

Chief Lambert's report for March and April 2017



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Court finds Grand Council doesn't have "force of law"

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ccording to the Cherokee Tribal Court, the Grand Council meeting held in the Charles George Memorial Arena on Tuesday, April 18 doesn't have the "force of law". In a 13-page order filed in Tribal Court on Wednesday, April 26, Judge Sharon Barrett, temporary associate judge, wrote of several issues surrounding the meeting including a lack of advance notice to all EBCI tribal members, irregularity in voting, and lack of precedent regarding the rules and procedures used.

The Order was the result of a hearing held on Monday, April 24 on new motions filed on Friday, April 21 by EBCI Attorney General Danny Davis on behalf of Principal Chief Patrick Lambert.

"Although the convening of the Grand Council is also a custom, tradition and precedent of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, tribal law does not detail the procedures that govern, nor is it provided in tribal law that Grand Council enactments have the force of law," wrote Judge Barrett. "At this time. Plaintiffs have not shown that Cherokee custom, tradition or precedent give the enactments of a Grand Council the force of law, especially in the absence of subsequent action thereon by the Tribal Council."

Judge Barrett also stated that



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LAW: A Cherokee Tribal Court judge has determined that a Grand Council meeting (shown in photo above) held on Tuesday, April 18 at the Charles George Memorial Arena does not have the "force of law".

even if the Grand Council did carry the force of law, the meeting held on April 18 was not conducted "in accordance with the laws, customs, traditions and precedents" of the Tribe. She further wrote, "Specifically, given the lack of a showing of proper notice, the Court does not conclude that the Grand Council meeting of April 18, 2017 was 'a Grand Council of all enrolled members' under Section 10 (Charter and Governing Document). Plaintiffs have merely shown that there is opposition within the tribal community to the impeachment proceedings that have been commenced before Tribal Council."

Proper prior notice to EBCI tribal members and the adoption of rules and procedures were two sticking points for Judge Barrett in this case. She pointed to two prior Grand Council meetings as precedent. "Grand Council was called in 1979 by Principal Chief Crowe to consider a proposal to adopt a new Constitution for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians," Judge Barrett wrote. "Notice of the scheduled Grand Council was published repeatedly in the One Feather beginning more than a month before Grand Council was held."

She noted that Principal Chief Joyce Dugan called "multiple" Grand Council meetings during her term in the mid-1990s. "Advance notices of the scheduled Grand Councils, and of meetings of the Grand Council Organizational Committee that was established to plan for the Grand Council, were published repeatedly in the One Feather."

Of the April 18, 2017 Grand Council, Judge Barrett noted, "The process of providing notice to the Tribe began on or about Tuesday, April 11, 2017 by Plaintiff Chief's posting on Facebook. Notice was not published in the One Feather. No evidence was offered that notice of Grand Council was provided to all enrolled members."

The voting processes used at the April 18 Grand Council meeting were also an issue and Judge Barrett noted that Cherokee Election Board members expressed concerns over those processes. "These concerns include: a) Failure to assure that people at Grand Council signed in according to a standardized method; b) Lack of standardized method of ensuring the tribal enrollment status of voters; c) Lack of a standardized accountability for ballots either distribution, completion or submission; d) Lack of a procedure for certifying the results of the votes taken, and e) The Election Board received reports of voter irregularities such as observation of actual voting, instruction on how to vote and coercion in voting."

The rules and procedures of Grand Council were also discussed in the Order. Evidence was given during the hearing that during the 1979 Grand Council meeting it was decided that a quorum would consist of at least 500 voting members present. The same number was used for a February 1996 Grand Council meeting.

Both of those meetings also contained Rule 8 which read, "Passed Resolutions shall be presented to the Executive and Legislative branches of Government within 30 days. This shall be done in a special session of the Tribal Council called by the Chief."

The rules and procedures approved for the April 18 Grand Council meeting said a quorum "shall be those tribal members present at the time of the meeting."

That meeting also contained Rules 20 and 21 which read as follows, "Rule 20: All resolutions that are passed in Grand Council will become law immediately upon proper confirmation and ratification by the Grand Council, and service of the confirmed and ratified resolution on the Tribal Council Chairman and Attorney General of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians. Rule 21: Any act of Tribal Council can be rescinded and killed by a majority vote of the Grand

Council."

Judge Barrett noted, "These rules plainly vary from the rules of prior Grand Councils in numerous, significant ways ... "

Plaintiffs also asked that an injunction on the impeachment proceedings be granted until a Tribal Census could be completed as the last one was performed in 2001 and differences in the weighted vote given to each Tribal Council representative could have changed. That portion was denied by Judge Barrett who wrote, "While voting weights might require adjustment, it is also possible that the mapping and census work might lead only to minor changes that would not impact the outcome of Tribal Council votes in connection with this case, or other legislative matters."



Judge Barrett went on to state,

"Such an injunction would have the effect of stopping, or calling into question, every enactment by Tribal Council (except those that are unanimous) until the mapping and census is complete. This would greatly alter the status quo, rather than preserve it."

The Order did grant the motion that the Defendants cannot enforce Res. No. 547 (2017), a resolution passed by Tribal Council that called for the immediate suspension of Chief Lambert. Also in Wednesday's Order was the following, "The Cherokee Supreme Court entered its order on April 21, 2017 staying impeachment proceedings; the prompt entry of this order is intended to assist in expediting appellate review, not to interfere with or contradict the rulings of that higher court."

Previously, on Friday, April 21, Acting Chief Justice Brenda Toineeta Pipestem granted a motion for stay on the impeachment proceedings. "The Court, under Rule 62(f) of the N.C. Rules of Civil Procedure, extends the stay over the impeachment proceedings that are currently pending before the Tribal Council until the completion of proceedings in this court and an Order is issued."

Those arguments will occur on Tuesday, May 9 at 10am at the Tribal Courthouse.

On Wednesday, April 19, Tribal Council approved Res. No. 562 (2017) whereby they amended the Impeachment Hearing Date to Tuesday, May 2 - a date that is now invalid due to Acting Chief Justice Pipestem's ruling.

In Loving Memory of my husband James(Red) Bradley, on his 84th Birthday with Jesus 4/25/2017

"What would I give to hold your hand your happy face to see. To hear your voice and see your smile that meant so much to me. In my heart is a picture of my loved one laid to rest. In memory's frame I shall keep it for you was one of my best. Not everyone sees me weep. I have shed tears with an aching heart while

others are fast asleep". Irma Bradley



Principal Chief's Report for March and April 2017

PRINCIPAL CHIEF PATRICK LAMBERT

et me begin by acknowledging that I did not get a monthly report out to you for the month of March 2017. So, this report will catch-up March and also give you my report for April 2017.

I want to start out this report with a sincere apology to our Tribe. Not only an apology for all the political upheaval and unrest within our government, but mostly an apology for the stress on our community and the impact this has on our families. If I could change it, I certainly would. What some who want rid of me fail to understand or appreciate is that even if they succeed and somehow run me out of office, the federal investigations are still proceeding, and getting rid of me will not end that.

The past few months have been a trying time and one that has been totally unnecessary. I'll be the first to admit that I'm not perfect and will be the first to say that I have made some mistakes. But, nothing that can rise to the level of an impeachable matter.

There are many who started calling for my impeachment on my first day in office... and some who joined the impeachment bandwagon after they saw I was determined to do what I promised, to work to clean up the past 12 years of corruption and waste, fraud and abuse of our Tribal resources. There are many Tribal employees who work hard every day and really appreciate the higher level of accountability that is required of everyone the same. And there is that minority



HISTORIC: A Grand Council meeting, the first one held in over two decades, was held at the Charles George Memorial Arena on Tuesday, April 18.

that is upset to be held accountable and will work harder to cause problems than they've ever worked to solve problems.

But I have always believed that setting an example and making decisions from the heart with the prayerful and thoughtful intentions to do that which is for the greater good, and not the select few, that the right results will follow. I have tried to approach everyday as a renewed start and have loved coming to work every day. As I have said before, if you really work this job it is a tremendous amount of work and not a whole lot of glamour or prestige. It is just hard work that is mountain high all the time. I usually work 6-7 days a week and

most every day until late in the evening. There is just so much to do and to do it right takes time. I enjoy making a difference and will do all I can for our Cherokee Families.

Thank you for all your patience and prayers. We will get through this in a good way and our Tribe will grow stronger because of it. Our sermon in Church at Yellowhill this past Sunday morning was on Daniel and the lion's den; we must put our trust and faith in the lord and he will deliver us. Even though the mob may call for blood... God's will shall prevail. I saw a quote in the bulletin that read something like this, "If you are worried, pray. If you are praying, stop worrying". Some have asked how I can stand and face these matters as calmly as I do... and my only response is that I believe! I expect the outcome of any trials or tribulations I must endure is for HIS will.

