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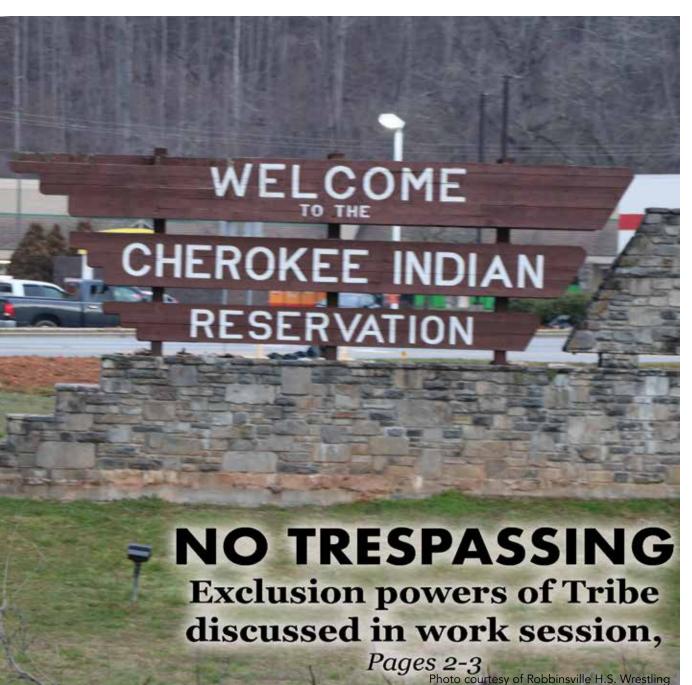
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"If you want to learn, it's got to come from deep

down."

- Carolyn Bird, Cherokee Speakers Council



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Exclusion powers of Tribe discussed in work session

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he ability of leaders of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) to exclude people from its territory was discussed during a work session of Tribal Council on Wednesday, Feb. 26. The meeting was initially set to discuss Tabled Ord. No. 18 (2019) but ended up being more of a discussion on Tabled Ord. No. 124 (2020) - both dealing with proposed amendments to Chapter 2 of the Cherokee Code entitled 'Exclusion Powers of the Tribe'.

Ord. No. 18, submitted in October 2019, sought to change Section 2-4 (Terms of exclusion) to add the following language, "Nothing in this Chapter shall serve to bind Tribal Council in the future from reconsidering a person's exclusion order from Cherokee trust lands and lifting said exclusion order should a change of circumstances warrant such action. An order of exclusion may be lifted by majority vote."

The idea of that ordinance, submitted by EBCI tribal member Kallup McCoy II, was to provide a way for excluded people to seek entrance back onto EBCI trust lands.

During Wednesday's discussion, Michael McConnell, EBCI interim attorney general, said that it was his understanding that Ord. No. 18 would be withdrawn as his office submitted Ord. No. 124 as a broader look at Chapter 2 that included similar language.

Wednesday's session began with discussion on Ord. No. 18.

Birdtown Rep. Boyd Owle said, "I think bringing people back on the reservation like this would be about the same as letting someone out on parole. I think whoever the family that they harmed or the families they came into contact with that made them become banned should have a say as to why they shouldn't be brought back - just like a parole board hearing where the family gets to speak as to why they don't want them out."

Painttown Rep. Dike Sneed, former Cherokee Chief of Police, said he is vehemently against the change. "A lot of the time, the victim was the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. They would bring in loads of dope to the casino and distribute them to the dealers, and we would catch them doing that. That's what the majority of these are. Some are individuals who lived here, and we don't know who all they stole from to support their habit."

He added, "I spoke with as many elders as I could at the casino a few minutes ago, and none of them are in favor of this ordinance going through, and that's why I can't support it."

Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke concurred, "I wouldn't even consider supporting something like this. There's a reason those people were banished."

Tribal Council Chairman Adam Wachacha pointed to the portion of Tabled Ord. No. 18 that





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states the ban could be lifted by a majority vote of Council. "It takes a two-thirds vote to even do it, but a majority vote isn't even two-thirds so those are some of the concerns I have in even having consideration on that. It would at least have to have that because that's what it takes to even exclude a person."

Rep. Saunooke noted, "Just about every one of us sitting here has been affected by drugs or alcohol...we don't need them back here. They're criminals."

Several years ago, state law changed regarding people excluded by the Tribe who re-enter and trespass on EBCI trust lands. N.C. House Bill 744 passed and was ratified by Gov. Roy Cooper on June 15, 2018 and took effect on Dec. 1, 2018. According to information from the General Assembly, "...

House Bill 744 would make it a first-degree trespass for a person to enter onto or remain upon lands of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians after having been excluded by resolution passed by the Tribal Council. A first offense would be a Class 2 misdemeanor, and any subsequent offense would be a Class I felony, including a fine of not less than \$1,000."

McConnell addressed the change noting, "The state law did change, and it's a felony now to violate an exclusion resolution issued by the Tribe. So, that's a great step. The difficulty is in the on-the-ground 'how do you deal with this' situation. We constantly try to work with the police department on how to do that. One of the sticking points with the tribal process is making sure that the person who is being excluded has

been properly served with the exclusion resolution."

He added, "We may all know it. The papers may all be in our offices, but if that person hasn't been served properly when it goes to court they would have a very good defense to that exclusion."

Rep. Saunooke said, "We've banished people and they've never left here. It's a felony now, and that's a good thing."

At this point in Wednesday's work session, the discussion shifted to Tabled Ord. No. 124 which was deemed read and tabled during February's Tribal Council session.

"It takes a broad look at Chapter 2 and makes some additions to it." said McConnell.

Some of the proposed changes include:

- * Addition of subsection (d) to Section 2-1 which reads, "The power to exclude contains the power to modify or terminate a previously ordered exclusion."
- * Addition of subsection (e) to Section 2-1, "The Tribe hereby declares that the power to exclude is an inherent and essential part of Tribal sovereignty. It is indispensable to the Tribe's autonomy and self-governance. Further, it is a natural right of the members of this Tribe, through their tribal leaders and codified tribal law, to exercise the power of exclusion to protect the Tribe's natural, economic, and cultural resources, and to protect the health, safety, and welfare of tribal members."
- * Amend subsection (b) to Section 2-3, "Such persons shall be provid-

ed with a written statement of the grounds for the proposed exclusion at the same time notice of the hearing is served upon them.

Currently, Sec. 2-5 (Votes required for exclusion) outlines the number of Tribal Council votes required for various times of exclusion including: 90 day exclusion requires a majority vote, more than 90 day exclusion requires a two-thirds vote, and permanent exclusion requires a three-fourths vote.

Tabled Ord. No. 124 proposes amending Sec. 2-5 to read, "Once a quorum of Tribal Council is established to consider an exclusion, a majority vote shall be required to approve the exclusion action. Except for Writs for Emergency Temporary Exclusion, exclusion actions shall be presented to Tribal Council by resolution."

Ord. No. 124 would also add Sec. 2-10 (Harboring excluded persons) which reads, "Any person who harbors an excluded person on Cherokee trust lands shall be guilty of a crime and upon conviction thereof may be sentenced to a term of imprisonment not to exceed six months or a fine not to exceed \$5,000, or both."

Rep. Sneed said he is in favor of the addition of Sec. 2-10 and noted he would like to see a minimum mandatory sentence. "We have to get the message across if you're harboring them, then you're doing wrong and you've got to stop. At least let them know we aren't going to tolerate that anymore."



One Feather deadline Friday at 12 p.m.

Cherokee Speakers Council building its foundation

JONAH LOSSIAH

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he newly-instituted Cherokee Speakers Council has been meeting for several months and is taking the steps to solidify their role.

Tribal Council passed a resolution on Oct. 28, 2019 that established the Speakers Council as an official organization. The resolution states the Speakers Council will serve as a cultural advisory committee.

The goal of the Speakers Council is to "be the primary representation of the Eastern Band of the Cherokees on all matter regarding language, translations, traditions and culture".

Their meetings are almost entirely held in the Cherokee language and is made up of mostly fluent speakers. There two members on the Council that do not consider themselves fluent, but fully conversational in the language.

All fluent speakers will be accepted as members of the Council, and officer positions will be elected every two years. The following members have been elected into positions:

- Chairman Roger Smoker
- Vice Chair Wiggins Blackfox
- Secretary Carolyn bird
- Scribe Z. Michelle Long
- Administrator Bo Lossiah
- Moderator Garfield J. Axe-Long
- Treasurer To be determined.

The Speakers Council has applied for 501c3 status and will elect a treasurer following approval.

"We get a lot of information from the other speakers -what the needs are. The main focus is producing speakers," said Roger Smoker.

The main thing is support. I think the parents need to support their kids with the language. It's like she (Carolyn Bird) said with sports. Parents go to watch them to support the kids, I think it should be the same thing with the language," continued Smoker.

The by-laws for the Council are currently under review. Reportedly, there are a few modifications and amendments that are in motion. Lossiah took charge of forming the by-laws and also submitted the initial resolution to form the organization to Tribal Council.

To meet with the Speakers Council or present information to them, the deadline to request time is the second Friday of each month. They meet on the third Friday of every month at 9 a.m.

The new process for an official translation request will also go through this Speakers Council.

There are forms that will soon be available to the public that must be submitted by the same second Friday deadline.

Carolyn Bird said that as much as she enjoys people wanting to learn the language, she says that it's just as important that people go about it the right way.

"If you want to learn, it's got to come from deep down. That you really want to learn. It's just not the money out there. Right now, I think that's the biggest part. 'Well how much money will I get? How much am I going to get paid?' That's not what Cherokee's about. Not to me."

Bird and the other members also said that they understand small compensation for teachers and the like, but that money should not be the motivation for learning. They said that programs that would allow tribal employees to learn during work hours is another option, but again that paying stipends for attending classes seems wrong.

Each member of the Council is dedicated to preserving the language, and they say that getting the speakers in one room will be very beneficial moving forward. "This is our language," said Marie Junaluska. "We're Cherokee, we should know how to speak it. What it's all about. And I think there are a lot of people realizing that. I've noticed a lot of parents and a lot of tribal members are coming forward now to try to learn."



Photos contributed

Roger Smoker, an elder of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and a fluent Cherokee speaker, has been selected as the chairman of the Cherokee Speakers Council.



The newly-instituted Cherokee Speakers Council has been meeting for several months and is taking the steps to solidify their role.

White indicted, charged with distributing fentanyl in overdose death

ASHEVILLE – A federal grand jury sitting in Charlotte returned a criminal bill of indictment on Thursday, Feb. 20, charging Shannon White, 42, of Cherokee, with distributing fentanyl that resulted in an overdose death, announced Andrew Murray, U.S. Attorney for the Western District of North Carolina. White appeared in federal court on the morning of Monday, Feb. 24, following her arrest by the DEA and the Swain County Sheriff's Office. The criminal bill of indictment alleges that on Jan. 28, 2019, White did knowingly distribute a mixture or substance containing fentanyl, a Schedule II controlled substance, which re-

sulted in the death of a victim identified in the indictment as J.F.

