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What many expected would be a contentious regular session of Tribal Council on Thursday, March 2, somewhat fizzled as three pieces of legislation dealing with the proposed impeachment of Principal Chief Patrick Lambert were voted away.

First off, a veto was heard. Previously, Chief Lambert vetoed Res. No. 502 (2017), passed on Feb. 2, which called for Articles of Impeachment to be drawn up against him. In his veto letter, written to Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor on Feb. 21, Chief Lambert called Res. No. 502 a “witch hunt” against him. “I have committed no impeachable offenses, and it is my hope that calmer heads will prevail and allow us to come together in a reasonable manner to resolve our differences and move forward in a constructive way instead of a destructive way.”

During Thursday’s meeting, the veto letter was officially read into the record, and then it was acted upon. Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke made a motion, seconded by Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy, to uphold the veto. Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith made a motion, seconded by Vice Chairman Brandon Jones, to override the veto. The motions were voted against each other,

and the veto was overridden by a weighted vote of 80-20 with Rep. Saunooke, Rep. McCoy, and Big Cove Rep. Richard French voting to uphold.

Following that, two resolutions, both protesting Res. No. 502, were read into the record. The first one, submitted by over 20 members of the Snowbird Community, stated in part, “We, the Snowbird Community, feel like our Chief (Lambert) has only looked out in the best interest of our community and our Tribe. Our Tribal Council members failed to inform our community of its intentions to do this impeachment and acted without informing our Snowbird Community.”

The second protest resolution, a 72-page submission from Rep. McCoy, included a protest letter and resolution as well as various other pieces of historical legislation dealing with impeachments. The resolution itself states in part, “Res. No. 502 (17) is hereby rescinded in its entirety as this is the expressed desire of the Cherokee people at community club meetings, phone calls, and community discussions.”

Both protests were denied in exactly the same fashion. A motion to deny was made by Rep. Smith and seconded by Vice Chairman Jones, and a motion to hear the protest was made by Rep. Saunooke and seconded by Rep. McCoy. The votes went the same with both protests being denied with four voting to hear the protest including: Rep.

Saunooke, Rep. French, Rep. McCoy, and Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe.

Res. No. 502 states that Tribal Council will retain a Special Impeachment Prosecutor “to present evidence of charges contained in the Articles of Impeachment”.

The resolution alleges, “...the Office of Internal Audit determined that Patrick H. Lambert solely operated the EBCI’s day-to-day duties by solely executing personnel actions requiring Executive Committee approval without the knowledge or input of the Vice Chief, by failing to conduct a formal interview and reference check requirements, authorizing a salary before budget approval, assisting an interim manager while manager position remained filled, pay raises authorized without documented justification, and changing the organizational structure without Tribal Council approval.”

It also alleges that Chief Lambert “executed contracts without Business Committee approval and allowed contract expenditures to exceed contract value”.

In his veto letter, Chief Lambert addresses part of the allegations, “I am disappointed that Council is relying on a report that did not include any of my discussion of these matters and concerns with Internal Audit during their review, and I am disappointed that Council would move ahead on such thin grounds without first having full and open hearings. Disregarding due process and other key tenants of the law is not a sustainable position and causes greater distrust of the government by the people.”

A time frame for drawing up the Articles of Impeachment has not been given, and a hearing date has not been set as of press time.

EBCI Tribal Election 2017

Filing for all Tribal Council seats as well as Wolftown, Birdtown, and Big Cove School Board seats will be taken March 1-15 at the EBCI Election Board Office in the Ginger Lynn Welch Building Suite 140 on Monday – Friday from 7:45am – 4:30pm. Info: (828) 359-6361.

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CIPD Arrest Report Feb. 27 - March 6

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

Bradley, Nichole Dominique – age 24

Arrested: Feb. 27 at
22:28

Released: Feb. 28
Charges: Larceny

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 6**



Maney Jr., Robert Ammons – age 19

Arrested: Feb. 27 at
19:01

Released: Feb. 28
Charges: Failure to Obey Domestic
Violence Protection Order, Child
Abuse in the Second Degree, Do-
mestic Criminal Trespass

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Rattler, Cornelia Iona – age 19

Arrested: Feb. 27 at
11:02

Released: March 1
Charges: Failure to Appear on
Misdemeanor, Possession Schedule
I Controlled Substance, Possession
Drug Paraphernalia, Obstructing
Governmental Justice

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Ward, Thomas Watson – age 31 (no mugshot available)

Arrested: Feb. 27 at 18:56

Released: Feb. 27
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**

Bird, April Dawn – age 37

Arrested: Feb. 28 at
10:50

Released: March 2
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 7**



Davis, Corey Mat- thew – age 27

Arrested: Feb. 28 at
23:13

Not released as of press time
Charges: Probation Violation

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 6**



Price, Colby Taylor – age 25

Arrested: Feb. 28 at
16:01

Not released as of press time
Charges: Probation Violation

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 5**



West, Victoria San- davidol – age 44

Arrested: Feb. 27 at
23:26

Released: March 2
Charges: Domestic Violence Bodily
Injury

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Driver, Randall Da- mian – age 27

Arrested: March 1 at
11:18

Not released as of press time
Charges: Possession Schedule II



Controlled Substance, Possession
Drug Paraphernalia, Failure to
Appear on Misdemeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 5**

McCoy, Veronica Eniki – age 44

Arrested: March 1 at
19:44

Not released as of press time
Charges: Assault on a Child Under
12 (two counts); Assault by Stran-
gulation; Child Abuse in the Second
Degree (two counts); Contributing
to the delinquency, undiscipline,
neglect, or abuse of minors (two
counts); Tampering with a Witness

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Locust, Starlina Maria – age 36

Arrested: March 2 at
03:03

Released: March 2
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Aguilera, Adrian Emanuel – age 27

Arrested: March 3 at
15:35

Released: March 3
Charges: Possession Drug Para-
phernalia, Second Degree Trespass,
Obstructing Government Func-
tions, Resisting Public Officer

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 1**



Aguilera, Adrian Emanuel – age 27

Arrested: March 3 at
21:44

Not released as of press time
Charges: Breaking or Entering,
First Degree Trespass, Resisting



Public Officer
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 2**

Crowe, Melina – age 31

Arrested: March 3 at
16:49

Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Appear on
Misdemeanor, Possession Schedule
II Controlled Substance

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 4**



Wildcat, Craigan Stan – age 35

Arrested: March 3 at
07:46

Released: March 6
Charges: Child Abuse in the Second
Degree, Assault on a Female

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 5**



Ledford, Nigel Holmes – age 21

Arrested: March 4 at
18:56

Not released as of press time
**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 3**



Smith, Brooke Leighann – age 20

Arrested: March 5 at
17:32

Not released as of press time
Charges: Failure to Appear on Mis-
demeanor (two counts), Obstruct-
ing Justice

**Number of times in
CIPD Detention: 5**



Wilnoty, Megan Dawn – age 23

Arrested: March 5 at
15:57



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Cherokee Central Schools Superintendent to retire

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
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After four years on the job and almost four decades in the leadership chair, Dr. Scott Penland is hanging up his boots as Superintendent of the Cherokee Central Schools. He came to the position on July 8, 2013 following 32 years as Superintendent of Clay County Schools.

"There were several factors that went into making the decision to retire," said Dr. Penland. "This is a decision I have been contemplating for the last three years. I have been a superintendent for the past 36 years, and it is a 24/7/365 job."

Time with family is something he is looking forward to in retirement.

"My first grandchild is four months old and lives about seven hours away. I am 64-years-old and am really looking forward to some free time and time with the grandson. I want the opportunity to do as little or as much as I want to."

Dr. Penland said his time at Cherokee has been enjoyable.



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RETIRING: Dr. Scott Penland is retiring in the next few months as Cherokee Central Schools Superintendent.

"When I came here, I agreed to stay one year. Needless to say, it has now been four years. I have thoroughly enjoyed my time here. The students, faculty, staff, and community have been great. The current School Board is wonderful. They truly want what is best for the students and do not micromanage the staff. We have good strong leaders in the schools as well as the central office."

He related he will remain in his position until the Cherokee School Board has a new Superintendent in place, probably sometime in May or June.

"Mr. Penland came to Cherokee Central Schools with a wealth of knowledge and experience that helped him establish stability among the leadership and increase morale among the staff," said Debora Foerst, Cherokee High School principal. "Everything he did and all decisions he made while here at Cherokee Central Schools were done so with the students as the focus. I would be remiss if I did not mention his wife, Kathy. She, too, has been not only a wonderful support for him but for us as well. I consider us blessed for having the opportunity to work with the both of them for four years. I know Mr. Dr. Penland will continue to help us as we search for a new superintendent to help carry on the very important work we have before us, but he will certainly be missed."

Gloria Griffin, Cherokee School Board, echoed Foerst's sentiments. "I hate to lose such an asset to our

school, but I understand that he wants to spend time with his family and do some travel before he gets to where he can't do those things he wants to do. I wish him the best. He has helped us move forward on a lot of issues and we are in a good place due to Dr. Penland assistance and I wish him the best in his retirement."

Dr. Penland was named the 1996 North Carolina Superintendent of the Year and was twice named the Western Regional Superintendent of the Year. He received a bachelor's degree in biology, a master's of arts degree in administration, and an Ed.S degree in administration, all from Western Carolina University.

Dr. Penland leaves with good thoughts for Cherokee. "There is still work to be done, and if I was 10 years younger, I would gladly stay 10 more years, but that's not the case. I hope we can find a good replacement for this position and continue to move forward. I wish for nothing but the best for the Cherokee School System."



ROBERT JUMPER/One Feather photos

FIRE: The Old Mill on Hwy 441 was completely destroyed by fire early in the morning of Monday, March 6. Firefighters from the Qualla Fire Department were working the fire at 8am, and by that time were hosing down hot spots as most of the structure has already burned out. The Fire Marshall was on scene and no cause of the fire has been released.

TRIBAL COURT REPORT

Judgment Summary for Jan. 26

FRANK, Sheldon

20-141(a) Exceeding a Safe Speed – Dismissed, Interest of Justice

14-40.56 Assault on a Female – Dismissed by Judge on Motion by the Defense Attorney

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed, Interest of Justice

MANEY, Jerry Lee

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-40.54 Assault Inflicting Serious Bodily Injury - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-20.2 Aggravated Sexual Abuse - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-20.2 Aggravated Sexual Abuse - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

RAYA, Michael

14-40.51(c) Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer – Dismissed on Plea

14-40.51(a) Assault With a Deadly Weapon on Law Enforcement Officer – Guilty Plea, 18 months jail time suspended, 24 months probation, 9 days active jail time, credit for time served (9 days), \$500 fine, \$190 court costs

14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense – Dismissed on Plea

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed on Plea

SHELL, Anthony Jason

14-20.8(1) Abusive Sexual Contact - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-30.5 Child Abuse in the First Degree - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-30.1(a)(1) Contributing to the Delinquency or Undisciplined of a Minor - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

14-20.4 Sexual Abuse of a Minor Ward - Dismissed With Leave to Refile

Judgment Summary for Feb. 1

BRADY, John Casey

14-34.10 Weapons Offense – Guilty Plea, 19 days active jail time, credit for time served (4 days)

14-40.56 Assault on a Female (DV) – Guilty Plea PV, 19 days active jail time, credit for time served (5 days), 14 days remain to do, return to intensive probation

GEORGE, Elizabeth Serena

14-70.17 Obstructing Justice – Dismissed

14-95.7 Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with Intent to Sell or Deliver a Counterfeit – Dismissed

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in sched-

ule I, II, III, IV, and V – Dismissed

JUNALUSKA, Nataha Dean

20-28 Revoked License – Dismissed on Plea

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking - Dismissed on Plea

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

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

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Drug Court, Stay Judgment, 15 months active jail time stay judgment

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Con-

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trolled Substance – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing,
Selling or Delivering, Possessing with
intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II,
III, IV, and V – Dismissed on Plea
14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of
Drug Paraphernalia – Guilty/Res-
ponsible, Drug Court

OWLE, Kimberly Ann

14-10.60 Larceny – Dismissed, Fail-
ure to Prosecute

PETE, Manus

14-30.3 Compulsory School Atten-
dance – Dismissed, No longer has
custody of the child

REED, Kerry N.

