

Wes and Delanna Studi help bring Sequoyah story to life



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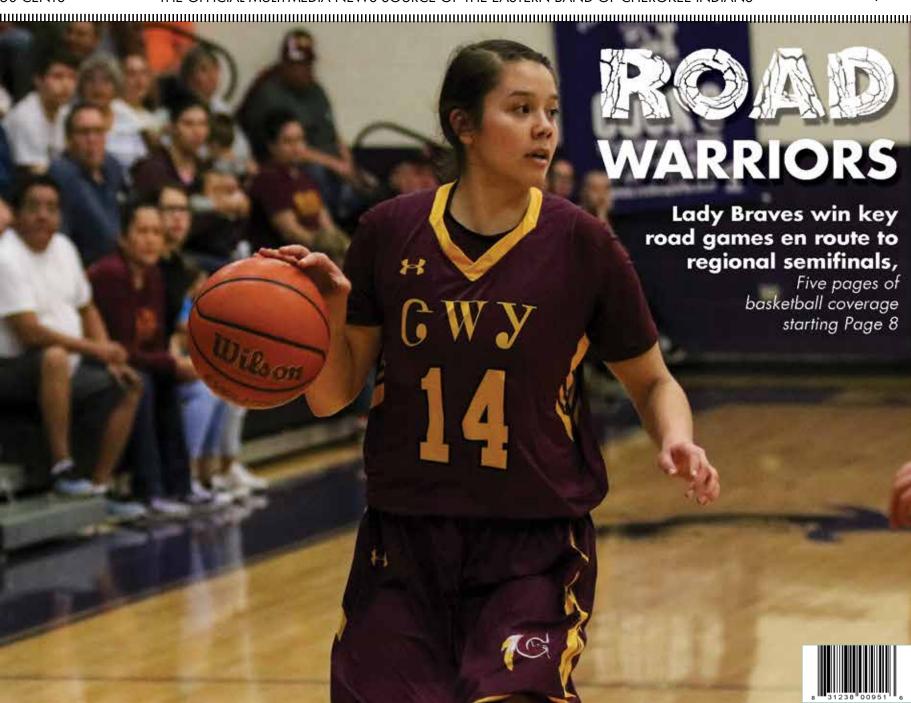
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# Portraying history

Wes and Delanna Studi visit Cherokee, bring Sequoyah's story to life

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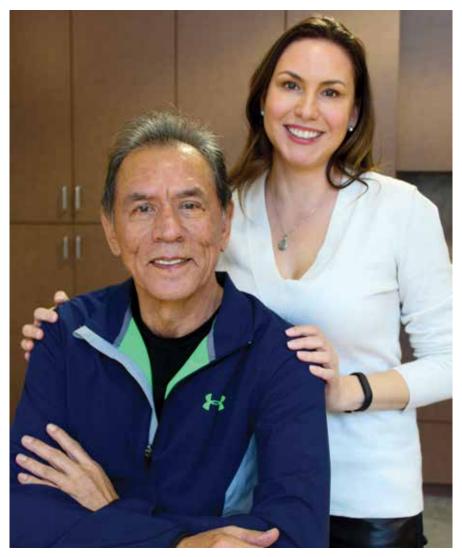
wo famed Cherokee actors were in town this week filming for a project that will be part of a new permanent exhibition at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn.. Wes Studi and his niece, Delanna Studi, both Cherokee Nation citizens, filmed scenes for the project at the Oconalufee Indian Village.

Renovations began on the Museum last summer, and the new permanent exhibition will focus on Sequoyah, the Museum's namesake who was born near the site. This will be the first major exhibit change since the Museum opened several decades ago.

"It had a permanent exhibition put in at the time with a pretty limited budget," said Lyn Henley, president of the Henley Company, the design firm working on the Museum's upgrade project. "Max Ramsey, who is the head of the Friends of Sequoyah Foundation, has been working on raising money for the last 26 years and was finally able to come up with enough money to do a brand-new, permanent exhibition."

She further noted, "The whole exhibition is devoted to the story of Sequoyah's life and explaining to people how he was able to invent a written language."

Delanna is playing the part of Wutteh, Sequoyah's mother, in



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**ACTORS:** Wes Studi and his niece, Delanna Studi, both Cherokee Nation citizens and noted actors, are shown at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian on the afternoon of Friday, Feb. 23. The two were in town filming scenes at the Oconaluftee Indian Village as part of a new, permanent exhibit for the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn.

the new project. "I look at it that she probably had such love for her son. I think that every mother has a bond with their child. The scene that you'll see is a flashback where I am singing to him and putting him to sleep. Because the baby that we have for the scene is very similar to a real baby, it was easy to put myself in that situation, just rocking

the baby back and forth and just having that unconditional love."

She added, "I'm sure when she (Wutteh) looked upon her son she had no idea that he was going to create the Syllabary that would change our literacy rates and also start a newspaper where we could keep our language alive and flourishing. I do think that, as

a mother, you look down on your newborn and think of all of the possibilities and you hope that your child is going to grow up and make a difference. But, she has no idea what difference he's actually going to make."

Wes, is playing Sequoyah in the project, and he commented, "I think Sequoyah is the epitome of the Cherokee spirit of having to adapt to anything and everything that comes our way. It's been kind of a Cherokee trait for hundreds of thousands of years in that whatever comes our way, we have to adapt to it and begin to use it."

He went on to relate, "To me, I think the idea that Sequoyah honed in on, was 'I see how the written word is a great advantage for Europeans. I don't see why we can't do that.' So, that's what he sat down to do, to create a form of written communication. I think he embodies the absolute spirit of Cherokee lifeways."

The two were happy to be working together on this project. "It's great," said Wes. "We've been working on different projects for years, and now we get to do it in the old homeland."

Several days ago, it was announced that Wes will be a presenter in the Best Sound Editing category at the 90th Academy Awards (Oscars) show set for Sunday, March 4 at 8pm. "It's good to be a part of the game."

Laughing, he noted, "I'd rather be getting an award, but for now, this will do."

It is believed Wes is the first Native American presenter. "At least

we're kind of at the table now."

The two keep busy with their careers, and Delanna has a play that she wrote and performs, entitled "And So We Walked", opening at the Portland Center Stage in Portland, Ore., on Friday, April 6.

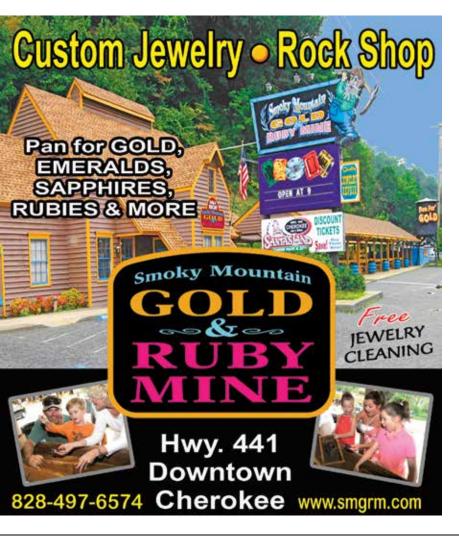
"Three years ago, I came through Cherokee and my father and I retraced the footsteps of the northern route of the Trail of Tears," she said. "So, I wrote a play about it called 'And So We Walked'."

The show will run 48 performances with a closing date of May 13. "We're also creating a curriculum around it to talk about the Trail of Tears, and what's very exciting about it is while it is in Oregon, there will be two other plays by female Native playwrights that open within a week's time."

In addition to "And So We Walked", Mary Kathryn Nagle's (Cherokee Nation citizen) play "Manahatta" will be performed at the Oregon Shakespeare Festival, and Larissa Fast Horse's (Sicangu Lakota) "The Thanksgiving Play" will be on stage at the Artists Repository Theatre.

Delanna commented, "I don't know if this is the first time this has ever happened, but it's one of those very rare instances. I feel like it's a unicorn sighting in the fact that we have three Native women who are having their works premiered in the same state within two weeks of each other at theaters that don't normally do Native theater."

For more information about the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, visit: http://www.sequoyahmuse-um.org/.



# What is Kanvwotiyi?

Kanywotiyi is a substance abuse residential treatment center for adults, both men and women, suffering from addiction who need extra help to start their recovery journey.

# Don't we have access to other residential treatment centers?

The community has used several residential treatment programs over the years, but there are often long waits to get into these programs, and many are far from Cherokee.

### 2. What is the average length of stay at Kanvwotiyi and why?

Our goal for all patients who seek recovery from addiction is to complete at least one year

of active treatment, which may include detox at Cherokee Indian Hospital, Kanvwotiyi, supportive housing and outpatient support. The length of stay at Kanvwotiyi is flexible according to patient need, but the most patients will graduate from the program in about 42 days.

### 3. What does the treatment plan for patients consist of?

The schedule at Kanvwotiyi is filled from morning to night with activities that have been shown to be effective with addiction recovery. A typical day includes up to 4 hours of group and individual therapy plus work unit time. Kanvwotiyi emphasizes treating the "whole person", with a focus on healing traumas, addressing mental health issues, Cherokee culture, work, education and family involvement.

### 4. Has Kanvwotiyi began accepting patients yet?

Kanvwotiyi admitted the first patient on January 22, 2018, and as of February 9, we have 7 patients.

### 5. What happens after a patient "graduates" from Kanvwotiyi?

Many patients will have supportive families, jobs, school and other responsibilities to return to However, patients who do not have a safe place to live, or who are not ready to maintain abstinence in the community, will receive ongoing housing support. There are plans to build both men's and women's homes soon. Until these are in place, we will continue to refer individuals to outside residential support programs.

### How would I or a family member be admitted into Kanywotivi?

We encourage anyone in need of substance abuse residential treatment to call <u>Analenisgi at (828) 497-6892</u>, come by during walk in hours Monday—Friday at 1pm or go to the Cherokee Indian Hospital Emergency

### What is the main difference between Kanvwotiyi and to proposed Crisis Stabilization Unit?

Kanvwotiyi is an unlocked facility which serves patients on a voluntary basis, which can include patients who are involved in the court system. Kanvwotiyi cannot safely serve individuals who need inpatient nursing care, who are suicidal, or who are not medically or psychiatrically stable. The Crisis Stabilization Unit will be a locked facility to serve patients, including involutary commitments, who need detox or psychiatric inpatient treatment in a secure setting.





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# Stressful situation at Swain

Swain County High School goes on temporary lockdown following social media threat

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RYSON CITY – Following a threat on social media, Swain County High School was put on a hard lock down early on the morning of Thursday, Feb. 22. The incident ended several hours later with no threat detected.