White had her initial appearance on Feb. 24 in Asheville before U.S. Magistrate Judge W. Carleton Metcalf. The offense charged carries a mandatory minimum term of 20 years imprisonment, a maximum term of life imprisonment, and a \$1,000,000 fine.

The charge contained in the indictment is an allegation. The defendant is innocent until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.

Robert J. Murphy, Special Agent in Charge of the Atlanta Field Division of the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA), which oversees the Asheville District Office, and the counties encompassing the Cherokee Indian Reservation, joined U.S. Attorney Murray in

making the announcement.

In making the announcement, U.S. Attorney Murray thanked the DEA and the Swain County Sheriff's Office for their investigation of this case. Assistant U.S. Attorney Thomas Kent, of the U.S. Attorney's Office in Asheville, is handling the prosecution.

Last month, U.S. Attorney Murray was joined by the U.S. Attorneys for the Middle and Eastern Districts of North Carolina and the District of South Carolina, in calling on Congress to issue a permanent ban on fentanyl and its analogues. Congress passed a 15-month extension on DEA's existing ban on all variants of fentanyl, which President Trump signed into law on February 6, 2020. The current extension expires on May 6, 2021.

U.S. Department of Justice release

One Feather wins 16 N.C. Press Awards including first in community coverage

RALEIGH - The Cherokee One Feather won a total of 16 awards at the North Carolina Press Association's annual convention and banquet held in Raleigh on Thursday, Feb. 27. The awards were given for work done in the contest period from Oct. 1, 2018 to Sept. 30, 2019.

As a team, Robert Jumper, editor, and reporters Jonah Lossiah and Scott McKie Brings Plenty won first place in the Community Coverage category and first place in the Use of Social Media category. The paper's website, theonefeather.com, took third place in the General Excellence for Websites category Division A. Since the One Feather joined the NCPA in 2009, it is the eighth win in that category for the website.

Jonah also won the following awards:

* 2nd place, Arts and Entertainment Reporting,

"Even as We Breathe"

* 2nd place, Sports Feature Photography, Photo of Braves Head Football Coach David Napert Scott also won the following awards:

* 1st place, Use of Color in Advertisement, "Free online ads in February - A Sweet Deal" * 1st place, Photo Page or Essay, Photos from Cherokee Performing Arts Program production of "Into the Woods"

* 1st place, Sports Feature Photography, Photos



From left, reporters Jonah Lossiah and Scott McKie Brings Plenty are shown with One Feather Editor Robert Jumper as they pose with the 16 N.C. Press Association Awards the paper won at the 2019 NCPA Awards Banquet on Thursday, Feb. 27.

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* 2nd place, Election/Political Reporting, Series of articles on three candidates seeking election certification

* 2nd place, Photo Page or Essay, Photos from 44th Annual Eastern Band Cherokee Pow Wow * 2nd place, Feature Photography, Photos of Annual Kituwah Celebration

* 2nd place, Sports Columns, "On the Sidelines"

* 3rd place, Appearance and Design, layout of Cherokee One Feather print issues

* 3rd place, Arts and Entertainment Reporting "Cherokee Performing Arts taking risks with 'Into the Woods'"

* 3rd place, Feature Photography, photo of hawk flying

* 3rd place, Institutional Advertisement, Annual Trick-or-Treat Night

SPORTS

A real balancing act

Gymnastics provides discipline and fun for Cherokee girls

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

RANKLIN – Several times a week, for multiple hours each time, Shawnee Kirkland and Sara Toineeta travel from Cherokee to Franklin to participate in the sport they love – gymnastics. Shawnee, 12, and Sara, 11, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and sixth graders at Cherokee Middle School, participate in the sport at New Vision Gymnastics in Franklin.

"Being here for awhile, it's like they are family – the girls are like your sisters and the coaches are like your parents," said Sara. "It's like a whole other family to come to, and I like the support and encouragement."

She added, "I like doing it. It's really fun. I'm in (Junior Olympic) Level 7, and we practice 16 hours a week; from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, and sometimes on Saturdays if we're training for a competition."

Shawnee, whose level is Xcel Gold, noted, "I really enjoy flipping around. When I was younger, I couldn't find a sport that I could stay in because I have ADHD. My favorite event is the bars."

April Ostojic, Sara and Shawnee's coach, said of the program, "Right now, we have 15 levels at USA Gymnastics – the Bronze through the Platinum divisions and then the Junior Olympic program which is Levels 1 through 10. We compete right now in the Bronze through Platinum and Levels 7, 8, and 9."

She noted that the girls will be competing in one more regular meet before moving on to the state meets in a few weeks. "The girls compete in four events – the vault, uneven bars, balance beam, and floor exercise. All of the competitions they go to they will do a routine on each of those four events."



Gymnastics is a family affair for both girls as it takes a family to make it happen. "It's a huge commitment for parents to come over here," said Quana Winstead, Sara's mother. "She's been competing since she was 6 and coming to gymnastics since she was 4. So, we don't really know of life any other way."

She said that gymnastics has taught Sara many important life lessons. "It's really good to see the girls when they make accomplishments – when they accomplish their goal that they set. They work for months to accomplish one skill. Then, they get one try at a competition to show that. Sometimes, they do it and that's great and they're happy and proud of themselves. Other times, I think it's a really good way to learn disappointment and failure."

Quana added, "I think it's really taught her (Sara) how to be humble and to know that she just needs to try her best. She doesn't come here to be the best gymnast on the team. She just really tries to be better than she was yesterday."

Erin Kirkland, Shawnee's mother, said gymnastics has helped her daughter grow and mature. "She has ADHD. So, when she was little, we did one year of basketball, a couple years of softball. But, she's always been turning cartwheels and putting on little shows in our living room – kind of like the floor routine. Everybody kept saying, 'you need to put her in gymnastics'."

She also noted, "She's (Shawnee) grown up a lot now, but when she was younger, gymnastics was the only thing that kept her focused because they're always doing something. They're always moving, and they're not waiting in long lines."



Shawnee Kirkland, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, works on her uneven bars routine while her coach, Kat Lannon, gives her support.

Erin said other lessons and benefits have come from the sport as well. "She's been doing better in school. In first grade, I held her back because she wouldn't sit still long enough to learn how to read. Now, this year, she was on the A Honor Roll both the first quarter and the second quarter. I think this sport has helped by teaching them discipline. Her last meet was on a Sunday and the next day we were right back in the gym. So, they just keep coming back and working at it again."

Quana said the challenges of the sport are rewarding for Sara. "We all agree that this is the most difficult sport, physically and mentally. Mentally, it can really be tough. Gymnastics has taught her so much about how to take care of her body. She has learned that when she eats well, she feels and performs better than



Kirkland puts in more work on her uneven bars.

when she doesn't eat so good. She knows that she needs to stay active and keep moving, and gymnastics really helps her have pride in her body, which, as a parent, is very important to me."

Shawnee summed up her love

of gymnastics and the goals she sets for herself within the sport, "I've learned that if you set your mind to something, you can do it with hard work and determination."

BASKETBALL

Lady Braves top Swain in first round





SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

Cherokee's Raylen Bark (#1) is fouled while shooting by Swain County's S. Smith in a 1A state playoff first round game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 25. Cherokee led the entire game en route to a 70-44 victory. The contest started out slowly for both teams. The Lady Braves led 11-5 after the first period and were able to extend that to 32-20 by the half. By the end of the third, Cherokee led by 25 points (52-27) and kept it going in the final eight minutes to secure the big win. Cherokee's scorers included: Bark 13, Tigger King 4, Naomi Smith 10, Deante Toineeta 19, Vivian Ross 3, Jordyn Martin 8, Zoey Walkingstick 5, Alexis Smith 2, Rhyan Girty 2, Kamia Wiggins 2, and Tierney Bradley 2. Swain County's scorers included: Helpman 18, Younce 3, Spates 2, Woodard 2, Hicks 7, Ross 7, and S. Smith 5.





ABOVE: Toineeta brings the ball up the court during the first half of Tuesday's game. She led the Lady Braves with 19 points on the night.

LEFT: Girty (#32) goes for a shot while Swain County's Bri Ross (#23) defends.

Braves edge South Stokes in first round win



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos Cherokee's Sarron Johnson (#4)

shoots a three-point shot over South Stokes' Elijah Mitchell during a 1A state playoff first round match-up at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 25. The Braves led most of the game which went down to the wire with Cherokee edging the Sauras 54-51. With 19 points, Johnson led Cherokee followed by Bobby Crowe with 9. Cherokee led 11-8 after the first period and 24-22 at the half. The Braves built a small lead during the third period and led 36-29 going into the final eight. The Sauras narrowed the gap and took the lead at one point, but the Braves were able to hold on for the three-point win. Other Braves scorers included: Chris Johnson 2, Ethan Crowe 4, Treannie Larch 4, Don Bradley 8, and Sterling Santa Maria 8. South Stokes scorers included: Landon Parsons 6, Carson Stanley 4, Shemar Dalton 7, Connor Barron 3, Mitchell 6, Daniel Fulk 4, Ryan Tilley 13, and Matthew Montgomery 8.





ABOVE: Crowe brings the ball up the court in the first half. He ended the game with 9 points.

LEFT: Bradley, who finished the game with 8 points, shoots over South Stokes' Montgomery.

Lady Braves fall to Murphy in third round match-up



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos Cherokee's Raylen Bark (#1) guards Murphy's Sydni Addison (#35) as she prepares to pass the ball to teammate Torin Rogers (#11) who is guarded by Naomi Smith in a third round 1A state playoff game at Murphy High School on the afternoon of Saturday, Feb. 29. The Lady Bulldogs led throughout en route to a 63-44 win over Cherokee. Murphy jumped out to an early lead scoring the first 13 points of the game and leading 20-6 after the third period. They extended that to a 22-point lead (36-14) by the half and kept near that score advantage for the remainder of the game. Cherokee scorers included: Bark 6, Tigger King 5, Smith 8, Deante Toineeta 9, Vivian Ross 8, Zoey Walkingstick 1, and Kamia Wiggins 7. Murphy's scorers included: Kaiya Pickens 5, Rogers 15, Mia Wilson 6, Sarah Pullium 17, and Addison 20.





ABOVE: Following a steal, King darts down the court en route to a lay-up in the first half. She finished the game with 5 points.

LEFT: Toineeta lines up for a three-point shot in the first half. She ended with 9 points on the afternoon.

WEEKLY SCOREBOARD

BASKETBALL

1A Men's Basketball Championships Western Region

First Round – Tuesday, Feb. 25

Cherokee 54 South Stokes 51

Lincoln Charter 89 Highlands 42

Union Academy 68 Christ the King 64

Mitchell 49 Andrews 44

Hayesville 68 Swain Co. 48

Pine Lake Prep. 58 Bishop McGuiness 57

Chatham Charter 64 Highland School of Tech.