Let me get started on these monthly reports and please pardon me for the length, I will touch mostly just the highlights and try to be lite on the details where possible:

March 1

Today we had work sessions scheduled for a land issue and also for the Budget Stabilization ordinance.

March 2

Today was Tribal Council and began the process of lawyers and

political battles. Tribal Council pulled a resolution from under the desk that was not on the agenda or announced and began their retaliatory strike against me for all the work I've done to clean up corruption and fraud. Tribal Council refused to allow Snowbird Elders to speak even as one stood at the podium politely seeking a minute to speak. Without legal authority and in violation of the Cherokee Code. the protests were not allowed to proceed to a hearing. The Attorney General has issued a legal opinion on this matter and showed the law violations by the Council Chairman.

March 3

Office work and preparations for the coming battles with Council.

March 6

Today, I had several staff meetings and also funeral services. My heart goes out to all who lost loved ones as there was a series of many, many deaths at one short time period.

March 7

Today I was able to participate in a ceremony with our seniors to "Sign the Last Beam" in the topping off ceremony for our new Bowling Center being built on the Casino. I am so pleased we will be getting this accomplished for our seniors and all our families and visitors alike. It will be a great facility. Also in the evening we held an organizing meeting for the petition drive for to collect signatures for two referendum questions, term limits for Tribal Council and Recall power of elected officials.

March 8

More funeral services today.



RIBBON-CUTTING: The new Big Cove Day Care facility was officially opened on Friday, April 21.

Also had a capital committee meeting for purchases. Had lunch with the Seniors at Tsali Manor and began collecting signatures on the petitions. We lowered the flags to Half-Staff for respect to Kina Swayney passing, RIP.

March 9

I had an office full of meetings and visitors today and handled several constituent matters. I am proud of our Constituent services team... they do a great job working with members to get the services delivered to them.

March 10

Today, I worked half a day in the office and then drove to Charlotte to give a speech at the NC Unity Conference.

March 11-15

I traveled to Vegas to attend the annual RES Conference. It is a great business conference for Tribes and individual Indian businesses. I even meet a few of our own local business members there and had a chance to speak with them about their business and plans back home.

March 16

Had several meetings today and in the afternoon held the Bingo game for our Elders. This month was sponsored by the SWAT Team and the Detention Services. They did a great job. Thank you.

March 17

We had an Investment Committee meeting and reviewed our accounts. The Committee has done a great job and have made great decisions on the proper funds and made our investments grow by millions. Great work!

March 20

Today, we held a Cabinet Meeting with all the Secretaries and also later held staff meetings. In the afternoon I held project development meetings for planning and updates on the current projects we are doing within the Tribe. A lot of activity is happening and the distraction of the political climate is a real drain, but our Tribal employees and Casino staff are professionals and continue to push forward even though some on Tribal Council are trying to derail all progress. I insist to keep working and we are making great strides to provide better programs and facilities for our Cherokee Families.

March 21

Today, I delivered opening remarks and a welcome address to the Indian Child Welfare Act (ICWA) conference held at the WCU Campus.

March 22

Today was the funeral service of a very dear lady, Ms. Maggie Owle. She was a real Cherokee Treasure and will be greatly missed. Also today was the "Bankers Meeting" for financing the new Hotel Tower

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and Convention Center. There were many Banks represented and a lot of good interest in pursuing the loan package. The way we have structured our casino operations and put good controls and business models into place to succeed is a real testament to the professionalism at our Casino, TCGE and Gaming Commission. Thank you and great work!

March 23

Today, I met with several members in an open door day and got to hear about many accomplishments and concerns as well. Thank you to everyone for your support and I promise my continued support of our Cherokee Families. My friend, Nancy, was laid to rest today in a surprise departure. She was a strong advocate for doing the right thing and staying true as a Cherokee!

March 24

Held office staff meetings this morning in preparation of upcoming events. At lunch attended a benefit for Simon Librado to help with his hospital stay and expenses for his family. Also today was the memorial service for my Great Aunt, Priscilla Cooper. She will be greatly missed by her family and will be remembered as a great business owner in town.

March 25

Today was a very special day... it was the 20th Annual Rainbow and Ramps Festival! I gave a short welcome speech and spent over two hours just visiting, laughing and having a great time with all our members who came out. Great



HUNT: Chief Lambert visits with EBCI elders at the Tsali Manor Easter Egg Hunt on Wednesday, April 12.

event! Later in the afternoon I attended a surprise Birthday Party for Mr. Jack Saunooke, his 80th!

March 27

Following a morning meeting I went to the John Welch Center in Cherokee County to have lunch with our seniors there. After lunch, I helped pass out the Community Harvest Garden Kits for our Cherokee County members. Cyndi and I then traveled over to Snowbird and held the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the new Snowbird Senior Center... What a beautiful facility! I am so glad that we were finally able to get to this point and get our Snowbird Seniors into a high-quality building! After the ceremony and some punch, we went to meet the Snowbird Free Labor Group and presented them a new Funeral Tent to use as needed. We also helped pass out the Community Harvest Garden Kits at Snowbird Complex this same day. Following these events we traveled back to Murphy to attend the visitation for Lex Owle, a very sad passing. God bless the Owle family.

Today would have been my sister Henrietta's Birthday, the first year in my life on this date I don't get to tell her Happy Birthday. All my family still grieves her passing. Today we also gave out Community Harvest Garden Kits at Tsali Manor at noon and at Yellowhill at 6pm. Great job to all the volunteers and especially to the NC Cooperative Extension! Thank you for another great year with help to get those gardens started!

March 29-31

Held a morning meeting prior to departing to Washington DC for the Annual "Cherokee Days" held at the Smithsonian American Indian Museum. This was the first year we took on an important and lead role! It was a great event and we really were able to showcase our native talent, art and artists, traditional games, stories, dress and legends. We took nearly 100 of our members and spent 4 days with over 20,000 visitors to the museum. Great work to everyone and I look forward to it again next year!

April 1

Today, we had the Easter Bunny

and our new Annual Easter Eggstravaganza! Hundreds of kids and families came out for it and it was so much fun! Egg hunts, Bouncy houses, snow cones, popcorn, minigolf, facepainting and lunch! Thank you to all our volunteers and to the Soldiers of Truth! Great Job

April 3

Various meeting and office work

April 4

Budget Council and more attacks toward me. In the afternoon, meetings scheduled with National Park Superintendent to discuss land and also gathering rules.

April 5

Deadline for Per Cap loans this month.

April 6

Tribal Council

April 7

Spent the biggest part of the day in contemplation about the political issues facing us and the fact of how much time is wasted dealing with such. I suppose because some politicians can't be proactive and

March 28

bring good legislation they would rather stifle the entire system. I know most including myself is tired of the political nonsense and games. Let's get down to the People's business and work on Tribal matters that affect all our Cherokee Families. Elections are coming up in about 3-4 weeks and I think we should see some new faces. There are only 2-3 of those running who deserve another term. That's how you make change in government, by voting out those who are not doing what they were elected to do. And if in two more years you evaluate me and decide that I have not performed my promises or brought new programs forward for our members and Cherokee Families then vote me out too. But they can't make change in Government by trying to pull a coup and simply impeach people on trumped up accusations because you don't like them. That is a decision for the People and I will honor that decision.

April 8

Spring Garden Fair was held today and it was another big success. We had some great booths and demonstrations. Jody and her family deserve all the credit and thanks for putting together a great event! Thank you. Today was also the Snowbird Easter Egg Hunt at the Little Snowbird Fields, a big thanks to the Community Club and all the volunteers.

April 10

Had a full day of meetings and planning sessions with staff and legal advisors.

April 11

Had morning meetings with tribal members and staff. At 3pm held our first organizational meet-



RAMPS: Chief Lambert visits with EBCI elders at the Annual Rainbows and Ramps Festival held at the Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds on Saturday, March 25.

ing for Elders Council and had a great meeting. We discussed the possibility of calling a Grand Council and I was advised to proceed as soon as possible. I made the decision then to call it for the following week.

April 12

This morning, I attended Tsali Manor and held the Easter Egg Hunt! It was a lot of fun and the lunch following it was great too! Thank you to all the volunteers and especially to the Great Staff at Tsali Manor, Deb and her team do so much good work with our Elders, Thank you.

April 13

Today was a special day for Chief Robert Youngdeer, it was a drop-in Birthday event for him. It was well attended and you can see all the love for him! He is a remarkable man and has had a great life and career. He is someone I look up to with great respect and admiration, Happy Birthday Chief Youngdeer!

April 14 Good Friday – Offices closed

April 16

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April 17

Held a staff meeting and a Cabinet level meeting. At 10am held a prayer meeting and discussed our new Faith Based Initiative with our Pastors. Held a second Elders Council meeting to discuss recent events and gain advice and guidance.