14-40.62(a)(1) Simple Assault – Dis-
missed, Prosecuting Witness Failed
to Appear

RODRIGUEZ, Otono Milan

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing
Stolen Property – Dismissed, Volun-
tary, items returned
14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dis-
missed, Voluntary, items returned

TAYLOR, Kristen Nicole

14-2.2 Criminal Conspiracy – Dis-
missed With Leave to Refile
14-10.40 Burglary – Dismissed With
Leave to Refile

TAYLOR, Mia C.

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession
of Marijuana – Dismissed, Completed
Diversion Program

WARD, Joseph Calvin

14-5.2 Communicating Threats –
Dismissed at Complainant's Request

Judgment Summary for Feb. 8

BRADLEY, Calvin

14-25.14 Dismissed Upon Proof of
Treatment
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive
in Public – Dismissed Upon Proof of
Treatment

CROWE, Joel Daniel

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession
of Marijuana – Dismissed, Defendant
is seeking treatment
14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dis-
missed, Defendant is seeking treat-
ment
14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive
in Public – Dismissed, Defendant is
seeking treatment

LOCUST, Clyde Ed

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive
in Public – Dismissed, SAA complet-
ed

TAYLOR, Shaina Marie


14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Posses-
sion of Marijuana – Dismissed Upon
Completion of Deferred Prosecution,
30 days jail time suspended, one year
probation, waive court costs and
fines, \$1,000 DARE

WALKINGSTICK, Michael W.

14-10.60(c) Grand Larceny – Guilty
Plea, 3 months jail time suspended,
6 months probation, credit for time
served (13 days), \$200 restitution
ordered

WILDCATT, Stephanie Dale

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a
controlled substance classified in
schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty
Plea, 30 days jail time suspended, 6
months probation, 8 days active jail
time, credit for time served (8 days),
waive court costs and fines



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BASKETBALL

Brown battles back from injury for successful season

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Basketball great and North Carolina native Michael Jordan once said, “My body could stand the crutches, but my mind couldn’t stand the sideline.”

That mentality is shared by Timiyah Brown, an EBCI tribal member from the Yellowhill Community, who just completed her third year as a varsity member of the Cherokee Lady Braves basketball team where she was named Honorable Mention All-Big Smoky Mountain Conference.

This year was quite remarkable considering that less than six months before the start of the season, Brown suffered a torn ACL (anterior crucial ligament) and meniscus in her knee. Doctors told her to try to do five days a week of rehabilitation work on her knee. That wasn’t good enough for Brown...she did seven.

“I went to Asheville Physical Therapy three days a week,” she related, “and, on the days that I didn’t go to Asheville, I worked with Jon Mitzel, our trainer. And, Jon helped a lot. He was here on days that he didn’t have to be. He came on Saturdays too.”

Brown said the hardest part of rehab was strengthening her quadriceps muscle. She said overall, the process was hard both physically and mentally. “It was depressing. I got depressed about it. It was bad.”

When she took the floor for this season, she felt some trepidation at first. “I was scared that I was



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos

SMILING: Brown is all smiles as she boxes out Union Academy’s Kelsey Havican during a first round playoff game at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Feb. 21.

going to re-injure it because as a freshman, I rolled my ankle and missed the first part of the season. Then, sophomore year, I pulled my hamstring and missed half of the season. So, when I hurt my knee, I was determined to get back so I could play a full season, and I did play a full season this year.”

Once she got over her initial fears very early on in the season, Brown was good to go. “I just put it in the back of my mind.”

The Lady Braves finished the season at 25-3, won the Big Smoky Mountain Conference regular season title, and finished second in the conference tournament. Overall, Brown was happy with their season. “We won conference, and we

battled in the (state) tournament. The younger girls stepped up a lot. We’re really going to miss Pooh (King) next year.”

Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, commented on Brown’s comeback, “An ACL is a very serious injury that a lot of people struggle trying to come back from, and for her to be able to come back so fast and be able to play the whole season is a testament to her. She worked her tail off, went to rehab every day, and drove to Asheville, and did everything that she needed to do to get herself in the best position she could be. I think she’ll be twice the player next year because she’ll be so much more confident on her legs.”



DRIVING: Timiyah Brown (#50), Lady Braves junior forward, drives inside against Swain County’s Alissa Smith in a game at Swain on Jan. 26.

Brown said being named to the Honorable Mention All-BSMC team made her feel really good. “It boosted my confidence for next year to try to get All-Conference.”

She is already looking forward to her senior season. “I’m just going to work hard over the summer and play AAU ball. I’m just going to try to stay healthy all summer and not get hurt.”

Basketball is a huge part of her life, and she enjoys all aspects of the game. “It’s just fun. You get to meet new people and get closer to people that you wouldn’t normally hang out with.”

Her positive attitude shines through, both on the court and off. “It’s a mental thing. You have to make yourself happy because if you’re down, it just makes it harder.”

BASKETBALL

King, Mintz win top conference honors

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

For the second year in a row, Cherokee has taken home the top post-season honors in girls basketball in the Big Smoky Mountain Conference. Identical to last season, Pooh King, senior point guard, was named Player of the Year, and Chris Mintz, Lady Braves head coach, was named Coach of the Year.

"It's always an honor to be acknowledged by your peers," Coach Mintz commented. "It's all because of what our team did and what the girls did that I even got nominated for this award. So, I give all of the credit to them."

King, a member of the Seminole Tribe of Florida, has played at Cherokee two seasons where she averaged 15.3 points per game, 5.5 steals, and 4.4 assists. "I'm honored to get it two times in a row, and I just wouldn't have done it without my team."

In speaking of her time in Cherokee, she said, "I've enjoyed it. They welcomed me here, and I was just blessed to play with this group of girls. We're more like a family than a team, and I just really enjoyed that."

On King, Coach Mintz noted, "She's a special player that has given her all for two years here. She has played really great and been consistent. I'd put her up against any point guard in western North Carolina, and I think we have the best one."

For the season, the Lady Braves



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

NO-LOOK PASS: Pooh King, Lady Braves senior point guard, has been named the Big Smoky Mountain Conference Player of the Year for the second consecutive season.

went 25-3, won the BSMC regular season title, and took second place in the conference tournament.

In addition to King, Tori Teesateskie and Shelby Wolfe were named to the All-Conference team, and Timiyah Brown and Raylen Bark were named Honorable Mention.

The Braves ended the 2016-17 campaign at 19-9. They took second place in the BSMC regular season, and they won the conference tournament.

Tye Mintz and Holden Straughan were named to the All-Conference team and Sterling Santa-Maria and Josiah Lossiah

were named Honorable Mention.

On the boys side, Scotty McMahan, Swain Co., was named Coach of the Year, and Deland Thomas, Rosman, was named Player of the Year.

Other Girls All-Conference included: Tiffany Holloway (Andrews), Savanna Annis (Hayesville), Emma Stroup (Murphy), Jessica Beckner (Murphy), Aubrey Clapsaddle (Murphy), Maddi Garland (Robbinsville), and Lynsey Hicks (Swain Co.)

Other Girls Honorable Mentions included: Kenzie Gunter (Andrews), Morgan Mashburn (Andrews), Kimonta Lloyd (Hayesville), Hailey Rickett (Hayesville), Ellie Martin (Murphy), Katlyn Stiles (Murphy), Erin Teesateskie (Robbinsville), Cambrie Lovin (Robbinsville), Gracy Biggs (Rosman), Grace Cabe (Swain Co.), and Taylor Medlin (Swain Co.)

Other Boys All-Conference included: Dillan Phillips (Andrews), Josh Cottrell (Hayesville), Tyler Long (Robbinsville), Reece Adams (Robbinsville), Harper Reese (Rosman), Deland Thomas (Rosman), Evan Bradley (Swain Co.), Phinehas Little (Swain Co.), and Zeke Bradley (Swain Co.)

Other Boys Honorable Mentions included: Dwain Cook (Hayesville), Hagan Newton (Murphy), Jeremiah Clark (Murphy), Colby Hemphill (Robbinsville), Landon Orr (Robbinsville), Hooper Thomas (Rosman), Neil Tesnow (Rosman), Darren Blankenship (Swain Co.), Clayton Catolster (Swain Co.)

Racism has no place on the court

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

The other day, my cousin Charity put a post on her Facebook page discussing the poor officiating that she witnessed during a high school basketball playoff game in South Dakota. Her son plays on the Takini Skyhawks, a team based on the Cheyenne River Sioux Indian Reservation, and they were playing the Newell Irrigators (real team name) who beat them 70-64.

Charity described some of the calls including a technical foul being called on the Takini player when the Newell player was the one who was at fault. Racism is alive and well in South Dakota...and Arizona...and Oklahoma...and here in North Carolina. The problem is that racist officiating is basically impossible to prove.

In my years of shooting games on the sidelines, I've personally witnessed hundreds, if not thousands, of just poor calls. I've written before about the tough job that officials have and the fact that I wouldn't ever even attempt it, but for the ones that do, we expect accuracy and impartiality.

When I see bad calls...and, I

mean really bad calls...I always think to myself if they are just poor officials or are they closet supporters of the other team? Or, even worse, are they being racist towards the Cherokee players? But, if they are, it's impossible to prove unless they actually say so. We can't get in their heads so we don't know what the thought processes are for sure...we can only speculate.

A few weeks ago, a radio personality for KCTR in Billings, Mont. named Paul Mushaben caused quite a stir over a blog post he made entitled "Indian Basketball" in which he stated that an "Indian team involved in a tournament left people re-thinking if it's worth it or not to host a tourney".

He went on to write, "The crowd (Indian crowd) is so unruly and disrespectful of the facility that it may be time for the MHSAA (Montana High School Association) to proceed with an all Indian tourney."

KCTR suspended Mushaben and released the following statement on Tuesday, Feb. 28, "KCTR does not support the blog or the sentiments expressed therein. Once management became aware of the content, it was immediately removed from the station website

and we have since taken action to suspend Mr. Mushaben indefinitely, pending further internal review."

During the Holidays on the Hardwood Tournament here in Cherokee, a female fan for a team from Georgia was removed from the premises after getting into an altercation with several Cherokee fans. The lady, along with several in her party, began making "woo-woo" sounds while patting their mouths. They were asked to stop by several Cherokee fans, and the lady reportedly said, "We're Indians too so we can do this."

That didn't set well. Words were exchanged, and the lady ended up being removed by several Cherokee Indian Police officers.

The Pine Ridge (SD) Lady Thorpes won the 1989 Class A South Dakota State Basketball Championship. The late SuAnne Big Crow grabbed a rebound and put it back up with seconds remaining to give Pine Ridge a 42-40 win over Millbank.

Big Crow, a member of the Oglala Sioux Tribe, is a legend in South Dakota, and the Boys and Girls Club on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation is named after her. During the 1989 season, she averaged 39 points as she led the Lady Thorpes to the championship, but more importantly, she helped them and many more overcome adversity and racism.

During a game at Lead, the Lady Thorpes were set to come out onto the court and the opposing fans were chanting and doing their own "woo-woo" sounds. Big Crow led them onto the court, and she

stopped at the center circle rather than keeping on running on around the court.

There, in the middle of the circle, she began fancy shawl dancing and singing a Lakota song.

The Lead fans went from jeering to cheering.

She not only helped the Lady Thorpes win that particular game, she helped everyone overcome racism in a positive way at least for that one moment.

Earlier, I spoke of the Takini Skyhawks. In the Lakota language, Takini means "one who has been brought back" or simply "survivor".

When fans and coaches encounter what is deemed as racism in the form of bad officiating or bad sportsmanship, I encourage them to follow the proper channels. Turn in a formal protest of the event complete with game film to the state governing association. Follow that to the letter and hope for the best.

When players encounter the same behavior, I encourage them to follow in the footsteps of SuAnne Big Crow. Not everyone has to go to the center and dance...just simply rise above it, concentrate on what you're doing, calm down, and put the ball in the hoop. Don't worry about racist chants or poor officiating...that's for the fans and coaches and administrators to deal with.

