Saunooke Village on Wednesday, June 12. He is the grandson of EBCI tribal member Dennis Reagan and spends most weekends with his grandparents here in Cherokee, fishing if at all possible.

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Cherokee Central Schools Report

Cultural Summer School culminates with "Night of the Arts"

he "Night of the Arts" was presented by the Cultural Summer School students and staff on Thursday, June 13 at the Cherokee Elementary School. This night reflected the talents of the children who attended the cultural summer school.

The students took classes in art, dolls, Native American literature, gourds, whiteoak basketry, pottery, foods, plants, beadwork, and soapstone carving. Mini-courses of Cherokee dance, Cherokee language, singing, and Cherokee games were integrated into the regular day. The Native American Literature class performed "How the Possum Lost Her Tail" integrating the Buffalo Dance within the oral tradition. Cherokee songs were sung by the students.

The lead teachers of the classes were Darrin Bark, Reba Elders, Georgia Shirley, Matthew Tooni, Ella Buttery, Pam Bryson, Louise and Ed Goings, Dean Reed, Ann Bradley, Faye Bird, Sebastian Brun, Gail Panther, Andrew Maney, Caroline Thompson, and Jilinda Hill. The administrator of the Cultural School was Judy Castorena under the direction of the Cultural Department. Special recognition goes to the language instructors for their assistance in the Cherokee language courses. Several other staff members were a



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Pottery instructor Candy Lossiah (right) teaches Arthur Locust how to stamp patterns onto his plate at Cherokee Elementary's Cultural Summer School held recently.

part in this cultural endeavor.

"We are very grateful to our supporters for this cultural event," said Cherokee Elementary School officials. "Our sponsors were: Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Harrah's Tribal Scholarship Committee, the Cherokee Central School System, and the Cherokee Boys Club. Thank you to all the parents and community who attended our "Night of the Arts". We appreciate your support. Also, a final note: For the students who were not here on Friday, please collect your crafts from the Cultural Office located at the Elementary School. Please see Heather Driver."

- Cherokee Central Schools



Micah Swimmer (left in yellow shirt) leads the dance class in the Friendship Dance.



Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority Report

CIH: Our Promise

By JODY BRADLEY

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL

herokee Indian Hospital (CIH) is very excited about getting a new facility. It means a lot to the CIH staff to have this opportunity to increase, improve and implement new health services in the local communities. Work has already been started on this estimated 3 year process.

As this process begins and over the next couple of years as CIH transitions to a new building, Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority promises the patients and community that services and care will not be altered or neglected. The staff is committed to continuous improvement. They will continue to improve processes, implement new ideas, increase technology, and maintain a healthy environment for our community. The staff promises to keep everyone informed on the project's progress.

The CIH staff promises to leave the building they are currently occupying in good condition for future services or programs that may occupy it after they have moved out. They will continue to clean the carpets and paint the walls. They will continue to mow the grass or to expand services. Cherokee Indian Hospital will continue to provide this community with the best health care possible.

There may be bumps and inconveniences along the way, but Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority believes this community and Tribal members deserve a state of the art facility and quality healthcare, at they are committed to seeing it through. The Classical Convenience of the art facility and quality healthcare, at they are committed to seeing it through.

state of the art facility and quality healthcare, and they are committed to seeing it through. The CIH staff hopes you will join and support them on this journey they are beginning.



Cherokee Central Schools Report



Photo courtesy of BabyFACE

BabyFACE holds Summer Safety group night

Cherokee BabyFACE held its annual Summer Safety group night recently. Families received a safety notebook; toothbrushes; and safety kits for the car that included, a First Aid kit, flashlight, sunscreen, and hand sanitizers. Parent educator Alissa Lambert commented, "Families enjoyed Pizza from Wise Guys Pizza who graciously donated a Pizza to the group. Parent Educators thank John Reed with the Cherokee Fire Department for presenting on Car Seat Safety, Water Safety, Avoiding a Heatstroke, and the importance of Sunscreen. They also thank Aaron Rinker from Dr. Oliver's office in Franklin for presenting on Dental Health."

Cherokee Elementary receives AYP Status for 2011-12 school year

By PAULA COKER CHEROKEE ELEM, PRINCIPAL

herokee Elementary School is pleased to announce that we achieved the status, under the federal No Child Left Behind Act, of making Adequate Yearly Progress (AYP) for the 2011/2012 school year. Our students and staff are to be commended on this accomplishment.

AYP is the cornerstone of accountability used in federal legislation and is largely a measure of student achievement on required statewide assessments. Cherokee Elementary students in grades 3-5 take the North Carolina End-of-Grade assessments. After testing is completed, our results are submitted to the Bureau of Indian

Education. BIE uses the results to designate whether each school achieved the status of making AYP for a specific school year.

We are so thankful to our parents/guardians and the Cherokee community for your help, support, and encouragement as we continue on this journey to excellence! Please know that every effort is being made to continue to provide a nurturing student-focused learning environment. You are welcome to visit and see the many excellent things that are going on here at Cherokee Elementary School.

Thank you, again, for sending us the very best students in North Carolina! It is a pleasure and honor for me to serve as principal of Cherokee Elementary School.

Three EBCI students attending Aspirnaut Program at Vandy

NASHVILLE - Seven students from the USET region, including three EBCI tribal members, are at Vanderbilt University Medical Center this summer working on research projects during the six week Aspirnaut program. This program allows students to work hand in hand with scientists and researchers at Vanderbilt University.

The students selected this year

- Taloa Berg, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians
- Nicodemus Bushyhead, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- Nicklaus Shumake, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians
- Deon Denson, Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians
- Mack Lackey, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- · Xan Sadongei, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- · Will Martin, Poarch Band of Creek Indians

Berg and Bushyhead will be joining the Aspirnaut™ program for their second year. Last year, they were part of the inaugural program, sponsored by USET. Berg recently graduated from Choctaw Central High School and has been accepted to Vanderbilt as an undergraduate for the fall semester. Bushyhead is a rising senior at Cherokee High School.

The remaining five students will attend Aspirnaut TM for the first time. Denson is a rising junior at Choctaw Central High School (Mississippi). Shumake will be a freshman at the University of Southern Mississippi this fall. Lackey and Sadongei are rising juniors at Cherokee High School, and Will Martin is a rising sophomore at the University of Alabama.

Denson is working on making a video to help prevent diabetes in American Indian Youth. "I am recording, taking pictures, and getting interviews of other teens. I am going to edit them and add sound tracks to it," Denson told USET about



Nicodemus Bushyead (CHS senior), Taloa Berg (Choctaw Central High graduate/Vanderbilt University freshman) and Xan Sandongei (CHS junior) are shown at the Aspirnaut Program being held this summer at Vanderbilt.

his work.

