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or many centuries, the Cherokee have practiced a traditional life-way known as Ga-Du-Gi (helping the community). Community members in need of help often receive assistance without a request from other tribal members. This assistance may include tending a garden, fixing a roof, yard clean up, etc.

The Cherokee Day of Caring is a daylong community event that reflects the spirit of Ga-Du-Gi, and this year's event was held on Thursday, May 18. Approximately 250 EBCI and community members volunteered by assisting ten families or individuals in particular need that were nominated by their respective community clubs.

The Cherokee Preservation Foundation, Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort and the Office of the Principal Chief of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, collaboratively sponsored this 13th annual event.

The Cherokee Day of Caring Committee also honored ten "Quiet Heroes" who have served their communities unselfishly, and presented a "Good Neighbor" Award to a nontribal member who significantly helped members of the EBCI.

"We are proud to celebrate the 13h annual Cherokee Day of Caring event, because it epitomizes this community's giving spirit and compassion for one another," said Cherokee Preservation Foundation Executive Director Bobby Raines.

Day of Caring Projects included: Towstring – Robert Mathews,
Big Cove – Geneva Watty, Yellowhill – Al Lossiah, Painttown – Carol
Junaluska McAbee, Big Y – Becky



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HARD AT WORK: Duck Lossiah cuts a log at the project site of Geneva Watty in the Big Cove Community during the 13th Annual Cherokee Day of Caring on Thursday, May 18.

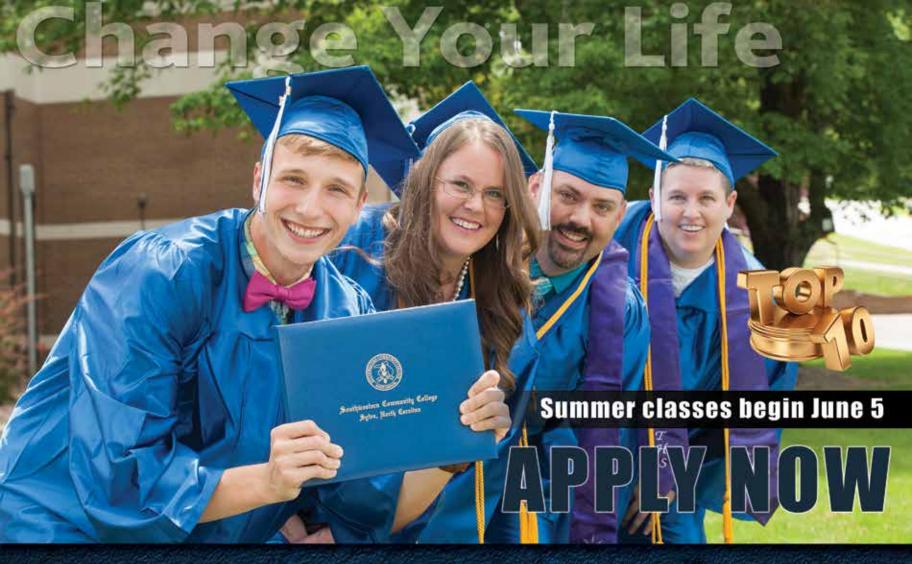
Ensley, Wolftown – Robert Queen, Birdtown – Mary Fuller Lambert, 3200 Acre Tract – Ronald Walker, Snowbird – Yvonne Teesateskie, Cherokee County – Phillip Haigler, and Overflow Volunteer Project: Island Park Bridge.

The Quiet Heroes & Good
Neighbor Awards went to: Towstring – Glenda Matthews, Big
Cove – Perry Shell, Yellowhill – Roy
Teesatuskie, Painttown – Sharlotte
Queen Jackson, Big Y – Brianna
Lambert, Wolftown – Judy Castorena, Birdtown – Janice Sutton,
Snowbird – Janelle Rattler, Cherokee County – Carol Hogsed; and
Good Neighbor – Sean Grady (the
Good Neighbor is a non EBCI Tribal
member who gives of themselves
unselfishly to benefit the entire
Tribe).

- Cherokee Preservation Foundation



VOLUNTEER: Ronnie Nelson is shown carrying a post at the project site of Robert Mathews in the Towstring Community.



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Damian Solis – Big Cove Tribal Council candidate

i-yo, my name is Damian Solis; I am a candidate for the seat of Big Cove Council representative. My wife Chasity and I have two sons Nicholai and Nathaniel with one more son on the way. My parents are Vivian West Solis and Guadalupe Solis; my grandparents were the late Alfred West and Geneva Wolfe West. I am currently employed with the EBCI Cherokee Fitness Complex as the Fitness Center Manager. I also own and operate Solis Landscaping & Tree Services and Big Cove Grocery. My educational background includes A.A.-College Transfer Degree from Southwestern Community College, B.S.-Sport Management with a focus in Exercise Science & Fitness Management with a minor in Cherokee Studies; and a M.S.-Exercise Science & Health Promotion from California University of PA. I have plans to pursue my Doctorate starting in January 2018.

Key characteristics of my

platform include Accountability, Ethics, Honesty, Integrity, and Transparency. I feel strongly that any elected official should make these traits a top priority. Accountability has been a top discussion and I feel more information should be available to the public as long as it falls within established guidelines and policies for information that may be shared with enrolled members. Ethical conduct must be practiced and adhered to by any elected official and they should be honest with every enrolled member of this tribe regardless of whom an individual may support and always maintain a high level of integrity. Transparency is also key component, as an elected official, information should be made available to the public such as monthly reports and hosting public meetings so all enrolled members are aware and can become more involved with this tribe and have more input.

Below are a few areas I feel that we can work on as a tribe and I am also open to suggestions of other areas as well.

Economic Diversification-As a tribe, moving forward, we need to seek opportunities to advance our local economy as well as establish an identity to attract tourism. The casino is a great asset for our tribe and has afforded all tribal members many opportunities. As a tribe, we need to continue to research and also perform feasibility studies on possible business ventures and opportunities. We also need to evaluate our return on our business investments and see how beneficial our investments are as a whole and evaluate the feasibility of them all. Housing-In regards to tribal housing opportunities, we need to consider opportunities to expand our housing for all enrolled members as well as potentially expanding our land base acquisitions for housing purposes. As we continue to grow as a tribe, land ownership has become a limited opportunity for enrolled members. I believe it would be beneficial to improve upon our current processes for enrolled members to obtain land: as well as the timeframes improved to get them adequate housing if available. As a tribe we may consider purchasing deeded land off the boundary to provide necessary housing for our people due to the limited land availability of this

Drug Epidemic-As a tribe, we are currently facing a growing drug epidemic. I think the treatment center is a positive improvement and can help our tribe moving forward. I also feel that as a tribe we need to look into other ways to help recovering addicts and assist them with getting re-acclimated into society with a new outlook on life. Many families have faced the hardship and witnessed how drug and alcohol addiction can impact lives. I feel that we should explore opportunities to give individuals a second chance so they feel that there are still opportunities out there. An example may be a work program that requires individuals to attend classes, complete random drug testing and provide them an area of work to develop skills to rejoin the work force.

Youth Education and Opportunities-As we move forward into the future as a tribe, I feel that we need to invest in opportunities for our youth including educational, recreational, and professional skills development. Education should be a top priority we stress to all of our youth to take advantage of since the opportunities are available.

Our children are the future of this tribe and I will support programs and opportunities to help our entire youth advance through education and life.

In closing, I am thankful for the opportunity to run for the seat of Big Cove Council Representative and I humbly ask for your support in the upcoming primary election on June 1, 2017. If you have any questions, concerns, or ideas, I would be glad to discuss them. I can be reached at (828)-788-7321. Best Regards,

Damian Solis

Candidate for Big Cove Council



Lori Taylor – Big Cove Tribal Council candidate

Shiyo KoLaNvYi. All of us know this election is crucial. The political events of the past several months have impacted our Cherokee Nation like never before. I have stood before council several times in the last several years and voiced my concern and opinions when an issue came up that affects our community. I was there when the previous administration through bad investments lost our children's money. I was there when council gave themselves illegal back pay and pay raises.

I have been there watching current and I have a pretty good idea what the truth is. When elected, I will be accountable, and I will re-

port to our community. My interest is community development, let's continue to lead and help our tribe by staying in the for front in tribal events. Let's continue to defend the rights of our people and protect our environment. Let's continue to uphold the laws of the tribe and not bend them for a few. Let's hold those accountable who violate our laws, and let's continue to have compassion for our community members who struggle with loss and addition.

I will work diligently for solutions that benefit all of us. I am all about making sure the court continues to grow and I will push for convictions! My committee interests include housing, roads, business committee, and natural resources. It would be an honor to sit on the community services committee to help the people who we each depend on for help, police, fire, sanitation, and EMS. Big Cove, our voice has been strong and we have been heard. We need someone who will speak up, not sit there, and someone who will research the issues I am that woman. I very humbly ask each of you to vote and I ask each of you to support me. I want to work for you and our tribe, I truly have great respect for our Cherokee communities, especially our people and our future. I will not be politically influenced by the bad intentions of anyone, and I will not misrepresent our people. I can be reached at 736-2910. Let me know what you think, let me know what is important to you.

Bless you Big Cove and the people, the traditions and the culture we are. Please consider me to lead and not follow, please vote LORI TAYLOR BIG COVE COUNCIL MEM-BER! Your Choice for a leadership voice! SGI.



Ashley Sessions - Birdtown Tribal Council candidate

☐ IYO- My name is Ashley Ses-Sions. I am a lifelong resident of the Birdtown community where I live with my fiancé and our four children. I am currently a student at HCC where I will receive a degree in criminal justice, specializing in forensic science. I am currently working in our local Indian Village alongside one of our elders of the community as a crafter, making pottery. While working in the Village I have been learning more about our culture and history. I would like to give you some insight on my platform as I seek a seat as a council representative.

Housing- Our Tribe is in desperate need of emergency housing! There are so many families without homes at the moment and because of this, housing would be my top priority if elected. Every family deserves a home.

Recovery programs- We currently have a recovery center under construction in the Snowbird community. What I would like to work toward is adding transitional housing and job opportunities to this program. I commend all of the individuals who are brave enough to fight their addictions and enter our recovery programs. It is our job to assist them in this recovery and make sure they all get a second chance at life.

Economic Development- Restau-

rants, shopping centers, and family friendly activities are something our communities and tribe would greatly benefit from. We must become more diversified and have more revenue coming in besides our casinos. By adding more to the area, we are not only bringing in more revenue, we are also providing more for our people. Due to the current events our tribe and leadership are facing, I feel I must add these next two topics to my platform.

Transparency- I believe everyone in the community deserves to know what their Chief, Vice Chief, and Council members are doing. Monthly reports from all elected officials would be essential in keeping transparency. No more closed or illegal meetings.

Accountability- Elected officials are held to a higher ethical standard and must be held accountable for their actions. One of my main goals will be to have an ethics committee in place to make this possible.

In closing, I would like to humbly ask for your support by voting for me, Ashley Sessions, for your next Birdtown Council representative! If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to contact me at any time. 736-8861. Thank you.



Gary Ledford – Birdtown Tribal Council candidate

7e stand at a crossroads... We can continue down this well-trodden path where Tribal government has forgotten it's specific charge of public service, and always acting in the best interest of the people...where our Tribal members feel disenfranchised and left without a voice...and the lack of growth and progress is now viewed as acceptable. Or...we, as a people, can take the steps necessary to elect those who have embraced the ideals of service, and will work to enhance the lives of all Tribal members, and not just a select few.

I am honored to run for Birdtown Tribal Council...a position my Father, Bill Ledford held for many years with honor and distinction. My campaign slogan..."Service Before Self" is an homage to a core component of my military service. It is also my sworn vow to every member of the EBCI.

A little about me...
-My Father was Bill J. Ledford-former Birdtown Council member/
Vice-Chief (parents Riley and
Minnie Ledford) my Mother is
Mary A. Ross (parents McKinley
Ross-former Vice-Chief and Mae
Wahnetah)

-Graduated from Cherokee High School-1980/2 college degrees -Joined the United States Air Force 31MAR86/9th Avionics Maintenance Squadron Airman of the Year-1989/83rd Fighter Weapons Squadron Non-Commissioned Officer of the Year-1993/Honorably retired after

20+ years of service-01SEP06
-When I returned home, I aggressively sought out and accepted the one job that would allow me to continue to serve the EBCI.
-EBCI Director of Public Safety (Fire, EMS, Dispatch, Domestic Violence, Child Advocacy, Juvenile

Services, Emergency Management, NRE) 2007-12.

-Nominated/named/served for 3 years as Vice-Chairman of President Obama's SLT-PS National Intelligence Sharing Committee.
-Nominated/named/served for 5 years on the DOJ's Grant Review and Approval Board. Secured numerous grants totaling millions of dollars for the EBCI and Indian Country, as a whole.

Some issues of importance...

EFFECTIVE AND STRONG GOVERNMENT

-Immediately address our governing documents/update the outdated language and vague terminology in our Charter/clearly define the powers and limitations of our governmental branches/implement a strong and effective ethics policy that highlights the penalties for violations of such/create an independent governmental spending oversight committee/work to eliminate nepotism in hiring by allowing HR to do its job.

OPIOIDS AND ILLICIT DRUGS

task force/Law Enforcement must aggressively engage to eliminate the sources/the court system must significantly stiffen the penalties for violations (examine the possibility of a 3 strike rule)/Health and Social Services will work tirelessly to develop and implement those techniques that will increase our chances of effective treatment/ Tribal Council will move to create job opportunities for the transition back into individual productivity. **ECONOMIC DIVERSIFICATION**

-For years, we have been promised

economic diversification. Sadly...

and watch as surrounding com-

munities grow. We stand idly by

as others make strong economic

this has not happened. We sit

moves. We must...immediately begin searching for opportunities/ acknowledge the need for more Cherokee-centric employment (NOT EVERY CHEROKEE WANTS TO WORK AT THE CASINO!) i.e... agricultural, craft, art, construction/immediately engage with the Secretary of the Interior on "land into trust" issues, clear and specific sovereignty definitions, and tax incentives for those corporations doing business on EBCI land/develop EBCI-owned businesses that are attractive to visitors and beneficial to residents/research opportunities for investment into proven strong growth corporations/start making high quality land purchases to increase the land base of the Qualla Boundary.

