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# Cherokee County Casino proposal discussed at public meeting

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

There are over 2.3 million Total Rewards card members in a 180-mile radius of Cherokee, but only 20 percent have ever visited Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort. The Tribal Casino Gaming Enterprise (TCGE) hopes that building a casino near Murphy in Cherokee County would help the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians get some of their gaming revenue.

After holding a series of meetings in the various tribal communities, the TCGE Board held a public meeting, along with Tribal Council, on the Cherokee County Casino proposal in the Council House on the night of Monday, March 18.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks opened the meeting saying he's been behind the project since he put in a 2008 resolution on the idea. "I think it's coming to fruition. It looks very promising especially with the Atlanta, Chattanooga, Birmingham traffic."

Chief Hicks said that one of the things he and others fought for in the new gaming compact was the ability to have another casino. "I just think it makes sense. And, now it's time to move forward."

He concluded by saying, "I'm not going to sit here and guarantee that per capita is going to increase substantially, but it is going to increase."

The TCGE Board worked with The Innovation Group to set up some projections on the project, and based on those per capita would increase \$579 in the first year and \$694 in the second.

"The bottom line for this project overall is the revenue opportunity," said TCGE board member John Houser. "It gets us one hour closer



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*John Houser, TCGE Board, speaks during a public meeting held in the Council House on the night of Monday, March 18 to discuss the Cherokee County casino proposal.*

to vital markets. The market opportunity and the population are wonderful."

In previous community meetings, the TCGE Board presented several possible debt reduction plans including one whereby 100 percent of the proceeds from the Cherokee County casino would have gone directly into debt reduction and zero going to distribution and per capita. That idea has been abandoned, and the current system of distribution would be used at the Cherokee County casino if approved.

"The revenue from the casino in Cherokee County will be distributed identically as the one here," said Houser who related that a temporary casino could be operational within six months of breaking ground and a permanent facility online 12

months afterwards.

Big Cove Rep. Bo Taylor said he has talked a lot with his constituents on the idea, "Their question is why do we need to go so full out? What's the justification with going so full out with the hotel and all the amenities?"

Houser said the proposed casino is actually a scaled down version of what the TCGE Board was thinking of originally. "This version will only have 300 rooms and 1,100 games. The market study calls for a larger casino. The market potential for that project is greater than here in Cherokee."

Becky Walker, an EBCI tribal member from Wolfetown, said she is leery of projections and referenced the alcohol projections from 2009. "Those numbers didn't come to fruition. It's really hard now to hear these projections."

Painttown Rep. Terri Henry agreed with Walker, "Some say that this looks good, but they don't trust ya'll because of some of the other projects. I just think the trust factor is a very big factor here."

She said a referendum vote would be the best way to proceed on the project.

Jimmy Bradley, an EBCI tribal member from Yellowhill, agrees, "To me, it is a referendum issue. I just think there are some things that are bigger than the 12 of you and two Chiefs."

The Cherokee County casino would cost \$110 million to build, and some at Monday's meeting related they are afraid of more spending and debt.

Missy Crowe, an EBCI tribal member from Yellowhill, noted, "What I hear a lot is that it's time to tame the beast. The beast is the money."

"No one has mentioned the peo-

ple," she said. "We're going to have to start talking with one another. If it goes down, we're all in this together."

While some were concerned about projections and debt, others in the Cherokee County and Snowbird areas are concerned about unemployment – something they feel the casino would help with greatly. The casino would create around 800 new jobs.

"To me, the biggest issue is employment," said Abe Wachacha, former Cherokee County – Snowbird representative. "You've got to live down there to understand what I'm talking about. Give us the opportunity."

Cherokee County recently reported an unemployment rate over 12 percent and nearby Graham County, which includes the Snowbird Community, has the highest rate in the state at over 16 percent.

Kim Lambert, Cherokee VOC manager, commented, "We need jobs. If gaming is the way this can be accomplished, then I'm all for it. It is imperative that we provide employment opportunities for all of our tribal members."

Monday's meeting concluded with comments from several Harrah's officials.

Lumpy Lambert, Harrah's Cherokee assistant general manager of casino operations, said, "At the end of the day, we have to look at what's best for the Tribe, and I believe that this is a project that does it. It's going to create jobs."

Paxton Myers, Harrah's Cherokee vice-president of casino marketing, related, "This project makes business sense. I know this is a good project. It is time to help our brothers and sisters in the Cherokee County and Snowbird area."

# TERO vendors receive federal contract training

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is the first American Indian tribe to receive a disaster declaration directly from the President under the newly amended Stafford Act. Now, local businesses are being encouraged to compete for federal contracts involving the disaster relief and beyond.

A training event was held at the Shawn Blanton Emergency Operations Center in Cherokee on Thursday, March 14. A total of 12 TERO-certified businesses were represented at the event.

“We are here to do outreach with the EBCI to educate vendors within the EBCI community on how to do business with the federal government,” said Annette Wright, FEMA contracting officer Region 4 in Atlanta, who facilitated Thursday’s training. “They can expand their business opportunities outside of the EBCI and be able to compete for procurement dollars on a national level, so we’ve partnered with TERO to train their employees how to register more Native American vendors and allowing those vendors to compete for procurement opportunities thereby increasing the economic base of the vendor management outreach.”

She related that FEMA officials will work with the TERO-certified businesses to walk them through the application process to get into the federal database so they can be eligible to bid for federal contracts.

“The federal government encourages local vendors to be involved with the disaster response and recovery process so we’re looking to help bring that type of information here and encourage that type of activity so that the economics can be spread around,” said Michael E. Bolch,



*Annette Wright (standing), FEMA contracting officer Region 4 in Atlanta, facilitates a meeting at the Shawn Blanton Emergency Operations Center on Thursday, March 14 to help TERO-certified businesses become eligible to bid for federal contracts.*

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CEM, FEMA coordinator officer. “FEMA comes in with certain capabilities, but a lot of time we need the local people and if we can reach out and contract with local people to use their services, that helps us out plus it puts money into the local economy. We encourage that type of activity and that’s what we’re doing here today.”

Bruce Martin, owner of Qualla Security, Inc., spoke to the crowd at Thursday’s event about his experiences dealing with federal contracts. He has worked with federal agencies such as Indian Health Service, Veterans Administration (VA), Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI), and the Army Corps of Engineers.

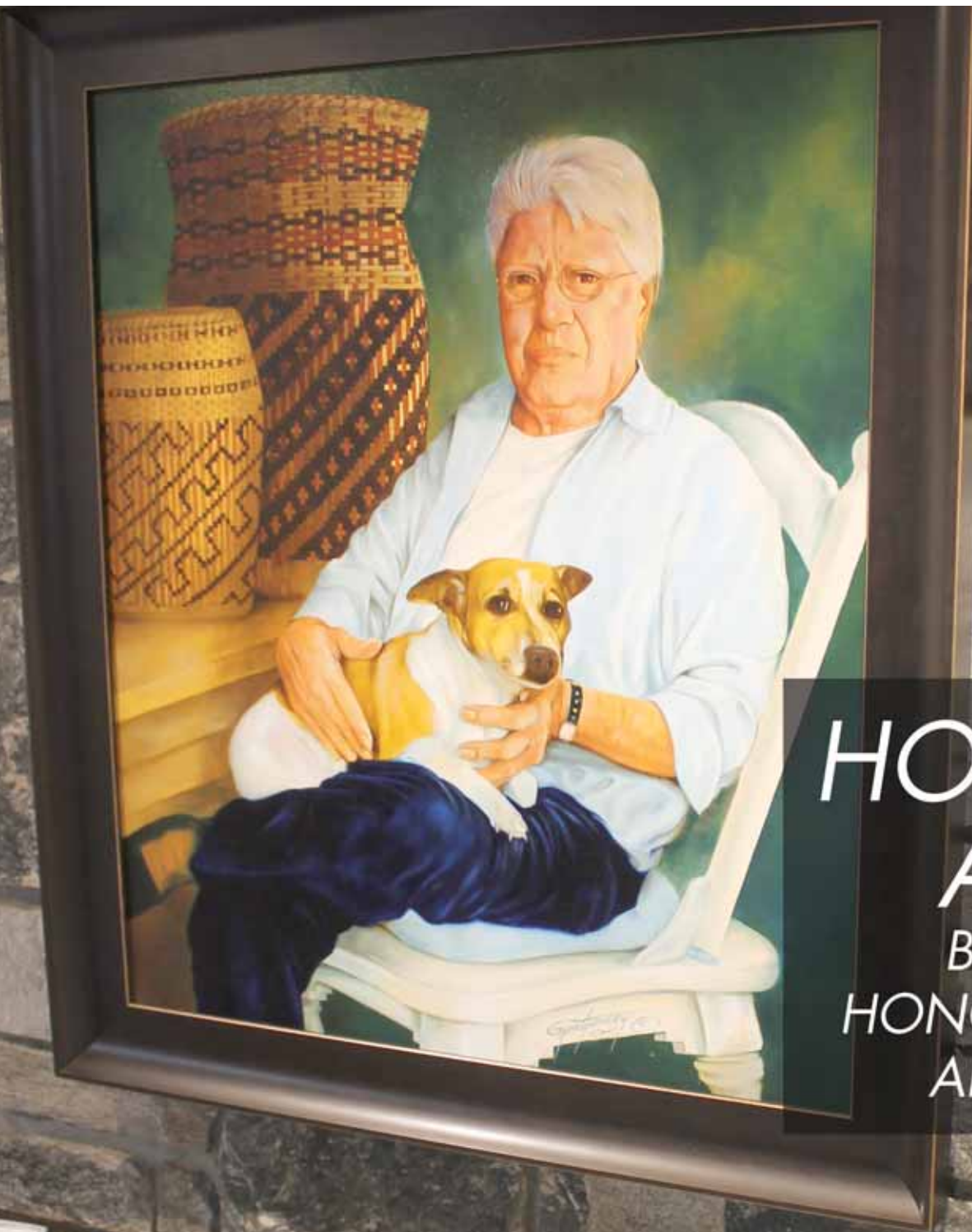
“The federal government is the largest contractor in the world,” he noted. “If you get on this, be familiar with what you do, make plans and have enough capital.”

On dealing with the bids themselves, Martin advised the group, “Just be competitive. Don’t bid too high and not too low.”

Mara Nelson, EBCI TERO Manager, commented on Thursday’s event, “I’m really excited that we’re going to keep the money that is coming in locally with our TERO-certified businesses. I’m excited about this opportunity. This group is our pool to help keep the dollars locally and help in supporting enrolled member families.”



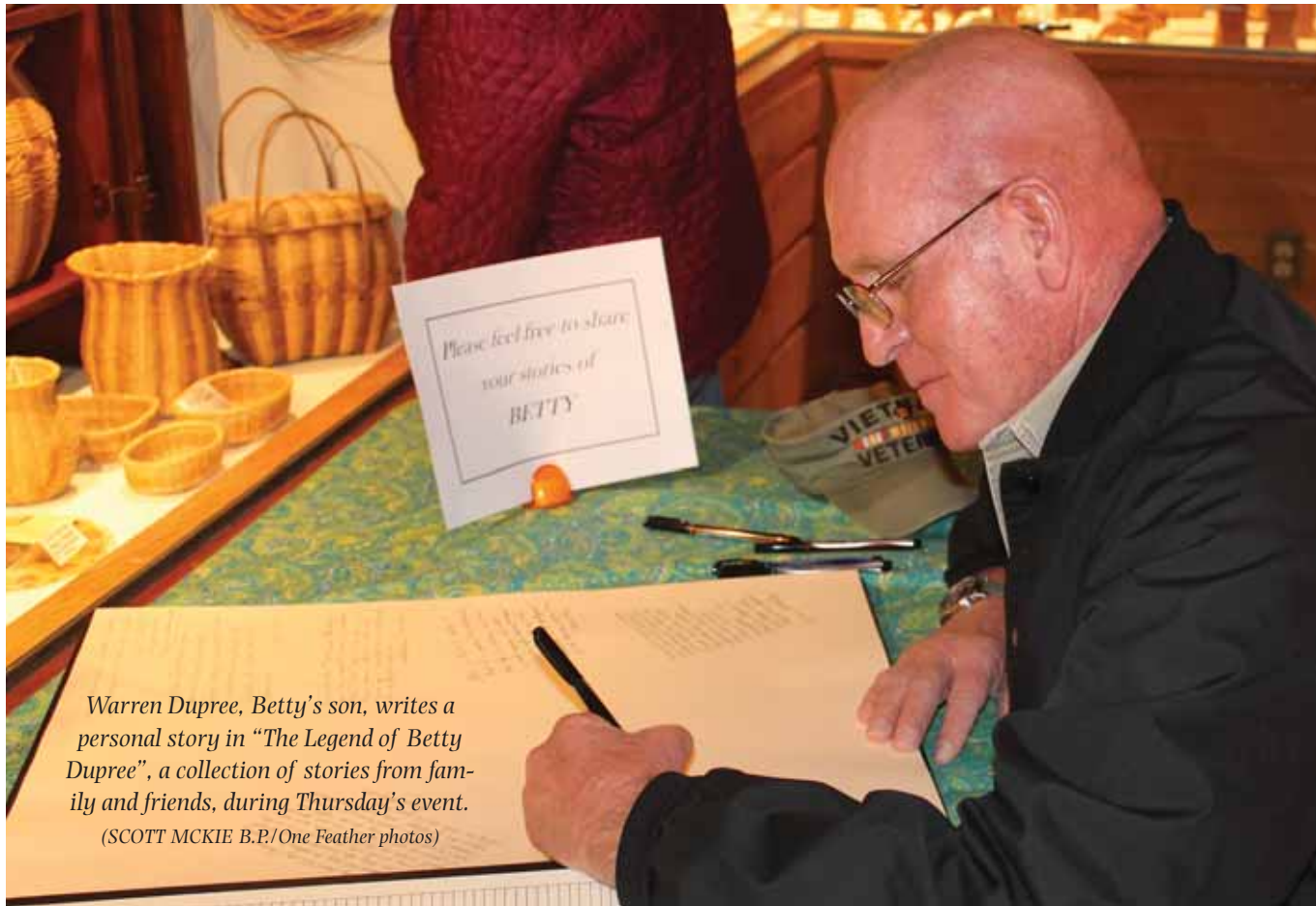
*Bruce Martin, owner of Qualla Security, Inc., shares his tips and thoughts on federal contracts during Thursday’s meeting.*