April 18

A truly historic day in our Tribe's history! Today we assembled the first Grand Council of the People in over two decades and passed some serious legislation. With only one week notice we had over 1,350 people pack into the High School Arena and debate and vote on issues ranging from elders

care, tribal facilities and the recent political moves by Tribal Council on impeachment. The Council will try to ignore the power of the People demonstrated here by claiming such matters as if it was not called properly, or voting was not proper, or to some... the People have no power! Well, if they look at the numbers we had a total of 37 percent of the total number of votes cast in the last election to turn out in one weeks' notice to vote on these matters. In last election there were 3.661 votes cast and at this Grand Council we had 1,355 attend... 37 percent of the total of votes cast in last election. I think that speaks for itself. The People have spoken... let's see if they adhere to the People's voice.

April 19

Tribal Council called an unlawful Tribal Council session in violation of the Charter and Code

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and all prior procedures to try and attack me again. Later in the day, I attended a special ceremony for our beloved friend and special confidant, Mr. Ray Kinsland where he was awarded the "Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award". It is a State Wide honor of special recognition for outstanding service as a citizen of the State and your Community. Congratulations Ray... we love you!

April 20

Today, we held our monthly Bingo games for our Elders. Lots of fun! Thanks

April 21

Tribal Council called even another Special called session

of Tribal Council, again in total violation of the Charter, Code and all prior procedures. Their hatred and resolve to get me has reached a point of their complete disregard to the law, procedures and listening to any voice from our Elders or the People assembled. Council voted to ignore the results from the Grand Council and charge on into their attempts to impeach me. Also and of great importance... Today was a very special day for Big Cove and our Child Care system! We cut the ribbon and opened a brand new Child Care facility in the Big Cove community sitting on the property where the original center still stands. I am so proud of Big Cove and so glad that we were able to deliver this new facility to provide a safe, sanitary and modern place for our youngest members to get

a great start at life and learning, Good job!

April 24

Meetings all day. In the evening, I left on travel to attend the NAFOA (Native American Financial Officers Association) Conference in San Francisco and then on Wednesday into Tulsa for the Tri-Council meetings with the UKB and CNO. Our three Cherokee Tribes unified in one meeting once a year is a special event. I was humbled and honored to be a part of it and look forward to next year when we will be the hosts.

April 26-28

Tri-Council meetings in Tahlequah, Okla.

April 30

Today, I celebrate my good fortune and my blessing from God. It is the 31st Anniversary of Cyndi allowing me to be her husband and I am so proud and thankful for her!

I realize this is a long report, thank you for reading it. I am working every day and with the right Tribal Council we can make some good things happen for our Tribe. I need willing partners that want to work and build a better future for our Cherokee Families. We need to stop all this political fighting and get back to work. Make your vote count next month on Thursday June 1st!

May God Bless You, Your Family and Our Tribe! Sgi *Chief Lambert*



CHEROKEE PET OF THE WEEK Ganasav hia svdodagwasdi asuyagida SOUI DO RVLI OJ DO QYL



Roy-Dean, a three-year-old Yorkie/Pomeranian mix, lives with Vita Nations in the Big Cove Community and is a huge Tarheels fan.

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

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COMMUNITY

Rocky Mountain **Elk** Foundation honors locals

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wo locals have been honored by the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation (RMEF), an elk and wildlife conservation group that is based in Missoula, Mont. and has over 500 chapters nationwide.

Connor McCoy, an EBCI tribal member, received the Youth Volunteer Award at the recent RMEF National Convention in Nashville, Tenn. Joyce Cooper, RMEF Great Smoky Mountains Chapter cochair, received the 2016 Chairman's Award.

"I'm a lifetime member of the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation," said McCoy. "I feel that it's my responsibility to do all I can to make sure that these elk survive and do well in our mountains, so they will be here forever."

McCoy, a freshman at Swain County High School, lives with his family in the Birdtown Community. He was nominated for the award by Cooper who related, "While Connor is eager to participate in outdoor activities, this eagerness is tempered with a great respect for nature. He grew up watching the elk population expand in his hometown and always took pleasure in elk watching from a young age."

He has assisted Great Smoky Mountains National Park biologists and RMEF committee members collar elk.

In addition to McCoy, the following also received the Youth Volunteer Award: Riley Caudle,



Photos contributed

TAGGED: Joyce Cooper (standing far left), shown safely collaring an elk in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, is a recipient of the 2016 Chairman's Award from the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation.

Chattanooga, Tenn.; Elysah Shaw, Baton Rouge, La.; and Nathan, Kaylynn, Cody, and Casey Miller of Valentine, Neb.

"It was such a great honor to receive this award from such a wonderful organization at the RMEF National Convention in Nashville," Cooper noted of receiving the Chairman's Award. "To be recognized by your peers and to see the elk roaming our beautiful mountains makes all the hundreds of volunteer hours worthwhile!"

Chris Croy, RMEF regional director, said of Cooper, "She's a breed that talks the talk, walks the walk and challenges everybody along the way to join her."

Cooper has been a member

of the Great Smoky Mountains Chapter since 2001 and served as North Carolina state chairperson from 2011-16. According to her nomination form, some of the projects she's been involved with over the years include: helping raise the \$1.1 million to fund the reintroduction efforts of elk into the Great Smoky Mountains National Park, volunteering with Park biologists to help replace tracking collars and ear tags and record health statistics on elk, setting up displays and making presentations at numerous area and regional events including the annual Children's Talking Trees Trout Derby in Cherokee, and working to successfully initiate the sale of North Carolina Elk license



COMMUNITY-MINDED: Connor McCoy (left), shown handing out candy at the Cherokee Indian Fair parade, is a recipient of a Youth Volunteer Award from the RMEF.

plates.

Gale Dills, who nominated Cooper for the award, commented to Bugle Magazine, the publication of the RMEF, "I don't see how Joyce does all she does!"

Three others received the Chairman's Award along with Cooper including Ron Poole, Klamath Falls Chapter in Klamath Fall, Ore.; Duane Acker, Badger Chapter in Madison, Wisc.; and Greg Matchett, Tuscon Chapter in Tuscon, Ariz.

For more information on the RMEF, visit: http://www.rmef.org/.

A Cherokee Gardeners Journal:

Pass-Alongs

JODY BRADLEY

grew up less than 50 yards from two enthusiastic gardens who had a variety of flowers and a beautiful garden. Their iris bed was always colorful and magical and filled with colors, shapes and smells only gardeners can appreciate.

The gardeners, Leola and George Burgess, taught me about pass-alongs. Pass-alongs are plants that come back every year and can be naturally split or divided and passed along to neighbors, friends, family or community. Every gardener I've met enjoys sharing cuttings, seeds, or plants they have grown.

The Bridal Wreath plant my Aunt Irma gave me was planted by my grandmother. I have purple and white Irises, daylily combinations, yellow four clock's, and a vast array of hostas divisions. These all come with memories. Pass-alongs may be hard to find in your local nurseries. The good news is they only cost a visit to your gardening friends' house.

According to southern tradition you should never thank anyone for a pass-along plant or it will not live and grow for you. It's polite to ask before taking a snip of a plant and asking usually yields many more cuttings. Take your garden scissors or hand pruners for cuttings. Cut four to six inches long and root them in a moist welldrained potting mix.

Pass-alongs have a much deeper connotation for gardeners than just plants. Gardening itself is an art to share with and teach your children and friends. Friendships, sharing, memories, hope, history, stories and legends come with the



Stock Image by John Evans PASS-ALONG: Bradley says that daffodils, such as the one shown above, are great pass-alongs.

plant. These plants, stories, and treasures, are passed along to the next generation. What will you pass-along? NOTE: Great pass-alongs are Iris, Hen's and Chickens, Hostas, Ramps, Daylily, Daffodils, Cannas, Crinum, Creeping Jenny, and Four O'clock's.

A tale as old as time...

Cherokee Musical Theater presents "Beauty and the Beast Jr."

Photos by Scott McKie B.P./One Feather

TRANFORMATION: Shortly after transforming, the Beast, played by Jullian Parra-Rubio, holds the enchanted rose.



GASTON: The village girls swoon over Gaston, played by Logan Lequire.



BEAUTY: Belle, played by CeCe Lambert sings during one of the opening numbers entitled "Belle".



BE OUR GUEST: The cast finishes the rousing rendition of the crowd favorite.



TRUE LOVE: After becoming human again, Babette and Lumiere greet one another.



ENCHANTED: The enchanted castle's house staff chats about the arrival of Belle. Shown (left-right) are Mrs. Potts (Ella Montelongo), Babette (Dalericka King), Lumiere (Eason Esquivel), and Cogsworth (Jacob Sneed).