HEALTH CARE

-Expand capabilities to match facilities/strongly research the possibility of reducing referrals and hiring quality physicians to provide in-house services/match and exceed the quality of care in the surrounding region, and perhaps draw paying patients to our facilities/ research the possibility of a medical campus/develop and support new in-school programs that will encourage our youth to pursue opportunities in health care/streamline the identification and implementation of proven techniques that will support the treatment of opioid/ illicit drug abuse.

Granted...we have a lot of work to do, and these are only a few of the problems we have to address. Now, is a trying and uncertain time for our Tribe. We stand divided and we face heavy scrutiny from an unforgiving administration in the White House. It is, however, not too late to recover and grow. WE CAN SUCCEED, and we can move forward from this...but, we have to

do it together. In doing so, we will create a stronger Tribe, safeguard our future...and, ultimately...secure our place in history.

Thank you for your time in reading this, and thank you for your support. -Gary



Michael James Youngdeer -Birdtown Tribal Council Candidate

Shi-yo, Mi-ya-gi Tsim-shi A-wia-ni-da da-gwa-do, no-le I-yv Tsis-gwo-hi ge-i.

Hello, my name is Michael
James Youngdeer. I am 26 years
old. As I have the majority of my
life, I proudly reside in the Birdtown
Community, amongst family and
friends. My immediate living family
consists of my mother Carmen T.
Davis, my father Michael E. Youngdeer (Roscoe), step father Jack E.
Davis, my maternal grandmother
Alyne Tooni, and my paternal
grandfather Edwin Bird (Tony).

I would like to express my gratitude for the opportunity and honor to be running for Tribal Council. As one of the younger candidates, I am excited to campaign with the hope of bringing change within the Tribal Chambers. We have all been witnesses to the ongoing dysfunction that is plaguing our Tribe, especially within our Tribal leadership. So many of us feel our voices are going unheard and/or disregarded by the representatives we elected into office to speak upon

Council representative and will help make the necessary changes so that your voices are heard. I am a part of the younger generation that is willing to step up and dedicate myself for the betterment of Our People. Even through watching the ongoing political issues arise, I have not hesitated in my decision to run for Tribal Council because I know our leadership can be restored. The future of our Tribe highly depends on the elected representatives' ability to be able to work together, even if our opinions vary and our communities' requests differ. Our history has shown that our Tribal Government can be effective and work in unison but we must regain our voices in order to move past these embarrassing times that have been making the media headlines. We, the Cherokee People, are strong and have weathered many obstacles. We must focus on the future of our People and our lands so we are once again productive, proactive, and reside within thriving communities. Many I have spoken with, especially our Elders, have expressed the need for change. If elected, I will bring that change. I will be available for you and represent your voices. When I vote on behalf of Birdtown, I promise to vote as you have expressed.

our behalf. I want to be your Tribal

As a Tribal Council representative, some of the issues I want to focus on are reducing the level of poverty, being a part of business growth on our land so the Tribe will have multiple forms of profitable businesses, work on utilizing and developing more comprehensive addiction programs, and promoting tourism. While these are but a few on what we can work on, being open to more ideas will surely help our Tribe thrive.

Poverty should not be an issue that any enrolled member should have to face. The introduction of early distribution for per-cap has helped so many already and I hope to further promote that program. I would like to assist in ensuring enrolled members have opportunities for employment. Our veteran and our preference status has to be applied in all circumstances of the application process. It cannot continue to matter who you are and who you know. The applicant that gains the employment should be the most qualified for the position when following our established hiring protocols. I hope to familiarize our People with all the Tribal programs that are available to them. I am in favor of housing for the Tribal programs at the old Cherokee High School because I feel if people know where to go, we can get them screened for programs and services that they qualify for. Having these programs under one roof will reduce the expenditure cost of having multiple buildings for all of our assets as well as less headaches for those having to visit multiple areas within the tribe.

Analenisgi Recovery Center is an excellent resource for our Tribe. We have multiple programs and services available through Analenisgi to assist in combatting addiction, handling and living with mental illnesses, rescue from domestic violence situations, family and individual therapy in a variety of session options, medication management, and comprehensive classes to inform, teach, treat, assist in sobriety, and more. Unfortunately, our People are not using these services as much as we would like to see. We must make entry into Analenisgi Recovery Center be a part of the solution, especially

for addictions that are continually growing. We should also expand on services being offered by Analenisgi Recovery Center through incorporating our cultural ways and heritage into the overall treatment, healing, and teaching processes. To have a local housing unit there for recovering addicts and offenders with the help of Analenisgi's recovery program, it will help those in need of recovery so that they will stay the main course to a full life waiting for them on the other side. The road to recovery is hard for most, but I have personally seen the effects it has on those who push with vital support from others, the amount of gratitude to be clean and back into a world where they can thrive.

Potential income to help our Tribe grow comes by establishing new businesses on our lands that are owned and managed by ECBI. We also need to be attracting other established companies to our towns. Our People and others are spending the money at businesses, so why not bring and capitalize on that spending on our land? We have enrolled members and tourists that leave our lands to go to other towns to shop, eat, and to attractions that are family friendly. As a Tribe, we need to be providing more business options and additional attractions. We do not have to lose or dishonor our heritage through expansion and business growth. We will continue to expose ourselves and our visitors to who we are as a people through the cultural destinations and events that we already have in place.

In this day and era, having leaders to look up to while being confident in their abilities to work together to do what is best for our Tribe, not just a select few, is of upmost importance. Our leaders must listen to all and be transparent about what they are asked to do, no closed door policies. If you have questions on these platforms or my views, opinions, and ideas, or information/recommendations for me - I'M HERE to listen, so let's bring "An Honest Change" back to our Tribe.

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Cherie Ann Bird Rose – Painttown Tribal Council candidate

Bird Rose, and I am running for the office of Painttown Community Council Representative. I am the daughter of William E. (Bill) and Marion Bird. I am a graduate of Western Carolina University, where I earned a B.S. in Social Work. I am also a veteran of the United States Army, having served 11 years and achieved the rank of Staff Sergeant. Upon my Honorable Discharge from the Army, I served my country further by working for the Department of Defense in the Information Technology field. When the opportunity to serve my Tribe presented itself. I took the skills that I had learned in my years with the Army and the DOD and put them to work to help establish the EBCI Tribal IT Department, where I rose to the position of Director of IT. It was my honor to serve our tribe in this capacity for 20 years until my

recent retirement.

There are many issues facing our tribe that affect every Painttown Community member, and all Tribal members, such as deficiencies in Health Care. Addiction & Recovery resources, Economic Growth and Diversification, Overall Communication, Domestic Violence, and the basic rights of our people. I believe that the years of experience in military leadership, Departmental and Personnel management, coupled with my education in Social Work create a skill set that uniquely qualifies me to work with Tribal Council to develop and implement solutions to the issues facing our tribe. I'm asking for your support in the upcoming election and would like an opportunity to hear from you about the issues that are most important to you and your family.

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Jeremy WilsonWolftown Tribal Council
Candidate

Siyo, nigada. Tselimayi Wilisini dagwodov. Hello, everyone.

My name is Jeremy Wilson. I am a candidate for Wolftown Tribal Council. In introducing myself, I am a 28-year old resident of the Big Y community. I have lived in Big Y since 1998. My parents are Juan-

ita Plummer Wilson, and Robert Wilson.

As a candidate I believe it is important that I present a platform to you. This way you can get scope of what I'm about, that I have plans/ ideas, and that you know where I'm coming from. Also, you know a little bit about my credential background. In my platform I have laid out a series of areas and ideas that I believe I can touch on, and hopefully accomplish within my first term. I do not want to roll out a long list of issues, and promise you unrealistic expectations. There will be other issues that will arise, and other issues that I will touch base on, and work on as time goes on during my term. But in regards to what I hope to accomplish within a 2-year timeframe, these are areas I would like to focus on, and provide results to you at the end of my term as your Council Member. Allow me to explain why these areas are important to me:

1. Term Limits: I believe term limits are necessary to avoid officials getting "comfortable". The petition that is out for term limits is in a format of 4-years. Although I agree with term limits, I do not believe 4-years is long enough to get things done for the long-term. My proposal is 8-years. 4 two-year terms. This allows the Council Member to learn the process. initiate projects/resolutions, and carry them out for the long-term. Executive will have term limits of 8-years total. Council would have 8-years total. Nobody overlaps the other. With that being said, if we are to have term limits, then we will have to revisit Tribal Council's retirement package.

As it currently sits, Tribal Council Members can receive a full retirement after 16-years served. They will then earn up to 75% of their last year's salary. In a span of 4-7 years, they earn up to 21% of their salary. In a span of 8-11 years they can earn up to 44% of their salary. In addition to this, a Council Members spouse is eligible to receive this retirement as well. In the event of death, the spouse will receive a monthly benefit of 1/8 of the salary. The spouse does not have to be enrolled.

I believe this retirement plan needs to be revisit. If Tribal Council is to have term limits, whether it be 4-8 years, then we will have no choice but to revisit. I believe in the event of term limits, Tribal Council's Retirement Package should be abolished. My alternative proposal to this is allowing a Council Member's years served on Council, be added to their years served as a tribal employee, and counted towards their retirement if they choose to go back into the workforce after they have exhausted their terms.

2. Require a 2-vear degree (minimum): There has been some disagreements with this from some of the public, but I want to elaborate why this is important. In today's society, the average citizen must obtain a degree to go up in the workforce, and make a better living. When you apply for a job, you are required to have certain credentials. Especially for upper management. As an elected official of this tribe. Someone who votes in matters that effect everyone, I believe it is important to also have a level of credentials. Also, college exposes us to how certain areas work, such as finance, statistics, education, politics, social issues, health care, etc. That allows one to be groomed, and better prepared to how life works.

This approach is mostly about

preparation. If I go in as a new Council Member, my life has changed. If I have exhausted my time as Council Member, and I do not have a degree, I am only eligible for a Level 3-5 for the tribal workforce. If I have a degree, then I am eligible for a Level 6 and beyond position with the tribe. With that degree, I am better prepared inside and outside the tribe.

3. Trainings for Youth: We always preach that the youth are our future. It's time we make greater investments in our youth. My approach to this is that we invest in trainings and programs that help target youth in High School, freshmen to senior, and prepare them for life. Trainings/Programs such as how to do your taxes. How to invest your big money. How to apply to college. How to run your own business. How to enlist in the military, etc.

These are areas that are going to become real once they graduate high school, and go into the real world. The more time we invest in their time in high school, and prepare them, the better prepared they will be in the real world.

4. Invest More Into Education: Education: Education is essential. We have one of the most promising programs around within our Education & Training department. We are very lucky as EBCI members to have this department. To allow the opportunity for students to go to college of their choice for free, be supplied with misc/commute monies, get paid for good grades, graduation bonuses, free computer, etc., we need to make Education one of the most invested programs in the tribe.

5. Public Health & Human Services: I currently work with PHHS. This division is one of the

most crucial divisions the tribe has. PHHS allows our enrolled members to receive the best services for health, social services. WIC, commodities, family support, elder care, domestic violence, Cherokee Choices, etc. The amount of services from these programs service the EBCI public in a major way. We have to make this division one of our most important and supported investments. Personally I believe areas such as Tsali Care and Domestic Violence are in dire need of improvements and help. I will focus to work with these programs to ensure they get what they need to thrive.

6. Improve Housing Programs: There is no doubt the Housing Division needs more attention. Enrolled members constantly struggle with the slow processes in getting their homes built/fixed, and spend years trying to get certain processes approved and accomplished. There needs to be a faster and better workflow for this division. If this tribe can make major projects with the casino get accomplished in no time, then we can make life easier for our enrolled members for their homes.

- 7. Elder Services: I believe we have made some better improvements within our tribal elder services as time has come along. Areas such as Tsali Care and Tsali Manor need greater investment into them. Our elders should always be at the top of the agenda. That will be part of my focus. That they will receive the services they need.
- **8. Drug Epidemic:** This area has been a plague within our communities for a long time. It affects every community, and nearly every family. This a matter that is much more than just treatment. It's time we get serious on Prevention,



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9. Travel Reports: I believe Council Members should be required to give reports on their travels. Where did I go? Why did I go? What did I learn? How will this benefit the tribe? I believe it is important for tribal members to be informed, and that Council Members are not just traveling for the sake of traveling. Bring back home some results to report.

My Credentials:

- Cherokee High School Alumni: Class of 2007
- Southwestern Community College Alumni: Class of 2010
- Western Carolina University Alumni: Class of 2014 (BS degree in Sociology, Minor in Cherokee Studies)
- Right Path Culture Adult Leadership Program Alumni: Class of 2012
- UNC Chapel Hill Native American Leadership Institute Alumni: Class of 2014
- WCU Coulter Regional Leadership

Program Alumni: Class of 2016
• Business Owner: Jeremy Wilson
Photography
Jeremy Wilson – Wolftown Tribal
Council Candidate

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"A New Generation of Fresh Leadership"



Mary "Missy" Crowe – Yellowhill Tribal Council candidate

rganizational Development of Tribal Government and Tribal Programs. Clear and concise on the power and authority and duty and responsibility of each branch of tribal government and tribal programs and Boards and Commissions by creating and establishing clear and concise laws and policies and procedures and rules and regulations. Structuring a clear path of communication from community to government through the Community Club Councils regarding serious issues concerning the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Building Sustainable Communities by respecting everyone's level of talents and skills and begin utilizing our own resources and our own people to work for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. From Chief in the office to the Chief of the streets, we need everyone in between. We need doctors, lawyers and accountants, and we also need carpenters and counselors and laborers.

By supporting and strengthen-

ing our TERO program and Higher Education program to offer more training and education opportunities to increase the employment rate within our own people.

Broadening our economic base to create jobs in industry and manufacturing and agriculture as well as a regional recycling center.

Concentrating on building affordable, sustainable homes on the Qualla Boundary and creating one housing program for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Healing and wellness for our people by increasing funding for our hospital and Health and Human Services, especially our Senior Programs, Social Services Programs, and Mental Health Programs.

Support and funding for our Education System from Head Start to High School for all Cherokee children regardless of where they go to school. It is my hope to build our Cherokee School System into a competitive academic institution where everyone will want to send their children to learn.

I humbly ask for your support and vote on the June 1, 2017 Primary Elections.



Melissa Smith – Birdtown School Board candidate

Birdtown and 3200 Acre Tract Community Members, Hello, my name is Melissa

Smith. I am the daughter of Kathie

McCoy and granddaughter of the late Russell and Emmaline Walkingstick McCoy, all of the Birdtown Community. I am a 1997 graduate of Cherokee High School and I received a BS in Business Administration from Montreat College. I have three children, Blake – 18, Rossi – 13 and Jaxtyn – 8 months.

