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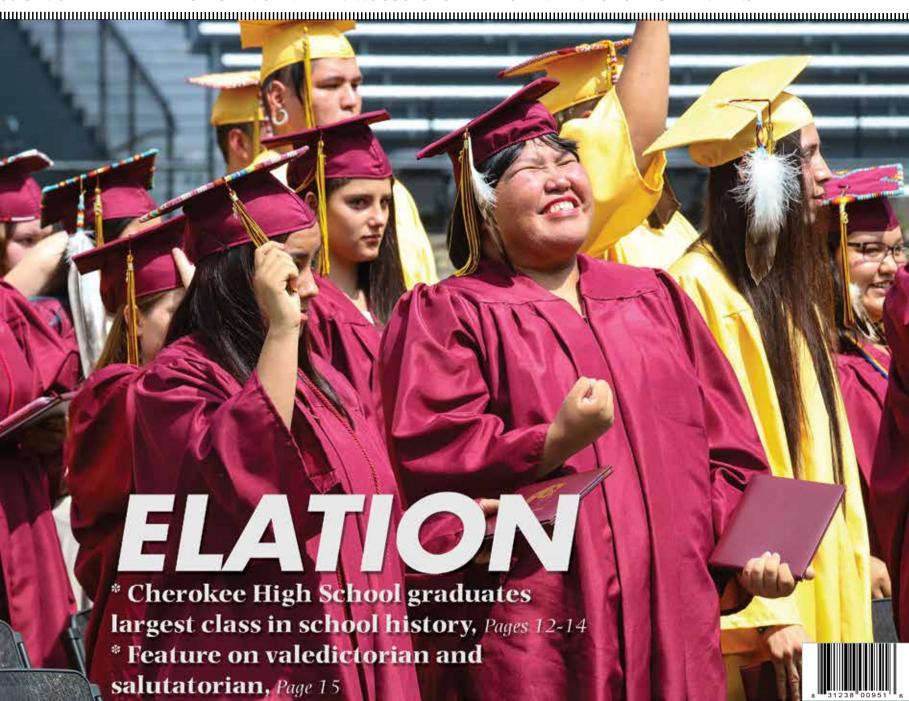
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Hemp Forum focuses on CBD

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public forum on hemp and its uses to provide pain relief was held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the evening of Tuesday, May 29. Hosted by Wolftown Rep. Jeremy Wilson, the meeting centered around a hemp by-product known as cannabidiol (CBD) and its uses. The meeting was attended by approximately 15 community members.

"There is a big stigma around hemp and cannabis," said Rep. Wilson at the beginning of the meeting. "I want you all to be informed."

He spoke about the growing drug problem in Cherokee. "We have a large opioid epidemic here...I do believe hemp is a good problem-solver for that."

According to an article in Forbes magazine in December 2016, "In 2015, the market for consumer sales of hemp-driven CBD products was \$90 million, plus another \$112 million in marijuana-driven CBD products which were sold through dispensaries — bringing a total CBD market to \$202 million last year."

Rep. Wilson spoke of diversification by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. "To diversify is not just economics. We need to diversify medicinally...we need to diversify in the use of opioids and how we battle that."

Tuesday's main presentation was by given by Wahupta Ventures, Inc., a Canadian-based firm that, according to its website, "is focused on the production and processing



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MEETING: Wolftown Rep. Jeremy Wilson speaks at the beginning of a Hemp Public Forum he organized at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on the night of Tuesday, May 29.

of hemp and creating key collaboration with sovereign Indigenous communities throughout North America".

Other uses for hemp were discussed briefly such as its uses as food, skin care and beauty products, biofuel, and others, but the main discussion on the night was the uses of CBD.

"My focus is getting proper care for our people," said Sam Anderson, a member of the Dauphin River First Nation and the managing director and a founder of Wahupta Ventures. "It's nothing new that our people use herbs as medicine."

Anderson spoke of his issues with diabetes and noted, "I've been

using that (CBD) for awhile, and my blood sugars are back to normal again...it's been helping me out a good bit."

Darnell Dinkins, a former NFL player who won a Super Bowl with the New Orleans Saints, is the director of business development for Wahupta. "I see people struggling. They're looking for a version of relief. This product that we're talking about is natural. It's something that's going to bring some type of relief to you."

He related that CBD has helped him with pain relief following his football career. "It truly will bring a balance to your body that will create relief. It is helping me in various areas."

Warren Cudley, Wahupta Ventures president and chief executive officer, said opioid use for pain has not worked. "It was masking a problem, and it was creating a larger problem."

He added, "Inflammation is the root cause of all disease, so if you can remove the inflammation, you'll remove the pain and the root cause."

Cudley said that hemp is a good rotation crop and takes only 120 days to mature from seed to plant. "It takes nine times less water to grow hemp than it does cotton, and it's a lot more beneficial for the land to grow hemp than cotton."

He said that last year only 25,000 acres of hemp were grown in the United States. "The world demand is astronomical."

During the presentation, Cudley described the process Wahupta uses to extract and distill the CBD from the hemp plant.

According to a presentation slide by Wahupta, "The first step is the extraction of the essential oil from the hemp flower. Many types of solvents can be used in the extraction process. Wahupta will be using Ethanol, one of the oldest methods for deriving essential oils from plant materials. Ethanol is used in every extraction industry and is deemed one of the safest solvents by the FDA for food grade and pharmaceutical extraction processes."

In the presentation, Wahupta provides a business model containing yields and revenue for a

see **HEMP** next page

Alcohol referendum defeated, voter turnout low

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Just over 25 percent (25.56%) of the registered voters of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians turned out to vote in the alcohol referendum on Thursday, May 31. The referendum, which asked the question of whether or not the Tribe should operate its own ABC package store, failed with 912 voting against and 821 for.

The question voted on came about through Res. No. 119 (2018) which was submitted by Painttown Lisa Taylor. Thursday's question, as presented in a floor amendment to Res. No. 119 by Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose, was as follows: "To allow ABC permits to be issued to allow retail sales of alcoholic beverages on tribal trust land at a tribal-owned package store/ABC store".

Following is a breakdown of Thursday's voting by community precinct:

• Big Cove: 74 for, 119 against

• Big Y: 60 for, 59 against

• Wolftown: 160 for, 189 against

• Birdtown: 247 for, 212 against

• Cherokee Co.: 11 for, 20 against

• Snowbird: 37 for, 66 against

• Painttown: 117 for, 118 against

• Yellowhill: 115 for, 129 against

But, it was a moot point anyways as the percentage of tribal voters participating did not meet the 30 percent required by Cherokee Code Section 161-9(c)(4).

"We had a very low voter turnout," Denise Ballard, EBCI Election Board chairperson, said on Thursday night. "It was not the 30 percent that was required for the vote."

Overall, a total of 1,733 votes were cast out of 6,779 registered voters. Following is a breakdown, by community precinct, of total registered voters, votes cast, and voter turnout percentage:

• Big Cove: 781 registered, 193

votes, 24.71 percent

• Big Y: 403 registered, 119 votes, 29.53 percent

• Wolftown: 1,160 registered, 349 votes, 30.09 percent

• Birdtown: 1,760 registered, 459 votes, 26.08 percent

• Cherokee Co.: 432 registered, 31 votes, 7.18 percent

• Snowbird: 497 registered, 103 votes, 20.72 percent

• Painttown: 826 registered, 235 votes, 28.45 percent

• Yellowhill: 920 registered, 244 votes, 26.52 percent

On the low voter turnout, Ballard said, "People knew that if they did not go and vote that it would not pass as it would not hit the 30 percent...people were surprised that younger people didn't turn out. I kept hearing that from poll workers."

Counting of ballots for the referendum was done by hand, and Ballard was pleased with the way the system worked. "Everything

was very smooth."

Hand counts were completed by the poll workers at each precinct, and Election Board officials recounted the ballots afterwards in their office at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex.

She noted that the referendum itself cost around \$15,000. "That's low compared to what we would have for a regular election because we didn't have to have all of the electronic equipment."

According to Cherokee Code Sec. 161-9(c)(10), "An issue that has been brought up before the eligible voters and voted upon by referendum/iniative may not be voted upon again until a period of two years has passed."

To read more about this issue and how the referendum came about, visit: https://theonefeath-er.com/2018/02/council-ap-proves-alcohol-referendum-question/

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business where the hemp flower is processed to CBD oil. According to the model, if 20 acres were planted for such a venture, it would yield the following: 1,000 pounds per acre (flower); 2,000 total pounds of CBD oil produced; total oil extraction revenue - \$18,120,000; total expenses for processing - \$1,812,000; and net profits - \$16,308,000.

During Tuesday's meeting, Ernest Tiger, an EBCI tribal member, related that he is looking into the hemp business as well and questioned why an outside firm was being brought in. He

threatened legal action on the matter.

Mary "Missy" Crowe, an EBCI tribal member, spoke during the meeting and touted the use of medicinal cannabis that she used to help her through her numerous surgeries relating to a long battle with breast cancer. "There is a stigma, but this works and it needs to be looked into. It helped me to have a life."

According to a press release from Wahupta, "CEO Warren Cudney confirmed that Wahupta has met with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in both New Orleans and Las Vegas to discuss introducing hemp farming, cultivation, and building an extraction facility on their land. The proposed 180-acre lot farming land is located on Cherokee Nation in North Carolina and would be the site for a world-class hemp production and processing facility."

Cudney stated in that same release, "It would be an agreement that would allow them to own considerable shares within Wahupta and also charge us a tax from all revenue derived from farming and extraction, which is above and beyond taking dividends from shares in the profit."

Staff from EBCI Communications was on site to record the meeting, but the recording was not online as of press time.

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"...you've got your team with you."

Remember the Removal Riders start their journey

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late spring evening, 18
Cherokee men and women
converged at the Kituwah Mound,
the Mother Town of the Cherokee,
to join together, reflect, pray, and
think about an upcoming journey.
The 2018 Remember the Removal Riders received a send-off from
several hundred people during an
event held at Kituwah on Friday,
June 1.

Eight riders from the Eastern
Band of Cherokee Indians and ten
riders from the Cherokee Nation
(Oklahoma) will retrace the northern route of the Trail of Tears. This
year's riders are as follows: EBCI
- Bo Taylor, Ahli-sha Stephens, Jan
Smith, Seth Ledford, Lori Owle,
Nolan Arkansas, Darius Lambert,
and Brooke Coggins; Cherokee
Nation - Daulton Cochran, Emilee
Chavez, Lily Drywater, Dale Eagle,
Parker Weavel, Sky Wildcat, Courtney Cowan, Autumn Lawless, and
Amari McCoy.

"My whole purpose was to get to this point," said Taylor, who sustained an injury just prior to last year's ride. "If I could get through training without killing myself; that's been my purpose."

He said this year's training regimen has been very hard. "We've done things this year that we didn't do last year. We climbed to the top



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JOURNEY: The 2018 Remember the Removal Riders gathered at Kituwah Mound on the evening of Friday, June 1 for a send-off ceremony in their honor.

of Clingman's Dome which is the second highest peak on the east coast. Then, we went to Asheville and climbed over Balsam and that was a tough ride."

Taylor said his confidence has built throughout this year's training. "I knew I could do it. I know I can make the ride. For me, I just have so much unfinished business, and now I feel that I've gotten to the journey and I'm going to take it. I'm not going to have any expectations other than amazing things are going to happen."

Lambert, a student at Cherokee High School, said, "I'm super-nervous. I'm very emotional. Luckily, I haven't cried yet. It's going to be tough for all of us having to leave all of our families, but we're in this together. It's a team ride. We've



FRIENDSHIP: Bo Taylor, an EBCI tribal member participating in this year's Remember the Removal Ride, leads the Cherokee Friendship Dance during a send-off ceremony in honor of the riders held at the Kituwah Mound on Friday, June 1.

got each other's backs, and I look forward to bonding with the rest of the team, and I'm super-excited."

Coggins said her emotions are running the gamut. "I'm excited, nervous, but it's getting a lot better now that we've gotten everyone together...like some of the other riders were saying while we were getting blessed, we're one people. This whole ceremony is very emotional. I'm excited. I'm ready to go."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, a Remember the Removal alumni, spoke at Friday's event and told this year's riders, "You are never going to be the same after this. This event is going to change your life."

He added, "You must begin and maintain your journey with the end in mind. Know this, there will be times of joy. There will be times of great sorrow. There will be times of ease, and there will be times of great adversity. There will be moments of great victory, and there will be moments of abject suffering. There will be times of laughter and, most assuredly, there will be times of bitter tears. But, know this, we have great faith in you. We believe in you, and we know that you will reach your destination."