"Principal Mark Sale got a message from a parent this morning that indicated a threat against Swain High School on Facebook social media," Toby Burrell, Swain County Schools public information officer, told the One Feather. "At around 7:10am this morning, he locked down Swain County High School until we could get to the bottom of the threat."

Burrell said the Swain County Sheriff's Department was notified and arrived on the scene very soon thereafter. "When we lock down one school like that, all of our schools go into a soft lock down, so East Elementary, West Elementary, Swain Middle School, and Bright Adventures all went into soft lock down at that point."

The lock down was released around two hours after it started after no threats were found.

Swain County Sheriff Curtis Cochran released the following statement on the incident, "...at approximately 7:10am, Swain County deputies, along with surrounding agencies and other state, local, and federal agencies responded to the Swain County High School in response to a social media threat that was sent to the Principal's cell phone. There were approximately 40 officers that were dispatched to the high school as well as the middle school and both elementary schools to make sure that students and staff were protected."

The statement continued, "During this event, a subject was arrested near the middle school that had a gun and drugs in his possession. At no time was this subject on school property, and we do not believe that he was going to the school. He was arrested and brought to jail and charged with being in possession of meth, marijuana and with carrying a concealed hand gun."

Sheriff Cochran's statement concluded with, "I want everyone to know that we will always do everything in our power to make sure our schools are safe and our kids have a safe environment for their education. This is not just a law enforcement issue. It takes the entire county being involved with this. The SBI has been contacted and are currently assisting with the investigation at this time. I also understand that parents wanted to pick their child up after the schools were put in lock down, but be assured that your children were safe and we cannot let these kids leave until everything has been cleared. Thanks for your understanding and cooperation during this event."

Burrell said school officials did not know of the person who made the alleged online threat. "So, consequently, we dug a little on our end and the Sheriff (Curtis Cochran) dug a little bit on his end, but this name was a not a student at Swain County Schools."

Burrell noted they checked with Jackson County School and Cherokee Central Schools, and the person was not a student in either of those either.

According to Burrell, a team from the N.C. State Bureau of Investigation was tasked with finding out the origin of the Facebook post. "That part of the investigation is ongoing."

Burrell lauded the work of all law enforcement agencies involved in Thursday's incident. "The Swain County Sheriff's Department, and all agencies involved with that, Bryson City Police and the Cherokee Police were tremendous. They were instrumental. The high school had a large presence in case there was going to be violence there. Our outlying schools, East (Elementary), West (Elementary), and the Middle School all had officers who came in and gave their time, energy, and efforts to make sure those kids were all safe. It was just a tremendous job by our law enforcement agencies to make sure that the kids of our community were safe, and they are to be commended 100 percent."

He also praised the staff members. "Our staffs at each of those schools were outstanding today in doing what they do best which is taking care of kids. It was a very fluid situation from the get-go, and they rolled with everything that happened without problem, and our students were the same way."



# One Feather wins 12 N.C. Press Awards

The Cherokee One Feather **L** garnered a total of 12 awards in the 2017 North Carolina Press Association (NCPA) News, Editorial and Photojournalism and Best Advertising Contests including a third place plaque for General Excellence (Division A) which recognizes accomplishment in writing, photography, layout, and overall impact. The awards were given during the annual NCPA Winter Institute held Thursday, Feb. 22 at the Raleigh Crabtree Marriot.

The awards were given for work between Oct. 1, 2016 and Sept. 30, 2017. Robert Jumper, editor, and Scott McKie Brings Plenty, reporter, won second place as a team in the Best Community Coverage catego-

Robert also won in the following category:

- 3rd place, Editorials, "Alternative truth and wrestling", "Why are we so gullible?", and "Let's try to get this right" about the Cherokee Code

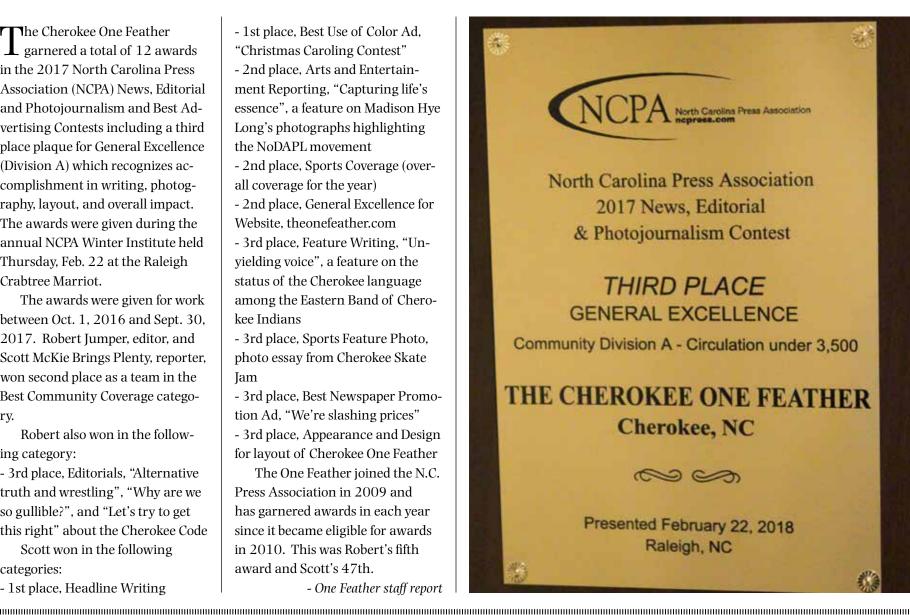
Scott won in the following categories:

1st place, Headline Writing

- 1st place, Best Use of Color Ad, "Christmas Caroling Contest"
- 2nd place, Arts and Entertainment Reporting, "Capturing life's essence", a feature on Madison Hye Long's photographs highlighting the NoDAPL movement
- 2nd place, Sports Coverage (overall coverage for the year)
- 2nd place, General Excellence for Website, theonefeather.com
- 3rd place, Feature Writing, "Unyielding voice", a feature on the status of the Cherokee language among the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- 3rd place, Sports Feature Photo, photo essay from Cherokee Skate
- 3rd place, Best Newspaper Promotion Ad, "We're slashing prices"
- 3rd place, Appearance and Design for layout of Cherokee One Feather

The One Feather joined the N.C. Press Association in 2009 and has garnered awards in each year since it became eligible for awards in 2010. This was Robert's fifth award and Scott's 47th.

- One Feather staff report



# **Body of missing Cherokee man found**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Emergency Dispatch received a report of a missing Man on Saturday, Feb. 17. Jamison Dean "Bear" French, 44, of the Big Cove Community, was reported missing.

The Cherokee Indian Police Department and Cherokee Fire Department began a search of the area where French was believed to have last

been seen. Tribal Public Safety personnel were assisted by members of the community and the Great Smoky Mountains National Park rangers during a six-day search. Search operations were concentrated on the trails and railroad grade of that area.

His body was recovered late Wednesday (Feb. 21) afternoon near the home. The cause of death had not been determined as of Friday evening.

"Our condolences go out to the family and friends of Mr. Bear French," said Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed. "We are glad to be able to help bring a small amount of closure to this part, and our thoughts are with them as they move through the difficult grieving process."

- Tribal Public Safety release

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# **Tribal Court Report**

# Judgment Summary for Feb. 14 BRADLEY, Sarah Elizabeth

14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

14-70.14 Obstructing Governmental Functions - Dismissed with Leave to Refile

### DRIVER, Rachael Christine

14-5.4 Filing False Emergency Report – Dismissed on Plea

 $14-95.5(a)\ Drugs:\ Possessing\ a\ controlled\ substance\ classified\ in\ schedule\ I,\ II,\ III,\ IV,\ and\ V-Guilty/Responsible,\ refer\ to\ Drug\ Court,\ 180\ days\ jail\ time\ stayed,\ credit\ for\ time\ served\ (23\ days)\ 14-95.5(a)\ Drugs:\ Possessing\ a\ controlled\ substance\ classified\ in\ schedule\ I,\ II,\ III,\ IV,\ and\ V-Dismissed\ on\ Plea$ 

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy - Dismissed on Plea 14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

### FRENCH, Edmond Hawk

14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second Degree - Dismissed on Plea

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14-40.56 Assault on a Female – Guilty Plea, 90 days jail time suspended, one year probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, credit for time served (38 days)

## GEORGE, Kellen Michael

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

### JUNALUSKA, Nina Marie

14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Guilty Plea, one year jail time suspended, six months probation, obtain Substance Abuse Assessment, active jail time six months, credit for time served (40 days)

14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea

 $14\mbox{-}95.5(a)$  Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea

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14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea

# LITTLEJOHN, Shira Lynn

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen PropertyDismissed on Plea

14-10.62 Theft Property Lost, Mislaid, or Delivered by Mistake – Dismissed on Plea
14-60.10 Forgery – Dismissed on Plea
14-60.10 Forgery – Guilty Plea, six months jail

time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (10 days), restitution ordered -\$4,738

14-60.31 Securing Execution of Documents by Deception – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea 14-60.30 False Pretenses - Guilty Plea, six months jail time suspended, 12 months probation, credit for time served (10 days), restitution ordered - \$4.738

## SQUIRREL, Joshua Brent

14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Guilty Plea,30 days active jail time, credit for time served (15 days)

14-40.16 Elder Abuse and Neglect – Dismissed on Plea

## **TOINEETA**, Joel Daniel

20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea  $20-111(2) \ \text{Expired Registration Plate} - \text{Dismissed}$ 

on Plea

20-166(c) Hit and Run: Failure to Stop at Scene of Accident – Guilty/Responsible, time served (amount of time not given)

# CIPD Arrest Report for Feb. 14-26

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.

