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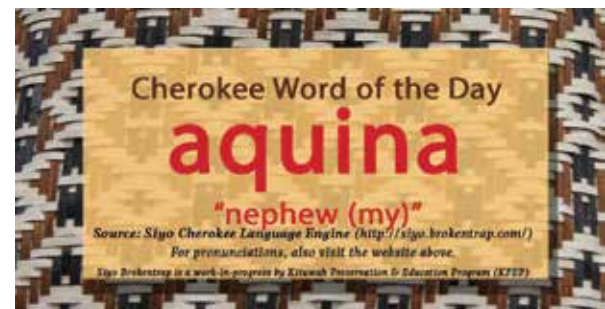
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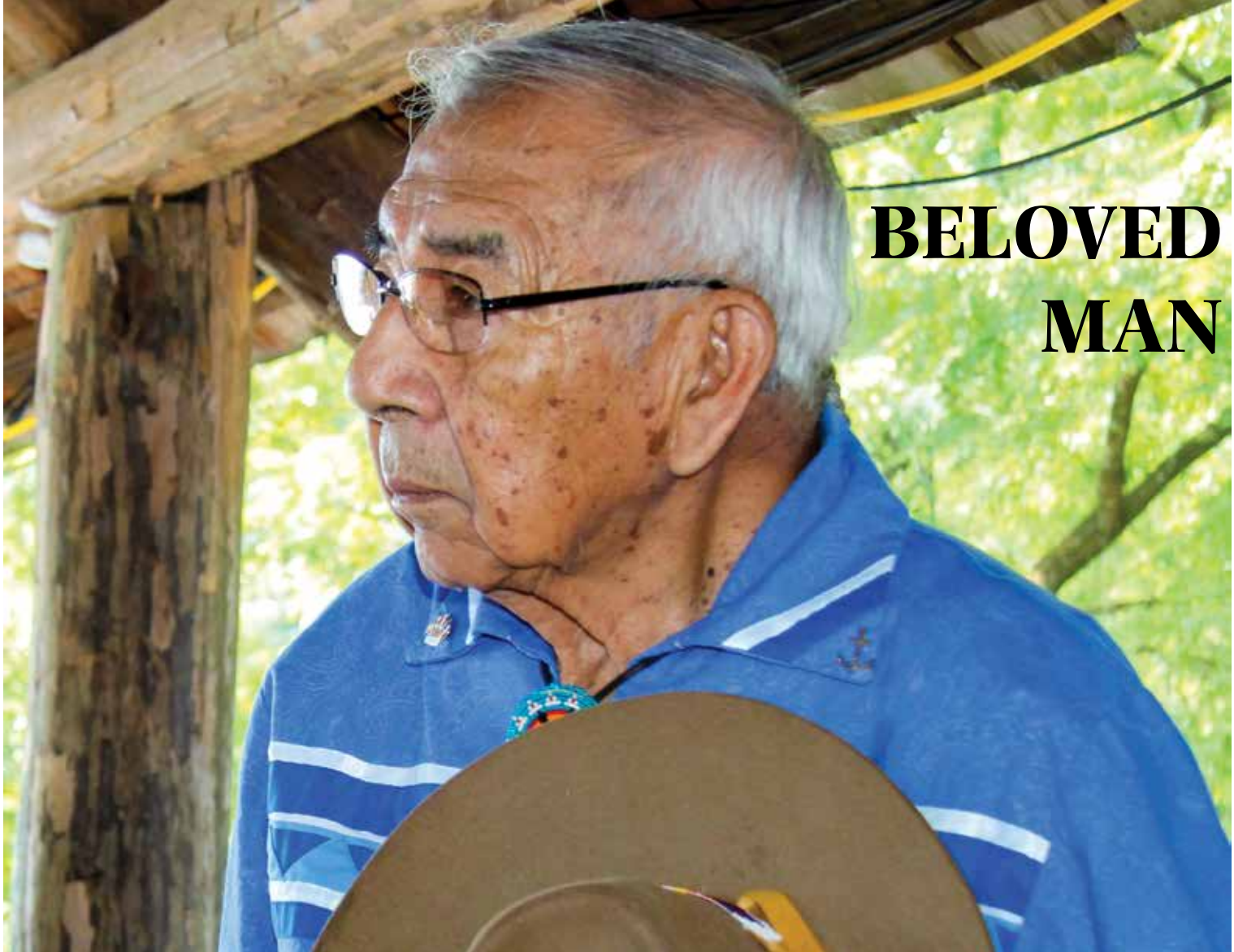
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BELOVED MAN

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SPEAKER: EBCI Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe speaks at the Tri-Council meeting at Red Clay State Park on Friday, Aug. 28, 2015. He encouraged everyone to help save the Cherokee language and said, "Our true identity is our language. We must save our language and teach the youth coming along."

EBCI Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe passes away

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Jerry Wolfe, the first Beloved Man of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians in over 200 years, passed away on Monday, March 12 at the age of 93. A fluent speaker and traditionalist, he was always willing to share his knowledge of the Cherokee culture.

A proud veteran of the U.S. Navy, Wolfe served in World War II and was part of the famous Normandy Invasion on Dec. 6, 1944.

"Father was always generous of himself and his time," said Gerri Grady, Wolfe's daughter. "He was happy to be useful to the community in any way he could: teaching about stickball, storytelling, visiting schools, and offering prayers and smoke. He was most passionate about the continuation of the Cherokee language and the culture and his wish would be a continued commitment to ensure that our Cherokee children learn the language."

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed commented on Wolfe's passing, "It is with profound sadness that our Tribe acknowledges the passing of Mr. Jerry Wolfe. Mr. Wolfe was named a Beloved Man of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians after living a long life of service. Mr. Wolfe and his family gave their home so the United States could

construct the Blue Ridge Parkway. He served in the United States Navy during World War II, he worked in our community as a stone mason, and he served as the Master of Ceremonies for our annual stickball games during the Cherokee Indian Fair where he told stories of our cultural traditions while providing commentary on the action."

The statement continued, "He was a storyteller and later, into his eighties, he volunteered to rebuild homes in Haiti. Beyond all his public service, he and his late wife, Juanita, raised a family and built a home and served faithfully in the church. For me, he was a friend and fellow veteran who was always quick with a smile and laugh, generous with his knowledge of our people and encouraging to me. Our people have lost

a connection to our traditions and the country has lost another of the greatest generation but I have lost a friend. Please join me in remembering the Wolfe family during this time.”

In 2013, Wolfe received the designation of EBCI Beloved Man. Prior to him, the last recorded instance of a Beloved Man was Little Turkey who died in 1801.

During the Tribal Council session on April 11, 2013 when Wolfe was named a Beloved Man, Myrtle Driver, EBCI Beloved Woman and fluent speaker, spoke of his importance to the language and culture of the Tribe. “Oftentimes, we may come across a word that we don’t remember or we need to know something about our history or our culture, and we can always go to Jerry, and he is always more than willing to help us. And, I really do appreciate all that Jerry Wolfe has given us.”

Wolfe was a noted storyteller and cultural ambassador, and for nearly the past 20 years he has been the official greeter at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian where he greeted visitors, told stories, demonstrated crafts including making stickball sticks, and even sang Cherokee lullabies to babies.

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is hosting an event on Tuesday, March 20 at 5pm, on World Storytelling Day, dedicated to Wolfe’s storytelling legacy.

The Museum released the following statement on Wolfe’s passing, “The impact Jerry Wolfe has made on our organization and the Eastern Band is immeasurable. During his decades of service here at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, he shared stories, cultural knowledge, and genuine hospitality to tens of thousands of visitors to the Qualla Boundary. His contributions to the EBCI community through his work with Big Cove Stickball will have a resonating impact on the Big Cove community and the Tribe as a whole for generations to come. For all of us who had the privilege to hear his engaging stories and experience his friendship and laughter, we are all better people for it. He was a warrior, a friend, a family man, and truly one-of-a-kind. We will always love you Jerry, and all you did for each and every one of us.”

Over the years, Wolfe received many presti-



WARRIOR: EBCI Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe demonstrates “Left Shoulder, Arms” drill after receiving the Patriot Award, an actual M1 Garand rifle, from Scott Maddox (left), of the Civilian Marksmanship Program, and Congressman Mark Meadows (R-NC) during a ceremony at the Tribal Council House on Aug. 22, 2013.

gious awards and served on many boards including receiving the Patriot Award from the Civilian Marksmanship Program in 2013 and the being inducted into The Order of the Long Leaf Pine Society, one of the highest awards given in the State of North Carolina, in 2017. He received the North Carolina Folk Heritage Award in 2003 for his work in preserving stickball.

Western Carolina University honored Wolfe in May 2017 with an honorary doctorate of humane letters degree. When he was given the degree, then-WCU chancellor David O. Belcher read a citation stating, “...you have served with exemplary distinction and dedication throughout your life as a member of your community and as a conservator and icon of Cherokee language and culture. You have been a tradition-bearer for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, preserving and teaching the Cherokee language, stickball traditions, knowledge of plants and traditional medicine, myth and legends, and oral history.”

Wolfe was called on many times to open meetings with a prayer or give words of encouragement at events. At the historic Tri-Council meeting in August 2015 at Red Clay State Park in Red Clay, Tenn., he gave an impassioned talk about the importance of the Cherokee language. “Our true identity is our language. We must save our language and teach the youth coming along. When a child is learning to speak, never make fun of them.”



BLESSED: EBCI Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe provides a blessing for the Kanvwtotyi treatment center in the Snowbird Community immediately prior to the ribbon cutting on Dec. 18, 2017.



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BELOVED: The lobby of the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center was filled with photos and life mementos honoring the life and legacy of Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe as a service was held there on the afternoon of Saturday, March 17.

Services held for Beloved Man

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The life and legacy of a Beloved Man of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was honored during a service on the afternoon of Saturday, March 17. Tribal members, friends, and family filled the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center to honor and remember Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe who passed away on Monday, March 12.

“He was a sweet man,” said Bo Taylor, Museum of the Cherokee Indian executive director and long-time friend. “He was an awesome man. I want to reach out to the family and say thank you for sharing Jerry Wolfe with us.”

Taylor said Wolfe was a man who made the best with what he had. “He grew up without much, a poor Cherokee in a one-room house, and he ended up becoming a doctor. He was at

D-Day. He was at the signing in Pearl Harbor when we did our peace agreement with Japan. He was just kind of everywhere.”

He went on to say, “Today could be a sad day, but I’m not sad. I celebrate. I’m sad for the family. I’m sad that Jerry Wolfe won’t be walking around, but he’s walking around in here.”

Taylor spoke of Wolfe’s devotion to spirituality. “He loved God. When he was at church, he was on the front row. He sat in the front row and he was always ready. Whenever the pastor needed him, he was there. His last day of church, he gave communion. He could barely stand, but he got up and did it. He loved his God.”

He added that Wolfe was a cultural ambassador for many years for the Tribe. “He never forgot he was a Cherokee. He never forgot. He loved his culture...Jerry Wolfe loved the world. He wasn’t scared to share his culture. He wasn’t scared to share who he was with the world.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed spoke of Wolfe and noted, “Jerry wore many different titles during his lifetime - sailor, veteran, artisan, historian, storyteller, teacher, community leader, linguist, and, of course, Beloved Man of the Cherokee. Jerry had this title bestowed upon him because he embodies all of the values and virtues that we consider what it means to be a Cherokee. The Cherokee values, the core values, spirituality, group harmony, character, integrity, honesty, perseverance, courage, respect, trust and humility, a strong connection to the land, stewardship of the Cherokee homeland, honoring the past by knowing ones ancestors, living and preserving the Cherokee culture, educating the children and being a strong role model to them, and most importantly, possessing a sense of humor and helping people make good decisions.”

Chief Sneed said love and humility were two of the strongest traits Wolfe possessed. “As

Bo said, he loved people. He was a humble man. In all the years I've known Jerry and all of the conversations I've had with him, I've never heard him say a cross word about another human being. He was truly a man of humility."

He added, "Men and women of greatness leave their mark on society not by the titles they have worn and not by the accumulation of material goods and possessions... of all the titles that Jerry wore, the title of greatest honor and the one which was the summation of his life and how he lived for each one of us is the title of father."