All American Indian athletes are survivors. No amount of chanting, racist actions, racist thoughts, or poor officiating can change that.



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Girls

1A Playoffs

4th Round – Tuesday, Feb. 28

Mount Airy 40 Murphy 39
Avery Co. 55 Gray Stone Day 39
Pamlico Co. 66 Plymouth 59
Roxboro Community 59 Riverside
56

Regional Final – Saturday, March 4

Pamlico Co. 59 Roxboro Commu-
nity 47
Mount Airy 49 Avery Co. 38

Boys

1A Playoffs

4th Round – Tuesday, Feb. 28

Mount Airy 80 Avery Co. 66
Lincoln Charter 75 Winston-Salem
Prep. 65
Riverside 77 Southeast Halifax 63
Kestrel Heights 74 Whiteville 69

Regional Final – Saturday, March 4

Kestrel Heights 63 Riverside 53
Lincoln Charter 54 Mount Airy 51

BASEBALL

Thursday, March 2

Franklin 1 Murphy 0
Brevard 4 Rosman 2

Friday, March 3

Hayesville 18 Cherokee 3

SOFTBALL

Thursday, March 2

Swain Co. 22 Blue Ridge 4
Brevard 12 Rosman 6

Friday, March 3

Hayesville 13 Cherokee 1

SOCCER

Thursday, March 2

Mitchell 5 Cherokee 0

TRACK & FIELD

Franklin Invitational

Thursday, March 2

Following are the Cherokee team
results per ncmilesplit.com:

Boys

Team Scores

6 – Cherokee 47

4x400M Relay

3 - Cherokee A team 4:03.6
4 - Cherokee B team 4:09.4
5 - Cherokee C team 4:43.8

100M Dash

3 - Tye Mintz 11.8
18 - Cade Mintz 12.6
25 - Steven Meuse 13.3
33 - Joaquin Layno 13.7

200M Dash

3 - Tye Mintz 24.2
11 - Cade Mintz 25.6
12 - Blake Smith 25.6
15 - Josiah Lossiah 26.7
16 - Tihjah Lossiah 26.7
21 - Isaiah Evans 27.6

400M Dash

8 - Isaiah Evans 59.8
15 - Josiah Lossiah 1:00.7
16 - Blake Smith 1:00.9
18 - Tihjah Lossiah 1:03.4

800M Run

4 - Darius Lambert 2:17.0

1600M Run

5 - Darius Lambert 5:03.8

110M Hurdles

9 - Jordan Grant 20.7

300M Hurdles

9 - Jordan Grant 50.9

Discus Throw

2 - Byron Locust 105-00
6 - Holden Straughan 100-07
14 - Sterling Santa Maria 83-07
16 - Mykel Lossiah 81-03
19 - Josh Driver 79-05
31 - Logan Lequire 67-07
39 - Silas Driver 39-02

Shot Put

2 - Byron Locust 39-11.00
12 - Sterling Santa Maria 34-
07.00

15 - Joaquin Layno 33-01.50

24 - Mykel Lossiah 29-03.50

25 - Josh Driver 29-03.00

28 - Logan Lequire 28-08.50

38 - Silas Driver 21-10.00

Long Jump

3 - Shane Swimmer 18-10.00
11 - Tye Mintz 16-07.00
13 - Cade Mintz 16-05.50

Triple Jump

9 - Shane Swimmer 38-03.50

High Jump

8 - Blake Smith 5-02.00

Girls

Team Scores

4 - Cherokee 53

4x400M Relay

2 - Cherokee A Team 5:01.0

100M Dash

6 - Hallah Panther 14.9
8 - Raylen Bark 15.0

200M Dash

3 - Hallah Panther 29.8
4 - Raylen Bark 31.2

800M Run

6 - Dorian Reed 2:59.5
11 - Christina Lee 3:09.6
12 - Makayla Trantham 3:14.4
13 - Danicka Husky 3:27.8

1600M Run

7 - Dorian Reed 6:33.3

100M Hurdles

1 - Shelby Wolfe 19.3

300M Hurdles

2 - Shelby Wolfe 57.8

Discus Throw

4 - Tierra Toineeta 65-07
6 - Me-Li Jackson 60-01
14 - Awee Sequoyah 51-04

Shot Put

2 - Me-Li Jackson 30-08.50
6 - Tierra Toineeta 26-09.50
12 - Awee Sequoyah 22-04.00

Long Jump

6 - Raylen Bark 12-00.00



by Chris Richcreek

1. Who is the only player to win a league batting title in three different decades?

2. How many seasons did Hall of Fame catcher Mike Piazza have at least 30 home runs, 100-plus RBIs and a batting average of .300 or better?

3. When was the last time before a 2016 bowl game that the Penn State and Georgia football teams faced off?

4. Which two teams hold the NBA record for worst start to a season?

5. In the 1981-82 NHL season, Edmonton's Wayne Gretzky set a record with 92 goals. Did his team go on to win the Stanley Cup?

6. Who was the first NASCAR driver to break 200 mph in a stock car at Talladega?

7. Name the last tennis player 31 or older before Stan Wawrinka in 2016 to win the U.S. Open men's singles title.

1. Kansas City's George Brett (1976, '80, '90).
2. Six seasons.
3. It was the 1983 Sugar Bowl following the 1982 season.
4. The 2009-10 New Jersey Nets and the 2015-16 Philadelphia 76ers each started 0-18.
5. No. The Oilers were upset by the Los Angeles Kings in five games in the division semifinals.
6. Buddy Baker, in 1970.
7. Ken Rosewall was 35 when he won in 1970.

Answers

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EBCI 2017 Election Candidate List

Pusuant to an Executive Memorandum from Principal Chief Patrick Lambert, the Cherokee One Feather makes available to the public a listing of candidates for Tribal Council seats in the election to be held in 2017. This listing was received from the Secretary of the Treasury on Monday, March 6. For the most up-to-date listing, check the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page each afternoon.

Candidates for Tribal Council

Painttown

Tommye Saunooke
Janet Ruth Arch
Cherie Rose
Yona Wade
Mark Hicks
Lisa Taylor

Birdtown

Gilbert Crowe Jr.
Albert Rose

Yellowhill

Anita Lossiah
David Wolfe
Lloyd Arneach Jr.
Charles Penick

Big Cove

Damian Solis
Richard French

Wolfetown/Big Y

Bo Crowe
Jeremy Wilson
Samuel F. Reed

Birdtown School Board

Sasha McCoy Watty
Melissa Smith

Miss Cherokee Report for February 2017

AMORIE GUNTER

MISS CHEROKEE 2016-17

Siyo, the month of February was a very fun month for me. I had the honor of attending the 2017 USET in Washington, D.C. While I was there I was able to tour the Cherokee Archives that the Smithsonian museum has. I got to meet the Minority Leader of the House of Representatives, Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.). I was also able to attend a Senate meeting with many of our Council members.

Many people know of Wes Studi and for those that don't, he is a very famous Cherokee actor. While in Washington, I got to meet him as well as watch the reading of a wonderful play he is going to be in. Before the week was over, I got a little time to do some sightseeing in our country's beautiful capitol.

On Feb. 19, the Director of Business development for the Georgia Swarm, Mike Garrison, invited me to attend Native American Heritage night. I was able to meet and talk to 2016 NLL Rookie of the year player Randy Staats. I was then able to take part of the ball drop ceremony along with Junior Miss Cherokee Alitama Perkins, several Council members, and Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed. After the game was over, I got to meet and get my picture with some of the Native American players on the team.

My amazing dad's birthday was Feb. 27. I would like to wish him a very happy birthday. Without his wise words and encouragement, I wouldn't be where I am today. I love



Photo courtesy of Amorie Gunter

LEADERS: Miss Cherokee Amorie Gunter visits with Rep. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.), the minority leader of the U.S. House of Representatives, while on a recent trip to Washington, DC.

you dad!

This has been a wonderful year so far, and I look forward to repre-

sending our beautiful Tribe for the rest of my reign!

Sgi, thank you!



Photo courtesy of Kelly Murphy/New Kituwah Academy

PERFECT: The following students (shown left-right in the front row) in the New Kituwah Academy Early Childhood program were honored for achieving perfect attendance for the month of February. Back row – Skylar (Yona-Galehegi) Bottchenbaugh, Stacy (Sdesi) Rogers, Michelle (Gadoyae) Long, Landon (Galvtisi) French, Joni (Tsoni) Hill; front row - Sean (Tuya) Slee, Misha (Losi) Slee, Tatum (Taya) Lossiah Jackson, Andreas (Ganahida) Ramirez, Jolyssa (Walela) Hernandez, Meeka (Svdiwali) Taylor, Tokahey (Koa) Grant, Carter (Wayasdi) Stephens, and Quinn (Waya) Velasquez.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY: Dr. Seuss' birthday, Thursday, March 2, was celebrated in the Qualla Boundary Public Library. Little Miss Cherokee Nevayah Panther is shown reading to a group of young students. "This day is to celebrate the love of reading and sharing some time just having fun by dressing up like some of the cool characters from Dr. Seuss' great story books!" exclaimed Robin Swayney, Qualla Boundary Public Library manager. "The Qualla Library would like to thank Benny Graves, Jay Eagleman, Charles Taylor, Ben Hooper, Nevayah Panther, Beth Bramhall, and Jade Ledford for coming out to read to the Pre-K through second grade. To quote Dr. Seuss, 'You're never too old, too wacky, too wild, to pick up a book and read to a child.'"

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OBITUARIES



Coney Shell

Coney Shell, 90, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Monday, Feb. 27, 2017. A native of Swain County, he was the son of the late Ute and Eliza George Shell. He was also preceded in death by his wife. Coney was the last of five siblings.

He was a veteran of the Korean War and a member of the Whittier Church of God.

He is survived by six daughters, Lynette Shell of Cherokee, Patty Stewart of Pensacola, Fla., Catherine Redcloud and husband Joseph of Big Cove, Candi Shell of Pensacola Fla., Walania Shell of Cherokee, and Gussyrobin Zepeda of Cherokee; two sons, J.C. Shell and wife Laura of Jacksonville Fla., and Shawne Shell and wife Kimberly of Spartanburg, SC; 16 grandchildren, 28 great grandchildren, nine great great grandchildren, and many nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held on Thursday, March 2 at Whittier Church of God. Revs. Ned Pressley, Shane Silvers, and James "Bo" Paris officiated with burial in Yellowhill Veterans Cemetery.

Sallie Littlejohn Reed

Sallie Littlejohn Reed, 90, of Cherokee, passed away Saturday, March 4, 2017.

She was born April 4, 1926 in Cherokee to the late Henson Littlejohn Sr. and Leewee Crowe Littlejohn.

Sallie is survived by her nieces, Judy Castorena, Polly Castorena, Jonnie Walkingstick, and Caroline Oocumma; nephews, Wiggins Blackfox and Leroy Littlejohn; great nephew, Max; and many other nieces, nephews, great nieces and nephews, and friends.

In addition to her parents, Sallie was preceded in death by her husband, Esiah Reed; five brothers, Boyd Littlejohn, Thomas (Maygo) Littlejohn, Henson Littlejohn Jr., Jess Littlejohn, and Tommy Littlejohn; and four sisters, Alice Oocumma, Agnes Castorena, Amanda Blackfox, and Mabel Littlejohn.

Services were held at the Macedonia Baptist Church on Monday, March 6 at 10am. Pastor Dan Conseen and Wayne Carson officiated. Burial followed at the Reed family cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Reed family.

Samuel Ralph Otter

Samuel Ralph Otter, 54, of Cherokee, passed away Wednesday, March 1, 2017 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

He was born July 24, 1962 in Cherokee to the late Rob Shelton and Lawanda Otter Shelton. He was a Historian and Assistant Manager at the Cherokee Historical Society. He was a member of the Rock Springs Baptist Church.

Samuel is survived by his wife, Charlene Jackson Otter; two sons, Michael Otter of the home and Kerry Otter of Sylva; three brothers, Henry Otter, Craig Otter, and John Shelton (Wife Becky); one sister, Regina Watkins; and close friends, Dick Crowe and family.