As my children have become older and after volunteering with CHS Booster Club, I wanted to give more back to my school and community. I am currently running for election for your Birdtown School Board Representative. I have a desire to improve the bullying policy; currently the school system enforces a three strike rule. I would like to see fair and consistent accountability among teachers and administration. Lastly, I believe we need to work on better preparing our students for life after graduation; whether it be going to college or straight into the workforce.

Our school system has some great attributes that are not recognized enough. We have some of the brightest, talented students and I am very proud of each and every one of them. We have an outstanding Theatre Club, Robotics Club and in the planning stages of an E-STEAM project which will enhance learning and better prepare our students for a brighter future.

I would appreciate your support and look forward to visiting as many of my Birdtown constituents as I can, and thank you to those who have welcomed me thus far. Please contact me with any questions or concerns as we work together for OUR school system. Melissa Smith 828-736-2166



Chelsea Taylor Saunooke – Wolfetown School Board candidate

Olfetown Community, My name is Chelsea Taylor Saunooke and I'm running for re-election for Wolfetown School Board. I was born and raised on Washington Creek Rd in the Wolfetown Community. My maternal grandmothers from Wolfetown are June George Smith, Ollie Reed George, and Minda Littlejohn Reed. I've been married to Max Saunooke for 11 years and we have four beautiful children. Three of our children are school age and attend Cherokee Central Schools. I attended Cherokee Central Schools from K-12. I obtained a BA Degree in Business Management from Lenoir-Rhyne College which is now a university. Currently I have the honor of serving as the Interim Housing Director of Housing and Community Development. The personal and professional roles that I have been blessed with in my life have been very rewarding, not because of what I get in return but because of how much my service goes into helping others.

During my first term I have worked countless hours as a board member to see many great things come to fruition or be improved upon. Just to name a few; the establishment of a third Pre-K classroom and for school year 2017-18 a fourth Pre-K classroom, the re-

cruitment and success of Math and Reading Coaches, special programs such as STEM and Robotics sparking the interest of children with amazing talent, raising teacher pay above the state level to retain and attract teachers as well as implementing longevity pay, updating school policies, supporting IT in major capital improvements and upgrades to better serve our school through technology, used my financial and budgetary experience to enhance the dynamics of the board, supported a reconnection with the Job Corp for our students to have Vocational Opportunities, supported the Cherokee Language Department Curriculum and Programs, supported the performing arts plays "The Lion King Jr." and "Beauty and the Beast", supported the SPED departments growth and programs, I also grew as a board member through attending the National School Board Association, and NC School Board Association Conferences.

What I will work hard for in my next term to work with the superintendent in establishing a rapport for teachers and staff to feel safe voicing concerns or sharing ideas, increase the positive publicity of CCS in academics, special clubs, special initiatives and performing arts, stress to increase accountability from the top down, continuously improve school policies, support the implementation of more accelerated drug and alcohol awareness programs from pre-k to 12th grade, ensure that students who want to learn a skilled trade have the opportunity to do so, increase the communication and education to parents and guardians about the bullying policy, request board work sessions on the strategic plan, vertical alignment, and

other items that need solid hours of attention, implement a stronger personnel policy based on how an employee's character is to represent CCS in the best possible manner at all times, lastly I will continue to be there selflessly for the children of Cherokee Central Schools.

My decision to run for another School Board term was not a hard decision to make because we have an awesome school system and a wonderful student body that I believe in. Please support me for Wolfetown School Board on June 1st!

God Bless.

Chelsea Taylor Saunooke E: csaunooke.ccsb@gmail.com C:828-507-7848



Isaac (Ike) Long – Wolfetown School Board candidate

Hello Wolfetown Community! My name is Isaac (Ike)
Long. I am the song of Isaac
(Buttons) Long and Mary Long
of the Wolfetown Community. I
am a 1985 graduate of Cherokee
High School. I am a Marine Corps
veteran. I have two daughters who
are also graduates of Cherokee
High School, and I have a son who
is currently in the 5th grade at
Cherokee Elementary. I have bene
employed by the Tribe for 10 years,
and I'm an avid volunteer for the
Cherokee Central Schools for the

past 14-plus years.

If I am elected as the Wolfetown School Board member, I plan to help establish a vision for Cherokee Central Schools. I understand our people have a choice in terms of where they send their kids, but the Tribe only has one school, and I believe the Tribe, community, parents, and school system need to work together to make CCS the best option to educate our youth and make our communities better. As a board member, I will take my role very seriously as we make decisions about the direction of the school system.

I will help maintain and support the organizational structure so that the superintendent, principals, and directors can lead and manage, the teachers can teach, and most importantly, the students can learn. It will be my job to evaluate and adopt policies that affect all three schools and monitor the budget in order to provide the best possible environment for our students to be the best that they can ben. I understand that board members are asked to hear appeals for staff and student disciplinary actions and when conflicts go unresolved, and I will do so with a fair and open mind, ultimately basing my decision on the facts at hand.

I already have a good relationship with many of the teachers, coaches, staff, administrators, and other board members, which is crucial when all of us need to work together to help our students succeed.

As a board member, every decision I make will ALWAYS have students at the center, and I will promote the well-being of Cherokee Central Schools and the Tribe. I am a team player who understands board members should not be in-

volved in the day-to-day operations of the school. I have the desire to do what I can as a board member to serve the needs of all students, regardless of their ability or background. I am very approachable and am both respectful and respectable. I am committed to the time and energy it takes for meetings, phone calls, conversations, training, special events, and games.

I support more hands-on learning and service projects. We want the students who graduate from Cherokee Central Schools to be independent thinkers, hard workers, and problem solvers. Hands-on learning helps in these areas. We also want out students – upon graduation – to help make their Tribe and community a better place. In order to do this, the school can arrange service oppor-

tunities on campus, in area facilities, and in the Tribal community as a whole. The more active students are through both hands-on learning and service opportunities, the less likely they are to make poor choices that lead to misbehaviors, including bullying.

I also support a community-wide effort to get students to school and keep them there. They must be present in order to learn. Poor attendance can lead to poor grades, not graduating on time, or dropping out altogether. Again, establishing a strong partnership between the school, Tribe, community, and parents, we can get students to improve their attendance.

Ultimately, I believe in the value of a Cherokee Central Schools education, and I am dedicated to serving and educating all students. I know my role and how it aligns with the best interest of the entire school community and not with a personal agenda.

I would love to speak with any of you regarding these issues, and I would very much appreciate your vote in the June primary.

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EBCI Primary Election Candidate List

Big Cove Tribal Council

DAMIAN NICHOLAS SOLIS
RICHARD FRENCH
FRED PENICK
JAMES (CHIGGER) BRADLEY
JAMES DARREN PANTHER
CODY SWAYNEY
LAVITA L. HILL
LORI TAYLOR
SHEILA STANDINGDEER
PERRY SHELL

Big Cove School Board

KAREN "FRENCH" BROWN ING TAMMY BRADLEY LORI BLANKENSHIP

Birdtown Tribal Council

GILBERT CROWE
ALBERT ROSE
MICHAEL J. YOUNGDEER
TRAVIS SMITH
BOYD OWLE
GARY R. LEDFORD
ASHLEY SESSIONS
ROBERT "BOB" DRIVER
CURTIS WILDCATT
ALBERT CROWE (WRITE-IN CANDIDATE)

Birdtown School Board

SASHA McCOY WATTY MELISSA SMITH GLORIA "PUNKIN" GRIFFIN RAY LONG

Cherokee County – Snowbird Tribal Council

BUCKY BROWN
JANELL RATTLER
PHILLIP ELLINGTON
ADAM WACHACHA
LARRY BLYTHE
ISAIAH CHEKELELEE

Painttown Tribal Council

TOMMYE SAUNOOKE
JANET R. ARCH
CHERIE ROSE
YONA WADE
MARK HICKS
LISA TAYLOR
MARIE JUNALUSKA
TERRI HENRY

Wolftown Tribal Council

BO CROWE

JEREMY WILSON
SAM "FRELL" REED
JARRETT "SHERIFF" CROWE
JAMES DAVID JUMPER
DENNIS EDWARD (BILL) TAYLOR
Wolftown School Board
CHELSEA TAYLOR SAUNOOKE

JOEY OWLE Yellowhill Tribal Council

ISAAC (IKE) LONG

ANITA WELCH LOSSIAH DAVID WOLFE LLOYD ARNEACH JR CHARLES PENICK MARY "MISSY" CROWE TOM WAHNETAH

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Primary Election Polling Locations



Big Y Community Center - 2641 Wrights Creek Rd Wolftown Rec Center - 27 Long Branch Rd Big Cove Rec Center - 8715 Big Cove Rd Snowbird Gym - 60 Snowbird Rd Cherokee County Clinic - 328 Airport Rd, Marble, NC 28905 Yellowhilll Community Building - 918 Acquoni Rd

Birdtown and Painttown Have new Polling Locations

Birdtown Rec Center- 1212 Birdtown Rd Painttown Rec Center- 10 Old Gap Rd

EBCI Primary Election Thursday, June 1

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—George Hicks, November +, 1838

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Friday June 2, 2017 - 5:00pm at Kituwah Mound Riders will finish the ride in Tahlequah, Oklahoma on Thursday, June 22, 2017



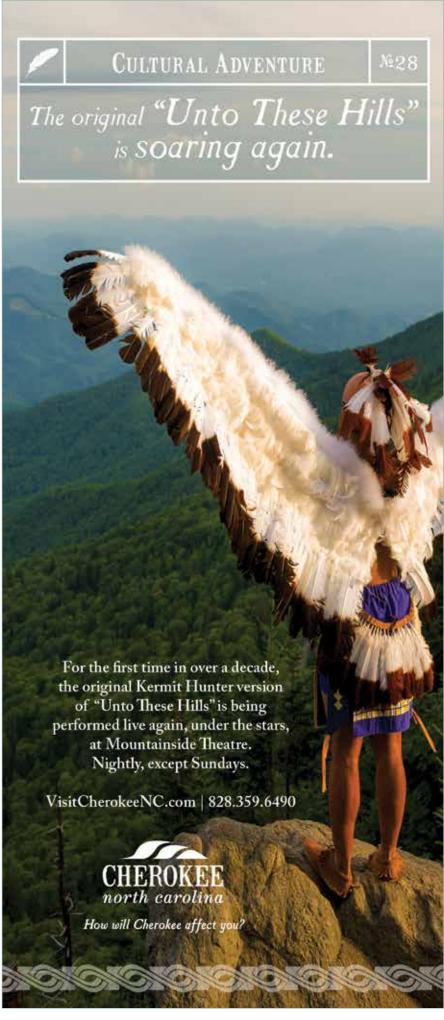








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Tribal Court Report

Judgment Summary for April 24

HOWARD, Della Bradley

14-70.19 Resisting Lawful Arrest – Dismissed on Plea 14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, PJC – six months

SWAYNEY, Cammy Jo Brady

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

14-10.60 Larceny – Guilty Plea, 48 days active jail time, credit for time served (48 days), restitution ordered: \$150

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed with Leave to Refile 14-10.60 Larceny - Guilty Plea, 48 days active jail time, credit for time served (48 days), restitution ordered: \$150

14-10.40 Burglary – Dismissed on Plea

Judgment Summary or April 27

FULLER, Donald Dewayne

14-95.9 Drugs: Trafficking – Dismissed on Plea

14-95.6(b) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule I, II, III, IV, and V - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

LONG, Rayletia Dawn

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a

controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 147 days active jail time, credit for time served (147 days) 14-70.18 Providing Contraband -Dismissed on Plea

WALKINGEAGLE, John

14-40.49 Assault by Strangulation
- Dismissed on Plea
14-5.2 Communicating Threats Dismissed on Plea
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14-40.56 Assault on a Female –
Guilty Plea (no sentencing information provided)
14-40.30 Kidnapping - Dismissed on Plea
14-20.2 Aggravated Sexual Abuse

Judgment Summary for May 3

BRADLEY, Albert James

- Dismissed on Plea

14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I, II, III, IV, and V – Guilty Plea, 120 days jail time suspended, one year probation, 30 days active jail time, credit for time served (24 days)

14-95.6(c) Drugs: Manufacturing, Selling or Delivering, Possessing with intent to sell or deliver schedule VI – Dismissed on Plea 14-95.5(b) Drugs: Aggravated Possession of Marijuana - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance - Dismissed on Plea

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia - Dismissed on Plea

LOSSIAH, Kyle S.

20-111(2) Fictitious Registration Plate - Dismissed on Plea 20-120 Improper Equipment – Guilty/Responsible, \$25 fine, \$190 court costs

MATA, Mary

14-95.11(c) Drugs: Possession of Drug Paraphernalia – Dismissed, No Lab Results 14-70.18 Providing Contraband -Dismissed, No Lab Results 14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I. II. III. IV. and V - Dismissed, No Lab Results 14-95.5(a) Drugs: Possessing a controlled substance classified in schedule I. II. III. IV. and V - Dismissed. No Lab Results 14-95.5(c) Drugs: Simple Possession of Marijuana – Dismissed, No Lab Results

MCCOY, Angela

14-10.41 Breaking and Entering

Dismissed, Prosecuting WitnessFailed to Appear14-30.6 Child Abuse in the Second

Degree - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

14-10.11 Injuring Real Property
- Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness
Failed to Appear

14-10.16 Second Degree Trespass - Dismissed, Settled in Mediation 14-5.2 Communicating Threats – Dismissed, Settled in Mediation

WEEKS, Israel Paul

14-10.9 Criminal Mischief – Dismissed on Plea

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct - Dismissed on Plea

14-40.15 Discharging Firearm into Occupied Property - Dismissed on Plea

14-34.11 Aggravated Weapons Offense - Dismissed on Plea

CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK Ganasav hia svdodagwasdi asuyagida SOHI DD RVLT J D& GYL



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a 1-year-old
Blue Tick Beagle,
lives with
Woodleigh Welch
in the Snowbird
Community.

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If you'd like to have your pet
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us at the One Feather Facebook page.