# Driver, Michael Ray - age 32

Arrested: Feb. 15 Released: Feb. 21

Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

# Murphy, Alvin Archie – age 63

Arrested: Feb. 15 Released: Feb. 18

Charges: Assault on a Female, Violate Domestic

Violence Protection Order

## Murphy, Reena Lashanda – age 26

Arrested: Feb. 15 Released: Feb. 23

Charges: Possession with intent to Manufacture, Sell, Deliver, Schedule IV Controlled Substance

# Driver, Rachael Christine - age 22

Arrested: Feb. 16

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Hold for Drug Court

### Mathis, Stephen Ashley – age 42

Arrested: Feb. 17 Released: Feb. 21

Charges: Weapons Offense (DV), Purchase of a

Firearm while subject to a DV Order

# Burgess, Deija Breanne – age 22

Arrested: Feb. 18 Released: Feb. 19

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

## Teesateskie, Brian Elliot - age 42

Arrested: Feb. 18

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Evans, Jaylen Dean – age 20

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Greene Jr., Gary Albert – age 29

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Littlejohn, Justin Tyronne – age 30

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree,

Weapons Offense, Possession Schedule I Con-

trolled Substance

Lossiah, Maury – age 50

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Feb. 20

Charges: Criminal Mischief to Property, Driving

While Impaired

Queen, Christopher Terron – age 22

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Feb. 19

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Queen Jr., Phillip Lester – age 20

Arrested: Feb. 19

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Bradley, Albert James – age 29

Arrested: Feb. 20

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

George, Shonica Raylene – age 35

Arrested: Feb. 20

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Crowe, Jennifer Rai – age 23

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Feb. 21

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

McCoy, Joseph Curtis – age 47

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Feb. 21

Charges: Larceny, Receiving or Possessing Stolen

**Property** 

Mesteth, Dustin Charles Demcie – age 30

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Feb. 24

Charges: Assault on a Female, Child Abuse in the

Second Degree

Rattler, Harold Robert - age 54

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Obstructing Justice; Possession Schedule

II Controlled Substance (11 counts); Possession

Schedule IV Controlled Substance (two counts):

Possession with intent to sell, deliver meth (10

counts): Sell Schedule IV Controlled Substance

(10 counts); Sell Schedule II Controlled Substance

(10 counts); Resisting Public Officer

Toineeta, Marlena Lorraine – age 39

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Obstructing Justice; Possession Schedule

IV Controlled Substance; Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance (11 counts); Sell Schedule

IV Controlled Substance (20 counts); Sell Sched-

ule III Controlled Substance (10 counts)

Wachacha Jr., Herman – age 35

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Assault on a Female

Wachacha, Maritsa Stephani – age 20

Arrested: Feb. 21

Released: Feb. 21

Charges: Simple Assault

Bird, James Aaron – age 39

Arrested: Feb. 22

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Assault on a Female, Breaking and

Entering, Communicating Threats, Assault with a

Deadly Weapon with Intent to Kill

Murphy, Audie Ray – age 45

Arrested: Feb. 22

Released: Feb. 22

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Wolfe, Jasmyn Tiandra – age 21

Arrested: Feb. 22

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Probation Violation (two counts)

Taylor, Heather Lee – age 28

Arrested: Feb. 23

Released: Feb. 25

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Badillo, Paul Whitewolfe - age 23

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Possession Schedule II Controlled Sub-

stance

Beck, Jaicelyn Dalyla – age 18

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Pos-

session Schedule II Controlled Substance

Bird, Martine – age 27

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Second Degree Trespass

Larch IV, William Daniel - age 25

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Not released as of report date

**Charges: Probation Violation** 

Sanchez, Maricela - age 26

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor (two

counts)

Tramper, Dustin Henry - age 29

Arrested: Feb. 24

Released: Feb. 24

Charges: Assault with a Deadly Weapon

Lineberry, Jeffery Wayne - age 31

Arrested: Feb. 25

Released: Not released as of report date

Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor



# **BASKETBALL**

# Lady Braves cruise in first round game

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aylen Bark, Lady Braves sophomore point guard, hit an inside shot seven seconds into the game and Cherokee (17-6) rolled from that point on as they cruised over Hiwassee Dam 71-52 on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 20. The game, played at the Charles George Memorial Arena, was a first round contest in the 1A state playoffs.

"I thought we played well in the first half, but the second half got a little sloppy," said Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach. "We were just trying to get through there at the end and get on to the next round."

Cherokee came into the playoffs with a #10 seed in the Western Division. Following Tuesday's win, they will more than likely have road games for the duration. "I told them we'll have to be road warriors. We have to go four hours Thursday, and then we have to turn around and go on the road again and then go on the road again until we get to the Regionals."

The Lady Braves never trailed in Tuesday's contest and got off to a quick start



leading 23-8 at the end of the first quarter. For the first five minutes of the second, Cherokee outscored the Lady Eagles 19-8 and went on to lead 49-23 at the half.

Midway through the third quarter, Cherokee had extended its lead to 27 points (52-25), and they led 57-36 at the end of three. The Lady Braves led by 29 points (70-41) at the 4:43 mark of the fourth and went on to take the 71-52 victory.

Deante Toineeta led Cherokee with 19 points. Other Lady Braves scorers included: Raylen Bark 8, Carla Wolfe 16, Jamie Lossiah 3, Naomi Smith 6, Shelby Wolfe 3, Kayleigh Wolfe 4, and Tori Teesateskie 12.

Hiwassee Dam scorers included: Kenda Roberts 7, Hannah Rhodes 1, McKenzie Haney 4, Brittany Davis 8, Alexis Finlay 4, Jenna Bandy 2, Izzy Bradbeer 7, Sharron Morrow 4, and Katie Gibson 15.



**JUMP BALL:** Cherokee's Raylen Bark (left) and Tori Teesatskie tie up the ball with Hiwassee Dam's Eden Shaffer.

# **FOOTBALL**

# Davis, Locust sign with Brevard College

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wo more members of the historic Cherokee Braves 2017 1A State Championship team have signed letters of intent to play at the next level. Star linemen Will Davis and Byron Locust signed with Brevard College during a ceremony held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the afternoon of Wednesday, Feb. 21.

"It's a great day for Cherokee football, and it's a great day for Cherokee High School," said Kent Briggs, Braves head football coach. "We're here to honor Byron and Will for their commitment to go to the next level."

He went on to say, "To play college football, that's fantastic in itself, but the things that they're going to learn that college athletics teaches you will help them to be successful for the rest of their lives. It will give them tools to go out there and be really successful in the real world."

David Napert, Braves line coach, commented, "I've coached a lot of linemen in my career. I've been coaching over 30 years. Several of those guys I coached, not because of me, made it to the NFL."

Pointing to Davis, he noted, "That young man right there is one of the best ones I've ever coached... he's the best football player probably in the state right now playing defensive tackle."

Of Locust, he said, "Every big game we had, every close game, Byron came up with a big-time play to save us...I love these guys and I'll



be following them the rest of their

his senior year in which he had 43 SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

**NEXT LEVEL:** Cherokee Braves linemen Byron Locust (left) and Will Davis signed a letter of intent during a ceremony held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the afternoon of Wednesday, Feb. 21 to play football at Brevard College.

lives."

Craig Barker, CHS assistant principal and Braves defensive coach, said, "I could talk all day about Will and Byron. I'm just very proud of you. We put a lot of time, sweat, blood, and tears into you two and all of our linemen. We talk about legends, state champions, you did it."

He added, "They're certainly not choir boys out there playing football. We're mean and nasty, and I'm looking forward to what you're going to do at the next level. But, more importantly, I'm looking forward to you getting that diploma and furthering your education and becoming leaders of this Tribe."

Locust, a four-year starter for the Braves as both a defensive and offensive lineman, was named to the NCPreps.com All-State team solo tackles, 16 tackles for loss, and 5.5 sacks. He also played on the defensive line for the FCA East-West All-Star Game as well as the Border Bowl All-Star Game.

"I'm excited and looking forward to it," he commented. "To play at the next level is what I've been looking forward to since I was playing football in pee wees."

Davis, also a four-year starter for the Braves as a lineman on both sides, was named All-Smoky Mountain Conference his senior year in which he had 26 solo tackles, 7.5 tackles for loss, and 5.5 sacks. He played as an offensive guard in the FCA East-West All-Star Game and as a defensive lineman for the Border Bowl All-Star Game.

"I'm excited," he said. "I'm looking forward to see what the next level is about. All of the



**BIG GAME, BIG HIT:** Cherokee's Will Davis (#55) hits Thomas Jefferson's Nomi McMullens in the regional semifinal game at Ray Kinsland Stadium on Nov. 24, 2017.



**TACKLE:** Cherokee's Byron Locust (#70) tackles William Archer (#9), North Duplin quarterback, during the 1A state championship game at Carter-Finley Stadium on the campus of North Carolina State University in Raleigh on Dec. 9, 2017.

competition is going to be there. I didn't think I'd get to go play ball anywhere, but when Brevard told me they wanted me, I got really excited."

# BASKETBALL

# Lady Braves advance, Braves fall in second round

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wo hundred miles and almost four hours separated the Cherokee High School varsity basketball teams in their 1A state playoff second round matchups on the night of Thursday, Feb. 22. The Lady Braves (18-6) advanced to the third round with a big 74-43 road win over Gray Stone Day (21-6). The Braves (16-6) lost in a back-and-forth contest 71-60 to the Community School of Davidson Spartans in a game at the Charles George Memorial Arena.

"It was great all around team effort," Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, said in a statement to the One Feather following the game. "We came in focused and ready to play. We got the game at our pace and was able to wear them down. We are excited to be able to go to Mitchell Saturday. We know we have to be on the road, so we are going enjoy it ."

Deante Toineeta, Lady Braves freshman, led the way for Cherokee with 16 points. According to Maxpreps.com, the Lady Braves scored the most points of any team against the Lady Knights since West Stanly beat them in an overtime game on Dec. 29, 2014.

The first quarter of the game was close with Cherokee leading 15-10 after the first eight minutes. They took over in the second though outscoring the Lady Knights 25-18 to lead 40-18 at the half. The Lady Braves outscored Gray Stone Day 19-8 in the third and went on for the big 74-43 win.

Other Lady Braves scorers



DRIVE: Cherokee's Shelby Wolfe moves the ball between two Gray Stone Day defenders, Danielle Werts (#2) and Seccora Medley (#12), during a 1A state playoff second round game at Gray Stone Day on the night of Tuesday, Feb. 22. The Lady Braves won 74-43 to advance to the third round.

included: Carla Wolfe 11, Tori Teesatskie 10, Brown 9, Kayleigh Wolfe 8, Shelby Wolfe 7, Raylen Bark 4, Naomi Smith 4, and Jamie Lossiah 3. Gray Stone Day scorers included: Danielle Werts 18, Danika Ray 7, Seccora Medley 6, Lillie Austin 4, Peyton Disser 3, Laurie Fogleman 3, and Savannah Mock

The Braves, who won both the Big Smoky Mountain Conference regular season title and the Conference tournament, ended their season on Tuesday. "We accomplished a lot, but this was a big disappointment," said Aaron Hogner, Braves head coach. "That's the way it is in playoffs. It's one-and-done. We didn't shoot very well, missed a lot of lay-ups close to the basket. We can't do that in games like this."

From the field overall, Cherokee shot 33.3 percent, and they were 29.6 percent from three-point land. He added. "Give credit to the

other team. They did a good job of protecting the middle. It's just a tough loss for these seniors...it was a great season for these guys to win Conference, but this was a let-down tonight."

