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INSET: With Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor looking on, Principal Chief Patrick Lambert (right) signs a document during a ceremony on Tuesday, May 10 in which the bank notes for the new Cherokee Indian Hospital and the Cherokee Waste Water Treatment Plant were paid in full.

DEBT FREE

Tribe pays off hospital, waste water treatment plant loans

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bers on Tuesday, May 10.

ive days after Tribal Council approved legislation to pay off the loans on the new Cherokee Indian Hospital and the Cherokee Waste Water Treatment Plant, the notes were signed and the loans were paid in full to First Citizens Bank. Principal Chief Patrick Lambert and Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor signed the notes during a ceremony in the Tribal Council ChamThe hospital loan amount paid on Tuesday totaled \$69,944,114.01, and the waste water treatment plant loan totaled \$26,024,198.23. In addition to the bank notes, Chief Lambert and Chairman Taylor signed two pieces of legislation into law including the resolution approving the loans to be paid in full as well as a resolution, submitted by Painttown Rep. Tommye Saunooke, changing the floor of the Tribe's Debt Sinking Service Fund from \$25 million to \$100 million.

"Every day that we wait on what we're about ready to take care of today costs this Tribe over \$5,000 to the bank, and so, we thought 'why wait another day'?" commented Chief Lambert. "Today, I'm happy to report that what we're getting ready to do is to make the Tribe, for the first time in recent history, 100 percent debt-free."

He thanked the efforts of Tribal Council, Vice

Chief Richard G. Sneed, and the various tribal employees who worked on the issue.

"We debated this over several meetings. We looked at it from all different angles. Everybody got fully abreast of all the different issues. We still had a couple of Council members that had concerns about it. We understand that."

Chief Lambert added, "Getting the Tribe out of debt in this part in our history I think is of vital importance, and I want to say thank you to all of the Council. The positive relationship between my office and Tribal Council is being proven here today. I'm very optimistic about the future of this Tribe and where we're going."

Chairman Taylor said, "This is a very big day for the Tribe. It's the first time since I've been here that we've been debt-free. Starting today, we're debt-free, and I'm looking forward to working with the Executive Office and Tribal Council. We've got some good projects coming up."

He further related, "We're debtfree, and a lot of this stuff we're going to be able to do internally, with our own monies, and continue doing good things for our people."

Several Tribal Council representatives were on hand for Tuesday's signing event.

Big Cove Rep. Teresa McCoy commented, "This is a wonderful event. I know that there's skepticism, and there were a lot of questions in our communities about this...I have campaigned for years to reduce the Tribe's debt. This was a good time to do it. It's a great time to recover. I'm just looking forward to us being debt-free and re-accumulating a lot of money."

Big Cove Rep. Richard French noted, "That's what we all heard when we campaigned, 'we need to get out of debt', and I think this is a great day for the Tribe, but it also shows that when we work together, there's things we can do for this Tribe and that's what we need to think every day. We're here for the people of the Eastern Band, and we need to keep doing that so that good things will happen like happened today."

Birdtown Rep. Travis Smith said, "We had some pretty hard discussions on this issue from the very beginning. There were still some thoughts at the end, but we did support this issue and move forward with it, and I think we'll have some good discussions moving forward on some future projects...I think it's going to help our Tribe moving forward into the future from here on out."

Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah related, "We are very fortunate, and I feel very secure that the Tribe



EBCI tribal leaders pose for a group shot following Tuesday's note signing.

is in a very strong financial point right now. We are all very fortunate to be here. There are a lot of very exciting, upcoming projects that we hope to all be a part of in the near future."

Vice Chairman Brandon Jones said, "Any time you can get these debts paid off, it's a wonderful thing. You look at what we'll save in interest and things of that nature, and that's money that we can put towards our new projects. We've all got projects in our communities that we want to work on and get moving on, and I just think that we're very blessed and very fortunate to have this opportunity."

Wolfetown Rep. Bo Crowe added, "Right now, we have some exciting stuff that we're getting ready to start bringing to the table here. I'd like to thank everybody, the employees, everybody that had anything to do with this."

Then he joked, "So, we probably made the bank pretty mad though right?"

Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Adam Wachacha said he was happy to receive many phone calls on the issue. "I appreciate our constituents out there that voiced their concerns and opinions."

He was happy with the debt payoff, "This will help create the opportunities for more projects and other opportunities for diversification."

Birdtown Rep. Albert Rose commented, "This is what the people wanted, and it is going to move our Tribe forward. We've got a lot of good projects coming up, and we can't wait to share that information with you guys once we get moving forward."

Painttown Rep. Marie Junalus-

ka thanked everyone and said, "This is a big day for everyone. The tribal members have voiced the need that we need to get out of debt. We heard it all the time. So, today it has happened, and I know that everyone is happy out there."

Rep. Saunooke simply commented, "I'm not going to be repetitive as it's all been said, but I remember the words of Elias Boudinot, 'This is a great day for the Cherokee.'"

Chief Lambert rounded out the comments by thanking the bank again and stating, "We do look forward to going forward with the bank partners and the bank relationships that we have. The Tribe is in a very strong position partly due to their partnership with us and funding some of the big projects that we've had over time. But, it's a good thing today, we are debt-free."

Former TGC commissioners' lawsuit dismissed

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lawsuit filed in Tribal Court by three former Tribal Gaming Commissioners has been dismissed. Donald Rose, TGC Chairman, was removed from the Commission, along with Bob Blankenship and Sheila Brown on Oct. 5, 2015. One of the first acts of Principal Chief Patrick Lambert was to bring charges of malfeasance against the three with regard to the hiring process for a new executive director of the Tribal Gaming Commission.

After losing an appeal in Tribal Council, the three filed suit against Chief Lambert in Tribal Court.

"In their lawsuit, they claim essentially they weren't given a fair, legal process," said Scott Jones, an Asheville-based attorney representing Chief Lambert. "Yesterday (Wednesday, May 4), there was a hearing on that in front of Judge Baker with the Cherokee Court, and he found that they had been given full and fair legal process called due process in Constitutional standards."

He added, "So, after a thorough hearing in March, the Tribal Council upheld their terminations. That was the right decision. And, after a full, fair and complete hearing yesterday, the Tribal Court ruled that they had been given due process and dismissed their lawsuit. So, both the Tribal Council and the Tribal Court have determined that the dismissals were proper."

Former Cherokee Nation Principal Chief Chad Smith represented the three ex-commissioners in the protest hearing and lawsuit. He told the One Feather the plaintiffs plan to file an appeal to the Cherokee Supreme Court.

"Really what is at issue here is the Cherokee people being protected by issues of this government. The narrow legal issue is can the Eastern Band government continue abusing the rights of its citizens by invoking sovereign immunity?"

He added, "We believe the case law and the ordinances of the Eastern Band are clear that Cherokee citizens have rights that should be protected."

It may be next week or after before Judge Baker officially signs the order dismissing the case oficially.

Jones related that State Courts and Tribal Courts do not have full-time law clerks so judges ask the winning attorney to prepare the Orders to be signed. "There were a number of things that Judge Baker said he wanted in the written order. Because of that, I expect it will be next week before the Order is submitted to Judge Baker."

Background

Chief Lambert was the first TGC executive director, a position he held for 22 years. After he resigned the post to run for Principal Chief, the TGC began a hiring process that led to the TGC executive director position being offered to former Principal Chief Michell Hicks. Chief Lambert asserted that protocols had not been followed and favoritism had been shown in the process of hiring former Chief Hicks.

Chief Lambert brought forth a resolution (Resolution 4) to Tribal Council on Oct. 4, 2015 calling for the removal of the three commissioners. Council unanimously agreed and approved the measure and subsequent measures naming new commissioners.

The Tribal Council protest hearing Jones spoke of took place on March 24. Council heard from legal representatives of the parties on that day and reconvened on March 29 to deliberate. After several hours in closed session, Council emerged with the decision to deny the protest.

During the March 24 protest hearing, Jones argued that the former commissioners had ignored and/or changed educational requirements during the application process and in conflict with Tribal Codes. Jones also asserted that the commissioners intended to pay their selection at a higher rate of pay that be warranted given former Chief Hicks' level of education and experience, which would be another violation of standards.

Also during the protest hearing, Smith asserted that Blankenship, Rose and Brown had been accused and convicted without a trial. He stated that the Tribal Council was not the proper place to hear or to take action against the TGC, suggesting that it should be heard in court. Jones disagreed and pointed to Cherokee Code which defines a process for "removal, with cause, by a majority of the Tribal Council".



Impeachment charges brought against UKB Chief

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wo council members for the United Keetoowah Band of Cherokee Indians in Oklahoma have confirmed that charges of impeachment were formally filed Tuesday against Principal Chief George Wickliffe.

Council Officer Ella Mae Worley, tribal treasurer, and Anile Locust, council member for the Tahlequah District, said the charges claim that Wickliffe violated tribe's law, criminal code and the constitution.

"The charges allege misappropriation of funds, unauthorized contracts, violation of his oath to protect the constitution and corporate charter, and illegal payments - illegal because the council did not approve them," Worley said. "There is evidence of mismanagement of tribal monies, but not federal funds."

Locust said the charges encompass alleged mismanagement of roughly \$1.6 million.

"We have three articles of impeachment," Locust said. "The first article claims violation of the tribal constitution. [Worley] and the previous treasurer were kept from checking the finances for about six years. The second charge is based on violation of the corporate charter. As an incorporated tribe, the corporate charter is the vehicle we use to try to provide for the economic growth of the tribe. It claims that [Wickliffe] failed to provide for the general welfare of the United Keetoowah Band people. The third claims the misuse and embezzlement of UKB funds."

The impeachment charges claim that some tribal funds were used by Wickliffe personally or given to others, including some council members. Worley and Locust did not wish to disclose other names mentioned in the articles.

"There may be fallout from this that could affect other people," Locust said. "But since January of 2015, Worley has discovered irregularities we believe are instances of monies being used for [Wickliffe's] friends and himself. There is questionable spending of the tribe's money."

Locust said there was an account balance



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United Keetoowah Band Principal Chief George Wickliffe, shown above at last year's Tri-Council meeting in Red Clay, Tenn., faces impeachment charges.

after the UKB casino closed in 2013, and that checks transfered to the general fund from the account bore Worley's automated signature, though she never actually saw them.

"I never saw the books concerning the casino," Worley said. "The constitution states that the elected treasurer shall serve as custodian of all the council's money. I have yet to see the books on the casino. So this isn't just a recent thing. It goes back a long time."

The impeachment hearing is May 24 at 6:30 p.m. The site is to be determined, but it will be on the UKB complex grounds on West Willis Road. "Our impeachment process involves filing charges for removal from office," Locust said. "The impeachment hearing is where the council will vote whether to remove the person from office. Two-thirds of the council must vote for removal." Assistant Chief Joe Bunch must preside over any impeachment charges involving the principal chief.

UKB Media Director Sammy Still is on vacation this week. A message left at UKB offices on Tuesday was not returned, and there was no answer to a call placed on Wednesday afternoon.

"There is evidence of mismanagement of tribal monies, but not federal funds."

- UKB Tribal Treasurer Ella Mae Worley alleges to The Tahlequah Daily Press

CIPD Arrest Report May 9-15

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.