In addition to his parents, Samuel was preceded in death by his grandfather, Johnson Littlejohn; one brother, Michael Shelton; and a nephew, Xavier Otter.

Services were held on Sunday, March 5 at the Rock Springs Baptist Church. Pastors Greg Morgan, Denny Crowe, and Cliff Baker officiated. Burial followed the service at the Jackson Cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Otter family.

Mack J. Cook

Mack J. Cook, 73, of Bryson City, passed away Wednesday, March 1, 2017. A native of Jackson County, he was the son of the late Albert and Edna Smith Cook. He was also preceded in death by one son. He was a member of

Mountain View Baptist Church in Darrington, Wash.

He is survived by his wife of 54 years, Frances Cook; one son, Michael Cook of Henderson, Nev.; two grandchildren, Ashley and Mackenzie Cook; one great grandchild, Aryia Carolene Ferverda; two sisters, Doris McMillan of Whittier and Eula Sanders of Darrington; two brothers, Burlin Cook and Willard Cook of Washington; and several nieces and nephews. Private services will be held at a later date.

Crisp Funeral Home is assisting the family.

Ivy Elizabeth Goforth

Ivy Elizabeth Goforth, 57, of Bryson City, passed away Thursday, March 2, 2017 at the Homestead Hospice in Clyde.

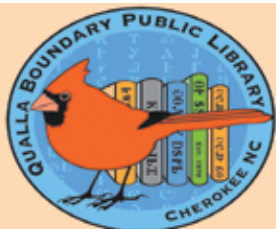
She was born Oct. 14, 1959 in Elberton, Ga. to the late J.B. Morrison and Edna Kansas Wilson Morrison.

Ivy is survived by her children, James Lee Goforth, Carolyn Michaela George, Elizabeth Serena George, and Winona Gabrielle George; and four grandchildren, Makenah Goforth, Leland Kane Goforth, Kevin Swailon George, and Ellis Jamison George.

In addition to her parents, Ivy was preceded in death by her brother, Ronnie Morrison; and one sister, Nona Shepherd.

Memorial services will be held at a later date.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the Goforth family.



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Wednesday: 8am - 5pm
Friday: 7:45am - 4:30pm

OBITUARIES



Kina B. Swayney

Kina B. Swayney, 56, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Saturday, March 4, 2017. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Bernard A. Wilnoty and Harriet Ann Sequoyah James, and Calvin T. James. In addition to her parents, she was also preceded in death by, one brother, Dennis Wilnoty; one sister, Carolyn Wilnoty, and a nephew, Michael Dennis Wilnoty.

Kina was a retired Lieutenant Colonel with the United States Army having served for 24 years. She was a Combat Veteran in Kuwait, Iraq, and Afghanistan. She was very involved in the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post #143 in Cherokee.

She is survived by her husband of 39 years, Lawrence D. Swayney; one son, Jacent D. Swayney of the home; one special daughter, Kyra Ann James of the home; four brothers, David B. Wilnoty and wife Michelle of Cherokee, Michael D. Wilnoty and wife Savannah of Cherokee, Timothy M. Wilnoty of Cherokee, and Calvin James Jr. of Cherokee, and several beloved nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services will be held

2pm on Thursday, March 6 at Yellowhill Baptist Church. Rev. Forman Bradley will officiate with burial in Yellowhill Veterans Cemetery.

Kina will be taken back to the Church at 5pm on Wednesday by Crisp Funeral Home to await the hour of service

Nancy Wildcat Biddix

Nancy Wildcat Biddix, 81, of the Birdtown Community, went home to be with the Lord Saturday, March 4, 2017 at the Cherokee Indian hospital after an extended illness with her loving family by her side.

Nancy was born April 9, 1935 to the late Louiza Wildcat. She is preceded in death by her loving husband, Harold Leroy Buster Biddix; and brothers, Charlie, Wilbur, Anderson and John Wayne Wildcat.

She is survived by six children, Garrett and Henderson Biddix of the home, Polly Reed and John Biddix (Elsie) of Cherokee, Harold Biddix Jr. (Sheila) of Asheboro, and Fred Biddix of Warrenburg, Tenn. In addition to her children, she is also survived by one brother, Quincey Wildcat (Jessie) of Cherokee; 15 grandchildren; three step grandchildren; 24 great grandchildren; and six step-great grandchildren; and several nieces and nephews. Nancy will always be remembered as a loving wife, mother and grandma.

She will be taken to the Acquoni Baptist Church Monday, March 6 at 5pm where she will remain until the hour of service at 11am on Tuesday, March 7. Revs. James (Bo) Parris and Ed Kilgore will officiate. Pall bearers will be members of the family.

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- Snowbird Program, Tuesdays, 12-1 starting March 7th at Snowbird Community Complex, 54 Snowbird Rd, Robbinsville, NC.
- Cherokee Central Schools Program, Thursdays, 3:15-4:15 starting March 2nd
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- Team Competition OPTION for a chance to win a grand prize!
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 - Parent or sibling with diabetes
 - Diagnosis of gestational diabetes
 - Gave birth to baby weighing over 9#
 - Pre-diabetes
 - 45 years of age or older
 - Overweight or Obese
 - High Blood Pressure
 - High Cholesterol or Triglycerides
 - Dark skin around my neck or armpits (acanthosis nigricans)
- Inactivity

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THANK YOU LETTERS

Thank you from family of Waneema Driver

The family of Waneema Driver would like to thank the following people during the loss of our mother.

Thank you Tribal Construction, Big Y Free Labor Group, Bo Crowe, for preparing her final resting place. Thank you Chief Patrick Lambert, Big Witch Baptist Church, Woochie Crowe, Brianna Lambert, Linda

George, Crisp Funeral Home, all singers, and anyone who brought food or drinks to the house or church.

Maybe you just said a prayer or kept our family in your thoughts and thank you for that also. We appreciated any and everything that was done on our families behalf.

May God Richly Bless each of you.

Sincerely,

The family of Waneema Driver



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) This is a good time to reassess important relationships, both personal and professional, to see where problems might exist and how they can be overcome. Keep communication lines open.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) It's not easy to bring order to a chaotic situation, whether it's in the workplace or at home. But if anyone can do it, you can. A pleasant surprise awaits you by week's end.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Be careful that you don't make an upcoming decision solely on the word of those who might have their own reasons for wanting you to act as they suggest. Check things out for yourself.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) A personal relationship that seems to be going nowhere could be restarted once you know why it stalled. An honest discussion could result in some surprising revelations.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) That unexpected attack of self-doubt could be a way of warning yourself to go slow before making a career-changing decision. Take more time to do a closer study of the facts.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) A workplace problem needs your attention, now, before it deteriorates to a point beyond repair. A trusted third party could be helpful in closing the gaps that have opened.

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) A recent family situation could give rise to a new problem. Keep an open mind and avoid making judgments about anyone's motives until all the facts are in.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Rely on your always-sharp intuition to alert you to potential problems with someone's attempt to explain away the circumstances behind a puzzling incident.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Although you still need to do some snipping of those lingering loose ends from a past project, you can begin moving on to something else.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) With your self-confidence levels rising, you should feel quite comfortable with agreeing to take on a possibly troublesome, but potentially well-rewarded, situation.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Travel is favored, both for business and for fun. The end of the week brings news about an upcoming project that could lead toward that promised career change.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) You might feel suddenly overwhelmed by a flood of responsibilities. But if you deal with each one in its turn, you'll soon be able to hold your head above water and move on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You have a wonderful way of offering comfort as well as guidance. You would do well in the healing arts.

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Cherokee Dialysis patients, staff say thanks

The Cherokee Dialysis patients and staff want to express their sincere appreciation to all the kind people that donated the comfort bags to us. We are enjoying your kindness of donating the bags. They are so helpful in our daily needs. A big thank you to each of you.

Thank you from family of Jack Bowman

The Family of Zane "Jack" Bowman wishes to thank each and every one who assisted us during our time of grief. Every prayer, hug, flower, song, food, or card was special and thoughtful acts of kindness and love that we will always remember. Words cannot adequately express the deep appreciation and gratitude we have to the EMS, Fire Dept., Long House Funeral Home, Pastor Bo Parris, Singers, the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143, Cherokee Wild Land Firefighters, Big Cove Stickball Team, Big Cove Free Labor and his extended family including Jack Bradley, Peters Pancake staff, Bob Blankenship Family, John and

Frances Gloyne Family, Walker Calhoun Family, and his special firefighter and stickball friends. Please continue to keep us in your prayers. We miss Jack so much.

Thank you from the family of Charles "Charlie" Owle Sr. Would like to thank each and every one that called, visited, sent food and flowers, or remembered us in your prayers during the sickness and loss of our dad, brother, uncle, grandpa, and friend.

We also want to thank Tsali Care Center, JD Arch, Cherokee VFW, Cherokee American Legion Steve Youngdeer Post 143, The Marine Corpmen from Knoxville, Ray West and Yellowhill Missionary Baptist Church and their women's group, Rev. Bo Paris, EBCI, Sue Cooper, Paul Dillman, and Long House Funeral Home. If we omitted someone, it was not intentional and please know that we thank you.

All of you helped in making a difficult time a little easier and we will never forget you for it.

Love and appreciation,

**The Owle families,
Chuck, Linette, Ethelyn, Betty,
Irvin and all of our families**

ARRESTS: CIPD Report from page 4

Not released as of press time
Charges: Simple Assault, Child Abuse in the Second Degree, Probation Violation.

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2

Lossiah, Cassandra Marie – age 29

Arrested: March 6 (no booking time given)

Not released as of press time
Charges: Assault

Number of times in CIPD Detention: 2



**One Feather deadline
Friday at 12noon**

Fairgrounds offering cash for ramps

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds will buy 50 total gallons of ramps for the Rainbows and Ramps Elder's Meal from EBCI tribal members during a buying event on Monday, March 21 at 9am at the Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall. Sellers must provide proof of EBCI enrollment with photo tribal ID.

The following amounts will be paid:

- \$50 per packed gallon for white (no more than 2' green)
- \$40 per packed gallon for green (no more than 4" of green)

There will be a five gallon per turn per adult, and sellers must be 18 years of age or older. No frozen ramps will be accepted. After the quote is met on March 21, the Exhibit Hall porch will be available to sellers until 12pm to sell any remaining ramps.

Info: Frieda Huskey 369-6492 or Lisa Frady 359-6471

- *Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds*

Summer Youth College Experience accepting applications

The EBCI Education and Training Program is now accepting applications for the 2017 Summer Youth College Experience Program. This program lasts for five weeks, begins on June 12 and concludes on July 14. During the program, participants will:

- participate in ACT preparation with a certified Kaplan instructor,
- receive Financial Management training,
- work in paid internships, and
- visit local colleges

To participate in the program, applicants must be enrolled members of the EBCI who are rising juniors or seniors. Participants

must have an overall 2.0 GPA. There are a limited number of slots for the Summer Youth Program. All participants must submit to a drug test.

Applications are available at the EBCI Education & Training Program office located in the Ginger Lynn Welch complex. The deadline to submit an application with all the required paperwork is Friday, April 14.

Info: Tasheena Parker 359-6650

- *EBCI Education & Training Program*

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship availability

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

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$36,312 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under "Qualla Reservation". The Eastern Band Community Foundation is an affiliate of the North Carolina Community Foundation. In addition to the website, like us on Facebook, follow us on LinkedIn and Twitter @NCCF for more information on

the North Carolina Community Foundation.