# HONORING A LADY

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ARTS & CRAFTS

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*Warren Dupree, Betty's son, writes a personal story in "The Legend of Betty Dupree", a collection of stories from family and friends, during Thursday's event.*

*(SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos)*

**By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

**B**etty Craig Dupree, a long-time manager at Qualla Arts & Crafts who passed away last year, was honored during an event at the store on Thursday, March 14. Not only did she help advance Qualla Arts & Crafts, but she took Cherokee crafts worldwide, literally.

"My mom was totally dedicated to the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians," said Warren Dupree, Betty's son. "The strength that she had was an inner strength. She was a woman of small stature, but her inner strength allowed her to stand up and do what was right. She stood up for those that needed her help and assistance. She was a very demanding woman, but she taught us how to be strong and how to do the right thing, never turn your back, never walk away, to work together."

Warren added, "She was a true inspiration not only to her family, her children, but to all of those around her."

At Thursday's event, friends and family were encouraged to write down their memo-

ries and stories of Betty into a book entitled "The Legend of Betty Dupree". A special case has been set up at Qualla Arts & Crafts honoring Betty that includes a painting of her by Gary Montgomery and several baskets that she made while in high school.

Davy Arch spoke about Betty and her influence on his artwork. He related that she got him involved in Qualla Arts & Crafts in the 1970s. He recalled taking some of his items to Betty as he began his carving career.

"I'd take something to Betty and she'd critique my work and I got some serious advice from her," he said laughing. "Betty could see that I was becoming an artist in my own right, was interested in the culture, and she tried to foster that in me as well."

"She was able to connect with the older artists...and take those people up a notch or two and help get them out to Washington and these big shows to get them some exposure and try to build up their reputation."

Arch said Betty had a clear understanding of artists and what it took to be an artist. "So, when you came in, if you didn't have something that was up to standard, she'd tell you and send it back home with you and to bring it back when it was something that

could be marketed on the floor. She had that kind of vision."

Wilbur Paul serves on the Qualla Arts & Crafts board and is a beadworker in his own right, "She was a person that told it like it was. I liked Betty as an individual. She was not only involved here. She was involved in the community."

Paul worked in Washington, DC at the Department of Interior prior to coming to the Cherokee BIA Agency, and he said that while in the Washington office he would often see Cherokee made crafts that were a direct result of Betty's marketing efforts. "She helped make the Cherokee crafts well-known in the U.S. and the world. She's just a wonderful person, and we're going to miss her."

During Thursday's event, Vicki Cruz, Qualla Arts & Crafts manager, unveiled a glass etching by EBCI artist Joel Queen that was attached to a vintage podium honoring Betty. "She was great to work with and we loved her," said Cruz.

At the end of the event, everyone in attendance was treated to two of Betty's favorites: Mexican food and cake from Lil' Harvey's.

## SOFTBALL

# Bats go cold for Lady Braves in Conference opener

By **SCOTT MCKIE B.P.**  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

**BRYSON CITY** - The Lady Braves were held to two hits in their Smoky Mountain Conference opener at Swain on Tuesday, March 12. The Lady Maroon Devils, led by Kendra Kirkland who hit two home runs, won the game 11-1.

Cherokee's pitcher Dre Crowe recorded four strikeouts in 4.2 innings and had 12 first pitch strikes.

Cherokee went three-and-out to start the game. Swain got going early in the bottom of the first as Kirkland hit her first of two dingers bringing in two runs to lead 2-0.

In the bottom of the second, Swain's Nikki Cody hit a double bringing in one run to make it 3-0. Then, Kirkland stepped up and hit her second home run of the game bringing in Cody and herself to make it 5-0.

The Lady Braves got something going in the top of the third as Ashley Bottchenbaugh walked. Sarai McMillan was hit by a pitch to put runners on first and second. Then, Bree Smith did a nice sacrifice bunt to move the runners around to second and third. But, then the rally stalled and Cherokee left the runners on base to end the inning.

Swain would add another run in the bottom of the third as Karie Jones got on base with a single and then stole second and third and ran home on a wild pitch to make it 6-0.

Cherokee got on the board in the top of the fourth. Ashlee Smith started it off with a walk. Lacy Arch doubled and Smith ran home for what seemed like a run, but the umpire said she missed the home plate and she was called out.

That didn't phase the Lady Braves though as Gabby Thompson stepped up next and hit a driving single that brought Arch home to make it 6-1.



Cherokee's Dre Crowe delivers a pitch to Swain's Kendra Kirkland during the Smoky Mountain Conference opener for both teams at Swain on Tuesday, March 12.

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Swain scored three more in the bottom of the fourth. Summer Hight and Jessica Winchester got on base with consecutive singles. Abbe Kirby then singled to bring them both home making it 8-1. Jones then singled to bring home Kirby to make it 9-1.

The Lady Maroon Devils scored two more in the bottom of the fifth and the game was called at 11-1.

Prior to the game, CHS coach Barry Reed took a few minutes to speak to the One Feather about the upcoming season for the Lady Braves. "I think we have a really good team this year. I think we look really good as far as experience and

comprehension of the game."

Reed said that defense will be the strong point of this team. "We've got good pitching. We've got good catching. I think we're going to be pretty tough as far as that's concerned."

"Our hitting is down a little bit, but hopefully it'll start coming around. We haven't had that much time outside...it's been too wet."

Reed said the team should be able to hold its own in the conference this season. "There's going to be some tough competition in the conference. We're going to play some tough teams. Hopefully, it'll be a good year. I've got some good girls with good hearts."



Bree Smith lays down a nice bunt that advanced runners in the third inning of Tuesday's game.

**SOFTBALL**

**Lady Braves win season opener**

**ANDREWS** - It still feels like winter, but diamond sports have started! The Cherokee Lady Braves won their season opener at Andrews on Friday, March 8 by a score of 14-10.

“This is the first game of the season so the girls were ready to play,” said a team official. “Bree Smith gave a shining performance on the mound as she only allowed one walk all day. She gave up five runs in the first inning, but then settled in and only gave up five more for the rest of the game.”

Smith ended with an ERA of 1.43 with nine strikeouts. She also went 3 of 5 with one double, one homerun and two RBIs on the day.

Hye Long went 2 of 5 with one homerun and two RBIs, and Sarai McMillan lit it up going 3 of 4 with a double, a stolen base and five RBIs.

Cherokee had a total of 16 hits, four walks and 10 stolen bases.

Andrews had a total of 11 singles and one walk.

“We had four girls hitting .500 or better so the team was able to pull ahead and stay on top,” said Mills.

Lady Braves stats: Bree Smith 3 of 5, 1 double, 1 HR, 2 RBIs; Dre Crowe 0 of 5, 2 RBIs; Hye Long 2 of 5, 1 HR, 2 RBIs; Ashlee Smith 1 of 5, 1 RBI; Lacy Arch 1 of 5, 1 double, 1 RBI; Kristen Kirkland 0 of 5, 1 walk; Gabby Thompson 3 of 5, 2 walks; Ashley Bottchenbaugh 2 of 4, 1 walk, 1 RBI; Sarai McMillan 3 of 4, 2 doubles, 5 RBIs

**SOFTBALL SCOREBOARD**

March 12 - Swain 11 Cherokee 1

March 13 - Cherokee 14 Gatlinburg-Pittman 0

March 15 - Hayesville 19 Cherokee 2

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## Tribal Court Report

### Judgment Summary for March 13

ARMACHAIN JR., Martin Louis  
14-34.10 Weapons Offense – Dismissed at Complainant's Request  
14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed at Complainant's Request

BALDERAS, Starlena E.  
20-313(a) No Insurance – Dismissed on Plea

20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible (no sentencing info given)

20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Dismissed on Plea

20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed on Plea

CALLOWAY, Jason Scott  
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation

20-138.7(a)(1) Transporting an Open Container of Alcoholic Beverage – Dismissed on Plea

FLIPPO, Anita Nicole  
20-28 Revoked Driver's License – Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$200 fine, \$190 court costs

GALINDO, Kiera Price  
20-28 Revoked Driver's License –

### CHS Softball revised schedule

March 22 – at Robbinsville, 4:30pm  
March 26 – vs. Rosman, 4:30pm  
March 28 – vs. Andrews, 4:30pm  
April 11 – at Rabun Gap, 4:30pm  
April 12 – at Rosman, 4:30pm  
April 16 – vs. Swain, 4:30pm  
April 19 – at Murphy, 4:30pm  
April 23 – at Hayesville, 4:30pm  
April 26 – vs. Rabun Gap, 4:30pm  
April 30 – vs. Robbinsville, 4:30pm  
May 3 – vs. Hiwassee Dam, 4:30pm  
May 10 – First Round of Playoffs

### One Feather deadline Monday at 12noon

Guilty/Responsible, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$200 fine, \$190 court costs

LITTLEJOHN, Kathy Brenda  
14-40.62(a)(2) Assault and Battery – Dismissed  
14-40.62 Reckless Endangerment – Dismissed  
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed

LONG JR., Henry  
14-40.62(a)(2) Assault and Battery – Dismissed  
14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Dismissed

MATHIS, Jennifer Leigh  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – 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

14-95.11(d) Drugs: Possession with Intent – Paraphernalia – Dismissed

on Plea  
14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, may not be on Cherokee Grand Hotel or Golden Eagle Gift Shop premises, \$190 court costs  
14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$190 court costs

REED, Billy Wayne  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$1000 DARE

TEESATUSKIE, Gabrielle Wanetta  
20-111(2) Expired Registration Plate – Dismissed at Prosecutor's Request  
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed at Prosecutor's Request

WOLFE, Justin Chase  
14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV and V – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed on Plea  
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$190 court costs, \$1000 DARE, \$40 restitution ordered  
14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny (>\$1,000) – Dismissed on Plea  
14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Guilty Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, one year probation, \$190 court costs, \$1000 DARE, \$40 restitution ordered  
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed on Plea

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# Cherokee Boys Club Report

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## CLUB SCHEDULE

Tuesday, March 19 – Health Screen – 7:30 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. (Lobby)  
 Wednesday, March 20 – Board of Directors Meeting – 8:30 a.m.  
 Thursday, March 21 – Safety Committee Meeting – 11:30 a.m.  
 Friday, March 29 – School Furlough Day

## THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

The Boys Club staff wishes to extend their most sincere sympathy to the many friends and families of lost loved ones in recent weeks. Many families have been affected by accidents, illness and death. Please keep them in your thoughts and prayers during this difficult time.

