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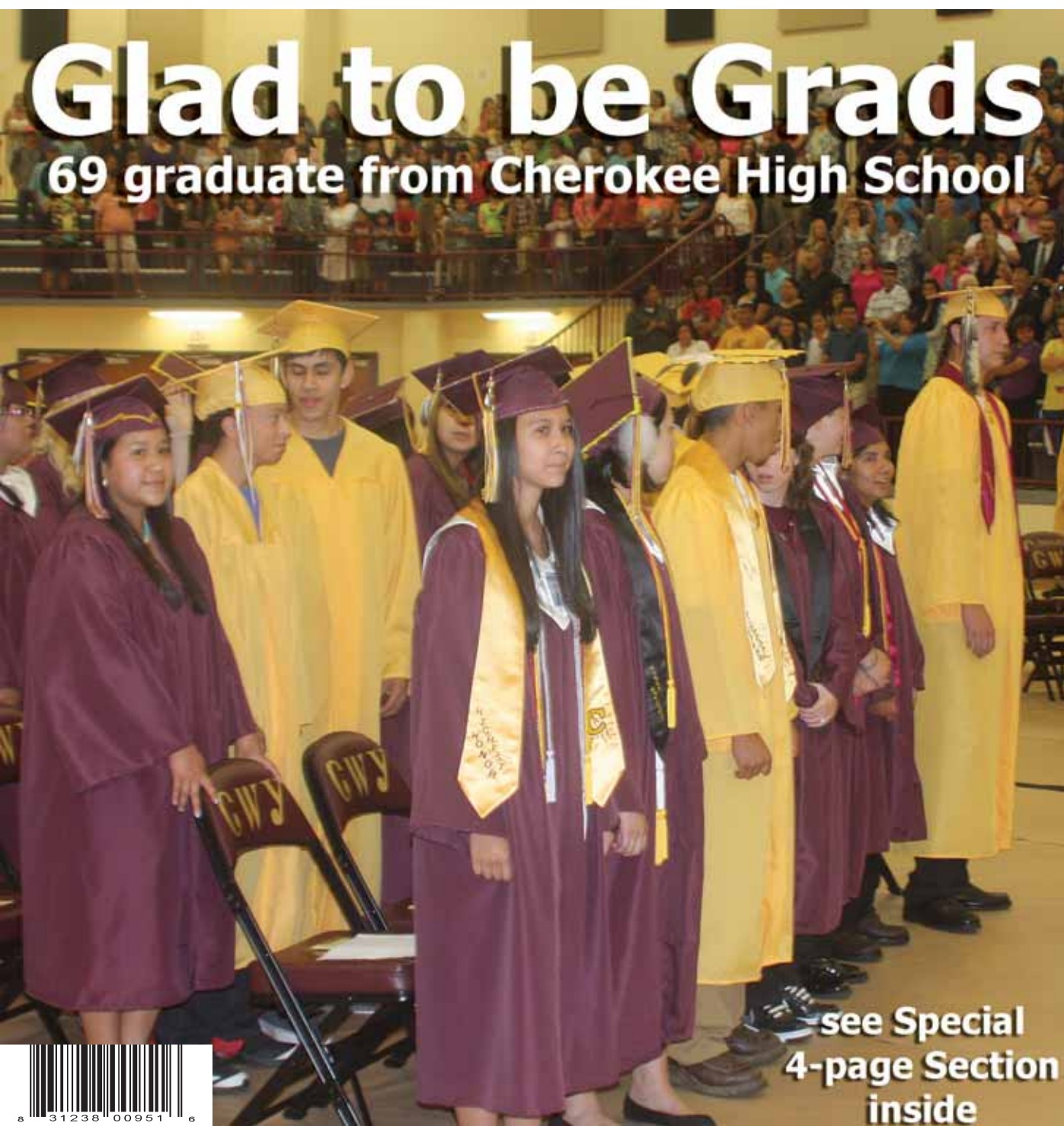
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# BEAUTY in SINGLE-WIDES



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

EBCI artist Sean Ross poses with his work at the opening of his latest art installation, "Aluminum Sioux Camps", on Thursday, May 15 at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center.

## Sean Ross explores different forms in "Aluminum Sioux Camps"

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

EBCI artist Sean Ross is known for his realism and his contemporary style of art. His latest art installation, entitled "Aluminum Sioux Camps", is a break from his realistic style and in his words, "nothing like what you've seen from me before."

His installation opened at the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center on the evening of Tuesday, May 15. Consisting of three large canvases, the installation explores the beauty of form and togetherness.

"This was in reference to the Sioux camps and other Plains camps in the way they would set up their camps in such a tight, constrained manner," said Ross. "That had utilitarian purposes, but the reason they did it was for protection, communication, things of that nature."

Ross said as he began studying other cultures, he saw the same living patterns. "I noticed that some peoples still had the tendency to build cul-de-sac type living arrangements when it was no longer necessary. There was no need for protection. They had different forms of communication. It seemed rather an innate behavior than

something that was learned."

He said he saw the prevalence of the single-wide trailers and it inspired his work. "It's in every culture, really every class in the United States. I just think they're beautiful forms."

Ross said there are hidden gems of Native cultural influences in his installation such as color schemes, hues, and basket patterns.

"I want these forms to take on a sense of nobility, not a sense of desperation. This is just all about a conceptual thought and process."

Ross' installation is scheduled to be on display at the Center for a month.

## American Indian population grows to 6.3M

NEWS BRIEF By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

There were over 6.3 million American Indian/Alaska Natives in the United States in 2011 according to a U.S. Census report released on Thursday, May 17. That number is up 2.1 percent from the last numbers released in 2010.

According to the report, California had the highest number of American Indians with around 1,050,000 and Alaska had the highest percent at 19.6 percent.

Los Angeles county had the highest number of American Indians in the country with around 231,000 and Shannon County (SD), home to the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation, had the highest percent at 93.6 percent.

One startling fact to come out of Thursday's report was "estimates showing that 50.4 percent of our nation's population younger than age 1 were minorities as of July 2, 2011. This is up from 49.5 percent from the 2010 Census taken April 1, 2010."

Other interesting facts from the report include:

- nation's median age increased from 37.2 to 37.3
- population of Americans 65 and older increased from 40.3 million to 41.4 million
- Maine had the highest median age at 43.2
- Utah had the lowest median age at 29.5
- Hispanics were the most populous minority with over 52 million, also the fastest growing population which increased 3.1 percent since 2010

### Midnight Rumble Softball Tournament

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# Chief: Tribe wants apology on Nikwasi Mound issue

By SCOTT MCKIE B.P.  
ONE FEATHER STAFF

Last month, town workers sprayed herbicide on Nikwasi Mound in the Town of Franklin leaving dead, brown grass. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians was not consulted about the situation and has yet to receive an official apology.

"I find out through general conversation that this has taken place without any notification," Principal Chief Michell Hicks said during an informal meeting on the mound on Monday, May 21 in his office. Chief Hicks met with Franklin Town Alderman Bob Scott; Bill Evans who served on the now-defunct Franklin Mound Committee; Cherokee County/Snowbird Rep. Diamond Brown, Jr.; Russell Townsend, EBCI THPO officer; and T.J. Holland, EBCI cultural resources supervisor.

"We have worked on various things over the years and I thought we had good relationships," said Chief Hicks. "But, this just goes to show me that either someone slipped and wasn't thinking or maybe those relationships weren't there."

Alderman Scott, who served on the now-defunct Franklin Mound Committee, said he was surprised to see what was done to the mound as well. "I found out about it when I drove by one day and saw that the mound was brown. We share some frustrations over what happened to the mound."

Chief Hicks said he has real problems with what was put on the mound and the lack of consultation. "I don't know what agents were put on the mound and what has seeped into the ground and what effects they have had to the artifacts in the ground. None of us do, but it's a matter of coming up with a plan so it doesn't happen again."



**SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather**  
Principal Chief Michell Hicks (center) speaks with Russell Townsend (right), EBCI THPO officer; and Franklin Town Alderman Bob Scott during a meeting on the Nikwasi Mound on Monday, May 21. Also present at the meeting were T.J. Holland, EBCI cultural resources supervisor; Cherokee County – Snowbird Rep. Diamond Brown, Jr.; and Bill Evans, who served on the now-defunct Franklin Mound Committee.

Townsend related at the meeting that a total of 63 mounds have been identified in western North Carolina and only four of those are currently owned by the Tribe. Chief Hicks said that it would be his wish for the Tribe to purchase Nikwasi Mound so that the care and maintenance can be performed by the Tribe itself.

"I think we can protect it better than anyone else," Chief Hicks related. "We're not finding fault with the Mound Committee, but I'm holding the Mayor responsible and I'm holding the Town responsible."

Scott said he would like to see a Commission formed with EBCI tribal members and members of the original Mound Committee. "I want to see what we can do to solve this problem to-

gether. I think we have a lot of common ground. We just had a bad incident."

Chief Hicks responded, "I would rather own the mound and let us take care of it. That would be my preference because I know that we'll do the right thing."

"The right thing to do, just like Kituwah, just like Cowee, is to bring it back into the hands of its original owners."

At the end of the meeting, Evans stated, "Chief, I want to say I'm very sorry that it happened."

Nikwasi Mound was put on the National Register of Historic Places on Nov. 26, 1980. It is listed on the Register as Nequasee.

## 16-year-old Cherokee girl missing, suspected runaway

A missing persons report was filed with the Cherokee Tribal Police Department on Thursday, May 17 10:24pm. According to the initial report into the Tribal Communication Center; the missing person's mother, Kathy Maney, called into dispatch stating her daughter, Brooke Leighann Smith, had not returned home that evening. She told the dispatcher her daughter was supposed to return home by 9pm.

A Cherokee Officer filed a missing persons report based on his conversation with Maney.

Smith is American Indian, Eastern Band Cherokee. She was born March 27, 1996 and is 5'2" tall, 160lbs. with brown eyes. She was last seen wearing a white tank top, grey sweat pants and Vanns Shoes.

Since the initial report, Brooke Leighann Smith's whereabouts is still unknown but she is considered a runaway at this point. The officer in charge of this case said he had a follow up contact with the girl's mother who told him her daughter had phoned her telling her she was ok and not to be looking for her.

The Cherokee Tribal Police is still attempting to locate the 16-year-old and has issued an all points bulletin for Smith. They are asking anyone with information to Brooke Smith's whereabouts to call the Cherokee Communications Center at 828-497-4131.

- Cherokee Dispatch

**ATTENTION: Due to the Memorial Day Holiday (Monday, May 28), the deadline for the June 7 issue of the Cherokee One Feather will be Friday, May 25 at 12noon.**



# Gaming compact passes NC Senate

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

Live table games are one step closer to reality at Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel. The North Carolina Senate approved a bill on Wednesday, May 16 that would approve the amended gaming compact between the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and Gov. Bev Perdue that would allow live dealers. The measure passed the Senate by a vote of 33-14.

Principal Chief Michell Hicks said he was very pleased with the outcome. "I'm happy with the ways things went. I think we're moving in the right direction." He said it will probably be a few

weeks before the NC House takes up the bill.

Big Cove Rep. Bo Taylor said in a statement, "We were pleased to say after a long day of lobbying that the Senate passed our Class III compact with a vote of 33 to 14. We are now faced with a tough challenge as we must pass the vote through the NC House of Representatives."