He says he wants to attend Cornell University and study veterinary medicine. Coming from Mississippi to Nashville, Tenn.. Denson adds he feels right at home, "It didn't feel any different. I guess I am used to it. I don't know how, I didn't come from a big place, but I just feel used to it." Denson is working hand in hand with some research being performed by Bushyhead, who is working with ARC-GIS to plot data points on exercising while working in a human behavioral study lab at Vanderbilt. "We're doing work to see where you go and what you do (while exercising) and raise awareness to where people are attracted to exercising," Bushyhead stated. "In this way, we can raise awareness of diabetes, the importance of exercising, and build models where people are attracted to being active."

Bushyhead, while in his second year attending Aspirnaut, has be-

come a leader among the attendees. "Maybe it's because I speak up more or the others know I have been here before."

His career goal is to become a pharmacist and open a pharmacy in Cherokee.

Shumake is working on sequencing data out of collagen. He will attend the University of Southern Mississippi this fall.

Sadongei told USET he would like to continue his studies after graduating Cherokee High School to pursue mechanical engineering. Berg says she will pursue an educational path to become a general practitioner physician. Lackey wants to attend medical school, and Martin is attending the University of Alabama and is working with fellow undergraduate research interns separate from high school students.

The AspirnautTM Program at Vanderbilt University (VU) is working to encourage young rural stu-

dents to reach their dreams while giving them resources and real life experiences in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math (STEM) fields so that they may pursue careers as doctors, engineers, telecommunication specialists, math teachers and professors, and other related STEM career areas. The program works to beam information, resources, and research back into rural classrooms so that it may involve younger students in elementary schools, high schools and collegiate undergraduates. Over 800 students have been recipients of online conferencing and virtual laboratories.

The AspirnautTM program was started by Dr. Billy G. Hudson at Vanderbilt University Medical Center as part of a vision to educate and give advantages to rural students. Dr. Hudson's wife Dr. Julie Hudson, Vanderbilt University Assistant Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs, has a hands-on working relationship with

the AspirnautTM Program and works closely with the students. Dr. Julie Hudson told USET leadership, "We think that the partnership works well because it uses the assets of a research university and extends those to rural schools, rural teachers, and rural leaders in education."

The AspirnautTM Program has collected data on all of its participants and monitored their progress after leaving the program. There have been no dropouts recorded among the 43 high school students that have participated in the last four summers. Twenty seven are seeking some form of post secondary training or are enrolled in college according to Dr. Hudson.

Hudson adds, "All but one or two of the 27 in college are enrolled in a STEM related field of study." Hudson says that the remaining 16 students are still in high school and engaging in advanced courses in math and science. "Our data is showing that students are making positive progress in the classroom and planning for education pathways past high school," Hudson commented.

For several USET members the goal is to improve the standard of living. The Aspirnaut™ Program works to gather a diverse group of students and create unique approaches in seeking solutions for challenges in science. The students gain experience and possibly a new foothold in gaining acceptance to first rate universities. Dr. Hudson says the hope is that these students will go into a field of science. Regardless of the career pathway they choose, whether they become leaders, teachers, or administrators, they will have critical thinking skills, understand how to influence lawmakers on funding innovations in science that will make positive affects in their community, and become positive role models for the future. Collectively, this translates into a growing and highly trained workforce for Tribal Nations.

USET Executive Director Kitcki Carroll echoes Hudson's remarks saying, "We are most excited about what has occurred up to this point. The relationship USET has with Vanderbilt is so important because it is a critical component to our overall Tribal Nation rebuilding efforts. The educational opportunities for our younger generations are paramount to accomplishing our goals of rebuilding Indian Country. We must always remember, in our efforts to rebuild our communities, that it is going to take all kinds of skill sets, all sorts of expertise."

USET President Brian Patterson told Tribal Leadership it must do everything it can to provide resources to USET Tribal youth. "We know when we invoke the power of a good mind in principle throughout our Nations that we do so with the future generations in mind. We do so while talking of the future seven generations. For the seven generations to meet their challenges, we must prepare our leaders of today. We must give them all the strength, all the courage, all the compassion that we can so they can advance their generation and future generations."

EBCI Transit weekly shopping trips



Cherokee Transit is offering trips to Sylva and Waynesville shopping centers each week

* Every Tuesday, the bus leaves the Transit office at 4:30pm for Waynesville and

Every Wednesday, the bus leaves the Transit office at 10:30am for Sylva and returns to Cherokee at 1:15pm.

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* There is no charge for Senior Citizens.

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The National Native American Youth Initiative

For many students, summer is a time to relax with friends, enjoy time away from early school mornings, studying, and tests, but don't forget that summer also gives you a great opportunity to explore possible future careers options and special interests. Summer academic camps and workshops can set you apart from other students while also demonstrating to college admission representatives that you are committed and dedicated to your future

goals. With competition tough among high achieving students for the top colleges in the country, summer academic opportunities make you a more competitive and attractive candidate to your "first choice" school. The summers of your high school years are the best times to spread your wings and jump into one of the many enriching summer ventures available specifically to Native students.

This week's spotlight will be the National Native American Youth Initiative (NNAYI) held at Washington University, in Washington, D.C., during the week of June 22-30. If you are interested in biomedical research, or in a medical profession, this prestigious camp may be the perfect fit for you. Sponsored by the Association of American Indian Physicians, NNAYI is designed to better prepare American Indian/Alaska Native high school students to remain in the "academic pipeline" and to pursue education and careers in health and biomedical research.

NNAYI's curriculum is presented in a series of interactive workshops, lectures, and fieldtrips wherein students get an up close look at a variety of career paths, learn about health care issues facing Native communities, and are enlightened about scholarships and mentoring/shadowing opportunities with Native physicians and other professionals. Students are also taught about the medical school and university admissions process, financial aid, and enjoy networking and mentoring opportunities with Native professionals working in health care professions and special-

Eligible students age 16-18 may apply and participants are selected based on scholastic achievement, demonstrated interest in health science or biomedical research, leadership skills, and personal attributes. NNAYI scholarships are offered on a one-time basis and students are reminded that this is an intense program consisting of a rigorous daily schedule of classes and activities.

The NNAYI scholarship covers airfare, lodging, and most meals. Scholarships are funded by the Office of Minority Health, the National Institutes of Health, and the National Institute on Minority Health and Health Disparities.

With science being one of my favorite subjects, I applied and was accepted to attend this year's program which marks the 15th annual year of the NNAYI program. I hope to follow up in a future article regarding my personal experience at NNAYI. I am excited to meet other Native students from around the country as we learn as much about ourselves as we do the exciting and evolving field of medicine and biomedical research. For more information, visit the aaip.org website, or contact program director Gary Lankford at 405-946-7072, or via email at glankford@aaip.org.