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Mountain Island Charter 83 Carolina Int. 68

Queen's Grant 64 South Stanly 61

Starmount 85 Clover Garden 62

Cherryville 67 Mount Airy 66

North Rowan 70 North Stanly 67

North Stokes 72 Bessemer City 67

East Surry 80 Thomas Jefferson 58

Winston-Salem Prep 85 Elkin 30

Second Round – Thursday, Feb. 27

Chatham Charter 76 Cherokee 58

Lincoln Charter 84 Union Academy 68

Community School of Davidson 66 Mitchell 64

Mountain Island Charter 86 Queen's Grant 67

Starmount 67 Cherryville 61

North Rowan 64 North Stokes 58

Winston-Salem Prep 71 East Surry 49

Third Round - Saturday, Feb. 29

Lincoln Charter 81 Community School of Da-

vidson 50

Chatham Charter 58 Hayesville 40

1A Women's Basketball Championships Western Region

First Round – Tuesday, Feb. 25

Cherokee 70 Swain Co. 42

Murphy 79 Pine Lake Prep 25

Union Academy 63 Rosman 54

Lincoln Charter 64 South Stokes 39

Gray Stone Day 66 Avery Co. 28

Hiwassee Dam 49 Christ the King 31

Robbinsville 74 Winston-Salem Prep 35

East Surry 74 Piedmont Community College 30

Mitchell 65 North Stokes 24

Mount Airy 72 Blue Ridge Early College 47

Community School of Davidson 49 Thomas

Jefferson 21

North Rowan 70 Mountain Island Charter 40

Highlands 67 Bessemer City 38



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photo

Miss Cherokee 2019-20 Amy West sings the Cherokee National Anthem prior to the start of first round 1A state playoff basketball games at the Charles George Memorial Arena on the evening of Tuesday, Feb. 25.

Langtree Charter 49 Starmount 32
Hayesville 45 Polk Co. 43
Alleghany 44 East Wilkes 31
Second Round – Thursday, Feb. 27
Cherokee 55 Lincoln Charter 40
Murphy 61 Union Academy 36
Gray Stone Day 45 Hiwassee Dam 38
East Surry 62 Robbinsville 45
Mitchell 53 Mount Airy 41

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Highlands 83 Langtree Charter 61
Alleghany 58 Hayesville 42

Third Round - Saturday, Feb. 29
Murphy 63 Cherokee 44
East Surry 65 Gray Stone Day 44

Mitchell 63 Community School of Davidson 52 Highlands at Allegheny (scheduled for March 2)

Community School of Davidson 66 North Row-

Cherokee youth teams win travel league tournaments



Photo by Moe Hernandez/ A&M Photography

The Cherokee Mite Lady Braves won the WNC Youth Travel League tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22. They finished the season undefeated and won the regular season title as well. The team is shown, left to right, as follows: Shelby Solis, Roxy Bark, LoLo Hogner, Coach Timiyah Brown, Kieaira Ensley, Jana Girty, Kylie Wright, Yvonne Saunooke, Coach Mike Ramos, Aaliyah Voss, Lily Ramos, and Jamy Teesateskie.



Photo by Moe Hernandez/A&M Photography

The Cherokee Termite Lady Braves won the WNC Youth Travel League tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22. The team also went 12-0 on the year and won the regular season title. Shown, left to right, back row – Coaches Rob Stamper, Miranda Stamper, and Charmin Welch; front row – Livi Crowe, Joscelyn Stamper, Cambry Stamper, Daisee Raby, Austin Raby, Madison Rogers, Morgan Hernandez, Laylah Thompson, Emilee Brady, Lilly Lossiah, Brooklyn Panther, and Kennedy Moore.



Photo by Moe Hernandez/ A&M Photography

The Cherokee Lady Braves Pee Wees won the WNC Youth Travel League tournament title on Saturday, Feb. 22. The team went 12-0 on the season and won the regular season title as well. They are shown, left to right, back row - Coach Chelsea Saunooke, Coach Shannon Bark, and Coach Sis Fourkiller; middle row - Adalynn Taylor, Emily Teesateskie, Breylen Murphy, Nellie Lambert, Aria Toineeta, and Cher Crowe-Garcia; front row - Lula Ensley, Nyra Reed-Myers, Haizleigh Driver, Tatum Saunooke, Ehko Lossiah, and Maya Lossiah.



Photo by Moe Hernandez/A&M Photography

The Cherokee Braves Termites won the WNC Youth Travel League Tournament on Saturday, Feb. 22. They are shown, left to right, front row - Dillon Beam, Ethan Kanott, Felix Lossiah, and Caden Stephens; back row - Waya Hernandez, Utsela Saunooke, Dalton Yates, Zeke Welch, Kyitan Johnson, Zaynon Taylor, CJ Grant, and Brandon Blankenship.

COMMUNITY

Arts Council Grant sustains Cherokee metalwork tradition

wo Cherokee artists and their teacher are the recipients of a prestigious North Carolina Arts Council grant. The statewide Apprenticeship Grant is offered only once a year with only one artist team receiving the award. The grant allows for a master artist to work yearlong as a mentor to selected apprentices. The team consists of James R. Wolfe and Nathan Bush, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI), and William Rogers.

From the Snowbird Community, Bush has demonstrated the art of hammered copper at the Oconaluftee Indian Village since 2015. He began working at the Village as a gardener and moved on to become the program coordinator where he supervises the craft workers. He is an expert on medicinal plants, something he learned from his mother and grandmother as he was growing up.

An artist all of his life, Wolfe is from the Big Cove Community. As an artist, he has mastered several media, including pottery, basketry, carving, and metalworking. He is best known for his figurative sculptures complete with miniature weapons. After working at the Oconaluftee Indian Village as a historic interpreter for more than a decade, he set out on his own as a full time professional artist.

A master craftsman and mentor to the two younger smiths, Rogers maintains his studio in Cullowhee, where he makes custom metalwork and teaches. As a consultant, he developed the blacksmithing studio for the Jackson County Green Energy Park, adapting a gas forge to burn methane recovered from a former



Photo courtesy of North Carolina Arts Council

Nathan Bush, center, and James Wolfe, right, both members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, work with William Rogers learning to forge hot steel as part of their apprenticeship.

landfill site. With sponsorship from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, from 2009-11, he was artist-in-residence at Cherokee High School, where he created two collaborative kinetic sculptures that are permanently installed in the school atrium.

Traditionally, eastern tribes used hammer stones to create images after first hammering copper nuggets into thin sheets. For the most part, only fragments remain, but archeologists have drawn in missing parts to allow a full picture to emerge. Among the best known pieces is a copper plate found in north Georgia depicting a hero figure wearing an elaborate headdress with a beaked nose resembling a falcon. While hammered copper is part of a Cherokee's ancestry, only one metalsmith, Arch Miller, was listed



Photo by Chris Aluka Berry

Dancers surround the Eternal Flame sculpture, a centerpiece of the Stecoah Cultural Arts Center's Cherokee Courtyard.

as a charter member in 1946 when Qualla Arts and Crafts cooperative was founded.

The traditional crafts-basketry, pottery, carving, beading, and weaving—have been the mainstay of the Oconaluftee Indian Village since its opening in the 1950s. It was there that Rogers met Bush and Wolfe. In 2013, a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services funded a project at the Oconaluftee Indian Village to revitalize metalworking on the Qualla Boundary. While Rogers taught over a dozen EBCI artisans how to hammer copper, it was these two who took up the craft with serious pursuit. After several years of diligent practice, both Bush and Wolfe were accepted into the Qualla Arts and Crafts coop, an accomplishment afforded

only the best at their craft.

In 2018, the trio created and installed an Eternal Flame sculpture for the Stecoah Cultural Arts Center. The seven-foot-tall freestanding sculpture was designed and fabricated by Rogers who incorporated original designs in copper by Bush and Wolfe. The team is currently working on a sculpture of Grandfather Buzzard for the new wing of the Cherokee Hospital.

The current grant from the North Carolina Arts Council is providing the trio with time to work together and hone their blacksmithing skills. The grant supports a mentor artist and apprentices. A mentor artist is a tradition bearer committed to the perpetuation of a traditional art form. An apprentice is a dedicat-

ed student who has been chosen by a mentor artist for a sustained period of study in the mentor's art form. Throughout the apprenticeship, the mentors and apprentices document and publicly present their work together within their communities.

The goal of this grant and past projects is not only to produce new

and exciting art works, but also to revitalize and sustain a tradition. Aside from their own work, a testimony to the sustainability of this 21st century copper revival is the fact that the Cherokee Indian Fair included copper as a competitive category in the 2019 fair, for the first time in its 100+ year history.

- Submitted by Anna Fariello



CHEROKEE FITNESS COMPLEX

OPEN
Monday-Thursday
5 AM to 10 PM
Friday
5 AM to 6:30 PM
Saturday 9 AM to 2 PM

Cherokee Life Center

37 Cherokee Boys Club Loop

Cherokee, North Carolina 28719

The H.E.L.P. Program is now taking applications for Lawn Maintenance and Garden Plowing

Eligibility Requirements

- · Must be an enrolled member of EBCI
- · Individuals applying for assistance must be living in the home.
- Applicants must be 59 ½
- Applicants under 59 ½ must not be physically capable of nowing:
- Proof of Disability (Social Security Disability Statement)
- A Doctor's note stating applicant is not physically capable

Mowing

- Client/Family is responsible for getting yard clear of any trash/debris.
- Residence must be within the 3 county service areas: Swain, Jackson and Haywood.
- Seasonal April 1st 2020 September 28th 2020.
- Mowing and weed eating will include a 50 ft. perimeter around the home including carports.
- Lawns mowed outside the 50 ft, perimeter will be the home owner's responsibility.

Plowing

- · Available up to a 100 ft. by 100 ft. area
- · (1) garden per household



For further questions and concerns, please call: (828) 359-6638

Veterans sought for Honor Flight opportunity

If you are a veteran of the Korean War or the War in Vietnam, and you would like to go on a one day trip to our Nation's Capital, Washington D.C., and visit the military memorials and monuments that are dedicated to you for military service with fellow veterans of that time period, then please speak up. This is a one-day flight from Asheville, hosted by the Blue Ridge Honor Flight, and is at no cost to you. This guided tour is to honor you for your military service to this great nation. Info: Warren Dupree 508-2657

> - Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143

H.E.L.P. Program is taking applications for lawn maintenance and garden plowing

Eligibility requirements:

- * Must be a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
- * Individuals applying for assistance must be living in the home
- * Applicants must be at least 59 1/2 years old
- * Applicants under 59 1/2 must not be physically capable of mowing: proof of disability (Social Security Disability Statement or a doctor's note stating applicant is not physically capable
- Mowing:
- * Client/family is responsible for getting yard clear of any trash and/or debris
- * Residence must be within the three-county service area (Jackson, Swain, and Haywood)
- * Seasonal: April 1 to Sept. 28
- * Mowing and weed eating will include a 50-foot perimeter around the home including carports.
- * Lawns mowed outside the 50foot perimeter will be the homeowner's responsibility. Plowing:

- * Available up to a 100-foot by 100-foot area
- * One (1) garden per household Info: 359-6638
 - EBCI H.E.L.P. Program

National 2020 Census update

The National 2020 Census Day is just around the corner - only 65 days away. The following is an update on what the residents of the Qualla Boundary, can expect:

The 2020 Census has already begun in Alaska and will begin soon in other areas in February. The process will begin with group quarters such as: nursing homes, children's homes, jails, prisons, etc. Opportunities for employment with the 2020 Census will run until July. Pay rate is \$17.00 per hour plus mileage .58 per mile. Opportunities for full-time and part-time employment are available. To apply go to 2020census. gov/jobs to apply.