Vice Chief Alan "B." Ensley commented, "He was a friend. He meant a lot of things to a lot of people. He went all over the country saying prayers for Tribal Council for as long as I can remem-

ber. He said a prayer at the House of Representatives in Raleigh. You could have heard a pin drop in Raleigh that day. Jerry meant a lot to everybody in Cherokee. He was a storyteller, a traditionalist, a joker - he was always telling jokes."

Following their remarks, Chief Sneed and Vice Chief Ensley presented the Wolfe family with a flag of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians that was folded seven times according to tribal tradition.

Derek Robinson, who grew up near the property where the current Cherokee Central Schools campus sits, met Wolfe as a young child. "It is ironic that we are here, at this school, on this land, because this is where I met Jerry Wolfe...I grew up about 500 yards from here, across the river at the Ocoalee Job Corps Center."

Wolfe taught masonry at the Center at that time. "I was probably three or four years old, and Jerry was always around. He and my father were the best of friends. I had come to realize that Jerry was a full-blood Cherokee Indian, and I was mesmerized by that being a small child and playing cowboys and Indians. You see, back then, there were no cell phones, iPads, or video games. There was barely TV. What we had were these fields, streams, mountains, and our imaginations to play in. And, what better way to learn about all of this playground than from a full-blood Cherokee Indian?

Robinson said he spent a lot of time with Wolfe as a child. "He was kind enough and patient enough to take time from his instructing job to spend time teaching us about the woods, about ginseng, ramps, river cane to make blowguns, thistle to make the darts, yellow root along the riverbanks for a sore throat, about the animals... he taught me how to fish. Jerry Wolfe was an avid fisherman. He caught some of the biggest trout I ever saw come out of the Ocoalee River."

Rev. Ralph Eanes, retired pastor of the Cherokee United Methodist Church where Wolfe was a member, said "He knew that if God loved him he could love the rest of us too. He knew that about himself because he knew things about himself that he didn't tell anybody but God. Life's purpose is to bring unity wherever you are, and that was Jerry's purpose."

During Saturday's service, The Robinson Family sang three songs including "The Lord Is In His Holy Temple", "Seek Ye First", and "I Will Arise and Go to Jesus" which they sang in the Cherokee language.

Former Miss Cherokee Karyl Frankiewicz sang "Amazing Grace" in the Cherokee language.

The service concluded with a special honoring from the Big Cove Community Stickball teams who honored him with the traditional Indian ball call.

Following the service, Wolfe was interned at the Yellowhill Veterans Memorial Cemetery with military rites performed by the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143 Honor Guard.

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Saunooke receives prestigious state award

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Long-time Painttown Tribal Council Rep. Tommye Saunooke has been given a high, prestigious honor by the State of North Carolina. Gov. Roy Cooper has bestowed the honor of being a member of The Order of the Long Leaf Pine upon Saunooke. She received the award during a ceremony at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort on the morning of Monday, March 12.

"The Order of the Long Leaf Pine is among the highest honors that can be bestowed upon citizens of North Carolina," said Steve Metcalf, who served with Rep. Saunooke on the WCU Board of Trustees and presented the award to her.

He read the criteria from The Order of the Long Leaf Pine Society which states, "It is awarded to persons for exemplary service to the State of North Carolina and their communities that is above and beyond the call of duty and which has made a significant impact and strengthened North Carolina."

Metcalf went on to say, "By every measure, by that definition, Tommye Saunooke meets that criteria."

Famous recipients of the award include Billy Graham, Michael Jordan, and Maya Angelou. With the honor comes the rank of Ambassador Extraordinary. She also has the special right to give the following North Carolina toast: "Here's to



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PRESTIGIOUS HONOR: Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke (left) receives the Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award from Steve Metcalf during an event at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort on the morning of Monday, March 12.

the land of the long leaf pine, the summer land where the sun doth shine, where the weak grow strong, and the strong grow great, here's to 'down home', the Old North State!"

During Monday's event, Metcalf told of a time when he was teaching a class on public policy at WCU and Rep. Saunooke was his student. "I learned a lot from Tommye that semester. I learned a lot of what it meant for someone to continue life-long learning and who continues to improve herself. I also learned that she was well-

versed in North Carolina politics, in North Carolina public affairs, and quite frankly, she had different notions about things. She had strong opinions and strong feelings. I learned that she was a strong advocate for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Cherokee people."

He added, "I found out that Tommye was a strong, mountain woman, and more than that, she was a strong and proud Cherokee woman. Over the years, many folks have been awarded the Order of the

Long Leaf Pine, many prominent North Carolinians...Tommye, you join this group and we're proud for that."

Saunooke, who was surprised with Monday's honor, simply commented, "I'm overwhelmed. I don't know what to say but thank you and please extend my thank you to the Governor."

For more information on The Order of the Long Leaf Pine Society, visit: <https://longleafpinesociety.org/>

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Contract signed for Fisher Branch housing

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The Birdtown Community will soon have a new housing development on Fisher Branch. A contract for the construction of the development was signed by Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed and Justin Wright, an EBCI tribal member and owner of Justin Wright Builders, Inc., on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 13.

“This process began under the Hicks administration and has been carried forward, and we’re just grateful to be able to get some dirt moving and bring it to its fruition,” said Chief Sneed. “We’re grateful to have an enrolled member contractor heading the project up. This is the first in our goal to put up 100 families in homes over the course of the next two years.”

The development will include a total of four units broken up into two duplex units. Each unit will have three bedrooms and will be available for rent through the EBCI Housing & Community Development program.

“As Secretary of Housing, working for the Chief and for our people, I think that it’s exciting to keep progressing with our housing at this point and time,” said EBCI Secretary of Housing Travis Smith. “Part of the Chief’s objective to me was that we try to put up 100 houses a year on the ground, and this is part of that process. It’s exciting that we have an enrolled member



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HOUSING: Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed (seated left) and Justin Wright (seated right), an EBCI tribal member and owner of Justin Wright Builders, Inc., sign a contract for a new housing development on Fisher Branch on the afternoon of Tuesday, March 13. Shown (left-right) standing – Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle; EBCI Secretary of Housing Travis Smith; Paulette Cox, EBCI Housing & Community Development administrator; T.W. Saunooke, EBCI Housing & Community Development housing production manager; and Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose.

that’s capable of doing this construction work. We’re thankful for them, thankful for the Tribe, and thankful for the people that support us.”

Several weeks ago, tribal leaders broke ground on a new 60-unit apartment complex in the Paint-town Community. Secretary Smith noted there are several more projects that will be forthcoming soon

including a single family development off of Macedonia Road which will include eight new homes, a development off of Acquoni Road, and others.

“We want to change people’s way of thinking of housing around here,” said Secretary Smith. “If you go onto any boundary on the whole United States and you know what tribal housing looks like, and

we want to change that mindset and what the looks are. We’re really excited to be pushing some of these projects out. We have a great team in Housing. It’s exciting.”

A 12-month time frame for completion has been put on the Fisher Branch project, but Housing officials said it could be sooner.

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Cherokee Nation gives teachers a pay raise

TAHLEQUAH, Okla. – The Cherokee Nation is giving its certified teachers at Sequoyah High School and Cherokee Immersion Charter School an immediate pay raise.

The 45 certified teachers are expected to receive a \$5,000 lump sum payment on March 29 for the current contract year with \$5,000 added to the teachers' base salary on July 1, when the teachers' new contract year begins.

Principal Chief Bill John Baker proposed the legislation and Tribal Council approved it 16-1 during Monday night's Tribal Council meeting.

"Over the past decade the state of Oklahoma has made drastic budget cuts to public education. At the same time, the responsibilities of teachers continue to increase exponentially. From monitoring student safety, to test preparation to finding ways to help students in need of food or school supplies, Oklahoma teachers go above and beyond the

call of duty each day and with fewer resources each year," Chief Baker said. "Cherokee Nation is unwavering in its commitment to public schools, students and teachers. This pay increase reaffirms that commitment and, I hope, sends a message to state leaders that they should follow Cherokee Nation's lead and raise pay for all certified teachers in the state."

The current average salary for certified teachers at Sequoyah High School and Cherokee Immersion Charter School is \$42,815. Tribal Councilor Bryan Warner serves as the co-chair of the education committee and said a pay increase for certified teachers at the two schools the tribe operates is long overdue.

"I could not be more thrilled to cast my vote for this legislation and take a stance of support for our teachers at Sequoyah and Cherokee Immersion Charter School," Warner said. "Teachers have a vital role in our children's lives, and

have gone unappreciated for their work for far too long in this state. I hope our tribe's action today can serve as a standard to the state legislature."

Jon Minor has taught at Sequoyah High School for more than five years, including teaching financial literacy, social and emotional learning, health, and serving as an assistant coach in basketball and golf.

The tribe's support of education is important for the teacher's effectiveness in the classroom, he said. "The Cherokee Nation has been very supportive and proactive in the opportunities provided for our students, faculty, staff and administration at Sequoyah High School. We have multiple avenues and resources that Cherokee Nation brings into our school system, that allows us to teach and do our jobs more efficiently," Minor said.

Cherokee Immersion Charter School fifth grade teacher Meda Nix, in her seventh year of teach-

ing, said her heart started pounding when she heard she was getting a pay raise. The increase will help recruit and retain teachers, and be an incentive for others in the classroom to get their certification, she said.

"I feel for all the teachers going through this. People don't realize how hard and mentally exhausting teaching can be and that it takes a special person to come in every day and put their heart and soul into it," Nix said. "I want to thank the Chief and Tribal Council for thinking of us and taking care of us."

In other business, the Tribal Council confirmed the reappointment of Elmer Tadpole, of Claremore, as a governing board member of the Cherokee Nation Comprehensive Care Agency (PACE). The body also confirmed the appointment of Brenda Thompson, of Houston, as an editorial board member of the Cherokee Phoenix.

– Anadisgoi, Cherokee Nation News



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Cherokee Boys Club photo

EMERGENCY PREP: The Cherokee Boys Club, Inc. held a joint meeting with the Cherokee Central Schools, Cherokee Indian Police Department, and EBCI Emergency Management last week to open a dialog concerning how the different departments would interact in an emergency. Topics discussed were threats and school shooters, evacuations, crisis management, lockdowns, shelter in place and the role that school bus drivers would play in each event. There were scenarios discussed and future meetings planned as well as some drills that the Cherokee Boys Club will participate in.



Photo by Lynne Harlan/EBCI Public Relations

EDUCATION: Representatives from UNC Chapel Hill and Southwestern Community College met with Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed on Thursday, March 15 to discuss the implementation of UNC's "Carolina Student Transfer Excellence Program" (CSTEP). This program is a collaborative effort between both schools to allow students to transfer directly from the community college to a four-year program. Shown (left to right) are - Chief Sneed, EBCI Secretary of Education James Bradley, Executive Vice President for Instruction & Student Services at SCC Dr. Thom Brooks, EBCI Education & Training Manager April Bird, President of Southwestern Community College Dr. Don Tomas, Associate Director Office of Undergraduate Admissions UNC, EBCI Director of Adult and Youth Education Renissa McLaughlin, Senior Assistant Director of Admissions & C-STEP Program Director at UNC Rebecca Egbert, and Vice Chief Alan B. Ensley.



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RUNNING

More than running, it's RezHOPE

Tribal members conquer Emerald Isle, continue to spread positive message

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The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was well-represented at a recent running event on the coast. The Emerald Isle race was held on Saturday, March 10 and included a marathon, half-marathon, and 5K races.

Kallup McCoy II participated in the marathon portion of the event, and his girlfriend, Katelynn Ledford, ran the 5K event along with four other Cherokee youth including: Native Walkingstick, Kallup McCoy III, Ashton Brady, and Michell Gayosso.

McCoy II and Ledford are both very active in the Cherokee recovery community and work to create positive experiences and chances to share their message of hope through their RezHOPE Recovery and Consulting group.

"The message that we're trying to share is to get active and stay healthy," said McCoy II. "And, being able to talk to the youth and share with them about choices was a huge blessing."

McCoy II placed 13th in the Male 30-39 division with a time of 5:20:24. Afterwards, he was happy with his performance. "My nutrition was good, and it was a nice race. I just always want to represent our Tribe strongly."

Ledford, new to races, placed



Photo contributed

RACE: The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was well-represented at the Emerald Isle race was held on Saturday, March 10 and included a marathon, half-marathon, and 5K races. Shown (left-right) are – Kallup McCoy III, Ashton Brady, Kallup McCoy III, Katelynn Ledford, Michell Gayosso, and Native Walkingstick.