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ONE FEATHER STAFF

Cherokee Runners 3rd **Annual Sunset 5K/Walk** & Fun Run

When: July 4, Fun Run at 7:15am, 5K at 7:45pm Where: The start and finish is at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. The 5K run will go through downtown Cherokee, to the traffic light at Casino Trail and back to the Fairgrounds.

stphswimmer@aol.com or gerrgrady@yahoo.com to have form emailed or register online: http://beta.active.com/cherokee-nc/run ning/races/4th-of-julysunset-5k-racerunwalk-2013-9655

Cherokee July 4th Fireworks

When: July 4 at dark Where: Acquoni Expo Cen-Info: Howard Wahnetah. 554-6471. howawahn@nc-

Freedom Fest

When: July 4 from 10am – 10pm, fireworks at 10pm Where: Bryson City Info: 488-3681, (800) 867-9246, chamber@greatsmokies.co

First Independence Day Parade in Nation

When: July 4 at 12am Where: Downtown Gatlin-

burg, Tenn.

Info: (800) 568-4748

Dillsboro July 4th Celebration

When: July 4

Where: Downtown Dills-

boro

Info: 586-1439

Ingles Fourth of July Celebration

When: July 4, starts at 4pm, fireworks at 9:30pm Where: Pack Square Park in Asheville Info: (828) 259-5800 or email Sandra Travis stravis@ashevillenc.gov

Andrews 4th of July Celebration

When: July 4 Where: Andrews Recreation Park Info: (828) 321-2135

Murphy 4th of July Celebration

When: July 4 Where: Konehete Park Info: (828) 361-5387

23rd Annual Patriot **Festival**

When: July 4, starts at 1:30pm, fireworks at 9:30pm

Where: Patriot Park in Pigeon Forge, Tenn.

Info: (800) 251-9100



EBCI Health & Medical Division Report

HIV Testing Day event to be held in Cherokee

ational HIV Testing Day will be commemorated in Cherokee on Thursday, June 27. The event, with the theme "Prevention is Caring", will be held on the Oconaluftee Island Park.

1. What is National HIV Testing Day?

- The whole country recognizes National HIV Testing Day every year on June 27. It is an opportunity for us to raise awareness of HIV and AIDS in Cherokee and give community members the tools they need to stop the spread of these diseases.
- This year, in partnership with WN-CAPP, NC Health and Human Services and multiple other medical

partners, Cherokee Community Health will commemorate the day by kicking off a four hour testing event on the Oconaluftee Island in Cherokee from 10 am - 2 pm.

• Everyone is invited to enjoy the food and activities in order to bring young families together to promote healthy habits. Hepatitis C and HIV testing will be offered by licensed healthcare workers with 20 minute results done in total confidentiality.

2. Why is this effort important?

- We have to raise people's awareness of the HIV/AIDS risk in Cherokee.
- Giving community members and community leaders the tools they need to fight the spread of the disease is very important. It is imperative that they learn the importance of advocating for improved health and wellness of community members.
- Everyone needs to be tested so that

they know their status. If someone doesn't know, they could be spreading the virus and not getting the treatment they need!

• For those who have HIV, the disease doesn't have you! It isn't a death sentence if you get treatment, and there are programs out there that can help if you don't have much money - like the Ryan White Program run by the NCHHS.

3. What else will go on at this testing event?

- The testing session will include instruction and discussion for community members.
- It's FREE!

All food and materials needed will be provided. Door prizes will be given every 30 minutes.

• Free and confidential HIV and Hepatitis tests throughout the day. It is just a mouth swab or fingerstick and you know your results in 20 minutes.

• Various tribal programs that specialize in health will be present from 10 am - 2pm to offer free services, provide information, and lots more. Island activities will include cornhole, drumming, yoga, water activity, hula hoops, DJ music, cotton candy, Hawaiian leis, and brightly dressed health professionals in grass skirts.

4. Who should come to be tested?

• If you know someone who is at risk for HIV because of using Drugs or Alcohol during sex, trading sex for drugs, frequently has STD's, or if you care about the health of your community, come and learn how to address HIV and AIDS in this community.

- EBCI Health & Medical

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Tick time in the mountains

icks are common in all areas of
North Carolina. They are more
likely to live in wooded areas or
high grassy areas. Ticks are
blood sucking arthropods which
makes them kin to the spider.
Ticks can cause disease in humans and
animals. Ticks can cause several different
diseases in humans but the ones heard
about most often are Lyme disease and
Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever.

There are several different tick species found in North Carolina. Each tick is known for causing different diseases. The American Dog tick is credited for Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever and Tularemia. The black legged tick has been known to causes anaplasmosis, bebesiosis, and Lyme disease. The brown dog tick can carry Rocky Mountain Spotted Fever. The Lonestar trick carries ehrlichiosis, tularemia and STARI(Southern Tick Associated Rash Illness). Persons should not be expected to know the type of tick they may have found and removed from themselves or their pet.

Ticks go through four stages in their life cycle. They must eat blood at every stage to survive. They prefer different hosts at each stage. Many ticks die because they cannot find another host to feed on. Ticks can feed on mammals, amphibians, reptiles and birds. Ticks cannot fly or jump. They find their host and grab on. Ticks then prepare to feed. They make a cut in the skin and insert their feeding tube. Some ticks have feeding tubes that are jagged on the end to hold to the skin. Others secrete a substance that cements the tube in place while they feed. Some ticks secrete an anesthetic so the host cannot feel the bite. Ticks feed slowly on the hosts' blood for several days. Small amounts of saliva may be secreted from the tick as it feeds. This is how ticks spread disease from one host to another.

Humans should try to protect themselves from ticks. Prevention is the key. There are several ways to minimize the chance of being bit by a tick. First, wear light colored clothing. Avoid heavily weeded or brushy areas if possible. Wear tick repellant. Tick repellant can be applied to exposed skin to anyone over 2 months of age. Use a product that contains at least 20 percent deet. Apply the repellent only to exposed skin. Clothing can be purchased or treated with a product called permethrin. Do not purchase lotions that serve as sunscreens and tick repellents. Sunscreens have to be reapplied more often and are prone to being washed or sweated off when outdoors. The properties in deet are not likely to be washed away, and therefore individuals do not want to be over treated.

Shower or bathe as soon as you can when you have been outdoors in possible tick exposure areas. Examine all over your body for ticks. If you find a tick, remove it by grasping the body of the tick with tweezers. Put one side of the tweezers under the tick, next to the skin and the other on top. Lift straight up. Assure that the tick is intact. If the head /mouth remained, try to remove it. If unsuccessful, wash the area well with soap and water. Write down in a safe place the date the tick was removed. Should the person who had the tick bite become sick in the next 1-4 weeks, tell the doctor the date of the tick bite.

Most tick borne illnesses are similar. Fever, muscle aches and rash. There are many illness associated with tick bites. It is very important a person seek medical attention if they feel they may have tick borne illness. Some illness can be fatal. Prevention is the key. Wear repellent with deet. Examine each other when returning from the outdoors. Check your animals and get ticks off them as well.