Alfaro, Manuel Rito I – age 36

Arrested: May 9 at 13:21

Not released as of press time Charges: Simple Possession Schedule II Controlled Substance Possessing with intent to sell or deliver Schedule II Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Rubio, Gracia Lorrenen – age 33 Arrested: May 9 at 09:40

Released: May 9

Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree

Smith-Reed, Jerri Lynn – age 38

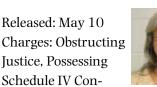
Arrested: May 9 at 16:35 Released: May 9

Charges: Probation Violation

Allison, Timothy Michael – age 26 Arrested: May 10 at 15:30

Not released as of press time Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Arkansas, Frances Elaine – age 45 Arrested: May 10 at 21:20



trolled Substance, Possession of Drug Paraphernalia

Crowe, Joel Daniel - age 35 Arrested: May 10 at 21:19



Released: May 12 Charges: Violate Domestic Violence Protection Order

Larch IV, William Daniel – age 23 Arrested: May 10 at



Released: May 13 Charges: Breaking and Entering, Grand Larceny

Sherrill, Devan Alexandria – age 19 Arrested: May 10 at 18:30



Released: May 11 Charges: Called and Failed

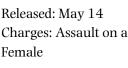
Watty, Dalisa Daniela – age 22 Arrested: May 10 at 14:40

Released: May 13 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Assault on a Law Enforcement Officer, Resisting Public Officer

Wildcatt, Carrie Irene – age 25 Arrested: May 10 at 00:52

Not released as of press time Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Probation Violation

Gunter, Austin – age 24 Arrested: May 11 at 22:43



Mahan, Christopher Allen – age 26 Arrested: May 11 (no booking time given)

Released: May 11 Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor

Reed, Tamara Ann – age 22

Arrested: May 11 (no booking time given) Released: May 13

Charges: Probation Violation

Armachain, Keith Little Wolfe – age 23

Arrested: May 12 at 23:38

Not released as of press time Charges: Failure to Appear on Misdemeanor, Failure to Obey a Lawful Order of the Court

Davis, Carl Robert age 66

Arrested: May 12 at 21:38 Released: May 13

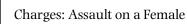
Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Johnson, Brandi Nichol – age 29

Arrested: May 12 (no booking time given) Released: May 12 Charges: Unauthorized Use of Motor Vehicle

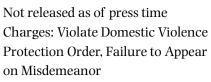
Murphy, Audie Ray – age 43

Arrested: May 13 (no booking time given) Not released as of press time



Wilnoty, Jacob Neal -age 21

Arrested: May 13 at 00:30



Davis, Carl Robert age 66

Arrested: May 14 at 21:06

Not released as of press time Charges: Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public

Key, Christopher Paul – age 36 Arrested: May 14 at 03:04

Released: May 14 Charges: Larceny

Queen Sr., Hugh Nolan – age 51

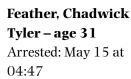
Taylor, Terrance

Arrested: May 14 (no booking time given) Released: May 15

Charges: DWI Commercial Vehicle



Blayne – age 24 Arrested: May 14 at 23:31 Released: May 15 Charges: Driving While Impaired





Not released as of press time Charges: Child Abuse in the Second Degree, DV, First Degree Trespass, Communicating Threats, Injury to **Real Property**

see **ARRESTS** next page





11:47



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Chief's Awards presented

Principal Chief Patrick Lambert (left) congratulates Daniel Griffin, Cherokee High School senior, on receiving a Chief's Award during a ceremony at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Friday, May 6.



Chloee McEntire, Cherokee High School senior, recieves a Chief's Award. Other recipients on the night included: Swain County High School - Caitlyn Dills, Ryan Long; Robbinsville High School - Caleb Teesateskie, Alexandria Bird; Smoky Mountain High School - Madisyn French, Jayce Wolfe.

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French, Anthony Reign – age 37 Arrested: May 15 at 00:27 Released: May 15



Charges: Driving While Impaired

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BASKETBALL McMillan signs with Western Carolina

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ason McMillan, Braves senior point guard, will continue his basketball career this fall at Western Carolina University. After committing to the school several weeks ago, McMillan signed a letter of intent during a ceremony on Thursday, May 12 at the Charles George Memorial Arena – where he scored most of his 1,064 career points.

"It's very exciting," McMillan, a member of the Mississippi Band of Choctaw Indians, said on Thursday. "I'll be honest with you, I didn't think I would make it to play D1 college basketball, maybe for baseball, but that was really a dream come true."

Barry McMillan, Jason's father, noted, "When he first started playing basketball, we knew that he was pretty special in wanting to achieve all of his individual goals...we're very excited for him. He's got many other goals that he is going to go for, and we're definitely going to be supporting him."

He thanked the Cherokee community for their support. "We really appreciate everybody."

Larry Hunter, WCU head men's basketball coach, said in a statement. "Jason is a very athletic and talented guard. He has outstanding quickness and speed and has the necessary ball handling, passing, and scoring skills to develop into a good player at this level. We are very impressed with Jason's competitive motor and determination as well as his poise as a player. He will be in the WCU honors program and has been a multiple sport athlete in high school and plans to also try and play baseball at WCU."

> Jason McMillan played three seasons for the Braves and one for Choctaw Central (Miss.). As a senior, he helped lead Cherokee to the Big Smoky Mountain Conference regular season title as well as the Conference tournament championship and a fourth round appearance in the state playoffs.

> Willis Tullos, CHS head boys basketball coach, said he has watched Jason grow up and is proud of his accomplishments on and off the court. "It's a great, great day for us and our program and a great day for Jason and his family. It's not often that you get a chance to go play Division I athletics and especially from a school our size."

> > Coach Tullos said Jason's signing has major implications for the school as well, "To have him recognized and have our program recognized as having an athlete of the caliber to go play D1 sports is a fantastic thing for us. I am thrilled for him, and I'm also thrilled for our program because now our kids that are coming up will have the opportunity to be recognized and to follow in his footsteps."

Debora Foerst, CHS principal, commented, "We appreciate this family and what they mean to us, and we really appreciate Jason and the example he has set for his brothers and his sisters, for the student he has been and the athlete he has been. We're proud of him today. We're proud of what he's accomplished so far and can't wait to see him continue wearing that beautiful purple."

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"...that was really a dream come true."



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Jason McMillan (seated center), Braves senior point guard, signs a letter of intent on Thursday, May 12 to play basketball this fall at Western Carolina University.

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Cherokee hosts 1A West Regional

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herokee High School hosted the 1A West Regional Track & Field Championship on Saturday, May 14. A total of 17 girls teams and 19 boys teams braved the windy weather to compete. The Swain County Lady Marroon Devils took the girls team championship and the Hayesville Yellow Jackets won the boys title.

Following are meet results per Big Kahuna Timing:

Girls

Team Scores

1-Swain County 140.50

- 2 Robbinsville 77.50
- 3 Murphy 74

Shot Put

1 – Kimonta Lloyd (Hayes) 38-02.25

2 – Tiffany Holloway (And) 38-00.75

3 – Carly Hopkins (HD) 33-04.50

9 - Tiarra Toineeta (Cher) 29-00.25

13 – Brionna Jumper (Cher) 25-05.75

Discus Throw

1-Kathryn Brown (Swain) 110-11

- 2 Kimonta Lloyd (Hayes) 105-07
- 3 Tiffany Holloway (And) 101-01
- 12 Brionna Jumper (Cher) 77-08
- 13 Tiarra Toineeta (Cher) 72-03

Long Jump

1 – Shamila Roberts (Bess City) 16-07.25

2 - Claire Hendrix (Hayes) 16-04.00

3 – Nadallee Beasley (Robb) 16-
00.00
Triple Jump
1 – Claire Hendrix (Hayes) 33-
07.25
2 – Morgan Mashburn (And) 33-
01.25
3 – Emma Stroup (MHS) 33-01.00
High Jump
1 – Montana McElroy (High) 5-02
2 – Emma Stroup (MHS) 5-00
3 – Ja'elle Ross Brown (High Tech)

4-10
Pole Vault
1 – Sarah Hyatt (Swain) 8-06
2 – Ashley Winchester (Swain)
8-00
3 – Brylee Parham (Robb) 6-06
4x800M Relay
1 – Swain County (Lynsey Hicks,
Shelby Hyatt, Emma Pindur, Madi-
son Travitz) 10:03.92
2 – Robbinsville (Kaitlyn Carringer
Shawnda Martin, Ashlyn Wal-

Stiles, Elizabeth Cambranis, Le-Ann Wheaton) 10:40.01 **100M Hurdles** 1-Emma Stroup (MHS) 16.83 2 – Erika Griggs (And) 16.94 3 – Ja'elle Ross Brown (High Tech) 17.41

100M Dash

1 - Clarke Alexander (Comm. School) 12.73



With a time of 4:47.14, Cherokee's Darius Lambert took second place in the boys 1600M run at the 1A West Regional Track & Field Championship held at Cherokee Central Schools on Saturday, May 14. 2 – Diamond Williams (Bess City) 12.81

3 – Osha Makerson (Thomas Jeff) 13.07

4x200M Relay

 1 – Swain County (Maggie Burns, Grace Cabe, Maleeah Langstaff, Ayianna West) 1:49.86
 2 – Bessemer City (Brianne Davis, Summer Meeks, Shamila Roberts, Diamond Williams) 1:53.32
 3 – Robbinsville (Ashlyn Waldroup, Meghan Myler, Zoie Lambert,

Harleigh Lane) 1:54.00

1600M Run

1 – Shawnda Martin (Robb)

5:29.55 2 – Michaela Gammon (Lin Char)

5:33.52

3 – Blakely Moore (High) 5:36.57 **4x100M Relay**

1 – Swain County (Grace Cabe, Kyndall Cochran, Gabby Lane, Ayianna West) 53.31

2 – Bessemer City (Brianne Davis, Summer Meeks, Shamila Roberts, Diamond Williams) 53.80

3 – Murphy (Peyton Wood, Kelsey Fulgham, Emily Reid, Taryn Farmer) 54.04

400M Dash

1 – Maleeah Langstaff (Swain) 59.25

2 – Eden Phillips (Mitch) 1:01.17

3 – Ja'Ciya Guthrie (Bess City) 1:02.97

300M Hurdles

1 – Grace Cabe (Swain) 50.29

- 2 Peyton Wood (MHS) 51.16
- 3 Morgan Mashburn (And) 52.03

800M Run

- 1 Emma Pindur (Swain) 2:26.99
- 2-Linsey Hicks (Swain) 2:29.66
- 3 Michaela Gammon (Lin Char) 2:30.22

200M Dash

1 – Clarke Alexander (Comm. School) 26.20

- 2 Emma Cox (Hayes) 26.89
- 3 Summer Meeks (Bess City)



Lynsey Hicks, an EBCI tribal member at Swain County High School, runs a leg in the 4x800M relay. The Lady Maroon Devils team, which included Hicks, Shelby Hyatt, Emma Pindur and Madison Travitz, went on to win the race with a time of 10:03.92. Hicks also took second place in the 800M (2:29.66) and first place in the 4x400M Relay (4:11.63).

27.24

3200M Run

1 – Shawnda Martin (Robb) 12:02.40 2 – Blakely Moore (High) 12:12.15 3 – Michaela Gammon (Lin Char)

12:25.45

4x400M Relay 1 – Swain County (Maggie Burns, Lynsey Hicks, Maleeah Langstaff, Emma Pindur) 4:11.63 2 – Mitchell (Katie Parkins, Megan Dellinger, Emma Duncan, Eden Phillips) 3 – Murphy (Kaitlynn Wheaton, Peyton Wood, Le-Ann Wheaton, Katlyn Stiles) 4:23.01

Boys

Team Scores 1 – Hayesville 132 2 – Murphy 109 3 – Swain County 71

13 – Cherokee 18

Shot Put 1-Cameron Debty (And) 46-02.75 2-Alex McKinney (Mitch) 44-06.50 3 – Tyler Holloway (And) 44-00.75 8 - Byron Locust (Cher) 41-08.75 **Discus Throw** 1 - Dalton Kent (MHS) 134-03 2 - Chase Teesatskie (MHS) 133-01 3 – Ross Ensley (Swain) 123-07 14 – Byron Locust (Cher) 99-04 Long Jump 1 – Tyler Leek (Hayes) 22-03.75 2-Hunter Reaux (Hayes) 20-10.75 3 – Carson Pledger (Mtn. Island) 20-06.25 6 – Shane Swimmer (Cher) 19-10.75

Triple Jump

1 – Hunter Reaux (Hayes) 43-07.00

2 – Caron Pledger (Mtn. Island)

42.06.50

3 - Tyler Leek (Hayes) 41-09.50

High Jump

 $1-Jacob\ Lewis\ (Robb)\ 6\text{-}04$

2 – Isaiah Cole (Bess City) 6-02

3 – Andrex Dominguez (Avery)

Pole Vault

6-00

1 – Cooper Reinert (Swain) 12-06

2 – Tanner Wiggins (Swain) 11-06

3 – Brodie Bowman (Swain) J11-06

4x800M Relay

1 – Murphy (Aiden Hall, Gavin Harris, Grant Lindsay, Ethan Murray) 8:37.07

2 – Community School of Davidson (Frank Bragg, Brandon Ellington, William Gosnell, Michael Cosby) 8:44.78

3 – Cherryville (Gabriel Branning, Quinton Hollar, Davonte Martin, Radolfo Martinez) 8:47.25

110M Hurdles

- 1 Myles Heavlin (Mitch) 15.77
- 2 DeAndre Jackson (MHS) 15.91
- 3 William Fulford (Hayes) 15.94

100M Dash

1 – Justin Pendergrass (Mtn. Island) 10.84

- 2 Brian Smith (Hayes) 11.04
- 3 Shun Allison (Bess City) 11.26
- 9 Shane Swimmer (Cher) 11.65
- 10 Tye Mintz (Cher) 11.67

4x200M Relay

1 – Bessemer City (Shun Allison, Isaiah Cole, De'aje Crawford, Josh Davis) 1:33.94

- 2 Hayesville (Seth Hatherly, Braxton Cox, Owen Gibson, Brian Smith) 1:36.16
- 3 Swain County (Angel Bowers, Jordan Cody, Caleb Woodard, Eduardo Zavala) 1:36.97
- 8 Cherokee (Isaiah Evans, Josiah Lossiah, Tye Mintz, Blake Smith) 1:40.84