State Sen. Jim Davis (R-Macon) commented, "This compact replaces computers with jobs for western North Carolinians. The Cherokee Nation is a responsible steward of gaming revenues, and this agreement is an excellent way to help provide education funding and jobs for our state."



LYNNE HARLAN/EBCI Public Relations

Tribal leaders pose with State Sen. Tom Apodaca (R-Henderson), center, shortly after the vote on the gaming compact bill in the North Carolina Senate on Wednesday, May 16. Shown (left-right) are Birdtown Rep. Tunney Crowe, Chairman Jim Owle, Sen. Apodaca, Principal Chief Michell Hicks and Wolfstown Rep. Bill Taylor.

## House passes version of VAWA

### Indian Country upset with House version of bill

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

The House of Representatives passed its version of the Violence Against Women Act Reauthorization bill on Wednesday, May 16 – a version far different than the bi-partisan bill passed last month by the Senate.

"Today's vote by my House colleagues sends a strong message that the reauthorization of the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA) should leave politics at the door and focus on the victims who need our help," said Rep. Sandy Adams (R-FL) who sponsored the bill in the House. "It is disappointing that the Senate has instead chosen to score political points on the backs of victims by inserting provisions that pit one group against another."

Rep. Adams continued, "Make no

mistake about it, this is a victim-centered bill that is all inclusive. Just like past reauthorizations, the House-passed legislation is focused on all victims, without regard for race, ethnicity, sexual preference, or nationality."

Many in Indian Country disagree. Juana Majel-Dixon is the 1st Vice President of the National Congress of American Indians (NCAI) and is also co-chair of the NCAI Task Force on Violence Against Women. "Native women aren't safer as a result of the passage of HR4790. In fact, the tribal provisions included in this bill create additional hurdles for Indian women seeking protection from violence on tribal lands, and that is unacceptable."

Majel-Dixon went on to say, "Indian Country supports the bipartisan Senate VAWA bill, which contains constitutionally-sound tribal provisions that provide local solutions that will deliver long-overdue justice to Native women and safety to tribal communities."

NCAI released a statement on the House bill which stated in part, "HR4970 would 'federalize' the is-

"...the tribal provisions included in this bill create additional hurdles for Indian women seeking protection from violence on tribal lands, and that is unacceptable."

- Juana Majel-Dixon, 1st Vice President of NCAI

suance and enforcement of protection orders for Native victims, authorizing Indian victims of domestic violence or Indian tribes on behalf of Indian victims to seek protection orders from U.S. district courts against suspects of abuse. This approach fails to address the crux of the problem – a lack of local authority to handle misdemeanor level domestic and dating violence when the perpetrator is non-Indian. The legislation passed by the House is drafted in a way that undermines the safety and autonomy of victims."

But, the passage of HR4970 might be in vain anyways as President Obama will most likely veto the bill. In a Statement of Administration Policy issued

Tuesday, May 15, the day before the House debate on the bill, the Office of the President stated, "If the President is presented with HR4970, his senior advisors would recommend that he veto the bill."

"HR4970 fails to provide for concurrent special domestic violence criminal jurisdiction by tribal authorities over non-Indians, and omits clarification of tribal courts' full civil jurisdiction regarding certain protection orders over non-Indians," reads the statement. "Given that three out of five Native American women experience domestic violence in their lifetime, these omissions in HR4970 are unacceptable."

# River cane: Important Cherokee cultural staple

## Resource discussed at State of Cane Symposium

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

**R**iver cane (*Arundinaria gigantea*) once covered around 10 million acres in the southern United States in the 1700s and 1800s. It now covers an area less than 1 percent of that total according to David Cozzo of RTCAR (Revitalization of Traditional Cherokee Artisan Resources).

Cozzo related that fact and many more about the intriguing plant at the State of Cane Symposium held on Tuesday, May 22 at the Birdtown Community Building. Several presentations were given during the Symposium on the current state of river cane in the mountains. A panel discussion, moderated by Beth Johnson of RTCAR, was held on cane restoration and preservation. Other panelists included: Davy Arch, Oconaluftee Indian Village manager; Callie Moore, Hiwassee River Watershed Association executive director; Adam Griffith, Beachcare.org director; Roger Clapp, Watershed Association for the Tuckasegee River (WATR) executive



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather photos  
**David Cozzo, RTCAR, speaks during the State of Cane Symposium on Tuesday, May 22 at the Birdtown Community Building.**

utive director; and Buzz Williams, Chattooga Conservancy executive director.

"It is a southeastern plant," said Cozzo. "It's where it does well."

He related that river cane is the only North American species of bamboo. In 2006, a second version of river cane (*Arundinaria appachiana*) was ac-

knowledge by scientists, but was commonly known to mountain inhabitants as hill cane, arrow cane or switch cane.

Cozzo said that RTCAR came out of a need for river cane for traditional Cherokee artists. "The Cherokee tribe was down to two double-weave bas-

ketmakers. There was a concern about resources."

He said other traditional uses for river cane include: cane shields, arrow shafts, blowguns, woven mats and more.

Arch said that he believes there are currently around 10 Eastern Band Cherokee basketmakers who frequently make double-weave river cane baskets and about 40 more that know how and make them occasionally.

"I am very optimistic that we have saved the art."

Arch said that 10,000 year old impressions of river cane mats were found in clay in the area where the new Cherokee Central Schools now sits. "Cane basketry is one of our oldest traditions."

He did say that having resources of river cane is very important to the future of the art. "At the Village, we use a lot of cane. It's amazing the amount of cane it takes to make a basket."

Moore said the Hiwassee River Watershed Association has been working to identify river cane canebrakes in Cherokee and Clay counties. So far, 15 has been identified and the landowners for six of the canebrakes have signed agreements to preserve them and allow sustainable harvesting.

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Public Hearing Notice

This is to inform the public of the opportunity to attend a public hearing on the proposed Rural Operating Assistance Program (ROAP) application to be submitted to the North Carolina Department of Transportation no later than **June 20, 2012** by the **Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians**. The public hearing will be held on **May 31st, 2012** at **9:30** at the **Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Tribal Council** meeting in the **Council House** located at **Council House Loop**, **Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians** will provide auxiliary aids and services under the ADA for disabled persons who wish to participate in the hearing. Anyone requiring special services should contact **Kathi Littlejohn 554-6301 (Transportation Director)** as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made.

The programs included in the Rural Operating Assistance Program application are:

- 1. Elderly & Disabled Transportation Assistance (EDTAP) Program provides operating assistance for the public transportation of elderly and disabled citizens.
- 2. Employment Transportation Assistance Program provides operating assistance for the public transportation of persons with employment related transportation needs.
- 3. Rural General Public (RGP) Program provides operating assistance for the public transportation of persons living in non-urban areas of the county.

The period of performance for Rural Operating Assistance Program funds is **July 1, 2012 through June 30, 2013**. The FY2013 individual program totals are:

PROGRAM	TOTAL
EDTAP	\$
EMPL	\$
RGP	\$47,181
TOTAL	\$47,181

This application may be inspected at the **Transportation Office** located at **680 Acquoni Road** (address) from **8:00-4:00** (Monday through Friday until **June 19<sup>th</sup>, 2012**). Written comments should be directed to **Kathi Littlejohn, P.O. Box 2289 Cherokee NC** before **June 15<sup>th</sup> 2012**, (date).

Remember the Removal ride send-off

Cherokee cyclists will leave Cherokee on June 2 on the annual Remember the Removal Ride which retraces the Trail of Tears. A total of 21 riders will participate in a send-off event at Kituwah. The event begins at 3pm and is open to the public. The event will feature an introduction of the riders, a presentation about the Trail of Tears and remarks from Cherokee leaders. There will also be a meal before the riders depart for New Echota, Ga. to begin the official ride.

- Lynne Harlan, EBCI Public Relations

Tribal Cannery hours and rules

The Tribal Cannery is open Monday – Thursday from 7:45am – 4:30pm by appointment only. Customers must bring their own jars, and the jars must be thoroughly washed and have lids and bands. The bands can be reused, but the lids must be new. Food must be washed and prepared. When preparing jams, jellies, and other soft spreads, you are required to provide sugar and su-jell. If additional jars are needed, the Cannery will provide jars for \$1/each plus \$.50 processing fee. The Cannery will be closed on Thursday, May 17 for the Cherokee Day and of Caring and also will be closed the week of June 11-14. Info: Trish 497-2440

- Tribal Cannery

Interested in 4-H District Activity Day?

This year, the EBCI Cooperative Extension office is the lead coordinator on the yearly event that 4-H holds called District Activity Day. This is an event where youth age 9-18 prepares a public presentation on a topic of interest to them. This is an excellent opportunity for youth to work on public speaking skills in a friendly supportive environment.

Heather James will be holding a presentation workshop on Tuesday, May 29 from 10am -12pm at the EBCI Cooperative Extension office, for all youth interested in participating. During this time, she will review requirements for participation, assist youth in determining their topic, and share examples of prior presentations. Parents should attend with their child.

The district activity day is scheduled for Tuesday, June 19 at Cullowhee Valley School in Cullowhee.

If you have not been involved in 4-H before, it is not a problem. 4-H paperwork will be available on site. Info: Heather James, 4-H Agent, 554-6932 or heat-jame@nc-cherokee.com.

- Heather James, EBCI Cooperative Extension

Unto These Hills Education Fund accepting applications

The Unto These Hills Educational Fund is still accepting applications for the 2012-2013 school year. The deadline is Friday, June 1. Applicants must be EBCI tribal members or have a parent(s) who are enrolled members and provide proof. Applicants must have and maintain a 2.0 semester GPA and provide proof. Scholarship is for 4-year undergraduate college students. Priority will be given to 4-year students, but 2-year community college students will also be considered for funding. Applications can be picked up at CBC Printing, Cherokee VOC, or requested by email at trista@cbcprinting.com. Applications must be post-marked or submitted by 4:30pm on June 1. They can be turned in to Trista Welch at CBC Printing, by email at trista@cbcprinting.com, faxed to 497-5554, or mailed to P.O. Box 507, Cherokee, NC 28719. Info: Trista Welch 497-5539 or Kim Lambert 497-9827.

- Unto These Hills Education Fund

Extension Office seeking old photos

The staff at EBCI Cooperative Extension is already preparing for this year’s 100th Anniversary of the Cherokee Indian Fair. If anyone has old pictures of events or family at previous years at the fair, they would like to be able to make copies and implement them in the Extension part of the fair. If you know the year, identities and/or event just list it down on paper. If you are not sure, bring them on by their office anyway. The EBCI Extension Center is located at 876 Acquoni Road next to the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Info: Valorie Welch 554-6939.

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# CHS students study larvae for mercury analysis

Cherokee High School Forestry students have been actively participating with a citizen science project which encourages students and visitors in national parks to collect dragonfly larvae for mercury analyses. The study connects people to parks and provides baseline data to better understand the spatial distribution of mercury contamination in national parks.

Dragonfly larvae (Odonata anisoptera) can serve as indicators of ecosystem health by characterizing the risk and potential toxic effects of mercury. These aquatic macroinvertebrates are long-lived (up to 5 years as larvae) before emerging as adult dragonflies, widespread across the U.S., predatory (i.e., prone to higher concentrations of mercury), important prey for fish species, and they reflect the mercury sensitivity of a specific watershed. Moreover, they are relatively easy to collect! This citizen science project expands the geographic scope of research previously conducted by scientists, provides data that can be compared across parks, and helps raise awareness about mercury impacts.