Cherokee was led by senior Tye Mintz with 16 points followed by Josiah Lossiah and Sterling Santa Maria with 13 each. Mintz also had 18 rebounds, 5 blocked shots, 3 assists, and 1 steal. Josiah Lossiah had 3 assists and 3 steals, and Santa Maria had 6 rebounds, 2 blocked shots, 2 assists, and 2 steals.

The game was close most of the way. Both teams started out cold in the first few minutes and the Spartans led 5-2 at the 5:39 mark of the first. Things heated up a little after the first few jitters. Cherokee's Tihjah Lossiah, who ended the game with 11 points, hit a three-point shot in the last seconds of the first quarter to bring the game to within four with Davidson up 22-18.

The Braves took the lead just over a minute into the second as Josiah Lossiah hit a three-pointer to put Cherokee up 24-22. The Braves led by as many as eight points in the second quarter. But, the Spartans game back and outscored Cherokee 11-4 in the last three minutes to trail the Braves by a point (34-33) at the half.

Most of the third quarter was a back-and-forth affair, and the teams were deadlocked at 46-46 with just over two minutes left in the quarter. From that point, Davidson scored the last five points of the quarter to lead 51-46 going into the fourth.

Several Braves players fouled out in the final quarter, and the Braves were unable to close the gap as the Spartans went on to take the 71-60 win.

Other Braves scorers on the night included: Cade Mintz 6 and Isaiah Evans 1. Davidson scorers included: Sage Alexander 21, Ryan Renshaw 6, Cole Vahey 3, Harrison Hosse 9, Brandon Ellington 19, Graham Martin 2, Konrad Christian 11, and Canon Boone 2.



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**JUMP:** Cherokee's Tye Mintz shoots a three-point shot over Community School of Davidson's Harrison Hosse during a 1A state playoffs second round game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the night of Thursday, Feb. 22. The Braves lost 71-60 to the Spartans. Mintz led Cherokee with 16 points, 18 rebounds, 3 assists, and 1 steal.

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✓	Needs to be employed over six months								
<b>✓</b>	Must own the land								
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<b>✓</b>	Have a completed QHA Application along with all the following provided below: (incomplete applications will not be accepted)								
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>	Copy of Tribal Enrollment Cards				Current Site Inspection Form (BIA)				
>	Copy of Social Security Cards				Veterans Status Verification				
>	<ul> <li>Income/Employment Verification (For everyone over the age of 18.)</li> </ul>				Credit Check from EBCI Finance				
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# Teesateskie, Toineeta lead Lady Braves to regional semis

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AKERSVILLE – The Cherokee Lady Braves (19-6) advanced to the 1A West Regional semifinals with a 71-61 win at Mitchell on the evening of Saturday, Feb. 24. The Lady Braves were led by freshman Deante Toineeta, who scored 20 points, and junior Tori Teesateskie with 13. The two were responsible for all seven of Cherokee's three-point shots of the night.

"I told them we were going to be road warriors and we're there." said Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, after the game. "We're traveling all over the state it seems like, but we played hard. We battled a little bit of adversity there at the end, but we kept battling. We got into some foul trouble and the girls stepped up. I can't take anything away from our team. That was a really good team we played and we did a really good job."

Coach Mintz was happy with the offensive production in this game. "We were starting to attack them a little more. Earlier in the game, we were being a little more passive and once we started attacking them, then we started getting some open looks and things became a little easier for us."

With the win, the Lady Braves are scheduled to travel to Murphy for the regional semifinal game



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**FOR THREE:** Cherokee's Deante Toineeta lines up for a three-point shot in the second half of a third round state playoff game at Mitchell on the evening of Saturday, Feb. 24. With 20 points, she led the Lady Braves over the Lady Mountaineers 71-61.

on Tuesday, Feb. 27. It will be the fourth matchup between the two teams that shared the regular season Big Smoky Mountain Conference title.

Following Saturday's game, Teesateskie commented on their win, "It means a lot to us. We still have to keep going. We've got Murphy coming up and we have to play as a team."

She added, "We're not being selfish with the ball, that's something you can't do. We're just playing incredibly, and we're going to keep playing incredibly and getting better and better each day. This was a tough one, but we got it, so now we go onto the next one."

Toineeta, playing in the biggest game of her young career, commented, "As a freshman, it's a big year for me – very exciting! We are playing really good and not selfish." The first quarter of the game started out evenly and saw several lead changes. With eight seconds left in the quarter, Teesateskie hit a three to put the Lady Braves up 17-15 after the first. Cherokee went on a 15-4 run in the next four minutes to lead 32-19. They would lead by as many as 16 points in the second quarter and ended up leading at the half 41-29.

The third was pretty even with the Lady Braves keeping a 10 to 12 point lead throughout most of the quarter. At the end of the third, Cherokee led 62-50. The fourth quarter was similar to the third. An eight-point differential was the closest that Mitchell got in the quarter, and the Lady Braves would move on to the 71-61 win.

Other Lady Braves scorers included: Raylen Bark 10, Carla Wolfe 7, Naomi Smith 7, Shelby Wolfe 12, and Kayleigh Wolfe 2. Lady Mountaineers scorers included: Eden Phillips 5, Emma Duncan 7, Hannah Mcmahan 12, Paige Jackson 7, Katy Hall 9, Zoe Cloer 4, and Morgan Buchanan 17.



**GOT 'EM RATTLED:** Cherokee's Tori Teesateskie shoots a three-point shot in the first half of Saturday's third round state playoff game at Mitchell. On the night she had 13 points.

# I SHOULD PROBABLY GET A RIDE HOME.

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# ON THE SIDELINES

# Shawn Crowe, "The Announcer of the Braves"

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"Tori Teeeee...for three!" "Give the dime to Holden." "Mintz!"

"Raylen Bark with the steal, thievery!"

f you've set foot in the Charles
George Memorial Arena for a
basketball game, chances are
you've heard the booming, always
entertaining, voice of Shawn
Crowe, an EBCI tribal member.
When other duties don't take him
away, he is the announcer for the
Braves and Lady Braves games, and
his professionalism and pure love of
the game, the school, the students,
the Eastern Band of Cherokee
Indians, and what he does shows
through with each call.

Now, Shawn will be the first to tell you he is not the "Voice of the Braves", that title will forever belong to Ray Kinsland he says.

That's why I personally call Shawn the "Announcer of the Braves"...

There are very, very few high school facilities like Cherokee High School, and there are even fewer that have a professional announcer like Shawn. Actually, the majority of the away games I cover don't have an announcer at all, or they only do the player introductions at the beginning.

Shawn's calls make it seem like a big-time college or NBA game. Long-story short, his calls are cool! They're fun.

Both in and out of the announcer booth, Shawn encourages the students and everyone around



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**ANNOUNCER:** Shawn Crowe, an EBCI tribal member, works the announcer table during a 1A state playoff game between the Cherokee Lady Braves and the Hiwassee Dam Lady Eagles on the night of Tuesday, Feb. 20.

him. He is a staunch supporter of the Cherokee culture and frequently encourages the students to be proud of their heritage and to honor their elders, work on learning their language, and to practice their songs and dances.

Shawn also leads by example. Over 20 years sober, he has been frank about his past addictions, and he works to encourage young Cherokee people to avoid that life. An event was held at the school three years ago entitled "No One Plans to be An Addict", which was a frank discussion about addiction.

"All you have to do is ask for help," Shawn told the students relating that total abstinence is the best policy. "Stay away from it. It will lead you on a path to destruction." Shawn is frequently called upon by tribal leaders to emcee various events, and he always brings a positive, uplifting message to each one. At an event in September 2016 where the Tribe received a 35-acre tract of land adjacent to Kituwah from Duke Energy in a settlement, he spoke of the importance of that land to the Tribe and its members.

"There is hope. There is good, and today we saw something good for the Eastern Band of the Cherokee. Money always goes away. We can lose money in a second, but land that is significant to the Eastern Band of the Cherokee and Duke's willingness to give us back that land, ladies and gentlemen, that is a significant event in our people's history."

In an interview for ecletica.org

with Kimberly L. Becker in 2011, Shawn noted, "Stories have always been how the Cherokee passed traditions down from generation to generation."

Shawn is an announcer, but more importantly, he is also a storyteller in that he helps tell the story of the games he is announcing. He makes them fun. He makes them electric. He makes them memorable.

The late Ernie Harwell, longtime announcer for the Detroit Tigers, once said, "In radio, they say, nothing happens until the announcer says it happens."

That is the way it is in the Charles George Memorial Arena. It might happen without Shawn, but he definitely adds style to the game.

# WRESTLING

# William Paul wins 220lb. state championship

tribal member and senior at Swain High School, won the 1A state wrestling championship in the 220lb. division at the state meet held at the Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday, Feb. 17. He won the state championship match with a pin of Freddie Romero of Robbinsville.

"This is all so surreal, I don't know how to react yet," he commented.

Paul won his semifinal match with a 4-3 decision over Paden Lungrin of North Stokes, and he won his quarterfinal match with a pin of KyVaughn Rome of Holmes. He ended the season with a 24-3 record with all three losses coming to Romero who he defeated to win the state title.

Paul began wrestling in eighth grade while attending Cherokee Central Schools. Following the regular season, he wrestled free style and earned the Free Style state champion title earning himself a spot to wrestle on the national team representing North Carolina. Through high school, Paul faced adversity in the form of injuries that kept him from getting time on the mat. This year was a good year though and he moved up to the 220lb. division.

Paul's parents, Bill and Florence, noted, "William is supported by great coaches, teachers, teammates, parents, family, and community members."

Upon graduation, Paul is set to attend the University of Alabama to pursue a physical therapy degree in the sports medicine field.

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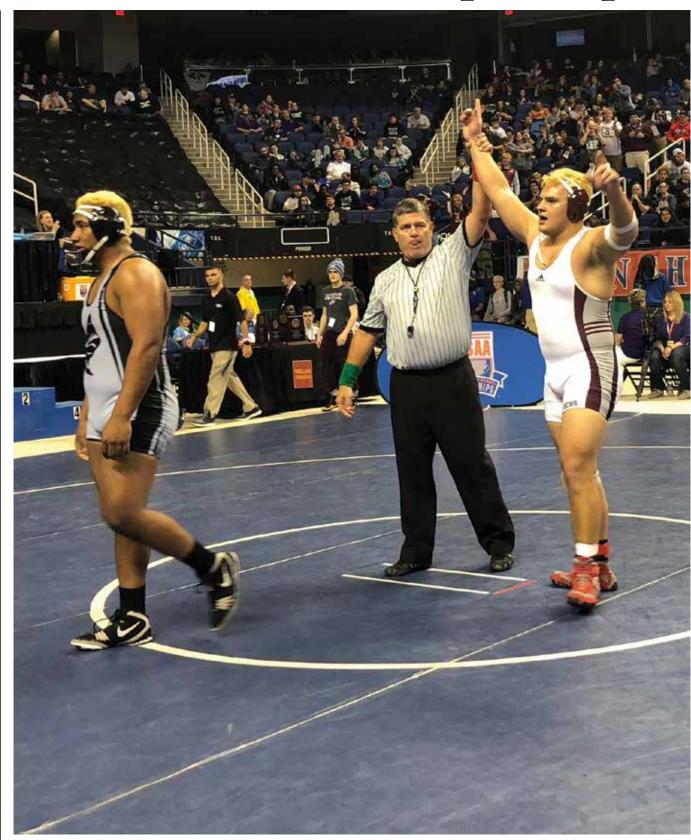


Photo courtesy of Swain County H.S. Athletic Department

**CHAMP:** William Paul (right), an EBCI tribal member at Swain County High School, is shown winning the 220lb division state title at the 1A state wrestling meet at the Greensboro Coliseum on Saturday, Feb. 17.