Info: Cherokee Community Health 554 6882, or visit http://epi.pub-lichealth.nc.gov/cd/diseases/ticks.html, http://www.cdc.gov/ticks/diseases/

- Cherokee Community Health



Cherokee Boys Club Report

www.cherokeeboysclub.com (828) 497-9101

CLUB SCHEDULE:

Thursday, July 4 – Fourth of July Holiday Friday, July 5 – Club Annual Leave Day (Club Employees Only)

Day (Club Employees Only) Wednesday, July 10 – Managers' Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 10 – Deadline for Board Resolutions – 8:30 a.m. Tuesday, July 16 – Health Screen – 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m.

Wednesday, July 17 – Club Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS' MEET-ING RESULTS:

Resolution 2535 – Approve Insurance Carrier for Club for FY 2014 -Passed

Resolution 2536 – Approve FY 2014 Boys Club Budget – Passed

FOURTH OF JULY HOLIDAY

The Boys Club will observe Thursday, July 4th as a Holiday. Friday, July 5 will be an optional Annual Leave Day. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is giving this day to their employees as an Administrative Leave Day; however, Club employees will have to take Annual Leave if they take Friday off.

CONGRATULATIONS – IT'S A GIRL!

Congratulations to Junior and Henrietta Welch on the birth of their daughter, Bristol Anne Welch, who was born on Thursday, June 20. Bristol weighed 6 lbs. 9 oz. at birth. Junior works in the Club's Construction and Facilities Department.

SCHOOL BUS TRAINING

A School Bus Training Course will be held July 9-11 in Haywood County. Please call Allan Oocumma or Albert Arch at 497-9101 for more information.

SOCIAL SERVICES STATS

As of the end of May 2013, the Child Care Department has served an average of 92 children per month; Children's Home has averaged 10 children per month and Family Support Services has served an average of 1525 clients per month, including ICWA inquiries.

AGELINK NEWS

Tammy Bradley, Child Care Manager, reported that the students at Agelink were visited by Miss Cherokee, Karyl Frankiewicz and Ciena Raine Fedor, Junior Miss Lumbee, last week. These ladies took time to introduce themselves and visit with the children. The children are staying busy with summer activities and field trips! Enrollment is up to 97 children since school is out.

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Our thoughts and prayers are with all the friends and families who have recently lost loved ones. Special thoughts are with the friends and families of Anita Driver Ellwood and the friends and families of Mike Elliot Littlejohn. We also continue to remember those experiencing illness and difficulty at this time.

Dora Reed Center News

By PAT SWAYNEY

he Dora Reed Center had several events for the children during the month of June.
A Father's Day cookout was held on the Oconaluftee Island Park on June 14. Many children along with their fathers or grandfathers were there to participate in the fishing activity. Staff members Angela Moncada, Laura Hoyle, Sara Beck, and Heather Saunooke were there to assist during this event. Great job girls!

Children will go through many transitions throughout their lives, but one of the most important is the

transition from Early Head Start into Head Start. On June 20, the staff held their Early Head Start transition for the children that will be moving to Head Start.

"During this period behavior is shaped and attitudes are formed that will influence children throughout their education (PTA and Head Start, 1999)."

This was an opportune time for the parents and teachers to collaborate, making the process more rewarding for all. A special thank you to all the parents and staff at Dora Reed for making this transition a special event.

The Cherokee Tribal Child Care Services expresses their congratulations to three staff members for completion of the requirements in attaining the Child Development Associates (CDA) credential from the Council for Professional Recognition located in Washington, DC.

They are Maria "Ada" Arch, Brittany Moore, and Natalie Tate. All are staff members of the Dora Reed Center.

In order to complete a CDA, the participant must demonstrate the ability to nurture children's physical, social, emotional, and intellectual growth in a child development framework.

Continuing education opportunities provided to the staff at the Dora Reed Children's Center have increased each year, as staff members recognize the value of enhancing their skills as they continue to work with young children and parents. "Earning my CDA has brought me one step closer to achieving my goal

as a teacher," said Ada Arch.

Brittany Moore commented, "Getting my CDA has allowed me to step into a teacher's role. Before this I would just assist the teacher. I am now able to do things my way. It gives me a little more control on classroom management. Having my CDA is allowing me to step up and teach these children in a way that is fun for me and them."

"I am very proud to have earned my CDA," Natalie Tate said. "It means a lot to me and shows how hard I have worked to get where I am. I cannot wait to have my own classroom. I love my job and seeing the kids grow every day."

Pat is the literacy coordinator at the Dora Reed Center.



Specialized Credit Training comes to Cherokee

By SHAWN SPRUCE SEQUOYAH FUND

or most Americans borrowing money is a way of life. Whether we're financia. we're financing a new vehicle, starting a business, mortgaging that dream home, or simply charging the weekly groceries, credit is a tool for the modern economy. Cherokee residents are certainly no exception. So, in an effort to assist individuals and families with navigating an often complex world of credit reports, interest rates, and consumer lending laws, community development specialists convened recently for an intensive four day workshop at Harrah's Casino.

The Native American Credit Counseling Program was sponsored by Sequoyah Fund in partnership with Rural Dynamics Inc., a nonprofit agency from Great Falls, Montana which developed the unique certification program tailored specifically for credit counselors working in Indian Country.

Sequoyah fund chose to host the event to help launch its new Financial Wellness Program and provide a networking forum for partnering organizations, such as First Citizen's Bank, Qualla Financial Freedom, and EBCI Housing which assist community members with a broad range of credit concerns. Angie Bradley, contract health manager at Cherokee Indian Hospital Authority, also added depth to the training by sharing information regarding medical billing questions that occasionally arise from outpatient referrals.

"I learned some valuable skills this week for how to effectively communicate with care providers on behalf of patients" Bradley explained. "The system can be complicated so we work with people to sort out any credit related issues that they might encounter. We hear so much about credit cards these days, but interestingly medical bills are actually more likely to hurt a person's credit than unpaid credit cards."

In addition to the opportunity



Photo courtesy of Shawn Spruce/Sequoyah Fund

Participants in the Native American Credit Counseling Training, held recently at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, are shown (leftright) front row – Ellison Rudd, First Citizens Bank; Danielle Lienhard, Rural Dynamics; Karen Heisler, Rural Dynamics; and Shawn Spruce, Sequoyah Fund; back row – Janet Owle, Qualla Financial Freedom; Kathy Dugan; Angie Bradley, Cherokee Indian Hospital; Sherrene Swayney, Sequoyah Fund; Michelle Jackson, EBCI Housing; Maceta Bradley, EBCI Housing; Hope Huskey, Sequoyah Fund; Russ Seagle, Sequoyah Fund; and John Ross, Sequoyah Fund.

for participants to earn the prestigious Accredited Credit Counselor (ACC) certification in coordination with the Native American Credit Counseling Program, the training also featured a group discussion for partnering organizations of a newly formed local credit counseling coalition to highlight their services and explore best practices.