14-34.10 Weapons Offense – Guilty Plea, Prayer for Judgment Continued, continue judgment 18 months, must comply with all terms and conditions

Judgment Summary for May 10

ARMACHAIN, Lauren Leigh

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property – Dismissed for Compliance

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed for Compliance

BRADLEY, Terri Georgette Welch

14-25.12 Disorderly Conduct – Dismissed Based on DSS Findings

BRADLEY JR., Walter Andrew

14-15.5 Intoxicated and Disruptive in Public – Guilty Plea, 30 days ac-

tive jail time, credit for time served (19 days)

BRADLEY-ARKANSAS. Erica

20-28 Revoked License – Report Infraction

BURGESS, Deija Breanne

14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

14-10.60 Larceny - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear 14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear 14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear 14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear 14-10.61 Receiving or Possessing Stolen Property - Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear 14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

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14-60.30 False Pretenses – Dismissed, Prosecuting Witness Failed to Appear

FULLER, Donald Dewayne

14-95.10 Drugs: Importing Controlled Substance – Guilty Plea, 18 months jail time suspended, 24 months probation, six months active jail time, six months active on EHC, supervise probation upon release of EHC, \$600 SBI fee

MCCOY, Ruth Marie Sequoyah

14-40.55 Assault with Deadly Weapon – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

SHERRILL, Allison

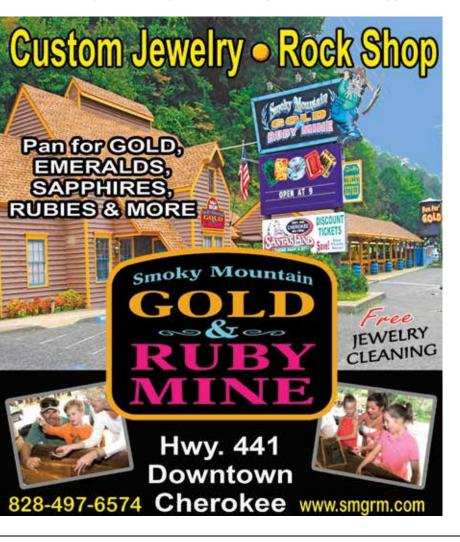
14-70.18 Providing Contraband – Dismissed on Plea

VOLKMER, Holly Katera

14-10.64 Unauthorized Use of a Motor Vehicle – Dismissed with Leave to Refile

WACHACHA, Keith Allen

CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted CFR Violation under Code of Federal Regulations/CFR Court - Dismissed, Expungement Granted





Report on Happenings at Cherokee Central School

GLORIA GRIFFIN

BIRDTOWN SCHOOL BOARD REP.

Cherokee Elementary School

- 608 students are currently enrolled at Cherokee Elementary.
- Seventy-one (71) students are enrolled for Kindergarten for 2017-18, the biggest class ever.
- Bullying is down 46 percent due to successful Anti-Bullying Campaign held with the elementary students.

- DARE Program has expanded to first grade, fifth grade, and seventh grade.
- Elementary has strengthened the Sacred Path Program, and they will be providing appreciation days to different departments.

Cherokee Middle School

• Middle School has decreased bullying by 68 percent this year. The principals have bi-weekly assemblies with the Middle School students when the students start getting a little rambunctious. These assemblies assist by redirecting the students and getting them refocused.

Cherokee High School

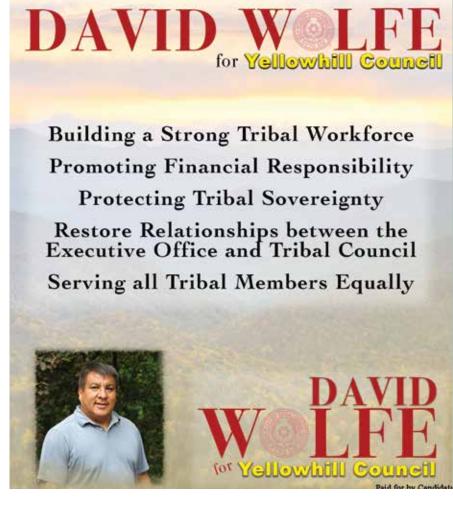
- Bullying is down in the high school also.
- Currently working with Tribal EMS to offer EMT courses next year
- Appalachian State University teaches two courses on our campus: History of the Eastern Cherokee Education and Cherokee Leadership Course
- UNC-A teaches multi-media

technology courses in the fall on our campus and are planning to teach a creative digital techniques course including computer-assisted drafting

- Cherokee High School has held Cherokee language professional development for all teaching staff.
- Offers Health Occupations to students who want to go into the medical field. Students can also earn their CNA degree if they choose.

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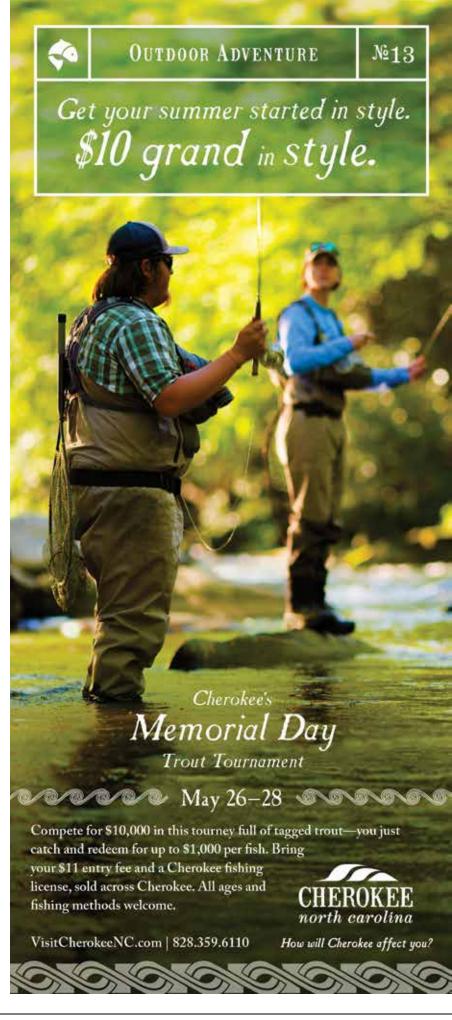


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Cherokee honors top athletes



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TOP ATHLETE: Tye Mintz (right) is presented the James "Hogeye" Taylor Male Athlete of the Year award by Noland Crowe during the Special Awards banquet, sponsored by the CHS Athletic Department, held on Sunday, May 21.

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.

ONE FEATHER STAFF

he top athletes of Cherokee High School for the 2016-17 school year were honored during a banquet at the Chestnut Tree Inn on Sunday, May 21. Tye Mintz, football and basketball standout, was given the James "Hogeye" Taylor Male Athlete of the Year award, and Shelby Wolfe, basketball and track star, was given the Bertha Saunooke Memorial Female Athlete of the Year award.

Anthony Toineeta was awarded the inaugural CHS Champions Award in recognition of being a two-time state wrestling champion. He is set to continue his wrestling career next year at Queens University in Charlotte.

"We've had a good year, but

here at Cherokee High School, we're shooting for great years," Peanut Crowe, CHS athletic director, said to open the event adding that the school is continuing to raise the bar in its athletic endeavors. "We want to have state championship after state championship."

He added that it takes many people to make a successful program. "We couldn't do it without the parents and the fans. You don't realize how important you are."

Noland Crowe, Cherokee High School's first state champion (wrestling), spoke during Sunday's event and admonished the athletes to live a good life and encourage their fellow students. "When you're an athlete at Cherokee High School, you're a role model for the rest of the student body."

Other awards given during Sunday's banquet included:



TOP ATHLETE: Shelby Wolfe (right) is presented the Bertha Saunooke Memorial Female Athlete of the Year award by Noland Crowe.

- Noland Crowe Honorarium Mr. Brave: Jayce Watty
- Peaches Squirrell Honorarium Ms. Brave: Kendra Panther
- Pat Hornbuckle Volunteer Award: Ray Kinsland
- Charlie Stamper Memorial Academic Athlete: Female awards
- Livia Lambert, Emma Stamper,
 Shelby Wolfe; Male awards Jayce
 Watty, Jack Layno, Tye Mintz
- Barbara Sequoyah Memorial Most Determined Athlete: Female – Timiyah Brown, Male – Shannon Albert
- Vernon Hornbuckle Memorial Christian Athlete: Female
- Makala Trantham, Male Luke Woodard
- Noah Powell Memorial Leadership Award: Female Lou Montelongo, Male Byron Locust
- Ray Kinsland Honorarium Best Sportsmanship Award: Female – Raylen Bark, Male – Blake Smith

• Chief John A. Crowe Most Dedicated Athlete: Female – Tori Teesateskie. Male – Darius Lambert

Winter and spring sports awards were given during a ceremony held Tuesday, May 16 as follows:

Varsity Competition Cheerleading

- Most Valuable Cheerleader Trevor Cagle
- Spirit Award Macie Welch
- Leadership Award Marley Bradley

Men's Golf

- Most Valuable Golfer Holden Straughan
- Coach's Award John Lossiah

Indoor Track

- Girls MVP Field Tiarra Toineeta
- Girls MVP Track Dorian Reed
- Girls Coach's Award Awee Sequoyah
- Boys MVP Field Byron Locust
- Boys MVP Track Jordan Grant
- Boys Coach's Award Josh Driver

JV Girls Basketball

- Offensive MVP Jordan Maney
- Defensive MVP Makala Trantham
- Coach's Award Tierney Bradley

Varsity Girls Basketball

- Offensive MVP Jamie Lossiah
- Defensive MVP Tori Teesateskie
- Coach's Award Shelby Wolfe

JV Boys Basketball

- Offensive MVP Kyler Hill
- Defensive MVP Chris Johnson
- Coach's Award Bobby Crowe

Varsity Boys Basketball

- Offensive MVP Holden Straughan
- Defensive MVP Josiah Lossiah
- Coach's Award Sterling Santa

Varsity Wrestling

• Most Valuable Wrestler - Anthonv Toineeta

- Coach's Award Andrew Griffin **Varsity Girls Soccer**
- Offensive MVP Livia Lambert
- Defensive MVP Shelby Wolfe
- Coach's Award Emily Bernhisel

Varsity Softball

- Offensive MVP Latika French
- Defensive MVP Clarissa Owle
- Coach's Award Shelby Driver

Varsity Baseball

- Offensive MVP Luke Woodard
- Defensive MVP Jayce Watty
- · Coach's Award Menoch Grant

Outdoor Track

- Girls MVP Field Hallah Panther
- Girls MVP Track Raylen Bark
- Girls Coach's Award Tiarra Toineeta
- Boys MVP Field Byron Locust
- Boys MVP Track Darius Lambert
- Coach's Award Jack Layno



STATE TITLES: Anthony Toineeta (center) is presented the inaugural CHS Champions Award by Wolftown Rep. Bo Crowe (left) and School Board Representative Dick Crowe. Toineeta won two state wrestling titles in his high school career.

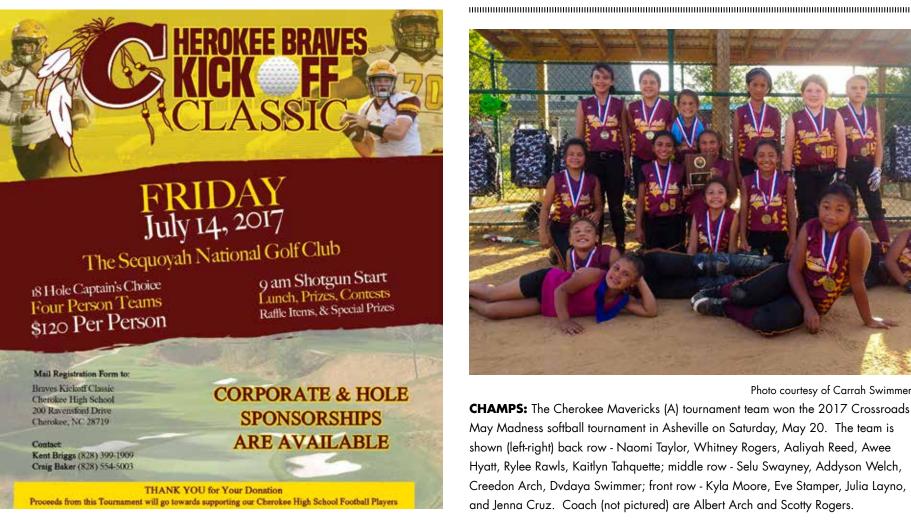




Photo courtesy of Carrah Swimmer

CHAMPS: The Cherokee Mavericks (A) tournament team won the 2017 Crossroads May Madness softball tournament in Asheville on Saturday, May 20. The team is shown (left-right) back row - Naomi Taylor, Whitney Rogers, Aaliyah Reed, Awee Hyatt, Rylee Rawls, Kaitlyn Tahquette; middle row - Selu Swayney, Addyson Welch, Creedon Arch, Dvdaya Swimmer; front row - Kyla Moore, Eve Stamper, Julia Layno, and Jenna Cruz. Coach (not pictured) are Albert Arch and Scotty Rogers.

COMMUNITY

TOP STUDENTS

Cherokee announces valedictorian, salutatorian

SCOTT MCKIE B.P.
ONE FEATHER STAFF

herokee High School has announced its top two students for the Class of 2017. Richard James Smith has been selected as the valedictorian and Kendra Ayanna Panther is the salutatorian. They will be honored and give their addresses during the Commencement Ceremony planned for Saturday, May 27 at 10am in the Charles George Memorial Arena.

Smith, 18, of the Wolftown Community, is the son of Nicolasa Torres. He participated in the CHS Chapter of HOSA (formerly Health Occupations Students of America) for two years.

"I was kind of shocked," said Smith who related he will attend Western Carolina University for his undergraduate work with the goal of entering medical school in the future.

"As a kid, I had a really high interest in the medical field," he noted. "Plus, I have a high interest in



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VALEDICTORIAN: Richard Smith, of the Wolftown Community, has been named the CHS Class of 2017 valedictorian.

biology. I like how the body works."

Panther, 17, of the Birdtown and Big Cove Communities, is the daughter of Jennifer Wildcatt and Delano Panther. She participated for two years in both varsity cheerleading and varsity basketball. In addition, she was also in the National Honor Society, the CHS Travel Club, and the CHS Chapter of HOSA.

"I was shocked, at first, but my mom had always told me, 'push yourself as much as you can because your high school years are the most important years of your life'," said Panther. "So, I did." School officials related to her at the end of last year that she was within one point of the top. So, she kept working. "It makes me happy that I pushed myself so hard and that hard work paid off for me. And, here I am, second in my class."

Panther has been accepted at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, Ala. where she plans to study elementary education. "I want to come back and teach at Cherokee."