On a chilly (20F) Friday, November 18, 2011, six CHS students helped with the first dragonfly larvae collection in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park at the mid-elevation Chasteen Creek site – over a mile upstream from Smokemont Campground. Several specimens were found and collected. On a much warmer, rainy May 9, 2012 morning, four more CHS students collected dragonfly larvae. Several larger specimens were collected, identified, and prepared for testing.

Ami Riscassi, a Postdoctoral Research Associate from the Oak Ridge Institute for Science and Education in Oak Ridge National Lab, Oak Ridge, TN, Colleen Flanagan of the Air Resources Division from Denver, CO, GSMNP



Photo courtesy of Cherokee Central Schools

CHS student Jake Crowe (right) holds up dragonfly larvae he collected as part of a recent study in the Great Smoky Mountain National Park. He is shown with Great Smokies ranger Emily Darling.

Ranger Emily Darling, one park staff, and CHS Forestry teacher Emory Rhoads assisted with the collections.

Four national parks, including the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, collected samples in previous years and are committed to participate during the 2012 season. A grant to University of Maine for 2012 supports program expansion to include an additional six to eight parks throughout the Mid-Atlantic, Cumberland-Piedmont, Southeast, Great Lakes, Western U.S., and Alaska areas.

- Cherokee Central Schools

## Birdtown Community reminders

The Community Cemetery Clean Up is scheduled for Thursday, May 24 at 5:30pm. A light dinner will be available afterwards in the community club building. The regularly scheduled community club meeting will be held Tuesday, May 29 at 6pm. On Thursday, May 31, we will have a rescheduled meeting on the need for the Tribal Social Services. Another reminder: Tribal Council will be holding their regular monthly session on Thursday, May 31 instead of the first Thursday of the month.

- Birdtown Community Club

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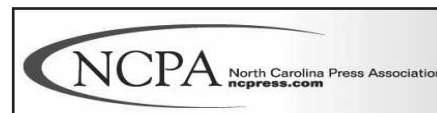
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Submit a one-page letter of nomination that describes your candidate. Candidates must be age 18 and over, has a high school diploma or GED and has some college experience. Knowledge of Cherokee culture and/or experience in a professional environment is a plus.

The deadline for submission is Friday, June 15. Letters of nomination will be accepted by fax, email, or in-person delivery, by 5 p.m., June 15, to the SCC/Cherokee Center, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC, Attention, Juanita Wilson, Program Manager:

- Fax: 828-497-7125
- Email: j\_wilson@southwesterncc.edu
- Physical Location: Southwestern Community College, Cherokee Center, Acquoni Road, Cherokee, NC 28719

The Right Path Adult Leadership Program is funded by the Cherokee Preservation Program and administered locally through the Southwestern Community College/Cherokee Center. For more information, please contact Juanita Wilson, Program Manager, at 828-736-0922 or j\_wilson@southwesterncc.edu.

- Juanita Wilson, Right Path

## Free summer meals available for youth

The Cherokee Elementary School has been approved as a summer feeding site for the Seamless Summer Option Program for free breakfast and free lunch. This program is operated under the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) and the North Carolina Department of Public Instruction (NCDPI) National School Breakfast and Lunch Program.

All persons in the community who are 18 years of age and under, as well as those over 18, who meet the State Agency definition of mentally or physically disabled, may receive free meals. Participants with special diets needs must bring a written diet order from a physician. The diet order must be given to the Child Nutrition Director or kitchen manager before the program begins on Monday, June 4. The Summer Feeding Program will operate for two weeks from June 4-15. Breakfast will be served from 7:30-8a.m. and lunch will be served from 11-11:45a.m. Info: Laura Cabe, Child Nutrition Director at 554-5090.

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The Bill Taylor Scholarship is available and intended for students pursuing a degree in "Business Administration, or a Business related area".

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## Cherokee Boys Club Report

### CLUB SCHEDULE:

Friday, May 25 – School Furlough Day  
Monday, May 28 – Memorial Day Holiday (Club and Tribal Holiday)  
Tuesday, May 29 – Agelink Graduation – 7:00 p.m. at Acquoni Church

### BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING RESULTS:

Resolution 2492 – Approve negotiation of Interagency Agreement between Boys Club and Cherokee Central Schools for School Year 2012-13 - Passed  
Resolution 2493 – Approve permanent transfer of employee to the Construction and Facilities Department – Passed (Corey Stamper)  
Resolution 2494 – Approve selection of Temporary Residential Counselors for summer – Passed (John Davis, Spencer Moore and Deborah Frede). Approve status change of part-time employee to full-time employee – Passed (Susanne Brady)

### SYMPATHY

The Boys Club would like to extend its condolences to the friends and family of Ernest “Bud” Sneed, Jr. who passed away on May 16 at Cherokee Indian Hospital. Bud was the father-in-law of Donnie Owle, Boys Club Shop Manager. Our thoughts and prayers are with the Sneed family.

### CONGRATULATIONS CHEROKEE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR CLASS OF 2012

The Boys Club staff wants to take this opportunity to congratulate the graduating Class of 2012 and their faculty and staff. The Boys Club honored the 69 students by taking them to breakfast on Monday morning at the Chestnut Tree Inn. The breakfast was also attended by Boys Club Management and Boys Club and School Board members.

Congratulations also to Class of 2012 Valedictorian Meshay Long and Salutatorian Karleigh Reeves. We wish everyone much luck, happiness and best wishes for their future!

### AGELINK GRADUATION

Agelink will hold its 2012 Graduation ceremony on Tuesday, May 29 at Acquoni Church at 7:00 p.m.

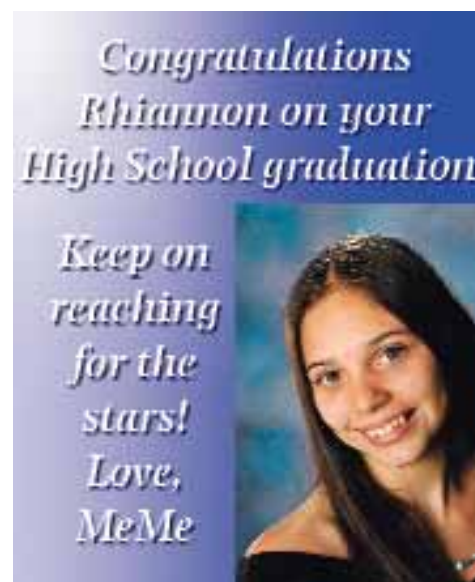
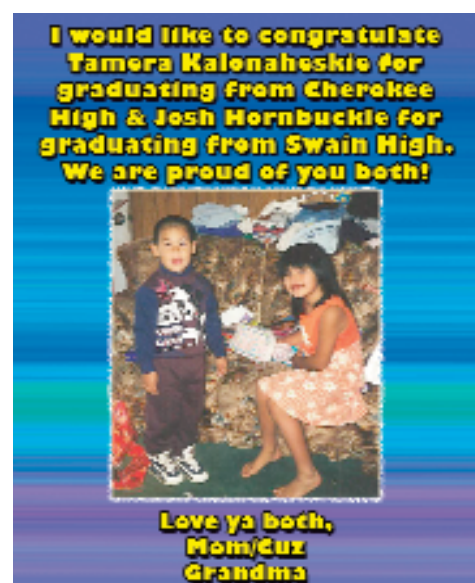
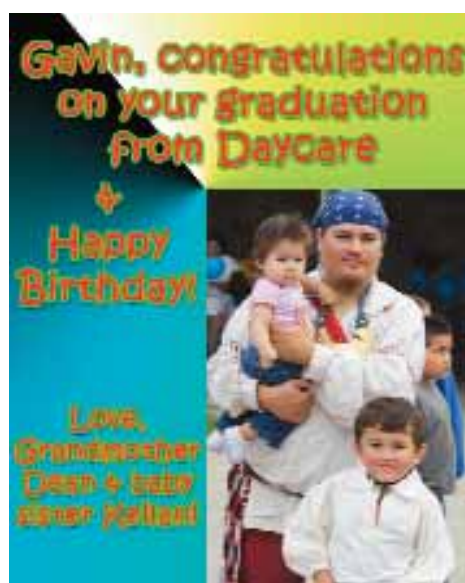
### 2012 BRAVES ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS SPONSORED BY CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB

Each year the Boys Club sponsors the Braves Achievement Awards for one boy and one girl from each grade. The winners are selected by school staff based on which students have achieved the most during the school year. The winners of Pre-K through 5th Grade receive a \$25.00 check and the winners of the 6th Grade through 12th Grade receive a \$50.00 check. The award winners are listed below:

Pre-K: Amiya Lequire, Myron “Pic” Kalonaheskie  
Kindergarten: Esiah Postoak, Taiya Rubio  
1st grade: Bitiste Papion, Chayme Cucumber  
2nd grade: Patricia Armachain, Luther Standingbear Light-in-the-Lodge  
3rd grade: Aiyanna Lambert, Dreyton Long  
4th grade: Khyllan Pheasant, Alexa Jade Ledford  
5th grade: Josiah Lossiah, Shirley Peebles  
6th grade: Christina Littlejohn, Kevin Jackson  
7th grade: Anthony Toineeta, Lou Montelongo  
8th grade: Jacob Long, Brittney Driver  
9th grade: Mack Lackey, Kaycee Lossiah  
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# 15 Tribal Members to graduate from Smoky Mountain

Graduation commencement for Smoky Mountain High School is set for Thursday, May 24, at 7p.m. at the Ramsey Center on Western Carolina campus. Eric Toedtman will be the guest speaker.

There are 15 students who are EBCI tribal members that are expected to walk the stage among the 166 potential Mustang graduates. They are:

Arnold, Tyler Charles of Sylva is the son of Nancy Arnold. Tyler is interested in mixed martial arts and judo. He listens to music, likes to read and play video games. He received the Tribal Council Merit Award. Tyler has been offered a full scholarship to the Dream Center Ministries Academy in St. Louis, Missouri.

Blackfox, Cassandra Dawn of Painttown is the granddaughter of Nancy and Robert Bigmeat. Her parents are Minda Armachain and David Blackfox. Cassandra plans to attend Southwestern Community College and major in Nursing.

Chiltoskie, Kaniawa Cree is the daughter of Kim and Linda Chiltoskie of the Wolfetown Community. Kai likes to hang out with her friends and play basketball. She plans to enlist in the Navy.

French, Landon Eagle of Yellowhill is the son of Dawn Arneach and the late Danny French. Landon enjoys kickboxing and has achieved a white belt-2nd stripe in Jiu Jitsu. Landon received the Tribal Council Merit Award. He has been accepted to Mars Hill College and plans to major in History.

George, Michael Anthony of Birdtown is the son of Michael Shane Davis and Chena George. Michael played Smoky Mountain football and he likes to play community basketball and hang out with his friends. Michael plans to

attend Southwestern Community College and then transfer to Mars Hill College. He would like to someday be a teacher.

Huskey, Elias Cade of Wolfetown is the son of Sharrienne Pheasant and the late Kent Huskey. Cade enjoys playing stickball and listening to music. Cade received the Tribal Council Merit Award. Cade has been accepted to and plans to attend North Carolina State University. He is presently undecided about a major.

Ledford, Brooklynn Jonet' is the daughter of Katina Price of Birdtown. Brooklynn is an early graduate; she received a Tribal Council Merit Award and was selected to receive the Principal Chief's Award. She played basketball and volleyball for Smoky Mountain. Brooklynn has been accepted to and plans to attend Cape Fear Community College where she will declare a major in Medical Stenography.