1600M Run

1 – Adam Urbaniuk (Hayes) 4:38.60

- 2 Darius Lambert (Cher) 4:47.14 3 – Michael Hamilton (High Tech)
- 4:48.13

4x100M Relay

1 – Mountain Island Charter (Javier Morel, Aapri Washington, Jerrin Joseph, Justin Pendergrass) 44.10 2 – Hayesville (Seth Hatherly, Braxton Cox, Tyler Leek, Brian Smith) 45.24

3 – Swain County (Angel Bowers, Jordan Cody, Chris Miller, Caleb Woodard) 45.73

DNF – Cherokee (Isaiah Evans, Joaquin Layno, Josiah Lossiah, Brock Powell)

400M Dash

1 – Jaxon Roberts (Avery) 52.16 2 - Hunter Reaux (Hayes) 52.39 3 - Zander Bell (Thom Jeff) 52.45 **300M Hurdles** 1 – Grant Lindsay (MHS) 40.41 2 – Myles Heavlin (Mitch) 42.67 3 - DeAndre Jackson (MHS) 43.26 **800M Run** 1 – Adam Urbaniuk (Hayes) 2:03.61 2 – Ethan Murray (MHS) 2:05.62 3 – Frank Bragg (Comm. School) 2:06.727 – Darius Lambert (Cher) 2:11.75 200M Dash 1 – Isaiah Cole (Bess City) 22.09 2 – Justin Pendergrass (Mtn. Island) 22.49 3 - Brian Smith (Hayes) 22.82 6-Tye Mintz (Cher) 23.74

9 – Shane Swimmer (Cher) 24.13 3200M Run 1 – Hayden Alexander (Thom Jeff) 10:25.00 2 - Andrew Guazzerotti (Pine Lake) 10:27.50 3 – Parker Chatham (Swain) 10:32.03 4x400M relay 1 – Avery County (James Eury, Van McCollum, Jaxon Roberts, Stephen Sanchez) 3:31.57 2 – Murphy (Gavin Harris, Grant Lindsay, Ethan Murray, Jonathan Wheaton) 3:32.18 3 – Hayesville (Adam Urbaniuk, Owen Gibson, Braxton Cox, Hunter Reaux) 3:36.01



Cherokee players attend WNC Sports Awards

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SHEVILLE – The Mountain Amateur Athletic Club held the 55th WNC Sports Awards Banquet at the OMNI Grove Park Inn in Asheville on Sunday, May 15 where the Cherokee Braves basketball team and three individual members of the Braves and

Cherokee's Jason McMillan was nominated for the Dr. David L. Carppiello, MD 1A/2A Male Athlete - Major Sport award. Other nominees included Zach Cottrell (Havesville basketball), Michael Schmidt (Hendersonville football), and Jordan Shepherd (ACA basketball). McMillan was the only athlete nominated for multiple sports which included football, basketball, and baseball where he was also awarded

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Other nominated teams included

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Pooh King and Bree Stamper sit with other nominees at the MAAC Awards Banquet at the OMNI Grove Park Inn on Sunday, May 15. Both were members of the 2015-16 Lady Braves Basketball team and nominated for the Wells Fargo 1A/2A Female Athlete – Major Sports award.

> Lady Braves were nominated for awards as the best athletes in western North Carolina. Dalmerika "Pooh" King and Emilie "Bree" Stamper from the 2015-16 Lady Braves basketball team were nominated for the Wells Fargo 1A/2A Female Athlete - Major Sport award. Other nominees included Victoria Schandevel (Hendersonville) and Haylie Shope (Hiwassee Dam). Shope was the recipient of the award.

Academy (Soccer), Mitchell High School (football), and Robbinsville High School (football). Asheville Christian Academy was the recipient of the award.

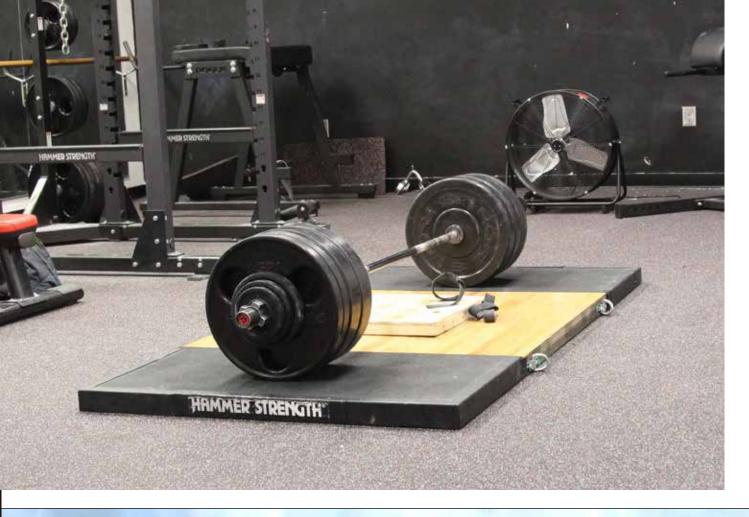
As the final and most prestigious award of the night, McMillan was nominated for the Darlene and John McNabb Male Athlete of the Year. Nominees from this category were selected for the best male athlete in any category which encompassed 1A

through 4A schools from western North Carolina. Other nominees included Dalton Beaver (Mitchell), Rico Dowdle (Reynolds), and Jacob Gass (Smoky Mountain). Beaver was the recipient of the award.

The Mountain Amateur Athletic Club was founded in 1957 by Gene Ochsenreiter. The MAAC has a long and distinguished reputation as the leader in recognizing sports achievement in western North Carolina. More than 4,000 local athletes and teams have been honored at the WNC Sports Awards banquet and have had such distinguished speakers as Roy Williams, Adolph Rupp, and Danny Ford.



Jason McMillan stands during the introduction of nominees for the Dr. David L. Carpiello, MD 1A/2A Male Athlete - Major Sport award. He was also nominated as a member of the Braves men's basketball team for the BMW of Asheville 1A/2A Male Team - Major Sport and the Darlene and John Mc-Nabb Male Athlete of the Year award.



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Miss Cherokee report for March, April and May

TARAN SWIMMER

MISS CHEROKEE 2015

i-yo, time has flown by, before you know it school will be out and summer time will be upon us. I would like to share with you all some of the events that I was so fortunate to have been a part of in the months of March, April and first part of May 2016.

March 19

I was invited to attend the Mid-West/West All-Star banquet and Basketball game that was held at the Cherokee High School. I was asked to sing the National Anthem and the Cherokee Anthem before the tip off of the Girls All-Star game. I really enjoyed taking part in this event and was very proud of every female/male athlete who was there to represent their high school. Cherokee High School had one Lady Brave to represent the West team, Lydia Lossiah, but she was unable to play due to injury and the Braves had two players representing for the West team,

Kennan Panther and Logan Tessateskie. **March 26**

I attended the Rainbows & Ramp Festival at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. It was my first time trying ramps, and I will have to say they were not bad. I enjoyed serving all of our elders and just fellowshipping with other community members and visitors. I was asked to participate with the group of cloggers that were there and had a real good time clogging with them. I also was able to do a few dances with the Warriors of Anikituwah. It was a lot of fun.

March 26

I had been wanting to do something special for the residents at Tsali Care Center and decided to make each resident a small Easter Basket. I worked with the staff at the Care Center to get this project moving forward and with the help of Teen Miss Cherokee Blake Wachacha and Jr. Miss Cherokee Abigail Taylor and their families, we were able to put together 70 Easter Baskets for every resident at the Tsali Care Center. I would like to thank the staff and students at Cherokee Central Schools for all of the donated items that were given to go into the baskets and thank you to Samantha Hernandez and the students at the New Kituwah Academy for their items that were donated as well. After the Ramps and Rainbow event, we were able to take the Easter Baskets down to the Tsali Care Center and pass the baskets out to all of the residents. It was a very memorable experience to see the faces of these men and women when we gave them their Easter Basket. Some cried and some had the biggest smile on their face. I will never forget this experience, and I am so glad that I was able to do this for them. If you still have your mothers, fathers, grandmothers, or grandfathers, please cherish every moment you get to spend with them. I was truly blessed on this day.

March 29

I attended the Charles George VA Medical Center for the 50th anniversary of the Vietnam War with the Steven Youngdeer color guard. It was a very touching experience, and I am so thankful to all the men and women who have



Photo by Tina Swimmer

Miss Cherokee Taran Swimmer (center) is shown at the opening of the Jackson County Senior Games on Monday, April 18 where she sang the Cherokee National Anthem and the National Anthem. and who are serving in the armed forces. May God always bless them and keep them.

April 10

I attended the Georgia Swarm Native American Heritage Lacrosse Game. It was a very cool experience, and it was also very cool that there were Native Americans who played on this professional team. There were several tribal members who attended this game. The Warriors of Anikituwah did an amazing job at the beginning of the game, and it was so awesome to see all of our stickball players there representing their communities. Both men and little boys did a great job representing their tribe and communities. The Cherokee Royalty had the honor of singing the Cherokee Anthem and the National Anthem before the game started. Even though we had some difficulties with the microphone, it was a great experience.

April 18

I had the honor of singing the National Anthem and the Cherokee Anthem at the opening ceremonies for the Senior Games at the Jackson County Recreation center. It was nice to see so many of our seniors out competing in these games. So thankful to all of the organizers who take the time to make these Senior Games happen. A special thank you to Janelle Rattler for inviting me to take part in this wonderful event.

April 21

I was able to take part in the Children's Fair that was held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds as part of the celebration of Week of the Young Child. At this event, I was in charge of making snow cones for the children. It was a lot of fun, and I think all of the children that attended this event had a really good time. Thank you Sarah Beck for letting me take part.

April 23

This was Ko-la-nv-yi (Big Cove) Community Day. Thank you to the Community Club for letting me take part in this event. This day was full of fun games, face painting, baked goods, corn hole, stickball, silent auction and great food. I had the face painting table at this event, and I had so much fun painting the faces of the young and old. I love my community, and I appreciate everyone who made this event such a big success. I am honored to say that I live in the Big Cove community.

May 5

I had the honor of taking part in the opening night of the Lion King Jr. Musical which was performed by our very own students at Cherokee Central Schools. This musical was amazing, and our students did an outstanding job with their performance. Michael Yannette and all of the other adults who helped with this production did an amazing job as well. Our staff and students at Cherokee Central Schools are truly blessed with talent, and I look forward to what will come in the future.

I have enjoyed every event that I have attended so far, and I look forward to taking part in many more in the near future. May God continue to bless and keep our Tribe!

If there is an event that you would like me to attend, please contact me at ebcimisscherokee@ gmail.com If you do not have access to the internet, you can contact my mother, Tina Swimmer, 497-6303 or 554-5027.

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CES students give to March of Dimes

Fourth Grade students at Cherokee Elementary School presented a check for \$1,130 to the March of Dimes on Friday, May 13. The money raised represented the fourth grade's community service project for the school year. Michaela Blanton Lowe (left), March of Dimes Western Carolina's Market director, is shown receiving the check from students including (left-right) Roxi Bark, Jasmine Robertson, Jenna Cruz and Dyami Saunooke.





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"Charlotte's Web" book signing

EBCI Beloved Woman Myrtle Driver held a book signing on Thursday, May 12 at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian to commemorate the publishing of E.B. White's "Charlotte's Web" in the Cherokee language. She signed and dedicated copies of the book to distinguished members of the audience in attendance.



Aubrey Littlejohn Walk

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The 5th Annual Aubrey Littlejohn Memorial Walk was held on Acquoni Road from the Acquoni Expo Center to the new Heart to Heart Child Advocacy offices on Tuesday, May 10. Over 150 people including Aubrey Littlejohn family members, Cherokee Central Schools students, Heart to Heart staff, and members of the Cherokee community took part in the Memorial Walk to cap off April, which is Child Abuse Prevention Month.



National Park to host Birds of Prey Program

reat Smoky Mountains National Park is teaming up again with the Balsam Mountain Trust for a fourth year to present a special program, Birds of Prey, at the Oconaluftee Multipurpose Room on Thursday, May 26 at 11am.

Michael Skinner, executive director of the Balsam Mountain Trust, will conduct the hourlong Birds of Prey program. This program will provide visitors with an up-close glimpse of some of the most recognized and revered birds such as the tiny eastern screech owl and northern bald eagle.

"We are delighted to continue our partnership with Balsam Mountain Trust for a third year," said Supervisory Park Ranger Lynda Doucette. "This program provides an opportunity for park visitors to see and learn about these beautiful birds first hand."

Balsam Mountain Trust is a local non-profit whose mission is the stewardship of the natural and cultural resources on Balsam Mountain Preserve and the Blue Ridge Mountain region, through effective land management practices, scientific research, and environ-



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Michael Skinner, executive director of the Balsam Mountain Trust, shows a female red-tailed hawk named Cheyenne at a previous year's Birds of Prey presentation at the Oconaluftee Multipurpose Room.

mental education. The Trust has earned special distinction as a place where non-releasable birds of prey are taken in, cared for, and then utilized as educational ambassa-

dors.