She has very fond memories of her time at Cherokee and commented, "I just enjoy how much of a family my class is. We



SALUTATORIAN: Kendra Panther, of the Birdtown and Big Cove Communities, has been named the CHS Class of 2017 salutatori-

help each other out with anything. We're always there for each other. I've had some good teachers who were there to push me through some things. And, one of my best memories would have to be cheerleading – cheering on the Braves each Friday night and feeling the atmosphere."

Debora Foerst, CHS principal, commented, "Leadership guru Robin Sharma said, 'Hard work opens doors and shows the world that you are serious about being one of those rare - and special -human beings who use the fullness of their talents to do their

very best.' Cherokee High School Class of 2017 Salutatorian Kendra Panther and Valedictorian Richard Smith are two such rare and special students who used the fullness of their talents to do their very best, time and time again over the course of the last four years. Their hard work has garnered them many honors throughout their high school careers, and it is that hard work which allows them to experience a future full of successes. Congratulations, good luck, and God bless!"

A Cherokee Gardeners Journal:

What we teach our children

JODY BRADLEY

y child raising mission was to teach him all he needed to be an independent adult. That included, but was not limited to, cooking, ironing, washing dishes, buying gifts for others, courtesy, respect and gardening. I always insisted that Josh help in the garden knowing that he would not eat everything we produced. If he could not pull weeds he could plant seeds. If he could not hoe he could help pick tomatoes. There was usually a lot of complaining and fussing but we always got it done.

I find great comfort in knowing that my son is now reaping the fruits of my labors. I see him in his own garden sharing the same instructions, gardening tips, and words of wisdom I shared with him. He inherited my asparagus bed, compost bin, and worm farm. I have great confidence he will carry on.

On a recent visit, Josh brought us a large bag of polk salad. I realized I had missed a couple of things in my "independent adult" plan. I never showed Josh the art, and it is an art, of Cherokee gardening.

I realize now that I need to revise my teaching plan to include:

- 1. How to find slicks and wishi (wishy) in the woods. How to prepare them.
- 2. How to locate, pick and prepare wild salad, sochan and jellico.
- 3. Where to start your own ramp patch.
- 4. Where does yellow root grow and how to prepare it.
- 5. How to make sassafras and blackberry tea.
- 6. When does the branch lettuce come in and



Photo by Kristy M. Herron/EBCI Communications

WISHI: Bradley includes finding wishi mushrooms, such as the ones shown above that were prepared by ladies of the NAIWA Cherokee Chapter for a recent event, as a part of her plan to teach her son about Cherokee gardening.

what do you eat with it.

- 7. When huckleberries come in.
- 8. How to turn flour corn to bean bread.
- 9. The type of corn to make hominy corn.

I feel if you're going to be a Cherokee gardener you need to know these thing. Passing on this

knowledge from one generation to the next keeps our culture alive. I may need help with some of these but I am determined to pass on the Cherokee gardening art to my son. I'm on a mission. Are you raising a Cherokee gardener?

Tribal members recognized at AISES Leadership Summit

HANDLER, Ariz. -Since 1977, the American Indian Science and **Engineering Society** (AISES) has worked to substantially increase American Indian and Alaska Native representation in science, technology, engineering, and math (STEM) fields — as students. professionals, mentors, and leaders. The AISES Leadership Summit is a three-day event that provides Native higher education students and AISES Professional members with in-depth professional development workshops and networking opportunities. The focus of the summit is to build the skill and aptitude levels of AISES members in the realm of professional and career develop-



Photos courtesy of Alicia Jacobs

AWARD: Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program Fellow Kayla Johnson (center) was named the Leadership Award Winner at the recent AISES Leadership Summit in Chandler, Ariz. Shown (left-right) are Kelsey Standingdeer Owle, Tonya Carroll, Johnson, Dakota Brown, and Joey Owle.

ment – to better prepare them to attain and excel at jobs and careers in STEM fields.

The 2017 AISES Leadership Summit in Chandler, Ariz. included representatives from the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians including Joseph Owle, Kelsey Standingdeer Owle, Summer Dakota Brown, Tonya Carroll, Chloe Blythe, Kayla Johnson, and Katherine Jacobs. Cherokee Nation member Alicia Jacobs and Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute staff member Ethan Clapsaddle represented the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program, Cherokee Youth Council, and the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute at the Leadership Summit as well.





Jacobs, Leadership Specialist of the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program said, "Attending the AISES Leadership Summit provides EBCI professionals and students with unsurmountable opportunities and guidance in the STEM fields creating an impact on local workforce development." AISES students broaden their support network by engaging and connecting with peers who are in similar fields of study who can share their experiences, strengthening and encouraging each other. Joseph Owle, Kelsey Standingdeer Owle, Brown, and Carroll conducted a leadership presentation, "Cultivating a Community of Selfless Leaders Through Active Mentorship". The session presenters discussed how the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program mentors are fostering a new generation of selfless leaders to support lifelong culture based learning for a modern tribal community.

Kelsey Standingdeer Owle, mentor and program alumna, said, "It was an honor to present at the AISES Leadership Summit as it provided me with the opportunity to give back as a professional member and mentor. We received numerous compliments on the presentation including accolades for all the



SUMMIT: Shown (left-right) at the recent AISES Leadership Summit are EBCI tribal members Tonya Carroll, Kelsey Standingdeer Owle, Joey Owle, Dakota Brown, and Chloe Blythe.

work we are doing to grow leadership within the EBCI community. Most of the questions pertained to student attainment and participation and we were able to share the program's success over the past 10 years stems from the commitment to leadership programming."

Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program Fellow Chloe Blythe attended as the AISES Region 7 Representative. Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program Fellow Kayla Johnson attended the summit for the first time and due to her outstanding representation, inquisitive mind and participation, she was named as the overall Leadership Award Winner at the closing banquet.

Brown, mentor for the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program, commented, "Congratulations Kayla Johnson on receiving the leadership award at the 2017 AISES Leadership Summit. She is easy going, always positive, caring, and a true selfless leader."

Johnson noted, "Throughout the summit, I participated in a morning ceremony with Native Americans from Arizona, many professional and higher educational information sessions, and a Navy Six Sigma training class where I obtained a white belt certification.

Within the next two days, I met a recruitment official from the CIA, a Professional Engineer from Salt River Pima – Maricopa Indian Community, and the Senior Engineer of Arizona Public Services. In addition to these cultural and professional opportunities, I had the honor of receiving the 2017 **AISES Leadership Summit Award** which was voted on by student and professional members of the conference. During this experience, I witnessed the love and support Native American students have throughout Indian country. I look forward to becoming more active within AISES to return the support that I have been given. This would not have been possible without the encouragement of the Jones-Bowman Leadership Award Program and mentorship."

Jacobs said, "It is an honor and privilege to continue building the relationship between the EBCI community and the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute programs with national organizations such as AISES who has a forty-year reputation. Providing leadership opportunity and growth for EBCI native youth on and off the Qualla Boundary is my passion and when our students are being recognized on a national level this is very exciting. The work we do today will greatly impact the lives of this community for generations to come and I am blessed to have the opportunity to serve the EBCI community of youth."

Attending the AISES Leadership Summit was made possible through funding from the Cherokee Preservation Foundation for the Ray Kinsland Leadership Institute, a department of the Cherokee Boys Club.

- Alicia Jacobs



Cherokee History Talk being held at Cowee Mound

elebrating 20 years of conservation,
Mainspring Conservation Trust is hosting
20 events in 2017, including "A Walk
Back in Time: Cherokee History in the Southern
Blue Ridge".

Tom Belt, a Western Carolina University faculty member and Cherokee Nation elder, will lead this once-in-a-lifetime walk to historic Cowee Mound in northern Macon County, on Thursday, June 8 from 11am - 1:30pm.

The council house of the Cherokee town of Cowee was located on this mound in the 18th century, when the town of Cowee served as the principal diplomatic and commercial center of the mountain Cherokee. Cowee is considered one of the most significant archaeological sites of the Mississippian period in North Carolina, where the presence of agriculture on the bottomlands dates back at least 3,000 years. Belt will talk

about the cultural significance of the mound and Cherokee life prior to the Removal of 1838.

In 2007, the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians purchased 70 acres along the Little Tennessee River that included the historic Cowee Mound and Village Site, thought to date from approximately 600 A.D. The transaction was made possible with assistance from Mainspring and the N.C. Clean Water Management Trust Fund. A conservation easement on the property permanently protects its conservation values and prevents commercial and residential development.

Tickets are \$5 per person. An optional lunch can be purchased for an additional \$10 per person. To reserve your space, contact Sharon Burdette (828) 524-2711, ext 301.

- Mainspring Conservation Trust



Photo by Ralph Preston

TALK: Cowee Mound, the economic center for the Cherokee in the 18th century, will be the location for Mainspring Conservation Trust's Cherokee History Talk led by Tom Belt.



ROBERT "BOB" DRIVER

I, Robert "Bob" Driver, am a qualified candidate to run for the office of Birdtown Tribal Council. I am asking for your support and vote on June 1st during the Primary Election.

34 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE AND LEADERSHIP

"I will work with the Community and for the Community!"

Please join me for a dinner and a meet and greet on Sunday, May 21st from 2:00-5:00 p.m. at the Birdtown Gym

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OBITUARIES

Heath "Ty" Oocumma

Heath "Ty" Oocumma, 41, of Cherokee, passed away unexpectedly Tuesday, May 16, 2017 at the Cherokee Indian Hospital.

Ty was a fluent Cherokee speaker, former member of Birdtown Crossing drum group, former member of Warriors of AniKituhwa, former employee of the Cherokee Fire Department, and former supervisor of DBLO Enterprises, L.L.C.

He is survived by his wife, Lucinda N. Bradley; parents, Wilson Oocumma and Pat S. Oocumma; one daughter, Hallie Oocumma (Sherry); three step-sons, Christopher (Ashley), Xaiver (Ashley), and Devan (Ashley); grandmothers, Dinah Oocumma and Mary Smith; special niece, LeAnn Simpson; spe-

cial brother, Zach; surrogate sisters, Tiff and Tara; aunts, Vickie (Barry), Diane, Martha, Catherine, Fay, and Sherry B.; uncles, David (Anita), Allan (Brenda); great uncles, Gene, Sam, George, and Hillard; cousins, Nathaniel, Tristan, Joseph, Jason, Janelle, `Stass, Forrest, Kiera, Wendy, Brittany, Kamea, Izzy, Gabby, Wodi, Caiden, Silas, Ietan, Hayes, and Fern; his extended Choctaw family Wilma (James), Charlie, Jackie, Kendra, Kena, Boy, Sean,

Bea and Ron Carson; his Kentucky family Deann, James, Caroline, and Mary; and Godparents, Jim and Ollie Bigwitch.

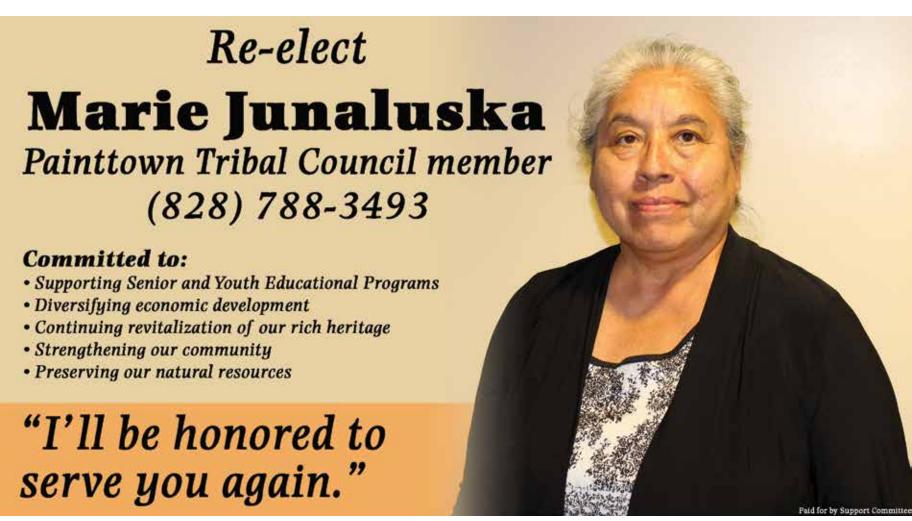
Ty was preceded in death by his grandfathers, Woodrow, John, and Ned; great grandmothers, Melinda and Mattie; and uncle, Ricky.

Funeral services were held on Friday, May 19 at the Cherokee Wesleyan Church. Rev. Patricia Crockett and Rev. Stacy Woods officiated. Burial followed at the Oocumma cemetery. Pallbearers were among family and friends.

In Lieu of flowers, to honor Ty's life, the family asks that tribute donations be made to the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation at www.JDRF.org/tribute; or the food pantry at the Living Waters Lutheran Church in Cherokee, NC, PO Box 2230, Cherokee, NC 28719.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Oocumma family.





EBCI Garden Judging Contest information

The EBCI Garden Judging will begin Monday, June 19. You must register between May 22 and June 9 to be eligible for competition. Come by the EBCI Cooperative Extension Office at 876 Acquoni Rd or call 359-6939.

Judging will be done as follows: June 19 – Wolfetown, Big Y, Birdtown and 3200 Acre Tract June 20 – Big Cove, Towstring, Yellowhill, and Painttown June 21 – Cherokee County and Snowbird

Youth Gardeners (up to age 18) and Community Gardens judging dates will depend on the number of entries. *Most likely done along with the main judging dates.

Please provide clear driving directions to the garden. Other questions: age of the gardener and if the garden is organic or conventional.

A team from the EBCI Cooperative Extension office will bring judges to visit the gardens. Judges are Master Gardeners from surrounding counties. They will score the gardens in the following areas:

- General appearance
- Planning for Season-long food production
- Evidence of exceptional gardening practices such as soil preparation
- Plant selection
- Pest control and season-extending techniques
- Creativity such as creative design, unique plants or other features.

Winners will be announced at the EBCI Cooperative Extension's Community Awards Program in September.