Lossiah, Dylan Hayes of Big Y is the son of Tracy Fitzmaurice and Bo Lossiah. Dylan was the Varsity Soccer Captain and Captain during his sophomore year for the track team. Dylan was a member of the National Honor Society, National Art Honor Society, a member of Student Council, and a New Century Scholar. He received the HERD Guild Art Scholarship, All Conference and All Region in Soccer and was nominated for the Asheville City Times All Western in soccer. He also received a Tribal Council Merit Award. Dylan likes to do community service and is interested in art, writing, and cooking. He has been accepted to and will attend the Lloyd International Honors College at the University of North Carolina in Greensboro. He plans to major in History and minor in

pre-law and eventually attend law school. His future plan is to return to the reservation and teach.

Marr, James Allen is the son of Christina Smith of Whittier. James was on the football and track teams for Smoky Mountain. He likes to listen to music and play sports. He received a Tribal Council Merit Award. James plans to attend Southwestern Community College but is undecided about a major.

Mathis, Tristan Taylor of Wolfetown is the son of Michelle Mathis and Donovan Crowe. He played football and basketball for Smoky Mountain and was also on the track team. Tristan also participated in the NAYO and Indigenous basketball teams. He likes to play various sports and likes to hang out with his friends. Tristan received a Tribal Council Merit Award. He has been accepted to and plans to attend East Tennessee State University and major in Criminal Justice.

Parker, Roxanne Klari of Wolfetown is the daughter of Pam Blankenship and Ben Parker. She is also the granddaughter of Bob and Laura Blankenship and the late Claude and Jean Parker. Roxanne played soccer for Smoky Mountain and received a Tribal Council Merit Award. She plans to attend Southwestern Community College to become a surveyor. She would also like to give special thanks to her parents for all their support!

Powell, Samantha Lynn of Wolfetown is the daughter of Jacqueline Powell and Ronson Rickman. Samantha likes to attend the Youth Center, play community basketball and softball, volunteer, listen to music, facebook her friends and spend time with her family and friends. She plans to attend Southwestern Community College

and then transfer to a four-year university to major in Archeology.

Walkingstick, Lakisha Nicole of Sylva and Big Cove is the daughter of Andrea Walkingstick and William "Tosh" Davis III. Lakisha received a Tribal Council Merit Award and achieved the Serve Safe Certification. She enjoys hanging with her friends, listening to music and going to the park. Lakisha plans to attend Southwestern Community College for her CNA license.

Wolfe, Dustin Thunder of Birdtown is the son of Angela Wolfe and Jimmy Wilson. Dustin played Smoky Mountain football. He is a recipient of the National Native American Art Award and attended an art workshop sponsored by the HERD Museum at the University of Arizona in Phoenix. He also placed first and had two third place awards at the Native American Conference held in Charlotte earlier this year. Dustin also received the Silver Key Award through the Asheville Museum. Dustin received the Tribal Council Best All-Around Merit Award and the Principal Chief's Award. Dustin plans to attend Southwestern Community College then transfer to Western Carolina and major in Criminal Justice. He aspires one day to become an SBI agent.

Wolfe, Jaidan Tylyn-Renaye of Wolfetown is the daughter of Christina Panther and Johan Wolfe. Jaidan was a member of Talent Search and received a Tribal Council Merit Award. She likes to hang out with her friends and listen to music. Jaidan plans to attend Southwestern Community College for a degree in Graphic Design.

- Smoky Mountain High School

## Big Cove Community Report

By **BIG COVE REP. BO TAYLOR**

### Compact Negotiations

Recently, I traveled to Raleigh along with an EBCI delegation to lobby for class III gaming at Cherokee Resort and Casino. We were able to meet with several North Carolina Senators and

members of the House of Representatives. Our purpose for being there was to educate legislators of the economic impact that class III gaming has on our Reservation and the Western North Carolina. Some key issues that were presented are the fact that 400 jobs would be created giving a much need economic boost to the region. We

presently have the same type of games but the compact will allow live dealers to take the place of computer-operated dealers. We were pleased to say after a long day of lobbying that the senate passed our class III compact with a vote or 33 to 14. We are now faced with a tough challenge, as we must pass the vote through the NC House of

Representatives. We will likely not see a vote until the end of the month, where we will have to go back and lobby to educate the house of the necessity of Class III gaming. If you want more information on this issue, please contact me at 828-736-2947.

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*Need you now* – Beth Wiseman  
*50 shades of grey* – E.L. James  
**- Qualla Boundary Public Library**

## Deadline change due to holiday

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 28, the deadline for the June 7 issue of the Cherokee One Feather will be Friday, May 25 at 12noon.

## Obituaries

### Richard Eugene “Ricky” Rattler

Richard Eugene “Ricky” Rattler, age 50, of Murphy, formerly of Robbinsville, passed away Friday, May 11, 2012 at Mission Hospital in Asheville.

He was the son of Iva Rattler of Robbinsville, and the late Willie Rattler. In addition to his father, he was preceded in death by his brother, John Rattler.

Ricky had an interest in anything sports related and loved playing softball, basketball, and golf. He also loved working with wood and doing carpentry work.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by his daughter, Kamryn Rattler and her mother Julie Nagel, both of Clymer, NY; his brother and sister in law, Donald and Diane Rattler; and his brother, Allen Rattler all of Robbinsville; his nieces, Alaina Haney and Jackie Rattler; and his nephews, Michael Rattler and Josh Rattler.

Funeral services were held at 7pm Monday, May 13, 2012 at Townson-Smith Chapel. The Reverends Michael Rattler and Noah Crowe officiated. The family received friends from 5:00 to 7:00 pm at the Chapel, prior to the service. Committal services were held at 10am Tuesday, May 14, 2012 at the Rattler Cemetery.

Townson-Smith Funeral Home was in charge of the arrangements. An on-line register is available at [www.townson-smithfuneralhome.com](http://www.townson-smithfuneralhome.com).

### Viola E. Bailey

Viola E. Bailey, 90 of Whittier, passed away on Sunday, March 13, 2012 at Mission Memorial Hospital in Asheville.

Viola was born on March 22, 1922 in Avenel, NJ to the late Philip and Viola Ellison DenBleyker.

Viola (Vi) Bailey graduated as Valedictorian for Woodbridge High School in Woodbridge, NJ. She was a former resident of Oakland Park, Florida; dividing her time between Florida and North Carolina for many years. She founded Miz-Chief Gifts in Maggie Valley over 40 years ago and subsequently relocated the shop to Cherokee. While in the area Vi formed many long and lasting friendships of which she spoke often.

Ms. Bailey is predeceased by her brother, Philip Den Bleyker, III. Survivors include her sister, Barbara O'Connell (Donald) of Stroudsburg, PA; step-son, Edward Bailey; nieces, Barbara Jenkins and Ann Miles; and nephews, Philip and James DenBleyker.

There will be no local services. In-

terment will be held at Arlington National Cemetery, where she will join her beloved husband Frank Schurer, at a future date.

Condolences may be made online at [www.ashevilmortuaryservices.com](http://www.ashevilmortuaryservices.com)

### Ernest (Bud) Sneed, Jr.

Ernest (Bud) Sneed, Jr. 81, of Cherokee passed away at Cherokee Indian Hospital on May 16, 2012. He was a resident of the Wolfstown Community. He was preceded in death by his parents, Ernest and Mary Leauna (Smith) Sneed.

He is survived by his wife of 51 years, Margaret (Waggie) Sneed; his children, Dennis (Fuzz) Sneed, Darren (Dune) Sneed and wife, Roberta, and Trina (Cricket) Owle and husband, Donnie; sisters, Gertha Shipman, Winnie Lee Nunez, and Carrie Lou Parker; brothers, Hillard Sneed, Herbert Sneed, Jimbo Sneed, and Pine Knot Sneed; grandchildren, Amelia Owle, Dennis “Popcorn” Sneed, Heather Sneed, Kyle Sneed, Kyra Sneed, and Kasdan Saunooke; and also four great-grandchildren.

The family received friends on Friday, May 18, 2012 at Macedonia Baptist Church from 6-10pm. The funeral service was held at 2pm on May 19, 2012.

The Rev. Danny Conseen and the Rev. James (Bo) Parris officiated and burial followed in the Sneed Family Holly Bush Cemetery. Pall bearers were grandsons and members of the Wolfstown Free Labor Group.

Long House Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. An on-line memorial register is available at [www.longhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.longhousefuneralhome.com).

### Jerry Wayne Boone

Jerry Wayne Boone, age 63, died Wednesday, May 16, 2012 at home in Sylva. Mr. Boone was born June 6, 1948 in Avery County. He is the son of the late Jeter and Myrtle Johnson Boone. He was preceded in death by a daughter Kara Lianne Boone. He was a veteran of the US Coast Guard. He was current president of the Sequoyah Fund and a member of the Rotary Club, and a member and deacon at Jarrett Memorial Baptist Church, and an avid outdoorsman.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years Reva (Young) Boone; three sons, Jason and wife Amanda, Cory and wife Beth, and Stephen Boone and wife Amy of Sylva; one daughter Annalisa Gayle Boone of the home; one brother Larry Boone of Burnsville; one sister Lana Costner of Crossnore, NC, and six grandchildren.

The funeral service was held at

4pm Saturday, May 19 in the Chapel of Appalachian Funeral Services with the Rev. Cory Boone officiating. The family received friends from 2-4pm Saturday prior to the service. Burial was in Rebels Creek Cemetery in Baskerville, NC at 3:00pm Sunday.

An online registry is available at [www.appalachianfuneralservices.com](http://www.appalachianfuneralservices.com)

### Belma Jane Thompson Cubster

Belma Jane Thompson Cubster, 83, completed her walk on this earth on May 20, 2012. Granny B, as she was known to her friends, loved people and all of her family.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Luzene Rattler and Sherman Thompson; sister, Susie Cothren, and brother, Franklin Thompson.

She is survived by her children; daughters, Rose Mays of Louisiana, Kathy Teesateskie and husband Fred of Robbinsville, Patty Buchanan and husband Omer of Cherokee, Lisa Beatty and husband Gerard of Louisiana; sons, John Kanott of Tennessee, Keith George of Murphy, and Jamile (Dena) Shaheen of Colorado; 31 grandchildren, 41 great-grandchildren, and 3 great-great-grandchildren. She is also survived by her sister, Lucille Brendle of Marble, and brother, Edison Thompson of Cherokee, and special friends, Jimmy and Anne Queen and Ronnie and Evelyn Carr.

The funeral service will be Thursday, May 24 at 11am at the Long House Chapel. Burial will follow at the Birdtown Cemetery.

The Rev. James “Bo” Parris officiated. Pall bearers were friends and family. Long House Funeral Home is assisting the family with arrangements. An on-line memorial book is available at [www.longhousefuneralhome.com](http://www.longhousefuneralhome.com).

### Jerry Groner Hartline

Jerry Groner Hartline, age 73, of Whittier, died Friday, May 18, 2012 at Memorial Hospital in Asheville. Mr. Hartline was born January 5, 1939 in Johnson County, IL. He is the son of the late Glenn and Flora Groner Hartline. He married Mary Bagby. He was predeceased by a brother, Harold Hartline and a grandson.

He was the owner and operator of the Golden Eagle Motel in Cherokee. He enjoyed watching sports.

He is survived by his wife, Mary; two sons, Charles and Albert Hartline of Whittier; one brother, Larry Hartline, and one grandchild.