Photo courtesy of Ahli-sha Stephens

**CHAMPS:** The Cherokee Pee Wee Boys defeated Waynesvile 34-19 to take the WNC Travel League Championship on Saturday, Feb. 24. Shown (left-right) back row - Assistant Coach Joe Yates, Head Coach Ethan Clapsaddle, and Assistant Coach Jake Stephens; middle row - Kyitann Johnson, Zaynon Taylor, Brandon Blankenship, Daulton Yates, Wakinyan Raines, and L.J. Panther; front row - Utsela Saunooke, Dillon Beam, Felix Lossiah, Zeke Welch, Kaden Stephens, and Malchiah Littlejohn.



Photo courtesy of Ahli-sha Stephens

CHAMPS: The Cherokee Termite Boys won the WNC Travel League Championship on Saturday, Feb. 24 with a 37-34 victory over Franklin. Shown (left-right) back row - Assistant Coach Jacob George, Dawson Panther, Brianna Lambert, Head Coach Two Bears Williams; middle row - Bubba Moore, Tayvin Bark, Javian Garcia, Goo Clapsaddle, Eli Lineberry, Ogana Ledford-Hill, and Chaske Raines; and front row - Matix Stamper, Jack Teesateskie, Savian Davis, Ogana Swimmer, and Samuel Hernandez.



Photo courtesy of Miranda Stamper

undereated: The Cherokee Pee Wee Girls won the WNC Travel League tournament on Saturday, Feb. 24. They were the regular season champions as well and finished the season an undefeated 14-0. Shown (left-right) back row - Emily Brady, Olivia Crowe, Madison Rogers, Joscelyn Stamper, Brooklyn Panther, and Laylah Thompson; front row - Cambry Stamper, Kennedy Moore, Lilly Lossiah, Taytum Saunooke, Morgan Hernandez. In a statement, the team noted, "We would like to thank our sponsors including: EBCI Office of the Principal Chief, Painttown Community Club, and Robins and Morton. We would also like to thank everyone who donated to our raffles including: Skyn Style, Foxx Den, Brooklyn Panther, and the Cherokee Booster Club. The team's coaches included: Miranda Stamper, head coach; assistant coaches – Judy Castorena, Shannon Bark, and Rob Stamper.



# COMMUNITY

# AROUND THE REZ

# Cherokee Skate Park a good investment for Tribe

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he Cherokee Action Sports
Park, more commonly
known as the Cherokee
Skate Park, opened on a warm,
sunny day in early June 2011.
Located in the Yellowhill Community, the facility is around 12,000
square feet and features both street
and bowl or transition skating
elements.

I live in Yellowhill, and there's hardly a time that I drive by the Park when someone isn't out there riding. It is being used just about every day of the year. I've seen skaters out there in the blisteringly humid heat of August and the frigid cold of January. I've seen them out there in the rain and even snow.

Why?

Well, it's a cool skate park.

For the past few years, the Yellowhill Community Club has hosted an annual Skate Jam event during the summer, and it is always packed for that event which draws participants and competitors from all over western North Carolina. This summer will be the fifth annual.

A year before the Park opened, I interviewed Brad Siedlecki, of Pillar Skate Park Design Studios, who did the design for the Cherokee facility. A skater since his pre-teens, Siedlecki met with local Cherokee skaters to get some of the design elements for the Park.

"We want to do our best to give you what you want," he told the



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**GOOD BALANCE:** Cecil Walkingstick, an EBCI tribal member, shows good form en route to a third place finish in the Intermediate Division at the 4th Annual Skate Jam held at the Cherokee Skate Park on Saturday, Aug. 19, 2017.

locals at a meeting held during the design phase. "We like to take something you see in every skate park and change it up to make it unique. We really want to make this park unique to your community."

I would say from the amount of use the Park gets that he was successful in his design wishes.

Online, other skaters seem to agree.

On the website concretedisciples.com, one reader left the following comment about the Cherokee Skate Park, "Rad park

with a litany of creative and unique features. The street section is fun with a variety of fun obstacles from traditional rail, ledges, and stairs to the ditch wall with a love seat in it. The park's transition is incredible with a fun, flow bowl and peanut bowl in the back, smaller elements throughout the street area..."

Another reader commented on that site, "I can't recommend this place enough. I was in Charlotte visiting my transplanted family, and I drove up to the mountains to skate this park. It was well worth the drive."

Tony Hawk, skate legend, once stated, "I feel like skateboarding is as much of a sport as a lifestyle, and an art form, so there's so much that that transcends in terms of music, fashion, and entertainment."

It is great to see the Park being used so much, and it's very, very cool to see so many Cherokee kids out there skating. So, the next time you're passing by the Cherokee Skate Park Park in Yellowhill, stop by and watch some great athletes or bring your board and have some fun.

# SCC announces president's, dean's lists for fall semester

SYLVA - More than 165 students made the president's list, and 158 others made the dean's list for the fall semester at Southwestern Community College. Each president's list honoree earned a Grade Point Average (GPA) of 3.85 or greater while those on the dean's list had a GPA between 3.50 and 3.849.

Following are the honorees from Cherokee:

**President's List:** Devona Toineeta, Dustin Wright, Kayla Pheasant, Taylor Wade, and Shalana Wachacha

**Dean's List:** Hannah Carroll, Serita Pascual, Jill Cooper, Zachary Epps, Shelby Lovingood, Israel Rodriguez, and Christian Yates.

- SCC

# Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship

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

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$42,082 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under "Qualla Reservation". For further



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**JOURNEY:** Cherokee Indian Hospital welcomed Tiffany Christensen (second from left), The Beryl Institute vice president of experience innovation, on Tuesday, Feb. 13. She is a notable public speaker, professional patient advocate and co-chair of Duke Healthcare's Patient Family Advisory Council (PFAC). As part of the On the Road program, Christensen visits various organizations to learn about their patient experience journey. Part of her visit included time speaking with PFAC members of CIHA as well as a guided tour with Casey Cooper, Cherokee Indian Hospital chief executive officer. Shown (left-right) are - Maggie Jackson, Tiffany Christensen, Marcia Hollifield, Casey Cooper, Hillane Lambert, Allison Christensen, Sonya Wachacha, Ah-lisha Stephens, Becky Bridges and Wanda McCoy. For more information about Tiffany Christensen, visit www.theberylinstitute.org.

information contact Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on the North Carolina Community Foundation.

- Eastern Band Community Foundation

# Vendors sought for Spring Garden Fair

Vendor applications are now being accepted for the Spring Garden Fair set for April 20-21 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Organizers are seeking vendors who sell garden items such as seeds, plants, seedlings, yard art, tools, bees, farm-related subjects, fairies, bird houses, and canned or food products. They are also seeking educators to share information about composting, solar power, recycling, mulches, beekeeping, etc. All are welcome. This event is sponsored by the Offices of the Principal Chief and Vice Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Legend Weaver Studios. For an application or more information, visit Facebook – Spring Garden Fair or email: legendweaverstudios@gmail.com

# Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program accepting applications

The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program is currently recruiting EBCI tribal members who are undergraduate college students to participate in its 2018-2019 program. Undergraduate students with a minimum GPA of 2.75 enrolled in at least six credit hours per semester are eligible to apply by the deadline of 5pm on Monday,

April 2.

The culturally-based leadership program gives students opportunities to develop strong leadership abilities and serve successfully in leadership roles. With the help of mentors, participants develop individual leadership plans, volunteer in their communities, and complete a group service project during a yearlong fellowship.

To obtain an application form stop by the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute located at the Cherokee Boys Club in the former Family Support building across from the garage between the hours of 8am – 4:30pm.

Fellows in the Jones-Bowman Program enjoy the following benefits by participating in the program: —Participation in unique leadership opportunities that will develop their leadership skills.

-Community and culture involve-

ment with an opportunity to give

 Meet other students interested in becoming leaders within the Cherokee community.

-Receive funding to support leadership opportunities.

 Receive guidance from outstanding mentors and build peer mentoring relationships.

-Programming is grounded in traditional core values: Strong Individual Character, Group Harmony, Spirituality, Sense of Place, Honoring the Past, Educating the Children, Sense of Humor.

The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award was established in 2007 to honor the memories and leadership of Principal Chief Leon Jones and James Bowman, founding members of the Board of Directors of the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program is a program under the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute; a department of the Cherokee Boys Club and is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation.

Info: Alicia Jacobs alicjaco@nc-cherokee.com, 359-5544

- Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program

# Notice of Tribal Privilege Tax increase

The EBCI Tribal Council approved an increase in the rate of Tribal Privilege tax from 3 percent to 4 percent effective Thursday, March 1. This tax applies to hotels, motels, tourist homes, tourist camps, campgrounds, rental cabins and similar businesses and persons who rent private residences and cottages.

The EBCI utilizes privilege tax revenues for tribal services including Sanitation, Tourism & Marketing, cultural preservation, youth sports, Health Transportation, fuel assistance, and Head Start.

Notices have been mailed. Info: EBCI Office of Budget and Finance 359-7062

> - EBCI Secretary of Treasury Cory Blankenship

# VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) available

The 2018 offering of Tax Assistance begins Wednesday, Feb. 7. If your annual income is \$54,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes prepared at no cost at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd, located next to the Yellowhill Community Building and covered basketball court. Bring with you the following items to your appointment:

- All income related forms such as: W-2, 1099 Misc., 1099-I, SSA-1099, etc.
- Photo I.D. such as Driver's License or enrollment card with picture
- Social Security Card and birth date of every member of the household
- Enrollment Card of federally recognized tribe for North Carolina Tax Exemption
- Bank Account Information if you want tax return direct deposited
- Last year's tax return if possible
- The program does not do Rental Income (Schedule E), Dividend and Investment Income (Sch B) and Complex Schedule C.