## BOYS CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS AGENDA:

The regularly scheduled monthly Board Meeting will be held in the Club' Conference Room at 8:30 a.m. on Wednesday, March 20.  
 Resolution 2525 – Approve Selection for Head Parker (Unto These Hills Shuttle/Parking Agreement)  
 Resolution 2526 – Approve Boys Club to Sponsor Annual Braves Achievement Awards

## SAFETY COMMITTEE MEETING

The joint Club and School Safety Committee will meet Thursday at 11:30 a.m. at the School's Administration Conference Room. These meetings are held for department representatives to discuss recent employee accidents in an effort to ensure safety among the School and Club employees and to reduce factors that contribute to injuries received on the job.

## IMPORTANT BOYS CLUB BOARD INFORMATION VACANT BOARD OF DIRECTORS POSITION

Due to the resignation of a Cherokee Boys Club Board of Directors member, a vacancy has opened for a board member. The Boys Club's Bylaws provide that "If a Board Member resigns before the term expires, replacement will be made by holding a special election. The Board Member elected in this special election would serve the remainder of the term until the next regular election" which will end Sept. 30, 2014. The next regular election will be held in August of 2014 for the term of Oct. 1, 2014 through Sept. 30, 2016.

Nominations were taken the week of March 4-8. The following people were nominated and have accepted the nomination: Helana Beth Bradley, Samuel Crowe, Jack Davis, Joseph Saunooke, Jr., Jimmy Smith, Jesse Sneed, David Stamper, and Nancy Taylor. The Special Election for this vacancy will be held on Thursday, March 28, 2013.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

Head Parker for Unto These Hills Shuttle Bus/Parking Service

Resident Counselor – 3rd Shift and Part Time Positions  
 See the Employment Section of this edition of the *One Feather* for more information

## CHILDRENS HOME CORNHOLE TOURNAMENT

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Children's Home's Cornhole Tournament this past weekend. Nineteen teams participated in this tournament. The winners were as follows:  
 First Place - \$500 – 2 Bucks (Keith Buck and Cody Buck from Johnson City, Tenn.)  
 Second Place - \$300 – No Goods

(Dawson Adams and Robert Lunsford from Winston-Salem) Third Place - \$200 – M & M (Troy Crowe and Kevin Owle from Cherokee)

Thanks to all of the businesses and individuals who donated prizes or prize money, food, and their time to make this fundraising event a success including CBC Board of Directors, CBC Printing, Dairy Queen, EBCI, Food Lion, Huddle House, Peter's Pancakes, Paul's Diner, Birdtown Gym, Bearmeat's Den, Nancy Maney, Yellow Hill Community Club and all the volunteers. Special thanks to NAIWA for their assistance with the concessions. Proceeds from the tournament will go toward the construction of a new Children's Home facility to be built on Goose Creek Road in the Birdtown Community.

## EASTER CANTATA

The Acquoni Baptist Chapel Choir will present their Easter Cantata entitled "The Night Before Easter", at 5:30 p.m. on Sunday, March 24 at the Acquoni Baptist Chapel. An Easter Fellowship Meal will follow the Cantata in the Fellowship Room. Everyone is welcome.



## Cherokee Center Report

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On Thursday, March 14, Digali i, the Native American student organization at WCU, hosted a recruitment dinner to help build enrollment. Intercultural Affairs sponsored the dinner which was planned by the officers of the group: Cara Forbes, President, Jasmine Locklear, Vice-president and Dana Reijerkerk, Secretary. J. D. Arch provided active support as well. A full description of the event will be included in next week's article.

WCU students are busy with mid-terms this week and looking forward to Spring Break which runs through March 25-29.

The Cherokee Center is open all week and welcomes any visitors. Call ahead to make sure we are here and please come by with questions, suggestions. Roseanna Belt and Jane Kneller are Cherokee Center staff.

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## News Briefs

### Smoker pleads guilty to embezzlement

Amanda Smoker, an EBCI tribal member, has pleaded guilty to one count of embezzlement from a tribal organization according to the U.S. District Attorney's Office. She faces a maximum sentence of five years in prison and a \$250,000 fine.

She was originally indicted on this charge and two others in October 2012. A sentencing date has not yet been set.

- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

### Governor donates campaign donations from man caught in gambling software scam

North Carolina Gov. Pat McCrory has donated campaign funds he received from an Oklahoma man who has been accused of violating Florida's gaming laws. Chase Burns gave McCrory a campaign donation of \$4,000 which the governor has donated to the Durham (NC) Rescue Mission reported the News & Observer.

Burns was arrested in Anadark, Okla. on Tuesday, March 12 and charged with the following:

- Racketeering (one count)
- Conspiracy to Commit Racketeering (one count)
- Manufacture, Sale or Possession of Slot Machines (51 counts)
- Conducting a Lottery (51 counts)
- Keeping a Gambling House (51 counts)
- Money Laundering (51 counts)

Information from the Oklahoma Attorney General's Office states that Burns "is accused of supplying illegal gaming software to outlets in Florida, violating the state's gaming laws."

Burns' wife, Kristin Burns, was arrested on Monday, March 11 and charged with one count of Racketeering, one count of Conspiracy to Commit Racketeering and four counts of Money Laundering.

dering.

"According to the affidavit, Burns and other owners of the gaming units claimed the money played and lost on the games was to be donated to a veterans group, Allied Veterans, which received less than 1 percent of the proceeds," said information from the Oklahoma Attorney General's Office. "Prosecutors believe Burns earned more than \$290 million on the gaming software and units."

- ONE FEATHER STAFF REPORT

### New Officers selected for Cherokee Runners at Annual Meeting

By GERRI GRADY  
CHEROKEE RUNNERS

The Cherokee Runners held its annual membership meeting on Saturday, March 16 at the Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room. Several topics of importance were covered including recognition certificates to members as well as recognition to the group's partners for 2012. The group also elected the following officers for the 2013 year (March 2013 through March 2014): Chad Bowman-President, Seth Holling-Vice President, Gerri Grady-Secretary and Elnora Thompson-Treasurer. Outgoing President and founding member, Stephan Swimmer, pledged his continued support and aid as the transition takes place as well as for the coming year's events and activities. Thank you, Stephan, for great leadership over the last 3 ½ years!

Also on Saturday, Jimmy Oocumma, Robin and Steph Swimmer and Dave Schwartz participated in the annual Shamrock Run in Asheville. Robin and Jimmy competed in the 10K while Dave and Steph ran the 5K. Three other Cherokee Runners, Charlie Myers, Seth Holling and Michael Henson, completed the grueling Assault on Black Rock that is held in Jackson County. The 7-mile course gains elevation of over 2,700 feet with 3.5 miles up and 3.5 down. Tough!

The Cherokee Runners will now meet once a

month on the second Tuesday at the Age Link Conference Room at 5pm. If you are interested in running or walking or fitness in general, please consider coming to a meeting. Anyone is welcome to join the Cherokee Runners regardless of fitness level. You do not need to be fast or a distance runner to join! Check out our Facebook page or the group's website at [www.cherokeerunners.com](http://www.cherokeerunners.com). See you at the start line!

### Big Cove Community Report

By BIG COVE REP. BO TAYLOR

I want to extend my condolences to all that have lost loved ones during the past month. In particular, the Big Cove community has been hard hit. I want to thank all that have come out to support these families in particular: Free labor, churches, singers, all the friends and family that have come out to support.

#### Cherokee County Casino

I want the community to know that I have advocated that more discussion along with a public meeting to be held to allow more information to be dispersed so that everyone has the opportunity to weigh in on the issue. If you are unable to attend the public meeting and want to give me your opinion, I am happy to listen to your concerns or comments

#### Bear Park Controversy

The Bear Parks have been a real point of contention in our community as a whole. I have advocated for the bears to have better living conditions and treatment. It is my hope that if you have issue please contact me.

#### Community Watch

If anyone wants me to come to their home to help do an inventory of objects, I can come and show you best practices to document your valuables. I also have an engraver to loan to mark your tools, mowers, chainsaws and etc. If your items are stolen, it is very difficult to recover them without documentation. For more information, please contact me 736-2947.



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Harrah's Cherokee photo

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort director of table games Ron Hager, center, won the Caesar's Entertainment Midsouth region Chairman's Award for the category of innovation. Hager was nominated for the high honor by senior leadership including Brooks Robinson (left), Harrah's Cherokee senior vice president and general manager, and Lumpy Lambert, assistant general manager of casino operations.

## Table games director wins Regional Chairman's Award

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort announced on Tuesday, March 12 that Ron Hager is this year's winner of Caesars Entertainment's Midsouth Regional Chairman's Award. Hager, table games director at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort, was charged with implementing traditional table games after live gaming was approved in June 2012. By mid-August, Harrah's Cherokee had hired over 700 dealers and went live with 12 traditional table games; by year's end, the resort had over 100 traditional table games on the casino floor. The resort plans to increase this number to 155 by summer.

"When we were approved for traditional gaming, we knew we had to have an aggressive plan of attack for table games," said Lumpy Lambert, Harrah's Cherokee assistant general manager of operations. "Ron proactively approached regulators and vendors to get the rules set and the games certified. He also worked closely with our recruiting team to identify staffing needs."

Hager said, "Looking back on the whole transition, the most chal-

lenging part was keeping our existing digital tables running while also introducing a large amount of live games. It's truly an honor to be recognized because my department and I have been working hard to make this a success."

Brooks Robinson, Harrah's Cherokee senior vice president and general manager, related, "Ron took on a huge task of opening up traditional gaming, but his calm nature never wavered. He brought his department together, and now Harrah's Cherokee is moving up the Caesars rankings for table games revenue."

Caesars Entertainment's Chairman's Award program celebrates and rewards the success of top performing employees in the areas of Leadership, Superior Guest Service, Superior Internal Service, Innovation and Community Service. Winners are selected at the property level, then advance to the regional level, then to the company level. Company winners will be announced later this spring.

**- Harrah's Cherokee**

Cherokee Central Schools  
Pre-K Classrooms

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Must be 4 years old by August 31, 2013  
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Applications will be accepted from April 8 to April 30  
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Contact the Hope Center for more Information: 554-5101

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Photo courtesy of Bessie Wallace

### *Lady Braves old school*

Bessie Wallace brought this photo by the One Feather office on Tuesday, March 12. It shows a Cherokee Lady Braves basketball team (year unknown). Shown (left-right) back row – Louise Taylor Goings, Hazel Shell, Sue Stamper and Duke Queen; front row – Dorothy McCoy Smith and Gigi Ross.



Photo contributed

### *CHS students spell Tsalagi*

This photo, taken by a weather balloon released by Cherokee High School students on Friday, March 8, shows CHS students spelling "GWY", or Tsalagi, on the high school soccer field.



Photo courtesy of Sneed Family

### *Birdseed bandit*

This little fella was spotted stealing birdseed from the porch of Joyce Sneed on Jenkins Creek in Cherokee.



Photo courtesy of Hope Huskey/Sequoyah Fund

### *iPad winners*

Sheena Kanott (left) and Marvel Welch were the winners in the recent Sequoyah Fund iPad drawing for their banking/marketing study.

# Start Smart Basketball program starts in Cherokee

By **JESSICA DANIELS**  
CHEROKEE RECREATION

In recent weeks, the Cherokee Recreation department held its first Start Smart Basketball program for children between the ages of 3-5. A total of 50 child/parent groups registered for the first session and weekly participation has been awesome! Not only are the participants receiving sport specific skills, they are also getting quality time with those they love.

The Start Smart programs were designed by the National Alliance of Youth Sports (NAYS), the nations leading advocate for positive and safe sports and activities for children. The idea for Start Smart programs was based on studies showing that 49percent of children who participate in organized sports do not have the minimum motor skills necessary to be successful.

Teaching children proper technique and guiding them through mastery of those skills will prepare children for more complex sports skills later on. We cannot expect children to develop essential sport motor skills on their own, but we can turn to developmentally appropriate activities such as Start Smart programs to direct that growth.

Jennifer Standingdeer and her daughter Charleigh participated in the first Start Smart Program, she relates, "Smart Start is simply a smart choice, getting our younger children involved and equipping



*Manuel Hernandez (right) works together with his son Samuel on drills at a recent Start Smart Basketball program hosted by the Cherokee Recreation Dept. for children ages 3-5.*

them with the right tools to achieve overall success, whether the motivation is to make them a star sports person or simply keeping them active and moving, way to go Cherokee Life Program, awesome job."

Start Smart introduces children and their parents to basic sports mechanics in a fun, non-threatening environment. Sessions are held once a week for six weeks. If your child has never played a sport, or you feel you have a 4-year old prodigy, this program is for you. This program is safe, fun, non-competitive, fundamental driven, and creates one-on-

one engagement with your little ones.