Burial will be in Vienna, IL. An on-line registry is available at [www.appalachianfuneralservices.com](http://www.appalachianfuneralservices.com).



Part 4 of 4 on Hepatitis

# Hepatitis C: The enemy and epidemic

By **ANDREA CRISP, RN, BSN**  
*CHEROKEE COMMUNITY HEALTH*

**H**epatitis C has become a growing epidemic. Once known as non A and non B, hepatitis C finally earned its' own name. Hepatitis C was discovered in 1989. This article may refer to this as HCV or hepatitis C. The majority of people in this country who have HCV were born between 1949 and 1965. Estimates are that more than 70 percent of people who are infected with HCV do not even know they have it.

The National Institute of Health estimates more than 4 million of Americans are infected with HCV. An estimated 12,000 Americans die each year from complications related to this disease. This number is expected to triple in the next ten to twenty years. Hepatitis C virus is passed from person to person through the blood. Once the virus is inside the body, it attacks cells in the liver where it multiplies. A small percentage of people who get HCV will clear the virus. This means their body will destroy the virus. These people will always test positive for HCV, but the virus does not multiply inside their bodies. This happens about 20 percent of the time. For the vast majority who are infected, they go on to have chronic hepatitis C. Of those that have chronic HCV, twenty five percent of them will progress over time to have serious liver damage, cirrhosis or liver cancer. The leading cause of liver transplants in the US is chronic HCV. This chronic damage can take up to forty years to happen. There is no vaccine to prevent HCV as there is with hepatitis A and B.

Prior to 1992, many people contracted HCV through blood transfusions or the transfusions of

blood products. There was not a reliable blood test prior to 1992 to test for the virus. Since 1992, a more accurate test is available and the chance of getting HCV through a blood transfusion or the transfusion of blood products is less than 1 in 2 million units of transfused blood.

Another way individuals are rapidly becoming infected with HCV is by sharing drug paraphernalia. This includes needles, cookers, tourniquets, straws, pipes, containers to draw up the drugs, etc. Hepatitis C lives at least 16 hours outside the body. It can live up to 63 days inside a syringe. There are other ways hepatitis C can be transmitted. They are through tattoos and piercings done in unlicensed shops, sharing personal equipment such as nail clippers or razors, sexual transmission and from mother to unborn baby. The risk of transmitting HCV sexually is about 3 percent and during pregnancy the risk is about 5 percent. If you have HCV and are planning to get pregnant, you should have a frank discussion with your health care provider. People who are infected with HIV are more likely to be infected with HCV.

Hepatitis C is not a single disease but rather six different diseases. These different types are called genotypes and are number from 1 to 6. Of these, there are subtypes such as 1a or 1b. It is important to know which type of HCV you have so that if you are eligible, a better treatment plan can be created for you. No one type is better or worse than the other. About 70 percent of people infected in the US have genotype 1. Treatment length and type of medication varies for each genotype. Treatments can last up to 48 weeks. Talk to your doctor if you have HCV and see what treatment option may be right for you. In some instances, the cure rate is as high as 82 per-

cent depending on the type of HCV you have.

Currently there are three main drugs used to treat HCV. They are a protease inhibitor which is a pill, pegylated interferon which is a shot and ribavirin which is a pill. Some may take all three and some just two of the medications. Side effects can be very bothersome. They can range from flu like symptoms, headache, nausea, vomiting, dry skin, insomnia and depression. Tell your provider immediately if you have any of these symptoms while being treated for HCV. It is important to talk to your provider about any concerns you have about your treatment. There are many recommendations and treatments that can be done to help you get through your treatment of HCV.

If you have HCV, see your health care provider regularly. You need to check your liver's function at least one time a year. Eat healthy. Avoid alcohol. Get adequate rest. Exercise moderately if you have no liver complications. If you have never been vaccinated against Hepatitis A and / or B, get those immunizations. Avoid unnecessary drugs or medications. Prevention is key. If you are considering a tattoo or piercing, make sure you go to a licensed facility. They should use a new needle for you and if you are getting a tattoo, the ink should be in an individual cup and discarded after use. If you are a dialysis patient, be certain you get vaccinated for Hepatitis A and B. Don't share personal items such as razors, clippers or toothbrushes. If you worry you have ever been exposed to Hepatitis C, ask your provider to test you.

For further information call Cherokee Community Health at 828-554-6882.

## Tsali Manor news

Tsali Manor has been busy this month with Older Americans Month activities. The 21st Senior Celebration was held at the Harrah's Events Center on Thursday, May 10. The event hosts seven senior citizens centers in the seven western counties of NC. There were nearly 600 seniors who participated in this yearly event. Tsali Manor would like to thank Harrah's Cherokee Casino and the H.E.R.O. volunteers for their part in making this event a success.

The 8th Annual Elders Walk will be held on Friday, May 25 at the entrance to the old elementary school site. The participants will begin to gather at 10:45am and the walk will begin at 11:15 am.

On April 27, the drawing was held for the Stihl Trimmer fundraiser and

the winner was Jacqueline Powell. We thank all who help support the seniors in their fundraising efforts for their annual trip.

### 8th Annual Elders Walk

May is Older Americans Month, a perfect opportunity to show our appreciation for the older adults in our community. Since 1963, communities across the nation have joined in the annual commemoration of Older Americans Month-a proud tradition that shows our nation's commitment to celebrating the contributions and achievements of older Americans.

The theme for Older Americans Month 2012-Never Too Old to Play!-puts a spotlight on the important role older adults play in sharing their experience, wisdom, and understanding, and passing that knowledge to other generations in a variety of significant

ways. This year's celebrations will recognize the value that older adults continue to bring to our communities through spirited participation in social and faith groups, service organizations, and other activities.

Lifelong participation in social, creative and physical activities have proven health benefits, including retaining mobility, muscle mass, and cognitive abilities. But older adults are not the only ones who benefit from their engagement in community life. Studies show their interactions with family, friends, and neighbors across generations enrich the lives of everyone involved. Young people who have significant relationships with a grandparent or elder report that these relationships helped shape their values, goals, and life choices and gave them a sense of identity and roots.

While Cherokee Senior Citizens

Program provides services, support, and resources to older Americans year-round, Older Americans Month is a great opportunity to show special appreciation for some of our most beloved citizens.

Cherokee Senior Citizens Program is joining in the national celebration of Older Americans Month 2012 with the 8th Annual Elders Walk to promote intergenerational engagement and recreation.

The 8th Annual Elders Walk will be held on Friday, May 25 at the entrance to the old Cherokee Elementary School site. The walk will begin to gather at 10:30am and the walk will begin at 11:15am and will conclude at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Exhibit Hall.

- Amy Pete-Ochoa, Tsali Manor



## Stitches

by Billy Young



## Potato Chips

by Billy Young



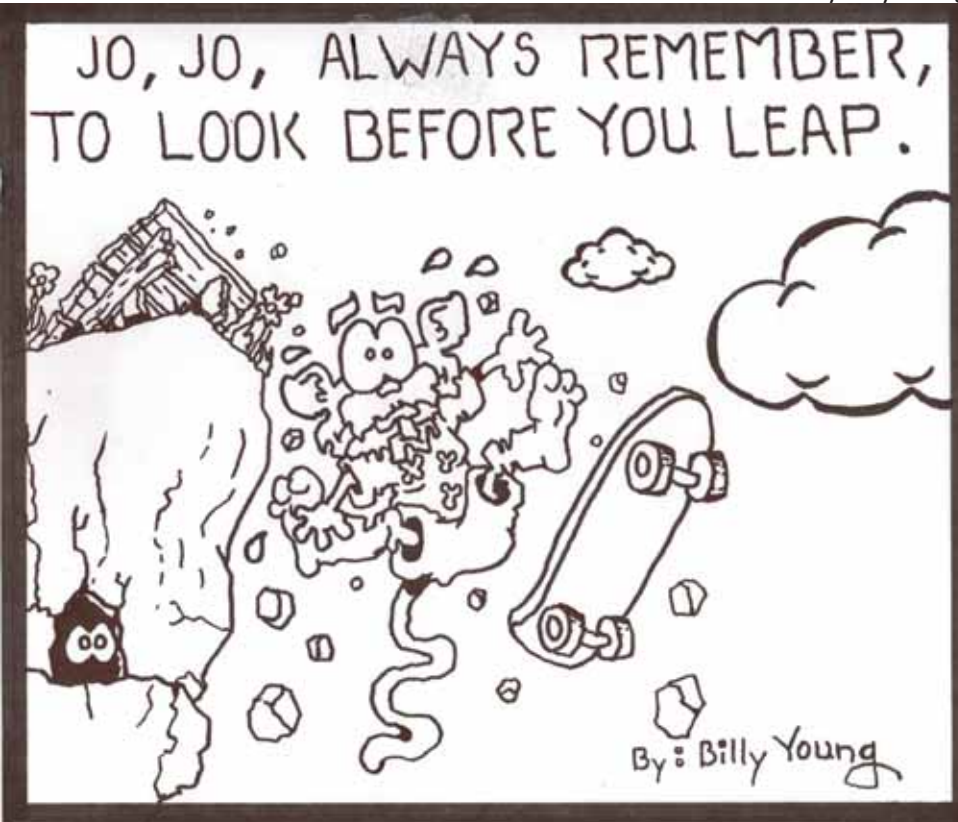
## Best In Show Comics

by Phil Juliano



## Color Me Stitches

by Billy Young



# Journey to Forgiveness reaches Okla., now heading home

Twenty-six people representing the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians left Cherokee on Friday, May 18 on their way to Tahlequah, Okla. They were welcomed in Oklahoma with festivities including a pig fry and stomp dance hosted by the Cherokee Nation and the United Keetowah Band.

They began their journey back to Cherokee on Monday, May 21. They will be taking the northern route of the Trail of Tears where most Cherokees traveled and died in 1838-1839. They will engage in a journey of forgiveness. On Friday, May 25, a "homecoming" event will be held for them. There will be a gathering at Kituwah Mound for all EBCI tribal members with food, entertainment and an opportunity to celebrate where we have come in the past 150+ years.

And, on Saturday, May 26, there will be what the Healing and Wellness Coalition is calling a "Universal Gathering" where all interested people are invited to join in celebration of not only survival but thriving.

To pre-register, visit [www.cherokeehealing.com](http://www.cherokeehealing.com) or call Ann 497-0741. EBCI tribal members are free. All others will pay for meals and a donation to support youth participation on the journey at a cost of \$75, with some reduced fees for disabled and low income.