How will the 2020 Census work?

- By mid-March households will receive official 2020 Census information (not at your post office box). By April 1, every home should have received an invitation to participate in the census. In this information you will find a Census ID Number. You will be instructed to go to the census website, enter the ID Number, and complete the 2020 Census form. Keep in mind that everyone in your household must be counted. Young children (ages 0-4) are the most undercounted members of the population. Please include them. They
- You can respond online, by phone, or by mail.
- If you do not respond after receiving the first notice. You will receive another reminder with a Census ID Number. Once again, you will be encouraged to respond

- online, by phone, or by mail.
 If you do not respond after the second notice you will receive a paper form at your home, which you can complete and mail back to the census bureau. It will also include a Census ID Number, so if you chose not to submit the paper form you can still respond online or by phone.
- If you still do not respond to these efforts, then you can expect a visit from a census worker. Official Census workers should always identify themselves as an employee of the US Census Bureau. No one from the Census Bureau should ask for your social security number, money or a donation, anything on behalf of a political party, credit card, or banking information. If they do, then this is a scam. Please report this to the US Census Bureau immediately!

Each year, the federal government distributes hundreds of billions of dollars to states and communities based on Census Bureau data. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians receives 10 percent in federal funding with some tribal programs receiving 70 to 100 percent in federal funds - Cherokee Central Schools receives 70 percent and Cherokee Indian Hospital 32 percent.

The 2020 Census Cherokee Committee will be hosting a 2020 Census "Kick-Off" Event on Thursday, April 2 beginning at 11 a.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Committee members will be available to assist individuals with responding to the census and answering any questions they may have. T-shirts will be given to those who show proof of participating in the 2020 Census. Community Garden Kits will also be given out by the EBCI Extension Center.

This information is submit-

ted by the 2020 Census Cherokee Complete Count Committee. If you have any questions on the census or employment opportunities please contact any of the following committee members: Tammy Jackson, EBCI Cooperative Extension Center; Kim Smith, Census Bureau regional representative; Zena Rattler, Snowbird Library and Cherokee County; Adam Lambert, Qualla Boundary Public Library); Hope Huskey, Sequoyah Fund; Judith Welch, SW Council Agency on Aging; Melanie Lambert and Nakeysha Welch, Tribal Enrollment; William Maney, Tribal Childcare; Lisa Parker, BIA/Realty Office; Tamara Jackson, Tribal Housing; Kelsey Jackson, EOC Public Safety; Heather Owle and Stephanie Maney, EBCI Communications; and Jessica Winchester, Tammie Welch, Amanda Moore, Kelsey Owle, Cherokee Central Schools.

Info: Visit the group's Facebook page at: Census 2020 EBCI or go to 2020census.gov

- 2020 Census Cherokee Complete Count Committee releasee

Volunteer Income Tax Assistance (VITA) appointment available

VITA prepares simple tax returns for free for individuals who make less than \$54,000 gross income, Elders (59.5+), and others who need general tax help. Appointment times are available and can be made through April 8. Please bring the following documents: tax forms (W2s, 1099s, etc.); one form of tribal, federal, or state photo ID for all family members; banking information (account and routing number) if needed for refund; and previous year's tax returns if available.

The site location for this service will be the EBCI Cooperative

Extension Office.

Info: Julie Wilnoty, site coordinator, 359-6938, juliwiln@ nc-cherokee.com

> - EBCI Cooperative Extension Office

Call for vendors for 23rd Annual Greening Up the Mountains

The Greening Up the Mountains Festival, set for Saturday, April 25 in downtown Sylva from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., is a heritage arts festival that celebrates the arrival of Spring through both traditional and contemporary forms of Appalachian art, music, food, and beverage which honor our community and local artisans. The Greening Up The Mountains Festival is now in its 23rd year and is inviting applications from artisans and food vendors. The festival is sponsored by the Town of Sylva and the

Weekdays

Main Street Sylva Association and typically enjoys crowds upwards 12,000 attendees and has 175 vendor booth spaces. In addition to a variety of arts, crafts, and food vendors, attendees can enjoy a 5k run, youth talent contest, beverage arts featuring local craft breweries, and live music throughout the day.

Applications will be accepted through March 15 and can be downloaded at www.greeningupthemountains. com. Info: Kendra Hamm, event coordinator, at greeningupthemountains@gmail.com

- Greening Up the Mountains

Kindergarten registration for Swain County Schools

Registration for children that will be entering kindergarten in Swain County Schools will be held in April. Wednesday, April 15 registration will be held at West Elementary and at East Elementary on Thursday, April 17.

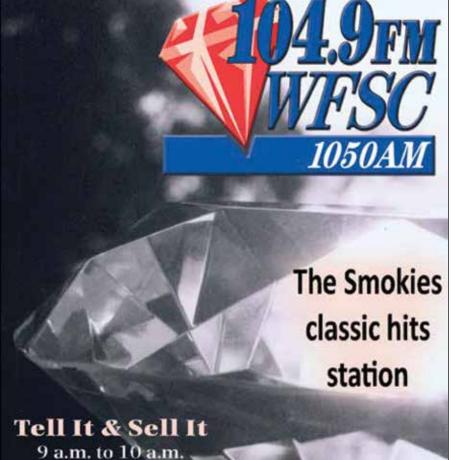
Children that will be 5-yearsold on or before Aug. 31 are eligible to attend kindergarten for the 2020-21 school year.

Notes will be sent home through local daycares, Headstart and Bright Adventures to set appointment times. If your child does not attend one of those providers, please call the school and speak with Lisa Sutton for an appointment East Elementary 488-0939 or West Elementary 488-2119.

Bring the following items with you to the appointment:
-Your child. Teachers will be giving an assessment so it is necessary for your child to be present.
-Your child's Social Security Card
-Your child's Birth Certificate

- -Your child's most recent shot records
- -Proof of Residency (power bill, etc)
- -Any other necessary information (custody papers, Tribal Enrollment Card, etc)
- -Kindergarten physical (if already completed – must be completed by the 1st day of Kindergarten)
 - Swain County Schools

Don't forget to spring forward! Daylight savings time begins Sunday, March 8.



OBITUARIES

Wanda Jackson Blythe

Wanda Jackson Blythe, 53, of the Jackson Branch Community in Robbinsville, went home to be with the Lord on Thursday, Feb. 27, 2020 at her residence. She was the daughter of the late Clarence Lee and Betty Jean Smoker Jackson.

Wanda loved her family dearly. She will be remembered for her kindness, love for others, and her beautiful smile.

She is survived by her loving husband of 10 years, Larry Blythe; her children and their spouses, Kelly and Henry McCoy, Stuart and Jessica Jackson, Blaze Powers and Blake Powers, all of Robbinsville, Laura and Mike Ramos, Sam and Misty Blythe, Joshua and Tiffany Taylor and Driver Blythe, all of Cherokee, and Lloyd Blythe of Murphy; her brother, Clarence Jackson, Jr. of Robbinsville; and her sisters and brothers in law, Jeannie Welch and Donna Jackson, both of Robbinsville, Michelle and Ed Stamper of Cherokee, and Mary and Dennis Pilkington of Fontana Dam. She has 13 grandchildren, Hartlee, Jaelee, Sean, Nikki, Rachel, Sammi, Amiyah, Emily, Logan, Nate, Lily, Finley, and Memphis. She has two great grandchildren and several beloved nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held at Sunday, March 1 at Little Snowbird Baptist Church where she attended regularly. Reverends Bo Parris and Jim Teasdale officiated. Burial followed at Jackson Family Cemetery on Jackson Branch. Townson-Smith Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Blythe family. An online register is available at www.townson-smithfuneralhome.com.

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COMMENTARY

Cherokee Year of Caring

ROBERT JUMPER

ONE FEATHER EDITOR

hen you work in government, you meet a few public servants. That is what government work is-public service. From attorneys to wildlife biologists, there is an army of government workers who make life better for our community. There are people who monitor and protect your enrollment status, housing, environmental services, elder and orphan care, police enforcement, emergency services, employment rights, hospital care, sanitation, and many more. Many of those workers could likely get more compensation in another line of work.

Government jobs, while tending to be stable, are not known for high salaries. You don't see those after big money saying, "I think I will go into government work." Surely, there are exceptions to every rule. However, most tribal government workers are hard-working, selfless, and community minded. They care about their clients. We are the clients.

I have had the privilege to work with many tribal employees in my various positions of service. I can say that several of those who serve you work more than 40 hours a week, even when they are not getting paid for it, and they do jobs that many times are not within their job descriptions. More times than not, they do this without additional compensation or recognition. Once they go past their required time "on the clock" they volunteer their time and effort over and above what is required. In fact, the only time they may draw any kind of attention is when they make a mistake or don't get something done fast enough to suit an impatient supervisor. We pay too little attention to customer service, but we really neglect our internal customers, our own employees.

Some of us have difficulty with the term "volunteer". I don't feel bad about that though, because even some of our leaders have had difficulty with it. One email that came from a tribal leader in a previous administration, giving a directive to participate in working a tribal event, called those who were commandeered to labor "mandatory volunteers". It was quickly pointed out that mandatory volunteerism became illegal in America in the mid-1800's.

Note: Once you are indentured to participate in an activity, you are no longer a volunteer.

Another "gray water" area of laboring for the community is the idea of paid volunteerism. Merriam-Webster defines a "volunteer" as "a person who voluntarily undertakes or expresses a willingness to undertake a service: such as one who renders a service or takes part in a transaction while having no legal concern or interest or one who receives a conveyance or transfer of property without giving valuable consideration."

Is it just me, or does it look like to you that those who volunteer doesn't or don't expect a personal return, monetary or otherwise, for their efforts? For example, if I go out into the community and help my neighbor with repairing his home while I am being paid by the Tribe or another employer, is that true volunteerism?

Note: The nature of volunteerism is charity. When you expect personal gain from your effort, it is called work, not volunteering.