14th in the Female 20-29 division. "It was the first time I'd ever done anything like that."

She was unsure if running would be for her, but positive thinking prevailed.

"I was in a really bad car wreck that stemmed from my substance use, and I broke my back and my hip and had a metal rod placed in my leg," said Ledford. "For a long time, I said, 'I can't run. There's no way I can do that.' But, Kallup kept buzzing in my ear to try it. I think

a lot of times we get it stuck in our head the insecurity of not being able to do something."

She added, "Finally, I started running a little bit here and there and it came gradually. I just pushed myself."

Of the race itself, Ledford said, "It was fun, and I ran with the boys."

The boys finished well in the race with each placing in the Male 14+under division as follows: Walkingstick, 13th place, 28:57;

Gayosso, 19th place, 36:32; Brady, 20th place, 36:32; and McCoy III, 23rd place, 40:41.

McCoy II commented, "We got a chance to talk with them about what they want to do – goals and choices. That's what it's about."

Ledford said they all traveled to the race together and stopped at the University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill on the way. "When we were on the campus, one of the boys said, 'I want to go to school here!' So, it's really cool to be able

to take them with us and them to experience those things and get an idea of what they might want to do.”

She said recovery has opened many doors, “If we were still out there using drugs, they might not have been able to experience that.” Their RezHOPE Recovery and Consulting group, which is currently under the umbrella of the Christ Fellowship Church until they receive their official 501c3 status, recently held a logo contest. Buffalo Town, a graphic design company, won the contest and deferred their prize due to the importance of the RezHOPE organization.

In a statement, Buffalo Town wrote, “We support any cause that aims at improving not only individual health but the community as a whole. Working with the Center for Community Health at Kansas University, we are always trying to support any initiative like yours. ‘Why treat people’s illnesses without treating what made them sick in the first place?’ That’s a quote that I see all the time in my place of work, and it is definitely true. If the environment is toxic, of course, the outcome isn’t going to be pretty. Keep up the fight.”

McCoy II is all about pushing himself, and now he is ready to

double his mileage for his next race – the Badwater Cape Fear, a 51-mile race on Bald Head Island on Saturday, March 17. That race begins with 12 miles on the roads on the Island followed by 39 miles on the beach.

The first of May, McCoy II is going to run the Benge Route of the Trail of Tears, a 1,300 mile run ending in Tahlequah, Okla. The last 111 miles will be tackled within a 24-hour period in the hopes of qualifying for the Badwater 135, the world’s toughest foot race.

“I’m just pushing the limits, trying to callous my mind and getting ready for this run to Oklahoma,” he said. “I know if I can make it through a 51-miler, then I am sure I can make it through whatever that run throws at me.”

On these long runs, McCoy II thinks about many things - past, present and future. “I think about things I want to do out in the community and the people that we’ve lost and that just inspires me to go harder. But, towards the end of the races, my insecurities start coming out.”

When those thoughts creep in, he pushes them away. “I deal with it the same way when I hear the naysayers now, and I pray and just ask God to give me strength.

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There’s really no secret to it, just keep praying and keep pushing.”

He ran the race at Emerald Isle not too long after an ankle injury. “I’ve had people tell me that I needed to rest for two weeks, but if we wait for things to be perfect, then things never get done. You just have to push through. If you want something, go get it. There are so many opportunities to be the change that we want to be.”

McCoy II and Ledford are busy with helping to spread their message, and he is set to speak at a Medicine Abuse Project event, sponsored by The Coalition for a Safe & Drug-Free Swain County, scheduled for Tuesday, March 20 from 7 – 8:15pm at the United Methodist Church in Bryson City.

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Swarm uniforms to honor EBCI and stickball

DULUTH, Ga. – The 2017 NLL World Champion Georgia Swarm will honor the history of lacrosse during its third annual Native American Heritage Night presented by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

The Swarm will host the New England Black Wolves at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Field at Infinite Energy Arena on Saturday, March 24. Faceoff is set for 7:05pm. The first 2,000 fans will receive a Miles Thompson bobblehead courtesy of the Tribe.

For the only time this season, Georgia will don special edition uniforms which honor the centuries-old sport of Cherokee stickball.

Also known as “the little brother of war,” stickball is Cherokee Nation's cultural sport. Participants play with two sticks each, a ball and wear only shorts. This physical game was used by tribes to settle disputes without going to war. Stickball is one of the oldest sports in North America and has evolved into modern day lacrosse. The sport is still played today on the Cherokee Reservation in North Carolina, highlighted by an annual stickball tournament every summer.

“The Swarm has an amazing relationship with the Eastern Band of Cherokee nation,” Swarm Owner and General Manager John Arlotta said. “We wanted to honor them and our relationship with them on Native American Heritage night by having a uniform that represented the stickball game of lacrosse that they play there.”

Principal Chief Richard G. Sneed said, “Our relationship



Image courtesy of Georgia Swarm

INDIAN BALL: The Georgia Swarm will honor the history of lacrosse during its third annual Native American Heritage Night presented by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort.

with the Georgia Swarm has been important for our community because our tradition of stickball has brought our people together. These special jerseys bring historical Cherokee images into the 21st century as an inspiration for our youth. These jerseys will inspire up and coming lacrosse and stickball players.”

The front of the Swarm's Cherokee-themed jersey features an original circular logo with the letters for “Cherokee,” (pronounced Tsa-la-gi). Above it is two traditional wooden sticks and a ball to represent stickball.

The shorts are based off of traditional muslin shorts worn by stickball players in the late 19th century. During that time, players' shorts would have either red or blue stars, crosses and circles sewn into the muslin to indicate the talent level of the individual player. Customarily, the best Cherokee stickball players wore stars, while others wore crosses and circles to represent their skill level.

The Swarm elected to use stars on every players' shorts to repre-

sent the wealth of talent on its roster, which recently won the 2017 NLL Champion's Cup.

The jerseys feature front and back purple patches with Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort on them. The uniforms are yellow with blue highlights, the Swarm's traditional home uniform color scheme.

The night will kick off with a pregame event at 4:30pm to educate Swarm fans on Native American culture. The pregame event will feature the history of stickball, speakers from the Warriors of AniKituhwa, Miss Cherokee Faith Long, and Native American players. Native American craft demonstrators and vendors will be situated all along the concourse of Infinite Energy Arena as well.

The Swarm is currently home to seven Native American athletes: Randy Staats (Six Nations, Mohawk Turtle Clan), Brayden Hill (Six Nations, Mohawk Turtle Clan), Warren Hill (Six Nations Mohawk), Zed Williams (Seneca tribe) and the Thompson Brothers Jerome, Lyle, and Miles (Onondaga Nation).

“It's very important to the

Swarm organization to honor and respect the roots of our great game we all love and our Native American athletes,” Swarm Co-Owner and President Andy Arlotta said. “I encourage all fans to show their support for a memorable and educational experience which will perfectly compliment a heated East Division showdown.”

Fans will have the opportunity to bid on their favorite players' game-worn and autographed jerseys during the game on Native American Heritage Night and online. All player uniforms will be available for auction. The game-worn, autographed jerseys will be available for auction online at GeorgiaSwarm.com/Auction.

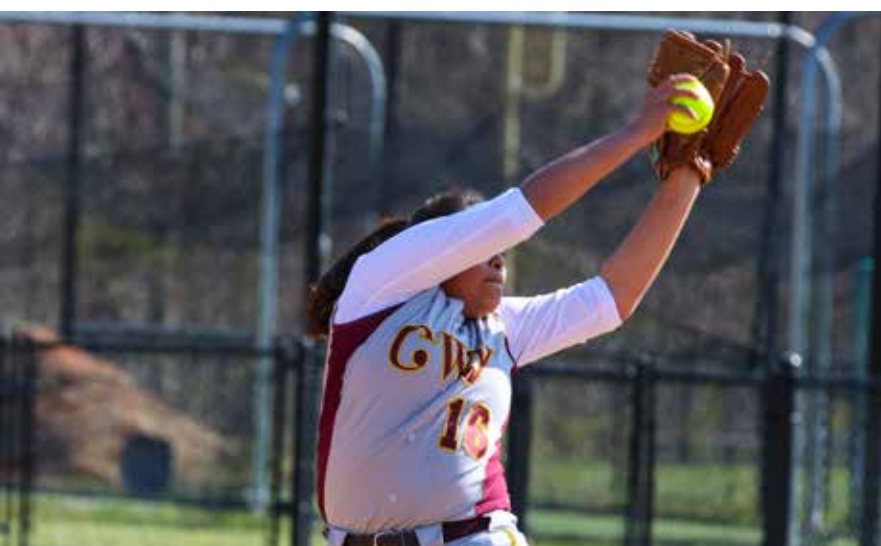
Fans can participate in a silent auction during the Swarm's game against Buffalo for a chance to win game-worn, autographed jerseys worn by the Swarm's Native American players. Bidding will take place in the main concourse of Infinite Energy Arena. Select proceeds from the auction will be donated to the EBCI youth lacrosse initiative.

- Georgia Swarm



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FLYING: Cherokee's Naomi Smith flies into the long jump pit during a multi-school track and field meet at Cherokee High School on the afternoon of Thursday, March 15. Meet results were not available by press time.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

WIND-UP: Cherokee's Latika French prepares to deliver a pitch in a home game against the Rosman Lady Tigers on the afternoon of Thursday, March 15. Rosman (3-4) defeated the Lady Braves, who are 0-3 on the season, by a score of 14-4. Individual statistics were not available for this game.

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**Your Loving Wife Mary, daughters,
son, grandchildren and great grands.**

Partners in healing

SCC and Mother Town Healing Project join forces to benefit local tribal members

AVERY MINNICK
SCC Public Relations Intern

SYLVIA - In recent months, Southwestern Community College's Educational Opportunities department has partnered with the Mother Town Healing Project through the Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) of the Qualla Boundary to provide employability skills training, career opportunities and additional support to tribal members recovering from addiction.

The Mother Town Healing Project is a TERO initiative aiming to provide recovery support, personal growth, skill-building opportunities and community to those in need. These efforts are centered around giving a second chance to tribal members recovering from addiction.

TERO partnered with SCC's Human Resources Development program to provide workforce preparation classes that include numerous activities and chances for professional development.

All 10 students in the inaugural class are Cherokee residents who eagerly participated in all aspects of the program overseen by Deborah Kennedy, adjunct instructor for Educational Opportunities at SCC and Erin Taylor of the TERO office. Most recently, students took part in the "New Year, New Me" pro-



SCC photos

HEALING: Participants in the Mother Town Healing Project visited SCC's professional clothes closet and got makeovers in the college's cosmetology department recently in Sylva. Shown (left-right) are - Jake Lambert, Melina Crowe, Rachel Taylor, Bianca Dardeen, Crystal Snover (SCC's Educational Opportunities Coordinator), Jennifer Welch, Kay Wolf (Educational Opportunities Director), Katelyn Ledford, and Deborah Kennedy (Educational Opportunities Adjunct Instructor).

gram, during which each received a professional makeover at SCC's Jackson Campus. Each Mother Town participant picked out some clothing from SCC's professional clothes closet, and SCC cosmetology students gave the Mother Town participants new hairstyles.

"These students mean so much to me, just to see the growth and genuine love they have for each other," Kennedy said. "The fact

that we are integrating the two programs so seamlessly is incredible."

A star student within the Mother Town Healing Project has been Jake Lambert, who expressed gratefulness for an opportunity for employment. He also appreciated that the program has allowed him to get back on his feet and make a better plan for his future.

"I was in a rut with addiction the past few years, really from the

time I was a teenager," said Lambert, who is 27. "Life was going nowhere, and I didn't really have any connections to get anywhere in life ... I finally decided to get into recovery and turn things around. Through recovery is where I heard about Mother Town.

"(Mother Town Instructors and organizers) have been flexible with me and let me attend the groups I go to for recovery," Lambert added.

“They helped me get my driver’s license back. They helped me with studying and took me to the Department of Motor Vehicles. They helped me apply for jobs outside the program. They helped with the little things that help you get back on your feet.”

When asked if he could give a struggling individual advice Lambert said, “Be committed. If it is something you seriously want, be committed. Set your goals and go out and achieve them.”