To schedule an appointment, call the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office 359-6939 or 359-6933 and speak to any staff person.

- EBCI Cooperative Extension

# EBCI Enrollment deadline notice for new applicants

In order to be considered for the June 2018 per capita distribution,

completed enrollment applications for new applicants to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians must be submitted to the Enrollment Office by 4:30pm on Thursday, March 15. Enrollment applications received after this date and time will not considered for the June 2018 distribution.

An application will only be considered complete with a county-or state-certified birth certificate, certified DNA results and certification of all other Indian blood. To schedule an appointment at the local collection site, call Michelle Stiles 359-6463. Out-of-town applicants may contact Amber Harrison (918) 685-0478 to schedule an appointment in your area.

DNA testing must be collected by Wednesday, Feb. 28 in order for the results to be in by March 15. Any DNA collected after this date is not guaranteed to be returned by the deadline. Because of the extended amount of time in receiving a social security number for a newborn, an application will be considered complete without a social security card. However, an enrollment card will only be issued upon receipt of the social security card of a new enrollee.

Applications may be obtained from the Enrollment Office located at 808 Acquoni Rd. or at www. ebci.com.

Info: EBCI Enrollment Office (828) 359-6469

- EBCI Enrollment Office

# Head Start, Early Head Start recruiting

The Qualla Boundary Head Start & Early Head Start program is currently recruiting for children age six weeks to 4-years-old. Children's services include: health and dental screenings, engaging activities, and a structured schedule. Info: Helen Martin 359-6590

- Qualla Boundary Head Start

# Per Capita Loan deadlines for upcoming cycle

The EBCI Office of Budget & Finance is about to begin a new cycle of loan assistance for EBCI tribal members for the months of April – September. If you wish to begin receiving loan assistance in the month of April, you must submit a new application to the Finance Office. Applications will be accepted March 19-23, and the new application forms are available at the Finance Office and online at www.ebci.com/government/ per-capita-loans/. Applications submitted on forms from previous cycles will not be accepted.

Following is the deadline schedule with check release dates in parentheses: March 19-23 (April 13), April 16-20 (May 11), No applications accepted in May, June 18-22 (July 13), July 16-20 (Aug. 10), Aug. 20-24 (Sept. 7)

- EBCI Secretary of Treasury Cory Blankenship

# THANK YOU LETTER

# Thank you from Hummingbirds

On behalf of the Humming-bird Stickball team, we would like to thank everyone who donated, volunteered, and assisted with the fundraiser held on Feb. 22. Special thanks to the Yellowhill Community Club, Bo Lossiah, Carmelita Monteith, Charlotte Littlejohn, Ashford Smith, Tosh Welch, David Wolfe, Sharon Mauney, Maverick's Tsalagi Sunshine, Food Lion, and Pizza Inn. The fundraiser was a success, and we thank everyone for the support!

Leslie Lossiah and Leigh-Anne Ledford

## OBITUARIES

# **Stephen Eric Lossiah**

Stephen Eric Lossiah, 29, of Travelers Rest, SC, passed away unexpectedly on Monday, Feb. 19, 2018 at his residence.

Stephen had a passion for cooking and music. He was proud to be a husband and father. Stephen will be missed immensely by his friends and family. Rest in Peace.

He is survived by his wife,
Kristen Marie Lossiah; his children,
McCully David Howard, Peyton
Sawyer Boyt, and McKayla Brooke
Lossiah, all of the home; his mother, Myra Barron; maternal grandparents, Leonard Phillips and Carolyn Long; paternal grandparents,
Thomas Lossiah and Molly Lossiah; maternal great grandmother,
Lillian Oliver; uncle, Irvin Lossiah; great uncle, Dale Phillips; cousins,
Raven Powers and Jason Phillips; and many other aunts, uncles, and cousins also survive.

Stephen was preceded in death by his father, Donald Thomas Lossiah.

Funeral services were held on Friday, Feb. 23 at Long House Funeral Home. Pastor Johnny Seay, of the Lima Baptist Church in Travelers Rest, SC, officiated. Burial followed at the Donald Lossiah Family Cemetery on Swimmer Branch. Pallbearers were Jason Phillips, Dale Phillips, Brian Rapp, Jonathan Boyt, Dylan Jacks, and Kevin Nealey.

# **Kirby Lind Dunlap**

Kirby Lind Dunlap, 63, of Cherokee, passed away on Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late Odell and Kathryn Craig Dunlap. In addition to his parents, he was also preceded in death by one brother,

Jack Dunlap.

Kirby was a U.S. Army veteran having served in the 101st Airborne Division.

He is survived by three daughters, Regina Phillips of Asheville, Casey Blakeley of Hopkinsville, Ky., and Jamie Dunlap of Asheville; one son, Stephen (Hank) Dunlap of Hopkinsville, Ky.; four grandsons, Davis, Cameron, Danny, and Tyler; one sister, Cathy Dunlap and one brother, Bob Dunlap, both of Whittier; three nieces, Paige, Payton, and Norah; and one great nephew, Beau.

Funeral Services were held on Saturday at Whittier United Methodist Church. Revs. David Baxter and Danny Lambert officiated with burial in Birdtown Cemetery.

# Joel D. Toineeta

Joel D. Toineeta, 35, of the Wolftown Community, went to his Heavenly Home Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of Pamela Cucumber of Cherokee and the late Danny Tioneeta. He was the husband of the late Jennifer Dugan Toineeta.

He participated in many sports and loved being outdoors.

He was preceded in death by his daughter, Jayda Elizabeth Toineeta; maternal grandparents, Joe and Dorothy Cucumber; and paternal grandparents, Jeff and Elizabeth Toineeta.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by two sons, Jayce B. Toineeta and Evan Standingdeer; his infant daughter, Gemma M. Toineeta; brothers, Nehemiah (Nehi) Toineeta and wife Reva, Michael R. Toineeta of Starkville, Miss., Darrell E. Toineeta, Kerry Reed; aunts, Erma McMillan, Sandy Cucumber, Veronica Toineeta; uncles, Donald Cucumber, Garth Berky of Cedar Falls, Iowa; his companion, Savetta Bradley, niece, Danielle Toineeta; and nephew, Michael Lane Toineeta.

Funeral services were held Sunday, Feb. 25 at Rock Springs Baptist Church. Pastor Greg Morgan and Bro. Nehi Toineeta officiated with burial in the Joe Cucumber Cemetery.

Pallbearers were family and friends.

### **Jamison Bear French**

Jamison Bear French, 44, of the Big Cove Community on Straight Fork, passed away Wednesday, Feb. 21, 2018. A native of Cherokee, he was the son of Marilyn Swimmer of Cherokee and the late Elliott Dump French. In addition to his father, he was also preceded in death by three uncles, Herbert Dave Swimmer, McKinley Mac Swimmer, and Marvin Skilly French.

In addition to his mother, he is also survived by two brothers, Elliott (Seymour) French and wife Stephanie of Cherokee, and George French of Cherokee; one cousin/brother, Randall French of Cherokee; one sister, Melvena Swimmer of Cherokee; grandmother, Amanda Swimmer of Cherokee; favorite aunt, Juanita Swimmer of Cherokee; favorite niece, "Baby Girl" Jill Swimmer of Cherokee; 11 nieces and nephews; two uncles; and several aunts and uncles on both sides of the family.

Funeral Services were held Monday, Feb. 26 at Acquoni Baptist Chapel. Rev. James (Bo) Parris officiated with burial at Sequoyah Family Cemetery.

Honorary Pallbearers were Big Cove Free Labor.



# CHEROKEE VETERANS: We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the "Veterans' Corner". If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your

memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don't have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robejump@nc-cherokee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

Thank you for your service and love for your community.

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# Park completes Clean Energy Project in Cades Cove

reat Smoky Mountains
National Park officials have
announced the completion of a solar energy project at
Cades Cove that will annually
reduce greenhouse gas emissions
by 23 tons and reduce fuel costs by
\$14,000. Formerly, the Park used
a diesel-fuel generator for power at
the site which often caused noise
disruptions to park programs and
the visitor experience to the historic
landscape.

"This is a great step in making our Park operations more environmentally friendly," said Park Superintendent Cassius Cash. "The solar panels will provide a great, natural source of energy for the Cable Mill Area that enables us to provide a better visitor experience and to be better stewards of the Park."

The newly-installed solar array includes 80 panels that provide a silent energy source to serve the small visitor center, bookstore, and restroom facility in the Cable Mill area. The panels are located behind the restroom in an area that

receives maximum exposure from both morning and afternoon sun. A low berm planted with native vegetation was created around the array to minimize the visual intrusion on the historic landscape and the area's natural beauty.

Cades Cove receives approximately 2 million visitors per year. Many of these visitors stop at the Cable Mill area to visit the exhibit of historic structures assembled there. Given its remote location at the west end of Cades Cove, the Cable Mill area is off the commercial power grid and all power must be generated on site.

The Southeast Region of the National Park Service provided the funding for this project. The work was completed by Solar Power Integrators, a veteran-owned company.

For more information on sustainable projects across the National Park Service, visit https://www.nps.gov/subjects/sustainability/be-energy-smart.htm

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**CLEAN ENERGY:** Great Smoky Mountains National Park officials have announced the completion of a solar energy project at Cades Cove that will annually reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 23 tons and reduce fuel costs by \$14,000.

# Horseshoe Bend National Military Park to host battle anniversary

Horseshoe Bend National Military Park will host the 204th Anniversary of the Battle of the Horseshoe on Saturday, March 24. This annual event recreates traditional Creek Indian life, frontier life in the year 1814 and emphasizes the importance of the battle in United States history through a variety of special demonstrations and interpretive programs. Saturday's activities will provide park visitors with a better understanding Southeastern American Indian life

in this area 200 years ago as well as provide insight into the lives of the combatants and the reasons why the battle occurred.

Experience the life of the Creek and Cherokee Indians by visiting traditional hunting camps and watch demonstrations of cultural skills such as hide tanning, cooking and finger weaving. Children will have the opportunity to participate in an authentic Creek stickball game throughout the day.

Experience the life of Andrew

Jackson's frontier army. Watch
Tennessee militia fire smoothbore
cannon and flintlock muskets.
Learn how soldiers cooked their
meals and lived while on campaign
through a variety of encampments
and displays in the museum. A
camp depicting American women's
lives on the frontier will provide
wool dying demonstrations and
teach visitors how to spin the wool.

All demonstrations will be presented multiple times throughout the day and promise to be entertaining as well as educational. A refreshment stand will be available courtesy of the New Site Volunteer Fire Department.

This Program is free to the public. Horseshoe Bend NMP is located 12 miles north of Dadeville on Alabama Highway 49.