Brett Riggs, WCU's Sequoyah Distinguished Professor, spoke at the event and said, "You know that you are about to embark on one of the great journeys of your life. You'll be retracing the exodus of Cherokee people from this place."

He added, "This ride will change all of you. It will make you as one and bring you together as a community. You're going to struggle in mind and in spirit as you ride to remember that dark passage of people who walked that road 180 years ago. But, like the phoenix that is the Cherokee people, you will rise from the ashes stronger and brighter than ever before."

Sheyahshe Littledave, who participated in last year's ride, spoke during Friday's event and gave some words of encouragement to this year's riders. "Completely out of my element, I joined a group of six strangers. I trained with them and learned to rely on them emotionally and mentally, and I love them. I am forever indebted to my team for what they have given me."

She joked about Missouri and said that this year's riders should definitely listen to the alumni about the state some have dubbed "Misery". "The road is just a never-ending pothole. You'll probably bounce your way through. You might even get a flat, but you'll be ok, you've got your team with you."

Littledave said that no matter what challenges the riders will face, "It's ok, you've got your team with you."

Taylor summed it up, "I want the Creator to open up doors for us as a team."

According to information provided by the Remember the Removal Bike Ride, the schedule is as follows:

June 3: New Echota, Ga. to Cleveland, Tenn.

June 4: Cleveland, Tenn. to Dayton, Tenn.

June 5: Dayton, Tenn. to Spencer, Tenn.

June 6: Spencer, Tenn. to Murfreesboro, Tenn.

June 7: Murfreesboro, Tenn. to Guthrie, Ky.

June 8: Guthrie, Ky. to Princeton, Ky.

June 9: Princeton, Ky. to Mantle Rock, Ky.

June 10: Golcanda, Illinois to Ward, Illinois

June 12: Cape Girardeau, Mo. to Farmington, Mo.

June 13: Farmington, Mo. to Steelville, Mo.

June 14: Steelville, Mo. to Waynesville, Mo.

June 15: Waynesville, Mo. to Competition, Mo.

June 16: Competition, Mo. to Strafford, Mo.

June 18: Republic, Mo. to Cassville, Mo.

June 19: Cassville, Mo. to Pea Ridge, Ark.

June 20: Fayettleville, Ark. to Stilwell, Okla.

June 21: Stilwell, Okla. to Tahlequah, Okla.





Groundbreaking held for solar farm at Valley River

URPHY - The rain couldn't stop the shovels from turning the dirt at the Eastern Band of Cherokee's solar farm groundbreaking at Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino on Tuesday, May 29. Tribal leaders and leadership from Siemens Government Technologies were all in attendance despite the wet weather.

"Our Tribe is helping set the standard," said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. "We've been really blessed to have had success with our properties. But, along with that success comes a responsibility to go green and be environmentally friendly for generations to come."

Helping lead the project for the Tribe is Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources Joey Owle. According to Owle, the new solar array will generate over 700 kilowatts of electricity - enough to power 10 percent of the electrical needs at the Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino - roughly \$100,000 in annual savings.

"Siemens is really pleased at the opportunity to bring Tribal and Federal resources together to deliver an environmentally sustainable project," said Sam Lewis, vice president for Automation and Services,



Photo contribute

GROUNDBREAKING: Tribal officials and project officials break ground on the new solar farm at Harrah's Cherokee Valley River Casino on Tuesday, May 29. Shown (left-right) are – Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha, Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, Painttown Rep. Lisa Taylor, Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley, Siemens Government Technologies Vice President for Automation and Service Sam Lewis, Harrah's Cherokee Valley River General Manager Lumpy Lambert, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed, Wolftown Rep. Jeremy Wilson, Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Bucky Brown, Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle, and EBCI Secretary of Agriculture and Natural Resources Joey Owle.

Siemens Government Technologies. "This project will help defray the Tribe's operating costs, enabling them to support other Tribal programs while simultaneously helping the Tribe meet their energy

goals."

Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha helped reiterate the importance of seeking green solutions for The Eastern Band. "Solar energy helps us honor our long-standing tradition to use the resources around us in the most effective manner possible."

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SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather **ELDERS:** As EBCI tribal elders and staff members from the EBCI Public Health & Human Services Division look on, Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (seated left) and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley (seated right) prepare to sign a proclamation on Friday, June 1 designating June 15 as World Elder Abuse Awareness Day in the communities of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. The proclamation states in part, "The National Center on Elder Abuse (NCEA) and the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Public Health and Human Services Division recognize the importance of taking action to raise awareness, prevent and address elder abuse."



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CIPD Arrest Report for May 21-28

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

Panther, Jordan Phillip – age 28

Arrested: May 21 Released: May 23

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Tramper, Dustin Henry – age 29

Arrested: May 21 Released: May 23

Charges: Possession of Controlled Substance I, II, III, IV, and V; Fail-

ure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wilnoty, Kendall Luanne – age 24

Arrested: May 21 Released: May 23

Charges: Probation Violation

Wolfe, Daliyah Lanae – age 20

Arrested: May 21

Released: Not released as of report

Charges: Probation Violation

Brady, Jonathan Sam – age 36

Arrested: May 22 Released: May 23

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Crowe, Jon Nathaniel – age 44

Arrested: May 22 Released: May 22

Charges: Driving While Impaired

Mathis, Stephen Ashley – age 42

Arrested: May 22

Released: May 22

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Wahnetah, Carla Maria Ann – age

Arrested: May 22

Released: Not released as of report

Charges: Communicating Threats, Child Abuse in the First Degree,

Breaking and Entering

Arkansas, Crystal – age 36

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 25

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Bradley, Marshall Alvin – age 47

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 23

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor (two counts)

Codynah, Niweseah Allison – age 31

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 23

Charges: Contributing to the Neglect of a Minor (two counts), Child

Abuse in the Second Degree

George, Brittanee Lynn – age 33

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 23

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Smith, Mary Dalena – age 33

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 25

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Welch, Anthony Dirk – age 48

Arrested: May 23 Released: May 23

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Lossiah, Johnnie Ray – age 26

Arrested: May 24

Released: Not released as of report

date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Resisting Lawful Arrest, Obstructing Governmental

Functions

Montelongo, Adam Dwayne – age

Arrested: May 24

Released: Not released as of report

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Crowe, Sherry Lynn – age 48

Arrested: May 25 Released: May 25

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Jackson, Alexandria Jade – age 25

Arrested: May 25

Released: Not released as of report

date

Charges: Serving Active Sentence

George, Channing – age 37

Arrested: May 26 Released: May 28

Charges: Driving While Impaired, Fail to Heed Light and Siren, Speed-

ing to Elude Arrest

Johnson, Anthony Dean – age 39

Arrested: May 26

Released: Not released as of report

date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Reed Jr., Charles Frederic – age 28

Arrested: May 26 Released: May 27

Charges: Public Nuisance

Youngdeer, Jarrett Cody - age 33

Arrested: May 26 Released: May 26

Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-

demeanor

Reed Jr., Charles Frederic - age 28

Arrested: May 27

Released: Not released as of report

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive, Weapon Offense, Aggravated Weapons Offense, False Imprisonment, Assault Government Official/

Employee, Simple Assault, Commu-

nicating Threats

Wolfe, Russell McKinley – age 40

Arrested: May 27

Released: Not released as of report

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Charges: Domestic Violence

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING FINAL DRAFT OF WATER QUALITY STANDARDS

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Division of Agriculture & Natural Resources, Water Quality Office will hold a Public Meeting on

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 15TH 2018

9AM to 5PM

at

BIRDTOWN RECREATION COMPLEX 1212 Birdtown Road, Cherokee NC 28719

The purpose of the meeting is an opportunity for the public to receive information and provide comments on the Final Draft of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Water Quality Standards, which have been revised to comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's suggested modifications to the toxic pollutants mean contaminant level. Further, the EBCI Water Quality Office has also made some modifications to the Water Quality Standards.

These revisions are in compliance with the Clean Water Act Sections 303 and 518 (33 U.S.C. 1251, 1341) and Tribal Law.

Stakeholders and participants will also be asked for input on (https://cherokeenaturalresources.com/contact-us/). A copy of the revised Water Quality Standards will be available on-line at (https://cherokeenaturalresources.com/). A hard copy of the revised Water Quality Standards will be available for viewing at EBCI Water Quality Laboratory, 2000 Old #4 Road, Cherokee NC 28719 during business hours.

Questions about the revised Water Quality Standards should be directed to the Water Quality Section Supervisor, Michael Bolt by phone at (828) 359-6772 or email mailto:michbolt@nc-cherokee.com.

Closure of the Meeting Record

The meeting record will close as of midnight, Wednesday August 15th 2018. Written comments need not be notarized but must be postmarked before midnight and mailed to:

Michael Bolt Water Quality Section Supervisor EBCI 106 Water Quality Office PO Box 1925 Cherokee NC 28719



Bradley, Day sign college letters of intent

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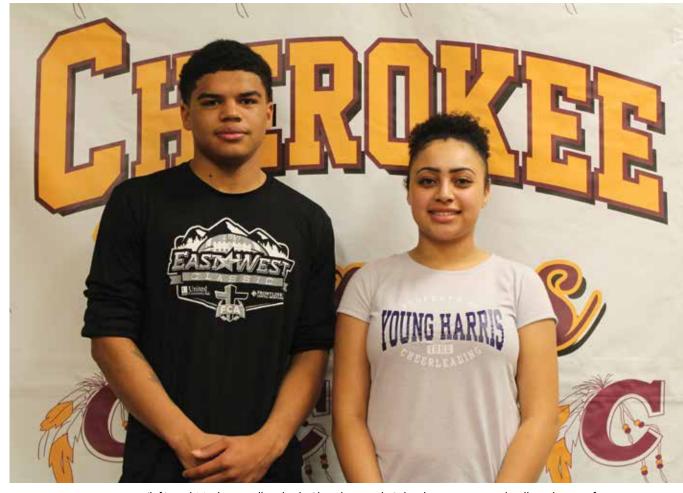
herokee High School seniors Marley Bradley and Justus Day both signed letters of intent to continue their sports careers at the next level. In a ceremony in the Cherokee High School Field-house on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 30, Bradley signed to the cheerleading squad at Young Harris College in Young Harris, Ga. and Day signed to play basketball at Catawba Valley Community College in Hickory.

"It's exciting," said Bradley who has been cheering since the age of 3. "At some point, I thought that I wouldn't be able to cheer in college, but then I got the opportunity and I'm overwhelmed."

She plans to study international business at Young Harris.

Madison Crowe, Lady Braves head cheerleading coach, commented, "As a coach, this is the pinnacle of coaching, and that's the reason that you do coach is to send athletes to the next level. Marley has left her legacy on Cherokee High School...she is a part of the national championship cheerleading squad that we have here at Cherokee Central Schools—the first squad to ever accomplish that. She's awesome. She will be a pleasure to coach."

Crowe noted this will have positive effects for the Cherokee cheer program. "I think this is a stepping stone. She has laid the foundation for them to build upon, and hopefully we send more and more every single year."



NEXT LEVEL: Justus Day (left) and Marley Bradley, both Cherokee High School seniors, signed college letters of intent in a ceremony at the Cherokee High School Fieldhouse on the afternoon of Wednesday, May 30. Day will play basketball at Catawba Valley Community College in Hickory, and Bradley will join the cheerleading team at Young Harris College in Young Harris, Ga.

Peanut Crowe, Cherokee
Central Schools athletic director,
commented, "These are two good
athletes right here. As for Justus, as
some of the coaches in the conference said, he is an ACC talent...
he'll go to Catawba Valley and
spend a couple of years there and
then hopefully we'll see him play
at Wake Forest or North Carolina
State. Catawba Valley is a feeding
program for those two schools."

Day, a member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians who started playing basketball in the seventh grade, played several years in high school in Mississippi. Of signing, he commented, "I'm excited. I can't wait."

He said he does plan to transfer to a Division I school after his two years at Catawba Valley. In his senior season at Cherokee, he played in 10 games due to an injury, but he managed to score 140 points (14pts/game) and grab 34 rebounds (3.4/gm) and was named to the All-Smoky Mountain Conference team.

Aaron Hogner, Braves head basketball coach, commented on Day, "I didn't get to spend a lot of time with him, but the few times that we really did get to talk, I was impressed with his maturity. We had a lot of good conversations about the game and about his future."