Info: Norma Moss at normah-moss@gmail.com

- *Eastern Band Community Foundation*

Vendors sought for Spring Garden Fair

Vendor applications are now being accepted for the Spring Garden Fair scheduled for Friday, April 7 and Saturday, April 8 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Vendors are being sought who sell garden items including: seeds, plants, seedlings, yard art, tools, bees, farm-related subjects, dried or canned products, or other food products. They are also seeking educators to share information about composting, recycling, mulches, beekeeping, etc. All are welcome. This event is being sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert. Info: Check Facebook – Spring Garden Fair or email legendweaverstudios@gmail.com

- *Jody Bradley*

VITA (Volunteer Income Tax Assistance) available in Cherokee

The 2017 offering of Tax Assistance has begun. If your annual income is \$54,000 or less, you are eligible to have your taxes prepared at no cost at the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd, located next to the Yellowhill Community Building and covered basketball court. Please bring with you the following items to your appointment:

- All income related forms such as: W-2, 1099 Misc., 1099-I, SSA-1099, etc.
- Photo I.D. such as Driver's License or enrollment card with picture
- Social Security Card and birth

date of every member of the household

- Enrollment Card of Federally Recognized Tribe for NC Tax Exemption
- Bank Account Information if you want tax return direct deposited
- Last year's tax return if possible
- The program does not do Rental Income (Schedule E), Dividend and Investment Income (Sch B) and Complex Schedule C.

To schedule an appointment, 359-6930 or 359-6933 and speak to any staff person.

- *EBCI Cooperative Extension*

Cherokee Elementary Yearbook pages for sale

Cherokee Elementary School is currently selling spots for their 2016-17 Yearbook. All yearbook pages will be printed in color and prices are as follows: Full Page - \$100, ½ page - \$50, ¼ block - \$25. Send photos or quotes to Natalie Grant, Cherokee Language, ngrant@cherokeecentral.gaggle.net or Erin Kirkland, P.E., ekirkland@cherokeecentral.gaggle.net. Info: 554-5020

- *Cherokee Elementary School*

Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Committee meetings

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds has started their 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair Committee meetings. They will be taking ideas on this year's theme and planning the 2017 Cherokee Indian Fair.

Everyone is welcome and ideas and input are encouraged. These meetings will be held every second Tuesday of the month at 2pm at the Fairgrounds.

- *Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds*

BOOK REVIEW

“When Elvis Died, My Momma Cried”

REVIEWED by
JULIA LAMBERT

Dee Thompson Smith's "When Elvis Died, My Momma Cried" is a collection of the stories of people who have come to visit her Elvis Presley museum located in the WolfTown Community. She discusses how she, a long time Elvis collector, started her museum in 2011 thanks to her daughter suggesting that they renovate a rental cabin. Several of the stories, including Smith's, are about the three-day concert Elvis put on in Asheville in 1975.

The book has many interesting stories from very differ-

ent people, but one theme runs through all of them, a love for the king, Elvis Presley. There are also some handwritten notes included in the book - one being "Very Very Great! I got all shook up!" Smith's museum attracts both old and young with stories from both. In the conclusion of the book, Smith states, "This is the best job I have ever had!" Her love for her work shines through in her book. She encourages people to come and visit and share their stories.



CHEROKEE PRESCHOOL

Registration has begun!

The Hope Center will be taking Pre-K applications
March 1 – May 5 2017

Must be 4 years old by August 31, 2017
and meet the service priority guidelines.

Contact the Hope Center for more information:
554-5101

You're off to great Places
Today is your Day
Your mountain is awaiting
So...Get on your way!
Dr. Seuss

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK

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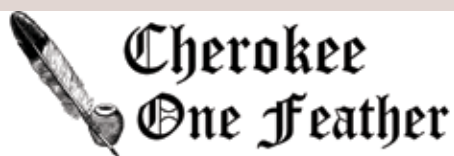
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Boog, a 9-month-old Dachshund and Chihuahua mix, lives with Kyla Taylor in the Birdtown Community.



Is your pet your best friend?
If you'd like to have your pet (whatever that may be) featured as the **Cherokee Pet of the Week**, send a high resolution photo, type and name of pet to: scotmckie@nc-chokeee.com, or message us at the One Feather Facebook page.



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A free press, government transparency, and the One Feather

ROBERT JUMPER
ONE FEATHER EDITOR

Sovereignty is a powerful thing. That is, sovereignty is a powerful thing if you can get it. A quick Google search for the definition of sovereignty calls it “supreme power or authority”, “the authority of a state to govern itself or another state” and “a self-governing state”.

There are various opinions throughout the Tribe as to whether or not we are sovereign. Recent events would tend to call into question the legitimacy of a claim to sovereignty as we have seen more federal law enforcement presence on the Qualla Boundary than many of our people can remember. And, there are calls from both our Executive and Legislative Branches for investigation of inappropriate governance.

There are strong calls from the community to at least explore the possibility of term limits for elected officials (new law already limits the terms of the Principal Chief and Vice Chief) and a defined third branch of government (Judicial). I think community is frustrated with, what they perceive, is a lack of focus on us and our needs.

Both branches of government have enlisted internal and external auditors to attempt to determine if violations of ethics and/or law have occurred. And, both branches of government are engaging lawyers for what looks to be a protracted battle.

As this battle takes shape, little to no information has been released to the public with regard to individual roles and charges, with exception of the redacted release of an Office of Internal Audit investigation alleging violations of human resources policy and charter (as a press release from the Tribal Council’s attorney), and letters from the U.S. Federal Bureau of Investigation alerting the Qualla Housing Authority of scrutiny.

When information is requested, it has been common practice for our officials to remain silent.

At any time, the One Feather is willing and ready to publish, subject to Editorial Board guidelines insuring decency and banning personal attacks, the thoughts, opinions and reports of employees, elected officials, community members, and basically anyone in our readership. We have made this publicly known with editorial comment and regular publication of an open letter inviting public officials to provide their input. So far, the only elected official that has taken advantage of our public podium has been the Principal Chief.

Response to the newspaper’s inquiries from government entities is regularly met with silence. In one case, we waited for over a year, during which we made numerous requests for information, before the information was finally received. It has been common practice by some government entities to hold the newspaper at arm’s length when reporting on certain issues.

Our public records laws are such that almost any document that the government decides to not release could be exempted from public scrutiny. There are no less than 17 areas of governmental record that are deemed exempt from public view (Section 132-11 of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians municipal code). Meetings of our public governmental bodies and elected officials are reportedly being held without the knowledge or notification of the public or the press. One community member even commented that more government work gets done at a Braves game that does in our highest chambers of government.

On top of the ambiguity and contradiction in Code regarding public information, the only recourse for forcing delivery of information to an individual or the media is to take the government to tribal court, which hardly ever ends well for an individual, and would be disastrous for a tribal program like the One Feather, not to mention extremely costly.

I have some experience in county, state, and
see **EDITORIAL** next page

Reader appreciates sports column on racism

Once again, I just want to let you know that I appreciate your comments on Racism ("ON THE SIDELINES: Racism has no place on the court", published online on Wednesday, March 1). I think it sends a strong message not only to athletes but to the public in general to simply "rise above it, concentrate on what you're doing, calm down and stay focused...to not worry about racist chants or poor attitudes and behaviors..."

Albeit, not always easy to do, we can all be

survivors if we choose, and we can all rise above and be stronger as a result of making better choices to react in a positive way. In turn, we survive and we gain strength in being successful. I strongly agree with your statements and your wrap-up sums it up...."No amount of chanting, racist actions, racist thoughts, or poor attitudes and behaviors can change that."

Having overcome my own challenges as a young Cherokee girl growing up in a small community with exposure to different cultures

in the southern states. I returned home from traveling with my family from one job location to another due to my father's occupation. I have had experiences growing up as a young Cherokee girl and even as I settled back to my home in the Snowbird Community into adulthood. I am continuing my journey as a survivor in the best way that I know how.

Respectfully,

Mary Brown,

EBCI tribal elder, Snowbird Community

EDITORIAL: A free press from page 19

federal governments with regard to open meeting and public information laws, and in those arenas, the code and rule of law is much different and the skew is in favor of the community, press and public access. There is very little that is kept from public view in those government entities, as you may be able to tell from the local and national news reports on their activities.

We continue to be grateful to the Chief, Vice Chief, and Tribal Council for their "hands off" approach with regard to the reporting of the One Feather. While there are times when they fall silent at requests for information, I can honestly say that we have not been forced to publish nor have we been directed not to publish anything from any of our government officials.

It is my opinion that if we, as a community and government, paid more attention to the rights of the people to know and to provide avenues in our tribal law that would

allow the One Feather to access and disseminate information, with "on the record" access to our elected officials, many of the ills we are experiencing today would not exist.

Read the following excerpt from an article by Kathy Hill, "The fourth estate is a term that positions the press (newspapers) as a fourth branch of government and one that is important to a functioning democracy. The phrase is attributed to Edmund Burke (1729 - 1797), a British politician, as quoted in Thomas Carlyle's book, 'Herods and Hero Worship in History' (1841):Burke said that there were three Estates in Parliament, but in the Reporters Gallery yonder, there sat a fourth Estate more important far than they all. In Britain, the three branches (estates) of government referenced Parliament: The House of Lords (the Lords Temporal and the Lords Spiritual - nobles and clergy) and the House of Commons. In modern times, the 'press' has been expanded to include all news media, not just newspapers. Why Should You Care? The First Amendment to the Constitution 'frees' the press but

carries with it a responsibility to be the people's watchdog."

The people's watchdog. Is it possible that, had there been a watchdog over the years to expose governmental mismanagement or lack of management, the investigations of today may have not been a reality? A free press could be a light to shine on and expose the activities of government, who are supposed to be serving the people.

The One Feather, with the help of the Principal Chief, Vice Chief and Tribal Council, has come a long way on the road to being what the community deserves, a true watchdog, alerting you to what is going on in your government. But, because our public information and

free press laws are so convoluted, we are sometimes haltered by the silence of our government. Because we are bound by the tribal human resources policy and governmental chain of command, we are always one story or issue away from being censored with a simple directive from someone in the hierarchy of government. With regard to sovereignty, the One Feather only has freedom to speak to you as long as the powers that be allow it to be so. And, that would be okay, if the power was you, the community. But, it is up to the community to grant a free press to itself by ensuring that it holds government accountable for making it so.



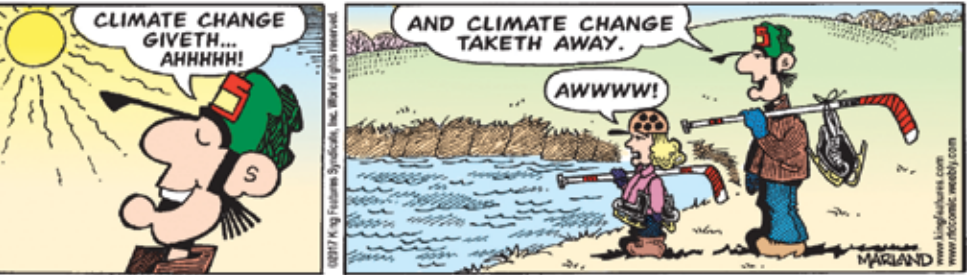
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by Linda Thistle

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DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦ Moderate ♦♦ Challenging ♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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BY HENRY BOLTIHOFF

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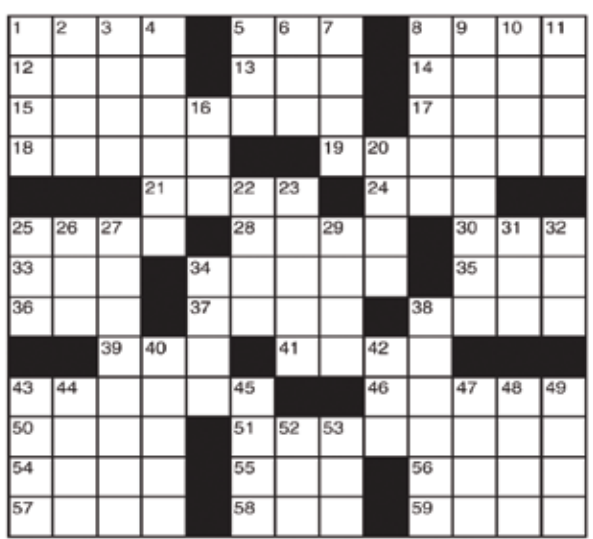
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Trivia Test Answers
 1. New Mexico; 2. Skin's sensitivity to ultraviolet light; 3. Ralph Macchio; 4. Maui; 5. A pastry filled with meat, cheese or potatoes; 6. "Cabaret"; 7. Air sacs in the lungs; 8. Parker and Barrow; 9. "... should not throw stones."; 10. Leader

King Crossword

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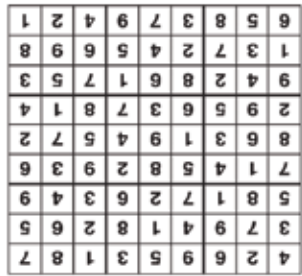
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- 7 Create
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- 32 Ancient
- 34 "— soit qui mal y pense"



Answer
 Weekly SUDOKU



Solution time: 25 mins.
 Answers
 King Crossword

Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. U.S. STATES: Which state's nickname is "Land of Enchantment"?
2. MEASUREMENTS: What does the Fitzpatrick scale measure?
3. MOVIES: Who starred as the kid in the original "Karate Kid"?
4. GEOGRAPHY: Which is the second-largest of the Hawaiian Islands?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is a knish?
6. THEATER: What famous play features a character named Sally Bowles?
7. ANATOMY: What are alveoli?
8. HISTORY: What were that last names of the 1930s crime duo known as Bonnie and Clyde?
9. LANGUAGE: What is the end of the famous proverb that begins, "People who live in glass houses ..."?
10. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: What does Hitler's title — "Führer" — mean in German?