The Oconaluftee Multipurpose Room is adjacent to the Oconaluftee Visitor Center on Newfound Gap Road, two miles north of Cherokee. Info: Oconaluftee Visitor Center 497-1904. Park information is also available from the park's website at www.nps.gov/grsm.

A representative from Congressman Mark Meadows' office will be at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex community room from 10am - 4pm every fourth Tuesday of the month.





Photos by Dylan Girty/Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Yellowhill Night at the Museum

Ethan Clapsaddle (left), Museum of the Cherokee Indian archivist, examines old photographs with Reuben Teesatuskie and Rowena Teesatuskie during the Yellowhill Night at the Museum event on Tuesday, May 10. The event was held so that Yellowhill Community members could tour the Museum and examine old photographs and artifacts.



Mike Crowe Jr. (right), Cherokee Friends manager, examines a drawer in the collections unit of the Museum with Yellowhill Rep. Anita Lossiah.



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OBITUARIES

Ned Davis Welch Jr.

Ned Davis Welch Jr., 70, passed away after a period of declining health on May 6, 2016 at Tsali Care Center. He was a long time resident of the Big Cove community. Ned was born Feb. 4, 1946 in Philadelphia, Pa. and grew up in Mechanicsburg, Pa. and Trenton, NJ. He was a bus driver by trade for many years in Trenton, NJ and Cherokee, NC, where he drove for the Qualla Public Transportation (QPT). He retired from Qualla Housing in 2005. He enjoyed family, traveling, and making crafts in his spare time.

Ned is preceded in death by his father, Ned Rudolph Welch Sr.; mother, Ethel Sue Wahneetah Welch; and sister, Ataloah C. Welch Laney. He is survived by son, MSgt David N. Welch and wife Sheryl; daughter, Amy S Welch Wilson and husband Rich; son, Ned D. Welch and wife Stephanie; and sister, Helen Welch Bottchenbaugh. He also leaves behind two grandsons, four granddaughters, two great-grandsons, two great-granddaughters, companion Janice Owle, and many nieces, nephews, and extended family and friends.

Services were held on Wednesday, May 11 at Crisp Funeral Home in Bryson City.

Beth Charlene Cabe

Beth Charlene Cabe, 49, of Whittier passed away Sunday, May 8, 2016 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

Beth was born Dec. 13, 1966 in Cherokee to Betty George and the late Robert D. Cabe. She was of the

Baptist faith.

She is survived by her mother, Betty George; three daughters, Natasha Swayney, Samantha Gunter, and Sierra Gunter; three grandchildren, Julian Martin, Jordyn Martin, Brandon Martin Jr., and Javian Martin; one brother, Rick Cabe; and her favorite little dog named Sissie.

In addition to her father, Beth was preceded in death by one brother, Robert O. Cabe.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, May 12 at Long House Funeral Home with Revs. Dan Conseen and James "Bo" Parris officiating. Burial followed at the Manley George family cemetery.

Mary Inez Smith

Mary Inez Smith, 79, originally from Thomasville, Ga., went home to be with the Lord on May 10, 2016 in Sylva.

She was a member of East Side Baptist Church in Thomasville where she helped in many areas and served as nursery director for several years. She attended Acquoni Baptist Chapel in Cherokee while living with her daughter, Penny.

She worked at Zesto's Drive-in for 17 years and Dogwood Gifts Baskets and Florist for 11 years.

She was preceded in death by her parents, James Edward Atkinson and Mary Jane Odom; brothers, Johnny Atkinson and Eddie Atkinson; father of her children, Dale Richard Smith; and sons, Edward Michael Floyd and Timothy Stephen Smith.

She is survived by her children, John (Diana) Smith of Tucson, Ariz., Janet (Robert) Knight of Thomasville, Ga. and Penny (Victor) Betts of Whittier; eight grandchildren, Penny (Kenny) Glass of Moultrie, Ga., John Smith of Tucson, Ariz., Heather (Dilawar) Rodrigues of Thomasville, Ga., Julie Smith of Tucson, Ariz., Denise Dukes of Putney, Ga., Heidi Smith of Tuscon, Ariz., Daniel Betts of Tucson, Ariz., and Tanner Betts of Whittier; seven great grandchildren, Nicole and Nicholas Glass, Meredith and Jayden Rodrigues, R.J., Pearson and Isabella Dukes; and several nieces and nephews.

The funeral was held at East Side Baptist Church on Saturday, May 14. Rev. J. Tim Robson and Dr. Ed Kilgore officiated and interment followed at Roselawn Cemetery in Barwick, Ga.

A memorial service will be held at 6pm on Sunday, May 22 at Acquoni Baptist Chapel in Cherokee. Rev. Ed Kilgore will officiate.

Lillian Junaluska Thompson

Lillian Junaluska Thompson, 84, of the Birdtown Community, went home to be with the Lord peacefully at her residence Wednesday, May 11, 2016. A native of Cherokee, she was the daughter of the late Sim Jessan and Emaline Blythe Junaluska, and husband of the late Lawrence Thompson whom she was married to for 58 years.

She was also preceded in death by her daughter, Sarah Larraine Thompson; sisters, Martha Taylor, Sally Locust, Winnie Mae Cole, Shirlene Jessan, Elanore Jessan; brothers, Mark and Arch Junaluska; and special son, Thomas J. Owl.

She is survived by four daughters, Marie Watty and husband Joseph, Patricia Welch and husband Charles, Willie Conseen and husband Wes, and Lou Thompson; one sister, Mildred Jessan Queen and husband David; eight grandchildren, Diane, Michael, Will, Martha, Denise, Charlie, Matt, and David; 20 great grandchildren; special children, Soloman David Owl, William Eugene Owl, and Dana Jones; very special friend, Rose Marley and daughter, Mary Jane; and many nieces and nephews.

Lillian retired from the Eastern Bank of Cherokee Indians with 30 years of service as a Community Health Representative. She enjoyed her retirement traveling to Pow Wow's with her husband and children. She was also a fluent speaker of the Cherokee language.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to Betty's Place, C/O Beatrice Smith, Cherokee Cancer Support Group, PO Box 2220, Cherokee, NC 28719.

John Sidney Ferguson

John Sidney Ferguson, 65, of Sylva, passed away May 9, 2016 at his residence. John is the son of the late Virgil Smith Ferguson and Lucy Burdette Ferguson.

John is survived by his children, Wendy Ferguson James (husband Don), Kellie Ferguson (husband Robert Allen) and John Ferguson, all of Locust Grove, Ga.; one sister, Jan Coggins (husband Harold Coggins) of Sylva; and six grandchildren.

John is preceded in death by three brothers and one sister.

A graveside service was held on Friday, May 20 at the Fall Cliff Cemetery located in Cullowhee.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family with arrangements.

Lavon Hyatt

Lavon Hyatt, 58, of the Big Cove Community in Cherokee, went to his Heavenly home on Sunday, May 15, 2016. Lavon was a native of the Laurel Branch Community in Bryson City. He was a devoted and loving husband, father, grandpa Von, uncle, brother, and friend who will be greatly missed.

He was a former employee of the Western Steer Family Steakhouse in Cherokee for over 20 years and went into early retirement due to health reasons. He was a member of Straight Fork Baptist Church where he previously held the offices of Sunday School teacher and superintendent for a number of years. He also was the Training Union director and adult class teacher, as well as the Vacation Bible School director. He loved his church. He enjoyed watching NASCAR racing, particularly Dale Earnhardt Jr. and was also a Carolina Tar Heels fan as well as a New England Patriots fan. He also enjoyed working on his '56 Chevy.

Lavon was the son of the late Felix and Inez Earley Hyatt of Bryson City.

He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Gloria West Hyatt; one daughter, Kristina Lynn Hyatt; and sons, Jeremy Lavon Hyatt and wife Caroline, and Steven Hyatt and wife Vangie, all of Cherokee; two special grandsons, Reggie Vahn and Kedron Felix Hyatt, a special great-niece Shelby Solis; one granddaughter and a great grandchild; brothers, Hershel Hyatt, William Hyatt, and Michael Harlan; and sisters, Lillian Hyatt and Dean Hyatt, all of Bryson City. Several nieces and nephews also survive, along with the family cat, Peabody. Visitation will be held on

Wednesday evening, May 18, beginning at 5pm until midnight at Straight Fork Baptist Church in Big Cove. Funeral services will be held on Thursday afternoon beginning at 2pm, with the Rev. Charles Ray Ball and Bro. Steve Smith of Good News Baptist Church in Candler. Pallbearers will be Nika West, Nathan Garcia, Charlie Watty, Lupe Solis, Mike Ball, Clinton Messer, Damian Solis, and Joseph Solis.

Crisp Funeral Home is in charge of the arrangements.

Darrell "Disco" Dwight Ross

Darrell "Disco" Dwight Ross, 57, of Cherokee, passed away Thursday, May 12, 2016.

He was born Aug. 19, 1958 to the late Leroy and Martha Ross. Darrell was a member of Straight Fork Baptist Church. If you had time to listen, Darrell loved to testify. He loved all outdoor activities, where he assisted others year round by cutting grass, cutting wood, and farming. He loved fishing, spending time with his family at Sunday dinner, and for years, playing fast pitch. He had a lot of friends and family whom he loved very much. He especially loved all the children.

At Christmas, he would dress up as Santa Claus. Darrell spent time with the cancer group, as long as his health would allow him. Darrell will be missed in so many aspects. But, he would want all of us to rejoice because he went to his heavenly home to be with his mother and the rest of his loving family.

Darrell is survived by one son, Delbert D. Ross (Sherri); two grandsons, Kyle and Jason; one granddaughter, Whitney; one great granddaughter, Aaliyah; a special nephew, Shyne Ross; and two sisters, Florence Lewis (Barry) and Candy Ross (Mark).

In addition to his parents, Darrell was preceded in death by one sister, Gwen R. Locust; one aunt, Maggie Lossiah; and two uncles, Woodrow and Noah Lossiah.

Funeral services will be held Monday, May 16 at 2pm at Straight Fork Baptist Church. Rev. Charles Ray Ball, Rev. James "Bo" Parris and Rev. Red Bradley will officiate. Burial will follow at the Lossiah family cemetery.

In lieu of flowers, please make donations to Betty's Place, 40 Goose Creek Road, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the Ross family.

Janet Long Beck

Janet Long Beck, 81, of Cherokee, went home to be with the Lord, Friday, May 13, 2016. She was born in Clay County and was a lifelong resident of the Qualla Boundary in Cherokee. She was the daughter of the late J.C. and Ethel Long. In addition to her parents, she was preceded in death by a son, Jim Beck; granddaughter, Stephanie Beck; and a brother, J.C. Long Jr.

She was a member of Cherokee Baptist Church. She had a passion working with children in the Cherokee Elementary School and Tribal Day Care.

She is survived by her husband of 62 years, Tim Beck; three daughters, Julie Maney and husband Kenneth of Cherokee, Jeanne Beck of Cherokee, and Jilinda Beck and Lance of Cherokee; two sons, Jack Beck of Cherokee; and Joey Beck of Cherokee; one special companion Puggie; 14 grandchildren; 18 great grandchildren; one great great grandchild; one brother, Melvin "Buddy" Long and wife Sharon; one sister, Brenda Morgan and husband Jim; and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral Services were held on Monday, May 16 at Cherokee Baptist Church. Revs. Percy Cunningham and Richie Sneed officiated with burial in the Beck Cemetery.

Pallbearers were grandsons. Crisp Funeral Home assisted the



family.

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Summer Care Packages for Children's Home

The Cherokee Teen Center is taking donations for summer care packages for children at the Cherokee Children's Home. Their goal is to make 20 packages that will be for kids age 6-18. You can drop off the following items at the Cherokee Youth Center: sunscreen, bug spray, deodorant, aloe, body soap, Band aids, lotions, and hair brushes. The last day to drop off items is Friday, May 27. Info: Melissa Bodfield 359-6277

- Cherokee Teen Center

CIHA to hold Raindrops on Roses Gala fundraising event

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation is hosting its annual fundraising gala on Saturday, May 21. This year's theme is "Raindrops on Roses". Doors open at 6pm at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Council Fire Ballroom. The Gala event tickets are \$125 for individuals and corporate tables are \$1,500. You can get tickets by calling Jimmy Burns 497-9163 ext. 6278.

The Cherokee Indian Hospital Foundation raises money as a supplemental resource for hospital expenses including incentives for patients and providing state of the art equipment. This year's focus is on behavioral health programs for women.

This year's event features a silent auction with over 50 items ranging from local artwork to trips to Harrah's Casinos around the country. Live music featuring the band Flashback will begin at 8:15pm.