He spoke to several college coaches about Day. "With the little bit that they got to see him play this year and seeing game film from his sophomore year, they were really impressed. This is a kid that has a lot of talent and has set the bar really high for athletes that come to this school."

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EXCITEMENT: Gabriella Milholen (left) shows her excitement as Dr. Debora Foerst, CHS principal, presents her with a diploma during commencement exercises at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the morning of Saturday, June 2.

GOOD DAY TO BE A BRAVE

Cherokee High School graduates largest class in school history

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total of 76 Cherokee High School students crossed the stage and received their diploma at Ray Kinsland Stadium on the morning of Saturday, June 2. The CHS Class of 2018 is the largest class in school history.

"Each and every student is sitting here today for the last time as a Cherokee Central Schools student, and they are here at this juncture in their lives because of many folks who contributed to their successes," said Dr. Debora Foerst, CHS principal.

She thanked the parents and guardians of all of the students as well as school staff and tribal officials and leaders who contribute their time and efforts to the betterment of Cherokee High School. "We are able to provide opportunities to our Lady Braves and Braves second to none because you believe so strongly in education. We are

truly a living and breathing example of the idea that it takes a village to raise a child."

Dr. Foerst went on to say, "Every single graduate and their families made a conscious choice to be a Brave, and they are showing the world what being a Braves is all about. These seniors have set records, won titles, paved paths, and blazed trails on the field, on the stage, in the classroom, in other countries, in the Council Chambers, and in art galleries."

Robin Reed, CHS Class of 2018 salutatorian, said in her address.

"To my classmates, thank you for the best time here at Cherokee High School. I will never forget all of the memories that we had here at the school together. We've grown so close, especially in the past four years."

She added, "This is not the end, it is only the beginning. For most of us, we have known each other for 13 years, and unfortunately, today we will begin to go our separate ways and to live our separate lives. I want each of you to remember what you have gained here at Cherokee High School – your abilities,



diploma from Dr. Debora Foerst, CHS principal.

hard work, and determination. I hope each and every one of you will carry these characteristics on."

Reed thanked the Cherokee community for their support of the school and its students. "Our characteristics are derived from you. Our support comes from you. Words can never explain how grateful I am to be a Cherokee Brave – to be part of such an amazing Tribe, and this amazing school is something I will always hold close to me."

Scarlett Guy, CHS Class of 2018 valedictorian, commented, "We all should be very proud; not just proud of this accomplishment, this step in beginning our lives, but proud of each other as members of the Class of 2018. We are an

amazing class. We have members who were vital in the state football championship victory. We have members who competed at the state level in wrestling, track and field, golf, and cheerleading. We have amazing artists and writers, musicians and actors, traditional dancers, beaders and basket weavers, and Cherokee speakers."

She added, "With such amazing and diverse characters in our class, the question begs to be asked, 'where do we go from here?' Well, many of us will go on to college. Some of us will join the workforce or the military, but all of us will do amazing things because all of us are capable."

Guy concluded by saying, "Please know that graduation is



SALUTATORIAN: Robin Reed (right), the second ranked student in the CHS Class of 2018, receives her diploma from Dr. Debora Foerst, CHS principal.

not the final accomplishment but is the first of many – the first to kick off the true beginning of our lives. I'm sure that most of you, if not all, are nervous of what's to come. I know that I am. but it is natural to be scared of the unknown, as cliché as that sounds. From our experiences here, we are as prepared for life after high school as we can be, but school can only teach you so much before you have to live and learn from your own success and failures...it is important to remember that admitting failure and defeat is not a weakness...it is from failure that we learn to be successful and find happiness in our lives."

During Saturday's ceremony, several awards were given out including the following:

- NAIWA Award, presented by Loretta Bolden to Scarlett Guy and Robin Reed
- "Be Brave" Awards, presented by Charlotte Saunooke, Cherokee Central School Board chairperson, to Riley Crowe and Tristin Bottchenbaugh
- American Legion Awards, presented by Lew Harding, Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Commander, to Brennen Foerst and Andrew Reese
- Battalion Commander Saber Presentation by Col. William Carter and Sgt. Alva Brown to Isaiah Bowman and Brennen Foerst
- Dr. Jerry Wolfe Gadugi Award, presented by Gerri Grady and Sky

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GRADUATION: CHS graduates largest class in school history, from page 13

Sampson, WCU Cherokee Center director, to Shanenon Wolfe and Natasha Walk

Ben Reed, CHS Class of 1989, gave the closing prayer and remarks. "It's a good day to be a Brave. It's a good day to live in this community. It's a good day to be an alumni from this school. I'm very proud of our school system."

He further stated, "You don't have to be the best at everything, but try your best and try to be the best. Try to use what God's given you."

The Cherokee High School Class of 2018 is as follows:

Highest Honors: Scarlett Delaney
Guy (National Honor Society,
valedictorian), Robin Leigh Reed
(National Honor Society, salutatorian), Nolan Blake Arkansas (National Honor Society), Matthew Job
Thompson Climbingbear (National
Honor Society), Shelby Elisabeth
Wolfe (National Honor Society)
High Honors: Kyra Chiann Sneed
(National Honor Society), Anya
Johnnie Walsh (National Honor
Society)

Honors: Elias Chance Bryant
(National Honor Society), Samuel
Eason Esquivel (National Honor
Society), Samantha Nicole Lee (National Honor Society), Macie Jais
Welch (National Honor Society),
Shanenon Ray Wolfe (National
Honor Society)

National Honor Society: Shannon Tracy Albert, Chace Lowegan Andrews, Antonio Luna Bernhisel, Riley Alexis Crowe, Nathan Garrett Gaddis, Lidia Nichole Ramirez Graduates: Rori Seth Bark, Jonah Tyler Bernhisel, Simone Martice Blake, Tristin Lee Bottchenbaugh,



GADUGI: The first annual Dr. Jerry Wolfe Gadugi Award was presented to Shanenon Wolfe (second from left) and Natasha Walk (second from right). The award, given in honor and memory of the late EBCI Beloved Man, was presented by Sky Sampson (left), WCU Cherokee Center director, and Gerry Grady (right), Wolfe's daughter.

Isaiah Zane Bowman, Demetryus Ray Bradley, Marley Hana Isis Bradley, Raymond Tryon Pride Bradley, Oshaunacee Minyon Brady, Timiyah She-Li Brown, Carrie Louise Conseen, Jesse Edward Crowe, Ayla Marie Cruz, William Tosh Davis IV, Justus Kyle Day, Josilyn Nicole Driver, Damian James Esquibel, Nathaniel Tre'von Evans, Rickey Lee Evans III, Brennen Ray-Allen Foerst, Latika French, Daniel Reece Fuller, Jordan Alfred Grant, Shane Trevor Holbrook, Kevin Michael Jackson Jr., Joanna Lavon Kalonaheskie, Shawn Ethan Larch, Byron Jase Locust, Kaley Brooke Locust, Jami Kathleen Lossie, Elijah Thomas Maney, Jordan Elise Maney, Dorian Sequoyah Martens, Gabriella Rae Milholen, Tye Carter Mintz. Cherith Brooke Owle. Courtney Elaine Owle, Zakarias Isaiah Perez, Jesse Blaine Queen, Andrew Cassidy Reese, Elijah Victor Rosario, Zian Mikah Rosario, Breece



HAPPY: Latika French beams as she walks into the stadium during the graduation procession.

Josie Saunooke, CeAnna Michelle Saunooke, Steven Isaac Saunooke, Ashley Elizabeth Schaal, Xavier Maslin Siweumptewa, Seth Parker Sneed, Gavin Blake Squirrell, Tierra Hailey Stamper, Holden Thomas Straughan, Jeremy Allen Swayney, Jerome James Thompson, Tiarra Lacree Toineeta, Natasha Katelynn Walk, Tsali Clay James Welch, Karson Tame-Jex Wildcatt, Clarissa Cheyenne Wilnoty

Cherokee High School names its top students

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herokee High School has named its top students for the Class of 2018. Scarlett Guy is this year's valedictorian and Robin Reed is the salutatorian.

"It's really exciting," said Guy, who is from the Painttown Community. "As a freshman, I didn't know what a valedictorian was.
Once I did find out, it just seemed like something far away."

Guy, who is entering a pre-med program at Duke University this fall with the goal of becoming a neurosurgeon, was involved in numerous activities during her Cherokee High School career including being involved in the TAG and Close-Up programs, playing in the marching and concert bands including two years as drum major, and being on the wrestling team.

She said signing up for honors classes at every opportunity helped her academically. "If there was an option for honors, I always chose it"

When asked her final thoughts about Cherokee High School, she noted, "I'm just extremely grateful that it was Cherokee High School that I was able to get my diploma from and be valedictorian of because of all the opportunities that they offer to their students here. They want every student to do well and be well and succeed. Because of all of these opportunities and being able to find community in clubs



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TOP STUDENTS: Scarlett Guy (left) and Robin Reed have been chosen as the Cherokee High School Class of 2018 valedictorian and salutatorian respectively. They are shown at the school following a senior walkthrough at the Cherokee Middle School on the afternoon of Thursday, May 31.

and groups made me stand out as a competitive student to colleges."

Reed, who is from the Big Y Community, said, "It doesn't feel real. I didn't think that four years ago when we came in that we'd be sitting here today."

Reed, who is entering the premed program at Lincoln Memorial University this fall, said that "staying on track" was a key to her success in high school. "Just do your work. It wasn't hard to do at all. Just stay on top of everything."

She played volleyball and softball all four years at Cherokee as well as being a part of the HOSA club and the Close-Up program.

As she prepares to leave Cherokee, she said, "It's been real. It really has. It's been quite the journey. It's been great. Honestly, it's been a great experience. I wouldn't trade it for anything. I wouldn't go anywhere else if I had to go back."

Of the two students, Deb Foerst, Cherokee High School principal, noted, "Robin and Scarlett are awesome. I have literally known Scarlett since elementary school and Robin since she was born. They are just such good girls, and they exemplify what true Braves are from the time they set foot on the Cherokee High School campus engaging in all of the extracurricular activities that they have while maintaining such good habits scholastically. These are the two that we want out front. We're excited for their futures."

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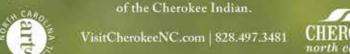
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A festival dedicated to sharing the wisdom of Cherokee's elders.

21st Annual Cherokee Voices Festival

June 9, 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

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







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INSPIRING: Scarlett Guy, center, leads the Cherokee High School Class of 2018, in a senior walkthrough at the Cherokee Middle School on the afternoon of Thursday, May 31. Guy, Class of 2018 valedictorian, is followed directly by Robin Reed who is the salutatorian for the class.



OBITUARIES

Annie Lynn Cucumber

Annie Lynn Cucumber, 49, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, May 27, 2018 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

She is survived by her father, Henry Queen Sr. of Cherokee; her children, Kaila Cucumber, Jacob "Hunter" Rattler, and Kierstan Cucumber, all of Cherokee; two grandsons, Payne Rattler and Kaden Cucumber of Cherokee; four sisters, Ruth McCoy, Leslie "Caron" Swayney, Lady Bird Powell, and Marlena "Mel" Toineeta all of Cherokee; one sisterin-law, Henrietta Littlejohn of Cherokee; one Aunt, Rosie Hornbuckle of Cherokee; one great aunt, Amanda Swimmer of Cherokee; many nieces and nephews; and many great nieces and nephews.

She was married to Robert Lee Tramper.

Annie was preceded in death by her mother, Stacey Sequoyah; adopted parents, Wesley Powell and Annie Powell; brothers, Henry Queen Littlejohn Jr., Lloyd Toineeta, Alvin Toineeta, and Jimmy Sequoyah; one sister, Mildred Cisneros; one nephew, Khrystofer "Hawk" Rattler; and one great niece, Aubrey Littlejohn.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, May 31 at Bethabara Baptist Church. Pastors James "Bo" Parris and Greg Morgan officiated. Burial followed at the Sequoyah Cemetery in the Birdtown Community. Pallbearers were Dean Swayney, Tim Swayney, James Swayney, Jesse Queen, Henry Littlejohn, III, and Jacob Smith.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Cucumber family.