When someone loses a loved one or is sick, I like to send a card, some flowers, or maybe a monetary donation of some kind to let them know that someone cares about them and wishes them condolences or recovery, respectively. It is a token of my affection for them. Now, if I do these things because they insisted

on it, then it is not about affection, but because of a directive. If I do these things because I am getting paid or reimbursed to do them, then it is not about affection, but personal gain. For either motive, the term "volunteer" does not fit.

I have been in work groups who wanted the company to create a "flower fund" using company funds. I am against the practice. Caring funds should be completely from the person or group wanting to show concern or appreciation for someone. If I use company funds to send an honorarium to someone, who is actually honoring that person? A similar situation would be if you and I were in the checkout-line at Walmart. The cashier asks me if I would like to donate to a local food bank and I say sure. I then turn around, reach into your pocket and grab ten dollars of your money. I hand that money to the cashier and she hands me one of those cardboard

hearts that they put up in the store to acknowledge the donor for the food bank. I write my name on the heart and hand it back to the cashier. Did I make the donation or did you? Did you volunteer that money?

Each year, the Cherokee Preservation Foundation along with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, hosts a "Cherokee Day of Caring" event. It is a day that reminds us of the importance of community and having a sense of place. An army of workers go out to preselected private homes on the Qualla Boundary. They build and make repairs for members of the community. They mend roofs, paint, build ramps, and many other needed services. Many work these projects as an alternative to their day jobs, while others volunteer their time and talents. However they do it, they are doing what public servants do-make life better for their community. It is a noble

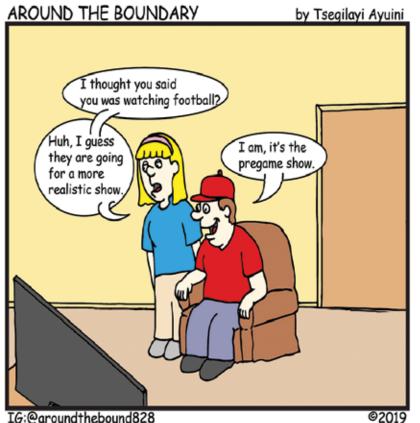
and worthwhile cause.

There are at least a couple of free labor groups on Boundary. These are men and women of the community who volunteer to do similar services, including digging graves and assisting the elderly. When someone is in need, the people in our communities are quick to offer help. Cake walks, lunch benefits, 50/50 fundraisers, and direct personal donations are common among the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

It is so good to be a part of a community that is so focused on caring for each other. And, it is a privilege to work for this community of people. We may have our disagreements, but the overarching ethic of our tribal community is caring for each other all year long. We should celebrate that and do all we can to nurture that feeling.

On a personal note, I want to "give props" to the staff of the

Cherokee One Feather - Scott McKie Brings Plenty, Jonah Lossiah, and Sally Davis. Each year, this paper competes in the North Carolina Press Association awards program. We submit news articles, commentary, advertising, and photos to be judged on a state level. We are judged with many other newspapers in North Carolina. And, I am proud to say that One Feather captured four first place, five second place, and three third place awards in various subcategories in our division. We also took third place in "General Excellence for Newspaper Web Sites", which is an overall divisional award. This is another indicator that your newspaper is providing quality, professional service to you. Thank you Scott, Jonah, and Sally. And thank you Cherokee tribal leadership and community for providing the platform for us to get the job done.





COMMENTARY

Before you cross the road, look right, then left...

Observations and random thoughts

WILLIAM LEDFORD

Does anyone ever feel like having a beer after a long hard day at work? I've read about a few people, fearing the virus that first appeared in Wutan, China are currently searching the Internet to see if they can get coronavirus from drinking Corona beer and that actual sales of Corona beer have dropped because of these fears. If you're one of the people believing these things to be true, beer is only one of your problems.

Covid-19, or coronavirus, seems to be a very serious, highly infectious virus that's hit every continent in the world except Antarctica. It's now in the USA and our leader and his team has absolutely no idea how to handle it so, he handed it off to VP Mike Pence. It simply seems as if the POTUS rolled some dice on this. If Pence does the unexpected and steps up, Trump takes credit, if Pence fails, he takes the fall. Win-win for Mr. Trump.

Back in my day, a long, long time ago in a galaxy far, far away, when I was known as Wild Bill (I'm Mild Bill now) I've experienced the Corona virus, and the Coors virus, the Boones Farm, Bacardi and occasionally the Wild Turkey viruses. I've found that lots of green and red chile and lying very still in a quiet dark place helps with those.

I was reading a hilarious open letter the other day from an obvious Trump supporter, maybe one of those folks that follow his

campaign pep rallies like groupies, perhaps proudly wearing a turkey feather war bonnet and usually standing beside the guy wearing the "Black For Trump" tee, postulate about the Democratic Party losing "their" way. A few other things were said but I couldn't continue because I was laughing so hard. I thought to myself, the Democrats can't lose their way, they've got so many people telling them which way to go these days. Go left...no...further left...way out there left...Bernie Sanders left. Oops, that's a little too far left. Someone said that "Bernie Sanders initials are B.S. but he isn't", I thought to myself, gee, maybe that's right, I mean, left.

The House O' Representatives recently passed the "Emmitt Till Bill", a no-brainer "anti-lynching" bill. It actually had four nay votes, anybody want to guess which party those four nays stand with? Their reasoning had everything to do with that tired old argument regarding "states' rights" which as

I recall, was the catalyst for that treasonous uprising Southern states started in the 1860s to keep their slaves, you know, the thing historians call, The Civil War. Yeah, that thing.

Lost their way. That's the funniest thing I've ever heard coming from people who take the words "tax cuts for the rich" and hearing this think, "well, tax cuts, that's a good thing." I truly believe that most conservatives get all of their talking points from the non-news opinion shows like Fox and Friends and Hannity, Dobbs, Ingraham, Carlson and that stellar individual who was recently awarded a Presidential Medal of Freedom, Rush Limbaugh. Limbaugh recently stated that the coronavirus is only a cold and the Democrats are "weaponizing" the crisis to try and take down Trump. Yep. And by the way, Trump now wants more money, billions, for the military which is OK but at the same time he's taking money, billions, from the military that's

allocated for things like base housing and necessary installation upgrades to build his wall that Mexico was supposed to pay for, not OK. Trump is also proposing money to fight the coronavirus but wants to cut things such as heating oil for people that are poor or elderly to pay for it. You won't see that on "America's News Channel". I'm done. Yay! I was once informed that yay is a Ponca word meaning...nah...you look it up. But, I found this joke the other day while deleting old email and being me, I'll share.

"I was walking past the mental hospital the other day and all the patients in the yard were shouting,'13...13'...!

The fence was too high to see over, but I saw a little gap in the planks and looked through to see what was going on.

Someone on the other side of the fence poked me in the eye with a stick.

Then they all started shouting, '14...14...14'...!"



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(Also, read Romans 7:13, 16-18, 23-25 for Paul's explanation of his own experience.)

"So there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus.

"And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.

"The law of Moses was unable to save us because of the weakness of our sinful nature. So God did what the law could not do.

"He sent his own Son in a body like the bodies we sinners have. And in that body God declared an end to sin's control over us by giving His Son as a sacrifice for our sins.

"He did this so that the just requirement of the law would be fully satisfied for us, who no longer follow our sinful nature but instead follow the Spirit.

"Those who are dominated by the sinful nature think about sinful things, but those who are controlled by the Holy Spirit think about things that please the Spirit. So letting your sinful nature control your mind leads to death. But letting the Spirit control your mind leads to life and peace. For the sinful nature is always hostile to God. It never did obey God's laws, and it never will. That's why those who are still under the control of their sinful nature can never please God.

"But you are not controlled by your sinful nature. You are controlled by the Spirit if you have the Spirit of God living in you. (And remember, that those who do not have the Spirit of Christ living in them do not belong to Him at all.)

"And Christ lives within you, so even though your body will die because of sin; the Spirit gives you life because you have been made right with God. The Spirit of God, who raised Christ Jesus from the dead, he will give life to your mortal bodies by the same Spirit living within you.

"Therefore, dear brothers and sisters,

you have no obligation to do what your sinful nature urges you to do. For if you live by its dictates, you will die. But, if through the power of the Spirit, you put to death the deeds of your sinful nature, you will live. For all who are led by the Spirit of God are children of God."

..."For His Spirit joins with our spirit to affirm that we are God's children...and his heirs. In fact, together with Christ we are heirs of God's glory. But if we are to share his glory, we must also share his suffering."

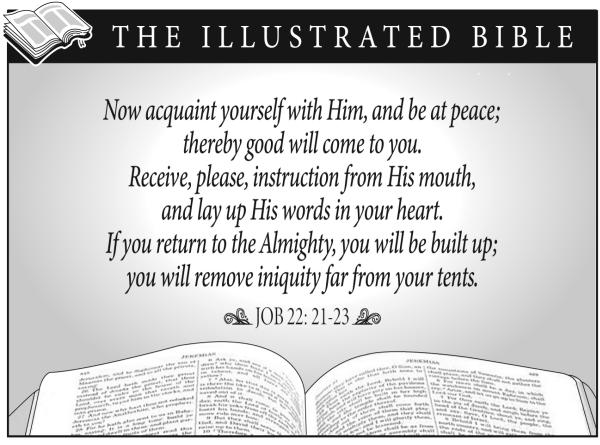
Romans 8: 1-14, 16-17 (NLT)

"Walking in or after the Spirit of God', means you will not be 'walking in the flesh,' added Pastor Tim Melton. The Spirit can give you a testimony that will bring a true reality to your walk. It will be a walk and a life that can include angels of heaven, miracles, signs and wonders taking place—a real happening. The world needs to see this. A relationship in the Spirit is also for a lifetime. To all who want to be holy, sin cannot be okay—it separates us from God.

"Jesus made that difference for Paul and He does for us as well. After Paul was baptized,

Holy Spirit enabled Paul to write 2/3 of the New Testament. Everything changed for Paul. It was not 'me and the Spirit', Paul 'stepped into the Spirit of Life in Him'-no condemnation. He made him free in Him. Get out of the flesh and into the Spirit. It is only sin that causes condemnation—now it's,—I used to be 'that', but now I'm 'this'. The righteousness of the law has been completed in me-by Jesus. We cannot please God in the flesh, not without the Spirit of God. He is our Helper. The Spirit wants to spend time with each one—while He trains each to focus on Jesus and what He is saying to us. We must listen closely to really hear Him. He wants you and me! Make your way towards Him as He is calling us deeper! He wants to place miracles into your hands! Prophecies in your mouth, Words of Knowledge, gifts bubbling up in you! Listen for His instructions. Those plans have not been aborted.

"I pray our True Teacher would educate each one in what is further, deeper, to help us reach, press in, to go farther, focused on Him, walking with the weight of the Glory and Anointing of God."



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HAPPENINGS

Benefits/Fundraisers
Turkey Shoot. March 7 at 3
p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey
Shoot Facility in the Big Cove
Community. This is a benefit for
the "Chaos" NAYO Basketball
Team. Good fun, good prizes, good
benefit. All are welcome.