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Cultural Events

Cherokee Language Syllabary Reading Class and Cherokee Language Intermediate Class. Now through April 10 at Utugi Church in the Snowbird Community. Info: Mary Brown (828) 735-4235 or Gil Jackson (828) 269-7030

Cherokee Heritage Day. March 11 from 11am – 5pm at Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Cherokee pottery workshop with Jarrett Wildcatt, showing of film “Plants and the Cherokee” with discussion by EBCI Beloved Man Jerry Wolfe, storytelling, Cherokee dances, and more. All activities are free. Info: 497-3481, www.cherokeemuseum.org

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Museum of the Cherokee Indian March events:

- **March 11** – Cherokee Heritage Day, strawberry-themed day and activities, starting about 11am
 - **March 12** – Movie Sunday, “Dance Me Outside”, free showing in the Ken Blankenship Education Wing
 - **March 15** – Lunchtime Crafts with Cherokee Friends in lobby, Atlatl part two, 12-12:45pm
 - **March 22** – Lunchtime Crafts with Cherokee Friends in lobby, carving (bring your own tools), 12-12:45pm
- Info: Museum 497-3481 ext. 304 or email Dawn Arneach at arneach@cherokeemuseum.org

Workshops on Finger Weaving, Twined Bag and Skirt. March 20-25 at Museum of the Cherokee Indian. March 20-21 from 9am – 4pm will be a workshop on finger weaving with beads in the 18th Century style. This class, taught by Deborah Harding and Karen George. March 22 will be a workshop to introduce the technique of twining and you will learn how to make a bag from hemp yarn. March 24-25 will be a workshop on how to make a skirt using twining. Harding will teach the bag and skirt workshops. Info: Barbara Duncan 497-3481 ext. 306, bduncan@cherokeemuseum.org

Free Cherokee Syllabary Class. Every Thursday Now – April

27 from 7-8pm in the Cherokee Choices community room. Limited slots are available. This is not a Cherokee language class. EBCI tribal members ages 10 and up only. Bring a writing utensil and a pack of index cards to class. Info: Tara McCoy 359-6783

Fundraisers/Benefits

Big Y community Spring Yard Sale and Breakfast Fundraiser. March 11 from 8am – 12:30pm at Big Y Community Building. Tables will be \$5/each and proceeds will be donated to Cherokee Elementary School students participation in the STEM camp at Wake Forest University this summer. Early set-up will be Friday, March 10 from 7-9pm

THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PRESENTS THE

WNC FLY FISHING TRAIL WEEKLY FISHING REPORT



MARCH 6-12, 2017



WATERSHED	STOCKING	PRODUCTIVITY	ACTIVE SPECIES	HATCHES	FLY/BAIT
Tuckaseige River	* Stocked March 2 * Check flow releases for rising water levels.	Good all day Single Hook Artificial Lure Catch and Release Only	Rainbow, Brook, and Brown Trout	Midges, Blue Wing Olives, Black Caddis	Black Caddis, Midge Dry Flies, Soft Hackles, Woolly Buggers, Emergers, Pheasant Tails, Copper Johns, Girdle Bugs, Small Streamers, Rubber Legs Flashy nymphs, Tiny BWO,
Chattooga & Whitewater Rivers	Not stocking, all wild brown trout and catch and release	Good mid-day	Rainbow and Brown Trout	Midges and Blue Wing Olives and Black Winter	Midges and various colors, Prince Nymph, Black Elk Haired Caddis, Little Black Stone
Inside GSMNP Oconaluftee River & Small Streams	Follow posted regulations-wild trout	Good mid-day	Rainbow, Brown, and Brook Trout	Midges and Blue Wing Olives and Little Winter Stone	Streamers, Little Black Stone, Tiny Blue Wing Olives, Midges, Grey Body Dries, Prince Nymph, Zug Bug, Hare's Ear, Woolly Bugger, Partridge & Black Elk Hair Caddis

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BEST FISHING TIMES BASED ON THE LUNAR CYCLE

MONDAY, MARCH 6	TUESDAY, MARCH 7	WEDNESDAY, MARCH 8	THURSDAY, MARCH 9	FRIDAY, MARCH 10	SATURDAY, MARCH 11	SUNDAY, MARCH 12
AVERAGE+	AVERAGE	AVERAGE	GOOD	BETTER	BEST	BEST
7:35 AM-9:35 AM 8:03 PM-10:03 PM	8:32 AM-10:32 AM 9:00 PM-11:00 PM	9:28 AM-11:28 AM 9:55 PM-11:55 PM	10:22 AM-12:22 PM 10:48 PM-12:48 AM	11:14 AM-1:14 PM 11:39 PM-1:39 AM	N/A 12:04 PM-2:04 PM	1:28 AM-3:28 AM 1:51 PM-3:51 PM

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BIBLE TRIVIA

by Wilson Casey

1. Is the book of Ezekiel in the Old or New Testament or neither?
2. Who/what does “their eyes stand out with fatness” refer to in Psalms 73? *Demons, Wicked rich, Serpents, Unholy*
3. From 1 Kings 17, what was the widow’s cruse miraculously kept full of? *Milk, Water, Oil, Light*
4. Who reaped a crop a hundred times the grain he sowed? *Gideon, Isaac, Samson, Hanun*
5. Whose daughter was referred to as Talitha by Jesus? *Zeresh, Jairus, Jeremiah, Shelomith*
6. From Acts 16, who sold purple cloth? *Lydia, Zimri, Sisera, Hannah*

ANSWERS: 1) Old; 2) Wicked rich; 3) Oil; 4) Isaac; 5) Jairus; 6) Lydia
Comments? More Trivia? Visit WWW.TriviaGuy.com

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for convenience. Breakfast plates will be \$5 and features your choice of famous Big Y tomato gravy or regular gravy along with usual breakfast menu items. This event is open to everyone. Info: Trudy Crowe 788-5579 or Brianna Lambert 736-9440

Fundraiser for Cherokee Pentecostal Women's Auxiliary.

March 17 from 11am – 2pm at Yellowhill Community Building. This event is being sponsored by Reed's Frybread. Indian taco with drink \$7. Frybread with chili and cheese \$6. Deliveries are available. Info: Kandi 506-3883 or Mike 226-7428

General Events

Adam Conseen 90th Birthday Party. March 12 from 1-4pm at the Birdtown Community Center. Meat will be provided. Please bring a side dish. Info: Deb 226-8498

Bryson City 2 Precinct organizational meeting. March 13 at 6:30pm at Swain County Democratic Headquarters. Meetings are free and open to any registered Democrat residing in the precinct. Attendees will be electing delegates to the Swain County Convention that will be held on April 4 at the Swain County Senior Center.

Indianpreneurship class. Starting April 25. Tuesdays from 6-9pm in the Ginger Lynn Welch Conference Room. This five-week course provides insight on what it takes to start and run a business. Create a mission statement, lay out business goals, and build a business plan. Cost is \$65 and includes the book. To register, <http://bit.ly/Indianpreneurship-Spring-2017>. Info:

Sabrina S. Arch 359-6708, sabrarch@nc-chokeee.com, or Kim Winchester-Rosario 359-6719, kimbrosa@nc-chokeee.com

Health/Sports

Cherokee Healing and Wellness Coalition meeting. March 16 at 12pm at Agelink Ernestine Walkingstick Conference Room. Everyone is welcome to bring your lunch and join the group in helping to carry out their mission statement of implementing the Cherokee Core Values and the Cycle of Healing in their educational events. They promote wellness, recovery for adults, and substance abuse prevention programs focused on youth. Info: (828) 331-8688 or 497-9498

4th Annual Cherokee Women's Day. March 18 from 10am – 1pm at Yellowhill Activity Center. This free event, started in 2014 by Nikki Crisp and the late Lana Lambert, will feature the topics of autism and human trafficking this year. Featured speakers are Opal Hardgrove, who will share how various groups are reaching out to victims of human trafficking, and Kathleen Dolbee, of the Autism Society of North Carolina. The day will also include information on Cherokee's Domestic Violence Center, Cherokee Cancer Support Center, EBCI Family Services, and more. Food and prizes. Info: Nikki Crisp acrisp7304@comcast.net

3rd Annual Stress and Healing Arts Retreat. March 24-25 at Cherokee Central School. Learn about stress and healthy ways to manage it. Learn about grief and trauma and how to process it within your life. Experience massage, aromatherapy, healing touch,

yoga, Tai Chi, and more. Must be 18 years of age or older. Info: Tara McCoy 359-6783, taramcc@nc-chokeee.com; Robin Callahan 359-6785, robibail@nc-chokeee.com; Rose James 359-6787, rosejame@nc-chokeee.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for March 10-12

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.

37th Annual Strong Hearts Native Society Pow Wow. March 10-12 in Winterhaven, Calif. Info: (760) 572-0222 ext. 109

55th Annual MUL-CHU-THA Competitive Pow Wow. March 11-12 at Sacaton Fairgrounds in Sacaton, Ariz. Info: (520) 562-9713

California State University, Long Beach 47th Annual Pow Wow. March 11-12 in Long Beach, Calif. Emcees: Arlie Neskahi and Bobby Whitebird. Host Northern: Phoenix Boyz. Head Southern Singer: Herschel Kaulaity. Info: powwow@csulb.edu, www.csulb.edu/powwow

Community Club Meetings

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. For information on renting the building for your special occasion, call Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879 Rent is \$60/day for gym and community room with \$25 returnable clean-up fee.

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

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

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

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

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be scheduled.

Community Groups

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

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month

from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer.Couture@cherokeehospital.org

AA and NA meetings in

Cherokee. Alcoholics Anonymous (AA): Tuesdays at 7pm at Cherokee Indian Hospital (CIH), Saturdays at 10am at CIH conference room

Narcotics Anonymous (NA): Mondays at 8pm at CIH, Thursdays at 8pm at CIH, Fridays at 7pm at CIH conference room

Life Recovery 12-step Groups

meeting information. Tsalagi Life Recovery Group meets Mondays from 6:30-7:30pm at Macedonia Church Fellowship Hall at 1182 Wolfstown Road in Cherokee. Analenisgi Life Recovery Group meets Thursdays at 9-10am at

Analenisgi Recovery Center. Info: Text or call Deb Conseen-Bradley 226-8498 or Bro. Dan Conseen 508-2629

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule

Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm

Wednesday: Managing “Monkey Mind” 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/

AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene’ Brown 10-11am; Managing “Monkey Mind” 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm

Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm
Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

meet every second Tuesday of the month at Snowbird Clinic from 11am – 12pm (Chrystal Frank) and every fourth Thursday of the month at Cherokee Indian Hospital from 12-1pm (Nilofer Couture) and 4:30-5:30pm (Linda Johnson). Groups are led by registered dietitians. Info: CIHA Nutrition Dept. 497-9163 ext. 6459

Congratulations to Kristina Hyatt 2017 Dreamstarter Recipient

Your family is so proud of you – when you set your mind to something, you persevere.