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Cherokee Elementary School Awards List (1st - 4th grades)

Braves Achievement Award

1st: Colin Lossie, Jacqueline Fourkiller-Raby,

Walker Sutton

2nd: Darian Oocumma, Roxy Solis

3rd: Dillon Beam, Jade Palomo, Sage Bark

4th: Hunter Mathis, Maritza Luna

Read Bravely Bookathon

3rd: Sage Bark, Utsela Saunooke, Dalton Yates, Marley Crowe, Jamee McMillan, Madi Welch, Kayla Guillen, Ayanna Lambert, Denver Porterfield, Landon Seay, Christian Grant, Aniebreigh

4th: Chaske Raines, Javan Garcia, Marleigh Aguilera, Francesca Armachain, Shona Cole, Emiliano Garcia, Taylor Kazhe, Leilah Lossie, Hunter Mathis, Tevin Ross, Suri Watty

Top Readers

3rd: Cynthia Saunooke

4th: Olivia Arch

Vocational Opportunities Student Award

1st/2nd: Christopher "Shooter" Toineeta

Traditional Singers

1st: Georjia Girty, Julius Walkingstick, Theresa

"Addy" Harris

2nd: Audrey Edwards, Eloise Frady, Eva Hill,

Maia Lane, Zoe De Los Reyes, Kylana Sampson,

Kaidyn Walkingstick

3rd/4th: Ava Walkingstick, Alexis Grimes, Teela Ross, Aya Driver, Kayla Guillen, Carlito Huer-

ta-Perez, Adriana Rojas

Traditional Dancers

1st/2nd: Diana Standingdeer, Olivia Huskey, Ivan Morales, Faith West, John Calvin Gloyne 3rd: Dante Bigwitch, Jamee McMillan, Kaylee Wolfe, Madigan Welch

4th: Timber Sampson, Jayden Tramper, Colby

Lossie, Hunter Mathis

Most Outstanding Art Student

1st: Colton Crowe, Tia Buchanan, Peter Lopez

2nd: Jeremiah Locust, Roxy Solis

3rd: Felix Lossiah, Kaylee Wolfe

4th: Dominic Arch, Madison Teesateskie

Most Improved Art Student

1st: Nicolas Holder, Janiah Rattler, Walker Sut-

2nd: Mason Powers, Aliyah Watty

3rd: Dante Bigwitch, Melissa Wildcat

4th: Blake Wolfe, Jocelyn Ledford

Best All-Around Art Student

1st: Laila Crowe-Taylor

2nd: Jessica Arsana

3rd: Lucas Wildcat

4th: Maritza Luna, Gabby Smith

WCU Youth Art Show Participants

1st: Sophie Crowe, Kailia Reed, Laila Crowe-Tay-

2nd: Cainyan Welch, Taleeah Murphy, Haley Locust, Aalivah Watty, Drake Cruz 3rd/4th: Houston Hornbuckle, Araceli Martinez-Arch, Kyitan Johnson, Deanna Long, Madison Teesateskie, Lilia Jarvis

WCU Youth Art Show Winners

1st Place: Jonathan Rivera-Gomez Honorable Mention: Johnny Long

CIH Nutrition Poster Contest (4th Grade)

1st Place: Dominic Arch

2nd Place: Maritza Luna-Martinez 3rd Place: Charlie Guillen-Swaynev

Most Outstanding Computer Student

3rd: Kiowa George, Meli Winstead

4th: Jocelyn Saunooke, Dawson Clapsaddle

Most Improved Computer Student

3rd: Madigan Welch, Kingston Welch

4th: Alvssa Hovle, Owen Bird

Best All-Around Computer Student

3rd: Ava Walkingstick, Suri Watty

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3rd: Auron Taylor, Aubree Grimes, Javon Long, Trennan Calhoun, Kierstan Cucumber, Nyla Oueen

4th: Samantha Toineeta, Kieaira Ensley, Nikolai Thompson, Timber Sampson, Michael Lozano-Rodriguez

Academic Improvement

1st: Taytem Saunooke, Simon Rincon-Wahnetah, Jaymsey Armachain, Boomer Pheasant, Julius Armachain-Garcia, Nellie Lambert, Blake Sequoyah, Gabriel Arneach, Leland Sexton, Theresa Adline Harris, Janiyah Rattler, Hayden Edwards, Dustin Tramper, Dominique Gonzalez, Walker Sutton

2nd: Rubi Conner, Nicolas Paramo, Craigan Wildcat, Audrey Edwards, Willie Welch, Jayanna Thompson, Elijah Youngdeer, Haley Locust, Briann Teesateskie, Maia Lane, Preston Roach. Ariel Hoyle

3rd: Addison Stewart, Kailyana Hornbuckle-Standingwater, Kaden Wolfe, Kymani Foalima, Shataya Chambers, Nick Ensley, Chaz Martens, Aniebriegh Mora, Chloe Locust, Javon Long, Auron Taylor, Philip Saunooke 4th: Sara Toineeta, Nikki Toineeta, Jessie Wildcat, Jadence Saunooke, Nikolai Thompson, Oscar Charlie Guillien-Swayney, Jocelyn Saunooke, Zachary Seay, Blake Wolfe, Taylor Kazhe, Kayla Morgan, Javden Tramper, Gabby Smith

100 Book Club for 1st Grade

Tyson Calhoun, Colton Crowe, Cher Crowe-Garcia, Georjia Girty, Nicolas Holder, Savannah Hornbuckle, Jeron Martens, Kennedy Moore, Andyn Pheasant, Simon Rincon-Wahnetah, Taytem Saunooke, Cambry Stamper, Elliott Wildcatt, Mason York, Trigger Young, Greyson Ledford, Jaylee Arch, Gabriel Arneach, Tia Buchanan, Colin Lossie, McKyan Panther, Nyra Reed, Blake Sequoyah, Walker Sutton, Weston Swimmer, Marissa Wilson, Theresa Adline Harris, Kyson Jenkins, Taythorne Larch, Dahilia Long, Daryl Raya, Sophia Rojas, Julius Walkingstick, Skyler Welch, Malia Brady, Sophie Crowe, Hayden Edwards, Janiyah Rattler, Jaymsey Armachain, Krystyna Armachain, Alaina Hull, Josiah Hull, River Long, Peter Lopez, Maya Lossiah, Riley McCoy, Boomer Pheasant, Galvin Reed, Nathan Taylor, Emily Teesateskie, Joslyn Thompson, Viola Williams, Ko'dee Wolfe, Coty Sampson Top Reader for 1st Grade: Ava Walkingstick

150 Book Club for 2nd Grade

Rubianalyn Conner, Shawn Driver, William Evan Hoyle, Karmelita Montelongo, Ivan Morales, Derick Owle, Nicolas Paramo, Roxy Solis, Kylea Swayney, Kiarra Caley, Keysa-Ann Collins, Haley Locust, Lilly Lossiah, Maddelen Mendia Taleeah Murphy, Kahmera Pheasant, Wakinyan Raines, Dezmond Shelton, Thomas L. Smith, Alana Squirrell, Laylah Thompson, Cainyan Welch, Elijah Younger, Zoe De Los Reyes, Darian Jenkins, Jay Jay Ledford, Mason Powers, Briann Teeasateskie, Colton French, Olivia Huskey, Jeremiah "Pep" Locust, Ryleigh Postoak, James "JJ" Smith, William "Willie" Welch

Top Reader for 2nd Grade: Jessica Arsana

Academic Excellence

1st: Andyn Pheasant, Cher Crowe-Garcia, Code

Wolfe, Josiah Hull, Kalia Reed, Greyson Ledford, Jaylee Arch, Marissa Wilson, Julius Walkingstick, Sophia Rojas, Kaydence Bradley-Davis, Nina Montelongo, Nathan Taylor, Nicolas Holder, Peter Lopez

2nd: Derick Owle, Karmelita Montelongo, Kylana Sampson, Jacoby Lambert, Thomas Levi Smith, Kiarra Caley, JJ Smith, Khole Cucumber, Aliyah Watty, Zoe De Los Reyes, Dezmond Shelton, Autumn Tramper

3rd: Teela Ross, Dalton Yates, Livia Crowe, Reggie Hyatt, Tymius Allison, Meli Winstead, Jamee McMillan, Kingston Welch, Kiowa George, Johnathan Rivera-Gomez, Houston Hornbuckle, Jayden Bradley, Sage Bark

4th: Dominic Arch, Chloe Owle, Josilyn Ledford, Araceli Martinez-Arch, Dawoni Dv-di-s-di, Lilia Jarvis, Olivia Arch, Owen Bird, Francesca Armachain, Fred George, Alicia Solis, Zayden Crowe

Most Outstanding Cherokee Language

1st: Ava Walkingstick, Nyra Reed, Lauren Arsana, Sophia Rojas, Jeron Martens, Savannah Hornbuckle, Nina Montelongo, Peter Lopez 2nd: Jose Garcia, Drake Cruz, Kahmera Pheasant, Jessica Arsana, Raleigh Postoak, Zoe De Los Reyes

3rd: Houston Hornbuckle, Alexis Grimes, Drallen Ledford, Kymani Foalima, Jamee McMillan, Johnny Long

4th: Fred George, Kieaira Ensley, Lilia Jarvis, Dayton Wilnoty, Payton Driver, Rayven Hughes, Gabby Smith

Most Improved Cherokee Language Student

1st: Nathan Taylor, Weston Swimmer, Nellie Lambert, Leland Sexton, Viola Williams, Cher Crowe-Garcia, Sophie Crowe, Steven Walker Sutton

2nd: Grace Smith, Kyleah Swayney, Taleeah Murphy, Dyani Standingdeer, Audree Edwards, Keiarah Queen

3rd: Nicholas Ensley, Albert Toineeta, Noah Watty, Anana Hicks, Jonathon Rivera-Gomez, Jade Palomo

4th: Emiliano Garcia, Mato Nierhausen, Dawson Clapsaddle, Connor Junaluska, Suri Watty, Slevin Youngdeer

Best All-Around Cherokee Language

Sage Bark

Most Outstanding PE Student

1st: Maya Lossiah, McKyan Panther 2nd: Khloe Cucumber, Jay Jay Ledford

3rd: Dalton Yates, Jamee McMillan, Sage Bark

4th: Shona Cole, Sara Toineeta

Most Improved PE Student

1st: Jody Grant, Nocona Codynah, Walker Sutton

2nd: Lillian Bradley, Christopher Toineeta 3rd: Jonathon Rivera-Gomez, Livia Crowe 4th: Matix Stamper, Shawnee Kirkland

Best All-Around PE Student

1st: Cambry Stamper, Peter Lopez

2nd: Lilly Lossiah

3rd: Joscelyn Stamper, Zachary Seay

Presidential Fitness Award

2nd: Jose Garcia, Ezekiel Wehcl, Drake Cruz, Rayden Locust, Faith West, Haley Locust, Lilly Lossiah, Wakinyan Raines, Levi Smith, Laylah Thompson, Cainyan Welch, Elijah Youngdeer, Kyam Arch, Camaron Oocumma, Keiarah Queen, Jessica Arsana, Khloe Cucumber, Kollin Sampson, James Smith

3rd: Emilee Brady, Livia Crowe, Kyitan Johnson, Johnny Long, Felix Lossiah, Kayla Guillen, Houston Hornbuckle, Dillon Beam, Chaz Martens, Zaynon Taylor, Noah Watty, Lucas Wildcat, Christian Martinez, Jamee McMillan, Kingston Welch, Madigan Welch, Kiersten Cucumber, Jezakiah Driver, Teela Ross, Utsela Saunooke, Joscelyn Stamper, Addison Stewart, Dalton Yates, Daisee Fourkiller-Raby

4th: Yvonne Saunooke, Dawson Clapsaddle, Shawnee Kirkland, Matix Stamper, Sara Toineeta, Kellen Ensley, Zachary Seay, Suri Watty, Javan Garcia

Most Outstanding Music Student

1st: Simon Rincon-Wahnetah, Taytem Saunooke 2nd: Tomas Soap, Karmelita Montelongo 3rd: Kymani Foalima, Madigan Welch 4th: Matix Stamper, Sienna Wahnetah

Most Improved Music Student

1st: Coty Sampson, Shyanna Cash 2nd: Cainyan Welch, Ledaina French-Bird 3rd: Philip Saunooke, Aniebriegh Mora, Sage Bark

4th: Nikola Thompson, Nakaiya Hill **Best All-Around Music Student**

1st: Sophia Rojas, Peter Lopez

2nd: Gabrielle George

3rd: Auron Taylor, Adaneti Durham

Chorus

Littlejohn

Lucas Wilcat, Livia Crowe, Kiowa George, Mariah Taylor, Nyla Queen, Denver Porterfield, Izabella Terrell, Timber Sampson, Jessie Wildcat, Rayne Hughes, Leila Lossiah