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RECOGNITION: The Dora Reed Center recognized members of its staff on Friday, April 28 that have recently earned their CDA (Childhood Development Associate) Credential. According to the Council for Professional Recognition, "The Child Development Associate (CDA) Credential[™] is based on a core set of competency standards, which guide early care professionals as they work toward becoming qualified teachers of young children. The Council works to ensure that the nationally-transferable CDA is a credible and valid credential, recognized by the profession as a vital part of professional development." Shown (left-right) front row – Shelley Ramirez, Cynthia Guilford, Brittany Welch; middle row – Lacey Smith, Linda Driver, Ashley Teesateskie, Chelsea Ledford, Kira Teesateskie; back row – Sharon Brown, Natasha Thomason, Indica Esquivel, Daisy Queen, and Victoria Simon.



EBCI PRIMARY ELECTION IMPORTANT DATES

Additional Questions: Election Board Office (828) 359-6361

Early Voting

May 8-22 from 8am - 4:30pm and Saturday, May 20 from 8am- 4:30pm Early voting will be in the Commerce Conference Room next to the Election Board Office in the Ginger Lynn Welch Complex.

Absentee Voting

Absentee ballots may be applied for by phone or mail through May 15. The last day to apply for absentee ballots in person is May 26.

Voter Registration

The last day to register to vote for the Primary Election is May 26.



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PREVENTION: The 6th Annual Aubrey Littlejohn Child Abuse Prevention Walk was held in downtown Cherokee on Friday, April 28.



Photo courtesy of Kisha Bishop

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ATHLETES: EBCI tribal members Epps Welch and Thomas Sequoyah competed in the Jackson County Special Olympics on Friday, April 28 at Smoky Mountain High School representing Qualla Boundary.

Photo by Dr. Mickey Duvall/EBCI Commerce

ATHLETES: Members of the Qualla Boundary Special Olympics team parade in behind their banner at the opening ceremonies of the Far West Games held on Friday, April 28 at Robbinsville High School.

April report for Cherokee Central Board of Education

he following items were discussed/passed during April, 2017 by the Cherokee Central School Board of Education:

The Board met with Jim Copeland, director of Oconaluftee Job Corps, and Deb Foerst, principal of Cherokee High School, about forming a partnership that would give Cherokee High students access to several vocational programs such as Fire & Forestry, Pharmacy Tech, Electrical and Microsoft certification. The Board gave the "go ahead" to approve this partnership that will increase opportunities for our youth.

Cathy Moore, CPA at Cherokee Boys Club, updated the Board on the 2016-17 budget. Currently, the School System is \$1.5 million under budget for the school year. Michael Bruce, Cherokee Schools finance director, explained his process for planning the 2017-18 budget. He will meet with all schools and department heads to assess their needs for the upcoming school year and hopefully present a very accurate forecast of next year's budget.

Michael Bruce updated the Board on IT needs as we move toward Blended Learning. Several servers need to be replaced as they are beginning to "age out". We have been in the new school for eight years, and it is time to start upgrading our technology.

Mr. Penland presented the School Board with a proposed school calendar for 2017-2018. The Board discussed the need for an additional Pre-K classroom for next year. Space is an issue, but the Superintendent emphasized the importance of the Pre-K experience and is going to do everything possible to make this additional classroom a reality.

The Board received the bids to replace the turf on the football field. Medallion was the low bidder at \$615,485. The Board approved Medallion to begin the project.

Mr. Penland updated the Board on the current lawsuit against FieldTurf (the company that originally installed the turf in 2009). Cherokee has joined a lawsuit (at no cost to Cherokee) in a class action suit against FieldTurf alleging that they knew they had a faulty product and continued to sell it to several schools, including Chero-kee.

The Board discussed the need for handicapped buttons on all the main entry doors to the schools.

The Board discussed the upcoming interviews for a new Superintendent.

The Board approved the annual Cooperative Agreement between Cherokee and Swain County. This agreement continues to give Cherokee four additional teachers and an additional teacher assistant, plus some driver's education funding.

The Board approved the following personnel: Kitchen Manager, Teacher for Cherokee Elementary, and Assistant Track coach - Dr. Scott Penland, CCS Supt.



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

BIRDTOWN COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE

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Swain County Democrat news

At the Swain County Democratic Convention recently held in Bryson City, the following Executive Committee officers were elected: Chair - Gerri Grady, First Vice Chair - Ashford Smith, Second Vice Chair - Tara Thomas Arch, Third Vice Chair - Jamie Fisher, Secretary - Ginger Parsons, and Treasurer - Leila Tvedt. Delegates were also selected from each precinct for the 11th District Democratic Party Convention to be held on May 20 at Haywood Community College. This is the first time three members of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians have served on the Executive Committee. The Swain County Democratic Party meets on the third Tuesday each month at Democratic Headquarters at 122 Everett Street in Bryson City. The next meeting will be May 16 at 6pm and all Democrats and precinct officers are encouraged to attend. Info: Gerri Grady 497-2442 or gerrgrady@gmail.com.

- Swain County Democratic Party

Cherokee spring turkey season

Cherokee's spring turkey hunting season is open now through May 20. Hunters are invited to participate as a field reporter and submit turkey harvest data to the EBCI Natural Resources program. This information is important to help the department maintain a healthy turkey population on Cherokee lands. Call 359-6109 after a turkey is harvested with some or all of the following information: location and date of kill, number of



days hunted to kill the bird, turkey's approximate age (adult or juvenile), turkey's spur length, and turkey's beard length.

- EBCI Natural Resources Program

Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds Committee meetings

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

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

- Cherokee Indian Fairgrounds

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

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

THANK YOU LETTERS Thank you from Little Miss Cherokee

Nevayah Panther would like to thank everyone who came and helped with the Indian dinners benefit on Friday, March 17. Whether you bought a dinner, donated food or money, or helped prepare the food your generosity was greatly appreciated.

Thanks T.J for letting us use the facilities, which made it more convenient. Thanks to all the Big Cove ladies and Yvonne, Shelia for your donations of food. To Granny Panther, Grandma Alma, Grandma Hattie , Aunt Loretta , T.J, DeeDee and Grandma Gail for preparing all the good food. Thanks to Loni for helping me serve and fix plates. To Uncle Greg for volunteering your time to help out.

The benefit was a big success! Again Thanks a lot.

> Sgi, Nevayah Panther & Family

OBITUARIES



Richard Terry Reed

Richard Terry Reed, 66, of Cherokee passed away unexpectedly, yet peacefully, in the early hours of Friday, April 28, 2017.

He was the son of the late Noah Reed and Dora (Crowe) Reed of the Cherokee community. Richard was known as Terry to most that knew him. He was a member of Waterfalls Baptist Church. Terry loved life and loved his family. He will be missed by those that knew and loved him.

Surviving are his daughters, Kim Crowe with husband Bo, Vita Reed and TJ Reed all of Cherokee; brothers, Jessee, Ronnie, Doug Reed and Barry Reed with wife Vicki all of Cherokee; one sister, Pam Reed with husband Norman of Cherokee; grandchildren, Dre Crowe, Boie Crowe, Kinley Crowe, Kimbo Crowe, Acacia Reed, Kaniah Reed, Chayton Ledford and JJ Ledford all of Cherokee. Terry also leaves behind his friends at Tsali Care and the Dialysis Center.

Funeral services were held on Saturday, April 29 at the Big Witch Baptist Church. Pastor Ben Reed officiated the services. Burial was in the Reed Cemetery along Big Witch Rd. with pallbearers being among the family and friends.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the family in the final arrangements.

Joseph Stephen Watty

Joseph Stephen Watty, 72, of Cherokee, passed away Sunday, April 23, 2017.

He was born Aug. 21, 1944 in Cherokee to the late Steve Watty and Rachel Tooni Watty.

Joseph is survived by his wife, Elsie Marie Thompson Watty; one daughter, Martha Watty; two sons, Michael Watty and Matt Watty; nine grandchildren, Marc Watty, Daliyah Wolfe, Kobe Watty, Jaymian Lambert, Ethan Watty, Adayah Watty, Makenah Goforth, Ian Watty, and Leland Goforth; two great grandchildren; one sister,



Maybelle Watty; and two brothers, Samuel Watty and Quincy Watty.

In addition to his parents, Joseph was preceded in death by three sisters, Winnie Watty Long, Lorene Watty Arch, and Yonnie Watty Hill; and two brothers, John Watty and Anderson Watty.

Funeral Services were held on Wednesday, April 26 at the Straight Fork Baptist Church. Rev. Charles Ray Ball officiated. Burial followed at the Watty Family Cemetery.

Long House Funeral Home assisted the Watty family.

Nannie Sue Ball Blanton

Nannie Sue Ball Blanton, 74, of Bryson City, went home to be with the Lord, Friday, April 28, 2017 in a Buncombe County Hospital after a short illness. A native of Swain County, she was the daughter of the late Al and Nota Mae Dowell Ball. She was an active member of Deep Creek Baptist Church, the Jail Ministry, and Church Missionary Work.