"Our motivation is simple. We all share a vital need to provide services, but without any local certified credit counselors, we often have to look to outside agencies for assistance" explained Nell Leatherwood, executive director at The Sequoyah Fund. "Fortunately, several coalition partners will soon have the capacity

to deliver certified credit counseling directly to clients. Furthermore, Sequoyah Fund looks forward to offering expanded services such as assistance with disputing credit reports and creating financial action plans as part of our exciting new Fi nancial Wellness Program."

EBCI Homebuyer Services Coordinators, Maceta Bradley and Michelle Jackson, work with a number of families to build creditworthiness for mortgage approvals, and appreciated the convenience of a training close to home. "The ACC certification will enable us to better serve our homebuyers" Bradley stated. "Moreover, our staff usually has to travel out of state for this type of highly specialized training so it's great to have it offered right here in Cherokee. Not to mention the wonderful value added networking opportunities we enjoyed."

For more information on Sequoyah Fund's Financial Wellness Program and other financial services the organization offers throughout the Qualla Boundary and seven far western counties of North Carolina; stop by their offices located inside the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Also feel free to contact either Shawn Spruce 359-5004 (sspruce@sequoyahfund.org) or Hope Huskey 359-

(hopehuskey@sequoyahfund.org).

Cherokee Announcements TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

Council session rescheduled

Per Chairman Jim Owle, Budget and Tribal Council will be held on Tuesday, July 2 at 8:30

- TOP Office

One Feather July 4th schedule

The Cherokee One Feather will be closed Wednesday, July 3 starting at 12pm and all day on Thursday, July 4 and Friday, July 5. The office will re-open Monday, July 8 at 7:45am.

The deadline for the Thursday, July 11 paper will be Wednesday, July 3 at 11am.

WIC closing for July 4th weekend

The EBCI WIC Program will be closing Wednesday, July 3 at 11:30am and will remain closed July 4-5.The office will reopen Monday, July 8 at 7:30 am. WIC officials related, "The WIC Program would like to wish everyone a happy and safe 4th of July weekend!"

Regular WIC office hours:

Walk-ins Monday only 7:30 a.m. -11:30 a.m. -1:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m.

Monday: 7:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Tuesday: 7:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Wednesday: 7:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Thursday: 7:30 a.m. -5:00 p.m. Friday: 7:45 a.m. -4:30 p.m.

To make an appointment call 828-554-6232

or 828-554-6237

WIC is an equal opportunity Program

- EBCI WIC Program

DNA testing schedule for July

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

- Monday, July 1
- Tuesday, July 2
- Wednesday, July 10
- Friday, July 12
- Wednesday, July 17
- Friday, July 19
- Wednesday, July 24
- Friday, July 26
- Wednesday, July 31

The local collection site is at the EBCI Tribal Enrollment office located at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Appointments will be scheduled by the staff of 1 Family Services from 9-11:30am and 1-3:30pm. To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, contact Michelle at Tribal Enrollment 554-6463. To schedule an out-oftown appointment, please contact Amber Wilson at (918) 685-0478. All DNA questions should be directed to the staff of 1 Family Services.

- EBCI Tribal Enrollment office

Tribal Cannery open for season

The Tribal Cannery is open for the 2013 canning season. The hours of operation are Monday -Thursday from 8am - 4:30pm. It is closed on Fridays for cleaning. The Tribal Cannery charges \$0.50 per jar for processing. Ball Blue Book recipes only. All customers must bring their own jars. Jars must be thoroughly washed with lids and bands. Lids must be new. Food must be washed and prepared. When bringing fruit for jams and jellies the customer must provide sugar and sure-jell. The cannery operates by appointment only, please contact Trish at 497-2440. Note: The Cannery will be closed June 17-21.

- Tribal Cannery

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarships approaching

The Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund is pleased to announce that an offer of free tuition from the University of Tennessee Graduate School at Knoxville is available to one student per academic year working on a Master's degree or doctorate. Applicants must make a request in writing to the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors, P. O. Box 892, Cherokee, NC 28719 by July 1 to be considered for this waiver. If more than one application is received. the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund Board of Directors will make a recommendation to UT Graduate School as to who should receive the tuition waiver based upon need.

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that July 1 is also the deadline for requesting financial assistance from the Fund for fall semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website www.yogicrowecherokeescholarship.org.

Info: Reva Ballew, president 631-1350; Anita Lossiah, vice president 736-2698; Mary Herr, secretary 497-9498; Sis Fourkiller, treasurer 736-2523; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Jan Smith 507-1519 or Dr. Jennifer Thompson 507-5997.

- Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund

Tribal Child Support and TANF is offering services in Snowbird Community Mon-Fri, 7:45 - 4:30, address: 145 Cornsilk Branch Road. beside Snowbird Fire Dept. Phone: 828-479-1000.

Cherokee vendors and artisans wanted for Red Clav event.

EBCI tribal member vendors and traditional artisans are being sought for an event scheduled for Aug. 3-4 at the Red Clay State Historic Park. Info: Ric Bird (828) 736-3229 or birdchopper@frontier.com

Jackson County Democrats Qualla precinct meeting

All Jackson County Democrats in Cherokee and the Qualla Community are invited to attend the Qualla Precinct meeting on Tuesday, July 9 at the Oualla Community Building at 6:30 p.m. Please bring non-perishable food items to be donated to the Food Pantry in Whittier.

Guest speaker will be County Commissioner Vicki Greene who will discuss use of the 441 corridor between Gateway and the Qualla Boundary, the proposed fire tax, and other issues of concern to residents of the Qualla Precinct. Also speaking will be Brian McMahan, Chair of the Jackson County Democratic Party, who will talk about what the precinct can do, help set goals and upcoming fund-raisers for the precinct and county. Info: Qualla Precinct Chair Jeff Jones 497-0168

- Mary Herr



You may pick up a One Feather at any of these fine locations:

Braves Quickstop Big Bear Exxon Foodlion Casino Mart CTC Catamount Happy Holiday Campground Bradley's Grocery Harrah's Cherokee Casino EDR Mountain Energy Youngblood Smokeshop I & II Cherokee Boys Club Cherokee Welcome Center Peter's Pancake Tsali Manor River Valley Store Big Cove Grocery Jenkins

Coopers Creek Store

Crown Food Mart in Robbinsville

* Cherokee Happenings submit new listings or changes to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.

Church Events

Contemporary Gospel concert. June 27 at 6pm at the Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. The Tree of Life band from Danville, Va. will perform. There will also be a food giveaway and a BBQ dinner.

Solid Rock Outreach Food Box Distribution.