Best All-Around

Sampson-Lossiah, Nyra Reed, Taylor Wildcat, Sophie Crowe, Zedeki Pheasant 2nd: Rayden Locust, Lillian Bradley, Laylah Thompson, Colton French, Darian Jenkins, Caius

1st: Cambry Stamper, Viola Williams, Emily

3rd: Joscelyn Stamper, Emilee Brady, Zaynon Taylor, Madigan Welch, Adrianna Rojas, Melody Tramper

4th: Rayven Hughes, Kieaira Ensley, Maritza Luna, Kellen Ensley, Marleigh Aguilera, Tsali Dv-di-s-di

Daily Attendance

2nd: Colton French, Camaron Oocumma, Elijah Youngdeer

3rd: Emily Many, Meli Winstead

4th: Kieaira Ensley

Tribal Council Merit Award

1st: Shyanna Cash, Jeron Martens, Georjia Girty, Alaina Hull, Ava Walkingstick, Skyler Welch, Dahilia Long, Tia Buchanan, McKyan Panther, Lauren Arsana, Kirk Reed; Best All-Around: Sophie Crowe

2nd: Marcy Swayney, Drake Cruz, Kimberly Crowe, Ezekiel Welch, Jessica Arsana, Ryleigh Postoak, Wakinyan Raines, Lilly Lossiah, Laranzo Wilnoty, Camaron Oocumma; Best All-Around: John Calvin Gloyne 3rd: Johnny Long, Aleiyah Hull, Aniebriegh Mora, Drallen Ledford, Utsela Saunooke, Dasige

Fourkiller-Raby, Denver Porterfield, Kayla Guillen, Christian Luna-Martinez, Brandy Martinez, Sage Bark; Best All-Around: Deanna Long 4th: Dawson Clapsaddle, Payton Driver, Tayvin Bark-Cruz, Timber Sampson, Talan Crowe, Chaske Raines, Javan Garcia, Leilah Lossie, Gus Burgess, Sienna Ella Wahnetah, Gabriella Smith;

Best All-Around: Suri Watty

Motion Makers Bicycle Shop and Outdoor 76 announce Grand Opening in Cherokee

otion Makers Bicycle
Shop, with stores in
Asheville and Sylva, has
announced it is open for business at
the Big Cove Road location in Cherokee. A grand opening celebration
will take place Saturday, June 16
along with the grand opening of
their partner store Outdoor 76.

The celebration will include refreshments, BBQ, vendor give-aways and more. More details will be made available on Facebook.

Motion Makers and Outdoor 76 are at the jumping point for a plethora of recreational opportunities on the corner of Big Cove and Acquoni Roads in Saunooke Village. The shop sits at the gateway to Smoky Mountain National Park at the beginning of the popular Oconaluftee River trail head. The newly developed Fire Mountain Trail system is right next door, along with nearby Western Carolina University and Tsali trails. It's also near the southern terminus of the Blue Ridge Parkway and several legendary gravel bike routes in the National Park. Great Smoky Mountain National Park is the most visited National Park in the US and with over 800 miles of maintained hiking trails and natural attractions. It's a hiker's heaven. This unique collaboration of specialty bikes and outdoor gear under the same roof in a great community and at the southern gate of the National Park is exciting, to say the least.

"Cherokee has slowly evolved into an outdoor gateway for the Smoky Mountains", says Owner Kent Cranford. "We are excited to offer bikes and gear for the adventures that are literally steps from our front door."

Open five days a week (closed Tuesday and Wednesday) from 10am – 6pm, Motion Makers offers bikes and gear from affordable to boutique brands for all types and level of rider along with a bike rental service. Outdoor 76 provides quality, specialty hard goods and apparel to cover all price points from lifestyle to the most technical needs. Both companies are enthusiastic about their grand opening. Held in conjunction with the Fire Mountain Inferno XC & Enduro Event on June 16 and 17, there will be a lot of activity and enthusiasts in and around Cherokee.

"It's hard to put into words how excited we are to be a part of such a comprehensive shop where enthusiasts can talk to experts about multiple outdoor activities, not to mention in Cherokee - a community that loves these mountains the same way we do', says Rob Gasbarro, a co-owner of Outdoor 76. "Our company's foundation is all about honoring the creation, the beauty around us, and responsibly enjoying it as it was meant to be enjoyed. We're so grateful to be a part of this on every level - from being a part of Saunooke Village, to knowing that we can have a role in equipping someone to have a life changing experience in these mountains."

Founded in 1986, Motion Makers Bicycle Shop has a simple mission, connect people to the power of movement. Consistently ranked



as one of America's Best Bike Shops, Motion Makers is a friendly customer oriented bike shop that delivers an unrivaled cycling experience from start to finish. With locations in Cherokee, Sylva and Asheville, Motion Makers Bicycle Shop has friendly staff, expert technicians and a large selection of bikes and gear. Through the years Cranford and his staff have created a retail environment with a pulse and culture that keeps customers coming back for their top-notch service, the chance to talk with friends and be a part of the local cycling community.

Outdoor 76 opened their doors in the fall of 2010 in the beautiful mountains of Franklin. Their staff is made up of outdoor enthusiasts who have spent years hiking, paddling, climbing, cycling, camping and fishing the mountains of Western North Carolina and abroad. The shop features an incredible selection of men's and women's clothing and shoes, along with a very comprehensive selection of technical backpacking gear and accessories, as well as recreational paddling equipment - plus everything else you'd expect from a full-service outfitter. If they sell it, they've used it.

Info: www.motionmakers.com or www.outdoor76.com/

- Motion Makers Bicycle Shop

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> - **Kent Cranford,** Motion Makers Bicycle Shop owner

TOP CEDS Priority Projects Announced

Once every five years, the EBCI conducts a Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS) planning process to determine priority projects for economic development over the next five-year period. The CEDS Steering Committee is led by the EBCI Planning Board, with the Chief, Vice Chief, and all members of Tribal Council participating in the process. We also had the best turnout of enrolled members ever at meetings held for Public Input into the process.

The 2018 CEDS Process is now complete, and the priority projects, as well as all other economic development project considered, are listed below. The Tribal Planning Office would like to thank the Planning Board, Chief Sneed, Vice Chief Ensley and all who helped to make this process possible. We also appreciate the generous assistance from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation who helped underwrite the effort. - EBCI Planning Office

* To read the entire report, visit theonefeather.com and follow the CEDS link located at the top of the page.

	VOTING RESULTS	#
1	Adventure Park	12
2	Trout Hatchery Research and Educational Center	12
3	Golf Course Hotel and Clubhouse	9
4	Multi-Sports Complex	8
5	Archives Facility	7
6	Children's Interactive Museum	5
7	Tribal Investment Company	5
8	New Supermarket	5
9	Cultural District Master Plan	4
10	Data Center	3
11	Recreational Riding Trails Open to Public	3
12	Bureau of Indian Affairs Office Relocation	2
13	Downtown Roadway Upgrades	2
14	Off-Boundary Rental Housing for Workers	2
15	Additional Biking/Hiking Trails	1
16	Agricultural Center	1
17	Business Incubator	1
	Centralized Administration Building	1
19	Downtown Business Area Revitalization Strategy	1
20	Cherokee Botanical Garden Restoration	0
21	Computer Listings for Commercial Properties	0
22	Fairgrounds Renovations	0
23	High Local Construction Costs	0
24	Resolve Availability of Alcohol	0
25	Wayfinding Signage Upgrades	0

Tribe to commemorate World Elder Abuse Awareness Day with a walk

The EBCI Public Health and Human Services Family Safety and Senior Citizens Programs are commemorating World Elder Abuse Day by hosting a Walk to End Elder Abuse at Tsali Manor from 5 – 7pm on Friday, June 15. This year's theme is: "Elders Matter: We're in this together...and together it works".

Did you know that every day 10,000 people turn 65 in the US alone? That trend is going to continue for nearly the next 20 years. Demographics are shifting, and soon there will be more elderly people in the US than ever before. At the same time that the population is growing, a startling number of elders face abusive conditions. Every year an estimated 5 million, or 1 in 10, older Americans are victims of elder abuse, neglect, or exploitation. And, that's only part of the picture: Experts believe that for every case of elder abuse or neglect reported, as many as 23.5 cases go unreported.

World Elder Abuse Awareness Day serves as a global call-to-action for individuals, organizations, and communities to raise awareness about abuse, neglect, and exploitation of elders. The International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse and the World Health Organization at the United Nations (UN) launched the first World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD) on June 15, 2006 in an effort to unite communities around the world in raising awareness about elder abuse. WEAAD is in support of the UN's International Plan of Action acknowledging the significance of elder abuse as a public health and human rights issue.

Info: EBCI Family Safety 359-1525

- EBCI Public Health and Human Services Division





Do you need help with...
end of life planning;
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or community education, self-help resources,
and brief legal advice?

EBCI Legal Assistance Office

Ginger Lynn Welch Complex 810 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 828-359-7400 legalhelp@nc-cherokee.com

EBCI Legal Assistance also handles child custody representations under certain conditions. Please call to determine if you qualify and if the program can represent you.

Nominations sought for WCU's Mountain Heritage Awards

CULLOWHEE – Western
Carolina University is accepting
nominations for the Mountain Heritage Awards, prestigious honors
bestowed on an individual and an
organization each year for contributions to or playing a prominent
role in research, preservation and
curation of Southern Appalachian
history, culture and folklore.
The awards will be presented at the
44th annual Mountain Heritage
Day on Saturday, Sept. 29, on the
WCU campus.

Deadline for nominations is Saturday, June 30.

There is a storied tradition of the awards and the recognition given to regional figures, institutions and organizations, beginning with the first presentation in 1976. "What do Cherokee 'Beloved Woman' Amanda Swimmer, community activist Rob Tiger, the late WCU Chancellor H.F. 'Cotton' Robinson and Mountain Faith Band all have in common?" said Pam Meister, director of WCU's Mountain Heritage Center. "And how about Dogwood Crafters, the Jackson County Genealogical Society, the Museum of the Cherokee Indian and the Young Adult Choir of Tried Stone Missionary Baptist Church? They're all recipients of WCU's Mountain Heritage Award."

Recipients are chosen by a committee comprised of regional and campus representatives. Letters of nomination should not exceed five pages and should include the full name of the individual or organization being nominated, with a website address if applicable; the mailing address of the nominee; the founding date for organizational nominees; a list of the nominee's

accomplishments; a list of the awards and other recognitions received by the nominee; information about the nominee's influence in the relevant field of expertise, such as crafts, music or organizational cause; and information about the nominee's role as a teacher, advocate, leader or curator of mountain culture.

Nominations should be delivered to the Mountain Heritage Center offices, located in Room 240 of WCU's Hunter Library; mailed to Mountain Heritage Center, 1 University Drive, Cullowhee N.C. 28723; or emailed to pameister@wcu.edu.

- WCU

Community Garden Contest dates

Registration for the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center's 2018 Community Garden Contest is now open. Judging will be held the week of June 25. Interested community members can register their garden through Friday, June 8. Come by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Center Monday – Friday from 8am – 4:30pm to register. Info: EBCI Cooperative Extension Center 359-6939 or Chumper Walker, director, 359-6930

- EBCI Cooperative Extension Center

Right Path Adult Leadership Program accepting nominations

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program (RP) is accepting nominations for participation in the 2018-19 program. This program is for enrolled tribal members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), Cherokee Nation of Oklahoma (CN), and the United Kituwah Band (UKB). Participants will learn Cherokee history and

culture, and to develop leadership competencies. Participants will meet two days per month, for 12 months, and will engage in case study work, classroom lectures, and experiential learning.

Candidates must be age 18 and over, have a high school diploma or GED. Knowledge of Cherokee culture and/or experience in a professional environment is a plus.

Deadline for submission: Letters of nomination will be accepted by mail, email, or in-person delivery, June 22 by 5pm, to the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club on, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC, Attention, Tara McCoy, Right Path:

- Mail: Attention: Tara McCoy P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719. Must be postmarked on or before June 22, 2018.
- Email: taramcc@nc-cherokee.
- In-person delivery: Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at Cherokee Boys Club at 134 Boys Club Loop off of Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 (across from the CBC Garage)

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program is a culturally-based leadership program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute. The Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute is a department of the Cherokee Boys Club and is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. For more information, please contact Tara McCoy, Right Path Leadership Specialist at 828-359-5542 or taramcc@nc-cherokee.com.