She was preceded in death by two brothers, J.C. Ball, and Dan Ball, and a sister Joanne Sutton.

She is survived by her husband of 29 years, Ronnie Blanton; three children, Woover Partridge and wife Caroline of Cherokee, Vera (Mouse) Lequire of Cherokee, and Collette Coggins and husband Barry of Bryson City; eight grandchildren; seven great grandchildren; and one brother, Charles Ray Ball and wife Betty of Bryson City.

Funeral Services were held Monday, May 1 at Deep Creek Baptist Church. Rev. Mike Cogdill officiated with burial in the Lauada Cemetery.

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

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Using the "z" word

ROBERT JUMPER

ONE FEATHER EDITOR

ost communities don't like it. When it comes to land use, owners don't like to be told how they can, or can't use their land. The idea of zoning gets people in a bad mood. Zoning, or comprehensive land use plans, can affect the value of properties and will impact the type.

Comprehensive land use strategies (zoning) is a template for current and future us of land within a given geography. A team, usually a county or town government, will come together and develop a plan for the best use of available land within their town or county. In our case, it would be our tribal government that would prepare, present, execute, and enforce a zoning structure.

Zoning is typically not a popular topic of discussion for a politician. Mainly because politicians answer to constituencies. And, constituencies are generally made up of people who hold (i.e. own) land. As we mentioned before, we don't like to be told how we can use what we own.

Without a strategic approach, we are left with a patchwork of use, which reduces the potential of some properties and causes community conflicts. Without zoning, by way of a simple example, Land Owner A may choose to create a children's day care while Land Owner B, who owns the adjacent property to Land Owner A, decides to open an adult sex shop. Larger, more costly examples, are prime land plots that line high traffic roadways that are being designated for non-commercial use. The earning potential for many properties is lost because of a lack of a strategic use plan for those areas. Long term considerations cannot be effectively made about power, water, and sewer needs without a plan that specifies the use of property. A zoning plan, or lack of one, impacts the future farming, retail business, municipal structuring, and housing.

Like many reservations or, in our case, trust lands belonging to Native Americans, much of the terrain is mountainous. Much of the property we hold does not naturally lend itself to development. We have either hilly, rocky conditions to overcome, or much of the buildable, commercially advantageous property lies in a flood plain. For the Tribe, a zoning structure is critical to the future of our people. Like building a bicycle with the instructions, we are likely to take longer, spend more money on tools, be more frustrated, and likely end up with something we can only ride for a little while before we must rebuild it.

An article from 2015 entitled "The Purpose of the Comprehensive Land Use Plan" outlines great benefits of zoning. A plan provides continuity. The tribal strategic plan would give a structural guideline that would be used as a foundation for generations of administrations of government. A plan is how a community can balance competing private interests. One land owner may want to build a port-a-john cleaning facility on his property, while the adjacent property owner is building an outdoor bistro. Without a plan, the situation is likely going to end up in court. A plan is how a community can protect public investments. "Planning is how a community avoids digging up last year's new road to lay this year's new sewer pipe. Well-planned, orderly and phased development patterns are also expensive for a community to provide with public services than low-density, scattered development. It provides guidance for shaping the appearance of the community. A plan promotes economic development. Prospective firms wanting to locate on the Qualla Boundary want to know who their neighbors are going to be. A plan provides justification for decisions. When businesses or land owners are told that they can't use a piece of land for a specific purpose, a zoning plan helps justify why they cannot, so it cuts down on time in court, in addition to insuring best use of land. And, most importantly, through public dialogue, a plan allows citizens to express a collective vision for the future. The community has better control of the future of the Qualla Boundary when they are part of the planning process and the citizens

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Facebook Weekly Question Responses

Note: The following comments were made on the Cherokee One Feather Facebook page to our weekly question:

If it comes to it, would you rather er see the federal government (i.e. federal courts) or a group of representatives, leaders, and elders of the three federally-recognized Cherokee tribes (EBCI, UKB, and Cherokee Nation) arbitrate the current governmental crisis of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians?

Rave Rufty Ratliff: Three Tribes - jury of your peers versus bureaucracy you can't trust

Savannah Wilnoty: This just continues to divide our people, friends, and families!

Joey Owle: I would rather have qualified, competent, unbiased individuals properly address our intergovernmental quandaries.

Ashley Sessions: That's exactly what we need right now. We need an outside party to hear this that has no involvement or any reason to be biased. I am praying this will all be over soon!

Raz Lemmons: The federal government has done such a good job in the past. Who wouldn't trust them?

Laura Harden: I like the idea of The Free State of Cherokee - people living together with no fences except for the state border. They got us all taxed to the point you can't even afford to live or die.

Rory Howe: The Cherokee people

should be allowed to govern themselves without interference from the useless, incompetent federal govt. Nothing they have ever been involved in has been a success. The Cherokee know more about their needs than the federal govt. Establish a diverse committee, meet on a regular basis and present their findings...just like you did 100s of years ago! We all wish you success.

Tabitha Gatlin: Tribal business is exactly that...tribe business...that's just my opinion.

D LC Davis: I have been following all of this, and I never comment as I'm neither enrolled nor a resident...but, I am adding here that I believe allowing the federal government to even be involved is a dangerously slippery slope.

John Eugene Dix: Yes, the US Government does not need to be involved in Cherokee tribal matters etc...Long ago, the people's voices were heard. They determined. Now, you can speak what is on your heart, but who says they actually want to hear you? This reminds me of the Ross Faction and Ridge Faction back in north Georgia when the Cherokee Nation was going to be removed. Those who didn't hear the voices of the people and overrode their voices by signing a false treaty were assassinated. Times have changed, but these things occured back then too but there were big consequences. My opinion, keep the U.S. government out of Cherokee matters, politics etc. Inviting them in is another form of attack on Cherokee Sovereignty.

KitnBen Welch: Yes, please keep the white government out of the native tribal discussions or whatever is happening here. We don't need them, never have. They're the reason why we'ere here in the first place. They can take away everything. You already know Trump hates us having our casinos.

Reed Mattocks: I agree with you wholeheartedly, but in order to do so the Tribe must stop taking money in federal grants. Every dime that comes from the feds will be held over the Tribe's head. That is one reason the FBI has jurisdiction on the reservation. They don't have to ask permission to come investigate a federal crime.

Storm Vincent: We need to keep the control in Cherokee hands.

Karen Potter: Since when has the federal governemnt ever done what was in our best interest? Leave them out.

William Dover Jr.: Federal courts... the tribal govenment we have in office now all just want to keep the system of corruption. But, we need unbiased tribal voices also. All this is is a power struggle by nine Council members who are only in it for themselves, They don't care about the Tribe or our people.

Barbara McCay: The people should demand the power to recall the Tribal Council members and the Chief, if necessary. Calling in other governments tells others that you are not capable of governing yourselves. Never a good look for a Tribe that wants to retain its sovereignty.

Edwina Jones: If I had to choose between the two choices you presented, then I choose elders from the three Cherokee tribes. Hopefully, our tribal Supreme Court will provide a fair and correct solution soon.

Jon Walkingstick: In all fairness, if I ever needed heart surgery I wouldn't ask my mechanic to do it. I would attempt to get the best heart surgeon I could find. Tribal elders are an important part of our culture, but legislation and judicial proceedings are not their area of expertise. Not even close. It would be wise, if possible, to have an unbiased and highly qualified group come in, tell us where we are right and wrong and what we need to fix. Because we defintely aren't running on perfect right now. Neither is the federal government, but the way they write laws now makes our legislative process look like arts and crafts time at preschool. You need to be able to call it what it is. There is nothing wrong at all from seeking help from someone who is better than you at it. That's how you learn anyway. Our tribal politics are just that, tribal. We back relatives whether they are right or wrong and refuse to follow law a lot of the time. We do have a mindset that does seem to be stuck in the past. It is time we embrace our future and our civility. We must do what's fair and just no matter how bad it might hurt. By doing so, then you could truly say you are doing what's best for the Tribe and its people.

Daniel Patterson: Cherokee group council

Rebecca Thomas Parton: Tribal business should be kept just that... tribal business! Our people deserve their voice!

More Poll Responses

Bill Mayo: Of course the matter should be handled by the people, not by a federal court system. But, the nine council members who are creating this madness should be held accountable.

Cookie Parker-Williams: Three tribes....the federal government currently is full of corruption and is currently under cleanup it's self. Until that bunch is cleaned up, they are not suitable. Also, the three tribes understand the Indian cultures best.

Teresa Lambert Wolfe: I think they should have an elder or maybe two from each community to make the decisions. **Anthony Lambert:** Elders, listen to the elders.

Debi Lee: I would ask for our elders because they have been here longer than Council has and know a lot more than most people.

Couney McNabb: The Tribe is a sovereign nation and, therefore, must handle it's own affairs. I believe the proper place for the current situation is in Tribal Court as it is a completely separate branch from the Executive and Legislative branch. Especially if there is suspected criminal activities.