Info: www.cihfound.org

- Lynne Harlan, Cherokee Indian Hospital public relations officer

Big Cove HIP Community ribbon-cutting

The Tribal HIP Committee is hosting a Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Big Cove HIP Community, located on Garden Place Lane, on Wednesday, May 25 at 10am. Due to limited parking space at the site, the Cherokee Boys Club will offer a bus to the property that will leave the Boys Club at 9:30am.

This community consists of five single-family homes that are expected to be completed by the end of May. When all of the homes are completed, the approved applicants will be given their keys. Construction of these houses was made possible through a joint effort of the HIP Committee, the Cherokee Boys Club, and the EBCI Housing and Development program.

The HIP Committee serves all EBCI tribal members who qualify through HIP guidelines. The HIP Committee consists of Travis Smith, Birdtown; Tommye Saunooke, Painttown; Anita Lossiah, Yellowhill; Bo Crowe, Wolfetown; Brandon Jones, Snowbird and Cherokee County; and Teresa McCoy, Big Cove.

Info: Cindi Foster-Squirrel, HIP program 359-5520

- Cherokee Boys Club

Paid workshops for actors, storytellers and cultural interpreters

Are you an actor, performer, storyteller, cultural interpreter or interested community member who wants to increase your skills in the Art of Acting and the Business of Acting? Come to an informational meeting on Saturday, May 21 from 12-2pm at the Mountainside Theatre to learn how you may be able to earn \$1,050 by taking part in a three-week professional development workshop.

Sponsored by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, The Cherokee Historical Association and The Kenan Institute for the Arts at UNCSA in cooperation with Native Voices and the Museum of the Cherokee Indian, this project seeks to strengthen Cherokee artistry in North Carolina and nationally.

The workshop itself will run from July 18 – Aug. 5 from 1:30-4pm Monday-Friday at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. It will include The Art of Acting (improvisation and movement, voice and text analysis, acting and performance skills) and The Business of Acting (auditioning/cold reading, social media and marketing, and legal and financial tips).

The workshop faculty will include: DeLanna Studi (Cherokee Nation), actress, writer and teacher; Olivia Espinosa (Azteca); Mary Irwin; Rob Vestal (Cherokee).

Info: Susan Brittain, Kenan Institute for the Arts, brittain@ uncsa.edu

- Museum of the Cherokee Indian

Justice Center visitations

According to officials at the Anthony Edward Lossiah Justice Center, there will be no visitation on Monday May 30. Visitors seeing inmates with a last name that begins with (A-F) may visit on Tuesday, May 31.

- CIPD

Bill Taylor Scholarship deadline is June 1

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 or a 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 \$30,762 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".

Info: Norma Moss normahmoss@gmail.com

- Eastern Band Community Found.

Turkey Season open through May 21

Cherokee's spring turkey hunting season is open through May 21. Hunters are invited to participate as a field reporter and submit turkey harvest data to the EBCI Natural Resources program. Call 359-6109 after a turkey is harvested with some or all of the following information: location and date of kill, number of days hunted to kill the bird, turkey's approximate age (adult or juvenile), turkey's spur length, and turkey's beard length.

- EBCI Natural Resources Program

New Kituwah Kindergarten registration

New Kituwah Academy is now enrolling students for Kindergarten. Students must turn 5-yearsold on or before Aug. 31. Info: 359-6401

- New Kituwah Academy

Community Groups

Houses of Worship

Acquoni Baptist Church. 497-6521 (h) or 788-0643 (c)

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. (828) 400-9753

Cherokee Church of the Nazarene. 72 Old School Loop off Big Cove Road. 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

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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 (cell)

Sequoyah Sovereign Grace Church. 497-7644

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee. (828) 280-0209, cherokeeepiscopal@gmail.com

Straight Fork Baptist Church. 488-3974

Waterfalls Baptist Church. Wrights Creek Road. Whittier United Methodist Church. 497-6245

Wilmot Baptist Church. 2015 554-5850

Wrights Creek Baptist Church. 497-5262

Yellowhill Baptist Church. 506-0123 or 736-4872

Community Clubs

Big Y Community Club meets the second Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Big Y Community Building. Bunsey Crowe, president, 497-6339 or 788-4879

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Chairman Sam Panther 497-5309 or Secretary Consie Girty 736-0159 or walerb@gmail.com

Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck at

6pm, meeting at 6:30pm. Jody Taylor, chairperson, 736-7510

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

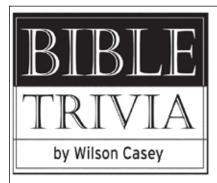
Snowbird Community Club meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 4798678 or (828) 361-3278,rogersmoker@yahoo.com

Wolftown Community Club

meets the first Monday of each month at 7pm at the Wolftown Gym Until further notice, meetings will be held at the gym due to water damage at the Community Building. Tuff Jackson, chairman, 788-4088

Yellowhill Community Club.

First Tuesday of every month unless it's a holiday. Reuben 497-2043



 Is the Book of Isaiah in the Old or New Testament or neither?

 Whose first chapter begins, "The former treatise have I made, O Theophilus"? Matthew, Luke, John, Acts

3. From 2 Kings 1, what Philistine city worshipped Baal-zebub? Ekron, Succoth, Gomorrah, Antipatris

 As found in Acts 9, where did Peter cure Aeneas? Tyre, Neapolis, Lydda, Gibeon

5. From Numbers 20, where did Aaron die? Mount of Olives, Pisgah, Mount Hor, Gilboa

 As found in Acts 24, Felix's wife, Drusilla, was a ... ? *Pharisee, Gentile, Greek, Jewess*

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Choose your poison

ROBERT JUMPER ONE FEATHER EDITOR

"One pill makes you larger, one pill makes you small, And the ones that mother gives you, Don't do anything at all, Go ask Alice, When she's ten feet tall, And if you go chasing rabbits, And you know you're going to fall, Tell 'em a hookah-smoking caterpillar, Has given you the call, Call Alice, When she was just small." **"White Rabbit" - Grace Slick**

e are living in very interesting and transitional times in Cherokee. Speaking with elders and reading about the morality and ethics of our ancestors, one would have never imagined that alcohol, marijuana and heroin would be prevalent topics on the Qualla Boundary. Then again, 40 years ago, the length of a generation, it probably would have been a shocker to our communities that the primary source of income for the Principal People would be gambling. The times they are a changing.

"White Rabbit", written sometime prior to 1966, rose to number eight on the music charts in that year. Grace Slick, who wrote it, later admitted to heavy use of drugs like heroin and LSD. In one commentary on her work, she said she saw many correlations in children's literature to the life in the drug scene at the time ("White Rabbit" was loosely based on Lewis Carroll's "Alice in Wonderland"). Songfacts.com comments, "She noticed that many children's stories a substance of some kind that alters reality, and felt it was time to write a song about it".

Our Vice Chief, along with other prominent Cherokee leaders, attended a Heroine Summit that allowed them to see the tremendous job ahead of turning the tide of drug abuse in America, North Carolina and the Qualla Boundary. During an interview with Vice Chief Sneed, he spoke earnestly, soberly and sadly about what he learned during the Summit.

There are business cartels that operate just like legitimate commodity providers working a network of clients all around the country. These heroin entrepreneurs headquarter in Mexico and, like seasoned marketers, they evaluate areas of the country that hold the best potential for selling their product. Western North Carolina is one of those areas targeted by Mexican heroin cartels. They have an elaborate system of getting product to the customer and even have customer service contact points to ensure that clients get good service and are satisfied with the quality. In the conversation with Vice Chief Sneed, I didn't ask if one of the business signs for the dealers was a pair of shoes thrown over a power line, but I have had several friends tell me that is one of the calling cards of a drug exchange area.

In researching this drug issue, I noted that heroin addiction often begins with use of opiate-based pain killers in hospitals. In a future editorial, we'll discuss this and other social foundations for abuse and drug dependency. But, for now, one of the contributing factors is the prescribing of opiates to patients with painful injuries or conditions. It gives the users their first "high" from chemical stimulation and begins, for some, the slide toward full-blown addiction.

We, as a Tribe, are currently discussing the legalization of marijuana production and distribution on the Boundary. The first proposal submitted to Tribal Council was for a study to consider the medicinal, industrial and recreational production and distribution. Tribal Council said "yes", then the Principal Chief said "no" (with a veto) and then the Tribal Council said "no" (not enough votes to override the Chief's veto).

This month, the group advocating for the production and distribution of marijuana, has now submitted and received a favorable vote from

see **RABBIT** page 29

Poll Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page and website to our weekly poll question: Should the EBCI and/or private entities be allowed to produce and prescribe (provide) medical marijuana on tribal trust lands?

Jeremy Wilson: If we didn't, it would defeat the entire purpose of even having the idea of it being here.

Janice Sutton: Yes, I have watched many programs on this and read many articles, and I think it would save our pharmacy lots of money. Plus, the amount of prescription drugs would be less available in our community.

Connie Welch: Absolutely...without a doubt...it would be wrong not to consider this as a viable source of income to our Tribe.

Sheree D. Peters: Yes, when used for medical purposes, it is very beneficial.

Emmett Jordan: It's a medicine.

Roxanne Thobaben: Legalize it on the reservation.

Yona Sequoyah: Yes, I have been on both sides of the plant. As we know, you can't have the good without the bad. That being said, the plant is associated with all walks of life, mainly druggies... keep in mind, the DARE association took marijuana off of the list of gateway drugs. I smoked the plant recreationally since I was 15 up until four years ago...marijuaCherokee One Feather Poll of the Week Results

Should the EBCI and/or private entities be allowed to produce and prescribe (provide) medical marijuana on tribal trust lands?

70% 30%

Questions of the week now up on theonefeather.com: Who is better suited to interpret the laws of the EBCI as made by the Tribal Council?

na doesn't make you good or bad, the only thing is causes is debt... More research on the plant and the positive effects of it will benefit the Tribe and patients greatly. My suggestion, leave personal opinion out of it and beliefs and state only the facts. One day, you never know, you might need it! Put one foot in the door because if we agree ot not, the state will soon make it legal. Why not be one step ahead?

Yes

No

Tim Rattler: Only the Tribe...help the people som, dang...

Alec Strickland: In the states that have legalized marijuana, presription painkiller deaths have decreased by 25 percent. It amazes me that we have to drap people kicking and screaming into the future. This issue is a no-brainer. The medical and science communities have spoken. The arguments against it simply don't hold water.

Michael Zepeda: I personally think the main reason it is a gateway drug is because you have to go to a drug dealer that will have other drugs to buy it. And, that drug dealer will start pushing the other ones on you. I've never understood why marijuana is illegal when cigarettes and beer are not. Many people get violent on alcohol, but I have never seen someone get violent without reason on marijuana. There is no byproduct to trash our lands like beer cans. And, it doesn't have the addiction cigarettes and alcohol have. I don't even know why they're trying to study it. Just make it legal. It's been around and the studies have already been done for us. We should just get past all this drama and legalize it. Also, make it a tribal business distributed in the per cap.

Sara Catt: Yes, we have a need for this for almost all of the illnesses we have among our people.

John Daniel Bird: The medical benefits are from oil in a tablet form...never does smoking it help anything but a few symptoms of sickness. I'm still not for open legalization. I don't want to walk down the street with my kids and put up with your joints. I still don't want edible forms being offered to my or my kids. DNA harm occurs with cannabis use ... and causes birth defects and other issues for years to come. I realize many of you who support it, use it. What about the rights to not be exposed to it of those of us who don't want it in our bodies?

Matti Jane Sneed: They're trying to pass for medical use. And, even if they did legalize it for recreational, I doubt it would be legal in public. In place like Colorado, you can only smoke in private. Also, if it became legal, it would put a hurt on the black market and crime surrounding it.

Michelle Bignault: People do not drink out in the open nor should taking your medicine be public. Smoking = never. Our world has gone nutty, and I think it is way past time for the people of the U.S.A., and that's including all tribal nations, should take back our country and do what's best for all...I'd say yes, and it would be amazing.

Nathan T. Tyson: "Let food be thy medicine and let medicine be thy food," Hippocrates, Greek Father of Medicine. Yes, cannabis should be allowed on reservations as it is a medicine in plant-based form that is quite capable of treating and alleviating a large number of human health conditions - all safely - without the often harsh and sometimes, dangerous side effects associated with the massive manufactured synthetic chemicals found within medicines producted by the pharmaceutical drug industries.

Alexis Smith: Yea, because I'm sick of watching people nod out or tweak in public. It makes our rez look like junkie trash.

Jamile Shaheen: I say yes to this. It would allow us to tax, and it would be another income for the Tribe.

Karen Flores: Yes, because it is a natural herb.

More Poll Responses

Crystal Dowless: I stand alone I guess, and I say no. They say history repeats itself. It would just be Woodstock all over again except without the weird clothing. Throwing the title medical on it is only trying to legalize another wrong. Jesus Christ is the answer to every problem...there are old ways of medicine that can't be learned again. The Cherokee are a beautiful and special folk. Please stand for righteousness and not wordly ways.