- Right Path Adult Leadership Program

Cherokee Tribal Court Jury List for Monday, July 9

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Arch, Jefferson Curtis Arneach, Erin Lemae Bales, Kaitlin Wolfe Blaylock, Chad Everett Bowman, Josephine Yde Bradley, Samuel Brady Jr., Eugene Brindle, Charles Brandon Bryson, Lisa Elaine Burke, Onita Mary Bush, Becky Ensley Butler, James Phillip Calhoun Jr., Steven Michael Catolster, Edward Crowe, Gadusi Tate Win Crowe, Leticia Kay Cruz, Sally Wildcatt Davis, Kathyleen Demaria Driver, Arron Lee Fritts, Michael Abraham George, Nora Murro George, Jonathan Britton Havard, Corev James Hill, Jesse James Hill Jr., Joshua Robert Hodock, Sarah Ann Hoyt, Angela I. Kephart, Keahana Tushmal Lambert Sluder, Carol Fuller Long, Patrick Martin Mahsetky, Anthony Edward Maney, Kyle Tazzman McCoy, Mary E. McCoy, Veronica Eniki McCoy, Dylan Carl Morgan, David Oocumma, Felicia Danielle Owle, Gracia Lorrene Parra-Rubio, Rebecca Jane Paz Chalacha, Philicia Diane Pheasant, Jamyang Phuntsok, Rosemary Powell, Mark James Reed, Michelle Angela Rodriquez, Brian Keith Rose, Haley Sherice Rose, Rhonda Kave Rose, Sherri Ann Ross, Victoria Sandoval, Daniel Saunooke, Carrah Dawnell Shawnee Swimmer, Anthony Jason Shell, Gregory Lillis Smith II, James Harvey Smith III, Zachary Alexander Smith, Heather Nichole Sneed, Michael Cody Sneed, Pamela Sue Sneed, Vincent Lee Sneed, John Frederick Squirrel, Cherrie Lynn Startt, Pamela Ensley Straughan, Chavella Rae Taylor, Damon Austin Taylor, Joseph Daniel Thompson, Catcuse Vernon Tiger, JC Wachacha, Terri Lloyd Walker, James Elbert Walkingstick, John E. Walkingstick, Norman Joseph Walkingstick, Sharon Lee Walters, Allen Blue Welch, Shaylene Andrea Welch, Samantha Marie Wendover, Dawnenna Sue West, Villareal Able West, James Calvin Yoder, Merritt Edson Youngdeer

- Cherokee Tribal Court

Guardian ad Litem training

A new guardian training course will begin in the middle of June; and the GAL program is currently accepting applications for child advocates in Swain, Macon, and Jackson counties.

The GAL Program is part of the North Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program, a division of the North Carolina Administrative Office of the Courts, which recruits, trains, and supervises volunteer advocates in every county across the state to represent and promote the best interests of abused, neglected, and dependent children in the state court system. Volunteer advocates work with an attorney to form a plan that ensures these children are placed in a safe, permanent home.

The North Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program thrives on volunteerism, and its vital work is only made possible by dedicated volunteers who are committed to the cause of keeping children safe from future harm. If you have an interest in becoming the voice for a child, contact the local GAL office (828) 587-2087, or you can also find out more about the program or submit an application by visiting www.volunteerforgal.org or www.facebook.com/ncGuardianAdLitem.

- North Carolina Guardian ad Litem Program

Spots available at Mountainside Art Market

The Mountainside Theater will have an Art Market set up underneath the rain shelter during the 2018 season of "Unto These Hills". Local artists can reserve space on Friday and Saturday nights throughout the season. Info: Laura Blythe 497-1126 for more details and a vendor agreement.

- There will be 10 spaces available for rent.
- Potential to have 1,500 or more people per weekend coming through the Art Market
- Each artist is responsible for the set-up and break-down of their booth.
- One table and two chairs can be provided
- Vendor must provide handcrafted art for sale, and it cannot duplicate what is offered in the Mountainside retail area.
- Cost is \$50 per night
- Extended contracts can be signed.
- Spaces are first-come, first serve
- Set-up will begin at 6:30pm, break-down will start at 10am. Vendors must stay the entire time.
- Vendors will be responsible for their belongings.
- Two people per space maximum; no children
- "Unto These Hills" staff will not be available for set-up, tear-down, or to help watch personal items
- The following dates are available: June 8 and 9; June 15 and 16; June 22 and 23; June 29 and 30; July 4, 5, 6, 7 (\$50/night or \$175 for all four days); July 13 and 14; July 20 and 21; July 27 and 28; Aug. 3 and 4; Aug. 10 and 11; and Aug. 17 and 18.
 - Cherokee Historical Association

Southern Highland Craft Guild Mentoring Program

The Southern Highland Craft Guild has a Mentoring Program for prospective applicants. There are two upcoming workshops including June 30 and Sept. 22 – both from 1 – 4pm at the Folk Art Center in Asheville. Applicants/Mentees who choose to go through the Mentoring Program will have a Mentor in their specific area of craft to guide them through the application and prospective jurying process. Info: Faye Harper, faye@craftguild.org, or Paula Bowers, pbweave@frontier.com

- Southern Highland Craft Guild

EBCI Cooperative Extension Community Garden Judging

Registration for the community garden contest will be May 21 – June 8.

Judging will be done in these communities the following dates: June 26: Wolfetown, Big Y, Birdtown, and 3200 Acre Tract June 27: Big Cove, Towstring, Yellowhill, and Painttown June 28: Cherokee County and

Snowbird

Youth Gardeners, up to age 18, and Community Gardens judging dates will depend on the number of entries. They will most likely be done along with the main judging dates. Participants should provide clear driving directions to the garden; age of the gardener, and if the garden is organic or conventional.

A team from the EBCI Cooperative Extension office will bring judges to visit the gardens. They will score the gardens in the following areas:

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

Winners will be announced at

the EBCI Cooperative Extension's Community Awards Program in September.

Info: Maddie Ciszewski, agriculture agent, 359-6935 or email madecisz@nc-cherokee.com

- EBCI Cooperative Extension

June is Dairy Month

June is Dairy Month which means even though it's hot out you should still drink milk and/or other calcium-fortified drinks for your overall bone health. According to ChooseMyPlate.gov, consuming dairy provides health benefits especially improved bone health and reduced chances of osteoporosis. Dairy products also provide calcium, potassium, vitamin D and protein which are vital for the health and maintenance of your body. Dairy should be consumed in the diet at least two servings a day, which means one 8 ounce glass of milk or any other dairy products such as cheese and/or yogurt. I know a lot of people are whole milk drinkers and if you're one of them think of making the switch from higher fat milk and milk products to fat-free or low-fat options such as 2 percent, 1 percent, and skim.

If you're lactose-intolerant you have alternatives to choose such as lactose-free milk or soymilk or even taking lactase before consuming milk. If you avoid milk for other reasons, choose non-dairy sources of calcium such as calcium-fortified juices, cereals, breads, almond milk, soybeans and other soy products, and some leafy greens (collard and turnip greens, kale, bok choy). Calcium is important because it is used for building bones and teeth and in maintaining bone mass.

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"Muslim brotherhood & planet of the apes had a baby=vj."-Rosanne Barr tweet, referring to former Obama aide Valerie Jarrett.

"You know, Ivanka, that's a beautiful photo of you and your child, but let me just say, one mother to another, do something about your dad's immigration practices, you feckless (expletive)! He listens to you! Put on something tight and low-cut and tell your father to (expletive) stop it."-Samantha Bee speaking on her television show, referring to Ivanka Trump.

hurtful impact of words in the mass media recently. Two highly-rated, popular comedians, have had to walk back statements that were, it seems, intended to make a political statement by way of making a "joke". One of the comedians, Rosanne Barr, paid the price of losing her job and the jobs of several others, as their parent company shut down the reboot of the "Rosanne" sitcom.

When I was being "reintroduced" to the Tribe after a long time away from Cherokee, a friend told me early on that I should expect a good amount of "poking fun" and "name-calling" if I was to be welcomed and accepted in the community. He said I would know how readily I was being accepted by people in the Tribe by how much "ribbing" I got from them. Since then, I have heard that from many more of my friends and associates, and I have taken a whole lot of ribbing. Good natured, of course.

I was once told that Indians can't be racists, since they are a minority.

By definition, racism is "prejudice, discrimination, or antagonism directed against someone of a different race based on the belief that one's own race is superior" (Google).

The definition doesn't specify the size or population of the race, only that it identifies itself as superior to others of a different race and communicates that mindset hatefully. Where being racist for a race would be challenging is if most of that race had a varied or mixed racial make-up. Hmmm...

To chase a quick rabbit...the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, by its own sovereign law, recognizes all members with a blood quantum of 1/16 (and in some cases 1/32) as fully Cherokee Indian. You are not a part member of the Tribe. You are a full member of the Tribe with all rights and privileges of a tribal member.

Now, there are 15,690 members documented as members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. There are 317 listed as full-blood (blood quantum is 100 percent). A total of 78 percent of the remaining full blood Eastern Band Cherokee Indians are age 50 or above. That means 15,373 of us are less than that. It means that 97.9 percent of us have the blood of another race running through our veins, if I did the math right.

Many in our culture believe that enrollment by blood quantum will eventually lead to racial extinction. Logic dictates that as more of us intermarry outside the race, blood quantum will drop below the accepted percentage. The only choice would be to move the quantum lower. Eventually, it would be immeasurable. It is interesting to note that at least one tribe has taken this so seriously that they have started giving a history and culture test as part of their enrollment process.

We have reason to be proud of our heritage as Eastern Band of Cherokee tribal members. Not just the blood of our ancestors, but the history, language, and culture of our people make us who we are. Some wear it in clothing, tattoos, and piercings. Some speak it and write it. Some cook it and carve it. It is called living your culture. We do it in many ways. None of us do it the same way because no two of us are alike.

It is when we judge how others celebrate and live their "Cherokee-ness" that we sometimes find hurt and hate. Terms like "coconut", "apple", "Oreo", and "white Indian" are some of the derogatory words used to describe people who have been judged as having the blood or the skin of a Cherokee, but not the heart or the life of one. Making

fun of someone, for some circles in our community, is a cultural norm. Differences between "light-hearted" teasing and veiled contempt are very hard to determine. There is a fine line between good-natured kidding, and racial bullying and bigotry.

A beloved elder once tried to address an incident of hateful dialogue between two tribal members by kindly explaining that hurting each other because of the way we choose to live out our heritage is not the Cherokee way. Respect and courtesy for one another is high on the list of what it means to be Cherokee among our elders. Bullying and bigotry are products of another culture, even when they are used to "defend" Cherokee heritage.

It is important for us to look within ourselves and search our

motives when we are doing things in the name of our people. When we stand up for our culture and heritage, we need to make sure we do so in a way that reflects the values that our ancestors held dear, or we become hypocrites and dishonor the very culture we are trying to uphold. Foul language and name calling are not signs of power, but of ignorance.

I used to love to debate when I was in high school and in college. It didn't matter whether it was a formal setting or a group of friends, I loved to explore issues through the tool of debate. I would often take a side that I didn't necessarily agree with, just so I could engage thought processes with others. I knew the moment my opponent started name-calling or insulting, that I had him on the ropes. When

we run out of reason, we often turn to hateful speech to feel like we have something over someone else.

Cherokee people have a history of being a fun-loving, jovial community. We like to have fun and laugh with each other. We also have a history of high regard for people of our blood, of our com-

munity. Our ancestors would not have been pleased that we laugh at the expense of hurting others. And, when it comes right down to it, speaking of calling people names because of their racial makeup, who among use has the right to cast the first stone?

A CHEROKEE COMMUNITY CITIZEN GROUP IS ATTEMPTING TO DRAFT A CONSTITUTION FOR THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. THE DRAFT IS NEARLY COMPLETE. SHARE YOUR THOUGHTS AND INPUT AT THE FOLLOWING WEBSITE:

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Thank you for your service and love for your community.

Cherokee One Feather

LETTER TO THE EDITOR Mother wants memorial for son

■his Labor Day, I L want to remember my son, Patrick Bradley Allison (Feb. 2, 1973 – April 14, 2015), who was killed three years ago while on his job to make the roads safer for his community. He worked for the Cherokee Department of Transportation. His sacrifice to the Cherokee community needs to be recognized by the tribal government. I put a temporary roadside memorial in the form of a memory cross and photo where he was killed while on duty with the CDOT. No one with the Tribe bothers to mow around it. The temporary memorial is now showing signs of wear and needs a new coat of paint.

I'm asking tribal leaders to consider erecting a permanent memorial near the Tribal Council House or the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds to honor Brad and all tribal employees who were killed while serving their community.