Janett Swisher Owens: Cherokee

Marie Thompson: The tribes are better positioned to "arbitrate" their own issues. What does any-



body in federal government even know about it? This is not the same as states making their own laws in attempts to override federal laws. It's arbitration. Federal arbitration usually has meant "attrition".

Davis Rezgirl Alana: No big government participation. But, wait a minute, will my opinions and wishes even count? It doesn't seem to count with Council.

Stevie Hazel Jr.: No, the federal government should not be involved. It was outsiders that had the Cherokee start electing Chiefs in the first place. The UKB chief was let go, now the Eastern Band is talking about getting rid of their and from what I gather things aren't looking to good for the CN (Cherokee Nation) Chief either. This is exactly why, before European contact, the Cherokee did not have Chiefs. I pray for peace among all Cherokee and may our creator guide them to make the right choices concerning their governments.

Nicholas Queen: Don't do it.

Bryan Wahya: If GWY is taken over by the U.S. government, it

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collectively help decide the overall land use of the Boundary.

Zoning is a large part of a more important goal of diversification of revenue streams of the Tribe. We all sense the urgency of developing additional, stable, and substantial revenue generating opportunities for the Tribe. A quick read of local and regional media produce cause for concern that threats to our gaming operation could become reality sooner than later. Call it a "zoning plan" or a "comprehensive land use plan". We, as a Tribe, need to be aggressive in developing a plan for the precious few land segments that are suitable for commercial development while protecting our natural resources, including the natural beauty that we have been blessed. Part of being good stewards of what we have been given is to thoughtfully and carefully create a plan for how those are used.

will no longer be a Tribe. It be just another city in North Carolina. With the things going on in GWY right now, it would be easy for the government to walk in and take over. The GWY people need to band together and dont let that happen.

Justin Jumper: Okay, listen people. None of you all seem to understand that the federal government can at anytime come in on to tribal lands and start investigations and arrest or make changes. We are not completely sovereign. Wake up. I'm not sure anybody understands that our tribal land is still held in trust with the federal government which means we are allowed to govern ourselves, but there is still a lot of laws that the federal government sets that we, as a Tribe, has to abide by, and not only that we are all Americans. What is wrong with the majority of the people today is that they do not understand how things are suppose to work. I pray for my Tribe and its leaders that the nine council representatives see the error in their thinking and will stop this madness soon and let our Chief do his job - the Chief, we the people, voted in.



Event listings are free of charge. Send your event name, date and time, location, and contact info to scotmckie@nc-cherokee.com.

Cultural Events

Cherokee Beadwork Class.

May 6 from 10am – 5pm at Sequoyah Birthplace Museum. EBCI tribal member Betty Maney will teach the class. The cost is \$15 for the class fee plus an additional kit fee of \$45 which includes a loom, beads, thread, and a needle that students will be able to take home after the class. The project will be a bracelet. Info: (423) 884-6246

Workshop on Twined Shoes.

May 11-12 from 9am – 2pm daily at the Museum of the Cherokee Indian. Sharon Littlejohn will instruct the class which is \$10 for EBCI tribal members. Participants must have a basic knowledge of

how to do twining. This workshop is part of the Museum's revitalization of Cherokee traditions of textile making, which date back more than 9,500 years. Participants should bring hemp yarn size 12 and size 6. Note that hemp varn is different from the hemp twine sold in craft stores. Hemp yarn does not have a finish on it, so it works better to make the shoes. You can order from www.hempbasics.com. Bring scissors or a knife. No loom is needed. Info: Barbara Duncan 497-3481 ext. 306 or bduncan@ cherokeemuseum.org

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, alevans116@ gmail.com

Church Events

National Day of Prayer. May

4 from 10am – 3pm at Acquoni Baptist Chapel. The church sanctuary will be open from 10am – 3pm for anyone who would like to pray. Lunch will be available from 11am – 1pm.

Fundraisers/Benefits



Turkey Shoot. May 6 at 5pm at Jess Welch's residence in the Big Cove Community. This is a benefit for Jess Welch himself. Good prizes, good food, good fun. Info or to schedule a shoot: Jess Welch 497-2434

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

Cherokee Elementary School Kindergarten Drop-In Reg-

istration. May 9 from 4-6pm. Things to bring: tribal enrollment card, birth certificate, KG health assessment form, updated immunizations, custody/court papers if applicable. Must be 5-years-old before Aug. 31. This year, the school is also requiring the following from the parent/guardian: enrollment card, driver's license or ID card. Info: 554-5020

Swing and Line Dance Lessons. This five-week free program will be held May 9, 16, 23, 30 and June 13 at 6:30pm at the Yellowhill Activity Center. Lessons will conclude with a Community Dance on June 17 at 6:30pm. All ages are welcome. No dance experience required. Info: 788-0502

Indivisible Swain County NC meeting. May 10 at 6pm at the Historic Calhoun Hotel at 135 Everett Street in Bryson City. Topics being discussed include environmental and health care issues. Info: Brenda Donargo 488-1118

Health/Sports Events

Diabetes Empowerment Education Program classes. Starting May 4 from 1-2:30pm on Thursdays at Cherokee Indian Hospital Oconaluftee Meeting Room (lower level near cafeteria). The program is designed for people with diabetes or pre-diabetes. The classes are free, but space is limited. Snacks and door prizes included. To register or for information: Jean Walborn, RDN, 497-9163 ext. 7569 or jean.walborn@cherokeehospital. org

Snowbird Health Fair. May 11 from 10am – 2pm at Snowbird Gym in the Snowbird Community. Free health screens – blood pressure and blood sugar, yoga and exercise demonstrations, information from various tribal programs and local programs. Info: Snowbird Community Health – Jennifer (828) 346-6990, Hanna or Nettie (828) 346-6991, or Onita (828) 346-6992

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

Upcoming Pow Wows for May 5-7

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.

AIHREA O.N.E. Health and Wellness Pow Wow. May 5-6 at Johnson County Community College Field House, Overland Park, KS. Host Drum: The Boyz. M.C.: Bart Powaukee. Info: Contact Charlie Lewis (913) 945-7821, clewis4@kumc.edu

Dance of the Spring Moon 2017 Lumbee Powwow. May 5-7 at Lumber Tribe Cultural Center, Maxton, NC. MC: Sandon Jacobs and JD Moore. Info: (910)



521-7861, jlowery@lumbeetribe. com, www.lumbeetribe.com

American Indian Cancer Foundation's 6th Annual Powwow for Hope. May 6 at Base Camp Facility, Minneapolis, MN. Info: www.powwowforhope.org

The 32nd Annual UCLA Pow Wow. May 6-7 at UCLA North Athletic Field. MC: Ben Hale. Host Northern: Spirit Lake. Host Southern: Red Buffalo. Info: (310) 206-8043, powwow@ucla.edu, www. uclapowwow.com

University of Nevada, Reno Pow Wow. May 6-7 at John Sala Intramural Fields. Host Drum: Young Chief. MC: Carlos Calica. Info: Contact Saundra Mitrovich (775) 682-6499, smitrovich@unr.edu

Restoring Harmony Interweaving Generations Powwow. May 6 at Westside YMCA, Tulsa, OK. MC: Choogie Kingfisher. Info: Contact Kelly Mounce (918) 382-2205.

Edmonds Community College Pow Wow. May 6-7 at Edmonds Community College Seaview Gym, Lynnwood, WA. Info: regina. gradias@edcc.edu, www.edcc.edu/ powwow/

Pow Wow Hope: Dancing for Life, Love and Hope. May 6 at Base Camp Facility at 201 Bloomington Road in Minneapolis, Minn. MC: Dave Larsen. Host Drum: Ringing Shield. Info: www. PowwowforHope.org, powwow@ AICAF.org, (612) 314-4848

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

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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

AA and NA meetings in

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

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

Analenisgi Recovery Center weekly class schedule Monday: Community Culture

11:15am - 12:30pm; Stressed No More 2-3pm; Nar-Anon 6-7pm (1st and 3rd Mondays); CoDA 6-7pm (2nd and 4th Mondays) Tuesday: Recovery Thru Art 8:45-9:45am; Healthy Relationships 11am – 12pm; Employment Workshop Series 11am - 12pm (2nd Tuesday); Family Support Skills 1-2pm; Surviving Emotions 2-3pm Wednesday: Managing "Monkey Mind" 10-11am; Recovery is Happening Now 11am – 12pm; My Self, My Boundaries 2-3:30pm; Family Support Skills 5-6pm; HIV/ AIDS/Hep C Support Group 5:45-6:45pm (2nd and 4th Wednesdays) Thursday: Life Recovery Bible Class 9-10am; Connections with Brene' Brown 10-11am; Managing "Monkey Mind" 11am – 12pm; Improve Self-Esteem 1-2:30pm Friday: Recovery Thur Art 9:30-11am and 11am – 12pm; Cherokee Language Class 1-2:30pm Info: 497-9163 ext. 7550

CIHA Bariatric Support Groups

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

TERO Mother Town Healing

Project. Recovery support, personal growth, skill-building, healthy life skills, lunches provided, weekly incentives and rewards. Sponsored by TERO, EBCI Executive Office, Vice Chief Richard G. Sneed, VOC, and EBCI Cooperative Extension. Info: Steven Long stevlong@ nc-cherokee.com, Erin Taylor erintayl@nc-cherokee.com, Jennifer Wilson jennwils@nc-cherokee. com, Jennifer Wildcatt jennwild@ nc-cherokee.com, Front Office 359-6421

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



ARIES (March 21 to April 19) You Ewes and Rams will find your ideas cheered by a mostly receptive flock. Those few dissenters could well be turned around by your charm and powers of persuasion.