- Ronald "Chumper" Walker, EBCI Cooperative Extension director

105th Annual Cherokee Indian Fair Food Vendor Information

The Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds is taking names for the food vendor drawing for this year's Cherokee Indian Fair until Friday. June 9 at 4pm. Food vendors must be 18-years-old to qualify for spaces or booths. Submit your food vendor application and menu to Lisa Frady, lisafrad@nc-cherokee.com. 359-6471 by the deadline above. No exceptions will be made. The drawing for booth space will be held on Tuesday, June 20 at 5:30pm. You must be present at the drawing and pay in cash for your booth on the spot if one is awarded. A receipt will be issued at the time of payment. The fee for the food vendor spaces are the total amount for the five-day event. Preference will be given to EBCI tribal members for the food booths; there is an exception for spaces outside of the booths for first come first serve basis. There is also a deposit of \$125 for booth key return and booth clean-up. Deposit will be returned upon key return and clean-up. The deposit is required with the payment on the day of the drawing. The prices for the spaces are below:

- Food vendor space outside of the booths 10' x 20' = \$250.00
- Booth without fryer = \$300.00 plus \$125.00 deposit = \$425.00
- Booth with fryer = \$400.00 plus \$125.00 deposit = \$525.00
 - Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

CHS pre-registration events

Cherokee High School will hold a pre-registration event for rising ninth grade students on Thursday, May 25 following the 8th grade advancement program for students and parents to pre-register and visit. The guidance office will also have a drop-in early registration day on Friday, June 2 from 8am – 12pm and 1-4pm for all rising 9-12 graders who have not already signed up for next year's courses. Again, students and parents are welcome.

- Cherokee High School

Summer Day Camp applications

Painttown and Birdtown Gyms are taking applications for Summer Day Camp. Applications can be obtained at either gym. The deadline to submit an application is Friday, June 2 at 4:30pm. Info: Taylor Bird 359-3345

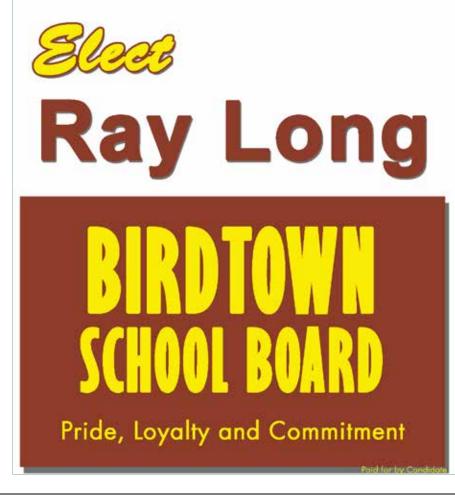
- Cherokee Recreation

Eastern Band Community Foundation announces Bill Taylor Scholarship

availability

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

This scholarship was named in honor of previous Tribal Council Chairman Bill Taylor for his involvement and encouragement in bringing the gaming industry to Cherokee and has awarded \$36,312 in scholarships since 2000. Awards are based on students meeting various eligibility requirements detailed on the NCCF website www.nccommunityfoundation.org. Applications can also be downloaded on this site under



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

Info: Norma Moss at normahmoss@gmail.com

> - Eastern Band Community Foundation

Important dates for SSI Recipients

If you are an EBCI tribal member and you received a per capita check, June 16 is the deadline for your per capita receipts to be turned in to the Franklin Social Security Office. This deadline has been set in order to avoid a lapse in

benefits.

The EBCI SHIP office is currently available to accept your receipts. Their location is 43 John Crowe Hill Road (across from Cherokee Cablevision), and their office hours are Monday – Friday from 7:45am – 4:30pm.

Regina Wood, Social Security
Representative and EBCI SHIP
staff, will set up in the EBCI Public
Health & Human Services Administration Building Large Conference
Room on Tuesday, June 13 from
8am – 4pm to receive your per capita spend down receipts.

It is also receipt time again. This is a reminder to save all your receipts. Wood will be in Cherokee to pick receipts up on Friday June 16. All receipts will be accepted at the EBCI Public Health & Human Services SHIP Office.

All receipts must be dated for June 2017 to be counted toward your June 2017 spend down.
Info: 359-6183

- EBCI SHIP Office

Arts Council Grassroots Sponsorship

The Jackson County Arts
Council is now accepting applications for Grassroots Sponsorship for 2017-18. Grassroots Sponsorships are awarded to organizations in all cultural disciplines through a competitive application and review process. This sponsorship program is funded in part by the North Carolina Arts Council and by the fundraising efforts of the Jackson County Arts Council. The deadline for applications is Friday, June 30.

Grassroots sponsorships are

intended to:

- Provide modest funding for events/projects and publicity/advertising for Artist Groups/ Artist organizations that will enhance the presence of art events in Jackson County
- Support opportunities for Jackson County residents to participate in new and thought-provoking art events in music, visual art, theater, dance, and literature
- Celebrate the traditional arts and cultures of Jackson County as well as the multicultural aspect of arts in general.

Info: Download an application at: www.jacksoncountyarts.org, Jackson County Arts Council info@ jacksoncountyarts.org or 828-507-9820

- Jackson County Arts Council

RE-ELECT CHELSEA TAYLOR SAUNOOKE FOR WOLFETOWN SCHOOL BOARD

hank you for allowing me to serve as the Wolfetown School Board Representative. It has been a great honor and blessing. Throughout my service I have taken this position very seriously and worked diligently to do what's in the best interest of the children at Cherokee Central Schools. I am asking for your support in the Primary Election because I remain highly dedicated to the education, wellbeing and development of our students. Please feel free to contact me anytime.



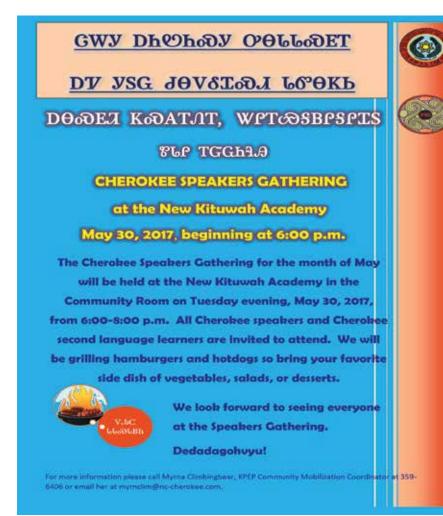
God Bless,

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Music of the night

Cherokee Musical Theater performs Broadway songs

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LUCY: Destiny Bernhisel, 9th grade, sings "Someone Like You" as Lucy from "Jekyl and Hyde".



ELIZA: Ella Montelongo, 9th grade, sings "Burn" as Eliza from "Hamilton".



ELIZA ALSO: Aria Foerst, 7th grade, sings "Loverly" as Eliza Doolittle from "My Fair Lady".



2nd Annual HONOR OUR CHEROKEE SPEAKERS' WALK

Friday, May 26th, 2017 10:45 a.m.

Shuttle (begins at 10:00 and ends at 10:30 a.m.)

Participants will park at the Fair Grounds and be shuttled to the Walk starting point (parking lot across from KFC). The walk will begin promptly at 10:45 a.m. and will end at the Fair Grounds. Lunch will be provided for participants only. **Cherokee Speakers** who participate will receive a commemorative t-shirt.

Questions please call 828-359-6410

Note: Principal Chief Patrick H.

Lambert has granted Administrative

Leave to tribal employees

who participate from 10:30 until

12:00 p.m.

renimcla@nc-cherokee.com

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ONOR OUR CHEROKEE
SPEAKERS WALK

HAPPENINGS

Cultural Events

Native American Arts Festival in the Smokies. May 28-29 at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds from 10am – 6pm daily. Guest speaker Niles Aseret will talk on Code Talker Awareness. Native American dancing and singing, arts and crafts vendors, food, more. Open to the public. \$5 admission with 10 and under free. Food and vendor space is available. Info: Amanda Tortalita 269-8308, alevans 116@gmail.com

Cherokee fingerweaving workshop. June 3 from 10am – 5pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum in Vonore, Tenn. The workshop will be taught by Sharon Ensminger and costs \$15. Bring a small box

(about 12" x 12") and two skeins of heavy weight yarn of different colors (one light, one dark). Bring a bag lunch. Class size limited to 15. Info: Museum (423) 884-6246

Cherokee History Talk. June

8 from 11am – 1:30pm at Cowee Mound in Macon County. Cherokee Nation citizen Tom Belt will lead a walk lecture to the Mound entitled "A Walk Back in Time: Cherokee History in the Southern Blue Ridge". Tickets are \$5/person. An optional lunch can be purchased for an additional \$10. Info: Sharon Burdette (828) 524-2711, ext. 301

Church Events

Church Homecoming. June

5 at 11am at Macedonia Baptist Church.

Fundraisers/Benefits

Show & Shine event. June 23-

24 from 10am – 3pm daily at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Car show, car wash, and silent auction all benefiting the Speak to the Mountain 2017 Divine Healing Crusade. Info: (727) 439-8010, www.speaktothemountain.net

General Events

May Bingo. May 25 at 1:30pm at Cherokee Fairgrounds exhibit hall. This free event is sponsored by Principal Chief Patrick Lambert and EBCI Destination Marketing. Everyone will receive two bingo cards. Bring something for the Food Pantry at Family Services and you will receive an extra card. Items needed include: canned goods, toiletries, and other household items. Limit three cards.

Strawberry Festival. May 27

from 9am – 1pm at Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds. Hosted by the North American Indian Women's Association (NAIWA), the event will have strawberry pancakes and strawberry shortcake for sale. Children's activities, baked goods, contests, and games. Vendor spaces are available for \$5 per table. To reserve a table or more information, Bessie Wallace 497-2389, Lucille Wolfe 736-5285, or Carmaleta Monteith Carmaleta@msn.com

Cherokee Bluegrass Festival.

June 8-10 at Happy Holiday RV Village and Campground. Numerous acts all three days including: The Crowe Brothers, Breaking Glass, VW Boys, Deeper Shade of Blue, The Harris Brothers, and more. Info and for tickets: Adams Bluegrass, LLC (706) 864-7203 or www.adamsbluegrass.com

Health/Sports Events

Training session in Community Mediation. May 23-25 at

First United Methodist Church in Franklin. In this 21-hour training program facilitated by Mountain Mediation Services, participants learn the mediation process and are equipped with the tools needed to effectively deal with conflict and develop productive resolution. The tuition fee of \$250 covers instruction plus manuals, handouts, and



refreshments. Info: Lorraine 631-5252, mmsbryson@dnet.net

Flag Football Frenzy. May 27 at Big Oaks Stadium in Robbinsville. Registration is from 8-9am with the first game at 9:30am. All participants must be 18 years of age or older and out of high school. The winning team will receive t-shirts. Pre-registration (through May 19) is \$80 per team of 12 players. Day of registration is \$100 per team of 12 players. There will also be a Cornhole tournament for all ages. Registration for that is from 10-10:30am with the first game at 11am. All proceeds will benefit the Robbinsville Elementary PTO. Info: Warren Knott or Brooke Haney at RES (828) 479-9850

Upcoming Pow Wows for May 25-28

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

Four Bears Pow Wow. May 25-28 at 4Bears Casino in New Town, ND. Info: Baanoon Grady (701) 421-6479

36th Annual UCR Medicine Ways Pow Wow. May 26-27 at
University of California – Riverside
in Riverside, Calif. Info: Beyaja
Notah (951) 827-3850, naspucr@
gmail.com

43rd Annual De-Un-Da-Ga Memorial Day Pow Wow. May 26-29 at Custologa Town Scout Reservation in Carlton, Penn. Host Drum: Mackenzie River. Guest Host Drum: Morning Star. Emcees: Dan Paul, Gary Davis, Frank Andrews. Info: Doug Sestock (412) 327-0372, hzox221@yahoo.com

Jim Preston Memorial Pow Wow. May 27-28 in Oroville, Calif. MC: Tom Phillips. Host Northern: Wocus Bay. Host Southern: So Ex Style. Info: (916) 832-8916, www.orovillepowwow.com, orovillepowwow@gmail.com

10th Annual for the People Pow Wow. May 27-28 at Jefferson City Jaycees Fairgrounds in Jefferson City, Mo. MC: Steve Tamayo. Host Southern: Young Bucks. Info: Dona McKinney (816) 679-0695, Donamckinney1952@yahoo.com

2nd Annual IAMNDN Graduation Pow Wow. May 28 in Comanche Nation Complex Watchetaker Hall in Lawton, Okla. MC: Carla Whiteman. Head Southern Singer: Alex Akoneto. Info: Raquel Ramos (580) 248-4782 or (580) 713-3936

Community Club Meetings

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

Big Cove Community Club meets the first Tuesday of every month at 7pm at the Big Cove Rec. Center. Info: Chairman Butch Hill 497-7309, Vice Chairman Joe Red Cloud 269-6130, Secretary Lavita Hill 736-3126, or Treasurer Lisa Hardesty 788-1646 Birdtown Community Club meets the last Thursday of each month at 6pm at the Birdtown Community Building. Potluck starts at 5:30pm, meeting starts at 6pm. To reserve the building for your special occasion, call Faye McCoy, treasurer, 226-5194 (\$50 fee with \$20 key deposit).

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

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

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

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

Community Groups

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

Support Groups/Meetings

Cherokee Diabetes Support
Group. This group, for community members with diabetes or pre-diabetes and their family and friends, meets at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Demonstration Kitchen on the first Tuesday of each month from 4:30-5:30pm. Info: Nilofer Couture, MPH, RD, LDN, CDE, 497-9163 ext. 6459 or Nilofer. Couture@cherokeehospital.org

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

AA and NA meetings in

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule Monday: Community Culture 11:15am – 12:30pm; Stressed No

More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays)

Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am – 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm Wednesday: Managing "Monkey Mind" 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays)

see HAPPENINGS next page

Brene' Brown 10-11am; Managing

Thursday: Life Recovery Bible

Class 9-10am; Connections with



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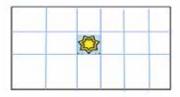
"The flags" "We folded them."

In h. 2.6 DP WH 6th graders at New Kituwah Academy were joined by Cadet Private 1st class Shiah Pheasant, Cadet 2st Lieutenant Andrew Griffin, Cadet Staff Sargent Ethan Swearengin (not pictured) and Major Bill Underwood (Reserve-not pictured) of The Cherokee Central ROTC to go over the fine details of folding the United States Flag. Later, NKA shared the "Cherokee Flag-Seven fold" with the Cadets. Tommy Teesateskie the NKA SRO introduced the students.

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The flag of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians is folded seven times to represent the seven Clans of the Cherokee. Deer, Wolf, Bird, Paint, Blue Holly, Wild Potato and Long Hair.





Representation 4 Education RE-ELECT

Gloria "Punkin" Griffin

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Thank you Birdtown Community for allowing me to serve as your School Board Representative. It is a tremendous honor to work for each one of you. I would like to ask for your continued support in the upcoming Primary Election.

I would like to continue to work for the best interest of our most valuable asset of our Tribe – our students. They will one day be future leaders, and I take their education very seriously. I will continue to serve my community by empowering our students to be the best they can be.