Jackie Smith TalleySalem. SC

COMMENTARY

Tribal member experiences discrimination at Harry's on the Hill

It has been a while since I have had a different vehicle and thought about trading mine. I found a couple of SUVs that I liked at Harry's on the Hill in Asheville near Sam's Club. As we drove up to the dealership, I noticed a big towering statue of an Indian out front. Seeing the figure should have been my first clue of what I was about to endure.

Discrimination and hate are out there and going to Harry's on the Hill; I got to experience it first-hand. At first, it made me angry. Then, I was disheartened and remorseful that this still happens.

I am writing this because we do not have to be mistreated. As a Cherokee Nation, we can stand up for ourselves and others. Making others aware of instances like this can prevent them from happening again.

We need to look out for each other and make those that are in the market for a vehicle aware that the salesperson is not your friend and that they may have alternative intentions.

Back to Harry's on the Hill, I tried to negotiate with a salesperson, but he seemed like he did not want to work with me or go down on their prices.

Remember, they know we are Cherokee, and it is close to per cap, so they increase their costs.

However, when I start looking for a new car, I do my homework - researching dealership websites for the details of vehicles listed which includes: mileage, asking price, and VIN. When I provided the bank with the information, they informed me that the asking price was way too high. Knowing the values of all the vehicles, I tried to get Harry's on the Hill to meet me halfway. They did not want to work with me. Yes, I wanted a car, but it should not be this hard.



screenshot of a text message Sabrina Arch, an EBCI tribal member from the Big Cove Community, received from a salesperson at Harry's on the Hill car dealership in Asheville.

In their eyes, I was an uneducated Native American woman with money. I had been warned not to use any of the surrounding dealerships because they hate us and are jealous of us because of the extra income we receive. I thought they would try and work with us more because we are helping them earn extra commissions by bringing them more business.

Feeling mistreated, I took my business elsewhere which ended up being a two-hour drive to another dealership.

At this dealership, I was treated as a customer with respect, and they were willing to work with me. When I left with a new car, I took a picture of my new car and sent it to the Harry's on the Hill salesman that did not want to work with me. He could have easily had my business if he had treated me like a valued customer.

His reply, via a text message, obviously not meant for me was "look what this biatch sent me" and "Cherokee lady on Yukon".

What is even more demeaning is that once he realized that the sent the message to the wrong person, he did not try to correct it or apologize. Instead, he continued to act like he was still messaging a co-worker that seemed like he was trying to ask about what his co-worker thought about some dreamcatchers someone had given him, and he was contemplating sending this gift back. By looking at the picture, it looks like a screenshot off of the internet.

I found out the hard way. I am glad to know how he honestly feels and believe this is the shared work environment of Harry's on the Hills dealership. By having the Indian mascot up as you enter this dealership can be misleading and needs to be taken down.

This is hate! We deserve better! I pray that if you are looking to purchase a vehicle that you take time and do your homework. No one should have to go through this. I hope that you get treated decent and with respect, without having to travel further away! As a Tribe, we can unify and stand up to others trying to take advantage of us!

Sabrina Arch

Big Cove Community

Harry's on the Hill update

(Note: This is an update on an issue described in a commentary (see previous page) published at theonefeather.com on Thursday, May 31. This update letter is dated the following day, Friday, June 1.)

First and foremost, I would like to say, "Thank you!" Everyone has been overly supportive and encouraging! Unified together we can make a difference, and I wanted to let you know that

we have.

Patricia P. Grimes, one of the owners of Harry's on the Hill, has reached out to let me know that what happened to me is not their philosophy and inconsistent with their values. They have terminated that employee and are finding a way to take down the statue.

She asked if there was anything I could think of that they can do to right this wrong. I did not know how to answer this question. I am puzzled, I do not know how to fix this but going forward because we are always doing things for our community. I told her that we have a lot of events where we give back to the community, our kids,

and the elders where donations are welcome. She said she welcomes any idea and that we can send those request to the dealership to be reviewed. They have also made a public apology statement on their Facebook site.

None of this could have been accomplished without your support, love, encouragement, and passion! I sincerely want to Thank every one of you! We can make a difference when we stand together!

Sabrina Arch

Big Cove Community

Hey Business Owner!

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We are plugged in to our community, and our social media engagement proves it. Over 23,000 readers like us enough to "like" us on Facebook. Last year, our weekly engagement was between 40K and 50K. A few things went viral, being viewed by as many as 350,000 folks! Our social media presence leads people to theonefeather.com.

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Really, all you need is One Feather.



Benefits/Fundraisers

Cherokee Cancer Support Group Prime Rib Dinner Fundraiser. June 9 from 5 – 7pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds exhibit hall. Menu: Prime rib, salad, baked potato, vegetable, rolls, tea, coffee, and water. Food will be provided by Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. Advance tickets are on sale now. Tickets are \$15 and can be purchased from any Cancer Support Group member. A limited number of tickets will be available at the door. A raffle will be held every 30 minutes. Local vendors are invited to set up and sell crafts at no charge, but you must supply your own table. This event is sponsored by the Cherokee Cancer Support Group and Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

Church Events

Vacation Bible School. June 10-14 from 6 – 8pm nightly at Straight Fork Baptist Church. Fun and fellowship. Everyone is invited.

Vacation Bible School. June 11-16 from 6 - 8pm nightly at Waterfalls Baptist Church. The theme is "Jungle River Adventure". Info: www. vbs.bogardpress.org

Cultural Events

Kituwah Celebration. June 22 from 6 – 8pm at Kituwah Mound. This event, sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation and Education Program, is free of charge. Food, fun, culture. Everyone is welcome.

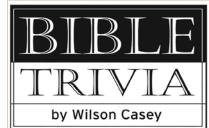
General Events

Cherokee Bluegrass Festival. June 7-9 at Happy Holiday RV Village and Campground in Cherokee. Numerous groups performing including: The Crowe Brothers, Lorraine Jordan & Carolina Road, the Little Roy & Lizzy Show, The Inspirations, Carl Jackson, Carolina Blue, Mountain Faith, and many more. Daily ticket prices

are \$40 for adults in advance until May 30, then \$45 at the gate. A three-day adult ticket is \$90 in advance and \$95 at the gate. Children ages 7-15--\$15 per day or 3 days for \$45 in advance and \$50 at the gate. Children under 7 are free when accompanied by parents. Tickets may be ordered online at www.adamsbluegrass.com. Info: Adams Bluegrass, LLC (706) 864-7203 or Happy Holiday RV Village and Campground 497-9204

Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society presentation. June 7 at 6:30pm at Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. Scott Withrow will be presenting "Georgia Gold, The Cherokee John Martin Chambers". Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This event is free and open to the public. Info: www.swaingenealogy.com





- 1. Is the book of Balaam in the Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From Genesis 8, what was the first thing Noah did after leaving the ark? Burned the ark, Built an altar, Performed a marriage, Hiked to mountains
- What group did John the Baptist exhort to be content with their pay? Priests, Zealots, Judges, Soldiers
- 4. From Genesis 17, who said, "Shall a child be born unto him that is a 100 years old"? Adam, Abraham, Aaron, Agrippa
- 5. Which king of Israel had a reputation as a wild chariot driver? *Joash*, *Jehoash*, *Jehu*, *Jeremiah*
- 6. Whose biblical name means "eagle"? Nehemiah, Timothy, Aquila, Miriam

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Elder Abuse Awareness Walk. June 15 from 5 – 7pm at Tsali Manor. Information booths will be set-up at 5pm, registration starts at 5:30pm, walk starts right at 6pm. Free t-shirts while supplies last. Info: 359-1525

Swain Arts Center Summer Arts Camp. June 18-21. Activities will include Cherokee storytelling, arts and crafts instruction from Cherokee artisans, and field trips to significant historical and cultural sites in Swain County. Spaces available for 25 students who have completed grades 3-5. The camp is funded in part by a grant from RTCAR (Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources) and the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Registration will be open until May 19 or until the spaces are filled. There is a \$25 fee for the camp. To register, www.swain.k12.nc.us. Info: Rachel Lackey, Swain Arts Center director, 488-7843, rlackey@swainmail.org

Qualla Boundary Library Summer Reading program. June 21 – July 26 (Thursday evenings) from 5:30 – 7pm at the Qualla Boundary Public Library. All school-aged children are welcome. Registration is open through June 15. Info: 359-6725

myFutureNC Listning Session. July 12 from 2 – 5pm at Cherokee Central Schools. myFutureNC, a statewide education commission focusing on educational attainment for all North Carolinians, is holding a series of listening sessions to hear from communities about what they perceive as their region's economic strengths and identify the education opportunities that are most needed to capitalize on those strengths. This session will focus on Native perspective and will include Dr. Beverly Payne and Yona Wade from the Qualla Education Collaborative. Info and RSVP at: https://www.myfuturenc.org/listening-sessions/

Health and Sports Events

Archery at Big Y Gym. Each Tuesday at 6pm. All shooters are welcome. Deino and Allen, both certified instructors, will be assisting.

Youth Football Camp. June 14-16 at Chero-

kee High School. Offensive and defensive fundamental camp including drills for linemen, special teams, and backs. Cost: \$30 includes camp shirt and pizza party. Register: https://fs22.formsite.com/TahneesKidsFund/form4/

4th Annual Epilepsy Awareness Walk. June 27 at 4:30pm start at Oconaluftee Island Artists Row parking lot (located across from Cherokee KFC). Door prize drawings, bounce houses, Nikki's Frybread, stickball game at 5:15pm. Info: Taylor Wilnoty 508-0387, www.facebook.com/ UwetiDitlihi/

Cherokee Rally for Recovery. July 26 from 3 – 7pm at Cherokee Central Schools. The tentative theme is "Healing through Healthy Communities". There will be speakers, games, educational information, food, and music to honor those in recovery and help those working on recovery. Info: Billie Jo Rich or Lara Conner 497-6892

Upcoming Pow Wows for June 7-10

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

9th Annual Seven Oaks Pow Wow. June 7 at Winnipeg Soccer Federation North in Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada. MC: CoCo Stevenson. Host Drum: Sons of the Drum. Info: Lavina Moneyas (204) 334-8417, lavina.moneyas@7oaks.org; or Shelby McNish, shelby.mcnish@7oaks.org

150th Annual White Earth Pow Wow. June 8-10 at White Earth Indian Reservation in White Earth, Minn. Info: Lew Murray (218) 261-1599

38th Annual Restoration Gathering Festival & Contest Pow Wow. June 8-10 in Cedar City, Utah. MC: Harold Begaye. Host Drum: Bad Canyon. Info: Xavier Garcia, xgarcia@utahpaiutes.org

Red Earth Pow Wow. June 8-10 at Cox

Convention Center Arena in Oklahoma City, Okla. MC: Mike Burgess. Host Drums: Wind Eagle, Otter Trail. Info: (405) 427-5228, www. RedEarth.org

39th Annual Nanticoke Lenni-Lenape Pow Wow. June 9-10 at Salem County Fairgrounds in Woodstown, NJ. MC: Edward Keith Colston.
Host Drum: Mystic River. Info: Ty Ellis (856) 651-7335, tywolf23@hotmail.com; or Liz Gould, lmg6887@gmail.com

44th Annual Native American Pow Wow and Craft Fair. June 9-10 at LaSalette Shrine Fairgrounds in Attleboro, Mass. Host Drum: Split Feather. Info: Barbara Brittnal (508) 680-6419, wollomonuppoag.council@yahoo.com; or Laura Demers (508) 838-4478

Community Club Meetings

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

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

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. Chairman: Stephan Watty, Vice Chairman: Kallup McCoy, Treasurer: Deb Slee. Secretary: Sasha Watty. The community building is currently not available for rent.

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

Snowbird Community Club meets the first

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

Wolftown Community Club

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

Yellowhill Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Yellowhill Activity Center unless it's a holiday. Info: Bo Lossiah 508-1781, Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Reuben Teesatuskie (building rental) 497-2043

Community Groups

Big Y Archery Club meets every

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

Constitution Committee meets on Monday from 6 -8pm at the

on Monday from 6 -8pm at the Shawn Blanton EOC Building in the IT Conference room. All are welcome to attend. Info: Lloyd Arneach 269-6498, Bo Lossiah 508-1781

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Talking

Circle. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12-

1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@chero-keehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

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

Mondays

Safety WRAP: 9 -10am

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

Still Waters: 2-3pm

**Family Support: 5-6pm

Tuesdays

Native Plants: 8:30-10:30am Employment Skills: (second and fourth Tuesdays 11am -12pm) Taming Salolis (Squirrels): 11am -12pm

Emotions: 1-2pm
**Self-esteem: 2-3pm
**Life Recovery: 3-4pm

Wednesdays

Safety WRAP: 9-10am Strong Hearts Women's Group:

11am – 12pm

Healthy Boundaries: 1-2:30pm

Creative Writing: 2-3pm

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

6:45pm

**HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group:

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Midna, a
15-month-old
German Shepherd,
lives with Samantha
Lambert in the
Birdtown Community.