Info: Horseshoe Bend National Military Park (256) 234-7111 or visit www.nps.gov/hobe.

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# Something smells fishy

# **ROBERT JUMPER**

ONE FEATHER EDITOR

here are 30 miles of fishable streams on the Qualla Boundary. Those streams have been here for as long as the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Water is not just a commodity to us. It is spiritual. It is a source of life. It is a resource for the continuation of the tribe.

One of the many uses of our streams has been the trout and other wildlife that is sustained in our creeks and rivers. In recent years, we have developed a robust, self-sustaining industry in our Cherokee trout program - EBCI Fisheries and Wildlife program.

John Frye, a writer for Our State magazine, said, "In the deep mountains, near the edge of Great Smoky Mountains National Park, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians keep some 30 miles waters within the Qualla Boundary stocked with trout. To keep the creeks, streams and rivers full of fish, they manage the Cherokee Tribal Fish Hatchery, a facility capable of raising 1-1.5 million trout. Even though capacity is a whopping one-million-plus fish, each year, Tribal Fish Hatchery rarely operates at or near capacity as a precaution for the health, and size, of the fish they raise. Instead of going for quantity, they aim for quality, with some 300,000 are fish harvested every year, a quarter-million of which go into the streams to be caught in both keeper and release waters. The process is a lengthy one, with fish going from eggs to a stock-able size in 12-14 months. The Tribal Fish Hatchery partners with other fish hatcheries as part of a National Broodstock Program to raise, and stock streams with, some of the best fish available."

The Cherokee people continue to fish our waters and enjoy the meals provided in the form of our native and now stocked trout. In addition to the direct nourishment, the significant industry we have created around trout production has been the

envy of our neighboring counties for years. Local municipalities have taken notice of the marketing of our fishing program and developed their own strategies to capitalize on fishing in not only their own streams, but also leveraging the great fishing opportunities and tourism amenities of the Qualla Boundary.

Aging, facilities and equipment have become a challenge for our fishing product. While demand for fishing permits continually increases, the Tribal Fishery is limited in its capacity. Once that capacity is reached, Fisheries must supplement our capacity by buying fish from other hatcheries, sometimes at significantly higher expense than those raised on the Boundary. The farther they must go to get a supply of trout, the more expensive the fish. Trout fishing is a year-round industry for Cherokee and has great potential for outgrowths of trout products and tourism marketing.

As a Tribe, we should be capitalizing on this multi-faceted business opportunity. In addition to the already steady growth in interest in fishing in Cherokee, we could be producing retail products for sale to restaurants and grocers. There was, at one time, a movement in the government to create an aquarium so that visitors could view wildlife that inhabit our streams like the one that draws thousands of visitors each year in Chattanooga. I believe that is an opportunity that merits at least additional consideration by our tribal leadership.

We need to provide the Tribal Fisheries the tools needed to bring the capacity up to current and future demand. We need to place high priority on revamping or relocating our hatchery with an eye toward creating a state of the art facility capable of maximizing return on our investment. As we continue to discuss opportunities for addition review income through diversifying our revenue streams, we should not neglect the great potential that resides in our Qualla Boundary trout streams. Our tribal waters are literally teeming with potential.

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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.



# Benefits/Fundraisers

Indian Dinner Benefit for Theresa Rattler.

**March 2** from 11am – 1pm at the Cherokee Methodist Church. Menu: chicken, bean bread, cabbage, potatoes, fatback, drink, and dessert for \$8. Delivery will be available and walk-ins are welcome. Info: Dawn "Squirrelli" Jumper 736-9238 or Botch Jumper 736-7489

Upcoming Turkey Shoots at Jess Welch's Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Com**munity.** March 3 at 5pm, benefit for Jess Welch. March 10 at 5pm, benefit for Ray Swayney. Good prizes, good fun, good benefits.

Souper Bowl Fundraiser. March 9 (new date) from 11am – 1pm at Cherokee Choices Community Room. All proceeds will go to fund the Community Syllabary Class. \$5 for bowl of soup, bread/crackers, and drink; \$7 all-you-caneat soup, bread/crackers, drink. Potato, taco,

tomato, vegetable, zuppa tuscana, and more.

## **Church Events**

David Hansel preaching. March 1-2 at

7pm at Evangelistic Tabernacle in Bryson City. Everyone is welcome to hear Hansel who is from Richmond, Ky. Info: 488-3098

## **Cultural Events**

Free Syllabary Class. Every Thursday from March 1 - April 26 from 7-8pm at Cherokee Choices conference room. Limited slots available. This if for EBCI tribal members ages 10 and up only. This is not a Cherokee language class. Info: Tara McCoy 359-5542

# Cherokee Syllabary and Intro to Cherokee

Class. Every Monday and Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the 3200 Acre Tract Community Center at 1000 Old Bryson City Road in Whittier. Everyone is welcome. Info: https://

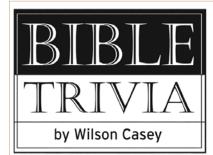
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# **General Events**

Mary Wachacha to present "The Life and Times of D.K. Collins". March 1 at 6:30pm at Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center. Wachacha, an EBCI tribal member, will present at a meeting of the Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society. Collins (1844-1924) was a businessman in Bryson City as well as a chairman of the Democrat Party in Swain County and a Civil War veteran. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This event is free and open to the public. Info: www.swaingenealogy.com

Free Line and Swing Dance Lessons. Thursdays on March 1, 8, 15, 22, and 29 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Line Dance at 5:30pm, Beginngers Swing at 6:15pm, and Advanced





- 1. Is the Book of 2 Peter in Old or New Testament or neither?
- 2. From Matthew 4, how many days and nights did Jesus fast before his temptation(s) by Satan? 3, 12, 40, 70
- 3. Who said, "The Lord gave, and the Lord hath taken away"? Satan, Adam, Job, Haman
- 4. From Proverbs 6, what is held up as an example to the lazy man? Bee, Flea, Locust, Ant
- 5. How old was Abram when Hagar bore Ishmael? 19, 39, 68, 86
- 6. From Acts 13:1, where was Lucius from? Cyrene, Zion, Sodom, Canaan

ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) 40; 3) Job; 4) Ant; 5) 86; 6) Cyrene

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Swing at 6:45pm. Emerald Booth will be the instructor for line dance, and Bob Canady and Sherri Booth will be the instructors for the couples swing. Info: 788-0502

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

Talk entitled "We Are the Earth, We Are the Land". March 9 from 5-6pm at Ken Blankenship Education Wing in the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Sarah Sunshine Manning (Shoshone/Paiute) will share her poignant and personal story of connection to land and Earth elaborating on universal understandings of the many lessons of the natural landscapes around us. The free talk will be 45 minutes with additional time for questions. Info: Museum of the Cherokee Indian 497-3481

"From Dope to Hope" speaker. March 28 from 5:30-7:30pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Tim Ryan, addiction expert and recovery advocate, and the author of "Dope Man", will give a speech entitled "From Dope to Hope". Light refreshments will be provided. Info: TimRyanSpeaks.com

Joy Harjo to participate in Visiting Writer Series at UNC Asheville. April 12 from 7-8:30pm at UNC Asheville's Lipinsky Hall Auditorium. Harjo, a member of the Mvskoke Nation, has won the William Carlos Williams Award from the Poetry Society of America and the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Native Writers Circle of the Americas. This event, part of UNC Asheville's Visiting Writers Series and the American Indian and Indigenous Studies Series, is free and open to everyone. Info: (828) 251-6853, events@unca.edu

# **Health and Sports Events**

Haskell Softball Youth Camp. March 16-18 at Cherokee Central Schools softball fields. Has-

kell Indian Nation University softball team will hold the camp for ages 5-18. The camp will be led by Brianna Smith, an EBCI tribal member and former Lady Braves softball player. Schedule: March 16 from 3:30-5:30pm, March 17 from 9am – 5pm, and March 18 from 1-5pm. Bring softball cleats, bat, and glove. RSVP to confirm attendance to Gary Tanner, Haskell head softball coach, gtanner@haskell.edu

Swain County Dizzy Dean Benefit Co-Ed Softball Tournament. March 17 at 9am at Swain County Ballfields. \$200 entry fee. Unlimited home runs with purchase of Dizzy Dean bracelet. Double-elimination, five girls/five guys, ISA co-ed rules apply. Info: Trent Crisp 736-1381, Riley Randall 788-4665, Larry Simonds (828) 200-7303

# Upcoming Pow Wows for March 2-4

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

**31st Annual Carolina Indian Circle Pow Wow. March 3** at 101 Student Recreation
Center in Chapel Hill, NC. MC: J.D. Moore. Host
Drum: Stoney Creek. Info: Elena Jacobs-Polanco
(336) 445-1384, Ryan Dial-Stanley (336) 4863847, CICpowwow@hotmail.com

Apache Gold Casino Intertribal Pow Wow. March 3-4 at San Carlos Event Center in San Carlos, Ariz. MC: Gabriel Ayala. Host Northern Drum: War Paint. Host Southern Drum: Oklahoma Poorboys. Info: Tanya Robertson (928) 475-7800, tanyarobertson@agcr.us

Madison NAPC Social Pow Wow. March 3 at Madison Park Middle School in Phoenix, Ariz. MC: Chris Dinehdeal. Host Northern Drum: Wild Medicine. Head Southern Singer: Paul Stewart. Info: Jocelyn Manheimer (602) 456-0773, NativeAmericanParentComm@gmail.com

UT-Arlington 23rd Annual Pow Wow.

March 3 at UTA University Center Bluebonnet

Ballroom in Arlington, Texas. MC: Larry Liles. Host Drum: Southern Boyz. Info: Les Riding In powwow@uta.edu, visit www.uta.edu/NASA

# **Dobson High School Social Pow Wow.**

**March 3** at Dobson High School in Mesa, Ariz. MC: Erny Zah. Head Southern Singer: Jeremy Bear. Info: Kim Klett (380) 371-3112, klklett@mpsaz.org

Heritage High School Traditional Pow Wow. March 3 at Heritage High School in Vancouver, Wash. MC: Bob Tom. Host Drum: Four Directions. Info: David Jollie (360) 601-3764, chippewachief@msn.com

**Leonard Cozad Sr. Day Celebration. March 4** at Red Buffalo Hall in Carnegie, Okla. MC:
Vernon "Cy" Ahtone. Head Southern Singer:
Jimmy Kimble. Guest Drum: Black Lodge. Info:
No contact information provided by committee

# **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 every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben 497-2043 to be scheduled.