TAÚRUS (April 20 to May 20) It's time for the bold and beautiful Bovine to shake off the dust of the past and shape up with new ideas for the future. This could surprise some folks, but they'll soon adjust.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20) Those nagging new doubts about an upcoming decision should alert you to step back (at least temporarily) so you can reassess its potential impact from a new perspective.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22) That unpleasant situation you hoped would go away by itself needs immediate attention before it affects an upcoming decision. Expect your supporters to rally around your cause.

LEO (July 23 to August 22) You're moving up and away from that recent setback. But remain cautious about finances. An exercise in thrift today helps cushion a possible end-of-themonth money squeeze.

VIRGO (August 23 to September 22) You're still dealing with overtones of pessimism that cause you to doubt your ability to make some needed changes. But the negative pressures will ease up by week's end.



LIBRA (September 23 to October 22) There could be some fallout from the way you handled a recent family problem. But those who know that you were in the right won't hesitate to step in on your behalf.

SCORPIO (October 23 to November 21) Financial strains ease by week's end. Meanwhile, focus on cultivating that new relationship if you hope to have it blossom into something more meaningful.

SAGITTARIUS (November 22 to December 21) Health matters once again dominate the week. Be careful not to ignore recurrences of an old problem. An almost-forgotten commitment resurfaces.

CAPRICORN (December 22 to January 19) The emergence of an unusual selfish streak could dismay those close to you. Defy it — don't justify it — so you can become your gracious self again.

AQUARIUS (January 20 to February 18) Reassess your decision to stay with the status quo. It might seem like the sensible thing to do right now, but changes around you could make that choice a risky one.

PISCES (February 19 to March 20) Move decisively but cautiously when dealing with a delicate personal matter. The fewer mistakes you make now, the less likely it is that the problem will recur later on.

BORN THIS WEEK: You can find beauty where many cannot. And you enjoy sharing your discovery with others.

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Places of Worship

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



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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

Lethal Fentanyl Alert

Overdose deaths are happening in your community.

Fentanyl has been found in heroin, cocaine, oxys, fake 80's and crystal meth. You should assume any drug may contain fentanyl.

BE DRUG SMART:

- . Don't use alone
- Don't mix drugs (including alcohol)
- Try a small amount first
- Have an overdose response plan
- Learn about the overdose antidote naloxone (*Narcan)



SIGNS OF AN OVERDOSE:

- Severe sleepiness
- Slow heartbeat
- Cold, clammy skin
- Trouble walking or talking
- Slow, shallow breathing/snoring

DON'T WAIT! CALL 911

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

Doublewide Clayton Mobile Home, 3 bedroom/2bath, partially furnished, \$650.00 a month. Requires first and last month's rent, plus security deposit. Would prefer no children. Rental Agreement and references required. Located on McCoy Branch Cherokee. (828) 736-6642

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

2006 Dodge Durango, 4 wheel drive, leather interior, third row seating, DVD player. \$8,000.00 OBO. For more information please call 828-507-9689

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

Stack of Tool boxes, lots of tools wrenches, rachets, screw drivers, chop saw, circular saws, and assorted tools, tiller, ladder, DeWalt saw, antiques and old double barrel shot gun and much more. April 28th & 29th 50 Bryson City, call (828)488-8951 5/4

SERVICES

Oocumma's Lawn Mowing Services. Attention all businesses and homeowners – do you need your lawn mowed for a reasonable price? If so, please call for a free estimate at 497-0136 or 508-5183. Licensed and insured. TERO certified. 5/18

Do you have nuisance, felled trees pine or hardwood? I will remove free for firewood (828)508-0568 5/4

REWARDS

REWARD \$200.00 CASH RE-WARD for information locating 5'x8' utility trailer stolen from 516 Big Cove road this last full moon. Trailer is single axle black with expanded metal drop tail gate & sides as sold at Lowes. Call (828)508-0568. 5/4

You can't fix a pedestrian at a body shop.

Slow down and watch for pedestrians.





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

Opening Date: April 21, 2017 Closing Date: May 5, 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



TWO DECADES OF TURNING JOBS INTO CAREERS.

Master Mechanic/Shop

Accounts Payable Processor/Administration

> Lead Teacher/ Agelink Child Care

> > After School

Group Leader/Agelink

'Harrah's Cherokee is such a great place to be. It's like family with great pay, great benefits and great times. - Will Cuprak (Employed by Harrah's Cherokee Casino Report for 20 years)

Barista Bartender Casino Cocktail Server (PT) Cleaning Specialist (FT/PT) Cook 1& Cook II (FT) Cook (a Cook ((?)) Dual Rate Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced E-Lounge Cocktail Server (PT) EMT/Security Officer Engineering Technician II - HVAC F&B Cashier Food Runner - Food Court Front Desk Clerk Groundskeeper - Seasonal useperson Laundry Attendant (PT) Room Attendant (PT) Sales Associate Security Officer Senior Cook

eillance Officer Table Games Dealer - Experienced (FT/PT) Table Games Dealer Training School (PT) Table Games Service Supervisor - Experienced Valet Parker (PT) Valet Parking Clerk CHEROKEE VALLEY RIVER CASING Bar Porter (PT) Bartender (PT) Beverage Server (PT) Cleaning Specialist (PT) Cook (PT) **Dual Rate EVS Supervisor Deal Rate Table Games Supervisors** EVS Heavy Duty Cleaner HR Manager Maintenance Technician II um Attendants (FT & PT) Stewards (PT)





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Preference does apply. A current job application must be submitted. Resumes will not be accepted in



POSITIONS OPEN

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

Closing Friday, May 12, 2017

lieu of a Tribal application.

- 1. Library Aid Qualla Boundary Public Library CERS (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- 2. Youth Development Professional Snowbird Youth Center Snowbird/CC Services (\$21,484 - \$26,855)
- 3. Retirement Specialist Benefits & Compensation Human Resources (\$45,018 -\$56.273)
- Capitol Control Clerk Financial Assets Treasury (\$28,372 \$35,465)
- 5. Domestic Violence Paralegal (Re-advertisement) Domestic Violence PHHS (\$34,112-\$42,640)
- 6. Magistrate Tribal Court Judicial Branch (\$41,082 \$51,353)
- Security Life Technician I Security & Surveillance Executive (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 8. Security Life Technician II Security & Surveillance Executive (\$37,474 \$46,843) Closing Friday, May 5, 2017
- 1. Housekeeper II Heavy Duty Housekeeping Public Works (\$23,616 \$29,520)
- Housekeeper I Light Duty Housekeeping Public Works (\$21,484 \$26,855)
- Electronic Media Coordinator Kituwah Academy CERS (\$34,112 \$42,640) **Open Until Filled – PHHS**
- 1. Domestic Violence Program Manager Domestic Violence (\$45,018 \$56,273)
- 2. Family Safety Program Manager Family Safety PHHS (\$64,206 \$80,258)
- 3. Social Worker Tsali Care Center PHHS (\$41,082 51,353)
- 4. RN Supervisor Tsali Care Center PHHS (\$49,200 \$61,500)
- 5. 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)
- 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)
- Teacher Dora Reed Center/QBHS/EHS (\$28,372 \$35,465)

Open Until Filled - All others

- 1. Detention Officer Detention Services (\$31,078 \$38,848)
- 2. Associate Attorney General III- Civil Law (\$76,670-\$95,838)
- Network Administrator- Broadband (\$41,082-\$51,353)
- Part Time- Paramedic Tribal EMS (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- 5. Full Time Paramedic Tribal EMS (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- Corrections Officer (X 2) Corrections Public Safety (\$34,112 \$42,640)
- Natural Resource Enforcement Officer (X 9)- NRE Public Safety (\$37,474 \$46,843)
- Education Supervisor CYC- Education (\$31,078-\$38,848)
- 9. Recreation Aide Part-Time (X 2) Cherokee Life Program Education (\$21,484-\$26,855)
- 10. Elementary Immersion Instructor (X2) Kituwah Academy CERS (\$31,078 -\$38,848)

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

EMPLOYMENT

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT CHEROKEE BOYS CLUB TEMPORARY TRAFFIC DIRECTORS

ORGANIZATION:Cherokee Boys Club P. O. Box 507 (52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop) Cherokee, NC Cherokee Historical Association Parking Agreement OPENING DATE: April 21, 2017 CLOSING DATE: May 5, 2017 JOB DUTIES:

Traffic directors will be under the supervision of the Head Parker. Traffic directors will direct traffic and pedestrians as they arrive and leave nightly performances of the Unto These Hills outdoor drama.