Following is the schedule for the events on Friday and Saturday:

## Homecoming at Kituwah Grounds Friday, May 25

6am - Water ceremony off Hwy. 441 North near entrance to Blue Ridge Parkway. Do not cross the bridge or water. There are steps going down to the water - Amy Walker  
8am - Entry at Kituwah Ground by Brothers in the Wind  
8:30am - Registration with coffee and pastry at Kituwah Ground  
9am - Presentation of colors by Steve

Youngdeer American Legion Post 143  
Welcoming by Chief Hicks, Chief Dugan and Chief Youngdeer

Introduction of Oklahoma tribal leaders and people  
9:30am - Kituwah Academy Singers  
9:45am - Break  
10am - Speaker: Tom Belt on the History of Kituwah  
12pm - Lunch on site  
1pm - Open mic and youth presentation by those on journey  
3pm - Traditional dancers and social dances  
4:30pm - Time for singing featuring some groups  
6pm - Dinner on site  
7:15pm - Symbolic return of soil from journey along with names of deceased along the Trail on ridge at Kituwah

## Universal Gathering at Kituwah Grounds Saturday, May 26

8am - Coffee and pastry along with registration  
9am - Procession of Sacred Hoop and introduction of clan boards  
9:30am - Welcome and introduction of dignitaries  
10am - Panel discussion on Forgiveness - Dr. Ann Bullock, Hugh Lambert, Amy Walker and Rev. Jack Russell  
11am - Speaker Don Coyhis summarizing panel and discussing "What is a Healthy Community?"  
12pm - Lunch on site with cultural entertainment  
1pm - Open mic available. Youth and community response  
2:30pm - Break with cultural entertainment  
3pm - Talking Circles  
5pm - Healing ceremony and closing; retiring the colors by Cherokee JROTC  
6:30pm - Dinner on site, evaluations and after dinner fellowship

- Beth Farris,  
Healing and Wellness Coalition

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### Principal Chief's Awards

Principal Chief Michell Hicks presents an academic award to Carmen Johnson during the annual Principal Chief's Awards on Friday, May 18 in the Tribal Council Chambers. Johnson will attend Duke University this fall.

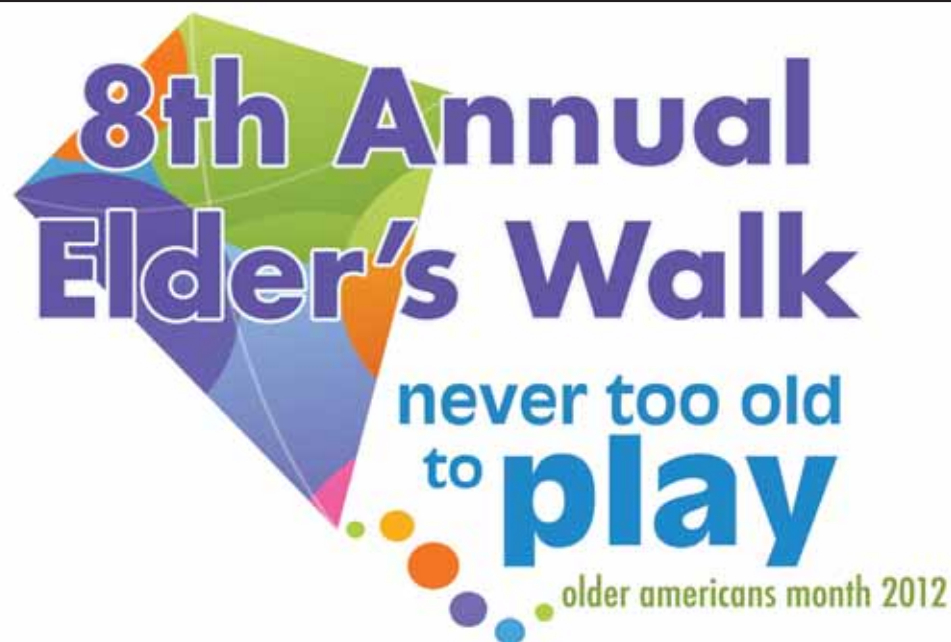


Photo courtesy of Nancy Foltz/CPF

### Day of Caring

Volunteers build steps at a house in the Tow String Community during the annual Cherokee Day of Caring on Thursday, May 17. Approximately 175 volunteers participated in this year's event which was sponsored by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, the office of the Principal Chief, the EBCI Housing Division, Cherokee Boys Club and Harrah's Cherokee Casino and Hotel. This year's Quiet Heroes, nominated by their communities, include: Woochi Crowe (Big Y), Hoyt Lunsford (Cherokee County), Alice Panther Kekahbah (Big Cove), Sam Taylor (Birdtown), Tinsa Sanders (Tow String), Barbara Ammons (Yellowhill), Ned Stamper (Painttown), Stacy Rogers (Wolfstown), and the Good Neighbor Award went to Bo Parris.

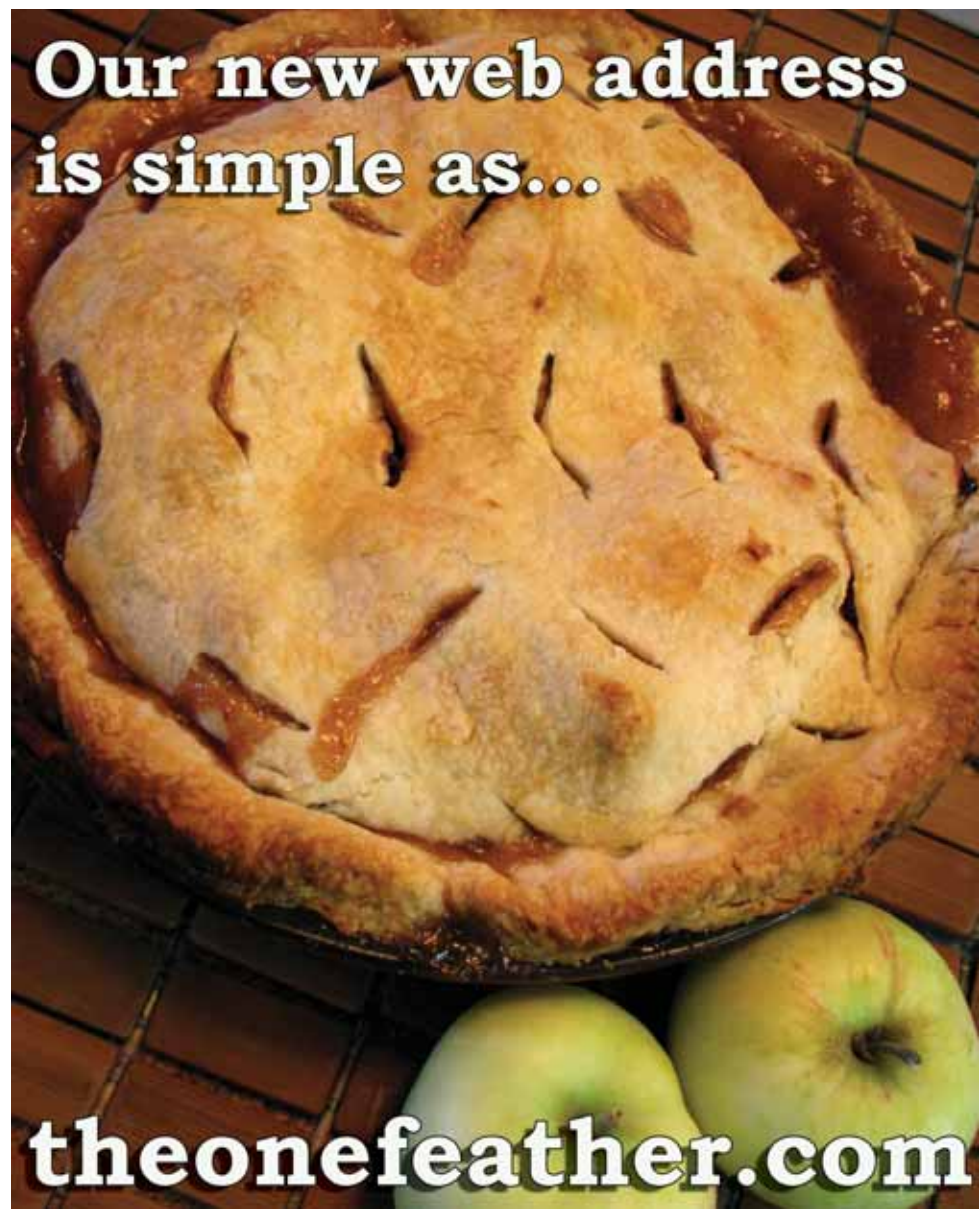
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**Friday, May 25**

**Gather at the entrance to the old  
Cherokee Elementary School at 10:30am  
Walk will start at 11:15pm  
Walk concludes at  
Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds**

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# Opinions & Letters

## Veteran's Corner

# Always with honor, honoring our fallen

By L.H. HARDING

Memorial Day 2012 brings with it mixed emotions. We celebrate and give thanks for our country. We grieve for the sadness and feelings of pain and loss in the families of our fallen. And, we remember.

The War in Iraq was officially declared to be over on Dec. 16, 2011. But is it? The War in Afghanistan is spooling down, and some of our troops are coming home. These foreign wars have drained our treasury, seriously impacted our economy and taken the lives of our beautiful young people – 4,534 at last count. Additionally,

30,000 were wounded and 100,000 Iraqi and Afghan civilians were killed. What a terrible price to pay for all who were involved.

It has been said that the Iraq War was unnecessary and a fraud. There were, in fact, no weapons of mass destruction. We got rid of a tyrant, but at great cost in lives and in treasure, \$50 billion a week according to one Unite State Senator. Veterans Administration officials have estimated veterans health care and disability costs at \$1.4 trillion and the total war costs at \$3 trillion. It's almost unimaginable.

We have witnessed unprecedented private no-bid contracts with Halliburton, Bectel, Brown and Root and Black-

Water, making billions while our soldiers suffered and died and their families grieved and struggled to make ends meet. What an absurd set of circumstances. What a betrayal of trust. Will we ever learn?

My generation of Vietnam warriors also fought and died. There are 58,267 names on the Memorial Wall. The so-called Gulf of Tonkin incident that precipitated the escalation never happened. Former Secretary of Defense Robert McNamara revealed that in his book. We must find a way to hold accountable those who deceive us. Our country should not tolerate another stupid war. There is not a veteran I know that doesn't believe this.

We remember our fallen, always with honor. But, we pledge our best efforts to never again sacrifice one warrior, not one, in a trumped-up cause so that the painful memories of Memorial Day will be healed and our hearts can again be lifted up in love and peace and joy and forgiveness.

Come and be with us on Monday, May 28 at 11am at the Yellowhill Veterans Memorial Cemetery. We will read the names of our fallen, honor their memories and renew our commitment to them and to each other. Thank you.

*Harding is the Commander of the Steve Youngdeer American Legion Post 143.*

## Thank You

The Cherokee Preservation Foundation Board and Staff would like to express appreciation to the Cherokee Fairground staff and the NAIWA ladies for their part in making the 10th Anniversary Community Celebration a huge success on May 11.

Thank you Right Path Leaders Mr. Catcuce Tiger and Mr. Jeremy Wilson; Ms. Marie Junaluska; Matthew Tooni and the Oconaluftee Indian Village Dancers who gave excellent presentations. Thanks also to all our grantees for the great work they do in the areas of cultural preservation, economic development and environmental preservation and for the great exhibits many of them set up at the Community Celebration.

Also, thank you to Ms. Janet Owle, Ms. Monaka Wachacha, Ms. Alicia Jacobs, Ms. Wanda McCoy and Ms. Janae Taylor for doing a wonderful job of coordinating, organizing and overseeing the event. A special thank you for all the volunteers.

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## Chief's Challenge Run/Walk logo contest

Principal Chief Michell Hicks started the Chief's Challenge two years ago to encourage physical fitness on the Qualla Boundary. The Chief's Challenge is a Run/Walk that takes place just prior to the Cherokee Indian Fair Parade in October. A logo contest is being sponsored by the EBCI Principal Chief's Office, and the artwork selected to represent the Chief's Challenge will be included in any advertising and promotional materials prior to, during and after the Run/Walk.

A \$200 cash prize will be awarded to the artist with the winning submission. Artist must be an enrolled member of the EBCI. All entries will be reviewed and selected by a panel of judges.