All 10 students received internship placements to gain work experience, and many are working to gain full-time positions.

SCC offers participants a no-cost employability lab, which teaches necessary skills to apply for jobs online, successfully interview and maintain employment. Similar labs

are offered to the general public at locations in Jackson, Macon, Swain Counties and the Qualla Boundary. Bianca Dardeen said Mother Town has given her “confidence, employability skills and a better understanding of how her surrounding community is loving and forgiving.”

Dardeen spoke most positively, however, about the friendships she has made through the program. SCC and the Mother Town Healing Project are opening new doors for those in need, and - through this program - the students are showing the community that anything is possible with hard work.

For more information about SCC, visit www.southwesterncc.edu.



NEW LOOK: Rachel Taylor (left), a participant in the Mother Town Healing Project, has her hair styled by SCC Cosmetology student Destiny Mullen of Sylva.



CABINS FOR SALE



Housing and Community Development (HCD) will be accepting sealed bids for the sale of two cabins. Cabins are 1-bedroom, 1 bath, and fully equipped kitchen. HCD will have an open house to view these cabins on March 22, 2018, from the hours of 1:30 pm—3:30 pm. Bid winners are responsible for moving the cabin and all moving costs for the cabin; additionally, they must be moved within 60 days.



All sealed bids are to be submitted to Homebuyer Services Coordinator Tina Larch at the HCD Office located at 756 Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. Deadline to submit bids is Monday, March 26th, 2018.

For more information, please call Tina Larch at 828-359-6912 or Michelle Stamper at 828-359-6904.

OBITUARIES



Dr. Jeremiah "Jerry" Wolfe

Dr. Jeremiah "Jerry" Wolfe, 93, of Cherokee, passed away on Monday, March 12, 2018 at Mission Hospital in Asheville with his loving family at his side.

He was born on September 28, 1924 to the late Owen Wolfe and Lucy Ann Davis Wolfe in the Big Cove Community. He later moved and lived most of his life in the Yellowhill community of Cherokee.

In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife of 52 years, Juanita (Bradley) Wolfe; three sisters, Annie Tsosi, Rose Curley, and Mary Sneed; and three sons, Michael Owen Wolfe, Jeremiah Wolfe Jr., and Dennis Ray Wolfe.

Surviving are three daughters, Vangie Stephens (Tommy), Gerri Grady (Sean), and Robin Wolfe, all of Cherokee; two sons, Joe Wolfe and Tony Wolfe; step-daughter, Jackie Moody; special friend, Nancy Pafford of Lakeland, Ga.; and several grandchildren and great grandchildren also survive as well as relatives across the country.

Jerry grew up in Sherrill Cove on the Cherokee Indian Reservation in western North Carolina. The family home sat in the middle of what is now the Blue Ridge Parkway. Jerry started his life

on Sherrill Cove as an only child although he had three sisters. He was the baby and his sisters were usually off at boarding school away from Cherokee.

As he grew into a man, Jerry joined the United States Navy on July 21, 1943. He proudly served aboard the Queen Mary and worked on an aviation repair vessel and a destroyer escort. On June 6, 1944, he participated in the invasion of Normandy. As the only Native American in his division, he gained the respect of the other men as he was able to adapt very well to strenuous work because of his upbringing in the harsh Great Smoky Mountains. Prior to his discharge from the Navy on Feb. 1, 1950, he married Juanita Bradley on Jan. 2, 1949. Within a few years, he started a family that grew to five boys and three girls.

Jerry was a mason by trade and was one of the last Cherokee stonecutters. He built fireplaces, walls, and monuments - works of art. Jerry retired from the federal service in 1985 and has been working at the Museum of the Cherokee Indians since 1987 as a greeter.

He had traveled the southeast and is often asked to represent the tribal perspective on plants and animals of the Great Smoky Mountains. He has assisted in translating documents into Cherokee as he reads and writes using the Cherokee Syllabary. He spent time in local schools teaching the Cherokee Language and telling stories of the Cherokee people to the children. At home, Jerry dug ginseng, hunted for wishee mushrooms, and kept track of the Russian boars, bears, elk and wild turkey. He gathered ramps and berries when he had time.

In the spring of 2013, Jerry was

named Beloved Man of the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians - the first man to receive this honor in over 200 years. In the same year, he was honored for his military service. In 2002, he was awarded the Cherokee Heritage Award. In 2008, he received an award from the North Carolina State Legislator for his contributions to the Eastern Band of the Cherokee as a story teller and a stick ball caller. In October 2010, he was among a group of veterans to visit Washington D.C. and the World War II memorial. In 2014, he was awarded the Patriot Award, and in the spring of 2017 was bestowed with the Order of the Long Leaf Pine by Governor Roy Cooper and also received an Honorary Doctorate of Human Letters from Western Carolina University. The list goes on of his accomplishments and these are only a few.

Dr. Wolfe represented the Eastern Band of the Cherokee Indians on numerous occasions by offering prayers and smoke as he believed the Beloved Man should help the community and the Tribe whenever possible. He was passionate in his hope that the Cherokee children learn the Cherokee Language and the traditions and customs of the Tribe. His loss is a great blow to the Cherokee people and the people of western North Carolina and the nation as a whole. He cannot be replaced and he will be missed.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, March 17 at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center at the Cherokee Central Schools. Rev. Ralph Eanes Jr., Bo Taylor, and Derek Robinson officiated. Burial followed at the Yellowhill Veterans Cemetery. Pallbearers were Christopher Reed, Keenan Grady, Faolan Grady, Richard Wolfe, Brandon Stephens, Jake Stephens, and Den-

nis Tice.

Family welcomes flowers, but in lieu of flowers donations can be made to the New Kituwah Academy at 60 Water Dam Road, Cherokee, NC 28719 or to the Jerry Wolfe scholarship fund established with First Citizens Bank in Cherokee, NC.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the Wolfe family.

Greg Allen Smith

Greg Allen Smith, 37, of Cherokee, passed away on March 9, 2018. Greg is the son of Buford and Jessie Smith.

Greg is survived by two sons, Seth Allen and Luke James Smith; two sisters, Michelle and Krystal; one brother, Little Bu; his bub, Trevan; and several nieces, nephews, aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were held on Tuesday, March 13 at Long House Funeral Home. Burial was at the Blythe Cemetery. Pall Bearers were be P-Nut, Bo, Dick, Trevan, Ayden, Lil' Bill, Jack Wachacha, and Don Fuller.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Smith family.

Juanita George

Juanita George, 87, of Whittier, went home to be with the Lord, Sunday, March 11, 2018. A native of Whittier, she was the daughter of the late James and Delphia Shehan, and wife of the late Columbus George. In addition to her husband and parents, she was also preceded in death by one son, Billy Ray George; brothers, Jack Shehan, Joe Shehan, and Woodrow Shehan; and a special cousin, Nadine Orders.

Juanita is survived by her children, Ruby George, Carol Lynn George, Harold George, and Peggy

George, all of Cherokee; 13 grandchildren; 33 great grandchildren; and sisters, Betty Kinsman of Sylva, Janie Capolla of New York, and Mary Grant of Ohio.

Funeral Services were held Tuesday, March 13 in the Chapel of Crisp Funeral Home.

William Theodore Taylor

William Theodore Taylor, 60, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly on Sunday, March 11, 2018. He had an honorable discharge from the U.S. Air Force. He was formerly employed by the Cherokee's, the Cherokee Casino, and the Grand Hotel. He was an outdoorsman. He fished, enjoyed watching racing, and also enjoyed playing fast pitch soft ball and any kind of sports.

He is survived by his mother,

Jane Lossiah Taylor; two brothers, Jeremiah Taylor and Dennis Taylor, both of the home; one sister, Cynthia A. Meuse of Cherokee; two nephews; six nieces; one great nephew; one aunt, Dolly Taylor; great aunts, Mollie Herbold and Annie French; and uncles, Jack and Willard Lossiah.

He is preceded in death by his father, Jeff Taylor; paternal grandparents, Julius and Julia Taylor; maternal grandparents, John and Charlotte Lossiah; one brother, Michael Taylor; great nephew, Mickey J. Meuse; and several aunts, uncles, and brother-in-law.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, March 15 at Straight Fork Baptist Church. Pastors Charles Ray Ball and James "Bo" Parris officiated. Burial followed at the Lossiah family cemetery. Pall-

bearers were Bear, Noland, Kirk, Gary, Albert, Earl, Howard Jr., and Eric.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Taylor family.

Carol Ann Romines Gore

Carol Ann Romines Gore, 74, of Whittier, passed away Friday, March 9 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Carol split her time between Bradenton, Fla. and Whittier. She was a nurse in Bradenton for over 30 years. In her spare time she enjoyed sewing, quilting and antique shopping. She loved her family and her numerous pets. She will be missed by all.

She is survived by her husband of 54 years, Luther Gore of Whittier; a daughter, Cindy Palmer of Bradenton, Fla.; a son, Jack Gore of Hawkinsville Ga.; grandchildren, Christi Palmer, Keith Palmer, Heather Long, and Brooke Gore; and great grandchildren, Natalie, Ayden and Wyatt.

No services are planned.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Gore family.

Sandra Annette Farris

Sandra Annette Farris, 57, of the Painttown Community, passed

away on March 12, 2018 in Chapel Hill after a short, hard fought battle with cancer.

Sandra is survived by her children, Michelle Queen McCoy of Cherokee (grandchildren, Spencer, Garrett and Emma McCoy); and Tristen and Alyssa Land also of Cherokee; step-children Brandon Crisp of Myrtle Beach, SC, Melanie Thompson, of Myrtle Beach, SC; brothers, Richard (Mary) of Columbia, SC and Jim (Beth) of Cherokee; niece, Joy Farris of Whittier; and nephews, Ricky (Michelle) and Daniel Farris of Columbia, SC.

She is preceded in death by her mother, Freida Chariker Farris; father, Harvey Andral Farris; former husband, Terry Crisp; and nephew, Jacob Farris.


Funeral services will be held at Crisp Funeral Home on Saturday, March 17 from 11 am - 2pm. Burial will follow at Campground Cemetery in Whittier.

Memorial donations may be made to Jackson County Animal Shelter, 463 Airport Road, Sylva, NC 28779. The family wishes to extend their gratitude to everyone for their outpouring of love, support and happy memories of someone we loved so dearly.


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Smoky Mountain Senior games

The Smoky Mountain Senior games will be held April 23 – May 24. Registration is currently ongoing and will continue until April 6 at 4:30pm. The cost to register is \$15, and registration forms are available at the Birdtown Gym, Jackson County Senior Center, or at the Jackson County Recreation Centers in Cullowhee or Cashiers/Glenville. Events include: basketball shooting, billiards, bocce, bowling, Cornhole, croquet, cycling, football throw, golf, hand and foot, horseshoes, shuffleboard, softball throw, table tennis, pickleball, swimming, and track and field events. Info: Janell Rattler, Birdtown Gym, 359-6895, or Jackson County Senior Center 586-5494
- Janell Rattler, Birdtown Gym

EBCI alcohol referendum information

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians will hold a referendum on Thursday, May 31. The question asked will be: “To allow ABC permits to be issued to allow retail sales of alcoholic beverage on Tribal trust land at a Tribal-ly-owned package store and ABC store.” Voter registration will close on Tuesday, May 1. You may begin to request your absentee ballot immediately. Absentee requests will be accepted through Wednesday, May 16. Absentee ballots must be received by the EBCI Board of Elections no later than Monday, May 21 at 4pm. Info: Board of Elections 359-6361
- EBCI Board of Elections

Enterprise Waters closed for several weeks

The catch and keep Enterprise Waters on the Qualla Boundary

will be closed to all individuals through Friday, March 30. Opening day is Saturday, March 31, and the Opening Day Fishing Tournament is set for March 31 – April 1. Catch and release fly fishing in the 2.2 miles of Ravensford is open year-round. Info: Paula Price, EBCI Natural Resources program coordinator, 359-6110
- EBCI Natural Resources Program

Deadline for Yogi Crowe Scholarship approaching

The Board of Directors of the Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund reminds graduate and post-graduate students that April 1 is the deadline for requesting financial assistance from the Fund for summer semester. Applications and eligibility guidelines are available from any of the board members, from Tribal Education or from the Website www.yogicrowescholarship.org. Applications must be postmarked by the deadline date and mailed on or before the deadline. Applications not postmarked or received electronically by the deadline will not be considered.