Is your pet your best friend?

If you'd like to have your pet

(whatever that may be) featured as the

Cherokee Pet of the Week,

send a high resolution photo,

type and name of pet to:

scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com, or message
us at the One Feather Facebook page.





Cherokee One Feather

We are printing a nature insert for the July 18 issue.
This will be a glossy-magazine style insert featuring the best nature photography from Cherokee tribal lands and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park.

Submit high-resolution photos to Scott by Friday, June 29: scotmckie@ nc-cherokee.com

> Questions: Scott (828) 359-6263

(second and fourth Wednesdays 5:45-6:45pm)

Thursdays

**Life Recovery: 8:30-9:30am Connections (Brene' Brown): 10:30-11:45am Finding Tohi (Peace/Balance): 1-2pm

Uncle Skills Men's Group: 3-4pm

Fridays

Creative Recovery: 9:30 am - 12pm Cherokee Language and Culture: 1-2:30pm

Popcorn and a Movie: 2:30-4pm Info: Analenisgi Recovery Center 497-6892. Times and dates may be subject to change.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

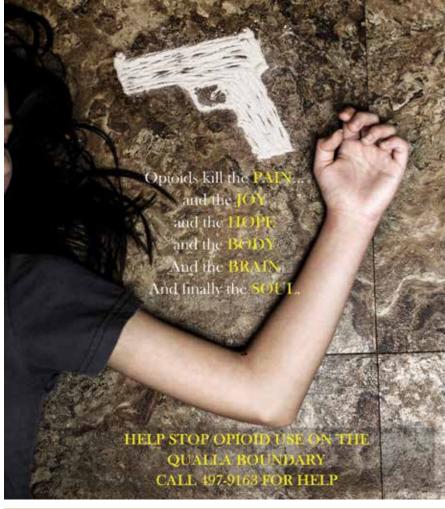
meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every second Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture). Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

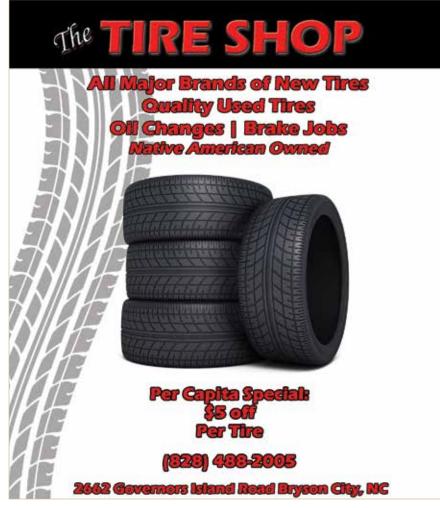
Cherokee Cancer Support

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

Event listings are FREE of charge. Send information to Scott at scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or message the One Feather Facebook page.







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ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Your creative side is enhanced by indulging yourself in as much artistic inspiration (music, art, dance, etc.) as you can fit into your schedule. Bring someone special along.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Take a little restorative time out of your busy life. Go somewhere quiet this weekend. Or just close the door, turn on the answering machine and pretend you're away.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Your advice might be much in demand by family and friends this week. But reserve time for yourself to investigate a project that could have some unexpected potential.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Work-related issues demand your attention in the early part of the week. Family matters dominate Thursday and Friday. But the weekend is yours to spend as you please.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Try to keep your temper in check as you deal with someone who seems to enjoy showing disrespect. Losing your Leonine cool might be just what the goader hopes to see.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A heated confrontation needs some cool-off time before it boils over. Better to step away than to try to win an argument where emotions overrule the facts.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Someone very special in your life finally sends that reassuring message you've been hoping for. You can now devote more time to the tasks you had put aside.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Job pressures begin to ease by week's end, leaving you time to relax and restore your energy levels before you face next week's emerging challenges.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your spiritual strength helps calm a friend who might be facing an unsettling change in their life. An offer to help comes from a surprising source.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) By midweek you could learn some surprising facts about an associate that might cause you to reconsider a long-held view about someone in your past.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) One of those rare-for-you darker moods sets in in the early part of the week. But by Thursday, the clouds lift and you're back doing nice things for people in need.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Use that sharp Piscean perceptiveness to reel in more information about a promising offer so that you have the facts to back up whatever decision you make.

BORN THIS WEEK: Although you prefer the status quo, you easily can adapt to change when it's called for.

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Christians, do you hunger and thirst for more of God, your Heavenly Father? There is more for you. Send to – Free Gospel Books, P.O. Box 1894, Beaufort, SC 29901. UFN

YARD SALES

June 8th -9th, 50 Bryson St. Bryson City, Chop saw, Rad. saw and compound miter saws and slider, Generator, various tools, antiques, knives, rocking chairs, 20ft. extension ladder, electric wheel chair and much more.

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



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents
eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates

Closing Monday June 11, 2018

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- 2. Grounds Maintenance Facilities Public Works (L4 \$23,616 \$29,520)
- 3. Carpenter Helper Facilities Public Works (L4 \$23,616 \$29,520)
- 4. Epidemiologist Administration PHHS (L14 \$58,794 \$73,493)
- 5. Domestic Violence Intake Worker Domestic Violence PHHS (L5 \$25.830 \$32,288)
- 6. Administrative Assistant Family Safety PHHS (L5 \$25,830 \$32,288)
- 7. Teacher Qualla Boundary HS/EHS PHHS (L7 \$31,078 \$38,848)
- Teacher Assistant Qualla Boundary HS/EHS PHHS (L4 \$23,616 \$29,520)

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at: WWW.ebci.com/iobs



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- JROTC Instructor Must have an Associate's Degree. Must be retired from the Army; must have an excellent record of military performance.
- Cherokee Language Instructor (Multiple Positions) Must have an Associate's Degree.
- Full Time Custodian Must have high school diploma/GED.
- 4 Hour Food Service Worker (Multiple positions) Must have high school diploma/GED.
- IT System Administrator Must have Bachelor of Science degree in Computer Information Systems or equivalent related field. Microsoft Certified Professional (MCP) certification preferred. With three or more years in experience in Windows Server systems administration, including one year of supervisory experience and knowledge of education environments.
- Cultural Program Coordinator Master's degree preferred; Bachelor's degree required in Business or office related field. Work experience in business office management organization and related technical skill areas. Must have experience with budgets and grant writing. Must be sociable when dealing with the community. Experience with Cherokee Language and Culture preferred.
- School Psychologist Minimum requirement of a Master's Degree in psychology and have at least three year's experience working in a school setting. Must hold state license to practice school psychology.
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Cherokee-centric is the ticket! Your material should take into account who the Cherokee One Feather audience is and be relatable for them. If you value them with your words, our community will value what you write.

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

EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL **AUTHORITY** has the following jobs available:

Optometrist

PTR Registered Nurse - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center

RN – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions)

Dental Assistant II

Dentist – Satellite Clinics Cherokee

County & Snowbird

Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali

Care (8 Positions)

CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care

LPN – Behavioral Health

LPN – Primary Care

FNP/PA – Ortho

Center

Tribal MCO Director

Residential Technician - Snowbird

Residential Treatment Center

Residential Technician - Snowbird

Residential Treatment Center

CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care

Center

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions are open until filled. Indian preference does apply.

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Maintenance Technician

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close June 7, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. 6/7pd

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Assistant Network/VOIP Administrator

Targeted Case Manager - Family Safety

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Registered Nurse Supervisor - Tsali

Care Center

EVS Specialist

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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-034

In the Matter of the Estate of **Wallace Monroe Rogers**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Rita Rogers Rife, 1575 Vengeance Creek Rd., Marble, NC 28905. 6/7pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-033

In the Matter of the Estate of **Kenneth Michael George**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked

to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Barbara A. George, 57 Screamer Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/7pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-029

In the Matter of the Estate of **Linda Sue Smith Raby**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Joan Smith Henry, P.O. Box 86, Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/14pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians The Cherokee Court Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File Nos.: EST 12-057: EST 13-052: EST 13-050; EST 11-045; EST 06-057

In the Matter of the Estates of: **Justin David Pheasant**, (d. 9-9-2012);

> Adam Eugene Lambert, (d. 5-22-2013);

Sarah Lynn Boudreaux, (d. 4-20-2012);

Robert Johnson Wahnetah, (d. 7-28-2011);

Jake Laney, (d. 9-19-2006)

All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby notified of a hearing to settle the above named estates at the following date and time or be barred from making any further claims against

the estate. **EBCI Justice Center** June 19, 2018 at 1:30 PM. 6/21pd

Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-038

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

In the Matter of the Estate of **Clarence Welch**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Mary Louise Welch, 77 Upland Road, P.O. Box 91, Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/21pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-036

In the Matter of the Estate of **Jeremiah Wolfe**

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION John K. Ferree, 194 White Dogwood Lane, Lake Junaluska, NC 28745. 6/21pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Landscaping RFP Cherokee Central Business District

In an effort to provide a more

appealing and beautiful appearance in Cherokee Business District to the general public, the PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM seeks to provide services to maintain landscaping services The PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM is requesting proposals from qualified firms to provide Landscaping services in the Cherokee Central Business District and all associated work. The selected Firm shall be required to follow any and all requirements of the Tribe including the Tribe's Employment Rights Office (TERO).

For a copy of the RFP, contact Polly Castorena, 828-359-6530 or Justin French, 736-1266. **6/7pd**

NOTICE OF CEDS PUBLIC INPUT PERIOD

The EBCI Tribal Planning Board in conjunction with the Tribal Planning Office has completed a draft of the 2018 EBCI Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy (CEDS). The Document will be available in the Cherokee Business Development Office, Suite 137 of the Ginger Lynn Welch Center, from 7:45 AM – 4:30 PM Monday through Friday, May 24 – June 23, 2018.

If you are unable to review the document in person, you may access it, review, and make comments through the following website: https:///www.ebci.com.

If you have questions or comments, please contact either of the following at the Tribal Planning Office:

Doug Cole, Phone 828-359-6709, email dougcole@nc-cherokee.com Kim Deas, Phone 828-359-6707, email kimdeas@nc-cherokee.com 6/7pd

Request for Proposals

Eastern Band Of Cherokee Indians Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources 1840 Painttown Road Cherokee North Carolina 28719 (phone 828-359-6260) AGRICULTURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PLAN

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT is requesting sealed bids/ Qualification proposals from qualified consulting firms. The deadline for submitting Proposals will be June 18th @ 4:00 PM.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations, and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full RFP from the Division of Agriculture and Natural Resources.

If you have any questions or comments, please contact Joseph Owle @ (828)359-6260. **6/14pd**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of
Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Roadway Paving Projects:
"CDOT RB- 2018"

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed proposals (NCDOT Qualified Contractors only) for paving of multiple roadways located upon the Qualla Boundary. Bid Proposal Deadline is June 19, 2018 at 10am.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules and regulations shall apply to the procurement and performance of any work awarded pursuant to this advertisement.

You may request the full Request

for Proposal through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-554-6530 or 828-359-6532. **6/14pd**

Request for Proposals

Internal Audit Services (OIA-18-003)

The Office of Internal Audit and Ethics of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting proposals from experienced individuals, firms or groups to provide Internal Audit Services in accordance with The Institute of Internal Auditors' International Standards for the Professional Practice of Internal Auditing. The RFP package may be requested by contacting Rebecca Claxton, Audit Manager at 828-359-6769 or rebeclax@nc-cherokee.com. Proposals must be received on or before June 15, 2018. **6/7pd**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Senior Citizens Program 145 Tsali Manor St Cherokee, NC 28719

Phone: 828-359-6860

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Senior Citizens Program is requesting sealed proposals from qualified contractors to provide propane gas and related services for Senior Citizens who are members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Bid packets may be picked up at Tsali Manor starting June 11, 2018. The deadline for submitting proposals will be June 25, 2018 by 4:30 p.m. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded with legal documents to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement.

If you have any questions, please contact Krisna Ashe at 828-359-6294. **6/21pd**

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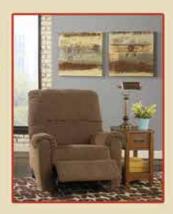




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