The deadline for entries is Friday, June 8 at 4:30 p.m.

Entries must be accompanied by your enrollment card, appropriate picture ID and contact information. Entries may be delivered to the Chief's Office or submitted via mail to:

Ashleigh M. Stephens

Executive Office

PO Box 455

Cherokee, NC 28719

Info: Ashleigh M. Stephens 497-7029 or ashlbrow@nc-chokeee.com

- Principal Chief's Office

## Cherokee Cancer Support Group is available to help

One of the rapidly growing diseases of this area is "CANCER," another one of those frightening words. Once a person has been diagnosed questions may be asked like, "What do I do now?" "Am I alone in this feeling?" "What if I have a financial need?" Come to the cancer support group meeting. The group meets the first Thursday of every month in Birdtown at the first house on the right behind Jenkins Grocery. There is a potluck supper and people have found that just being in the same room with others who have walked on this path seems to help the soul.

There are also additional services provided by the group. For example during the monthly meeting there may be guest speakers who provide information about resources in the area. Under certain circumstances the group may be able to provide money for travel related expenses. The group also has volunteers that provide specific services for area women who have suffered loss due to breast cancer.

The fellowship is wonderful. They speak of dependence on God for strength and healing. Everyone is invited to meet with the group. To be a member you will have to have had a personal experience with cancer or have a family member who has or had cancer. "We look forward to sharing our experience, strength and hope with all who come our way."

- Cherokee Cancer Support Group

## Ruth's Chris Steakhouse opens at Harrah's Cherokee

Ruth's Chris Steak House opens its doors on Monday, May 21 to guests of Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel in Cherokee, NC. Ruth's Chris Steak House is the latest culinary addition to the growing Harrah's Cherokee portfolio of exciting new restaurant offerings at the dynamic, expanding resort destination.

"We are thrilled to add this new restaurant as part of our diverse dining portfolio and look forward to providing our guests an exceptional dining experience," said Harrah's Cherokee Senior VP and General Manager, Brooks Robinson.

Menu selections include USDA prime steaks served in Ruth's Chris' signature style. Complementing the restaurant's popular steak offerings will be signature Ruth's Chris seafood selections, an award-winning wine list and vintage-inspired, handcrafted cocktails. The restaurant's comfortable, elegant design enhances the Harrah's Cherokee Casino & Hotel experience.

"Our team is really excited to welcome new guests to enjoy the famous Ruth's Chris signature sizzle at Harrah's Cherokee," said Ruth's Chris Steak House General Manager, Paul Delgado.

- Harrah's Cherokee

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# Cherokee Churches

**Acquoni Baptist Church.** 722 Acquoni Road. 497-7106. Sunday School 10am. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Choir Practice 6pm. Sunday Evening Worship 7pm. Monday Visitation and Singing 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Meeting 6pm. Pastor Ed Kilgore 497-6521 (h)

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

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

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

**Big Cove Missionary Baptist Church.** 6183 Big Cove Road. Sunday School 10am with a Cherokee Language class for adults. Sunday Morning Worship 11am. Sunday Evening Worship 6pm. Wednesday Prayer Service 7pm. Monthly Business Meeting is first Wednesday 7pm. Pastor James "Bo" Parris 497-4141

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

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

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

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

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

Jim Sexton 497-3334

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

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

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

**Cherokee United Methodist Church.** Hwy 19 – Wolfstown Road. Sunday Worship Service 11am. Sunday Praise and Worship 7pm. Wednesday Family Night 5:30- 7:30pm. Thursday Bible Study 6:30pm at Ramada Inn. The Reverend Heidi Campbell-Robinson 497-2948

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

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

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

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

**Living Waters Lutheran Church.** 30 Locust Road. Sunday Service 11am. Food Pantry Open 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month from 1-4pm. Pastor Jack Russell 497-3730, prjack@frontier.com, lwcherokee@frontier.com

**Macedonia Baptist Church.** 1181

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

**Olivet United Methodist Church.** 811 Olivet Church Road. Sunday School 9am. Sunday Service 9:45am. Rev. Heidi Campbell-Robinson and Rev. Ron Robinson, www.gbmg-umc.org/olive-tumnc-whittier/

**New Cherokee Pentecostal Holiness Church.** 135 Long Branch Road. Sunday School 10am, Sunday Worship Service 11am, Wednesday Service 7pm. Pastor Donald Ensley

**Our Lady of Guadalupe Catholic Church.** 82 Lambert Branch Road. Spanish Mass Saturday 7:30pm. Sunday Mass 9am. Pastor Shawn O'Neal 497-9755 or 497-9498

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

**Potter's House of Prayer.** Inez Welch Residence on Adams Creek. Sundays at 9:30am and 6pm, Wednesdays at 6pm. Preacher: William Cornwell. Everyone welcome. Come as you are. Info: 736-6025

**Rock Hill Baptist Church.** 736-6334. Sunday Worship 11am. Choir practice after church. Thursday Bible Study 7pm. Pastor Red Woodard

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

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

**St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church of Cherokee.** 82 Old River Road. Holy Communion Sunday 9:30am. Rev. Michael Jones 497-2854

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

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

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

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

## Church Events

**Special Memorial Day Service.** May 27 at Ac-

quoni Baptist Church. Captain Chris Seabolt, who serves as Chaplain with the 105th MP Battalion of the North Carolina National Guard, will conduct the service. Captain Seabolt served in Iraq from 2010-11. Everyone is invited to attend and especially military veterans and families who have lost loved ones in service to our country. Info: Church office 497-7106 or Pastor Ed Kilgore 788-0643.

**Vacation Bible School. June 2** from 9am – 4pm at the Antioch Baptist Church on Coopers Creek Road. Theme: Son Rise National Park

**Cherokee Baptist Church will be providing supper** at 5:30 each Wednesday evening in the Fellowship Hall.

## Deadline change due to holiday

Due to the Memorial Day Holiday on Monday, May 28, the deadline for the June 7 issue of the Cherokee One Feather will be Friday, May 25 at 12noon.





# Happenings

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## Clubs & Organizations

**Big Cove AA** meets on Monday nights at 7:30pm at the Nazarene Church (old Big Cove School House). All are welcome. Info: Robert 497-3144

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

**Birdtown Community Club** meets the last Tuesday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Info: Sarah Sneed, chairwoman, 269-4493

### The Cherokee Cancer Support

**Group** is a non-profit organization assisting cancer patients and care-givers on the Boundary, indiscriminately. Their objective is to support, educate and provide individual services as needed. The support group meets the first Thursday of each month at 5:30pm at SAFE HAVEN, 40 Goose Creek Rd. SAFE HAVEN is staffed from 10am – 2pm on Tuesdays and Wednesdays. Appointments can be made for additional assistance. Personal fittings can be arranged during these times as well. Info: 497-0788, email: [cherokeeCSG@gmail.com](mailto:cherokeeCSG@gmail.com), P.O. Box 543, Cherokee.

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

**The Cherokee Runners** meet on the 1st and 15th of each month at 7pm at the Age Link Conference Room. If those dates happen to fall on a Sunday, they will meet the following day. Info: Gerri Grady [gerrgrady@yahoo.com](mailto:gerrgrady@yahoo.com) or visit [www.cherokee.runners.com](http://www.cherokee.runners.com)

### The North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA)

**Cherokee Chapter** meets the second Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Recreation Center. Info: Bessie Wallace, chapter president, 497-2389 or Carmaleta Monteith, chapter treasurer, [Carmaleta@msn.com](mailto:Carmaleta@msn.com)

**Paint Town Community Club** meets the last Monday of each month at 5:30pm at the Community Building. Info: 497-3731, [ChairPTCC@gmail.com](mailto:ChairPTCC@gmail.com)

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

9am-3pm Food Boxes Available; Saturday - 9am-1pm Food Distribution

**Snowbird Community Club** meets the first Tuesday of each month or the Tuesday before the Tribal Council meeting. Info: Roger Smoker, chairman, (828) 479-8678 or (828) 735-2533, [smoker7@frontier.com](mailto:smoker7@frontier.com)

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

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

## General Events

**Cherokee Central Schools public forum.** **May 24** at 6pm in the Chief Joyce Dugan Cultural Arts Center. The topic for discussion will be on planning for the upcoming year's Accreditation. Your input is welcome.

**Big Cove Ko-La-Nv-Yi Kids Youth Group meeting.** **May 26** at 12pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center

**Turkey Shoot.** **May 26** at Jesse Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This is a benefit for the Big Cove stickball team.

**How to Use LinkedIn in Your Business.** **June 8** from 11:30am – 2pm at the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex. Lunch will begin at 11:30am and instruction will start at 12noon. Cost is \$5. LinkedIn is the more professional social media cousin of Facebook, and the potential for using it in your business is enormous. Discover hidden secrets of LinkedIn and how it can benefit your business. The instructor will be Mary Anne Baker of INNSights, a social media marketing company in Sylva. Computers will not be provided, so bring your own. This class is being sponsored by Cherokee Business Development, Cherokee Chamber of Commerce and The Sequoyah Fund. Info: 497-1666

**Community Mediation Training.** **June 12-14** from 9am – 4:30pm daily at the Cherokee Middle School. This training, hosted by Mountain Mediation Services, is for individuals who want to learn neutral ways to mediate conflict in their workplaces, families, churches, community organizations

and neighborhoods. The fee of \$195 for the three day training covers all materials, the training, and the snacks and beverages provided throughout the day. Lunch is on your own. The registration deadline is Tuesday, June 5. Info: Lorraine Johnson 631-5252, 1-800-789-4675 or [mmsbryson@dnnet.net](mailto:mmsbryson@dnnet.net)

**Cherokee Voices Festival.** **June 9** from 10am – 5pm at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. This free event is sponsored by the Museum and the N.C. Arts Council. This year's festival kicks off the 250th anniversary of the journeys of Timberlake and Ostenaco described in "Emissaries of Peace; the 1762 Delegations." Info: 497-3481 or [www.cherokeemuseum.org/events-voices.htm](http://www.cherokeemuseum.org/events-voices.htm)

**Cherokee Language and Culture Camp.** **June 11 – July 27** from 8am – 5pm daily at the Big Cove Recreation Center. Ages 5-16. Your child can increase their Cherokee language skills while participating in fun activities such as pottery, weaving, river cane mat-making, traditional dancing, hiking, swimming and more. This camp is sponsored by the Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Kituwah Preservation & Education Program, and EBCI Parks & Rec. \$150 fee due by June 3. Lunch, snacks and shuttle provided. Registration forms are available at New Kituwah Academy. Info: Myrtle Driver, 788-3786 or [myrtjohn@nc-chokeee.com](mailto:myrtjohn@nc-chokeee.com)

### Wanted: Local Cherokee Artists.

New place of business is looking for people interested in teaching classes for native arts and crafts. If interested, Nancy 736-3281.

## Health and Sports

**2nd Annual Teeing up to Fight Alzheimer's Golf Tournament.** **June 10** at Sequoyah National Golf Club. 8am registration, 9am shotgun start. \$85 entry fee includes golf, cart fee, lunch and two mulligans. Info: 497-3000

**Women's 12-Step Medicine Wheel Group opening up for new participants.** Meetings are held on Tuesday evenings at 5pm at Analenisgi.

**Youth Cheerleading sign-ups are now being taken.** Registration forms can be picked up at any gym and returned to the Birdtown Gym. Spots are limited and are on a first-come, first-serve basis.