Kaden Stephens and his parents Jake and Ahli-sha were also participants, Ahli-sha comments, "Smart Start Basketball was an awesome introduction to basketball for my son. He learned the fundamentals in creative ways that I never would have thought about teaching him. I would recommend any parent with a young child to start out with this program not only is it a great learning opportunity, but, also another great way to bond with your child."

Start Smart Programs will be offered throughout the year for any child ages 3-6 in the following sports: football, basketball, and baseball/softball. Info: Birdtown Gym 554-6891 or jessdani@nc-cherokee.com. You may also follow on Facebook at Cherokee Life Recreation.

*Photo courtesy of Jessica Daniels*

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# New Vision Gymnastics comes to Birdtown Gym

By **JESSICA DANIELS**  
CHEROKEE RECREATION

Cherokee Recreation has paired with New Vision Gymnastics out of Franklin to bring this opportunity home to Cherokee kids. Not only does this partnership introduce the kids to a new sport, the benefits of gymnastics extend beyond the beam.

Julie Maney, a new gymnastics grandparent relates, "My grandchildren Rachel and Xain Maney has thoroughly enjoyed coming to these classes, just to learn and get the experience that is needed for their future. I feel like this gymnastics class has been very productive for our children and grandchildren just to learn the techniques for becoming our future athletes. I am hoping these classes will continue to be offered, and other children will be interested to participate. The instructor is very proficient, invigorated, and very friendly that all the children seems to really enjoy being in her class."

The sport of gymnastics is as well-rounded as you can get, incorporating strength, flexibility, speed, balance, coordination, power, and discipline. This is also a great way to encourage physical fitness for those kids who may not be interested in

customary sports such as football, basketball, or baseball.

Cherokee Recreation related it would like to thank New Vision Gymnastics for this opportunity and we hope to continue this relationship. "The interest and turn-out has been tremendous! What a great opportunity for our kids to be introduced to another type of sport."

Quana Winstead said this, "YES! I am so glad that it is in Cherokee! My oldest daughter wanted to do gymnastics so bad last year and we signed her up and took her over to Franklin for some classes, but the drive was too much for her after a long day at school. So, I am so glad that they are here. It's a great way for them to get some exercise, learn flexibility, motor skills and balance, interact with other kids their age and build self confidence. It is also a great supplement for their dance classes. All three of my girls love it and we will continue to come as long as they are having classes here."

The winter session will wrap-up mid May, with a summer/fall session registration to follow June 3. Look for more information regarding the summer/fall session in the coming months. Info: Birdtown Gym 554-6890 or New Vision Gymnastics (828) 524-1904.



Photo courtesy of Jessica Daniels  
Cherokee girls have been learning the finer points of gymnastics at Birdtown Gym through a partnership between Cherokee Recreation and New Vision Gymnastics from Franklin.

## Walk A Mile in **HER** Shoes "ARE YOU MAN ENOUGH"

### WHEN?

Friday April 19th  
Registration begins at  
10:30am  
Walk begins at 11:30am

### Where?

Walk starts at Bear Zoo in  
Downtown Cherokee and  
ends at the Fair Grounds  
entrance. Snacks, water  
and souvenirs provided.

### How Much?

Costs nothing for all  
participants!  
Registration is required before  
March 29th to order heels!

The EBCI Domestic Violence Program is hosting the 2nd Annual Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event, the International Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault and Gender Violence.

Join men in the Cherokee and surrounding communities as they walk in high heels to show their support in speaking out against rape and gender violence.

High heels and t-shirts will be provided.

This is a fun entertaining way to address and support a serious issue that affects us all!

To register or for more information  
please contact the EBCI Domestic  
Violence Program at 554-6830



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# Cherokee Announcements

TIDBITS AFFECTING EBCI TRIBAL MEMBERS AND THE COMMUNITY

## Cash for ramps

EBCI Fairgrounds will buy 70 gallons of ramps for the Rainbows and Ramps Festival in March. EBCI tribal members are invited to sell your ramps on Monday, March 25 at 9am at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall (enter at side door). There is a three-gallon limit per adult (must be 18+ years of age). \$40 per "packed" gallon for all white and \$30 per "packed" gallon for green (no more than 2" of green). After the quota is met, the Exhibit Hall porch will be available to sellers until 12pm to sell any remaining ramps. No frozen ramps will be accepted. Info: Frieda Huskey 554-6492 or Josie Long 554-6491.

- EBCI Fairgrounds

## Supplies needed for Cherokee Historical Association

Cherokee Historical Association (CHA) is in need of mulch or wood chips for their garden trails as well as locust poles or trees for handrails and stockade. They need 6-8" poles and can cut them if necessary. If you know of anyone or a company that may have these materials, please contact Chris 497-2111. "Your donation is great appreciated," CHA officials stated.

- CHA

## Lawn Maintenance guidelines have changed

Lawn Maintenance applications and guidelines are now available at Tsali Manor, Snowbird Senior Center and the John Welch Senior Center. To qualify, you must be a senior citizen age 70 and

above (and spouse) living alone or with anyone under the age of 18. You must turn 70 by April 1. Or, you can be age 60-70 and must be immobile and/or disabled; incapable without use of wheelchair, walker, cane or other device.

The client is responsible for getting the yard clear of any trash/debris. The residence must be on tribal lands within the five-county service area including: Swain, Jackson, Graham, Cherokee and Haywood. Lawn maintenance is seasonal (April 1 – Sept. 27). Mowing and weed eating will include a 50 foot perimeter around the home including carports. Lawns mowed outside the 50 foot perimeter will be the homeowner's responsibility.

The deadline for applications is Friday, March 26.

- Tsali Manor HELP Program

## It's Plowing Time Again!

Do you need your garden plowed? Plowing will begin on March 25 and continue through May 31. Plowing is free to all senior citizens and persons with disabilities that are EBCI tribal members. All others must pay \$50 per garden space, and the fee must be paid prior to the garden being plowed. All fees must be paid at Tsali Manor. Garden spaces cannot be any larger than 70' x 100' and must be cleared of all debris. Info: 554-6860

- Tsali Manor

## Cherokee bat box giveaway

Bats play a critical role in the natural world and deserve our respect and protection. Each of these winged eating machines can consume up to 1,000 mosquito-sized insects in just one hour. There are many things you can do to

help bat populations including reporting observations of sick bats, putting up a bat box on your property, and spreading the word on the importance of bats and the problems they face. The Cherokee Fisheries and Wildlife Management program is currently working with EBCI tribal members to help bats by giving away limited number of free bat boxes. Info: Mike LaVoie 497-1802

- Cherokee Fisheries and Wildlife Management

## Non-partisan voter registration at Cherokee Fairgrounds

Community volunteers are doing non-partisan voter registration for county, state and national elections on Saturday, March 30 from 9am – 2:30pm at the Rainbows and Ramps Festival.

All EBCI tribal members and North Carolina residents are urged to register to vote if they are not already. New voters or those changing their address, name or party affiliation need to provide a NC driver's license number or the last four digits of your Social Security number to register for the county, state and national elections.

Voter registration can also be done at the Board of Elections in the county in which you reside during office hours Monday through Friday. If you want to confirm that you are registered, call the Board of Elections in the county in which you reside: Cherokee County – 828-837-6670; Graham County – 828-479-7969; Jackson County – 828- 586-7538 or Swain County – 828-488-6177.

For more information or if you would like to volunteer to help with non-partisan voter registration in Cherokee, contact Mary Herr 497-9498 or maryherr@dnet.net

- Mary Herr





# EBCI Health & Medical Division Report



Photo courtesy of EBCI Health & Medical

## Health Challenge

The Cherokee Diabetes Program held a Community Health Challenge in the Tow String Community on Monday, March 11. Shown are Tom Slagle, LCSW, child team therapist, and Dr. Jennifer Ward, psychiatrist.

## Native American HIV Awareness Day

**Thursday March 21, 2013**  
**1pm—3pm**  
**Acquoni Expo Center**  
**2 Hour Admin. Leave Granted**

### "Walking For Our Future"

Door Prizes      Free Snacks      Chance to Win I-Pod      Awareness Walk

## WIC celebrations Nutrition Month

The EBCI WIC Program celebrated National Nutrition Month the week of March 11. To kick off the week, WIC hosted its last cooking class collaboration with Cherokee Choices. Rose James made vegetable lasagna and two versions of strawberry banana smoothies including one with kale. WIC also hosted a series healthy breakfasts with WIC-approved cereals, milk, and juice along with door prizes at Cherokee Indian Hospital, Department of Social Services at BIA, and in the main conference room at the Beloved Women's and Children's Building.

- EBCI WIC



# 1st Dental Visit by 1st Birthday

**CIHA Dental Clinic 497-9163**  
 Sponsored by EBCI Children's Dental Program

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# EBCI Tribal Health Survey

**Who:** Members of the EBCI Tribal Community

**What:** Anonymous Tribal Health Survey on how you see your health, the Tribe's health and health challenges, and how you think the community's health can improve.

**When:** Survey is live from:  
**Monday, March 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday, March 29<sup>th</sup>, 2013**

**Why:** To help HMD and other Tribal organizations learn more about the current views of health status and health care within the Tribe.

**How:** Visit any HMD office or the CIHA lobby to pick up and drop off paper copies of the survey.

**Take the survey on paper or online!**

**Primary Survey Link:**

<http://nc-chokeee.com/limesurvey/index.php/968423/lang-en>

**Short Survey Link:**

<http://goo.gl/sqfji>

**HMD's website:**

<http://cherokee-hmd.com/>

**HMD's OneFeather page:**

<http://theonefeather.com/?s=health+and+medical>

**HMD's Facebook page:**

<https://www.facebook.com/EbciHealthAndMedicalDivision?ref=hl>

**The Health and Medical Division (HMD) and other Tribal partners are conducting the first ever Tribal Health Assessment (THA) for EBCI. This assessment is being done by the Tribe, for the Tribe, and will be used to define community health challenges and help make sure our health resources work together to meet them. Please help us help you, by participating in this anonymous Tribal Health Survey.**

**Survey QR Code:**



For more information and/or assistance with the survey process or to have a paper copy of the survey sent to you, please contact  
**Jill Lossiah: (828) 554-6179**  
[jilloss@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:jilloss@nc-chokeee.com)

# Cherokee Central Schools Report

## Cherokee Schools names new child nutrition director

Recently employed as the child nutrition director at Cherokee Central Schools, Janette Hammett's seek for challenge and a way to use her education finally became a reality.

Janette was born in Spartanburg, SC. She lived the majority of her childhood years in Burlington, Ontario. However, her routes are deep in the mountains of western North Carolina. In 1998, she and her family moved to Hendersonville where Janette attended and graduated Hendersonville High School. She then went on to Western Carolina University to pursue an unknown major. Her interests were in education and counseling mainly, however could not make up her mind.

Having the passion to travel, Janette completed a study abroad semester in Australia. She attended Lismore, New South Wales and that is where she found her calling. Nutrition and Dietetics incorporated everything she felt so strongly about, health and well-being.

Janette obtained her Bachelor's of Science Degree, Cum Laude, from



CCS photo

*Janette Hammett has been named the new child nutrition director at Cherokee Central Schools.*

the Honors College at Western Carolina University. She continued her education at Western Carolina University and obtained her Master's of Health Sciences with a concentration in Nutrition and Dietetics.

Janette has held two professional positions prior to her employment with Cherokee Central Schools. Her

first position was tobacco prevention coordinator at Macon County Public Health. Her responsibilities were to empower the youth to promote tobacco cessation within their community. Her efforts included obtaining a grant to pass a Tobacco Free Parks and Recreation Policy in Macon County. This policy was passed by the officials in 2012.

Secondly, Janette was employed as Swain County's WIC director/nutritionist. She also completed her training to become a North Carolina Lactation Consultant. She enjoyed working with members of this community to improve the health of their families.

Her personal interests are running and staying active. She still enjoys traveling, meeting new people and experiencing new adventures.

She looks forward to working with the kitchen staff to provide nutritious meals. Her overall goal is to provide the students, faculty members and families of Cherokee Central Schools with healthy, high quality and appealing foods that will nourish their bodies and increase their performance in the classrooms.

## PROGRAM HIGHLIGHT The Hope Center is a resource center

The Hope Center is a resource center for parents, children, teachers and service providers. It is a base for the Cherokee Early Intervention Program, the Cherokee Preschool Program, The Baby Face Program and the Cherokee Pre-K classrooms.