For more information, contact any of the Scholarship Fund board members: Dr. Reva Ballew, president 631-1350; Dr. Jennifer Thompson, vice president 507-5997; Mary Herr, secretary 497-9498; Tamitha Fourkiller, treasurer 497-7034; Dr. Carmaleta Monteith 497-2717; Sunshine Parker 506-1952, Jan Smith 507-1519 or Shannon Swimmer 736-3191.
- Yogi Crowe Memorial Scholarship Fund

Cherokee Pre-K registration

Registration for Cherokee Pre-K is being held now through Tuesday, May 1. Applications can be picked up at the HOPE Center. The child

must be 4-years-old by Aug. 31 and meet the service priority guidelines. Info: HOPE Center 554-5101
- Cherokee Central Schools

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship

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

Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under “Qualla Reservation”. For further information contact Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

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

Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program accepting applications

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

April 2.

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

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

Info: Alicia Jacobs alicjaco@nc-chokeee.com, 359-5544
- Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program

Per Capita Loan deadlines for upcoming cycle

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

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

THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you from family of Jerry Wolfe

Thank you to all the amazing people that helped our dad over the last month of his 93 years: Tribal EMS, CIHA Emergency Room, CIHA In-patient, Mission Heart Tower, Tsali Care Center, Mission Cardiac ICU, Big Cove Stickball team, and everyone who treated him with kindness, respect and exceptional care. A special thank you to Vice Chief B Ensley for everything that he did to make things easier for us. Also, thank you to our Pastor John Ferree and his wife, Ann, for being with us during a very difficult time providing support. We appreciate the support and assistance of the Chief's office and Tribal Council, along with

Yellowhill Community Club, the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, Longhouse Funeral Home and all of our family at the Cherokee United Methodist Church.

Thank you all that visited our dad in the hospital and at Tsali Care, too numerous to list here. Father was not a man of technology, but we often showed him his photo on Facebook or we read him emails that we received on his behalf. He chuckled when he watched videos of himself on the computer and would be slightly embarrassed. He would have been delighted had he seen the outpouring of stories of affection on Facebook on March 12. Thank you to everyone that contributed their remembrances. They were a great comfort to all that read them.

The family of Jerry Wolfe

Thank you from the Wolfe family

Thank you to all the wonderful men and women that helped the family during the loss of our father, Jerry Wolfe. Delicious food was prepared, churches from all over the Qualla Boundary offered up beautiful songs, tributes were made, stories, told, and love was everywhere. Although there are too many to list here (we are afraid of missing someone), please know that your contributions, no matter how small, are appreciated by each member of our family.

The Wolfe children, grandchildren, nieces and nephews

Thank you from the Bopper Johnson Family

The Johnson family would like to thank the many people that supported the Love Offering Benefit held in honor of Bopper Johnson. Bopper remains at home and is improving slowly. He and his wife, Bert, greatly appreciated all donations given. Following is a listing of individuals that we would like to acknowledge for their generous

contributions to this benefit:

Food Preparers: Matilda Calhoun and grandson Charlie, Verna Johnson, Jean Jones, Pat Calhoun, Paige Stamper, Doris Johnson, Buddy Johnson, Rodney Johnson, Tootsie Gloyne, Gwen Wildcat, Tootsie Maney, and Allison Codynah.

Chili: Tina Swimmer, B. Ensley, Jean Jones, Virginia Johnson, Tootsie Gloyne, Sharon and Lloyd Owle, Myrtle Driver, and Katie Johnson.

Donations: Doris Johnson, Nancy Wahnetah, Paige Stamper, Allison Codynah, Duck Lossiah, Twana Ensley, Matilda Calhoun, Sharon Owle, Jack and Tootsie Gloyne, Bear and Verna Johnson, Hrair and Misti Johnson, Junior Jones, Tom and Clara Wahnetah, Peggy Hill, Hoss Jumper, Duck and Sis Lossiah, Sam Lambert, Lyman and Bernie Clayton, and Helen Arch.

If we missed mentioning someone, please know it was not intentional and we thank you too.

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Elder Cultural Arts Program held over summer

This past August through September, a six-week Elder Cultural Arts program, funded by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, was offered at Tsali Manor Senior Center. The program was developed by a Community Advisory Board that included Kathy Smith, Jeff Marley, Blythe Winchester, Vicki Cruz, and T.J. Holland in partnership with Turner Goins of Western Carolina University. The program hired tribal members who taught Cherokee cultural arts including gourd masks with Davy Arch, stamp pottery with Lucy Dean Reed, white oak baskets with Faye Junaluska, and pucker toe moccasins with Richard Saunooke.

The program had nine participants who attended the two-hour classes offered on Tuesday and Thursday afternoons at Tsali Manor. Pre- and post-surveys showed that the participants gained increased knowledge about these Cherokee arts. Two of the program

participants entered their art made in this program in the Cherokee Indian Fair and were awarded one first place prize and two second place prizes. All of the participants said that they would take this program again, if offered.

One program participant said, "I just had a wonderful time!"

Also, a teaching artist commented, "I enjoyed hearing the stories from everyone in the class."

Given the success of this program, the Community Advisory Board is working to find additional grant funding in order to offer this program again to EBCI elders.

The National Endowment for the Arts recently published a report on the benefits of creative arts for older adults (<https://www.arts.gov/news/2017/new-report-reveals-findings-about-arts-and-health-older-adults>). Research has found that those who participate in creative arts programs have better health than those who do not par-



Photo contributed

ARTS: Loretta Bolden, an EBCI tribal member, works on a clay carving as part of last summer's Elder Cultural Arts Program.

ticipate in creative arts.

Blythe Winchester, a geriatrician for elders in the EBCI community who also provides consultation for tribes across the country, emphasized the importance of keeping your mind active. "We know from several studies that it is never too

late to learn a new skill and the potential benefits to the mind, body, and spirit of participating in group arts activities are of vital importance. I am grateful for this pilot project and hopeful we will find a way to continue these classes."

- Community Advisory Board

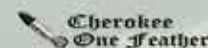


CHEROKEE VETERANS:

We want to share your stories.

The Cherokee One Feather would like to help you tell your stories through a column we call the "Veterans' Corner". If you or your family members would like to help you tell the Cherokee community what it was like for you while serving your community and nation, or what it has been like being a veteran, we would like to give you a forum to share your memories with the readers of the Cherokee One Feather. You don't have to be a writer. If you prefer to set up an appointment with our staff to share your moments, we will document, write, and publish your thoughts. You may send written stories to robejump@nc-chokeee.com and/or call 828-359-6482 to schedule a time for us to interview you. You may also stop by the One Feather offices at the Ginger Lynn Welch Building in Cherokee.

Thank you for your service and love for your community.



Fred B. Lunsford Part 3

Editor's note: The One Feather solicited stories from our community's veterans. Our intent is to honor them through their own words and remind everyone of the sacrifice of our armed forces and their families. After putting the call out, we received a call from Mr. Lunsford, who is a World War 2 veteran. He wanted to share his veteran's story and told me that he wrote a book about his life which included his veteran's story. He proceeded to give us permission to recount his story via excerpts from his book. You will find below the third in a series of excerpts from "Glory in the Mountains as The Sound of Many Waters" by Mr. Fred B. Lunsford, a veteran of the United States Army.

The Battle of the Bulge Part A

I joined the 839th Ordinance Depot Company in Holland right on the front line. Our job was to help the Ninth Army that had just arrived from the United States to set up a supply depot to furnish needs for battle. Once that was accomplished, we moved to Belgium to join the First Army, at the Forward Field Depot. We would go right on the front line and move again when the line moved twelve miles. So, we were on the constant move, encountering the enemy as we went. Many German snipers were hiding, ready to pick us off. Mines and booby traps were a great danger. We were moving slowly through Belgium, when on December 16th, 1944, the German's launched their attack along the front in Belgium and Luxembourg, bringing together twenty-five divisions, an essential of the German plan, put there by Hitler himself. The plan was that

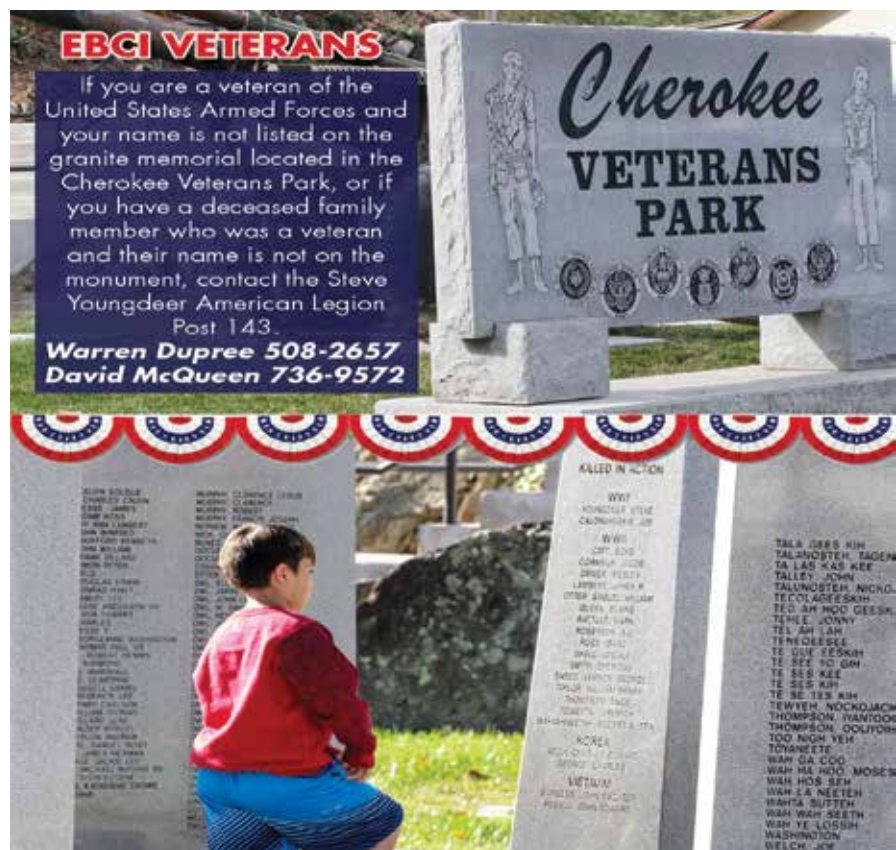
continued mystery and confusion would beset the crumbling allied rear. The weather was bitter cold with snow and ice. On December 22, came the high drama of the closed siege. The German Corps Commander called on the Bastogne Garrison to surrender. The United States Commander, Anthony C McAuliffe, replied, "Nuts," a message considered by some to be as famous as "Don't give up the ship," or "I have not yet begun to fight."

We were in the heat of the battle day and night. We were charged with the responsibility of keeping the front line supplied with necessary parts for vehicles, guns, and vehicles themselves. One day, a young Lieutenant came in with a requisition for all the tank destroyers we had in the motor pool. I knew he was from the 7th Armored Division in a Light Tank Company. I asked him whey the tank destroyers? He said, "You will hear about it." The Germans were attacking us with all they had and in so doing, to our dismay; they were on the offensive, pushing us back. We were trying to defend our positions. This Company, being a Light Tank Company, had their light tanks on the line, armed with 35-millimeter guns. The Germans knew this, of course, and prepared to wipe out our line of defense. But when dark came that evening, our wise and well-trained men took their light tanks off of the line and placed the tank destroyers, with their 90-millimeter guns and heavy armor, on the line. When the Germans came just after midnight, our men plastered them with 90-millimeter guns instead of the 37-millimeter

light tanks, repelled them, and drove them back. This is just one incident where our strategy and good equipment gave us victory in the end. We were upon the front where all the fighting was going on, and things looked quite bleak for us. We had been given orders to prepare to set fire to all our equipment and flee on foot if necessary. We had twenty-seven large vans loaded with all kinds of necessary items for battle. Three days and nights went by with battles raging. Aircraft, both friendly and enemy, were in the air. Sleep was impossible. After three days and nights, I had gone to sleep, after playing and making a promise to may God, that if He would bring me back to the mountains of Western North Carolina, I would serve Him, I would do anything He wanted me to do and

go anywhere He wanted me to go. After sleeping a little while, my Sergeant was shaking me and telling me we were moving out. We loaded our equipment and headed out in the night. We had to cross a river on a low bridge. The Germans were dropping flares to light up the place and then bombs to try to knock out the bridge. We got across, but there was a truck behind us that received a direct hit from a bomb, and some of the men in the truck went into the river. I heard a soldier crying out from the river below, "Help, help, I am going down." And then I heard him no more. We got out of the trap the Germans had set about one hour before they closed the gap.