- Peewees (5-6): limit 12
- Termites (7-8): limit 12
- Mites (9-10): limit 15
- Midgits (11-12): limit 15

Anyone interested in coaching or assisting, contact Jessica Daniels 554-6891

**Persons interested on coaching for the Cherokee Youth Football Organization** for the 2012 season should contact Tim Smith 736-0698 or 497-9649 before Friday, June 1. If you do not meet this deadline, your name will not be considered for the 2012 season.

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# Trading Post

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**For sale - 2006 Honda Shadow Aero 750.** 4,500 miles, luggage rack, orange and black. Sissy bar. Like new! \$3,500. Call Bob at 828)488-8054 or Floyd at 828)488-8951 **5/31pd**

**Real Estate- Residential and Commercial property.** Buy, lease, rent. Featured listings on trust land: 3BR/1.5bath, house with 60 acres +/- with several additional buildable house sites. \$380,000-Sale Price. Commercial leases in downtown Cherokee area. See pictures at [www.CherokeeMountains.info](http://www.CherokeeMountains.info). Several requests for pet-friendly residential rentals and purchase of homes on Trust Lands. Visit [www.CherokeeMountains.info](http://www.CherokeeMountains.info) for Trust Land property listings and [www.TheCherokeeMountains.com](http://www.TheCherokeeMountains.com) for deeded property listings. Contact REALTOR/broker at 828-497—3015 or [arizona@dancingstones.com](mailto:arizona@dancingstones.com). **5/31pd**

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**For rent - 2 bedroom, 1 bath mobile home.** Quiet park in Ela. No pets. References/background check required. \$375 per month, \$300 deposit. For more information call 488-8752 **5/31pd**

**Businesses for Rent Cherokee NC -** Same building as Kentucky Fired Chicken at Intersection of US 19 and US 441. Seafood restaurant formerly Long John Silvers (2,000 square feet), retail store (4,000 square feet), small restaurant (2,000 square feet). Contact: Bob Blankenship 828-269-1950. **6/7pd**

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**2 Bath, 3 Bedroom or 2 Bath, 2 Bedroom mobile homes for rent.** No pets. Call 506-0578 or 648-8560. **6/7pd**

**Big brick house on Galberth Creek.** 2 Bdrm with bonus rm. Hardwood floors & ceramic tiles. Large living room, storage building. No pets. \$750/month, \$750 deposit. Call 736-1183. **5/31pd**

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## VEHICLES

**For Sale - 2005 Ford Escape XLT Limited.** 6 cylinder, A/C, Automatic transmission, Tow package, Leather interior. AM/FM/CD player. Excellent condition. Michelin all terrain tires. 110k miles. Asking \$9,500 OBO. Call 828-497-1120. **6/7pd**

**For sale - 2007 Ford 500.** Maroon, leather seats, 6 disc changer, minor body damage to hood. 70,000 miles, needs tune up, computer work. Call or text for pics. 736-3984 or 497-1734. \$7,000 firm. **5/24pd**

## REWARD

Reward offered for the return of five beaded crowns taken from the home of Troy and Missy Crowe. Little Miss Indian Fair, Little Miss Cherokee, Junior Miss Cherokee, Teen Miss Cherokee, and Miss Cherokee Fair. Please contact Troy Crowe at 828- 788-0919

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## EMPLOYMENT

### Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians



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

#### Positions Open

##### Closing June 1, 2012 @ 4 pm

1. Early Childhood Behavioral Specialist- CTCC(\$28,790-\$36,710)

##### Closing May 25, 2012 @ 4 pm

1. Composter- Composting (\$18,140-\$22,680)
2. Carpenter Helper- Facility Mgt (\$16,480-\$20,600)
3. Dispatcher- Transit (\$23,740-\$30,280)
4. Driver- Transit (PT Snowbird) (\$19,980-\$24,980)
5. Day Camp Aides- Cherokee Life Rec (\$18,140-\$22,680)
6. Business Assistant- Cherokee Life (\$18,140-\$22,680)
7. Carpenter Helper- HELP (\$16,480-\$20,600)
8. Collections Processor- Budget & Finance (\$23,740-\$30,280)
9. Manager- Budget & Finance (\$46,580-\$59,390)

##### Open Until Filled

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

#### Health & Medical Positions

1. C.N.A.- Tsali Care Center
2. Certified Medication Aide- Tsali Care Center
3. Physician Assistant/Nurse Practitioner- Diabetes
4. Cook- Tsali Care Center
5. RN- Tsali Care Center
6. Clinical Psychologist- Analenisgi
7. RN/PRN- Qualla Youth Health Center

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

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

- Adjunct Faculty - various depts.
- Assoc Dir, Intercultural Affairs (0417)
- Assoc/Full Prof/Dept Head (1731)
- Asst Dir, Student Community Ethics (0252)
- Asst Dir, Transfer Counselor (0223)
- Asst/Assoc Prof, Nursing (0697)(0985)
- Asst/Assoc Prof, Human Svcs (1703)
- Asst/Assoc Prof, Med/Surg (0984)
- Asst/Assoc Prof, Pediatric (0988)
- Bld Env Svc Tech - several openings
- Dept. Head/Professor (2011)
- Dir, Major Gifts (1681)
- Dir, Field Experiences (4768)
- Dir, University Scholarships (120335)
- Dist Prof, Instructional Technologies (0478)
- IEP Instructor
- Instructor, Microbiology & Plant Biology
- Facilities Maintenance Technician
- Lecturer (0548)
- Networking Specialist (2381)
- Program Director for ABSN (1712)
- Tech Support Analyst (122293)
- Visiting Asst. Prof. - various depts.

Please go to [jobs.wcu.edu](http://jobs.wcu.edu) for details and to apply online. AA/EOE 5/24

#### TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE JOB ANNOUNCEMENT

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: May 24, 2012

CLOSING DATE: May 31, 2012

At 4:00pm

NAME OF POSITION: FT Cashier

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1

SHIFT: Evening

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

THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE, AN ENTERPRISE CREATED BY THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS, RESERVED THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY AND ALL APPLICANTS AND EMPLOYMENT IS SUBJECT TO THOSE TERMS WHICH THE TRIBAL BINGO ENTERPRISE DEEM APPROPRIATE. PREFERENCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. 5/24



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## LEGALS

THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS  
 CHEROKEE TRIBAL COURT  
 CHEROKEE, NORTH CAROLINA  
 CASE NO. EV11-485  
 Kathryn Ann Elkins, PLAINTIFF,  
**COMPLAINT FOR ABSOLUTE DIVORCE**  
 VS.  
 Timothy Bruce Elkins, DEFENDANT,  
 NO COMES Plaintiff, complaining of the Defendant,  
 alleges and says that:  
 Plaintiff is an enrolled member of the Eastern Band  
 of Cherokee Indians and has resided within the ter-  
 ritory of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians for  
 at least 30 days prior to filing this action.

1. The Plaintiff and Defendant were married on  
 February 14, 1997, in Jackson County,
2. The parties have lived separately from each  
 other for a period of at least 30 days.
3. The parties mutually voluntarily consent to  
 the divorce.
4. Plaintiff believes the bonds of marriage are ir-  
 retrievably broken.
5. There are no pending claims for support, al-  
 imony, or equitably distribution of marital property  
 between the parties.
6. Each party will assume the debt that that  
 party owes. The plaintiff is responsible for the  
 2008 BMW. The defendant is responsible for the  
 2008 Chevrolet Silverado 3500 pickup truck.
7. Each party agrees not to seek the 401K ac-  
 crual of the other.
8. The house will remain in the plaintiff's pos-  
 session and the defendant has permanently va-  
 cated the premises.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff prays that the Court grant:

1. Judgment of absolute divorce to Plaintiff from

Defendant;  
 2. Such other relief to Plaintiff as is just and  
 proper.  
 This is the 2nd day of September, 2011.  
 Kathryn Ann Elkins  
 5/31pd

### Legal Notice

#### Notice of Service of Process by Publication

Cherokee Tribal Court Regulations  
 In Cherokee Tribal Court  
 QUALLA HOUSING AUTHORITY  
 Vs

Tammy Lambert (12-163)  
 Larry P McCoy (12-16)  
 Jackie B McCoy (12-165)  
 Carmen Davis (12-166)  
 Pamela Smith (12-171)

Take Notice that a Pleading seeking relief against  
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 Your are required to make defense of such pleading  
 no later than the 4th day of June 2012 and upon  
 your failure to do so the Party (Qualla Housing Au-  
 thority) seeking service against you will apply to  
 the Court for the relief sought.  
 This is the 15th day of May, 2012

Agent for the Plaintiff: Julius F Taylor  
 PO Box 1749  
 Cherokee, NC 28719  
 (828)554-6321  
 6/7pd

## RFPs, BIDs, Etc.

### Requests for Proposals

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
 Cherokee Department of Transportation  
 P.O. Box 2400  
 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719  
 Phone: (828) 554-6530

#### Projects: (1) Lucy Long Rd/ Jenkins Creek Rd Asphalt Paving & (2) Yel- lowhill Peavine Rd/Booger Thompson Branch Rd Asphalt Paving

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians CDOT Office is requesting sealed bids  
 for the completion of (1) Lucy Long Rd/ Jenkins Creek Rd Asphalt Paving & (2)  
 Yellowhill Peavine Rd/Booger Thompson Branch Rd Asphalt Paving. The dead-  
 line for submitting proposals will be May 31st, 2012 at 2:00p.m.

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 pro-  
 curement of work solicited through this advertisement.

You may request the full request for bids and bid requirements for proposals  
 through the CDOT Office, or TERO. If you have any questions or comments,  
 please contact CDOT at (828)-554-6530. 5/24

### Requests for Quotes

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians  
 Building Construction Office  
 810 Acquoni Rd  
 P.O. Box 455  
 Cherokee, North Carolina 28719  
 Phone: (828) 497-8137

#### Project: Ginger Lynn Welch (GLW) Solar Thermal

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Building Construction Office is re-  
 questing sealed bids for the above mentioned project. Bids are due by 2:30pm  
 June 5th, 2012.

Please be advised that all TERO rules and regulations, Tribal procurement  
 policies, applicable state and federal rules, regulations and laws shall apply to the  
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# Cherokee in a Snap



DAWN ARNEACH/One Feather contributor

**Caught ya...**

This elk was spotted near a garden in the Yellowhill Community on the morning of Wednesday, May 16.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

## NAIWA hosts Strawberry Festival

Bessie Wallace, of the NAIWA Cherokee Chapter, looks over baskets of strawberries at the annual Strawberry Festival held Saturday, May 19 at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. The event was hosted by NAIWA and featured strawberries and strawberry dishes and treats for sale as well as craft vendors. Cherokee storyteller Lloyd Arneach, Sr. started the event by telling the Strawberry Story.



VITA NATIONS/One Feather contributor

## Look out elk!

No, just kidding...this rat snake was spotted in the Big Cove Community on Sunday, May 20.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

## Bigmeat to be a Lion

Kayla Bigmeat (left), shown with Principal Chief Michell Hicks, has made the cheerleading squad for Mars Hill College. She is set to cheer for the Lions in the fall. Bigmeat, an EBCI tribal member from the Wolfetown Community, graduated from Swain County High School this past weekend. Starting in the Cherokee Pee Wees, she has been cheering since she was four years old. Some of her cheer highlights include cheering at the halftime shows of the 2010 Gator Bowl and the 2012 BCS National Championship game. Bigmeat plans to major in Business Administration at Mars Hill.





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