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

# **Support Groups/Meetings**

# **Cherokee Diabetes Talking**

**Circle.** This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends. meets at Tsali Manor on the third Thursday of each month from 12-1pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH. RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in

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# **Community Groups**

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

# **Analenisgi Recovery Center** weekly schedule for Fall/Winter 2017/18

mous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at

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: (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) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dieticians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

# **Cherokee Cancer Support**

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

# CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK Ganasav hia svdodagwasdi asuyagida SOUI DO RVLTOJ DE OYL



Monk, a 12-year-old Siberian Husky, lives with his Grandma Rose in the Painttown 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:

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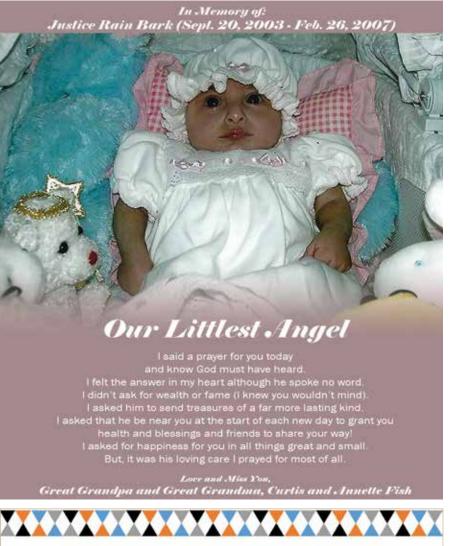


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2BR, 1 bath mobile home. Quiet park in Ela, no pets. References/background check required. \$450/month, \$450/deposit. 488-8752. UFN

# **FOR SALE**

Hot Diggity Dog business for sale - A customized, easy-to-operate NC Health Department-approved Cart is for sale this month. All equipment, paper supplies, signing, secret recipe, product suppliers, FB page with hundreds of followers, marketing recommendations, and basic training are included. The fully operational cart has a propane grill, mini sink with running water, giant solar operated umbrella, two color coordinated chairs, cooler, steam pans, onboard built-in cooler with plenty of storage, and a child sized hot dog costume. Minimum bid \$5,000. Call Robbie (404) 229-2044.3/1

For Sale – 2001 Mazda Truck, six cylinder, auto trans, runs great, almost new tires, easy on gas! Good truck to drive to work or chores around home. \$2,500. Call 788-4380. 3/8

FOR SALE by owners. Family owned/operated campground, established in 1965. Located on the banks of Soco Creek on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, Cherokee, NC. Within walking distance of downtown Cherokee and Harrah's Casino. Within one two miles of most major attractions in Cherokee. On approximately 12 acres, the campground consists of 11 cabins, 11 bunkhouses, and 33 campsites, including 23 FHU sites. Serious inquiries call 828-736-2765 for an appointment. Cherokee Campground and Craig's Cabins. Must be an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. 3/22pd

# **SERVICES**

Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 507-5045. 4/12

Law Office of Shira Hedgepeth, Tribal Legal Advocate, For representation, call (828) 585-5044 or email shira@legal-decisions.com. Find us on Facebook at https:// www.facebook.com/legaldecisions. 3/29pd







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

# Commercial and Residential

Project Manager (Resume required) Opens: 2-21-18, Closes: 3-7-18

# Mowing and Trimming Laborers Opens: 2-21-18, Closes: 3-7-18

# Cherokee Youth Council Leadership Specialist

(Please attach resume with application Open until filled)

### Food Manager

Snowbird Child Development Center (Open until filled)

## Teachers/Teachers' Aides

Snowbird Child Development Center (Open until filled)

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

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

The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates

or readvertise positions without notice.

# It's a Match!

You and Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort have liked each other.







Finding a Job to fall in love with starts at: HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com

Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply: Please see Tolent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID. An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Harroth's Cherokee Casinos value diversity and inclusion, and are equal apportunity employers. @2018, Caesars License Company, LLC.

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, March 05, 2018

- 1. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant (Multiple) Kituwah Academy - CERS (L5 \$25,830 - \$32,288)
- 2. Early Childhood Language Specialist Assistant (Part-Time) Kituwah Academy - CERS (L5 \$12.42 - \$15.52)
- Kituwah Academy Teacher Kituwah Academy CERS (L10 \$41,082 -\$51,353)
- 4. Youth Development Professional Cherokee Youth Center CERS (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
- Environmental Health & Safety Manager Regulatory & Compliance -PHHS (L14 \$58,794 - \$73,493)

# Closing Friday, March 09, 2018

- 1. TOP/Council Assistant Tribal Operation Program Tribal Council (L4 \$23,040 - \$28,800)
- 2. Ethics Specialist Office of Internal Audit and Ethics (L14 \$58,794 -
- Ethics Officer Office of Internal Audit and Ethics (L15 \$64,206 -\$80,258)
- Senior Auditor (Multiple) Office of Internal Audit and Ethics (L14) \$58,794 - \$73,493)
- 5. Tribal Planner Project Management Operations (L11 \$45,018 -\$56,273)
- Maintenance Utility Temps (Multiple) Facilities Administration (L4 \$11.35 - \$14.19 hourly rate)
- 7. Tribal Prosecutor II Criminal Law Office of the Attorney General (L18 \$83,722 - \$104,653)
- 8. Outside Plant Installer Cherokee Broadband I.T. (L9 \$37,474 -\$46,843)
- 9. OSP Lineman Installer Cherokee Broadband I.T. (L10 \$41,082 -
- Recreation Aide Recreation CERS (L3 \$21,484 \$26,855)

## **Open Positions**

- 1. Paramedic Part-Time EMS Operations (\$16.40 \$20.50 per hour)
- 2. Paramedic Full-Time EMS Operations (L8 \$34,112 \$42,640)

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

### **EMPLOYMENT**

# CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Residential Treatment Center Manager - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center Optometrist

Physician- Emergency Room PTR Physician – Emergency Room Hospitalist

Pedodontist

PTR Registered Nurse - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center RN – Tsali Care Center (2 Positions) Emergency Hire RN – Inpatient Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)

Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)
Dentist – Satellite Clinics Cherokee
County & Snowbird
Dentist

Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care (11 Positions)

Certified Medication Aide - Tsali Care PTI Registration Receptionist Clerk (2 Positions) (2 Positions)

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

# Operations Manager for Oconaluftee Indian Village

The Cherokee Historical Association is for an Operations Manager for the Oconaluftee Indian Village. We are looking for someone who can multi-task, has retail management experience and the knowledge of Cherokee craft appraisal. This position will run Late March through Mid-November, works weekends and

holidays.

Guidelines:

- Indian preference applies.
- Must have supervision/management experience.
- Requires great guest service skills.
- Requires computer and record keeping skills.
- Have the ability to oversee multiple employees.
- Must have knowledge of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians culture and about the culturally based tourism industry.
- Requires the ability to coordinate activities and events, market and promote, communicate effectively,

Salome's Stars

ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You could have some problems with doubters who don't share your enthusiasm for that new project you're supporting. But use the facts to win them over to your side.

**TAURUS** (April 20 to May 20) Someone is impressed by how you managed to get your case to the right people, despite attempts to keep you on the outside looking in. Expect to hear more about this.

**GEMINI** (May 21 to June 20) Good for you — your gift for seeing both sides of a dispute helps cool down a potentially explosive workplace situation. Some family-related tensions also begin to ease.

**CANCER** (June 21 to July 22) Your determination to prove yourself is put to the test by midweek. Counting all the positive factors you have going for you will help you get over your self-doubt. Good luck.

**LEO** (July 23 to August 22) Several co-workers are still determined to resist coming over to your side. But don't let that stop you from presenting your proposal to the people who count. Stay the course.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You might prefer to be taken on faith and not have to prove yourself. But the truth is, you need to offer more facts if you hope to persuade people to accept what you say.

both verbally and in writing.

Anyone interested can pick up a job description and application at the CHA main office, located across from the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Applications must be submitted by the COB on March 16th, 2018. Position starts on March 26th, 2018. 3/8pd

# CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

LPN – Tsali Care (2 Positions) RN MDS Coordinator – Tsali Care To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org. If you have questions,

**LIBRA** (September 23 to October 22) A family situation takes an unwelcome turn. While others might be looking around for answers, you'll soon sort it all out logically, and the matter will be resolved.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Someone might try to create doubt about your reliability for his or her own agenda. But your reputation and your colleagues' long-standing faith in you saves the day.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22 to December 21) An unexpected change of plans forces you to come up with an alternative by the end of the week. Look for colleagues to offer valuable suggestions.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Nothing upsets the Goat as much as broken promises. But before you vent your anger, consider that this could ultimately prove to be a blessing in disguise.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) An old workplace problem you thought you had solved for good resurfaces. But this time, co-workers will take a more active role in helping you deal with it.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Be careful not to be misled by a negative reaction to one of your more important projects. If you believe in it, then it has worth and is, therefore, worth staying with.

**BORN THIS WEEK:** Everyone appreciates your gift for finding beauty, even where it seems least likely to exist.

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HCD Housing Services will be available at:



Thursday, March 8

John Welch Senior Center from 9:30 - 11:30am

Snowbird Youth Center from 1 - 3pm

Information will be given and applications will be accepted for HCD Rental and Mortgage Lending contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close March 8, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **3/8pd** 

### Part-time Assistant Needed

Part-time Assistant needed to work with clients with developmental disabilities at VOC. This person will be responsible for overseeing the clients and taking them on community inclusion activities. Must be CPR/First Aid certified, high school diploma/GED, and valid NC Driver's license. CNA preferred. You may pick up an application and job description at VOC located behind the Tribal Bingo Hall. For further information contact Magda at 497-9827. Job closes when filled. 3/8pd

# **LEGAL NOTICES**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-056

# In the Matter of the Estate of Frances Long Reed

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 PUBLICA-TION

Lori A. Reed, P.O. Box 79, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/8pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-002

# In the Matter of the Estate of Kamie Helen Calhoun

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 PUBLICA-TION

Christopher Calhoun, 445 Mink Branch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/8pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-006

# In the Matter of the Estate of Daniel Lambert

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this

estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

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

Nick Lambert, 1660 Tow String Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/8pd** 

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians The Cherokee Court Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File Nos.: EST 13-037; EST 13-038;

EST 13-039; EST 13-045

In the Matter of the Estates of: Darrell Taylor (d. 12/26/2012); Shawn David Calhoun (d. 4/28/2013);

Lena Yvonne Hornbuckle (d 2/24/2013);

Jim Driver, Jr. (d. 3/9/2013)

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 March 20, 2018 at 1:30 PM



### 3/15pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 18-001

# In the Matter of the Estate of James Clifford Smith

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

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

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

Patricia G. Smith, 288 Kallup McCoy Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/14pd** 



938 Tealogi Rd. Cherokae, NC 28719