(Read the conclusion of the Battle of the Bulge chapter in next week's One Feather.)





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Let the Cherokee spirit live

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

The Cherokee people were a proud people. Known as one of the “civilized tribes”, we were known for our intelligence and industry. Cherokees survived one of the most brutal invasions in modern history. And, the Cherokee people not only survived, we thrived.

Still today, we fight for our place in modern society. On this new battleground, we use contracts, negotiation, and financial savvy as our weapons. The Cherokee people have always been experts at holding on to our culture while taking and integrating the best of other cultures when it comes to innovation. Adaption has been one of our strengths.

Over time, some of our Tribe have lost the spirit of our ancestors. The term most used for the current mentality of some is called “acting like crabs in a bucket”. The term comes from watching the behavior of a bucket of crabs. In their effort to escape the bucket, crabs will jump on the backs of other crabs to lift them higher to reach the top of the bucket. Others will attempt to scale the sides of the bucket, attempting to climb out on their own power. As these crabs make progress up the sides, the ones down below grab their back legs and pull on them in an apparent effort to either pull the enterprising crabs down or to depend on the power of the motivated crab to carry them out of the bucket. The actions are instinctual. I haven’t seen any credible research that the bottom crabs have an intent to pull the other crabs down because of jealousy. After all, scientists say that the brain of a crab is smaller than the tip of a pencil lead. It takes a much larger brain to navigate the complexities of complacency and jealousy.

As natives of this continent, we were put on reservations and isolated on trust lands with an intent of taking away our independence as indigenous individuals and cultures when invading peoples decided they needed the land and resources.

According to History.com, “In 1851, Congress passed the Indian Appropriations Act which created the Indian reservation system and provided funds to move Indian tribes onto farming reservations and hopefully keep them under control. Indians were not allowed to leave the reservations without permission.”

In this case and during this time, the government of those who took Cherokee and other Native lands was attempting to take away our spirit and identity. We were to

be assimilated. But, there were those among the tribes who continued to fight against losing our cultural independence until many laws were changed and indigenous peoples were celebrated instead of punished for pride in themselves and their unique heritages.

While all this was going on, long term damage was done to many of our past and present generations of Cherokee people. Many of us bought in to the message of “be quiet and be happy with what the government gives you” that the government perpetuated during those early years. Many lost their will to fight for a better life, resigning themselves to a life of subsistence living; some turning to alcohol or drugs for fulfillment in life. They would still talk about native pride, but they didn’t practice or understand it. They were happy in the bottom of the bucket and were fearful that anyone attempting to crawl out might make things worse for them or make them look bad. So anytime someone tries to make a life beyond subsistence, there are those there waiting to “grab a leg” to drag them down.

Within our community, we have many people, particularly among our millennial generation, who are ready and moving to crawl out of the bucket. Many of our tribal members have taken advantage of the educational opportunities that the Tribe offers through the EBCI Education Division, working toward a better, independent life. Twice each year or more, the EBCI Enterprise Development program and the Sequoyah Fund, train and graduate between 10 and 20 aspiring Cherokee entrepreneurs. They have hopes and dreams of creating a better life for themselves and their families through their own ideas, inventions, work, and resources. Like our ancestors, they don’t want to look to the government, federal or tribal, to provide for their needs and wants. And, as they build businesses of their own, they are giving others an opportunity for independence with job opportunities within their organizations. Cherokee pride is alive and well in these entrepreneurs.

When our tribal members dream and then fulfill their dreams, it is something to be celebrated. When our people try to crawl out of the bottom of that bucket, instead of reaching to grab and pull them back down, let’s get behind them and push them forward and out of the bucket. It is a better than even bet that once they make it out, they will reach back to offer us help to get out of the bucket too. That is a Cherokee way of life-helping others with what you have. It is a Cherokee value worth keeping and applying to our lives.

Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to our weekly question:

What do you think about the use of Cherokee cultural names and references on products like beer and wine?

Bobby Degorter: Don't let them market your culture especially for something so counterproductive to your Tribe's health. Cherokee symbols for Cherokee people.

Lea Wolf: I think to use our heritage and culture in a negative way for a dollar is a disgrace towards our own existence. Had it not been for the first Europeans using alcohol to take advantage of our people, there wouldn't be the stereotype that exists today. No, I don't need to repeat them, you already know what they are. My sincerest feelings are that any indigenous person who would do this is just as bad as the mound robbers, rapers of our women, killers of our children, and a trader of the worst kind.

Matthew Tooni: It's a contradiction and stereotype. The people who do this obviously haven't practiced anything culturally significant. The only reason they do it is because it sounds good. Like "Mother Town Blonde" really? How can someone slap a label on a bottle or a can with that name and say it's for the pride of my people? It's distasteful and ignorant.

Yona Sequoyah: Use it to the fullest. Just patent everything and only sell the rights to Cherokee people.

Camilla McGinty: That's not the kind of publicity and certainly not the kind of thing that should be marketed using the Cherokee name.

Michael Parker: Absolutely not

Phillip Wohali Uhlanigida Bange: (It) affects all of Indian Country and doesn't help to educate folks in changing stereotypes. So, no. I know distilling did become part of contemporary culture among some Cherokees, but let's keep alcohol separate from our cultural identity.

Susan Anderson: The "Mother Town" is a sacred place to be spoken of with reverence. That is what I was taught.

Cassie Armitage: I think it should be frowned upon if she weren't enrolled, but she is! And, her business has nothing to do with the Tribe other than the use of one name which she is changing after this run! I think maybe some are just bitter they didn't think of the idea first!

Evan Watty: We're becoming too sensitive. There isn't an issue.

Wilson Johnson: To allow your culture, religion, and language to be used in any such manner is disrespectful and is prostitution of your heritage and legacy. Please do not allow anyone to disgrace or make fools of who you are.

Dannie James: Allow the people to their own. Don't use their culture and symbols to engage in things not beneficial to them, you have never liked them in the first

place.

Dennis Burgess: I'm offended by all craft beers.

Diane McLaurin-Stiden: I think it is very disrespectful to the culture and the people who fought to be on that land. By the way, I'm an outsider but love the history of the Cherokee.

Elsie Calhoun: For cultural things yes, but on beer or wine absolutely no. These people are using our name for self gain. Really, have you seen them at a pow wow or stomp dance? It's a smack in the face.

Constance Amity Owl: Our culture is not for sale. Period.

Kim Sneed Lambert: Absolutely not

Cody Swayney: It would be a complete slap in the face to all enrolled members and to our history. If this was to be allowed, then I know for a fact people would need to learn their morals and respect all over again for our Tribe, our history, and our future.

Dee Atine: If you don't agree, sign the petition that is going around and share it.

Leanna Arch: Might as well. Some members seem intent on destroying the culture with drugs and alcohol abuse, might as well flaunt it and make a profit. One member making beer and several others think it would be great to be able to grow and sell marijuana. The addictions are bad enough here without encouraging.

Diane Jacobsen: I think it is disre-

spectful!

Taylor Parks: It is ok to call a gambling and drinking joint Harrah's "Cherokee" Casino and take all the profit from gambling and drinking. It's ok to sell artwork, crafts, stories pottery, music, dance, etc. using Cherokee culture to profit from. Somehow it's not ok for these two Cherokee women to do the same with their craft? No one has told any artist that their contemporary Cherokee art can't be sold because, well it's contemporary or that they can't dance because it's not traditional. Let's move past this crazy delusion and hypocrisy.

Bambi Armachain Sneed: Not cool

Billie Jo Rich: It's feels like exploiting culture for a buck and shows a lack of true awareness, especially when the people have voted against alcohol so many times. It's adding insult to injury.

Michael Johnson: I feel that it is ok because if it's a "craft" beer or wine then the product should be allowed to have the Cherokee name! It's also disrespectful, I think, to have a teepee set up and confusing the public about the culture, but there's one on the street!

Richard Griffin: ...very disrespectful to our culture and people, especially naming one "Mother Town" which is a disgrace!

Driver Blythe: Man, if only ya'll had this much anger to the prostitution that's been going on in the craft stores that's commercializing our Tribe.

Benefits/Fundraisers

Benefit for Brandy Sequoyah's Family.

March 23 from 10:45am – 1pm at Braves Café in the Cherokee High School. All proceeds to go to help with expenses needed as Brandy's daughter, Elli, has been hospitalized with burns. Menu: Hamburger steak with gravy, mashed potatoes, green beans, roll, and drink - \$8. No delivered will be available except on campus. You can pre-order dinners. Please all orders by Friday, March 23 at 9am. Info: Lou Johnson 788-2853 or 554-5031 (between the hours of 7:30am – 4pm), or Stinker Toineeta 593-8003

Turkey Shoot at Jesse Welch's Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. March 24 at 5pm, benefit for Lynette Shell. Good prizes, good fun, good benefits. All are welcome.

Pendleton Raffle Fundraiser. Winner will be announced on Monday, April 2. Purchase

raffle tickets at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian to help send the Warriors of Anikituwta to England for London's New Year's Day Parade. To purchase a raffle ticket, see Mike Crowe Jr., Jarrett Wildcatt, Dawn Arneach, Tyra Maney, Kristy Maney Herron, or Sonny Ledford. You can also stop by the Box Office at the Museum and purchase a raffle ticket as well. If you do not want to purchase a raffle ticket, donations will be accepted towards the trip to London. It has been over 250 years since Timberlake took Ostenaco, Cunneshote, and Woyi to visit King George III in London.

Cultural Events

2nd Annual Undergraduate Cherokee Language Symposium. March 25-27 at Western Carolina University. The events on Monday, March 26 are open to the public and will be held at WCU's Health and Human Services Building in Room 204. There will be four expert panelists

presenting about technology and language revitalization topics and a keynote address from Mo-hawk language activist Marion DeLaronde. The events on the other days are open to currently enrolled college students, Cherokee language instructors, and Cherokee community members. Attendees will spend Sunday visiting Cherokee sites and engaging with members of the Snowbird community. Info: Sara Snyder at slsnyder@wcu.edu, (828)227-2303

Cherokee Language Class. Wednesdays March 28; April 4, 11, and 18 from 6-8pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is \$50 for all four evenings, and the class will be taught by Gil Jackson and Lou Jackson, both EBCI tribal members. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246, seqmus@tds.net

Symposium commemorating the Cherokee Removal. April 11 from 8am – 4:30pm at

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MARCH 19-25, 2018

WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseigee River	Stocked March 6, 2018	Mid-day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout, Brook Trout	BWO, Midges, Black Stone Flies, Crane Fly, Black Caddis	Frenchies, Girdle Bugs, Egg Patterns, Wooly Buggers
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	N/A	Mid-day	Rainbow Trout, Brown Trout	BWO, Crane Flies, Black Stoneflies	BWO, Girdle Bugs, Wooly Buggers, Zebra midges, stripper midges, frenchies, Griffith gnats
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations-wild trout	Mid-day	Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout	BWO, Black Stoneflies, Midges	Wooly Bugger, Girdle Bugs, Blue Wing Olive, Zebra midges, stripper midges, frenchies, Griffith gnats

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BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, MARCH 19	TUESDAY, MARCH 20	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 21	THURSDAY, MARCH 22	FRIDAY, MARCH 23	SATURDAY, MARCH 24	SUNDAY, MARCH 25
BETTER	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	AVERAGE
2:32 AM-4:32 AM 2:56 PM-4:56 PM	3:21 AM-5:21 AM 3:46 PM-5:46 PM	4:12 AM-6:12 AM 4:38 PM-6:38 PM	5:05 AM-7:05 AM 5:33 PM-7:33 PM	6:01 AM-8:01 AM 6:30 PM-8:30 PM	6:59 AM-8:59 AM 7:28 PM-9:28 PM	7:57 AM-9:57 AM 8:27 PM-10:27 PM


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Western Carolina University Center Grand Room. The symposium is entitled “Cherokee Challenges & Tribulations: Exploring Scholarship, Memory, & Commemoration” and will commemorate the Cherokee Removal and celebrate the 50th Anniversary of the National Trails System Act. This event, which is free and open to the public, is hosted by Western Carolina University, WCU College of Arts and Sciences, WCU Dept. of History, National Trail of Tears Association, and the North Carolina Trail of Tears Association. Speakers include: Jack Baker, Mike Wrenn, Dr. Ben Steere, Dr. Brett Riggs, and more. Info: Dr. Susan Abram (828) 227-2735, smabram@wcu.edu; Dr. Anne Rogers (828) 349-1341, rogers@wcu.edu

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

Cherokee Syllabary and Intro to Cherokee Class. Every Monday and Wednesday from 5:30-6:30pm at the 3200 Acre Tract Community Center at 1000 Old Bryson City Road in Whittier. Everyone is welcome. Info: <https://www.facebook.com/3200-Acre-Tract-Community-Center-1589774257745245/>

General Events

Free Line and Swing Dance Lessons. Thursdays on March 22, and 29 at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Line Dance at 5:30pm, Beginners Swing at 6:15pm, and Advanced Swing at 6:45pm. Emerald Booth will be the instructor for line dance, and Bob Canady and Sherri Booth will be the instructors for the couples swing. Info: 788-0502

Country Music and Dance. March 22 from 7 – 10pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. Featuring Rober Wolfe and Band. Admission: \$8/single, \$15/couple. Music for clogging, two-step, waltz, and more.