Turkey Shoot. March 14 at 3 p.m. at the Jesse Welch Turkey Shoot Facility in the Big Cove Community. This is a benefit for Jesse Welch. Good run, good prizes, good benefit. All are welcome.

Senior Citizens Fundraiser. March 14 from 7 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Tsali Manor. All proceeds will go towards the Senior Citizen's Annual Trip. Breakfast, yard sale, and bake sale.

Church Events Hope for Cherokee event.

March 25-28 at 6 p.m. nightly at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This event is sponsored by the Cherokee Indian Baptist Association and local churches. Evangelist Randy Bane.

Cultural Events Cherokee Language Class. Thursday evenings at 6 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall. The instructor will be Wiggins Blackfox.

Refresher Cherokee Language class. March 2, 9, 16, 23 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Sequoyah Birthplace Museum's Multi-purpose Room in Vonore, Tenn. The cost of the class is \$40 for all four evenings. The class

is a beginner, intermediate, and advanced refresher course and will be taught by Lou Jackson, Brett Jones, and Joel Turner – all members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Register by Jan. 13 by calling (423) 884-6246 or seqmus@tds.net

Free Winter Lecture Series at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum

The Sequoyah Birthplace Museum, in Vonore, Tenn. is hosting a free lecture series that delves into a variety of Cherokee topics.

* Cherokee Clothing by Michael H. Crowe. March 8 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

- * Cherokee Legends by Jarrett Wildcatt. March 15 from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.
- * Evolution of Cherokee Women's Roles by Tyra Maney. March 22

from 2 p.m. to 3p.m.

These lectures are free and open to the public and are sponsored in part by TN Arts Commission and Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. For more information or in case of inclement weather in both Tennessee or North Carolina, check their Facebook page, website at www.sequoyahmuseum. org, or contact the useum at (423) 884-6246

Presentation on "Cherokee Cultural Sites in Swain County". March 5 at 6:30 p.m. at the Swain County Regional Business Education and Training Center at 45 East Ridge Drive in Bryson City. TJ Holland, cultural resources supervisor for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, will give the presentation held by the Swain County Genealogical and Historical Society. Conversation and refreshments will follow the presentation. This event is free and open to the public.

Cherokee Beadwork Class.

March 14 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The class will be taught by Betty Maney, a member of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, and the project will be a bracelet. The cost is \$15 for the class plus a kit fee of \$45 which includes a loom, beads, thread, and needle that students will be able to take home after the class. Bring a bag lunch, and the class is limited to eight students. This class is sponsored, in part, by the Tennessee Arts Commission ABC Grant. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246, www.sequoyahmuseumorg.

General Events 27th Annual Organic Growers School Spring Conference.



March 6-8 at Mars Hill University in Mars Hill. There are various tracks to take at the conference including: Community Food, Cooking, Earth Skills, Beginning Farming, Experienced Farming, Beginner Gardening, Experienced Gardening, Herbs, Homesteading, Livestock, Mushrooms, Permaculture, Poultry, Soils, Sustainable Forestry, Sustainable Living, and Thinking Big. Several members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians are presenting including Mary Crowe ("Traditional Foods of the Cherokee") and Tyson Sampson ("Cherokee Staple Foods"). Info: www.organicgrowersschool. org/conferences/spring/

Shiitake Log Workshop: Grow Your Own Mushrooms!

March 10 from 5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office. March 12 from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Snowbird Community Center in Robbinsville. Partially outside if weather permits, so dress accordingly. Bring up to three logs between 2-4" in length and 4-8" in diameter. Cut from oak or sweet gum, and they must be cut from a live tree less than two weeks from event date to ensure log is fresh. Register by contacting Benjamin Collette 359-6928, benjcoll@ nc-cherokee.com

Swain County Democratic Party Whittier/Cherokee Annual Precinct meeting. March 10 at 6 p.m. at the Chestnut Tree Inn. Agenda will include evaluating the primary election turn-out, preparing for County Convention, and planning for the November election. Info: 497-9498

Sylva Photo Club program "Photographing Birds at Home". March 14 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Cullowhee United Methodist Church at 416 Central Drive in Cullowhee. This is an all-ages event open to the general public, not just photographers. Larry Thompson, North Carolina Wildlife Federation executive director, will discuss his techniques for photographing wild birds using some very basic methods of setting up an aesthetic shooting environment at home. Meetings of the Sylva Photo Club are free for first-time guests of members. For non-members, the cost is only \$5 which will be applied to their annual dues of \$20. Info: Tony Wu (828) 226-3840

Tribal Employment Rights Office (TERO) Spring Employment Expo. March 19-20 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. daily at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds multi-purpose building. Info: 359-6421, tero2@nc-cherokee.com

Maverick's Tsalagi Sunshine (MTS) Memorial Rock Painting. March 28 from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m. at the Oconaluftee Island Park Pavilion #4 (closest to the Open Air Market). In honor of Maverick Sampson, MTS invites everyone to join them in remembering and honoring lost loved ones with painting rocks "to express our love or grief". Rocks, brushes, and paint will be provided to guests upon arrival.

Spring Fling. April 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Steve Young-deer American Legion Post 143 Hall on Acquoni Road. Yard art, plants, wind chimes, sun catchers, hummingbird feeders, birdhouses. Hotdogs, chips, and drinks.

Sampson and Lizzie Arneach Welch Family Reunion. May

16 at 2 p.m. at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. The children of Sampson and Lizzie are: Corneeta Welch, Epps Welch, Edward Welch, Annie Welch Oocumma, Sallie Welch Partridge, Jeanette Welch Walkingstick, and Nannie Welch Taylor. The following individuals are the descendants of the list that has been compiled so far: Juna Welch (Lula Nicey Ledford), Martha Welch Wachacha (John Wayne Wachacha), Margarind Welch Wallace (Tahquette Wallace), Isaac Welch Sr. (Judith Owle), Nannie Welch Taylor(George Taylor), James Blue Welch(Bessie Byrd), David Welch, Lucinda Welch Martin (Charley Martin), Fannie Oocumma Powell (Homer Powell), John Oocumma (Alice Littlejohn), Joseph Oocumma (Kina Queen), Andy Oocumma (Susie Reed), Savannah Partridge

George (Manley George), Bessie Partridge, Jonah Welch (Olive McCoy), Ancy Walkingstick Wachacha (Raleigh Wachacha), Emmaline Walkingstick McCoy (Russell McCoy), Ramsey Walkingstick (Mable Teesateskie), Sim Taylor (Beulah Teesateskie). All descendants from the above are welcome. Info: Charles E. Taylor (828)768-6828, Agnes Welch 736-9718, Rosie McCoy 736-1622, Ulela Harris 734-0178, or Kathie McCoy 226-4580 via Facebook or Phone. Fundraising for this Reunion has begun so please reach out as to how you can help. Meat, drinks, plates and utensils will be provided.

Unveiling of Beloved Man Dr. Jeremiah "Jerry" Wolfe Memorial Display Case. May 25 at 1 p.m. in the main lobby of the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Info: Museum 497-3481

Sports Events

West vs Midwest 1A All-Star Basketball Games. March 21 at the Charles George Memorial Arena. The girl's game will start at 5 p.m. followed by the boys at 6:30 p.m. Admission to the games is \$7. Info: Dr. Bud Black, director, (704) 435-2542, (704) 898-5208, westmidwestgames@aol.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for March 2020

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.

STAR School Culture Club Benefit Pow Wow. March 14



at STAR School in Flagstaff, Ariz. MC: Mike Salabiye. Host Northern Drum: Standing Horse. Host Southern Drum: Strictly Southern. Info: (928) 415-4157, revaline. nez@starschool.org

UNC Greensboro 4th Annual Pow Wow. March 14 at Leonard J. Kaplan Center for Wellness in Greensboro, N.C. Info: Ariel Hewlin at ashewlin@uncg.edu

Denver March Pow Wow.
March 20-22 at Denver Coliseum in Denver, Colo. Emcees: Lawrence Baker, Chris Eagle Hawk.
Info: (303) 934-8045, www.denvermarchpowwow@comcast.net

Texas Gulf Coast Tia Piah
Benefit Dance. March 21 at St.
Pius Catholic Church in Pasadena,
Texas. Info: Jan Hackett at Hackett.jan@gmail.com

55th Anniversary FIHA Pow Wow. March 27-29 at St. Lucie County Fairgrounds in Fort Pierce, Fla. Host Northern Drum: Medicine Horse. Host Southern Drum: Ottertrail. Info: info@fiha.us, www.fiha.us, (772) 519-7888

Inaugural Spring Pow Wow presented by The Twenty-Nine Palms Band of Mission Indians. March 27-29 at Spotlight 29 Casino in Coachella, Calif. MC: Juaquin Hamilton. Host Drum: The Boyz. Info: Earl Thomas (760) 775-5566, ethomas@spotlight29.com

On Wisconsin Annual Spring Pow Wow. March 28 at Alliant Energy Center in Madison, Wisc. Info: Michael Williams at wunksheekuw@gmail.com

University of Redlands Pow Wow. March 28 in Redlands,

Calif. Host Northern Drum: Bear Springs. Info: Christina Lara at christina_lara@redlands.edu

Support Groups

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly schedule

Mondays

Be Assertive, Not Aggressive: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

Parents Supporting Parents: 3:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Acceptance (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m.

Tuesdays

Abstract Recovery: 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Strong Hearts: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Life Recovery (open to community): 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.

Wednesdays

W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Creative Writing: 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Adulting 101: 12 p.m. to 1 p.m. Communication 101: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

We Belong – Two Spirit (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Peacemaking Support Circle (open to community): 5 p.m. to 6 p.m. Thursdays

Life Recovery (open to community): 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.

Putting off Procrastination: 10:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.

Radical Acceptance: 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Healthy Boundaries: 1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.



Owner Reeling After Cat Struck by Car

DEAR PAW'S CORNER: My cat "Dorito" was hit by a car last year and left injured by the side of the road. A neighbor called me when he saw Dorito's orange fur in the ditch, and I found him and rushed him to the vet. His treatment cost thousands of dollars, and he'll never be the same healthy cat again. I'm angry that the person who hit him just drove on and never notified me, and I'm stuck with the bill. The police took a report, but nothing came of it. Why do people get away with running down animals with no repercussions? - Angry in New Hampshire

DEAR ANGRY: I'm really sorry to hear about your cat, and I understand the anguish that you've suffered from watching him suffer so much.

While laws vary by state, in New Hampshire there actually are repercussions for drivers who strike a dog and leave the scene without reporting the incident to police. A bill in the state legislature is being considered that will add cats to the current law.

If the driver had stopped to try and aid Dorito or at least try to find his owner, that driver would likely have not faced any repercussions or even be held liable for striking your cat. That's usually the case when a pet running loose — off leash or off the property — is hit by a car. However, it would have been the decent thing to do for that driver to have stopped.