They will provide security for the parking lots before, during and after the performance, assist staff and



(828)736-0481

flyingfeatherscab@gmail.com flyingfeatherscabservice.com patrons of the Drama and assist with shuttle bus loading and unloading if necessary. Applicants must be dependable. Job involves heavy traffic, night work and requires alertness and safety at all times.

Applicants who are selected for a position and are under the age of 18 and between the ages of 14-17 are required to have a workers permit. This permit can be obtained from the Boys Club's HR Office at the time of selection.

A job description and application can be picked up from the Receptionist at the Information Window of the Boys Club between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday. For more information call 828-497-9101.

The selected applicants must submit to a pre-employment drug screen and local, state, and federal civil and criminal background and sexual offender screens (if required).

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of these positions. If claiming Indian Preference, applicants must submit the appropriate certificate. **5/4pd**

JOB ANNOUNCEMENT OJT SUMMER YOUTH

POSITIONS: On-the-Job Training (OJT) positions for Summer Youth (Employment will begin on June 05, 2017 and end on July 28, 2017.) ORGANIZATION:Cherokee Boys Club, Inc., P. O. Box 507 Cherokee, NC 28719 (52 Cherokee Boys Club Loop, Cherokee, NC 28719) DEPARTMENT: Various Departments within the Boys Club OPENING DATE: April 21, 2017 CLOSING DATE: May 05, 2017



Cherokee Central Schools Position Openings

• Security (Part-Time) -Require HS diploma or GED.

• SPED Teacher Assistant (2 positions) -Requires Associate's degree or 48 completed semester hours of study at an institute of higher education.

• Special Education Teacher K-12 -NC Teaching license required.

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

APPLY ONLINE at: https://phl.applitrack.com/cherokeecentral/onlineapp/ or visit www.ccs-nc.org for more information. REQUIREMENTS: Applicants must be high school or college students and must provide a letter of reference from a school principal, teacher, counselor, etc., with application for employment.

Students who are selected for a position and who are under the age of 18 and between the ages of 14-17 are required to have a workers permit. This permit can be obtained from the Boys Club's HR Office at the time of selection.

To get a complete Job Description, please see the Receptionist at the Information Window at the Cherokee Boys Club, Monday through Friday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm or call (828) 497-9101.

Must complete pre-employment drug test and be subject to ongoing random drug tests. Must comply with drug-free workplace rules and CBC Board policies in regard to the drugfree policy.

Indian Preference does apply in the filling of this position. If claiming Indian Preference, applicant must submit the appropriate certificate. **5/4pd**

LEGAL NOTICES

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

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

The above mentioned Pokerpro balances may be withdrawn by the person named on the Pokerpro account at the Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort Poker room cashier. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. **5/11pd**

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

This is notification of the retirement of Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips that were in use prior to August 31, 2012. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort will redeem all outstanding \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, from any persons/parties possessing such until 11:59 p.m. on Thursday, May 11, 2017. All outstanding Harrah's Cherokee \$1, \$2.50, \$5, \$25, \$100, \$500 and \$1,000 Chips, used prior to August 31, 2012, will be deemed to be of no value, and will no longer be accepted or redeemed after midnight on May 12, 2017. The above mentioned chips can be redeemed for cash at Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort cashier cages. Harrah's Cherokee Casino Resort thanks all of its customers for your continued patronage. 5/11pd

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-022

In the Matter of the Estate of Justin Chase Wolfe

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 Albert William Sluder, P.O. Box 1386, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/4pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 11-069 In the Matter of the Estate of James Michael Taylor

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

Debtors of the decedent are asked to make immediate payment to the appointed fiduciary(s) listed below. Date to submit claims: 90 DAYS FROMDATE OF FIRST PUBLICATION Jamie Michelle Taylor or Jessica Miranda Taylor, 3383 Old #4 Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File No. EST 17-026 In the Matter of the Estate of Luzene Lossiah Thompson All persons, firms and corpo-

rations 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 Franklin David Thompson, 1105 Bigwitch Road, Cherokee, NC 28719. **5/18pd**

Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians Cherokee, North Carolina Estate File Nos.: EST 12-003; EST 12-020; EST 12-022; EST 12-027. In the Matter of the Estates of: Tamera Chantelle Shinkman (d. 12/13/2011); William Ronald Roland (d. 02/22/2012); Joshua Wesley Crowe (d. 03/28/2012); Alice Mae Arch

(d. 04/21/2012).

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

Courtroom 1, EBCI Justice Center May 25th, 2017 at 1:30pm **5/18pd**

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 Marti-

nez, 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 **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**

BIDS, RFPs, etc.

Southwestern Commission Area Agency on Aging is soliciting proposals for the provision of Support and Nutrition Services for the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians.

Invitations for Bid Proposal will be available May 1st, 2017. Bid Proposals may be picked up in person at the Area Agency on Aging, 125 Bonnie Lane, Sylva, NC 28779 or requested via email at jeanne@regiona.org. Completed bid proposals must be submitted to the Area Agency on Aging by 1:00pm on May 31st, 2017.

see **BIDS** next page

LEGALS: from page 29

Questions may be addressed to Sarajane Melton or Jeanne Mathews at 828/586-1962, or 125 Bonnie Lane, Sylva NC 28779. **5/4pd**

Request for Proposals

The Cherokee Tribal Court seeks competitive proposals for licensed attorneys to represent enrolled members in child custody matters on a contractual basis. The EBCI Legal Assistance Office needs refer clients that cannot be represented by that office due to a conflict of interest to outside counsel for representation.

Qualifications include: 1. Applicant must be admitted to practice in the Cherokee Court of the Eastern Band of Cherokee

Indians.

2. Applicant must provide diligent, professional representation to clients.

 Applicant should have experience representing clients in custody cases before the Cherokee Court.
Applicant must be responsive to clients and bill accurately.

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

• Name and contact information

• Relevant education and experience in this type of work

• Proposed contract terms, including cost to the EBCI

Professional references

Proposals may be submitted at any time, but those received on or before May 15th will receive priority over later submissions. Please email proposals to Bonnie Claxton, Manager of the EBCI Legal Assistance Office, bonnclax@ nc-cherokee.com.

This is a solicitation of proposals and not an offer to contract. The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians reserves the right to decline any proposals received. **5/11pd**

Request for Qualifications Project Title: Community Pool and Aquatic Facility RFQ

This is a "Request for Qualifications" from firms or teams with experience in the design and engineering of public pools and/or aquatic recreation areas.

The Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians, Project Management Program, is soliciting proposals for design and engineering services for a community pool and aquatic recreation area to be constructed in Cherokee, NC. The design will include a heated pool, leisure river, splash area, sun decks/lounges and a bathing/changing facility.

The objective of this contract is to produce a set of completed plans and technical specifications necessary to proceed with bidding and construction of this project.

The full project description and "RFQ" will be provided to any interested firm upon request. All questions, comments or requests for materials should be addressed to Travis Sneed, Tribal Planner at 828-359-6701 or by email at travsnee@nc-cherokee.com. The deadline for submitting proposals is 2:30 p.m. on 05/25/2017.

Indian Preference (as defined by the Tribal Employment Rights Office, TERO) applies for this RFQ. **5/11pd**





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2. MEASUREMENTS: How many feet are there in a fathom?

3. ADVERTISEMENTS: What product could no longer be advertised on U.S. TV after Jan. 1, 1971?

4. GEOLOGY: What is the tectonic boundary between the North American and Pacific plates?

5. MEDICAL: What do the initials stand for in

the BRAT diet for children with upset stomachs? 6. TELEVISION: What was the detective character's main prop on the drama "Kojak"?

7. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: How many siblings does a septuplet have?

8. FOOD & DRINK: What is "beurre noir"?

9. MOVIES: What movie's last line was, "We'll go on forever, Pa, 'cause we're the people"?

10. MUSIC: Who composed "Music for the Royal Fireworks"?

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10. George Frideric Handel Butter that is cooked until it is dark brown; 9. "The Grapes of Wrath"; sauce and toast; 6. Lollipop; 7. Six siblings. Seven offspring are called septuplets.; 1. Amsterdam; 2. Six; 3. Cigarettes; 4. San Andreas fault; 5. Bananas, rice, apple-Trivia Test Answers

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