Tahnee’s Kids Fund Easter Fun Day. March 24 from 9am – 12pm at the Cherokee Indian

Fairgrounds. This is a free event for kids up to 10-years-old. Snacks, crafts, bouncy houses, two categories of egg hunts, a mini color run race, and the Easter Bunny.

Nancy Ward Dedication Ceremony. March 24 at 10:30am at her gravesite on Old Hwy. 411 south of Benton, Tenn. A new monument will be revealed and dedicated by the Nancy Ward DAR (Daughters of the American Revolution) Chapter and other DAR chapters as well as The Association of the Descendants of Nancy Ward. The public is invited to attend this free event. Info: becky@nanyehi.com

Poor People’s Campaign event. March 24 from 3 – 5pm at The Community Table in Sylva. An afternoon of listening and empowerment. The late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. called for a poor people’s campaign to challenge disparities in the United States. This event is free and open to everyone. Donations will be accepted to defray the costs. The event is being sponsored by the Jackson County Chapter of the NAACP and Indivisible Common Ground OFA-WNC.

Democratic Congressional Candidates forum in Cherokee. March 26 from 6 – 8pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. North Carolina’s 11th District Democratic candidates for the U.S. House of Representatives, Scott Donaldson, Phillip Price, and Steve Woodsmall will be present to hear concerns and issues from the community and state their plans to address them. The event will begin with a presentation by Tribal Policy Analyst Anita Lossiah with an overview of tribal government and sovereignty and current issues. Soup and cornbread supper with drink will be available for a \$5 donation. This event is being sponsored by the Yellowhill Community Club. Info: Bo Lossiah, Yellowhill Community Club chairperson, 508-1781, or Mary Herr 497-9498

Qualla Boundary Historical Society meeting. March 27 at 6pm in the Ken Blankenship Education Wing of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Mary Wachacha will present research she has gathered on D.K. Collins (1844-1924), specifically regarding his life on the Qual-

la Boundary. Collins, born and raised in the Smokemont area, owned a trading store located on the Cherokee Boarding School campus. When the U.S. government asked for the removal of his store from the campus, Collins demanded a parcel of tribal land to build a new store which became McLean’s Store, Inn, Restaurant, and Cherokee Museum. Info: Robin Swayney 554-0477

Jackson County Candidate Forum. March 27 at 6:30pm at Jackson County Public Library Community Room in Sylva. The community is invited to engage with three individuals who have filed to run for the U.S. House of Representatives District 11 seat including: Robert Woodsmall, Phillip Price, and David Scott Donaldson. Other declared candidates in attendance will be recognized and introduced. The event, which will be moderated by Phil Haire, former North Carolina legislator, is sponsored by Indivisible Common Ground OFA-WNC.

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

Open Teen Night. March 29 from 5-8pm at Cherokee Youth Center. Games, food, prizes. This is open to teens ages 13-18. Info: Melissa Bodfield 359-8113

Cherokee Community Chorus spring practice sessions. Beginning April 5 from 6 – 8pm at Cherokee Baptist Church. The Chorus, under the direction of J. Gilbert and pianist Sharon Bradley will practice for a concert in early June titled “A Celebration of Gospel Music”. The Chorus is non-denominational. Anyone with the desire to sing and the commitment to attend the weekly practice sessions is invited to attend and participate. The group is especially in need of tenors, bass, and sopranos. Info: Frela Beck 736-4181, Teressa Sweet 736-1256, or Mary Wachacha 788-1196

Native Youth Fabric Design Sessions. April 10-11 from 1 – 4pm and April 23 from 5 – 8pm at EBCI Extension Office. Learn about different fabrics. Create a custom fabric design that represents Cherokee culture. Designs will be sent to Durham and made into an actual piece of fabric to use in creating clothing for the Kanasesgi Fashion Show in August. Sewing classes will be offered this summer. Info: Sally Dixon, EBCI Extension Office, 359-6936

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

Kindergarten Registration for Swain County Schools. April 17 from 8am – 12pm at West Elementary and April 19 from 8am – 12pm at East Elementary. It is imperative to attend registration day as the number of expected students is used to calculate the number of needed teachers. Appointments for Kindergarten registration may be made by calling the school secretaries or Katrina Turbyfill 488-2110, kturbyfill@swainmail.org

K-9 Public Demonstration. April 24 at 6pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. A public demon-

stration featuring working K-9 teams will be presented. The event is being co-sponsored by the EBCI Natural Resources Enforcement Department, the Cherokee Fire Department, and the American Police Canine Association.

Kanasesgi Pottery Festival. April 28 from 10am – 4pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Storytelling, vendors selling pottery, and presenters on Cherokee pottery. NAIWA will prepare food for sale. Admission is free.

16th Multicultural Women's Development Conference. April 27-28 at Hinton Rural Life Center in Hayesville. Cost: \$95. Limited space, register online at: www.onedozenwhocare.org. Info: (828) 371-0363, 321-1000, or 361-8378, woodford@dnet.net

Spring Sobriety Campout. May 10-13 at Yogi in the Smokies Campground on Big Cove Road in Cherokee. AA, NA, Al-anon speakers; Talking Circles; marathon meeting; sobriety pow wow; fun and fellowship. Pre-registration \$40 per person (children under 12 are free), \$45 at the gate. Info: Herb 506-8563, firesidecircle@yahoo.com

myFutureNC Listening Session. July 12 from 2 – 5pm at Cherokee Central Schools. myFutureNC, a statewide education commission focusing on educational attainment for all North Carolinians, is holding a series of listening sessions to hear from communities about what they perceive as their region's economic strengths and identify the education opportunities that are most needed to capitalize on those strengths. This session

will focus on Native perspective and will include Dr. Beverly Payne and Yona Wade from the Qualla Education Collaborative. Info and RSVP at: <https://www.myfuturenc.org/listening-sessions/>

Health and Sports Events Health Series at Jackson County Public Library. A new, monthly health series entitled "Mind and Body: Health, Nutrition, and You" will be held at the Library. It is a partnership between JCPL, WCU, Mountain Projects, Appalachian Behavioral Health, Vaya Health, SAND, and Cherokee Mental Health. Upcoming dates include:

- April 24 at 6:30pm, Diabetes and Disease Prevention, Heal what Ails You
- May 1 at 6:30pm, PTSD: Invisible Wounds, Visible Healing
- May 15 at 6:30pm, Mental Health Awareness and Suicide Prevention
- June 12 at 6:30pm, Drug Abuse, Addiction, and the Opioid Crisis
- July 10 at 6:30pm, Brain Health, a Look at Alzheimer's and Dementia
- Aug. 14 at 6:30pm, End of Life Care and Planning

Info: Jackson County Public Library, 586-2016, www.fontanalib.org

Cherokee Recreation League Basketball Banquet. March 22 at 6pm at Birdtown Gym. Menu is as follows: BBQ and Hotdogs. The following teams are asked to bring these items:

- Midgets: Chips
- Mites: Hamburger and Hotdog buns
- Termites: Sides (slaw, baked beans, mashed potatoes, mac & cheese, potato salad...etc.)
- Peewees: Desserts
- Tiny Trotters: Sides (slaw, baked

beans, mashed potatoes, mac & cheese, potato salad...etc.)

NAYO Basketball Tournament. March 30-31 in Cherokee, NC. Hosted by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Recreation Department, games will be played at the Birdtown Gym, Painttown Gym, and at Cherokee High School. Age divisions for boys and girls teams: 12-14, 15-17, age as of Aug. 1, 2017. Deadlines: Team entry form must be turned in by March 19, completed roster due by March 26. Entry fee: \$150. Info: Mianna "Peaches" Squirrell 359-6896, miansqui@nc-choerokee.com or Shannon Bark 359-3345, shanbark@nc-choerokee.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for March 23-25

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

44th Annual Denver March Pow Wow. March 23-25 at Denver Coliseum in Denver, Colo. Emcees: Lawrence Baker, Chris Eagle Hawk. Info: www.denvermarchpowwow.org, denvermarchpowwow@comcast.net

Red River Intertribal Club Benefit Pow Wow. March 24 at Stone Palace Ballroom in Wichita Falls, Texas. Emcees: Wallace Coffey, Cy Ahtone. Head Southern Singer: Parker Emhoolah. Info: Jim Moore (940) 782-7747, redriverintertribalclub@yahoo.com

30th Annual Natchez Pow Wow. March 24-25 at Grand Village of the Natchez Indians in

Natchez, Miss. MC: Damon Rough-
face. Head Southern Singer: Mike
Shawnee. Info: Dr. Chuck Borum
(601) 442-0200, cborum@hot-
mail.com, www.natchezpowwow.
com

46th Annual Dance for Mother Earth Pow Wow. March 24-25

at Skyline High School in Ann Ar-
bor, Mich. MC: Jason Whitehouse.
Host Drum: Southern Straight.
Co-Host Drum: War Paint. Info:
Gabriell May or Matty Bowen,
danceformotherearth@gmail.com,
mebowen@umich.edu

25th Annual "Learning to Walk Together" Traditional Pow

Wow. March 24 in Marquette,
Mich. Info: Kristina Misegan (906)
227-1397, kmisegan@nmu.edu,
or Suzette LaCasse slacasse@nmu.
edu

Bacone College Spring Contest

Pow Wow. March 24 at Bacone
College Palmer Center in Muskogee,
Okla. MC: Archie Mason. Head
Southern Singer: Herb Adson.
Info: (918) 360-6471, cai@ba-
cone.edu

Community Club Meetings

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

Big Cove Community Club

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

Hardesty 788-1646

Birdtown Community Club

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

Paint Town Community Club

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

Snowbird Community Club

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

Wolftown Community Club

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

Yellowhill Community Club

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

Community Groups

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

and everyone is welcome. Instruc-
tion is available.

Support Groups/Meetings

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

AA and NA meetings in

Cherokee. Alcoholics Anony-
mous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at
Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH),
Saturdays at 10am at CIH confer-
ence room
Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mon-
days at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at
8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH
ence room

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule for Fall/Win- ter 2017/18

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

Mondays

Safety WRAP: 9 -10am
Cherokee Culture: 11:15am -
12:30pm

Still Waters: 2-3pm

**Family Support: 5-6pm

Tuesdays

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

Emotions: 1-2pm

**Self-esteem: 2-3pm

**Life Recovery: 3-4pm

Wednesdays

Safety WRAP: 9-10am

Strong Hearts Women's Group:

11am - 12pm

Healthy Boundaries: 1-2:30pm

Creative Writing: 2-3pm

**Family Support: 5-6pm

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

**HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group:
(second and fourth Wednesdays
5:45-6:45pm)

Thursdays

**Life Recovery: 8:30-9:30am

Connections (Brene' Brown):
10:30-11:45am

Finding Tohi (Peace/Balance):
1-2pm

Uncle Skills Men's Group: 3-4pm

Fridays

Creative Recovery: 9:30 am - 12pm

Cherokee Language and Culture:
1-2:30pm

Popcorn and a Movie: 2:30-4pm
Info: Analenisgi Recovery Center
497-6892.