We know you have a big heart, reaching out to our native children.

You are our beautiful Native American Tooth Fairy!

Your Daddy would’ve been so proud of you...Always know that God loves you and so do we!

And never forget Philippians 4:13.



May God continue to bless you,
Mom, Jeremy, Caroline, Reggie Von, Felix, Eve,
and Peas



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

- **Superintendent** - Qualifications include appropriate NC supervision/administration license; 5 years successful administrative experience preferred; expertise in curriculum and instruction; expertise with personnel/licensure; expertise with federal programs; 5 years successful teaching experience preferred; demonstrated skill in total management of a school system; possess sound knowledge of practices of effective schools; provide leadership and set expectations for a progressive, exemplary school system. Deadline for receiving: March 17, 2017.
- **Special Education Teacher** - NC Teaching license required. Open until filled.

APPLY ONLINE at:

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

FOR SALE

1,001 acres in the Big Cove Community Parcel No#698, Sherrill Cove Rd. (910)464-2228. 3/9

1997 Chevy truck \$3,000.00 Call (828)788-0472. 3/16

heart pine lumber, 10 antique doors, 2-300 sheets decorative tin: 550-2624

4 drawer file cabinet \$30, women's mongoose mountain bike \$40, kohler toilet \$50: 507-2362

SERVICES

Tax Preparation by Sandi – Can save you time and money. Monday thru Saturday 9am – 7pm. Located on Olivet Church Road. 828-497-4128. 4/13

FOR RENT

Basement apartment for rent – 13 miles from Cherokee in Sylva. Water, sewer, electric, and DirecTV included; furnished, quiet neighborhood in the country. Singles only; \$550/month with security deposit. No HUD. 586-6077, 226-1231, 736-4388. 3/23

Farmhouse for rent – 3BR, 1bath, in quiet neighborhood; sewer and water furnished; fully furnished or you may use your own; located within walking distance of hospital and grocery shopping, easy access, available now. 586-6077, 226-1231, 736-4388. 3/23

YARD SALES

Indoor Yard Sale, Fairgrounds

Building, March 18, 8:30-2, NAI-WA serving breakfast and lunch. For more info and to reserve tables contact Jan Wstick, 497-2037 or Janet Arch, 736-4138.

LOST/FOUND

Dog found in Soco area. Info: (828) 226-5716

WANTED

Enclosed 12' cargo trailer: 399-0768

used washer and dryer: 226-0129

REALTY

Wolfetown Community

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the Tribal Realty Services Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolutions William Lawson Smith, Priscilla George Mahsetky, Mark Montgomery Grant, William Benson Tushka, Joseph Henry Wolfe, Jr., Ida Teresa Reed, Daniel Curt Tramper, Allen Edward Reed, Lucy Christine Smith Reed, Christine Lorraine Reed McCoy, Brenda Joyce Owle Smith, Harold Robert Smith, Velva Jean Powell, Megan Dawn Powell, Mark Montgomery Grant, Arnold Wachacha, Mary Ann Gloyne Wachacha, Alice Marie Driver, Christopher Medina Watty, McKinley Edward Watty, Jr., Brent Ledford Watty, Juanita Littlejohn Bradley, Jackie Bradley Ross, Alfred William Bradley, Allen Ramsey, Joseph Cory Wilnoty, Joseph Adam Wilnoty, Philip Sampson Armachain, Martha Anne Brown Hernandez, Peggy Darlene Littlejohn, Moses Oocuma, Veronica Sue Bradley, Ronnie Ray

Hornbuckle, Dawnina Candice M. McNabb Jump, James Francis Long, Carol Elaine Fuller Long, James Last Bear Wilnoty, James Dewayne Smith, Frederick Gerald Reed, Addie Pauline Reed, Jeremy Justin Raby, Patricia Kay Kanott Lambert, Henderson Junior Climbingbear, Mary Elizabeth Thompson Climbingbear, Goodlow Bark, Samuel Tiger, Jr., Russell Bigmeat, Jr., Jeremy Ryan Wilson, Joshua Evan Taylor, Sarah Anne Powell, Qiana Cantrice Powell, Jack Hamilton Smith, Joel Hartman Smith, Carol Lynn George, Lee Edward Culler, Sarah Jane Washington Wabagkeck, Matthew Sampson Armachain, Charles William Bigwitch, Lechay Raelyn Arch, Ronda Lynn Bradley Cucumber, James Everett Cucumber, Treva Faye Hicks Reed, Dewayne Gene Hicks, Bessie Jean Bird Welch, Jacquelyn Bradley Johnson, Christian Joseph Yates, Susan Coleen Toineeta, Brenda Toinetta Pipestem, Will Thomas Lambert, Hugh Noland Lambert, III, Stephen Jesse Lambert, Jonathon Larch Taylor, Henson Junior Littlejohn, William Francis Washington, Jr., Katie Elizabeth Queen Cooper, Susie Mae Bird Long, Enoch Sampson Crow, Jr., Linda Norene Roland Sutton, James Michael Roland, Kerry Neal Roland, Sandra Gail Roland, Charlene Lee Roland Mull, Edith Inez Jackson Crowe, Lea Jo Cucumber Ledford, Jackson Dale Rickman, Jr., Justin John Matthews, William Allen Bird, Carlotta Linette Crowe, Nancy Marie Trull Driver, Harold Dennis Trull, Sherry Darlene Trull Lambert, Robert Bruce Reed, Jose Guadalupe Martinez, Jr., Ronald Sequoyah Bowman, Ronald Sequoyah Bowman, Janet Jessie Walkingstick, Douglas Leander

Rattler, Temot Zena Rattler, Andrea Danielle Rattler, Martha Lou Talalah, Paul Jordan Lee Puckett, Ethan Andre Clark, John Lossiah, Richard Earl Arneach, Jr., Sara Margaret Arneach Watson, Douglas Robert Arneach, Anthony Kirk Locust, Bo Soap Lossiah, Mistie Rae Johnson Scott, Shannon Elaine Johnson Parris, Jacquelyn M. Lossiah Corral, Tina Marlene Lossiah, Jason Daniel Cucumber, Tennie Marie Arch, Sara Mozelle Arch, Parent or Guardian of Christopher Adrian Clark, Parent of Guardian of Juana Maria Martinez-L.

Agreement to Divisions

Mary Edith Reed Smith, Dennis Ray James, Frankie Nelle James Patencio, George Milton James, Doris Earlene Lambert, Eric Thomas Lambert, James Dwayne Lambert, Carla Marie Sneed Ballew, Howard Vincent Sneed, Patricia Eldean Sneed Lambert, Mary Louise Sneed Welch, Rena Janet Johnson Wachacha, Jackie Lee Johnson, Melissa Ann Maney, Jacob Pete Johnson.

If you've submitted a survey application that is over a year old and the survey is not complete, please visit the Tribal Realty Office to update your survey application.

Proposed Land Transfers

Sheila Ann Jackson Arch to Christopher Elijah Arch for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 764-W (Part of Parcel No. 764-T), containing 1.001 acres, more or less.

Rachel Elizabeth Hicks Slee to Michael Edward Slee for Painttown Community Parcel No. 465-A (Part of Parcel No. 465), containing 0.932 Acre, more or less. (Undivided Interest)



Cherokee Boys Club Job Announcements



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

**Teacher Assistant –
Child Care**
Agelink

**Group Leader –
After School**
Agelink

Opening Date: March 8, 2017
Closing Date: March 22, 2017

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

The selected applicant must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens. Payroll direct deposit is mandatory. Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. *The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates or readvertise positions without notice.*

Places of Worship

- Acquoni Baptist Church. 497-6521 or 788-0643
- Antioch Baptist Church. Coopers Creek Road.
- Beacon of Hope Baptist Church. (828) 226-4491
- Bethabara Baptist Church. 497-7770
- Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church. 497-4141
- Big Cove Pentecostal Holiness Church. 497-4220
- Boiling Springs Missionary Baptist Church. 488-9202
- Cherokee Baptist Church. 497-2761, 497-3799 (fax)
- Cherokee Bible Church. 497-2286
- Cherokee Church of Christ. 497-3334
- Cherokee Church of God. 497-4190, 497-5977
- Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 497-2819
- Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church. 674-2690
- Cherokee United Methodist Church. (336) 309-1016, www.cherokeemission.org
- Cherokee Wesleyan Church. 586-5453
- Christ Fellowship Church. Great Smokies Center.
- Goose Creek Baptist Church. 631-0331 or 497-3512
- Jesus is the Light Full Gospel Ministries. 736-9383
- Living Waters Lutheran Church. 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com
- Macedonia Baptist Church. 508-2629 dconseen@gmail.com
- Olivet United Methodist Church. (336) 309-1016, www.YouTube.com/user/OlivetUMC, www.Olivet-UMC.org
- Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church. 736-5322
- Piney Grove Baptist Church. 736-7850.
- Rock Hill Baptist Church. (828) 356-7312
- Rock Springs Baptist Church. 497-9455, 736-1245
- Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 497-7644
- St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. 280-0209, cherokeepiscopal@gmail.com
- Straight Fork Baptist Church. 488-3974
- Waterfalls Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Road.
- Whittier United Methodist Church. 497-6245
- Wilmot Baptist Church. 554-5850
- Wrights Creek Baptist Church. 497-5262
- Yellowhill Baptist Church. 506-0123 or 736-4872

Please contact the church of your choice for meeting times and locations.



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- Casino Cocktail Server (PT)
- Casino Services Representative (PT)
- Cleaning Specialist (FT/PT)
- Cook I (FT)
- Cook II (FT)
- Dining Attendant
- Dual Rate Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced
- Front Desk Clerk
- Front Service Attendant
- Gaming Host (PT)
- Houseperson
- Laundry Attendant (PT)
- Poker Dealer - Experienced (PT)
- Room Attendant (PT \$10.00)

- Sales Associate (PT & FT)
- Security Officer
- Surveillance Officer
- Table Games Dealer - Experienced (PT)
- Table Games Dealer Training School (PT)
- Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced
- Valet Parker (PT)
- HARRAH'S CHEROKEE VALLEY RIVER CASINO**
- Bar Porter
- Cage Cashier
- Cook (PT)
- Cleaning Specialist
- Groundskeeper
- Room Attendants (FT & PT)
- Steward - EDR (PT)
- Valet (PT)



TWO WAYS TO CHEROKEE



Visit HARRAHSCHEROKEEJOBS.COM or call 828.497.8778 for a complete listing of jobs.

*Eligibility restrictions do apply for hiring bonus positions. Please see Talent Acquisition Department for details.

If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hair/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur. from 8am - 4:30pm. Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 28719 or fax resume to 828.497.8540.

Scan this code to connect with us instantly by using Facebook Messenger!

EMPLOYMENT

CNA NEEDED – Cherokee Area / Part-Time 78 hrs a month, Monday through Friday good starting pay. Call 828-524-6444. **3/16**

Hiring: The Oconaluftee Indian Village is seeking workers for the 2017 season.

We are looking for people willing to educate the public about the Cherokee history and culture in fun, exciting ways.

We want applicants who take pride in the Cherokee culture and possess good work ethics. Applications and job descriptions can be picked up at the Cherokee Historical main office.

Positions available:

Tour Guides/Greeters, Crafters, Historical Re-enactors, Concession, Box Office, Gift Shop, Janitor/Maintenance

Guidelines:

- Be an enrolled member of a federally recognized tribe (Except specific historical reenactment roles)
- Must be able to show up at 8:30am and work until 5:00pm when required.
- Age requirement: 17yrs or older (except for Mentoring Program)
- Be willing to work weekends and holidays

Must make it through the interview process if selected. **3/23pd**

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring a Facility Maintenance Supervisor.

Applicants can pick up a job description and an application at the CHA main office, 564 Tsali Blvd. Across the street from the Museum of the Cherokee Indians. Applicants must submit a completed application & resume. Position open until filled.

Education and Experience Guidelines:

Education/Training: Two years of college level course work in business, management, engineering, or related field OR equivalent experience.