The Preschool and Infant Toddler programs provide screenings and assessments of children's strengths and needs. Development of individual and family service plans with instruction, education and treatment included are designed for children that need these services. Information and education for parents and teachers with supportive contacts, referrals and resources is included. Baby Face uses the Parents as Teachers model, which has served more than 10,000 American Indian families in over 100 Tribal communities in the past 20 years. The emphasis is on health, development and school readiness through culturally responsive parenting education, family support and linkages with community resources.

Cherokee Pre-K classrooms are getting ready for next August already. They will be taking applications from April 8-30 at the Hope Center. Children must be four years old by Aug. 31. Please come by to apply. They will have two classrooms that have Birth to Kindergarten certified teachers and assistants. We follow Creative Curriculum that guides our children's assessments and their program. This is a very strong cultural and child based program.

- The Hope Center



### WIPE

Before teeth come in, wipe baby's mouth with a moist cloth or special baby "gum" brush.



### SMEAR

When teeth start to come in, around 4-8 months, start using a small "smear" of toothpaste. This is easy if you wipe toothpaste across the brush. Use this amount until your child's second birthday.



### BRUSH

After your child reaches age 3, use a "pea size dab" of toothpaste. Use fluoride toothpaste every morning and night. Check after your child brushes to make sure teeth are clean!

**Tips for healthy teeth from  
EBCI Children's Dental Program 554-6197**



# EBCI Cooperative Extension News



Photo courtesy of Sky Kanott

## Teen retreat

Twelve Cherokee Youth Council members attended the 4H Teen Retreat the weekend of March 9-10 in Swannanoa. The youth participated in public speaking, team building exercises, electrical education and much more. There were over 100 youth from around the region in attendance and the youth connected very well to other groups along with their own organizations. Many of the Cherokee youth related they are looking to present in future 4H events.

## Minors Trust Fund info

In order to receive your trust fund the following must be completed:

- Completed and passed the on-line course
- Be 18 years old or older
- Received your diploma or GED
- Filled out an application at the Enrollment Office

If you have any questions, please call Janet Owle at 554-6937.

To complete the online course:

- From a computer with internet service type in the following address: [www.manageyourebcimoney.org](http://www.manageyourebcimoney.org)
- If you do not have access to the internet, call the Extension Center
- Set up your personal account and follow the prompts
- Log into your account and begin the course
- Once you have passed the course your certificate can be issued at the EBCI Extension Center

**- EBCI Cooperative Extension**

## Free tax preparation in Cherokee

The VITA program for free tax preparation is once again available in Cherokee. If you make \$57,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes done at no cost. Married filing jointly also has a \$57,000 cap.

This year, the program is returning to “live return” where taxes are completed in one appointment. The program is not able to do returns with rental income, investment or dividend income or complex business/self-employment income. Please bring your driver’s license, enrollment card and Social Security card with you to the appointment.

The appointments will be done at the EBCI Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Road.

Info: VITA line 554-6926; Janet Owle, Cooperative Extension, 554-6937; or Trish Calhoun, Cooperative Extension, 554-6933

**- EBCI Cooperative Extension**

## Teen Black Light Dance

The Cherokee Youth Council is hosting a Teen Black light Dance Fundraiser on Friday, March 22 from 7-11pm at the Cherokee Youth Center. All teens between 12-17 years of age are invited. There will be games, dancing, food and plenty to do. Cost is \$3 with ticket at door and \$5 without ticket at the door. Glow sticks provided! Drugs/Weapons Prohibited! We are trying to provide a safe environment for teens to hangout and have fun. Please see attached flyer and tickets for details. Also, we are in need of some volunteer chaperones for this function. If you are interested in being a chaperone please email Sky Kanott at [skykano@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:skykano@nc-chokeee.com) or 554-6938.

**- Sky Kanott, Cherokee Youth Council**



# Cherokee Happenings

SUBMIT NEW LISTINGS OR CHANGES TO SCOTMCKIE@NC-CHEROKEE.COM.

## Church Events

**Easter Cantata. March 24** at 5:30pm at the Acquoni Baptist Chapel. The Acquoni Baptist Chapel Chior will present their Easter Cantata entitled "The Night Before Easter". An Easter Fellowship Meal will follow the Cantata in the Fellowship Room. Everyone is welcome.

**Solid Rock Outreach Food Box Distribution.** Wednesday- 9am-3pm, Thursday 9am - 3pm and Friday 9am - 3pm. Info: (828) 356-7312

## General Events

**Cherokee Central Schools and Swain County Schools Board of Education Annual Joint Board meeting. March 21** at 6pm in the Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. The Boards will discuss their

MOA.  
**Qualla Housing Authority Auction. March 22** at QHA Warehouse at 2234 Old Mission Road in Cherokee. Two auctions will be held. The first will be for employees of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and tribal entities (must present employment ID card) and will be from 8am – 1pm with the following schedule: 8am – building materials, 9am – plumbing items, 10am – electrical materials, 11am – auto and equipment, 12pm – appliances and misc. items. The second will be for the general public and will be from 2-7pm with the following schedule: 2pm building materials, 3pm – plumbing items, 4pm – electrical items, 5pm – auto and equipment, 6pm – appliances and misc. items. Info: Bob Driver 554-6345

**Soup Luncheon and Silent Auc-**

**tion. March 22** from 11am – 2pm at the Cherokee EMS Building. This is a fundraiser for the Right Path Adult Leadership Alumni. Money raised will be used for community projects such as purchasing needed items for Tsali Care patients and dialysis patients and helping the Cherokee community. Potato soup, taco soup, vegetable soup and more. \$5 for a bowl of soup, bread/crackers and drink. \$7 all you can eat soup, bread/crackers and drink.

**Turkey Shoot. March 23** at 5pm at Jessie Welch's residence in Big Cove. \$2 shots and great prizes. If you don't shoot, come out and eat stew beef and cornbread or chili and crackers.


**2nd Annual Little Owl Music and Arts Festival. March 23** at Audubon Acres in Chattanooga, Tenn. This event, hosted by The

Audubon Society of Chattanooga, is to raise money for the Cherokee Arboretum and Bird Sanctuary. Organizers are looking for original Cherokee jewelry, arts and crafts vendors for the event. Info: Tim Anderson (423) 504-8408, LittleOwlFestival@chattaudubon.org or at www.facebook.com/LittleOwlFest

**Cherokee Central Schools Public Forum. March 26** at 6pm in the CAC. The forum topic is "policies", and they will be reviewing ten different policies to garner stakeholder feedback. Brenda Oocumma will moderate the event.

**Rainbows and Ramps Festival. March 30** from 10am – 2:30pm at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Meals are \$10 and include fried trout, ramps and other vegetables. There will also be hot dogs, chips and drinks. Entertainment includes:

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**Cherokee VFW Bingo**, located by the old race track, on Monday nights in Whittier. Early birds 6pm, regular program 7:10pm. Info: 488-1706 or 788-2176.

**tion Fair. March 26** from 10am – 2pm at the Snowbird Gym. This event is being hosted by Snowbird Community Health and the Snowbird Health Clinic. To reserve a table and chair or for information, contact Lisa Denzer (828) 479-3924, Jennifer Wachacha 554-6990 or Margie Wachacha 554-6992.

**Adult Softball League meetings. March 27** at 5pm at John A. Crowe Recreation Complex. This is for fast pitch, slow pitch, and co-

ed. Anyone interested should attend one of the meetings.

**Walk a Mile in Her Shoes event. April 19.** Registration begins at 10:30am, and the walk begins at 11:30am. The walk will start at the Cherokee Bear Zoo in downtown Cherokee and will end at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This event is hosted by the EBCI Domestic Violence Program in conjunction with the International Men's March to Stop Rape, Sexual Assault and Gen-

der Violence. High heels and t-shirts will be provided. Everyone is welcome. Registration for participating men is required by March 29 so heels can be ordered. Info: EBCI DV program 554-6830

**The EBCI Recreation Dept. is looking for youth football and cheerleading coaches.** Applicants will be subject to a background check and mandatory coaches training. Info: Pepper Taylor 554-6895 or Jessica Daniels 554-6891

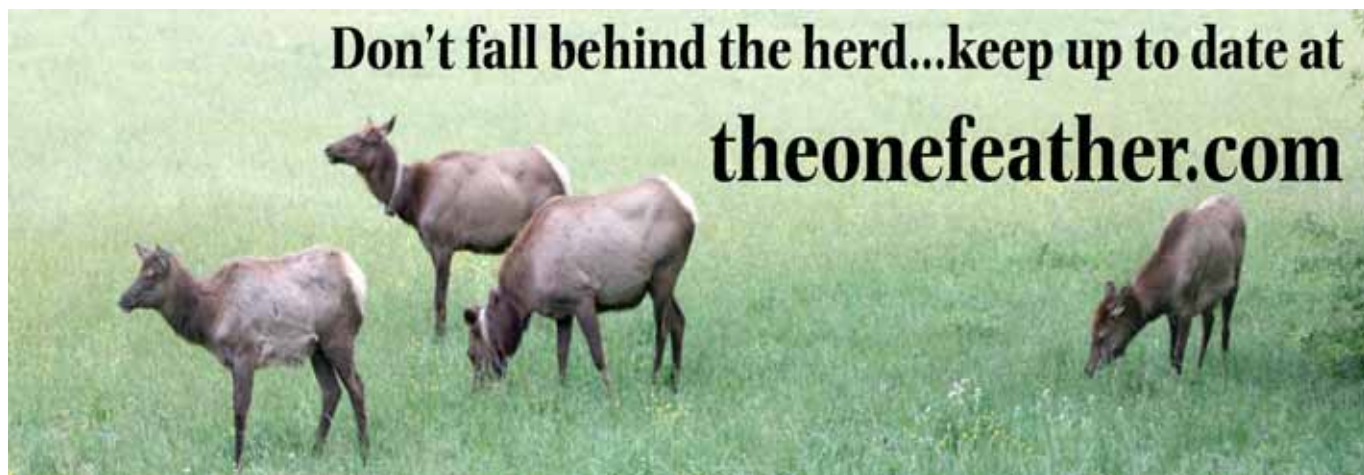
## Health/Sports

### Events

**Start Smart Baseball/Softball program. Starts March 19** at 5:30pm at the Birdtown Gym. The program, open to children 3-5, will be held on six consecutive Tuesday nights. Session times will depend on the number of participants registered. Each child needs an adult who can attend and participate in each session along with them. The program prepares children for organized tee-ball, baseball or softball in a fun, non-threatening environment. Each parent-child group will be charged \$20 which includes a Start Smart manual and t-shirt for the child. A parent meeting will be held on Tuesday, March 12 at 5:30pm at the Birdtown Gym. The deadline to register is March 12. Info: Jessica Daniels 554-6891

**Hooping for a Cause! 18+ Open Men's Basketball Tournament. March 22-23** at the Birdtown Gym. Entry fee is \$350 and must be paid one week before tournament, no exceptions. Teams will have a maximum 12-man roster, and a minimum of ten teams must enter to host. All proceeds will go to the Cherokee Cancer Support Group. Concessions will be for sale along with raffle tickets and t-shirts. Info: Keiah West 788-3345, keiah-west\_44@yahoo.com or Michelle "Darci" Long waski08@gmail.com

**Snowbird Health & Informa-**



**Housing & Community Development is now accepting applications for the Summer Repair Program.** The labor will be provided by church groups that volunteer their time each summer. Please note the qualifying projects: 1) A roof in need of new shingles, 2) Construction of a handicap ramp, 3) Construction of small decks (8X8), and 4) Exterior and Interior painting. \*No plumbing or electrical work will be done.

You may pick up an application at the Housing and Community Development offices, located at 756 Acquoni Road. Also you may contact us at 554-6900 for any questions.