I wish I had more to offer than words of sympathy. It's difficult to see a pet in pain. Take good care of Dorito and help him to recover as much as he can.

Send your tips, questions or comments to ask@pawscorner.com.

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- 1. In 2018, Baltimore's Chris Davis finished with the lowest batting average by a qualifier (.168) in major-league history. Who had held the mark?
- 2. Which of baseball's Alou brothers played for both the Milwaukee Braves and the Milwaukee Brewers?
- 3. How many consecutive winning seasons did Virginia Tech's football team have before the streak ended in 2018?
- 4. Utah's Donovan Mitchell set an NBA record in the 2017-18 season for most 3-pointers made by a rookie (187). Who had held the mark?
- 5. Which NHL team holds the record for most consecutive seasons reaching the Stanley Cup playoffs?
- 6. Who was the first rookie to win a NASCAR season championship in one of the three main divisions?
- 7. Name the last year in which tennis star Serena Williams did not make a grand slam final.

Answers

- 1. Rob Deer (1991) and Dan Uggla (2013), each of whom hit .179 for a season.
- 2. Felipe Alou (1964-65 with the Braves, and 1974 with the Brewers).
- 3. It was 25 consecutive seasons (1993-2017)
- 4. Portland's Damian Lillard, with 185 in the 2012-13 season.
- 5. Boston, with 29 consecutive seasons (1967-68 through 1995-96).
- Chase Elliott, who won the 2014 Xfinity Series championship.
- 7. It was 2006.
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Fridays

W.R.A.P. Class: 9:15 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.

Creative Recovery: 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Depression and Anxiety: 1 p.m. to 2 p.m.

All classes are open to clients of Analenisgi. Classes open to the community are noted. Info: 497-6892

CIHA Bariatric Support

Group meets every second
Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm
in the Soco Gap Training Room.
Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept.

– Nilofer Couture 497-9163 ext.
6459, Linda Johnson ext. 6317,
Chrystal Frank ext. 6806, or Jean
Walborn ext. 7569

Cherokee Cancer Support

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

Cherokee Alzheimer's Support Group meets the first Tuesday of every month 1 p.m. at In-Home Care Services in the Beloved Women's & Children's Center second floor). This group is presented by The Alzheimer's Association Western Carolina Chapter. Info: 359-6860

Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Family Support Group meets on

Tuesdays from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. at the Macedonia Baptist Church Fellowship Hall.

Life Recovery Tsa La Gi Bible-based 12-Step meets on
Tuesdays from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m.
and on Thursdays from 8:30 a.m.
to 9:30 a.m. at Analenisgi.

Recovery Bible Study, One Step to Jesus will meet weekly on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. at Christian Acts Church at 257 East Alaska Road in Bryson City. All are welcome to participate in a safe, encouraging environment. It is for any addiction or spiritual or emotional healing need. Info: Pastor Melanie 488-2432

Community Clubs

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

Big Cove Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairperson Cindy West, 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: Joi Owle, Treasurer: Deb Slee. Secretary: Sasha Watty. The community building is available for rent.

Paint Town Community

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

Snowbird Community Club

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

Wolftown Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of each month at 5:30pm at the Wolftown Community Club Building. Info: Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088; Jesse Sneed, vice chairman

Yellowhill Community Club

meets the first Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Yellowhill Activity Center unless it's a holiday. Officers: Keredith Owens, chairperson; Reuben Teesatuskie, vice chairperson; Virginia Johnson, secretary; Dawn Arneach, treasurer. Info: Virginia Johnson 788-8659

Happenings listings are FREE of charge. Submit your event information to Scott at scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com or message us at the One Feather Facebook page.

One Feather deadline Friday at 12 p.m.





\$2 Advent Health

Infusion Center Haywood





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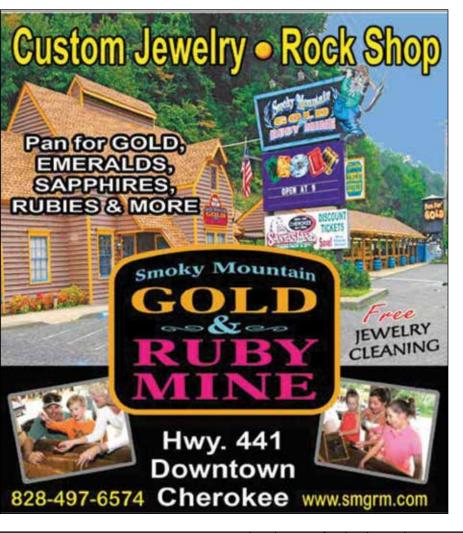
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MARKETPLACE

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

1981 Mobile Home for Sale, 14 X 60, 3-bedroom, 1 full bathroom, asking \$3,000.00

(828) 507-0962. 3/25

FREE

Free gospel books! (Malachi 4:5 and Revelations 10:7.) Are you searching and hungering for more of the Living God? Then, there is more for you! Send for your free books at P.O. Box 1894, Beaufort, S.C. 29901 UFN



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Change is still dominant for Rams and Ewes, both in the workplace and their private lives. This is also a good time to look at a possible relocation if that has been one of your goals.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Doing things for others is what you do well. But don't forget that Bovines thrive on the arts, so make some time for yourself to indulge your passion for music and artistic expressions.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) While the Romantic Twin considers where to go for his or her upcoming vacation, the Practical Twin will start making travel plans now to take advantage of some great bargains.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Your sensitive nature helps you deal with a difficult emotional situation. Be patient and continue to show your sincere support wherever (and for whomever) it is needed.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're making progress as you move through some unfamiliar territory. And while there might be a misstep or two along the way, overall you're heading in the right direction. Good luck.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Some good news arrives — and just in time to remind you that you're making progress. Perhaps things aren't moving as quickly as you'd prefer, but they're moving nevertheless.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) This is a good week to step back and assess the facts that have recently emerged to see where they can be used to your advantage. Also, don't hesitate to make changes where necessary.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) You should begin to experience some support from those who now agree with your point of view. This should help counter the remaining objections from die-hard skeptics.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Don't let your aim be deflected by trivial matters as you try to resolve a confusing situation. Take time to find and thoroughly assess the facts before making any decision.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The possibility of moving to another location has come up. But before you dismiss it as unworkable, it's worth checking out just in case it does have some merit after all.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) New relationships — personal or work-related — show mixed signals. Best to assume nothing. Let things play themselves out until you have something substantive to work with.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Your ability to make needed changes without causing too much, if any, negative ripple effect comes in handy when dealing with a sensitive matter either on the job or in the family.

BORN THIS WEEK: Although you like things to go smoothly, you're not shy about making waves when you believe the situation calls for it.

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The Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program

is currently accepting applications for the 2020-2021 program year.

If selected, Fellows receive up to \$4000 to use for their leadership endeavors and for travel opportunities. Fellows will also raise awareness and work on community issues, receive personal and professional support from mentors in our community, and have networking opportunities.

To apply, please visit www.rkli.org/jones-bowman/ or visit the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at 171 Boys Club Loop, Cherokee. Applications are due to Christopher Reed by April 6th, 2020 at 4:30pm.



A JOB IS A JOB IS A JOB. UNTIL IT'S GREAT.

Join us for our March 17 hiring event from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. in our Hotel Ballroom. Our jobs come loaded with benefits, in all sorts of career paths. See? Everyone approves.

Learn more at HarrahsCherokeeJobs.com.



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 apportunity employers. ©2020, Caesars License Company, LLC.



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

(Open until Filled unless otherwise indicated):

- Elementary Teacher Assistant Must have an Associate's degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education.
- Substitute Nurse Registered professional nurse, designated as R.N. as defined and determined by state law, and currently licensed in the state. Current certification in Cardio-Pulmonary Resuscitation (CPR).
- Substitute Custodian (Evening Shift) Must have a high school diploma or completed GED.
- School Psychologist Master's Degree in psychology and have at least 3 year's experience working in a school setting. Must hold state license to practice school psychology.
 High School Nurse An RN is preferred, but will consider an LPN, who would be su-
- pervised by an RN on staff. CLOSING DATE: 02/21/2020.
- High School JROTC Instructor Must have Associate's degree. All applicants must have an excellent record of military performance, be within one year of retirement or have retired within the last three years. Please visit the website for full job description and requirements.
- . Full Time Custodian (Evening Shift) Must have a high school diploma or GED.
- Special Education Teacher Assistant Must have an Associate's degree or two years (48 semester hours) of study at an institute of higher education. Must be willing to obtain CPI certification.

Applicants who have accepted the Early Retirement Incentive Plan (ERIP) from EBCI or affiliated entity must wait 3 years before applying for employment.

APPLY ONLINE at:

https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/ or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information.



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 ar readvertise positions without notice.

P.O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719 Open Until Filled

Bus & Truck Department

PT School Bus Drivers

Agelink Childcare

2 - Teacher's Aide Positions FT Maintenance Worker

Service Department FT Service Writer

EMPLOYMENT

The Museum of Cherokee Indian is now hiring for part time, weekend, front line workers. Stop by the Museum box office to get an application an job description. Indian preference applies. 3/11pd

2020 Census Jobs are still available: March - July

\$17.00 - \$19.00 per hour

+.58 cents per mile

Part-Time & Full-Time

Flexible Hours: Work 20 - 40

hours per week

Applicants must be:

- * 18 years of age or older
- * US Citizen
- * Valid Drivers License & your
- own transportation
- * Cannot be an employee of the US Government

* Pass a background check Apply NOW at:

www.2020census.gov/jobs Questions? Call: 1-855-job-20202 3/25pd

LEGAL NOTICES

AMENDED NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY **PUBLICATION**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians In the Tribal Court In the Matter of A.S., A Minor Child, File No. CVJ 19-062 TO: The Unknown Father of Minor Child A.S.

Take notice that a pleading seeking relief against you has been filed in the above-entitled juvenile action. The nature of the relief being sought is the adjudication and disposition of a petition alleging the minor child, A.S., born on June 12, 2012, is a neglected, dependent and drug endangered

child, filed in the Cherokee Tribal Court on December 9, 2019. You may know the mother of the minor child by the name of Hannah Santiago.

You must answer or otherwise respond to the pleading within forty (40) days of the date of first publication of this Notice. If you fail to answer or otherwise respond within the time prescribed, the matter will proceed to adjudication and disposition. If you are not already represented by appointed counsel, you are entitled to appointed counsel in this matter, and to that end, provisional counsel will be appointed for you in this matter, and the appointment of provisional counsel shall be reviewed by the court at the first hearing after service of process in this matter.

You are advised to IMMEDI-

ATELY contact the Clerk of Tribal Court for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians at (828) 359-6213, to obtain further information about this case, including a copy of the pleadings filed herein and the date(s) and time(s) of scheduled hearings.