Experience: Four years of increasingly responsible facility maintenance experience including some lead supervisory experience.

License or Certificate: Possession of an appropriate, valid driver's license. **3/16pd**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Contracting Assistant
Peer Support Specialist

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on March 10, 2017 @ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. **3/9**

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Registration Receptionist Clerk (Night Shift)

Medical Technologist

Case Management Support

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:00pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson or Sherrene Swayney. These positions will close on March 17, 2017 @ 4:00pm. Indian

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LEGAL NOTICES

Notice to All Parties with outstanding POKERPRO balances at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort

Due to the discontinuation of the Pokerpro Poker system, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will disburse any remaining Pokerpro funds to their rightful owners until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Pokerpro funds will no longer be available after midnight on May 12, 2017.

The above mentioned Pokerpro balances may be withdrawn by the person named on the Pokerpro account at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Poker room cashier.

Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

Notice to All Parties in Possession of Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips

This is notification of the retirement of Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips that were in use prior to August 31, 2012. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will redeem all outstanding \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, from any persons/parties possessing such until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee \$1,

\$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, will be deemed to be of no value, and will no longer be accepted or redeemed after midnight on May 12, 2017. The above mentioned chips can be redeemed for cash at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort cashier cages. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File Nos.: EST 11-002; EST 11-003; EST 11-008; EST 11-016; EST 11-018.

In the Matter of the Estates of: Leonard Ray Swayney (d. 11/17/2010); Calvin Ray Swayney (d. 12/6/2010); Dave Lossiah (d. 1/12/2011); Adonna Lynn Wolfe (d. 1/14/2011); Paul Stephen West (d. 4/11/2011).

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

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center, March 9th, 2017 at 1:30pm
3/9pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-011

In the Matter of the Estate of Edison Thompson

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

see **LEGALS** next page

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from their recovery.

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

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

Amanda Strohm, P.O. Box 1983, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/16pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. 17-013

In the Matter of the Estate of BERNADINE H. GEORGE

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

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

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

Denise George, 895 Stillwell Branch Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-007

In the Matter of the Estate of Donald Queen

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

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

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

Donovan Crowe, P.O. Box 1341, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/16pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-012

In the Matter of the Estate of Charles E. Owle Sr.

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

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

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

Charles E Owle, Jr., 320 Black Hill Road, Bryson City, NC 28713. **3/23pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians
Cherokee, North Carolina
Estate File No. EST 17-014

In the Matter of the Estate of John Daniel Larch

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

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

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

Catherine M.D. Larch, P.O. Box 1954, Cherokee, NC 28719. **3/30pd**

BIDs, RFPs, etc.

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Court seeks competitive proposals for a Community Conflict Resolution Project Manager on a contractual basis.

The Project Manager will work with Tribal stakeholders and outside contractors to create and implement a Mediation and Peacemaking Program for child custody cases in the Cherokee Court.

Qualifications include:

- Education: Graduation from an accredited college or university with a Master's Degree or higher degree in either Law; Marriage, Family and Child Counseling; Social Work; Psychology; or other behavioral science and three (3) years of paid, professional post-graduate experience in counseling, mediation/negotiation or related social/behavioral services.

- Experience: Demonstrated ability to manage volunteers effectively. Three to five years' experience managing volunteers or staff preferred. Familiarity with collaborative problem solving, collaborative decision making, or peacemaking processes a plus. Demonstrated commitment to collaboration and team work, the highest regard for customer service internally and externally, and professional conduct at all times to communicate credibility and a favorable community image for the agency.

Duties Include:

- Conducting mediation or facilitation meetings with clients;
- drafting and approving consent child custody agreements for court;
- managing professional staff within program;
- overseeing the development and maintenance of program;
- directing recruitment,

selection, and development of professional staff and volunteers to meet agency goals and objectives.

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following information:

- Name and contact information
- Copies of certifications
- Relevant work experience

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before March 31, 2017 will receive priority over later submissions.

Please email proposals to Amber Shuler, Judicial Secretary, ambeshul@nc-chokeee.com, and CC Bonnie Claxton, Manager of the EBCI Legal Assistance Office, bonnclax@nc-chokeee.com.

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Cherokee Tribal Court reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **3/23pd**

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Community Conflict Resolution Educational Curriculum Developer on a contractual basis.

The Community Conflict Resolution Curriculum Developer will create the educational curriculum about parenting and child development for a new program in the Cherokee Court that will help families resolve child custody issues without litigation through both mediation and peacemaking. The Curriculum Developer should be prepared to create a culturally-appropriate, research-based curriculum that will help parents and caregivers truly understand what is in their child's best interests during a custody dispute.

Qualifications include:

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1. Applicant should have expertise in childhood development and family systems with strong preference for experience in Signs of Safety or other collaborative, client centered approaches to family services.
2. Applicant must be willing to work closely with tribal stakeholders to ensure that the product is culturally relevant.
3. Applicant should demonstrate familiarity with alternative dispute resolution and child custody processes and develop a plan for how this curriculum fits into the larger restorative conflict resolution framework.
4. Applicant must have strong skills in writing, oral presentations, and working collaboratively.

Interested individuals should submit a brief letter proposal including the following information:

- Name and contact information of organization
- Relevant education and experience in this type of work
- Proposed scope of project
- Proposed contract terms, including cost to the EBCI
- Professional references

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before March 31, 2017 will receive priority over later submissions.

Please email proposals to

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Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for a Community Conflict Resolution Program Designer on a contractual basis.

The Community Conflict Resolution Program Designer will help develop the necessary policies and procedures for a new program in the Cherokee Court that will help families resolve child custody issues without litigation through both mediation and peacemaking. The Program Designer should also be prepared to develop training materials and trainings for mediators and peacemakers.

Qualifications include:

1. Applicant should have expertise in establishing tribal Peacemaking programs.
2. Applicant must have the legal expertise required to create Court Rules, policies, and procedures.
3. Applicant should demonstrate experience working with tribal

communities in ways that facilitate consideration of traditional tribal culture and values for informed decisions on whether and where to incorporate these factors into tribal written law.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR Legal Services

March 1, 2017

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (EBCI) Tribal Council is soliciting proposals to establish a contract with one qualified and experienced attorney to serve as Special Impeachment Prosecutor on behalf of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for the purpose of investigating and providing services in the prosecution of Articles of Impeachment.

Proposals will be considered from any and all qualified and experienced individuals or firms to

provide special impeachment prosecuting services. Applicants must be licensed by the State of North Carolina, or eligible for licensure in the State of North Carolina and in good standing with the North Carolina State Bar at the time of submitting any application for consideration.

Proposal Submission:

Qualified attorneys are invited to submit a proposal meeting the requirements described herein, and it must be received no later than 3:00 P.M. March 17, 2017. Please submit your inquiry to: carowest@nc-chokeee.com with the subject line: Special Impeachment Prosecutor RFP

This Request for Proposal does not commit EBCI Tribal Council to award a contract or to pay any costs incurred in the preparation of a proposal in response to this request. EBCI Tribal Council reserves the sole and exclusive right to accept the proposal that it considers to be in its best interest of the EBCI Tribal Council and its needs. Selection of the attorney is at the sole discretion of the EBCI Tribal Council. All materials submitted to EBCI Tribal Council by attorneys in response to this RFP become EBCI Tribal Council's sole property and will be used at its discretion and shall not be returned to any successful or unsuccessful applicant unless the applicant identifies any trademarks or patents that protect products submitted.

Thank you for your interest in working with the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council. Dennis E. Taylor, Chairman Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council

3/16pd



February Economic Impact

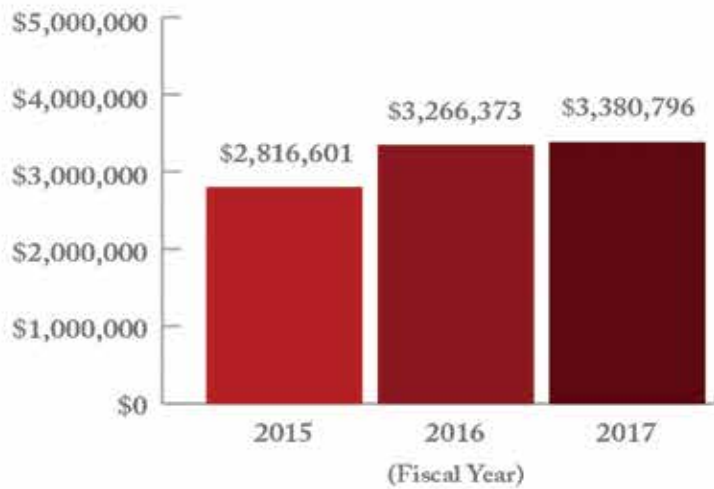


How will Cherokee affect you?

Overview

For comparison's sake, this report covers year-to-date data for each of the years noted.

Total Tribal Levy (October–December)*



* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.

Total Levy and Privilege Tax Collections (October–December)*

Since the EBCI Destination Marketing Organization's role is to promote overnight visitation and increase commerce amongst non-gaming entities, we have segmented them out:



* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.

Total Privilege Tax (October–December)*

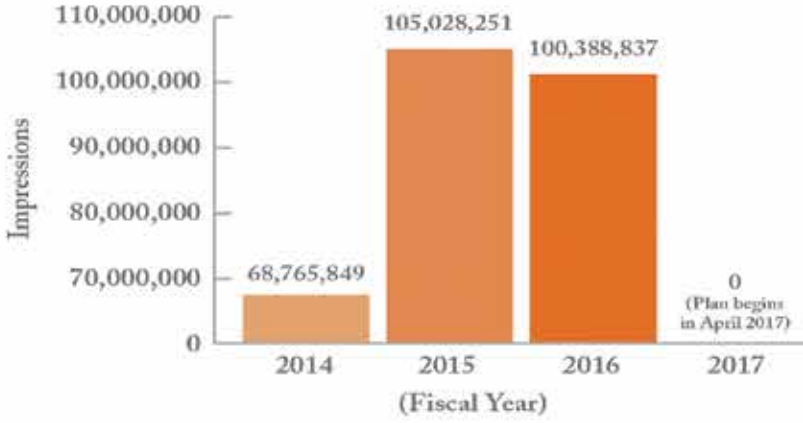
In the case of Privilege Tax, gaming vs. non-gaming collections are only available beginning in 2016. Therefore, data for Total Privilege Tax contains both gaming and non-gaming taxes collected.



* Source: EBCI Division of Commerce.

Paid Media Activity (April–September)**

“Paid media activity” is advertising placed on Cherokee’s behalf with the goal of driving overnight visitation to non-gaming accommodations. Increased overnight visitation will benefit non-gaming hoteliers and the entire Cherokee economy—with special emphasis on the Cultural Attractions. “Impressions” are the total number of media exposures against Cherokee’s prime consumer target audience across the markets we support.



**Source: Paid media from Cherokee media plan developed by Element Advertising.

Website Analytics for VisitCherokeeNC.com (October–December)*

Fiscal Year	Sessions	% Change	Users	% Change	Pageviews
2015:	110,310	—	90,344	—	371,077
2016:	161,094	+46%	128,873	+43%	477,651
2017:	184,753	+15%	152,837	+19%	494,030

“Website analytics” is data derived from activity on VisitCherokeeNC.com. “Sessions” are periods of time that a user is active within the site. “Users” are visitors to the site. “Pageviews” are the total number of website pages that are viewed by users.

*Source: Google Analytics, 2/13/17



Social Media (October 2015–January 2017)*



Facebook
362,994 Likes



Blog
83,923 pageviews



Twitter
555,700 impressions

*Source: JB Media, 2/13/17

PR Snapshot*

The following events received media coverage as a result of PR efforts for the period of mid-December 2016 to end of January 2017.

- Romantic Asheville | Cherokee, NC and Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians (announcing 2017 events)
- Romantic Asheville | Cherokee Powwow 2017
- Powwow nominated for Southeast Tourism Society’s Top 20 events for July-August-September 2016

*Source: Suzanne Metcalf Public Relations, 2/13/17

TERO's Apprenticeship Program is designed to assist tribal members in developing the skills necessary to achieve their employment goals!



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