Wednesday- 9am-3pm, Thursday 9am - 3pm and Friday 9am - 3pm. Info: (828) 356-7312

General Events

The American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143 will host North Carolina Veterans Employment Consultant Greg Wade on June 27

from 10am – 2pm at Post Headquarters on Acquoni Road. United States Armed Forces veterans who have questions concerning veterans employment benefits are invited to attend. Info: Warren Dupree, Post 143 service officer, 508-2657

Benefit for Pam Cucumber. June 28 at 11am at the Yellowhill Community Building. Menu: chicken, bead bread, fried potatoes, cabbage and fatback with drink. \$8 Proceeds to help with expenses needed for granddaughter's surgery in Chapel Hill. Walk-ins welcome. Delivery upon request for 5 or more dinners. Info: Lou Johnson 788-2853, Dinah Jumper 507-2010, Frosty Adams 788-2993, Fern Saunooke 736-0741.

Annual Kituwah Celebration. June 28 at 6pm at the Kituwah Mound. Food, traditional dance and music. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6406

New Kituwah Parents Association Silent Auction & 50/50 Raffle. June 28 at 6pm at Kituwah Mound. The Silent Auction and 50/50 Raffle will be held during the Kituwah Celebration. All auction items and the 50/50 will be awarded

at the end of the evening. Tickets will be \$1/each. You do not have to be present to win. To purchase tickets, see any New Kituwah parent.

Cornhole Tournament & Auction Fundraiser. June 29 at 3pm at the Big Y Community Building. Hotdogs and hamburgers for sale

EBCI Tribal Employee Family Picnic. July 3

from 11:30am – 2pm at the Oconaluftee Island Park. Menu will include BBQ, hot dogs, hamburgers, potato salad, baked beans, watermelon and all the trimmings. Volleyball, inflatables, horseshoes, live music featuring My Highway.

Summer Entrepreneurship Camp. July 22-25 at Wolftown Gym. Sequoyah Fund is sponsoring this event for 10-14 year olds. Space is limited. The camp cost is \$100, but full sponsorships are available. Participants will be involved in hands-on activities focused around creativity, starting and running a business, and community and economic development. Info: Hope Huskey (828) 359-5005,

Health/Sports Events

hopehuskey@sequoyahfund.org

Blood drive. July 3 from 10am – 2:30pm at the Cherokee Indian Hospital. Info: Sally Penick 497-9163 ext. 6498

Yellowhill Judo Club Fundraiser 50/50 drawing. July 3 at 3pm at the EBCI Water Dept. See the following for tickets/scratch offs: Mary Wolfe Lambert, Water Dept.; Mary Lambert, CPD; Henry "Moose" Littlejohn, Housekeeing; Albirda Armachain; Dick and Ellen Crowe; Mary Hornbuckle, Brad Bldg.; Sarah Crowe, Brad Bldg.; Vickie Driver; and Will Lambert.

Healthy Cooking Demo. July 1 from 4-6pm at the Cherokee Food Lion. This event is free and open to everyone and is hosted by Cherokee Food Lion, Cherokee Community Wellness Team and Made in America. Taste and learn about tasty and nutritious foods made in the USA. Receive a free healthy recipe packet and learn about the benefits of whole grains. Play the "Good carb v. Bad carb" trivia. Info: Robin Callahan, RD, MHS, LDN 554-6785, robibail@nc-cherokee.com

Youth football sign-ups. Peewees (5-6), Termites (7-8), Mites (9-10), and Midgets (11-12). Must be this age by July 31. All registrations should be returned to Painttown or Birdtown Gyms only. Participants must have a current physical in order to practice and play. Practice starts July 15. Info: Tim 497-9649

Bike Ride. Sept. 14 from 9am – 12pm in Cherokee. Cherokee Choices is sponsoring the event. Expect to see a lot of people riding bikes on that day and the days leading up to it, so please be safe and respectful and allow three feet between you and the bike if you need to pass. Info: Tara McCoy 554-6783 or Tinker Jenks 554-6788





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Bunk bed for sale. Full size on bottom, twin on top. Used approximately 7 months. Call if interested. Cell # 918-650-3874. **6/27pd**

Business for sale. Dry cleaners in Bryson City. Great opportunity. For more information please call 828-736-3008. **7/18**

Crash Replacement Parts. All makes and models.Hoods, Fenders, Bumpers, Head &Tail Lamps, Radiators and more...Anglin's in Otto (828) 349-4500. **6/27**

For Sale: '94 Explorer 4x4, 4.0, V6, auto trans, full power, Car Fax available. \$2200 or best offer. Can be seen at 138 Old #4 Rd or call 828-497-2037. **6/27pd**

For sale: T-10 Borg-Warner, four speed transmission. Rebuilt, fits most Chevrolets. \$800. Info: 828-788-3570. **6/27pd**

For sale: '96 Dodge truck. SLT 4x4 1500. High mileage, short bed. \$1200. Info: 828-788-3570. 6/27pd

For sale: **1996-98 Dodge.** 40,000 miles. 5 speed transmission. Complete front and back axles, clutch, fly wheel, transfer case seats. \$600. Info: 828-788-3570. **6/27pd**

SERVICES

Window Tinting. Quality installation, low prices. Satisfaction guaranteed! Anglin's in Otto. (828) 349-4500. **6/27**

FOR RENT

Two BR, 1 bath mobile for rent on Stillwell Branch, furnished, w&d. No pets, no drinking, no smoking, \$450 deposit, \$475.00 per month, includes water only. Deposit, first and last month's rent in advance. Must have references and permanent employment. Contact Kim at 497-5355 after 4:30. No calls after 9:00pm. **7/4**

For rent. 2 and 3 bedroom mobile homes in Bryson and Whittier. 5 mins from casino. \$400-\$550. Call 828)736-1183 for more information. 7/25pd

EMPLOYMENT

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPI-TAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: Emergency Hire Dental Hygienist. Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am -4:00pm Monday -Friday. This position will June 28, 2013 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 6/27

Cherokee Central Schools Position Opening:

Math Teacher - NC Teaching License required Science Teacher - NC Teaching License required Janitor Supervisor - High School diploma or GED required Substitute Janitors - High School diploma or GED required Cherokee Language Instructors Middle School Language Arts - NC Teaching License required **Substitute Teachers** Cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com. 6/27

Eastern Band of **Cherokee Indians**

For Deadlines and applications please call 497-8131. 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*

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians has the following positions open:

Closing July 12, 2013 @ 4 pm

- 1. Fire Control Specialist Level I- Cherokee Fire Dept (2 Positions) (\$23,740-\$30,280)
- 2. Intake Worker-Domestic Violence (\$18,140-\$22,680)
- 3. Intake Worker- DV (PT Permanent)(\$18,140-\$22,680)
- 4. Auditor-Internal Audit (\$31,700-\$40,420)
- 5. Youth Development Professional (Snowbird)-CYC (\$18,140-\$22,680)