Times and dates may be subject to
change.

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

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

Cherokee Cancer Support

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

FOR RENT

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

FOR SALE

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

LAND FOR SALE – Blackrock Creek Community; Great home sites and acreage available 15 minutes from Harrah's casino. 1.6 to 9 acre tracts just outside the Reservation in Jackson County, NC. Seller financing available at great terms. Contact Bruce Nelson (954) 232-8375. 5/24pd

SERVICES

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

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

Oocumma's Law Mowing Services. Attention all businesses and homeowners – are you looking for a reliable company to mow grass for a reasonable price? If so, please call for a free estimate at 508-5183. Licensed and insured. TERO-certified. 4/19pd

SEEKING

SEEKING Building or Vacant land for immediate leasing along - Casino Trail, Paint Town Road and Tsalagi Road (Downtown Cherokee.) For interest, please contact (954) 205-5092. 3/29

FREE

FREE - Four male Carolina pups. Two brown, two brown-white paints. Intelligent, four months old, easily trainable. Free to good, loving homes. Wonderful dogs. Contact Skyhawk (828) 837-1549. 3/29

EMPLOYMENT

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Residential Treatment Center Manager - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
Optometrist
Pedodontist
PTR Registered Nurse - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
RN – Tsalagi Care Center (2 Positions)
Emergency Hire RN – Inpatient
Emergency Hire Dental Assistant II (2 Positions)
Dental Assistant II
Dentist – Satellite Clinics Cherokee County & Snowbird
Dentist
Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsalagi Care (11 Positions)
Certified Medication Aide - Tsalagi Care
LPN – Tsalagi Care (2 Positions)
RN MDS Coordinator – Tsalagi Care
PTI Registration Receptionist Clerk (2

Positions)

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

The Oconaluftee Indian Village is looking to fill the following positions for the 2018 Season:

*Tour Guides/Greeters *Crafters *Historical Re-Enactors *Concession
*Gift Shop *Box Office *Janitor/
Maintenance *Gardener

We are looking for people who are outgoing; who take pride in their culture and who are willing to educate the public about Cherokee History and Culture. We want applicants who have great work ethics and are willing to work weekends and holidays. An application and job description can be picked up at the Cherokee Historical Association Office, located across from the Museum of Cherokee Indians.

Guidelines:

- Indian Preference applies (Except specific historical reenactment roles)
 - Must be 17 yrs. old or older (Except for mentoring program)
 - Must make it through interview process
 - Must be able to show up at 8:30am and work until 5:00pm when required.
 - Must be able to work in varying work environment and varying conditions.
- 3/29pd

Job Opening: Cherokee Friends-Cultural Specialist

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is looking for one person for the Cherokee Friends program, April through November (part time hours). Cherokee Friends present programs to the public at the Museum and throughout the Cultural District, wearing historical clothing. Must have excellent skills for working with the public. Knowledge of Cherokee

history and culture a plus, but will also be trained by the Museum. Job will include public speaking, cultural demonstrations, and walking through the Cultural District. Employment is dependent on passing a drug test and background check. Indian preference applies. Stop by the Museum Box Office for an application. 3/29pd

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Payroll Officer
EVS Specialist (3 positions)
Mid- Level (FNP/PA) – Primary Care
To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close March 22, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. 3/22pd

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Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements

Full-Time Resident Counselor
(Cherokee Children's Home)
Until Filled

Part-Time Resident Counselors
(Cherokee Children's Home)
Until Filled

**Commercial and Residential
Project Manager**
(Resume Required)
Closes March 28, 2018

Mowing and Trimming Laborers
Opens March 14 Until Filled

Residential Social Worker
(Cherokee Children's Home)
Opens March 21, 2018; Closes April 4, 2018

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

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

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

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

EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS

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



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

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

Closing Friday, March 23, 2018

1. Collections Processor - Qualla Housing Authority - Housing (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)
2. Administrative Assistant - Qualla Housing Authority - Housing (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
3. Housekeeper I Light Duty - Housekeeping - Operations (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
4. Detention Officer (Multiple) - Corrections - CIPD (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
5. Evidence Control Custodian - CIPD (L7 \$31,078 - \$38,848)
6. Assistant Education Coordinator - Emergency Medical Services - Operations (L9 \$37,474 - \$46,843)
7. Supervisor - H.E.L.P. - Housing (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
8. Administrative Assistant - Housing and Community Development - Housing (L6 \$28,372 - \$35,465)

Closing Friday, March 30, 2018

1. Family Safety Social Worker - Family Safety - PHHS (L10 \$41,082 - \$51,353)
2. Teacher Assistant (Multiple) - Qualla Boundary HS/EHS - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
3. Cook - Senior Citizens - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
4. Cook - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
5. Cook Aide - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L2 \$19,598 - \$24,498)
6. Housekeeper - Tsali Care Center - PHHS (L3 \$21,484 - \$26,855)
7. Driver - Transit - Administration (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
8. Truck Driver/Crew Leader - Solid Waste - Operations (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
9. Maintenance Utility - Facilities - SB/CC Services (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
10. Maintenance Utility Worker (Tsali Manor) - Qualla Housing - Housing (L4 \$23,616 - \$29,520)
11. Technologies Buyer - Purchasing - Treasury (L8 \$34,112 - \$42,640)
12. Benefits Manager - Benefits - Human Resources (L15 \$64,206 - \$80,258)

Open Positions

1. Paramedic Part-Time - EMS - Operations (\$16.40 - \$20.50 per hour)

Download Applications and Job Descriptions and Apply Online at:
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Select positions eligible for hiring bonus. Restrictions apply. Please see Talent Acquisition department for details. Applicants must be 18 years of age or older and have a valid photo ID. An Enterprise of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Harrah's Cherokee Casinos value diversity and inclusion, and are equal opportunity employers. ©2018, Coesars License Company, LLC.

Museum Now Taking Applications

The Museum of the Cherokee Indians is now taking applications for both Full-time and Part-Time Seasonal workers. Pick up an application at the Box Office, must be able to work weekends and pass drug test. **3/29pd**

Phoenix Theatres Cherokee 6: Assistant Manager

Summary of Position
Position Responsibilities: - Monitoring of theatre staff and guest experience
- Daily Opening & closing operational duties - Ensuring quality film & facility presentation - Offering fresh, appealing and quick food & beverage service - Maintaining a clean, safe and comfortable environment for theatre guests
Requirements
- Capable of handling multiple tasks and following through on theatre, management or corporate directives in a timely manner - Comfortable reviewing financial and performance information to adjust operational needs accordingly - Positive attitude and excellent guest service skills - Effective written and oral communication skills to guests, supervisors, co-workers, staff and vendors - Basic computer skills and applicable work experience - Nights/weekends availability needed
Company Contact /Resume Submittals

Please email you resume to employment@phoenixtheatres.com or mail to the address below. For email submittals, only PDF files will be accepted.

Phoenix Theatres Entertainment
9111 Cross Park Drive Suite E275
Knoxville, TN 37923
Attention: HR Department

3/22pd

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Registered Nurse - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center
Master Level Therapist - Snowbird Residential Treatment Center

To apply, visit careers.cherokee-hospital.org. If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR department at 828-497-9163. These positions will close March 29, 2018 at 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply. **3/29pd**

TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: March 21, 2018
CLOSING DATE: March 28, 2018
At 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: FT Concession Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Must be able to oversee concession area. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE, AN ENTERPRISE CREATED BY THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS, RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL APPLICANTS AND EMPLOYMENT IS SUBJECT TO THOSE TERMS WHICH THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE DEEM APPROPRIATE. PREFERENCE WILL BE

GIVEN TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. **3/22pd**

TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: March 21, 2018
CLOSING DATE: March 28, 2018
At 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: FT Cashier
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 3
SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year cashier/cash handling experience required. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

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TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: March 21, 2018
CLOSING DATE: March 28, 2018
At 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: Full Time Floor Attendant
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1

SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

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TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: March 21, 2018
CLOSING DATE: March 28, 2018
At 4:00pm
NAME OF POSITION: Paper Room Controller
NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1
SHIFT: Evening

SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. Knowledge of purchasing and inventory preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED. Application

and a complete job description may be picked up at the Tribal Bingo Hall and returned to April Bradley or Caressa Jackson.

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LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 18-014
**In the Matter of the Estate of
Amy Autumn Crowe**
All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below.
Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS
FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION
Jeanne Crowe Lira, 229 Dewitt Owl Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **4/5pd**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION
EBCI THE CHEROKEE COURT
CHEROKEE, NC
FILE NO: 17-SP-047
JONAH BIDDIX
v.
KAMI ESQUIVEL
TO: KAMI ESQUIVEL

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

MINOR NAME CHANGE. You are required to make defense to this pleading not later than April 24, 2018 said date being 40 days from the first date of this publication, and upon your failure to do so, the party seeking against you will apply to the Court for the relief sought.

This is the 15th day of March 2018.
K. Denise Hallauer-Fox
Attorney for Plaintiff
EBCI Legal Assistance Office
P.O. Box 2280
Cherokee, NC 28719
828-359-7400
C.C. & N.C.G.S._1A-1, Rule 4(j1).
4/5pd

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Bids are being accepted for 2018 EBCI junior pageant crowns

2017 Teen Miss Cherokee Crown

- 9" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)
 - Use any colors/design for personal touch
 - Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.
- #### 2017 Junior Miss Cherokee Crown
- 7" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)
 - Use any colors/design for personal touch
 - Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.
- #### 2017 Little Miss Cherokee Crown
- 5" high, EBCI seal in center (seal must have all wording)
 - Use any colors/design for personal touch
 - Must present design and type of beads that will be used on the crown to the Board. Bid will not be accepted without presentation of design.

Bidders must be prepared to pres-

ent designs to the Board on Monday, March 26 at 5pm at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Info: Yona Wade 554-5032 or cherokeepageantboard@gmail.com . **3/22**
- Cherokee Pageant Board

Request for Proposals

The Natural Resource Management Office is seeking Request for Proposals (RFP) to complete EPA Brownfield Grant work. If Interested, and would like a packet to submit a proposal please contact:
Derek Tahquette
Natural Resource Management
828-359-6118
johntahq@nc-chokeee
3/22pd

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

BATHROOM CLEANING 2018BRC

The EBCI PUBLIC WORKS PROGRAM is requesting proposals from qualified firms to maintain three separate outdoor public restrooms located at Oconaluftee Island Park, Big Cove Ponds (beside KOA), and Acquoni Rd Family Park (across from Cherokee Skate Park).

All bids must be submitted by March 29, 2018, 12:00PM (EST). TERO certified companies will receive preference as TERO rules and regulation will apply

Contact Polly Castorena, 828-359-6530, to request a copy of the RFP. **3/29pd**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Geotechnical Services
The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed

Proposals (NCDOT Qualified Contractors) for Licensed Geotechnical Laboratory Services. The deadline for submitting Proposals will be March 29, 2018 at 10am.

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

You may request the full request for qualifications and proposal requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-359-6530. **3/29pd**

Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee Department of Transportation
680 Acquoni Road
Cherokee, North Carolina 28719
Phone: (828) 359-6530
Professional Survey

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed Qualification Proposals (NCDOT Qualified Contractors) for Licensed Professional Survey services. The deadline for submitting Qualification Proposals will be April 2, 2018 at 10am.

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

You may request the full request for qualifications and proposal requirements for proposals through the CDOT Office. If you have any questions or comments, please contact CDOT at (828)-359-6530. **3/29pd**

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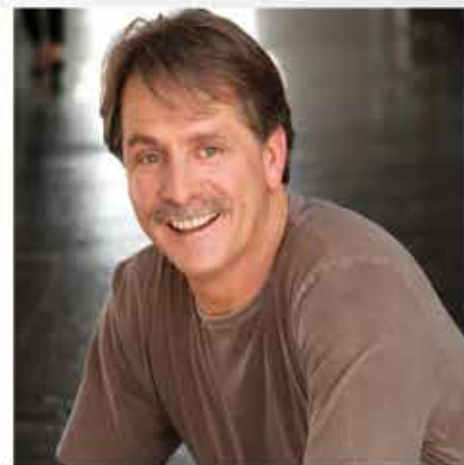
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