Everyone must fill out and complete an application including referrals by Tribal Council representatives. 3/21

**Acquoni Baptist Church.** 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm.

Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

**Antioch Baptist Church.** Coopers Creek Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Danny Lambert

**Beacon of Hope Baptist Church.** Sunday Worship 11am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Wesley Stephens (828) 226-4491

**Bethabara Baptist Church.** 1088 Birdtown Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 7pm. Wednesday Service 7pm. Youth Meeting Wednesday 7pm. Pastor Eddie Sherrill 497-7770

**Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church.** 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee Language class for adults. Sunday

Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm. Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

**Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 7710 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Doris McMillan 497-4220

**Calico Church of Christ.** Big Cove Community. Contact information Sallie Bradley 497-6549

**Cherokee Baptist Church.** 812 Tsalagi Road. Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Youth Classes Wednesday 6:30pm. Wednesday Worship 6:30pm. Supper is provided at 5:30 each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall. Pastor Percy Cunningham 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)

**Cherokee Bible Church.** Olivet Church Road. Sunday Service 10am. Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Randy Miller 497-2286

**Cherokee Church of Christ.** 2350 Old Mission Road and Hwy. 19. Sunday Bible Study 10am. Sunday Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 6pm. Minister Jim Sexton 497-3334

**Cherokee Church of God.** 21 Church of God Drive. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Night Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Charles Griffin (828) 400-9753

**Cherokee Church of the Nazarene.** 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. Sunday Morning Service 11am. Continental Breakfast served Sunday 10:30am. Sunday Evening Prayer Service 6pm. Wednesday Bible Study 7pm. Food and Clothing Ministry M-Th 4-8pm. Pastors Lester and Lisa Hardesty 497-2819

**Cherokee Healing Waters Mission.** New Hours Tuesday night Bible Study 7pm, Pastor Tony Bernhisel 497-2122, Tony11110@frontier.com

#### THE EBCI HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION SNOWBIRD HIP/QUALLA PROJECT

Is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to construct a multiple home development that will be known as the Snowbird HIP/Qualla Project. This site development contract will include: Clearing and Grubbing, Removal and storage of topsoil, excavation of an area of approximately 9 acres with 9 home sites, two main roads with single lanes approximately 1200 feet total length. Approximately 1200 feet of 2 inch water line to include any taps or manholes, all erosion control and seeding. Contractor must provide all equipment to meet the following minimum sizes: Dozer 30K pound, Excavator 30K pound, Vibratory Roller 10K pound, Dump trucks and smaller equipment as needed, will be included in the proposal. The contractor shall install steel staked, wire backed silt fence under the fill slope of all disturbed areas. Ditch lines shall be Curlex lined with rip rap check dams every ten feet up to 10% slope and full rip rap on any ditches above 10%. All cut and fill slopes will be hay matted and seeded with seed mixtures specified in the erosion control plan. The secondary single lane roads must be a minimum of 14 feet wide with a 2 foot ditch line, with and ABC base 10 feet wide and 8 inches deep. All CMP locations, size specifications and installation instructions will be according to the erosion control plan minimum size 18 inches. HCD shall supply an Erosion Control Plan drawn and sealed by a Licensed and insured Engineer as well as any Environmental Permits with the fees to be paid by HCD. The Erosion Control Plan must be approved by the Tribal Environmental Department. All brush, stumps and debris must be removed from the site and properly disposed of at the contractor's expense. Contractor shall supply all materials, labor, equipment and road signage necessary to complete required work within 60 calendar days. Contractor must provide proof of insurance with the proposal to include: One Million dollars of General Commercial liability insurance as well as State of North Carolina Requirements for Automobile and Workers Compensation insurance. This request for proposals will be awarded according to qualifications and price. The EBCI Housing and Community Development office, working with the Tribal Enrollment Rights Office, has the right to reject any and all submissions based on lack of required qualifications or the bids exceed the funding cap.

All bid documents must be received as sealed bids at the EBCI Housing Division office at 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719 by 4:30 p.m. on Friday, April 12th 2013. Selection will be made based on qualifications and price at a sealed bid opening in the conference room at Housing & Community Development at 11 a.m. on Monday, April 15th 2013. There will be a required site visit and document pick up at 4:30pm Thursday, March 28th 2013 at the worksite at Raven's Nest Road ¼ mile past the Big Snowbird Bridge on Little Snowbird Road in Robbinsville NC. The work to be performed under this request is subject to Tribal Ordinance 280, Chapter 92 Tribal Business preference law. TERO certified and qualified vendors will be given preference.

Submit proposal in person to: Mark Kephart, Housing Services Manager, at EBCI Housing & Community Development Division, 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee NC 28719. For more information call: 828-557-4397 or Email: markkeph@nc-chokeee.com Deadline is COB Friday, April 12th 2013. **3/28**

#### THE EBCI HOUSING AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DIVISION BIG COVE HIP PROJECT

Is seeking proposals from qualified contractors to construct a multiple home development that will be known as the Big Cove HIP Project. This site development contract will include: Clearing and Grubbing, Removal and storage of topsoil, excavation of an area of approximately 10 acres with 10 home sites, one main street with 2 lanes approximately 900 feet and one secondary one way street approximately 700 feet. Approximately 800 feet of 8 inch gravity sewer line and 800 feet of 2 inch water line to include any taps or manholes, all erosion control and seeding. Contractor must provide all equipment to meet the following minimum sizes: Dozer 30K pound, Excavator 30K pound, Vibratory Roller 10K pound, Dump trucks and smaller equipment as needed, will be included in the proposal. The contractor shall install steel staked, wire backed silt fence under the fill slope of all disturbed areas. Ditch lines shall be Curlex lined with rip rap check dams every ten feet up to 10% slope and full rip rap on any ditches above 10%. All cut and fill slopes will be hay matted and seeded with seed mixtures specified in the erosion control plan. The Main Road bed must be a minimum of 20 feet wide including a 2 foot ditch line with an ABC gravel base 18 feet wide and 8 inches deep. The secondary single lane roads must be a minimum of 14 feet wide with a 2 foot ditch line, with and ABC base 10 feet wide and 8 inches deep. All CMP locations, size specifications and installation instructions will be according to the erosion control plan minimum size 18 inches. HCD shall supply an Erosion Control Plan drawn and sealed by a Licensed and insured Engineer as well as any Environmental Permits with the fees to be paid by HCD. The Erosion Control Plan must be approved by the Tribal Environmental Department. All brush, stumps and debris must be removed from the site and properly disposed of at the contractor's expense. Contractor shall supply all materials, labor, equipment and road signage necessary to complete required work within 60 calendar days. Contractor must provide proof of insurance with the proposal to include: One Million dollars of General Commercial liability insurance as well as State of North Carolina Requirements for Automobile and Workers Compensation insurance. This request for proposals will be awarded according to qualifications and price. The EBCI Housing and Community Development office, working with the Tribal Enrollment Rights Office, has the right to reject any and all submissions based on lack of required qualifications or the bids exceed the funding cap.

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**Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 135 Long Branch Road. Wednesday night, 7pm; Sunday school, 10am; Sunday worship service, 11am; Sunday night service, 6pm., Pastor Donald Ensley 497-5829

**Cherokee United Methodist Church.** Hwy 19 – Soco Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Wednesday night family night starting with dinner at 6pm then Bible classes for all ages. Pastor John Ferree (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org

**Cherokee Wesleyan Church.** Hwy 19 across from Happy Holiday Campground. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship 11am, followed by Fellowship Dinner second Sunday of each month. Sunday Evening Kids Club 5pm. Wednesday Prayer meeting 6pm (except third Wednesday of Month at Tsali Care 6:30pm). Rev. Patricia Crockett 586-5453

**Christ Fellowship Church.** Great Smokies Center. Sunday Service 11am. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Richard Sneed 736-8912

**Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints.** Hwy 441S. Sacrament Service 10am. Wednesday Meetings 6:30pm. 497-7651

**Ela Missionary Baptist Church.** Hwy 19 South. Sunday school 10am, Sunday worship 11am, Sunday evening worship 7pm, Wednesday evening worship 7pm. All visitors welcome. Pastor Larry W. Foster

**Goose Creek Baptist Church.** Sunday School – 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Sunday Evening Services 6pm. Pastor – Bro. James Gunter

**Living Waters Lutheran Church.** 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Pastor Jack Russell

497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

**Macedonia Baptist Church.** 1181 Wolfstown Rd. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Morning Worship 11am, Sunday Evening Worship 6pm, Wednesday Evening Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Bro. Dan Conseen, 828-508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com

**Olivet United Methodist Church.** 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. John Ferree, www.gbgm-umc.org/olivatumnc-whittier/

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 82 Lambert Branch Road. Sunday Mass 9am. Sunday Spanish Mass 4pm. Pastor Shawn O’Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

**Piney Grove Baptist Church.** Grassy Branch Road. 736-7850. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Worship 6pm.

**Potter’s House of Prayer.** Inez Welch Residence on Adams Creek. Sundays at 9:30am and 6pm, Wednesdays at 6pm. Preacher: William Cornwell. Everyone welcome. Come as you are. Info: William 736-6925, Charlene Cornwell 736-2232 or Deacon John Biddix

**Rock Hill Baptist Church.** 736-6334. Sunday Services 11am. Thursday Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Red Woodard (828) 356-7312

**Rock Springs Baptist Church.** 129 Old Gap Road. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Service 11am and 6:30pm. Wednesday Service 6:30pm. Pastor Greg Morgan 497-6258, 736-1245 (cell)

**Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church.** 3755 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10:15am. Sunday Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 1pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Tim James 497-7644

**St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee.** 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Dr. Norma H. Hanson (828) 277-7399

**Straight Fork Baptist Church.** Big Cove Loop. Sunday school 10am. Sunday morning worship 11am. Sunday evening worship 6pm. Wednesday night prayer service 7pm. Youth group meetings also. Pastor Charles Ray Ball 488-3974

**Waterfalls Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Road. Sunday Morning 10am. Sunday Evening 6pm. Wednesday Evening 6:30pm. Pastor James “Red” Bradley

**Wilmot Baptist Church.** Thomas Valley Road. Sunday school: 10am, Worship: 11am, Sunday night worship: 6pm, Wednesday prayer service: 7pm, every other Thursday night (Youth night) singing, bible study and crafts: 6pm. Pastor: Johnny Ray Davis

**Wrights Creek Baptist Church.** Wrights Creek Rd. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Bible Study 6pm. Visitors welcome. Pastor Dan Lambert.

**Yellowhill Baptist Church.** Sunday School 9:45am. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Evening Service 6pm. Wednesday Night Service 7pm. Pastor Foreman Bradley 506-0123 or 736-4872

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# Clubs/Organizations

SUBMIT NEW LISTINGS OR CHANGES TO SCOTMCKIE@NC-CHEROKEE.COM.

**Big Y Community Club** meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building.

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Charlene Owle, secretary, 788-3723 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit). Info: Jeanne Crowe Lira, chairwoman, 736-2017

**The Cherokee Cancer Support Group** is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Boundary, indiscriminately. Their objective is to support, educate and provide individual services as needed. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. SAFE HAVEN is staffed from 10am – 2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Appointments can be made for additional assistance. Personal fittings can be arranged during these times as well. Info: 497-0788, email: cherokeeCSG@gmail.com, P.O. Box 22220, Cherokee.

**Cherokee Children's Coalition** meets the last Thursday of each month at 11am at the Agelink School Age Conference Room.

**The Cherokee Runners** meet on the second Tuesday of each month at 5pm at the Age Link

Conference Room. Anyone interested in walking or running, no matter your fitness level, is invited to join. See their Facebook page or check out their website at [www.cherokeerunners.com](http://www.cherokeerunners.com).

**Cherokee Speakers Gathering** is normally held on the fourth Thursday of every month. All Cherokee speakers and Cherokee language learners are welcome to enjoy a potluck dinner and an evening of fellowship in the Cherokee language. These events are sponsored by the Kituwah Preservation & Education Program and, in part, by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation. Info: Billie Jo Rich 554-6404 or [bjrich@nc-choke-kee.com](mailto:bjrich@nc-choke-kee.com)

**Girl Scout Carolinas Peaks to Piedmont.** Serving girls in Clay, Cherokee, Graham, Jackson, Macon, Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary. This program is for girls in grades K-12. Info: Karen Bartlett, membership manager, 488-6537 or [KBartlett@GirlScoutsP2P.org](mailto:KBartlett@GirlScoutsP2P.org)

**The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA) Cherokee Chapter** meets the second Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, [Carmaleta@msn.com](mailto:Carmaleta@msn.com)

**Paint Town Community Club** meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Commu-

nity Building. Info: 497-3731, [ChairPTCC@gmail.com](mailto:ChairPTCC@gmail.com)

**Solid Rock Outreach.** Monday -Closed; Tuesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Wednesday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Thursday - 9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Saturday - 9am-1pm Food Distribution

**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) 735-2533, [smoker7@frontier.com](mailto:smoker7@frontier.com)

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

**Yellowhill Community meetings.** First Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. If anybody would like to teach an art or craft call Reuben at 497-2043 to be scheduled.