First published this the 26th day of February 2020. Sybil G. Mann Family Safety Program Attorney P.O. Box 455 Cherokee, N.C. 28719 (828)359-1559 N.C. Bar No. 16729 3/11pd

BIDs, RFPs, etc. **Project Title:**

Adams Creek Restoration (Swain County, NC)

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Natural Resources Department is requesting separate sealed proposals for the services of a qualified engineering firm with experience in stream restoration projects for the purpose of conducting an in-stream channel restoration planning project on Adams Creek.

The project area is located on Adams Creek Road (NC-19) in Cherokee, North Carolina. An estimated 600 linear feet of streambank restoration/stabilization and native planting installation is planned to be restored utilizing natural channel design principles. Project components also include stabilizing and protection for two sections of eroded bank, providing enhanced aquatic habitat, and providing native vegetation for further stabilization and habitat enhancement. The proposed project is within a floodplain that is heavily impacting property owners. The culvert upstream is the limit of the stream restoration project. Prospective bidders must

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Closing Thursday, March 5, 2020

Behavioral Health RN – Analenisgi Inpatient RN Supervisor – Inpatient Physical Therapist II

Housekeeping Supervisor – Tsali Care Center

Closing Thursday, March 12, 2020

HVAC/Mechanic

Cook - Emergency Hire Registered Nurse-ER

MCO-Computer Specialist

Masters Level Therapist - Kanvwotiyi

Open Until Filled

Masters Level Therapist/Family Safety Masters Level Therapist - Child Masters Level Therapist - grant position Medical Technologist Dental Assistant II Cultural Coordinator - Kanvwotiyi Grant Coordinator – Analenisgi

Medical Social Worker -Primary Care Provider network Manager – MCO

Director of Managed Care

RN – Tsali Care Center (multiple)

PTI RN – Tsali Care Center (multiple)

PTI LPN - Tsali Care Center

Licensed Practical Nurse – Tsali Care Center Certified Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center PTI CNA Medication Aide – Tsali Care Center

(multiple)

Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care Center (multiple)

PTI Certified Nursing Assistant – Tsali Care Center (multiple)

Analenisgi Inpatient – FNP/PA

Masters Level Therapist – Analenisgi Inpatient Behavioral Health RN - Analenisgi (Grant Fund-

PTI RN - Inpatient

Physician – Emergency Room

Physician - Primary Care

To apply, visit careers.cherokeehospital.org If you have questions, contact the Cherokee Indian Hospital HR Dept. at (828) 497-9163 ext. 6343. be familiar with project location, stream restoration techniques and construction practices. We are currently seeking engineering-design service proposals to meet stream restoration objectives at the aforementioned site. Site visits and field assessment opportunities will be provided to any qualified contractor upon request. Contact Dylan Rose at (828) 736-0578 or by email at dylarose@nc-cherokee. com for further questions. Proposal packages should be addressed to Mr. Rose at the address above and must be received by 11:00 AM, March 20th, 2020 at which time bids will be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after the time and date specified shall not be considered. Please be advised that Indian Preference (TERO) regulations apply for award and execution of this contract. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Dylan Rose at (828) 736-0578 or by email at dylarose@nc-cheroke.

For more information please visit https://cherokeenaturalresources.com/adams-creek-rfp/ to access the full Adams Creek Stream Restoration Project RFP. **3/4pd**

Request for Proposal RFP – 407 Project

Management

Kituwah, LLC (Kituwah) is seeking proposals from a qualified and appropriately experienced project management consultant/ firm who can provide technical advisory and project management support to Kituwah for implementing projects at the Dumpling Creek property located at the I-40 407 exit in Sevier County, Tennessee. Kituwah will give preference to consultant/firm(s) that are located within a 30-minute drive of the designated property, through an open competitive bidding process in accordance with the procedure set out herein. Frequent travel and meetings will be required at property location and in Sevier County, Tennessee. In this regard, Kituwah invites proposals from interested and eligible consultant/ firm(s) to provide the requested services as detailed in the full RFP announcement.

RFP – Privacy Fencing – Ela Campground

Kituwah, LLC is seeking proposals from a qualified and appropriately licensed contractor to demo an existing privacy fence. Kituwah is also requesting of the same contractor to design and develop a new privacy fence. Located at Ela Campground 5100 Ela Rd #19, Bryson City, NC 28713. The qualified vendor is asked to follow

the criteria below in providing the estimated cost for the project.

- Material: Cedar with cap and trim with steel posts
- Height: Provide estimates for 6ft and 8ft heights
- Length: Approximately 1250ft
- Schedule: Please provide a schedule for demo and construction
- Quote: Please provide quote(s) at per foot cost of the project. Demo costs broke out separately.

Please refer to contact information provided to request the full announcement

Qualification packages should include a W-9, tribal business license, proof of insurance, and any applicable licenses or certifications.

Deliver sealed proposals to the Kituwah, LLC office at 1158 Seven Clans Lane, Whittier, NC 28789, or P.O. Box 366, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Deadline for proposals are Wednesday, March 11th at 4:00pm

Contact Kristin Smith at Kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com or 828 477-4553. **3/4pd**

Requests for Proposal Kituwah, LLC

Kristin Smith
Office Administrator
Kituwah, LLC
P.O. Box 366
Cherokee, NC 28719
Kituwah, LLC
1158 Seven Clans Lane
Whittier, NC 28789
Phone: (828) 477 - 4553
Fax: (828) 477 - 4554
Email:

Kituwah, LLC (Kituwah) is seeking proposals to design, supply new equipment, and install a neighborhood playground at the Parkside Villas Apartments, Shelby, North Carolina 28152. Proposals must include all related expenses from design, securing, permits, prepping of the selected site, constructing, installing, delivery and sales tax if applicable. 3/4pd

kristin.smith@kituwahllc.com

Motel Public Notice

Kituwah, LLC is soliciting bids for demolition services of a decommissioned motel located at Ela Campground, 5100 Ela Rd



The Oconaluftee Indian Village is seeking workers for the 2020 season. We are looking for people willing to educate the public about the Cherokee history and culture in fun, exciting ways. We need applicants who take pride in the Cherokee culture and possess good work ethic. Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at the Cherokee Historical main office, 564 Tsali Blvd. across from the Museum.

Positions available: All areas

Details:

- Village season runs Mid-April to November
- Report time is 9:00 am
- · Be willing to work weekends and holidays
- Provide great customer service to our guests
- Be knowledgeable about Cherokee culture
- Positions starting at \$10 per hour

Lilies represents hope, love, divinity and purity and indicate gratitude of friendship.

Daffodils are one of the first signs of spring. They can have a romantic connotation. In Germany, daffodils are known as Easter bells. Tulips are another early sign of spring and the rebirth of the season after winter. They are often given to indicate feelings of love. Daisies are considered cheerful. They are available in red, yellow, pink and purple.

Hyacinths have incredible fragrance and delicate blossoms. - B. Weaver

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Amber Waves WOW, THE WIND IS BEGINNING TO PICK UP ALONG WITH THE SNOW







R.F.D.

by Mike Marland



The Spats

I'VE GOT A MILLION DOLLAR

FIGURE.







Weekly **SUDOKU**

by Linda Thistle

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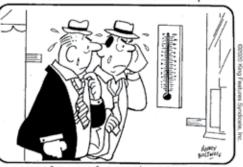
DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ◆◆

♦ Moderate ♦ ♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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HOCUS-FOCUS HENRY BOLTINOFF

Find at least six differences in details between panels.



flerences: 1. Droplet is added. 2. Ties are swapped. 3. Step is missing. Buttons are added. 5. Temperature is higher. 6. Awning is different.

King Crossword

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ACROSS

- 1 TGIF part
- 4 Bing's buddy
- 7 Block the flow

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- 12 Just out
- 13 "Hail!"
- 14 Become one
- 15 Meadow
- 16 High-flying tourist
- 18 \$ dispenser
- 19 Soviet cooperative
- 20 Genius
- 22 Decorate Easter eggs
- 23 Boast
- 27 Discoverer's
- 29 Weaken, in a wav
- 31 Nary a soul
- left foot "Now" or "never
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- 38 TV dinner veggies
- "Go, team!" 41 Wild and
- crazy
- 45 Rescues
- 47 "The Raven" writer
- 48 TV show for entrepreneurial hopefuls

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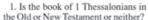
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- 1 Extended fam- 21 Regions 23 All-out attack
 - "Choppers" 24 Carpet
- 4 Mexican pen- 26 Solidify 28 That woman
- 5 Exaggerate 6 White or
- 30 Anger 31 Siesta

- 58 32 Praise in
- verse 33 Eggs
 - 36 Unruly kid? 37 From what
 - place 40 Use
 - 42 Church recesses
- 17 Start a garden 43 Din 44 Busybody
 - 45 Old card game 46 Distort
 - 48 Tackle moguls
 - 49 Scuttle 50 Exist
 - 51 Scale notes
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- 2. From 2 Samuel, what king confessed his adulterous affair after being confronted by the prophet Nathan? Silas, Josiah, Jael, David
- 3. In Acts 19, where were books worth 50,000 silver coins burned at a public bonfire? Gezer, Samaria, Enhesus, Jericho
- 4. From Numbers 11, what personal assistant of Moses became jealous of Eldad and Medad? Isaac, Joshua, Job, Cain
- 5. What famous prophet was the Son of Amoz? Paul, Isaiah, Peter, John the Baptist 6. Who was the wife of Hosea?
- Gomer, Ruth, Sarah, Miriam

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- 1. TELEVISION: In which state was the fictional town of Mayberry set for the series "The Andy Griffith Show"?
- MEASUREMENTS: How many years is a sesquicentennial anniversary?
- 3. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "The Haunting of Hill House"?
- 4. GEOGRAPHY: How many countries border
- 5. MUSIC: Which 1990s popular band's original name was Mookie Blaylock?
- 6. U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the first to be born a U.S. citizen?
- 7. FAMOUS QUOTATIONS: Which Austrian poet once wrote, "Spring has returned. The Earth is like a child that knows poems"?
- 8. MOVIES: Which futuristic 1970s movie's tagline was "Boy, have we got a vacation for you ..."?
- 9. PSYCHOLOGY: Which abnormal fear is represented in the condition called apiphobia?
- ADVERTISEMENTS: Which product featured the manicurist Madge in TV commercials beginning in the 1960s?

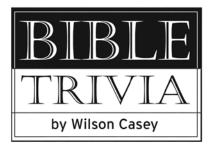
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Puzzle Answers



ANSWERS: 1) New; 2) David; 3) Ephesus; 4) Joshua; 5) Isaiah; 6) Gomer



- 1. North Carolina
- 2.150
- 3. Shirley Jackson
- 4. 14
- 5. Pearl Jam
- 6. Martin Van Buren
- 7. Rainier Maria Rilke
- 8. "Westworld"
- 9 Fear of bees
- 10. Palmolive dishwashing liquid

— King Crossword — Answers

Solution time: 27 mins.

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— Weekly SUDOKU —

Answer

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