Jennifer Morgan Tierce: Yes, it could help a lot of people, and we are all responsible for helping to sustain as much life as we can.

Carolynn Rachel Swisher: I think yes it should. It could help so many people out there suffering from diabetes and cancer and other stuff!

Dylan West: They should because it can help depression, anxiety, hunger and other problems while pharmacy pills are th emost common abused drug and easy to have an overdose...

Shane Merideth: No-brainer...if the worry is it moving on or off the rez, hate to tell you, it already does.

Gadusi Tate Crowe: Yes, yes, yes, yes please....for anxiety.

Richi Wolf: Yes! For one, it would create a new stream of revenue for the Tribe that isn't based on gaming. More importantly though, medical marijuana can be prescribed in place of a vast array of prescription pain kills and anxiety medications that are commonly abused. This is a chance for us to lower prescription drug abuse on the reservation and use natural remedies from the Earth rather than chemical medications that can have negative side effects on our bodies.

Patricia J. Kilby: I am for medical marijuana. I have seen violent drunks, people whose lives were ruined by alcohol. I have never seen a violent person high on grass. If my mother were allowed to have had medical marijuana, she would have lived another year with the cancer she had...everything in moderation.

Sandy Shepards: If it's for medical purposes only, and it should be controlled.

Rhi Kashay: I do believe that all Tribes should be able to make a living with growing any plant that will provide their village food or means of survival.

Jatanna Feather: Yes! It's our God-given right to grow anything that helps us survive, prosper and evolve! Secondly, it's a man-made law, look it up! I hope one day to grow all my medicine...food, herbs, and yes, cannabis. I use mostly holistic healing since 2012, and I'm focusing on healing from the inside out. All the pills from the hospital did for me was cover my symptoms up, but now without any of them, I can see what the problem really is, and I can solve it. And, I love that feeling!

Gungah Tsenesi Megisweli Maxwell: Absolutely, there are many people suffering that desperately need it. **Kina Armachain:** No. Do to that other stuff could be put in there and can cause seizures. So, I'm saying no, no, no, no. We have enough drug problems as it is.

Wayne Kalonaheskie: No...just another crutch for native's stereo-typing...

Jamie Cline: A plant shouldn't be illegal. The precedent that alone sets is scary. To deny anyone the medicinal qualities of marijuana yet allow prescription drugs, tobacco and alcohol to be legal is crazy. Not to mention, it's safer than most of the groceries on the shelves nowadays.

Darrin Shaderick Bark: America was founded on growing hemp... besides, the THC can be removed if it's the high people worry about.

Donny Owle: Yes...only for medical use though.

Will Tushka: Yes, and I believe the feasibility study will hopefully open blind or uneducated eyes to the medicinal purposes and the many industrial possibilities. People around here automatically assume everyone will be walking around stoned. Alcohol is all around us, but not everybody is walking around drunk.

Jasmine Arch-Davis: I say yes because how many of our people can say our ancestors didn't use it for medical purposes...I'm tired of losing family to prescription drug overdoses. How many people have ever overdosed on marijuana? Tell me that.

Dawn Allen: Yes, no good comes from all the nasty side effects of

pharmaceutical products. Well, if you're the pharmaceutical companies, they just get fatter wallets.

Kelly Alexander: No, because it leads to other drugs! I've seen all four of my brothers and sisters start out on pot, and they all ended up doing harder drugs! The dealers cut the pot with other drugs, you don't know it until it's too late! Once your body gets immune to pot, you'll just do more pot or start looking for other things to take away the pain (physical or emotional). Please, seriously think about the well-being of our Cherokee Nation instead of being popular or getting richer.

Wayne Beaver: Would someone explain the difference between medical marijuana and good old-fashioned pot? Is medical marijuana prescribed to first-time users or to potheads looking for a get out of jail free card? On a personal note, the EBCI should be allowed to produce. No private entities should be allowed to produce or prescribe on tribal trust lands.

Darlene Whitetree: I think medical marijuana should be allowed, but not recreational use. Cancer patients are helped by using marijuana, and it also can help with pain managment when people can't take regular pain meds...

Scott St. Pierre: Yes, I think the Tribe should grow and sell it for medicinal use first then try recreational where more profits will come to the Tribe. I think also it should be available to non-enrolled members within time. Hopefully, North Carolina will smarten up and legalize it statewide.

Council slaps my husband in the face

esterday, Thursday, May 5, the majority of Council members voted to revoke only one small portion of Bill J. Ledford's will. They accepted the will except for the part where Bill left me a life estate in the home we had shared since 1998.

Thanks to inaccurate reports by a certain family member that the house was run down and abandoned and that I was using the house solely as a business, most Council members were quick to set aside the wishes of the deceased. Never mind the fact Bill carefully followed North Carolina and tribal laws to create a valid will in 2007, in which he mentioned the gift of a life estate specifically. Never mind the valid actions of Tribal Court to approve the will and close his estate. Never mind the fact Bill knew certain family members would cause trouble but went to his grave knowing he had done things right to prevent any potential questions about his will.

No. All the trouble Bill went through to make things "right" didn't matter to most Council members yesterday. They chose, instead, to treat his wishes and the document itself like toilet paper to be thrown away. What Council did was meant, I am sure, to be a grand show of power and a simultaneous slap in my face. What they did, however, was a slap in my handsome husband's face.

After all Bill J. Ledford did as a public servant for Cherokee and all its communities for countless years, to be treated like this in death is as ridiculous as it is disgusting. In essence, it was the most blatant form of disrespect I've ever seen.

I would invite anyone to come and look at the home. For two and a half years since his passing, I have paid people to keep the yard mowed. I have made improvements and paid all the bills. I have lived in the house and I still do. So, if you hear otherwise please think again.

Also, you may wish to consider whether following the legal requirements for a will is worth your while. According to Council, they get to decide your wishes.

In conclusion, while they may take everything away from me, they will never take away the 16 years of memories and love I shared with the one and only Bill J. Ledford.

> April Ledford Whittier

RABBIT: Jumper editorial on drugs *from page 26*

Council to direct the Attorney General's office to prepare law in the form of regulations for the eventual allowance of production, distribution and sale of medicinal marijuana. No study. No research. No feasibility report. There are many questions that might be asked concerning this turn of events. If the problems that the Tribe is dealing with concerning heroin abuse stem from misuse or mal-prescription of opiates in medicine, should we have the same concerns when it comes to "medical" marijuana?

One argument for legalizing marijuana is that it could potentially be a cash crop. We seem poised to endorse a drug, at least partially, based on profit and under the guise of economic diversification. After all, if North Carolina legalizes production and distribution of medical marijuana, won't we be missing the boat if we don't do it too? Time after time, the Cherokee people have said "no" to Boundary-wide alcohol sales. Some say it is a moral issue with the communities. I would suggest that it is more of a pain issue. Seeing fathers, mothers, sons and daughters succumb to the illusion that this drug is a friend-maker and problem-solver.

According to the National Institute on Alcohol and Alcoholism (www.niaaa.nih.gov), "In 2014, 87.6 of people ages 18 or older reported that they drank alcohol at some point in the past year, 56.9 percent reported that they drank in the past month. In the same year, "24.7 percent of people ages 18 or older reported that they engaged in binge drinking in the past month; 6.7 percent reported that they engaged in heavy drinking in the past month".

This anti-alcohol feeling was so strong that the people, via refer-

endum vote in 2012, continued to limit the access of alcohol to the casino properties, probably costing the Tribe hundreds of thousands of dollars in revenue and retail growth opportunities. The irony of that vote is that the same year, Jackson County voted alcohol in, so there is a convenience store within walking distance of the Boundary line, selling alcohol and realizing that revenue. It has been so profitable at that convenience store that the restaurant was closed down in favor of expanding alcohol capacitv.

In order to deal with the issues that these drugs bring, we must, as a tribal community, educate ourselves on the realities of the consequences of each. I have only mentioned three, but there are many more. You only need to take a look at the weekly CIPD arrest report to find the personal impact of not educating yourself concerning these poisons. I totally understand

the argument that some good may be done with each. Opiates, one of which is heroin. have been routinely used in medicine for hundreds of vears. Alcohol is even used in overthe-counter medication for cough and cold. Yet, both have caused crime, pain and death. Cannabis, or marijuana, has also been shown to provide medical benefits. Marijuana, much like alcohol, has certain direct medical impacts to the body, but the primary concerns are that both have the ability to alter thought and behavior while the user is under their influence.

There are no easy answers to the use and control of drug use and abuse. We, as citizens of the Qualla Boundary, must educate ourselves about these issues and help our leadership make educated choices when it comes to regulation, production and distribution of any substance that has the potential to negatively impact us and future generations.

MISSING CHILDREN



James Paul Owle 8 years old / M / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes / 4'7" / 75 pds Native American from Cherokee, NC

Samuel George Owle 6 years old / M / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes / 4'4" / 90 pds Native American from Cherokee, NC

Evelyn Grace Arneach 3 months old / F / Brown Hair / Brown Eyes

non-custodial mother, Shira Raman Mattocks, 26, from Cherokee. bouts of Shira Raman

Show times are subject to

change without notice.

All three children are believed to be with their

If you have any information on the whereabouts of Shira Raman Mattocks or the children, please contact the Cherokee Indian Police Department 497-4131 or your local law enforcement agency.

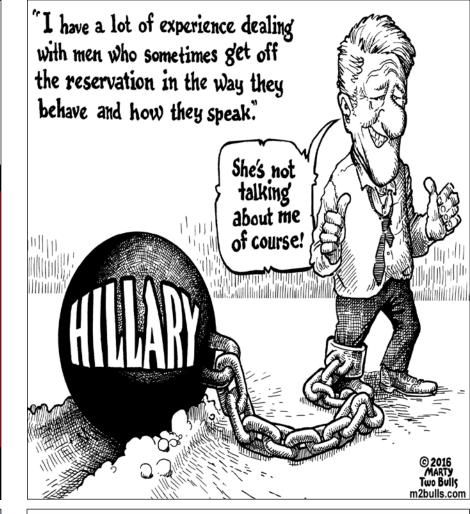
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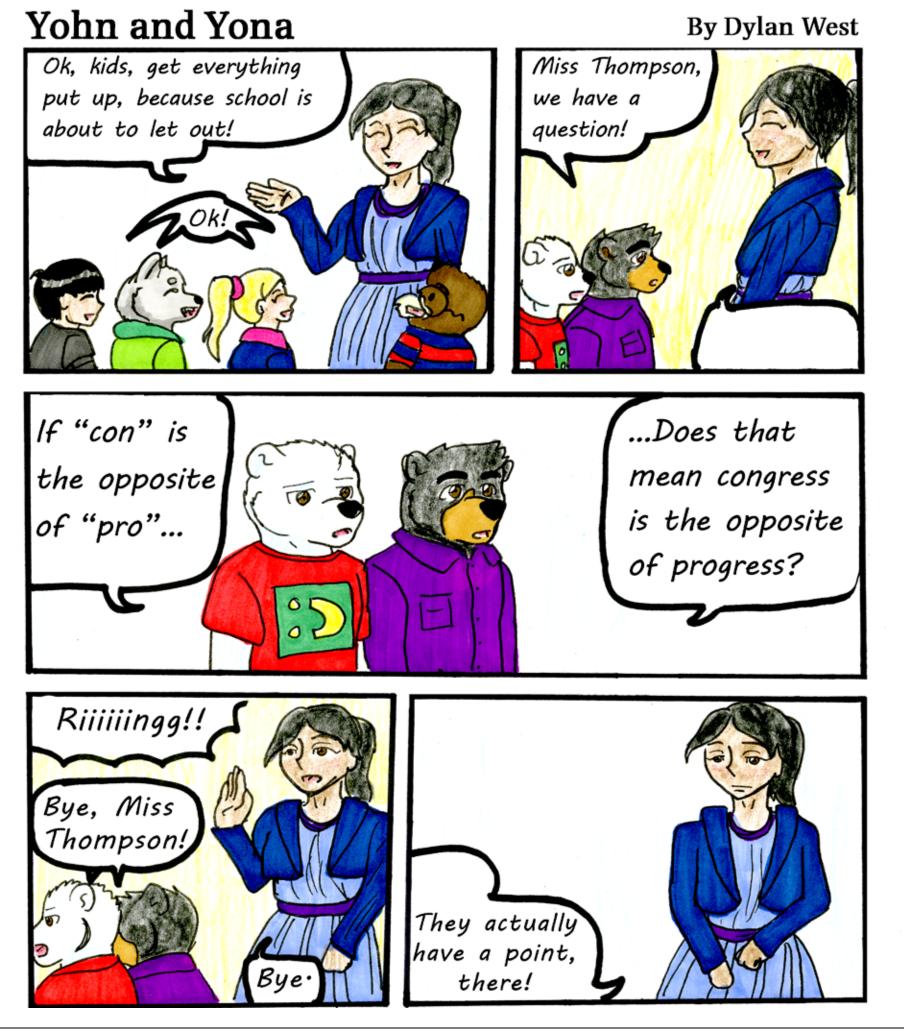
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Church Events