**Yellowhill Judo Club** meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 6:30-8pm at the old Cherokee High School weight room. Classes are free. Info: Will Lambert 736-1600



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# Obituaries

## Nate Southards

Nate Southards, 16, of the Jenkins Branch Community went home to be with the Lord Monday, March 11, 2013 at his home. A native of Swain County, he was the son of David Southards of Bryson City and Barbara Kilgore Carswell of Cherokee. He was a junior at Swain County High School where he excelled in wrestling, track & field, and baseball. Nate also loved cars, four wheelers, and anything with wheels on it. He attended Arlington Baptist Church.

In addition to his parents, he is survived by his step mother, Carrie Southards and step father, John J. Carswell; one brother Jarod Southards of the home; a girlfriend Michaela Sherrill of Cherokee; two step sisters Shelby Lynn Carswell of Raleigh and Kaylee Simmons of the home; Maternal grandparents Ed and Margaret Kilgore of Cherokee, John and Priscilla Carswell of Stecoah; paternal grandparents, Harley and Josephine Southards of Bryson City, and Beecher and Linda Huskey of Bryson City; one paternal great grandmother, Bertha Cloer of Bryson City; several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Funeral Services were held 3pm on Friday, March 15 at Victory Baptist Church. Revs. Jon Stevens and Ed Kilgore officiated with burial in the Euchella Cemetery.

Crisp Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements.

An online register is available at [www.crispfuneralhome.org](http://www.crispfuneralhome.org)

## Wendell Wayne Howard

Wendell Wayne Howard, 68, of the Birdtown Community went home to be with the Lord Tuesday, March 12, 2013. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late Tinker and Ethel Mae Howard. He was also preceded in death by four brothers, Dewayne, Sam, Lloyd, and Donald Howard; four sisters, Ellen Phillips, Pearl Owenby, Tinker Sharon Howard, and Linda Sue Howard. He was an avid golfer and fisherman.

He was survived by his wife of 39 years, Doris Rowland Howard; two children, Jeremy Howard and wife Christina of Candler, Regina Brooks and husband Kenny of Cherokee; five grandchildren, Trystan, Jeremiah, Madalyne, Isaiah, and Grady; and two sisters, Reva Howard Edwards and husband James of Bryson City, and Retta Howard of

Bryson City.

Funeral services were held at 2p.m. on Saturday, March 16 in the chapel of Crisp Funeral Home. Rev. Roger Roland officiated with burial in the Roundhill Cemetery.

## Lexy Viviana Solis

Lexy Viviana Solis, infant daughter of Christian Davis and Joseph Solis of Cherokee, NC passed away unexpectedly on March 13, 2013 at Med West Harris Hospital in Sylva, NC.

Along with her parents, Lexy is survived by her sister, Roxy Jean Solis; paternal grandparents, Guadalupe and Vivian Solis; maternal grandparents, Glenn Davis, Sr. and Dawn Davis; special aunts and uncles, Damian and Chasity Solis, Reyna Solis, Avery and Justice Davis; two special cousins, Nick and Shelby; and numerous aunts, uncles, and cousins.

A funeral service was held at Straight Fork Baptist Church on Friday, March 15. An immediate burial followed the service in the Wolfe Cemetery in the Big Cove Community. Pall Bearers were be Avery Davis, Guadalupe Solis, Justice Davis, and Damian Solis.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with services. For more information or to send flowers, please visit [www.longhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.longhousefuneralhome.com).

## Nancy Jane (Teesateskie) Brown

Nancy Jane (Teesateskie) Brown, 78, of Cherokee passed away on March 11, 2013 at Cherokee Indian Hospital following a brief illness. She was a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and was a resident of the Painttown Community. She was a member of the Pentecostal Holiness Church of the Wolfstown Community.

She was preceded in death by her husband, Sam Brown; her parents, Jonah Teesateskie and Dora Axelong Bigmeat; daughter, Edna Lucille Teesateskie; stepdaughter, Bettie Brown Millsaps; brothers, Russell Bigmeat, Josiah Teesateskie, and Richard Teesateskie; sisters, Beulah Taylor, Mabel Walkingstick, Winnie Lou Bigmeat, Carolyn M. Bigmeat and Sarah E. Bigmeat; and grandchildren, Perfillia Lucille Bird, and Ricky Lee Wyatt.

She is survived by her children, Zenia Louise Brown and Anita Sue Brown; stepchildren, Diamond Brown, Sr., and Catherine Brown; brothers, Robert Axelong, Reuben Teesatuskie, Roy Teesatuskie, and Raymond Teesatuskie; sisters, Rose Ann Bigmeat Ziska, Rosalie Teesatuskie, Rowena

Teesatuskie, and Ramona Standingdeer; grandchildren, David Andre Brown, John Daniel Bird of Birmingham, Michigan, Sam W. D. Bird, Sophillia Louise Bird Negara, and Vanessa Dawn Warlick of California. She is also survived by her best friend, Tommye Saunooke.

The family received friends on Thursday, March 14 at 5pm at the Pentecostal Holiness Church on Long Branch Road until the service hour of 1pm on Friday, March 15. Burial followed at the Long Family Cemetery on Long Branch Road.

The service was officiated by the Rev. Donald Ensley and the Rev. Betty Drake. Pall Bearers will be Andre Brown, Hawk Brown, Tyler Brown, Russell Bigmeat, Jr., John J. Stephens, and Sam Bird.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements. An online memorial is available at [www.longhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.longhousefuneralhome.com).

## Ernest Michael "Mike" Campbell

Ernest Michael "Mike" Campbell, 58, of 35 John Whitetree Road in Cherokee, passed away at his home on March 15, 2013 following a extended illness with his loving family by his side.

Mike was the son of the late Ernest Spurgin Campbell and Dorothy Smith Campbell of Gaston County area of North Carolina. He was the loving husband to his wife of 36 years Mrs. Deborah Cope Campbell of Gaston Co. NC. Mike and Deborah had moved to Cherokee to be among the Cherokee people whom they loved and had ancestral roots.

He is survived by his children; sons, Gregory Campbell, James Campbell, Billy Joe Campbell, Dwayne Parson, Michael Cope and Shannon Campbell; one daughter Christol Campbell; nephews, Steve Self, Jeff Self and Scott Self; nieces, Lisa Bates and Debbie Hott; seventeen Grand Children and one Great Grandchild.

Along with his parents Mike was preceded in death by sisters, Marsh Self and Patricia Young.

A visitation was held for Mike on Sunday, March 17 at the Long House Funeral Home chapel with funeral service following immediately. Brother Pressley of the Church of God Bryson City officiated.

The service concluded at the Appalalihan Crematorium.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in services.



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**For Sale. 4 cabins in Big Cove.** 1 mile from down town Cherokee (on the river). Call 507-4936 for more information. **3/28pd**

**2008 Fleetwood Southwind Motor Home** with full wall slideout. 1 ½ bathrooms, washer/dryer, ETC 9,000 miles, asking \$70,000. (828) 456-6613. **3/28pd**

## FOR RENT

**For rent. Doublewide and singlewide mobile homes.** All appliances. 5 minutes from Harrah's. \$650/month, \$500/deposit. Call (828)736-1183 for more information. **3/28pd**

**2br, 1 bath, mobile home.** Quiet park in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. \$400/month, \$300/deposit. Call 488-8752 for more information. **4/4pd**

**House for rent.** 3 bedroom/2 full bath house; gas fireplace and furnace; dishwasher, fridge and stove included; paved driveway, w/d connection. Birdtown area. \$650/month plus deposit, \$25 application fee and references. Call 778-2959 for more information. **3/21pd**

**Three bedroom house for rent.** No pets. \$650/month, \$500/deposit. One year lease. Call 828-458-5460 for more information. **3/28pd**

**2br trailer for rent.** If interested call 828-736-8435 or 828-736-1795. **3/21pd**

## SERVICES

**Tax Preparation by Sandi** – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 828-497-4128. **4/11pd**

**Babysitting.** Every day, nights and weekends included. Includes meals, snacks and crafts. Will work with casino schedules. References available. Call Marianne at 828-736-1089 for more information. **3/21pd**

**Independent Cleaning** for vacation rentals, private homes and businesses. 10 years experience with references. Dependable. Honest and reliable. Located in Bryson City. Please call 828-371-6206. **3/28pd**

**Granny's Kitchen will reopen** **March 28** at 11:00am. Call 497-5010 for more information. **3/28pd**

**Cherokee Janitorial Supplies & Equipment.** We serve customers of all sizes such as churches, schools, day cares, small and large offices, hospitals, and much more in Cherokee, Bryson City and Sylva areas. We offer special prices for volume purchases. TERO certified. Please call Clint Oocumma at 828-497-0136 or 828-506-5183 to set up an appointment and/or for monthly specials and prices. Website: [www.cherokeejanitorialsupplies.net](http://www.cherokeejanitorialsupplies.net); email: [cherokeejanitorialsupplies@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeejanitorialsupplies@gmail.com) **4/11pd**

**New thrift store opening** at 190 Everett Street, located behind Mountain Treasures. For more information call 508-9864. **3/21pd**

**Oocumma's Lawn Mowing Services.** Businesses and residential – do you need your lawn maintained this year? If so, please call for a free estimate at 497-0137 or 508-5183. We offer competitive prices and quality work. Over 20 years experience. Licensed and insured. TERO certified. **4/11pd**

## EMPLOYMENT

**THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: FT Billing Tech.** Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will March 22, 2013 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **3/21**

**THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following job available: FT Claims/Denials Processor & RN / Immediate Care Center.** Anyone interested should pick up an application and position description from Teresa Carvalho at the Cherokee Indian hospital Human Resources Office between the hours of 8:00am – 4:00pm Monday –Friday. This position will close March 29, 2013 @ 4pm. Indian preference does apply and a current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **3/28**

**Now hiring. Part-time and full-time help needed.** Must pass (hair) drug test and background screen. Contact Gwynne at 497-0178 for more information. **3/28pd**

**EMPLOYMENT**

**Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians**



For Deadlines and applications please call 497-8131. Indian Preference does apply A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.

**Positions Open**

**Open Until Filled**

1. EMT-P (Part-time) – EMS
2. Teacher- Tribal Child Care
3. Teacher Assistant- Tribal Child Care
4. Academy Teacher- KPEP
5. Language Specialist- KPEP

**Health & Medical Positions**

1. C.N.A-Tsali Care Center
2. RN-Tsali Care Center
3. LPN-Tsali Care Center
4. Cook Supervisor-Tsali Care Center
5. Assistant Cook-Tsali Care Center
6. Housekeeper-Tsali Care Center
7. C.N.A- Home Health

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

**Oconaluftee Indian Village**

**Positions available: Tour Guides-Greeters/Craft Workers/ Historical Reenactors**

The Oconaluftee Indian Village is seeking workers for the 2013 season (May 1-October 19). We are looking for people willing to educate the public about Cherokee history and culture in fun, exciting ways. We need applicants who take pride in Cherokee culture and possess good work ethics. Applications and job descriptions can be picked at the front office. For information please call Michael Lambert at 497-2111 ext. 215.

**Guidelines:**

- Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe (Except specific historical reenactment roles).
- Must be able to show up at 8:45am and work until 5:00pm when required.
- Needs to be dressed in OIV clothing and ready to go at 9am.
- Age requirement: 16yrs or older (except for Mentoring Program).
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays.
- Must make it through the interview process if selected.

**3/28**

**RESIDENT COUNSELOR  
(3rd SHIFT and PART TIME)**

Organization: Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719; (52 Boys Club Loop)

Department: CHEROKEE CHILDREN'S HOME

Opening Date: March 11, 2013

Closing Date: March 22, 2013

REQUIREMENTS: Must have a valid North Carolina Driver's License with a verifiable driving record. Must have a High School diploma or GED. Experience in a residential care setting preferred. Must be able to relate well to children, youth and their family members. Must have good writing and verbal communication skills and be able to complete daily reporting requirements. Must have the ability to lift 50 pounds and be physically mobile to conduct required physical demands of the job. Must be 21 years of age.

Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at the Information Desk of the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday or call 828-497-9101 for more information.