"IT IS NOT ABOUT THE POSITION.
IT'S ABOUT THE MISSION and that is
HIGHLY EDUCATED STUDENTS."

HAPPENINGS: from page 31

"Monkey Mind" 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm *Friday:* Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

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

Cherokee Cancer Support

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

Send your listings and/or flyers to Scott at scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.

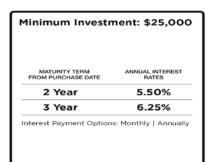
One Feather deadline Friday at 12noon

\$1,000,000,000 Offering



GWG Holdings, Inc., through its subsidiaries, purchases life insurance policies sold in the secondary marketplace.

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HEROKEE IN A SNAP

Send your photos for Cherokee In A Snap to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com. Include when and where the photo was taken, photographer's name, and identify everyone in the photo.



Photo courtesy of Perry Shell

SHOOTER: Jade George (left) shows off her "Turkey Shoot Trophy" she won last month for having the most wins. She recently won four rounds, the most wins of all shooters. George's cousin, Lucy Locust, shares in her victory.



SCOTT MCKIE B.P./One Feather

TAKE THAT: This elk, spotted in the Yellowhill Community on the evening of Friday, May 19, stuck it's tongue out at the photographer.

Birdtown Council Candidate Michael James Youngdeer



- Utilize and develop comprehensive addiction programs
- **Ensure Tribal business investments are profitable**
- Strategize for increased tourism to our area
- No closed door council meetings
- **Tribal leadership restored**
- **Hear the Tribe's voice**

Facebook: @VoteMichaelBirdtown Email: Mjydeer@gmail.com Cell: (828) 226-1162

cherokee one feather/na tsalagi soquo ugidahli, week of may 25-31, 2017

Congratulations 2017 Graduates These are the 2017 graduates from Cherokee High School as well as BBCI tribal member graduates from other high schools, colleges, and universities.

From the staff of the

Cherokee One Feather



Billings (Mont.) Senior High School



Central Hardin H.S. (Kent.)



Cherokee High



Sydney Audena Bird Cherokee High



Terrell David Bradley Cherokee High



Christus Della Guadalupe Cedillo Cherokee High



Fabian Kane Crow Cherokee High



Jennifer Aiden Crowe Cherokee High



Karli Janie Davis Cherokee High



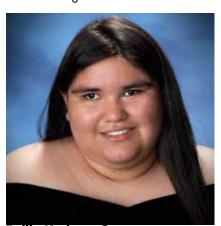
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Mary Ann Driver Cherokee High



Cherokee High



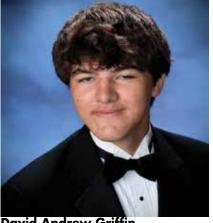
Reilly Kathryn George Cherokee High



Jeffrey Scott Girty Jr. Cherokee High



Menoch Runningfox Grant Cherokee High



David Andrew Griffin Cherokee High



Tsa li Wa Guli Jackson Cherokee High



Livia Marie Lambert Cherokee High



Alyssa Mercedes Land Cherokee High



Xavier Cain Locust Cherokee High



John Nathaniel Lossiah Cherokee High



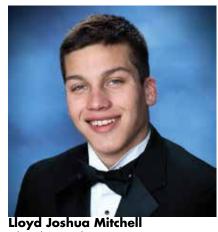
Madison Shirlene McCoy Cherokee High



Teanna Celine McCoy Cherokee High



Steven Jarret Meuse Cherokee High



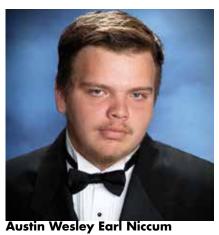
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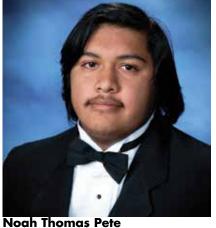
Kendra Leauna Ayanna Panther-Wildcatt, Cherokee High



Cherokee High



Kimmemelah Chontay Perkins Cherokee High



Noah Thomas Pete Cherokee High



Devona Ashlie Reed Cherokee High



Lucy Anita Reed Cherokee High



Oksana Edita Rivera Cherokee High



Aaron Ira Smart Cherokee High



Jacob Colby Smith Cherokee High



Richard James Smith Cherokee High



Steven Lee Swayney Cherokee High



Ethan Aniyosgi Swearengin Cherokee High



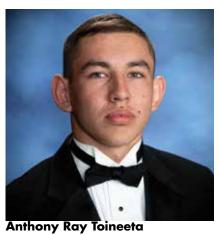
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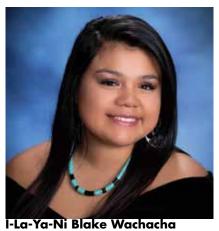
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Kyla Ranee Taylor Cherokee High



Cherokee High



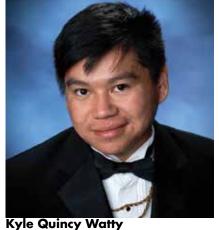
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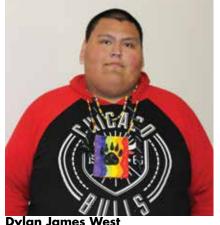
Alex Scott Kahdot Walker Cherokee High



Kendric Jayce Watty Cherokee High



Kyle Quincy Watty Cherokee High



Dylan James West Cherokee High



Kyleigh Brynn Wiggins Cherokee High



Shyreece Deanne Williams Cherokee High



Lukus Ray Woodard Cherokee High



Autumn Mahala Hall Franklin High



Brianna Plummer Haywood Early College



Rabun Gap-Nacoochee School (Ga.)



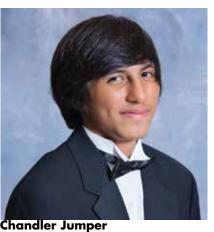
Lydia Crowe Robbinsville High



Robbinsville High



Brianna Jumper Robbinsville High



Robbinsville High



Robbinsville High



Robbinsville High



Forrest Long Robbinsville High



Corbin Nunez Robbinsville High



Dawson Orr Robbinsville High



Chance Tharp Smoky Mountain High



Caitlyn Crowe South Caldwell High



Christian Ryan Bryant Stigler (Okla.) High



Lynn Arch Swain County High



Emma Blythe Swain County High



Payton Bradley Swain County High



Raine Bradley Swain County High



Trae Bradley Swain County High



Clayton Catolster Swain County High



Raven Cole Swain County High



Samuel Dawson Cook Swain County High



Swain County High



Swain County High



Lillie Ferguson Swain County High



Kellen George Swain County High



Sydney Green Swain County High



Kelsi Huskey Swain County High



CeAna Jackson Swain County High



Ethan Jackson Swain County High



Kaneesha Jackson Swain County High



K-Lynn Jackson Swain County High



Andrew Johnson Swain County High



Gabrielle Jones Swain County High



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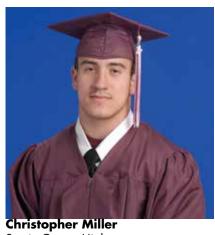
Phinehas Little Swain County High



Kathleen Long Swain County High



Taylor Lowe Swain County High



Swain County High



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Haleigh Price Swain County High



Jake Radford Swain County High



Robert Rattler Swain County High



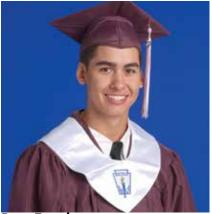
Megan Tadlock Swain County High



Shelby Teesateskie Swain County High



Edith Tolley Swain County High



Brett TreadwaySwain County High



Kenny Walk Swain County High



Corbin Wildcatt Swain County High



William Brian Winchester Swain County High



Jose Castillo Jr. Tuscola High



Aaliyah Swimmer Tuscola High



Isaiah Swimmer Tuscola High



Nathaniel Jared Parks West Davidson High

Notes:

Not pictured - Andrew Queen, Swain County High

The One Feather contacted area schools and are printing the photos submitted by Cherokee, Robbinsville, and Swain County high schools as well as those submitted individually by those attending other schools. Hayesville and Murphy did not have photos to submit, and Smoky Mountain related they were unable to legally submit photos.

EBCI College Graduates



Christopher Blankenship Northeastern State University B.A. Mathematics



Destinie N. OwleWestern Carolina University
B.S. Hospitality &
Tourism Management



Travis L. JacksonUniversity of Alaska – Anchorage
Double Degrees (Business, History)



Marcie Blythe
Southwestern Community College
Associate's Degree in Nursing



Frances Long
Southeastern Oklahoma State
University
Master's Degree in
Native American Leadership



Steven Michael Smith
High Point University
B.A. Communication
(concentration in interactive
media and game design)



P. Nelson Lambert
University of Nevada – Las Vegas
School of Law
Master of Laws (LLM) Degree



Megan Taylor
Brianna Walker
East Tennessee State University
B.S. Nursing

We'll tell you what we want. What we really, really want.



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TRADING POST

FOR RENT

Rentals Units Available: Qualla Housing Authority currently has two bedroom rental units available. Applications are available at the main office located at 687 Acquoni Road. Office hours are 7:45 a.m. -4:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Once qualified and selected, please be advised that there is a \$200 cash deposit due at lease signing. Additionally, the tenant is responsible for Duke Energy and Tribal Water & Sewer accounts placed in their names. You may have a co-signer, but the account must be in the tenant's name. QHA adheres to HUD standards & regulations in selection/qualifying potential customers. For more information and to schedule an appointment, call 828-359-6320. Please make sure that you have completed the checklist on the front page of the application that pertain to your needs. QHA is taking applications for our TSALAGI Program. Do you have your own land and an approved site form, and you meet the income guidelines? Give Jonathan Rattler, QHA Housing Services Manager a call for more information at 828-359-6320. UFN

Apartment For Rent. Studio appt. 14 miles from Cherokee. Sewer, water, heat, electric, laundry, trash pickup all furnished. Located in a good neighborhood. Singles only. No HUD. Contact 226-1231, 736-8344, 586-6097.

FOR SALE

Mini-Home for sale – Quality newly-built one bedroom, bathroom, living area with vaulted ceiling and kitchen. Built like a Cadillac, ready to relocate to your property. \$18,750. For information, call (828) 200-1415 or text for pictures. 5/25

Mobile Home for Sale - \$5,000. Must be moved, 2BR, 2BA, 14x70. Need to buy lot to put it on. 497-2930. 5/25

1997 Chevy Truck, 4 wheel drive, \$3,000 Call (828)488-0472. 5/25

2010 Silver Ford Focus SES, interior in great shape, leather, 74,000 miles, some minor scratches. Brand new tires, car runs great. \$8,000 O.B.O. 828-508-1629 text or call. 6/15

Hotel Furniture Sale: Dressers, night stands, headboards, desk and chair, lamps, pictures, etc. Holiday Inn Express. 497-3113. 6/15

REALTY

Painttown Community

The following is a list of tribal members that have documents to sign in the Tribal Realty Services Office. These are land transfers from both Tribal Members and the Eastern Band by Resolutions Aubry Anne Geroge Bigmeat, Charles Wolfe, Charles Thomas Wolfe, Clarence Welch, Crystal Lynn Hicks, Deborah Elaine Welch, Donna Thompson Sequoyah, Eloise George Maney, Herbert Wayne Bradley, James Arnold Cooper, James Leonard Sequoyah, Jr., Jerry Lossiah, Jr., Jordan Coss Hicks, Leslie Shannon Swimmer Bryant, Letisha Nicole Bird, Madge Elizabeth Lambert Owle, Martha Reed Wolfe, Mary Louise Welch, Michael Dock

Lambert, Michael Edward Slee, Nesta Decator Bradley, Rachel Elizabeth Hicks Slee, Samuel John Lambert, Savetta Rowena Bradley Williams, Stephanie Renee Sequoyah, Ted Major Lambert, Wayne Lamar Wolfe, Wesley Goings Bigmeat,

Agreement to Divisions

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

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

Proposed Land Transfers

Jeremiah Wolfe to Gerri Gwendolyn Wolfe Grady for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 213-D (Part of Parcel No. 213-B), containing 10.913 acres, more or less.

Jeremiah Wolfe to Christopher Justin Reed for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 213-E (Part of Parcel No. 213-B), containing 2.350 acres, more or less.

Jeremiah Wolfe to Joseph Henry Wolfe for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 213-F (Part of Parcel No. 213-B), containing 0.572 acre, more or less.

Jeremiah Wolfe to Anthony Tahquette Wolfe for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 213-G (Part of Parcel No. 213-B), containing 10.914 acres, more or less.

Robert Anthony Saunooke Stal-

cup, Sr., to Ryan Saunooke Stalcup for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 264 (Part of Parcel No. 226), containing 0.45 acre, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Robert Anthony Saunooke Stalcup, Sr., to Ryan Saunooke Stalcup for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 221, containing 4.09 acres, more or less.

Robert Anthony Saunooke Stalcup, Sr., to Robert Anthony Saunooke Stalcup, Jr., for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 265 (Part of Parcel No. 226), containing 0.66 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Robert Anthony Saunooke Stalcup, Sr., to Robert Anthony Saunooke Stalcup, Jr., for Upper Cherokee Community Parcel No. 51, containing 5.3 acres, more or less.

Joseph Francis Murphy to Joseph Francis Murphy, Jr., for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 830 (Part of Parcel No. 830-B), containing 5.017 acres, more or less. (Undivided Interest)

William Lawson Smith to Brandon Dale Walk and Kyleigh Mechele Montelongo for Birdtown Community Parcel No. 432 (Part of Parcel No. 83), containing 0.903 acres, more or less, together with all improvements located thereon.

Gracia Nuhdayehli Bradley to Richard Lee Bradley for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 721 (Part of Parcel No. 61), containing 0.598 acres, more or less.

Gracia Nuhdayehli Bradley to Richard Lee Bradley for Wolfetown Community Parcel No. 722 (Part of Parcel No. 61), containing 0.738 acres, more or less.



Hiring Event at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort

June 6th 9am-1pm Join Us at the Pool!