Men's Breakfast. May 21 at

8am at Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church at 135 Long Branch Road. The event titled "Men's Breakfast: Faith, Food and Fellowship" will have a guest speaker, Supt. Ronald G. Gates Sr., senior pastor at Greater Works Church of God in Christ. All men are invited to attend. There is no charge. Info: Bill Walters billw4995@gmail.com

Mission to the World Sunday morning worship service. June **5** at Norman Recreation Park on Recreation Park Road. Service will begin 10:45am Sunday mornings. Info: Pastor Scott Hill 508-7836

General Events

21st Annual Indians in Sobriety Campout. May 19-22 at Happy Holiday Campground. Registration begins May 19 at 12pm. \$35 registration fee include breakfast, lunch and dinner for Friday and Saturday plus a tent site for three nights. Recovering speakers, Sunrise Service, Sobriety Walk, t-shirts, Talking Circles, Marathon Meetings, Sobriety Countdown and more. Info: Jody 736-7510 or visit www.indiansinsobriety.org

Qualla Boundary Special Olympics Community Meeting. May

19 at 6:30pm at Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. Learn more about Special Olympics and how to become a coach, volunteer, athlete, and more. Info: Kheri Cowan (828) 226-7155

Healthy Cooking Demos. May 20 from 1:30-3:30 and June

24 from 1:30-3:30 at Cherokee **Tribal Food Distribution Program** at 2260 Old Mission Road (across from Tribal Bingo). Learn how to cook healthy with foods provided by the Food Distribution Center. Learn tips to manage your health: weight loss, heart health, and diabetes management and prevention. Receive free food tastings, healthy recipes, and information on healthy living. Free and open to all program participants. All attendees will receive a raffle ticket for a chance to featured prize each month. This is sponsored by Cherokee Choices and the EBCI Tribal Food Distribution Center. Info: Robin Callahan. RD. LDN, MHS 359-6785, robibail@ nc-cherokee.com, or Sandra Smith 359-9752

WCU Cherokee Center reception for Matthew Tooni. May **20** from 6-8pm at WCU Cherokee Center on Acquoni Road. This reception is for Tooni to introduce his recently-released CD "Through Their Eyes" which mixes historical comments, using local people's voices, with flute music he wrote. Refreshments will be served, and the CD will be available for purchase. Info: Roseanne Belt 497-7920, rbelt@email.wcu.edu

Strawberry Festival. May 21 from 9am – 2pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. This event is sponsored by the NAIWA Cherokee Chapter. Strawberry pancakes and shortcake will be for sale. Children's activities, baked goods, contests, games, and more. Vendor spaces are available for \$5 per table. To reserve a table or more information, Bessie Wallce 497-2389, Lucille Wolfe 736-5285, or

Carmaleta Monteith carmaleta@ msn.com

"God, Family and Tribe" event. May 21 from 10am – 12noon at Yellowhill Community Building. The purpose is to show support for the "In God We Trust" USA motto committee. Preaching and singing by local groups. Info: Dan Conseen, Pastor at Macedonia Baptist, 497-1611, dconseen@gmail.com

Birdtown Community Club clean-up day. May 23 at 10am at Community Club Building.

Community Mediation Training. May 24-26 at First Baptist Church in Sylva. Mountain Mediation Services is offering this 21hour training where participants will learn the mediation process and are equipped with the tools needed to effectively deal with conflict and develop productive resolution. The number of participants is limited and space must be reserved by May 18. The tuition fee of \$195 covers instruction plus manuals, handouts and refreshments. Info: Sharon 631-5252 or mmssylva1@ dnet.net

Cherokee Language Bingo. May 27 at Yellowhill Activity Building. Doors open at 6pm. Games will be called in the Cherokee language by Bo Lossiah.

Cherokee Cancer Support Group Prime Rib dinner fundraiser. June 11 from 5-7pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$15 each and advanced tickets can be purchased from any cancer support board member or by calling 497-0788. Raffle items

for the raffle to be held at the dinner are also being accepted. Items can be dropped off at Betty's Place from 10am - 2pm, Monday to Friday or by calling 497-0788 for pick-up.

Sports Events

2nd Annual Childhood Brain Tumor Awareness Zombie 5K and Fun Run. June 4 at Kituwah. Registration starts at 6pm with run at 6:30pm. Prizes for first, second and third place. All proceeds go to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation. Pre-registered runners are guaranteed a shirt. Cost: Adults - \$25 pre-register, \$30 day of; Kids - \$15 pre-register, \$20 day of. Info: Amorie Gunter 788-3367

Soccer Camp. June 6-10 from

6-7:45pm nightly at the Wolfetown Stickball Field. This free camp is for ages 5-14, no experience needed. It is being provided by Mission to the World. Agility, ball handling skills and brief Bible lesson following each session. Info: perryannescott@yahoo.com

Upcoming Pow Wows for May 20-22

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.

Gathering of the People. May 19-21 at Augusta Jewish Community Center in Evans, Ga. MC: Jim Anderson. Head Singer: Charlie

Horse. Info: (706) 790-9677. info@gatheringofthepeople.com **Graduation Honor Dance for Paan Pai Roberts. May 19** at Ada Elks Lodge in Ada, Okla. MC: Juaquin Hamilton. Head Southern Singer: Al Santos. Info: Michael Roberts (580) 436-1023

27th Annual Veterans of Menominee Nation "Gathering of Warriors" Pow Wow. May 20-22 at Menominee National Woodland Bowl Amphitheater in Keshena, Wisc. Emcees: Bruce Wilber Jr., Dan King. Info: Gilbert Boivin (715) 799-3729

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tribal Pow Wow. May 20-22 at Tamworth Camping Area in Tamworth, NH. Info: (603) 617-5852, honoringoftheelders@gmail.com

24th Annual Monacan Indian Nation Pow Wow. May 20-22 at Albert's Farm in Elon, Va. MC: Marvin Burnette. Host Drum: Thunder Voice. Info: Chief Dean Branham (434) 946-0389 or (434) 907-2660

21st Annual Tunica-Biloxi Pow Wow. May 21-22 at Earl J. Barbry Sr. Convention Center in Marksville, La. Info: Lena Ballard (800) 946-1946 ext. 2034, avolmb@ paragoncasinoresort.com

Pow Wow in the Park. May 21-22 at Edgar Evins State Park in Silver Point, Tenn. Info: Niki (931)

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www.AndyShawFord.com 1231 East Main Street Sylva, NC | 828.339.1250 644-0221 or Linda (931) 544-4908

6th Annual UCSD NASA Pow Wow. May 21-22 at University of California at San Diego in La Jolla, Calif. MC: Bobby Whitebird. Host Northern: Bear Springs. Host Southern: Southern Nation. Info: Burgandy Fletcher (858) 281-3898, bjfletch@ucsd.edu

St. Kateri Center of Chicago Pow Wow. May 21 at Beaven Hall/Ackerman Center in Chicago, Ill. Host Drum: Been Nah Un Dennah. Info: (773) 509-2344

31st Annual Pow Wow in Honor of Our Children. May 21 at Kelso High School in Kelso, Wash. Info: (360) 501-1655

Wambli Sapa Memorial Pow Wow. May 21 at Baxter Arena in Omaha, Neb. MC: Garan Coons. Invited Drums: Young Bucks, Haylushka, Beartown, Wan'gi'o'gli, 402 Ramblers. No contact information available

Ongoing Events

VFW Bingo. Every Tuesday at the Governor's Island VFW. Early bird at 5:30pm, regular games at 7pm. Info: Billy Whitt 736-4146

AA and NA meetings in

Cherokee. Nar-Anon (family support): Mondays at 6pm at Church of Christ. 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

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TRADING POST

FOR RENT

Studio Apartment for Rent. Quiet neighborhood outside of city limits. Located 13 miles from Cherokee. Electric heat, water, sewer and Direct TV included. Furnished. Singles only. No pets. 828-226-1231 or 828-736-4388.

3 Bedroom Farmhouse for Rent. 13 miles from Cherokee. Fully furnished. Water and sewer furnished. Close to hospital, shopping, city limits. Located in good neighborhood, very private. Married couples and singles only. 828-226-1231 or 828-736-4388.

FOR SALE

2006 Ford F150 Crew Cab

4x2 Auto, XLT, chrome pkg. V-8 5.4 Tritron 19-20 miles per gallon on road. 215,000 hwy. miles \$7500.00, \$500.00 deposit will hold truck till per cap arrives. 828-341-5552 Bryson City. 5/19pd

Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Resort will have a silent auction from 10:00am to 12:00pm May 21, 2016 at the Barclay Building located at 164 Children's Home Road Cherokee, NC. Items to be auctioned range from golf carts to kitchen equipment.

7-9 windows for free: 386-866-0644

self propelled 21" cut Honda engine \$250 obo: 293-3672

fresh corn, ramps and tomatoes: 788-1898 karoake machine, PA system, flea market items: 456-9763

6×12 cargo trailer \$1900, 2005 Chrysler Crossfire \$18000: 369-8128

Ohana ukulele \$60, Kids Train table \$60, Davids bridal size 8 wedding dress new in plastic w tags \$25: 552-4958

3 female pygmee goats \$250: 226-5255

1995 Ford Ranger 5spd \$1000: 342-3958

4 yo male border collie needs home: 706-816-7230

dining room table \$75, kitchen table \$50, large grease monkey sign: 507-5082

Sears X Cargo Car Carrier \$40: 273-9490

27"iMac desktop \$350: 226-0059

4 computers: 586-9139

rock bolders, burning bushes & bridge lumber: 293-0230

chickens and roosters, Farm All tractor \$1500: 497-9155

7 rabbits \$5 each: 586-2944

100 ft of drain pipe for guttering \$40, 6x 12.5 ft cargo trailer: 371-8806

90s model Mazda pick-up truck \$4000: 399-1087

Washing machine trade low filling machine for regular: 788-1676

Troybuilt 42" cut riding mower: 508-7120

2 TVs for free: 507-1949

Wet saw, small engine repair, knife sharpening: 331-9848

gas stove for camper, 5th wheel hitch, elegant punch bowl with glasses: 400-7651

3 fans \$40, 2 Coleman camp stoves \$40, black hard plastic tool box \$20: 421-0946

SERVICES

Put this # in your phone Boundary Lock & Safe (828)736-3485, You may be glad you did. 5/25pd

Reward for Honey Bee

Swarms Ground level to 4ft \$25.00, 5ft-12ft \$20.00, 12ft -20ft \$10.00, above 20ft. you pay me. Please don't spray them! Call Jim Farris@736-3485 5/19pd

Murphy's Garage(Now Open) 828-497-4227 Hours: M – F 9:00am – 5:00pm Saturday 10:00am-2:00pm. 5/25pd

WANTED

Wanted: Tribal land between Robbinsville and Stecoah, NC. Small amount ok. Call Steve (865) 983-7186. 5/26

REALTY

Big Cove Community

The following is a list of tribal

members that have documents to sign in the BIA Realty Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolution.

Denise Michelle Laney Cochran, Kristina Alyse Cochran, Taleika Niclole Hill, Adriannon Ginalee Hyaat, Evangeline Marie Watty-Hyatt, Steven Lee Hyaat, Lawanda Sue Frend Myers, Samuel Alfred Panther, William Lawson Smith, Cecil Eli Walkingstick, Joseph Stepehn Watty, Elizabeth Ann Watty, Elsie Marie Thompson Watty, Todd, Marcus Watty, Joe Welch, Rose Anna Pheasant Welch, Kardasie Cheykitay Latrice West, Jonah Wolfe, Marion Lucille Littlejohn Wolfe,

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

Proposed Land Transfers

Joseph Cory Wilnoty to Joseph Adam Wilnoty for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 338 (Part of Parcel No. 61), containing 0.641 acres, more or less.

Robert Allen Blankenship to Robert David Blankenship for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 639-E (Part of Parcel No. 639-C), containing 1.000 acre, more or less.

Laverne Elizabeth Huskey Land to Bertha Arlene Huskey for Big Cove Community Parcel No. 347 (Part of Parcel No. 220), containing 0.044 acre, more or less.

Mary Lou Feather to Tiffany Rianne Taylor for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 556 (Part of Parcel No. 153), containing 0.809 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.





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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-gening positions), most successfully pass an HUAI bai/drug test and undergo an investigation by Tribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Bond of the Cherokee Nation, monoped by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Fit from Barri -430pm. Call 828:487.8738, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Crive, Cherokee, NC 28718 or fax resume to 828:497.8740.



For deadlines and applications call 554-6388. Indian Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of a Tribal application.