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **3/21**

**Western Carolina University is seeking qualified individuals for the following positions:**

- Adjuncts & Instructors – various depts.
- Distinguished Professor Entrepreneurship (132736)
- Distinguished Professor Ed Leadership (0478)
- Distinguished Professor Human Services (1703)
- Chemistry & Physics (120572)
- Lecturer, Forensic Anthropology (0548)
- Lecturer, Chemistry & Physics (120572)
- Asst or Assoc Professor for the following:
  - Anthropology & Sociology (1353)
  - Chemistry & Physics (1006)
  - Comm Sci (131841)(131843)
  - English (0497)
  - Engineering & Tech (0607)(0164)
  - Entrepreneurship (132737)
  - Health, P.E. & Rec (131845)
  - Health Sciences (0212)
- Human Resources (1508)
- Human Services/MSA & PMC-PSL (1384)
- Management (1434)
- Modern Foreign Languages (0171)
- Natural Resource Conservation (0723)
- Nursing (4285) (4760)
- Physical Therapy (131840)
- Public Relations (1725)
- Psychology (1180)
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- Social Work (131839)
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- Dir, Academic Resources (0414)
- Dir, Counseling & Psych Svc (0279)

**Cherokee Central Schools Position opening:**

Speech/Language Therapist - State license required  
 Log onto our web site: [cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com](http://cherokeecentral.sharpschool.com)  
 Open till filled. **3/28**

Please go to [jobs.wcu.edu](http://jobs.wcu.edu) for details and to apply online. AA/EOE. **3/21**

## LEGALS

### NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION

STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA  
JACKSON COUNTY

IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE

DISTRICT COURT DIVISION

IN THE MATTER OF AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD

FILE NO. 11-JT-65

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

### TERMINATION OF YOUR PARENTAL RIGHTS TO THE JUVENILE, AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD

Filed December 19, 2012 in the District Court in Jackson County, North Carolina

TO: APRIL NATIONS AND NICHOLAS DANIEL BIRD, PARENTS OF A FEMALE JUVENILE, AHNIAH KAWONI DALEANA BIRD, BORN DECEMBER 24, 2011 IN JACKSON COUNTY, NORTH CAROLINA, RESPONDENTS.

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than April 9, 2013 and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, the Jackson County Department of Social Services, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for an order terminating your parental rights. Your parental rights to the juvenile will be terminated if you fail to make a defense.

You are summoned and notified to answer the petition filed herein to terminate your parental rights to the child named above. Any written answer to the petition must be filed within forty (40) days after the first date this notice is published. A copy of your answer must be served on the Petitioner, the Jackson County Department of Social Services, or their attorney named below.

The Court will conduct a hear-

ing to determine whether one or more of the grounds alleged in the petition for terminating parental rights exist. If the Court finds that one or more grounds exist, the Court will proceed at that hearing or at a later hearing to determine whether parental rights should be terminated. Notice of the date, time and location of the hearing will be mailed to you by the Petitioner after you file an answer or after service of the petition by legal publication, if your mailing address is known to the Petitioner.

If you do not file a written answer to the petition filed herein, with the Clerk of Superior Court within 40 days after the first date this notice is published, the Court may terminate your parental rights.

You have the right to be represented by a lawyer in this case. If you want a lawyer and cannot afford one, the Court will appoint a lawyer for you. If you are represented by a lawyer appointed previously in an abuse, neglect or dependency case, that lawyer will continue to represent you unless the Court orders otherwise. If you are not represented by a lawyer and want a court appointed lawyer, you are encouraged to contact immediately the following lawyer, who has been temporarily assigned to represent you. At the first hearing, the Court will determine whether you qualify for a court-appointed lawyer. If you do not qualify, the lawyer named below will be released. (NOTE: If a lawyer is appointed for you and if the Court terminates your parental rights, you may become liable for repayment of the lawyer's fees, and a judgment in the amount of the fees may be entered against you.)

You are entitled to attend any hearing affecting your parental rights. As described above, the Petitioner will mail you notice of the date, time and location of the hearing, if your mailing address is known to the Petitioner.

Name and Address of April Nations' Lawyer: Graham Duls, PO Box 187,

Sylva, NC 28778, Telephone: 828-586-4010

Name and Address of Nicholas Daniel Bird's Lawyer: Jeff Goss, PO Box 965, Sylva, NC 28779, Telephone: 828-586-3131

This the 28th day of February, 2013.

Mary G. Holliday

Attorney for Petitioner

Jackson County Department of Social Services

PO Box 597

Webster, North Carolina 28788

(828) 631-0346

NC Bar No. 14004

**3/21pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File No. 13-014

In the Matter of the Estate of

**Randolph Scott Pheasant**

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: May 28, 2013

Randalena Pheasant

PO BOX 604

Cherokee, NC 28719

**3/21pd**

CHEROKEE COURT

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA

FILE NO: CW 13-114

Tina Marie McMinn Davis

Plaintiff, vs.

Waylon Dewight Davis AKA Bud

Davis

Defendant

**COMPLAINT FOR ABSOLUTE  
DIVORCE**

Comes Now the Plaintiff, complaining of the Defendant, by alleging and saying:

1. The Plaintiff is a resident of

Jackson County, North Carolina and is a first descendant of The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. She has resided on the Qualla Boundary for at least thirty days prior to this action.

2. The Defendant is an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

3. The Defendant has a residence, in the Big Cove area, on the Qualla Boundary.

4. The parties were duly married in Jackson County on June 2, 2007 and did live together as man and wife until on or about November 1,

2010; at which time the parties separated and have since that time; continued to live separate and apart.

Never having resumed the marital relationship which formerly existed between them.

5. The Plaintiff believes the bonds of marriage are Irretrievable Broken with NO reasonable prospect of reconciliation.

6. The parties have no children born of this union.

7. The parties have no issues of marital property to be addressed by the court.

8. That this court has jurisdiction pursuant to the Cherokee Code 50-10 (a), (b), (c); whereas the Plaintiff has resided within the Qualla Boundary for at least thirty (30) days preceding this action and the Plaintiff believes that bonds of marriage are irretrievably broke.

WHEREFORE, THE PLAINTIFF RESPECTFULLY PRAYS THE COURT FOR THE FOLLOWING RELIEF:

1. That the Plaintiff be granted an Absolute Divorce, based upon separation of at least thirty days and the Plaintiff's belief that the bonds of marriage are irretrievably broken.

2. That the plaintiff be granted her name changed back to her maiden name of McMinn.

Tina Marie McMinn Davis  
Plaintiff, PRO SE

PO BOX 1608

Whittier, NC 28789

**3/28pd**

**LEGALS**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Cherokee, North Carolina  
Estate File No. 13-016

**In the Matter of the Estate of  
JEREMIAH LITTLEJOHN**

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: 6/14/13  
Deborah O. Littlejohn  
PO BOX 1177  
Cherokee, NC 28719  
**4/18pd**

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE  
INDIANS  
CHEROKEE COURT  
CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA  
FILE # CV 13-126

JACK WALKINGSTICK, Plaintiff.  
vs.  
REBECCA WALKINGSTICK, Defendant.

**COMPLAINT FOR ABSOLUTE  
DIVORCE**

THE PLAINTIFF, complaining of the Defendant alleges and says:

1. That the Plaintiff, JACK WALKINGSTICK, is a citizen and resident of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Reservation, Cherokee, North Carolina. The Plaintiff is an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

2. That the Defendant, REBECCA WALKINGSTICK, is an enrolled member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and does not currently reside on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, Cherokee, North Car-

olina.

3. That this court has jurisdiction pursuant to Chapter 50-10, (a), (b), and (c); whereas (a), the Plaintiff has resided within the territory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for at leaser thirty (30) days and (b) the Plaintiff has been separated from the Defendant for at least thirty (30) days preceding the institution of this action and (c) the Plaintiff believes the bonds of marriage between the parties are irretrievably broken'

4. That the Plaintiff and Defendant were duly married on or about May 22, 1998 and did live together as man and wife until approximately July 15, 1998, at which time the parties separated, and have since that time, continued to live separate and apart, never having resumed the marital relationship which formally existed between them;

5. That the parties are not in need of the Court determining the custody of the children.

6. That the parties are not in need of the Court making an equitable distribution of the marital property. WHEREFORE, THE PLAINTIFF PRAY THAT COURT FOR THE FOLLOWING RELIEF:

1. That the Plaintiff be granted an Absolute Divorce from the Defendant upon the grounds of thirty (30) days separation and the Plaintiff's belief that the bonds of marriage are irretrievably broken;

2. For such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

JACK WALKINGSTICK  
Plaintiff Pro Se  
255 Booger Thompson Branch Road  
Cherokee, NC 28719

**4/4pd**

**REALTY**

**Proposed Land Transfers**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians to Michael Samuel Owle, Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 1459-M (Remainder #10 of Parcel No. 1459), containing .162 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Tommy McMillan to Tsasha Noel McMillan, 3200 Acre Tract Community Parcel No. 89, containing .865 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Tiffany Leeann Taylor Pointer to Pamela Geraldine Lambert, Birdtown Community Parcel No. 58-J (Remainder of Parcel No. 58), containing 1.001 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

**Cherokee Community**

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

\*Ireta Lynn Thacker Arkansas, Christina Marie Biello, Mary Ellen Catt, Remy Denise Catt, Stephanie Michelle Catt, Willis Demetric Davis, Alexandria Jade Jackson, Calvin Truman James, Jr., \*Christine Sequoyah Korinek, Alice Mae Catt Lewis, Kenneth Malcom Lewis, Jr., Billy Joe Lossie, Wanda Ruth Welch Mclendon, \*Larry Leland Miller, Joel Queen, \*Vera Lynn Davis Rickman, Letina Renee Saunooke, Rynda Lynn Marie Saunooke, \*Tennie Mae Standingdeer Sequoyah, Verlin Sequoyah, \*Henry Dean Standingdeer, \*Ken Lumar Standingdeer, \*Kenneth Lee Standingdeer, \*Ricky Lee Standingdeer, Michael Thompson, Arnold Wachacha, Stacey Elkin Saunooke Washington, Matthew Gideon York, Sarah Lynn York

**BIDS, RFPs, etc.**

**Requests for Quotes**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
Economic & Community Development

**Projects: Paving-Transportation Building Parking Area**

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is requesting quotes for the completion of the above mentioned project. The deadline for submitting a proposal will be April 4th, 2013 at 2:30p.m.

You may request the full RFP and bid requirements for proposals through the Economic & Community Development Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments, please contact E&CD at (828)-554-6700 or dianpant@nc-cherokee.com **3/21**

**Advertisement for Bids**

Haynes Electric Construction Co., Haynes Heating & Cooling and Haynes Plumbing Systems are requesting bids from TERO Certified Firms, Certified Disadvantaged Suppliers/Subcontractors, Female Suppliers/Subcontractors and Certified Minority Suppliers/Subcontractors for the EBCI Justice Facility Work Package A at 7 Clans Road Hwy. 441 North, Cherokee, NC 28719. Bids are requested by 9am on March 14, 2014. Plans are available for review at: 187 Deaverview Road, Asheville, NC 28806, (828) 254-6141 (phone), HECC fax (828) 254-1254, HHC and HPS fax (828) 254-7392.

**3/21**

**One Feather deadline  
Monday at 12noon**

# American Cancer Society Relay for Life of Cherokee Will Hold Kickoff Rally on March 25, 2013 at Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room

On March 25th starting at 5:30pm, Relay for Life of Cherokee, NC will officially get underway as event volunteers and participants gather at Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room for a kickoff rally to launch their fundraising efforts for the year. The rally will feature speakers from the community who have benefitted from the funds raised at Relay and will honor cancer survivors. This also will be the first opportunity to register a team and select a campsite for the overnight event to be held on August 23rd, 2013 at Cherokee Indian Fair Grounds.

WHEN – March 25, 2013 at 5:30 p.m.

WHERE – Ginger Lynn Welch Community Room, Cherokee, NC

The world's largest grassroots fundraising movement, Relay for Life mobilizes communities throughout the country to celebrate people who have battled cancer, remember loved ones lost, and provide participants with an opportunity to fight back against the disease. Relay brings together friends, families, businesses, hospitals, schools, faith-based groups . . . people from all walks of life – all aimed at furthering the American Cancer Society's vision of creating a world with less cancer and more birthdays.

Relay for Life began in 1985 with one man who walked and ran around a track for 24 hours and raised \$27,000 for the American Cancer Society. This year, Relay For Life will take place in nearly 5,100 communities in the United States and 20 other countries and will raise funds to support the Society's mission of saving lives by helping people stay well, by helping people get well, by finding cures and fighting back.

HOW – To join a Relay for Life of Cherokee NC, call 828-254-6931, or visit [RelayForLife.org/ebcinc](http://RelayForLife.org/ebcinc)

"...The event is a magical night, one that you must experience whether you have battled cancer, or have cared for or loved or lost one who has had this disease..." said Julie Wilnoty, this year's volunteer Event Chair.

**Fight  
Back!**

Wilnoty went on to say that at the Lumaria tribute that in the quiet and with the reflection sometimes there are many tears shed, both happy and sad.