Open Until Filled

- 1. EMT-P (Part-time) EMS
- Teacher-Tribal Child Care
- Teacher Assistant-Tribal Child Care
- 4. Academy Teacher- KPEP
- 5. Language Specialist- KPEP
- 6. Early Childhood Supervisor I- KPEP

Please attach all required documents

Health & Medical Positions

Open Until Filled

- 1. C.N.A-Tsali Care Center
- 2. RN-Tsali Care Center
- 3. Cook Supervisor-Tsali Care Center
- 4. Nutritionist/Community Outreach Coordinator- Cherokee Diabetes
- RN Supervisor- Wound Care Treatment/Prevention
- 6. RN Supervisor-Tsali Care Center

Please attach all required documents

Download Applications/Job Descriptions at the following website! http://www.nc-cherokee.com/humanresources/employment/jobopportunities

Annual Kituwah Celebration. June 28 at 6pm at the Kituwah Mound. Food, traditional dance and music. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6406

EMPLOYMENT

Receptionist

This position will perform duties for the Tribal Child Support and TANF fice.

Duties of receptionist are greeting visitors, answering and directing office phone calls, giving general information and assistance to visitors. Applicant will distribute incoming mail and process outgoing mail. Applicant must have knowledge of filing procedures and basic math skills. Must be able to operate basic office equipment: computer, telephone, fax, copier, etc. This position requires the ability to organize work, deal effectively with the public and communicate effectively, both orally and written. Requirements are completion of high school diploma or GED. Basic clerical knowledge would be beneficial.

Applications must be received no later than Friday, July 12, 2013.

Qualified candidates must be willing to submit to drug and background check. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position. Applications may be picked up and the Tribal Child Support and TANF office located at 117 John Crowe Hill Drive (formerly Cherokee Transit), Cherokee, NC.

Applications may be returned to the office or mailed to Tribal CSE/TANF at P.O. Box 427, Cherokee, NC 28719. **7/4**

POSITION: MUSEUM DIRECTOR

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian in Cherokee North Carolina is seeking an Executive Director. He or she will determine and execute and long range strategies with guidelines set up by the Board of Directors; will plan, direct and coordinate operational activities with the help of subordinate executives and managers, including fundraising, management of exhibits, retail operations and physical plant. Salary negotiable. Deadline for application July 15. Start date for training October 1, 2013. Native preference. The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is a non-profit 501c3 that represents the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, a federally recognized tribe. For more information contact Barbara R. Duncan, Ph.D., at bduncan@cherokeemuseum.org. **7/11**

Child Support Agent I

Purpose of this position is to locate absent parents, establish paternity and support orders for children of EBCI. Applicant should possess a knowledge of tribal, state and federal child support laws as well as knowledge of the legal procedures and the Cherokee Tribal Court system. Position requires good communication skills and knowledge of Spanish and Cherokee language a plus. Applicant must have a high school diploma and two years of experience in eligibility, investigative and judicial work that provides knowledge to perform work or an AA degree in business administration, human resources or law enforcement, or closely related degree and 1 year experience in eligibility, investigative and judicial work, or a four year degree.

Applicants must be willing to submit to drug and background check. Applications must be received no later than July 12, 2013.

Qualified candidates must be willing to submit to drug and background check. Indian preference does apply in the filling of this position.

Applications may be picked up at the Tribal Child Support Office located at 117 John Crowe Hill Road (formerly Cherokee Transit Building), Cherokee, NC. Applications may be returned to the office or mailed to TRIBAL CSE/TANF at P.O. Box 427, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Tribal Child Support Enforcement has entered into an agreement with 1 Family Services in Indian Country to provide Child Support services to children residing within the EBCI jurisdiction. **7/4**

THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS KITUWAH PRESERVATION & EDUCATION PROGRAM

Is seeking resumes for the following:

Facilitators for Teacher-Student Integrated Workshop during the weeks of July 15th-August 2nd 2013

Facilitators must have credentials regarding current methodology needed to coordinate a custom curriculum and assessments as well as identifying and implementing an ideal prescription for students, teachers and administrators alike.

Must have at least 3 years teaching experience and served as a Department Head at a respected institution.

Candidate must have training regarding current 1st-5th grade tiered mathematic principles such as "Fundations" and "Number Worlds." Candidate must have training regarding current 6th-8th grade tiered language art principles and comprehension tool kit strategies.

Facilitators must be able to exhibit excellent demonstrative skills.

A positive rapport with administration, faculty and students of The New Kituwah Academy is essential.

Deadline for submission June 28, 2013

INTERESTED PERSONS PLEASE SEND RESUMES TO:

Bo Lossiah, Curriculum & Instruction Supervisor

Kituwah Preservation & Education Program

P.O. Box 486 - Cherokee, NC 28719

Email bolossi@nc-cherokee.com or fax: 828-497-0328

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REALTY

Cherokee County

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

Maria Queen Smith, Debra Patricia Murphy Gibby, Lonnie Earl Murphy, Allen James Rattler, Joshua Bryant Rattler, David Eric Rogers, Nathan Scott Rogers, Lea Karen Rogers, Steven Kyle Rogers

3200 Acre Tract Community

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

Timothy Clark Hull, Angela Marie Martinez Hull, Emma Lou Hull, Glenn Gilbert Wolfe, *Carolyn Ann Murphy, Chrstine Ledford Walkingstick, Sandra Leigh Ledford Robbins, Sonya Rena Ledford, Stanley Ray Ledford, Shenna Roxana Walkingstick, Sally Anita Rogers

Proposed land transfers

Paul Mitchell Taylor to Hilliard Sneed Painttown Community Parcel No. 387-N (2nd Remainder of Parcel No. 387-K) containing 8.922 Acres, more or less.