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents *eg: Driver's license, Enrollment, Diplomas, Certificates*

Closing May 27, 2016 @ 4 pm

- 1. Housing Service Manager- QHA (\$49,200-\$61,500)
- 2. Administrative Assistant- TOP (\$31,078-\$38,848)
- 3. Manager of Legal Services- Legal (\$76,670-\$95,838)
- 4. Associate Counsel IV- Civil Law (\$91,348-\$114,185)
- 5. Office Assistant- Education & Training (\$25,830-\$32,288)
- 6. Cook Aide- KPEP (\$19,598-\$24,498)
- 7. Driver- Transit (\$23,616-\$29,520)
- 8. Administrative Assistant- Board of Elections (\$25,830-\$32,288)
- 9. Assistant Court Clerk (Re-advertisement)- Tribal Court (\$34,112-\$42,640)
- 10. C.N.A (Re-advertisement)- Home Health (\$23,616-\$29,520)

Open Until Filled

- 1. Patrol Officers- CIPD
- 2. Detention Officer- Detention Services (\$31,078-\$38,848)
- 3. Part Time- Paramedic- Tribal EMS (\$34,112-\$42,640)

Download Applications & Job Descriptions NC-Cherokee.com/HumanResources/Employment/Job-Opportunities





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If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 8 months from the data of application. To qualify, applicants must be 2' years or older (18-2' years eligible for non-paring positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hairtfrug sets and undergo an investigation by Tribe Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of the Cherkken Nation, managed by Caesan Entertainment, The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from 8am + 430pm, Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent Accession. The Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from 8am + 430pm, Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent Accession. The Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from 8am + 430pm, Call 828.497.8778, or send resume to the Talent

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-025 In the Matter of the Estate of Nancy Smith Taylor

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: July 27, 2016

Charles E. Taylor, PO Box 578, Candler, NC 28715. **5/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-026 In the Matter of the Estate of Harriett Patricia Hornbuckle

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: July 27, 2016

Thomas Wade, PO Box 2, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/19pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-027

In the Matter of the Estate of Kent Elliott Cucumber

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

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION

Victoria Cucumber, P.O. Box 919, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/25pd**

NOTICE OF SERVICE OF PROCESS BY PUBLICATION STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA SWAIN COUNTY IN THE GENERAL COURT OF JUSTICE DISTRICT COURT DIVISION IN RE: BIRD, A MINOR JUVENILE FILE NO. 14 JT 33

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

ADJUDICATION OF A TERMI-NATION OF PARENTAL RIGHTS PROCEEDING FOLLOWED BY A DISPOSITION CONSIDERING THE NEEDS OF THE JUVENILE WITH ENTRY OF AN ORDER DESIGNED TO MEET THOSE NEEDS AND THE OBJECTIVES OF THE STATE Filed November 12, 2015, in the District Court in Swain County, North Carolina Amended March 14, 2016 TO: NICHOLAS BIRD

You are required to make a defense to such pleading no later than 45 days from the date of first publication of this notice and upon your failure to do so, the Petitioner, the Swain County Department of Social Services, seeking service against you, will apply to the Court for the relief sought. If you are indigent you are entitled to appointed counsel. Counsel may be appointed to you by the Court at the first hearing after service. You should contact the Swain County Clerk of Court at 828-488-7400 for information regarding how to request and apply for counsel.

A dispositional order or a subsequent order may require certain actions of you or may terminate your parental rights.

Upon service, failure to comply with any order of the Court may cause the Court to issue a show cause order for contempt. **5/26**

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Upon service, failure to comply with any order of the Court may cause the Court to issue a show cause order for contempt. Kristy L. Parton, Attorney for Petitioner, Swain County Department of Social Services, PO Box 944 Sylva, NC 28779, (828) 586-4247 **6/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee. North Carolina Estate File Nos.: EST 2008-17; EST 2010-032; EST 1996-002; EST 2006-004; EST 2007-077; EST 2008-030; EST 2010-034; EST 2010-029; EST 2007-048 In the Matter of the Estates of: Noah Lossiah (d. 2008); Joe Jasper Cucumber, Jr. (d. 2010); Howard Kalonaheskie (d. 1995); Tamara Susan Seay (d. 2006); Helen B. Smith (d. 2007); Beatrice Sue Standingdeer (d. 2008); Frank Gillette Tahquette (d. ca. 2010); Henry Joshua Wachacha (d. 2010); and William Douglas Catt, Sr. (d. 2007). All persons, firms, or corpora-

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tions 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 June 16th at 1:30pm **6/2pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 16-029

In the Matter of the Estate of John Henry Burgess

All persons, firms and corporations having claims against this estate are notified to exhibit them



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) Although you would prefer to move forward at a steady pace, it might be a good idea to stop and reassess your plans. You could find a good reason to make a change at this time.

TAURUS (April 20 to May 20) Just when you thought you had everything planned to the smallest detail, you get some news that could unsettle things. But a timely explanation helps put it all back on track.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Home and work continue to compete for your attention. But you handle it well by giving each its proper due. Someone you trust offers valuable advice. Listen to it.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) Unsettling news creates a difficult but not impossible situation. Continue to follow your planned routine, but keep your mind open to a possible change down the line.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) Lick your wounded pride if you like, but it's a better idea to find out why your suggestions were rejected. What you learn could help you deal with an upcoming situation.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) Feeling a bit listless? No wonder. You might be pushing too hard to finish everything on your to-do list. Cutting it down could help get your energy levels up.

to the fiduciary(s) listed on or before the date listed or be barred from their recovery.

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

Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICA-TION Kathy Burgess, PO Box 1867, Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/9pd**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Advertisement for Bids Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee Water & Sewer O&M Tribal Utilities Building, Po Box 547, Cherokee, NC 28719

LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) Taking time out of your busy schedule might be the best way to handle that sensitive private matter. It will help reassure everyone involved about your priorities.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Insist on full disclosure by all parties before agreeing to be part of a "great deal." What you learn should help you decide whether to go with it or not.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Your decision to protect the secret that was entrusted to you might irk some people. But it also wins you the admiration of those who value trust and loyalty.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) Creative activities take on a practical approach as you realize you might be able to market your work. Ask for advice from someone experienced in this area.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) If you're suddenly a bit unsure about your decision, ask trusted colleagues and/or friends or family members for suggestions that could help resolve your doubts.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) A workplace situation could get stormy. But stay on course until there's a solution that meets with everyone's approval, and things finally can calm down.

BORN THIS WEEK: You keep an open mind on most matters, making you the confidante of choice for people who need your honest counsel. © 2016 King Features Synd., Inc.

(828)359-6100

Project Title: Hwy 19 Retaining Wall below Chestnut Tree Motel The EBCI is requesting separate sealed bids for a retaining wall located on Hwy 19 just below the Chestnut Tree Motel (old Holiday Inn). Contractors wishing to bid should contact Calloway Ledford Sr at (828)359-6105 or by email at callledf2@nc-cherokee.com for specifications and to request a site visit if desired.

Bid packages must be addressed to Calloway Ledford Sr., at the address above by 3:00pm on Friday, May 20, 2016 at which time they shall be opened in accordance with TERO procedures. Any bid received after this time will not be considered.

Please be advised that Indian Preference (TERO) applies to this contract. Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) documentation required by executive order 11246 as amended and regulations (41 CFR part 60-4) shall be applicable throughout the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Calloway Ledford Sr at (828)359-6105. **5/19**

Request for Quotes General Notice

Qualla Housing Authority is requesting quotes from all interested qualified contractors for drywall / vinyl siding and gutter work for 4 scattered site rehab homes on the Cherokee Indian Reservation, (Swain and Jackson Counties). Quotes Due Date: May20, 2016 at 3:30p.m.

Qualla Housing Authority Bid Packages include:

• Drywall for 4 rehab units. Labor Only • Vinyl siding and gutters. Material and labor

Bid Packages can be picked up at the QHA Main Office located at 687 Acquoni Road, Cherokee North Carolina 28719. OHA Warehouse 2234 Old Mission road, Cherokee or electronically by emailing to henrmcco@nc-cherokee.com ask for quote. Workers compensation, auto, and general liability are required for all contractors. Qualla Housing Authority is an equal opportunity employer. Qualla Housing is a Drug Free Workplace. Please be advised that Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office) applies for this contract. 5/19pd

Requests for Quote

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians **Cherokee Building Rental** 810 Acquoni Rd, Cherokee, NC 28719 Email: ccooper@nc-cherokee.com Phone: 828-359-6713 Ouotes are requested for the selective demolition of the Cherokee Expo Center (Old High School) down to the super structure, Building Rental office is requesting sealed quotes. The deadline for submitting a quote will be June 17th 2016 at 11:00am. Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the performance of any work awarded pursuant to this solicitation and to the procurement of work solicited through this advertisement. You may request the full request for the requirements for the quote through the Building Rental Program. If you have any questions or comments, please contact Building Rental at (828)-359-6713. 5/26

EMPLOYMENT

Cherokee Preservation Foundation Position

Cherokee Preservation Foundation (CPF) seeks a professional Program Officer. This position is an excellent career opportunity for a high achiever who wants to play a key role in encouraging Cherokee cultural preservation, economic and workforce development. and environmental protection initiatives that benefit the EBCI and region. The candidate who is selected will be responsible for supporting—and in some instances, leading—activities related to developing, monitoring and evaluating the CPF's programming. The selected candidate will help review and assess grant proposals and grant monitoring, and provide technical assistance to applicants and grantees. CPF is a dynamic, team-based organization that provides competitive salaries, superior benefits, and excellent opportunities for career advancement. Established in 2000, CPF's purpose is enhance the well-being of the EBCI and strengthen the western North Carolina region. The Foundation's focus is on cultural preservation, economic development, job creation, and environmental protection. Required qualifications: bachelor's degree in business, education. social science or a related field, the inclination and ability to work collaboratively with other organizations (private and government), excellent analytical skills, and the ability to write and speak effectively. Preferred qualifications: Master's or Advanced degree in business, education, social science or a related field. Experience in community development and/or economic development, and experience with and knowledge about the Cherokee culture, communities and tribal government of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Send letters of interest with a resume and salary history to Cherokee Preservation Foundation, P.O. Box 504, Cherokee, NC 28719. For more information, please call the CPF at 828-497-5550. This position will be posted until filled. **5/19pd**

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOS-**PITAL AUTHORITY has the** following jobs available: FT MASTERS LEVEL THERAPIST / JUVENILE JUSTICE FT FAMILY SAFETY THERAPIST FT SCHOOL THERAPIST FT RN NIGHTS / IN PATIENT FT RN NIGHT FLOAT / IN PATIENT FT RN EVENING FLOAT / IN PA-TIENT EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER 7:30AM-8:00PM EMERGENCY HIRE RN / ER EVE-NING SHIFT CASE MANAGEMENT SUPPORT -TRAINEE FT ADULT - CASE MANAGER / BEHAVIORAL HEALTH FT RN / OPD FT CMA / LPN Specialty Clinic FULL TIME CLINICAL NURSE MANAGER / IN PATIENT FULL TIME SATELLITE CLINICS MANAGER FULL TIME EXECUTIVE NURSING ADMIN ASSISTANT FULL TIME RN / OPD (Specialty Clinic) Applications and job descrip-

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 Teresa Carvalho or Deb Toineeta. These positions will close on May 20, 2016 @ 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. **5/19pd**

Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings (open until filled):

•Elementary School Nurse - Must have RN or LPN.

High School SPED Teacher Assistant-NC Teaching license required.
Special Education First Grade Teacher-NC Teaching license required.

•Elementary Teacher - NC Teaching license required.

Volleyball Coach - Previous successful experience preferred.
Elementary Teacher Assistant -Multiple positions available. Must have Associates Degree or 48 semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.
For complete job descriptions please visit CCS Human Resources at www.ccs-nc.org 5/19pd

CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB Administrative Assistant

Organization: Cherokee Boys Club, P. O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719; (52 Boys Club Loop) Department: Garage/Shop/Body Shop

Opening Date: May 19, 2016 Closing Date: June 2, 2016 REQUIREMENTS: Education: High School Diploma, GED, or equivalent combination of education, related experience or training is necessary Other: Valid NC Driver's License required with verifiable driving record; must have working knowledge of Microsoft Office Suite Software

A job description and appli-

cation can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Cherokee Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information call 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 if applicable.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **5/26pd**

THE CHEROKEE INDIAN HOS-PITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available: FT OPTICAL ASSISTANT

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This is a reminder about your local WIC program. If you are pregnant, breastfeeding, or have an infant or child under 5 years of age, please call our office for more information. Remember, if you are on Medicaid and or food stamps you are automatically eligible for WIC. If you have missed an appointment, or need info: Paige 359-6237 or Mary 359-6232



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20 seconds; 5. 180; 6. Venus and Uranus; 7. Swiss franc; 8. Helsinki, Finland; I. The B-52s, 1989; 2. Independence, Missouri; 3. Polynesia; 4. 8 minutes, Trivia Test Answers

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