Bar Helper *\$500 HIRING BONUS

Casino Cocktail Server (PT) Cleaning Specialist (PT/FT) Cook I & Cook II (FT)

Drop Count Staff Dual Rate Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced

E-Lounge Cocktail Server (PT) EMT/Security Officer Engineering Technician II - HVAC Engineering Technician in Development F&B Cashier

Gaming Host (PT & Temp/Sensonal) Groundskeeper - Seasonal Laundry Attendant (PT)

Food Runner - Food Court Poker Dealer - Experienced (PT) Room Attendant (FT/PT)

Security Officer Senior Cook Surveillance Officer Table Games Dealer - Experienced (FT/PT)

Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced Valet Parker (PT) Valet Parking Clerk HARRAH'S CHEROKEE VALLEY RIVER CASINO Bar Porter (PT)

Casino Cocktail Servers (PT) Cleaning Specialist (PT) Front Desk Clerk (PT) Room Attendants (PT) Table Games Dealer Training School (PT) Table Games Dealers (FT)

Harrahs

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



If you have already submitted your application, it will be considered active for 6 months from the date of application. To qualify, applicants must be 21 years or older (18-21 years eligible for non-gaming positions), must successfully pass an RIAH hairdrug test and undergo an investigation by fribal Gaming Commission. Preference for Tribal members. This property is owned by the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, managed by Caesars Entertainment. The Talent Acquisition Department accepts applications Mon. - Thur, from Barn - 4.30pm, Call 828-497-8778, or send resume to the Talent Acquisition Department, 777 Casino Drive, Cherokee, NC 26719 or fax resume to 628-497-8784.

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





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

Maintenance Worker

Oconaluftee Job Corps (Through USFS Agreement with Boys Club!

Opens: May 9, 2017 Closes: May 24, 2017

Program Assistant

Cherokee Children's Home Opens: May 12, 2017

Closes: May 26, 2017

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

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

The Cherokee Boys Club reserves the right to extend position closing dates

or readvertise positions without notice.

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



POSITIONS OPEN

Please attach all required documents

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

Closing Friday, June 2, 2017

- 1. Receptionist Senior Citizens PHHS (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 2. Lead Maintenance Technician Housing & Community Development Housing (\$41,082 -
- Family Safety Supervisor Family Safety PHHS (\$49,200 \$61,500)
- 4. Minimum Data Set Coordinator Tsali Care PHHS (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- Housekeeping Supervisor Tsali Care PHHS (\$28,372 \$35,465)
- Emergency Management Specialist Emergency Management Emergency Services (\$34,112 -\$42,640)
- Organizational Development Specialist Employment Human Resources (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 8. Human Resources Generalist Employment Human Resources (\$41,082 \$51,353)
- 9. Youth Development Professional (Re-Advertisement) Snowbird Youth Center Snowbird/CC Services (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
- 10. Maintenance Tech (X 2) HELP Program Snowbird/CC Services (\$31,078 \$38,848) Closing Friday, May 26, 2017
- 1. Lead Environmental Lab Technician Natural Resources Agriculture and Farming (\$34,112 -
- Compliance Clerk Water & Sewer Utilities & Sanitation (\$28,372 \$35,465)
- Driver (X 4) Transit Administration (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- Utility Worker (X 2) Solid Waste Management Administration & Public Works (\$21,484 -
- 5. Truck Driver/Crewleader (X 2) Solid Waste Management Administration & Public Works (\$34,112 - \$42,640)

Open Until Filled - PHHS

- Family Safety Program Manager Family Safety PHHS (\$64,206 \$80,258)
- 2. Family Safety Social Worker (X 4) Family Safety PHHS (\$41,082 \$51,353)
- 3. Social Worker Tsali Care Center PHHS (\$41,082 51,353)
- 4. RN Supervisor Tsali Care Center PHHS (\$49,200 \$61,500)
- C.N.A. (10 positions) Tsali Care Center PHHS (23,616 \$29,520)
- 6. C.N.A. Part-time (1 position) Tsali Care Center PHHS (23,616 \$29,500)
- 7. C.N.A. (3 positions) Home Health (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 8. Family Safety Grant Coordinator- Family Safety (\$34,112-\$42,640)
- 9. RN Tsali Care Center (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 10. Cook Aide Tsali Care Center (\$19,598 \$24,498)
- 11. Teacher Assistant Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$21,484 \$26,855)
- 12. Teacher Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$28,372 \$35,465)

Open Until Filled - All others

- 1. Detention Officer Detention Services (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- School Resource Officer Police Department Public Safety (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 3. Patrol Officer Police Department Public Safety (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 4. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law (\$76,670-\$95,838)
- 5. Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- 6. Part Time- Paramedic Tribal EMS (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 7. Full Time Paramedic Tribal EMS (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 8. Corrections Officer (X 2) Corrections Public Safety (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 9. Natural Resource Enforcement Officer (X 9)- NRE Public Safety (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 10. Education Supervisor CYC- Education (\$31,078-\$38,848)
- Recreation Aide Part-Time (X 2) Cherokee Life Program Education (\$21,484-\$26,855)
- Elementary Immersion Instructor (X2) Kituwah Academy CERS (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 13. Finance & Investment Analyst Financial Assets Treasury (\$41,082 \$51,353)

Download Applications & Job Descriptions https://ebci.com

EMPLOYMENT

Now Hiring: Cherokee Historical Association is hiring a full-time Maintenance position. Applicants can apply online at www. cherokeehistorical.org or pick up a job description and an application at the CHA main office, 564 Tsali Blvd. Across the street from the Museum of the Cherokee Indians. Applicants must submit a completed application & resume. All applications are due Friday, April 7,2107 COB. 5/25pd

For Hire - B&S Crafts needs seasonal & part time help, clerks, people friendly, subject to Drug Testing. (828) 497-9315 6/1

Cherokee Historical Association is seeking 2 Manufacturing

Assistants for a 3 month period. Our Oconaluftee Manufacturing branch offers daytime work at \$8/hr. Manufacturing positions require ability to operate machinery/tools and the ability to lift at least 50lbs. Please apply in person at the Cherokee Historical Association Office at 564 Tsali Blvd (across the street from the museum) between 9AM and 4PM Monday through Friday. 5/25pd

Job Opening: Cherokee Friends-Cultural Specialist

The Museum of the Cherokee Indian is looking for one person for the Cherokee Friends program, April through November (part time hours). Cherokee Friends present programs to the public at the Museum and throughout the Cultural District, wearing historical clothing. Must have excellent skills for working with the public. Knowledge of Cherokee history and culture a plus, but will also be trained by the Museum. Job will include public speaking, cultural demonstrations, and walk-

ing through the Cultural District.
Employment is dependent on passing a drug test and background check.
Indian preference applies. Contact
Mike Crowe Jr, Friends Manager at
497-3481 x 202 or stop by the Museum Box Office for an application.
5/25pd

CHEROKEE INDIAN HOSPITAL AUTHORITY has the following jobs available:

Medical Technologist Targeted Case Manager – Behavioral Health

Applications and job descriptions are available at the Cherokee Indian Hospital Human Resources Office, Monday – Friday from 8:00am - 4:30 pm. For more information please call (828) 497-9163 and ask for Sheila Brown, Sarella Jackson, Chantelle Smith or Elle Bradley. These posi-

tions will close on May 25, 2017@ 4:00pm. Indian preference does apply and the original CIHA job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in lieu of CIHA application. 5/25pd

ATTENTION: EBCI Natural Resources Intern position open for applicants

The EBCI Natural Resources program is seeking applicants for a paid youth internhsip (up to 25 years old) to assist with trout propagation and stocking duties at the EBCI Trout Hatchery. Please contact Mike La-Voie at (828) 359-6113 or michla-vo@nc-cherokee.com for additional information. **6/8pd**

HELP WANTED - Mature, dependable housekeeper needed immediately, must have dependable trans-

portation, part-time may work into full time, \$8.00 per hour apply at Happy Holiday Campground 1553 Wolftown Road, Cherokee, NC. (828)497-9204. **5/25pd**

Mandara Spa at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort is seeking dependable, energetic individuals for the following Full Time hourly positions: Senior Concierge (shift leadership position), Female Host. Also seeking candidates for the following licensed positions: NC Licensed Massage Therapist, NC Licensed Cosmetologist. All full time positions are eligible for a benefits package that includes medical, dental, vision, 401k, paid holidays, vacation, sick time, and more.

Candidates must pass background check and drug test. Please contact the Spa at 828-497-8550 or email resume to laurenw@mandaraspa.com for consideration. 6/1pd

LEGAL NOTICES

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina

Estate File Nos.: EST 11-023; EST 11-025; EST 11-027; EST 11-033; EST 11-069; EST 11-073.

In the Matter of the Estates of: Clarence James Deck (d. 03/08/2011); John Wayne Rose, Jr. (d. 03/31/2011); John Boyd Owle (d. 01/24/2011); James Harvey Smith, Sr. (d. 05/13/2011); James Michael Taylor (d. 09/05/11); Keith Martinez, Sr. (d. 11/04/11).

All persons, firms, or corporations having outstanding claims or interest in these estates are hereby notified that the trial of this action, originally set for April 27th, 2017, is continued until the following date and time.

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center, May 25th, 2017 at 1:30pm

Cherokee Tribal Bingo Job Announcements

ANNOUNCEMENT DATE: May 24, 2017 CLOSING DATE: May 31, 2017 at 4:00pm

NAME OF POSITION: FT Concession Attendant

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 1: SHIFT: Evening SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Must be able to oversee concession area. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED.

NAME OF POSITION: PT Cashier

NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2: 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.

NAME OF POSITION: PT Floor Attendant NUMBER OF POSITIONS: 2: SHIFT: Evening SUMMARY OF JOB: Presents a professional appearance. Proven communication and interpersonal skills. Enjoys working around people. Strong communication skills. Ability to coordinate multiple tasks simultaneously. Most importantly, demonstrate confidentiality. One year experience preferred. Must obtain a valid NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED.

NAME OF POSITION: PT Security Guard 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 security guard experience required. Must obtain a valld NC Drivers License and High School Diploma or GED.

THE FIGHAL RINGO ENTERPRISE. AN ENTERPRISE CREATED BY THE EASTERN BAND OF CHEROKEE INDI-ANS RESERVES THE REGILL TO REJECT ANY AND ALL APPLICANTS AND EMPLOYMENT IS SUBJECT TO THOSE TERMS WHICH THE TRIBAL REINGO ENTERPRISE DEEM APPROPRIATE. PREPERANCE WILL BE GIVEN TO QUALIFIED MEMBERS OF THE EASTERN RAND OF CHEROKEE INDIANS. Agriculture and a complejob description may be packed up at the 70ths Ringo Hall and returned to April Bendley.

5/25pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-024

In the Matter of the Estate of Austina Rashae Bradley

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Allyson L. Bradley, P.O. Box 858, Cherokee, NC 28719. 5/25pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-027

In the Matter of the Estate of Margaret A. Lossiah

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Tommie S. Lossiah, P.O. Box 96, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/25pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-028

In the Matter of the Estate of Ned David Smith, Sr.

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Mary R. Smith, 766 Blue Wing Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/1pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 11-033

In the Matter of the Estate of Mary Hazel Lambert

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS

FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Pamela Lambert, P.O. Box 433, Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/15pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 11-032

In the Matter of the Estate of Thomas Jay McCoy

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Jayson Crusenberry, P.O. Box 394, Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/15pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 11-030

In the Matter of the Estate of Wilbur Long

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the

appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Garfield Long Sr., 506 Long Branch Rd., Cherokee, NC 28719. 6/15pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 11-031

In the Matter of the Estate of Waneema Littlejohn Driver

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Eugenie Saunooke, P.O. Box 2415, Cherokee, NC 28719. **6/14pd**

There are personal items that are currently being held in the property room at the Cherokee Indian Police Department. As of today, May 10, 2017 you have 60 days to contact our evidence personnel at 828-359-6609 or 828-359-6618. After July 12, 2017 any property not picked up will be

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destroyed or turned over to the Cherokee Indian Police Department.

Evidence personnel will arrange a date and time with you to collect your property. They will also instruct you on necessary documents to bring in order for the property to be turned over to you.

The following need to contact our evidence personnel: Bryan E. Shell,

Azrael Watty, Bradley Dale Waycaster, Charlie Reed, Jose Morales, Jody Brown, Cynthia Dianee McSparan, Dennie Ervin Jackson, Candido Martinez, Ryan N. Smith, Brandon Waldroup, Owen Randall Pheasant, Larry Ward, Dawn Dee Davis, Ursula Huskey, Tracy Weir, Sarah Marie Thompson, Dwanna Parker, Joel Daniel Toineeta, Ben Swimmer, William Joseph Brady, Reggie Queen, Zachariah Lightening Rattler

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Arch, David Hornbuckle, Allen E.
McCoy, Dusty Lyn Jones, Adam Chris
Lambert, Kenneth Lee Brooks, Steven
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Nikki Lambert, Benny Lee Welch,
Moses Lossiah, Dustin Tramper,
Shira McCoy, Zachariah Gale Rattler,
Angelic Isom, Brian William Armachain, Franklin George Sanger,
Callie May Biddix, Leanna Marie,

Winchester, Vicky Jo Channell, Annie Young, Brandy Sherrie Dupuis, Moses Reed, Elbert Parris, Calvin Murphy, Jason Smith's (Mary Jackson Smith), Rueben Teesatuskie, Hunter Rattler, Doris Ann Snow, Tessa Dawn Jagnandn, Julie A. Smith, Keonta Ardrey, Megan Wilnoty, Raymond Joseph Burle III, Dazi Buchanan, Angelica L. Lumpkins, Eddie Bird, Kenneth James Huffstetler, Amy Matthews, Terrie Fuller, John Taylor Sr., Christina Yvonne Davis, Robin or Jimmy Locust, Bryan James Lilly, Jerry Donald Justice, Keith Martinez Jr., Furman Jason Roberts, Matthew Watty, Cecelia Bigwitch, Amanda Ray Thompson, Charles Shippe, Hannah Roxanne Johnson/Reed, Marilyn Swimmer, Joshua Waren McDowell, B. Jay Bigwitch, Tracy Parker, Tracy Parker or Jason Dyer. 7/6



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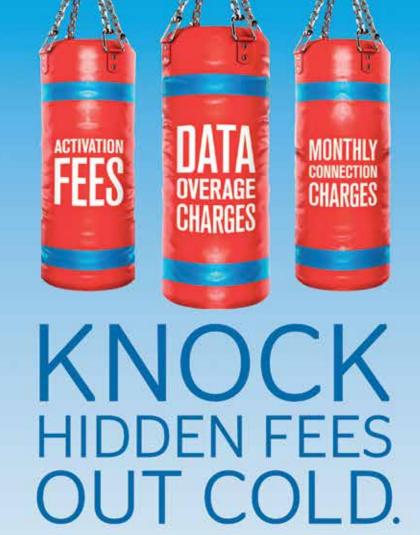
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