One Feather deadline Monday at 12noon

LEGALS

Legal Notice

Notice of Service of Process by Publication

Cherokee Tribal Court Regulations In Cherokee Tribal Court QUALLA HOUSING AUTHORITY

Vs

Tammy Lynn Lambert (CV 13-143) Mareena Jumper (CV13-194) Elsie Marie Russell (CV 13-204) Margarita Wolfe (CV 13-208) Terry L Welch (CV 13-212)

Davina George (CV 13-215) Tammy Wynette Queen (CV13-287) Dawn Nicole Gloyne (CV13-147) Jessica N Miller Davis (CV13-196) Georgenna Arch (CV 13-207 Donna R Messer (CV 13-211) Pearl Wolfe (CV 13-214) Paul Ensley Jr. (CV 13-216) Cynthia Toineeta (CV 13-289)

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: Complaint for Eviction and Money Owed

Your are required to make defense of such pleading no later than the July 1st 2013 and upon your failure to do so the Party (Qualla Housing Authority) seeking service against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 6th day of June, 2013 Agent for the Plaintiff: Julius F Taylor PO Box 1749 Cherokee, NC 28719 (828)554-6321 7/4

> Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. 13-043

In the Matter of the Estate of **JOHN QUINCY OWL**

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the fate 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: 9/27/13

Tracy Lynn Gourlay

1725 Holbrook Road NW

Palm Bay, FL 32907

7/4pd

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BIDS, RFPs, etc.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Division of Commerce, Economic & Community Developments, invites qualified firms to submit an offer under seal for General Contract for the construction of the Cherokee Cultural District Streetscape Phase III Project. The project is located in the Cultural District and certain retail portions of US 441. The project consists of site demolition, concrete, paving, electrical, signage and landscape work. Bid documents may be reviewed at the following locations:

TERO Office Proctor-Hodge Architecture Ginger Lynn Welch Center 15 Painttown Road #101 Cherokee, NC 28719

Cherokee, NC 28719 (828-497-7972)

lectronic Construction Documents are available at no cost. Hard copy is available for \$100. Specific questions should be addressed to Proctor-Hodge Architecture, 828-497-7972, email bproctor@proctorhodge.com. The contact is Bob Proctor.

A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held Tuesday, July 9 at 2:00pm local time in the Cherokee Economic & Community Development conference room, Ginger Lynn Welch Center, 810 Acquoni Road.

Sealed bids complying to the Tribal Employment Rights Office regulations and NC state law are due in the office of Proctor-Hodge Architecture by August 6, 2013 at 2:00pm local time. **7/4**



Read the Cherokee One Feather each week for full job listings on the Cherokee Indian Reservation.



Anita Driver Ellwood

Anita Driver Ellwood, 56, of Cherokee, passed away on June 18, 2013 after an extended illness. Anita was a member of the Big Cove Baptist Church and was also a teacher with Tribal Child Care.

Anita is the daughter of the late Nick Driver and Emmaline Sequoyah Driver. She is also preceded in death by two brothers; Nicky Driver and Thomas Driver.

Anita is survived by her children; daughter, Janice Driver and husband Joseph Driver of Cherokee, one son, William Ellwood and wife Sherry Ellwood and a special daughter Josephine Teesateskie. Also surviving are Anita's brothers, Ernest Panther, Floyd Panther and wife Frieda Panther, Alfred Panther and wife Caroline Panther. Surviving sisters are; Loretta and husband Morgan Bradley, Velma Bradley, Alice Kekahbah, Katherine Panther, Hattie Panther, Wilma Pheasant, Alma Jones and special friend Mary Ann Crowe Gronwald. Anita also leaves behind many grandchildren; A.J., Shayna, Melvin, Josh, Marshall, Jalynn, Will Jr., special grandson Junior Teesateskie and several nieces and nephews.

Anita remained at the Big Cove Baptist Church until the hour of service on June 21. Following the funeral, service burial was at Straight Fork Cemetery. Anita's nephews were pallbearers. Brother James "Bo" Parris and Brother Ed Kilgore officiated.

Long House Funeral Home assisted family with arrangements.

Harold Leroy (Buster) Biddix

Harold Leroy (Buster) Biddix, 79, of the Birdtown Community, went home to be with the Lord, Saturday, June 22, 2013 in a Buncombe County Hospital. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late John Taylor and Jane Bradley. He was a U.S. Army Veteran having served during the Korean Conflict. He was preceded in death by a sister, Alzena Bradley and a son, Michael Biddix.

He is survived by his wife of over 50 years, Nancy W. Biddix; six children, Harold Biddix Jr. and wife Sheila of Ramseur, Henderson Biddix of Cherokee, Polly Bigwitch and husband James of Cherokee, John Biddix and wife Elsie of Cherokee, Garrett Biddix of Cherokee, and Fred

Biddix of Cherokee; 17 grandchildren, and 19 great grandchildren.

Funeral Services were held at 2pm on Wednesday, June 26 in the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Rev. James (Bo) Parris officiated with burial in the Birdtown Cemetery.

Glenda Crowe

Glenda Crowe, 66, of the Wolfetown Community, went home to be with the Lord, Sunday, June 23, 2013. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Davis and Betty Crowe George. She was preceded in death by a son, Jason Miles Crowe; two brothers, Don Crowe, John Delbert Crowe.

She is survived by two children, Delmar Niccum of Cherokee, Georgina Niccum; fiancee David Darnell of Cherokee; five grandchildren, Angel Huerta, John Bustos, Charles Bustos, Austin Niccum, Taylor Niccum; five great grandchildren; three sisters, Kathryn Verran (Bo Peep) of Grapevine, TX, Donette Lossiah, Aubrey Bigmeat, both of Cherokee; one brother, Charles Albert Crowe of Morganton; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, June 26 at Old Antioch Baptist Church of which she was a member. Rev. Denny Crowe officiated with burial in the Crowe Family Cemetery.

Mike Elliot Littlejohn

Mike Elliot Littlejohn, 58, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on June 20, 2013. Mike is the son of the late Jim Littlejohn and Mollie Taylor Littlejohn. Mike is also preceded in death by brothers; Jim and Leonard Littlejohn, a sister; Elsie Wolfe.

Mike is survived by his wife Sharon Littlejohn and children; Mike D. and Jim Littlejohn, of the home, Charlene "Chipper" Littlejohn, Joshua Little and Stephen Little, all of Cherokee. Mike is also survived by two brothers; David Taylor Sr. and Burton Littlejohn, four sisters; Nellie Littlejohn, Molly Littlejohn, Charlotte Littlejohn and Mary Jane Smith. Mike also leaves behind 8 grandchildren.

Mike will remain at the Piney Grove Baptist Church until hour of service on Sunday, June 23. Burial followed at the Piney Grove Cemetery. Friends and family acted as pall bearers. Pastor Ed Kilgore, Pastor Joe Wolfe and Pastor John Norman Driver officiated.

Long House Funeral Home assisted family with arrangements.





Mission Weight Management is pleased to partner with Cherokee Indian Hospital to provide world-class weight management care close to home. These are the first of many community events that will cover weight loss surgery options at Mission Weight Management. Visit mission-health.org/weightmanagement to learn more.

Please call 828-213-4104 to register. Space is limited.

July II | 3:00pm and 6:00pm | Introductory Weight Management Meeting

Ginger Lynn Welch Complex Community Room | 806 Acquoni Road | Cherokee, NC 28719

July 23 | 12:00pm-1:00pm | First Support Group Meeting

Cherokee Indian Hospital Main Conference Room | I Hospital Rd Cherokee, NC 28719



Mission Weight Management is part of Mission Health which has been named one of the nation's Top 15 Health Systems by Truven Health Analytics for the second year in a row.





Mission Hospital has earned the ASMBS Bariatric Surgery Center of Excellence® designation